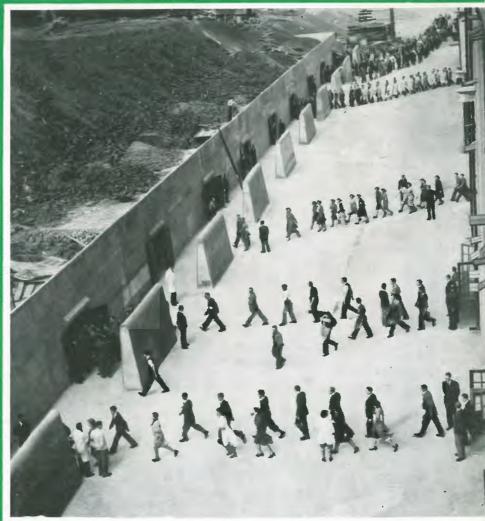


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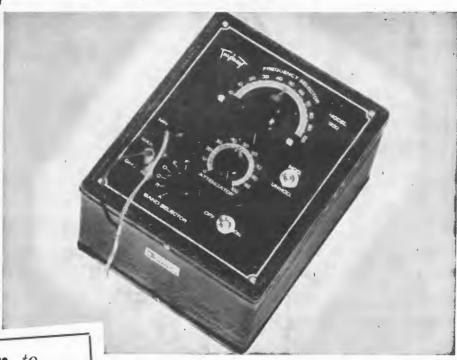
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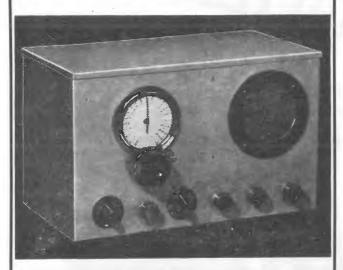


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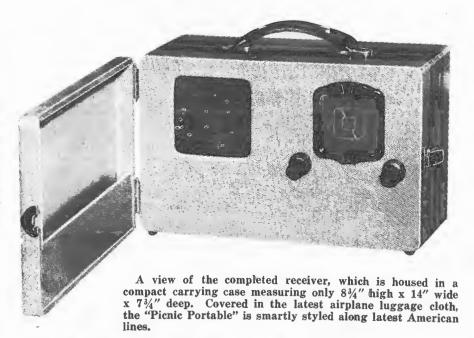
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Featuring the recently-released 1D8GT diode triode output pentode, together with a new dial, condenser gang, and speaker, this American-style 1.4 volt portable incorporates a host of latest features that will appeal strongly to every set-builder.



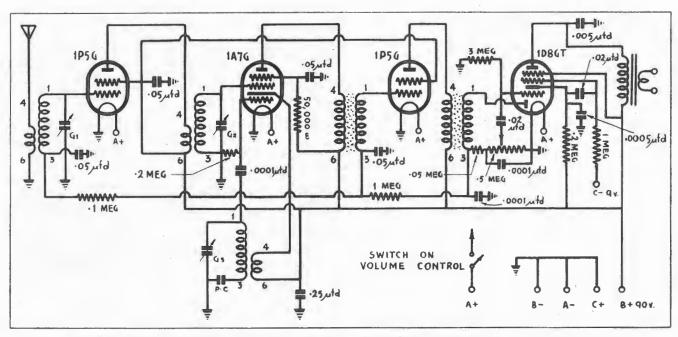
## Picnic Portable Four

BOUT six months ago the first commercial model 1.4-volt portable was placed on the Australian market. To-day, there are over twenty models from which to choose, while some thousands of these sets are already in operation throughout the Commonwealth. In America these new portable radios have broken all sales records; actually, it is estimated that sales there are now around the million mark!

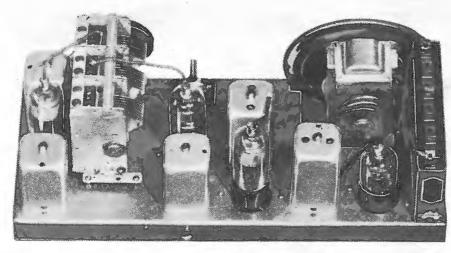
The popularity of these little receivers is easy to understand. Light, compact and entirely self-contained, they are ready for instant action anywhere and at any time. Low consumption valves, high efficiency permanent magnet speakers, special long-life batteries that are light and compact, and a small carrying case, make a receiver that is easily carried and that operates anywhere with remarkable efficiency.

"Picnic" Incorporates Many Attractive Features.

The "Picnic Portable" shown above has been designed to incorporate as far as possible all the attractive features of the latest overseas models. Designed for maximum ease of carrying, the set is housed in a case measuring only 8%" high x 14" long x 7%" deep. It is covered with smart durable airplane luggage cloth, woven



Circuit of the "Picnic Portable," with full constants. Under-socket connections will be found on page 9.



As this chassis view shows, the layout is not cramped in any way, despite the compact size of the carrying case.

Reedtex being used for the speaker grille.

#### An Ideal Layout.

Of the dozen or so layouts considered, that finally adopted has proved ideal for simplicity, balance and compactness, and as well has permited a very attractive cabinet design. The three "A" and "B" batteries—one Eveready PR8 11/2-volt unit, and two PR-45 45-volt units-lie flat side by side in a separate compartment beneath the shelf supporting the chassis. They are readily accessible, as there

are only two screws holding the back of the cabinet in place.

