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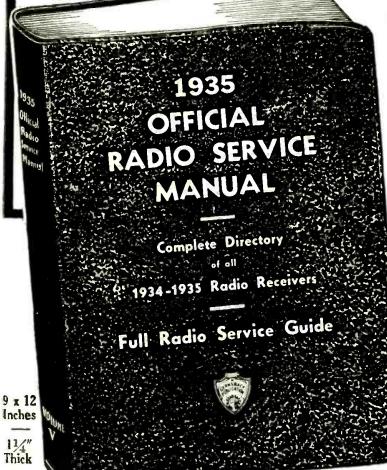
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HE short-wave art today has assumed such vast proportions that it is difficult even for the man well versed in radio to keep track of all its ramifications. Each month there are new developments and applications in this fastest growing branch of radio.

In short-wave reception we have, today, close to 10,000 short-wave stations which transmit 'phone or code. The largest and most powerful transmitters are those that send international programs of the entertainment type which can be heard all over the world. Incidentally, it is a peculiarity of short waves that the effectiveness of the transmitter is not realized within about 500 miles of the transmitting station, but becomes apparent as the distance increases (up to a certain point).

However, while the average man associates "short waves" only with the reception of foreign programs, and while no doubt this is their foremost application, newer applications are cropping up every day.

Short-wave transmitters are used, for instance, for commercial purposes such as transatlantic and overseas shortway telephony. Other radio transmitters are required in the ship-to-shore telephone service. In fact, there are today, 21 passenger liners equipped with short-wave telephone whereby, for a reasonable sum, the passenger at sea may telephone from his own ship to almost any part of the world, via short waves. Then, of course, there are the many thousands of stations operating daily in airplane work, for communication purposes between ground and 'plane, and vice versa. There are also over 50,000 shortwave amateur transmitters scattered all over the world. Most of these use code, but 'phone is on the increase.

An entirely different field of short-wave radio operation is that of "facsimile" transmission, or the sending of photographs and the like. The facilities of such transmitters are being utilized more and more by most of the larger companies. This branch of short-wave radio has been greatly developed in the past few years. Since it is now possible to transmit a photograph from London to New York in the short time of 15 minutes, important press photographs are now flashed across oceans at lightning speed and record reproduction. Witness the recent photo-radio service of the assassination of King Alexander where the actual views of the assassination were published in the morning newspapers in New York within 10 hours after the assassination took place in Marseilles, France.

Television, of course, is accomplished by means of short waves, and while the final word has not yet been spoken, one thing is certain: when we finally have regular television service, it must be via short waves and most probably ultra short waves, or the wavelengths below 6 meters. And here it might be well to state that the further down in the short-wave spectrum we go (the higher the frequency) the less strong becomes static interference until, finally, there is reached a point in the "micro short-wave" band where static is entirely absent. This highly important advantage will be a boon to television because the use of such micro waves will enable us to have images unmarred by static.

found in "radio therapeutics." Less than 10 years ago it was discovered by physicists that short waves could be used to produce artificial fever in patients simply by placing them directly in the field set up between two plates energized by a short-wave transmitter. The artificial fever, which can be controlled accurately, thus is induced in the patient and many diseases are today treated by such shortwave therapy. This particular branch of short-wave radio is still in its infancy, and much work remains to be done.

Many surprising things will come about in this field. One of them, for instance, has to do with the extermination of insect pests whereby the larvae are killed by the direct application of short waves. This can be accomplished right in fields where crops are grown and no doubt this branch of short-wave radio will, in due time, reach vast proportions.

Geo-radio is still another branch of short-wave radio by which geologists and others make use of the versatile short waves to explore the ground for its mineral contents. Nowadays, new mines are no longer discovered by the hitor-miss procedure, but the prospecting miner uses shortwave radio equipment and systematically explores his terrain by noting the reflection, refraction and absorption of short waves sent out by a miniature, portable transmitter. Excellent results are had by this method, which is always certain, and cheaper in the long run. In this country alone, the Federal Communications Commission set aside wavelengths just for the purpose of radio exploration of this type. Much is to be expected from this branch of radio in the near future.

These items do not by any means exhaust the list because there still are numerous other applications of short waves, many of which have, as yet, no practical value. For instance, down in the micro short wave region, that is, in the spectrum where the wavelengths are only 4 inches (about 10 centimeters) in length, the action of the radiations becomes entirely different. As we all know, the usual short and ultra short waves penetrate brick and wooden buildings just as if they did not exist, but down in the micro short waves, conditions suddenly change, when it is no longer possible to send the waves through solid buildings; nor do these waves follow the curvature of the earth as do their sister waves. Indeed, micro waves behave much like light waves, and transmitter and receiver must be in sight of each other-the signals will not ordinarily carry below the horizon.

Senatore Marconi is reported as pursuing experiments toward utilizing these micro waves in "radiodynamics," or the control of mechanical devices at a remote point by means of radio waves. Reports so far received seem to indicate that results as reliable as those obtainable over a regular copper-wire line may be secured by using these "beam" waves, which may be directed like a beam of light.

Still further down, in the micro-wave band we come to a point where the so-called "radio" short waves are no longer really radio at all. Here the frequencies merge into those of heat waves, and behave exactly as such. Very little is know about these borderline waves, and there is no gainsaying that some of our greatest surprises in radio will come in the application of these *microscopic* waves!

Still another application of high-frequency radiations is

THE RADIO MONTH



The latest move in Germany is the establishment of a huge network of television transmitters for disbursing propaganda.

HITLER TAKES UP TELEVISION

ITHIN the past month, RADIO-CRAFT has received a report

that Chancellor Hitler is preparing a huge network of television stations in Germany which will probably be used as an aid to broadcasting as a medium for disbursing Nazi propaganda.

As mentioned in the report, Hitler's plan includes the making of cheap television sets available throughout the country. This will make Germany the first nation to establish extensive television programs on a large scale.

Short waves will be employed for these transmissions, so that the required number of channels can be obtained. In this way, with numerous stations properly spaced, it is expected that even the outlying districts will be adequately covered.

Television transmitters manufactured by the Baird Television Co. of England are said to have been ordered by the German officials. These transmitters are of special design to cover the conditions required for each individual installation. They include sound facilities as well as the vision units, so that the voices of Hitler and his Nazi orators will be heard, in addition to visualizing the speakers, themselves.

While no actual data is available regarding the type of receivers which

will be merchandised, it is expected that only a single design, approved by the government, will be manufactured by all the manufacturers. This is in line with the present plan in Germany to make "Hitler's own" receiver (a set of small size, and relatively insensitive so that only local programs ean be picked up) the distinctive set. Thus, the citizens of Germany will be prevented from hearing the powerful transmitters of Russia and other foreign countries from which undesirable programs might be heard.

"FINAL" ACTION IN RADIO FEED-BACK CASE

•HERE have been so many "final" decisions in the long-drawn-out case between the de

Forest and the Armstrong interests regarding who actually invented regeneration that there is no wonder that cries of "wolf, wolf" have been heard from all sides in the radio industry.

It will be remembered (RADIO-CRAFT, August 1934, page 70) that the United States Supreme Court, presided over by Judge Cardoza decided that Lee de Forest was the inventor, and held that de Forest had heard a "clear heterodyne" before Edwin H. Armstrong, then a student at Columbia University, had struck upon the same phenomenon.

Major Armstrong recently petitioned for a rehearing of the case with the object of reversing the Supreme Court ruling, and the latest decision of the court is a denial of that application.

In addition to the legal actions which have taken place, a heated argument has been progressing in the *New York Times*, between Professor Pupin and Dr. de Forest concerning the opinions of the former who has rallied to the support of his colleague, Armstrong. This argument has become heated to the point where many bitter words are being said by both parties involved.

In the latest epistle by Prof. Pupin, over half a column in the *Times*, is devoted to a "tabulation" of the names of famous scientists and radio engineers who take sides with Armstrong. So famous an authority as Dr. Irving Langmuir is quoted as having made the following statement:

"Ever since 1913 when I first learned of your (Armstrong's) pioneering work in this field, I have known the great value of your contributions. On several occasions after that I have had conversations with de Forest which convinced me that he did not know of or understand the production of radio frequencies by vacuum tubes. I have therefore been amazed at the fact that the highest court has previously upheld the de Forest patent."

Professor Pupin sums up his letter with the following remarks: "The court holds Dr. de Forest to be the inventor; the scientific world is a unit holding Armstrong to be the inventor." —and—"... I have never heard of any scientific opinion of recognized weight supporting the de Forest claims."

"Dr. Langmuir, a recent Nobel Prize man, was one of the claimants of the same invention which was under litigation between Armstrong and de Forest for eighteen years.

"Third, the famous radio engineer, Mr. Round of England, one of Marconi's right-hand men, also sent hearty approval of the decision of the Court of Appeals of the Second Circuit. (Which gave the decision to Armstrong -Ed.) Both these letters appeared in full in the Columbia Alumni News of Sept. 29, 1933.

"Fourth, the very significant fact that Cyril Elwell, who was the chief engineer of the Federal Telegraph Company, the company employing de Forest at the time he claims to have made the invention, supported Armstrong, as did Professor Leonard Fuller, now head of the Electrical Engineering Department at the University of California."

It seems that while Dr. de Forest has the upper hand as far as legal proceedings are concerned, he must now vindicate himself in the eyes of Professor Pupin and his supporters. And so the Feed-back case seems no nearer to an end, in one sense, than it has been for the past ten or twelve years.

This is how one of our staff artists visualizes the arguments in and out of court concerning the ''regeneration patents.''



IN REVIEW

Radio is now such a vast and diversified art it becomes necessary to make a general survey of important monthly developments. RADIO-CRAFT analyzes these developments and presents a review of those items which interest all.

RCA MAKES A BUSINESS STATEMENT

F the financial position of the largest radio corporation in the world has any bearing on the con-

dition of the radio business, then their latest financial statement, issued last month, covering the first three quarters of 1934 must give other manufacturers an optimistic outlook for the future.

A glance at the chart shown here, which is reproduced directly from their printed statement, shows that the total gross income for 1934 is well above the same figure for the equivalent period of time in 1933.

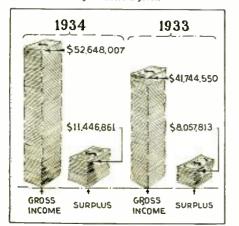
Also, the part of this income which is applied to surplus (the amount left when all deductions have been made— Ed.) has been substantially increased as indicated by the chart.

While these figures do not have a direct bearing on the radio business as a whole, it is safe to assume that it is indicative of a gradual rise out of the depression slump for the majority of radio organizations.

In connection with the Radio Corporation of America, or rather its subsidiary, the RCA Victor Company, which has been extensively advertised as the largest radio manufacturer in the world, we note with interest an advertisement which recently appeared in the London Times, in which Phillips Lamps Ltd., a European concern, claims in bold-face letters to be the "world's largest radio manufacturers."

We wonder who is correct? Is RCA Victor or Phillips the world's "largest"?

The Radio Corporation of America is evidently climbing well out of the mire of depression according to these figures.





This is what happens when you drop a radio transmitter from a height of I mile.

STRATOSPHERE RADIO EQUIPMENT

ADIO has played an important part in the numerous flights made recently by

scientists in their efforts to learn more about the mysterious cosmic rays. It was more than an ordinary aid to Professor Picard in his flights, and has enabled him to communicate constantly with the ground—thus facilitating the flight and subsequent landing, as well as keeping the ground informed of progress of the scientific investigations.

An interesting result of the recent flight conducted by the National Geographic Society and the Army Air Corps, is found in the photo of the radio equipment shown below. This tiny 8-watt transmitter which was used during the flight was dropped through space a mile or more and was recovered last month by the NBC, which cooperated with the National Geographic Society in broadcasting the signals from the gondola of the balloon.

The battered transmitter which is now on display in the studios at Radio City, illustrates a phenomenal incident. Panels, transformers, resistors, meters, sockets, condensers, and virtually every part with one exception, was completely wrecked by the drop through space. Oddly enough, the one part which remained intact is a vacuum tube. Even the socket in which the tube was mounted was cracked, but the tube, with its fragile glass envelope withstood the shock.

While there is no practical significance to this freak incident one cannot help but wonder whether the fact that present day tubes are made more ruggedly is illustrated by this lone survivor.

POLICE CAR TALKS TO AUSTRALIA

N A spectacular demonstration, one day last month, engineers in Schenectady, New York,

working on a new type of police "prowl" car accomplished two-way telephone conversation with Sydney, Australia, with the cooperation of station W2XAF.

The conversations were carried by ultra-short waves from the car to the control board of WGY and W2XAF, where incoming signals from Australia were also being relayed. By carefully regulating the incoming and outgoing signals the two-way conversations were made possible.

The police car was one of many new developments in police radio which will be first used in Boston, Mass.

A few words about the car and its equipment might be of interest. The car is a light sedan, bearing no evidence of an antenna or other special features. A French-type phone is installed in a convenient position on the instrument panel, while the 8-meter transmitter is located in the rear trunk. The rear bumper is mounted on insulated brackets, and acts as the transmitting aerial.

The receiver is kept in operation at all times, according to regular "police practice." When the car is called by headquarters and the 'phone is lifted from its hook, the mobile transmitter, on a different wavelength from the one at headquarters begins to function immediately. This method permits "duplex" conversations between the (Continued on page 423)

An engineer at Schenectady, N.Y., talking to Australia from a new type of police car.



SHORT-WAVE RADIO PICTORIAL



To facilitate the work of policing the numerous chan-nels throughout the broadcast and short-wave bands, the Federal Communications Commission has just pur-chased six of the devices shown above. These portable frequency monitors are designed for use in special trucks which travel around the country checking the accuracy of tuning of the various broadcasting sta-tions. Each of these consists of a highly stabilized quarts crystal oscillator, a harmonic generator and a million.

CONTRARY to popular understanding in the U.S., radio amateurs across the "big pond" are showing much interest in ultra-short waves. The interesting photo on the right depicts an elaborate mobile instal-lation of an English amateur (GSBY). The "rig" con-sists of a 5 meter transmitter and receiver, each with a separate aerial for duplex transmission. The trans-mitter is mounted at one end of the box, while the receiver occupies the other end. The antenna poles can be removed while the car is in motion.

THERE seems to be no limit to the height of fre-quency which can be utilized for radio communication. Several years ago, transmission on 5 meters was a most unusual and mystifying study, and was utilized mostly for spectacular demonstrations and laboratory experi-ments-today it is used for commercial communication. The photo below shows an apparatus sel up in the Bell Telephone Laboratories for transmitting and receiv-ing waves of 60 centimeters which is equivalent to about 24 inches. The specially designed receiver has 4 tuned circuits for detector tuning. Phongs: Westinghouse; Witelers World; Bell Tel. Labs.



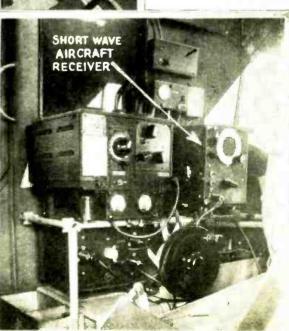


ERE is another use for ultrashort waves. The Japanese government is at present trying to introduce radio telephony on the important railways, for signalling and communication to nearby towns and cities for the con-venience of passengers. The photo above illustrates some of the experiments which were con-ducted recently in duplex transmission and reception. Note the apparatus.

Photo: A. N. Mirzant,

O the "round the world" flier, whether he con-templates a speed O the record or simply a leisurely flown tour, radio com-munication is per-haps the most es-sential and most used instrument on the plane. sential and most used instrument on the plane. This was realized by Dr. R. U. Light, who re-cently started on a flight in a Bel-lanca monoplane equipped with two-way r a dio equipment. The transmitter is rated at 75 watts and covers the c om plet e range of fre-quencies of 330 to 14,000 kc. The receiver is also of the wide range variety by the use of a special coil changing me-chanism. All of the equipment.

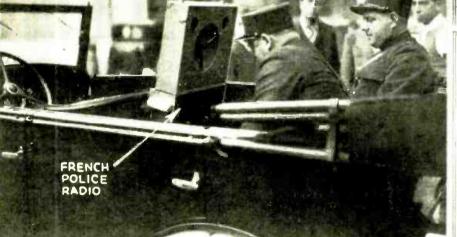
coil changing me-chanism. All of the equipment, including the transmitter oper-ated from the plane's 12 volt storage battery.





ELEVISION, as a commercial product—to be used and enjoyed as a source of entertainment by the general public—is fast approaching that stage of development where actual instruments will be sold in stores. This fact was brought out recently, at the New York Radio and Electric Show—where the instruments shown above were demonstrated. A more complete description of the technicalities attached to this system for sending and receiving pictures appeared in the December, 1934, issue of RADIO-CRAFT, page 330. The receiving set appears at the left in the above photo, while the transmitting devices are at the right. ELEVISION,





HE two photos, above and to the left, show a new installation just completed in Paris, for providing radio aid to the Prefecture of Police. The transmitting car, with its large aerial structure is shown above, while one of

aerial structure is shown above, while one of the patrol cars equipped with receiving ap-paratus appears at the left. While this installation is, no doubt, a distinct departure from previous practices of the police department of that metropolis, we cannot help but remark at the antique appearance of the auto receiver, with its large cabinets for speaker and set, and the pretentious appearance of the aerial of the transmitter equipped truck. A comparison of recent photos of American police radio instal-lations, which have appeared in RADIO-CRAFT, and these pictures, indicate how far advanced is American equipment. The incident shown in these photos is the inaug-uration of the new cars, in the courtyard of the Prefecture of Police.

HE Radio Doctor has made his appearance in far off Australia. In the isolated mission stations and the isolated mission stations and settlements "out" from Cloncurry, it often took weeks to get a message through, by water or land.. Now, when medical aid is needed, the radio equipped planes of the Aerial Medical Service can reach a patient in a matter of hours. The photo below shows the flying doctor attending a patient, while in the picture at the right is one of the short-wave transmitters in actual use. Photos Wireless Weekly. Photos Wireless Weekly



DR. CARL SPITZ, inventor of the device appearing at the right, is shown explaining its operation. It is a recorder designed to indicate constantly the exact location of an airplane in flight. A small light, actuated by short-wave radio signals moves across a strip map of the plane's route, thus keeping track of its movements. The device is in-tended to eliminate some of the hazards of blind flying for mail and transport lines. Some of the equip-ment is seen behind the inventor.





Fig. A High-fidelity piano music broadcasts aided by a crystal mike.

HI-FIDELITY ON

There is a high-fidelity broadcasting station, operating on 1550 kc.—just below the broadcast band, which is aiding listeners in obtaining lifelike reproduction. This station, W2XR, is blazing new trails with daily broadcasts that cover the entire audio frequency range. Its marvelous quality is causing nation-wide comment, and this may be attributed to the unusually high standard of equipment employed, besides the unusual precautions to ensure high quality.

N THIS present era of high-fidelity one hears much about new receiver design which will permit the attainment of the ultimate in radio reproduction, but little regarding the broadcaster's efforts to aid in this respect. While a 14-year period of radio broadcasting development has given the average listener-in much to be grateful for, there has always been that feeling (when listening to the majority of stations) that there is something lacking to lend realism to the quality of the broadcasts. This may be attributed to: the tonal (audio frequency) range of the transmitting equipment; the government's regulations in regard to adherence, within 10 kc, of the frequency assigned to the broadcast station (see "Problems in High-Fidelity Design," December 1934. RADIO-CRAFT); and, hy no means least of all, the receiving set which, with the exception of the new high-fidelity receivers, restricts the reproduction to below high-fidelity level.

These limitations permit only a frequency range of from 20 to 5,000 cycles (maximum) to be broadcast and received. Since it has been definitely ascertained that realism in reproduction can only be attained when highfidelity is attained, and, also, inasmuch as high-fidelity reproduction can be obtained when frequencies upwards of 10.000 cycles (at least up to 7,500 cycles) are broadcast, received, and reproduced.—realism or natural reproduction becomes contingent up on whether these conditions are satisfied. With manufacturers now producing high-fidelity receivers, the listener may wonder where the required "widerange" broadcasts may be obtained.

Such a station is in existence in New York City; its call letters are W2XR, and its daily high-fidelity broadcasts have been amazing to all who have listened to this station. (The station is really a vast research laboratory where Mr. Hogan and a large staff of engineers are putting the finishing touches on their facsimile and television devices, as well as the high-fidelity broadcasting.)

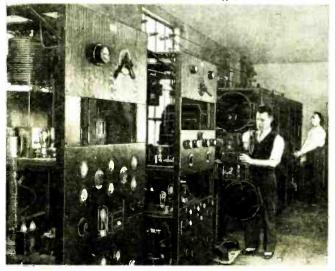
Broadcasting on 1.550 kc. (193.5 meters, just below the broadcast band), and authorized by the Federal Communications Commission to use a chan-

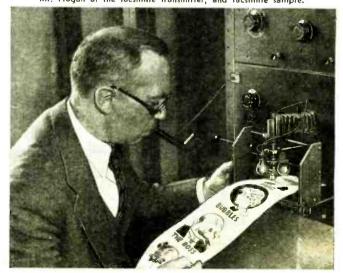
nel 20 kc. wide, this station has a flat frequency characteristic from 20 to over 15,000 cycles, handling at least 91/2 octaves of the musical scale! The quality of the broadcasts from this station is so uncanny that it completely upsets preconceived ideas of high-fidelity and, because of the favorable comment, three other stations with similar equipment are now under construction (one each) in California. Missouri, and Connecticut. John V. L. Hogan, noted engineer and past-president of the Institute of Radio Engineers, developed W2XR which is destined to make history as the first real, licensed highfidelity broadcast station in the world!

So complete is the equipment, and of such fine engineering design, that amongst the radio engineering fraternity this station is considered as being a model installation. No ordinary type of microphone or auxiliary pick-up device is employed. Crystal microphones are employed exclusively, and the "wide-range" response of this type of unit is an established fact. In Fig. A the studio can be seen and the crystal microphone on a stand, at the extreme

Fig. B The bank of transmitters at W2XR for all types of broadcasts.

Fig. C Mr. Hogan at the facsimile transmitter, and facsimile sample.





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SHORT WAVES

No hit-or-miss methods, or conventional design will be found in this station. Results are obtained only through sound engineering, good design, and continuous research towards improving the quality of transmission. The station is equipped, in addition to the regular quality broadcasting paraphernalia, for facsimile and television transmission. Only crystal microphones and pickups, resistance-coupled amplifiers, and cathode ray tubes for monitoring, are employed.

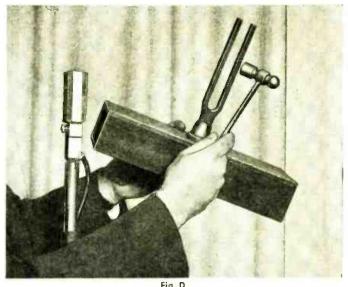


Fig. D Visual and audible monitoring, with Mr. A. A. Barber, sound engineer.

right, picking-up piano notes for broadcasting. So lifelike is the transmission that even on an ordinary receiver the quality of reproduction is superior to that of ordinary broadcasts. With a high-fidelity set the reproduction becomes so realistic that the listener actually feels that he is present in the studio.

While the station is licensed to use 1,000 W. it only broadcasts 350 W. of power. Nevertheless, it is heard at very great distances, Seattle, Washington, as well as all through the middle west, reporting excellent quality and reception. The bank of transmitters in this station (W2XR) is shown in Fig. B. (Note the motion picture projector in the foreground, used for television broadcasts of motion picture film. The equipment necessary for transmitting television impulses must be of an exceedingly "wide-range" nature, gener-ally from 15 to over 50,000 cycles.) The equipment, as seen in this photo, from left to right, are: high-fidelity transmitter (1,550 kc.), television transmitter (2.050 kc., designed for modulation of 50 kc. each side), soundmovie projector, ultra-short wave transmitter (46 megacycles or approximately 6.3 meters), and a facsimile and television transmitter (2,500 kc.).

From the description given thus far. it can readily be seen that W2XR differs greatly from most radio broadcast stations. Few, if any, have so versatile an array of equipment. Some few months ago Mr. Hogan demonstrated to an amazed engineering group an exceedingly simple facsimile receiving and transmitting system (described in July 1934 RADIO-CRAFT, "The Radio Pen," page 13). Its applications are multitudinous and can be employed, if desired, along with broadcast talks to illustrate certain essential points. However, at the present time the equipment is applied only to commercial use. An idea as to the simplicity of the transmitter, apparatus, and a sample of the pictures it can send out into the either, may be gained by reference to Fig. C. Mr. Hogan is shown operating the machine, a duplicate of which is being installed at Station WTMJ in Milwaukee.

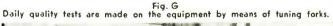
The high-fidelity broadcasting from

this station is not the result of hit-ormiss methods, but rather due to sound engineering, good design, and long research. The combination of crystal microphones, phonograph, pickups, resist-(Continued on page 426)



A control panel for correcting the deficiencies in recordings. Photos: Halbran

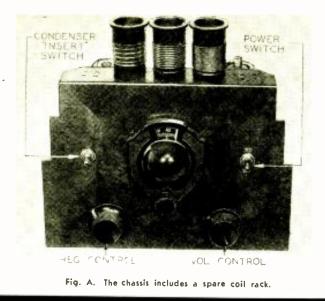
Fig. E The equipment for phonograph renditions using crystal pickups.





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HOW TO BUILD THE "FOUR-IN-TWO" SHORT-WAVE ELECTRIC SET This amazing little short-wave and broadcast

set incorporates the functions and possesses the efficiency of four tubes, yet uses only two. It is remarkably simple and economical to construct.

J. T. BERNSLEY

T WAS with the realization that short-wave set constructors preferred a set that is economical to build and operate, and employs a minimum of tubes with a maximum of efficiency, that this receiver was designed. Before discussing the relative merits of the circuit, and the theory involved, it would undoubtedly be of greater interest to the constructor to learn, first, just what this set can do. Well, in the first place, it will operate a loudspeaker (magnetic, or permanent magnet dynamic types) on most signals transmitted within a radius of 750 miles.

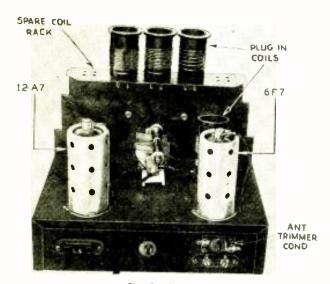
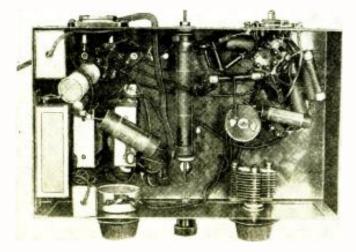


Fig. B, above, Rear view showing parts layout and workmanlike appearance.



On broadcast tests, conducted in a steel office building in New York City, stations 1,500 miles away were brought in with fair loudspeaker volume.

On short waves police calls all over the country were more than comfortably heard on the loudspeaker. At the time the receiver was completed and first tested some police stations in the middle west were tuned in. On that particular night they were extremely active and engaged in pursuing the late Dillinger. It was a distinct thrill to listen-in on the various stations in numerous cities who were cooperating in this almost nation-wide man hunt.

Foreign broadcasts, on short waves, were received from numerous countries. At the time of these tests LSY in Argentina, South America, was heard with good loudspeaker volume. Also YV3RC, in Venezuela, with exceptionally good volume. DJC, in Berlin, Germany, was tuned in (on loudspeaker) consistently for several weeks. Amateur radiophone stations in abundance, to delight any ham or other interested listener, were received in the various bands assigned to amateur phone communication.

Using only two tubes, and of the most unique types that have ever been produced, it is possible to obtain full fourtube results. The set is distinctly designed for electric operation, either 110 V. D.C., or A.C. (of any frequency), but only this combination of tubes, as will be explained later, will permit such operation—and the equivalent performance of four tubes. By using conventional plugin coils the complete short-wave range of from 15 to 200 meters is covered.

Broadcast Reception, Too!

However, the necessity for ever-changing coils to cover various wave-bands is reduced considerably by a special feature included within the tuning circuit. This consists (Continued on page 424)

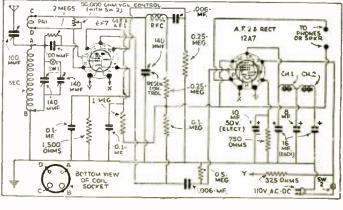


Fig. C, left. Bottom view. Note regeneration and vol. control. Fig. I, below. Wiring diagram. Operates from 110 volts A.C. or D.C.

THE LATEST IN POLICE RADIO RECEIVERS

New miniature police receivers may antedate present cumbersome models. The new sets are extremely small, light, and efficient.



The complete equipment of the personal set.

A PORTABLE radio receiver designed for use by patrolmen and mounted police has been perfected by Sol J. Levy, of New York City.

Weighing only 3½ pounds, the five tube super receiver delivers loudspeaker volume on police broadcasts.

The receiver is made in three styles for patrolmen, for motorcycle men, and for mounted police.

The motorcycle model operates from the 6 volt storage battery supply of the motorcycle, the plate voltage being supplied by a small motor-generator mounted on the motorcycle supplying 225 volts.

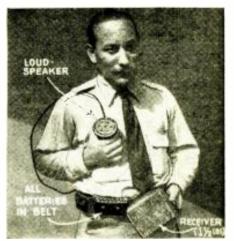
The receiver proper weights only $1\frac{1}{2}$ pounds and is mounted on the driver's belt. It is easily removable

without taking the belt off and can instantly be mounted on a bracket provided for it on the handle-bars of the motorcycle.

The loudspeaker for the motorcycle model is also mounted on the handlebars. A female plug in front of the rider on the machine connects the set speaker and batteries; plugging in the cord instantly puts the set and speaker into operation.

The receiver has excellent sensitivity, being tuned to a fixed wave to include only the police calls desired. It has an output of 3 watts and can be clearly heard above traffic noises.

