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In this day of an ever-increasing number of radiocast stations especial interest attaches to Maurice Buchbinder's article on "Selectivity, and How to Get It."

The man who wants to work six loudspeakers off of one receiving set will be greatly encouraged and helped by B. F. McNamee's account of "The Multi-Speaker Amplifier," which he recently installed.

An experimenter's short wave, low loss tuner, simple in construction and low in cost, is described by Carlos G. Mundt.

E. F. Kierman discusses "Reactance, Capacity and Phase Angle" in terms that can be comprehended by the dumbest of us.

Howard F. Mason asks and answers the question. "Are the Short Waves New?" in a most interesting manner. Incidentally he is now back in Seattle and will be a frequent contributor to these columns in the future.

Mickey Doran, in the third of his series of "Letters of a Deep Sea Op." discusses a novel method of long wave reception with the Navy type receivers.

Brainard Foote submits a helpful contribution on a one-tube combination receiver and transmitter which gets its high voltage supply from a spark coil, these requiring no other power supply beyond a storage battery.

L. R. Felder describes the "Mechanism of Radiophone Reception" for the benefit of the novices. Another simple article is "The Elements of Tuning" by Kennard McClees.

Three fine articles have been prepared especially for the amateur interested in short wave transmission. Gaston B. Ashe presents some excellent material on "Short Wave Antennas." L. J. N. du Treil gives constructional details for a wavemeter having a range from 18 to 350 meters. D. B. McGown describes "A Constant Frequency Tube Transmitter."

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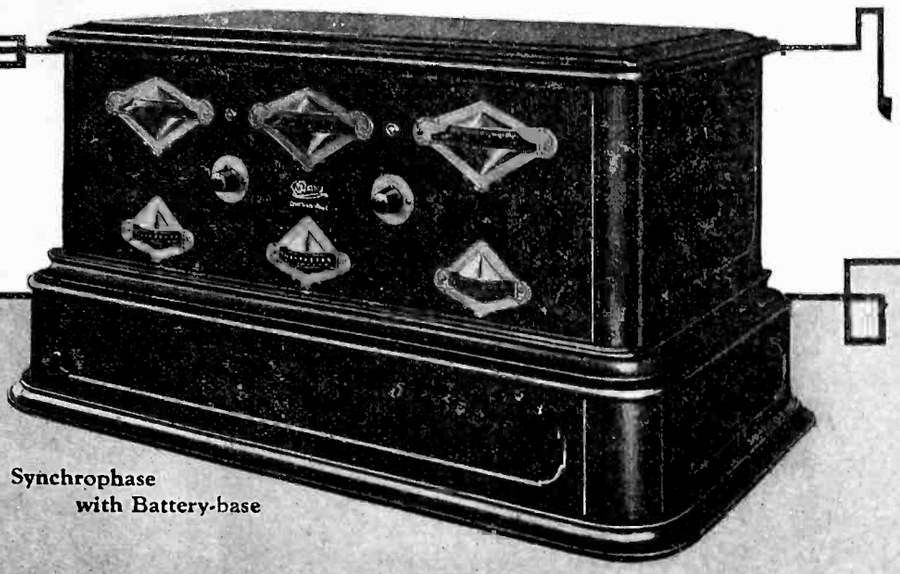

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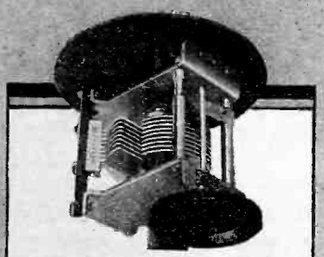

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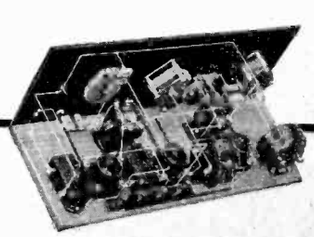

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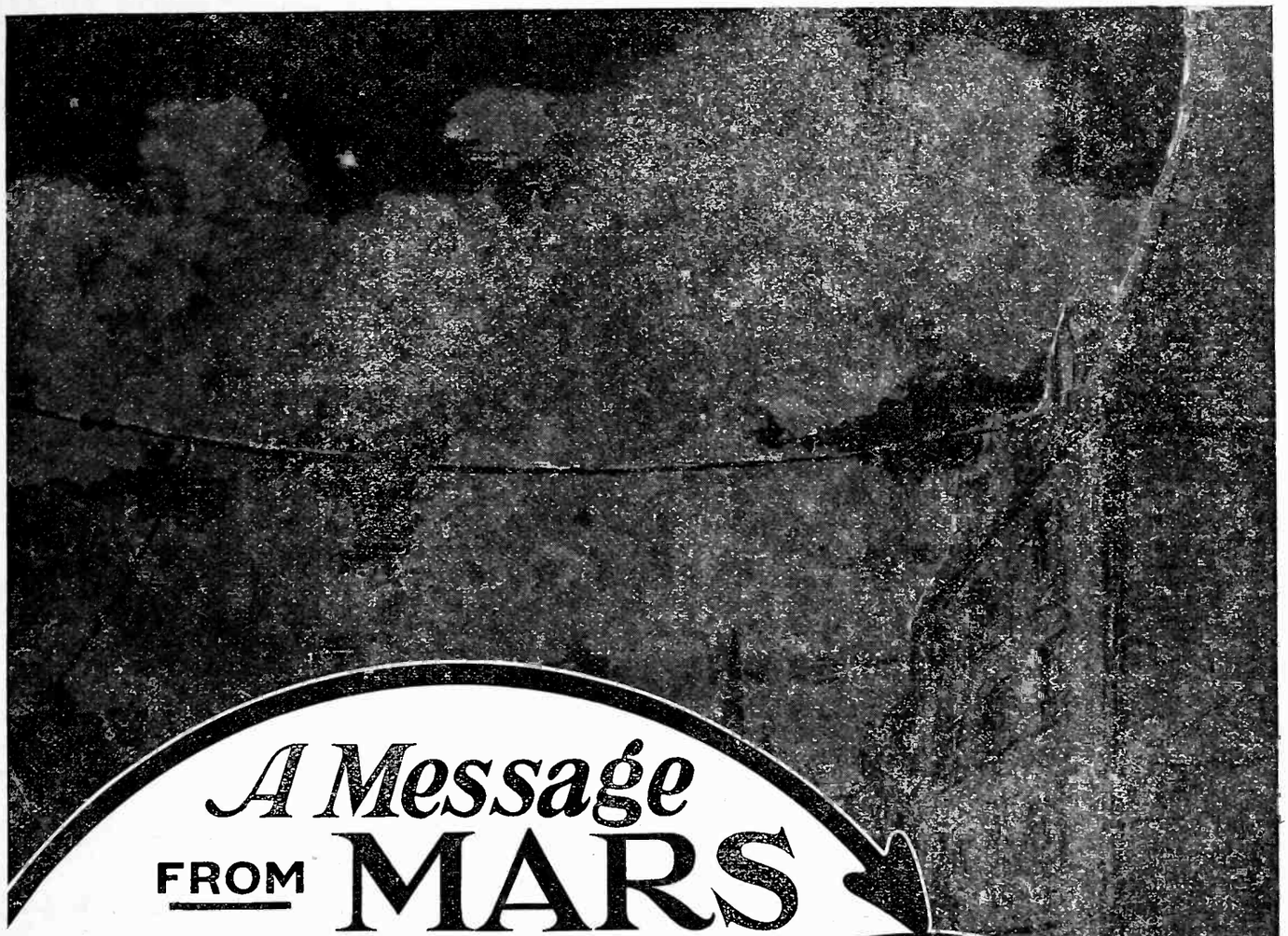

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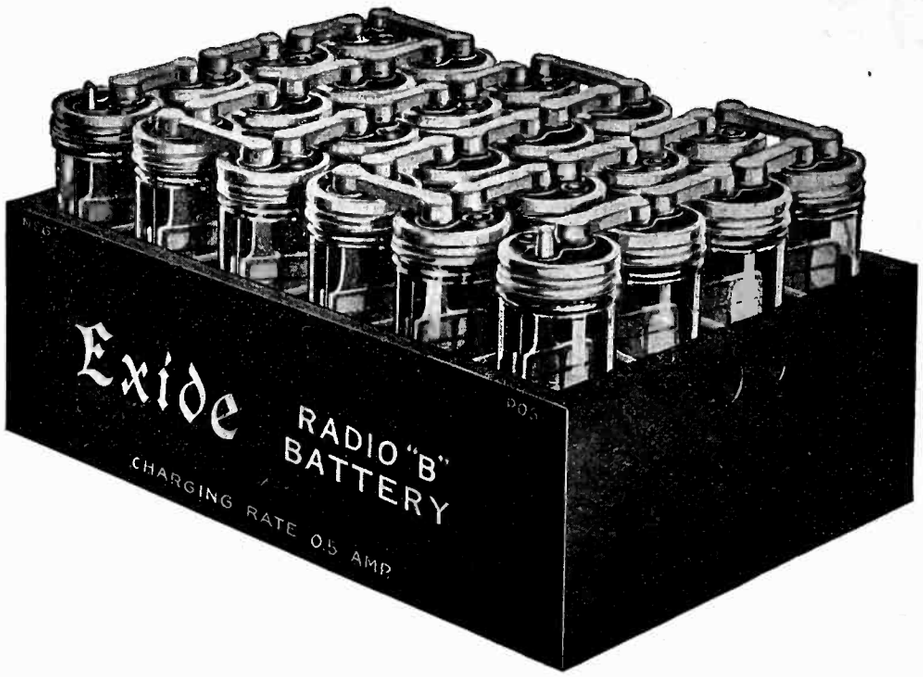

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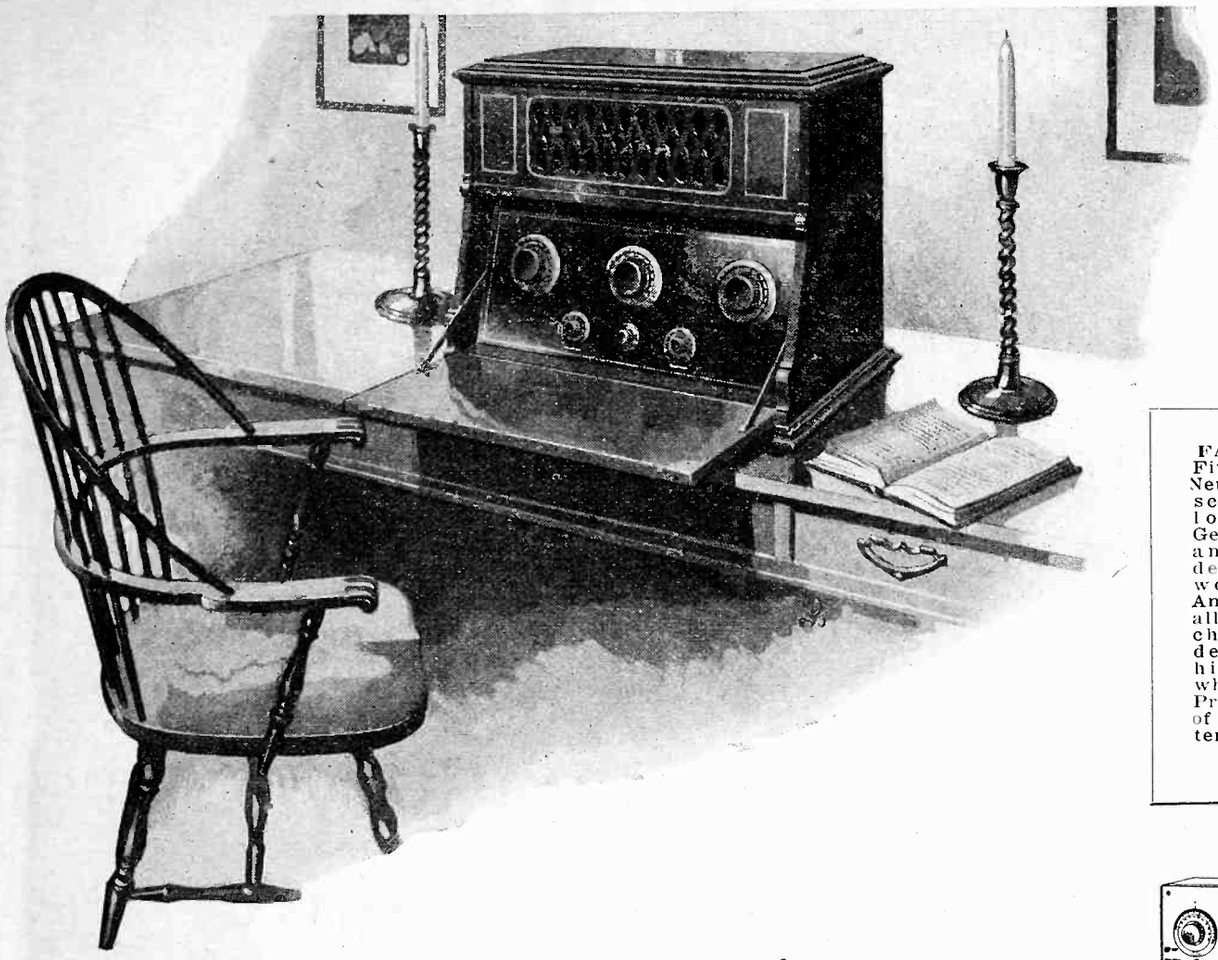

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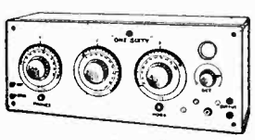

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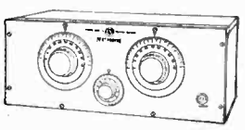

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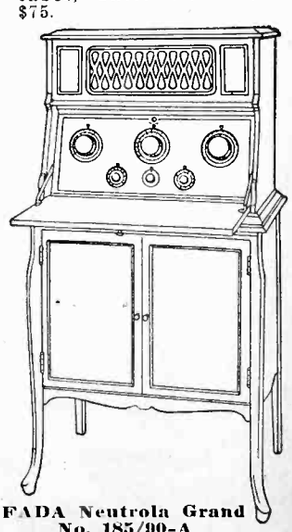

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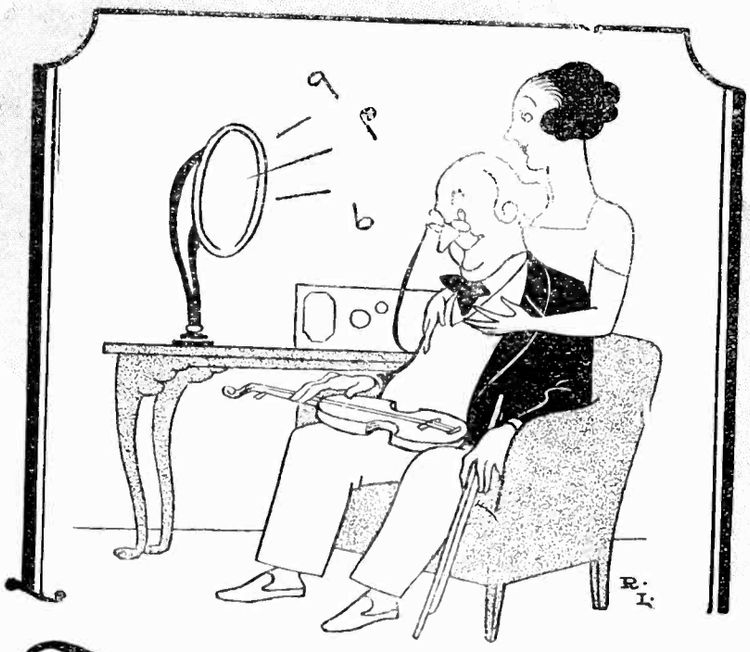

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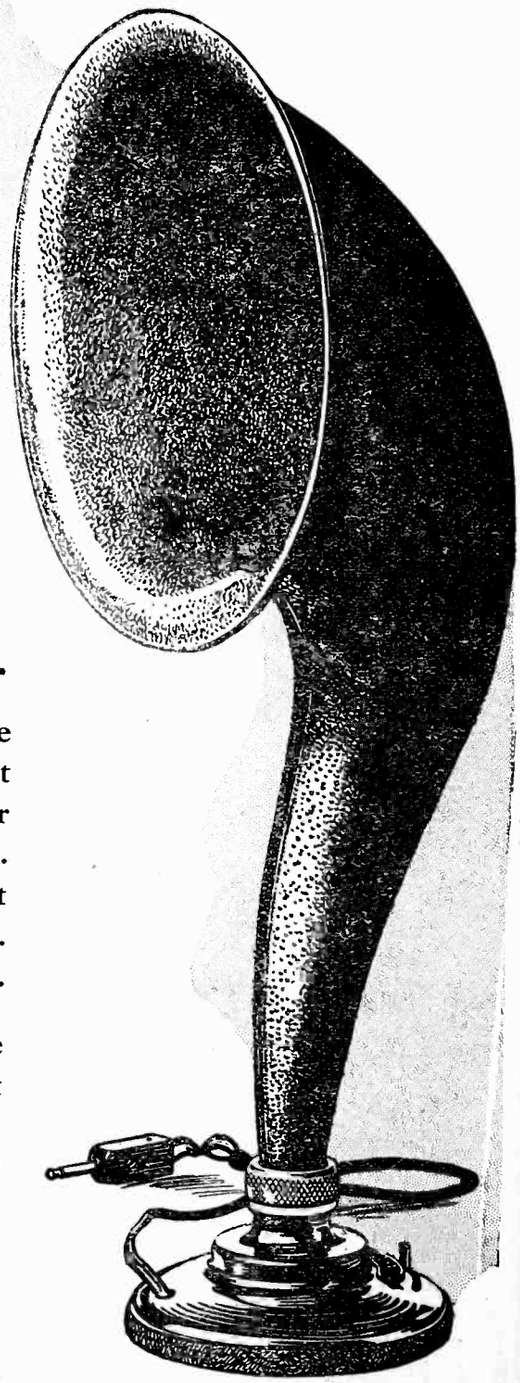

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Radiotorial Comment

AT the beginning of the new year it is customary to review the outstanding accomplishments of the old. Upon looking back over 1924, the most important developments have been those in connection with short-wave transmission and reception. While the merits of these higher frequencies were known years ago, they were not put to much practical use until 1924. While they were applied in a small way to radiocasting and other commercial work, their greatest application was by the amateurs, to whom great credit is due. As a consequence there has been a tremendous revival of interest in amateur transmission.

The year will be memorable because it marked the virtual cessation of amateur spark transmission and the gradual sharpening of the wave of ship spark sets.

The recent tendency toward greater power for radiocast stations was recognized by the granting of revocable, experimental licenses for a number of stations whose ultimate power may be 5,000 watts and for one 50,000-watt station. It is as yet too early to state whether these will be permanent, as their actual effects are not well enough known.

Definite results were accomplished in trans-oceanic communication along both the Atlantic and Pacific coasts. The amateur and radiocast stations may soon cause the commercial stations to look to their laurels in long distance work.

Receivers have been greatly improved in selectivity, sensitivity and simplicity of control. Considerable progress has been made in reducing radiation from regenerative receivers both in design and in operation. The early favor of the neutrodyne in popular estimation was later shared by the super-heterodyne. Tuned radio frequency sets of other types were also perfected and bid fair to be favorites in 1925. Low-loss tuners and low-capacity tubes were factors contributing to this progress.

There has been a decided trend toward the music dealer and the automotive supply house as the retail outlet, perhaps one result of the finer cabinets adopted by many manufacturers. The volume of business was well in excess of a million dollars a day.

The patent situation has been somewhat clarified, but there still remains much to be done in preventing infringement and actual copying of designs and trademarks. This has been so flagrant in the case of vacuum tubes that it is difficult to determine whether a tube is genuine or bootleg.

Unfortunately there has been but little progress in securing adequate laws for regulating radio. The third radio conference made many constructive suggestions which were adopted, but the Department of Commerce still lacks the power of enforcement if it comes to a show-down.

CONSIDERABLE criticism has been directed against the superintendent of the Yosemite National Park in California for prohibiting the use of outside aerials for radio reception and transmission in Yosemite Valley. At first thought this seems virtually to exclude radio from one of America's greatest playgrounds and seems especially to work a hardship on the permanent residents.

His objection to the outside aerial is that it is unsightly, tending to mar the beauty of the scenery, and that the Park employees have to tear down the carelessly constructed aerials of the visitors at the cost of considerable time and effort. If permission is given to one it must be given to all. This objection is reinforced by the progress that is being made in putting all overhead power and telephone lines underground so that eventually there shall be no unsightly poles and wires in this favored spot. This is being done as rapidly as funds permit.

Should the prohibition of outside aerials actually exclude radio from the valley we would be inclined to undertake an educational campaign to have him reverse his decision. But inasmuch as good reception is possible on a three-tube receiver using an inside aerial strung under the rafters or on a set capable of functioning with a loop, and furthermore as transmission is also possible under these conditions we agree with Superintendent Lewis that his prime duty is to preserve the natural beauty of the valley.

The privilege of an outside aerial is one of the advantages that must be sacrificed by those fortunate enough to live in this wonderful spot. Just as the residents of the District of Columbia are not entitled to vote, so, by law, the residents of any national park must conform to the regulations issued by constituted authority. If anyone objects he has the simple remedy of changing his residence.

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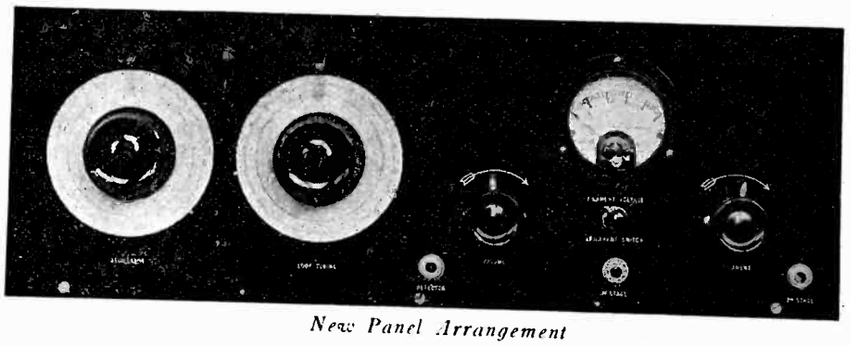


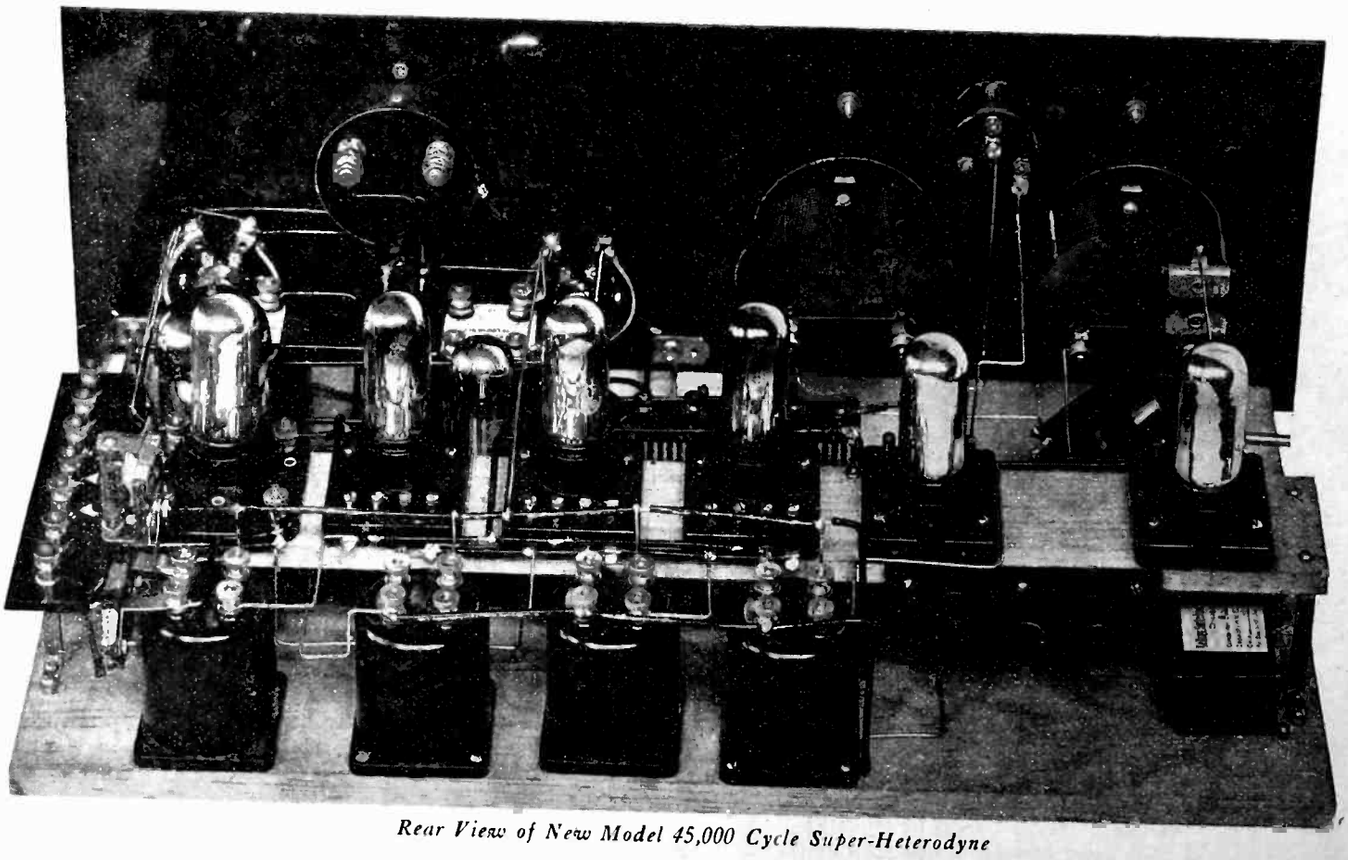
New Panel Arrangement

Without going into the detailed theory of the super-heterodyne, it is desirable to describe briefly what takes place in the various parts of the receiver. The incoming frequency, which is intercepted by the loop or outdoor antenna, is fed into the first detector tube. This frequency varies from 600,000 to 1,500,000 cycles per second, depending upon the station wavelength.

As it is difficult to amplify this high frequency with the ordinary vacuum tube, due to inter-electrode capacity as well as other causes, some means of lowering the incoming frequency to a value somewhere within the range of efficient operation of the amplifier must be found. Hence, by introducing into this first detector tube an additional frequency, different in value from the incoming frequency, a third frequency, equivalent to the difference between the first two, is produced. This process is known as heterodyning, the word from which the circuit derived its name.

As successful multi-stage amplifiers are more easily constructed for frequencies below 100,000 cycles, this third frequency should be below that value. A careful analysis proved that the most satisfactory frequency lay between 40,000 and 50,000 cycles, leading to the choice of 45,000 cycles as a desirable frequency for this set.

Therefore, assuming that the incoming frequency is 1,000,000 cycles, it is only necessary to set the oscillator, or generator of the second frequency, at



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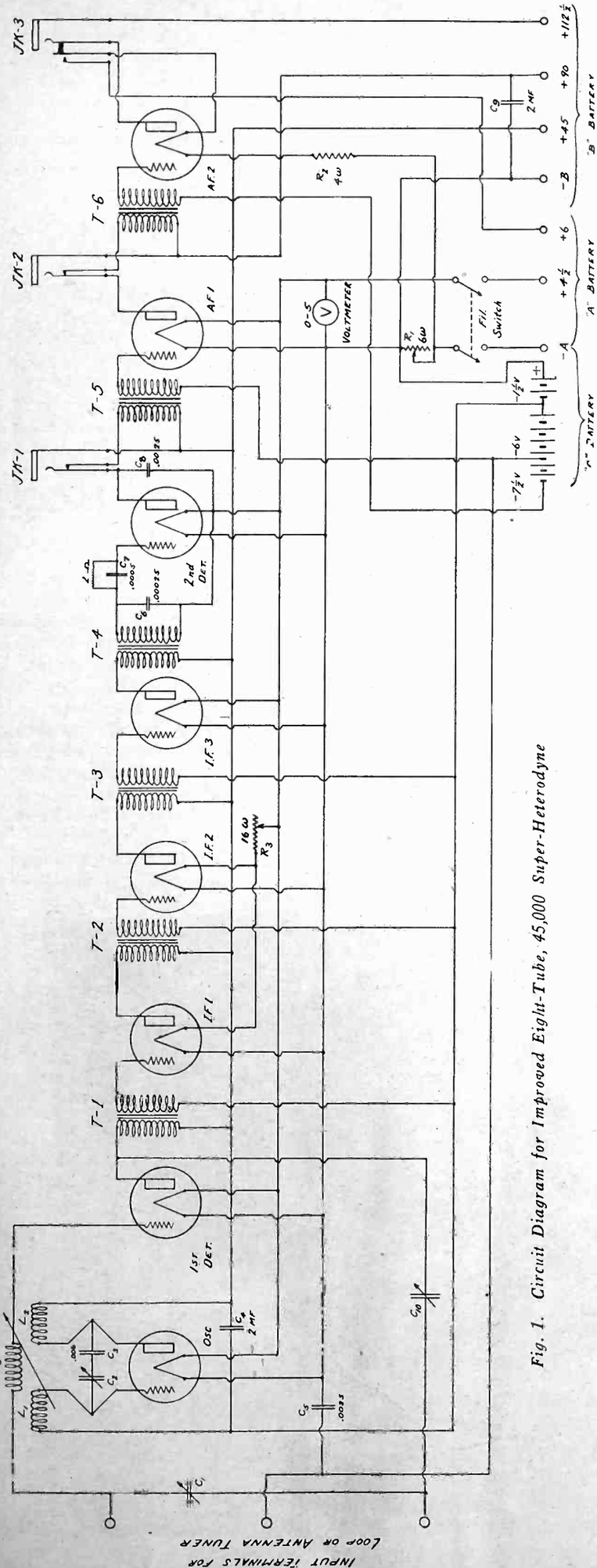


Fig. 1. Circuit Diagram for Improved Eight-Tube, 45,000 Super-Heterodyne

45,000 cycles above or below 1,000,000 cycles to produce a third frequency of 45,000 cycles. This frequency can then be amplified by three stages of transformer coupled amplification, finally passing into a second detector tube, where the voice or music superimposed on the carrier can be made audible, or further amplified by audio frequency stages.

In order to make the intermediate amplifier efficient at one frequency only, 45,000 cycles, it is necessary to tune the amplifier. To accomplish this, one of the transformers in the intermediate frequency amplifiers is tuned with a fixed condenser so as to be resonant at one frequency only, and all other frequencies are rejected before they can reach the second detector tube.

In other words, all the radio frequency amplification in the set is accomplished at one frequency, irrespective of the wavelength of the station being received. As a result, only two tuning controls are necessary, one for the loop antenna and one to control the oscillator tube. One-control superheterodynes have been designed, but they possess the disadvantage of being able to select only one point for the oscillator, for any given wavelength, whereas it is often very convenient to have the two settings of the oscillator, in order to avoid interference from other stations.

Theory of Circuit

FIG. 1 shows the schematic circuit diagram. It consists of four parts: (1) The local oscillator, for generating the second frequency, and the first detector, which receives the incoming frequency and mixes it with the locally generated frequency (marked *OSC* and *1st Det.* on circuit diagram); (2) Three stages of intermediate amplification, tuned to 45,000 cycles (marked IF_1, IF_2, IF_3 on diagram); (3) The second detector which makes the signal audible (*2nd Det.*); (4) The audio frequency amplifier permitting the use of a loud speaker (AF_1 *and* AF_2).

The set requires eight tubes, seven UV-199 or C-299 and one UV-201-A or C-301-A. The three stages of intermediate frequency amplification require four transformers which are efficient at 45,000 cycles, the fourth transformer (T_4) being of the tuned type, with an air core. The first, second and third transformers (T_1, T_2, T_3) are of the iron core type, with a flat frequency characteristic between 40,000 and 50,000 cycles. In the audio stages, a low ratio transformer of good frequency characteristic should be used, in order to deliver good quality of signal at the output of the set.

L_1, L_2, L_3 is the oscillator coil system, which consists of two similar windings on a 2½-in. fiber tube, with a third winding arranged on a smaller tube so that it can be varied with respect to the first two windings. C_1 and C_2 are variable air condensers for tuning the loop and oscillator coil respectively. C_3 is in series with C_2 to prevent an accidental short circuit in C_2 from damaging the tube filaments. It does not affect the tuning of C_2. By-pass condensers C_4 and C_5 are used to localize the current in the oscillator and first detector circuits, the former also serving as a by-pass in the B battery circuit. These condensers should be mounted as close to the oscillator tube and coil as is possible, in order to prevent high frequency from getting into other parts of the set, with resultant broadness in tuning.

Condenser C_6 tunes the secondary of the last intermediate frequency transformer, which is of the air core type. C_7 is the grid condenser, and is shunted by a 2 megohm leak, although a high negative grid bias may be used instead of the grid condenser, if desired, as is done in the first detector tube.

In order to obtain stability of operation, and a reduction in noise, detection in the first detector is accomplished by biasing the grid with a 6-volt dry cell battery, so that the tube will operate at the bend in its plate current-grid voltage curve. The positive end of the 6-volt C battery is connected to the negative end of the filament, and the negative voltage is then fed through the loop and grid coil, to the grid of the tube. This procedure reduces the plate current almost to zero, and causes the tube to present a high impedance to the loop circuit, thereby improving the selectivity of the loop.

C_8 should be shunted across the primary of the first audio frequency transformer to by-pass the high frequency current present in the transformer. If this condenser is much below .0025 mfd. it will not by-pass enough of the high frequency, and if it is above .003 mfd. it will tune the transformer to some audio frequency and spoil the quality of the signal. C_9 should be either 1 or 2 mfd., and is used to by-pass audio frequency across the 90-volt B battery.

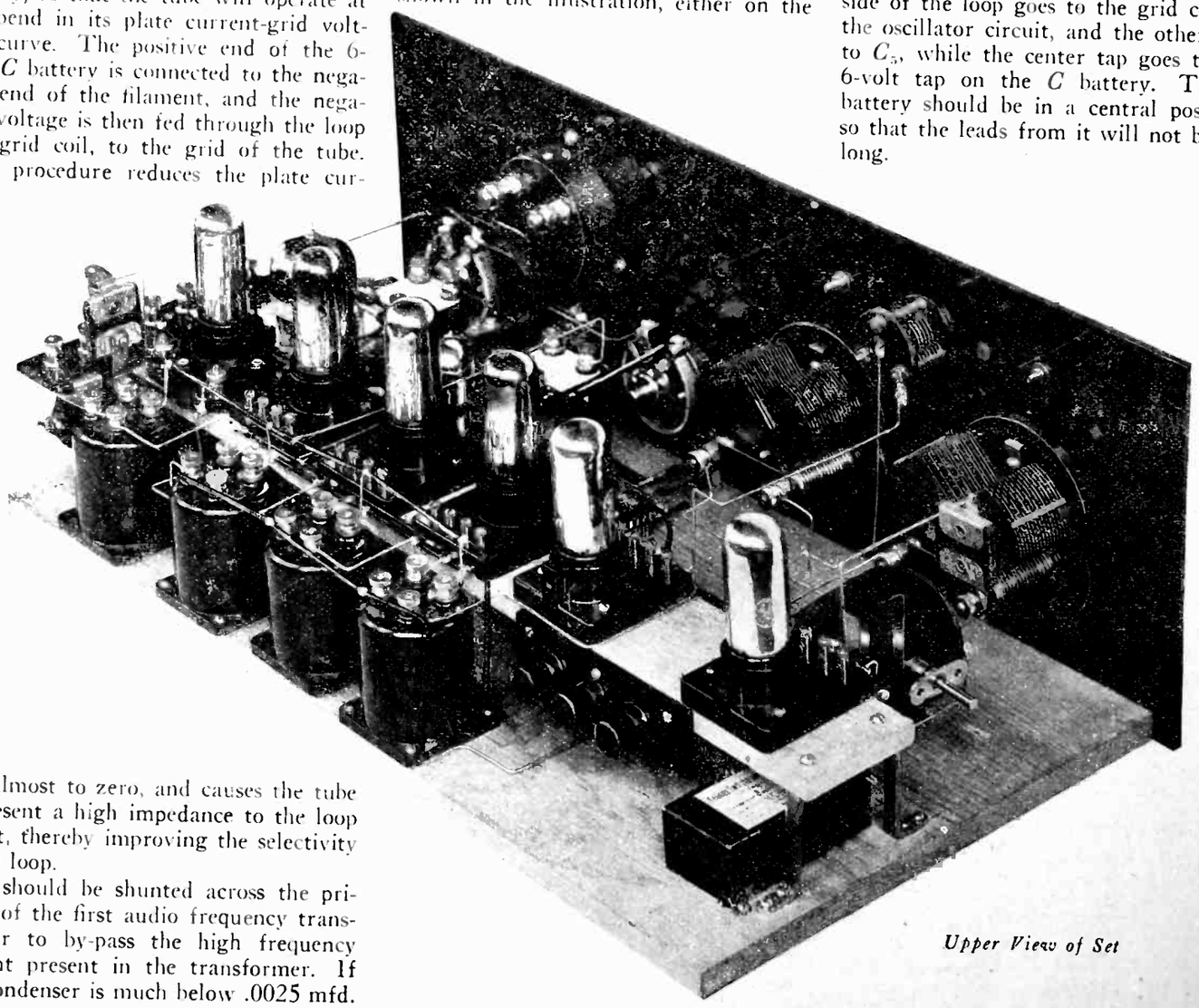
It should be noted that three B battery voltages are used, 45, 90 and 112½ volts. The negative end of the B battery is connected to the negative end of the filaments, between the tubes and the filament rheostat. This, in connection with C_9, obviates any chance of burning out the filaments of the tubes due to short circuits in the B battery wiring.

The filament rheostat, R_1, should be 6 ohm resistance, and is used to regulate the voltage of the seven C-299 or UV-199 tubes. The C-301-A or UV-201-A tube in the last stage is regulated by the self-adjusting resistance unit R_2. The voltage regulation of the seven 3-volt tubes is indicated by a voltmeter, a necessity if tube life and battery economy is desired. The volume control rheostat, R_3 is 16 ohms, and is connected to the filaments of the first and second intermediate amplifiers. A Carter jack switch is used in the A and +4½-volt leads, in order to open the filament circuits of both the 3 and 5-volt tubes.

It will be noted that no shielding is shown in the illustration, either on the back of the panel or between groups of apparatus. Some shielding may be necessary if the receiver is close to a high powered station, or if troublesome power lines are nearby. The best material to use is either sheet copper or brass of sufficient thickness to stay in place when tacked to the interior of the cabinet. A partition may also be desirable to separate the oscillator and first detector circuits from the rest of the set. In that case, a rather heavy piece of brass will be necessary, holes being drilled to pass the leads connecting the apparatus on each side of the shield.

Jacks are provided for the detector and both audio frequency tubes, in order that any combination of tubes may be used. A filament control jack is used in the last stage so that the "A" tube may be cut out when not needed.

The loop circuit involves the use of a center tap, in order to improve the directional balance of the circuit, and permit a slight amount of regeneration by means of a small condenser, C_{10}, ranging in value from 1 to 15 micro-microfarads. This regeneration reduces the loop resistance, thereby increasing the selectivity as well as the signal strength. It is not absolutely necessary to the success of the circuit, however, and may be omitted if desired. One side of the loop goes to the grid coil in the oscillator circuit, and the other side to C_5, while the center tap goes to the 6-volt tap on the C battery. The C battery should be in a central position, so that the leads from it will not be too long.



Upper View of Set

Description of Parts

THE accompanying table gives a complete list of parts as actually used in building the set here illustrated, together with a list of parts that might also be used. No specific recommendation for any of these parts is implied, the list being made up from those most generally available at radio stores. The panel and baseboard layouts are drawn for the parts actually used and should be modified to meet the dimensions of any alternative parts that may be used by those following these directions. There are undoubtedly other parts, not here listed, that will suffice. Using the most expensive parts listed, the total bill of material for the complete set will be about $80, exclusive of vacuum tubes and batteries.

To facilitate laying out the panel drilling and the apparatus on the baseboard a full size drawing of the panel accompanies this article. Paste the template on the panel, and with a center punch mark the centers of the holes directly through the paper.

The panel layout shows drillings for the parts given in the first list, and if other parts are used, the template will not be correct. The hole for the voltmeter, however, will fit either the Weston or Jewell voltmeter. Where flat head machine or wood screws are used the holes in the panel should be countersunk.

The intermediate frequency transformers should be such as to give good amplification at 45,000 cycles, and the input impedance of each primary should approximate the output impedance of the UV-199 or C-299 tubes, an important consideration. The iron core construction of the untuned stages limits the stray field and permits of close spacing, without shielding. The tuned transformer should be of the same type as used in the set here illustrated if it is to operate with the fixed condenser specified in the circuit diagram. If another tuned transformer is used, it would be best to use a fixed condenser of the value specified by the manufacturer of the transformer in the circular accompanying the apparatus.

The audio frequency transformers, T_5 and T_6, should have a low turns ratio, preferably not over 2:1, and a well constructed core with plenty of iron. The various fixed condensers should be of standard manufacture, and in the case of C_6 should be very accurate.

For providing the various negative grid potentials the Burgess No. 5,540 7½-volt *C* battery is specified because it has enough taps to accomplish the desired results. The vacuum tube sockets should be of a good grade, and in the case of the second detector and audio stages, should be of the cushioned type, to avoid howling due to mechanical coupling between tubes.

PARTS FOR 45,000 CYCLE SUPER-HETERODYNE

No. Required	Part	Circuit Designation	Brand Used	Brands That Can Also Be Used
3	Untuned I. F. Transformer	T_1, T_2, T_3	Remler 600	All-American, Baldwin Pacific, Branston, Jefferson, Phoenix, Receptrad, Silver-Marshall.
1	Tuned I. F. Transformer	T_4	Remler 610	All-American, Baldwin Pacific, Branston, Jefferson, Phoenix, Receptrad, Silver-Marshall.
2	A. F. Transformer (2:1 ratio preferred)	T_5, T_6	Thordarson	Acme, All-American, Amertran, Coto, Dongan, Ford Mica, General Radio, Jefferson, Kellogg, Modern, N. Y. Coil, Peerless, Precise, Premier, Samson, Stromberg-Carlson.
2 1	Jack	JK_1, JK_2 JK_3	Federal 1422W Federal 1435W	Carter, Erla, Four-Way, Frost, Jones, Marco, Polymet, Saturn, Weston.
1	Oscillator-Coupler	L_1, L_2, L_3	Remler 631	Baldwin-Pacific, Branston, Phoenix, Receptrad, Silver-Marshall.
2	Rheostat	R_1 R_3	Federal 18 Federal 23	Allen-Bradley, Amsco, Carter, Central, Cutler-Hammer, Erla, Filko, General Instrument, Kellogg.
2	Variable Condenser	C_1, C_2	Remler 631	Acme, Allen-Bradley, American Brand, Bremer-Tully, Bruno, Cardwell, General Instrument, General Radio, Heath, Marco, National, Signal, Silver-Marshall, U. S. Tool.
1	Midget Condenser	C_{10}	Chelton 860	
5 2 1	Small Tube Socket Small Tube Socket Large Tube Socket	Cushioned Last A. F.	Remler 399 Benjamin Kellogg 2	Amsco, Chelsea, Cutler-Hammer, Frost, General Radio, Heath, Marco, Silver-Marshall.
1	Voltmeter	O-5	Weston 301	Jewell.
1	Jack Switch	Fil. SW.	Carter	Frost.
2 1 2 1 1	2 mfd. Fixed Condenser .006 " " " .0025 " " " .00025 " " " .0005 " " " With grid leak mntg.	C_4, C_9 C_3 C_5, C_8 C_6 C_7	Kellogg 62 N. Y. Coil N. Y. Coil Dubilier 640 Dubilier	Dubilier, N. Y. Coil. Dubilier Dubilier N. Y. Coil, Simplex Grid-denser.
1	Grid Leak	2 megohm		Allen-Bradley, Amsco, Burton, Central, Daven, Durham, Electrad, Filko, Freshman, Rogers, Turn-It. Wireless Products.
1	Controlling Resistance	R_2	Amperite 1-A	Cutler-Hammer 30 ohms, Allen-Bradley.
10	Binding Post	Terminals	Eby	Amsco, General Insulate, Marshal Gerken.
1	"C" Battery	1½, 6, 7½	Burgess 5540	Eveready.
1	Panel	7x20x3/16	Bakelite	Celeron, Pantasote, Radion, Spaulding.
1	Baseboard	10x19x½		

The three-tap loop as illustrated has the dimensions given in Fig. 2. It is not necessary to use the exact type of loop shown. Several very good loops are now on the market, it usually being necessary with these to make an additional tap at the center of the loop to adapt it to the circuit. A swivel base is advisable so as to readily change the direction of the loop and take advantage of its directional properties. The loop should be wound with 12 turns of No.

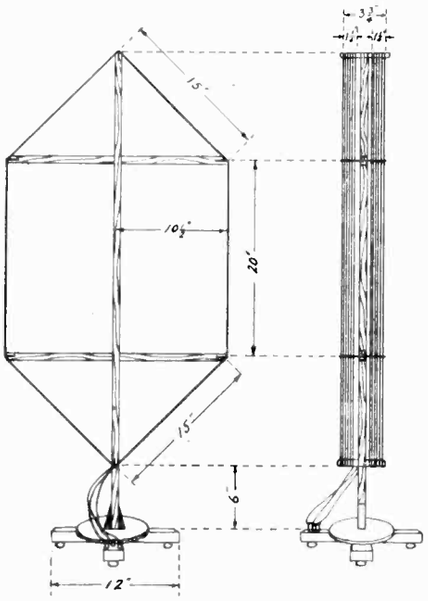


Fig. 2. Dimensional Drawing of Three-Tap Loop

18 lamp cord, or its equivalent. It is not necessary to use Litzendraht, as no advantage is to be gained at the radio cast wavelengths now used.

For those who wish to use an antenna with this outfit, the circuit diagram showing the additional apparatus needed is pictured in Fig. 3. The coupler consists of a standard 180-degree vario-coupler, similar to the oscillator-coupler used in the receiving set. The antenna circuit should consist of a .0005 mfd. (23-plate) variable condenser, not necessarily of the vernier type, a 75-turn honeycomb or other compact inductance coil, and the rotor of the coupler. In order to prevent the reception of a large amount of noise, static and interference, it will be necessary to operate

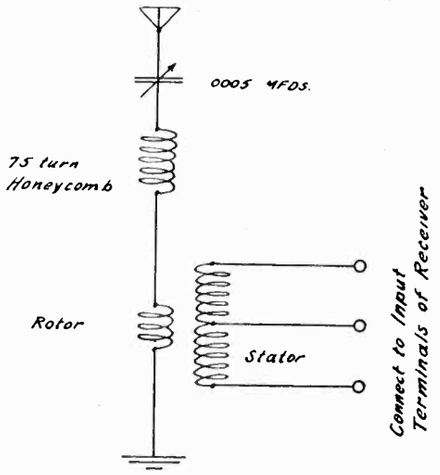


Fig. 3. Circuit Diagram of Antenna Adapter

the antenna coupler at minimum coupling, doing most of the tuning with the antenna series condenser. It would be well to shield the inside of the box containing the antenna tuner so as to increase the selectivity. Many have tried grounding one side of the loop antenna, with good results, although the directional properties of the loop will be somewhat impaired. However, for remote districts where local interference is not known, this would certainly improve the signal strength on distant stations.

Construction of Parts

MANY readers may desire to construct as much of the apparatus as is possible, and it is for their benefit that data on the construction of the oscillator coil and 45,000 cycle amplifying transformers are given.

The oscillator coil consists of 70 turns of No. 26 D. C. C. wire, wound in two sections of 35 turns each, on a 2¼-in. tube. The grid coil is 20 turns of No. 26 D. C. C. wire wound on a 1⅝-in. tube, and arranged to rotate within the oscillator coil in a manner similar to the rotor of a 180-degree coupler. Pigtail leads should be used for the rotor connections.

The untuned transformers should be wound as follows: Turn out three hard-

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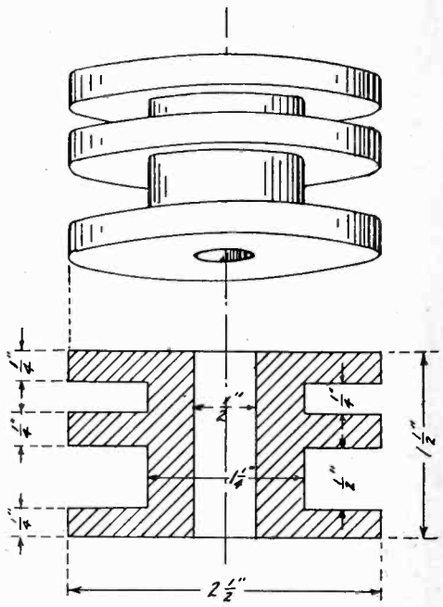
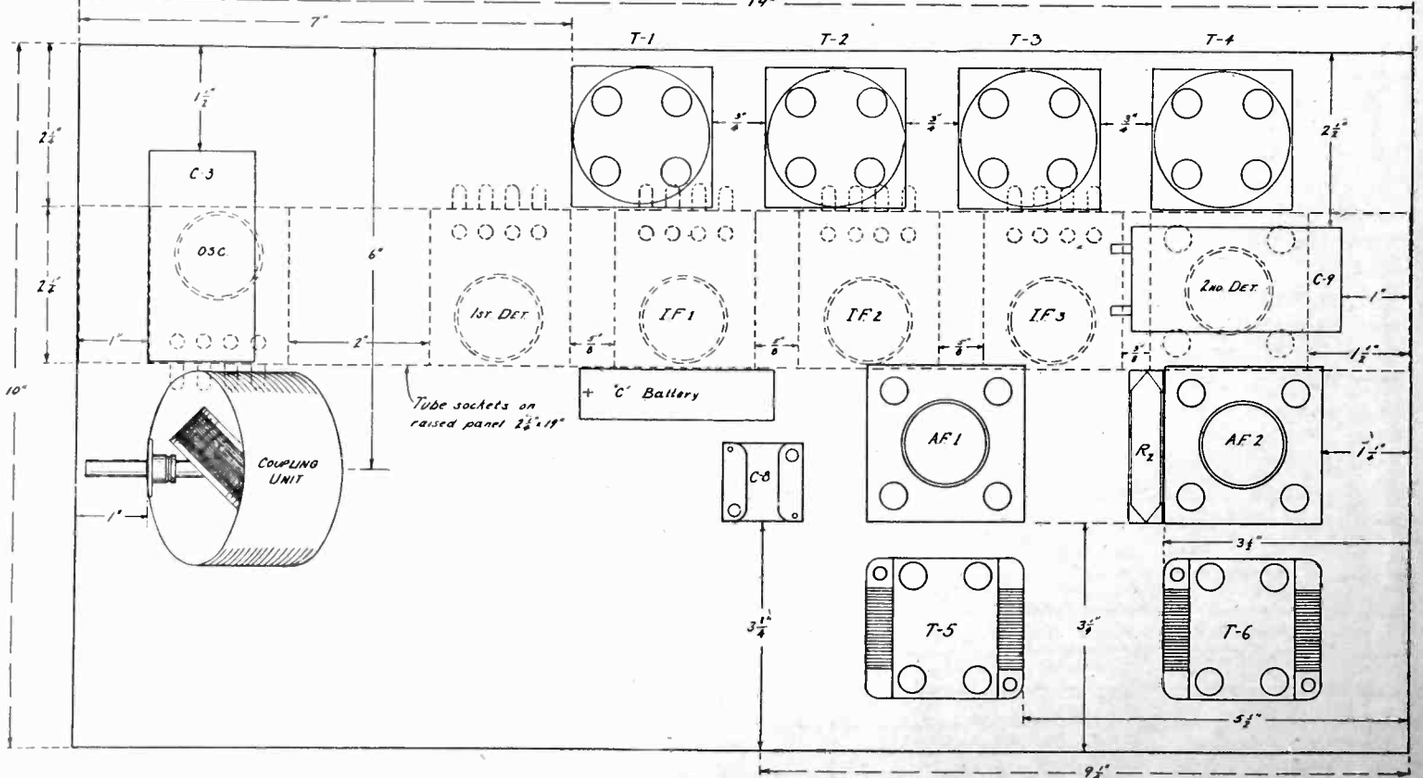


Fig. 4. Spool Dimensions for Untuned Transformers



Baseboard Layout

Round's Round Ground

Complete Directions for Constructing a Ground Connection That Will Materially Improve DX Reception

By Ferd Humphreys

THERE is no part of a radio receiving installation that is given less thought than the ground connection. This is probably because most of us think that one ground is practically as good as another and that when we have connected a metal wire to a metal pipe entering the earth all is well. Numerous experiments, however, have taught the radio investigator that there is a big difference between earth connections; that there are so-called grounds and real grounds.

While an efficient earth connection is of perhaps greater importance to transmission than to reception, due to the considerably larger amount of power handled, the value of an effective earth connection to reception should not be underestimated.

We have often heard that resistance is one of the greatest enemies to low loss reception. Low loss reception not only means strong signals from distant as well as local stations, but also selectivity and freedom from interference. In the interest of securing low loss operation we wind our tuning and coupling coils with heavy wire to minimize resistance, we construct our antenna of stranded wire and run a heavy wire from the receiver to a clamp on the water pipe for the same reason. But do we give adequate thought to that part of our receiving system supplied by Nature, the earth beneath the antenna, and to the connection thereto? In most cases we do not.