The antenna for the motorcycle model is comprised of metal tubing mounted on the handle-bars, and to the (Continued on page 423)

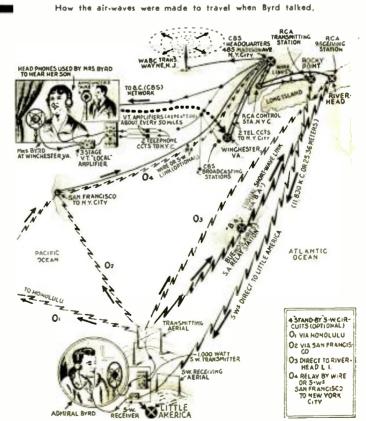


NEW SHORT-WAVE LINK TO BYRD

S HORT waves carried a two-way conversation between Rear-Admiral Richard E. Byrd and his mother, Mrs. Eleanor Bolling Byrd, over the ten thousand miles of space separating Winchester, Virginia, and Little America. This interesting exchange of greetings between Mrs. Byrd and her illustrious son took place on October 17, during the weekly broadcasts with Little America conducted by the WABC-Columbia broadcasting network.

The voice of the Admiral's mother was plainly heard by millions of listeners when she said: "I am thrilled to hear that you are back in Little America again safe and sound." This sentence and a number of others were carried to the Admiral via the powerful 20 kilowatt short-wave transmitting station of the RCA system located at Rocky Point, Long Island. The wavelength used to transmit the voice to and from Little America was 25.6 meters or a frequency of 11,830 kc.

One of the most interesting and little known facts concerning these broadcast programs carried over the CBS network from Little America is the fact that there are three short-wave "stand-by" circuits always ready to pick up the voice from Little America and bring it to New York. Ordinarily the short-wave signals from Little America, via Buenos Aires, South America, are amplified, the short waves being picked up on a receiver and immediately passed through a powerful S-W. transmitted at Buenos Aires, whence they are again flung northward with the speed of light, and intercepted at the RCA receiving station at Riverhead, Long Island. Here the signals are picked up on a special receiver and suitably amplified through sev-(Continued on page 426)



SHORT-WAVE STATIONS OF THE WORLD

A list of the important short-wave phone stations throughout the world listed according to frequency. Stations are classified as follows: B—Broadcast Service. C—Commercial Phone. X—Experimental Transmissions.

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Call Letters	Location	Freq, (kc,)	Wave- length (meters)	Serv- ice	Call Letters	Location	Freq, (kc,)	Wave- length (meters)	Serv- ice	Call Letters	Location	Freq (kc,)		1
3BA (3lr	Shanghai, China Lyndhurst, Australia	21550	13.92 13.93	B B	I2RO OER3	Rome, Italy.	11810	25.40	B B	HKE	Bogoto, Colombia	7220	41.55	
8XK	Pittshurgh, Pa	21540	13.93	В	WIXAL	Vienna, Austria Boston, Mass	1117001	$\begin{array}{c} 25.42\\ 25.45 \end{array}$	В	HJ4ABB YV2AM	Manizales, Colombia Maracaibo, Venezuela	. 7200	41.60	
NA YA	Washington, D. C	21500 21490	$\frac{13.95}{13.96}$	BB	TITR F3ICD	Sanloso Login Rim	1117901	$25.45 \\ 25.46$	B B	OA4B HJ4ABB	Lima, Peru. Manizales, Colombia	7160	42.00	
H Xal	Daventry, England	21470	13.97	В	DID	Saigon, Indo-China Berlin, Germany Daventry, England	11760	25.51	В	LUSCZ	Buenos Aires, Argentine	. 7140		
(K	Boston, Mass. Lawrenceville, N. J	21420	14.01	B C	GSD HRB	Daventry, England Tegueigalpa, Honduras	11750	$25.53 \\ 25.55$	B B	HJ1ABE	Cartagena, Colombia Jeloy, Norway	6990		
16 7	Hurlingham, Argentine Monte Grande, Argentine	21020	14.20	CC	RRRR	Tegueigalpa, Honduras Tachkent, U. S. S. R Washington, D. C.	11740	25.55	В	EAR110	Madrid, Spain Rugby, England	6977	43.00	
A	Rugby, England	20380	14.72	-C	NAA PHI	Huizen, Holland	11730	25.58 25.58	B	GDS KEL	Bolmas Calif	. 6905 6860		
N I	Monte Grande, Argentine Lawrenceville, N. J.	19990	15.08 15.14	C C	CJRX FYA	Huizen, Holland Winnipeg, Canada Paris, France	11720	25.60	B	WOA	Bolmas, Calif Lawrenceville, N. J.	6755	44.41	
)	Aranjuez, Spain	19720	15.21	В	VE9DR	Winnneg Canada	1117201	25.60 25.60	B B	BC2RL F8KR	Guayaquil, Ecuador Constantine, Algeria	6676		
5	Hurlingham, Argentine Monte Grande, Argentine.	19650 19600	$\frac{15.27}{15.31}$	C C	VE9JR Fya	Winnipeg, Canada Paris, France	11715	25.60	B	HC2RL	Guayaquil, Ecuador	6666	45.00	
	Ocean Gate, N. J	19380	15.48	C	KIO	Kahuku, Hawaii Funchal, Madeira	11680	25.68	B X B	YNCRG IAC	Granada, Nicaragua Piza, Italy	6664		1
-	St. Assise, France Lawrenceville, N. J	$19355 \\ 19220$	15.50 15.60	CC	CT3AQ GBP	Funchal, Madeira Rugby, England	11180	$\begin{array}{c c} 26.83 \\ 27.85 \end{array}$	B	PRADO RW72	Rinhamba, Ecuador Moscow, U. S. S. R	6620	45.30	1
	Rugby, England	J9160	15.66	С	JVM	Nazaki, Janan	110/401	27.93	č	REN	Moscow, U. S. S. R	6611	45.38	
	Rugby, England Bandoeng, Java	18970 18830		C C	WNB JVN	Lawrenceville, N. J Nazaki, Japan	10675	28.10 28.14	C	HJ5ABD HJ1ABB	Manizales, Colombia Barranquilla, Colombia	6500 6447	46.14	
	Rugby, England	18680 18620	16.06	X C	FYB	Paris, France Lawrenceville, N. J. Rugby, England	10578	28.36	B	HJA3	Barranquilla, Colombia	6425	46.70	
	Saigon, Indo-China	18345	$16.11 \\ 16.35$	C	WOK GBX	Rugby, England	10550	28.44 28.49	X	W3XL HIZ	Bound Brook, N. J. Santo Domingo, Dom. Rep.	6425 6320		1
	Lawrenceville, N. J Rugby England	18340 18310	16,36 16,38	CC	VLK YBG	Synney, Austrana	10525	28.50	B	HJ3ABF	Bogota, Colombia	6275	47.81	1
. 1	St. Assise, France	18250	16.43	C	XGW	Medan, Sumatra	10420	28.76 28.79	č	HI1A HJ3ABF	Santiago, Dom. Rep Bogota, Colombia	6272 6250	47.84 48.00	l
'	Rugby, Lugana	18200 18135	$16.48 \\ 16.54$	C C	KES PDK	Bolinas, Calif. Kootwijk, Holland	10410	28.80 28.80	X	OCN Cjro	Lima, Peru	6235	48.10	
	Monte Grande, Argentine	18115	16.56	Ċ	LSX	Monte Grande, Argentine	10350	28.99	č	YV3BC	Winnipeg, Canada Caracas, Venezuela	6150 6150	48.78 47.87	L
	Rugby, England Kootwijk, Holland	18040	16.63 16.84	- C C	ORK LSL2	Ruysselede, Belginn Hurlingham, Argentine	10330	$29.04 \\ 29.13$	BC	KZRM W8XK	Caracas, Venezuela Manila, P. I.	6140	48.86	L
AL	Kootwijk, Holland Daventry, England Bound Brook, N. J.	17790	16.86	BB	PMN	Bandoeng, Java	10260	29.24	ğ	ZGE	Pittsburgh, Pa. Kula Lumpur, Fed. Malay	6140		L
K	Saxonburg, Pa	17780	$\begin{bmatrix} 16.87 \\ 16.87 \end{bmatrix}$	B	LSK3 PSH	Hurlingham, Argentine Rio de Janeiro, Brazil	10250	29.27 29.35		JB	States. Johannesburg, U. of South	6135	48.90	L
F AA	Downer's Grove, Ill.	17780 17780	$\begin{array}{c c} 16.87 \\ 16.87 \end{array}$	B B	ZFB	Hamilton, Bermula .	10055	25.57	č		Africa Johannesburg, U. of South	6122	49.00	L
	Paris, France	17775	16.88	В	LSN GCU	Buenos Aires, Argentine Rugby, England	9990	30.03 30.15	- C	ZTJ	Johannesburg, U. of South Africa	6122	49.00	L
	Huizen, Holland	17775	16.88 16.89	B B	LSN WON	Hurlingham, Argentine	9890	30.33	Č	NAA	Africa Washington, D. C	6120	49.02	l
	Piza Italy	17760	10.89	- C -	EAQ	Lawrenceville, N. J Aranjuez, Spain	9870 9860	30.40 30.43	CCCCBCXBCCXCCBCCCCCBCCCBXCCCC	OQU PKIWK	Basankusu, Bel. Congo Bandoeng, Java	6120 6120		
	Bangkok, Siam Bound Brook, N. J. Szekesfehervar, Hungary.	17740 17310	$16.91 \\ 17.33$		JYS LSE	Tokio, Japan		30.49	X	RKOM	Dnepropetrovsk, U.S.S.R.	6120	49.02	L
;	Szekesfehervar, Hungary.	17130	17.51	в	GCW	Monte Grande, Argentine, . Rugby, England	9800 9790	30.61 30.61	-ĕ	W2XE F3LCD	Wayne, N. J. Saigon, Fr. Indo-China	6120 6116		L
	Ocean Gate, N. J	$17120 \\ 17120 \\ 17120 \\ 1$	17.52 17.52	- C	WOF GCA	Lawrenceville, N. J Rugby, England		30.77	- e	HJIABD YV2RC	Cartagena, Colombia	6116	49.02	
1	Rugby, England	17080	17.56	- C	CT1AA	Lisbon, Portugal	9600	31.25	B	EAQ	Caracas, Venezuela Aranjuez, Spain	$6112 \\ 6110$	49.08 49.10	ŀ
. [Ocean Gate, N. J.	$16270 \\ 16270$	18.44	- C - C	XETE HBL	Mexico City, Mex Geneva, Switzerland		31.25 31.27	B B	VE9HX VUC	Halifax, N. S., Canada Calcutta, India	6110 6110	$49.10 \\ 49.10$	
		16233 15880		- Ce	K2ME	Sydney, Australia	9590	31.28	B	YV1BC	Caracas, Venezuela	6110	49.10	L
	Hurlingham, Argentine	15810	18.98		PCJ TIRA	Hilversum, Holland Cartago, Costa Rica		31.28 31.28	BB	HJ1ABD W3XAL	Cartagena, Colombia Bound Brook, N. J.	6100 6100	49.18 49.18	
	Kemikwa-Cho, Chibaken, Janan	15760	19.04	X	W3XAU GSC	Newtown Square, Pa	9590	31.28	В	W9XF	Downers Grove, Ill.	6100	49.18	
G	Riobamba, Eruador	15410	19.47	B	VK3LR	Daventry, England		31.30 31.32	B	VE9GW OXY	Bowmanville, Canada Skamlebak, Denmark	6095 6090	49.22 49.26	
A	Szekesfehervar, Hungary Lisbon, Portugal	15370	19.52 19.55		XGBD VUC	Shanghai, China Calcutta, India		$31.32 \\ 31.33 $	BB	VE9BJ VE9GW	Saint Johns, N. B.	6090	49.26	
	Lisbon, Portngil Schenectady, N. Y La Paz, Boliva	15330	19,56	В	KZRM	Manila, P. I.	9570	31.35	в	CP5	Bowmanville, Canada La Paz, Boliva	6090 6080	49.26 49.34	L
	Paris, France	15295	19.60 19.61		SRI W1XAZ	Posen, Poland		$31.36 \\ 31.35$	B B	TIRA W9XAA	Cartago, Costa Rica Chicago, Ill.	6080 6080	49.34	1
	Wayne, N. J Aranjuez, Spain	15270	19.65	B	W8XK	Saxonburg, Pa,	9570	31.35	В	OER2	Vienna, Austria	6072	49.34 49.41	
L	Boston, Mass.	15250	19.65		VUB DJA	Bombay, India Berlin, Germany.		31.36 31.38		EAQ OXY	Madrid, Spain	6070 6070	49.42 49.42	
R			19.68 19.70		NAA LKJ1	Berlin, Germany	9550	31.41	В	VESCS	Vancouver, Canada	6070	49.42	
	Pittsburgh, Pa.	15210	19.72	В	EAQ	Jeloy, Norway	9550 9545			YV5RMO HIX	Maracaibo, Venezuela Santo Domingo, Dom. Rep.		49.42 49.46	
			19.74 19.82		LCL YNA	Jeloy, Norway. Managua, Nicaragua	9540	31.45	В	SASH	Motala, Sweden	6065	49.46	
	Washington, D. C.	15130	19.83	B	W2XAF	Schenectady, N. Y Skamlebak, Dennurk	9530 9 53 0	31.48	B	OSC OXY	Boende, Belgium Congo Skamlebak, Denmark	6060 6060	49.50 49.50	
	Konigannotarhanson Car	15110	19.84 19.85	BB	G X Y	Skamlebak, Denmirk	9520 9510	31.51 31.55		VQ7LO W3XAU	Nairobi, Kenya, Africa Newtown Square, Pa	6060	49. 50 49.50	
	Hialeah, Florida Manila, P. I Bogota, Colombia Lawrenceville, N. J	5055	19.92 20.03		GSB VK3ME	Melbourne, Australia	9510	31.55	B	W8XAL	Cincinnati, Ohio	6060	49.50	
1	Bogota, Colombia	14920	20.07	000000000	PRF5 YV3BC	Rio de Janeiro, Brazil Caracas, Venezuela	9500 9500	31.58		ZL2ZX GSA	Wellington, New Zealand. Daventry, England		49.50 49.59	
	Lawrenceville, N. J. Hurlingham, Argentine.	14590 14500	20.56	C	SR1 PLV	Caracas, Venezuela Posen, Poland	9493	31.60	B	EAQ	Aranjuez, Spain. Bogota, Colombia.	6045	49.63	
	Lawrenceville, N. J Rugby, England	4470	20.73	č	CJA2	Bandoeng, Java. Drummondville, Canada.	9415 9330	31.87	č	HJSABI CMCI	Bogota, Colombia Hayana, Cuba.		49.63	
	Rugby, England	14440 13040	20.78 21.44	C I	GCB YUR	Rugby, England	9280	32.33	Ċ	RILD	Havana, Cuba. Omsk, U. S. S. R. Tehita, U. S. S. R.	6040	49.67	
	Rughy, England Jeloy, Norway Rugby, England	3980	21.46	В	WNA	Lawrenceville, N. J	9170	$32.70 \\ 32.72$	Ĉ	RLEC WIXAL	Boston, Mass		49.67	
	Rughy England 1	2418	22.08 22.36	6	CP5 GCS	La Paz, Bolivia Rugby, England		32.89 32.26	B	W4XB YNA	Maimi Beach, Fla	6040	49.67	
	Lawrenceville, N. J. Lawrenceville, N. J. Lawrenceville, N. J. Ocean Gate, N. J.	3410	22.37	B	GCX	Rugby, England	8920	33.63	X I	oot	Managua, Nicaragua Buta, Congo Kootwijk, Holland	6035 6030	49.75	
	Lawrenceville, N. J.	2840	22.40 23.36		GBC PN1	Rugby, England Rugby, England Makasser, Celebes, D.E.I.	8860 8775	33.86 34.19	B	PGD Ve9Ca	Kootwijk, Holland	6030	49.75 49.75	
1	Ocean Gate, N. J	2840	23.36 23.38	Ë B	GCU	Rugby, England	8760	34.19	č	DIC	Calgary, Canada Berlin, Germany Kootwijk, Holland	6020	49.83	
	Piza, Italy 1 Rugby, England 1	2800	23.45	ĉ	PNI GCI	Rugha England	8760 8730	34.19	C B	PGD XEBT	Kootwijk, Holland	6020	49.83 49.83	
	Rugby, England	2780	23.47 24.41	E I	GBC	Rugby, England	8680	34.56	Č :	ŽHI	Mexico City, Mex Singapore, Malaya	6012	49.90	
	Rugby, England Rugby, England Moscow, U. S. S. R 1	2150	24.69	C	WOY	Lawrenceville, N. J.	8560	35.05 35.05	č	COC HRB	Havana, Cuba Tegucigalpa, Honduras		49.92	
	Bolinas, Calif	1950	25.00 25.10	B	AC	Pisa, Italy	8380	35.80	C I	VE9DN	Montreal, Canada	6005	49.96	
	Paris. France	1905	25.20	B		Quito, Ecuador Rio de Janeiro, Brazil	8214 8186	36.30 36.65	B	VE9DR EAJ25	Montreal, Canada Barcelona, Spain		49.96	
	Paris, France. Managua, Nicaragua	1890	25.23 25.25	BIC	PSK CNR	Marapicu, Brazil	8185	16.65 17.33	BI	HIX RKDM	Santo Domingo, Dom. Rep.	6000	50.00	
			os ar l	BI	SL	Hurlingham, Argentine.	7901 (\$7.33 \$7.97	č	RKDN	Segja, U. S. S. R.	6000	50.00 50.00	
	Calcutta, India	1865	25.27	B B	LCN	Kemikawa-Cho, Japan Jelov, Norway	7880 (7835 (18.07 18.29	BCCCBCBCXBCCBCCCCCBBBBBCBBBBBBBBBBBBBB	RKDO RW59	Sarto Domingo, Dom. Rep. Sarto Domingo, Dom. Rep. Segia, U. S. S. R. Parandovo, U. S. S. R. Moscow, U. S. S. R. Bucharest, Rumania.	6000	50.00	
	Manila, P. I	1840	25,34	B	DA4AC	Lima, Peru	7832 3	8.30	B I	YOI ZL3ZC	Bucharest, Rumania	6000	50.00	
	Chicago, Ill	1000	60.30	B	HBP HBQ	Geneva, Switzerland	7799 3	8.47	B		Christchurch, New Zealand Caracas, Venezuela Cucuta, Colombia	6000	50.00 50.25	

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RADIO-CRAFT for JANUARY, 1935

"Call Letters	Location	Freq, (kc,)	Wave- length (meters)	Sarv-	Call Lettors	Location	Freq, (kc,)	Wave- length (meters)	Serv-	Call Letters	Location		Wave- length (meters)	Serv-
HVJ HIX HJ4ABE HJ4ABE HJ2ABA WOB VK3LR HCK FIQA HJ5ABC PMY OKIMPT	Vatican City, Italy. Santo Domingo, Dom. Rep. Medellin, Colombia Medellin, Colombia Tuuja, Colombia Lawrenceville, N. J. Lyndhurst, Australia Quito, Ecuador Tananarive, Madagascar Cali, Colombia Bandoeng, Java Prague, Czechosłovakia	5968 5953 5952 5930 5880 5853 5800 5714 5690 5660 5170 5145	$\begin{array}{c} 50,40\\ 50,40\\ 50,60\\ 51,02\\ 51,25\\ 51,70\\ 52,50\\ 52,70\\ 53,00\\ 58,00\\ \end{array}$	B B B B B B B B B B B B B B	WCN GBC GDW WOO WOO YID GDB RW15 WOO RW15 RW15	Lawreneeville, N. J. Hamilton, Bernuda. Rugby, England Ocean Gate, N. J. Lawreneeville, N. J. Baghtad, Iraq Rugby, England Khabarovsk, U. S. S. R. Ocean Gate, N. J. Lawreneeville, N. J. Khartarovsk, U. S. S. R.	4320 4273 4272 4272	$\begin{array}{c} 59.70\\ 60.30\\ 62.24\\ 63.10\\ 63.10\\ 67.10\\ 69.44\\ 70.20\\ 70.22\\ \end{array}$	C B C C	HCJB WND 12RO CT2AJ CR7AA PK1WK PLV PMY OXB OZP SCJ	Quito, Ecuador Hialeah, Florida, Rome Prato Smeraldo, Italy, Ponta Delgada, Azores. Mosambique, E. Africa. Bandoeng, Java. Bandoeng, Java. Bandoeng, Java. Blaavand, Denmurk. Lyngby, Denmurk. Karlskron, Swolen.	3609 3543 3490 3199 3183 1622 1595	73.21 80.00 83.50 84.70 85.96 94.00	C B

POLICE ALARM STATIONS

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BY CALL LETTERS

Call Letters	Location	Freq. (kc.)	Call Letters	Location	Freq. (kc.)	Call Letters	Location	Freq. (kc.)
CGZ	Vancouver, B. C	2452	KGZR	Salem, Ore	2442	WPEI	E. Providence, R. 1	1712
CJW	St. Johns, N. B	2416	KGZS	McAlester, Okla	2458	WPEK	New Orleans, La	2430
CJZ	Verdeen, Que	2452	KGZT	Santa Cruz, Calif	1674	WPEL	W. Bridgewater, Mass	1666
KGHG	Las Vegas, Nev	2174	KGZU	Lincoln, Neb	2490	WPEM	Woonsocket, R. I	2466
KGHK	Ralo Alto, Calif	1674	KGZW	Lubbock, Tex	2458	WPEP	Arlington, Mass	1712
KGHM KGHO	Reno, Nev.	2474	KGZX	Albuquerque, N. Mex	2414	WPES	Saginaw, Mich	
KGHX	Des Moines, Iowa Santa Ana, Calif	1682	KSW	Berkeley, Calif	1658	WPET	Lexington, Ky	1706
KGHY	Whittier, Calif.	$\frac{2430}{1712}$	KVP VYR	Dallas, Tex	1712	WPEW	Northampton, Mass	
KGHZ	Little Rock, Ark	$\frac{1712}{2406}$	VYW	Montreal, Can Winnipeg, Man	1712	WPFA WPFC	Newton, Mass.	1712
KGJX	Pasadena, Calif	1712	WCK	Belle Island, Mich	$\frac{2416}{2114}$	WPFE	Muskegon, Mich Reading, Pa	$2442 \\ 2442$
KGLX	Albuquerque, N. Mex		WEY	Boston, Mass	1558	WPFG	Jacksonville, Fla.	2442
KGOZ	Cedar Rapids, Iowa	$\frac{1}{2466}$	WKDT	Detroit, Mich	1558	WPFH	Baltimore, Md.	
KGPA	Seattle, Wash	2414	WKDU	Cincinnati, Ohio	1706	WPFI	Columbus, Ga	2414
KGPB	Minneapolis, Minn	2430	WMDZ	Indianapolis. Ind	2142	WPFJ	Hammond, Ind	1712
KGPC	St. Louis, Mo	1706	WMJ	Buffalo, N. Y.	2422	WPFK	Hackensack, N. J	
KGPD	San Francisco, Calif	1674	WMO	Highland Park, Mich	2414	WPFL	Gary, Ind.	2470
KGPE	Kansas City, Mo	2422	WMP	Framingham, Mass	-1666	WPFM	Birmingham, Ala	2382
KGPG	Vallejo, Calif.	2422	WPDA	Tulare, Calif	2414	WPFN	Fairhaven, Mass	1712
KGPH KGPI	Oklahoma City, Okla	2450	WPDB	Chicago, Ill	1712	WPFO	Knoxville, Tenn	2474
KGPJ	Omaha, Neb Beaumont, Tex	2466	WPDC	Chicago, Ill	1712	WPFP	Clarksburg, W. Va	2490
KGPK	Beaumont, Tex Sioux City, Iowa	1712	WPDD WPDE	Chicago, Ill	1712	WPFQ	Swathmore, Pa	2474
KGPL	Los Angeles, Calif	$\frac{2466}{1712}$	WPDF	Louisville, Ky	$\frac{2442}{2466}$	WPFR WPFS	Johnson City, Tenn	2470
KGPM	San Jose, Calif	1674	WPDG	Flint, Mich Youngstown, Ohio	$\frac{2400}{2458}$	WPFU	Asheville, Md Portland, Me.	2458
KGPN	Davenport, Iowa	2466	WPDH	Richmond, Ind	2442	WPFV	Pawtucket, R. I	$2422 \\ 2466$
KGPO	Tulsa, Okla	2450	WPDI	Columbus, Ohio	2430	WPFX	Palm Beach, Fla	2400
KGPP	Portland, Ore	2442	WPDK	Milwaukee, Wis	2450	WPFZ	Mianii, Fla	2442
KGPQ	Honolulu, T. H	2450	WPDL	Lansing, Mich	2442	WPGA	Bay City, Mich.	2466
KGPS	Bakersfield, Calif	2414	WPDM	Dayton, Ohio	2430	WPGB	Port Huron, Mich.	2466
KGPW	Salt Lake City, Utah	2406	WPDN	Auburn, N. Y.,	2382	WPGC	S. Schenectady, N. Y.	1658
KGPX	Denver, Colo	2442	WPDO	Akron, Ohio	2458	WPGD	Rockford, Ill	2458
KGPY KGPZ	Baton Rouge, La Wichita, Kans	1574	WPDP	Philadelphia, Pa.	2474	WPGF	Providence, R. I	1712
KGZA	Fresno, Calif	$\frac{2450}{2414}$	WPDR WPDS	Rochester, N. Y	2382	WPGG	Findlay, Ohio	1682
KGZB	Houston, Tex	1712	WPDT	St. Paul, Minn	$\frac{2430}{2490}$	WPGH WPGI	Albany, N. Y Portsmouth, Ohio	2414
KĞŽČ	Topeka, Kans	2422	WPDU	Pittsburgh, Pa	1712	WPGJ	Utica, N. Y	$\frac{2430}{2414}$
KĞZD	San Diego, Calif.	2490.	WPDV	Charlotte, N. C	2458	WPGK	Cranston, R. I.	$2414 \\ 2466$
KGZE	San Antonio, Tex	2482	WPDW	Washington, D. C.	2422	WPGL	Binghamton, N. Y	2440
KGZF	Chamite, Kans	2450	WPDX	Detroit, Mich.	2414	WPGN	South Bend, Ind	2490
KGZG	Des Moines, Iowa	2466	WPDY	Atlanta, Ga	2414	WPGO	Huntington, N. Y.	2490
KGZH	Klamath Falls, Ore	2382	WPDZ	Fort Wayne, Ind	2490	WPGS	Mineola, N. Y.	2490
KGZI	Wiehita Falls, Tex	2458	WPEA	Syracuse, N. Y	2382	WPGU	Boston, Mass	1712
KGZJ	Phoenix, Ariz	2430	WPEB	Grand Rapids, Mich	2442	WPGW	Mobile, Ala	2382
KGZL KGZM	Shreveport, La El Paso, Tex.	1712	WPEC	Memphis, Tenn	2466	WRBH	Cleveland, Ohio	2458
KGZN	Tacoma, Wash	$\begin{array}{c} 2414 \\ 2414 \end{array}$	WPED	Arlington, Mass	1712	WRDQ	Toledo, Ohio	2474
KGZO	Santa Barbara, Calif	2414 2414	WPEF	New York, N. Y. New York, N. Y	$\frac{2450}{2450}$	WRDR WRDS	Gross Pt. Village, Mich.	2414
KGZP	Coffeyville, Kans	2450	WPEG	New York, N. Y.	$\frac{2450}{2450}$	TRU3	E. Lansing, Mich	1666
KGZQ	Waeo, Tex	1712	WPEH	Somerville, Mass	1712			

TELEVISION STATIONS

BY FREQUENCIES AND CALL LETTERS

Call Letters	Location	Call Letters	Location	Call Letters	Location		
W2XDR W8XAN W9XK W9XAK W9XAO W6XAH W3XAK W9XAP W2XBS	2000-2100 kc. Long Island City, N. Y. Jackson, Mich. Iowa City, Iowa Manhattan, Kansas Chicago, Ill. Bakersfield, Calif. 2750-2850 kc. Portable Chicago, Ill. Bellmore, N. Y.	W6XS W9XAL W9XG W2XAB W2XAX W6XAO W9XD W2XBT W2XF	Los Angeles, Calif. Kansas City, Mo. W. Lafayette, Ind. New York, N. Y. 42000-56000, 60000-86000 kc. New York, N. Y. Los Angeles, Calif. Milwaukee, Wis. Portable New York, N. Y.	W3XE W3XAD W10XX W2XDR W8XAN W9XE W9XAT W2XD W2XAG W1XG	Philadelphia, Pa. Camden, N. J. Portable & Mobile (Vicinity of Camden) Long Island City, N. Y. Jackson, Mich. Chicago, Ill. Portable New York, N. Y. Portable Boston, Mass.		
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THE LATEST RADIO EQUIPMENT



Pee-wee variable condenser. This con-denser will fit inside a tube base. (604)



High-grade service oscillator. Use this unit in field or lab. work. (605)



Above, an improved 286 tube. T triodes in one envelope. (606)

- F Cal Janeiri Below, a low-cost all-wave set. manufacturers have 11 more models. (607)

MIDGET VARIABLE CON-DENSER (604)

(The Hammarlund Mfg. Co.)

N THIS day of extremes, the tend-ency is to build equipment to bigger and bigger, or smaller and smaller proportions; the latter trend is exemplified in the newest design of variable condenser, which measures only 1 7/32 x 11. ins. deep. This condenser is particularly well adapted for use in short-wave and ultra short-wave fields; also, as a tuning condenser for I.F. transformers, trimming R.F. coils, trimming gang con-densers, antenna tuning, for fixed tuning of R.F. circuits or plug-in will each for workding purpages in coils, and for padding purposes in general. The canacity per air gap general. The capacity per an ear-is about 4 mmf.; commercial maxi-mum values, 25, 50, 75 and (il-lustrated) 100 mmf. Terminals are extensible from either end; the shaft may be extended. These tiny condensers are "swell" for fitting inside a coil form of tube-base size.

NEWEST IN SERVICE **OSCILLATORS (605)** (Earl Webber Co.)

HOW good is it? Let the follow-ing facts speak for themselves. Frequency calibration: checked at 6 points on each band against crystal-controlled frequency standards; modulation: 35% at 400 cycles, supmodulation: 55% at 400 cycles, sup-plied by separate tube and switch controlled, and available at A.F. tip-jacks; range; 90 kc, to 25 mega-cycles at fundamental frequencies in 8 bands; attenuation; complete con-A minds; attendation, complete con-trol over entire frequency range. Equipment: two type 30 tubes, dumny antenna, demodulation jump-er: uses one $41_2'$ V, and one $221_2'$ V, battery. The dial of this port-able service oscillator is of directreading, full-vision type.

IMPROVED 2B6 TUBE (606) MPROVED-life characteristics and a fast-heater cathode are features recently announced for the latest version of the 2B6 "direct-coupled"

Full-vision, recording-type dial. (608)

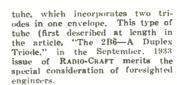


TABLE-TYPE ALL-WAVE SUPERHET (607)

THE least expensive 110 V. A.C. model of a series of 12 receivers recently introduced hy one manufacturer utilizes 5 tubes in a dualwave chassis that covers the ranke of 540 to 1,800, and 5,600 to 18,000 kc. Incorporated are a two-posi-tion tone control, limited A.V.C., and dual-ratio tuning.

MASTODON IN SET A **DIALS (608)**

(Crowe Name Plate & Mfg. Co.)

SHOWN at the recent Radio Show. S and one of a large number of recent models brought out by a manufacturer that specializes in the production of stock and custom models, the latest in full-vision dials is nothing if not arresting in appearance; its overall diameter is 7 ins.! The center portion of the dial is covered with a glass 4 ins. in diameter that can be graduated to suit; the station names are printed on a removable ring. Standard tuning ratio, 5% to 1.

HARMONIC-TYPE OSCIL-LATOR (609)

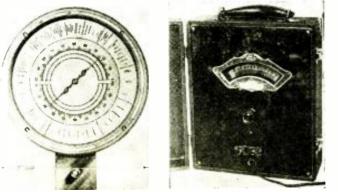
(Try-Mo Radio Co., Inc.)

WHERE cost is an important "harmonic" type of service oscill-ator. One of four recent models. in this design, brought out by this man-ufacturer utilizes, in the portable (illustrated) and cabinet types, A.C. with a single type 56 tube. The two companion types are battery models using a type 30 tube. The fundamental frequency range

is 50 to 150 kc.; common I.F. set-tings within this range, and at 260,

Harmonic-type service oscillator. (609)





ALL-WAVE SETS (612) OU have read about all-wave an-tennas of increasingly improved types, but did you know that the all-wave idea has been applied to the "multiple radio outlet antenna

MULTIPLE OUTLETS FOR

400 and 450 kc., are indicated on an upper section of the main scale. Harmonics of the Hartley circuit are available to the 50th, and often the

ELECTRIC PHONO-GRAPHS (610)

F YOU want to "play" the best in phonograph records, i.e.—"elec-tric" recordings, it will be

The photograph records i.e. elec-tric' recordings, it will be neces-sary to use an "electric" phono-graph, which incorporates a "pho-nograph pickup" rather than a "tone arm." A recent design in portable type is available in either

portable type is available in either single-play or automatic type, and optional 33¹/₃ or 78 r.p.m. oper-ation; a piezo-electric pickup is used. Connected to the usual A.F. amplifier of high-quality type the

instrument affords the finest avail-able musical and other programs at

"SHORT-WAVE" FIXED

CONDENSERS (611)

SHORT-WAVE receivers and transmitters of high-quality de-

sign necessarily are large and ex-

pensive, due mainly to the need for

components that will meet the "specs." Now, "oil-imprexnated" fixed condensers are available at lower cost and less bulk than the

for such and less outs that the for such services in short-wave equipment as bypass, antenna coupl-ing, blocking, filter, rotor-ground-ing, and buffer units, at capacity values from 002 to 0.1 mf., at po-

tentials of 1,500 to 1000 V., and to

constains of 1,500 to 1000 V., and to pass up to 50 A, per mf. at 28 megacycles. The power factor is extremely low. An 0.1-mf. unit measures only $2^{U_1}x^{T_2}$ -in. dia. (Re-tain mica units only for padding or trinming resonance alignets.)

trimming resonant circuits.)

an instant's notice.

150th harmonic,

the multiple radio office antenna system" described in past issues of RADIO-CRAFT? After "stringing" the all-wave antenna, the downlead cable is bared at each floor, and a lead tapped off to an "all-wave out-let" to which the antenna met of to which the antenna post of let.' the radio set connects. The down-lead cable ends at a "terminal out-The downwhich is grounded.

A "POKER GAME" RECEIVER (613)

FIRST, as boon companion, we had recommended to us the "cock-tail" set, described in the preceding tail'set, described in the preceding October issue, which included with the receiver chassis a full 6-person complement of drinking glasses and assorted liquors. (The "beer bothe" set described in the following December issue was more decorative than practical-unfortunately!) Now we are urged to purchase the very



High-quality electric phonograph. (610)

commanionable receiver, illustrated, that includes not only the drinking paraphernalia, but also (under the lid) chips and cards for "a quiet little game."

DUAL RANGE A.C.-D.C. OSCILLATOR (614) (Delta Radio Co.)

THE dial of a service oscillator recently developed for the lowpriced trade is accurately calibrated for two ranges; one covers fundamental frequencies from 132 to 380 kc., and the other, the fourth-harmonic ranke (broadcast band) of 540 to 1,500 kc. On A.C., A.F. modulation is obtained from the line ripple; on D.C., at 1,000 cycles from a neon tube. The oscillator is a type 37 tube.

WALL-TYPE "ORDER" MICROPHONE (615)

SERVICE Men who have been making "side" money selling and installing P.A. systems in restaurants, lunch counters, etc., will be glad to know of a new "wall"-type microphone. A pilot lamp lights directly over the pressto-talk button, when the button is operated; the lamp also may be wired to a button at the opposite end, for "O.K." signals.

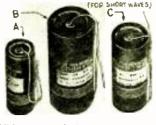
TUBE-TYPE CODE PRAC-TICE SET (616)

T IS an amazing fact that a large number of people of prominence (in radio) point with pride to an apprenticeship served in "pounding brass." For those who aspire to learn the radio code there is no better practice transmitter than the unit just put on the market which utilizes a type 30, 2 V. vacuum tube (in an oscillatory circuit comprising an A.F. transformer) to produce a whistling note exactly like the C.W. (continuous wave) signal of a regular transmitting station. (The "A" and "B" supply fit into the case of the instrument.)

OIL-FILLED HIGH-VOLT-AGE CONDENSERS (617) (Aerovox Corp.)

BUILDING a high-power amplifier or transmitter? Well, we can tell you where you can get fixed condensers that can "stand the eaff" without the need for a half-

Oil-filled S.-W. condensers. (617)



Oil-impregnated S.-W. condensers. {611}

acre of parking space, in capacities from 1 to 4 mf, at 1000 V., and 1 or 2 mf, at 2.000 V., in round cans (A, in the figure); and 1 to 4 mf, in 1.000, 1.500, 2.000, 2.500 and 3.000 V. rating, and 0.5 or 1. nf, at 5.000 V. rating, in rectangular cans (B, in the illustration). Pure linen insulating paper, impregnated with oil, is used; the assembly is immersed in an oil bath. As the section becomes heated in operation it expands and the oil flows into the section, thereby maintaining a perfect oil film throughout the condenser section. As the section cools and contracts the oil is forced out of the section back into the can.

MULTI-POLE WAVE-BAND SWITCH (618)

A RTICLE after article has appeared in the technical "mags.," pointing out the need for good contact in wave-band switches. A switch designed to meet this major demand uses silver-plated contacts, and self-cleaning rotors. The stator contacts are laced, and then staked in place. Available in 6 pole, 18 point, (95 wiring combinations) and 8 pole. 24 point (500 wiring combinations) models, in double-throw types, diameters, 2, and 2½ ins., respectively.

A "SHORT-WAVE" LOUD-SPEAKER (619)

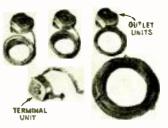
(Wright-DeCoster, Inc.)

"WillAT is the difference between a 'short-wave' speaker, and any other kind?" is the first question the radio man will ask. The major portion of the answer is as follows: In the new "shortwave" reproducer particular emphasis is placed on reproduction of the voice frequencies from 200 to 3,000 cycles. Frequencies above 3,000 cycles are attenuated so that noises generated either by the radio set itself, or picked up from the air are reduced.. Care has been taken to prevent resonance effects at frequencies below 500 cycles, in order to retain the intelligibility of low-pitched voices. Field excitation is obtained from 110 V. A.C. by means of a 2525 rectifier tube; voice coil impedance is 10 ohms at 400 cycles; the standard output transformer primary impedance

Improved wave-changing switch. (618)

6 POLE

THROW



All-wave type multiple outlets. (612)

value is 4.000 ohms, but "specials" are available. Cone diameter is 10 ins.; the over-all width. across the baffle, is 14 ins.; a solid spider acts as a dust cap.

DUAL-WAVE MIRROR SET (620)

(Q2U) JUST when it appeared that radio set makers had about "eached the end of their ropes in designing new cabinets, out comes an instrument that takes first prize for originality in a regular commercial production job. The set in question atilizes a simple and effective 4-tube I'.R.F. chassis, with a wave-length range of 75 to 550 meters, encased in a cabinet composed entirely of mirrors! A modernistic design is sand-blasted on the portion of the glass that comprises the speaker grille; the colored grille cloth is interchangeable with cloth of other colors.

A 3-TUBE SHORT-WAVE KIT SET (621) (Harrison Radio Co.)

SHORT-WAVE reception over the range of 15 to 200 meters may be obtained, by means of plug-in coils, in a new short-wave set that embodies 5-tube performance with only 3 tubes; an additional set of coils is available which increases the tuning range to 625 meters (Reception of regular broadcast stations and long-wave ship and press transmissions is possible.). Operates on 110 V., A.C., a 220 V, adapter is available.

ship and press transmissions is possible.). Operates on 110 V., A.C., a 220 V, adapter is available. This receiver has the volume, selectivity and sensitivity of a 5-tube set, although only 3, "multi-purpose" tubes are used. These tubes are: (a) the new 6F7, used as a combined variable-mu R.F. pentode, and regenerative detector: (b) a 76 high-gain triode first-stage A.F. amplifier, and; (c) a 12A7 combined pentode secondstage A.F. (power) amplifier, and half-wave vectifier.

Provision has been made for optional operation with the built-in speaker, an external reproducer, or headphones. Hum level is very low, even when sensitive headphones are used. Available complete or in kit form. Cabinet is $7x5^{-1}2x9$ ins. long.

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A "short-wave" loudspeaker. (619)

SHORT WAVE" SPEAKER



Dealing cards, music and a sip! (613)



A dual-range service oscillator. (614)



Wall-type "order" microphone. (615)



Above, tube code-practice set. (616)

Below, a fine set for the boudoir. (620)





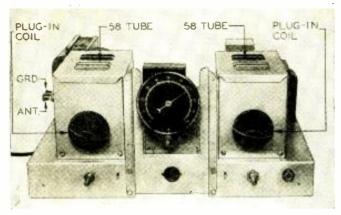


Fig. A Airplane dial and special shielding gives commercial appearance.

M. K. BAKER*

AN IMPROVED 6-TUBE ALL-WAVE SET

This receiver will come as a welcome surprise to constructors who thought that a "super" was necessary to get good results. It employs a T.R.F. circuit with plug-in coils to cover the complete short-wave and broadcast ranges. It is designed for 110 volt A.C. operation, and includes many design innovations.

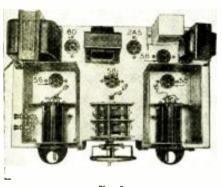


Fig. B Top view illustrating coil compartments.

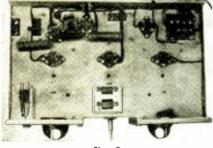


Fig. C Sub-base view showing layout of parts. HE construction of an all-wave receiver, when it involves more than 5 tubes, should (the writer of feels) be made as simple as possi-

he for other constructors. The use of a superheterodyne circuit with its consequent elaborate padding and trimming condensers, and elaborate aligning procedure (which, it should be mentioned, if not performed carefully and precisely will impair the efficiency of the set) frightens most set constructors. Not only that, but it is an established fact that few of the average constructors are even partially equipped with the necessary all-wave oscillator and output meter to correctly align such a set.

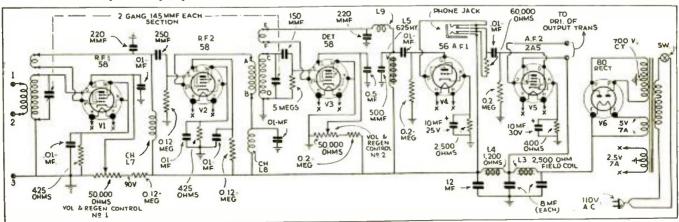
For these reasons a tuned R.F. circuit was selected as the basis for this receiver. However, the usual shortcomings of such design were given more than careful attention, with the net result that this set, if built carefully and as per instructions, will be found equivalent in efficiency and selectivity to most "supers" of complicated design. All of the usual ills associated with T.R.F. receivers have been completely removed, and what is more, instead of sacrificing any of the desirable qualities in such a receiver an actual and appreciable improvement was effected. *Chief Eng. Alan Badio Corp.

Good Distance Getter!

When discussing the relative merits of a receiver, theoretical design and potential possibilities are never as convincing as actual practical results that are obtained when a receiver is put on an "air-test." Nor is it possible to make any comparison with receivers of other design, unless the conditions (which affect reception) are exactly similar for each. Consequently, when this set was ultimately completed, it was placed on test alongside of a prominent 6-tube "super" which also employs plug-in coils for band changing. The same special antenna (all-wave type, with transposed lead-in) was used for both, a single-pole, double-throw switch serving to connect the antenna to the set which was to be tested. Antenna, weather conditions, location, and even the operator were therefore the same for each receiver.

On practically every wave-band this receiver out-performed the "super." On foreign broadcasts the actual volume of reception was greater on this set, and numerous stations were received which were impossible to get on the "super." The selectivity on the ham 'phone band (80 meters) was as good in each case. Amateur code on this set was so far (Continued on page 427)

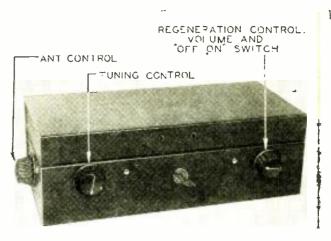
Fig. 1. Wiring diagram. Regeneration is employed in first R.F. and detector stages. Second R.F. stage is untuned.



BUILD THIS NOVEL 1-TUBE ALL-ELECTRIC ALL-WAVE SET

The receiver, using only a 12A7, is built within a "cash box." This automatically serves to completely shield the set. The circuit is a standard regenerative detector, using the pentode portion of the tube. It will operate from 110 V., A.C. or D.C.

H.G.CISIN



HIS receiver is so small and light that it can be carried around like a camera. Nevertheless, it will work from any 110 V. house lighting circuit, either A.C. or D.C., and will bring in short-wave stations from 10 to 200 meters and also the regular broadcast station from 200 to 550 meters.

The circuit is built into a compact metal carrying case ("cash box") and the entire outfit including the five plugin coils and the earphone, weighs less than three pounds. Only one tube is used, this being the remarkable dual purpose 12A7 tube. The wide tuning range from 10 to 550 meters is attained through the use of five special plug-in coils, wound on compact composition forms. A single variable tuning condenser (3), shunted across the longer winding of the plug-in coil, takes care of the broadcast as well as the short-wave tuning. As a matter of fact, it is possible to eover a much higher range with this same tuning condenser, through the use of specially wound long-wave coils.

Circuit Operation and Adjustments

Regeneration is controlled by means of the potentiometer (6), shunted across the ticker winding C, D, of coil (2). For broadcast reception, a short indoor aerial or a wire thrown on the floor will suffice. Naturally, a wellconstructed outdoor antenna will produce best results in bringing in the distant short-wave stations. The an-

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TO 110V., A.C. OR D.C.

tenna trimmer (1), provides a convenient means of adjusting the set for varying lengths of aerials and this component also furnishes an additional tuning control for short-wave reception.

The second radio circuit utilized in this set, is a unique A.C.-D.C. circuit, whereby chokes are eliminated and resistors substituted. The receiver can then be operated equally well from alternating or direct current sources. No power-supply transformer is necessary in this circuit, which results in a cheaper, lighter, and simpler receiver. Since the 12A7 is a cathode heater tube, it is possible to heat the filament with raw A.C., without introducing noticeable The filament voltage is reduced hum. to the correct value by means of a 350 ohm resistor, contained within the line

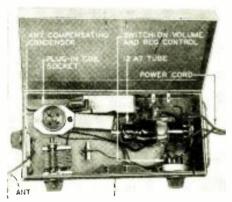


Fig. B. How the set looks when opened.

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cord (15). This resistor is connected in series with the filament terminals A and B of the tube.

Adequate filtering is accomplished by means of a dual electrolytic condenser having 8 mf. sections, one being connected at each end of the 10,000 ohm filter resistor (11) in the plate supply circuit. To save space, the "on-off" switch (16) is combined with the potentiometer (6).

Construction

The construction is very simple due to the fact that the parts are few in number. The antenna trimmer is mounted on the left side wall of the carrying case (see Fig. B). It has a short shaft soldered to the adjusting screw and a knob fastened to the shaft. The tuning condenser and the potentiometer switch are mounted on the front wall. The twin phone jack is mounted on the rear wall. The tube socket is mounted in a horizontal position on the inside wall, by means of two 5%-in brass bushings. The other parts are mounted on the bottom of the case. The antenna trimmer and the jacks must be well insulated from the metal case. The potentiometer must be of the type which will not short circuit against the case. The coil socket may also be mounted on short brass bushings.

The wiring can be completed in a very short time. The socket connections are shown in the schematic diagram (Fig. 1). In socket (8), A and (Continued on page 433)

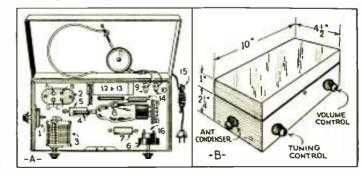
Fig. 1. The diagram. Resistor filter employed instead of chokes.

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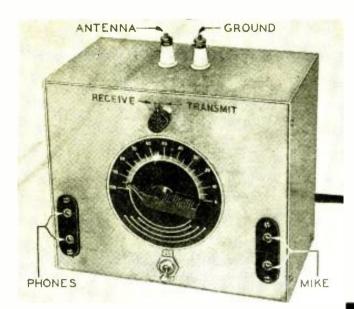
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Fig. 2. A-layout; parts list identifies numbers. B-dimensions.



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HOW TO BUILD A NEW 5-METER TRANSCEIVER

Complete construction details are given here for an improved and highly efficient transmitting and receiving unit. Its features are: 6 volt battery operation, radiophone transmission, small dimensions, ultra-portability, and employs only 2 tubes.

A. G. HELLER*

HE popularity of transceivers is increasing steadily with short-wave "hams." The reason for this becomes obvious when one considers the numerous features of a unit that can be readily used for transmission as well as for reception purposes. Ignoring the novelty of such a device, we find that a transceiver has individual features and characteris-

*Chief Engineer, Insuline Cotto of America



Fig. A, above. Interior view illustrating compactness.

tics which make it admirably suited for specialized work. The tremendous saving in parts and auxiliary equipment that an instrument of this type requires, as compared to that needed by two separate instruments for transmitting and receiving, is in itself a paramount feature. By the elimination of this added equipment the saving in weight is, of course, a consequence which follows and which adds to the unit's virtues. In addition, the construction of the entire unit is possible in a casing of comparatively small dimensions, thus enhancing its value for portable operation. The 5 meter transceiver pictured at the top was carefully designed after considerable experience in constructing numerous similar units. Needless to say that all of the problems and difficulties of each of its predecessors have been finally overcome in the construction of this, the final transceiver.

The Circuit

Analysis of the circuit shown in Fig. 1 will indicate that only 2 tubes are employed; namely a 37 and a 41. With the switch in the "Receive" position, the 37 functions as a super-regenerative detector and the 41 becomes an A.F. amplifier stage. With the switch in the "Transmit" position. the 37

functions as an oscillator and the 41 as a modulator tube coupling back to the plate of the oscillator tube (plate modulation).

The microphone transformer has, in addition to the single-button microphone winding, another primary for audio coupling to the 41 which is introduced into the circuit when the switch is in "Receive" position. The selection of a super-regenera-

tive detector circuit is practically a necessity on 5 meters. The tuning characteristics of such a circuit are essentially "broad," and since the fre-quency "drift" or "shifting" of an oscillator on 5 meters is considerable, it becomes readily apparent that such a broad tuning circuit will aid materially in keeping the signal "tuned-in."

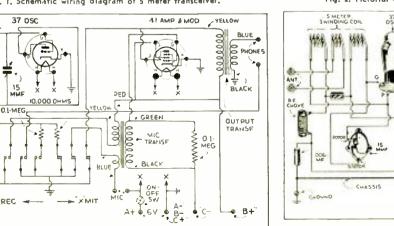
Assembly

The chassis and cover may be ob-tained drilled. Assembly will then consist of merely attaching the component parts, and fastening them to the chassis with nuts and bolts. The picture diagram (Fig. 2) is a rear view of the transceiver chassis. It clearly illustrates the positions of the various parts and the manner of mounting them. A close study of the picture diagram should be more than sufficient (Continued on page 435)

Fig. 1. Schematic wiring diagram of 5 meter transceiver.

Fig. 2. Pictorial diagram. The layout of parts is not critical. 10 000

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5 METER 3WINDING COIL

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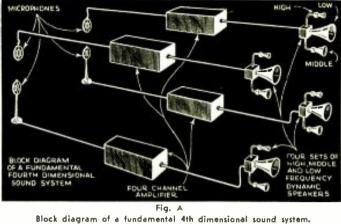
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ELEMENTS OF 4TH DIMENSION P.A. OR SOUND

SYSTEMS This is the first of two articles which dis-

closes, in a non-technical manner, all of the principles involved for attaining absolute realism in sound reproduction. Part 2 will cover practical construction and installation.

H. S. MANNEY* AND C. R. SHAW+



F ARTIFICIALLY recreated sound is not "perfect" in all respects to natural creation, it cannot produce an illusion of true reality.

Inasmuch as the purpose of all entertainment is to help the auditor to forget himself, the more perfectly we create the feeling that he is listening to real people, the more will he "lose" himself and the greater will be his feeling of real enjoyment.

Very many people regard mechanical sound reproducing equipment frankly as a mechanical device and therefore do not expect it to simulate reality. The consequence of such a point of view is that they accept this unnatural sound on the basis that it represents perfection for modern artificial creative means and methods.

Musically trained and artistically tempered people, on the other hand, have oftimes complained that reproduced sounds (as furnished by "talkies", radio broadcasts, P.A. Systems, electric recordings, etc.) are too flat

"Author of "Fourth Dimensional Sound." "Design Engineer, Columbia Sound System U.

Fig. 1.

and centralized. In fact, a critic is quoted as saying, "To listen to a symphonic orchestra reproduced by electromechanical systems, is like listening to the performance through a knothole in a fence.'

PART I

Although innumerable attempts have previously been made to attain a true and natural state of sound recreation, few have approached the goal as closely as did the Bell Telephone Laboratories during the early part of last vear. This organization demonstrated to the Institute of Radio Engineers a three dimensional sound system, which was subsequently described by R. D. Washburne in RADIO CRAFT for May 1934 (Page 654).

To understand why this apparently "perfect" system does not attain a full 100% naturalness, we must first define "perfect artificially recreated sound". For our purposes of discussion we will simply consider it as a true reproduction of the original sources of sound in a spatial relationship corresponding exactly to the placement of the original sound sources. If upon closing your

eyes you cannot tell whether you are listening to an electro-mechanical device or to the original rendition-if you can mentally locate the true position of each sound source, then, and only then, are you hearing perfect artificially recreated sound!

Why then, has this perfect illusion not been achieved before, and what elementary principles are involved in presenting such an ultimate in electromechanical sound recreation?

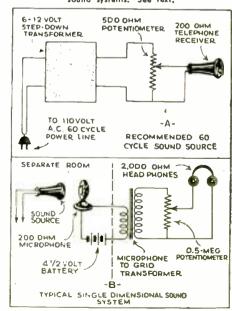
Before we answer these questions, let us consider two points of the definition for "perfect artificially recreated sound" as given above.

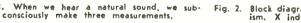
First, we have "true reproduction" which involves the use of a sound collective, amplifying, and distributive system which will not modify or alter in any manner whatsoever the frequency, phase relationships, or proportional intensity of the sound or sounds undergoing recreation. Such a system will of necessity employ microphones with a series of performance characteristics equivalent to the human (Continued on page 430)

- A -SOURCE OF SOUND 00 HORIZONTAL ANGULAR DISPLACEMENT INDICATES AXIS OF SOUND AXIS OF SOUND WAVE REACHING HOW MUCH TO ONE SLOP RIGHT EAR (RX) THE SOUND IS COMING FROM TOP VIEW INTERPRETIVE CENTER OF HEARING CENTER -8-CENTER OF HEARING VERTICAL ANGULAR DIS PLACEMENT TELL US WHETHER THE SOUND IS COMING FROM ABOVEOR BELOW LEFT NERVE RIGHT NERVE SIDE VIEW LEFT DIGHT EAD +C --A-HEAD DISTANCE OF A SOURCE OF SOUND 15 ESTIMATED ACCORDING TO THE IN-TENSITY OF THE SOUND WAYES WHICH FEACH OUR EARS C WHEN SOUND SOURCE IS OFF TO ONE SIDE OF SIDE Ŀх RX LX - D+ A SOURCE OF SOUND IS LOCAL-IZED IN SPACE BY COLLATING INREE MEASURES (A) HORIZONTAL ANGULAR DISPLACEMENT, (B) VER--B-TICAL ANGULAR DISPLACEMENT, (B) VER AND (C) DISTANCE X INDICATES ORIGIN OF Ъ Ř IT IS DIRECTLY IN FRONT -c-

Fig. 2. Block diagram of sound localizing mechan-ism. X indicates source of sound.

Fig. 3. Practical experiments in single dimensional sound systems. See text.



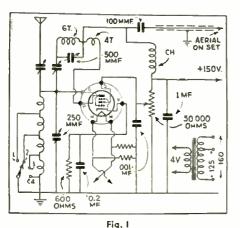


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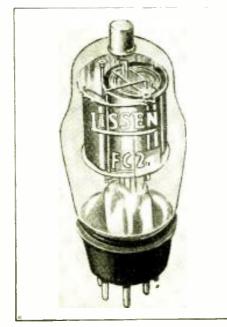
A short-wave converter covering the wavelengths from 12 to 70 meters.



Fig. A The appearance of the new television set which supplies black and white pictures.

- **Handar Bankan** Bankan Ba

Fig. B The triode-hexode frequency converter. Triode-hexode coupling at short wavelengths is nil.



HERE is what the radio experimenter has been wanting for a long time—a semi-technical review of the thousands of new ideas which are continually appearing in overseas publications. Each month there are received at the offices of RADIO-CRAFT hundreds of daily, weekly and monthly magazines originating from all over the world.

SINCE the cost of subscribing to each of these would be prohibitive for most radio men, we have arranged with technical translators to prepare for our readers reviews of all the really important, new developments illustrated and described each month in these publications.

NOTE that the only available information is that which is published; the experimenter must adapt the ideas to whatever equipment he has on hand.

AN ITALIAN SHORT-WAVE CONVERTER

N reviewing the foreign magazines received this month, an endeavor has been made to cover some of the outstanding items on short-wave subjects—inasmuch as we are featuring short-waves in this number.

The Italian magazine, Radio Lux, contains a description of an interesting short-wave converter to be attached to the broadcast set. It comprises a pentode of the R.F. variety. The particular tube advocated is one of European manufacture, though American tubes are extensively used in Italy, as we have mentioned before.

A grid coil, tapped in three places (see Fig. 1) tunes the grid circuit, while two coils wound on the same tube act as the oscillator grid and plate coils. The wavelengths between 12 and 70 meters are covered by the coil combination, and with this coverage, no taps are required on the oscillator coils. The coils are wound on tubes, 11/2 ins. in diameter, with No. 24 enameled wire. The grid coil contains 4 turns on the first section, 4 on the second, 5 on the third, and 6 on the fourth. The oscillator contains 6 turns on the tuned section and 4 on the plate side. The grid coil sections are separated by about 1/4-in. while the two coils of the oscillator are wound as one continuous coil, with a tap at the sixth turn

The remaining values for this converter are indicated on the diagram.

TELEVISION IN EUROPE

WHILE television is gradually nearing the point of commercial production in the U.S.A., depending on public interest to awaken suddenly; the condition in Europe is somewhat more advanced.

Experimental transmitters are in constant use in England, Germany, and several other countries, with varying degrees of success. Commercial receivers are available for picking up these transmissions and there is considerable interest shown in the radio magazines of these countries on the subject.

The photo at Fig. A, shows a commercial instrument being sold in England. It contains a four tube receiver having an audio frequency characteristic of 20 to 9,000 cycles according to claims of the manufacturer. A glow discharge lamp of special design permits black and white images.

It is reported that the B.B.C. is contemplating a change to 30 lines which will increase the picture definition, though it will necessitate changes in existing receivers.

A NEW FREQUENCY-CHANGER

PENTAGRID converter tubes have made a very definite step forward in the design of superheterodyne receivers, since the electron-coupling overcomes certain defects which were present in all other types of frequency changers. However, it appears that the pentagrid converter is also imperfect in certain other respects, especially on short waves. An interaction between the oscillator plate and the control-grid causes degenerative effects which become particularly noticeable when high frequency signals are being received. The effect is so marked in some cases, that the oscillator section of the tube refuses to operate above a certain critical frequency.

To overcome this disadvantage, a new tube has been introduced on the European market, according to a recent issue of WIRELESS WORLD. (Fig. B). It consists of two separate tubes, a triode and a hexode, built in a single envelope. The hexode has six electrodes, a cathode, control-grid, two screen-grids, a coupling-grid, and a plate. The control-grid immediately surrounds the cathode and is surrounded by the screen-grid. The coupling-grid comes next and is separated from the plate by the second screen-grid. The coupling-grid is connected internally to the triode (oscillator) grid which supplies the desired electron coupling.