Let us consider, for a moment, the function of the ground and its relation to a receiver of any type. Aside from being the common medium which conductively binds together the transmitting and receiving stations, the earth beneath the antenna constitutes a large and important part of the antenna circuit. The antenna circuit consists essentially of the antenna, beginning at its outermost end, the down-lead or lead-in, the antenna-receiver coupling coil (primary coil of varicoupler), the ground wire, the earth electrode (water pipe) and the earth for a considerable area under the antenna.

When the waves transmitted by a radiocast station impinge on a receiving antenna, oscillating currents are induced in the antenna circuit which vary in intensity according to the power of the transmitter and its distance from the receiver and according to the characteristics of the circuit and the locality of the receiving station. Generally speaking, if the receiving antenna is high, well insulated, and of low resistance, reception from the desired station will be as good as the receiving instruments can permit. We cannot control the power of the radiocast station nor its distance from us and we cannot always alter local operating conditions, but we do often find it practicable to improve conditions which lie within our grasp. The ground is one of these.

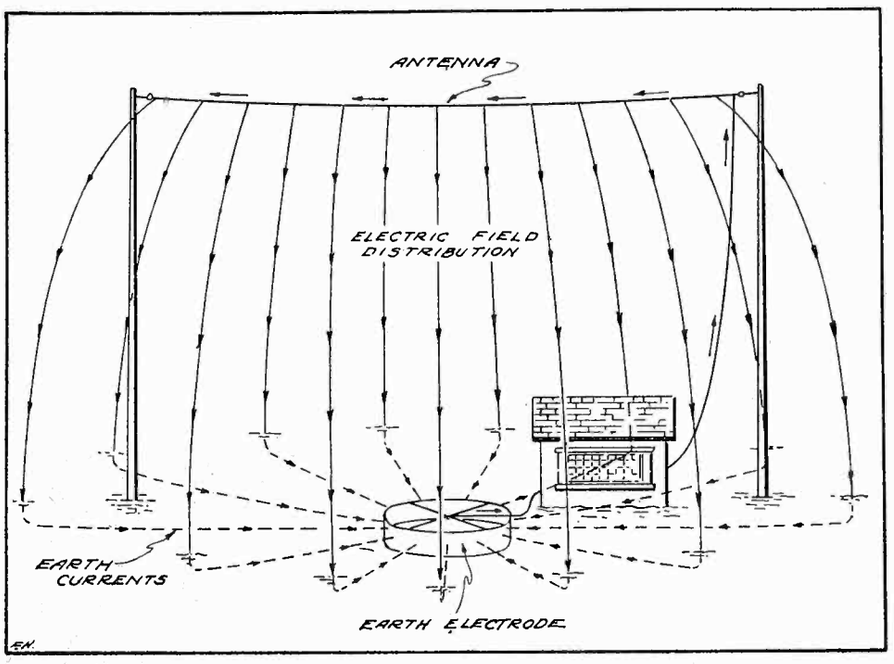


Fig. 1—Showing the relation of the earth electrode to the antenna circuit. Note the uniform distribution of earth currents.

The most common type of ground consists of the home water piping system. Although connection to the water system affords a fair ground because of the great buried length of water pipes, the system, as an earth electrode, is generally inefficient. That this is so is partially attributable to the fact that in very few cases does the water system lie under the antenna or anywhere near it. Hence, the oscillating currents induced in the earth beneath the antenna during reception or transmission, are compelled to travel far from the earth directly beneath it, where they might efficiently converge at a suitable electrode, to the nearest portion of the water system. To put it another way, we might say that the earth currents have to travel through too much earth to reach the electrode. Apart from the above disadvantage, the area of contact between the piping system and the earth, in the region of the antenna, is too small to permit of a good electrical connection. Since the conductivity of average soil is very poor as compared to that of water pipe, which is none too good, it is obvious that the common ground just discussed must have a resistance too high to render it efficient.

Stuart Ballantine, a radio authority of recognized reliability, seems to be of the opinion that the most ideal earth electrode consists of a large metal cylinder of suitable proportions, buried in the earth beneath the antenna. The ground wire is made fast to the cylinder in a special way designed to give the best results. Such ground has recently been redescribed by Capt. H. J. Round, and is referred to in some circles as "Round's Round Ground." A better name would perhaps be the "Common Sense Ground," for it is older than radio itself, and was used by Fessenden as early as 1910, and was also described by the Germans prior to that time.

In modern times it has received its greatest support by the experiments of D. John M. Miller of the United States Navy Radio Laboratory.

Being compelled by virtue of circumstances to install an effective ground system for radio experimental work, I was inspired to try the "Common Sense Ground." It was decided to construct a galvanized-iron electrode 10 ft. in diameter by 2 ft. high, burying it 1 ft. beneath the surface of the earth.

The antenna, a 5-wire cage 60 ft. long by 65 ft. high, had already been erected, running east and west over an addition

to the house used as the experimental laboratory. The lead-in drops from the west end of the antenna to a lead-in insulator in the laboratory roof. Directly beneath the antenna and lead-in and at a point about 20 ft. east of the west end of the antenna, the center of the ground was located by driving a stake into the sod. With the aid of a piece of string provided with loops at the ends, a circular row of stakes was driven about the center stake at a radius of 5½ ft. This was followed by an inner circle of stakes of 4 ft. radius. The stakes describing each circle were spaced about 2½ ft. apart and were finally encompassed by wrapping them with string. A trench 3 ft. deep was then dug between the staked circles. This work required the removal of about 90 cu. ft. of earth.

Upon the completion of the trench the construction of the cylinder was undertaken. This was composed of 4 pieces of 1/64 in. galvanized-iron, measuring 8 ft. by 2 ft. The ends of the pieces were clinched and riveted with copper rivets. The seams were not soldered. Four ⅛ in. copper soldering lugs were then secured with brass bolts and solder to the centers of the segments at the top of the cylinder. The lugs were mounted sleeve-up in order to facilitate soldering the ground wires later. The assembled electrode was next lowered into the trench where it was formed to a circle by packing a little earth at its foot around the outer side of the trench. The cylinder was then buried to within 6 in. of its top, care being taken during the process to maintain its circular shape.

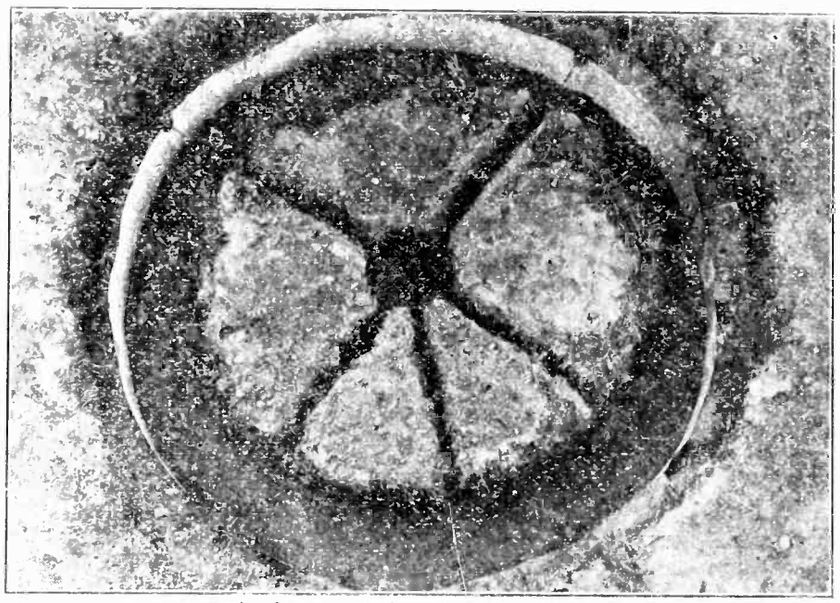


Fig. 2—Installation of the earth electrode.

At this point attention should be drawn to the difference of connection existing between this ground and the one described by Ballantine. His ground wires are elevated above the earth on a central supporting insulator while their outer ends make contact with the top of the electrode which is allowed to protrude above the earth's surface. This is done to prevent concentration of the earth's currents on the ground wires. In view of the unsightliness of such an arrangement and its liability to trip the trespasser, the writer decided to sacrifice this detail by burying the ground and its connecting wires completely. It was thought that what little current concentration might result from this practice could be reduced by using heavily insulated wire for connecting purposes. Accordingly, two narrow trenches 1 ft. deep were dug to join the diametrically opposite lugs of the four cylinder segments. A third trench of similar proportions was dug to accommodate the main ground wire, that which joins the cylinder wires and runs to the house. These trenches are shown in Fig. 2.

Two 10½ ft. lengths of No. 8 braided rubber covered copper wire were then laid in the cross trenches and their ends soldered into the lugs. About 5 in. of insulation was removed from these wires at their crossing point, followed by the removal of about 10 in. of insulation from the ground end of the main ground wire, which is of the same gauge and insulation as the cross wires. The main wire was then wrapped tightly about the cross wires and soldered. Several layers of rubber and friction tape were added to this union to exclude moisture and to minimize current concentration at this point. A coat of asphaltum varnish was also applied to the joint and to the lug connections to prevent corrosion, though this step was not really necessary. A porcelain tube was slipped over the main wire and taped in place at the point where the wire passes over the top of the cylinder. This was done to guard the insulation against rupture by pressure against the sharp edge of the cylinder occasioned by the earth packing, etc. The ground was completed by filling the trenches and pounding the loose soil with the back of a spade.

Fig. 1 shows the relation of the ground to the antenna. Here it is obvious that a uniform distribution of earth current is obtained over the entire surface of the electrode, due to its location within the field of the antenna and to its shape and generous surface. The current is drawn from the electrode by means of taps which have been so arranged as to lower the effective resistance of the galvanized-iron. Location of the electrode within the natural field of the antenna has the effect of shortening the average distance to be traveled by the earth currents, as against that of the water system, thereby lowering the effective resistance of the earth to a minimum. All things considered, it must be admitted that theoretically this is an ideal ground. The ground was next tested for practical worth.

Despite the shallow depth at which the electrode was buried for operation at the longer wavelengths of the broadcast band, distant and local broadcast stations are received unusually well. With an ultra-audion regenerative receiver employing a single stage of audio amplification it is possible to pick up stations which with an ordinary pipe ground are inaudible. The antenna circuit also possesses real selectivity, owing to its low resistance. Transmission experiments at short wavelengths (100 to 200 meters) and at low power (10 watts) have shown the electrode to be very effective for amateur communication. The writer is well pleased with the results of his labors and highly recommends "Round's Round Ground" to the enthusiast who wants a real ground system.

Silent Voices

By REID DAVIES

That day is not, in time, so distant when
Vast Silence spread its mantle o'er the world,
Chill Loneliness besieged the lives of men,
And oft the wings of dark Despair were furled.

But, lo! a wond'rous miracle appears;
Where Silence spread its robe, a sweet voice sings;
The pall of Loneliness is drowned in cheers,
And at the sound Despair unfolds its wings.

The lonely traveler on desert sands,
Outrivaling Aladdin's magic lamp,
Can almost feel the clasp of friendly hands,
As from the air bright laughter fills his camp.

To starving souls, condemned their lives to live
Within the Shadow of Eternal Night,
The lamp sublime companionship can give;
And 'round them shed its auditory light.

The watcher on some evening mountain peak,
As starry echoes fly across the years,
May later learn to make these echoes speak
In accents and in music of the spheres.

Or as, alone in dark primeval wood,
The presence of some loved one seems to tread,
The living, when the way is understood,
May yet tune in the message of the dead.

Some Novel Ideas in Receiver Construction

Complete Data for the Construction of a Non-radiating Receiver Combining Portability, Stability and Selectivity, at a Minimum Cost

By E. E. Griffin

THE constructional difficulties encountered in building multi-tube receivers often times limits the homemade set to one, two and three tube regenerative outfits, the merits and shortcomings of which are too well known to be discussed here. The set described in this article eliminates most of the shortcomings, possesses additional merits over the straight regenerative outfit, and at the same time does not entail much further structural complications. It is quite flexible in operation, tuning can be done by the heterodyne or squeal method if desired without interfering by radiation, it can be used without antenna, can be easily taken in a car for outing trips, and will also perform satisfactorily on any size of antenna without switching or changes in wiring and with only slight change in tuning.

The retail cost of complete parts necessary in the construction should not total over eighty dollars, including cabinet, tubes, batteries and loud speaker. The parts necessary are:

Cabinet	4 UV-199 or C-299 tubes
Panel, 7x21 in.	2 .001 mfd. fixed condensers
Baseboard, 5½x19½ in.	1 10-ohm rheostat
Loud Speaker	1 variable grid leak
4 tube sockets	1 .00025 mfd. fixed condenser
90-volt *B* battery	1 battery switch
6 No. 6 dry cells	100 ft. wire (for loop)
1 4½-volt *C* battery, with 3-volt tap	3 large binding posts
2 audio frequency transformers, 3¼ to 1	1 piece tubing, 3½ in. diam. by 2¼ in. long
2 23-plate variable condensers, Vernier	1 piece tubing, 2¾ in. diam. by 1½ in. long with shaft
1 variable condenser, .000045 mfd. maximum capacity, Chelten Midget or 3-plate standard size.	2 lengths pigtail wire, bus wire, spaghetti, etc.

The cabinet can be made of any hard wood, complete dimensions being given in Fig. 3. All material is ½ in. stock except the 1-in. strips which should be of the same thickness as the panel. An 8-in. width of the top is hinged to permit of tube inspection and battery rebacked with a thin piece of silk of a newing. The front latticed opening is backed with a thin piece of silk of a color to match the finish of the woodwork. To facilitate removing of the two lower panels, a ½-in. strip is fastened back of the lower 1-in. piece, on which the panels slide. The right-hand vertical 1-in. strip is backed by another ½-in. strip so that the inner side is flush. The solid panel is slightly smaller than the open panel. The open panel is inserted first in the right-hand side, by slightly turning, then brought forward to rest on the ½-in strip, and push-

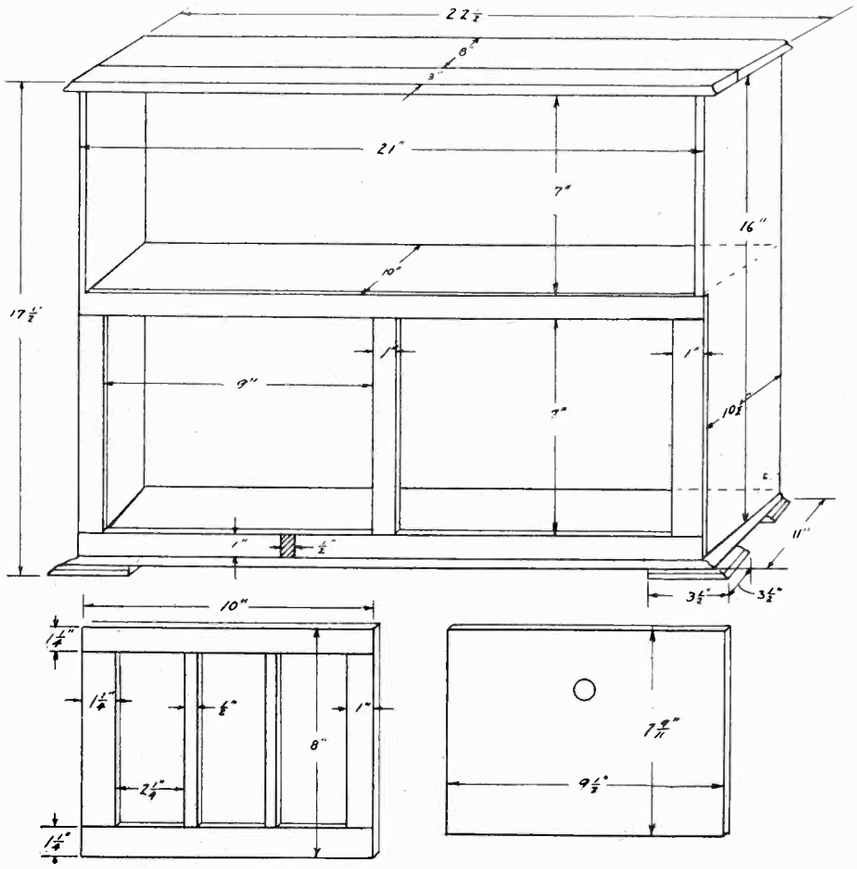


Fig. 3. Details of Cabinet Construction

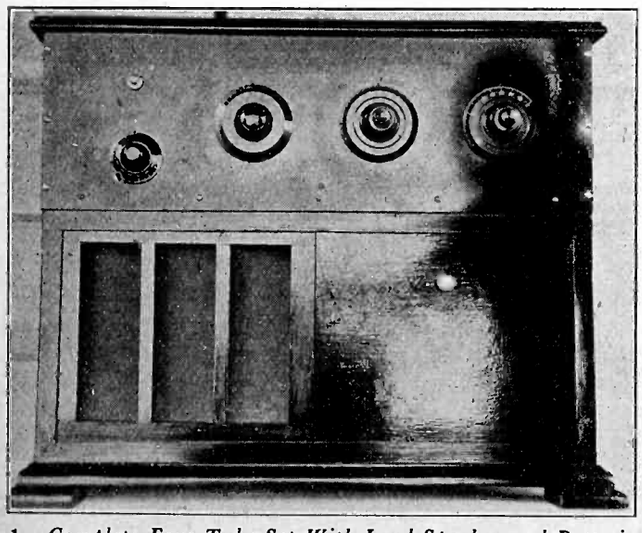


Fig. 1. Complete Four-Tube Set With Loud Speaker and Batteries

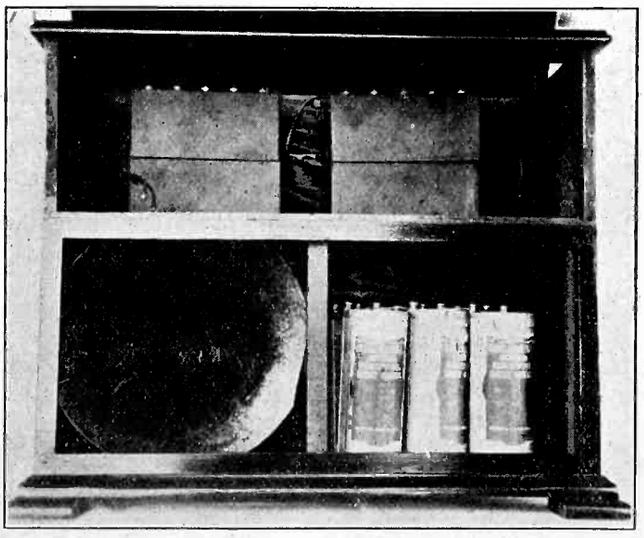


Fig. 2. Cabinet Without Panels, Showing Loud Speaker, Batteries and Loop Leads

ed over to the left. The solid panel is inserted by its upper edge first, pulling upward until the lower edge clears, then dropped into place. A small wooden stop on the right-hand side prevents this panel from falling inward when placed. To remove, the panel is pushed upward, the bottom then clears the lower strip, and the panel is lowered out. For those who do not care to construct a cabinet, one of almost similar dimensions can be obtained from supply houses at a nominal cost.

The panel is 7 in. by 21 in. and preferably 3/16 in. thick, although a thinner one may be used, as sufficient strength is given it by the baseboard. The baseboard, fastened to the lower edge of the panel, is 5½ in. by 19 in., and ½ in. thick, of any soft wood. This size permits of sufficient clearance in the back of cabinet for the placing of *B* batteries and still does not crowd the instruments. Drilling dimensions of the panel are given in Fig. 7.

Any good loud speaker that does not measure over 22½ in. total length and with a bell not over 10 in. in diameter will suffice. The bell is squared slightly to fit the lower compartment of the cabinet. There are several popular makes on the market that, with the base removed, are quite suitable. The horn is placed on its side, with the unit end extending back of the *A* batteries, as in Fig. 2.

It is best to first drill and fit the panel accurately to the cabinet, then remove and fit baseboard, mount the condensers, rheostat and battery switch, so that proper spacing of transformers, *C* battery, coupler and sockets may be determined.

The audio frequency transformers are placed at right angles to each other to reduce intercoupling, and the .001 mfd. bypass condenser is mounted directly on the primary terminals of the first transformer.

The four soft rubber base sockets are placed in line at the extreme back of the baseboard with their negative terminals all to the rear, Fig. 4. In this manner two straight leads can be used to connect all filaments, and the grid and plate wiring is simplified.

The grid condenser of the detector is preferably mounted directly on the grid post, and the lead to the variable grid leak is made as short as possible. The small balancing condenser may also be mounted directly on the grid post of the radio frequency tube socket, making connection from the stationary plates of this condenser to the grid. This condenser should have a maximum capacity of .000045 mfd. and in this regard a Chelten Midget Vernier serves admirably, although a three-plate condenser of standard sized plates will give the required capacity variation. A small binding post connecting to the grid of the radio frequency tube and the stationary plates of this condenser serves as a connection for one side of the loop.

The other, or ground side of the loop, is brought through a .001 mfd. condenser to the negative post of the last tube socket. A connection is also made from this end of the loop to the 3-volt tap of the *C* battery and the rotary plates of condenser C_2. This gives a radio frequency bypass, and puts a negative 3-volt bias on the grid of the radio frequency tube with its resultant saving of *B* battery current.

The coupler is preferably home-constructed. A 2¼ in. length of 3½ in. tubing is wound with 56 turns of No. 24 DSC wire, with a tap taken off at the 40th turn. The rotating coil is a 1½ in. length of 2¾ in. tubing wound with 30 turns of the same size wire, and fitted with a shaft and bushing to which the regeneration dial is attached when secured to the panel. This winding may be split to allow center clearance for the shaft, in which case it will be necessary to wind in double layers. The 56 turn coil is mounted with the tapped end at the bottom the lead from the plate of the radio frequency tube and grid condenser being connected to the top; the rotary plates of C_1 and C_3 being connected to the bottom. A 10-in. length of flexible lead is soldered to the tap and used to connect to the 67½-volt *B* battery terminal when the instrument board is placed into the cabinet. The regeneration coil must be rotatable through 180 degrees and can be connected to the detector plate and the first audio frequency transformer by flexible leading. In this regard, stranded pigtail wire covered with the more flexible grade of spaghetti is excellent.

If a coupler is purchased, it should conform as closely as possible to the dimensions given, in order to maintain good stability of regeneration adjustment and minimize coupling in relation to the loop on the back of cabinet. The popular form of angle mounting, or 180-degree coupler should not be used for the last reason.

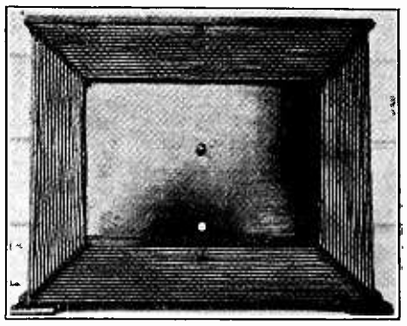


Fig. 5. Back of Cabinet With Loop, Showing Three Binding Posts for Various Antenna Combinations

Audio frequency transformers of any standard make can be used, but preferably those of low ratio for both stages to prevent distortion. Lengths of flexible leading are used for all terminals connecting to *A* and *B* batteries, small holes being placed through the center shelf of the cabinet to permit passage of loud speaker and *A* battery leads.

The loop is wound on the back of the cabinet and held in place by four hard rubber supports mounted on small brass angles. The supports are 5½ in. long by ¾ in. wide, holes being drilled ⅜ in. apart for the 16 turns of the loop. Referring to Fig. 5 the loop is wound by beginning with the inside hole of the upper right-hand support, a sufficient end being left to connect thru the cabinet to the .001 mfd. bypass condenser and *C* battery. Stranded rubber covered single conductor lamp cord is recommended, but if solid wire is used, it should not be smaller than No. 18. A length of lead is also connected at this point and run to the lower binding post *G*, which is used for ground connection. After winding 3½ turns of the loop a tap taken off and run to binding post *L*, which serves for a long antenna connection (the post in the center of the cabinet). The remaining turns are wound ending at the upper left-hand support at the outside hole where sufficient lead is left to connect to the balancing condenser. A short lead is also taken off at this point of entrance to the cabinet and run to post *S* for connection to an extremely short antenna.

The size and shape of the cabinet permits of the loop arrangement and makes the set a complete unit, capable of operation with or without antenna and ground, and is completely portable. However, if these features are not desired and a smaller cabinet is used, the

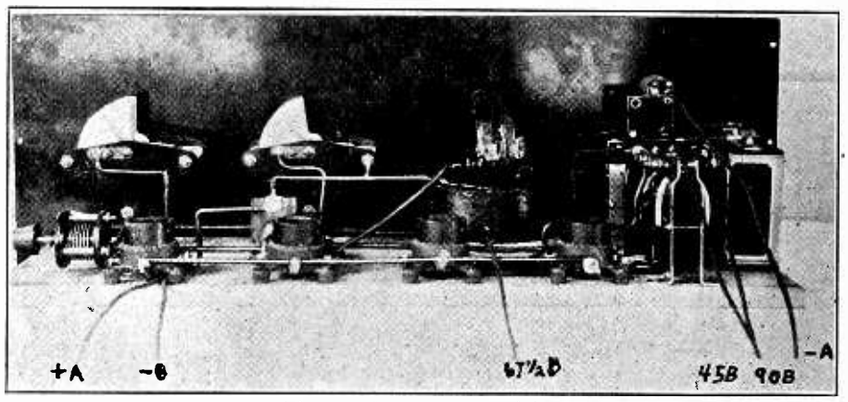


Fig. 4. Instrument Wiring

loop can be supplanted by a 60-turn coil on a 3-in. tube, with a tap taken off at the 12th turn for connection *L*, Fig. 6. Equal results will be obtained by this method as with the loop, but, of course the set will not operate except for very short distances without antenna. In case the latter method is followed, the 60-turn coil must be mounted at right angles to the other two coils.

Two sets of three dry cells connected in parallel as the *A* battery are used for economy. Dry battery manufacturers show that the best efficiency will be obtained from a No. 6 cell when discharged at the ⅛ ampere rate. Since four UV-199 tubes in parallel draw ¼ ampere, two sets in parallel give this discharge rate per cell, and we find that the two sets thus used last three times as long as a single set of three. The 10-ohm rheostat will be found to cover the desired filament range. When new batteries are installed, the setting will be with about 4/5 of the resistance in circuit, and as the cells gradually run down in the course of time this setting is advanced slightly. When the set fails to give the desired volume with all resistance cut out, the battery will be completely discharged.

In purchasing the tubes, it is well to have them put through a tube tester, and if possible pick four tubes that have similar characteristics at the same filament current. Use the hardest tube as the radio frequency amplifier, and the softest as the detector. The variable grid leak is adjusted once only, for loudness and clarity of signal.

It will be noted that no shielding is used, and none will be found necessary if a few simple precautions are used in the wiring. The leads connected to the grids and plates of the tubes are those most affected by body capacity, so they are kept away from the panel except where they connect to instruments.

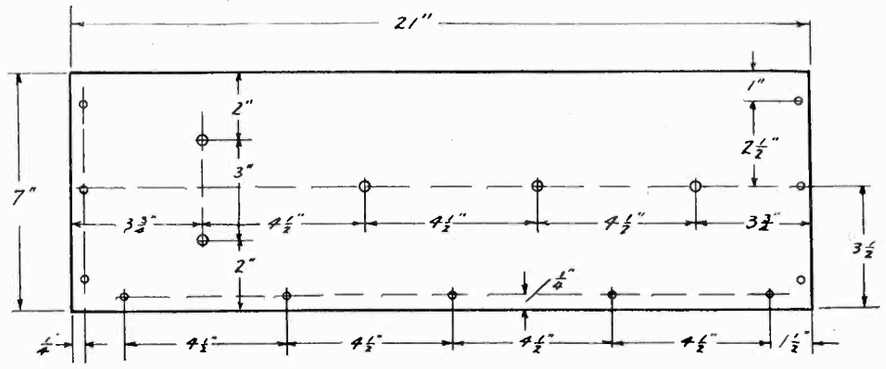


Fig. 7. Panel Layout

When they connect to condensers, the stationary plates are the least affected by the approach of the hands in tuning, so the grid and plate leads are connected to them, the rotary plates being connected as near as possible to the ground side of the wiring. In the complete diagram, Fig. 6, the stationary plates are denoted by the head of the arrow, the rotary plates being opposite the arrow head.

The regenerative coil and dial may be subject to a slight body capacity effect, and if the shaft is used as one connection from the coil, this end should be connected to the .001-mfd. by-pass condenser, as shown by the end marked *y*. If the shaft is insulated from the coil, a lead connecting the shaft and bushing to the negative side of the filament supply will prevent body effect.

In the final assembly of the set, the capacity of the radio frequency tube must be balanced out by the small variable condenser before satisfactory operation will be obtained. The setting of this balancing condenser is similar to the balancing of a neutrodyne, but the balance obtained on the set used outside of the cabinet will be different from that obtained when completely assembled, owing to the difference in its proximity to the loop and *B* batteries. It is therefore necessary to balance as the last operation in assembling. There are several different methods to do this.

The simplest is to tune in some station by the "squeal" method, keeping the regeneration as low as possible, then vary C_2 across the wave received and note change in intensity and the pitch of the note. Now adjust C_3 until a position is found where varying C_2 changes the intensity of the signal but not the pitch. This point on C_3 should be quite sharp.

Another method is to tune in a fairly strong signal, place the balancing condenser at its zero capacity, then remove the radio frequency tube and insulate its positive contact so that it does not light when replaced in its socket. The signal will still be heard, but fainter than before. Readjust C_2 to maximum strength, then slowly increase the capacity of C_3 until a point is found where the signal is completely gone. Keep moving the condenser C_3 beyond this point in order to be positive of the minimum, the signal strength should come up to initial audibility on the opposite side. Set it on the minimum signal point. In case this point is broad, set C_3 at a point midway between the two sides of audibility. In making this last balance it will be prob-

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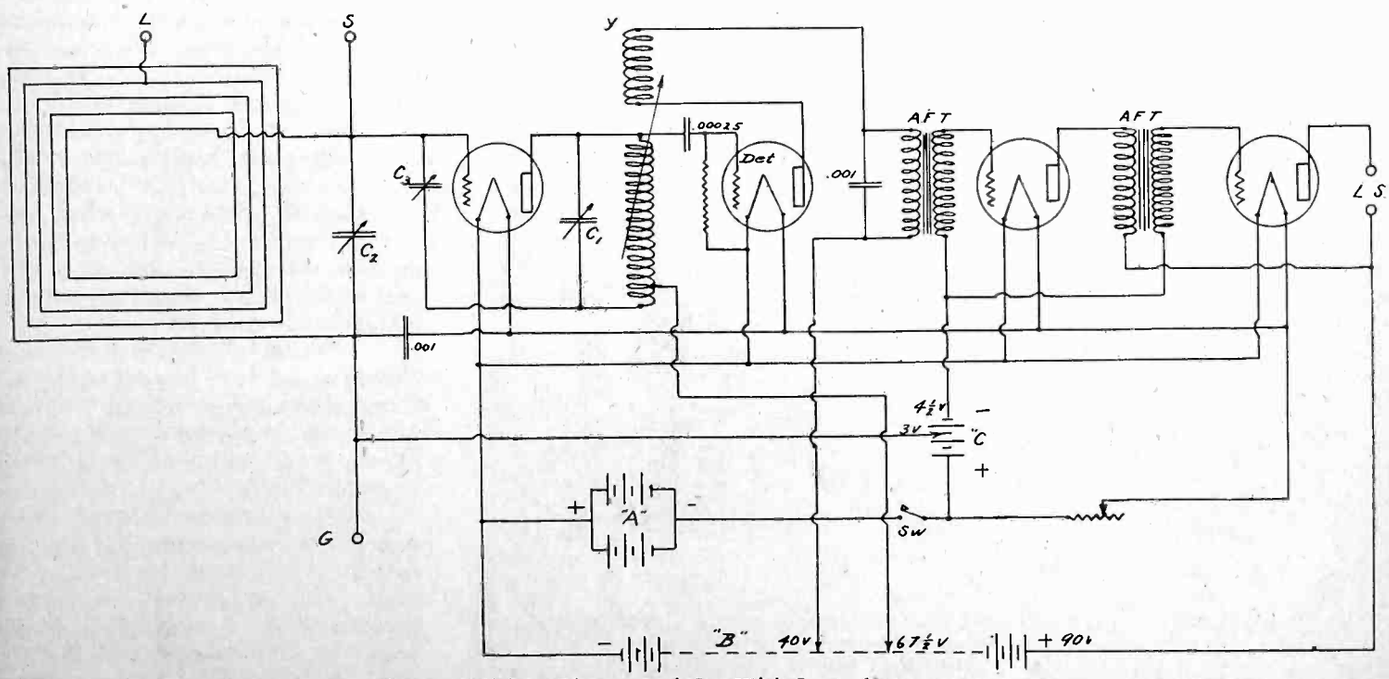

Fig. 6. Wiring Diagram of Set With Loop Antenna

Commercial Testing of a Regenerative Set

A Brief Account of The Routine Employed by a Large Manufacturer of Factory Built Receivers

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IF it can be said that there is any standard radio circuit, the ordinary well-designed regenerative set is the closest approach to it. It is quite true that regeneration has its faults. But for simplicity, dependability, ease of construction and comparative detecting efficiency, it is a most satisfactory hook-up. When properly designed a one-tube regenerative set will give results at least as good as a straight detector with two stages of audio-frequency amplification. When properly operated, at a point just below oscillation, there is no reason at all why its worst feature, radiation, need occur.

Before condemning the regenerative circuit, it should be remembered that radiation also occurs with reflex sets, improperly neutralized neutrodyne sets, or with sets using radio-frequency amplification with rheostat control. It is the purpose of this article to describe the rigid tests applied to a typical regenerative set and to show that with proper care it is possible to use a set of this type efficiently and without radiation.

The most general type of regenerative set consists usually of four portions: (1) the tuning system, (2) the radio-frequency amplifier, (3) the detector, and (4) the audio-frequency amplifier. The tuning system comprises coils, condensers or a combination of these elements, one of which is variable, so that the system, including the antenna or loop, may be tuned to the high frequency of the incoming wave. To the radio-frequency amplifying system is assigned the task of amplifying the incoming signal to a point at least above the critical strength necessary to operate the detector. The detecting system consists of a rectifying device, either a crystal or a vacuum tube, which converts the amplified radio-frequency signal to an audible-frequency. This is then further amplified by the audio-frequency amplifier. The tests performed are therefore treated under the above four headings.

Fig. 1 shows the general test set-up. A calibrated buzzer-driven wavemeter is used as the source of radio-frequency signals. By varying the setting of the wavemeter condenser signals of any desired frequency may be obtained. The pick-up coil, consisting of two or three turns of wire, is very loosely coupled to the coil of the wavemeter and is connected through an artificial antenna to the "antenna" and "ground" binding posts of the set under test. The artificial antenna is merely a circuit having lumped values of resistance and capacity simulating the distributed values in an actual antenna. Since the inductance of an actual antenna is usually very small, a lumped inductance is not necessary.

The leads from the pick-up coil to the artificial antenna are made extra long to prevent electromagnetic or electrostatic coupling directly from the wavemeter to the receiving set. An excellent check that no such coupling is obtained may be had by disconnecting the pick-up coil. No signals from the wavemeter should then be heard in the receiving set.

For each test there is also provided a standard unit similar to the unit under test, and which by a "throw-over" system of connections may be substituted for the test unit. A direct comparison may therefore be made.

Prior to the assembly of the various units, preliminary tests are made on each component part. These may include measuring the actual range of inductances, capacities, etc., and checking with the required values; and also tests for short circuits, improper winding, poor assembly or defective insulation. After the parts are assembled, the wiring is checked against the proper wiring diagram. The set is then thoroughly inspected to insure good soldering, sufficient clearance between conductors and smooth rotation of moving parts.

The set is now connected according to the standard test set-up of Fig. 1 and the wavelength range of the tuning unit checked against the range specified. The test specifications give not only the wavelength range but also the capacity range of the antennas for which this wavelength range is guaranteed. This arises from the fact that it is difficult to tune a set down to its minimum wavelength on a large capacity antenna or to tune it up to its maximum wavelength on a small capacity antenna.

In making the test, therefore, the wavemeter is set at the specified minimum wavelength and the artificial antenna adjusted to the specified maximum value of capacity. The tuning unit is then adjusted for maximum strength of signal in the phones. Using the "throw-over" method a direct comparison is then made with a standard tuning unit, an equal signal strength indicating that the minimum value of wavelength is possible with the tuning unit in question.

Similarly, the wavemeter is set at the specified maximum wavelength, the artificial antenna capacity adjusted to the specified minimum value and the test repeated.

THE tests made on a vacuum tube detecting unit consists of a detection test and an oscillation test. In Fig. 2 is shown a detecting unit used with a

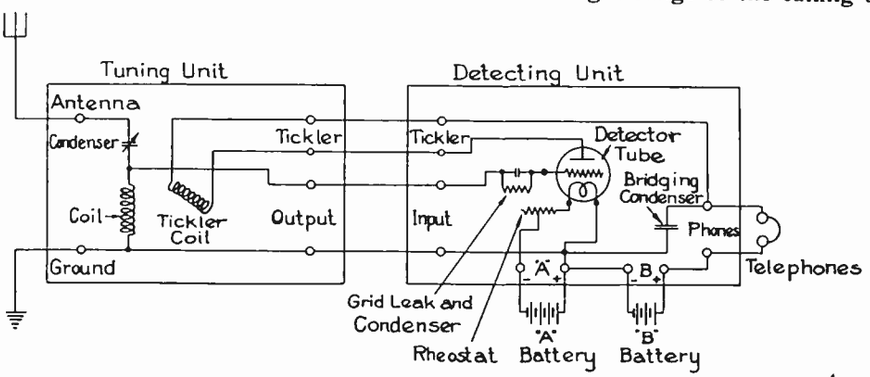

Fig. 2. Diagram of Parts in Single Circuit Regenerative Set.

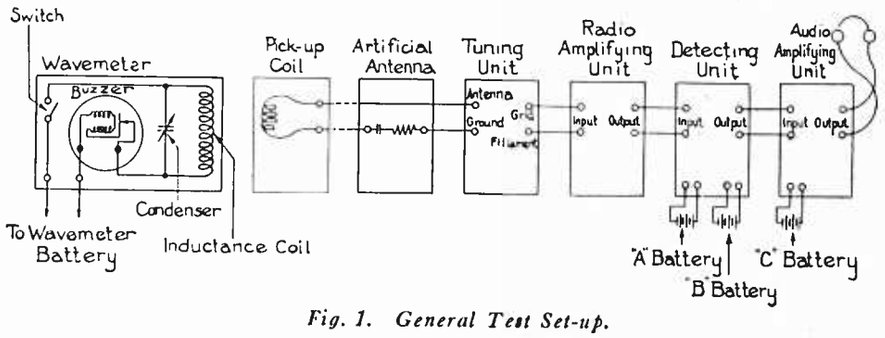

Fig. 1. General Test Set-up.

tuning unit, the two together constituting a single-circuit regenerative set. A potentiometer is sometimes connected across the filament battery, the return of the plate circuit being made to the moving contact of the potentiometer, a finer adjustment of plate-battery voltage being thus effected. This modification is shown in Fig. 3.

In detection test, the tickler coil (shown in Figs. 2 and 3) should be kept at its minimum value to avoid regeneration. The tuning system is tuned to the wavelength of the driver wavemeter and the strength of the signals in the telephones compared with those obtained when using a standard detecting unit. This comparison should be made for several wavemeter settings.

The purpose of the oscillation test will best be brought out from a consideration of the theory of regeneration. As the coupling of the tickler coil is increased, more and more energy is returned to the grid circuit and then fed back through the tube, being thus greatly amplified. The coupling may be increased to a point, however, where the feeding-back process throws the tube into violent oscillations. It is then that radiation occurs. Fortunately, regeneration occurs just before oscillation, and it is at this point that the set should be operated for maximum efficiency.

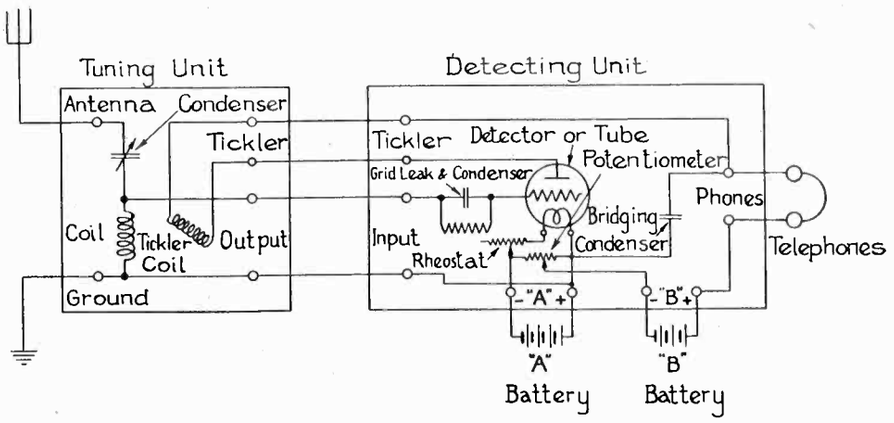

Fig. 3. Single Circuit Regenerative With Potentiometer.

In making the oscillation test it should be noted that a receiver will oscillate with most difficulty at its longest wavelength with high antenna resistances, and will oscillate most readily at its shortest wavelengths with low antenna resistances. The test therefore consists of two parts.

(a) The artificial antenna capacity is increased to the specified maximum value and the resistance is also increased to a large value. The tuning unit is then adjusted to its maximum possible wavelength, the tickler coil being arranged for maximum coupling. The set should now be oscillating. A low mushy tone in the phones, destroying the characteristic tone of the incoming signals is a good indication that the tube is oscillating.

(b) The artificial antenna capacity is reduced to the specified minimum value and all the antenna resistance cut out. The tuning unit is adjusted to its minimum possible wavelength, the tickler coil being arranged for minimum coupling. Under these conditions, the set should not oscillate.

FIG. 4 shows a radio-frequency amplifying unit used together with a tuning unit and a detecting unit. It will be noted that the tickler coil has been removed since the adjustments necessary to make regeneration and radio-frequency amplification occur at the same time are too critical. A potentiometer is connected across the *A* battery of the amplifier tube, the return from the grid of the amplifier tube being connected to the moving contact of this potentiometer. As the potentiometer contact is moved from the positive side to the negative side of the battery, amplification increases until a point is reached when the tube is forced into oscillation. The point of maximum amplification is just short of oscillation. (The marked similarity to a regenerative tuner should be noted).

The tests made on a radio-frequency amplifier consist of an amplification test and an oscillation test. In the amplification test, the moving contact of the potentiometer is brought to the positive side of the *A* battery and the coupling between the pick-up coil and the wavemeter coil is made sufficiently loose so that the signal is just audible. The results are then compared with those obtained from a standard under the same conditions and should be identical.

In the oscillation test, with the same coupling as above, the potentiometer contact is moved from the positive to the negative side of the battery and the increase in signal strength is noted until

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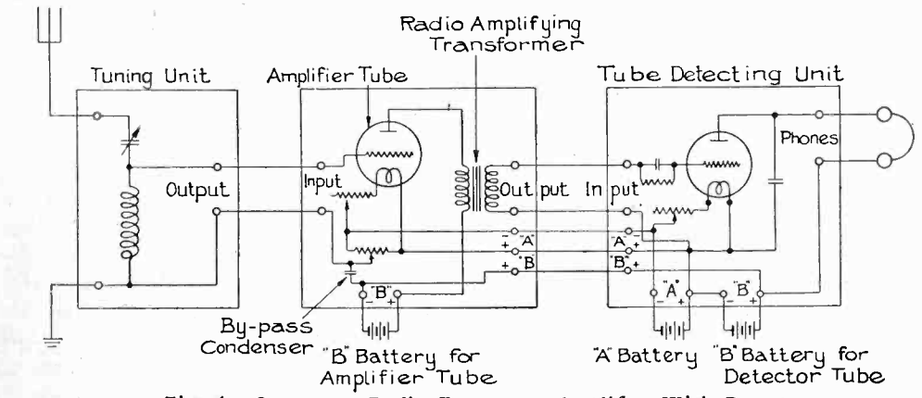

Fig. 4. One stage Radio Frequency Amplifier With Detector.

For some fans there is a temptation to seek stations by making the tube oscillate, the stations being then located by the characteristic whistles resulting from "beating" them with the local oscillations. After the station is located the filament is turned down to a point just below oscillation and the final adjustments for good reception made. This method shows very little consideration for the neighbors, however. With a little experience, stations can just as readily be located and tuned in without making the tube oscillate.

The oscillation test, then, must show two things: (1) That it is possible to make the set oscillate throughout its entire wavelength range. (This makes certain that the point of regeneration, just below oscillation, can be obtained throughout), and (2) that the set may be prevented from oscillating throughout its entire wavelength range.

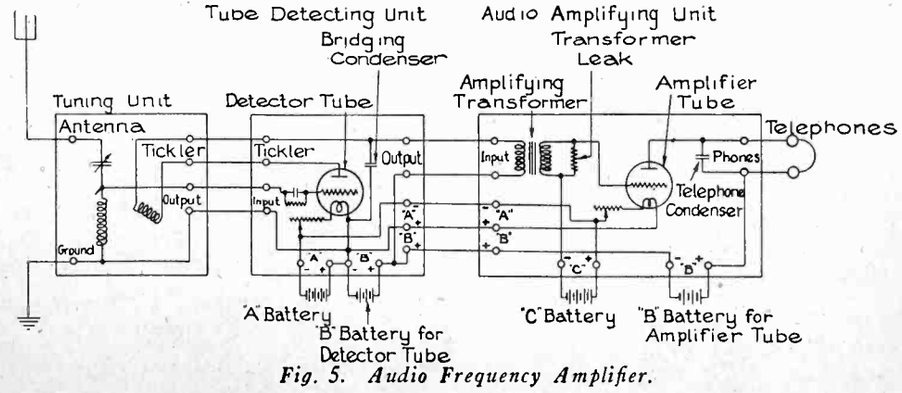

Fig. 5. Audio Frequency Amplifier.

MAKING THE SINGLE CIRCUIT SELECTIVE

By HENRY A. NICKERSON

As a single circuit regenerative set is frequently unable, in these days of high power broadcasters, to cut them out, its selectivity may be improved by a change in hook-up as follows:

1. By shunting the tuning inductance with the variable condenser and the insertion of a small fixed (or variable) condenser in the antenna lead (Fig. 1).

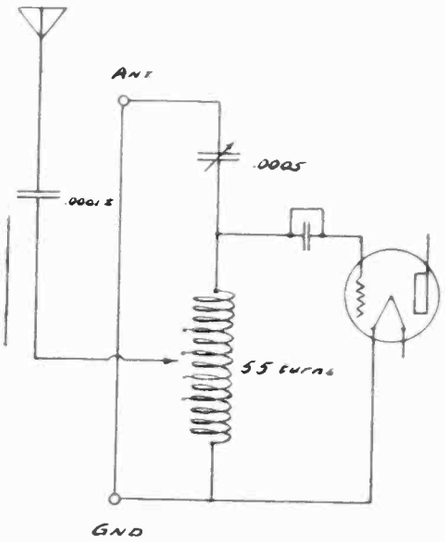

Fig. 1. Improving Selectivity by Putting Condenser in Antenna Lead.

2. By adding an untuned primary (or untuned primary with load coil) to the single circuit (Fig. 2).

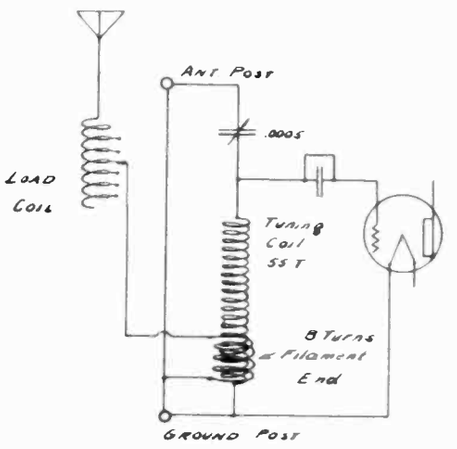

Fig. 2. Improving Selectivity by Adding Untuned Primary.

The diagrams are in a sense self explanatory.

In Fig. 1, the antenna and ground posts of the usual single circuit are "short-circuited" by a piece of wire, and the antenna lead is brought to one terminal of a .0001 mfd. fixed condenser, the other side of the condenser being connected to the switch arm. If the bearing of the switch lever is connected to a panel "grounded" shield, the shield must be cut away around the bearing. When the lever is placed on the tap at the grid end of the tuning coil in Fig. 1, we practically have the same old single circuit, but when placed on a tap nearer the filament end of the tuning coil, we have in effect a double circuit tuner. Trial of various taps is necessary to find which gives the greatest volume coupled with selectivity, the fewer turns in the "untuned primary" the greater the selectivity (with less volume) as a rule.

Fig. 2 indicates what is now a common tuning device in many of the multitube sets, such as the various types of neutrodynes, where an untuned primary is wound at the filament end of the coil of 55 turns more or less, which constitute the secondary, the 55 turns being shunted with a .0005 mfd. variable condenser. The number of turns in the secondary must be such that it will cover 220 to 550 meters or else the number must be increased or diminished to reach the desired limit either way.

The load coil may consist of 50 to 75 turns wound on a tube or spiderweb, with taps every ten turns or so. It should be placed so its axis is at right angles to the tuning inductance and 6 inches or so distant. As a rule the adjustment of the load coil is not very critical and is made for a particular antenna and left that way. If it is desired to make an untapped coil to take the place of a tapped coil, it should be remembered that if, say 30 turns on the tapped coil work best, where there are 50 or more turns in the whole coil, the use of slightly more than 30 turns in an untapped coil will be necessary to get the same results.

One should not expect, even with a good antenna and ground system, a smooth-working regeneration control. Neither of these changes completely eliminate powerful local interference. But selectivity may be greatly increased and the single-circuit saved from the scrap heap by making these simple changes.

LETTERS OF A DEEP SEA "OP"

Illustrating a System for Using One Antenna for Simultaneous Reception On Different Wavelengths.

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Dear Jack:

Do you remember the three-tube, radio frequency, reflex, regenerative outfit I told you about last trip? Well, she perks beautifully; dragged in Chicago a couple thousand west of Frisco, but the blamed thing let me in for a lot of extra work until I put the old bean to going on its elimination. The gang all got accustomed to a nightly orgy of bedtime stories, music, etc., and howled to high heaven when I shut her off to listen on the 600-meter wave. The old man is nuts for weather reports and unless he gets the 8 p. m. position and weather of every ship for a thousand miles around, he also lets go a mighty howl.

So being, there was only one way out of it to keep them all happy. I used the ship's antenna and receiver for the 600-meter stuff and strung up a single wire auxiliary antenna for the broadcasters. This was fine biz at sea but in port the single wire was in the way of the cargo booms and had to come down. Now, a hundred feet or so of stiff, dirty antenna wire is a nasty mess to handle and being a confirmed enemy of work anyway, I decided it was all wrong.

They say curiosity killed the cat, and in this case it certainly killed the work. Through curiosity, I hooked the broadcast receiver antenna connection to a .0001 mfd. Micadon and hooked that in turn to the main antenna. It works fine, and strange to say, there is no interference between the two receivers even though they are blooping. Tuning one does not affect the other and the BCL receiver now pours forth its stuff for the gang who set around and pour cigarette ashes on the deck, while at the same time I gather in the 600-meter weather reports for the old man on the ship's receiver. Everybody is happy but the Filipino mess boy who cleans up the shack. Might mention that I've got the .0001 Micadon fastened to a battery clip so that it can be quickly removed from the antenna when I am using the transmitter.

To avoid missing anything of importance that might be sent on 600 meters while I am copying press on the long waves, I set the BCL receiver for 600 meters and wear an extra pair of phones. This is a darned handy stunt, especially out here where typhoon reports are liable to come through at any time.

The Electrical Supply Company in Manila KZKZ is broadcasting every night from 8:30 to 9:30, using a 250-watt outfit on 400 meters. We ought to be able to pick them up about the time that daylight kills the Pacific Coast stations. Best 72½s,

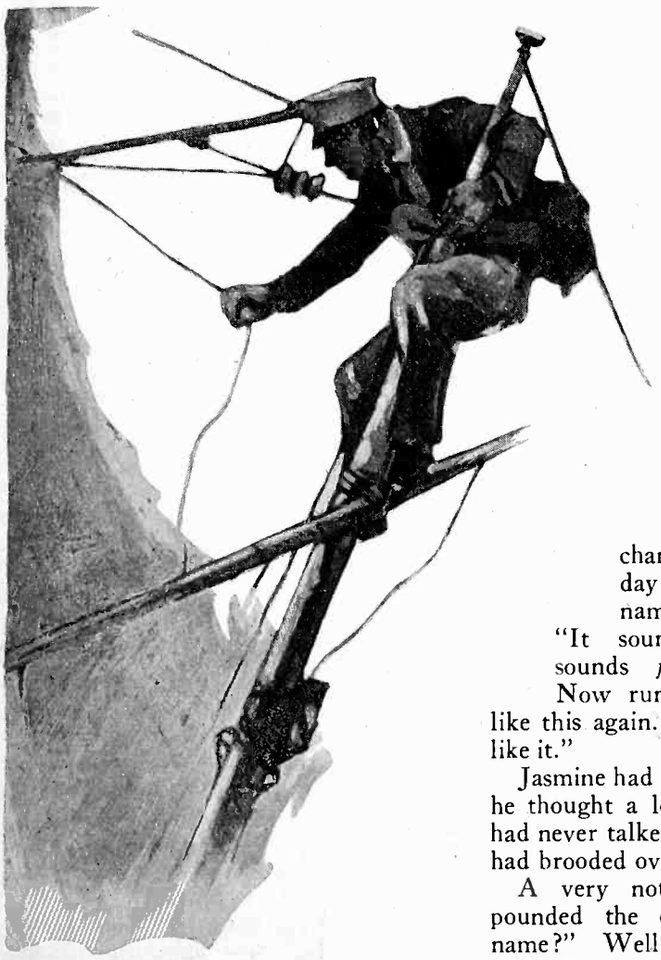
MICKEY DORAN.