Variations in the oscillator plate potential have no effect upon the screen and plate currents of the hexode, and changes in the hexode screen, plate or

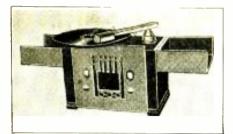


Fig. C A novel combination radio-phonograph.

control-grid voltages do not alter the oscillator plate current. Thus the two tubes are independent, except for the electron coupling which takes place. This tube shows markedly improved characteristics for high frequency work.

AN INTERESTING DESIGN

N the Italian radio magazine, LA RADIO PER TUTTI, was included an interesting design for a combined radio and phonograph, in one of its recent issues. The cabinet, when closed, appeared as an ordinary radio of the table type, having two wave ranges, with separate dials for each band. The cabinet, however, was split across the top in such a way that the two halves opened out, as shown in Fig. C. When opened, a complete phonograph of the electric type was revealed. The amplifier of the radio receiver provided the necessary increase in volume for ordinary room enjoyment.

SOME WORTH-WHILE EXPERI-MENTS

W HILE ultra-short-wave experiments are exceedingly interesting to the lively radio experimenter, even this field becomes prosaic if definite direction is not given to the experimenter which will make his work of value to others.

The latest issue of WIRELESS WORLD takes this point in hand and points out some very interesting ways in which experiments in the ultra-short-wave field can be made useful. One of these is in the field of aerials for ultra-shortwave transmission and reception. It is known that the sky waves from such transmitters are not reflected back to

the earth and this definitely limits the distance which can be covered by such units. But on the other hand, the aerials used for these transmitters and receivers determine to a large extent their effectiveness. Aerials, on these very high frequencies, do not exhibit the same characteristics as similar designs do on longer waves. Marked directional effects are encountered with horizontal and vertical dipoles, halfwave and other types which should not show these effects. Loops on the other hand, are found to be markedly effective for reception purposes—and the directional "selectivity" depends to a great extent on the dimensions of the loop, its shape and height above ground.

Thus, the ambitious ultra-short-wave fan has a fine chance to experiment with different types of aerials, and thus achieve real results which can be of use to the entire "ultra-short-wave world."

In giving some facts regarding the above subject, a circuit for a 5 meter super-regenerative receiver was given. (See Fig. 2.) The values of parts used in this set were not given, but the interested fan will find the method of connecting the loop to the set advantageous. Suitable sizes for the various condensers and resistors can be found by a little experimental work.

A REAL PORTABLE

TO digress for a time from shortwaves; the tiny portable receiver shown at Fig. D, using the newly developed small tubes which we mentioned several months ago, has just appeared on the English market. The entire receiver box measures $4\frac{3}{5} \times 6\frac{14}{4} \times 4\frac{12}{2}$ ins. high and it weighs only 3 lbs., complete with batteries. The set tunes over the broadcast band, and with only a temporary aerial will pick up broadcasts over a distance of 75 to 100 miles. This "really" portable set was announced in WIRELESS WORLD magazine.

PERMEABILITY TUNER

N A number of past issues, we have mentioned the popularity of metal core coils for R.F. tuning.

The idea has been developed a step (Continued on page 426)



Fig. D. A really portable receiver.

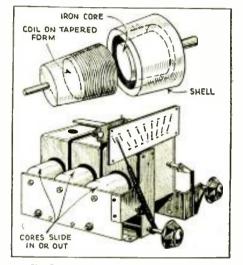


Fig. E. A complete permeability tuner.

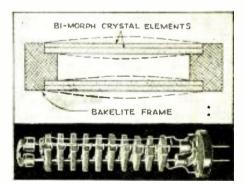


Fig. F A high-quality piezo-electric mike.

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This rectifier covers the broadcast band.

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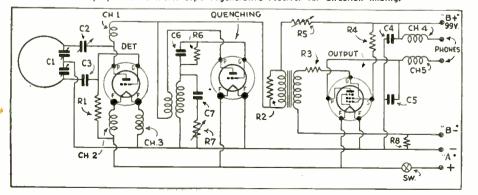
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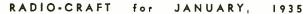
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A loop-operated 5 meter super-regenerative receiver for direction finding.

Fig. 2

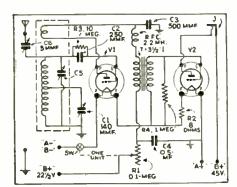






ITH increasing public interest in short-wave reception, manufacturers have kept their engineers busy designing bigger and better receivers for home use. Sets using nine, ten, twelve, and even fifteen tubes are by no means uncommon to-

"Eng., Wholesale Radio Service Co., Inc



A SHORT-WAVE BAND-SPREAD **2-TUBE PORTABLE SET**

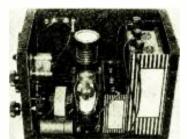
Here is an excellent and truly portable short-wave receiver, for outdoor use. It employs only 2 tubes, dry-cell type, which results in real economical operation. Batteries are self-contained.

FRANK J. LESTER*

day. However, little attention is being paid to another angle of the shortwave market that is also very much alive-portable receivers.

Many people who are cursed with bad locations for short-wave reception would like to take compact receivers out in the country with them on Saturday or Sunday drives. Away from the

Fig. I, left. Diagram. Circuit consists of regen-erative det., and one audio stage. Fig. A, below. Internal view. Coil is mounted between the 2 tubes.



noise of the city, remarkable results can be obtained with relatively simple outfits.

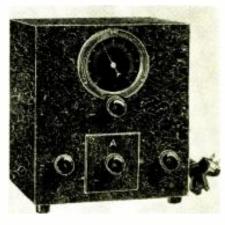
The very definite demand for a set of this kind led the writer to design this "band-spread portable." This is truly a portable receiver in that a person can carry it more than 10 feet without dislocating his shoulder. It can be thrown in the back of a car or carried comfortably in a train or trolley. Complete, with all required batteries, it weights only 9 pounds.

If this sounds like a lot of radio set to lug around, weigh up your handbag the next time you have occasion to take a short trip! You'll be surprised to learn how much more than nine pounds it weighs.

The receiver is built into a strong metal case measuring only $8\frac{3}{4}$ by $6\frac{3}{4}$, hy 514 ins. wide, fitted at the top with (Continued on page 433)

AN IMPROVED 2-TUBE SHORT-WAVE BOOSTER

This unit was designed for the purpose of improving the efficiency of your present short-wave receiver. It is an improved 2-stage short-wave amplifier, A.C. operated, employs special completely shielded compartment type coils, and is very simple to connect to any type of receiver.



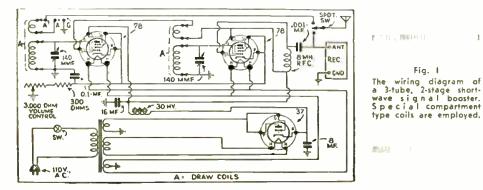
S. MILLER*

N THE average short-wave receiver, the input voltage of faint or practically inaudible stations has a relatively constant value depending "Chief Engin., Po-tal Radio Corp.

upon numerous factors, chief among them being antenna pick-up efficiency and signal strength.

If the power of a weak or inaudible foreign station remains the same, your

Fig. I



antenna will always receive the signal with the same intensity (under similar atmospheric conditions). If the average intensity of the received signal is too weak to activate your receiver, it will not be heard regardless of how sensitive your receiver is or how much audio amplification you use.

On the other hand, if that same feeble signal could be strengthened considerably, before it is fed into the receiver, the result will be equivalent to an apparent increase of power on the part of the broadcasting station, and the same signal will become distinctly audible (or it may operate the loud-speaker at full volume). This is exactly what this R.F. booster does. (Continued on page 432)

THE LISTENING POST FOR ALL-WAVE DX-ERS

The author imparts some very valuable information on how to best obtain proof, or verification, of foreign station reception. Also, schedules and hints on DX on all waves.

C. A. MORRISON



Zeesen's (Germany) directional antennas.

ITH that feeling of pride that comes to every Dx'er upon hearing his first foreign station, whether it be on the broadcast band, or short waves, there arises a natural desire to have

some way of proving to other people that he actually received this station. It is through this desire to show proof of foreign reception that the hobby of acquiring verifications or confirmations has arisen. A verification of reception is nothing more than a written statement by letter or postal card from a station that, upon a certain day and at a certain hour, you actually received their station. It stands to reason that for a station to issue such a positive statement they must be reasonably sure that you actually heard them. The more accurate and concise information you can furnish to the station the better are your chances for securing a verification. A report of value to the station is never turned down. The approved method for the securing of verifications is as follows:

When listening to a foreign station, and if you wish to verify, have a reliable clock and your log book handy. Carefully note down what is heard and the time in your log book. When noting musical selections, titles should be given if possible, type of musical instruments, type of music (whether march, jazz, classic, etc.) When noting songs include titles if possible and always specify whether male or female voices, number of voices, type of music (jazz, blues, operatic, etc.), tupe of voice (bass, tenor, soprano, etc.). When noting a speaking voice include actual words spoken when possible and type of voice (high pitched, or

of voice (high pitched, or low pitched, etc.). If in a foreign tongue state kind of language if possible. Call letters should be noted, along with location, and musical signal if any. If station is signing off be sure and note the exact time.

In writing to the station be sure you have the correct address by referring to some good station log. The letter should consist of a resumé of what you heard as given above, and the time each item was recorded. *Return postage* should always be enclosed. When writing to a foreign country return postage should be enclosed in the form of an *International Reply Coupon* which you can purchase at your local post office for a few cents.

For your report to be of value to the station these general items should be included in your letters; (1) State weather conditions. (2) temperature, (3) direction of wind, (4) volume of station's signal, (5) whether fading— and how bad, (6) whether natural static was present, (7) was station interference experienced, (8) type of receiver in use-and number of tubes. These facts, in addition to your report, will certainly insure you an interesting and attractive confirmation of reception. In the case of foreign stations it should be kept in mind that several weeks, or even months, may be necessary before you receive your reply. Many DX'ers have accumulated, over a period of years, collections of hundreds of verifications which are greatly prized by them.

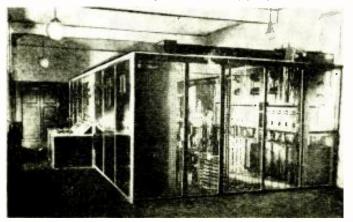
Next month we shall delve deeper into this fascinating subject of securing foreign verifications, describing how you may obtain a verification of a program, even though both music and voice are of a foreign nature, and describing for you some of the logs of the greatest DX'ers of all times, and to what they attribute their success.

What to Listen For During December-January

-Broadcast Band-

With the exception of Australian-New Zealand stations, December and January are usually the peak months for foreign reception in North America

A view of the transmitting equipment at Reykjavik, Iceland.



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on the broadcast band. At this time signals from Japan. China, Hawaii, Alaska, Central America, South America, Europe, Australia, and New Zealand are heard under good weather conditions.

Foreign countries which will be received best during this period on the eastern coast of the United States will be about as follows in order of consistency: (1) Europe and South America. (2) Australia, New Zealand, and Hawaii. (3) Japan and Central America. (4) Alaska and China—very rarely.

Foreign countries which will be received best in the central area (From the Appalachian to the Rocky Mountains) will be about as follows in consistency: (1) Australia, New Zealand, and Hawaii. (2) South and Central America. (3) Japan and Europe. (4) China and Alaska rare.

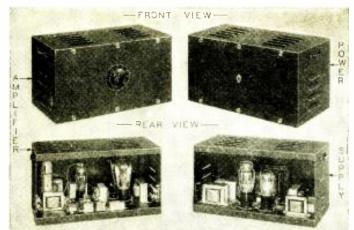
Foreign countries in order of best reception for the Pacific coast area will generally be (1) Japan, China, and Hawaii. (2) Australia, New Zealand, and Alaska. (3) South America rare. (4) Europe very rare.

Foreign stations from the east are best received for a period of one or two hours after the U.S. stations have signed off for the night. Foreign stations from the west are best received one or two hours before dawn. Stations to the south are received good to fair almost daily with average weather conditions. Their reception being limited principally by their power, or to the times when they are on the air unusually late on a clear channel. Once in a while, they will break through the U.S. stations in the early evening.

DX'ing reports for the early part of the season indicate foreign stations being received with unusual excellence. Europeans coming in very good on the eastern coast. Japanese and Chinese stations good on the Pacific coast, and Australia and New Zealand stations fair to good over the whole area. South Americans are breaking through in the early evenings.

Short-Wave Band

As fall changes slowly into winter the seasonal high-(Continued on page 428)



SERVICE Men and other technicians who are bemoaning the shrinkage of their income on radio receivers, would do well to devote some serious thought to the lucrative opportunities offered in public address applications. Many have been quick to realize the wisdom of an investment in a sound system but have been deterred largely because of limited funds. It is the purpose of this paper to describe an amplifier which shall meet all the necessary requirements and at the same time be well within the price range of those who have procrastinated on account of financial considerations.

AN ECONOMICAL P.A. ECONOMICAL This amplifier is suitable for the majority of P.A. installations. It has a power output of 18 watts, total distortion less than 5 per cent, and uses type 45 tubes in the power stage. Power supply is built separately, facilitating rack and panel installations. A. J. KOENIG*

Many amplifiers on the market at present are tainted with the stigma of fallacious power output ratings. It is significant that no mention is made of the total per cent distortion at full power output. The amplifier described herein possesses a gain of 75 db. and is capable of delivering 18 watts with a total distortion of only 5%, which is almost negligible.

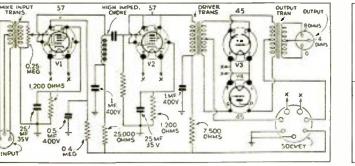
Power Output: While several factors are taken into consideration in the choice of an amplifier, power output is perhaps first in importance. The coverage value of a sys-(Continued on page 440)

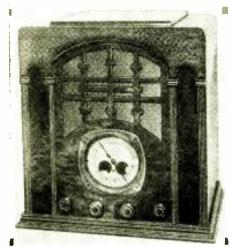


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AN IMPRESSIVE 7-TUBE DUAL-RANGE SUPERHET

This receiver has distinctive design features which make it an outstanding performer on broadcast and short-waves.

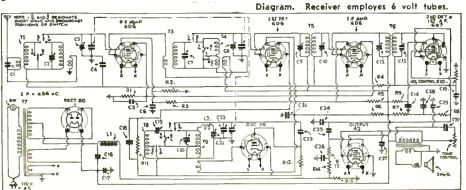
HE RECEIVER illustrated in the adjacent photograph is of unusual design, both in regard to appearance and engineering. One is im-

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Illustrations, courtesy J. Matheson Hell, Inc.



mediately impressed by these facts, which are later proved when a closer scrutiny is made of the set's construction. The 5-inch tuning dial is of such intriguing design that it lends distinction to the physical appearance? It incorporates, in addition to the dual-wave range scale, two novel indicators which are directly and respectively controlled by the volume and tone controls.

Circuit

This receiver is a broadcast and short-wave set with a frequency coverage of 530 to 1,740 kc. on the broadcast band, and 5.8 to 18.3 mc. on the shortwave band. Dual-band coverage is accomplished by means of dual sets of

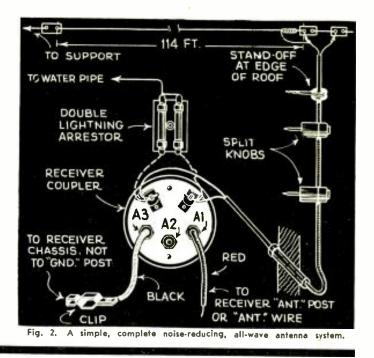
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^{*}Engineer, Kenyon Transformer Co., Inc.

Fig. 1. Wiring diagram of amplifier; employs only 4 tubes.



The improvements described result in greater volume on the broadcast as well as shortwave bands. Also, they assure reduction of local interference, which permits full efficiency from high-fidelity receivers. Since most listeners make use of the tone control to minimize the strength of noise, the advantage of an efficient noise-reducing antenna, as an aid to fidelity, becomes obvious. A. H. LYNCH*



P TO the present time every allwave noise-reducing antenna system has been deficient in signal strength on the broadcast band. In some systems a compromise has been made with noise by including a switching arrangement which converted the antenna from a doublet with noise-reducing properties to an ordinary "T" antenna with no noise-reducing properties. It had been thought impossible to provide an antenna system which would be efficient over the very broad band of frequencies which lie between 5 meters and 600 meters, which is equivalent to 55,000 to 550 kilocycles.

The ordinary broadcast receiver has a frequency ratio of approximately 3 to 1. New and improved antenna systems, now available, have a frequency ratio of more than 40 to 1.

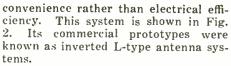
Location Determines Better Type

For the person who is located in the city or who lives on a modest-sized plot in the suburbs, the new doublet antenna system shown in Fig. 1D is recommended because the total length of the horizontal portion of the antenna need not be more than 41 feet. Naturally an antenna of such small dimensions will not have the pick-up of one made with a very much longer flat-top. But this deficiency is overcome in a most practical manner in the afore-

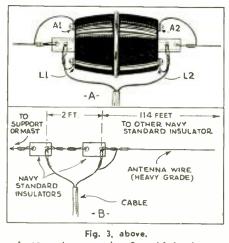
*Arthur H. Lynch. Inc.

mentioned system by the use of an impedance-matching device at the antenna which eliminates the losses usually sustained in the ordinary type of noise-reducing lead-in.

Where suitable space is available an entirely different type of antenna is suggested having a total over-all length of 114 feet which is approximately half a wave-length at 70 meters or 4.3 kilocycles. With this type of horizontal antenna the lead-in is taken from the end rather than in the center. This has been done as a matter of mechanical



The latter system does not require the elaborate and rather expensive antenna transformer and where space is available it is recommended as being superior to the doublet type. As is true with the duplex system, the flat top need not be in a straight line. It may zig-zag, but it should not double back on itself.



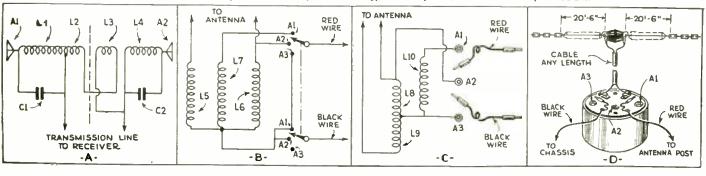


How the Systems Work

Most of the important short-wave broadcast stations operate on approximately 13, 16, 19, 24, 31, 49, and 70 meters. A long horizontal antenna cut to receive on 70 meters is fairly efficient on all of the other wavelengths and it is extremely good in the broadcast band. Such an antenna should be at least 30 feet above the ground. By reason of the size of the collector (antenna) the signal strength it picks up is rather large and compensates for small deficiecies between the antenna and the receiver which could not be tolerated with a collector of the smaller size. Therefore, the impedancematching transformer at the antenna is eliminated for both mechanical and financial reasons. A low-impedance transmission line is used on both sys-

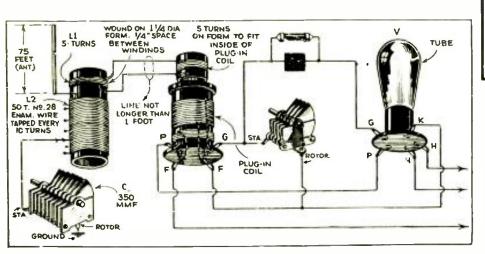
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SHORT-CUTS IN RADIO



Device to increase short-wave sensitivity, and signal-to-noise ratio.

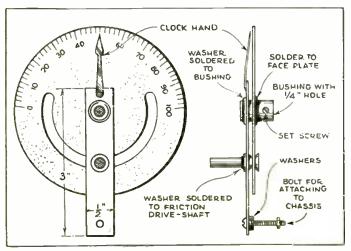
FIRST PRIZE

F AN antenna is resonated at the frequency to which the receiver is tuned a considerable increase in signal strength can be obtained; also, the signal-to-noise ratio will be improved. The illustrations above show a simple device that can be constructed for tuning the antenna of a shortwave set from approximately 15 to 75 meters. The antenna proper is roughly tuned by L2, which is tapped at every

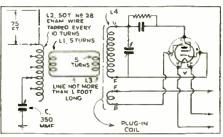
SECOND PRIZE

S^{OLVED!}—the problem of how to successfully groove short-wave coil forms at home. The idea is to cut in the tube base, by means of a coping saw, as many closed-circle grooves as may be required for the desired number of turns of wire; the form is conveniently rotated for the purpose by utilizing a hand-saw. Just drill a hole in the center of the base of the coil form, run a bolt through the hole and tighten in place by using a lock-washer, nut, and lock-nut, and grip the bolt in the chuck of a hand-drill. Hold the sawblade against the coil form and rotate the form until a groove of suitable depth has been cut. The final step is to mount the coil in a vise and a series of diagonal grooves along the top of the form, at an angle of 45 degrees. These straight, diagonal incisions join each successive ring, as S. S. MARGLON shown in the illustration at the right.



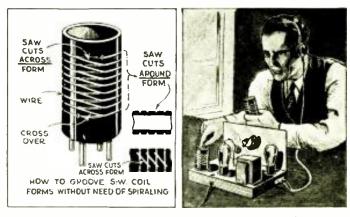


FIRST PRIZE \$10.00 SECOND PRIZE 5.00 THIRD PRIZE 2.50 Honorable Mention EXPERIMENTERS: Three cash prizes will be awarded for the best "short-cuts" -- time- and money-saving ideas-submitted by readers of RADIO-CRAFT; Honorable mention will be given for all other published items concerning radio and its allied fields. Send us your "kinks" right away.



Circuit of unit pictured at left.

10 turns; fine tuning is accomplished by means of condenser C. Coupling between antenna and receiver (represented by tube V) is accomplished by a "link" circuit, one coil of which is inductively coupled to the antenna loading coil, and the other to the receiver. The little 5-turn coil, L3, at the receiver end of the link may be slipped inside the grid end of coil L4. We strongly recommend that short-wave fans give this gadget a try. GEORGE N. SHORTT



At last! short-wave coil forms may be easily grooved

THIRD PRIZE

ERE is the way you can make a back-of-panel control from an old front-of-panel dial-such as Marco. etc. Just discard the bakelite cover and retain only the dial and friction drive-shaft. (The particular dial illustrated at the left is a rebuilt Pilot.) An escutcheon on the panel will complete the commercial appearance of the job; most mail-order houses carry an assortment of designs and sizes. Many of the front-of-panel dials were equipped with translucent discs on which the graduations were marked, consequently, these lend themselves very nicely to illumination by means of a pilot light mounted in back.

Little mechanical ideas such as this one may be applied by the radio man who wishes to save a dollar here and there, in conjunction with the valuable information contained in RADIO-CRAFT LIBRARY BOOK NO. 6, "Bringing Electric Sets Up to Date," to "cash in" on the intrinsic value of a great number of older set models that are now available GEORGE H. MORSE for a song.

READERS' DEPARTMENT

A department in which the reader may exchange thoughts and ideas with other readers.

S.-W. SERVICING IN HAITI

Editor, RADIO-CRAFT:

A Lincoln SW33 battery-operated set, after 1 month of service cut off suddenly. When called to service this set I thought first it was the primary of the first A.F. transformer which had burned out, but this transformer proved good after test. The defect was in the tuning meter. "It's a long way to New York," from Port-de-Paix, to get a replacement meter, so I connected a wire across the terminal leads in the meter and the set worked as perfectly as before.

GEO. A. CELESTIN, Port-dc-Paix, Hoiti, British West Indies.

THE WHOLE STAFF THANKS YOU!

Editor, RADIO-CRAFT:

Have been buying Gernsback publications since they first came out years ago and I think they are "all to the berries" (if you'll pardon my French).

To date I have built and used nearly all test equipment and literally hundreds of various hookups, and while some of them had an error or two in the diagram, I have never been stumped, and have not had a failure yet. I have no kicks to make.

I take this opportunity of thanking the whole staff, for their fine dope and wish them many years of continued success.

> JACK GEIER, % Valley Radia Shop, San Fernando, Calif.

PSK-PRF-5 RIO DE JANEIRO

Editor, RADIO-CRAFT:

For your information and in case it is of any use to you for publication, I tender a few details of PSK-PRF-5, the "I.T. & T." short-wave transmitter of Rio de Janeiro which I have seen mentioned repeatedly in your columns (sometimes erroneously by our old call sign PRBA, or by PRA-3, the call sign of a medium-wave station we frequently relay).

Operating Company: The transmitter belongs and is operated by the Companhia Radio Internacional do Brasil (a member of the International Telephone & Telegraph Corp.) and is employed regularly for the international telephone service to New York, Buenos Aires and Madrid, and from these points to the rest of the world, and also for special short-wave broadcast programs,

Operating Schedules: International telephone daily channels and special programs through the following stations:

Freq. in Kc.	W. L. IN Meters	CALI. LETTERS	MISC. REMARKS
21,080	14.23	PSA	Tele. to New York
14,690	20.4	PSF	Tele. to Buenos Aires and Madrid
14,935	20.7	PSE	Ditto
10,220	29.35	PSH	Tele. to Madrid
9,505	31.5	PRF-5	Special Broadcast
8,185	36.65	PSK	Programs Tele. and Special Night Programs to Buenos Aires

For the telephone channels "inverters" or "speech scramblers" are employed to assure secrecy of communication.

Broadcast Programs: The Brazilian government transmits daily, with the exception of Sundays, their news bulletin of the "Programs Nacional" through PRF-5 (31.5 M.). From 22:30 G.M.T. news in Portuguese; and from 23:00 until 23:15 G.M.T., news in English, French, Spanish and German.

Special musical broadcast programs are frequently relayed in combination with some of the local medium-wave stations. Station PSK with directive antennas to Buenos Aires is frequently used to relay Rio programs to the Argentine stations, and PRF-5 is employed when the program is meant for the rest of the world.

Transmitter: The equipment employed is a "Standard" 60 kw. short-wave radio-phone transmitter (similar to the B.B.C. Empire transmitter), and is located in Marapicú in the middle of the Brazilian jungle, at a distance of 80 kilometers from the beautiful city of Rio de Janeiro.

Reception and Exchange of International Programs: With great success we have very frequently received and relayed programs from other countries. Among these we may mention England, France, Italy, U.S.A., Germany, Argentine, Uruguay, Spain, Portugal, etc. For these relays special high-gain superheterodyne receivers together with "double-vee" directive antennas are employed.

Listeners' Reports: Listeners' reports will be greatly appreciated. Correspondence should be addressed to:

Short-Wave Station,

Caixa Postal 709,

Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

We hope that this information will be of use to the readers of RADIO-CRAFT. J. C. BRAGGIO, Comm'l, Mar.

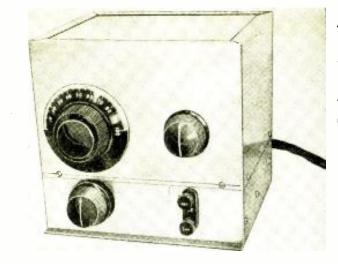
Companhia Radio Internacional de Brasil, Caira Postal 709, Rue Visc, Inhaúma, 64-40,

Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

We are sure that owners of short-wave and all-wave receivers will be interested in the above information concerning this transmitter in the jungles of Brazil. Undoubtedly, the operators of this installation will be "tickled pink" to receive reports from listeners, and we urge our readers to give these boys some consolation in their isolation. (Continued on page 437)

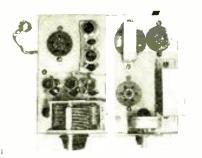
View of transmitting station located at Marapicu near Rio de Janeiro, S.A. Directive antenna arrays to Madrid in background. Thick jungle had to be cleared to build this station.





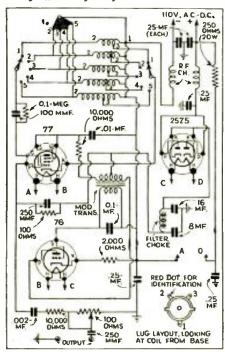


THE TREND of the radio market toward receivers having more than one band has created a serious problem for the Service Man. He is confronted with the problem of servicing all-wave receivers with equipment that was designed only for the broadcast band. The use of harmonics has been one way out of this problem, but at higher frequencies the harmonics are so close together that a calibration is



Here is how the parts should be placed

Fig. I. Wiring diagram of oscillator.



next to impossible and proper tracking becomes difficult.

This article presents a simple and inexpensive A.C.-D.C. all-wave service oscillator or "signal generator" which the Service Man or amateur can easily construct. This instrument is not of the usual type that works on harmonics, but instead supplies fundamental frequencies, and is in every sense a laboratory instrument.

The output control completely attenuates the signals, and no signal is evident even on the ultra-sensitive receivers of today. This has been accomplished by effectively filtering the line and completely shielding the generator. A shielded lead from the signal generator to the receiver must be used to reduce stray field. For use on the higher frequencies a 400-ohm resistor is placed in series with the "hot" lead from the generator. This is necessary because the average antenna does not have the characteristics of our usual

Fig. 2. Building and drilling the chassis.

dummy antenna but has effectively a higher impedance, and 400 ohms is considered the proper match.

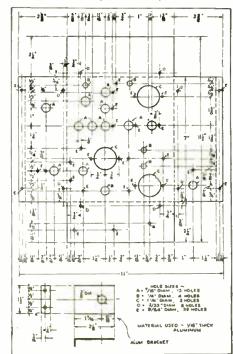
HOWARD J. BENNER

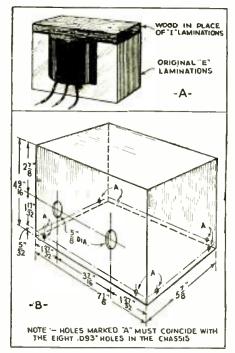
Figure 1 shows the circuit diagram. As can be seen, the instrument consists of four units. These arc: (1) the oscillator; (2) modulator; (3) attenuator, and (4) power supply.

The oscillator circuit uses a type 77 tube operated as an electron-coupled oscillator. The control-grid, screengrid, and cathode are used as the oscillator elements. The plate is used only to couple the generated signal to the output posts. The oscillator is of the familiar Hartley type with the tuned grid coil tapped to provide feed-back. This type oscillator with the advantage of electronic coupling has proved very satisfactory, since a variation of output load, even at the highest frequencies, has little reaction on the oscillator. This is accomplished as a result of the suppressor-grid being tied to the screen-

(Continued on page 434)

Fig. 3. A-modulation transf.; B-cover.





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This department is devoted to members and those interested in the Official Radio Service Men's Association. It is the medium for exchanging ideas, kinks, gossip and notes of interest to those who comprise the membership.

SOMETHING WRONG?

RADIO-CRAFT, ORSMA Dept.:

In the course of the last year or so I have had a good many car radio sets come into my service shop with stuck vibrators. Apparently the sets have been O. K. otherwise. At the present time I have a Philco N, an Atwater Kent 424, a Ford Majestic and a small G. E., all with the familiar trouble of a sticking vibrator.

Surely there must be something wrong that I am missing as it wouldn't be likely that all these power units are defective, and as many are only a few weeks old it can't be because they are worn out.

I would like to know if it is advisable to clean the contact points, readjust the contact gaps, etc., as a remedy or if it is best to replace the entire assembly. It has been my experience that replacing the entire unit is the only remedy after the points have become pitted.

JESSE SMITH, JR.

Here is a question which has stumped many a Service Man. What do other members of the ORSMA think about this letter. Are the sets at fault? Is it best to replace the entire vibrator assembly or can the units be repaired to the advantage of both the Service Man and the customer? These are questions which can be settled best by the opinions of other members who have experienced the same or similar troubles.

The opinion of one auto-radio expert is that wherever the aforementioned trouble occurs the best remedy would be to replace the entire vibrator assembly. His experience has been that the early models which incorporated such devices have always given trouble due to design

kinks which did not develop until the sets were placed in the field. Since then, improved vibrators have been developed, which, when installed, will eliminate almost completely this type of trouble.

A VERSATILE TEST PANEL RADIO-CRAFT, ORSMA Dept.:

Knowing your interest in the Service Men and their problems, I feel that you will be interested in an upto-date test panel which I use in my service shop and which has been just completed after several weeks of drafting and study.

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I enclose a picture (shown below) which shows the panel (center) with the dynamic and magnetic speakers on the panel above. These speakers can be arranged for use on any radio set I might receive for servicing, by means of various field coils brought out and connected in series (with proper cores) by means of phone-tip jack connections between each coil. This permits any resistance unit to be "thrown" into a set circuit where necessary. Also, tips are provided for connecting the voice coil to the output of the set with clip connections. Where the set carries no output transformer, arrangements are made by a switch and jacks to connect a transformer behind the speaker panel to the set and speaker, thus providing coupling.

All parts used in building this board are parts of old test units or parts thrown around the junk box. The only part bought was a new multitester unit. This can be connected to the board by "loop wires" with phone tips. A ten wire cable connects from plug (6-prong with phone-tip center jack) to panel sockets,-one each of the 4, 5, 6 and composite 6-7 sockets, each socket lug hooking into phone-tip jacks shown in line at the bottom of the panel. The cathode, plate, screen-grid and suppressor-grid lines can be opened by toggle switches. I have the filament lines going to a 0-15 volt A.C. meter, the screen-grid and plate lines looping through a special 3-way switch (from the junk box) one for each circuit-to the milliammeter. This arrangement is necessary because of using one meter for both screen-grid and plate-to keep them separate. The meter is 0-20-100. I use two large and two small pushbuttons, shown under the meter (center top) one large and one small for each circuit, the large one reading



A complete test panel for the shop, built by one member.

the higher scale, and the smaller the lower scale. A push-button under the filament A.C. meter cuts in this meter across the filament circuit.

On this board is provided an output meter with two ranges, which is more easily accessible than changing the multitester, as well as a separate 0.200 D.C. voltmeter (upper left) and a 0-10,000 ohumeter. These are brought out to phone jacks in line with the other tip jacks.

The large Weston meter is a heavy duty type, used (Continued on page 425)

THE ANALYSIS OF RADIO RECEIVER SYMPTOMS OPERATING NOTES

WHAT THIS DEPARTMENT IS FOR

It is conducted especially for the professional Service Man. In it will be found the most unusual troubles encountered in radio service work, written in a practical manner, by Service Men for you.

Have you, as a professional man, encountered any unusual or interesting Service Kinks that may help your fellow workers? If so, let us have them. They will be paid for, upon publication, at regular space rates.

STEWART-WARNER MODEL 116A

THIS is a broadcast receiver incorporating a police band, and using a 6A7 first-detector and oscillator. The complaint was, "no reception on the broadcast band, accompanied by noise at several positions of the station selector." See Fig. 1.

After testing all tubes and checking socket voltages a continuity test was made on the coils in the radio-frequency section which revealed an open section of the antenna coil. This coil is wound with large enough wire to be easily rewound.

CHESTER MCCLINTLOCK

6A7 OSC & DET 1

TO A V C CIRCUIT

FIELD

BEST 4 TUBE MIDGET

THIS receiver uses 6C6, 6D6, 43 and 25Z5 tubes. Receiver was dead as far as signal was concerned. Speaker had an alive sound. Refer to Fig. 2.

an alive sound. Refer to Fig. 2. No voltage anywhere except at speaker field. Trouble was found to be due to defective 2525 tube. One of

Fig. 1 Stewart-Warner 116A; noisy, no reception.

Fig. 2, below. Best 4 tube; fading.

the cathode leads had opened inside the tube. This receiver uses the 25Z5 as two half-wave rectifiers, one-half supplying current to the speaker field and the other half to the tubes.

An emergency rapair due to lack of a 25Z5 tube was made by connecting the 2 cathodes together. This put the tube load in parallel with the speaker field portion of the rectifier. No harm resulted by connecting in this way and the receiver worked fine until a new tube was procured.

Difficulty in tuning to and holding a station was traced to insufficient tension of the springs on the tuning condenser rotors.

Soldering pigtails eliminated this trouble.

MARIO BORNUCA

"NEW YORKER" (U.S. RADIO & TELEVISION CORP.)

RARELY has a set come in with so much wrong with it. Receiver received dead. Due to an open 5,000 ohm section of the voltage dividing system, i. e., the 5,000 ohm section of the two fields. Symptoms, no screen-grid voltage on either 24A and no control-grid bias, and hence high plate current in the 71A—nearly 40 ma. By careful inspection of the removed field coil the break was located approximately 2,400 ohms in from the outer end of the coil, and at this point, only, a few turns were lost until the continuity was again picked up from the inner end of the coil, and the two sections soldered together. Corrosion probably caused the trouble. For schematic see Fig. 3.

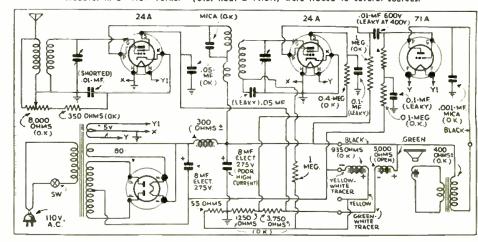
Each electrolytic condenser was drawing far too much current and the two were replaced to avoid trouble here. Originals were each 8 mf., DEFECTIVE TUBES-

Are not to be considered as the subject for an Operating Note. It is assumed that all Service Men test tubes when making a service call. Their experiences on the subject of testing tubes, unless most unusual, are not of sufficient interest to other Service Men. Operating Notes should be confined to those faults which are characteristic of, and repeatedly occur in connection with a particular model of radio receiver.

275 V., but 400 V. jobs were used for replacement. Placed in operation, after the field repair and condenser renewal, the set was practically dead! Cause: a shorted 0.01-mf. R.F. cathode resistor bypass condenser. Theoretically, this should give maximum volume as it gives no bias and hence high plate current in the R.F. 24A, but such was actually not the case, perhaps due to overloading. Be this as it may, replacement of this condenser was in order. On the usual routine test of all condensers it was found that replacement of the following condensers was necessary:

the above-mentioned R.F. cathode bypass, 0.01-mf.; the 0.05-mf. detector control-grid to cathode isolating condenser; the 0.1-mf. detector screen-grid bypass; the 0.01-mf. detector plate to 71A control-grid coupling condenser (a 600 V. job here); and the 0.1-mf. 71A control-grid resistor bypass. All were leaky, and except (Continued on page 443)





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Radio Service Data Sheet

RCA VICTOR MODEL 102 4-TUBE A.C.-D.C. T.R.F. RECEIVER

(Incorporates wide tuning range: 540 to 1,712 kc.; A.F. power output, 0.18-W.; circuit permits compact chassis design.)

Following are operating voltage and cur-rent figures for this set, measured to K, or 61.

CG.	SG.	Plate	Plate
Volts	Volts	Volts	Ma.
2.5	105	105	7.0
2.0*	17.5*	40*	0.1
10.0	100	95	5.5
		115**	16.0
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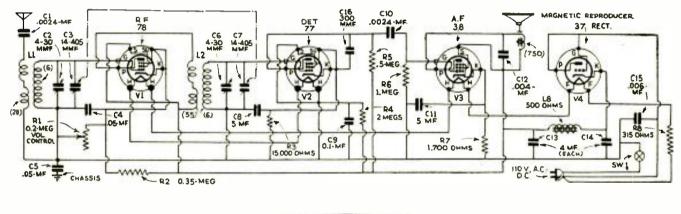
(*) Impossible to measure on ordinary voltmeter; (**) r.m.s. Above voltages for A.C. will be approximately 5's lower on 115 V. D.C. Measure at maximum volume,

The receiver is aligned at 1.400 kc. for maximum output. Align the tuned cir-cuits with the trimmers in position of minimum capacity. After alignment, check to make sure that a 1.712 kc, signal can be heard when the main tuning condenser is near its extreme minimum position. Power Consumption, 40 W. Care should be taken to avoid restriction

of natural ventilation as would occur with the set resting upon or placed close to a radiator or other heating device.

In most localities the 20 ft, antenna lead of the set will provide sufficient pick-up.

This set is observed as being one of the most simple and effective designs that can be produced. A single, type 78, variable-mu pentode, V1, is coupled to a type 77, non-variable-mu pentode, V2; the A.F. output of V2 is anulfifed by the type 38 tube, also a pentode. The 37 rectifier furnishes ade-pute compared for this combination. auste current for this combination. Inas-much as a tuned radio frequency circuit is utilized there can be no whistles of any sort when turing across the scale as often occurs in sets of the superheterdyne type which incorporate only a limited number of tubes.



GENERAL ELECTRIC TABLE MODEL M-49 4 TUBE RADIO-PHONOGRAPH DUAL-WAVE SUPER.

(Features: frequency range, 540 to 1,500 and 1,600 to 3,500 k.c.; A.F. power output, 1.9 W.; tone control; phono. is 78 r.p.m.)

Following are the operating voltage and current figures for this receiver, at 120 V. line potential; maximum volume setting of R6, and no signal. Measure to cathode.

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Tube	CG.	SG.	Plate	Plate
Type	Volts	Volts	Volts	Ma.
V1	1.25	70	235	2.5
V1*		_	180	3.5
V 2	1.25	70	235	5,5
V2**	19	_	145	0.4
V3	17	240	230	26.5
V4		_	335"	50.0

A feature of the power supply circuit— only one secondary is used in power auto-transformer P.T. This is accomplished by having a cathode-type rectifier, series fila-ments, and taps on the secondary of P.T. (*) Oscillator section; (**) second-de-tector section; (') actual voltage cannot be

measured; (") r.m.s.

Second-detector coil L1 is tapped so that the tuning range may be extended merely shorting out a portion of the coil. The by shorting out a portion of the coil. The oscillator circuit is not tapped, the high-frequency range being obtained by use of its second harmonic instead of the funda-mental for obtaining the I.F. Align at 1.400 and 600 kc. The magnetic pickub and tone-arm as-sembly use of new design and unique con-

sembly are of new design and unique con-struction. Service work will consist mainly of centering the armature, replacing the rubber pivots, and replacing the magnet coil.

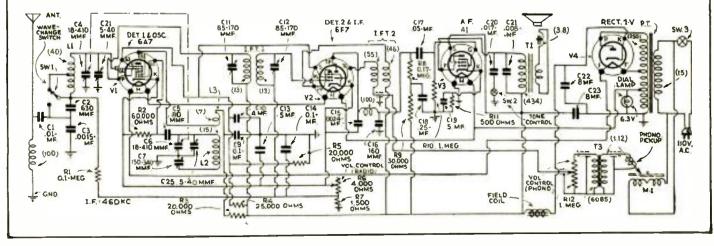
Tubber pixots, and replacing the magnet coll. Care should be taken to avoid restriction of natural ventilation through the cabinet as would occur with the set situated so that its back is flush with a wall of the room or with the instrument resting upon vice. Black wire connects to antenna, and yellow, to ground.

The Synchronous motor used in this instrument is of simple design; the two stator is started by giving it a clockwise spin by hand. If it is found difficult to start, or if it runs at a sub-synchronous speed such as

at 70 r.b.m., such action may result from one of the following causes: Difficult to Start: May be due to stator failing to rotate on outer bearing (due to spachetti sleeve being jammed in the slot, or sticking to the resilient bumper). Outer bearing may not be properly lubricated. See that the ball bearings are at the bottom of the main assembly.

Slow Speed: Lift tone-arm from turn-table until motor reaches normal speed.

At 125 V, the motor consumption is 4 W. Do not turn on motor with rotor removed as the heat rise will be excessive.



RADIO-CRAFT'S INFORMATION BUREAU

THAT REMOTE SPEAKER

Mr. Lee C. Davies, Imperial, Pa (300) In the department, Short-Cuts in Radio, (0.)in the October 1934 issue of RADIO-CRAFT, page 225, is shown a circuit to permit a remote speaker to be controlled either at the radio set or at the speaker. However, I fail to see how, if the extra speaker is wired in such a manner, it would work. Is the circuit correct as shown? (A.) We thank you for calling to our at-tention the diagram in question which, unfortunately, is in error; a correct version is shown in Fig. Q.300.

"BUILD THIS ALL-WAVE SET" (Re. "B" Unit)

Mr. E. E. Randall, Mattoon, Ill. (300)(300) Mr. E. E. Randall, Mattoon, Ill. (Q.) In the November 1934 issue of RADIO-CRAFT, in the article, "Build This All-Wave Set," is the wiring of the power supply shown cor-rectly? Are the plates of the type 84 rectifier in the tube-type "B" supply unit, that operates from the 6 V. "A" supply, shown correctly wired? I am building this set and want to be sure that it is wired right, inasmuch as the set itself is just what I have heen looking for.

(A.) Although the diagram of the "B" sec-tion of the unit is correct according to the original copy, we find upon further checking that this portion of the circuit is incorrect. A revision is shown as Fig. Q.301. Note that, now, the plates of the rectifier connect to either end the high-voltage winding of TI, and that ----" now connects only to the centertap on of "B this winding, the two buffer condensers, one side of the filament of the 84, and the low-potential leads of the two 25 mf., 25 V. electropotential leads of the two 25 ml., 25 V. electro-lytic condensers. A point of interest in con-nection with this circuit is that, at first glance, an R.F. choke (connected to the cathode of the 84) appears to be the only A.F. filter unit in the "B" circuit; however, the fact is that the 1,800 ohm field coil, which is bypassed by two 8 mf. condensers, in the receiver circuit supplies the requisite filtering.

I TUBE LOUDSPEAKER ALL-WAVE SET

(302) Mr. Marion Stine. Somerville, N.J. (Q.) Is it possible to make a "loudspeaker" set using only drycell tubes of the 2 V, type? I would like to be able to make such a set if it is not too complicated. Most of the circuits I have seen, and which are capable of giving "decent" volume on the loudspeaker from local stations have required at least 2 and usually 3 stations, have required at least 2 and usually 3 studes, but it seems to me that the old Arm-strong or "Ambassador" regenerative circuit could be used to advantage in some really modern circuit utilizing one of the new multi-purpose tubes, such as the 1A6.

(A.) We do not know of any really effective 'loudspeaker'' circuit utilizing the IA6 pentagrid converter tube. You see, this tube does not have satisfactory output characteristics for matching into a loudspeaker as the output "load," In-stead, we recommend the circuit shown in Fig.

Q.302. which utilizes a type 19 tube. This tube, too, is in the 2 V. class, but is well-designed for operation as an output device. In addition, having two triodes in one envelope, this tube is well adapted to the special circuit shown, in which one section of this tube is used as a triode regenerative detector, and the other section is used as a triode A.F. amplifier. The use of plug-in coils permits all-wave operation from 15 meters to 550 meters-and higher, if suitable coils are used.

(Note that this is not a "reflex" connection, inasmuch as each set of triode elements performs with a single function in the circuit—the dia-gram is reproduced by courtesy of SHORT WAVE The cost of building this set CRAFT magazine.

is next to nothing.) It would be a "wise stunt" to mount the antenna trimmer right on the front panel where it would be easily accessible. The value of the grid leak shown as 3 megs, should be varied to meet individual requirements : once set, it should not again require adjustment.

"WIRED RADIO" LAWS

(303) Mr. John Butterworth, Pasadena, Calif. (Q.) In the November 1933 and several sub-sequent issues of RADIO-CRAFT, have been de-scribed radiophone equipment designed for operation. over the electric light lines. on the principle of "wired radio." Does operation of this equipment come under the jurisdiction of the Federal Radio Commission?

(A.) In this connection we are advised by the Federal Radio Commission, as follows:

S.P. D.T. TOGGLE OR KNIFE SWITCHES

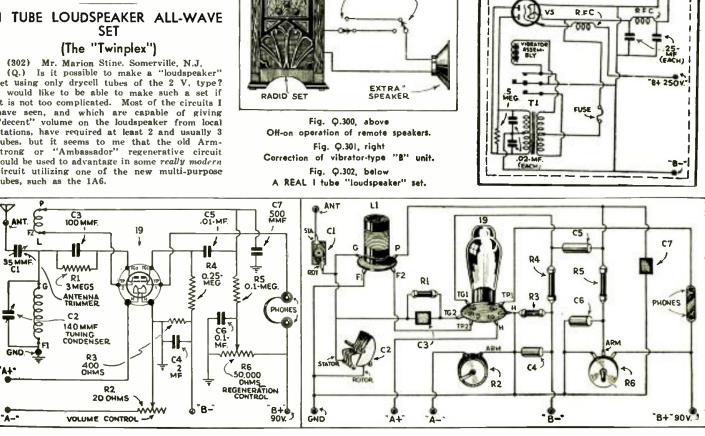
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The Commission has no special regulations with reference to wired radio. but investigation has shown that in all cases where wired radio operations were being claimed they were merely radio stations emitting signals into the air as any other radio stations. Under these circumstances they were all subject to regulation by this Commission.

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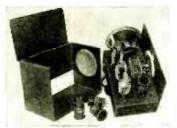
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A 3-tube short-wave set. (621)



Hi-fidelity, 15 W. P.A. unit. (622)



"Free reference" analyzer. (623)



Aircraft-broadcast set. (624)



Above, modernized checker. (625) Below, 5-tube all-wave set, (626)



LATEST IN RADIO (Continued from page 403) HIGH-FIDELITY 15 W. AMPLIFIER (622)

(Marlo Products Co.) FREQUENCY range of 60 to A FREQUENCY range of 60 to to 12,000 cycles, at high fi-delity, is claimed for this 4-stage amplifier: the figures are given on the basis of a 2% + power variation, at 5% maximum har-monic content. The tubes are ar-ranged as follows: type 57 first voltage amplifier; 56, second volt-age amplifier; 2A5, driver; two 2A3s, class A prime power output. Chassis incorporates tone and volume controls.

"FREE REFERENCE" ANALYZER (623)

(Radio City Products Co.) AN EXTERNAL. multi-range meter, and this new analyzer unit, and you are all equipped for making practically any circuit analysis. Connect set and analyzer via the 10-wire, 6-ft. cable, then rotate the two switches for voltage, current, or resistance measurements between any two cir-cuits, or any circuit and ground ("free reference"). Available in kit form, or completely assembled. wired and tested.

AIRCRAFT-BROADCAST A.C.-D.C. PORTABLE (624)

A.C.-D.C. FORTABLE (024) A IRPLANE travel has shown the of weather conditions at air-ports ahead. To meet this need a port-able, 6-tube, 110 V. A.C.-D.C. su-perheterodyne has been developed which enables the owner, en-sconced in his hotel room, to tune in the Department of Commerce in the Department of Commerce weather and other aircraft data on the 140 to 375 kc. (2.142 to 620 meters) band. A switch provides programs on 500 to 1,500 kc. (600 to 200 meters) hand. Set incorpo-rates a tone control, A.V.C., built-in aerial, and dynamic speaker.

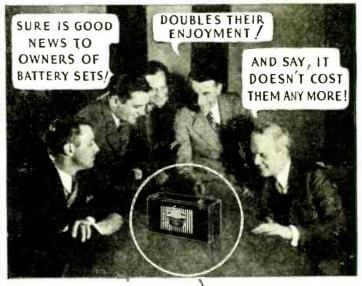
MODERNIZING SERVICE **INSTRUMENTS** (625)

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Radio Service Data Sheet

STROMBERG-CARLSON NO. 69 4-TUBE ALL-WAVE SUPERHET. SELECTOR (CONVERTER)

(Frequency range: 1,500 kc. to 25 megacycles; makes any broadcast set an "all-wave" receiver; power consumption, 28 W.)

Voltage readings are obtained by measuring between the various tube socket contacts and the bases with the tubes in place. Figures are given for a line voltage of 120 V., using a high-resistance meter. Measure on Range B, at 2,400 kc.

Tube	CG.	SG.	SupG		Plate
Type V1	Volts	Volts	Volts	Volts	Volt3
\mathbf{v}_{2}^{1}	0 0*	103 103	2.9 103**	2.9	191 191'
vã	14	103	103**	3.1	191.
V4	_	_		207	178"

(*) Modulator grid; (**) G2 (G1, -1 V., approx.); (') modulator plate; (") A.C., per plate. A bank of individual coils is used to ob-

A bank of individual coils is used to obtain complete coverage at maximum efficiency, over the wavelength range of 12to 200 meters, The manner of connecting the combination inverted-L and doublet antenna system recommended for use with this type of shortwave converter is described in Part II of the article, "Important Facts About the New All-Wave Antenna Systems," (RADIO-CRAFT, August 1934, p. 84); note Fig. 7 in the article.

Position A of the range switch establishes a straight-through connection from the antenna to the standard broadcast, 200 to 550 meter receiver with which the selector or converter is being operated. The output of the selector, at 545 kc., is fed through a grounded shield; one output lead connects to the antenna post of the set, and the other cunnects to the ground post.

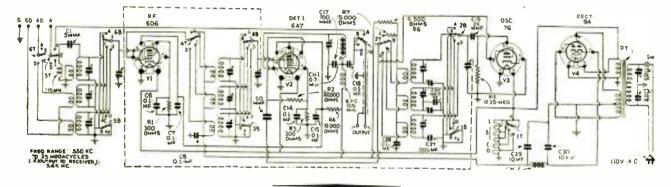
Condensers C31 and C32 bypass line interference due to refrigerators, lights, etc.

Sections T of the 7-section range switch connect to the primary windings of the R.F. inductances in the converter. Sections B connect to the secondaries of these coils. In the operating position for a given range, the range switch shorts and grounds the ad-

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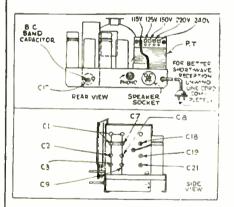
Jacent unused grid inductances. This prevents "dead spots" and erratic operation. The use of the stage of tuned radio frequency amplification ahead of the first-detector or modulator tube is an extremely important factor in preventing cross-talk and image-frequency reception.

A double superheterodyne receiver results when this selector is connected to a superhet, receiver. The first superhet, action is in the selector, and the second in the receiver. Consequently, both units must be tuned exactly to resonance to prevent cutting sidebands.



PILOT MODEL 63 ALL-WAVE 6-TUBE SUPERHETERODYNE

(A.V.C.; tone control; phono. pick-up jacks; frequency range, 16 to 550 meters; A.F. output, 3 W.)



Operating voltages for this receiver are

ven below.	Use a	nign-resista	ince mete
Tube	SG.	Cath.	Plate
Type	Volts	Volts	Volts
V1	90	4.0	235
V 2	90	4.5	235
V3	90	4.0	235
VI		1.5	120*
V.2	230	14.0	210

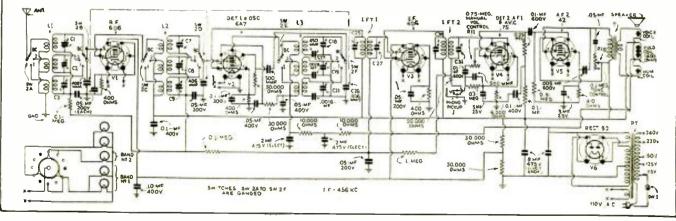
(*) Voltage measured through a plate resistor of 0.25-meg. Speaker field, 110 V. All plate and screen-grid voltages are measured to cathode; cathode voltages are measured to the chassis. The power consumption of this set is 70

The power consumption of this set is 70. W.; the undistorted power output is 3 W. If it becomes necessary to realign the set, be sure to reconnect the speaker cable to the receiver after having removed the chassis from its cabinet, before connecting to power line. To align the I.F. circuits turn the bandselector switch to "Broadcast," and connect the service oscillator to the controlgrid of V3, through a fixed condenser of .002-inf. The return of the service oscillator connects to the receiver ground. After alignment of I.F.T.2 feed the oscillator output to the control-grid of V2, and align I.F.T.1 for maximum output. Repeat procedure.

alignment of LF.T.2 feed the oscillator output to the control-grid of V2, and align L.F.T.1 for maximum output. Repeat procedure. To align broadcast band, connect service oscillator to antenna and ground posts, turn range switch to "Broadcast," and align oscillator, interstage and antenna trimmers at 1.400 kc.; and oscillator padder at 600 kc. Repeat procedure. Rock tuning control while aligning padder.

while aligning padder. Align bands 1 and 2 at service oscillator frequencies of 17.800 kc. and 6,100 kc. respectively, setting the receiver dial at 16.8 and 49 meters, respectively.

There are no padding condenser adjustments on short-wave bands 1 and 2.



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eruising car and headquarters, just like or-

dinary telephone communication. The transmitter used in the car has a power of 15 watts.

G. F. McCLELLAND BROADCAST EXECUTIVE DEAD

Within the past month, one of the outstand-ing hopes for a third broadcast chain to rival the NBC and CBS faded, with the untimely death of George F. McClelland. Mr. McClelland, formerly a vice president of the NBC and a pioneer in broadcasting had been working for almost a year on his new chain, which was expected by those in the "know" to be the most promising of the many attenuits made to formulate a way we "know" to be the most promising of the many attempts made to formulate a new national network.

As stated in our February 1934 issue, Mr. McClelland expected to tackle the problem from a logical and sound business standpoint to avoid the pitfalls encountered by Ed Wynn and others who have tried to rival the "big two."

It is with regret that we print this notice of his death, by his own hand, when the fu-ture looked so bright for his "Broadcasting Stations Corporation."

THE LATEST IN POLICE **RADIO RECEIVERS**

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front fender of the motorcycle. The same model receiver is also supplied for

the same model receiver is also supplied for use on automobiles, a special bracket permitting the clamping of the receiver onto the steering column post, making an exceedingly compact and unobtrusive installation.

Advantages claimed by the inventor include the fact that in the motorcycle model the re-ceiver is worn on the body of the policeman, vibration being largely eliminated by the dampcondensers and coils often occurs in a few days on the average receiver mounted on motorcycles due to the excessive vibration. Attached to the belt with all heavy parts huilt onto the motor-cycle, it is claimed this model eliminates most trouble of this character.

Because the receiver is self-contained and not permanently affixed to the vehicle, it is easily accessible for repairs. Naturally various receiv-ers of the same model are interchangeable and can be used on different motorcycles at differcut times. This makes it possible for the motor-cycle to be constantly ready for use, and avoids tieing up a complete motorcycle while minor repairs are being made in a radio receiver.

The portable receiver for mounted police is similar to the other receiver for mounted poince is similar to the other receiver model, except that it operates from a filament supply of 2 volts with a plate supply of 90 volts. The batteries for this receiver are enclosed in leather saddle bags, strapped to the saddle of the policeman.

A female plug in the front of the saddle horn permits instant connection of the receiver worn on the belt with the loudspeaker and the battery supply.

In this receiver the horse is used as antenna, a special connection to his bridle giving sure contact at all times.

The pedestrian police model uses the body of The penestrian poince model uses the body of the patrolman as the aerial and requires no ground. The small loudspeaker is worn either under the lapel or under the coat of the police-man. The power supply consists of especially constructed small, light weight batteries, worn in a special belt.

The receiver weighs only 1 pound and like the other models is worn on the policeman's belt.

The five tube super-heterodyne receiver, batteries and loudspeaker together weigh less than the average police revolver worn by patrolmen, totaling an ounce or two under $3\frac{1}{2}$ pounds. Only 6712 volts of plate battery are used on this model.

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HOW TO BUILD THE "4-IN-2" SHORT-WAVE ELEC-TRIC SET

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of a tandem 140 mmf. condenser gang, one section of which is constantly in the tuning circuit —the other section inserted at will (in parallel, to increase the total effective tuning capacity) from the front panel by means of a toggle switch mounted as shown in Fig. A. Thus, not only does this feature facilitate a wider tuning frequency range, but should the constructor desire to use this set for regular broadcast reception (using a broadcast plug-in coil from which a few secondary turns are removed) he will find that the operation is much more highly efficient and satisfactory. This may be attributed, in engineering parlance, to an "improved" L/C ratio.

The unusual sensitivity and volume obtained from this set can be attributed to circuit design, and the successful manipulation of the regeneration control which will permit obtaining the maximum possible sensitivity.

Circuit Design

Referring to Fig. 1 it will be noted that the two tubes employed are the new "multi-purpose" types 6F7 and 12A7. The 6F7 tube really comprises two tubes in one glass envelope, a pentode and a triode. In this receiver the pentode section is employed as the detector, with regeneration, and the triode section as the first audio stage. Thus, two-tube efficiency is obtained from this single tube. The 12A7 also comprises two tubes in one glass envelope, hut the type of operation and arrangement of the elements within the tube are entirely different. Here we find a power pentode (whose characteristics are identical with the 38 power tube) and a halfwave rectifier all in one unit. By utilizing the power pentode section of this tube as the final power gentode section of the half-wave rectifier for rectifying the alternating current, when it is operated from A.C. (on D.C. the direct current continuously passes through the tube) we obtain two-tube efficiency from this single tube. The net total, as a result of this arrangement, is a full four-tube efficiency from two tubes. No reflexing or other tricks, just a straightforward regenerative detector followed by two stages of resistance-coupled audio amplification, the final stage being a power audio, and a rectifier for B" supply—all from two tubes.