A duo-directional aerial will usually bring in stations from all directions better than the usual one-directional set-up. It is easily made by fastening the exact mid point of a 140 ft. length of No. 14 copper wire to the point from which the lead-in is taken and by fastening each end to supports 99 ft. from each other. This gives in effect two 70 ft. aerials at right angles to each other, the sides of the isosceles right triangle being respectively 70 ft., 70 ft. and 99 ft. A similar aerial of any other desired length can be obtained by multiplying the aerial length by 1.414 to get the distance between supports.

"The Jonah of Jasmine Bjones"

By George Sumner Albee

JASMINE BJONES was his name. It was a shame. Because he was free, white and twenty-one—quite a bit more than twenty-one—but for that matter it would have been a shame under any conditions.



Jasmine himself had decided early in life, somewhere along about the eighth grade, that it was a shame; that his nom de plume was, so to speak, not so plume. His dissatisfaction had first arisen from the fact that his classmates and teachers were addressing him as everything from Budgeons to Beejones, with sundry additional variations. He had gone immediately to his mother and asked her if she was positive that the preacher at the christening had not made an error, or something. Anything.

"Jasmine Onus Bjones!" she exclaimed. "The very idea! Wanting to change a name as beautiful as yours. Why, a jasmine is a gorgeous flower, son."

"But I am not a gorgeous flower, mother dear," he had protested. Which was true. At the time, his voice was changing and he was gawky, with myriad freckles and missing teeth.

"Society women down in the City are changing their names every day from plain Jones to our name," his mother continued. "It sounds so arist-aristoc—it sounds *fine,* dear—so English. Now run along, and never talk like this again. Your father might not like it."

Jasmine had run along, obediently, for he thought a lot of his mother, and he had never talked like that again. But he had brooded over it a lot.

A very noted personage has propounded the question, "What's in a name?" Well, there was this much in it for Jasmine. Naturally of a sensitive nature, his name daily seemed to become more terrible, more humorous. Because it seemed so funny, so heart-breakingly funny, to Jasmine, he reasoned that it must be funny to everybody else. He did not stop to think that though people might indeed be good-naturedly amused they would be far more interested in what he *was* and in what he could do than in what he was called. At sixteen he dreaded being introduced to people lest they laugh at him when his back was turned. If anyone did happen to smile at him he thought they were thinking of his name and quailed as if he had been dealt a blow. All this misery, for no reason. "What's in a name?" Ah,—

There is nothing more sensitive than a growing boy. By the time he had graduated from the small High School his hatred of having his cognomen hauled out in public brought him to the stage where he shrank from everyone. He lived alone with his mother, went nowhere, had no girl friends—never learned to dance. Thus the first jazz he heard came to him through what are sometimes called "cans." The full-fledged radio amateur calls them that; his father uses the term "head-set," while the poor worm next door, a mere B. C. L., a listener, says—"ear-tabs."

The gentle art of radiocasting was being born, and Jasmine alone, of all the town, knew it. He shared his knowledge with none of the people he hated and feared, would always hate and fear, though he might later learn to worry less about his name. Living practically in solitary confinement, the boy drifted naturally into radio. A spark and a two-step amplifier when only one other set existed in the small town up in the redwood country of California. And a receiver, with crystal—iron pyrites. When his mother followed his father Across, some months after his graduation, he decided to leave the place of his birth and all the unpleasant memories it held for him, and Ho! for the city and the newly acquired commercial license that was to open up the gates to the world and transport him joyfully to the far corners of the earth, even as the correspondence course advertisement in the radio magazine had promised.

But things did not all turn out as he had planned. So it is not until six or seven years have passed that we find Jasmine at last upon the decks of his first ship, after prolonged intervals of clerking, book-keeping, truck-driving through the streets of San Francisco, during which

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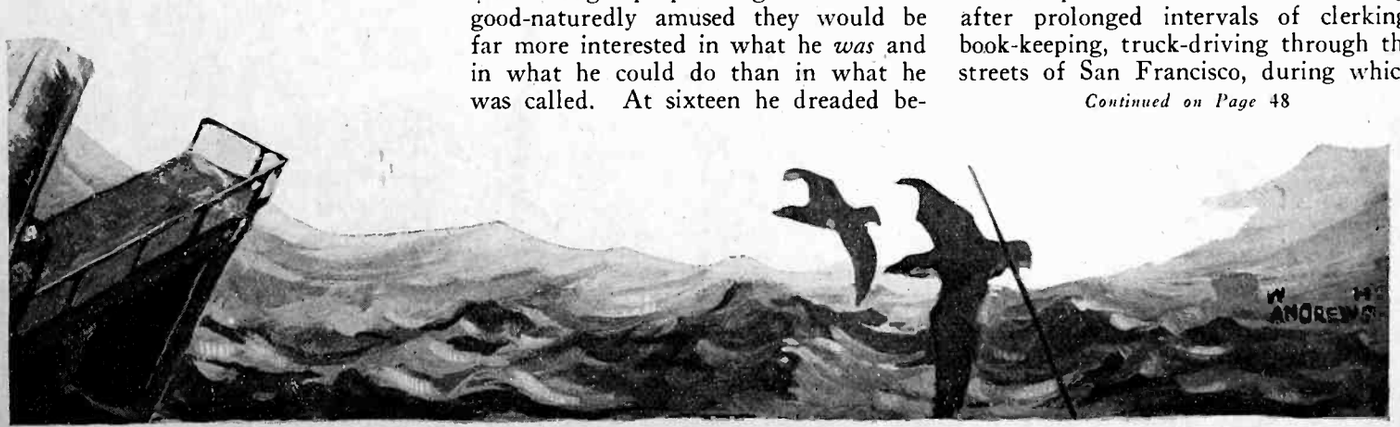

The Reactance Coupled Amplifier

An Explanation of Its Theory and Suggestions for Its Construction

By L. R. Felder

BUILDERS of receiving sets who have been confronted with the problem of securing as nearly perfect reproduction of speech and music as possible have recently been presented with details of the resistance coupled amplifier. Such an audio frequency amplifier, if properly built, will indeed give practically perfect reproduction.

However, the building of such an amplifier does involve certain disadvantages: First, the amplification obtained from a single resistance stage cannot be greater than the amplification constant of the tube, and is generally a little bit under it, whereas a single transformer stage gives from three to four times as much. As a result it is necessary to employ at least three stages of resistance amplification to give the same volume as two stages of transformer amplification. Second, to secure the maximum amplification from the resistance stage it is necessary to maintain the effective voltage on the plate of the tube at the same value as is employed in a transformer stage. This results in the necessity of employing practically twice the *B* battery required for the transformer stage. The reason for this is that a large part of the plate voltage drop is consumed in the external resistance of the resistance coupled amplifier, leaving only a part of the *B* battery voltage effective on the plate of the amplifying tube. In order to obtain the necessary plate voltage on the tube the *B* battery must be increased to compensate for the drop in the external plate resistance.

The constructor must make some sort of compromise here. If he does not care about the disadvantages and insists on perfect quality he will of course go in for a resistance coupled amplifier. If he is satisfied with the quality of a transformer amplifier it is best to stick to it.

There is, however, another choice in the matter, and this is really a compromise between the transformer coupled amplifier and the resistance coupled amplifier. This compromise lies in the reactance coupled amplifier. If properly built it will give slightly more amplification than the equivalent number of stages of resistance amplification, and it will not require any more plate battery than the conventional transformer coupled amplifier. At the same time the quality of reproduction will be as good as that of the resistance amplifier.

The circuit of the reactance coupled amplifier is essentially the same as that of the resistance coupled amplifier, except that in place of coupling resistances we employ coupling reactances. The circuit for a two-stage reactance coupled amplifier is shown in Fig. 1. In getting the proper results from such an amplifier the constants must be properly proportioned just as in the resistance coupled amplifier. The constants involved in such an amplifier are designated in Fig. 1, and are the plate inductances *L*, the coupling condensers *C* and the grid leaks *R*. The proper values of these units are determined by definite considerations which will now be taken up in order.

The value of the plate reactance *L* determines two things: First, the amount of amplification obtained; second, the amount of distortion. By properly choosing the value of this inductance, the distortion may be reduced to practically nothing, and at the same time the maximum amplification of the tube may be secured. The amplified voltage developed in the tube divides itself between the internal plate resistance of the tube and the external plate reactance. Now in an amplifier it is desired that most of the amplified voltage be available across the external plate coupling unit, in this case the plate reactance, for it is this voltage which is passed on to the grid of the succeeding tube. It follows therefore that if the external reactance is small compared to the tube resistance most of the amplified voltage will be consumed inside the tube resistance and only a small part will be available across the plate reactor for use in the succeeding stage of the amplifier. On the other hand if the external plate reactance is very large compared to the tube resistance only a small part of the amplified voltage developed inside of the tube will be lost in the internal resistance of the tube, and the major portion will be available across the external reactance for use in the next stage. In other words the amplified voltage divides itself here between the tube resistance and external reactance, and it does so in proportion to their impedances. If we make the reactance extremely great compared to the tube resistance practically all of the amplified voltage will appear across the reactance and only a minute portion of it will be consumed inside the tube resistance.

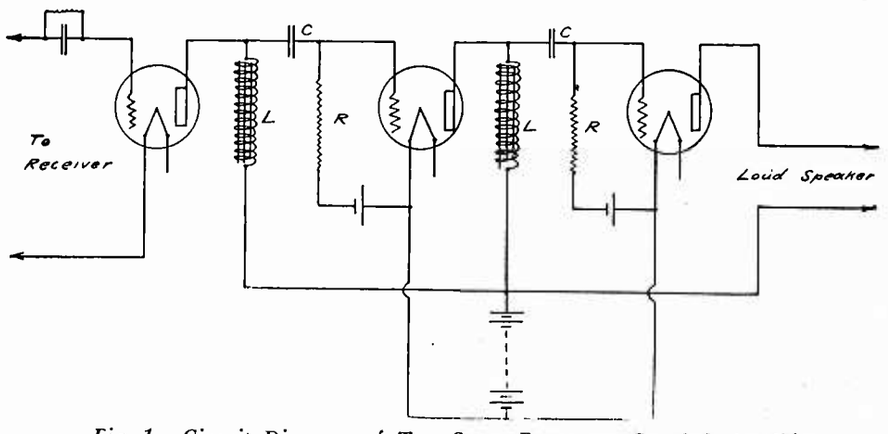

Fig. 1. Circuit Diagram of Two-Stage Reactance Coupled Amplifier.

The internal resistance of the average amplifier tube is about 20,000 ohms. To make an inductance whose reactance value is extremely great compared to 20,000 ohms will require a great many turns on an iron core. If we analyze the reactance circuit mathematically we find that when the reactance is two times as great as the tube resistance about 90 per cent of the amplified voltage is available across the external reactance. When the reactance is three times as great as the tube resistance about 93 per cent of the entire amplified voltage is available across the external reactance. When the reactance is four times the tube resistance about 97 per cent of the entire amplified voltage is available across the reactance. It is thus seen that the reactance should be at least three times the tube resistance, and that in this case almost all of the voltage is secured. Further increases in reactance values result in relatively small increases in amplification.

The reactance of an inductance or choke coil varies with the frequency. Thus it is possible for the inductance to have such value that its reactance at 2,000 cycles is three times the tube resistance, or 60,000 ohms, whereas its reactance at 100 cycles would only be 3,000 ohms. The effect is that frequencies under 2,000 cycles are not amplified as much as those above 2,000 cycles,

and also that different frequencies below 2,000 cycles are amplified in different degrees. In other words distortions would result.

In order to prevent this it is necessary to make the inductance of such a value that its reactance at the lowest speech frequency, namely its lowest reactance, will be equal to at least three times the tube resistance. Then the reactance at any frequency above the lowest one will surely be at least three times the tube resistance. Actually the reactance will increase with the frequency, hence the higher frequencies will be amplified somewhat more than the lower ones. The actual amount they are amplified more than the lowest frequencies is, however, so small that the distortion produced is really negligible. Thus if the reactance at the lowest frequency is three times the tube resistance the voltage across the reactance is 93 per cent of the entire voltage. Above this frequency the increase in amplification cannot be more than 7 per cent at the maximum, and really is never more than about 4% or 5%, and this is hardly noticeable.

If, on the other hand, the inductance is made of such value that its reactance at the lowest speech frequency is 4 times the tube resistance then 97 per cent of the total voltage is secured across the reactance. In this case frequencies above the lowest could not be amplified more than 3 per cent more than the lowest, which is really distortionless amplification. Even if the very high frequencies above 3,000 or 4,000 cycles were amplified a little bit more than those below it no harm would be done. For it is a notorious fact that loud speakers cut off the higher frequencies. Hence a little more amplification at these frequencies would tend to balance to some extent the defects of the loud speaker.

We thus see that for distortionless amplification our first requirement for the reactance coupled amplifier is that the plate reactance must have an inductance such that its reactance at the lowest speech frequency is at least three or four times the tube resistance. Since the average tube has a plate resistance of 20,000 ohms the reactance at the lowest speech frequency must be between 60,000 and 80,000 ohms. The lowest speech frequency may be taken as 50 cycles. Hence the inductance of the plate reactor should be from 200 to 260 henrys in value. Using such a value of plate inductance will give maximum and distortionless amplification.

The problems of securing such a very high inductance in small space is quite a difficult one, especially if one desires to wind his own inductance. Winding a small coil means using very fine wire such as No. 40, and unless one has facilities for winding such fine wire it is best to buy a coil of the specified inductance. The writer does not know of any company manufacturing reactors of such high values and compact enough for use in receiving sets. As a compromise he has successfully used the secondary of an audio-frequency transformer. The primary of a bell-ringing transformer may also be used. While the inductance in neither case is as great as is required theoretically, excellent results may be secured by this means.

Having secured maximum undistorted voltage across the plate reactor the next problem is to transfer this voltage undistorted and undiminished to the grid of the succeeding tube. The voltage from the reactor is coupled to the grid of the next tube through the coupling condenser *C*, Fig. 1. The condenser serves the purpose of transmitting the audio frequency voltages to the grid and also of preventing the high positive potential of the *B* battery from being applied to the grid. The value of the condenser *C* must be such that it does not cut down the voltage applied to the next grid, and also it must not transfer one frequency more efficiently than another and so produce distortion.

A condenser has reactance and so opposes the passage of current through it. Since the amplified voltage across the reactor must pass through the condenser *C* some of the voltage will be lost across the condenser reactance. To reduce this to a minimum the condenser *C* must have a very low reactance as compared to the reactance of the plate inductance. Not only that but to avoid the introduction of distortions the condenser reactance at its highest value must be very low compared to the plate reactance.

Thus suppose that the condenser value were such that its reactance at 10,000 cycles were 1% of the reactance of the plate inductance. This means that only 1% of the amplified voltage would be lost in the condenser reactance on its passage from one tube to the grid of the next tube. However, the reactance of this condenser at 100 cycles would then be 100 times as great as at 10,000 cycles, in other words would be equal to the plate reactance, hence half the voltage would be lost in the condenser. In this way distortions would arise, due to unequal transfer of the various frequencies. It therefore is necessary to make *C* of such value that its reactance at the lowest speech frequency is very small compared to the plate reactance.

A reasonable value for *C* is 1 mfd. This has a reactance of 3,000 ohms at 50 cycles, our lowest speech frequency. Since the plate reactance is about 60,000 to 80,000 ohms only about 3% to 5% of the voltage will be lost in the coupling condenser, at the lowest frequency. At 100 cycles only about 2% is lost in the condenser, and as the frequency increases the loss is less and less. If a 2 mfd. condenser is used, the loss in voltage in the condenser at the lowest frequency is reduced to 2%, and above this frequency it decreases also. In either case the loss is so small that we may regard this as uniform amplification at all frequencies.

The coupling condenser should be one which is capable of withstanding the entire plate voltage and should have very high insulation resistance. If its leakage is appreciable, some positive potential from the plate battery may get to the grid of the succeeding tube. The best type of condenser to use is the Western Electric No. 21-AK, 1 mfd. If 2 mfd. are used two of these may be used in parallel, or better still, one Western Electric No. 21-D, 2 mfd. condenser will do. Both of these are capable of withstanding the voltage generally employed in audio frequency amplifiers. If these condensers are not available, a Kellogg No. 62 condenser (2 mfd.) may be used to advantage.

The function of the grid leak is, of course, to furnish a path for the discharge of any negative voltages which may be accumulated on the grid, for otherwise this negative charge, if it increases, may block the tube, prevent passage of plate circuit, and thus prevent the tube from functioning. Its value must likewise be carefully chosen in order to avoid reducing the amplification of the previous tube.

The grid leak may be regarded as being in parallel with the plate reactor for audio frequencies, for the coupling condenser has negligible reactance compared to the plate reactor. Thus, if *R* is made very small it is equivalent to shunting the plate reactance with a small resistance, which has the effect of reducing the effective impedance in the plate circuit of the tube and thus reducing the amplification. In other words, the grid leak must have a value such that if placed in parallel with the plate reactance it will not reduce the effective impedance in the plate circuit. In this case any value of grid leak above 500,000 ohms will be found to leave the effective impedance in the plate circuit unchanged.

On the other hand, the grid leak must not be made too great. Thus if a leak of 10 megohms is used, it may be found that the above mentioned blocking may occur, because the negative charge leaks off too slowly through a high leak. That is, the grid may be charging up negatively faster than it discharges through the high leak. In general, with the above mentioned constants for *L* and *C* almost any value between 500,000 ohms and 2 megohms will be found suitable for the grid leak. It will be observed that a *C* battery is used to apply a small negative potential to the grids of the amplifier tubes. This is to obtain an operating point for the amplifier which will enable distortionless amplification to be secured. Without this *C*

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An Improved Interference Eliminator

An Instrument of Universal Adaptability for Rejecting Undesired External Sounds From a Receiver

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SINCE my original article on an interference eliminator I have been flooded with mail wanting to know more about it, and stating the results obtained. For the benefit of those who did not see this article I will explain the principles, object and functions.

The main object is to decrease the interference (static, harmonics, interference from other nearby stations, etc.) It makes the receiver very selective and increases its receiving range, although this receiver is not recommended for volume but for distance. The desired volume may be reached by adding amplification. This interference eliminator may be used with almost any type of receiver and any design of antenna and ground system.

The tuner for this circuit as shown in Fig. 3 may be constructed as follows: Upon a bakelite tube 3½ in. in diameter and 7 in. long, ½ in. from the edge, wind 2 turns of No. 14 DCC copper wire this being the primary winding; ½ in. from this winding wind 30 turns of No. 24 DCC copper wire, this being the tickler; 1 in. from this wind 30 turns of No. 22 DCC copper wire tapped every sixth turn, making five taps in all, this being the primary loading coil. Then obtain a wooden rotor to rotate snugly inside of this tube and wind it with 30 turns of No. 22 DCC copper wire tapping it in the center, so that when contact is made at the center tap stations may be tuned in that are transmitting in the vicinity 100 meters.

A hollow brass tube 6 in. long and 3/16 in. in diameter may be used as a shaft for this rotor. The leads from the winding are brought out through the hollow shaft, preventing injury to the leads while the rotor is being rotated.

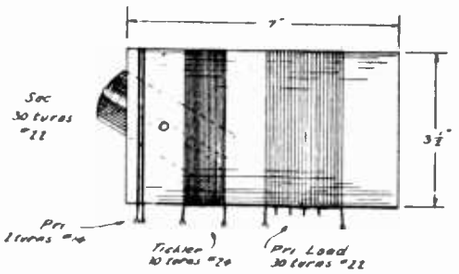

Fig. 3. Tuner for Interference Eliminator

The primary, secondary and tickler are shunted with a variable capacity of .0005 mfd.

Tune the receiver as usual. Then vary the resistance *R* until the oscillation of the coupling tube is heard. The primary loading coil should be cut out when listening on short waves (100 meters) and the secondary switch arm should be at the center tap. When tuning above these waves use full secondary and increase primary loading coil. Minimum coupling is established by using but two primary turns coupled to the secondary which will give sharp tuning.

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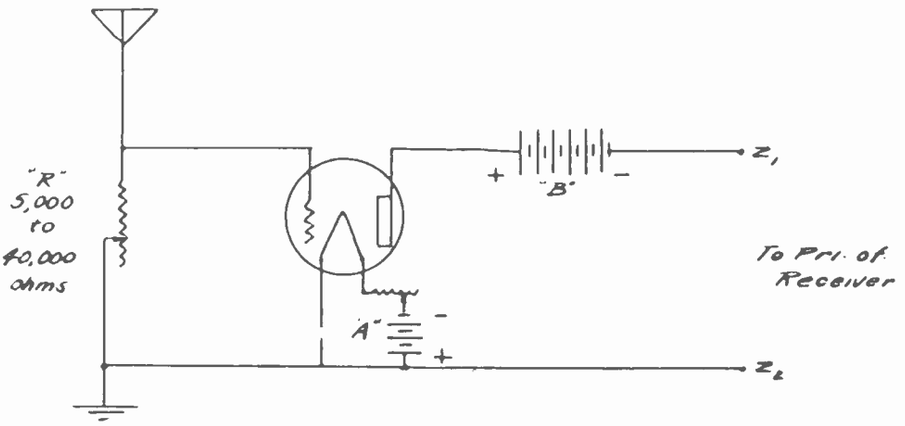

Fig. 1. Circuit of Interference Eliminator

Fig. 1 shows the circuit. The leads Z_1 and Z_2 may be connected to the primary circuit of any receiver. *R* is a non inductive variable resistance from 5,000 to 40,000 ohms. The adjustment of this resistance depends upon the type of tube used and controls oscillations of the coupling tube (this tube is called the coupling tube or radio frequency amplifying tube because it couples the antenna to the receiver and is used as a radio frequency amplifier). Any type of standard receiving tube should give fair results when used as the coupling tube, although Western Electric VT 1, known as the J tube was used in these experiments.

Fig. 2 shows the circuit as published in May RADIO. This circuit will tune from about 80 to 220 meters. Radiocasting and amateur stations transmitting on these low waves can be heard with ease. The wave length may be increased for higher wave lengths by increasing the capacity shunting the primary and secondary circuits.

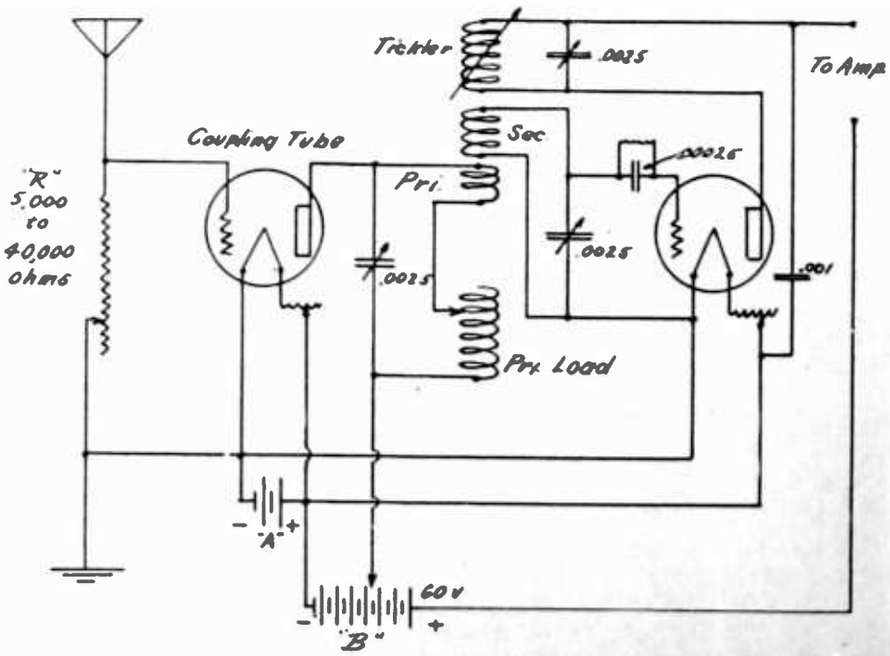

Fig. 2. Eliminator Circuit With Detector

Resistance Control of Regeneration in Tuned Circuit Radio Frequency Amplifiers

A Commonsense Discussion of R. F. Amplification and an Exposé of Several Fallacies Thereof

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BUT few individuals appear to really understand why better results can be obtained by the use of radio frequency amplification ahead of the detector circuit than by increasing the number of stages of audio frequency amplification beyond that in the average set. The usual reason advanced that a detector is a current square device and therefore operates best on strong signals, is not substantiated by mathematical anaysis. It is often true that a detector will not operate satisfactorily on weak signals, but this is due either to incorrect adjustment of the grid bias or to the use of a tube which will not deliver sufficient grid current, and not to the fact that a tube detector gives a response in the plate circuit which is proportional to the square of the amplitude of the high frequency voltage impressed on the grid.

The fact that imperfect tubes and incorrect adjustment of circuits often prevent detection of weak signals is one reason for the use of radio frequency amplification in place of additional stages of audio frequency amplification. The fact that audio frequency noises originating in the tube circuits or elsewhere are in general not amplified by radio frequency amplifiers, whereas they may be amplified many times by audio frequency amplifiers, is a second reason for the use of radio frequency amplification.

Perhaps the most important reason, however, is the increase in selectivity which can be obtained with proper circuits. This selectivity is much more pronounced in the tuned circuit amplifier than in the radio frequency transformer coupled amplifier as it is primarily due to the use of a system of tuned circuits interconnected by tubes so that the reaction of one circuit on the preceding circuit is small although it is very troublesome, as we shall see. Even though a two or three-stage tuned circuit radio frequency amplifier might not deliver to the detector a stronger signal than could be obtained by connecting the detector circuit directly to the antenna, its use might be justified on the basis of the increased selectivity obtained.

Fig. 1 shows a theoretical diagram for a tuned circuit amplifier. This circuit is not recommended for actual use and will only be used to illustrate the principles involved. Selectivity is due to the fact that three separate low resistance circuits must be tuned to the incoming signal before maximum signal strength can be obtained. The incoming signal produces an alternating current of like frequency in the plate circuit of the first tube. The condensers C are large so any voltage across the condenser C_1 and coil L_1 in the plate circuit of the first tube will be impressed between the grid and filament of the second tube. This voltage will be a maximum when the circuit L_1 C_1 is tuned to the incoming frequency.

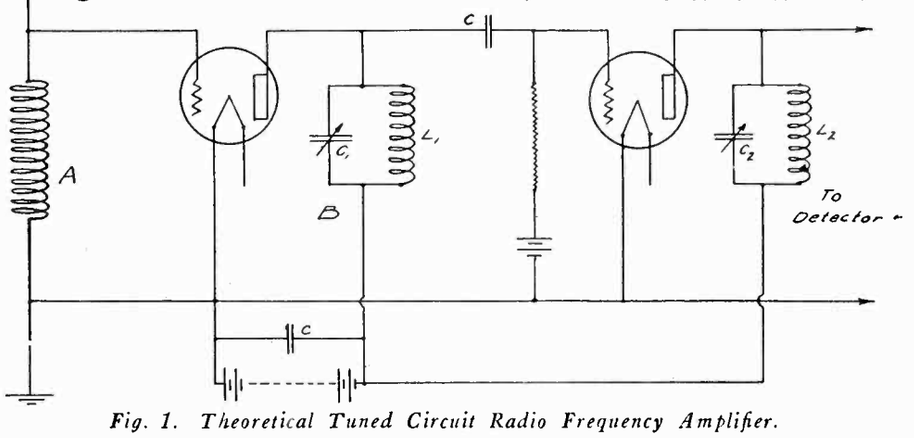

Fig. 1. Theoretical Tuned Circuit Radio Frequency Amplifier.

It now becomes necessary to discuss why this circuit is not useable in its present form. It will be remembered that one method of obtaining regeneration was to make use of the capacitance which exists between the plate and grid of the tube and adjacent wiring connections. With a variometer or a tuned circuit in the plate of the tube regeneration to the point of oscillation and beyond can be produced. This regeneration is due to the fact that the voltage induced on the grid by the alternating voltage across the plate circuit impedance is of such value as to accentuate the changes in the plate current. (See article by the writer in RADIO for October, 1924.) It is evident that if circuit B containing L_1 C_1 is tuned exactly to the frequency of the aerial circuit A we have a condition where *oscillations will surely be produced provided the system is amplifying efficiently and providing circuits A and B are of low resistance.* This production of oscillation is not dependent on any coupling between circuits A and B other than the capacitance between the elements of the tube and it *cannot* be prevented by placing the coils and condensers in any particular position or by winding the coils in any particular direction. These statements are made to emphasize the fact that the production of oscillations in a circuit of this type, *is inherent* if the system is worthy of being called an amplifier at all.

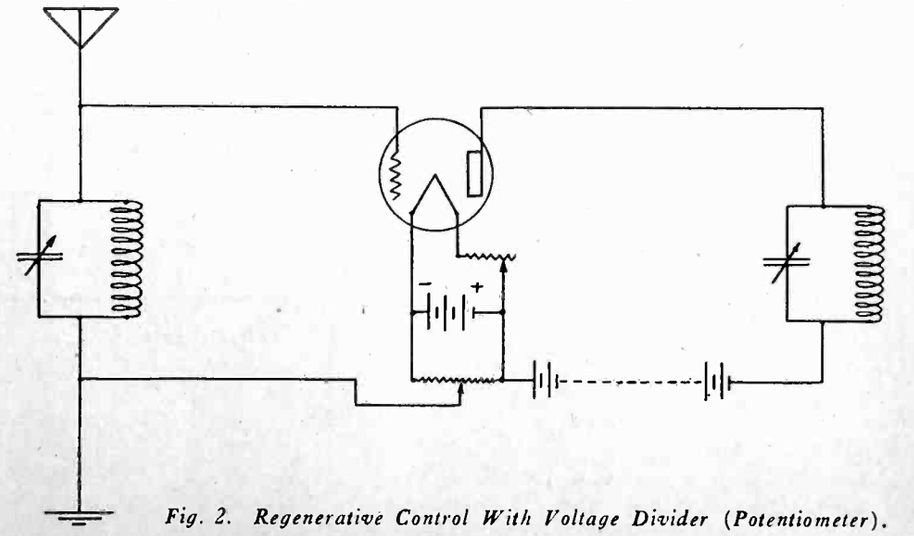

Fig. 2. Regenerative Control With Voltage Divider (Potentiometer).

The prevention of oscillations in a tuned circuit radio frequency amplifier may be characterized as "regeneration limitation." Regeneration may be limited in one of two ways. The first method consists in the deliberate or unconscious introduction of loss into one or both of the radio frequency circuits. This method of regeneration limitation has been ably characterized by one writer as dignified not by its merit so much as by its extensive practice. (See article on "Anti-Regenerative Amplification" by Louis M. Hull in Q. S. T. for January, 1924.)

A very common method of limiting regeneration is by the use of a voltage divider (potentiometer) as shown in Fig. 2. The sliding contact is used to place a positive potential on the grid. The grid current which results may be made sufficiently great to limit the amplification to a point where oscillations will not be produced. A very serious objection to this method of regeneration limitation is the fact that a tube operating with a positive grid bias acts as a very good rectifier or detector and therefore considerable distortion is produced.

A better way to introduce losses into the circuit is to introduce resistance either in series or parallel with one of the radio frequency circuits as shown in Figs. 3 and 4. The maximum value of *R* as shown in Fig. 3 should be about 50 ohms. Adjustment of the amount of loss in Fig. 4 is obtained by adjusting the condenser *C* which should be of a very small capacitance. In Fig. 4 *R* should have a value of about 50,000 ohms.

Control of regeneration by the three methods outlined above is open to the objection that it is based on the introduction of resistance into one of the high frequency circuits which tends to decrease the selectivity of the entire system. While it is true that the effect of any regeneration left in the system will be to neutralize the effect of this resistance it is equally true that from a practical standpoint the system will not be as selective as it would be if the resistance had been left out and some other method of regeneration control had been used. The advantage of the resistance or loss method of regeneration control is that it is extremely simple and can easily be introduced and used with any tuned circuit radio frequency amplifier.

Because of this simplicity it is suggested that those desirous of experimenting with tuned radio frequency amplifier circuits begin their studies by using some circuit like those shown in Figs. 3 and 4 which will give surprising results. A number of manufacturers now have on the market variable resistances of the non-inductive type which can be inserted into radio frequency circuits to provide the loss necessary to limit regeneration.

The potentiometer system of control as shown in Fig. 2 is not recommended because, as has been stated, it produces distortion. In addition, the use of the positive grid potential necessary for regeneration control produces an excessive plate current which will cause the rapid deterioration of the average *B* battery.

It is particularly important that if the loss method of control is used the resistance be introduced directly into the radio frequency circuit rather than to rely upon indefinite resistances and losses due to imperfect apparatus and high resistance coils and condensers. After the experimenter has realized the full possibilities and understands the limitations of the loss methods of regeneration control he will be in a better position to understand and use those methods of control which strike directly at the real reason for the production of oscillation in tuned circuit radio frequency amplifiers. These methods of control will be discussed next month in RADIO.

There is another kind of regeneration limitation by the loss method which for want of a better name I will call "Unconscious limitation of regeneration by the introduction of unknown or undefined losses and resistances." This method is in use by those who state that their circuits do not need to provide for a neutralization of the feed-back effect between plate and grid or for resistance loss which will prevent the production of oscillations.

In such circuits *regeneration limitation does exist regardless of statements to the contrary and it is invariably of the loss type.* The losses are introduced either consciously or unconsciously by the use of high resistance windings, high resistance condensers, improper adjustments, and even by such simple methods as reducing the filament current of the tube to such a point that amplification is partly or completely destroyed. The objection to such circuits is of course obvious. If the location of the limiting resistance is unknown or undefined, they cannot be properly varied and regeneration cannot be satisfactorily controlled. The operator does not understand the principles involved because they have not been pointed out and he has no means of knowing whether or not his adjustments are correct. The designers of such circuits either do not know or refuse to recognize the fundamental principles involved.

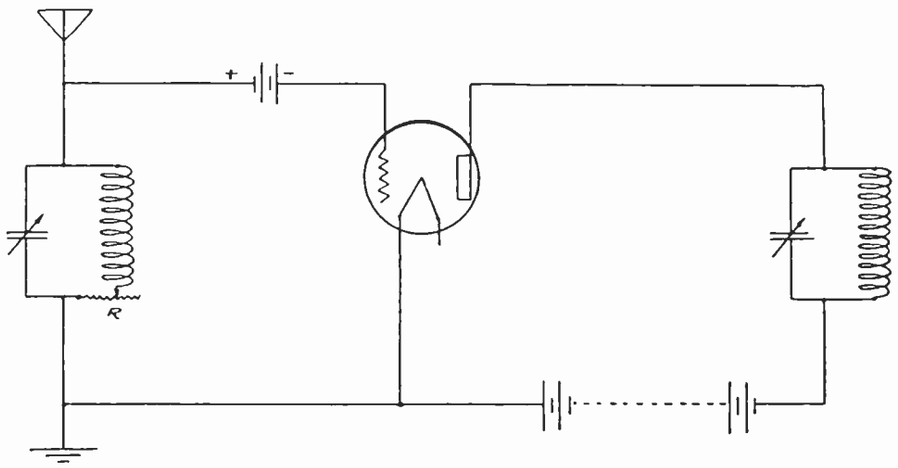

Fig. 3. Limitation of Regeneration With Series Resistance.

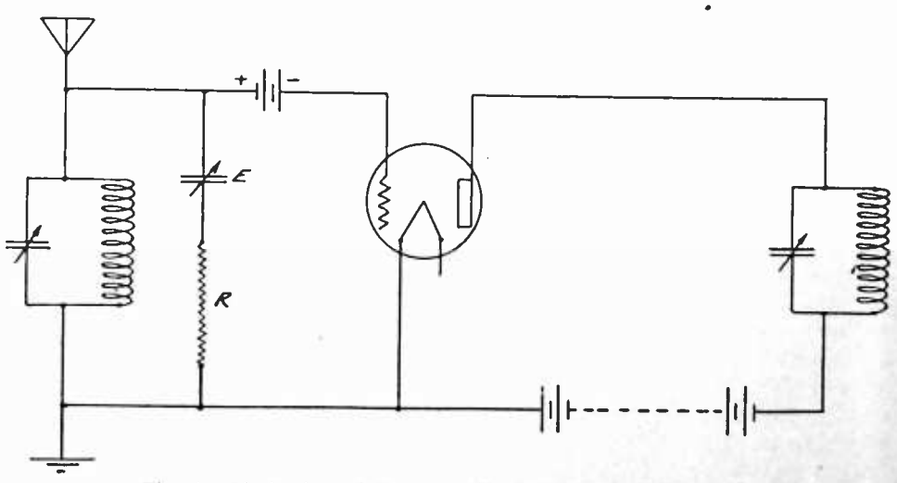

Fig. 4. Limitation of Regeneration With Shunt Resistance.

More About the Harmonic Transmitter

Further Details Concerning a Practical Method for Getting Down to The Shorter Wavelengths

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THERE is nothing new about working antennas on their harmonics. This useful method has been "discovered" many times through the oscillating of an apparently unresonant circuit. But it has not become generally known since there has been no demand for working an antenna below its fundamental.

Ballentine says that the fundamental of the antenna is the best wave at which to work our transmitters and as each harmonic is really a fundamental wave whose frequency depends only on the original fundamental frequency, then each harmonic is the best place at which to operate. However, I wouldn't carry this any farther than about the twentieth harmonic since they tend to get weak. The harmonics do not get stronger as they approach the fundamental wave; on the contrary they often get stronger as they are farther away. Regardless of wave the following harmonics are given as found at 8*XC* varying from greatest intensity to least: 3, 5, 4, 2, 9, 12, while 6, 7, 8, 10, etc. were good. (This may be decidedly different at your station).

The transmitter in Fig. 1 if properly built, will have as great a range as any "wave hound" would wish. This transmitting circuit will oscillate freely over the whole range from 10 to 90 (or more) meters. The tube should get no redder at 10 than at 90 meters if the circuit is in proper resonance and the losses from coils and condensers are kept as low as is possible.

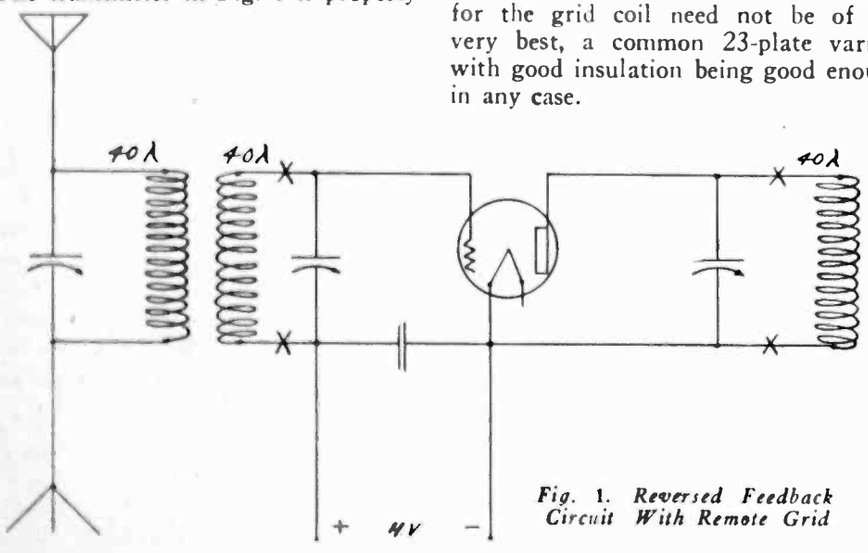

Fig. 1. Reversed Feedback Circuit With Remote Grid

There are three coils in the hookup; the antenna, plate, and remote grid coil. The antenna coil, as well as the plate coil, is Lorentz style (low loss). This type is easily made by winding No. 12 DCC (or cotton-enamel) copper wire on a form with five pegs 5 in. in diameter. Five pegs will be sufficient since a greater number would only add to the capacity of the coils. Coils wound in such a manner, when hooked up, will change the wave about four meters per turn. (This is general—yours may be different).

Before removing the coil from the form be sure that a waxed thread has been inter-woven between the spaces to be left by the pegs; you can't expect these coils to hold their form. Having tied up the coil with the waxed thread and having removed it from the form, take the two free ends and wind empire cloth about them leaving about 2 in. of each wire loose. About ½ in. up each end bend each wire to right angles so that they may easily be mounted and supported by two binding posts. It is best that the binding posts be mounted on pyrex glass for lowest losses.

Both the antenna and plate coils are mounted in this way but the grid coil, being remote, can be made in any manner, the radiation being the same at any time it is in resonance. The condenser for the grid coil need not be of the very best, a common 23-plate variety with good insulation being good enough in any case.

The antenna and plate coils do need good condensers since these two coils are the link between "getting out and not getting out." A poor condenser across the plate coil will burn out eventually so that it pays to get a good low-loss condenser in the first place. Many of us have heard stations whose wave jumps so much that it is impossible to copy. Such is probably the result of a poor condenser.

A good transmitting condenser can easily be made. Purchase a condenser that is not of the "moulded mud" type and has good bakelite ends with the metallic connections to the two halves far apart in the insulation. Next take out half of the stationary plates and half of the rotary plates. This will double space all the plates and make it doubly hard for the radio frequency to jump between them. Such a condenser has a good range of wavelengths when placed across a coil.

The antenna coil does not have to be changed at any time in the tuning as the condenser across it will handle this nicely.

The plate coil will probably have to be changed three times in the range from 10 to 80 meters. For the ranges of 10-20, 20-40, and 40-80 meters the first coils should have about 3 turns, 6 turns, and 9 turns respectively (this is quite general).

The size of the grid coil can be found out by experiment, however the ranges of 10-30 and 30-80 meters can be made with little trouble.

The fundamental of the antenna should be at least 130 per cent of the highest wave to be used. A larger fundamental can be used with great advantage since the greater the fundamental wave the nearer the harmonics are together; which would not necessitate tuning the fundamental so much. In other words build as large an antenna as possible. A large antenna would mean a larger radiator and therefore a better chance of radiating more energy into the antenna and atmosphere.

The tuning is quite simple. It might be best to first place a double-pole, single-throw switch to disconnect the antenna coil from the condenser and antenna. Next tune the plate circuit to about the wave you would like to use (this will be guess work at first) and then tune the grid circuit to resonance. Be sure that you have a good wavemeter before tuning as the legal bands are quite narrow.

The "oscillator" (grid and plate circuit) having been tuned to a desirable wave, connect the antenna and vary the condenser until maximum radiation is found. This is simply tuning the fundamental around until one of its harmonics can be found that will fall on the wave that the set is tuned to.

The oscillator can be tuned to resonance by two methods. An ammeter is inserted in the plate lead and then the set is tuned for resonance. When the meter shows least drawing, the circuit is in resonance. If your tubes are red

enough to see they can be watched for sudden cooling when the circuit is in resonance.

If trouble is experienced with the reversed feedback with remote grid (Fig. 1) the circuit shown in Fig. 2 can be tried. This differs little from Fig. 1 except that it is somewhat more fussy due to the grid coil being so near to the plate and antenna coils. Trouble will probably be found in getting over all of the band of waves from 10-80 meters. The grid coil will have to be changed oftener and should be of the low-loss type not unlike that of the plate and antenna coils.

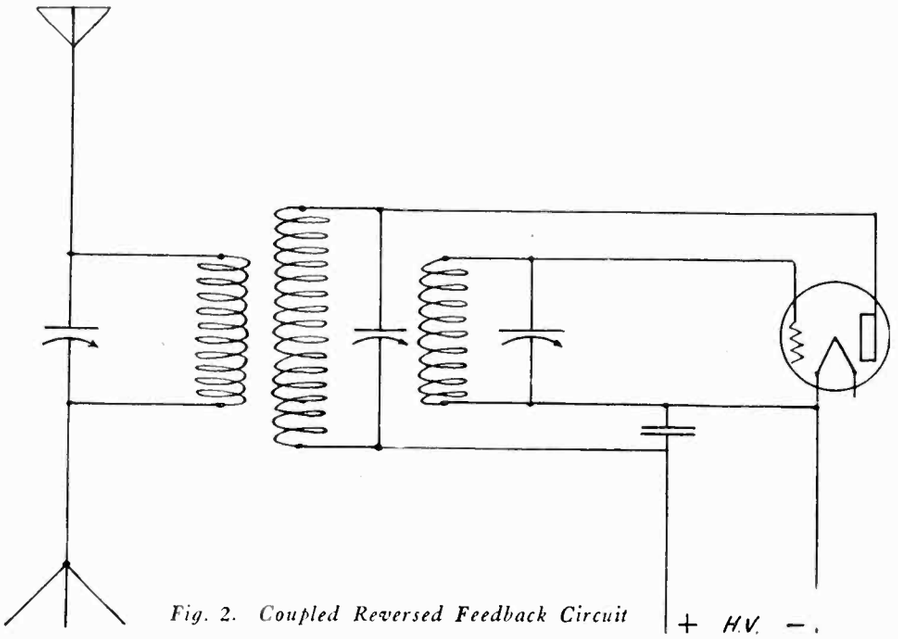

Fig. 2. Coupled Reversed Feedback Circuit

There is no coupled transmitting circuit which cannot be used for harmonic transmission. The coupled Hartley is probably the simplest. This is shown in Fig. 3. The only difficulty is that the range is not wider than that of the greatest condenser setting, since the coil could not be quickly changed, an extra on the coil having been used.

The transmitting condenser across the coil need not have double spacing since it is not subject to such high frequencies. The two parts of the condenser should each be located midway between the extremities of the Hartley coil and the filament—which should be at the nodal point. This coil, if low-loss, should be composed of about 10 turns. It is better that too much wire is used rather than not enough as it is simpler to cut wire off than solder it on.

All of these circuits can be used with the same antenna, coil and condenser. 40 meters isn't such a dark mystery as some of the amateurs make it out to be. 40 meters is excellent, up to about midnight, for long distance work. It is very similar to the 80 meter band with which most of us are now familiar. 10 and 20 meters may be a different problem yet there is no reason why it should be. So get that set hooked up and QSY down to 40 and 20 meters away from that terrible interference on 80 meters.

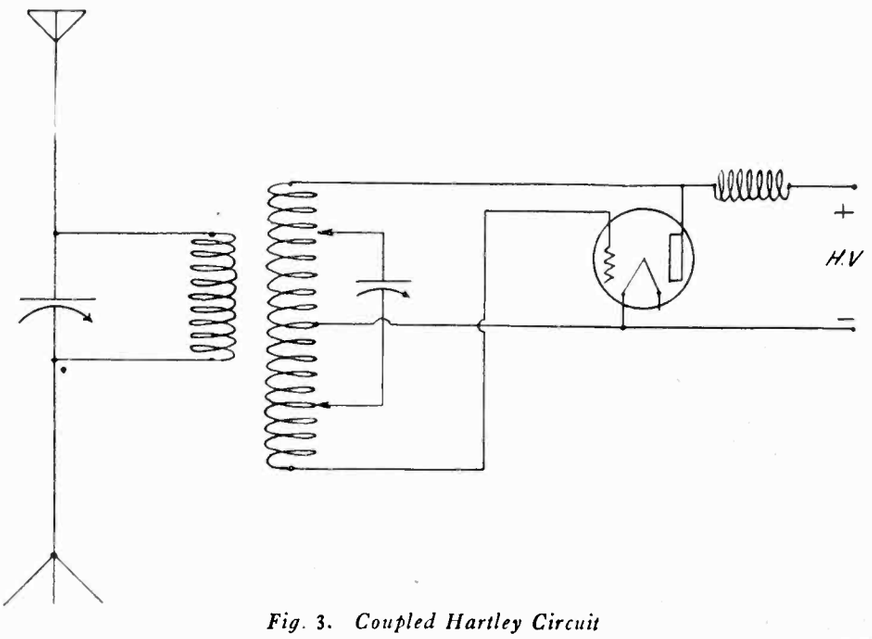

Fig. 3. Coupled Hartley Circuit

A USEFUL MOLDABLE INSULATING MATERIAL

By SAMUEL G. MCMEEN

What is one to do when he feels that he must make several insulating parts alike, in a form that will not permit the use of rods or sheets or tubes of bakelite, and has no equipment for the molding of bakelite or electrose?

What usually happens is that one does without, changing the plan of the work or dropping the endeavor entirely. Either course is to sidestep the problem, and that is bad for the moral fibre of the experimentalist and should be avoided wherever possible.

What is needed is a moldable substance of reasonable insulating qualities, workable without costly or elaborate equipment. It is to be had in a very gratifying degree in the following technique.

The plan embraces the making of plaster of paris casts of the object to be made, then saturating these with hot Brazilian wax. This wax is also known as Carnuba wax, and is of firm consistency and of considerable strength, as waxes go. It has the power of making the plaster cast harder than it would be without the wax treatment, and at the same time of increasing and preserving the insulating qualities.

To make the cast, first prepare the mold. This can be done in a variety of ways, each fitting the special circumstances of the situation. For simple parts, molds often can be turned from metal or wood. If the latter is used, saturate them with something that will resist the water used with the plaster. Paraffine serves the purpose. Beeswax is better. Have these waxes hot and immerse the mold till no more bubbles appear. Among the metals, one may suggest Babbitt metal, type metal, foundrymen's white metal and plain lead. As the plaster is not hot as used, any alloy of low melting point can be used for making the mold.

For molds for parts that are irregular, even those having heavy undercuts that would preclude the use of metal molds, one may well turn to the artists and copy their practice of making glue molds. These will enable us to copy irregular articles. To make them, soak good glue in cold water till soft; pour off the excess of water; heat till melted and add one ounce of glycerine to each ounce of the dry glue. Grease the object to be copied and immerse it in the glue mixture in a suitable vessel. When the glue composition has cooled, it will be of about the consistency of rather soft rubber, and about as flexible. Remove the whole lump from the containing vessel by warming the latter till the outside of the lump is melted a trifle, then cut down one side clear in to the object within, and pull the composition off of the object. It will come away from all the

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A New Coupling System for Transmitting Stations

Constructional and Operating Details of Energy Coupling for Hartley Meissner and Reversed Feedback Circuits

By D. B. McGown

THE coupling between the antenna radiating system and the local oscillator did not receive much attention until interference with nearby stations, particularly those listening on broadcast wavelengths, had to be eliminated. The primary purpose of a coupling system is to connect the antenna to the source of radio frequency energy so that the antenna will radiate electric waves of the frequency desired. Various means have been used, ranging from the obsolete systems of using the antenna itself as the source of oscillations, and inserting a spark gap in the circuit (the old Marconi "plain aerial connection), to the newest system of inductive coupling, which recently appeared in the guise of the "tank circuit."

The direct coupling system, where one inductor was used for the closed and open circuit, followed the plain aerial system. It was more efficient because it removed the high potential low frequency supply and the energy-absorbing spark-gap from the antenna circuit. But its "coupling effects," whereby the radiating antenna system reacted upon the closed circuit, caused an undesired spark-gap action and resultant emission of two waves. With a properly designed quenched spark-gap this effect could be reduced to a minimum, so the spark-gap circuit did not affect the frequency of the antenna circuit, after the initial oscillation had taken place. The difficulties of getting and adjusting a satisfactory system whereby this effect could be eliminated on various wavelengths led to the adoption of "inductive coupling," whereby the antenna and local or "closed" circuits are tuned so that the antenna, with proper coupling, can radiate a single frequency at its own period. Its great advantage is that it minimizes the radiation of undesirable harmonics.

The "tank circuit," as developed by the General Electric Company, is a special form of inductive coupling, whereby the oscillator radiates into a dummy, or "tank" circuit, tuned to the emitted wave, which circuit is coupled electromagnetically to the antenna or radiating circuit. This system greatly decreases interference from harmonics.

In amateur transmission the usual circuits are the Hartley, Meissner and reversed feedback. As originally designed, the Hartley and reversed feedback are direct coupled, while the Meissner is semi-direct coupled, the wavelength being determined by the constants of the antenna circuit, and the grid and plate coils being coupled electro-magnetically to the antenna. These circuits can be designed to couple electro-magnetically to the antenna circuit by arranging them to oscillate into a dummy antenna, or condenser, and then coupling the antenna electro-magnetically to the closed circuit.

In practice the system must be carefully designed and the mutual coupling between circuits must be adjusted to a critical point. If the coupling between the closed and open circuits is too close the wavelength will "flop" in a most uncanny manner due to the change in wavelength caused by the interaction of the circuits. If too loose the energy output is low.

A system of energy coupling employed by several arc stations is shown in Fig. 1. It employs two oscillatory circuits, each tuned to the same frequency. The energy from a local oscillator *O* is supplied to the antenna circuit through coupling inductances *AC* and *BD*. These are very closely coupled to their respective circuits, are absolutely untuned and are connected by the leads *AB* and *CD*, which may be of any length within reason.