The heaters of these two tubes are wired in series, thus requiring a filament voltage of 18 V, and a current of 0.6 of an ampere (or 600 ma.). This is obtained from the power line by means of a series resistor (325 ohms), or a power cord in which this value of resistance is included. No power transformer, or any other transformer whatsoever, is employed. The 110 V. supply— A.C. or D.C.—is fed directly to the half-wave rectifier section of the 12A7 tube. The efficiency of this rectifier is such that the voltage drop through it may be considered as being almost negligible. Since resistance coupling is used in the audio stages, no audio transformers are

Two low-resistance power chokes (only 100 ohms resistance, approx., each) are employed in the filter section. This design, coupled to the use of three electrolytic condensers, completes the filtering arrangement. as shown in Fig. 1, and has been found more than sufficient to remove any trace of ripple or hum.

move any trace of ripple or hum. Regeneration is obtained by inductive coupling of the "plate" winding to the secondary or "grid" winding. It is controlled, however, by a midget 140 mmf. variable condenser (mounted under the sub-base, as shown in Fig. C) which regulates the amount of R.F. energy existing in the plate circuit. Regeneration may also be controlled by the volume control, which is shunted across the plate coil and thus serves as a controlled short-circuiting device to regulate volume or regeneration. For broadcast reception this control will be found considerably more effective for regeneration regulation. It is recommended that the single variable condenser be used on short-waves for this purpose, and left at maximum capacity for the broadcast band in which case the volume control is used in its stead.

It is felt that it is more or less superfluous to give specific dimensions and layout drawings, since the impression left with the constructors is then that this phase of building a receiver is rather critical and therefore must be followed This idea, in this case, is farthest precisely. from the truth, inasmuch as only two tubes are employed in a space that is ample for con-structors to arrange the necessary parts as they see fit. For convenience sake, those who desire imitate the original as closely as possible may consult the photographs showing different views of the receiver in Fig. A. B and C. As mentioned previously, neither circuit nor lay-out is at all critical, and any moderate deviation is entirely permissible.

List of Parts

Due to the simplicity and excellent choice of tubes in a carefully arranged circuit, the parts necessary are surprisingly few and low in cost. They are as follows:

One Hammarlund tandem, dual-section, 140 mmf. (each) variable condenser gang;

One complete set of plug-in coils (5, with broadcast coil, 4 only for complete short-wave coverage):

One single Hammarlund midget variable condenser, 140 mmf.;

Two General Transformer chokes, 30 hy.. 100 ohms each;

One Hammarlund R.F. choke, 85 mhy.; Two Cornell-Dubilier electrolytic condensers. 16 mf., 200 V.;

One Cornell-Dubilier electrolytic condenser, 8 mf., 220 V.;

wo 7 prong wafer sockets (small) for 12A7 and 6F7 tubes:

One 4 prong wafer socket for plug-in coils;

One I.R.C. resistor, 1,500 ohms, 1 W.;

One I.R.C. resistor, .1-meg., 1 W.; . W. :

Two I.R.C. resistor, .25-meg., 1 W. One I.R.C. resistor, .5-meg., 1 W.; One I.R.C. resistor, .5-meg., 1 W.;

One I.R.C. resistor, 2 meg., 1 W.;

One special (wire-wound) resistor, 325 ohms,

W. size, or power cord with equivalent; 40

Two S.P.S.T. toggle switches: One Electrad volume control, 75,000 ohms;

Cornell-Dubilier tubular condensers, Two .1-mf., 400 V.;

Two Cornell-Dubilier tubular condensers, .006 mf., 400 V.;

One Cornell-Dubilier mica condenser, .001-mf.; One Cornell-Dubilier electrolytic condenser, 10 mf., 25 V.;

One Insuline antenna trimmer condenser; One drilled sub-base and panel unit (as shown

in illustrations); One Sylvania type 12A7 tube;

One Sylvania type 6F7 tube;

Miscellaneous supplies, such as wire, hardware, vernier dial, etc.

Conclusion

This receiver, if wired carefully and as per Fig. 1, should operate to the complete satisfac-tion of any constructor. The adjustment of the tion of any constructor. The adjustment of the antenna trimmer condenser may be rather cri-tical if an antenna system of relatively long dimensions is employed. For best results use a short overhead wire (about 35 ft.) placed as high as possible.

To those who encounter any difficulties in the construction of this set, or who find the results not up to par, or desire any further particulars relative to this set, the writer will be glad to give any desired information, and will welcome queries.

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by means of the double-pole double-throw by means of the double-pole double-throw switch shown, to measure voltage from an ex-terior source, or by throwing over the switch, secure power through the meter for testing con-densers' continuity, etc. The same power unit furnishing voltage for this use supplies voltage for battery sets, and "pre-heater" voltage, sock-ets for which are also provided. Two oscillators are used with the work. Note also, a graduated resistor (lower right) for trial use where re-sistance is unknown. J. B. McGirt.

This is a very interesting installation, Mr. Mc-Girt, and we feel sure that some of the members will profit by your design.

INFORMATION BUREAU

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principal question is whether their signals may be construed to be in interstate commerce, and if so they come under the Radio Act of 1927.

"The Radio Act itself does not include the reception of signals and, therefore, the commis-sion has made no regulations with reference to receiving sets. It is understood that some states have passed laws pertaining to this matter but the Commission has no record of these."

The above clearly outlines the question of the legal status of wired radio operation. as first raised in a letter received from another department of the Federal Radio Commission-Division of Field Operations, Dallas, Texas-from which we quote, as follows:

"Your attention is called to the fact that the proposed apparatus" ("A Wired-Radio Public Address System," RADIO-CRAFT, November 1933. page 272) consists of a simple radio transmitter coupled to the unshielded general lighting system of the city, in which the shielded wires within the building act only as a transmission system to the open wire i radiation will occur. wire leading away, from which

"Several of these 'wired wireless systems' have been constructed, and put into use in this district, and a number of people have gotten into trouble as a result of the inspiration furnished by this article in your magazine.

"It is suggested that you advise Mr. Freeling" (the author of the article) "to investigate the radiating ability of his system when connected to a house wiring system having unshielded wires leading away from it, and to warn your readers of the danger connected with the use of this system."

Unfortunately, it was not clearly brought out, in the article, that interference radiation is prevented by the correct use of R.F. chokes placed in the power line. If the building is en-tirely of metal construction, it ordinarily is sufficient to place these R.F. chokes at the main summer to place these K.F. chokes at the main power switch, where the power lines enter the building. If the building is of frame construc-tion, it may be necessary to place the chokes on the individual floor level on which the equip-ment is to be used, and to limit the radiation by controlling the amount of R.F. energy delivered by the transmitter.

The extreme importance that attaches to this norman Cohen of Bridgeport, Conn., who, in operating a "wired radio station," was convicted of operating a wired ratio station, was converted of operation of a broadcasting station without a license from the Federal Commission. De-fendent Cohen claimed his broadcasts were carried only on the wires of a Bridgeport power company, but Government witnesses said they were able to hear his programs without any hook-up with the lighting company's lines.

Actually, the facts of the case were approxi-mately as follows, according to the recollections of Assistant U.S. Attorney George H. Cohen:

"Cohen was charged in an indictment contain-ing two counts, the first charging him with operating a radio station without obtaining a radio station license, and second—with operat-ing a radio station without having a radio operator's license. He was found 'guilty' on both counts after a trial by Jury.

"The testimony showed that in spite of the fact that Cohen was attempting to send his programs through the wires of the United Illuminating Company, radio signals were picked up on radio receivers which were not connected with the electric wires, and furthermore such signals were picked up by similar sets in Long Island, across State lines.

"Cohen's experts attempted to prove that it is possible to send radio signals through wires and confine these signals to the wires, but this was disproved by Government experts, particularly when the signals are of the strength of a very large number of kilocycles" (apparently, the wording should have been, "when the signals are of the *frequency* of a very large number of kilo-cycles"). "In this case, as I recall it, the signals were in the 1,300 kc. band.

"The Jury, in other words, found that Cohen was in effect running a radio station as the radio waves were passing through the air out-side the wires and were crossing State lines."

It is possible that the new Federal Communications Commission will be a little more lenient than the past Commission, in permitting experimental transmissions.

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As a matter of fact nothing was overlooked in the design of this station. Many of the testing devices are unique, such as the tuning fork mounted on a sound chamber shown in Fig. G. This particular tuning fork has a frequency period of 250 cycles, and when tapped with a hammer a pure tone is heard through one open end of the sound box. The crystal microphone on the left of this phonograph picks up this tone and passes it on to the various amplifiers, where it is conducted through one of the laboratories making some tests. This general procedure, over the entire "check-up" on the equipment is made so as to insure absolute maximum efficiency.

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further in the device shown at Fig. E, which is a complete tuner. This method of tuning eliminates the usual gang condenser as tuning is accomplished by moving the high permeability core with respect to the inductances, thus incore with respect to the inductances, thus in-creasing or decreasing the effective inductance. It is claimed that this tuner has constant selec-tivity over the entire wave band covered. Dif-ferent types are available for T.R.F. sets and superhets. In the latter type, a slightly dif-ferently shaped section of the game control pro-vides the necessary difference in oscillator tuning.

A PIEZO-ELECTRIC MIKE

ROCHELLE salt crystals have found many applications in radio and associated fields. One of the numerous fields of applications. which promises to become quite fertile, is that of microphones, Several types have been developed in recent

months, but one of the most intriguing, in de-

months, but one of the most intriguing, in de-sign, that we have ever seen was described in an English magazine —WIRELESS WORLD. As shown in Fig. F, it consists of a large number of individual crystals of special design, which produces not only a large output but also which produces not only a large output but also prevents resonance effects over the audible spec-trum. It is claimed that a variation of less than 1 db, is experienced between the lower limit of audibility and 10,000 cycles. The individual crystals are made in a unique manner as shown in the death King K. A baladit formation in the sketch Fig. F. A bakelite frame sup-ports two very thinly cut crystals which are varnished in the usual manner to prevent absorption of water. The sound is impinged on the edge of the crystal units to reduce resonance effects to a minimum.

A HIGH-FREQUENCY CUPROUS OXIDE RECTIFIER

A NEW cuprous oxide crystal which has a sufficiently low internal capacity to permit it to rectify efficiently on frequencies as high as 1500 kc. (or over the entire broadcast band) has just been introduced under the trade name of has just been introduced under the trade name of Sirutor. This new device was described in a late issue of RAFA, a German publication. The device is about 1% ins, long by 5/16-in, in dia-meter and will carry a current of .25 ma, con-tinuously, without any ill effects. These metad rectifiers are finding much favor in European sets, where they are used for replacing diok tubes. A.V.C. controls, and plate current eco-nomizers where the action is similar to class B available. amplification,

NEW SHORT-WAVE LINK TO BYRD

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eral stages of vacuum tube amplification. Then they go over a telephone circuit approximately seventy miles long to New York. The voice cur-rents are passed through the RCA control center at 24 Broad Street, New York, and then routed through the distribution switchboard to the CBS through the distribution switchboard to the CBS headquarters and network control switchboard at 455 Madison Avenue, New York City. Here the engineers re-route the voice from Little America over the telephone chcuits reaching out like fingers across the country, as they carry the voice currents to the various broadcasting stations of the Columbia Network. One outgoing wire circuit from 485 Madison Avenue carries the Little America program twenty-five miles from .New York to the powerful WABC trans-mitter located at Wayne, New Jersey. In the event that the programs are to be broadcast to foreign countries, via short waves, then the wire circuit to Wayne is also connected to the Co-lumbia short-wave transmitter (located at Wayne also). also).

The second short-wave circuit is the direct one om Little America, and with good radio from Little America, and with good radio weather conditions the Riverhead station has picked up the Little America programs over 10,000 miles of space, a severe test for the

1,000 watt phone-transmitter at Little America. the third short-wave "stand-by" link from Little America is that running northward to San Francisco, from which point the program can be transmitted to New York over a leased telephone wire circuit, or else by short waves. The fourth short-wave emergency circuit extends corthward from Little America to Honolulu; the program when picked up at Honolulu is re-ransmitted on short waves to San Francisco, whence the voice can travel by wire or short-ave circuit to New York. One of the most interesting angles of the

short-wave conversation carried on between Admiral Byrd and his mother a few weeks ago was The telephone circuit set-up arranged between Winchester, Virginia, and New York City, a distance of about 275 miles. Two leased tele-phone circuits were kept open for several weeks before conditions were considered suitable to permit this special program to be carried out, and a pretty penny it cost the sponsor for the leasing of these two complete telephone circuits to Winchester, which were kept open for test by the CBS engineers at all times.

Headphones were worn by Mrs. Byrd in her Winchester home and she had a special microwhenester nome and she had a special intero-phone of her own, while the second microphone served the purposes of the announcer. As the diagram shows, a local three-stage amplifier was located at Mrs. Byrd's home, and the out-going voices bound for Little America passed over one of the telephone circuits to New York. Ampli-tiers spaced at a distance of about every fifty miles helped to boost the voice currents as they sped on their way. The voice of Mrs. Byrd passed through the control switchboard at CBS passed through the control switchboard at CBS headquarters at 485 Madison Avenue, thence down-town to the RCA control center at 24 Broad Street, out over a telephone wire circuit to the RCA 20-kilowatt short-wave transmitter 'ocuted at Rocky Point. Thus, with the speed of over 186,000 miles per second, the voice of Mrs. Byrd was hurled from the little town of Winchester, Virginia, to her waiting son at Little America 10,000 miles away, thanks to the paging of short waves magic of short wayes.

The Return Circuit

The return short-wave circuit from Little America which carried the voice of Admiral Byrd as he answered his mother's questions, is also very interesting. When the 25 meter waves carried the Admiral's voice to Buenos Aires, they passed through the transmitter and Aires, they passed through the transmitter and were relayed northward to Riverhead. Here the voice passed over a telephone circuit to the RCA control center in down-town New York, to 485 Madison Avenue (CBS Control Center), thence out over one of the telephone circuits going southward to Winchester, Virginia. Mrs. Byrd could have listened to her son's

where a regular broadcast receiver and loud-speaker, picking the voice up on a broadcast wave from either the New York WABC station or from a Washington station; but the headphones and private receiving circuits from New York to Winchester were considered a more reliable and positive way of solving the problem. As with the transmitter telephone circuit, the receiving circuit also passed through the V. T. amplifiers in the exchanges at New York, lo-cated approximately fifty miles apart on the way from New York to Virginia, which served to boost the voice at regular intervals as it raced over the 275 mile circuit.

It is interesting to note that the facilities of the RCA receiving and transmitting stations at Riverhead and Rocky Point, Long Island, which distributed these programs through the RCA Control Center at Broad Street, comprise a service available to anyone who wishes to use it on a regular fee basis. Admiral Byrd at Little Amer-ica has several code or C.W. transmitters at his command but the most powerful phone transmitter is a 1 kilowatt unit used for this and another weekly broadcast.

Radio code messages are exchanged daily be-tween Little America and New York and other tween Little America and New Tork and other points, two-way code communications being carried on regularly and practically all the time. During the special Wednesday evening Little America broadcast programs conducted over the CBS network, the "cuing" circuit used by the engineers and announcers is that taking place the engineers and announcers is that taking place in the RCA 20 kw. short-wave transmitter at Rocky Point, and this transmitting link with Little America has permitted some extremely interesting two-way "interviews" to be carried on during the program, much to the delight of the radio audience.

AN IMPROVED 6-TUBE ALL-WAVE SET

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superior that no question as to the superiority of this set renained. The controlled regenera-tion action, which enables the listener to bring receiver up to its maximum point of efficiency, was the attributable factor for such remarkable performance.

Let us examine the circuit. One 58 tube as regenerative T.R.F., one 58 tube as buffer, one 58 tube as regenerative detector, one 56 tube as first A.F., one 2A5 tube as output A.F., and one 80 tube as rectifier. Each tube performs a single purpose and therefore does it most efficiently.

Mechanical Features

Aside from its improved circuit characteriza ties this receiver incorporates other notable feathese this receiver incorporates other notable fea-tures. Of primary importance is that of front panel plug-in coils. A glance at Figs. A and B will indicate the convenient method of chang-ing the coils so that the wave-band desired may be covered. This type of construction not only features complete accessibility to the coils, but also keeps the coils effectively shielded, which other methods is in the interview at all in a stability and also keeps the considerably in obtaining stability and selectivity. The coils employed are of the 6-prong type and consist of 3 windings on each. These are mainly the primary (enameled wind-ing), feed-back or tickler coil (enameled wound), and a silver plated, space-royand sceondary winding. These coils contribute in no small way to the selectivity characteristic of the receiver; also to the sensitivity on short-waves because of extremely good high-frequency characteristics.

A special dual ratio (60-1 and 8-1) airplane dial permits careful tuning, which is extremely essential for good short-wave reception.

The power supply is so designed that prac-ally zero hum level is encountered. A builttically tically zero hum level is encountered. A built-in tunable hum filter, see Fig. 1, is directly responsible for this.

List of Parts

- One Alan set of 6-prong special front plug-in coils :
- Three H.F. chokes, grid-leak style; One audio impedance, 625 hy.; One Alan filter choke, 30 hy., 1,200 chms,
- CH39 :
- One power transformer, 2.5 V. 7 amp., 5 V. 2 amp., 700 V. center-tap; Two Electrad 50,000 ohm potentiometers (one
- with switch); Two I.R.C. carbon pigtail resistors, 425 ohms,
- W. ; 1 Three I.R.C. carbon pigtail resistors, 120,000
- ohms, 1 W.; One I.R.C. carbon pigtail resistor, 5 megs.,
- W.: Ł Three I.R.C. carbon pigtail resistor, 0.2-meg.,
- t W.: One I.R.C. carbon pigtnil resistor, 2,500 ohms, 1 W.:
- One L.R.C. carbon pigtail resistor, 60,000 ohms. 1 W.:
- Eight Cornell-Dubilier or Aerovox tubular
- condensers, .01-mf.; Two Cornell-Dubilier or Aerovox mica pigtail condensers, 220 mmf.; One Cornell-Dubilier or Aerovox condenser,
- 850 nimf.:
- One Cornell-Dubilier or Aerovox condenser. 150 mmf.;
- One 2-gang variable condenser with planetary drive, 115 mmf. (each section);
- Two Cornell-Dubiler or Aerovox electrolytic tubular condensers, 10 mf., 35 V.;
- One Cornell-Dubilier or Aerovox tubular con-denser. .5-mf.;
- One Cornell-Dubilier or Aerovox electrolytic condenser, block, 8 mf., 8 mf., 12 mf., 500 V.; One antenna trimmer condenser, 45 mmf. maximum capacity:
- Three 58 wafer sockets:
- One 56 wafer socket;
- One 2A5 wafer socket; One 80 wafer socket;
- One dynamic speaker (2,500 ohm field); One "Ant." and "Grid" terminal strip;
- Three wiring terminal strips:
- One phone jack, double-circuit; One Alan drilled and formed chassis;
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THE LISTENING POST FOR ALL-WAVE DX-ERS

(Continued from page 411) frequency changes are at work. The 49 meter band is now the most prominent, with excellent signals the rule. Little static remains to mar signals the rule. Little static remains to mar this band, and high program value may be en-joyed from the more powerful stations limited only by channel or station interference. The 31 meter band holds up good during the daytime but fades away rapidly in the evenings. The 25 meter band is perhaps the most creation of the all sometimes producing excellent signals in the morning hours, or mid-afternoon and at other morning hours, or mid-afternoon and at other times being practically dead. The 19 meter band is generally good in the early to late morning. The 16 meter band is little heard from at this time of the year. A few high-frequency com-mercial, or phone stations may be logged on the high frequencies. The 20 meter "ham" band is most active in the mid-afternoon, and South American "hams" can generally be heard best just before dusk. just before dusk.

What the Dx'ers Say About It -Broadcast Band-

Ralph W. Schofield, Missoula, Mont., says: 'Radio is getting good. My morning's log from

2-4:30 a.m. M.S.T. included (China) XGOA (Manila) KZRM (Japan) JOAK-1, JOAK-2, JOHG, JOCK-1, JOFK, JOHK, JOIK, JODK-1, JODK-2, (N.Z.) 2YA, 3YA (Australia) 4QG, 4RK, 2CO2BL, I also had ZL1BQ on the short waves.

John A. Shanks, Russellville, Tenn., reports that LS2 is coming through WOAI very well at times. I think I have enough for verification from last night's log between 6-7:30 P.M. C.S.T. from last hight's log between 6-7:30 P.M. C.S.T. You fellows that think you had LS4 (Buenos Aires) on 674 kc. were wrong, as I have identi-fied this station as CMCQ (Havana, Cuba). LR3 (Buenos Aires) is sometimes heard through KMBC. There are two stations interfering with WBZ. One is LR4 (Buenos Aires), and the other is a Mexican, or a Cuban. Two stations are near 910 kc. One is LR2 (Buenos Aires) and the one on 912 kc. is a Cuban. The pro-grams from South America are generally a much different type of music than the Cuban, or Mexican. They use classic music, concert orchestras, and lyric tenors a great deal." Evan B. Roherts, Danvers, Mass., is getting an early start on the European stations as he

an early start on the European stations as he tells us that "the Europeans are really coming in. In addition to Rome on 713 kc., Milan on 814 kc., Turin on 1140 kc., and Radio Toulhouse, France, on 913 kc., the following stations are being heard with good loudspeaker strength— Stuttzart. Germany, 574 kc.; EAJ1, Barcelona,

Radio-Craft's Foreign DX Calendar For December-January

Eastern Sta	ndard T	ime				
Dec. 7 Fi	ri. 1	E30-3:00 a.m.	1190kc	40000w	Prieto, Buenos Aires, Argentine	LS2
Dec. 9 St	un. 1	2:00-3:00 a.m.	859ke	17000w	Strasbourg, France	
Dec. 9 or	10 - 1	2:00-3:00 a.m.	830kc	29000w	Excelsior, Buenos Aires, Arg.	LR5
Dec. 11 T	ues. 🤅	3:00-4:00 a.m.	1040ke	10000w	Illimani, La Puz, Bolivia	CP4
Dec. 12 W	fed 2			5000w	Nacional, La Paz, Bolivia	CPX
Dec. 16 S	un. 🔮			38.47m	RADIO NATIONS, GENEVA, SWITZ.	
Dec. 21 – F	ri. 1	1:00-3:00 a.m.			Bogota, Colombia	IIJN
Dec. 21 F	ri. 1			49. 3 5m	Bogota, Colombia (Short Wave)	
				25.0 <u>0</u> m	Moscow, U.R.R.S. (Short Wave)	RNE
				39.87m	Moscow, U.R.R.S. (Short Wave)	RKI
Jan. 10 - T					Madrid, Spain	EAJ7
Jan. 16 - W				5000w		CTIGL
Jan. 20 - St					Poste Parisien, Paris, France	P.P.
Jan. 22 T				4000w	Prieto, Buenos Aires, Argentine	LS2
WEEKLY	Sat. 1	l2:30-1:00 a.m.	980kc	50000w	Pitts., Pa. KDKA DX CLUB, Also on	W8XK.

Rest Foreign Broadcast Stations

	December-Janua	агу	
E. S. T. China-Japan BEST HEARD AT Manila	Australia-NZ Hawaii	S.A., C.A., P.R.	Europe
Dark-5:30 p.m.			ROME, Italy 718ke, 50kw
Dark-5:30 p.m. Dark-5:30 p.m.			MILAN, Italy 814ke, 50kw
Dark-6:00 p.m.			TURIN, Italy 1140kc, 7kw LONDON REG.
Dark-6:30 p.m.			877kc, 50kw TOULOUSE, France
Dark-8:00 p.m.		BUENOS AIRES	913kc. 60kw STUTTGART, Ger.
Dark-8:00 p.m.		LR2-910kc, 8kw BUENOS AIRES	574kc, 100kw
Dark-8:00 p.m.		LR3-950ke, 12kw BUENOS AIRES	
		LR8-1150kc, 20kw BUENOS AIRES	
Dark-8:00 p.m.		LS2-1190kc, 40kw CARACAS, Venez.	
Dark-8:00 p.m. 12:01-1:35 a.m.		Y1'1BC, 960kc, 5kw	FRANKFURT, Ger.
12:01-2:50 a.m.			1195kc, 17kw KONIGSBERG, Ger.
12:01-2:50 a.m.	HONOLULU, T. H		1030kc, 60kw
12.00-3:30 a.m.	KGU, 750kc, 21 skw HONOLULU, T. H		
1:45-2:00 a.m.	KGMB, 1320kr, 14k	<i>0</i>	HORBY, Sweden
Saturdays 2:00-3:00 a.m.			1131kc, 10kw FECAMP, France
2:10-3:00 a.m.			1456kc, 10kw POSTE PARISIEN
3:00-5:00 a.m.		GUATEMALA, Gu	959kc, 100kw at.
Sun-Irregular 3:10-3:30 a.m.		TGW, 565kc, 10kw SAN JUAN, P. R.	
Frequency Chk 4:30-Dawn SENDAL Japan	COROWA, N. S. W	WKAQ, 1240kc, 1ku	•
4:30-Dawn JOHK, 770kč, 10ka NAGOYA, Japan	WELLINGTON, N	. 2.	
4:30-Dawn JOCK-2, 810kc, 10ku SAPPORO, Japan	CHRISTCHURCH	, N. Z .	
4:30-Dawn JOIK, 830kc, 10ku TOKYO, Japan	MELBOURNE, Au	st.	
4:30-Dawn MANILA, P. I.	BRISBANE, Aust.		
KZRM, 610ke, 50kw 4:30-Dawn	20G, 760ke, 21 2kw SYDNEY, Aust.		
4:30-Dawn	2BL. 855kc, 3kw BRISBANE, Aust. 4BC, 1145kc, 750kw		
6:00-Daylight NANKING, China XGOA, 860kc, 75kr	1		
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(NOTE: While this is by no means all of the foreign stations you may hear under good conditions, this Il serve as a guide to the most important foreign stations you will hear during this period. Ed.) will

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Spain, 795 kc.; London-Regional on 877 kc.; West Regional 977 kc.; Bordeaux-Lafayette, France on 1077 kc. All of these are being heard from 5:30-7 P.M. E.S.T. Toulouse, France, was so loud I could hear it on a three-foot piece of wire for an aptenna, from 6 to 6:30 P.M. The TP's (Trans-Pacifics) are astonishing, as every morning from 4:45-5:30 P.M. I am able to tune in 15 or more. JOIK, Tokyo on 830 kc. is the only Japanese station I have heard so far."

-Short Waves-

--Short Waves--Don H. Townsend. Fallon. Nev., sends us the following valuable data on the Japanese short-wave transmitters. "The S.W. stations of Japan who are relaying the Japanese Broad-casting System's programs are JVM, Nagasaki, 10740 kc.; JVR Nagasaki, 7390 kc.; JVT 6750 kc.; and JYT 15760 kc. in Kemikawa. The schedule observed in E.S.T. is-4:00 A.M. Chil-dren's Hour, 4:25 A.M. talks in Japanese, 4:55 A.M. news in English, 5:00 A.M. news in Japanese, 5:30 A.M. variety program (talks and music), 7:30 A.M. time signals and news, 7:45 A.M. sign off." (At the time of compiling this article JVT could be heard each morning with good signal strength-Ed.) "TIEP, La Voz del Tropico, San Jose, Costa Rica operates on 6710 kc., and 850 kc. The owner Eduardo Pinto Hernandez also operates amateur station on 6710 kc., and 850 kc. The owner Eduardio Pinto Hernandcz also operates amateur station T12EP on 7238 kc. These stations are both members of the newly-formed "Latin American Chain of Radiobroadcasting Stations."

The Gist of the News Broadcast Band

The following Japanese broadcast stations will increase power during 1935-1936. JOAK-1. Tokyo, 870 kc., from 10 to 150 kw. JOGK. Kumamoto, Japan, 790 kc., from 10 kw. to 100 kw. JOBK-1, of Osaka, Japan, on 750 kc. will increase from 10 to 100 kw. JOSK. Kokura. Japan. on 835 kc., from 1 to 10 kw. These fine super-power transmitters will definitely place Japan in the vanguard of the international race for super power. Beromunster. Switzerland, on for super power. Beromunster, Switzerland, on 556 kc., has increased power from 60 to 100 kw. bbb KC., has increased power from 60 to 100 kw. East coast DX'ers should be able to get this station nicely. New Newfoundland frequencies are as follows: VOWR at St. Johns. 681 kc., 500w. VOGY, at St. Johns, 845 kc., 400w. VOAS, St. Johns, 945 kc., 100w. VONF, St. Johns, 960 kc., with 5000 watts.

Short Waves

That popular radio station PHI, at Huizen. Holland, is now back on their winter wavelength of 25.57m.-11730 kc. Radio ROMA 12RO on 25.40m.-11810 kc., which has been making ex-tensive repairs and improvements in their trans-mitter will be back on the air with greatly in-creased power and a full Empire service using directional antenna array about the first of the new year. They will transmit different prodirectional antenna array about the first of the new year. They will transmit different pro-grams daily to the various continents. RNE. Moscow, U.S.S.R., on 25m.-12000 kc., and RKI on 39.87m.-7520 kc., are being well heard again with their transmissions for NBC rebroadcast in this country. At the present writing the NBC rebroadcasts RNE-RKI on Saturdays at 11:30 to 12 noon E.S.T. and Sundays from 9:30-10 A.M. E.S.T. PRADO of Rio Bamba, Eucador, have abandoned their popular Sunday afternoon concerts on 19 meters until next spring when the band begins to show a little life again at the band begins to show a little life again at this time of day. XEBT, Mexico City, have a habit of camping almost right on top of DJC. Zeesen, Germany, on 49.80 meters, although XEBT is supposed to be on 49.92 meters. A new station being heard early each morning or show tillo with only Dutch being roken new station being heard early each morning on about 6100 kc., with only Dutch being spoken and typical Asiatic music, is believed to be the new short-wave station YDA, at Bandoeng, Java. They seem to sign off at about 8 A.M. E.S.T. Senor Pompilio Sanchcz states that the schedule of HJZABA at Tunia. Colombia, on 6150 kc.-48.78 meters, is Tuesdays. Thursdays. and Saturdays from 6 to 9 P.M. E.S.T.