As successfully applied at the writer's station, both the antenna and closed circuit inductances were made of edgewise wound copper strip separated ¼ in. between turns. The coupling inductors were made by winding 2 turns of No. 10 rubber-covered stranded battery wire between the turns of the edgewise wound strips. Their ends were connected with No. 10 wire, distances up to 40 ft. separation between circuits causing no appreciable change in efficiency. The leads were run on wooden insulators and separated by 6-in. spacing.

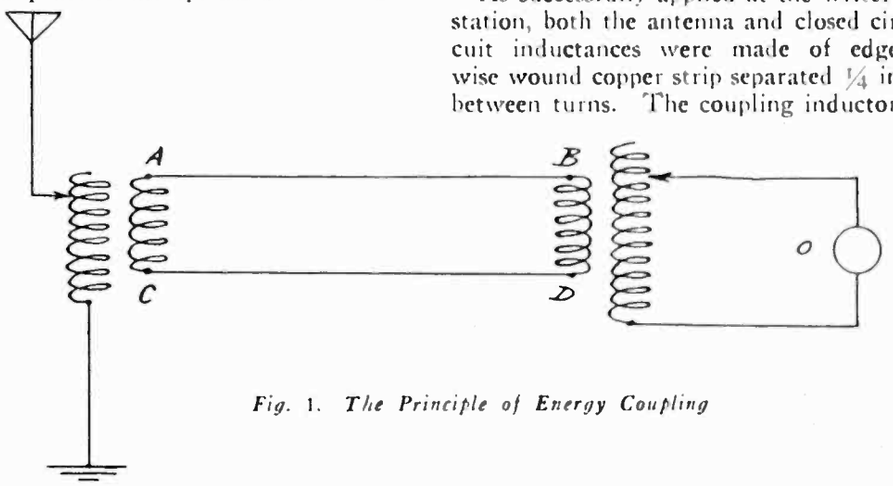

Fig. 1. The Principle of Energy Coupling

Fig. 2 shows how the scheme was applied to a Hartley circuit with a variable

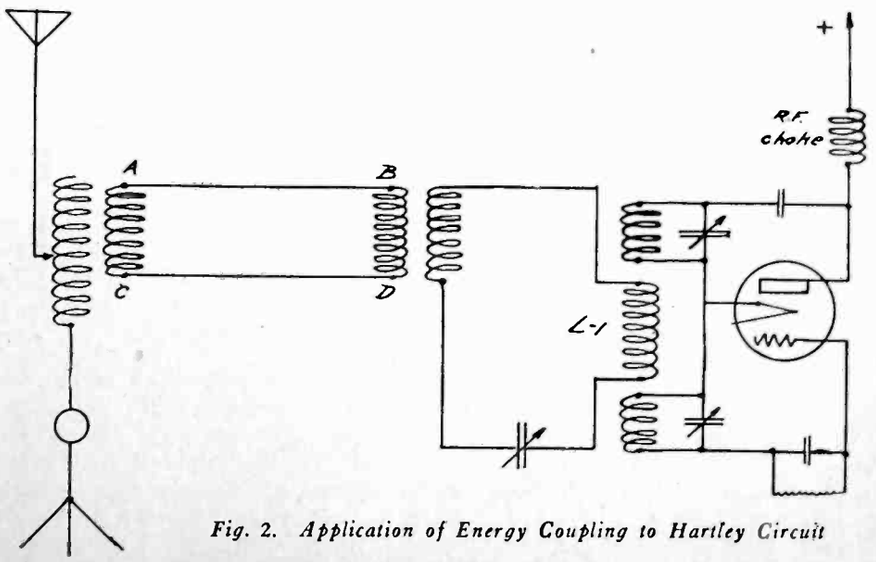

Fig. 2. Application of Energy Coupling to Hartley Circuit

condenser shunted across a part of the closed circuit inductance. Fig. 3 shows its adaptation to the Meissner circuit with a variable condenser as the dummy and a coupling inductance in series which also seems to bring the wavelength to the point desired. The adaptation to the reversed feed back is shown in Fig. 4 the circuit actually resolving itself into a Hartley with a separate tuned grid coil.

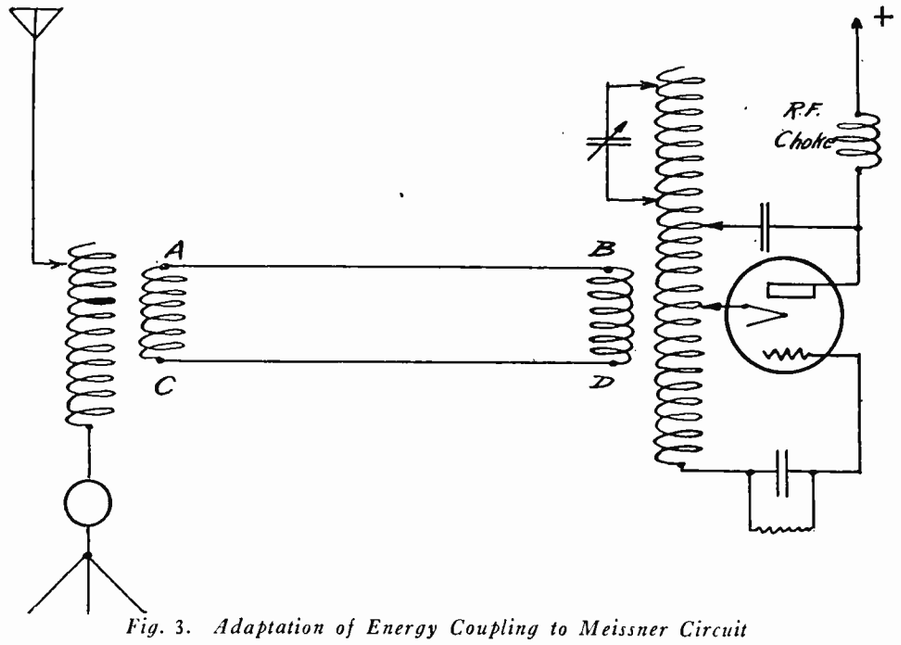

Fig. 3. Adaptation of Energy Coupling to Meissner Circuit

For simplicity and ease of tuning the energy coupled Hartley is hard to beat. For ordinary operation from 75 to 160 meters no change is necessary in the settings of the grid and plate taps in the closed circuit, once they are adjusted to approximately optimum positions. Then with a large variable condenser the whole wavelength range from about 50 to 150 meters can be covered, without re-adjustment. Using energy coupling, therefore, all that remains to adjust is the antenna for the wavelength desired, and the set is tuned.

In practice, set the clip (note, there is only one) on the antenna inductance to some convenient point, and rotate the condenser until the highest reading is obtained on the antenna ammeter. Measure the wavelength, and if right the set is tuned. If the wavelength is too high, reduce the number of turns in circuit. If the wavelength is too low increase the number. Thus only two variable elements are found for a close approximation to the correct tuning. It usually will be found that the exact point of resonance will be found after the grid and plate taps are shifted a trifle, but this may not be necessary, and usually cannot be found unless a grid milliammeter is used as well as the usual one in the plate circuit.

To reduce the wavelength below the fundamental wavelength of the antenna, the usual series condenser can be used. A small series condenser, of the so-called "lowloss" type, is usually recommended, assuming that it is actually constructed so that the losses will be at a minimum.

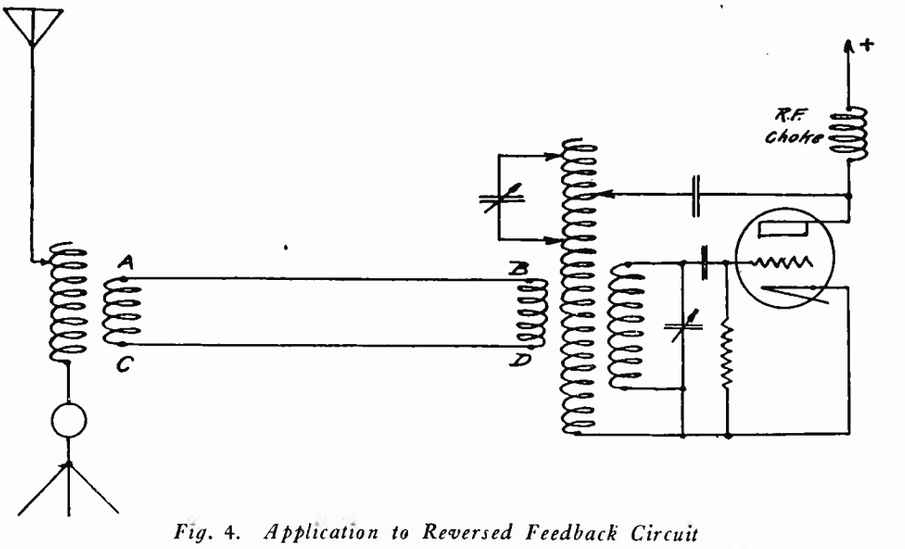

Fig. 4. Application to Reversed Feedback Circuit

Two series condensers are not necessary, usually, as the position of the nodal point seems to make but little difference. It may be found, however, that in some circumstances the use of two condensers is an advantage, as described in *QST* some months ago. When a series condenser is used, it should be remembered that a minimum of capacity and a maximum of inductance should be used at all times for best results, owing to the increased potential thus impressed upon the antenna circuit.

The chief advantages of this system are that it gives a wave free from harmonics and the emission of a maximum of energy for a given input. Furthermore it gives the ability to set up the oscillator inside of a station quite remote from the antenna. It is thus possible to put an antenna and counterpoise on the roof using a water-tight box to house the tuning inductors, and then run the leads down several stories, through the radio frequency power line, to the set. The difficulty in accurately tuning the closed circuit to resonance with the antenna was met by mounting the ammeter in the open circuit so that it could be seen from the operating table through a telescope. The closed circuit was then adjusted, and the ammeter reading noted through the telescope.

A FEATHERWEIGHT MAST

By F. K. Leslie

In May, 1924 *QST*, 8KS told us he had a 65-ft. tin mast. However, that is about all he told us. If he had only mentioned how he raised it, what a lot of grief he would have saved me, and perhaps others. After several attempts at raising seven assembled 10-ft. sections of gutter spout skyward with a gin pole, I gave it up, also the pipe. However, I now can point with a bit of pride to 70 ft. of tin standing rigid and vertical, supporting a 40-lb. antenna 60 ft. long.

The mast is 3 in. D-No. 26 gauge corrugated galvanized conductor pipe, consisting of seven 10-ft. sections. The sections are joined by telescoping one within the other. I assembled three sections on the ground in this manner. Placing an end of one section against a solid support (I used the house foundation), I rammed, with a block of hard wood and a mallet, another section into it a distance of a foot. (The block of wood is used against the end of the pipe to prevent it from upsetting). Section No. 3 was likewise telescoped into No. 2. I found I could handle the assembled 30 ft. very nicely alone. On the end of Section No. 1 I fitted a tin can for a cap, soldering with a healthy blowtorch. Just below the can I wrapped two turns of flexible galvanized clothesline through the pulley eye, soldering the wire at all the high spots to the pipe. The top set of three guy wires were also wrapped and soldered to this loop. (Here I might add that raw muriatic acid is the best flux).

The same was done at the joint of section 2 and section 3, this being the middle set of guys. The assembled 30

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The "C" Battery Produces A Surprise

A Graphic Account of how the Input From a Hartley Circuit was Increased 50 Per Cent

By L. W. Hatry

THE phenomenon which I am about to relate, may be one of those oddities that individual sets are prone to have. Therefore, I won't be careless enough to claim that it should work for everyone, but only that there might be some others who can benefit by the knowledge.

It happened when I discovered the surprise that I was using the Hartley circuit with the shunt feed as shown in Fig. 1. The grid condenser was the usual .002 and the grid-leak, 12,500 ohms, these having been found the best values for my set. A tuned choke in series with the grid-leak eliminated the small loss inevitable with one not protected in that manner. Two 5-watt tubes were used and the input was 100 milamps at 550 volts dc, 55 watts. With commendable curiosity I wondered if a *C* battery was of any account, and if it would produce identical results with the grid condenser and leak, which, to my mind, it should. It didn't! I replaced the condenser and leak with the *C* battery, adjusted it and the set carefully, and found myself with a 50 per cent increase in input, 150 mils now, and a .4 higher antenna current.

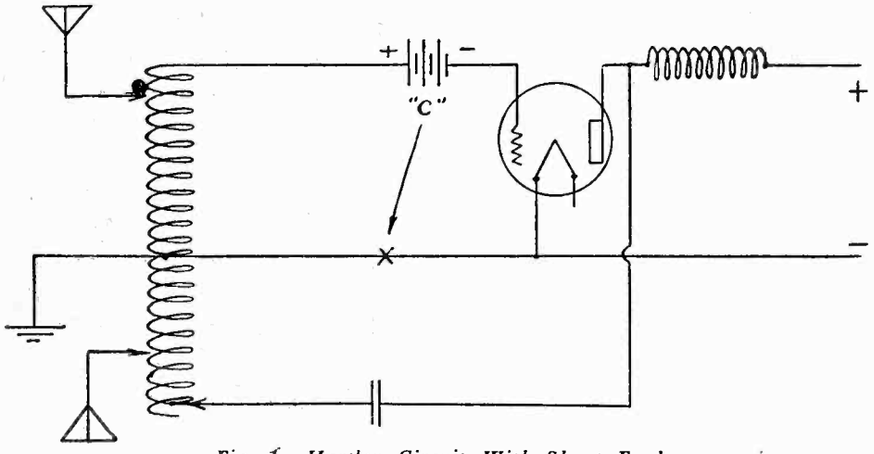

Fig. 1. Hartley Circuit With Shunt Feed, With "C" Battery in Grid Lead; "X" Shows Where Also Tried.

Figures immediately revealed to me that the set was functioning as efficiently as before but at greater power. The antenna current, as I suppose most of you know, varies as the square root of the power supplied to the antenna. The power supplied the antenna varies directly with the input, so we are allowed the obvious inference that the antenna current varies with the square root of the input power to the set. Thus, considering my original power input as 1, my new power input became 1.5; my original antenna current was 2.1 down to 2, and my new antenna current 2.4 to 2.5. Multiplying the old antenna current by the square root of the new power of 1.5, is expressed 2x 1.2 and the product is 2.4, the theoretical antenna current to be obtained by a 50 per cent increase in power. Thus the theory and practice checked for once.

Presuming from the result with the *C* battery that my grid condenser and leak might be wrong, I repeated all my tests for best values of those two constants, thereby causing myself about three hours' work. (It might be mentioned here that most of the two-tube sets for which I have obtained figures, had a plate input of 60 to 90 mils at 500 volts mgdc. Some 4-tube sets had inputs of only 100 to 120 mils, also, so you see I had good reason to feel surprised.) However, the only result of the check was a reaffirming of the values that had been in use and was forced to decide that the *C* battery represented a means of increasing the input and output of my set. This result was exactly what I had been trying to accomplish with exciting plate voltages and other expedients, and was therefore the more useful, being convenient and easy.

Similar experiments with the reversed feedback circuit were unsuccessful. I am at loss to account for the action of the *C* battery in the Hartley circuit and its impotency in the Rev. Fbk.

Now, if you wish to try this *C* battery stunt, its arrangement is shown in Fig. 1. In my case the correct value of *C* battery was 67.5 volts, and it is advisable to have at least 90 volts on tap, variable in 1.5 volt steps from the first 45. But don't allow the lack of such a variable battery keep you from trying the *C* battery, if you have a fixed one. You will need greater or less value of *C* battery as your plate voltage is greater or less than 500. The *C* battery should be shunted by a condenser of at least .005 capacity or greater, it doesn't matter how much greater. Two rf chokes will be required in the leads to the *C* battery, as shown, unless you mount it so that it provides minimum length grid leads, and insulate it from leakage. Where you mount the *C* battery under the table or some way that requires very long leads, the two rf chokes are necessary. If the two chokes are used, they should be mounted with at least 2-in. separation and at right angles. They can be made of very fine wire, No. 30 or smaller, and would preferably be wound on a 1-in. diameter form because of its compactness; 350 turns is the correct value. If you use a dry-cell battery cover, 300 turns, and if a 4-in. form, 250 turns. These chokes should be mounted with leads as short as possible to the condenser shunting the *C* battery. The 1-in. choke, by the way,

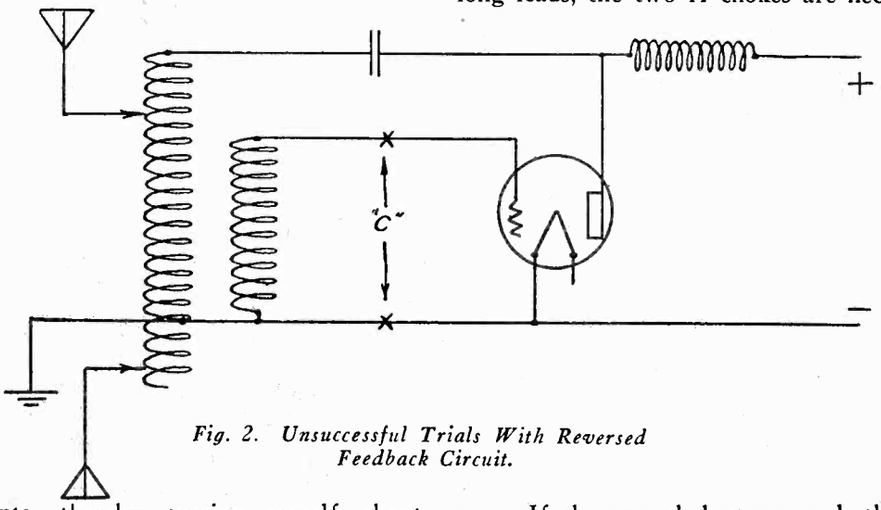

Fig. 2. Unsuccessful Trials With Reversed Feedback Circuit.

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QUALIFYING FOR AN OPERATOR'S LICENSE

By KENNARD MCCLEES

It is unlikely that anyone who is sufficiently interested in radio to wish to become a commercial operator will not have had some home or amateur experience. A wireless school course never takes the place of this, although it is often a necessary supplement. An ease of sending, a feeling of being at home with the key, as acquired through amateur practice, is never gained with the mechanical apparatus to be found in a school.

The chief value of a school lies in its equipment. Here the student may handle and thoroughly familiarize himself with the various types of apparatus of which he has only read. A school which is completely fitted with modern equipment should be selected; there should be at least one complete installation of modern quenched-spark transmitting equipment, an example of shipboard arc installation, and receiving apparatus of a commercial type for undamped waves, as well as the other commercial types of receiving apparatus.

Given good instructions to explain the foregoing, it will take the layman, with no experience, the best part of a year to qualify for a first grade commercial operator's license. The man with several years amateur experience can earn his ticket in perhaps half that time. The examinations are stiffer than they used to be, however, and a man must be able to practically build a set out of odds and ends as well as send and receive code at the required speed before he will be sent out on a ship with the lives of many people in his care and the safety of a valuable cargo depending on his ability to face emergency.

Many of the correspondence school courses promise more than they can possibly fill. They offer a six to ten weeks course with a two hundred dollar a month salary at the end of it, when it should be known that the ship operator who draws down ninety per is never a raw beginner. Also the radio inspectors quickly recognize a "question and answer" man, as these students are known, and do not look upon them with favor.

So the applicant who has worked with amateur transmitting equipment is that much ahead of the game, and the student who is just entering the game should install it as soon as possible. If electric lighting current is at hand this should not prove expensive as many parts can be put together from material that is either around or can be purchased at a low cost. A CW or vacuum tube equipment is to be preferred to spark as experience with the former is essential and the transmitting range is, of course, increased. A small buzzer set is an essential, as constant practice is needed and there is not someone always on the air to work. Good sending does not come easily and a steady hand should be the aim of every tyro.

It will take about one hundred thousand words of practice sending to develop a fair hand. Several pages from a book or magazine should be sent on the buzzer set daily, and a slow steady gait must be the first object. Speed should not be attempted as, when tried early in the game, it invariably leads to a jerky, stuttering method of sending that can never be entirely lost. An excellent rule for speed is that which allows for no more than one break or mistake in every fifty and later, every hundred words.

Care should be taken to grasp the key-knob in a firm, but not tense, fashion. There should be no strain and no cramp and the best way to reach this desired condition while retaining a firm grasp is as follows; Place the key so that the entire forearm can rest easily on the table, the index finger falling on the knob with the second finger against the right-hand edge; now—the secret of good sending—the thumb must go under the rim of the key to the left, this gives a true grip on the key and leads one to avoid that mannerism called "tapping," which lacks the accuracy and roundness that is easily recognized in the expert who always handles his key this way. Remember to always space your letters evenly and to maintain an even speed as this is the true object of all your practice. A uniform method of sending will be certain to gain you your license, while individualistic mannerisms may hold you up indefinitely.

To turn to the receiving side of student operation it will be necessary to have something to listen-in on. A simple beginning is best and if the student is in or near a coastal city he will find many amateur and ship stations within reach of a crystal detector set. The parts necessary are; a double slide tuning coil, or preferable a small loose coupler, a silicon or galena detector, a pair of phones, and a fixed or phone condenser. This modest beginning can be added to as his experience dictates and there are fewer parts to confuse him at a time when many dials will do more harm than good. Although these simple instruments can be largely constructed by anyone, the reliably made factory articles now obtainable will prove a valuable saving in time. No important experience is gained in making these parts as the method of construction can be seen at a glance and followed through in the mind.

With these parts wired up before him, he can listen in on the seemingly ceaseless amateur traffic going on about him and can undoubtedly find some beginner like himself who is interested in sending and receiving at a slow rate. If care has been taken to purchase a loose coupler which will receive as high as 800 meters, the shipboard and radio compass stations can be heard, and when familiarity with the code is gained an important knowledge of the way traffic is handled will come from studying their messages.

When the pocketbook admits the purchase of an audion tube this with some long-wave honey-comb coils should be the next addition as they will bring in the high-power arc stations anywhere in the United States. Much of this high-power transmission is carried on at a comparatively slow rate of speed, with many of the larger arcs on the air almost continuously. This affords the student practice at practically any hour of the day or night, and he has his choice of fast or slow code. The man who is able to copy this commercial telegraph

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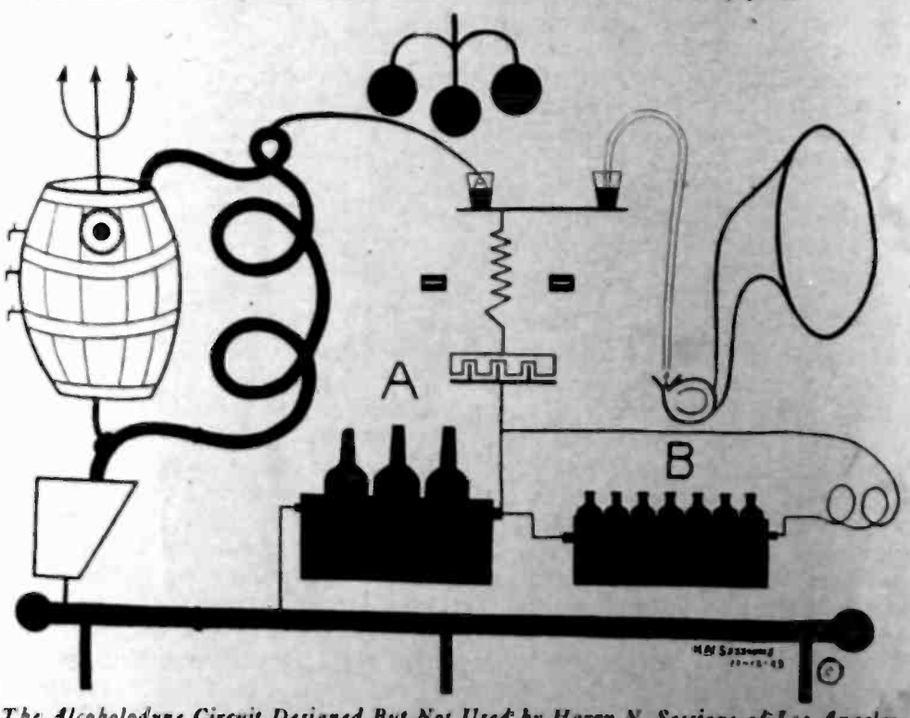


The Alcoholodyne Circuit Designed But Not Used by Harry N. Sessions of Los Angeles.

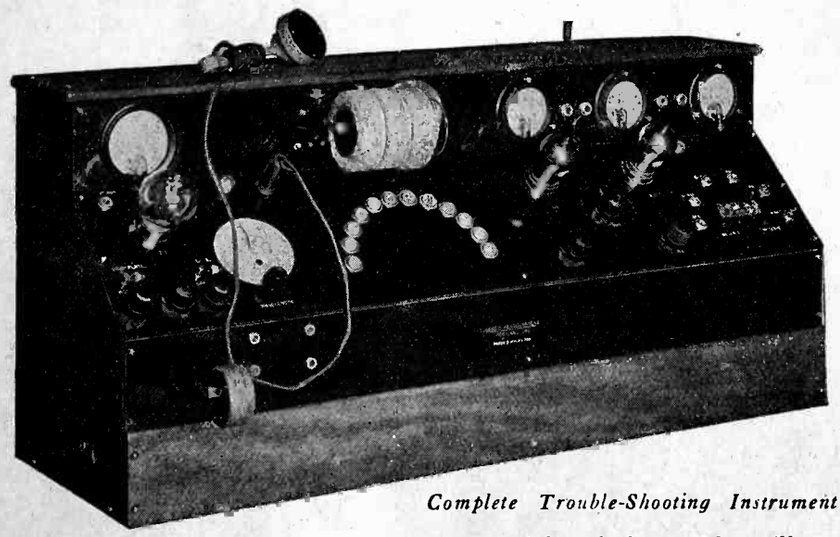
A Radio Set Trouble Shooter

A Convenient and Speedy Method for Detecting Hidden Defects in a Complete Receiver or Parts Thereof

By Sidney L. Goodwin and Arthur L. Smith

AS mysterious troubles may develop in a new or an old receiving set, the repair man must be prepared to diagnose the symptoms and prescribe the remedy. This is ordinarily done by a laborious testing of circuits and parts, involving much time. To expedite this work at their laboratories at Portland, Oregon, the authors have assembled a complete fault-finding equipment which gives the required data with a minimum of time and effort.

This test equipment has been conveniently assembled as shown in the accompanying illustration. The radio set under suspicion is merely placed in front of the trouble shooter and subjected to a series of tests which quickly locate the trouble.



Complete Trouble-Shooting Instrument

The equipment consists essentially of five circuits, one for testing the continuity of the wiring in a receiver, another, including an oscillater and resonant circuit, for testing condensers and coils, a third audio frequency circuit for testing loud speakers and audio frequency transformers, a fourth amplifier and wavemeter circuit, and a fifth comprising various convenient meter connections.

The first test circuit, shown at the extreme right of the panel as illustrated, consists of six jacks and a meter switch whose general connections are shown in Fig. 1. These jacks may be connected by means of a cable and adapter plug inserted in each tube socket so as to test the continuity of the primary and secondary circuits and of the battery circuits and voltages. Fitting into these six jacks are three plugs connected respectively to a high voltage *B* battery meter, a low voltage *A* battery meter,

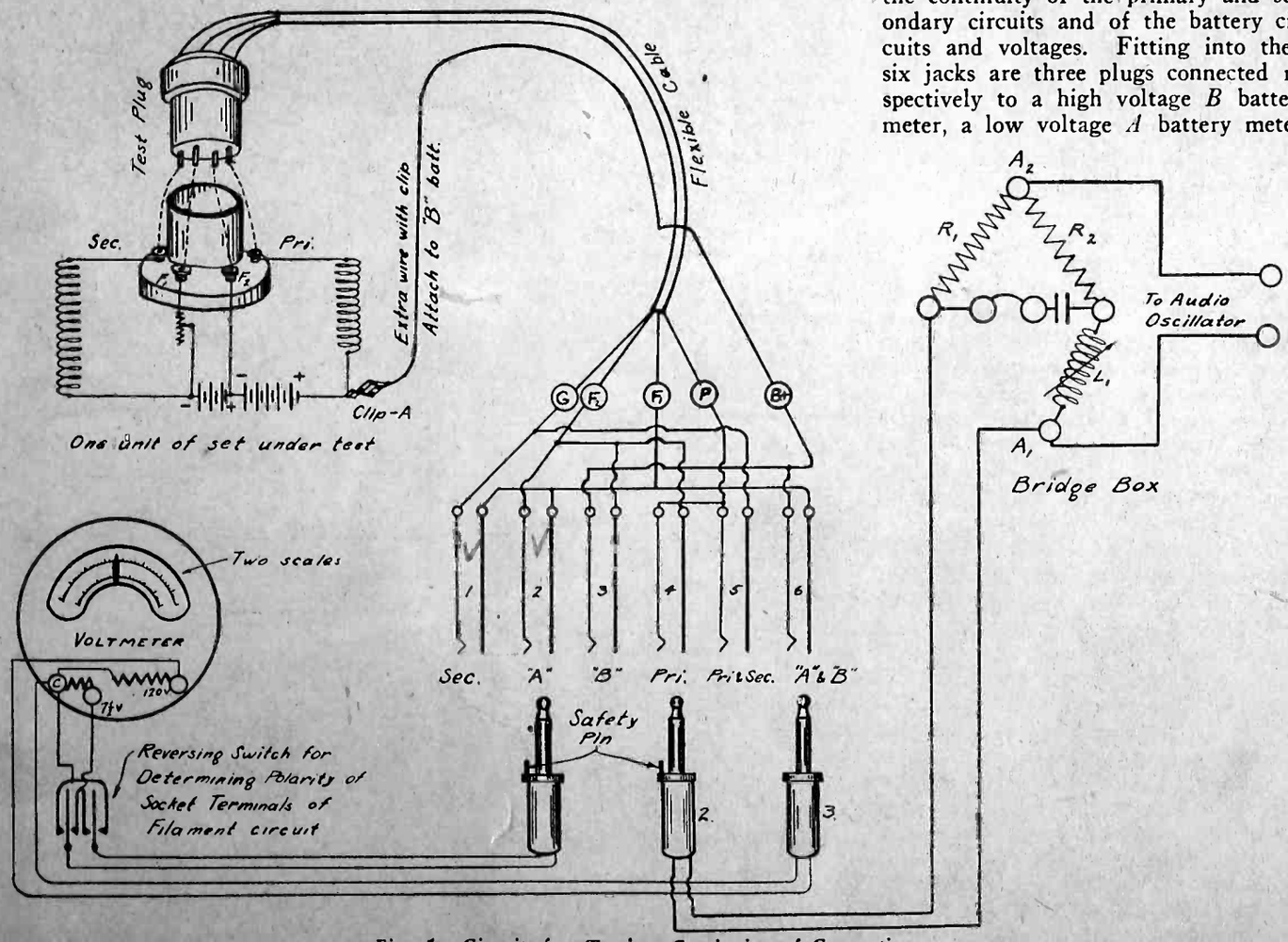


Fig. 1. Circuit for Testing Continuity of Connections.

and a bridge box. Associated with the plug cable is a clip *A* for connection to the positive *B* battery.

The first trouble looked for is possible short or open circuit in the wiring. By placing plug *3* into jack *5* and putting the adapter plug in the tube socket the circuit is established from the *B* battery positive thru the transformer primary, voltmeter, tube grid terminal, transformer secondary, *A* battery positive and negative to *B* battery negatives, thus giving a simultaneous check of the primary and secondary circuits with *B* and *A* batteries as energy source.

Inserting plug *3* into jack *6* indicates the combined voltage of the *A* and *B* batteries, also showing whether the negative *B* is connected to the positive *A*, or vice versa, if clip *A* is connected to positive *B*. Putting plug *3* into jack *3* gives the *B* battery voltage, proving the continuity of the circuit and indicating its resistance drop.

Inserting plug *1* into jack *2* gives the *A* battery reading and by throwing the reversing switch determines the polarity of the filament terminals of the socket.

Plug *2* is connected to a Wheatstone bridge contained within the cabinet, and also to an audio frequency oscillator. The bridge is made up of two variable resistances R_1 and R_2, a variable inductance L_1, and the primary or secondary coil of a transformer under test as the fourth or unknown arm. An input current supply from the audio oscillator to be described later, may thus be passed thru the secondary by jack *1* or primary by jack *4*, giving the impedance by the null method of balancing as checked by a pair of headphones. For the longer wavelengths, tested honey-comb coils may be conveniently connected in series with L_1.

THE audio-frequency oscillator and associated equipment is shown in the sketch of Fig. 2. This is available not only for the transformer coil tests already described but also for testing condensers, inductances and tubes. A good idea of its action may be gained from the circuit diagram of Fig. 3.

This part of the equipment consists essentially of an "A" tube in a Hartley circuit with 45 volts *B* battery. Resonance at different wavelengths is secured by adjusting an inductance made up of

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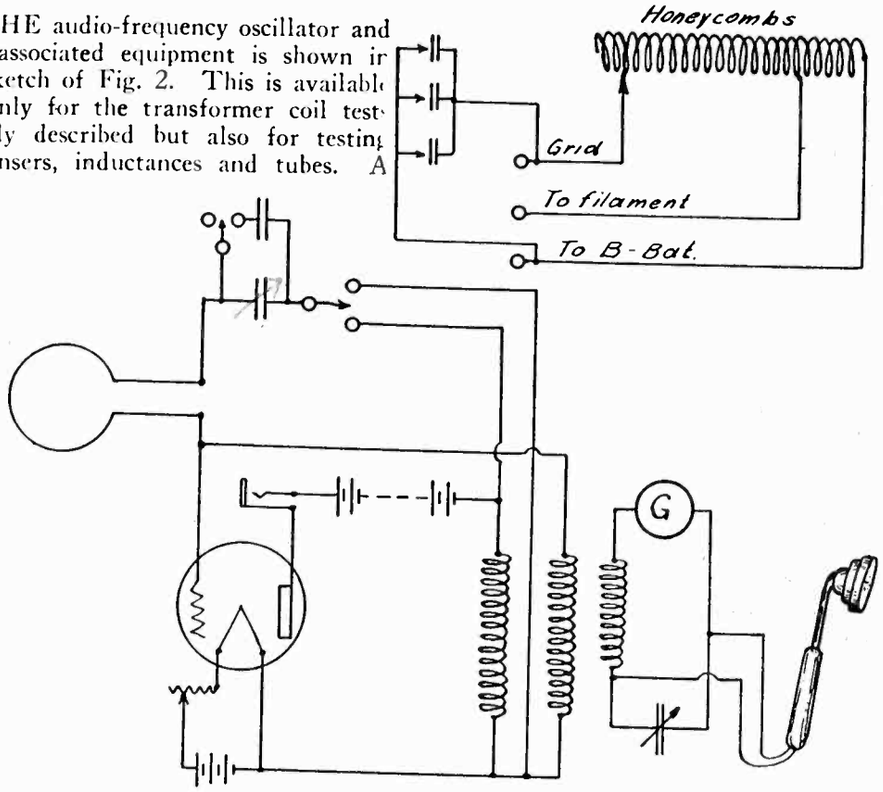


Fig. 3. Circuit Diagram of Audio Oscillator.

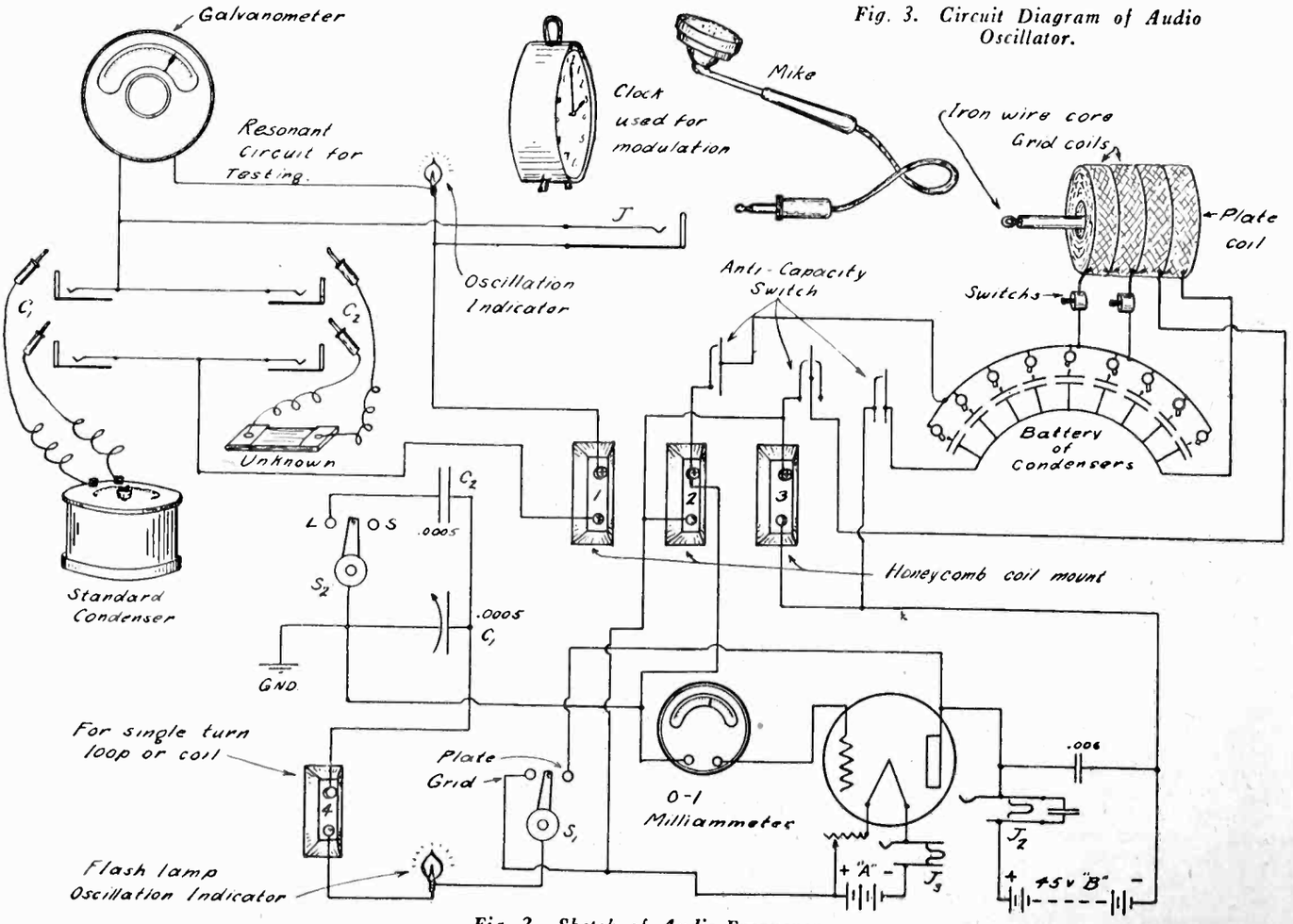
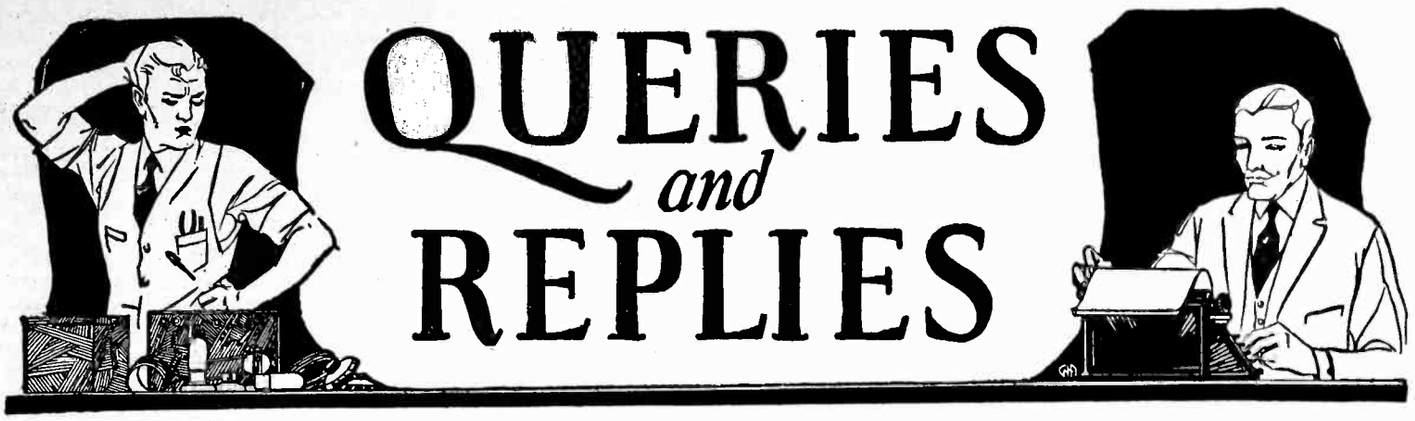


Fig. 2. Sketch of Audio-Frequency Oscillator Circuit.



Questions submitted for answer in this department should be typewritten or in ink, written on one side of the paper. All answers of general interest will be published. Readers are invited to use this service without charge, except that 25c per question should be forwarded when personal answer by mail is wanted.

Please publish the circuit using two stages of radio frequency amplification, crystal detector and one stage of audio frequency, with WD-11 tubes. I intend using only a variable condenser for tuning. —G. B., Pittsburg, Pa.

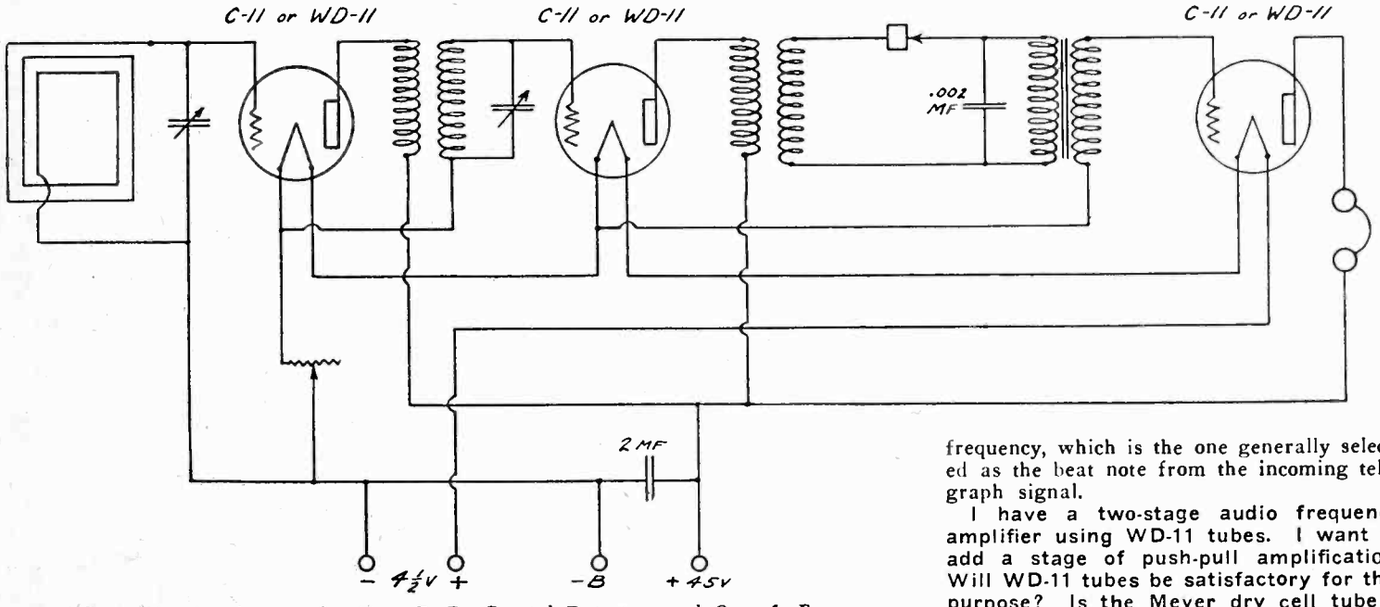


Fig. 1. Circuit Diagram for Two R. F., Crystal Detector, and One A. F.

A diagram for the circuit connections you wish is shown in Fig. 1. If you intend to use only one variable condenser for tuning, it will be necessary to employ a loop antenna, as a single condenser would not be sufficient for tuning an outdoor antenna. A series arrangement of the three filaments is shown, to avoid the use of *C* batteries. It will be necessary to have a 4½ volt dry cell battery to accomodate the three tubes, and only one filament rheostat is necessary.

Kindly publish a hook-up for a very short wave receiver, for 50 to 125 meters, preferably with tuned radio frequency amplification.

—F.P.W., San Luis Potosi, Mex.

Most American amateurs find the regenerative non-radiating type of receiver the most satisfactory for the very short waves, although some success has been attained with the super-heterodyne circuit. Coupled to a good short wave antenna, a receiver consisting of a detector and one stage of audio frequency amplification should enable you to hear all the American and Canadian districts, and some European and Australian amateurs. A circuit diagram of a good receiver of this type was published in April, 1924 RADIO, but is being revised and again printed in Fig. 2. The antenna coil consists of 5 turns of No. 16 DCC wire wound in basket form, to a diameter of 2½ in. The secondary coil, in two sections, consists of 6 turns of No. 16 DCC wire for the first, and 12 turns of the same wire for the second parts, respectively, wound basket fashion on a diameter of 3¼ in. The tickler coil consists of 11 turns of No. 16 DCC wire, wound on a 2¼ in. diameter, and made variable with respect to the secondary. The primary coil should also be variable with respect to the secondary, and on the opposite side of the secondary from the tickler. The antenna coupling should be kept at a minimum at all times, for consistent results. As musical quality is not desired in this receiver, a very high ratio audio frequency transformer can be used, as most transformers of high ratio are resonant at 1,000 cycles, and will give high amplification at that frequency, which is the one generally selected as the beat note from the incoming telegraph signal.

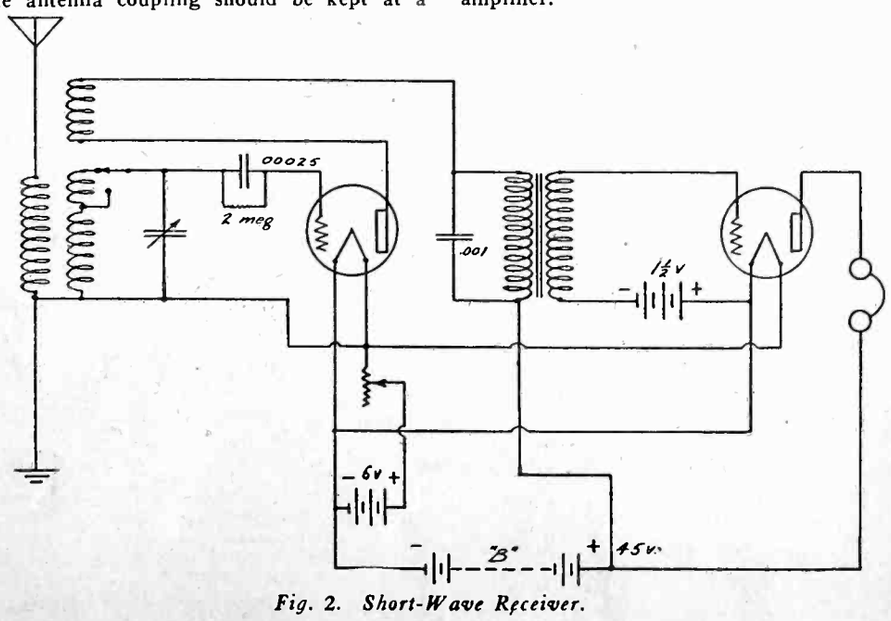


Fig. 2. Short-Wave Receiver.

I have a two-stage audio frequency amplifier using WD-11 tubes. I want to add a stage of push-pull amplification. Will WD-11 tubes be satisfactory for this purpose? Is the Meyer dry cell tube a good radio frequency amplifier?

G. L., Sebastopol, Calif.

Yes, provided that you operate the push-pull stage with at least 4½ volt *C* battery and 90 volts plate. The Meyers tube will give excellent results in a radio frequency amplifier.

Please publish a circuit adaptable to a G. E. double current aviation generator, for short wave transmission.

—E.J.H., Brownsville, Ore.

Fig. 3 shows the circuit diagram for a 5-watt reversed feedback transmitter, for C. W. telegraph purposes. As there are several types of aviation generators, we are assuming that you have one of the small sizes.

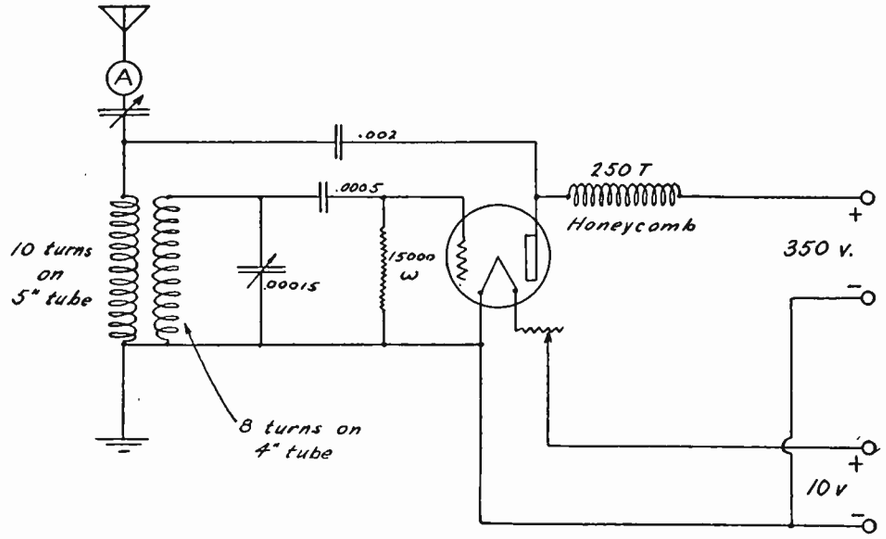


Fig. 3. 5-watt Reversed Feedback Transmitter.

Will Branston parts work satisfactorily in the Best 45,000 cycle Super-Heterodyne circuit published in May, 1924 RADIO? Can UV-201-A tubes be used in this circuit?

—P.E.W., San Francisco, Calif.

Yes, Branston parts will be O. K. UV-201-A tubes can be used, but it is doubtful if the results will be sufficiently better than the dry cell tubes, to warrant the battery expense. The large tube will be better in the last stage of audio frequency amplification, as it will handle a greater amount of power than the UV-199 tube. If UV-201-A tubes are used in the intermediate stages, a potentiometer will have to be used to prevent oscillation, unless elaborate shielding is placed around the transformers.

What is the most economical and efficient circuit for four UV-199 tubes, to give satisfactory loud speaker operation, with reasonable distance.

—H.L.R., Oakland, Calif.

Fig. 4 gives the circuit data for one stage of radio frequency amplification, detector and two stages of audio frequency amplification, for UV-199 tubes. The tuner should include a varicoupler and two air condensers, if any degree of selectivity is desired.

Can an electric light socket attachment be used instead of the loop antenna, or a super-heterodyne or reflex receiver?

—A.L.B., Harrison, N. J.

Yes, except that due to the extreme sensitivity of the receivers mentioned, considerable noise due to fluctuations and other interference, on the power line, will be heard in the loud speaker or phones. If used with a super-heterodyne, a simple coil arrangement, such as a 75 turn honeycomb coil, connected in place of the loop antenna, with the socket-antenna connections tied to the outside ends of the coil, will be the most efficient. The socket antenna should be reversed as suggested by the manufacturer of the attachment, in order to determine the best connection.

I have a two-tube Harkness Reflex set, using the so-called "Harkness" coils. The set has plenty of volume on local and distant stations, but I cannot cut out the locals sufficiently well to get satisfactory distant reception. How can this lack of selectivity be overcome?

—J.L.F., Los Angeles, Calif.

The antenna coil is too closely coupled to the secondary for good selectivity. This close coupling was due to the desire to eliminate as many controls as possible, but the scheme does not work out in congested localities such as yours. It would be better to substitute a variocoupler for the first coil in the set, and tune both the rotor and stator of the coupler with air condensers. The rotor should be placed in the antenna circuit, with sufficient series inductance, such as a 50 turn honeycomb coil, to enable you to tune through the entire broadcast wave band. Additional adjustments are introduced, to be sure, but you will certainly be able to cut out any or all of the local stations when receiving distant stations.

My audio frequency amplifier, which is two stages of 3:1 transformer coupled, has a high frequency howl in it most of the time, which I cannot cut out. How can I overcome the trouble?

—V.L.H., Norfolk, Va.

Try the following remedies, in succession: Shunt a ½ megohm grid leak across the secondary of the second transformer; connect the cores of the two transformers to ground; tie the grid of the last tube to the negative filament through a .00025 mfd. fixed condenser; place the transformers so that the cores are at right angles to each other, in case they are unshielded types. It would also be well to make sure that you have the grid and plate of each tube connected to the proper terminals on the transformer, as designated by the manufacturer.

BOOK REVIEW

"Practical Radio" by James A. Moyer and John F. Wostrel, 250 pp., 5x7½, published by McGraw-Hill Book Co., New York City. Price $1.75.

The purpose of this text is to give an understanding of the how and why of radio reception in terms that will be intelligible to the novice. In addition to their explanation of the theory the authors have presented working drawings for several types of receiving sets. This latter information is sufficient to enable the reader to construct his own set. A commendable feature is the set of questions at the end of each of the thirteen chapters. The wiring diagrams are especially well drawn and show most of the popular sets of the day.

"Wireless Possibilities" by A. M. Low, 71 pp., 4¼x6¼, published by E. F. Dutton & Co., New York City. Price $1.00.

This book, as one of the "today and tomorrow series," discusses the future of radio telephony, radio vision and tele-control. The author believes that it is destined to change the whole course of civilization. His conclusions seem to be drawn from a popular rather than a technical knowledge of the subject.

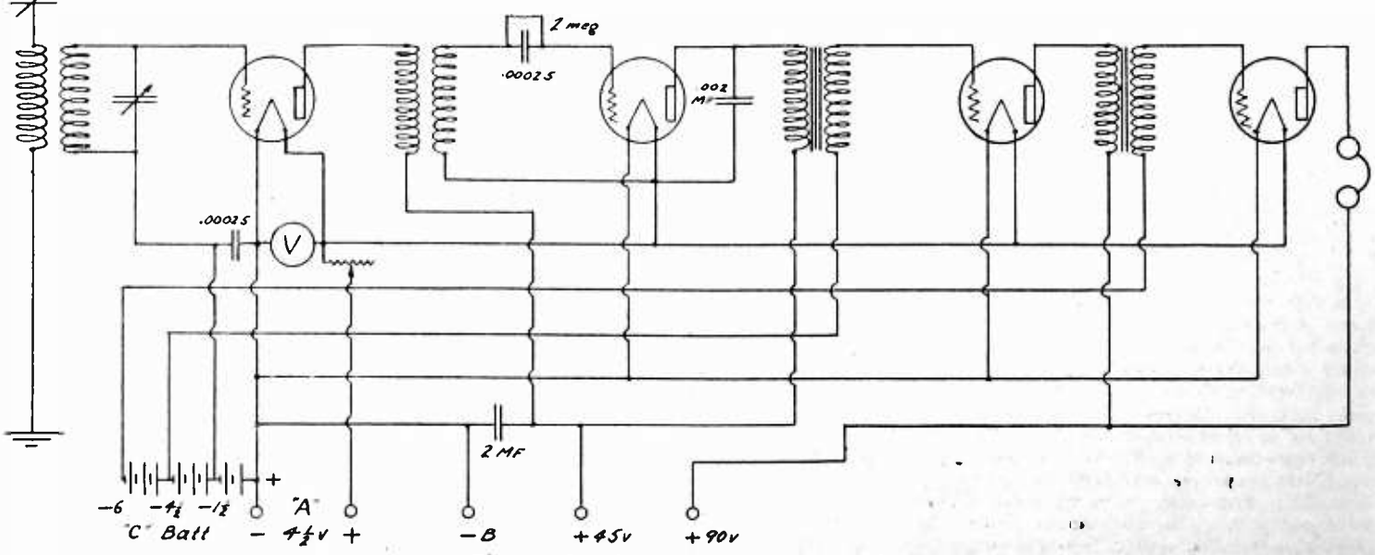


Fig. 4. One Stage R. F., Detector and Two A. F.

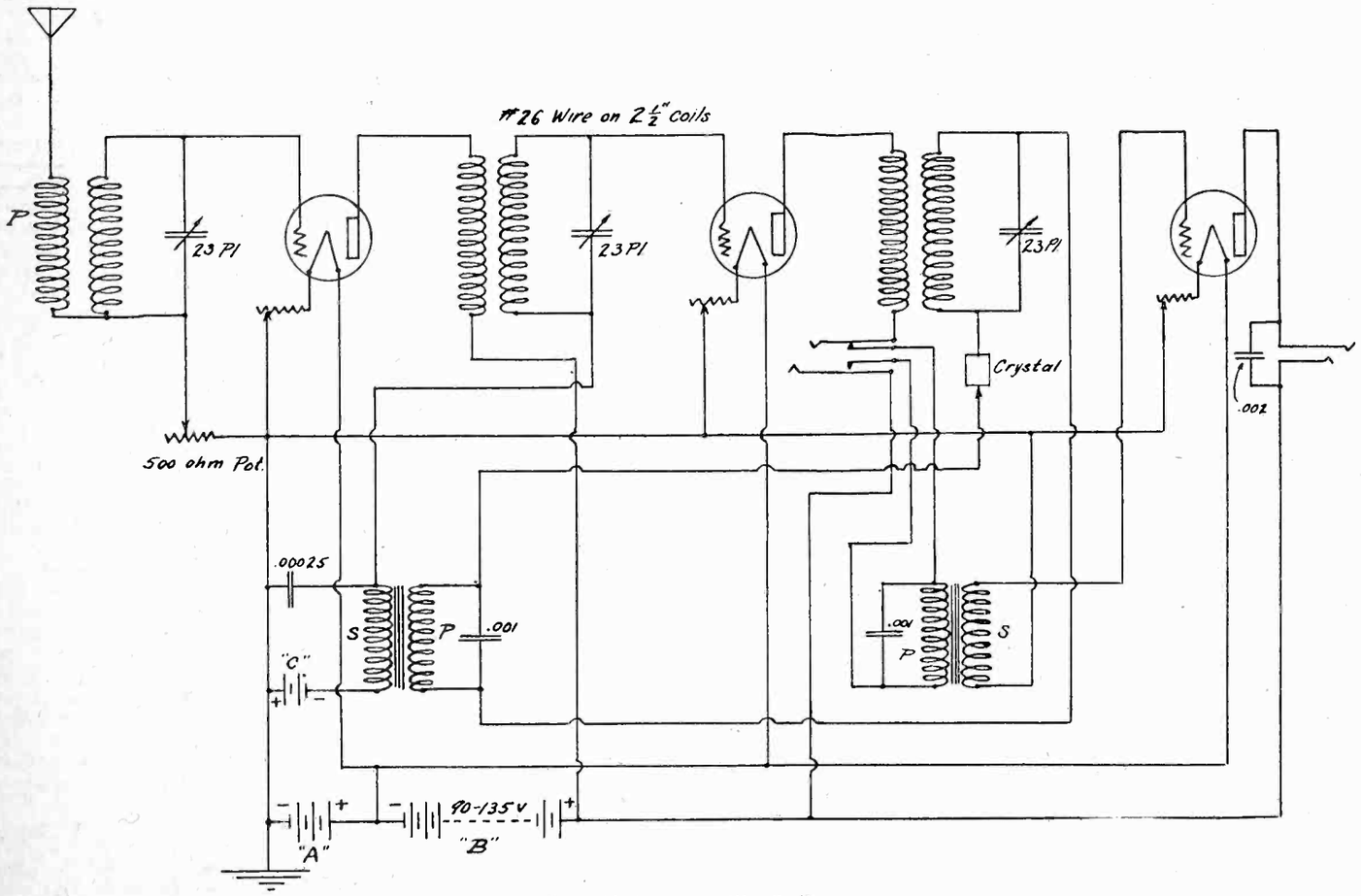
Letters to The Editor

The 2,000-Mile Reflex

Sir: I submit the wiring diagram for a set that I find to be more sensitive and selective for local and distance work than the new 3-tube Harkness hook-up. The secret is in the feedback as controlled by the potentiometer or stabilizer.

Any fans who are interested can have blue prints and full instructions for almost nothing by writing to me. I looked long and hard for such a hook-up and then had to work it out for myself. It cuts through five big stations and brings in Portland clear as a bell.

ROBERT L. WHITE
4663 Maplewood Ave. Los Angeles, Calif.



Bob White's 2000-Mile Reflex

Okeh's Griffin Set

Sir:—Having made up set for radio frequency ahead of regenerative, according to article by E. E. Griffin in RADIO for September, 1924, thought possibly the following would be of interest. I placed the honey-comb coil connectors on the panel outside of set and included one stage of audio frequency amplification instead of two, as in our location distance outside of KGO and other San Francisco stations is all one would want on loud speaker. On amplification of the circuit I find that the 50 turns coil will not cover the broadcast band. Using a 35-turn honey-comb I get wavelengths 312 and under excellently; 50 turns above 312 to about 400 and use 75 turns for the higher wavelengths. In other words, KFON, KFSG and KGO come in best with 35 turns, KHJ, KNX and KPO come in best with 50 turns, KFI and KLX best with 75 turns coil. I also have a 100 turns and 25 turns. Code comes in on both excellently. Not knowing code, cannot tell which is which. Hear amateur on the 25 turns coil. The stations tuned in so far are KHJ, KFI, KNX, KFSG, KJS, KFON, KGO, KLX, KPO, KOB, KFKX. The tone is as perfect as any of the so-called better sets and volume very loud for house using Baldwin unit on fibre (cheap) horn. KGO comes in through local broadcast with no interference and no trouble to tune in. I use 102½ volts on amplifier plate and 67½ on detector. Use .0003 phone condenser, which gives better results on distance—UV-301a tubes throughout variable leak. I have tried several hook-ups, but so far find this about the best of all for tone and distance together and highly recommend it to anyone with a single tube regenerative who wishes to cut down squealing and wants better tone and distance. I find that tuning is not difficult and that the circuit altogether would satisfy the most critical. I appreciate the article, as it has finally got me satisfied so that I don't pull my set apart every other day.

Yours very truly,
H. G. PEARCE.
4360 So. Main St., Los Angeles, Calif.

Verification of DX Reception

Sir: Re Mr. Croft's letter saying never again would he express applause of reception to radio stations.

My interest in this subject is purely as a listener. I have often wondered how any station could verify to their satisfaction that applause writers were entitled to credit of receiving their particular station, since stations have no way of knowing what set this program was received through, or who was the proper owner of the set that picked up the program which might be overheard by several other set owners with sets not capable of receiving same who could each write in from hearing selections over some particular set.

The stations have probably thought of this feature, and any unusual record would naturally come under suspicion. I have at hand a dealer catalog plainly stating a 3,000-mile range for Fada 185-A, whereas Fada company booklet plainly states a 1,500-mile range is the best any of their sets will cover. My Fada 160 is rated by company at 1,000 miles range, and yet I received loud speaker reception 50 per cent of time from California stations (weak but clear) at an approximate distance of 2,400 miles from here. My test station on loud speaker to ascertain if outfit is functioning 100 per cent is KGO at Oakland.

I wish to state here that I have written applause cards to distant stations all over the United States and Canada, and while not enclosing postage, have at all times received courteous replies and verification letters. Defense Day night, several small set owners here thought they had heard Juneau. What they really heard was Washington, D. C., broadcasting telephone conversation with Juneau. Considering the above, we must realize, while sympathizing with Mr. Croft from his side, that the broadcasters have their side also, and are undoubtedly imposed upon at times. My experience is that it is unfair, if one wishes to be just, to doubt a statement of reception without knowing more about it.

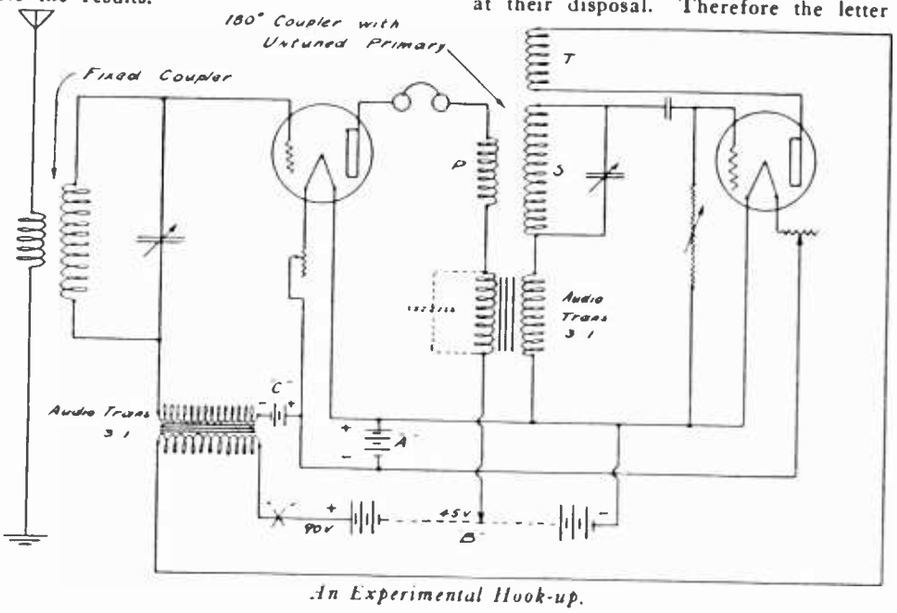
It takes all kinds of people to make a world, and some try to be humorous through sarcasm which should not be taken seriously.

Cordially yours,
A. H. KLINGBELL.
Ashtabula, Ohio.

An Experimental Hook-Up

Sir:—Herewith is a hook-up which I have not seen published and which might be of interest to advanced experimenters. It isn't the easiest thing in the world with which to obtain stable operation, but at times it works beautifully. The coupling devices are a fixed coupler and an 18° coupler, both having untuned primaries. ("Teledyne" coils work nicely with this arrangement).

It might be well to try a fixed by-pass condenser across the primary of the audio transformer which is in series with the plate of the first tube; also it is interesting to connect the phones at the point marked "X" and note the results.



An Experimental Hook-up.

This circuit can be connected up with most any kind of coupling devices the experimenter may have on hand. One thing that has helped the writer to get the most satisfactory results has been to use a negative grid return on the detector tube—a soft tube being used in this instance, with 22½ volts on the plate.

This isn't a circuit for a beginner's first hook-up; however, it is one that may furnish considerable interesting entertainment and some valuable information to one sufficiently advanced to understand what to expect of it. The honey-comb coil with untuned primary, as described in my letter appearing in your August number, does very well in this circuit; a tickler can easily be added to produce regeneration in the case of the coupler preceding the second tube.

Both positive and negative feedback may be tried out with this arrangement.

Yours very uly,
C. M. DELANO.

Lincoln, Neb.

More Light on the Inadequacy of Resistance Coupled Amplification

Sir:—The writer is one of those who wrote you several months ago in defence of resistance coupled amplification, that is, for those having 300 to 400 volts direct current at their disposal. Therefore the letter on resistance coupling, on page 39 of the November, 1924, issue, was interesting. Furthermore, your magazine has always been a favorite with many of us because it presents the whys and wherefores of radio in somewhat of a technical manner in contrast to the newspaper story form of write-up now so common in other magazines.

However, it is to be regretted that you published Mr. Bouck's letter without first calling his attention to what seems to be a serious error in his interpretation of the proper action of the plate current of an amplifier in response to the voltage variations on the grid.

The writer does not claim to be a radio engineer, nor is he in the business; but is it not a well known fact that for faithful preservation of the waveform impressed on the grid, that the grid bias voltage must be held at a well chosen point in order that the voltage variations on the grid will not overstep the straight line portion of the grid-voltage plate-current characteristic? Under this straight line condition it seems that the variations in the plate current results in an alternating current equivalent in waveform to the impressed grid voltage. Furthermore, the "zero line" of this complex alternating current is set at the plate current value corresponding to the bias voltage at which the grid is held.

A direct current milliammeter placed in the plate circuit of a properly adjusted amplifier tube stands perfectly still at a plate current value corresponding to the grid bias voltage of the tube. The needle of the meter does not jump because the audio frequency alternating current is of a very high frequency compared to the natural period of the meter armature and needle and other damping factors. Therefore the needle cannot follow the alternating current: an impulse downward on the scale is immediately counteracted by an impulse upward as far as the needle is concerned.

One of the most precise ways of testing for distortion within the tube and eliminating it is to place a sensitive direct current milliammeter in the plate circuit and observe its action when the loudest signals are being received. If any "dancing" of the needle is indicated, then the grid bias and possibly the plate potential needs adjusting. Raising the plate voltage and making a corresponding adjustment of the grid bias and grid leak valves are sometimes necessary. Plotting a curve is helpful. The plate resistors should be of large enough size to remain of constant resistance. If the milliammeter still persists in jiggling, it is possible that the amplifier tube is defective, or more than likely the tube is too small to take care of the "swings" of the grid voltage. A more powerful tube should be substituted; one which will maintain the linear relation between the grid voltage and plate current, even under the loudest possible signals. This point is too often overlooked in the ordinary garden variety of amplifiers.

Now, if Mr. Bouck's amplifier, as he says, "modulates" the plate current downward to a fraction of its quiescent value when amplifying an impressed signal, then is there not something wrong with the set-up of the amplifier? First of all, even when using the

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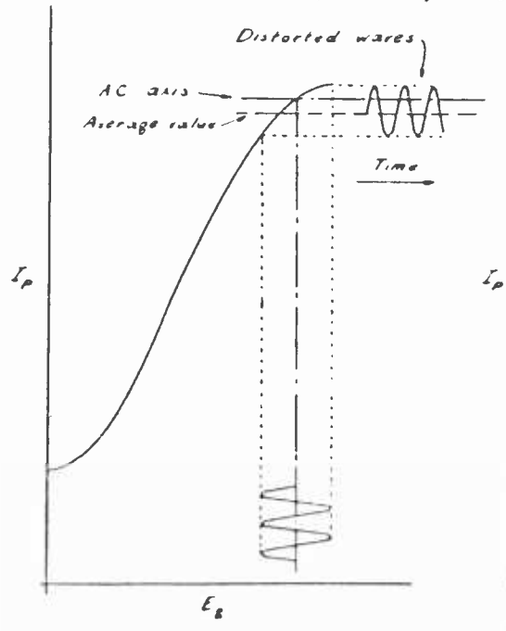
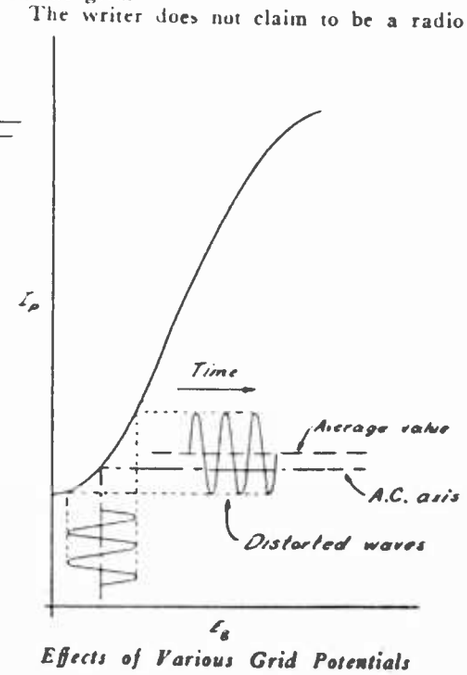


Grid Too Positive. Milliammeter Will Dip on Loud Signals



Effects of Various Grid Potentials

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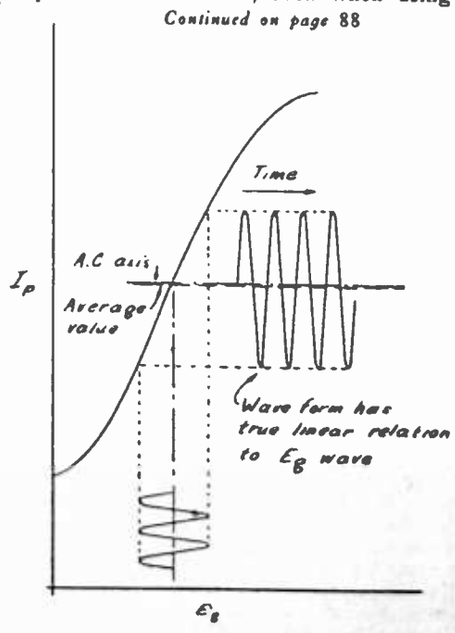


Grid O. K. A. C. Axis and Average A. C. Values Coincide. Milliammeter Steady on Loud Signals

With the Amateur Operators

RADIO STATION 6BBQ

Radio 6BBQ is owned and operated by Frank F. Macik, at 194 S. El Molino avenue, Pasadena, Calif.

The receiver which is in the center of the picture is a low loss in the left cabinet and detector and two step in the other cabinet. Most of the "ham" work is done on detector alone.

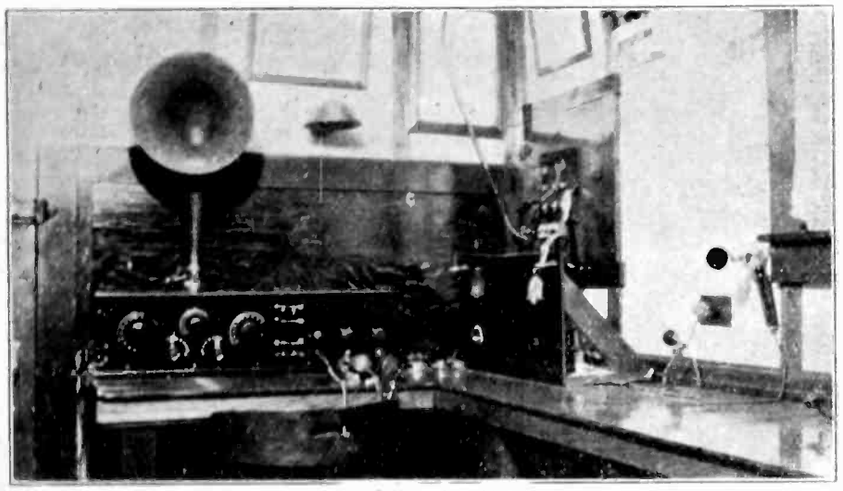
The transmitter is a 5-watt set using the 1DH circuit. This set is one of the few 5-watt sets which have been heard in New Zealand.

Using 500 volts on the plate through a 20-jar rectifier and 7½ volts on the filament, the set radiates only one ampere at most times. The radiation at this station does not hinder the DX or worry the operator. The DX of the station on 5 watts is 27 states, all districts, Yukon, Canada, and heard twice in New Zealand.

A 50-watter has just been completed, but is not shown in the picture. The entire station is home-made and is housed in a special built 12x15-ft. shack. This is an O. R. S. station and the operator is the city manager for the A. R. R. L.

Phone is also used at times on the5-watter and 500 miles is an easy occurrence.

The antenna is 60 ft. high and 50 ft. long, being an inverted L, and the lead comes right down to the shack. This station is equipped with a wave meter calibrated with a General Radio wave meter. A check on waves as near as possible is always gladly given.



Radio Station 6BBQ.

November DX At 6XAD-6ZW

Stations worked: 1axa, 2kk, 2rk, 2cxy, 2acs, 2cyq, 2cqo, 2ach, 2ccu, 3hg, 3ckl, 3lg, 3cdu, 5kr, 5akq, 6oa (Honolulu), 7ok, 7dd, 7ao, 7ku, 8afn, 8mc (works me from Rochester, N. Y., with one 5-watt tube—FB!), 8doo, 8aly, 8ben, 8boe, 8ced, 8bzf, 8dki, 8sf, 8chp, 8doi, 8dga, 8boe, 8cwu, 8daa, 8ay, 8cse, 8axf, 8ckm, 8dal, 8bch, 8anb, 8bqf, 8bau, 8dfm, 8sfo, 8bzf, 8bdu, 8aly, 8cbp, 9lz, 9cjm, 9dhg, 9eky, 9rc, 9ws, 9afp, 9aid, 9alm, 9eam, 9djn, 9awg, 9dau, 9ro, 9bre, 9cjm, 9dhg, 9cy.

Stations reporting: 1acd, 1btt, 1bc, 2le, 2cpa, 2fc, 2cxn, 2ags, 3dq, 3ke, 3bjm, 8bgn, 8cip, 9hp, 9ahi, 9dlq.

Major Mott is transmitting ICW on 60 meters with one W. E. 250 watt tube putting 6 amps. into a 43-ft. 4-wire vertical cage aerial as well as with one 500-watt transmitter on 168 meters. A 3 kw. tube will be on the air soon on low waves. His station will be silent during January and part of February while he is fishing in Florida.

NEWS OF THE AMATEUR OPERATOR

6BBV has moved to 1511½ No. Commonwealth, Hollywood, Calif.; 100 watts on 40 and 80 meters; glad to qsr; pse qsl.

6BPQ, M. O. Smith, 504½ N. Adams, Glendale, Calif., wants qsl's.

5CU has been issued to R. H. Robinson, 412 Park Place, Ponca City, Okla, 200 watts self-rectified C. W., will qsr.

5ZAV and 5AIU, Lee Moffatt, Jr., and Dan Howard, 824 So. Elm, Norman, Okla., are again on the air on 80 meters.

2HE has been assigned to M. Luptem, 365 New York Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.

8BFG is Edward Roberts, Skaneatles, N. Y.

6BCH, Vernon L. Harvey, has moved to 1140 So. San Joaquin St., Stockton, Calif., 10 watts C. W., 1 C. W. and phone; pse qsl.

6CM has been re-issued to the San Diego High School, San Diego, Calif., formerly 6AWQ; schedule Mon. and Wed. nights, 5, 10, 20, 50, 100 watts, 1 C. W., C. W. and phone; glad to qsr and will qsl.

6BSC has been reassigned to C. E. Gulick, R. D. No. 3, Orange, Calif.

8ZE-8GX (6AWP) is on 78 meters with 50 watts in Meissner Circuit and would appreciate reports on signals. Will be glad to QSE to all stations on receipt of their station card. All cards answered.

The following calls were heard on the 75-80 meter band and on about 85 meters at the localities indicated. Further details will be furnished amateurs listed who write the editor.

November 3-4, near Yokohama, Japan, aus 3bq, nz 2ac, nz 4aa, nz 4ak, 6aao, 6abc, 6agk, 6ahp, 6arb, 6bql, 6cgo, 6lj, 6of, 7fd.

November 10-11, at Kobe, Japan, nz 2ac, nz 4aa, nz 4ag, 6agk, 6apw.

November 12, in the Inland Sea, near Moji, Japan, aus 2cm, aus 3bq, nz 4aa, nz 4ag, nz 4ak, 6age, 6ahp, 6bdt, 6cej, 6cto.

November 14, in the Yellow Sea, near Dairen, Korea, aus 2yg, nz 2ac, nz 4aa, nz 4ak, 6akz, 6awt, 6bcp, 6bql, 6cgo, 6zp.

6CGW worked New Zealand station Z4AA and reported 4AA's signals fairly strong and steady.

A number of west coast stations have worked New Zealand stations with fair regularity. The most reliable New Zealand stations are 2AC, 2AK, 4AA, 4AK and 4AG. Each of these stations has been reported

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CALLS HEARD

By Albert E. Scarlett, Jr., 23 Cooley Place, Mount Vernon, N. Y.

1aur, 1awq, 1bjf, 1btt, 1bub, 1kx, 1yd, 3bfe, 3ckl, 4bl, 4bq, 4ft, 4hs, 4io, 4ku, 4ly, 4mi, 4oa, 4pl, 4rr, 4sa, 4xe, 4xx, 5agl, 5ags, 5ajh, 5alz, 5dw, 5gk, 5hl, 5jh, 5mi, 5oh, 5ph, 5qh, 5tq, 5ua, 5uk, 5wy, 5xv, 6age, 6apw, 6bez, 6bjx, 6blw, 6bra, 6bur, 6cel, 6ajf 6cej, 6cgo, 6cgw, 6cng, 6fy, 6lj, 6lv, 7abb, 7eo, 7gr, 7ij, 8aaj, 8abn, 8ade, 8aey, 8afn, 8afs, 8aft, 8ajd, 8ajf, 8ajn, 8alf, 8aly, 8apt, 8arn, 8aro, 8aru, 8asq, 8atp, 8atz, 8aub, 8afx, 8axn, 8ayy, 8baj, 8bau, 8bce, 8bcp, 8bda, 8bdk, 8bdw, 8ben, 8bhj, 8bhu, 8bkh, 8bkm, 8bmi, 8bnh, 8bnl, 8boe, 8boo, 8boy, 8bp, 9bpa, 8bpl, 8bpv, 8bqp, 8bqr, 8brc, 8bst, 8btf, 8btu, 8bvr, 8bxh, 8byn, 8bzf, 8cbm, 8cci, 8ced, 8ceo, 8cep, 8ces, 8cko, 8ckt, 8cmi, 8coj, 8cse, 8csn, 8cta, 8cyi, 8cyt, 8czy, 8dal, 8dat, 8ded, 8dfm, 8dfo, 8dga, 8dgp, 8dha, 8dhd, 8dhw, 8div, 8djp, 8dki, 8dmf, 8dnf, 8dnk, 8dpk, 8dpn, 8dpy, 8dqv, 8dse, 8eb, 8ef, 8fs, 8jq, 8jz, 8or, 8pu, 8pz, 8rj, 8rv, 8sf, 8sy, 8tt, 8tw, 8ut, 8ve, 8vy, 8xs, 8zf, 8zy, 8zz, 9aad, 9aal, 9aau, 9aav, 9abf, 9aci, 9ado, 9afu, 9afy, 9agl, 9ahj, 9ahq, 9aio, 9and, 9aor, 9apg, 9apy, 9ars, 9ato, 9auy, 9avb, 9axh, 9axt, 9bau, 9bbj, 9bbr, 9bbw, 9bcb, 9bcd, 9bdq, 9beg, 9bfl, 9bie, 9biq, 9biu, 9bjp, 9bkj, 9blg. 9bm, 9bmc 9bmf, 9bmh, 9bmk, 9bna, 9bnk, 9bpm, 9brx, 9bso, 9bsp, 9bvz, 9bwp, 9bwv, 9ca, 9cap, 9cau, 9ccm, 9ccx, 9cee, 9cek, 9cep, 9cfs, 9cgn. 9cgr, 9chx, 9cii, 9cjc, 9ckl, 9clq, 9clx, 9cmc, 9cp, 9cro, 9ctr, 9cxx, 9dac, 9dbj, 9del, 9dfz, 9dhl, 9djg, 9dlj, 9dlw, 9dno, 9doa, 9dpl, 9dpr, 9dqu. 9duj. 9dwx, 9dwz, 9dxn, 9dyy, 9eby, 9edb, 9edh, 9ef, 9efz, 9eji, 9ejx, 9ejy, 9ek, 9eky, 9ela, 9elb, 9ely, 9em, 9hk, 9lz, 9lp, 9mn, 9my, 9ny, 9oa, 9qi, 9rt, 9tw, 9ut, 9vc, 9vz, 9xl, 9xm, 9xw, 9yb 9zb, 9zt.

Canadians: 2am, 2ax, 2be, 2cg, 2fj, 2hv, 3aa, 3ad, 3gv, 3he, 3ly, 3xi, 3zl, 9bb.

Commercial: nfv.

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4ai, 4bq, 4bx, 4ch, 4fs, 4ft, (4hr), (4jr), 4kk, 4ml, 4oa, (4pd), 4qf, 4rf, 4rr, 4ru, 4sl, (4tj), 4xe, 5al, 5fv, 5in, 5jf, (5ka), 5mi, 5ph, (5qh), 5tn, 5uk, 5xa, (5aaq), 5acm, 5aex, 5air, 5alj, 5aqr, 5xat, 5zal, 5zas, 6gt, (6gu), 6jp, 6lv, 6rn, 6aab, 6aao, 6adt, 6agk, 6avj, 6awt, 6bjj, 6bka, 6bur, 6buy, 6cfz, 6cgs, 6cgw, 6chx, 6cqe, 6crx, 6cto, 6xad, 7gq, 7zu, 9ab, 9bk, 9ca, 9ep, 9hn, (9hp), 9li, (9kq), 9lb, (9mc), 9ny, 9pb, 9rt, 9vc, (9xi), 9zw, (9aad), 9aaw, 9acl, 9adp, (9afl), 9afy, (9ahe), 9aod, 9aor, 9aps, 9ars, 9att, 9aur, 9avb, 9aws, 9axt, 9axx, (9bbj), 9bcd, 9bdw, (9beg), 9bez, 9bga, 9bhf, 9bhy, (9bhx), 9bie, 9big, 9bjl, 9bmh, 9bmy, (9bna), 9bnk, 9bob, 9bpo, 9bud, 9bva, 9bxg, 9caa, 9cap, (9cbz), 9cci, 9ccj, 9ceb, 9cgn, 9chd, 9cli, 9cjc, 9clq, (9cnb), (9ctf), (9ctr), 9cuc, 9cuh, 9cur, (9cvs), 9cyk, 9czl, 9dbh, 9del, 9dfg, 9dfq, 9dfv, 9dqu, 9dtk, 9dtt, (9dvl), (9dwx), (9dwz), (9dxn), 9eak, 9eba, 9ech, (9efz), 9ehl, 9ehy, 9elb, (9ejl), (9ejy), 9eky, 9eld.

Canada: 1ei, 2au, 2xa, 2bn, 2cg, 2fo, 3bl, (3kg), (3ly), 3wg, (3xi)), (3zb).

England: 2od.

ICW: (c3ol), 8kx, 8rv, (8tj), (8tr), 8apt, (8ars), (8bhj), 8dat, 9aaw, (ncg), 1ht.

Spark: (1sl), 1azt, (8tj), (9gx-?) 9zw.

Phone: (ncg), 8aee, 8afu, 8bit.

Special CW: fje, nkf, (nfv), (ncg).

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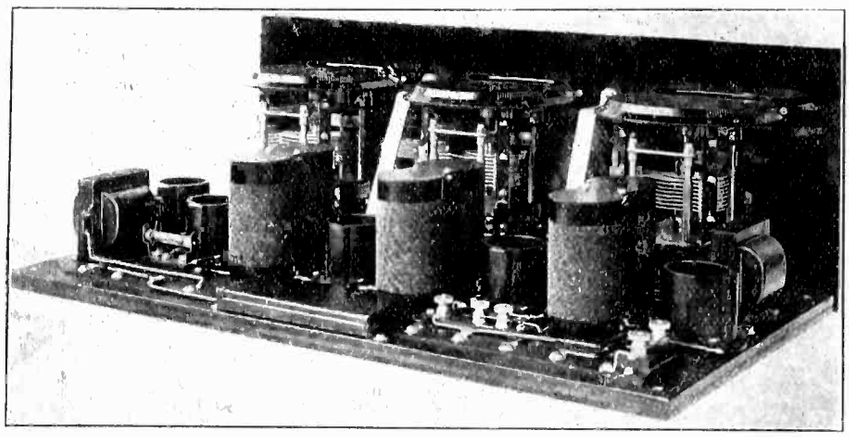
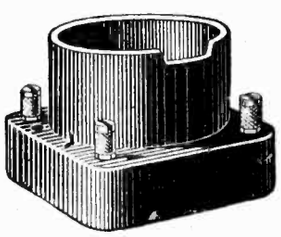
FROM THE RADIO MANUFACTURERS

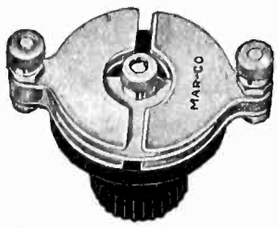
Supplementing the General Description of the Grebe Synchrophase Receiver, published in October RADIO, special interest attaches to the means whereby its extreme selectivity and stability of operation are attained. The tuned r. f. amplification is secured with Binocular coils in combinations with S.-L.-F. (straight line frequency) condensers. Each of these new inductance units is composed of two solenoidal coils mounted closely together with their axes parallel and their two windings connected so that their electro magnetic fields are opposing and thus neutralizing one another. They may be mounted in almost any relative position and will not pick up external magnetic fields. Thus the set operates satisfactorily with a loop or close to a powerful radiocast station. The condenser plates are shaped in accordance with a formula involving hyperbolic spirals so as to give an equal spacing (1¼ divisions of the dial) for each 10 kilowatts. Any change in dial setting is proportional to frequency rather than capacity and all settings are alike for any station. This avoids any crowding of the short wave stations on the lower portion of the dial. The set also has a new method of volume control, giving six gradual variations and permitting of the most desirable ratio of radio to audio amplification. All dials operate horizontally, projecting through escutcheons in the panel. Prof. Jansky has been asked to discuss the characteristics of the binocular evil in the next article in his series on radio frequency amplifiers.



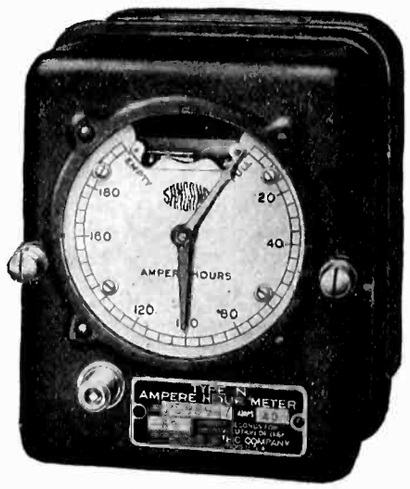
The Caldwell Radio Socket employs a new method of gripping the prongs from the side in a hold-tight grip, eliminating any pushing up of the tube. The spring-clips are of phosphor bronze and the socket of molded bakelite.



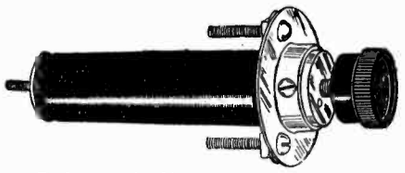
The Mar-Co Air Di-electric Balancing Condenser is designed to neutralize tube capacity in radio frequency circuits or for other purposes when a small adjustable capacity is required. Settings are easily made and will remain permanent if desired. It is arranged for panel mounting through one 5-16 in. hole.



The Sangamo radio ampere-hour meter gives an accurate visual indication of the true condition of a storage battery in empere-hours of discharge. It has a movable red pointer which may be set at the point where the battery should be recharged, which should be done when the indicating hand showing discharge approaches it. A contact is provided at the full point which may be connected to a light or bell to indicate when the battery is fully charged or to a small circuit breaker for automatically terminating the charge. It thus dispenses with the need for a hydrometer or voltmeter.

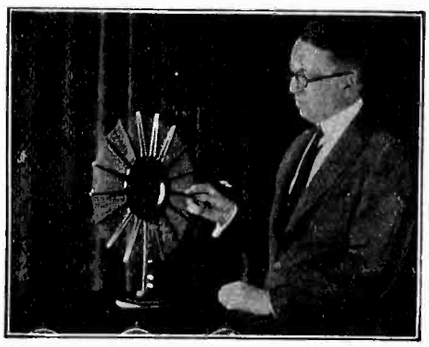


The Allen-Bradley Radiostat is a graphite disc compressor rheostat for use in the primary side of the supply transformer for transmitters of 500 watt capacity or less. It is intended to do away with the objection caused by the displacement of the center tap when a rheostat is used in the transformer secondary. For transmitting sets of 10 watts or less the Bradleystat Type E-210 is recommended for this purpose.



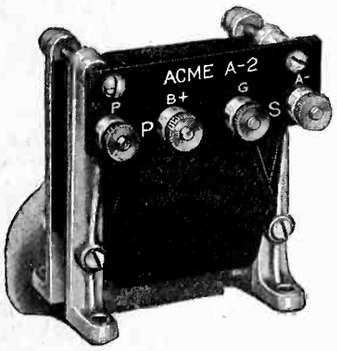
Radiostat—for Transmitters of 500 watts capacity and less.

The Paramount Loop is a spider-web wound with silk over phosphor-bronze wire and mounted on a bakelite frame. It is claimed to have extremely low dielectric losses and exceptional directional effect. It is 15 in. high.



The Erla "Cirkit" Kit provides all necessary parts, together with a drilled and engraved panel, a complete set of blue-prints and directions for building a three-tube duo-reflex receiver. The parts include screws, nuts, wire and solderless connections so that pliers and screwdriver are the only tools required. A similar kit is made for a one-tube set.

Low losses and amplification *go hand in hand*



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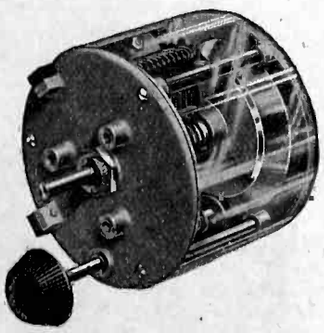

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Connection wires	*Mechanic's labor*	*Hammer*
Clips	*Storage battery*	*Nails*
Lightning arrester	*"B" batteries*	*Screws*
Insulators	*Tubes*	*Staples*
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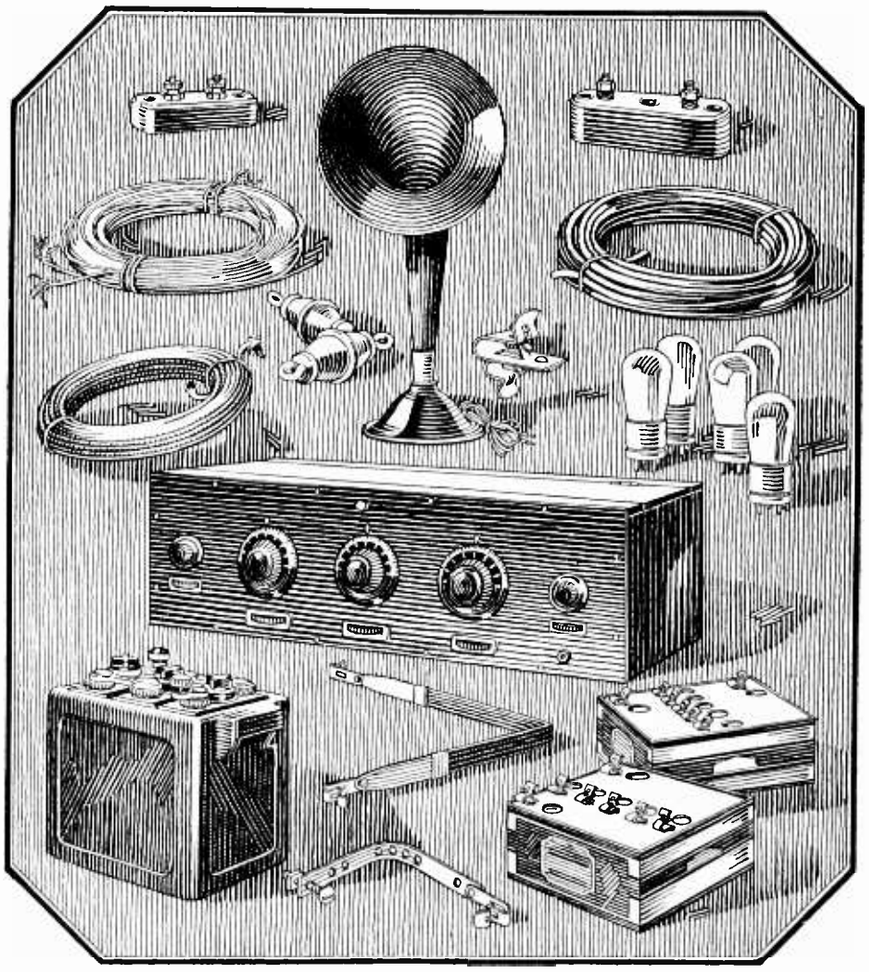

What "complete self-contained"

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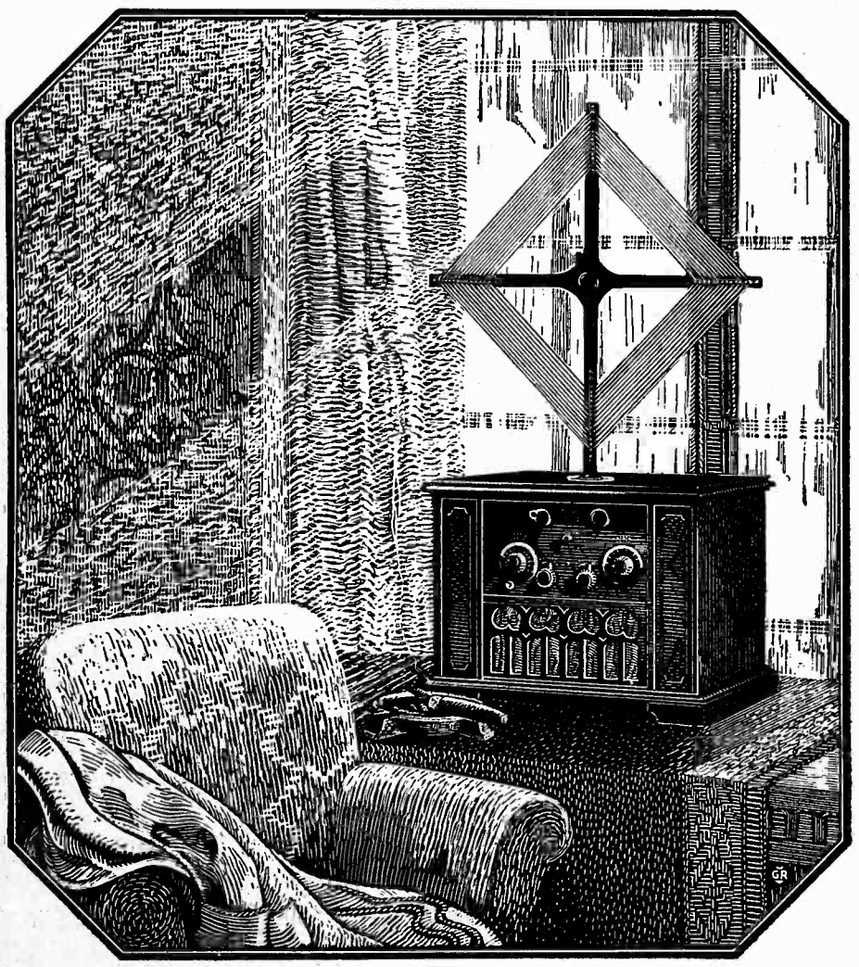

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By 6BLT, 6BNH, Ceres, Calif.

1abd, 4cy, 5ame, 5aro, 5bz, 5wi, 7abb, 7abf, (7acf), (7afb), 7ahs, 7akk, (7alk), (7ax), 7bj, 7de, 7df, 7fb, 7fd, 7fm, 7gr, 7gv, 7if, 7is, (7ku), 7mp, (7ng), 7nx, 7qc, 7qd, 7qn, 7sb, 7un, (7ur), 8ck, 8kc, 9aau, 9aoi, 9big, 9caa, 9cld, 9cfg, 9cfi, 9cro, 9bq, 9nv.

Canadian: (5ba), 5gg.

Mexican: bx.

Fone: 7ahs, 7af.

By 6ALV, Alameda, Calif.

(1aac), 1bhm, 1boa, 1bsd, 1bvp, (1cmp), (1kc), (1pl), (1py), 1sf, 1gv, 1xz, (2aay), 2bgo, (2bqb), (2bqu), 2brb, 2cvj, (2cvu), 2czq, 2cz, 2ku, 2yg, (3wb), 2xg, 2xq, (3alx), 3adp, 3adq, 3apv, (3auv), 3bdo, 3bhv, 3bwj, 3cdg, 3chg, 3og, (3oq), 4auk?, (4cl), 4di, 4du, (4io), 4ku, 4oa, 4pi, 4pk, 4sb, 4sa, 4si, 4tj, 4xe, 5ac, 5ag, 5aec, 5aeq, 5aex, (5afu), 5afn, 5adh, 5agl, 5agn (5agq), 5ahd, (5aij), 5alu, (5ajh), 5ajj, 5ajt, 5aju, (5amg), 5amw, 5apg, 5aqs, (5ak), 5cn, 5cp, 5dw, 5ew, 5gu, (5hl), 5in, (5jf), 5ll, 5lu, 5lh, 5mi, (5mz), (5nw), 5oq, 5ot, 5ph, (5qy), 5se, (5uk), 5uw, 5vj, 5xa, 5za, 6als, 8ah, (8ada), 8aly, 8awj, (8bau), 8baa, 8ben, (8bpa), 8boq, 8cmi, 8cbp, (8cva), 8czy, 8cyi, (8dae), 8dal, 8dgp, 8dun, 8gz, 8jq, 8bqr, (8tt), (8pl), 8up, 8kk, 8ve, 8vq, 8vu, 8wo, 8bxh, "9's? too mani."

Canadian: (2ax), (3aec), 3wu, 3wv, 4io, (4fv), 4cl, 5cn, 5as, 5ba, 5go.

New Zealand: 4aa, 4ag, 4ak, 2ac.

Australian: 3bq.

All calls hrd on 1bgf tuner es I audio. Mostly on 75 to 86 meter band.

Calls Heard Below 100 Meters
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1bgc, 1cak, 1kc, 1ow, 1te, 2aay, 2ana, 2bpd, 2brb, 2pd, 3bhv, 3cdg, 3bg, 3bp, 3xi, 4tj, 4to, 4xe, 5 acl, 5adh, 5agj, 5ajh, 5ame, 5ew, 5jf, 5ot, 5ov, 5ph, 5sd, 8bau, 8cwi, 8dsj, 8dl, 8sd, 8vt, 9aod, 9bjl, 9ccx, 9cee, 9cfi, 9cjs, 9ctr, 9ddp, 9ded, 9dqu, 9dxy, 9efy, 9eht, 9xbg, 9cjc, 9ap, 9bm, 9hw, 9xl, 9xw, 9za, 9zd.

Mexican: 1b.

By Robert Amsbury, 6CLX, 317 N. Friends Ave., Whittier, Calif.

1abf, (1are), 1bie, 1kc, 1mo, 1pl, 1xz, 2aay, (2brb), 2cvu, 2dn, 2ud, 2xq, 3adg, 3ajd, 3alx, 3bdo, 3bof, 4jr, 4qf, 4rr, 4tj, 4tq, 4afn, 5agj, 5aij, 5alu, 5ajj, 5ame, 5dw, 5ek, 5jf, 5lu, 5ot, 5ox, 5rs, 5sd, 5se, 5uj, 5uk, 7acy, 7afo, 7ajy, 7akk, 7cw, 7fj, (7gb), (7gq), 7ij, 7jq, 7ku, 7ly, 7ot, 7qd, 7rk, 7ss, 7to, 7zg, 8ada, 8atp, (8bau), 8bxh, (8cyi), 8cko, 8gz, 8jq, 8jt, 8pl, 8xb, 9acl, (9axx), 9bcj, 9bxh, 9bji, 9buk, 9cee, 9cii, 9cjc, 9cjs, 9cpm, 9ctr, 9ded, 9dkv, 9dyy, 9eel, (9efz), 9egh, (9eht), 9eky, (9elb), 9xbg, 9bm, 9jy, 9mn, 9nv, 9ny, 9xe, 9xi, 9zt, kdka, nkf.

Canadian: 5an, 5on.

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1dd, (1ez), 1sf, 1te, 1ahe, 1xw, 1xav, (2fk), 2aay, (2aoy), 2bqb, 2cvj, 2cvu, (3cf), 3lg, 3agf, 3auv, 3bdo, 3buy, 3bva, (3cdn), 3xx, 3xav, 4ai, 4bx, 4db, 4dt, 4dx, 4ik-phone, 4io, 4kk, 4pd, 4qf, 4sa, 4ua, 4ur, (5dp), (5hy), (5ka), (5nw), (5tb), (5uv), (5yd), (5alt), (5aom), (5apm), (5arl), (5asj), (5xbh), (6jp), 6vc, 6aao, 6alu, 6apw, 6bjj, 6bra, 6bur, 6cae, 6cek, 6cgo, 6cgw, (6crx), (6daa), 8eb, 8er, 8es, 8hv, 8tt, 8vq, 8yn, 8yx, 8abm, 8aey, (8afq), 8aig, 8ajn, (8alw), 8anm, 8apr, 8apt, 8apw, 8art, 8aua, (8bda), (8bdw), 8bma, 8boc, 8brc, (8byf), (8cbx), (8cjp), 8cko, 8cmi, 8cta, (8cvm), (8cvp), 8cwc, 8cxm, 8cyi, (8dal), (8dbm), 8dbo, 8dcr, 8dem, 8dgo, 8dnd, 8dnh, 8doo, 8dqk, (8dse), 9ca, (9ep), (9jh), 9ny, 9oa, 9tg, 9vc, 9zd, 9zt, 9aau, 9acl, (9adq), 9afu, 9agz, 9ahq, (9alm), 9akd, (9ala), 9aob, (9ape), (9arf), 9ark, 9asz, 9att, (9ayd), 9baz, 9beb, 9bga, (9bjp), 9bkj, (9bkz), 9boa, (9bpn), (9bxi), (9bzd), (9ccd), (9ckb), (9ctf), (9cyl), (9dyt), (9ejl), wwv, wgh.

Canadian: 3ad, (3wv), (4cr), (4dq).

Cuban: (2by).

Mexican: 1b, 1f, 15, (9a).

By 6HS, 1224 Milvia St., Berkeley, Calif. (70–80 meters)

1aza, 1bkq, 1cmp, 1sf, 1xav, 2ac, 2adp, 2ana, 2brb, 2gh, 2od, 3bta, 3cdg, 4qf, 4rr, 4uk, 5afn, 5ail, 5ajh, 5ajj, 5ajt, 5aju, 5ame, 5apg, 5ce, 5hl, 5mi, 5oq, 5ox, 5ph, 7afo, 7abb, 7ahi, 7ahs, 7ajy, 7aky, 7cw, 7gb, 7gk, 7gr, 7no, 7qd, 7rk, 7un, 8aey, 8buk, 8bwl, 8byn, 8dhw, 8gz, 8up, 8ve, 8zar, 8zy, 9aod, 9ap, 9bmk, 9bmx, 9cfl, 9aau, 9cil, 9cjc, 9cjs, 9cju, 9cjy, 9clq, 9cov, 9cyk, 9dhy, 9dqu, 9dvp, 9dyt, 9efh, 9egu, 9eht, 9ekf, 9mb, 9nv, 9qi, 9xi, 9xw (fone), 9zk, 9zt, 9cfl, 9em.

Canadian: 4cr, 4io, 5an, 5cn.