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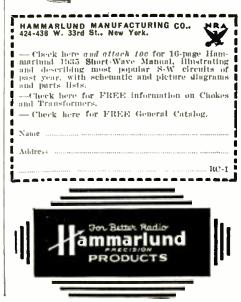


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ELEMENTS OF 4TH DIMEN-SION SOUND SYSTEMS

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ears. The amplifiers will of course, be of the high-fidelity type while the speakers will operate with performance characteristics identical to those of the original sound producing devices.

Second, we have "spatial relationship"—which appears to be the stumbling block for perfect artificial sound. Although Dr. Harvey Fletcher (of the Bell Telephone Laboratories) succeeded in closely approaching exact spatial relationships of the original and reproduced sounds with a tri-dimensional system, the "last word" will not have occurred in the recreation of sound, which completely fulfills the requirements for perfect illusion, until a fourth dimension is taken into consideration.

Before we delve into the elements of artificially recreated fourth dimensional sounds, let us briefly analyze our own hearing senses so that we can use it as a standard of comparison. For, without such a "yardstick" it would be difficult for us to realize how far we actually are from the goal of perfection. Then again, if we understand how people normally react to natural sounds, (which, strange as it may seem, continuously occur in a fourth dimensional world) we can easily grasp the elementary spatial principles and conditions involved in our overyday hearing, and possibly find it a relatively simple matter to duplicate in an artificial system.

Our Directional Hearing Sense

Our first bit of investigation, therefore, involves itself with the mechanism of hearingparticularly the spatial localization of stationary and moving sound sources.

When we normally localize a natural source of sound in space we subconsciously make three measurements; first, we estimate its horizontal angular displacement (Fig. 1A) which indicates how much to one side the sound is coming from; then we estimate its vertical angular displacement (Fig. 1B) which tells us whether the sound is coming from above or below; and finally we judge its distance (Fig. 1C). When the sound source is moving, we make an additional fourth measurement in order to approximate its direction and speed of motion. The accuracy with which we localize a sound depends upon a number of factors, among which are; familiarity with the sound, tilt of the head, and ability to see the source of sound. The important part played by these secondary hearingaids account in a large measure for the manner in which the brain deceives the interpretive hearing centers by supplying the missing directive properties of sound. Because we become accustomed to this deception, we frequently remain unaware of the handicaps characteristic of single dimensional sound reproducing systems. The directive "hearing" aid offered by the eyes can easily be checked the next time you view a "talkie." Note how easily you recognize unusual sounds—and locate them, because you see the apparent source of sound. Now close your eyes and you will be surprised to find how difficult it becomes to localize the shot of pistol, the clicking of a typewriter, the approach of an automobile or the movement of an actor from one side of the screen to the other. In fact, unless the theatre is equipped with a fourth dimensional sound system, it will be impossible to localize any sound whatsoever that would correspond to natural localization as would occur if you were at the actual scene while the picture was taken.

How We Judge Direction

A casual study of Fig. 2 shows the elements involved in normal binaural hearing of a single stationary sound source in free space. (For simplicity sake, we will limit our discussion to direct sound waves and not the reflected or reverberant waves because the former are far more important in the localization of sound sources than the latter. Any system which can recreate direct sound waves in their natural spatial relations will automatically reproduce reflected and reverberant sound waves identical with those of the original rendition if the acoustics of both the localities involved are identical.)

If the source of sound is directly in front of the listener, the axii of the sound waves (RX and LX Fig. 2) are of equal length. Sound will therefore reach both ears at the same time

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(in phase) and with equai intensity. These waves are converted into nerve impulses, by the inner ear, and sent along their respective nerve fibers to their inlividual centers of hearing located within the brain. The interpretive center then compares the pattern in each hearing center (with respect to phase and intensity) and gauges the direction and distance of the sound, basing its judgment solely upon previous hearing experiences with that sound. In this particular instance, as there is no difference in phase or intensity, the source of sound is localized in the median plane that is directly in front or behind the listener (Fig. 1A). It should be borne in mind from the foregoing illustration, that in order to naturally localize a sound, a complete circuit (acousto-physiological) must be completed between the source of sound and the interpretive center through both ears and their respective hearing centers (Fig. 2A).

The First Dimension: Distance

If a source of sound (Fig. 3A) is kept in a horizontal plane level with the ears, but moved in the median plane to and from the listener, a sensation of distance will be noted as only the intensity of the sound wave, but not the phase changes. As the intensity is decreased the source of sound is localized at a greater distance, while with a gradual increase of intensity the source of sound appears to be coming closer to the listener. This same effect can be created artificially with the use of a simple electrical circuit (Fig. 3B) which is analogous to present sound systems. By keeping the source at fixed a fixed distance from the microphone, and regulating the attenuator, a listener located in another room will be unable to tell whether the source of sound is moved or the attenuator setting changed.

The changed. With this arrangement it will be noted that if the sound source is moved in any direction, up or down, from side to side, or to and from the microphone, the listener in another room will interpret all directional novements as either directly approaching or receding from him. No sensation of horizontal angular displacement or vertical angular displacement of the sound source will be experienced. This single dimension illusion is representative of the working limitations of our present radio broadcasting, sound picture, telephone and public address systems.

The Second Dimension: Angular Displacement in Horizontal Plane

If the sound source used in Fig. 2 is displaced 30 degrees to the right (Fig. 2B), but kept in a horizontal plane level with both ears, two different neousto-phy-iologic circuits are set up from the sound source to the interpretive hearing center. In this instance, the axis (R_X) of the sound wave reaching the right ear is much shorter than (Lx) the axis of sound reaching the left ear. The result is that the

Fig. 4 Detail illustrations of 4th dimension sound.

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right and left center of hearing present entirely different patterns to the interpretive center, which therefrom approximates the horizontal angular displacement. The listener usually turns his head in the estimated direction until the differences of plase and intensity are equal-ized in both carrier and the plane and the the ized in both cars and thereby assumes that the sound source is directly in line with his nose. If the source of sound is sighted, definite local-ization takes place, if not seen the direction of the sound source is imagined.

As two separate patterns must be formed by both hearing centers, it becomes evident that a special pickup and reproducing system must be employed (Fig. 4A) so that the phase and in-tensity differences, as would normally be picked up by both cars, be preserved. The best pro-cedure is to separate both microphones with some object accoustically equivalent to the head. By adjusting both attenuators to match the sen-sitivity of the cars true stereophonic reproduction will result. A listener sitting in another room will be able to follow a sound source moved from side to side. Some ambiguity will result because of the listener's inability to move his head towards the sound image for purposes of confirmation. Thus, when the sound source is at a 45 angle to the right it night appear to be at a 135° angle. (Fig. 4B). By moving either attenuator and keeping the sound source stationary, the apparent location of the sound image can be changed. A perfect illusion, how-ever, will not be created unless an appropriate the greatest attenuation. Experiments conducted have shown that considerable deviation may be made from ideal phase and intensity patterns, without seriously affecting the accuracy of the sound image localization.

When two different sound sources are used (bell and telephone receiver), the listener will be amazed at the case with which he can follow both sources even though they be moved from side to side or to and from the microphones, Not until one experiences stereophonic reproduction can be begin to realize how limited and un-natural are our ordinary systems of artificial sound reproduction.

If the microphones are connected either in series or parallel (Figs. 4C and 4D) the stereophonic properties of the circuit will be lost as both ears receive identical sound patterns, and thereby shunt the interpretive center out of the acousto-physiologic circuit.

The Third Dimension: Angular Displacement in a Vertical Plane

Frame Strange as it may seem, a listener with his eyes closed, and without tilting his head will be unable to localize a source of sound coming from above or below the level of his ears. This physiologic handicap plays an important part in the design of a fourth dimensional sound system, and is caused by the location of both our ears in a horizontal plane. If we had two ad-ditional ears in a vertical plane, we could ac-curately gauge the vertical angular displacements of a sound image by using the same process as used in indering horizontal angular displacements. used in judging horizontal angular displacements,

We can however localize a sound coming from above or below us by simply tilting our head until the sound attains maximum intensity, Here again localization is hastened by sighting the source of sound. Inasmuch as the eyes play a secondary part in sound localization, it would appear that sightless people, as well as the audience of our fourth dimensional sound system. would be seriously handicapped. Such is not the case however, for our inner ear contains an organ of balance (semi-circular canals) which play no direct part in heaving, but afford an play no direct part in heaving, but afford an accurate measurement of the tilt of the head. It therefore becomes evident, that in order to achieve perfect illusion in a fourth dimensional sound system we must project sound from above and below the level of our ears by using a set of overhead and sub-level speakers.

The demonstration staged by the Bell Tele-The demonstration staged by the Bell Tele-phone Laboratories was lacking in this respect because all sound was picked up from one horizontal plane and projected in a series of planes most suitable for adequate sound dis-tribution, but without regard to the vertical angular displacement of the original sound sources. While it is true that the reproduced version of the airplane roar seemed to come from overhead, this false localization was sensed only by individuals whose past experiences as-sociated airplane roars with elevated positions,

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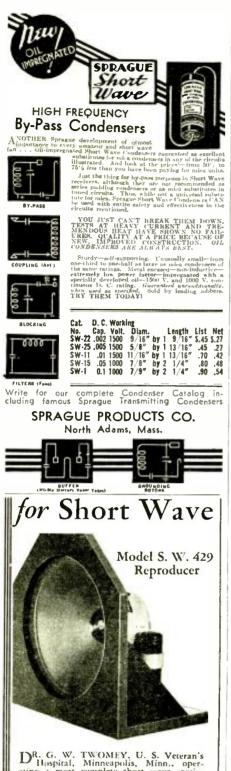
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A block diagram for a system used to direc-tively project a sound depending upon the posi-tion of the original sound source, is shown in Fig. A. The four microphones pick up the original sound with a proportionate intensity depending upon its nearness to anyone or all units. By using four separate channels, the pick-up pattern is maintained clear through the amplification to the recreation and projection

The Fourth Dimension: Time and Its Measurement of the Rate of Change of a Moving Sound Source

The factors which determine the localization of a moving sound source involve all of the perceptive and interpretive facilities used for the location of sound in any one of the three planes of space; as well as the coordination of the rate of change with which the various patterns of the right and left hearing centers are pre-sented to the interpretive center. It thus becomes evident, that in order for us

sented to the interpretive center. It thus becomes evident, that in order for us to recreate the illusion of fourth dimensional sound we must use a system which will present to both cars a series of changing patterns iden-tical in every respect to the sound patterns we would hear if we were listening to the moving sound source directly. In other words, the sys-tem should be capable of picking up amplifying and projecting all sources of moving sound in and projecting all sources of moving sound in exact accordance with their original speed, motion and direction.

Past experiences have shown that the complete recreation of moving and multi-sound sources, in their exact spatial relationship and aesthetic aspects, is possible only by employing a special sound system and using a new technique in its installation and operation. Such a system will be presented in next month's issue of RADIO-CRAFT together with detailed information for the construction, installation and operation of this system.

In the meantime, the authors will be pleased to receive comments and answer questions relative to the fundamentals of fourth dimensional sound.

IMPROVED 2-TUBE S.-W. BOOSTER

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Receiver selectivity is obviously of paramount importance in successful short-wave reception R.F. hoosters not only provide for attainment of an ultimate degree of selectivity but also furnish a successful method for signal and noise rejec-tion. Both of these functions are essential for dependable transoceanic reception and both of these conditions are best accomplished by in-creasing the selectivity of your present receiver.

 the selectivity of your present receiver, for the reasons outlined below:
 Increased Selectivity Minimizes Statie,
 Increased Selectivity Avoids Interference, With the constantly increasing number of foreign short-wave stations, owners of both elabtoreign short-wave stations, owners of both elaborate and simple receivers are becoming aware of the inferior selectivity of their sets. The ac-tive 19, 25, 30, and 49 meter bands are par-ticularly notorious for their interference. The only effective remedy for this form of interfer-ence is increased selectivity and is best accom-blished by adding at least one (or more) tuned R F states to wur present accelerate R.F. stages to your present receiver. The duplex drawer coil unit employed in the

booster, diagram of which is shown in Fig. 1, is essentially composed of two precision space-wound coils fully shielded from each other, but contained within one catacomb drawer and so arranged that the entire unit slides into its receptacle through the front panel, in a manner similar to changing drawers of a miniature desk.

The cadmium-plated steel receptacle, into which the drawnum-parted steel receptacle, into which the drawner coil slides, is equipped with three specially designed double-spring, butt-wiping and self-eleaning contacts which are in no small measure responsible for the unusual perform-ance and permanent operation of this bandchanging system. Each contact is composed of two springs; one made of phosphor bronze, for connection and the other made of tempered high carbon steel (similar to clock springs), for ten-sion. The tension spring absorbs all bending stress

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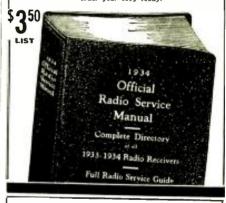
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BUILD THIS NOVEL I-TUBE ALL-WAVE SET

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B are the filament terminals, G is the cathode Is are the hiament terminals, G is the cathode of the detector portion. This has a suppressor-grid connected to it within the tube. C is the plate of the detector, while D is the screen-grid of the detector. E is the cathode of the rectifier portion and F is the plate of the rectifier. The portion and F is the plate of the rectifier. The cap of the tube (H) is connected to the control-grid of the detector. It is suggested that the grid circuits be wired in first, then plates, cathodes, bypass condensers, and filter con-densers, and finally the filament circuit. A flexible wire is soldered to the antenna trimmer for the aerial connection. This set dors not reuire a ground connection. This set dors not re-quire a ground connection and in fact, none should be used. If A.C. hum is noticeable, use an additional dual 8 electrolytic condenser, connecting both sections in parallel so as to obtain 16 more microfarads at point (10).

List of Parts

One Hammarlund variable condenser, .00014 mf., type MC-140-M, (3);

One Hammarlund antenna trimmer condenser. 3 to 35 mmf., (1); One Aerovox mica condenser, .0001 mf., type

1460, (5); One Aerovox mica condenser, .0005 mf., type 1460. (7);

One Aerovox cartridge condenser, .01 mf.,

type 484-N. (14); One Aerovox double section cardboard con-tainer electrolytic condenser, 8 mf. per section, type PB-2, (12, 13);

One Electral potentiometer, 75,000 ohms, type RI-202-P, (6) with Sw., (16); One power line cord, 350 ohms, (15);

One set of five 4-prong plug-in coils, covering 10 to 550 meters, (2);

One I.R.C. metallized resistor, 1 meg., 12-W.,

(4):One I.R.C. metallized resistor, 10,000 ohms,

1 W., (11); One twin jack, (9, 10);

One seven-prong (large) wafer-type socket

(8) One Hammarlund Isolantite socket, 4 prongs,

(2); One 12A7 tube, (8);

One roll of Corwico braidite solid core hook-up wire ;

One metal box, 11¼ x 5% x 3¼ ins. high: One screen-grid clip; three knobs;

One headphone.

Note: Numbers in parentheses refer to corresponding numbers indicated on the diagram and layout view (Figs. 1 and 2).

A SHORT-WAVE 2-TUBE PORTABLE

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comfortable carrying handle. Its feature is the use of special band-spread coils, which make station finding a comparatively simple matter, and also permit the use of the receiver as a complete amateur station monitor.

Exactly half of the space inside the cabinet is occupied by the receiver components proper and the other half by the batteries.

The main tuning condenser C1, of 140 mmf. capacity, is controlled by a small vernier dial. In the lower left-hand corner of the end of the cabinet is the antenna trimmer condenser, C6; in the lower right-hand corner the combined re generation control and filament switch. R1-SW. Between the two lower knobs is a short single-circuit earphone jack, J. This is carefully insufrom the cabinet, as the latter forms the grounded "A +" side of the circuit.

The band-spread coils, which are described in The band-spread coils, which are described in an accompanying illustration, are of the double winding type. The small winding at the bottom of the form serves as the tickler, and is con-nected in series with the plate circuit of the detector tube, V1. The R.F. choke coil, L2. of 2.2 mh. inductance, keeps the R.F. energy out of the primary of the audio transformer.

It will be observed that the main tuning condenser CI is connected across only a portion of the entire grid or secondary winding. The tap is about a quarter of the way up from the grounded end. The variable condenser represented in the diagram as C5 is a tiny trimmer type condenser mounted directly in the end of the coil form and connected across the entire grid winding. This condenser is adjusted by means of a screw sticking out of the end of the coil. It acts as a fixed loading condenser, while condenser C1, which is connected across only a portion of the entire secondary inductance, has a relatively slight tuning effect, and therefore the entire dial movement represents only a limited frequency range; hence the "band-spread" action. of course, the particular section of any band to be covered depends on the coil used and the settings of the individual C5 condensers.

Regeneration Control

Regeneration is controlled by the 1 megohm Regeneration is controlled by the 1 megohm variable resistor, R1, which is connected directly in series with the "B+" 22^{15} volt lead to the audio transformer primary. This is bypassed by a .5-mf. condenser which effectively eliminates any tendency of the control to be noisy. The regenerative action is smooth and quiet, and phone stations can be brought in just at the critical point of oscillation.

The secondary of the transformer is shunted by a 1 megohn resistor, R4, merely for the pur-pose of eliminating fringe howl.

On the left side of the cabinet is a double binding-post strip for aerial and ground connec-It has been found in actual practice that tions. most any sort of an antenna will bring in sig-nals. Fifteen feet of insulated flexible wire draped over the roof of a car worked very well in some road tests and brought in programs from numerous foreign short-wave stations. A fre hydre⁻¹t and an iron railing have all been used successfully as "ground" connections.

List of Parts

One Two-winding 5-prong band-spread coils as described below. L1;

One 2.2 mh. R.F. choke coil, L2; One 140 mmf. midget variable, C1;

One .00025 mf. mica grid condenser, C2

One .0005 mf. mica bypass condenser, C3;

One .5-mf. paper bypass condenser, C4;

One trimmer condenser built into coils. C5: One Two-plate 5 mmf. antenna trimmer, C6:

One 1,000,000 ohm potentiometer, R1;

One 8 ohm wire-wound resistor, R2:

One 10 megohm grid leak, R3:

One 1 megohm grid leak, R4;

One single open circuit phone jack with insulating washers, J; Two Type 30 tubes, V1. V2;

One 312-to-1 ratio uncased audio transformer.

т :

 One Steel cabinet as specified;
 One 4¹/₂ volt "C" battery, Burgess No. 2370;
 One 45 volt "B" battery, Burgess No. 5308;
 Three-inch vernier dial for condensers C1,
 knobs for R1 and C6, double binding-post strip. 5-prong socket for plug-in coil L1, and incidental hardware and mounting screws.

Coil Data Table

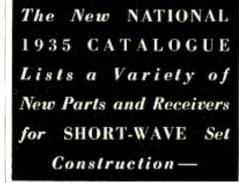
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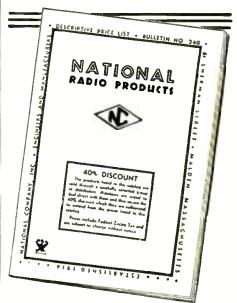
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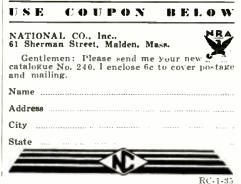
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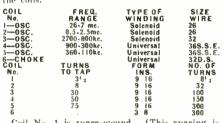
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grid and, as far as R.F. is concerned, these elements are at ground potential. ments are at ground potential. This shields the plate from the frequency-controlling elements of the tube and effectively isolates the output. Therefore, a variation of output load has very little effect on the oscillator. The tuning condenser used has a capacity of 205 methods and the state of the stat This shields the

365 mm. Any condenser used as a canacity of average receiver can be used. This condenser must be insulated from the chassis, as is shown in the print. Nothing is returned to the chassis except bypass condensers. This has been done to prevent short-circuits on the power line when an A.C.-D.C. receiver is being tested.

The switch used is a 3-pole, 5-position as-sembly. One pole is used as a shorting switch to short the preceding coils, that is, the lowerfrequency coils. This is done to prevent the nat-ural period resonances of the unused coils from falling in the other bands where they would affect the oscillator in use. The other two poles switch both the control-grid and cathode of the oscillator circuit.

The coils are the hardest thing to build and it is recommended that a set be purchased that corresponds with the calibration shown in Fig. 4. However, below is listed the data for winding the coils.



Coil No. 1 is space-wound. (This spacing is done by winding two wires at the same time, and when the one to be used is properly secured the remaining wire is removed, leaving an accu-rately-spaced coil.) The remaining coils are

rately-spaced coil.) The remaining constraints tight-wound. The R.F. oscillator section of the type 77 tube is modulated at A.P. in a novel way—that is, via the screen-grid circuit, which is the anode of the oscillatory circuit. The audio frequency oscillator uses a type 76 tube and a push-pull audio transformer for the modulation trans-former. Figure 3 shows the way the transformer is assembled before it is ready for use. All the 'I' laminations are removed leaving only the "E's", and a block of wood is used to replace the "I" laminations that were removed so that the old mounting bracket can be used. The untapped side of the transformer is the grid coil and one half of the tapped side is used in the plate circuit of the audio oscillator. The uncount half is used as a pick-up coil to intro-

in the plate circuit of the audio oscillator. The unused half is used as a pick-up coil to intro-duce the audio signal into the R.F. oscillator circuit. If when the generator is assembled the audio oscillator does not function, reverse the connections of the grid coil to make the phase relationship correct.

The attenuator consists of a 100-ohm poten-tiometer. This should preferably be tapered to 25 ohms at 50° of the rotation so that the scale will not be too crowded at the low-signal end, although a standard potentiometer may be used.

The chokes and condensers used in the line prevent R.F. from feeding back into the line and thus into the receiver on test. These are very essential and the success of the instrument de-

essential and the success of the instrument de-pends on this filter system. Figure 2 shows the chassis, shield, and the other metal parts that must be drilled, with dimensional data. These parts may be made of steel, aluminum, or any other available metal. After the signal generator is completed and shields in place, reverse the grid coil of the modulation transformer, if necessary. If the sig-nal generator works satisfactorily the problem of calibration is next. The simplest way, of course, is to calibrate with a calibrated all-wave receiver. but if higher accuracy is desired, the best way would be to compare directly with crystal-controlled stations whose frequencies are known.

As is shown in Fig. 4, ranges 3 and 4 cover the broadcast band. These bands can be cali-brated by comparison with stations in these

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bands. The receiver that is used to calibrate the generator is set at some known frequency and the generator is tuned until a beat is found. this beat being carried to zero, and the point indicated on graph paper. If this procedure is followed at several points on the band, a curve can be drawn.

Range 5 may be calibrated by the harmonic method. For instance, the receiver used may be set at some known frequency, say 600 kc, When the generator dial is moved it will be no-ticed that beats will be heard. Analyzing these beats (being careful to avoid taking cognizance of beats resulting through reaction with the local oscillator in superheterodyne sets) it will be found that the following occur:

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- 200 kc. its 3rd Harmonic being 600 kc.
- 300 kc. its 2nd Harmonic being 600 kc.

By repeating the above procedure and plotting these points, a curve may be drawn. If a superheterodyne receiver is used to calibrate the gen-erator, care must be taken that the signals de not beat with the intermediate frequency. This will be easily determined by turning the dial of the receiver every time a beat is found. If th modulated signal still remains, although the best vanishes, it will be known that the signal is at the frequency of the intermediate frequency of the receiver. Therefore, these points will not be used in the calibration. Calibration of bands 1 and 2 will be rather

hard unless both care and time are taken. are numerous sources from which reliable signals can be heard. Station WWV at 5,000 kc. is the outstanding frequency standard for this country. The amateurs have several in their own bands, The various commercial short-wave services are largely crystal-controlled and sufficiently accurate for calibration. Even at the highest frequencies, fixed frequency band services are now in use, mostly on phone. Hence, with a reasonably good all-wave receiver, and care to have the right heat from the signal generator, it is fairly easy to provide a sufficient number of points in each band so that reasonably accurate curves can be drawn

If the constructor of this signal generator follows the data given, especially that of the coils and the tuning condenser, it will be pos-sible to match the calibration given in Fig. 4 as this calibration was made with parts of the same specifications.

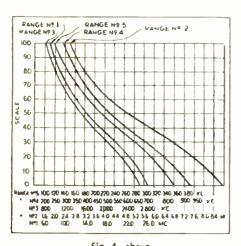
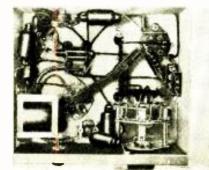


Fig. 4, above Representative output-frequency graph.

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Fig. C, below Underside view of 3-tube oscillator.



HOW TO BUILD A NEW 5-METER TRANSCEIVER

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to guide the assembly, but, in order to facilitate mentary explanations be observed.

The .006 mf. condenser is connected between the R.F. choke and the ground lug. The 250,-000 and 10,000 ohm resistors connecting to the "Transmit-Receive" switch are supported away from the switch by their pig-tails and must not touch it. The other pig-tails are twisted to-gether and soldered, forming a connection to which a wire is soldered. The ,00015 mf, mica condenser is connected between the 2 inner lugs of the 5 meter coil. The remaining 250.000 ohm resistor is connected between the terminal strip and the 6 prong socket. It must be supported by its pig-tails so that it does not touch the 4 lead transformer over which it straddles.

The inner winding of the 5 meter coil, shown connected to the stand-off insulators, is not to be connected until after the transceiver has been tested.

Testing

Lesting Place the 11 and 37 tubes in their proper sockets. Connect the positive post of the 6 V. storage battery to terminal 1 and the minus post to terminal 2 of the terminal strip. Snap on the "on-off" switch. The heaters of the tubes should glow. Connect two $7^{1/2}$ V. "C" batteries in series. Connect the plus post of one to terminal 3, and the -3 V. post of the other (giving $-10^{1/2}$ V.) to terminal 6 of the terminal strip. Connect three 45 V. "B" bat-teries in series. teries in series.

Connect the minus clip to terminal 4 and the plus 135 V. clip to terminal 5 of the terminal strip. The battery wires may be of any con-venient length or a battery cable may be used. If greater power is desired, use four 45 V. "B" hatteries in series to give +180 V., and connect the two 7⁴₂ V. "C" batteries to give -13^{4}_{2} V. Plug a pair of headphones into the double tip jack for phones and turn the "Transmit-Receive" switch to the right (Receive position). everything is in order the characteristic in the phones. If the transceiver does not super-regenerate, disconnect all the batteries and recheck the wiring completely, sensitive single-button microphone i Plug a into double tip jack for microphone. (The micro-phone current is supplied by the "A" battery.) Turn the "Transmit-Receive" switch to the "Transmit" position, With a short piece of "Transmit" position, with a short piece of wire momentarily ground the upper pin of the double tip jack for phones to the chassis, Speech should now be heard clearly in the head-phones. (Ordinarily, in transmitting, the phones are disconnected by the "Transmit-Receive" switch to avoid microphonic feed-back) back.)

If the transceiver has been found to test properly, connect the inner winding of the 5 meter coil to the 2 stand-off insulators on the top of the cover with 6 in, lengths of wire. Then clip the cover over the chassis, fastening the two together with 3 self-tapping screws each side.

Antenna

Because of the harmonic effect, an ordinary broadcast or short-wave antenna may be used for 5 meter work with fair results. In this case, the antenna is connected to either stand-off insulator, while a ground is connected to the other, If a doublet antenna is used the lead-in is connected to both stand-off insulators and no ground is used.

However, for the most efficient operation any one of the various types of 5 meter antennas should be used. An efficient antenna is obtained should be used. An efficient antenna is obtained by suspending an 8, 16, 32, 64 or 128 ft. length of wire horizontally or vertically and as high as possible (the higher—the hetter the results) and connect a lead-in to it at a point 1/7 of its length away from the center. The lead-in must extend at right angles to the antenna for a distance equal to at least $\frac{1}{4}$ of the antenna's length. The rest of the lead-in may then be of any length and scanned to on the standany length and is connected to one of the stand-off insulators. The other stand-off insulator may be connected to ground or left unconnected entirely.

For portable operation, the simplest antenna is a 4 ft. length of copper or aluminum wire.

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How often have you spent hours, perhaps days, trying to locate the cause of oscillation in a radio frying to locate the cause of oscillation in a radio receiver? You checked the screen bypass capaci-tor-tried to lower the screen potential-removed the tuning capacitor and cleaned the wiping con-facts, installed pig tails, bonded the shielding, and tried to re-align the tuning stages, but still the radio oscillated and refused to operate satisfac-toriu torily.

Then, you probably packed up the receiver and carried it to a jobber whose service department may have repeated your "cut and try" methods in an effort to locate the trouble. Finally, a pro-cedure of substitution of parts was tried as a last resort, and it was found that the trouble cleared up when one of the electrolytic filter capacitors was replaced.

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rod or tubing, attached directly to one of the stand-off insulators and extending vertically above it. The other stand-off insulator may be left unconnected, or may be connected to the transceiver case or nearby metallic body (as a counterpoise); or it may be connected to ground. Experimentation alone will reveal which method is the best.

Operation

With the batteries and antenna connected and With the batteries and antenna connected and the "Transmit-Receive" switch turned to the "Receive" position, the hissing sound of super-regeneration will be heard as the tuning knob is turned. However this hiss will be moderated or will entirely disappear whenever a signal is tuned in.

The frequency for both transmitting and reon the front of the tuning knob and dial scale on the front of the transceiver. To minimize hand capacity effects in tuning grasp the knob at the extreme end. The frequency range is approximately 50-63 megacycles, permitting the reception of special experimental stations, which may be located outside of the amateur 5 meter band.