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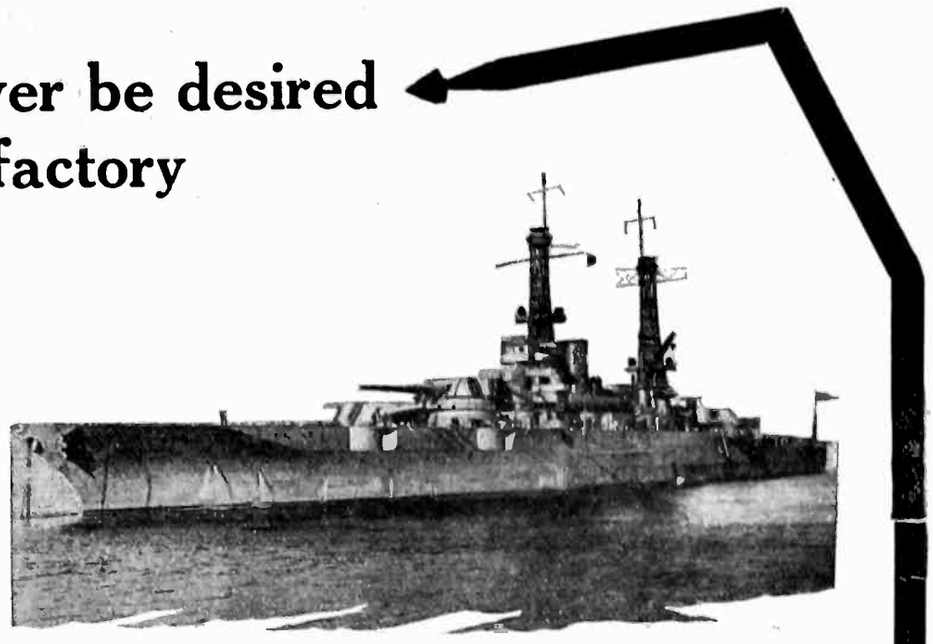

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THE JONAH OF JASMINE BJONES

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he had become a man, though still a shy and sensitive one. At last he stood in the radio room which was to be his home while the noisy steamer *Merced* clanked her way from San-Fran to Seattle to San Pedro and back again, with lurches suggestive of a torpedoed ore-scow. Jasmine sighed as he regarded the out-of-date spark set before him, and the worse receiving panel which covered several square yards of area, or hard-rubber, he could not be sure, and housed nothing more formidable than a lot of unnecessary coils of wire and a fairly decent piece of galena. He sighed again, and then smiled as he thought of the neutrodyne in his trunk. Smiling, he addressed the bedraggled-looking parrot whose cage he had placed on the operating table, and who had been his inseparable companion for the past two years.

Jasmine Bjones had bought Sweaty, at the present moment doing a very clever imitation of an eighty-year-old water-soaked feather duster, from a man who claimed to be a down-and-out radio operator. The man had told him how Sweaty had once saved hundreds of lives by shrieking "SOS" time after time into the mouthpiece of a ship's powerful radiophone, after she had been deserted by all hands, including the radio operator. Such a brave bird, he had told Jasmine, would be invaluable if a man ever intended to go to sea. How Sweaty had managed to escape from the sinking ship he forgot to relate, but Jasmine never thought of that till a long time afterward. Now he turned and spoke to the bird gently, for he loved the fiendish creature as a man can love only his best friend—his *only* friend.

"Sweaty, old pal, life isn't going to be so bad after all, is it? Even if this ship is only a lumber boat not bound for joyous far corners of the earth. A radio operator at last—Gee, I was afraid it'd never come true, and I've always wanted it so badly— Why, Sweaty, you lovely old reprobate, I believe you're seasick already, and the *Merced* not yet out of sight of the Golden Gate. Shame on you!"

"Arr-rr-rk," said Sweaty. "Yoh, it's terrible, terrible,—terrible!" A phrase that he had learned from the San Francisco newsboys.

Jasmine fully agreed with him later when he, too, suffered from the same affliction. Between-times of losing his meals over the side and wishing he were dead he worked in the stuffy radio cabin getting what was alleged to be a radio set in working order. Every time he pressed the key of the high-power spark transmitter he either had to hunt for a new sensitive spot or find a new crystal. "This will never do," he told Sweaty. "Pretty soon there will be no more

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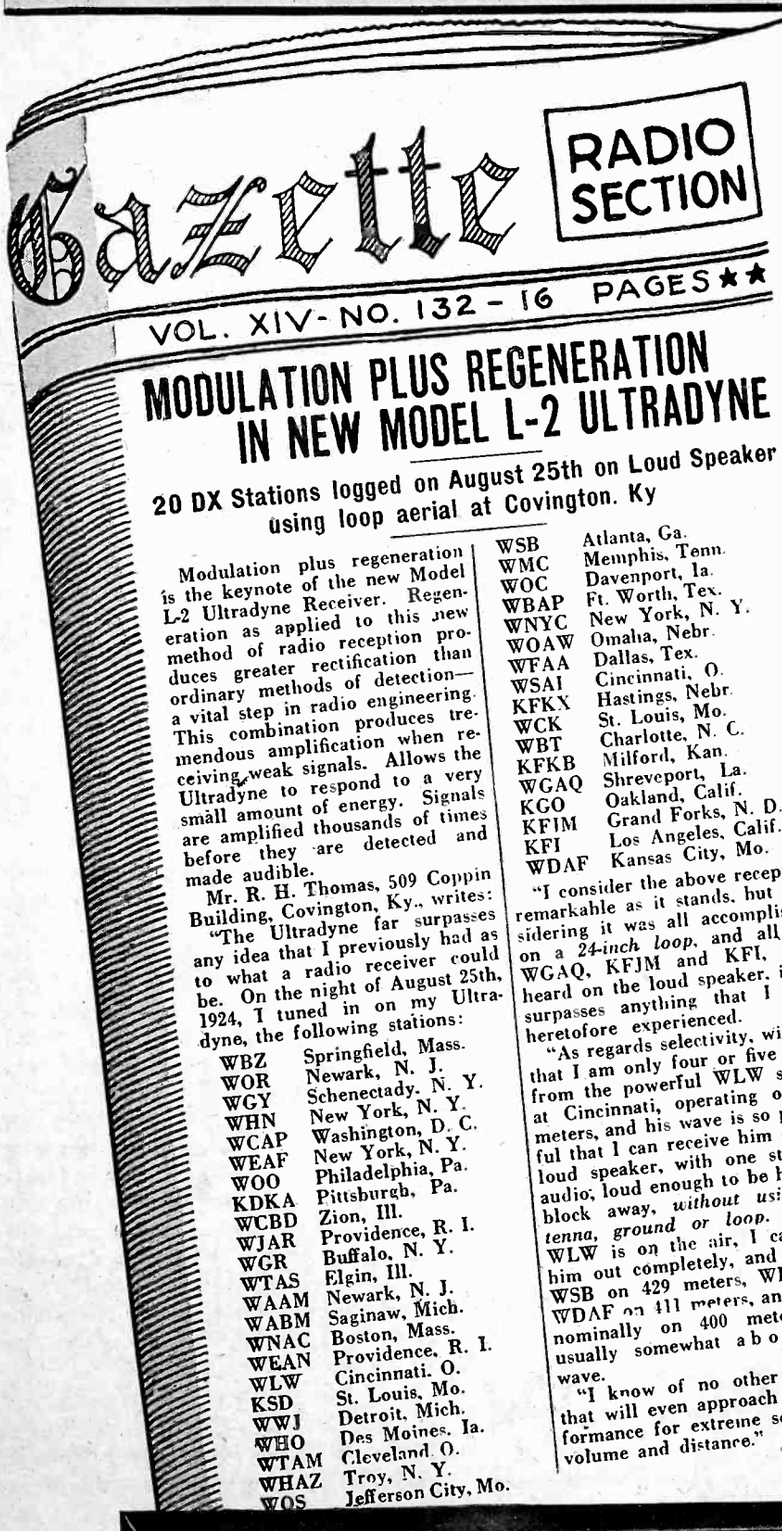

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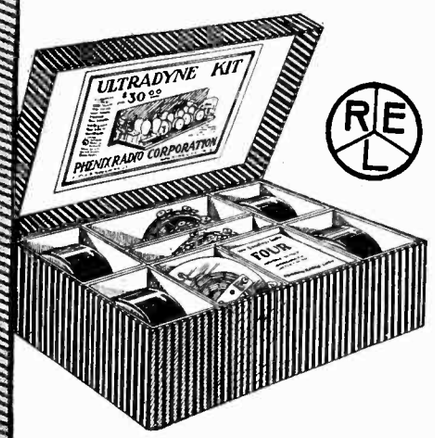

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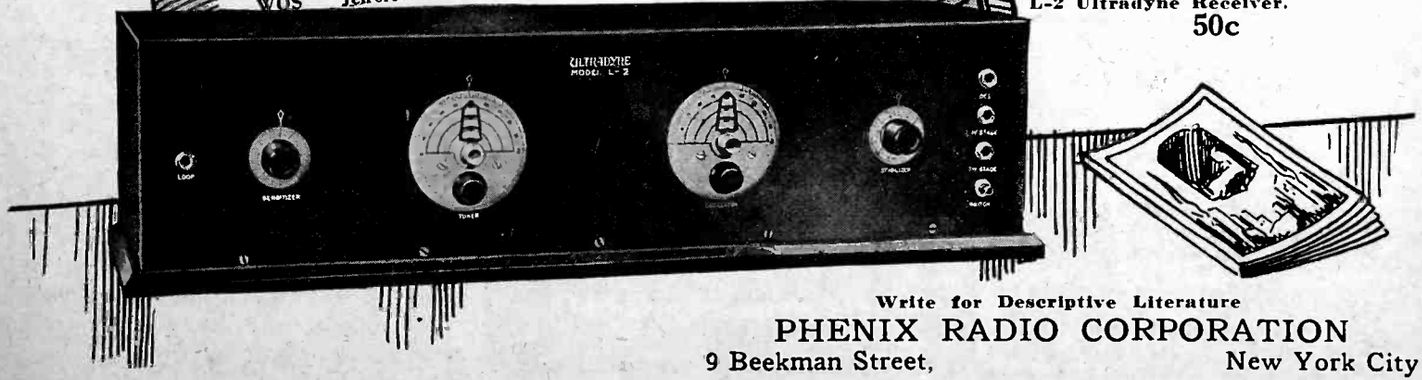

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crystals, and there are no radio supply stores in the middle of the ocean."

"It's terrible," agreed the parrot, now hopping about gayly, the sea-sickness having been successfully conquered. Jasmine allowed him the freedom of the radio room, and he had already formed a habit of escaping from there to the bridge, and thence laboriously to the very top of the mainmast, where he would preen himself in the sun while his frantic master looked everywhere for him.

Finally Jasmine gave the huge crystal panel up in despair—he was used to giving things up by now, though the first touch of sea-sickness was gone but not forgotten—and hooked up the neutrodyne. Then indeed was he in heaven. This was what he had dreamed of for years—the thrill of listening to signals which he knew were coming to him over miles of clean, wind-swept ocean. Little ships, big ships; little sets, big sets; high whistling tones like flutes, low roaring notes like fog-horns—electricity winging its way through the clean air to the wires which hung high above his head, and then down into the ears of himself, the radio operator of the good ship *Merced!* He could hardly believe that it was all true. Heaven! And then his heaven came tumbling down about his head.

The crew of the *Merced* were pleasure-loving men. In fact, they might be called hilarious. If there was anything they enjoyed it was a practical joke; the cruder the better. Many were the decayed fish that they had placed in each other's bunks; many were the packets of chewing tobacco and ashes and worse that they had dropped into the soup of Wo Sin, the Chinese cook. They had concentrated their efforts upon the soup because it was Wo Sin's particular pride. They enjoyed his frantic rage, his tearful pleadings to desist, his Oriental profanity, and when finally he was wise enough to feign indifference they let him alone, and abandoned their soup-spoiling for more amusing efforts. That had been on the previous voyage.

Now there was a new man on the ship, and the chuckling villains strove desperately to find some weak point in his armor upon which they might concentrate, as they had upon Wo Sin's beloved soup. The men already resented the coolness with which "Sparks" treated them, keeping entirely aloof, never cracking a smile. Thus they were doubly joyful when they at last stumbled upon, or pounced upon, the weak point for which they had been seeking—Sweaty. Someone had discovered that the new radio operator could not bear to have the bird out of his sight, that he loved him as most men loved a woman, another man, or a dog.

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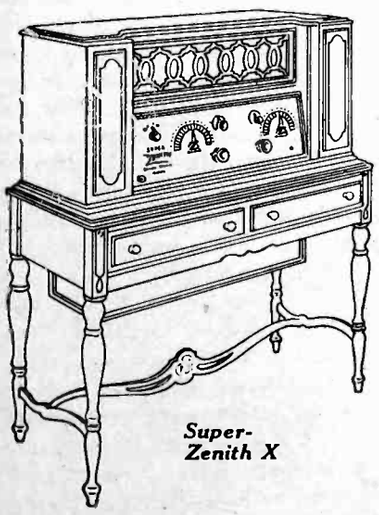

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Jasmine had learned where the miserable bird spent its afternoons, so he worried no more about it, knowing that Sweaty would come home to the radio room and his cage when the sun went down. He did not know what to make of it, therefore, when in response to his whistling no Sweaty came fluttering down from the maze of rigging overhead to perch upon his shoulder. He whistled frantically and ran about the deck asking if anybody had seen the bird, even climbed the main-mast, but no Sweaty rewarded his search. The crew leaned weakly against each other, shaking with suppressed mirth and imitated his whistling skilfully, so that if poor Sweaty had been up in the rigging he would have gone insane trying to flutter to so many masters at once. But Sweaty was not there. Alas!

Sweaty was in the fo-castle, where blonde Lars Larsen was decorating him according to the Larsen idea of art, and singing meanwhile, "For you're to be Queen of The May, Sweaty," in a high falsetto, while the tears rolled down his ruddy cheeks.

Jasmine spent a sleepless night, but he felt worse the next morning when he saw Sweaty. The bird came marching bravely into the radio room, lifting his feet like a cavalry horse and talking happily to itself, but when it saw the look on its master's face it dropped its head and whimpered pitifully. Sweaty reeked of paint. His legs were gray, striped, his body black with a white shirt-front. Wings were in the futurist style, and his long red, white, and blue tail stood out in startling contrast to his yellow and purple head, on which rested a tiny hat. About his body were leather bands from which rose two slender masts bearing a diminutive radio antenna and the neatly lettered placard:

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Jasmine gathered the dejected bird to his breast, thereby ruining a good uniform coat, and rushed to Wo Sin with a request for gasoline. "No gas on bo'd. Velly sollee!" said Wo Sin. Lars Larsen had told him that if he didn't use exactly those words there would be two very large cuds of used chewing tobacco in the Captain's soup the next morning. When Sweaty persisted in shrieking, It's terrible, terrible, terrible," all the way back to the radio cabin, and continued while Jasmine was attempting to clean him with soap and water, the crew sim-

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ply lay on its collective back and wept hysterically until the captain saw them and ordered all but the watch below.

This was but the beginning. The hazing continued for the rest of the voyage and began again at the start of the next one, which was to be merely a repetition of the first. Jasmine had decided at San Francisco that he would stick it out, though the temptation to quit his job was great. He dreaded going back to the ship; dreaded to face all those other men once more, that were always laughing at him. The morning of the second day out he found a painted banner across the door. "Who's the bum radio op?" it asked. And answered itself by proclaiming, "BJASMINE BJONES, BJY BJOSH!"

Like Wo Sin, Jasmine feigned indifference as best he could, but it seemed to make no difference. For the most part the men, though they were unmerciful, were also good-natured about what they were doing. Only one of them, a big fellow named Boles, seemed to be deliberately spiteful; long after the others would have stopped, Boles egged them on, and as he was the bully of the crew and had been known to half-kill a man with one blow of his hairy fist, his wishes were obeyed.

The radio operator learned that the man Boles was the ringleader from Wo Sin, who had become his friend probably because he himself had been forced to endure what Jasmine was getting. Reinforced by what Wo Sin had told him, Jasmine attempted to make friends of one or two of the men, smiling when he happened to meet them about the ship, even venturing a timid, "hello, there." Jasmine had heard the phrase "inferiority complex" used once at a lecture, but he never imagined that it might apply to him. He knew only that he was half-afraid of the men about him, and he tried hard to fight off the feeling and treat them as he knew they expected to be treated, and make them his friends.

Some of them grinned sheepishly when he spoke to them; one returned the greeting, kindly enough. The crew was on the new radio operator's side, had he but known it. They were simply waiting for him to retaliate in some way—to "blow up," to play a joke on them in return, to swear at them, to hit one of their number on the jaw; anything to demonstrate his manhood. The more he was humiliated, however, the further Jasmine tended to creep into concealment. He rarely left his radio cabin, except for meals, which he had with the captain and the first and only mate. When not busy "pounding brass" he read over his meagre stock of books, tinkered with the set, and talked to Sweaty, which was unsatisfactory due to Sweaty's limited vocabulary. So things went until one eventful Saturday evening.

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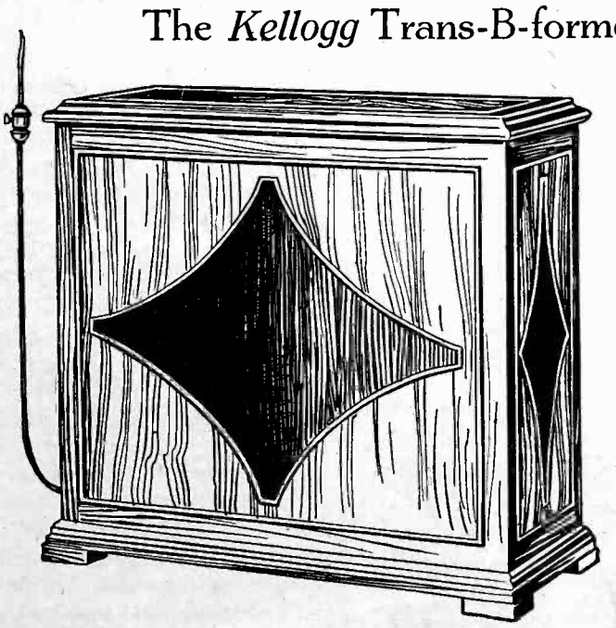

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In the afternoon Jasmine, locked in his cabin, had heard two men approach and stop just outside his door. The door was fairly thick, but he could not help but hear their raised voices, which was exactly what they desired. He heard the roaring voice of the man Boles ask someone else, "I wonder if little Jazz, Mine Ownus"—he had fallen into the habit lately of referring to Jasmine thus—"I wonder if B'jonas is in his cabin. If he is I ought not talk like I'm going to talk, suh. It might hurt his feelings."

"I don't rightly know, captain," replied the other man, snickering.

"Wall, it's unimportant, suh," had said the one whom Jasmine was sure was Boles, exaggerating the slight Southern drawl of the captain. "I just wanted to tell you-all a few things about him, suh."

"Yes, captain." Another snicker.

"You know, suh, the men hev been a-ridin' him a little bit. Just in fun, you know, suh. And that white-livered jellyfish ain't had the nerve to talk back to even the littlest shrimp in the bunch!"

"You don't mean to tell me, captain! Now ain't that too bad!"

"Yessuh! Why, that green operatuh has a stripe of yelluh up his back as long as Wo Sin's pigtail, suh—"

The dialogue had continued for the better part of an hour, while the man on the other side of the door heard every word, and came very close to tears. Cold beads of perspiration stood out on his face, which was as white as death, and his nails dug into his palms until they bled.

That had been in the afternoon. Now it was evening and the *Merced* was beating her way southward through heavy seas, her aged heavily-laden hulk groaning as if each plunge was to be her last. A heavy sea was running.

Jasmine got a position report from two compass stations ashore and, hanging his 'phones on the hook, took it immediately to the bridge. A heavy fog was closing in on the *Merced;* the skipper looked worried. "Hm-m-m," he frowned, when Jasmine handed him the blank. "I had no idea we were so close in-shore, Sparks. According to this we're uncomfortably near Point Conception, where those seven Navy destroyers went aground. Get hold of the compass station again and ask for verification. It doesn't seem possible that this one could be correct. Damn this fog, anyway!"

"Yes, sir." Jasmine left the bridge and made his way down the bridge ladder to the deck, shivering as the dank coldness of the mist made itself felt through the thin stuff of his uniform. The door to the radio room was ajar. He entered, slamming it to after him, and sat down before the operating table preparatory to calling KPH. Quickly

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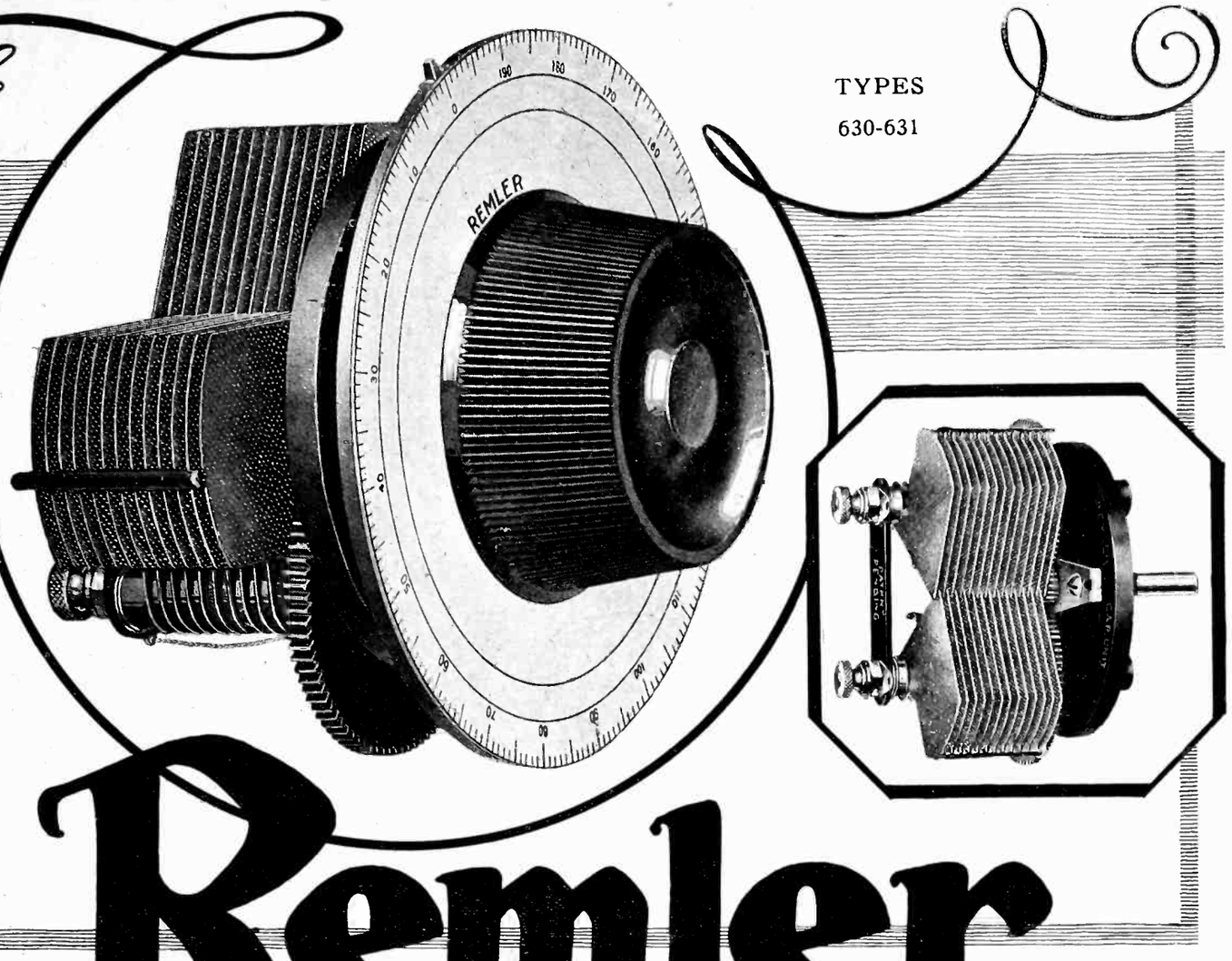

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he threw the switches on the control panel and pressed the key, but the rotary gap seemed to behave queerly, and the needle on the radiation ammeter remained at zero. He made a hurried examination of the transmitter, but could find nothing wrong.

Tears of vexation sprang to his eyes. Just his luck! Fog, important orders from the skipper, and a dead radio set. Jasmine sprang to his feet, leaving things as they were with the motor still running, and ran out upon the deck. Glancing upward through the fog he fancied that he saw a dark figure descending the mainmast-shrouds. In a flash the thought struck him: Could those fools have dared to cut his antenna lead? His breath came faster, and red specks danced before his eyes. He hurried to where he had seen the figure, and started aloft, clinging with all his might to the tarry ratlines as the ship careened from side to side. The higher he climbed the greater became the arc through which the mast was swinging. He felt dizzy. At last he reached the top, where the shrouds met the mast, and, clinging with his knees, reached out and felt along the cold, dripping cable to which the suspension insulator of the flat-top antenna was fastened. On the other side of the heavy insulator his clawing fingers found a fine copper wire which seemed to come up from nowhere and fasten to the antenna itself. He jerked it loose, and for a minute, while the mast swung wildly and he was able only by sheer strength to keep from being hurled eighty feet downward into the boiling sea, he held the thin strand of copper in his left hand while with his right he gripped one of the aerial wires. In that instant he heard the crescendo whine of the rotary gap in the radio cabin far below, and thirty thousand volts of high frequency electricity went through his body. His hands, where they touched the wires, were seared as if a white-hot iron had been dragged across them. The shock loosened his hold, and it was only by a superhuman effort that he was able to fling his arms about the rigging before the mast reversed the direction of its swing and flung him out into space. Physically sick, he crept down the ratlines a step at a time, gained the deck and leaned weakly against the door of the radio room. Recovering himself to some extent he stepped inside—and faced the evilly grinning countenance of Boles.

He could not find his voice. "Y-you g-grounded my—the antenna—you tried to kill me," he shuddered, horrified, loathing in his voice, "Y-u—dirty—rotten—"

"I fastened that wire to the ones up on the mast to have some fun," laughed Boles. "When you discovered what the trouble was I had a chance to give you a shock, by pressing this thing on the

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table, here. I hadn't planned that part before; I had to time it pretty exactly."

"But—man—the shock might not kill me—high frequency juice—but I'm not used to keeping my hold aloft—new man—no sailor. *You knew that!*"

"You're plenty green, alright," sneered Boles.

"But—my God! It's a penitentiary offense to tamper with a ship's set, you fool! And especially in a fog, when the radio is needed for getting bearings—"

For a moment Boles' face paled. Then he recovered his composure. "Well, what are you going to do about it?" he asked, swelling his chest and folding his massive arms upon it. "Report me to the old man, I suppose? Get me fired, so I won't bother you any more? Be just like you, B'jonas!"

"No," said Jasmine. I won't give you what you know you deserve. No, I'm not going to do that. I'm going to—"

His words were drowned in a crash of ripping keelplates and splintering timbers. The *Merced* shuddered throughout her length, and listed slightly to port. There was a hideous scraping sound as the teeth of the reef tore into her vitals. Point Conception! Doom of many vessels. The masts were coming down. A manilla cable-end, heavy as any iron bar after its fall of eighty feet, struck Jasmine a glancing blow on the shoulder and brought the blood as he ran outside. Boles had preceded him, shoving the lighter man aside in his hurry to escape, gibbering like a drowning rat.

Deadly Point Conception! An error made somewhere, by someone. The crew were all on deck, hardly able to see the mate or the captain, who barked orders from the bridge to abandon ship, a long gash slowly staining his snowy hair. "Our only chance—run line ashore — rig breeches buoy—." His words came faintly through the wind. "Who—can—swim-m-m?"

No one answered. Two of them were sniveling.

The captain raged. "Sailors!" he cried. "Sailors! Deep water men; blue-water men! And not one—" he choked—"not a mother's son can swim. Scum-m-m!—"

Jasmine quietly stepped forward and walked to the bridge. He shed his clothes as he went. "I'll try it, sir. I-I'm a fair swimmer. Used to sneak off by myself when I was a kid—my only fun. Later—Y. M. C. A.—'Frisco."

"Get this man a line—a light one," the captain roared. He turned to the naked man before him and spoke more gently, as befits gentlemen. "If you don't make it, lad," he said, "I'll never forgive myself. Swim southward—let the wind and current carry you 'way

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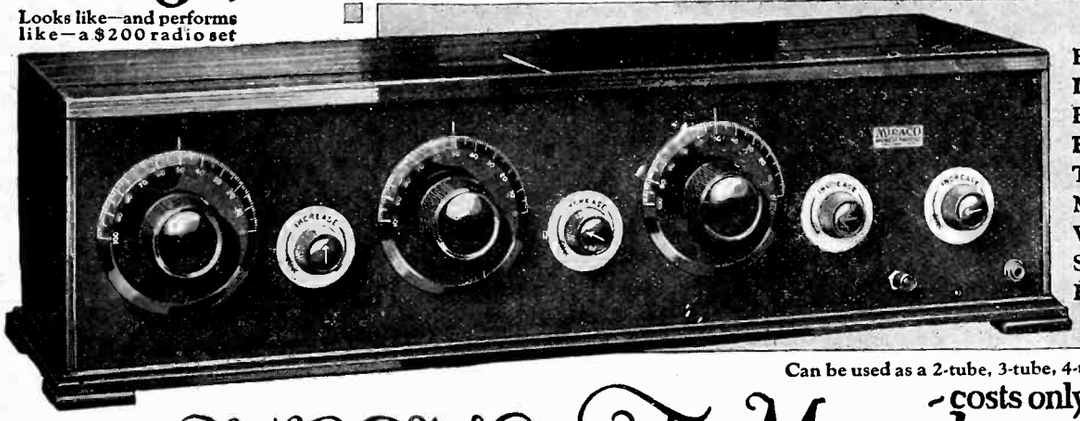

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clear of the rocks—don't fight it. Then straight in. Sand beach to the south of the Point."

"Yes, sir." Stripped, Jasmine revealed a pair of broad, tanned shoulders; slim hips. Eager hands fastened the line about his bare waist, making sure that the knot was one which would not tighten. For a moment he poised, erect, on the stern rail, then dived cleanly out and down to the water thirty feet below. He came to the surface gasping; the icy water had bitten into his flesh like so much liquid fire. He felt a strong current pulling him toward the reef, struck out across it, and two or three minutes later was in a second one which moved southward, as the captain had predicted. He saved his strength as much as possible, knowing that all would depend on the long pull straight inshore.

This was nothing like swimming in quiet water. One—two. One—two. He counted his strokes, choking as waves caught aand flung him; half-blinded by the salt water. He could not breathe—gasped and found himself coughing, with hot salt in his nose. One—two. One—two. His shoulders ached already. The current lessened. He ventured a quick glance to the left. Pretty close to the rocks. Now or never, though. A long pull—a long pull.

Fifteen minutes later a rolling breaker caught him and threw him, half-unconscious, upon the sand. As he felt the gritty stuff on his bare knees the idiotic thought came to him that never, if anybody asked him to do a thing like this again, would he do it. He crawled forward—five feet—ten feet—to where the sand was dry, and, flat on his back, began hauling in the line, to which was attached a heavier one, spitting brine meanwhile. Men from the Government Station found him there, still hauling, and took the line from his hands. They wrapped Jasmine in a blanket, thinking that he would immediately become unconscious.

Boles was the first man to come ashore in the breeches buoy. The Coast Guard men looked at him, saw he was all right, and forgot him. Jasmine in his blanket saw him from beneath salt-swollen lids, and remembered. Remembered what he had been about to say when the *Merced* struck, that is.

Like a flash he was on his feet, and also on Boles, before that worthy quite knew what was happening. When Boles saw the livid face of the man before him, however, he knew instantly, and had sense enough to put up his hands before Jasmine's first left hook caught him on the ear and removed a portion of it for ever more. He led with his left, ponderously, as a big man should not do, but usually does, and Jasmine crossed to the chin with his right and

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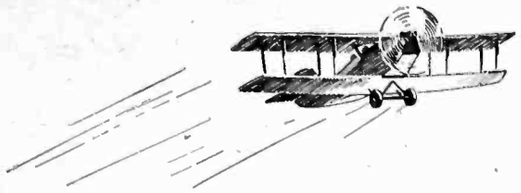

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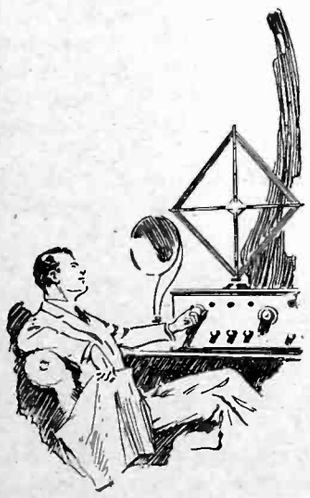

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jabbed twice to the stomach—it was a nice fat stomach; too fat—before he could recover.

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Jasmine never remembered that fight. Boles remembered only the first part of it. The crew, as they came ashore a man at a time, stood and watched with gaping mouths, and to their eternal joy they remembered, between them, all of it.

BOLES lost, they say. At least his doctor bill was over two hundred dollars including the trained nurse. Jasmine was only in a hospital ten days, upon each and every one of which he was visited by at least half of the crew, who brought him presents of candy that would have killed a well man, and perfume that would have raised a corpse. Wo Sin and the skipper came oftener and brought less.

And thus passed the Jonah of Jasmine Bjones, which might have been his name, and might also have been that inferiority complex.

Oh, yes! One more thing! The crew had still another method of proving to Jasmine that he had really and truly won his first fight. "That Fight," they call it, even today. They say that when Sweaty came ashore, the last to come before the captain, and saw Boles lying there on the wet sand and Jasmine standing, knocked clean out on his feet and too stupid to know it,—they say that when Sweaty came ashore and saw all this, he marched gravely over to Boles and looked for a moment down into his face, or what had been his face under normal conditions. Then, they say, he raised his head and squawked dismally:

"Arr-rk-kk! It's terrible, terrible, terrible!"

COMMERCIAL TESTING

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oscillation occurs. Here, as in the detector unit, it should be possible to make the set oscillate and to prevent it from oscillating over its entire wavelength range.

Fig. 5 shows an audio-frequency amplifying unit used together with a tuning unit and a detecting unit. This circuit operates on the linear portion of the vacuum tube characteristic, a grid bias or *C* battery being sometimes necessary to bring the operating point on the linear portion for the particular plate voltage used.

The tests made on an audio-frequency amplifier consist of an amplification test and a noise test. The amplification test is the same as that made on radio-fre-

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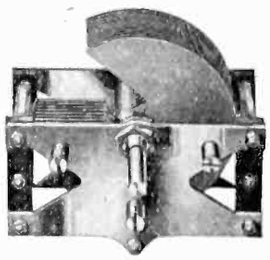

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quency amplifiers except, of course, that there is no potentiometer used. The purpose of the noise test is to make certain that with no signals coming in (the wavemeter shut off) the noises introduced in the phones by the vacuum tubes used are not too great. Often, the ratio of signal to interference is very much reduced due to amplifier noises, a condition which evidently is quite undesirable.

SUPER-HETERODYNE

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wood spools, each with two slots for the windings, one slot being ¼ in. and the other ½ in. in width. The principal dimensions of the spools are given in Fig. 4. A hole ½ in. in diameter should be bored in the center of the spool, for the core. The primary winding should consist of 450 turns of No. 30 D. S. wire, wound in the ¼ in. slot. No particular order should be observed in winding the coil, the wires being placed in a haphazard manner to reduce the distributed capacity effects. The secondary winding should be 2,100 turns of No. 36 single silk wire, wound in the ½ in slot. For the core material, use either a bundle of fine iron wires, such as No. 36 gauge, or a bundle of flat strips of silicon steel, not over .003 in. in thickness. Ordinary heavy transformer iron or silicon steel will not do. The thinner the laminations the better the transformer will be. Small lugs should be provided for terminals, the inside primary lead going to the plate, outside primary to the *B* battery, inside secondary to the filament and outside secondary to the grid, in each transformer.

The single tuned transformer is wound on a spool, turned from seasoned hardwood with flange ¼ in. in width, a diameter of 2½ in., a hub of 1 in. and a slot ½ in. in diameter. On this spool wind 250 turns of No. 30 D. C. C. wire, in a haphazard manner. Place a layer of insulating paper over this winding, and wind on 1600 turns of No. 36 single silk or enameled wire, for the secondary coil. If this transformer is used in the circuit, the primary condenser should be .005 mfd., and the sec-

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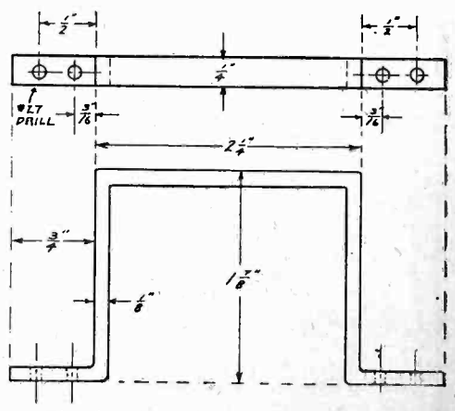

Fig. 5. Dimensions of Shelf Supports

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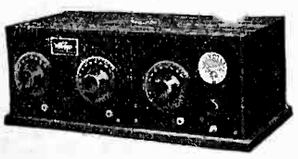

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(See WU for cabinet open)

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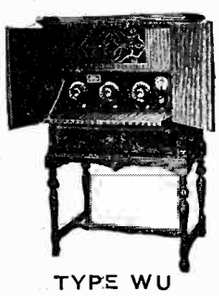

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ondary condenser should be omitted. The four leads from the windings should be terminated in a manner similar to that described for the untuned transformers.

Assembly of Parts

ON the baseboard, which is 10x19x ½ in., lay out the various parts as indicated in the drawing, without fastening the panel to the board until all the assembly work, and some of the wiring, is completed. The additional template for the tube shelf will indicate the size of the fittings, and in Fig. 5, dimensions are given for the two brass legs necessary to support the shelf. It will be seen that mounting the sockets on the shelf will greatly shorten the leads to the transformers, as well as provide additional space underneath for other apparatus.

After drilling the panel, the two condensers, voltmeter, rheostats, Chelten condenser, rheostats, jacks and filament switch, may be mounted. As much of the wiring as possible should be completed before fastening to the baseboard.

The tube shelf should be mounted last, after all the connections to the apparatus underneath are run. The *C* battery is held in place by a piece of heavy copper wire fastened at each end by screws to the tube shelf. The bakelite strip for mounting the battery binding posts is indicated in Fig. 6, and is mounted at one end of the tube shelf with two wood screws. The fixed condensers may be screwed directly to the baseboard and shelf, with wood screws. Most condensers are now supplied with soldering lugs, making the work of soldering easy. Clips for mounting C_6 are supplied with the transformer so that it will be suspended directly alongside. The bakelite strip for mounting the three loop binding posts is shown in Fig. 7 and should be screwed to the tube shelf back of the oscillator and first detector tubes.

The use of No. 14 or No. 16 gauge tinned square wire is recommended, as the wiring will thus be rigid, and in most cases spaghetti will not be needed. In cases where it is apparent that some of the wires may touch, spaghetti insulation should be employed, but not otherwise. There will be rather long leads from the second detector tube to the first audio frequency transformer, and it is suggested that these leads be run in twisted pair, using a convenient size of twisted bell wire or other good insulated wire.

For those who do not wish to use the large tube in the last stage, an alternative arrangement in Fig. 8 gives the wiring diagram of the audio stages with 3-volt tubes throughout.

Testing the Set

AFTER all wiring is finished, an accurate check of all connections should be made before inserting the tubes in the sockets or connecting the batteries.

Connect the loop or antenna coupler to the three binding posts at the left end on the rear of the baseboard, the center tap being connected to the center binding post. One of the outside loop terminals should be connected to the binding post and the other to the lower, the two connections being reversible without causing any change.

The *B* batteries should now be connected to the terminals, the battery consisting of two 45-volt units and a 22½-volt unit, the latter providing extra voltage for the last audio tube only. After connecting the batteries in series, connect the negative terminal to the binding post marked —*B*, bring out a tap at 45 volts, connecting the tap to +45 binding post and take out another tap at the second 45-volt point to provide 90 volts. The final tap, 112½ volts, goes to the binding post at the extreme end of the strip and should under no circumstances be allowed to touch any other part of the circuit.

After the *B* battery has been attached, plug in the phones or loud speaker in

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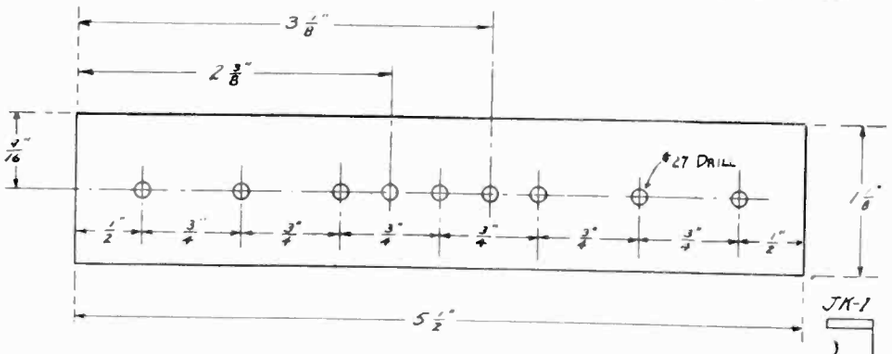

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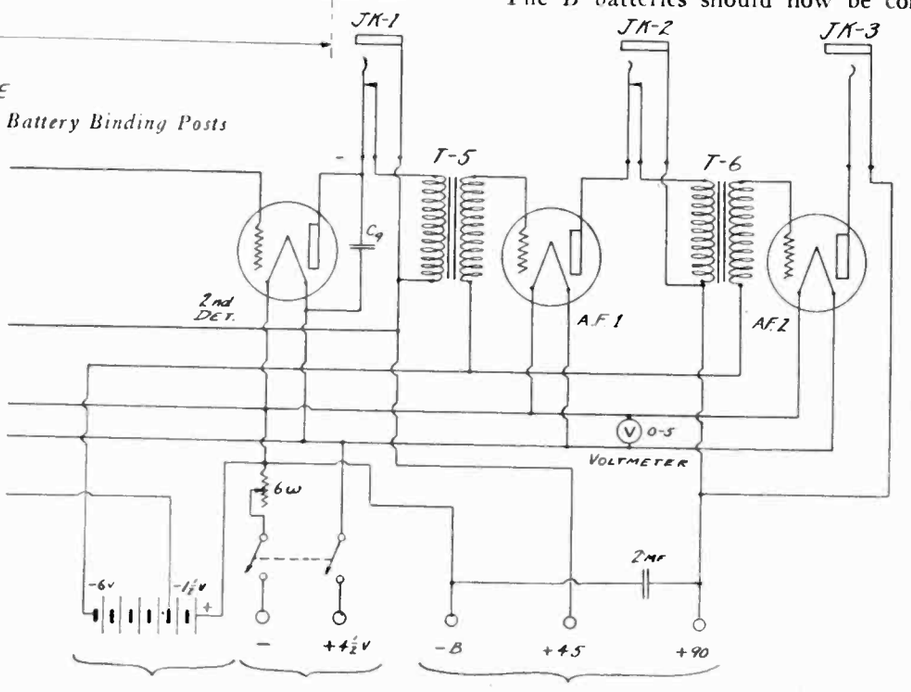
Fig. 6. Mounting for Battery Binding Posts



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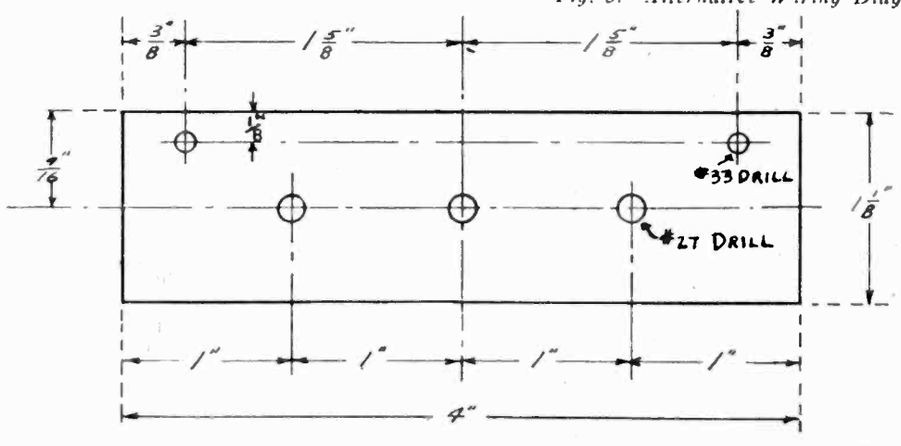

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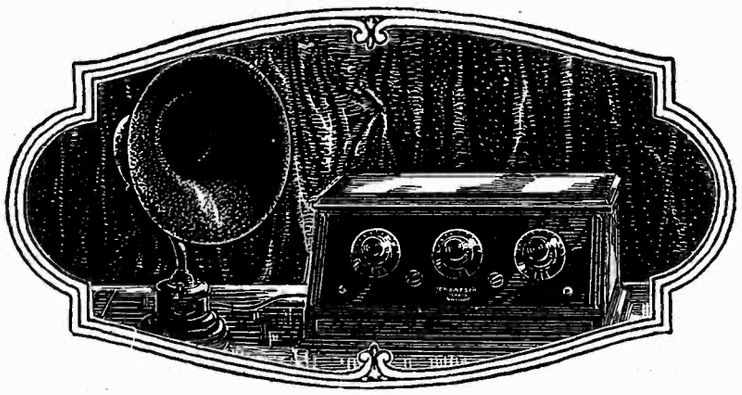

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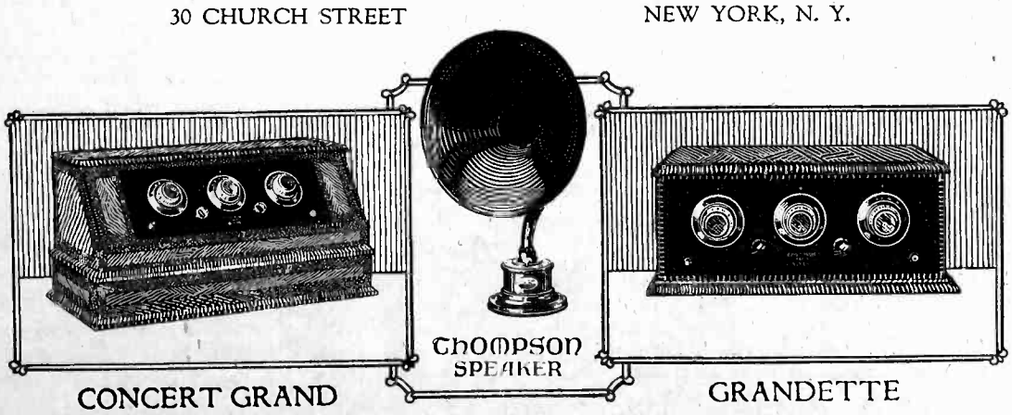

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the last phone jack, turn on the filament switch and volume control rheostats, and watch the voltmeter for any deflection. If such deflection occurs, an error in the *B* battery wiring has occurred, and the trouble should be located and cleared before the tubes are placed in their sockets.

If no deflection of the voltmeter needle occurs, the *A* battery can be connected. This should consist of four dry cells, or more if a parallel arrangement is desired, the first three cells providing the necessary voltage for the 3-volt tubes and the fourth cell providing an additional 1½ volts for the C-301-A tube. Turn on the filament rheostat and see that the voltmeter reads 4½ volts. If it does, the wiring in the battery circuits is correct, and the tubes may now be inserted. If trouble appears, in the shape of a deflection of the needle off the scale, the *B* battery *is* crossed with the filament circuit somewhere, and the trouble must be located before inserting the tubes.

After mounting all the tubes in their sockets, turn on the filament rheostat, and adjust the voltage to 3 volts. Be sure to turn the volume control rheostat as far to the right as it will go when making the adjustment. Next it will be necessary to adjust the fixed resistance in the C-301-A tube. This tube should have a voltage of 5 across the filament, and as the battery will have a voltage of 6, a resistance of 4 ohms is necessary to cut the voltage to the correct value. The Amperite unit will provide this resistance automatically and needs no adjustment. An easy way to check the voltage is to disconnect the negative terminal of the voltmeter from the permanent lead running to it, and run temporary wires from this terminal to the lugs on the C-301-A tube socket. This will enable the voltage to be read without an extra voltmeter.

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Turn the volume control to its highest position and set the loop condenser

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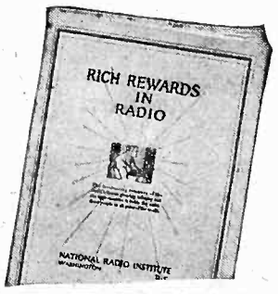

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at a point near the zero setting, say 15 degrees. Slowly turn the oscillator dial back and forth, from zero to 25 degrees, at the same time listening for signals. If none are heard, change the loop condenser setting to 25 degrees, and slowly move the oscillator dial through an arc from 10 to 40 degrees. This process should be repeated until a station is heard, changing the setting of the loop condenser about 5 degrees each time and slowly turning the oscillator condenser from a point at least 10 degrees below the loop setting to 10 degrees above the loop setting. When tuning distant stations, the same procedure applies, except that it will be necessary to make loop settings every two degrees or even less if the signal strength of the station to be received is weak.

When a station has been picked up, it will be noted that it can be received at two setting of the oscillator condenser, the lowest one on the dial being the adjustment of the oscillator that gives a beat frequency 45,000 cycles higher than the frequency of the incoming wave, and the upper dial setting being for a beat frequency 45,000 cycles lower than the incoming wave frequency. Signals should be received with about the same intensity for either setting, but often under conditions of interference from other stations, it will be found that one setting gives better results and less interference than the other.

If the volume from the station being received is too great, and distortion occurs, the volume can be lowered by cutting in resistance in the volume control rheostat. After one station has been received and the operator becomes familiar with the adjustment of the dials, others will be picked up more readily. Each time a station is heard the setting should be noted and marked for future reference. This is important not only for tuning in the same station at some other time, but to facilitate the location of stations whose wavelengths are known to be slightly above or below the station for which settings were recorded.

When a station at least 1,000 miles distant has been tuned in, the rotor of the coupling unit should be adjusted to as near a minimum position as is possible without causing a decrease in signal strength. Once this adjustment has been made, the rotor may be locked in place with the set screw provided for that purpose and need never be changed again throughout the life of the oscillator tube. When a new oscillator tube is used, it may be desirable to make the adjustment over again.

The adjustment of condenser C_{10} should be made while a station of low wavelength, between 200 and 300 meters if possible, is being received.

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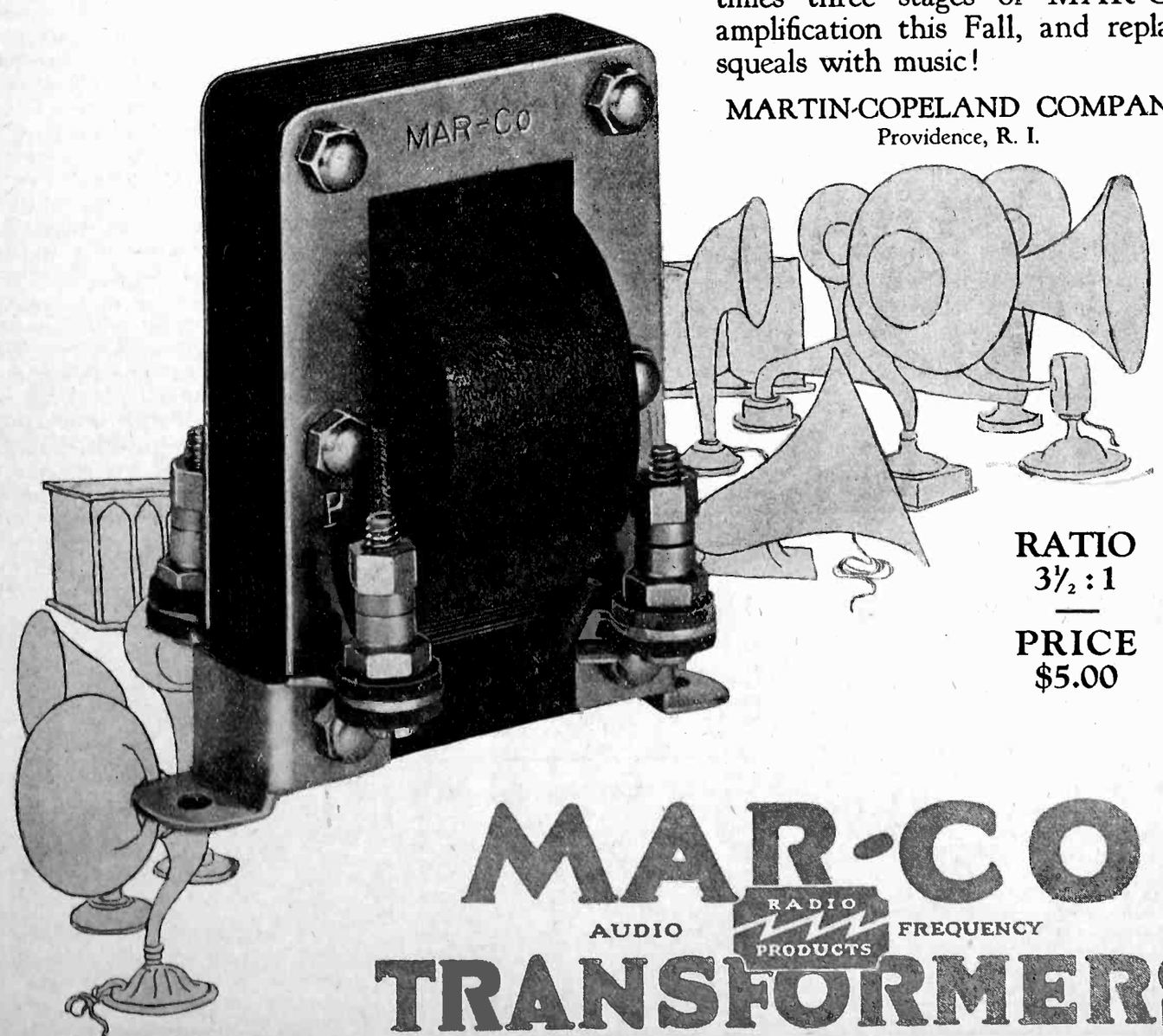

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If, after carefully following the instructions for tuning the circuit, no signals are heard, and at a time when local stations are known to be transmitting, a series of tests should be made to locate the trouble. Touch the grid terminal of the oscillator tube socket, and if the tube is oscillating a click will be heard in the phones when the finger touches the terminal and again when it is withdrawn. If it is not oscillating, the click will be heard only when the terminal is touched, and not when it is withdrawn. Failure of the tube to oscillate can mean that the oscillator coil connections are wired incorrectly, that the tube is defective, or that the socket springs are not making contact with the tube terminals.

If the set oscillates continually at most settings of the volume control rheostat, the condenser C_{10} may be set at too great a capacity value. One of the grid leads in the intermediate frequency amplifier may be open, or the *C* battery is not connected properly in the circuit. An open *C* battery will cause oscillation troubles, and is often hard to find. Try placing the positive terminal of the voltmeter, which has been disconnected from the circuit, to the positive *C* battery, and touch the negative terminal of the voltmeter in turn to the grid spring of each tube socket. If a deflection is noted, there is an open between the *C* battery and the tube, probably in the transformer. The same method should be used for checking out the filament circuit, in case some of the tubes do not light.

A howling in the audio frequency amplifiers is probably due to coupling between transformers. If transformers other than those specified are used, particularly the high ratio type, it would be advisable to connect the cores of the two transformers to the negative *A* battery.

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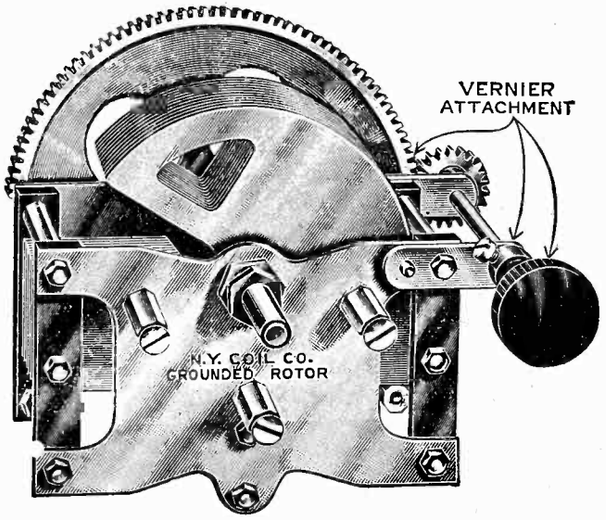

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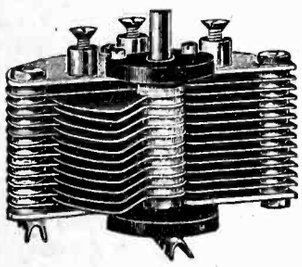

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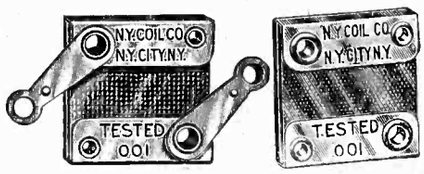

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ably necessary to have an antenna and ground connected to the set in order to get sufficient signal strength to be audible with the radio frequency tube unlighted. Once found, the point of balance need never be changed throughout the life of the radio frequency tube, and if the dimensions and values given are followed, this setting will be sufficient for all waves to which the set is capable of tuning. Also, the regeneration coil will be found to be practically constant in its setting regardless of wave length, one setting being sufficient unless it is desired to change volume.

All tuning can be done with the two condensers alone, and with the size loop and tapped coil given, their settings will be practically uniform throughout their scale, varying possibly not more than three or four degrees, when used with a large antenna or on the loop alone. Post *L* is for an antenna of any length, while post *S* is for use with an extremely short antenna, the use of which will vary the settings of C_2 in proportion to the length of antenna used. The same tuning chart can be used for both loop and long antenna reception.

As to the results to be expected, good reception of stations up to 150 miles should be obtained on the loop alone, maximum signal strength being obtained when the set is so placed that the plane of the loop is parallel to the direction of the transmitting station. The maximum is broad, but the minimum point, or 90 degrees from the maximum, will be found to be sharp, and in this respect the set is a self-contained radio compass. This minimum reception point can be used to eliminate interference. Reception on the loop alone is bilateral. When the loop is augmented by a short antenna of about 15 ft., connected to post *S*, the above range can be doubled, and the unilateral effect can be observed by revolving the set. With the conventional sized antenna connected to post *L*, with ground, transcontinental reception should not be the exception during the fall and winter months.

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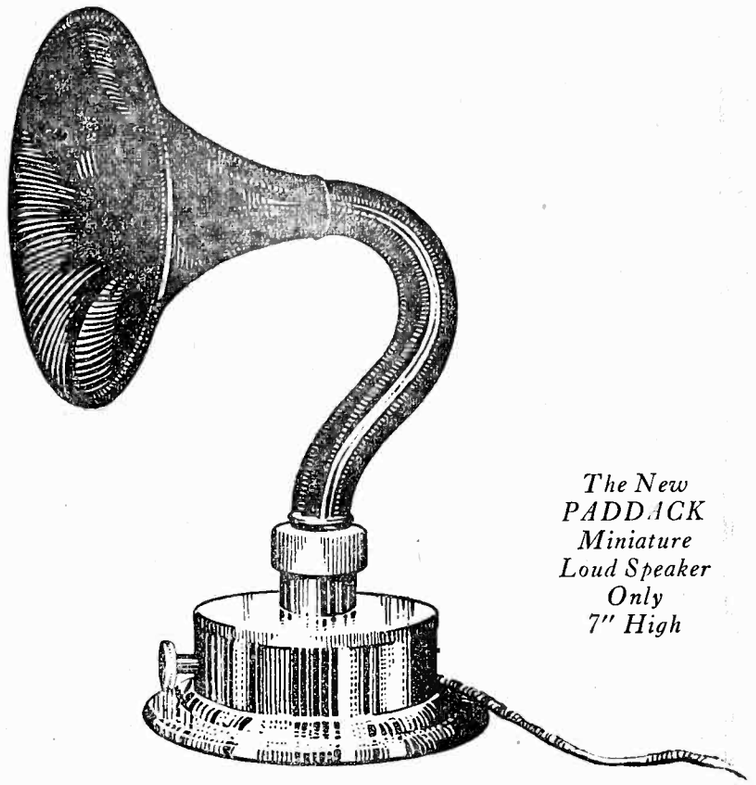

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battery, distortion may be obtained due to the curvature of the tube characteristic.

In concluding this article, a slight modification of the circuit in Fig. 1 will be given which will enable better quality to be secured. It will be observed that the loud speaker is placed directly in the plate circuit of the last tube. This is the usual manner of connecting a loud speaker. It may result in distortions because the direct current of the plate circuit may saturate the iron core of the loud speaker. Another disadvantage is that if the plate current flows through the magnet windings in the wrong direction the loud speaker may gradually lose its magnetism and so become less efficient.

To avoid these effects of the direct current flowing in the plate of the tube the circuit shown in Fig. 2 may be employed. Another plate reactance equal to those in the preceding stages is used in the plate circuit, and thus maximum undistorted amplification is obtained across it. The direct current of the tube thus flows through this reactor. The loud speaker is coupled to this reactor through a 1 or 2 mfd. condenser and the audio frequency voltage across the plate reactor is made to operate the loud speaker. Thus the direct current is excluded from the loud speaker.

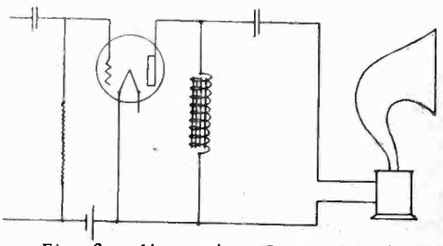
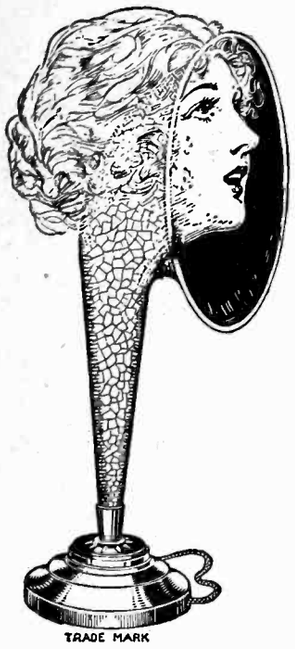


Fig. 2. Alternative Connection for Loud Speaker.

Any number of stages up to three may be employed, depending upon the type of receiver employed. Such an amplifier will give just as good quality as any resistance coupled amplifier, is more efficient from an amplifying point of view in that it utilizes the amplifying properties of the tube up to its maximum capacity, and at the same time is more economical in *B* battery. For those who are seeking a high quality amplifier this system should commend itself.



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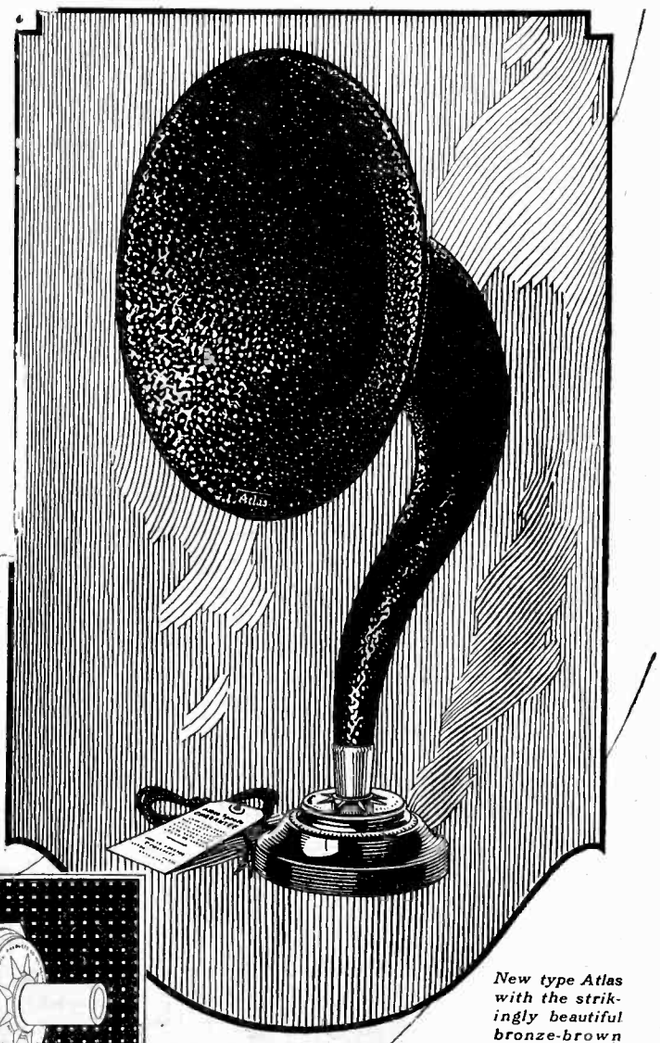

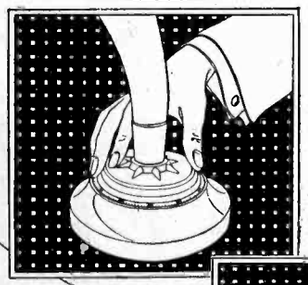

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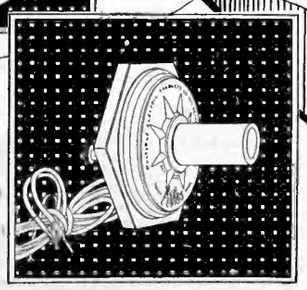

Atlas unit, with attachment couplings to fit all standard phonographs.

New type Atlas with the strikingly beautiful bronze-brown ripple-finish gooseneck horn.

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OPERATOR'S LICENSE

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stuff is sure of passing the test in the radio inspector's offices.

While the automatic sending machine can often be used to advantage, it should be remembered that variety is essential to the student's practice. One quickly becomes familiar with the wording of the disk and it is then of no value. An excellent way of using these disks after they become known is to reverse them. Then when the machine is operated the words are not only heard backwards but many of the letters are changed. This material, as it doesn't make sense, will not prove as easily memorized as the straight messages. When a receiving speed of ten or twelve words a minute is reached the machine can be laid aside and the phones assumed permanently.

The student who has no means of charging a storage battery for his audion filament should know of the Edison primary cells. Eight of these type Q, will be sufficient as on a closed circuit they each deliver about .7 volt. The rheostat must be turned full off when lighting the filament as they deliver a higher voltage on open circuit and a burned out filament will result from the neglect of this precaution. There will then be a few moment's adjustment necessary until the batteries become steady they can then be relied upon to stick by you as long as you care to stay at the key or phones. A small double-pole, double-throw switch will provide a handy means of changing over if you employ them for both sending and receiving.

Try to be on the air, one way or the other, as much as possible. No sending machine will take the place of the knowledge gained on the air, one must hear the jam of interference, find ways of circumventing static. and learn the accepted ways of handling commercial traffic in order to be of any use at a station after gaining one's license.

Radio transmission of photographs across the Atlantic was successfully accomplished by the engineers of the Radio Corporation of America on Nov. 30th. The equipment was developed by C. H. Taylor, E. W. F. Alexander and R. H. Ranger. The photoradiogram device operates as an accessory to the regular trans-oceanic transmitters. It is expected that refinements will considerably reduce the time of twenty minutes now necessary to send a picture. The picture is received in the form of thousands of dots placed in parallel lines, thus resembling a coarse screen halftone.

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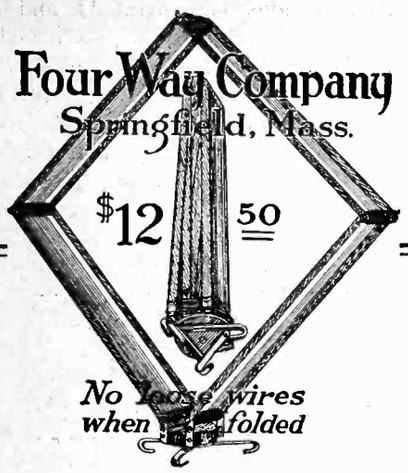

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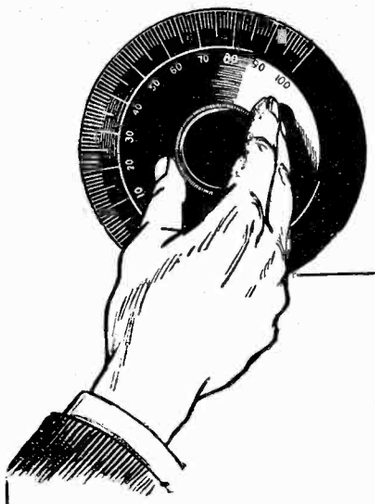

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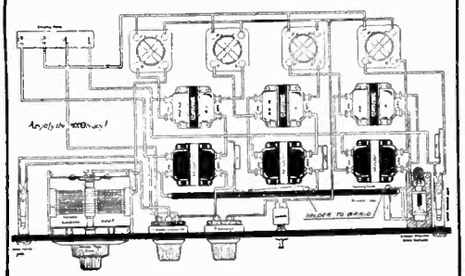

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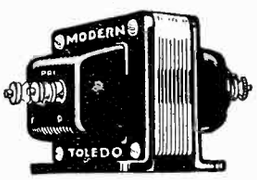

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INTERFERENCE ELIMINATOR

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Fig. 4 shows one of the methods of multiple reception using but one antenna. Preceding each receiver and coupling it to the antenna, is a single tube which acts as a radio frequency amplifier and coupler, permitting the transfer of energy in one direction only namely from the antenna to the receiver. Therefore the primaries tune absolutely independent of each other and there is no more difficulty in connecting an indefinite number of receivers to one antenna than in using one receiver.

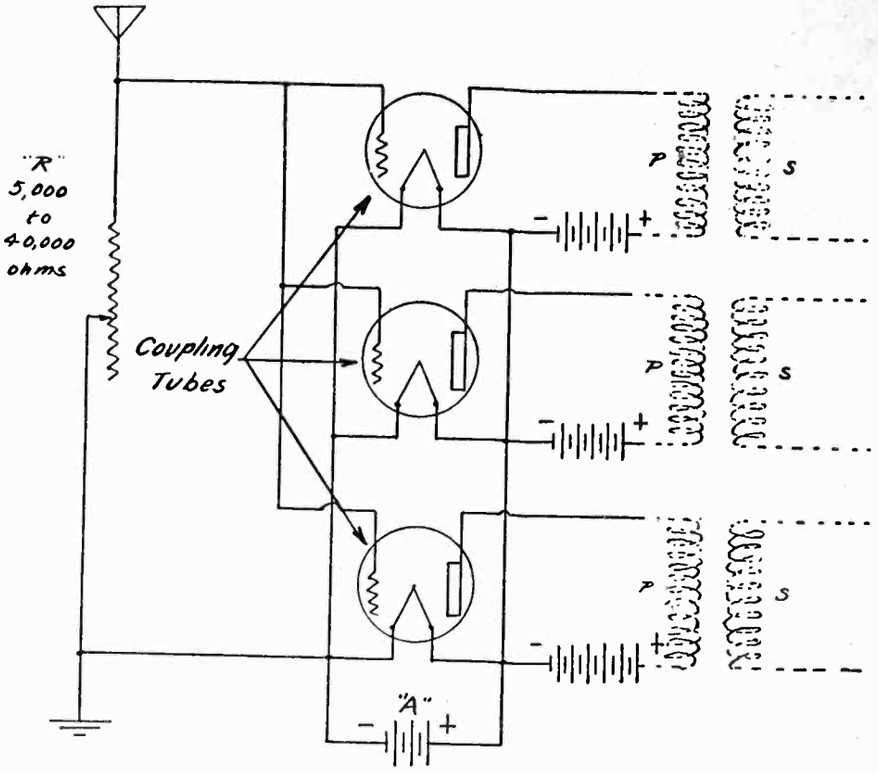

Fig. 4. Method of Coupling Several Receivers to One Antenna

The coupling or radio frequency amplifying tubes, once turned on, require no more adjustment and each operator handles his own receiver as if he had an independent antenna.

Note: The primary tuning is a little less sharp in this arrangement. This arrangement has shown to have several advantages—as using but one antenna, also greatly reduces the feedback or heterodyne action in CW work between receivers, which is causing so much interference lately.

FEATHERWEIGHT MAST

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ft. was then given two coats of heavy asphaltum paint, as were the remaining four sections.

The foundation consists of a large rock buried 2 ft. in the ground, upon which rests on end a 4-in. inside diameter sewer crock protruding a foot or so above the ground. A scaffold some 8 ft. high was built around the crock and the 30-ft. section stepped. By having within reach of the scaffold the remaining four sections (all painted) and a man at each guy playing out, sections 1, 2 and 3 were raised skyward until the bottom rested on the scaffold platform. A 10 ft. section was dropped in the crock below, fastened temporarily rigid at the top to the scaffold, and the bottom of section 3 dropped over section 4. Section 4 was lifted and dropped pile-driver fashion in the crock until it telescoped a foot into No. 3, (gravity doing the work). Sections 1, 2, 3 and 4 were raised and section 5 stepped in crock, etc. At the intersection of sections 4 and 5 at the scaffold level another set of guys were soldered loop fashion, making three sets in all.

Within an hour after stepping the original 30 ft., we had a rigid 3-in. tube poking its head some 65 ft. above the ground. I feel safe in saying that if we had more pipe at hand we could have gone 100 ft., or better in this manner without mishap. One man can easily lift the entire mast if the guys are played out tactfully as he lifts. It is not necessary to solder the individual section joints if the lower ends are placed over the upper. The base was then cemented into the crock, the whole being water tight.

I might add that a flexible galvanized iron wire halyard is recommended, and one should use care in applying the acid when soldering. Do not drill the pipe at any point. 8FT had a 60-ft. mast of the same material break and fall while trying to reinforce the joints with bolts. This is not necessary. My mast has withstood some pretty severe winds and indications are that it will last a lifetime.

MOLDABLE INSULATING MATERIAL

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undercuts, and then will spring back into shape. Cut a proper pour-hole for the plaster and it is ready for the cast.

After use the mold can be laid away for future re-use, as it will keep perfectly.

With solid molds, one can introduce into the finished article metal parts such as contact pieces. These are to be so fitted to the mold that they will come away with the plaster. This process can not be so well done with the flexible molds, though it is possible.

Whatever type of mold is prepared, the casting process is the same. Mix the plaster with water in such proportions that the liquid will be of the consistency of thick cream. Pour it into the mold and let it stand an hour. Remove it from the mold with care, for it is still moist and much more fragile than it will be when dry. Let it dry at natural temperature, though standing in the sun will do no harm, and free circulation of the air will hasten the process. When well dried, say after six hours for a casting the size of a variometer shell, melt the Brazilian wax over a gentle heat and immerse the plaster cast. Keep it in the melted wax till no more bubbles appear. Then remove it and let it cool, and it is done.

It will be found that the insulation resistance of the finished and saturated cast is high, and this seems somewhat surprising when one considers what a large amount of water makes it up. But much of the water enters into chemical combination with the plaster, and is not free moisture any longer. Further, what free water was left after the cast was dried has now been driven off in the wax immersion. Still further, the place of the free water has been taken by the wax, so that there is no space for moisture to occupy and no tendency for the cast to take up any by capillary attraction, as it would readily do except for the wax treatment.

Standardization, both as to nomenclature and apparatus; the general use of "frequency" rather than wavelength; the reduction of interference from broadcast and ship stations, and the elimination of fraud in advertising, were features of the recent round table discussion and conference of the Radio Section of the Associated Manufacturers of Electrical Supplies at New York. Controls also came in for discussion, and it was agreed that they should turn clockwise, 0 to 100. The elimination of misleading advertising of radio apparatus and supplies was the subject of a report from the National Vigilance Committee of the Associated Advertising Clubs of the World. Measures of a combative campaign to accomplish this purpose were outlined by the committee.

RESISTANCE CONTROL

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While circuits and sets developed without a knowledge or recognition of the fundamental principles of radio engineering may give startling results at times, consistent satisfactory results cannot be expected. This is due to the fact that the reasons for success or failure in any particular instance are not known even to the designer himself.

It might be of interest to digress for a moment to consider a situation resulting from the fact that no one manufacturer is in a position to commercially make or sell a receiving set which is designed on the basis of the best scientific knowledge available today. This is due to the fact that since this scientific knowledge is controlled by a large number of patents owned by many interests it is impossible from a practical standpoint for any one concern to obtain licenses under all of them. The manufacturer must therefore purchase licenses under certain patents and then endeavor to avoid the infringements of others.

A competent radio engineer can build a receiving set fundamentally better than any now on the market, but he cannot sell it. Those who are not competent engineers, however, would do best to purchase the best set available unless they wish to undergo an intensive course of training in the fundamentals of radio communication before making their own. This is not intended to discourage those who desire to experiment in the construction and operation of radio receiving or transmitting sets, but rather to instill in them a wholesome respect for the fundamentals of high frequency engineering and to enable them to judge when they see the title "Radio Engineer" whether or not that title was earned by years of study or merely assumed on the strength of a little dabbling in applied radio set building.

Secretary of the Navy Wilbur has made a number of important German radio patents, held by the government since the first part of the World War, available for American manufacturers. Applications for licenses on file will soon be signed and manufacture here begun. Among the most valuable of the radio patents is the Reflex Circuit invented by Wilhelm Schloemilch and Otto von Bruk. All the licenses will be issued as "non-exclusive, non-transferable and revocable." Agreements would continue in effect until January 1, 1933, or extended throughout life of patents. A reciprocal clause of the agreements requires for the government use of licensees patents through same period for official use only. The government's licenses do not contemplate the use of apparatus manufactured under the patents for international communication.

THE "C" BATTERY

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wound with No. 30 wire, proved as efficient, so far as I could tell, as the larger diameter chokes for use in isolating the rf energy in the plate circuit supply lead to the transmitter.

This *C* battery acted as effectually with the inductively coupled Hartley as with the direct coupled.

I don't think that a hint in regard to the Hartley circuit will be amiss here, especially as you may have or may be suffering from it. In the general representations of the circuit the plate tap is drawn at the antenna end of the helix, but you will notice in Fig. 1 that I have shown it at the opposite end. My experience has been this: The set is more often unstable with the usual connection than with the connection I show. By instability, I mean the case where the set is difficult to key, missing out on certain letters, and oscillating rather irregularly, instead of every time you press the key. This fault, of course, makes intelligible telegraphy impossible. Often, in such a case, the sole change necessary is the changing of the plate end of the coil and thereby the coupling. Where your nodal point results in your centertap appearing about half way between antenna and counterpoise, the changing of the plate tap is likely to prove a useless expedient as it will fail to change the coupling. This putting of the plate to the end of the coil opposite to the antenna generally results, in addition, to a slight diminution of the key-click, though not in its elimination of course; and a more constant position of the grid and plate taps for various wave changes. These are appreciable gains, as they simplify adjustment, among other things.

Another thing that will help simplify the adjustment of your Hartley is to do as Reinartz suggests and cut down the size of your counterpoise until it includes between it and the centertap and nodal point, the same number of helix turns as does the antenna. But this is not always convenient, or, like in my case, not at all desired. The next best thing, then, is to put a variable in series with your counterpoise, include the same number of turns between it and ground as between antenna and ground, and adjust the variable for best antenna current. After that the antenna and counterpoise, for any adjustment, will hold the same number of turns always between each, respectively and the centertap which should be grounded. You see, you never have to worry about the varying positions of the two on the helix.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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extra 45 volts (above 90) which he claims would be desirable, would there still be enough voltage left to give the right sort of amplifying characteristic? Suppose the plate resistor is one of the commonly sold 100,000 ohm units; now if even as little as 1 milliampere is flowing and assuming that the resistance is constant we see at once that 100 volts is the drop across the resistor and leaves only 35 volts effective on the plate of tube. With this low plate potential we do not often get good amplifying characteristics. If the plate current dips down when signals are impressed then we are working too near the upper bend of the characteristic, such as it is, and the complex audio frequencies are not faithfully reproduced by the tube in spite of the fact that it is saving plate battery current. If such an arrangement sounds better than the average transformer coupled amplifier, then the transformers must be little short of rotten. And the general run of transformers has been poor from a true reproducing point of view. However, it has been optimistic to note from month to month that better transformers have come out, and with hints here and there that some real good ones are about to be released for those willing to pay the price of the improved designs.

But as matters stand today, for those who want to be exacting (as they really should be) about their audio amplification and yet have only 120 to 150 volts available, let them look to an impedance coupled amplifier of proper design.

Youre very truly,
H. B. DAY.

A Literalist

Sir: I haf ben duing sum work on my rad io as u say in yur Nov. radio on pages 17-18. I have sum truble. U say to "Fill up the hole with little chunks of hard rubber bitten out of a hard rubber panel." Them is the direckions as you say them. This is the truble. I have tryed to bite the chunks of rubber frum a panel and have brok two of my best teth biting it and it wont bite. Also when I mak it hot enof to hite chunks it burns to much to bite it. Plese rite to my address and tel me how to bit it without breking eny more teth as I dont have enymore to spar just now.

H. EREME NORMA.

Connelsville, Pa.

Liability in A. C. Filament Lighting

Sir:—We wish to call your attention to a situation with which we feel sure you are not familiar.

In your September issue, in the article on the BEST circuit, you advocate the use of A. C. to light the filaments on power amplifier tubes. This is neither new nor startling in principle; we have been using a slightly less efficient system for two years and magazines and newspaper articles are describing the use of the house current for some time.

But—and here is the important thing—the use of such a system places a violation on the dwelling in which it is operated and makes the fire insurance policy invalid.

Article 37, paragraph 3701 B. of the 1923 National Electrical Code reads as follows: "Transformers, voltage reducers, keys and other devices employed shall be of types expressly approved for radio operation." In the 1924 edition of the List of Inspected Electrical Appliances issued by the National Board of Fire Underwriters through the Underwriters' Laboratories, the only "voltage reducers" approved are the Western Current Supply Sets, types LA and 2A. The Suburban Insurance Exchange of 123 Williams Street, New York City, who handle all inspections for this territory, are sticking

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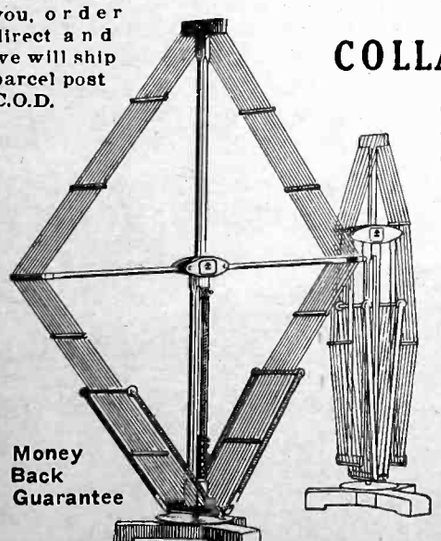

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strictly to the letter of these rules and are refusing to approve installations using a bell ringing transformer regardless of how the transformer is connected to the 110v line.

It is not necessary to point out to you the advantage to the battery companies of this ruling nor the harm it is doing to the scientific development of radio. Because you are inadvertently putting your readers in the position of failing to collect on a possible fire insurance claim we are calling this to your attention. As you know, fire insurance companies are only too glad of an opportunity to escape the payment of policies and have seized upon technical excuses less obvious than this to evade responsibility, so that it is safe to assume that such an installation of A. C. might ruin a claim regardless of the cause of the fire.

Yours very truly,

J. L. NEFF.

Rockville Center, N. Y.

The Jap Code

Sir: With reference to the Jap Code article in September, 1924, RADIO, I am enclosing a complete copy of the same; this includes the 26 diacritical marks, which, contrary to Mr. Mathison's experience, I found to be much in use among the Japanese stations. This code can be used if the Opr. has a few years to spare to study the Japanese language, otherwise I don't believe it could be translated (even if copied), as the Japanese Ops. don't pause, to speak of, after each word.

I've sent pos'n reports, exchanged greetings, etc., OK, but "ND" on anything like a sentence or conversation in the Jap code at all.

Here's how it sounds in Continental with the letters run together:

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Kobe—Ot u ei.
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I hope this will prove of interest.

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2bnu, 2cnc, 3lg, 4jr, 4cr, 5uo, 5hp, 5aji, 5amw, 5afu, 5ew, 5aex, 5ahd, 5gu, 5xa, 5bj, (6's too numerous) 7mt, 7ob, (7un, 7uv) gra?—9cee, 9dbr, 9ell, 9bpu, 9bpt, 9la, 9abf, 9eaq, 9bob, 9aks, 9efy, 9ahz, 9bdq, 9cea, 9cuc, 9bnu, 9bvn.

By 8DJT, Ronald McGinnis, 1214 Faulkner St., Pittsburgh, Pa.

1all, 2apm, (2egf), 2cty, (2ctz), 3cc, 3sm, 3tr, 5aaz, 5aly, 5ck, 5ft, 5nj, (5sr), 6awt, 6bmn, 8aey, (8aog), (8bbf), (8bbl), 8ben, (8bgw), (8bmy), (8boa), 8boq, 8boy, 8brd, 8brj, (8bqu), 8cea, (8cen), 8cbx, (8cib), 8cgf, (8ckm), 8coe, (8csr), 8cta, 8cue, 8cvo, 8dfo, 8dgf, (8dhb), 8dkr, 8djp, 8dme, 8dmf, (8dnf), (8en), 8rj, 8sm, 8st, 8tt, and others too numerous. 9ado, (9agz), 9aim, 9ajg, 9amu (also on phone, 9awf, 9bdn, 9beg, 9bfd on phone, 9bhi, 9bhx, (9bvm), 9ccj, 9cee, (9cfk), 9cnx, 9csg, 9cm, (9dap), 9den, 9eb, (9eji), 9eky, 9ep, 9kw.

By 7ZU, Polytechnic, Ont.

1abe, 1ajy, 1ar, 1avr, 1bdq, 1bdx, 1bgz, 1bw, 1bze, 1cmp, 1fd, 1sf, 1xw, 2aay, 2ag, 2ame, 2anm, 2apy, 2bqw, U-2by, 2by, 2cee, 2crk, 2ct, 2ha, 2il, 2kee, 2kf, 2ku, 2kv, 2nu, 2qs, 2sa, 2yb, 3afj, 2aq, 3bhv, 3bdo, 3bta, 3cel, 3cjn, 3ck, 3d, 3dq, 3dz, 3iq, 3lg, 3wb, 3xe, 4ab, 4ax, C-4ax, 4br, 4cb, C-4ads, C-4dq, C-4pq, 4eq, C-4fn, 4io, C-4hh, 4kt, 4kv, 5my, 5mi, 4oa, 4rr, 4tj, 4wb, 4xe, 4zd, 5abe, 5ac, 5ail, 5aj, 5afn, 5ajp, 5amo, 5ah, 5aqa, 5ame, 5ap, 5aw, 5anw, 5ce, C-5ds, 5fn, 5la, 5ni, 5nt, 5ot, 5ox, 5ov, 5se, 5ue, 5vv, 5yd, 5za, (6abe), 6aad, 6abe, 6aao, 6adm, 6adb, 6ad, 6adt, 6acu, 6afq, 6age, 6agk, 6alw, 6amo, 6awk, 6awt, 6bua, 6bua, 6bou, 6bae, 6bg, 6bqr, 6bna, 6bka, 6bma, 6buh, 6chl, 6cbb, 6cpw, 6cjv, 6cmi, 6cax, 6cmv, (6cuf), 6cgs, 6cto, 6can, 6cei, 7gr, 6ey, 6gr, 6gi, 6gg, 6im, 6lv, 6nx, K-6o, 6os, 6oh, 6wt, 6wr, 7ajy, 7asv, 7ar, 7acf, 7ac, 7aim, 7age, 7abb, 7adf, 7ao, 7all, 7ajt, 7akk, 7ald, 7bz, 7cw, 7cu, (7co), 7cf, 7dd, 7dz, (7df), 7dm, 7ed, 7er, 7fa, 7fd, 7gr, 7gn, 7gq, 7gv, (7il), 7ij, 7ie, 7iv, 7js, 7kr, 7md, 7hf, 7mp, 7nx, 7no, 7nq, 7nt, 7ob, 7pp, 7qd, 8acv, 8avx, 8apt, 8anp, 8ars, 8aps, 8ah, 8apr, 8atp, 8axo, 8bfe, 8bjy, 8bau, 8bs, 8byn, 8bfe, 8bqr, 8bxh, 8cct, 8chy, 8cyt, 8ced, 8ckd, 8cao, 8dat, 8dbm, 8dgo, 8df, 8dfo, 8dwr, 8dkn, 8dnx, 8dal, 8drt, 8dea, 8do, 8dfe, 8dgo, 8dea, 8ed, 8er, 8fm, 8fd, 8gh, 8hf, 8nx, 8ro, 8sf, 8wx, 8wz, 8xe, 8zy, nerk, nkf.

9BJI, Denver, Colo.

CW: 1aac, 1agh, 1agk, 1ajw, 1bfq, (1bgq), 1bhn, (1cmp), 1dd, (1gv), 1hn, 1kc, 1my, 1ow, 1sf, 1xu, 1xw, 1xz, 2aay, 2ana, 2anm, 2brb, 2cee, (2chz), 2cnk, (2cyu), 2cyq, (2czr), 2mu, 2pd, 2ud, 2xbb, 2mk, (3alx), (3auv), (3bdo), 3bhv. 3btu, 3bpp, 3bwj, 3bz, 3cdg, 3cfc, (3chg), 3ck, 3ca, 3cd, 3fp, 3na, 3og, 3tp, 3zo, 4ai. 4bq, 4mi, 4pb, 4qf, (4rr), (4sa), 4tn, 4xe, 8aal, 8abm, 8aco, 8ajy, 8apr, 8atp, 8avl, (8bau), 8bbi. 8bdw, 8bfe, 8bjv, 8bhu, (8bhj), (8bpu), 8bqr, 8bsa, 8bsu, 8buk, 8btf, 8byn, 8caz, 8ced, (8cjp), 8cko, 8clc, 8coo, 8cyi, 8dal, (8dea), 8dgt, 8dhw, 8die, 8dmt, 8ef. 8jq, (8pl), (8ve), 8vq, 8yx, 8xe. Can.—2cg, 3co, 3fu, 4gt, 4hh, 5go. Mex.—bx, (one b). Naval—nkf, (nfv).

On 75 to 80 Meters—By W. T. Campbell, 6CMI, Box 131, Sta. G. Oakland, Calif.

(1bgq), 1er, (1gv), (1ii), 1ke, 1sf, 1sz, (1xz), 1xzl, (1zs), 2aay, (2brb), 2gk, 2mu, (3edg), (3bdo), 4bq, 4ku, (4tj), 5ae, 5afw, 5am, 5ame, 5abe, 5afn, 5ail, 5ajt, (5ajj), (5gk), (5jf), 5mi, (5av), 5ph, 5rh, (5za), (6bka), (numerous sixes wkd over 500 miles in daylight), (7zn), (7sy), worked at 3 p. m.; (8ah), (8bau). 8bjv, 8bpa, 8cy, 8fm. (8zg), (9aju), 9aod. 9ap, (9bm), (9bmx), (8bye), (9ccx), (9cju), (9cje), (9clq), 9ctr, (9ded), 9dfz, 9dqu, (9dyt), 9efy, 9egu, (9eht), 9elp, (9hk), 9vz, (9xbg), 9xl. 9zd, (9zt). Transmitter 50 watts all cards answered.

By 5ADE, 14th and Youngs Blvd., Oklahoma City, Okla.

1all 1gv, 1nv, 1xak, 2aop, 2by, 2cee, 2cgb, 2ga, 2mc, 3btu, 3hd, 3xi, 4dt, 4jr, 4kk, 4pb, 4si, 4tj, 4ts, 4vp, 4xe, 6aao, 6acu, 6adt, 6afy, 6ahp, 6alw, 6atf, 6avb, 6azg, 6bbh, 6bcp, 6bqa, 6bqc, 6buh, 6cds, 6cek, 6cgo, 6cgw, 6chl, 6crx, 6css, 6cto, 6cwx, 6djj, 6ir, 6jl, 6jp, 6jr, 6nt, 6rn, 6xbw, 7akk, 7dh, 7gr, 7no, 8ajf, 8alw, 8alx, 8apt, 8apw, 8axf, 8bbw, 8bdc, 8bdk, 8bhg, 8bn, 8nnh, 8boc, 8boe, 8brj, 8btf, 8ced, 8cjm, 8cke, 8cnb, 8cng, 8cuk, 8cv, 8cwk, 8cyt, 8dal, 8daw, 8dbm, 8dbo, 8dea, 8dfm, 8dgl, 8dgo, 8doo, 8dqf, 8drp, 8gt, 8gz, 8jl, 8rb, 8tt, 8wg, 8ze, 8zg, 8zy, 9aao, 9aar, 9aax, 9adk, 9aed, 9aef, 9afl, 9afq, 9afy, 9ahj, 9ahv, 9aif, 9akd,

9akl, 9akk, 9akh, 9ala, 9amf, 9aml, 9anh, 9aor, 9asa, 9asv, 9ato, 9auc, 9auy (gra?), 9avb, 9awv, 9ayb, 9az, 9bbh, 9bbw, 9bcb, 9bdb, 9bdf, 9beg, 9bfg, 9bhc, 9bhl, 9bhz, 9biq, 9bis, 9bjl, 9bkb, 9bmk, 9bmv, 9bmw, 9bnk, 9bob, 9boy, 9bph, 9bpn, 9bre, 9bsm, 9buh, 9bvu, 9bxh, 9bxi, 9bxt, 9byj 9bzf, 9ca, 9cag, 9caj, 9cas, 9ceb, 9cek, 9cex, 9cfy, 9cgr, 9chc, 9cho, 9cht, 9ckb, 9ckd, 9ckh, 9ckr, 9clk, 9clz, 9cmr, 9cmp, 9csg, 9ctf, 9cuc, 9cvf, 9cvl, 9cvn, 9cwk, 9cyq, 9dac, 9dau, 9dbr, 9dbw, 9dbz, 9dch, 9ddp, 9del, 9den, 9deq, 9dfh, 9dfm, 9dfv, 9dge, 9dhg, 9di, 9did, 9djg, 9djp, 9dkv, 9dlw, 9dpu, 9dqc, 9dqf, 9drj, 9dru, 9dsr, 9dtt, 9duc, 9dui, 9dun, 9dvo, 9dwr, 9dwu, 9dwx, 9dyt, 9eak, 9eam, 9eba, 9ebh, 9ebq, 9eby, 9ecv, 9eeo, 9ef, 9efc, 9efd, 9eff, 9efz, 9egu, 9ej, 9ejq, 9ejy, 9ek, 9em, 9er, 9fj, 9hp, 9kp 9kq, 9la, 9ml, 9nv, 9nw, 9ph, 9ud, 9uk, 9vc, 9xbb, 9zt, 8zz.

Would be gld 2 trade station fotos with anybody. Like 2 gt sum crds rptg me. (H1) QRK 10 watt AC & MG.

By R. W. Minstrom, 62 Barton St., Woolston, Christchurch, N. Z.

1aac, 1gv, 1sf, 1xg, 1xav, 2aay, 2brb, 3sw, 4fs, 4oa, 4sa, 5gi, 5ph, 5nj, 5ve, 5aaq, 5afn, 5ajj, 5air, 6cto, 6gu, 6bcp, 6cgw, 6rn, 6el, 6ac, 6bfw, 6bra, 6arb, 6aao, 6cfz, 6awp, 6bqr, 6bnu, 6avj, 6cqe, 6gt, 6cae, 6cbb, 6apw, 6clp, 6bur, 6cej, 6lj, 6cgs, 6age, 6ur, 6bqd, 6chl, 6cjv, 6agk, 7afo, 7fr, 7aim, 7fd, 7ij, 8dhw, 8cyi, 8ah, 8gz, 9auc, 9bou, 9gy, 9bez, 9ca, 9dnp, 9cee, 9bm, 9ddp, 9bo. Can., 5go. South America, cb8, db2. Will qsl any of above.

At 6AIR and 6BSC, F. M. Gulick and C. E. Gulick, Orange, Calif.

1abf, (1are), 1anr, (1wae), 1aww, 1boa, (1bhm), 1bvl, 1cme, 1cmp, 1ga, 1gv, 1kc, 1on, 1ow, 1pl, (1py), 1sf, 1xam, 1xav, 1xz, 2aay, 2ana, (2brb), 2cei, 2chk, 2cjj, 2cvj, (2cvu), 2dn, 2gk, 2ku, 2mc, 2ud, 3adb, 3adq, 3aec, 3alx, 3auv, 3bco, 3bfe, 3bhv, 3bof, (3cdg), (3chg), 3hh, (3jo), 3ms, 3ot, 3sf, 3qv, 3wb, 3xl, (4ai), 4bq, 4cl, 4fv, 4fz, 4io, 4oa, 4rh, 4si, 4tj, 4uk, 4ux, 4xe, 5adh, (5aex), (5afn), 5amg, 5amh, 5amu, (5amw), 5ail, 5aij, (5alj), 5be, 5cn, 5dw, 5in, 5ll, 5nil, (5nw), 5oq, 5ot; 5ov, (5ox), 5ph, 5ql, (5qy), 5rh, (5se), 5uj, 5uk, 5xau, 5zas, (5zav), (6arx), 6buh, 6rm, (6rv), (7ahb), 7ahl, 7bq, 7gb, (7gm), 7gr, 7lj, 7ix, 7ku, (7oy), 7pq, (7qd), 7rh, (7sy), 8ada, 8aey, 8ah, (8alf), 8aro, 8avl, 8ayu, 8bau, 8bfe, (8bhu), (8bnh), 8btf, 8byn, 8caz, (8cbp), 8cmi, 8coj, 8cta, 8cva, (8cyi), 8dae, (8dgp), 8dhw, 8dnf, 8doo, 8er, 8gz, 8jq, (8kc), (8pl), 8up, 8rv, 8tr, 8ze, 9aau, 9aav, 9acl, (9amx), 9axx, 9bcj, (9bdu), 9beg, 9bga, 9bhx, 9bje, 9bjl, 9bm, (9bmx), 9bmv, 9bnk, 9buk, 9bun, 9ca, 9cap, (9cee), 9cfy, 9clp, 9cjc, 9ckb, 9coy, 9crx, (9ctr), (9cxx), 9ded, 9dfh, (9dix), 9dng, (9dqu), 9dtk, 9dvp, 9dxn, 9dxy, (9dyt), 9eak, 9ee, 9tfh, 9efy, 9efz, (9egh), 9ehx, 9ej, (9eky), 9ela, 9eld, 9es, 9mn, 9nv, 9ny, (9qw), 9wo, 9xb, 9xl 9yb, 9zd, 9zt.

Canadian: 1ar, 2be, 3co, 4cr, 5an, 5go.
Mexican: (1b).
New Zealand: 2ac, 4ak.
Commercial: NKF, WGH.

By 9APY 3337 Oak Park Ave., Berwyn, Ill.

1agq), 1aja, 1alw, 1bcc, 1bib, 1cmp, (1hn), 1lm, (2ach), (2acs), (2acf), 2al, (2aoy), 2bdg, (2byg), 2cei, 2cg, (2chz), 2cj, (2cjb), (2cjx), 2cmx, 2cpa, 2czr, 2eg, 2kx, 2wi, (3ach), 3akh, (3apc), 3bj, 3bkl, (3bu), 3buv, (3buy), 3ccu, 3chk, 3hg, 4io, 4kk, 5abc 5aef, (5aek), 5aex, 5afh, 5agn, 5akp, 5amh, (5anl), 5aom, 5apl, 5apt, 5apz, 5aqw, 5aqy, 5lh, (5qh), (5qy), 5tn, (5vu), 5xa, 5zas, 6bkv, 6zh, 7ge, 8agw, 8apo, (8ben), 8bdk, 8bdw, 8bit, (8brb), (8cct), 8dgl, (8dkl).

Fones: 4ik, 8brc.
Canadian: 2ax, 3ph.
ABC de WGH (QRA?)

By 6BPQ, Milton O. Smith, 504½ North Adams St., Glendale, Calif.

1aac, 1aaf, 1abf, 1ajg, 1apu, 1are, 1aur, 1bgc, 1bhw, 1bvb, 1gv, 1kc, 1mw, 1ow, 1pl, 1rn, 1sz, 1te, 1vj, 2aay, 2ag, 2ana, 2any, 2bsc, 2byn, 2cei, 2cjj, 2ku, 2mu, 3ab, 3bdo, 3be, 3hfe, 3bhv, 3bof, 3cdg, 3hh, 3hs, 3ly, 3sf, 3wb, 4bq, 4fz, 4jr, 4qf, 4sb, 5aal, 5aaq, 5acl, 5aef, 5aex, 5ags, 5apc, 5apg, 5dm, 5ew, 5gk, 5jf, 5mi, 5nj, 5ot, 5ql, 5uj, 5wy, 7afn, 7fj, 7fr, 7ku, 7ly, 7nt, 7sy, 8ago, 8ah, 8alf, 8apn, 8atp, 8bau, 8bbf, 8bce, 8bgz, 8bqr, 8btf, 8bxh, 8byn, 8ces, 8chb, 8coj, 8dgp, 8dhw, 8doo, 8fm, 8jq, 8tr, 8up, 8wo, 8xb, 8ze, 9aad, 9aio, 9apw, 9avv, 9axx, 9bcj, 9bet, 9bfg, 9bht, 9bhx, 9bje, 9bkr, 9bmo, 9bnf, 9bnu, 9bpy, 9bqy, 9bso, 9cap, 9ccx, 9cdo, 9clp, 9clj, 9cpm, 9cvs, 9dac, 9dbp, 9dev, 9dfq, 9dmj, 9dms, 9dsa, 9egh, 9ej, 9es, 9hk, 9mn, 9of, 9ti, 9vd, 9zb, 9abp.

Canadian: 1ar, 5an.
French: UFT.
US: WYD, QRA?, NFV, QRA?.

By 6CLZ, 6COW, 1045 Peralta Ave., Berkeley, Calif.

1aac, 1abf, 1abs, 1aur, 1bep, 1bgo, 1bip, 1bkr, 1bvl, 1cmp, 1co, 1er, 1fd, 1gk, 1gv, 1ii, 1kc, 1my, 1ow, 1pl, 1rp, 1sf, 1xam, 1xav, 1xw, 1xz, 1zy, 2aay, 2abd, 2ana, 2awf, 2bgo, 2brb, 2bsc, 2byw, 2cei, 2cjj, 2cqz, 2cvj, 2gk, 2ku, 2mu, 2pd, 3adb, 3afj, 3aih, 3auv, 3bdo, 3bhv, 3bsb, 3bss, 3bta, 3cdg, 3ckj, 3bg, 3hq, 3sf, 3zw, 4ai, 4bq, 4eq, 4fg, 4fs, 4fz, 4io, 4ku, 4oa, 4rr, 4tj, 4xi, 4aai, 5acl, 5acm, 5adh, 5adv, 5aec, 5aef, 5afn, 5afu, 5agj, 5agl, 5aij, 5ail, 5aiu, 5ajb, 5ajh, 5ajj, 5ame, 5amu, 5amw, 5apg, 5be, 5cn, 5cy, 5dw, 5ew, 5gk, 5hl, 5hs, 5in, 5jf, 5kq, 5li, 5lu, 5mi, 5mz, 5nw, 5ot, 5ov, 5ox, 5ph, 5pn, 5qy, 5rh, 5ru, 5sd, 5se, 5uj, 5uk, 5um, 5wy, 5za, 5zai, 5zas, 5zav, 5zc. Wil QSL to ani 6's and 7's wishing ck on thr sigs—. 8abm, 8ada, 8adk, 8aey, 8ah, 8aju, 8amr, 8apt, 8atp, 8bau, 8bce, 8bfe, 8bjv, 8bpa, 8bqr, 8buk, 8bxh, 8byn, 8cbp, 8cei, 8cko, 8coi, 8cvn, 8cyi, 8ddw, 8dhw, 8bs, 8ef, 8fm, 8gz, 8kc, 8nb, 8pl, 8up, 8ve, 8vq, 8vt, 8xb, 8zy, 8zz, 9aad, 9aau, 9abf, 9afu, 9agl, 9aod, 9aoi, 9apk, 9arj, 9arm, 9avv, 9awm, 9axs, 9bch, 9bcj, 9bdu, 9bdw, 9bfg, 9bfi, 9bgh, 9bht, 9bhx, 9biq, 9biz, 9bje, 9bji, 9bko, 9bkr, 9bkx, 9bmr, 9bmu, 9bmx, 9bnf, 9bnk, 9bnu, 9bpy, 9bqu, 9boy, 9bso, 9bvz, 9bye, 9bzg, 9caa, 9cap, 9cbf, 9cbk, 9ccu, 9ccx, 9cdv, 9cea, 9cee, 9cek, 9cfi, 9cfy, 9cii, 9cip, 9cjc, 9cjs, 9cju, 9cjy, 9cld, 9clq, 9clx, 9coc, 9cpm, 9crr, 9ctr, 9cyk, 9dcw, 9ddp, 9ded, 9dev, 9dfh, 9dfi, 9dfq, 9dfv, 9dfz, 9djd, 9dmj, 9dnv, 9dpx, 9dqu, 9dvp, 9dxn, 9dxy, 9dyn, 9ebh, 9efu, 9efy, 9efz, 9egh, 9egu, 9eht, 9kf, 9eky, 9eld, 9an, 9ap, 9bm, 9cp, 9em, 9es, 9hk 9hn, 9mc, 9nv, 9ny, 9ra, 9se, 9wu, 9xbb, 9xbg, 9xbp, 9xi, 9xw, 9za, 9zb, 9zd, 9zt, kdef, ndf, nerk, nfv, nkf, nse, wgh.

Canada: 3aa, 3bp, 3bq, 4cb, 4cr, 5an, 5ba, 5bf, 5go, 9al.

Hawaii: 6ceu.

Mexico: 1b.

New Zealand: 2ac, 4ak.

All cds answd. QRK 6CLZ—5 watter on 78 meters?

By 6CHL, 3948-26th St., San Francisco, Calif.