Identification of the 5 meter band can be ob-tained in localities where there is some 5 meter activity by contact with other amateurs who have calibrated frequency meters, or receivers. Otherwise a calibrated frequency meter, or wavemeter, or lecher wire system must be used to check the frequency of transmission, in order

check the frequency of transmission, in order to be certain of legal operation. The battery current drain is greater when transmitting than when receiving. For reasons of economy, then, turn the "Transmit-Receive" switch to the "Transmit" position only when you are ready to talk, turning it to the neutral or to the "Receive" position, immediately after-ward. In the neutral position the battery drain is reduced, but the transceiver is completely turned off. The transmitting range, as with every sort of

The transmitting range, as with every sort of 5 meter equipment, is greatly dependent upon b meter equipment, is greatly dependent upon its location. Over flat country or from elevations overlooking the surroundings, distances of from 10 to 20 miles may be worked. From higher elevations even greater distances are possible. Because of the quasi-optical nature of 5 meter vaves, the limiting range upon transmission and reception appears to be the line-of-sight dis-tance as determined by the curvature of the earth and intervening topographical obstacles.

List of Parts

The kit contains the following parts for building a 5 meter 6 V. battery operated radiophone transmitter-receiver.

- One I.C.A. 5 plate midget condenser, 15 mmf.; One I.C.A. 5 meter 3 winding coil; One I.C.A. transmit-receive switch;

- One I.C.A. R.F. choke; Two I.C.A. double tip jacks;
- One I.C.A. 5 prong socket; One I.C.A. 6 prong socket;

Two resistors, 250,000 ohms, (red body-green end-vellow dot);

One resistor, 10,000 ohms, (brown body-black end-orange dot); One cartridge condenser, .006-mf.;

- One mica condenser, .00015-mf., brown-green dots);
- One I.C.A. output transformer. leads); with 4
- One I.C.A. (with 6 leads); microphone-audio transformer, with 6 leads); One I.C.A. 100-0 dial scale; One I.C.A. 100-0 dial scale; One I.C.A. pointer knob; Two I.C.A. stand-off insulators; One I.C.A. 6 terminal strip; One I.C.A. deiled checking and de

- One I.C.A. drilled chassis and cover; Two insulating bushings;
- Six brass bushings;
- Hook-up wire, hardware. The following accessories will be required: One Sylvania type 37 (or 76) tube: One pair headphones;
- One Shure microphone, single button, 200
- ohms, high gain; One storage battery, 6 V.; Three "B" batteries (or "B" eliminator),
- 45 V.; Two "C" batteries, 7½ V.;
- Material for antenna (see paragraph "Antenna");
- Stranded insulated wire (or 4 or 6 wire battery cable) for connecting batteries.

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EDITOR, RADIO-CRAFT:

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FREDERICK BOX. Courval P.O. Saskatchewan, Can.

These comments by Mr. Box represent the expressions of a great number of readers of RADIO-CRAFT, and for that reason we continually present in our magazine much that is of an mentary nature. (See the crystal set. and 1 and 2 tube receiver articles by Mr. F. R. Harris, and 2 tube receiver articles by MT T. K. Harris, in past issues.) We hope that our more tech-nically advanced readers will forehear to com-ment too harshly concerning some of our pages which seem to be "too elementary" (as some of our readers have put it).

of our readers have put it). The schematic circuit, and a description of the use of a "tube-type" "B" unit operating from a 6 V. "A" battery are contained in the article. "Build This All-Wave Set." in the November, 1934, issue of RADIO-CRAFT (a correction con-cerning this "B" circuit appears in the INFORMA-TION BUREAU of the current. January number): A "how-to-make" article concerning a "B" unit is the one entitled, "A 'B' Supply for Farm or Auto Sets." on page 280 of the same issue. The December number contains, on page 344, the article, "How to Build a Tubeless 'B' Supply." Units of the rotary type (such as the motor-generator) also are recommended. Regarding "beginners" material, we are re-

Regarding "beginners" material, we are reluctant to print very much in the nature of elementary articles concerning radio theory, inasmuch as the shelves of the thousands of pub-lic libraries throughout the country are heavily "bowed down" with books that go into the sub-ject of elementary theory from every conceiv-able angle; also, most of our readers are practical radio men-not only professionals, who make their living in the various fields of radio, but, as well, experimenters and amateurs-who, by reason of expensive self-tuition in the School of Hard Knocks or the more gentle education one derives from a resident—or correspondence-school course, have mastered the essential fundamentals of radio.

Instead, we believe, and we are sure that most Instead, we believe, and we are sure that most of our readers will agree with us, that a page devoted to something *new*, something *different*, something *original*, THAT CANNOT BE FOUND IN BOOKS, is to be preferred to ma-terial that, at best. can only be considered as a "re-hash" of text-book material.

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NEW DESIGN IN ALL-WAVE ANTENNAS

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between the antenna and the newly tems developed receiver impedance-matching trans-former which is connected directly between the lower end of the transmission line and the antenna and ground posts of the receiver itself.

The impedance of the transmission line is approximately 70 ohms and the input impedapproximately 10 orms and the input imped-ance of the receiver transformer employed as shown in Fig. 1D, is also approximately 70 ohms. The output impedance of this trans-former may be selected by means of simple telephone tip-jacks to match receivers with either high or low input impedance. A third connection is provided on this transformer which enables the entire antenna plus the lead-in, to be utilized as a regular T-type antenna, to be utilized as a regular 1-type antenna, in areas where noise occurs on one band and not on the others. This new trans-former which is very simple to use incorponeering and provides, for the first time, a means of coupling a transmission line to the ordinary type of receiver without requiring any changes in the receiver itself and without noticeable loss in either the broadcast or the short-wave bands. In fact there is an actual gain in the broadcast band,

Improving All Doublets

The new type of all-wave antenna system employing a doublet for the horizontal por-tion of the antenna may be made to oPerate satisfactorily over all the existing wave-bands as a result of some important developments in impedance-matching transformers combined in impedance-matching transformers combined with accurate fixed condensers. The funda-mental system employed in this intricate act-work is shown in Fig. 1 and the theory of the operation of this complicated looking system is not very difficult to understand, it is common radio engineering knowledge that fixed condensers have a lower initiedance at high frequencies than they do at low frequen-cies. Therefore, when the receiver is tuned ctes. Therefore, when the receiver is tuned to the high frequencies, that is, any of the short-wave bands, the impedance of conden-sers C1 and C2 shown in Fig. 1A offers the path of teast resistance to the incoming radio waves which pass directly through the conrs to the low-impedance transmission-From this line it goes into the receiver densers line impedance-matching transformer and then, by one of three distinct methods, directly to the receiver.

It is also well understood in radio engineering circles that a doublet antenna cut to a size which is most efficient on the short-wave will not function satisfactorily when band used in the broadcast band. For this reason the transformers shown at either side of the dotted line (in Fig. 1A) are utilized to carry the broadcast signal into the transmission line at a considerable gain over the signal which would be possible without these transformers. In this case the impedance of the transformer is very much lower than the imbedance of the fixed condenser and the incoming broadcast signal passes through the transformer in preferance to the condenser.

NOTE:--It should be borne in mind that in each half of this antenna impedance-matching device we have a tuned circuit comprising the inductance L1 and condenser C1 in one case, and L4 and C2 in the other case. Both these circuits have infinite impedance at the frequency to which they are tuned and therefore this point of resonant frequency must be located in some portion of the fre-quency spectrum which is not used for either the short-wave or the regular broadcast bands.

Special Adaptations

Where any type of doublet is used, includ-ing double-doublet arrangements, the system ing double-doublet arrangements, the system shown in Fig. 1D improves performance. The fundamental circuit is shown in Figs. 1A and 1B. Both the units shown are coupled to-gether by means of the necessary length of special cable, in the manner shown in Fig. 1D. One distinctive feature of this arrange-ment is that the length of this cable is not important. It can be now longth from a few important. It can be any length from a few feet to several hundred feet.

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The manner in which the duplex coupling device, shown in Fig. 1A, operates has been described. Fig. 1B, represents one of the receiver impedance-matching devices of an early type in which a multi-point rotary switch was employed. This has been replaced by the improved type of unit shown in Fig. 1C. The use of pins and pin jacks assures perfect ontact and prevents moisture getting inside the unit, through the switch opening.

It is important to keep the leads from the receiver transformer as short as possible. The red and black wire, supplied with the transformer are of the correct length and they should not be lengthened. This is particularly true of the black wire. Increasing the length of the black wire will tend to throw the entire system out of balance, resulting in a reduction in its noise-reducing properties.

On receivers equipped with wires in place of hinding posts, connect to those wires; the antenna wire, coming from the receiver should be cut very short.

For the best results, on all bands, it is suggested that the user try the various con-nections and keep a record of those which prove most suitable. In the vast majority of instances the best results will be had from inserting the tip of the black wire in A3 and the tip of the red wire in either A1 or A2 and leaving them there.

The difference between the doublet system (Fig. 1D), and that shown in Fig. 2 (com-monly referred to as a "zep" or zeppelin-type antenna, in radio parlance) is that the lead-in wire is taken from one end instead of from center, as in the case of the doublet or doublet-doublet.

This type of system may be made to have the same noise-reducing properties as the regular doublet system by the proper application of the transmission line and receiver impedance-matching transformer.

The details for connecting the transmission line to the automna are shown in Fig. 3B. The connections at the lower end of the transmission line are identical to those shown in the lower-half of Fig. 1D.

Best results are secured when the horizontal portion of the aerial is in a straight line. However, where space is limited, this portion may be zig-zagged without serious loss. In making such an installation, no section of the horizontal portion should be nearer than 90 percent to any other section, as shown in Fig. The length of any individual leg is unimportant and may be any dimension which convenience permits.

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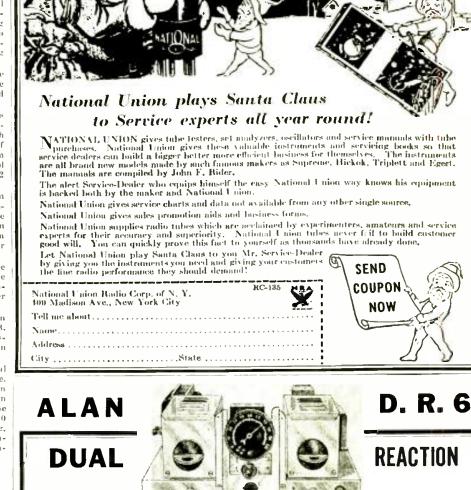
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R.F. and oscillator coils, and a three-section, double-throw switch. The various circuits, made and broken as this switch is thrown, are indicated in the schematic circuit diagram.

Referring to the antenna transformer in this diagram, T1 is the broadcast transformer and T2 the short-wave transformer. The two pri-maries are connected in series. With the switch in the short-wave position, the short-wave secondary is connected to the grid circuit of the 6D6 R.F. amplifier tube and the broadcast secondary is short-circuited. When the switch is in the broadcast position, the short-wave secondary circuit is opened up and the broadcast secondary is connected to the grid circuit of this tube. The secondary being used, is tuned by the R.F. section of the 3 gang condenser. A separate variable trimmer condenser C2 is used for the shortwave secondary.

The output of the 6D6 R.F. amplifier is fed into a second 6D6 which functions as the firstdetector. A type 76 tube is employed in a sep-arate oscillator circuit. A third 6D6 tube is used as an I.F. amplifier. This stage feeds into a 6B7 combined second-detector and first A.F. The second A.F. (power) stage uses a stage. type 42 tube.

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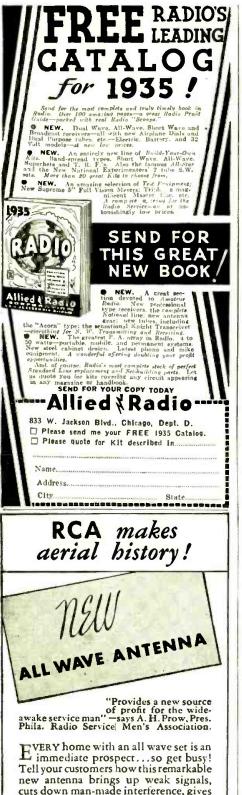
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Efficiency: This is important for two reasons. First, in sound truck installation where A.C. power supply is derived from an auxiliary such as a small gasoline engine or a fan belt driven generator. Second, to keep down operating costs in permanent installations.

Reliability: This can hardly be over-empha sized as anyone familiar with the operation of a P.A. system which is to show a profit well knows. Breakdowns are costly incidents, when considered in the light of rental loss and servicing.

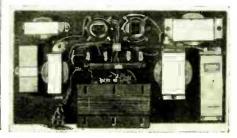
The Amplifier and Power Supply: Electrical

Referring to Fig. 1, the input is designed to accommodate a 200-ohm line, a 500-ohm line or a double-button carbon microphone. The input transformer feeds from either of these into the grid of a type 57 tube. The output of this tube which is operated as a pentode, is impedance coupled into the succeeding tube, also a type The coupling choke has been designed possess a very high inductancy with relatively low distributed capacity. This is necessary to extend the frequency response at both the low and high frequency ends of the spectrum. The second tube is a type 57 which has its screen and suppressor grids connected to the plate and thus operates as a triode. Under these conditions the tube has an amplification factor of 21, plate impedance of 10,500 ohms, a mu-tual conductance of 2,000 microhms and a power output sufficient to drive the power stage. The output of this tube is coupled to the power stage input through the medium of a push-pull input transformer. A push-pull plate to voice coil output transformer trans-A push-pull fers the energy from the power stage to speakers.

Both these transformers have been designed for class AB operation. The impedances avail-able from the secondary of the output trans-former are 8 and 4 ohms. This permits of sev-eral speaker combinations. Bias for the first and second stages is obtained by means of bias resistors from cathode to "B" minus. Ample bypassing is provided to minimize degeneration and extend the low-frequency range of which the transformers are capable. The screen-grid and plate supplies of the second stage are each passed through its individual resistance-capacity filter to provide stability and eliminate commonsource coupling. Inasmuch as class AB oper-ation is a comparatively recent development, a word as to its mode of operation is in order.

The tubes are slightly overbiased so that with low signal levels they operate as class A. At high signal levels grid current flows alternately each tube on the positive half of the cycle when the grid signal voltage exceeds the nega-tive bias voltage. The magnitude of the grid current is considerably less than if the tubes were operated class B. Hence the intermediate condition—"class AB." The flow of grid cur-

Underside view of power supply.



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rent increases the useful linear portion of the tube characteristic and greatly increases the power output. Naturally the transformers as-sociated with such an arrangement must he

correctly designed for the purpose. It is well to point out here two things of importance. First: the tubes utilized in the power stage are the 45 type which are inexpen-sive and economical in a class AB system. Sccond: Successful operation of a class AB ampli-fier requires a low-voltage regulation in both the plate and grid bias supplies. Regulation in the plate supply has been brought to a negligible minimum by correct design and great care in use of the mercury vapor rectifier tube mini-mizes regulation from this source. There re-mains only the one offender—the bias resistor from filament center-tap to "B" minus. This has been eliminated and a bias mercar when has been eliminated and a bias power supply substituted in its place. It is important that the bias voltage on the power stage grids remain constant. The bias supply accomplishes this.

Inasmuch as the transformers and chokes in both the amplifier and power supply are the very heart of an amplifying system, not enough emphasis can be placed upon the importance of correct design and care exercised in manufac-ture. The units utilized in this amplifier and power supply possess both of these necessary qualifications, Conservative ratings, high-grade materials, liberal use of insulating material, high safety factor and great care in assembly make for a uniform, dependable, efficient, qual-ity product of long life. All coils in these units are impregnated and baked under a vacuum; a special process which makes them impervious to moisture and greatly minimizes the possibility of breakdown.

As shown in Fig. 2, the high-voltage power supply is comprised of a power transformer, a type 83 mercury vapor rectifier tube and a double-section filter. Choke input is utilized for the excellent voltage regulation it provides. A bleeder resistor is shunted across the filter output to maintain the proper voltage, whether the amplifier is turned 'on' or not. This is a measure of precaution to protect the electrolytic filter condensers which might be subjected to the peak voltage if no load were present.

The bias voltage power supply consists of a transformer designed for this purpose, a type 82 tube as a half-wave rectifier and a single choke with two filter condensers (condenser input) as filter. A suitable bleeder resistor is connected across the output of the filter. The rectified krid currents of the power stage are a very small percentage of the bleeder current so that there is practically no change in bias voltage with full power output. The result is a "fixed bias" which is so essential. The filament of the rectifier tube is excited by a winding on the "B" power transformer. the "B

An idea of the efficiency can readily be gained when it is realized that the total power consumed is less than 100 watts, at full power output.

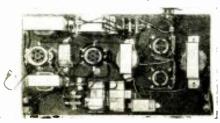
In cases where it is desirable to mix more than one channel into the amplifier a mixer arrangement can be used. Reference to the wiring diagram. Fig. 2A, will show how this can be accomplished.

Mechanical

While economy has been a guiding factor in the electrical design it is evident that this has not been neglected in the mechanical design.

The amplifier and power supply are each con-tained in their own sheet steel boxes. Thickness of the box material was determined with regard to strength and weight. Louvres on three sides provide adequate ventilation. The control equipment such as volume control for the amplifier

Underside view of amplifier





and "on-off" power switch for the power supply is mounted on the front panels of the respective Is mounted on the front panels of the respective units. These panels are fastened to the boxes by means of tapped flanges which are an inte-gral part of the box. Two miniature handles known as "Footman's Loops" are fastened one to each end of each lox. By the simple expe-dient of fastening either a leather or woven-cloth belt to these loops the units can be easily mound about he morely clienting one the sheet moved about by merely slinging over the shoul-der in portable work. The component parts of both units are mounted on their respective wood baseboards. This involves a minimum of assem-bly labor and facilitates removal of either unit from the box as a complete assembly whenever occasion might arise.

Mounting of the bleeder resistors in the power supply is simple but very effective. The mount-ing screws pass through holes in the resistor burs and down through pillars to the wood base board. Thus the resistor is free from contact with the board and mounted quite rigidly.

The photographs of the two units show the plan layout of the amplifier and location of the component parts. It is recommended that this arrangement be followed closely as possible.

Attention is called to the manner in which the input, output, and power transfer are provided for. This is accomplished by means of a plug receptacle arrangement which has proved itself most satisfactory. The plugs have rubber caps which extend along the cable and relieve stress from the connection when the cables are moved about.

The thought given to safety is readily apparent in the method used for bringing the power line to the power supply unit. A recessed flush motor plug receptable is located on the box. The power cord is connected to a body con-In the event that the power cord should be alive when the body connector is removed from the receptacle, there are no exposed blades, thus eliminating the possibility of a shortcircuit or shock.

Conclusion

It is believed the system described will fulfill a long-felt need in the public address field and its existence is more than justified by the demand for an economical, efficient, reliable ampli-fier, with relatively high power output.

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Notes on Construction and Wiring

(1) Keep all grid and plate leads separated as much as possible.

(2) Keep grid and plate leads from close proximity to wires carrying alternating current (in this case, filament wires).

(3) Filament wires should be twisted up to the socket terminals to keep radiated fields to a minimum.

(4) To eliminate possibility of undesired, spurious coupling bring all wires which return to ground, to a SINGLE COMMON GROUND POINT.

(5) Wire the power supply and input-output receptacles to their proper places before placing the units in their respective boxes. This will provide for a finished job and eliminate unnec-essary lengths of wire when the units are placed in the boxes and the receptacles screwed into place.

(6) Under certain conditions depending upon the degree of coupling outside the amplifier box between input and output, it may be found advisable to ground one side of the low imped-ance output and the primary center-tap of the input transformer.

(7) Connect all transformer cores to ground.

List of Parts

TRANSPORMERS AND CHOKES

One Kenyon type KMC input transformer; One Kenyon type KAC high-impedance plate choke ;

One Kenyon type KR-45 driver transformer; One Kenyon type KR-462 output transformer;

One Kenyon type KR-1 power transformer; One Kenyon type K-t5C bias transformer;

One Kenyon type KC-90 filter choke; One Kenyon type KC-350 filter choke; One Kenyon type KC-200 filter choke;

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One Kenyon amplifier baseboard;

- One Kenyon power supply baseboard;
- One Kenyon amplifier panel;
- One Kenyon amplifier container:
- One Kenyon power supply panel; One Kenyon power supply container; Two 6-prong bakelite tube sockets;
- Four 4-prong bakelite tube sockets; One Cornell-Dubilier or Aerovox dual con-
- denser, 8-8 mf., 450 V.; One Cornell-Dubilier or Aerovox dual filter andenser. 8-8 mf.;
- Two Cornell-Dubilier or Acrovox filter con-
- densers, 25 mf., 35 V.; Two Cornell-Dubilier or Acrovox filter con-
- densers, 1 mf., 400 V.; One Cornell-Dubilier or Acrovox condenser. .5-mf., 400 V.;
- One Cornell-Dubilier or Aerovox condenser. 1-mf., 400 V.:
- Two metal clamps for 25 mf. condensers;
- One metal clamp for dual 4-8 mf. condenser; Five plate filter and "C" bias resistors;

One Electrad bleeder resistor, 40 W.; One Electrad bleeder resistor, 5 W.;

- One tube shield, base and cap;
- One Electrad volume control; Two screen-grid caps;
- One knob for volume control; One face-plate for volume control;

Two 7-contact power transfer plugs with rubher caps:

- Two 3-contact power transfer plugs with rubber caps;
 - Two 7-confact power transfer receptacles;
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 - Two 3-contact power transfer receptacles;
 - One recessed flush motor plug receptacle; One body connector with armored cord grip; One toggle switch with "on-off" plate;

 - One coil wire for wiring;
- One coil power transfer cable; One roll solder;
- Four handles:

One package of miscellaneous hardware.

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ATWATER KENT 260 A SHORT time ago there appeared in your columns an article regarding a set from which they had to take the transformer and bake

short.

place.

it in an oven to show up the trouble. I am going to "go them one better." I had a late model Atwater Kent 260, which is the short-wave com-bination, which we had to put in a refrigerator to make the trouble appear! This machine performed normally in the store before it was sold, but upon being placed in the

fairly well, but seemed to be lacking in

ATWATER KENT 188

HAD an unusual case of an Atwater Kent 188 which had all the symptoms of a loose con-nection, that is, it would rattle when shaken.

or when the floor was jarred. Usual diagnosis

high content of some nineral which made it conductive, as there were no broken strands in

the wire or breaks whatever, A new wire made

a permanent repair in this case!

the noise.

JOHN MURHLER

before it was sold, but upon being placed in the customer's home, it would sometimes take from 2 to 3 hours before the set would start to operate after being turned on, althouch every time I made a service call, the machine would perform normally. We brought it into the shop and over a period of 2 or 3 days the machine failed to play sick. After questioning the own-er closely, we found that the only times the ma-chine failed to work was when they had been away from home and the house had been cold during the day. Finding this out. I put the chassis into a large Frigidnire and chilled it thoroughly, and it worked; that is, the set did not work, which was what we were looking for ! not work, which was what we were looking for ! On checking through, I found a short in the first input A. F. Transformer. Upon remov-ing this I discovered that the case was very full of thr. so much so, that the tar was pushing consistent the start was pushing against the chassis. When pressure was re-leased, in other words, when the tar was cold. it contracted and the short would appear. How-ever, when pressure was applied to the tar, the same as when the machine warmed up the tar expanded, and the short would clear. I might mention that in this model there is a plate re-sistor mounted on the inside of the transformer Atwater Kent. This was a little confusing at first since a test did not indicate a complete

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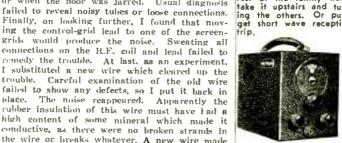
THE trouble in these models seems to be cen-tered in the electrolytic condenser-variable condenser assembly, and in the resistors. I find in case of hum the quickest method to locate the source of trouble is to put an 0 to 100 ma. mil-liameter in series with each lead to the electro-lytic condenser. If the drain in any section is over 5 ma. the section or sections should be replaced. I invariably find on these machines which have not been serviced for some time that the condenser bearings have worn to such an ex-"HE trouble in these models seems to be centhe condenser bearings have worn to such an ex-tent that the plates are too close on one side, and find it a very good policy in many cases to put a pigtail on these models, as the friction bearing is very hard to keep clean. A little care in centering the condenser plates will make a (Continued on page 415)

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big difference in the sensitivity of the machine. In cases of low volume and low sensitivity, look for low voltages in the detector, A.F., and R.F. You will find on referring to the schestages. stakes. You will hnd on referring to the sche-matic of these models, that there is a pair of 11.000-ohm resistors in parallel in the bleeder circuit. In cases of low voltage, checking these usually shows that they have dropped in rein replacing these to use 5 W. resistors to prevent recurrence of this trouble.

RADIOLAS 65, 46, ETC.

UM level in these machines usually is high and I find that a sure cure is an 8 mf. dryelectrolytic condenser across the speaker field. or from one side of the speaker field to ground; and in case of the 66, the best results are from the filament of the 80 to ground. However, a little experimenting will show the best connection in the various models.

TEST FOR "B" ELIMINATORS AND POWER PACKS

THIS is a very simple hook-up, but since I have never seen it in your columns, it might be of use to some one. Most any service bench has an 0 to 100 or 0 to 50 ma. milliameter, and an 0 to 300 V. volt-meter, and usually in the junk box 300 V. volt-meter, and usually in the junk box is an old Clarostat or its equivalent. By mount-ing a jack so that upon plugging in your test leads the volt-meter is across the leads and the milliammeter in series with the Clarostat, you have a very useful test. You can vary the load and note the output of the unit and various voltages. However, do not leave connected for too long a period of time, as the variable re-sistor will overheat badly at such a load. WW Hassert. WM. HASSELL

SHORT-WAVE INTERFERENCE

PERHAPS you will think this case of artificial static interference sufficiently static interference sufficiently unusual to be of general interest. The receiver concerned is used in a store for short-wave reception and so is especially sensitive to any electrical noise. Oc-casionally the slightest vibration, from shutting doors, walking, and passing traffic, would set up a roar that seemed to indicate a loose conup a roar that seemed to indicate a loose con-nection. Removal of the aerial stopped the noise. However, the aerial proved to have no faults in it. So a check was made for trouble in wall outlets and plugs. It was found that when the walls had been painted with aluminum paint the outlets had been included, and one of the plugs would occasionally make contact with this paint. This would of course be extremely noisy.

This is an example of one of the simpler causes of noise, and of the ease with which it could be overlooked. It should be obvious that metallic paints are not suitable for use on metallic pairs electrical fixtures. WM. ROBERT MACDONALD, JR.

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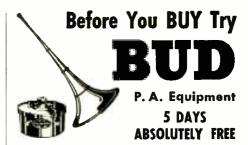
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sensitivity, improved A.V.C. and noise sup-pression action, and better tone. (1) Replace R3 a 270-ohm cathode re-sistor with an 80-ohm, ½ w. unit. (2) Replace R9 (a 400,000-ohm resistor which is in series with the arm of volume control) with 0.3-meg. ½-watt unit. (3) See that the 375 mmf. condenser by-passing the hot bester prong to checking in

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the power converter is connected directly from the hot heater prong of the first R.F. type 78 tube.

(4) Replace the 89 output pentode with a (1) Replace the so output pendode with a 41 tube, and replace R11 (a 1000-ohm cathode resistor) with a 500-ohm, 2-watt unit.
 (5) Replace T2, the input transformer, (part No. 6488) with a higher-ratio unit (such as part No. 6732). (6) Replace R10 (a 60,000-ohni resistor

shunting the and/o frequency transformer) with an 0.25-meg. unit.

(7) Remove the trimmer adjustment plate on the bottom of case to relieve back presof the top of the case. (8) Replace R6 (a 500,000-ohm in the 6B7

control-grid circuit return lead) with an 0.3-24-watt unit. meg.,

Worthwhile results will be obtained only when all these changes are carried as specified, due to the fact that partial changes will not show the improvement that is possible when all the specified changes are made

LEO J. DRAUS.

VICTOR R-32

AN UNUSUAL trouble was experiences with a set of this model, and one which UNUSUAL trouble was experienced gave the writer and his partner quite a bit of trouble in finding the cure. Upon looking over the set, the 80 socket was seen to be burned to charcoal from no apparent cause. Upon replacing it with a standard wafer socket, Upon replacing it with a standard water socket, the 80 was found to be passing a "terribly" high current and the rest of the tubes getting almost no voltage at all. The condensers, re-sistors, tubes, and in fact everything else checked O.K. Finally in order to localize the trouble, various feeder lines to the different circuits were disconnected, one at a time, until it was found that if the load from one of the it was found that if the lead from one of the 45 socket's plate terminal to the output transformer was disconnected, the voltages jumped to normal and the current of the 80 dropped to a little less than normal. It was found that this 45 socket was leaking badly to the chassis so it was replaced and the set re-turned O.K.

In about two months another call came in on this same set and the 80 socket was found to be in the same condition as before, al-though the other sockets were O.K.! The 80 socket was replaced this time with an old type having over $\frac{3}{5}$ -in, between the plate terminals, and a heavy bakelite base. As there is a potential between 600 and 800 V, across the plates of this tube and there is only about $\frac{1}{16}$ -in, between the terminals on some wafer sockets, the writer came to the conclusion that a film of dust and dampness possibly started the trouble, in the narrow gap. This conclusion was strengthened by the fact that the set has been operating satisfactorily ever since.

GENERAL MOTORS 258

CONSIDERABLE trouble was experienced with this set in finding a bad hum which was finally traced to the power transformer input bypass condensers of which there are two with the center-tap grounded. We used a pair of .003-mf, units which worked nicely although the size is not critical.

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F YOU can't get a signal through this set F YOU can't get a signal through this set try changing oscillator-detector cathode re-sistor from 15,000 to 8,000 ohms. This change has been recommended by the factory. Re-moving the 5,000-ohm resistor in the R.F. plate lead improves the volume of this set. C. BRITTON.

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In this Air Conditioning Service Manual nearly every page is illustrated; every modern installation and individual part carefully explained: diagrams furnished of all known equipment; special care given to the servicing and installation end. The tools needed are illustrated and explained; there are plenty of charts and page after page of service data.

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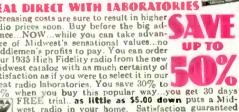
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