1bx, (1gv), 1hn, (1lw), 1cw, 1pl, 1xw, 1abf, 1acr, 1ajg, 1atj, 1aww, 1brq, 1cab, 1cmp, 1cmy, 2by, (2kg), 2mc, 2nf, 2qs, 2rk, 2wr, (2xq), 2bqu, 2brb, 2cee, 2chz, 2cjj, 3hh, 3oq, 3ot, 3zt, 3abf, 3adr, (3alx), 3bco, (3bdo), 3bhv, (3bmn), (3bmz), 3bsh, (3chc), 3ccx, (4ft), 4io, (4mb), 4my, 4pk, 5ak, 5ap, (5aw), 5cc, 5ek, 5fh, (5gj), (5gu), 5hl, 5ka, (5lh), 5lu, 5mi, 5mz, (5nj), (5nw), 5ox, 5ph, (5rg), 5rh, 5se, 5uk, 5aec, 5aek, 5afu, 5agj, 5agn, 5ajb, 5akn, (5akx), 5xau, (6aof), (6any), (7mn), 8er), 8jq, 8ze, 8ada, 8aru, (8act), (8axf), 8bit, 8bqr, 8bnh, 8bmb, 8cbp, (8ccl), (8cpk), 8czy, 8cwu, (8dal), (8dsp), 8dhs, 8dhw, 8dlu, 8xmo, (9bm), 9hk, 9mf, (9nv), 9ny, (9vc), (9wo), 9yb, 9zb, 9zt, 9aal, 9aaq, 9abq, 9adf, 9ado, 9aemb, 9aep, 9aim, 9aey, (9amx), (9atn), (9awg), (9bcj), 9bdu, 9bfg, 9bhx, 9bji, 9bkr, 9bmk, 9bnk, 9bqj, 9brx, 9btz, 9bvn, 9bvu, 9bzi, (9ccf), 9cck, 9ccm, (9cee), 9ceg, (9cen), 9cht, 9cfi, 9cjc, 9cju, 9clq, 9cow, 9cpm, 9cro, 9csa, (9cvo), 9cvs, 9dad, 9dau, 9dcp, 9ded, 9dfh, (9dlo), (9dhl), (9dkv), 9dpx, 9dsa, (9dwk), 9dyy, (9eak), 9eam, 9efh, 9efy, 9egu, 9eht, 9ejn, (9eky), 9elb, 9eld.

Canadians: 2cg (5an), (5as), 5ba, 5bj, 5bz, (5cp), 5ct. 5ef, (5gg), 5go, 5kt.

Mexican: (bx).

New Zealand: 2ac, 4aa, ("4ag"), 4ak.

Australian: 2cm.

Will QSL to those requesting cards. QRH now 80 meters.

By 9BJI, Denver, Colo.

1aac, 1abf, 1abt, 1adg, 1aea, 1aid, 1ajo, 1anq, 1anr, (1atj), 1awu, 1aww, (1bal), 1bgq, 1bhm, 1bvl, 1ckp, (1cmp), (1da), 1ec, 1gv, 1fd, 1iv, 1hn, 1lw, 1ml, 1my, (1on), 1ow, 1pl, 1sf, 1sw, 1vj, 1xam, 1xw, 1xz, 1zz, 2aay, 2afp, 2ana, 2apy, (2axf), 2bgg, 2hbn, 2bgo, 2bo, 2bqc, 2bqu, 2bqw, 2bsc, 2brb, 2bum, (2chg), 2cje, (2cjj), (2cvs), (2cvu), (2cyw), 2czq, 2ez, 2fo, 2ku, (2mu), 2ud, (2xq), (3ade), 3adp, 3adq, 3adv, 3aec, 3auv, (3alx), (3bdo), 3bfe, (3bhv), 3bmn, 3bof, 3bpp, 3bss, 3btu, 3bwj, 3ccx, 3cdv, 3cej, (3chc), 3chg, 3cjn, 3cjk, 3hh, 3qt, 3vw, 3wb, (3wn), 3zt, 4ai, (4ch), 4eh, 4eq, 4du, 4il, 4jk, 4jr, 4js, 4ke, 4nj, 4oa, 4pk, 4pi, 4qf, 4rr, (4sa), 4si, 4tj, 4uk, 4xe, 6ceu, (8ada), 8amn, 8aol, 8apn, (8atp), 8avl, (8bau), 8bgn, 8bhj, 8bjv, 8bnh, 8bpt, 8bqr, 8btu, (8buk), 8byn, 8bxh, 8caz, 8cbp, 8ces, 8clc, 8cml, 8cyl, 8dal, 8dgp, (8dhw), 8dol, 8ef, 8ge, 8gz, 8jq, 8kc, 8pl, (8rv), 8ut, 8vt, 8vq, 8wa, (8wo), 8xb, 8xe, 8yn, 8ze, 8zz, (nfv), nkf, wwv.

Canadian: 1ar, 2ax, 2be, 3co, 3bh, 3ly, 3xl, (4FV), (5go).

Mexican: BX, IB.

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At 8ZE-8GX Oberlin, Ohio

(6aao), 6adt, (6afg), (6agk), 6aha, (6ahp), (6aiq), (6ajh), 6alk, (6ame), 6apw, 6arb, (6arx), 6awt, 6bdt, (6bjj), (6blw), 6bon, (6bqr), 6bqu, (6cgo), 6chl, 6cla, (6cmi), (6cnl), (6css), 6cto, 6cvm, 6ac, 6cg, 6eb, (6gt), 6lj, 6lv, 6ne, 6of, (6ol), 6ol, 6pl, (6rm), 6vc, 6vo, 6xl, (6zp), 6z? (hrd 10:35 am Nov. 16th). 7abb, 7afo, 7aij, 7fd, (7fq), (7gb), 7gr, 7ij, 7ix, 7mf, 7ot.

Canada: c4cr, (c5an).
P. R.: 4sa.
Mexico: BX.
England: G5lf.

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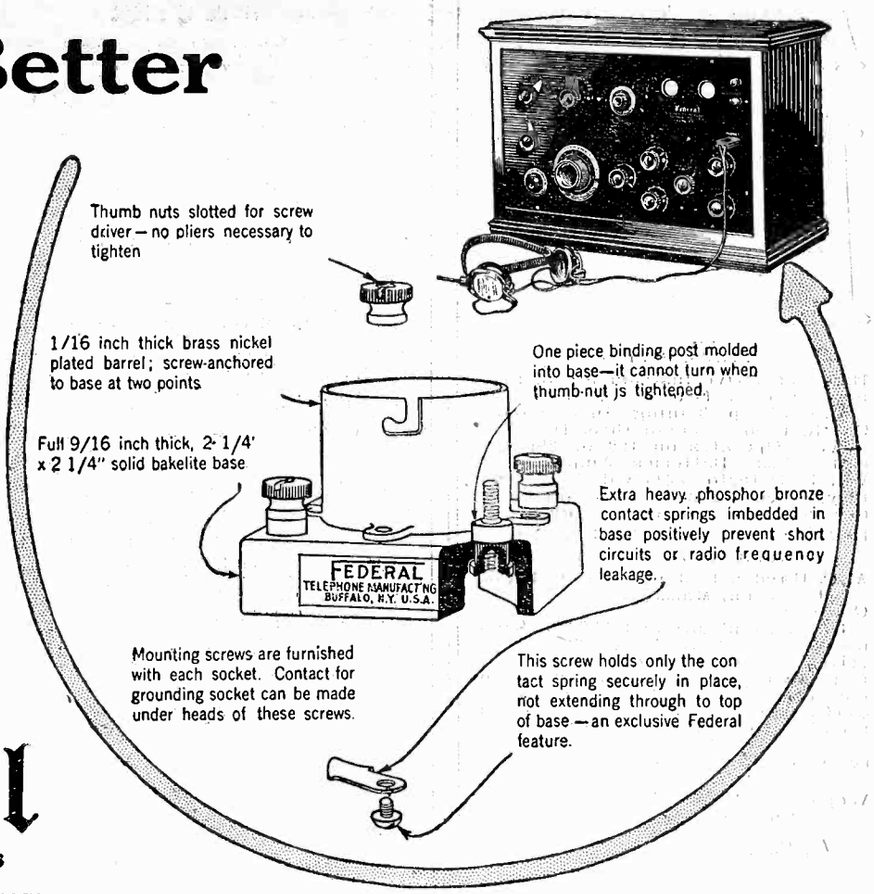

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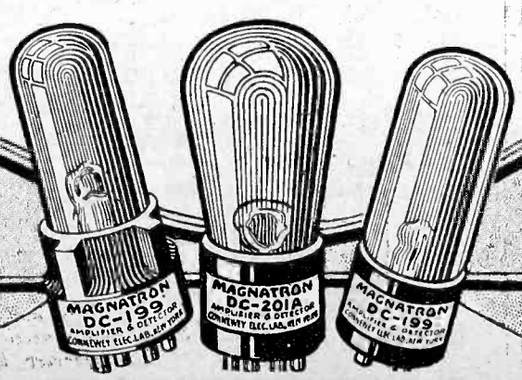

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three honey-comb coils and a .0005 mfd. variable condenser, with a .0005 mfd. fixed condenser with cut-in switch. A 0-1 milliammeter in the grid circuit may be used in the study of vacuum tubes.

Coupled to this circuit is another resonant circuit for comparing unknown condenser capacities against a standard known capacity. A comparative indication is given by a galvanometer and flash lamp. Mountings for three honeycomb coils are provided and likewise connections for the unknown condenser. For capacities from .0004 to .006 mfd. 25-turn coils are used. The open circuit jack *J* across coil *1* is provided to receive a microphone plug if coil *1* is to be used as an absorption coil for modulating the high frequency currents generated when testing. The modulating sound is obtained by putting the microphone close to a clock whose ticks give a pleasing sound.

A honey-comb coil mounting, *4*, shown in the lower left of Fig. 2 is used to hold a single turn loop which supplies the field to the amplifier and wavemeter circuit shown in Fig. 4. Jack J_2, together with a by-pass condenser, is placed in the plate circuit and J_3 in the filament circuit of the oscillation. A two-way switch at *S*, puts the oscillator condensers across either the grid or plate circuits to increase the frequency range. An anti-capacity switch is also provided to connect the audio-oscillator coils and condensers.

A rapid and approximate determination of a condenser's capacity may be secured without removing it from the receiving set by plugging a cable into the resonant circuit at *C*, and re-adjusting to resonance after the small pointed contacts at the other end of the cable have been placed across the condensers. The capacity is the total reading of the standard condenser less that of the cable. A more accurate determination may be made by removing the condenser, connecting it into the circuit at C_1, and checking against the standard.

The wavelength of the primary and secondary coils may be checked, after the oscillator has been started and the various receiver controls have been set, by inserting the microphone plug into J_1, placing the microphone in contact with the clock, and adjusting the oscillator and receiver controls till the clock ticks are the loudest when the headphones are plugged into the output of the receiver under test. This test very quickly shows the best *L C* ratio for set. Of course more accurate tests may be made by removing the coils so as to eliminate errors introduced by the long cords.

The third, or audio frequency, circuit for testing loud speakers and audio transformers is connected by the anti-capacity switch. It is placed as far away as possible from the high frequency oscillation. It consists of from 1,500-turn honeycomb coils with a sliding iron core and of a battery of condensers. It offers a convenient means for checking purity of tone from loud speakers at different audio frequencies.

To test an audio transformer in place by means of this third circuit the speaker plug is placed in J_2 and the inductance and capacity is varied to give different audio frequency tones. From these sound indications it is possible to plot an approximate frequency characteristic curve for the transformer under test.

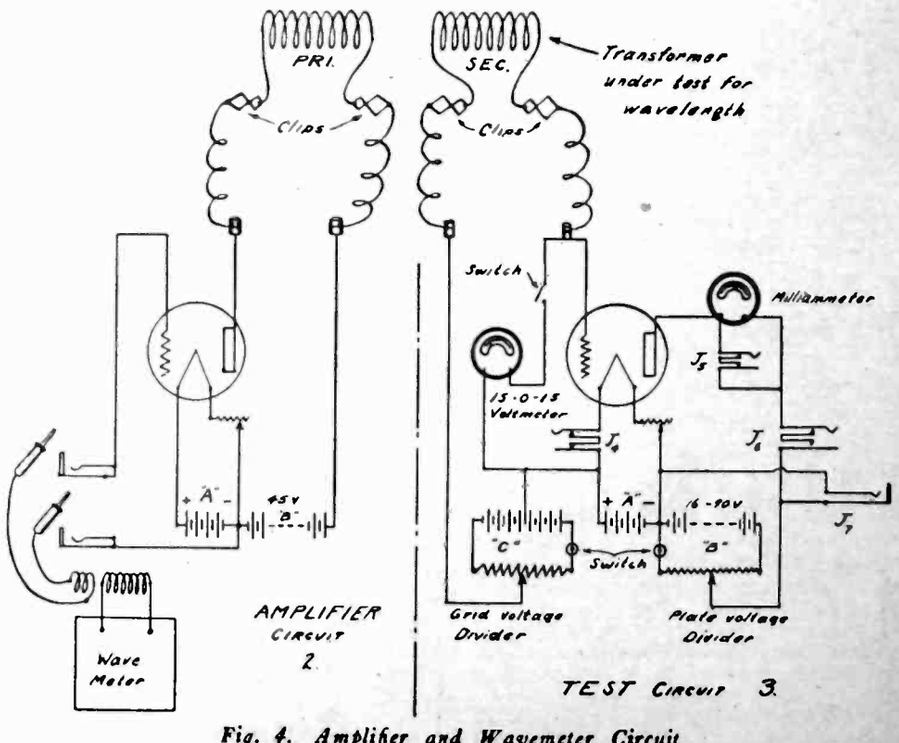

Fig. 4. Amplifier and Wavemeter Circuit Showing Connections for Testing Transformer Wavelength.

The fourth, or amplifier circuit, shown in Fig. 4, gives a further means for plotting tube characteristics, transformer wavelength characteristics, and making other tests involving the use of a wavemeter.

The most useful portion of this equipment and that best adapted to portable use is the circuit shown in Fig. 1. It gives position results whereas the other methods are necessarily comparative and dependent upon the accuracy of instruments which are generally found only in a well-equipped radio laboratory.

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1aar, (1abf), 1abl, (1abp), 1aqf, 1acb, 1aco, 1aei, 1aid, 1ajx, 1ato, 1akz, (1alx), 1anr, 1abs, (1aqm), 1ard, (1are), (1ary), (1atz), 1avp, 1avw, 1avx, (1awe), 1axa, 1ayk, (1alk), 1aa, 1ajo, 1bbe, 1bbh, (1bcc), 1bcu, 1bec, 1bgc, (1bhm), 1bj, (1bjo), 1bkk, 1bob, 1bot, 1bsd, (1bvb), 1bvl, 1cb, 1ckp, (1cme), 1cmy, (1cru), 1da, (1ef), (1ez), (1fg), 1fm, (1agk), (1ga), 1il, 1il, (1iv), 1bc, 1kc, 1lw, (1gw), 1my, 1py, 1qp, 1qm, 1sd, 1sw, 1sz, 1vf, 1vj, (1xam), 1xw, 1fb, 2aau, (2abc), (2abr), 2acs, (2ach), 2ad, (2afo), (2agq), 2ais, 2ajq, (2anm), (2aoy), 2agw, 2bbn, 2bjo, 2bqb, 2bqn, (2brb), 2bsc, (2bbx), 2buy, (2cee), 2cei, (2cgb), (2cgi), (2cjj), (2cjx), (2cpa), 2cqo, 2crp, 2cth, 2cty, 2cu, (2cvj), (2cyx), (2chz), 2czq, (2czr), (2eq), 2fk, (2ku), (2kx), 2ld, 2li, 2mc, 2mu, (2pd), (2qs), 2rk, (2sy), 2sz, 2wr, 2wz, 2ud. 2xq, 3abw, (3acf), (3ade), (3adv), (3aih), 3ais, 3arp, 3auv, 3acy, (3baq), 3bbs, 3bdo, 3bco, 3bfe, (3bgg), (3blc), 3bjp. 3bmt, (3bob), 3bu, 3cbc, (3cdg), (3cdn), 3cdq, (3ccu), (3cgs), 3chk, 3chg, 3chc, 3cjj, (3ckh), (3ckl), (3bvk), 3el, (3cdk), 3kd, 3mf, (3ma), 3ni, 3og, 3oq, (3qt), (3tp), 3sl, (3wb), 3xx, 4bq, 4ai, 4ch, 4cl, (4du), 4dv, 4dy, 4eq, 4ez, 4fz, 4gw, 4io, 4is, 4jr, 4js, 4jx, 4jk, (4mb), 4mi, 4oa, 4pi, (4pd), 4pk, 4qf, 4qy, 4rr, 4tj, 4uf, (4ux), 4si, 4sa, 4xe, 6aan, 6aaq, (6adb), 6adm, 6afh, 6ahp, 6aiu, 6awt, 6aji, (6ahp), 6ake, 6alo, (6ano), (6ame), (6amm), (6aww), (6ARX), 6agk, 6bbv, 6bcd. (6bdt), 6bey, 6bfl, 6bgc, 6bgn, 6bfw, 6bir, 6bjj, 6blx, 6bka, 6bnk, (6bm), (6beb), 6bon, 6bny, (6bql), (6cae), 6can, 6cdc, (6cdg), (6cch), 6cgo, 6cgw, 6chl, (6cje), (6clp), 6cjv, 6cmi, 6cmu, 6cnl, 6cqe, 6cpx, 6ctl, 6cto, 6crx, 6css, 6csw, (6cuf), 6eb, 6gg, 6gt, 6cbf, (6ih), (6ji), (6jp), 6amo, 6ahw, 6ne, (6oi), 6pl, 6rm, (6ti), (6uf), 6vw, 6wi, (6wt), (6zp), 7abb, 7afm, (7aif), 7aru, 7au, (7akk), 7ca, 7dd, (7df), 7fd, 7fr, (7gm), (7gv), 7gb, 7gr, 7ij, 7iu, 7jq, 7ge, 7ku, 7lq, 7ls, (7mf), 7mp, 7ok, 7ot, 7oy, 7pm, 7sb, 7ry, 7zq, 7zx, (ncg), nkf, nse, kdef, 1px, zrn, g2kf, (Mexican BX), 1b, 1e, R9tc, Z4aa, Z4ak, Z4ag, Z2ac.

Canadian: 1ar, 2cg, 2bf, 2kc, (2bv), (3ly), 3ka, (3ms), 3mv, 3xi, 3gv, (4av), 4aw, (4cb), (4dq), 4ae, (4fv), (4fz), (4gh), (4gt), (4hh), (4aa), (5as), 5an, 5bf, 5ba, (5go), (5hs).

Wud certainly appreciate reports on my sigs.

By 6BJX-6CVE, E. O. Knoch, 2823 E. 6th St., Los Angeles, Calif.

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Canadian: 4cr, 5an, 5gf, 5go.
New Zealand: (2ac), 4aa, (4ag), 4ak.
Others: (nfv), nkf, wgh.

By Albert E. Scarlett, Jr., 23 Cooley Place, Mount Vernon, N. Y.

1alk, 1ary, 1bhr, 1bnl, 1bub, 1cru, 1cx, 1ef, 1ga, 1hb, 4al 4bq, 4ch, 4cl, 4du, 4eh, 4fs, 4io, 4jf, 4jr, 4ke, 4ku, 4nu, 4oa, 4pl, 4qy, 4rr, 4sb, 4si, 4su, 4tj, 4tn, 4uk, 4ux, 4xe, 5aaq, 5aaz, 5abn, 5ac, 5acl, 5aef, 5agl, 5agq, 5ags, 5ail, 5ajb, 5ajh, 5alj, 5alz, 5ame, 5aom, 5ap, 5aqy, 5cn, 5cv, 5dm, 5fk, 5gk, 5in, 5jf, 5ka, 5kc, 5ll, 5lu, 5ml, 5mz, 5nm, 5nw, 5ov, 5ox, 5ph, 5qy, 5rg, 5rh, 5se, 5uj, 5uk, 5za, 6adt, 6age, 6ahp, 6ajl, 6akw, 6alo, 6ao, 6aob, 6arb, 6arx, 6aws, 6awt, 6bcr, 6bdt, 6blw, 6bm, 6bon, 6bql, 6bur, 6cdn, 6cei, 6cgo, 6chl, 6clx, 6cml, 6cms, 6cmu, 6cnl, 6ct●, 6cw, 6ea, 6gt, 6lj, 6ol, 6qs, 6rm, 6rn, 6zp, 7afn, 7gr, 7kr, 8amb, 8ada, 8add, 8aes, 8afn, 8afq, 8afs, 8ago, 8ajn, 8ajc, 8ajz, 8alf, 8aly, 8amr, 8anb, 8apo, 8arb, 8art, 8ase, 8atz, 8aua, 8avj, 8awe, 8awj, 8ayu, 8bau, 8bcj, 8bcr, 8ben, 8bgg, 8bgn, 8bhj, 8blt, 8blg, 8blp, 8bml, 8bnh, 8bnl, 8boq, 8boy, 8bpa, 8bpl, 8bpv, 8bqa, 8bqr, 8brc, 8btu, 8btv, 8buk, 8bxp, 8bxt, 8bxv, 8byb, 8byt, 8caz, 8cbm, 8cbp, 8ccl, 8ccr, 8ced, 8cjk, 8cjp, 8clc, 8coj, 8cow, 8cpk, 8cql, 8cse, 8ctz, 8cyl, 8cyt, 8czy, 8dae, 8dal, 8dbm, 8dbo, 8dcf, 8dcv, 8dey, 8dgl, 8dgo, 8dgp, 8dgt, 8dhw, 8dnf, 8doo, 8doq, 8dse, 8es, 8gz, 8jq, 8kc, 8kk, 8nt, 8or, 8pl, 8pu, 8rv, 8ry, 8tr, 8tt, 8tw, 8up, 8vp, 8vt, 8vx, 8wo, 8xb, 8xs, 8ze, 8zf, 8zg, 8zw, 8zz, 9abf, 9adq, 9adx, 9aey, 9auf, 9agj, 9agy, 9alo, 9aju, 9akd, 9amx, 9aod, 9aor, 9apy, 9ark, 9ash, 9auw, 9axx, 9azl, 9azr, 9bcd, 9bcj, 9bcy, 9beg, 9bfg, 9bfi, 9bhl, 9bht, 8bhx, 9bie, 9biq, 9biz, 9bje, 9bjl, 9bjl, 9bkj, 9bmv, 9bmx, 9bnk, 9brx, 9buk, 9bva, 9bw, 9byd, 9byj, 9byl, 9bzg, 9cap, 9ccm, 9cee, 9cga, 9cgn, 9cgs, 9cjc, 9cjs, 9cjy, 9ckl, 9clj, 9clq, 9clx, 9cp, 9cpm, 9cro, 9csn, 9ctr, 9cvo, 9cxg, 9cxq, 9cxw, 9cxx, 9cyd, 9czv, 9dae, 9db, 9dbj, 9dbm, 9dbp, 9ded, 9dfz, 9dlj, 9dlm, 9dlw, 9dmx, 9dng, 9dnn, 9doz, 9dpl, 9dpx, 9dq, 9dqu, 9dva, 9dxy, 9dyt, 9dzv, 9dzw, 9ead, 9eak, 9eas, 9ebh, 9efc, 9efh, 9efy, 9efz, 9eht, 9ehy, 9ej, 9ejl, 9ek, 9eky, 9elb, 9em, 9ep, 9es, 9hk, 9kb, 9mn, 9nv, 9ny, 9oa, 9of, 9ql, 9ro, 9tc, 9vz, 9xbg, 9xbp, 9xl, 9yb, 9zd, 9zt, ncg, nff, nfv, nht.

Canadian: 1ar, 2ax, 2az, 2be, 2cg, 2fo, 3aa, 3ly, 3vh, 3wu, 3xl, 3zb, 5go, 9bw.
Mexican: bx.
New Zealand: 2ac, 4aa, 4ak.
Porto Rican: 4sa.

By Deen W. Imel. 6BOI-Ex 9BZZ, care of U. S. S. Wood, Vallejo, Calif.

1bgc, 1bvl, 1er, 1ow, 1xam, 1lxw, 2aay, 2be, 3bhv, 4cb, 4cr, 4iz, 4ku, 4tj, 4pb, 4pd, 5afh, 5ef, 5ew, 5gu, 5hk, 5jf, 5nj, 5og, 5oq, 5ox, 5ph, 5qk, 5ue, 5xa, 5yd, 5za, 6aff, 7abb, 7acf, 7adf, 7adr, 7afb, 7afk, 7afo, 7ahc, 7aho, 7ahs, 7aim, 7aix, 7aiy, 7ajt, 7ajy, 7akk, 7akx, 7ao, 7ar, 7au, 7ax, 7cf, 7cw, 7dd, 7df, 7do, 7fd, 7fg, 7fj, 7fr, 7gb, 7gh, 7gj, 7gk, 7gq, 7gv, 7gw, 7ho, 7ij, 7iw, 7ku, 7kz, 7lq, 7ls, 7lw, 7mf, 7mp, 7mv, 7nh, 7no, 7nx, 7ob, 7ok, 7pj, 7qc, 7qf, 7ry, 7sf, 7sy, 7un, 7uv, 7vn, 7zm, 7zu, 8aav, 8ah, 8bgn, 8ced, 8cne, 8cse, 8cva, 8dat, 8dea, 8dpn, 8gh, 8mr, 8tt, 8vq, 8vy, 8xs, 8zz, 9ado, 9aiw, 9and, 9atl, 9azr, 9bcd, 9bce, 9bcf, 9bch, 9bji, 9bkx, 9bkz, 9bnk, 9bob, 9bof, 9bqj, 9brb, 9bso, 9bus, 9bvu, 9ca, 9caa, 9cek, 9cfi, 9cfy, 9cii, 9cjs, 9cju, 9cld, 9clq, 9del, 9dfw, 9dhw, 9dte, 9dun, 9dvi. 9camt, 9eat, 9eff, 9ejn, 9eky, 9hn, 9me, 9wo, kdsv, ndf, nfv, wgh.

Canadian—4aa, 4br, 4cr, 4cv, 4go, 4hh, 5as, 5ba, 5bf, 5bz, 5cp, 5fi, 5go, 5hs.

Foreign—16a.

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By 9CVL, 938 S. 4th St., Atchison, Kans.

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Canadians—1ad, 1ar, 1bj, 1bq, 1bv, 1ef, 2be, 2bg, 2bn, 2cg, 2co, 2dn, 2fc, 2hv, 2ic, 3aa, 3abc, 3abn, 3ad, 3ada, 3adn, 3ads, 3adv, 3ae, 3aec, 3aft, 3aiy, (3ak), 3aq, 3at, 3av, 3ba, 3bg, 3bi, 3bj, 3bq, 3ck, 3cy, 3db, 3dn, 3dz, 3fc, 3gg, 3he, 3hi, 3hp, 3hy, 3ir, 3iv, 3jt, 3kg, 3ko, 3kp, (3kq), 3kw, 3mi, 3mn, 3ms, 3nm, 3nl, 3oh, 3oj. 3om, 3pg, 3pz, 3qn, 3qs, 3sp, 3tb, 3tj, 3un, 3vh, 3wg, 3ws, 3wv, 3xi, 3xn, 3xx, 3yh, 3yv, 3zl, 3zs, 3zt, 4aa, 4ag, 4aj, 4ao, 4aw, 4cb 4co 4cr, 4er, 4fz, 4hh, 4nf, 4ta, 4dy, 5cn, 5go, 9al, 9ar, 9bg, 9bj, 9bx, 9ce.

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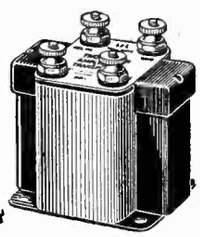

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RADIO IN NEW ZEALAND

By IVAN M. LEVY

Down here in the Southern Seas we are just emerging from what may be termed the "wooden age" of radio, but the advance is rapid, and ere long we will be as up-to-date, if not in advance, of any other country in the world. New Zealand, it must be understood, is a country entirely apart from the great Commonwealth of Australia, both physically and in government. The nearest port of New Zealand is about four days steaming from Sydney, the nearest port of Australia, which is distant some 1,200 miles from Wellington. New Zealand has a population of about 1,300,000, and Australia's population is somewhere about 6,000,000.

In New Zealand during the past eighteen months we have had broadcasting carried on by about eight stations. They have been maintained in nearly every instance by the radio "trade" of each center, without any direct payment by listeners-in, who now number about 3,500. These stations have been of low power, excepting in the case of two in the city of Dunedin, which closed down owing to the heavy cost of maintenance.

There are now two "trade" broadcasting stations in the city of Auckland —one of about 110 watts output, and the other of about 15 watts. They have arranged things so that there is broadcasting in Auckland every night of the week, only one station operating on each night. The programs vary from gramophone items to proper concerts by amateur and occasionally professional performers, none of whom, however, receive payment for appearing at the broadcasting stations.

This system obtains in the other New Zealand cities also. In Wellington, the "trade" maintained two separate stations of 15 watts input, operating every night excepting on Saturdays, only one station transmitting on any night. The cost of maintenance of two stations prompted the "trade" to get together, and as a result one station has been shut down, and the upkeep of the other is now contributed to by the whole local "trade."

In Christchurch, a member of the "trade" transmits with about 15 watts input, on two or three nights a week. In Dunedin the proprietor of the 500-watt station, a member of the "trade," has become so disgusted with the lack of support from any other member of the local "trade" that he has closed down his station. In the township of Gisborne a member of the "trade" is transmitting on two or three nights a week with about 50 watts input, and another dealer in the township of Nelson also operates two or three nights a week with a 15-watt plant.

There are about 60 amateur transmitters spread over the two islands of

New Zealand. They employ power varying from 5 watts up to 50 watts, and one or two use as much as 100 watts occasionally. Spark transmission by amateurs is prohibited by the Government regulations, which, in this country and in Australia, are administered by the State Post and Telegraph Department, with a Minister of the Crown, the Postmaster General, as the head.

Wellington, the capital, is geographically about the center of New Zealand, and is the chief seaport. The distance of the various cities from Wellington are as follows: Auckland, 304 miles; Christchurch, 175 miles; Dunedin, 390 miles. It may be that the insular character of this country has a considerable influence on DX reception, and many Wellington listeners-in receive the concerts from the 500-watt broadcasting station in Dunedin, employing the popular three-coil regenerative receiver, with only one valve. Indeed, many New Zealanders using only one valve regularly receive the concerts from KGO, California, and, employing three-valve regenerative three-coil receivers KGO is brought in on a loud speaker.

With regard to wavelengths, the Government regulations, following the United States (very wisely) provide for broadcasting on a waveband below 500 meters. The amateur transmitters are restricted to wavelengths of from 140 to 180 metres. This, of course, enables the average imported American variometer receiver to be of good practical value in New Zealand.

While this situation does not appear very promising, it merely marks the transition to greater things. An empowering bill will be submitted to the House of Representatives which will enable the Post and Telegraph Department to increase the present listeners-in license fee from 5/- (a few cents more than a dollar per annum to about £1 9/6 (about seven dollars), out of which a national broadcasting company will receive from the Department about £1 5/- (about six dollars). The broadcasting company, which is about to be floated, will be required to erect a thoroughly up-to-date station of 500 watts output in Auckland, Wellington, Christchurch and Dunedin. The initial capital of the company is to be £30,000. Investors are to be offered stock, or debentures, at a fixed interest of about 7%. The radio dealers are to be asked to subscribe a substantial proportion of the capital, but the Government proposes to limit the possible return on the capital as in Great Britain.

Listeners-in throughout New Zealand are eagerly awaiting the inauguration of the scheme, and are quite prepared to pay the added cost of their license fees. Under the new scheme professional talent will be paid for performing at the broadcasting stations.

CORRESPONDENCE COURSE IN RADIO

The addition of radio instruction courses by correspondence to the long list of home study subjects offered by the Pennsylvania State College has turned out to be one of the most popular movements ever undertaken by the college Department of Engineering Extension.

Inquiries by the hundred followed the initial announcement about a year ago that the college would offer courses for novices as well as for advanced students of radio. Enrollment of students for the favorite subject followed in large numbers when it was found that because the college is a state institution the courses were offered at mere cost of preparation and correction of lessons. The radio courses had the largest enrollment of all the 127 miscellaneous home-study courses offered last year by the engineering extension department.

Professor N. C. Miller, who is head of the department, stated that he received so many requests for radio correspondence courses that last fall it was decided to offer two, in radio reception and transmission, one elementary and the other advanced.

"The Penn State courses in radio were prepared with the idea that amateurs are desirous of something more than blindly following blue-prints and pictured hook-ups. The fundamentals and advanced theory are made very plain.

"The short elementary course can be studied profitably by anyone who has a grammar school education.

"For the advanced course a knowledge of algebra sufficient to use formulas and an ability to understand data presented in the form of curves and tables is all that is needed. Enrollments in either course may be made at any time; there are ten lessons in each course." The courses are not primarily of the "how to build" variety, Professor Miller further explains. It is realized that the construction field is covered splendidly by such mediums as "Radio." This decision seems to have been a wise one as the student concentrates on fundamentals unhampered by mechanical details. In addition, it is obvious that hardly two persons would wish the same set out of the hundreds of hook-ups available through various other sources.

For the same reason casual queries on individual sets are eliminated to enable the instruction to be concentrated on the principles presented.

The first course costs $10 and teaches: What radio is, the principles of radio electricity, how telephone, crystal and vacuum tube receiving sets work, how to get proper amplification, to select the right type of receiving set, to operate and care for radio receiving sets, to construct radio receiving sets, to test them, to locate common troubles and how to remedy them.

One supplementary section gives accurate working drawings (as actually used in radio shops) together with complete lists of materials required for constructing eight typical radio receiving sets.

It also gives up-to-date information on such topics as: Control of static, atmospheric and directional effects, radio maps, thermo-electric A and B batteries, radio photography, methods of locating open and short circuits, testing for defects in transformers, vacuum tubes, antennas, ground wires, etc.

This is a popular course, especially suited to amateurs, radio salesmen and others who wish a thorough knowledge of the fundamentals of the science, without the mathematical treatment necessary to Part II.

The second course costs $15 and is intended for technical men and amateurs desiring the mathematical treatment of the subject together with the electrical theory involved.

It covers: Elementary electricity, radio circuits, electro-magnetic waves, damped wave transmission, the electron tube, apparatus for reception, the tube as a generator, radio telephony.

The text-book of Part II is a 600-page volume which will be very valuable as a reference book after the student finishes the course. It is the work of a number of eminent physicists and electrical engineers, compiled by the U. S. Bureau of Standards.

The assignment pamphlets for Part II, in addition to the questions, etc., contain other matter not included in the text-book furnished with the course. These are of assistance in clearing up the more difficult parts of the text.

Those taking this course will need sufficient algebra to handle formulas and solve ordinary equations. The student must also be able to read tables and curves.

HOOVER SUGGESTS SHORT BILL FOR CONTROL OF RADIO

Secretary of Commerce Herbert Hoover has submitted to Representative Wallace H. White a suggestion for a very short bill to be passed by Congress. This bill is intended merely to clarify the powers of the Department in regulating interference, postponing further legislation until more definite data are available.

It declares and re-affirms the fact that the ether "is the inalienable possession of the people" and "that the authority to regulate its use in interstate and foreign commerce is conferred upon Congress by the Federal Constitution." It further provides that "the wave length of every radio transmitting station for which a license is now required by law, its power, emitted wave, the

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Radio Conference Recommendations for Frequency or Wavelength Allocations

Kilocycles	Meters	Service
95-120	3,156-2,499	Government CW and ICW exclusive.
120-157	2,499-1,910	Marine CW and ICW, exclusive.
157-165	1,910-1817	{Point-to-point CW and ICW, Marine CW and ICW,} exclusive.
165-190	1,817-1,578	{Point-to-point CW, ICW, spark, Marine CW and ICW,} exclusive.
160	1,874	Government, nonexclusive.
175	1,713	Government, nonexclusive.
185	1,621	Government, ice patrol broadcasting and navigational aid messages, nonexclusive.
190-230	1,578-1,304	Government CW and ICW, exclusive.
230-235	1304-1,276	University, college, and experimental CW and ICW, exclusive.
235-250	1,276-1,199	Marine, phone, nonexclusive.
250	1,199	Government, CW, ICW, nonexclusive.
250-275	1,199-1,090	Marine, phone, nonexclusive.
275	1,090	Government, CW, ICW, nonexclusive.
275-285	1,090-1,052	Marine, phone, nonexclusive.
285-500	1,052-600	Marine and coastal, including radio compass and radio beacons.
300	1,000	Radio beacons.
315	952	Government CW, ICW, spark.
343	874	Ship-to-ship and ship-to-shore CW, ICW.
375	800	Radio compass.
410	731	Ship-to-ship and ship-to-shore CW, ICW, spark, exclusive.
425	705	Ship-to-ship and ship-to-shore CW, ICW, spark, exclusive.
445	674	Government aircraft and submarines, CW and ICW.
454	660	Ship-to-ship and ship-to-shore CW, ICW, spark exclusive.
500	600	For calling and distress signals and messages relating thereto, exclusive.
500-550	600-545	Aircraft and fixed safety-of-life stations, CW ICW, phone. exclusive.
550-1,500	545-200	Broadcasting services, phone, exclusive.
550-1,070	545-280	Class 1.
1,090-1,400	275-214	Class 2.
1,420-1,460	211-205	Class 3.
1,500-2,000	200-150	Amateur, exclusive.
1,500-1,670	200-180	Amateur, CW, ICW.
1,670-1,760	180-170	Amateur, ICW, phone.
1,760-2,000	170-150	Amateur, CW, ICW.
2,000-2,250	150-133	Point-to-point, nonexclusive.
2,250-2,500	133-120	Aircraft, exclusive.
2,500-2,750	120-109	Mobile.
2,750-2,850	109-105	Relay broadcasting, exclusive.
2,850-3,500	105-85.7	Public service.
3,500-4,000	85.7-75.0	Amateur and Army mobile.
4,000-4,500	75.0-66.6	Public service and mobile.
4,500-5,000	66.6-60.0	Relay broadcasting, exclusive.
5,000-5,500	60.0-54.5	Public service.
5,500-5,700	54.5-52.6	Relay broadcasting, exclusive.
5,700-7,000	52.6-42.8	Public service.
7,000-8,000	42.8-37.5	Amateur and Army mobile.
8,000-9,000	37.5-33.3	Public service and mobile.
9,000-10,000	33.3-30.0	Relay broadcasting, exclusive.
10,000-11,000	30.0-27.3	Public service.
11,000-11,400	27.3-26.3	Relay broadcasting, exclusive.
11,400-14,000	26.3-21.4	Public service.
14,000-16,000	21.4-18.7	Amateur.
16,000-18,000	18.7-16.7	Public service and mobile.
18,000-56,000	16.7-5.35	Beam transmission.
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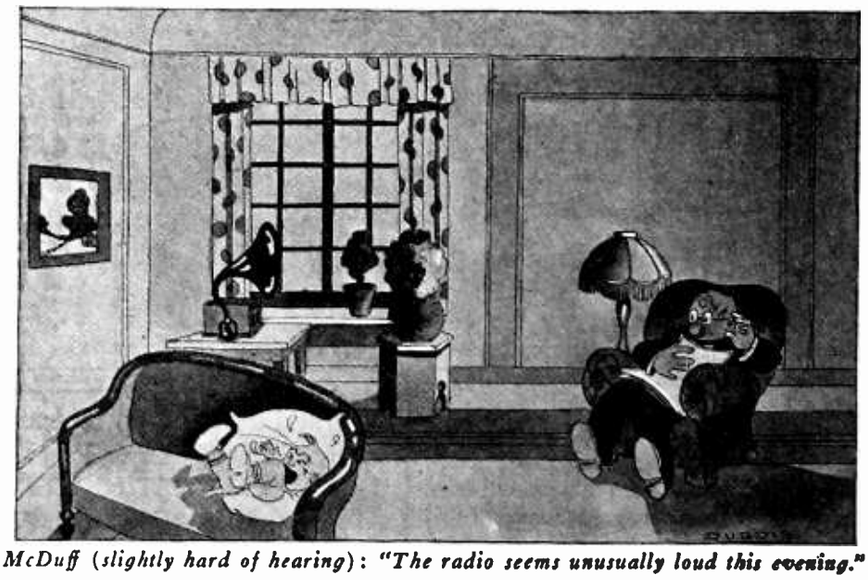

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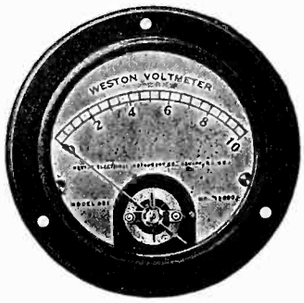

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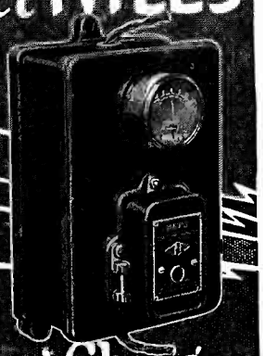

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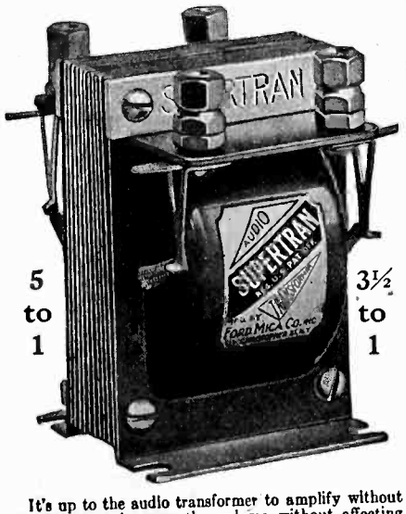

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character of its apparatus, and the time of transmission, shall be fixed by the Secretary of Commerce as in his judgment and discretion he shall deem expedient, and may be changed or modified from time to time in his discretion."

In the accompanying letter of transmittal Secretary Hoover states that "there is no monopoly in the radio world at the present time, there being over 500 broadcasting stations of which not more than four are the property of any one institution. With only 57 wavelengths and 500 stations—rapidly increasing—we are today forced to certain duplication of waves and to the division of time between stations.

"Beyond this three major things have developed during the last twelve months. The first is the interconnection of stations by which a single voice may be broadcast from all parts of the United States.

"During the past year there have been discoveries in the use of higher power and therefore larger areas of broadcasting, which may result in a single station being able to cover a large portion if not all of the country. This raises questions of the rights of local stations and the rights of local listeners.

"Still another development has been the fact that it has been found possible by indirect advertising to turn broadcasting to highly profitable use. If this were misused we would be confronted with the fact that service more advantageous to the listeners would be crowded out for advertising purposes.

"Because of this situation there is growing up a demand for the limitation of the number of stations in a given area and that such a limitation would be based on the service needs of the community.

"From all of this it seems to me that there is a tendency which may require an entirely different basis in character, theory and extent of legislation than any we have contemplated in the past. The basis of regulation and the fundamental policies to be followed must be finally declared by Congress, not left to an administrative officer. Hitherto, we have conceived the problem to be one of interference but there is now opening before us a whole vista of difficult problems. The development of the art is such that the whole situation is changing rapidly and the opinion of today on the solution for a given difficulty is worthless tomorrow. I hope that another year's experience will show what direction of legislative course must be pursued. Meantime I feel that we would be actual gainers by allowing the industry to progress naturally and unhampered except by the maintenance of a firm principle of government control of the ether and the elimination of interference so far as it is possible."

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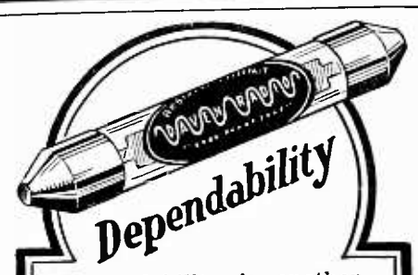

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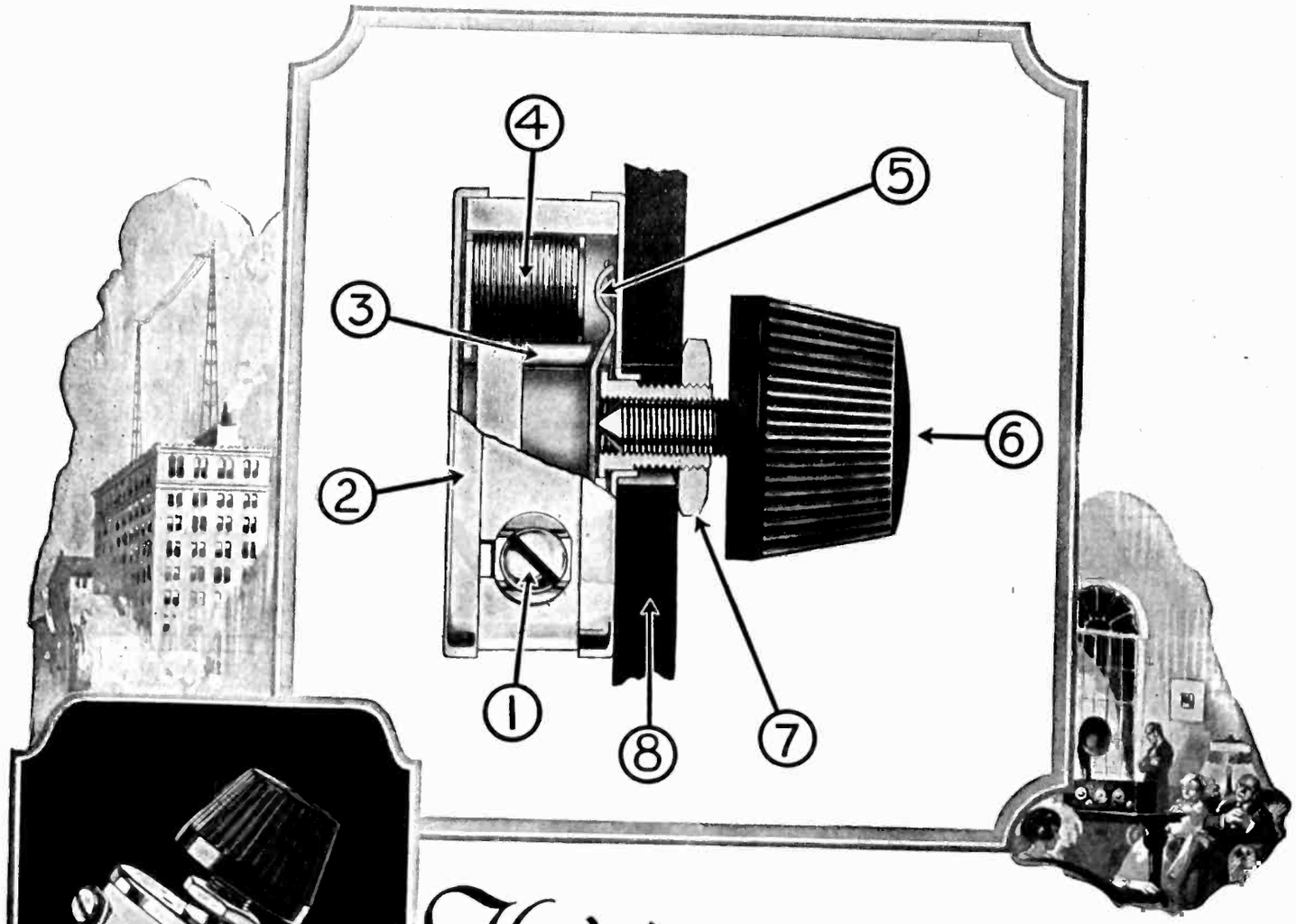

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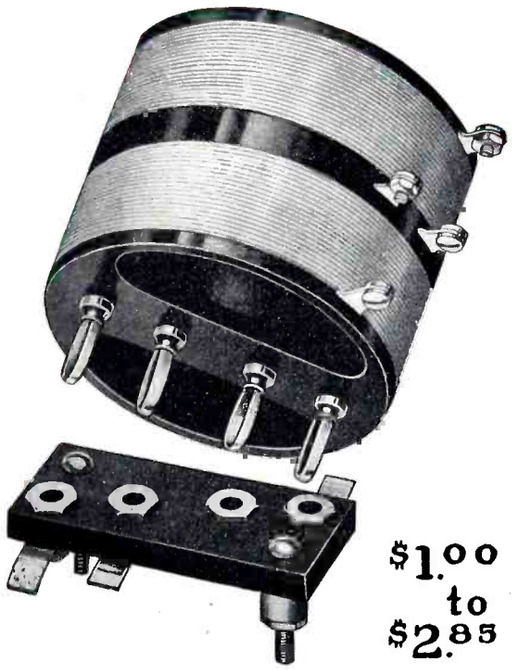

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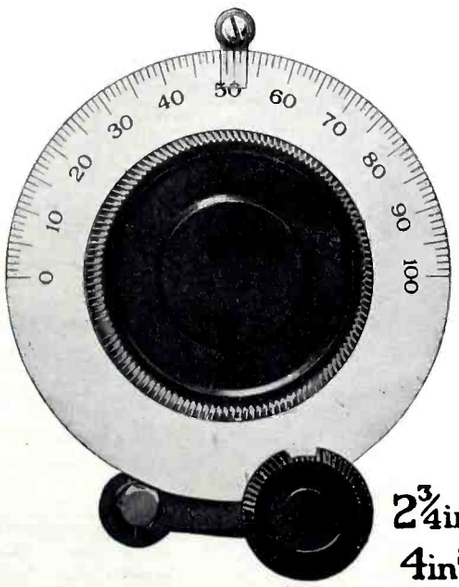

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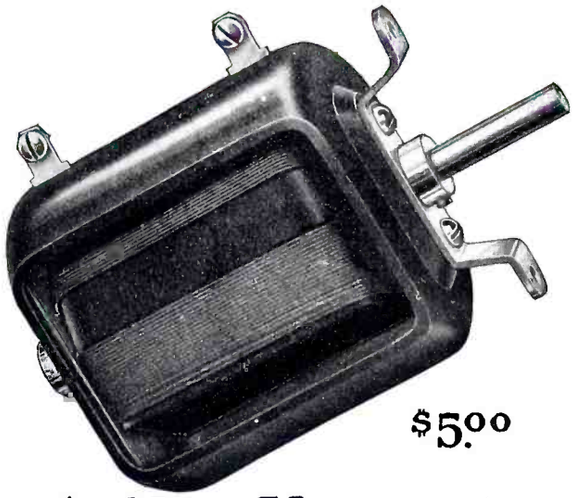

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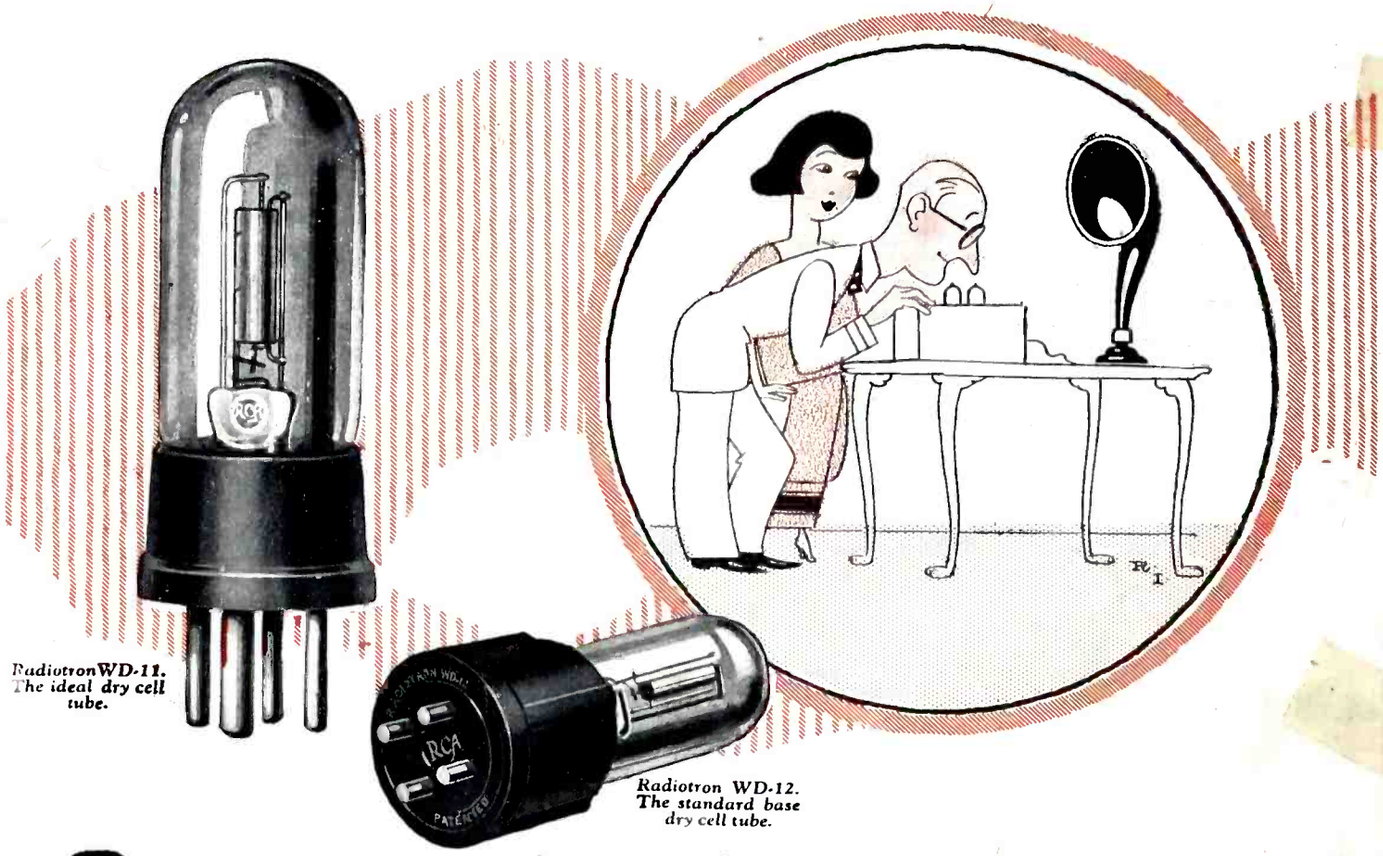

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