As the chassis photograph shows, the 9-volt "C" battery is located alongside the 1D8GT, and is also easily accessible.

#### Circuit Details.

The circuit chosen is standard, and consequently can be depended upon to be "sure-fire" in operation. A 1P5G is used in the r.f. stage, followed by a 1A7G mixer. Then follows another 1P5G i.f. amplifier and lastly, a

#### "PIC-NIC PORTABLE FOUR" List of Parts

- 1 sprayed steel chassis to specifications
- I sprayed steel chassis to specifications (Acorn).

  I canvas-covered carrying case built to specifications (Western Mfg.).

  I coil kit, including I aerial, I r.f., I oscillator coils, with 2 465 k.c. i.f.'s and padder (Radiokes, R.C.S.).

  I midget 3-gang condenser (Stromberg-Corlean)
- Carlson).
- midget tuning dial (Efco). brown bakelite knobs.
- megohm potentiometer with switch
- (I.R.C.).

  1 4-wire battery cable (2-foot length).

  4 octal wafer sockets.

  4 midget grid clips.

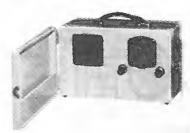
  1 banana socket and 2 plugs.

  FIXED CONDENSERS:

- 3 .0001 mfd., mica (T.C.C.).
- 1 .0005
- tubular 2 .02
- .05 .25
- FIXED RESISTORS: 3-megohm 1/3-watt carbon (I.R.C.).
- 1-megohm .2-megohm
- .1-megohm 99
- 7 2 50,000-ohm ,, ,, VALVES: 2 1P5G's, 1 1A7G, 1 1D8GT.
- SPEAKER: 1 5in. permanent magnet speaker to match
- 1D8GT (Rola). BATTERIES:
- 2 45-volt light duty "B" batteries
  (Eveready PR45).
  1 1½-volt "A" battery (Eveready PR8).
  1 9-volt "C" battery (Eveready W98).
- MISCELLANEOUS:
- 2 doz. %in. nuts and bolts, insulating washers for aerial socket, push-back (solid and flexible), solder tags, 8 yds. rubber-covered aerial wire, 4 lin. bolts and 6 nuts for mounting gang.

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#### 1D8GT Diode Triode Output Pentode Used.

A feature of the "Picnic Portable" is the use for the first time in any receiver described in an Australian magazine of the latest 1.4-volt valve—the 1D8GT. A bantam type valve, it possesses characteristics that are particularly attractive for portable work.

In the first place, it is a multiple valve combining in one envelope, diode, triode, and output pentode units. The diode-triode unit is somewhat similar to the 1H5G, while the pentode section has characteristics roughly midway between the 1A5G and 1C5G output pentodes. Its filament current is comparable with that of the former type, but its power output of 200 milliwatts approaches that of the latter.

Total plate and screen currents for the pentode section of the 1D8GT is only 6 m.a., compared with 9.1 m.a. for the 1C5G and 11.1 m.a. for the 1Q5G. As well, the total filament current is only .1 ampere, whereas the total required for the 1H5G-1C5G combination is .15 ampere.

#### Light "A" And "B" Drains Mean Long Battery Life.

Total "A" drain of the "Picnic Portable" is .25 ampere, while the "B" current, with new batteries and without over-biassing the output pentode, is approximately 10 m.a. This figure falls rapidly with the gradual drop in "B" battery voltage, so that the average "B" drain during the life of a set of batteries would be approximately 7 m.a., a figure that is well within the manufacturer's rating for the Eveready type PR-45 portable battery.

Using an Eveready PR8 "A" unit and two Eveready PR45 "B" units, from 220 to 250 hours of service can be expected from a single set of batteries.

#### About The Parts.

The parts required to build the "Picnic Portable" are listed elsewhere.

The coil kit used, comprising aerial, r.f. and oscillator coils and two 465 k.c. i.f. transformers, is a standard Radiokes kit. High-gain litz windings are used throughout, and while air-cored coils and i.f.'s were used in the original model, there is no reason why iron-cored coils could not be used equally well, providing care was taken in the assembly and wiring to avoid instability.

R.C.S. Laboratories have also submitted to "Radio World" two sample kits that would undoubtedly give equally good results.

The condenser gang is the latest Stromberg-Carlson midget three-gang type, which is similar in every respect to the standard model, except that the width has been reduced by approximately %." The 5" speaker is one of the latest Rola 5-8 models which, despite its compactness and size, has remarkably high efficiency.

#### Carrying Case By Western Manufacturing.

The carrying-case shown in the photographs was made to "Radio World" specifications by the Western Manufacturing Company of Sydney. An excellent job throughout, the case supplied is light, but solidly built, and will stand up to years of hard wear. The "airplane" luggage cloth covering is both smart and durable, while the fittings are heavily plated and will resist rust indefinitely.

#### Point-To-Point Wiring Plan Next Month.

Complete kits of parts for the "Picnic Portable" are available from all "Radio World" advertisers specialising in kit-sets and components. Next month a further description covering the assembly of the receiver will be given in a special supplement, together with a point-to-point wiring plan.



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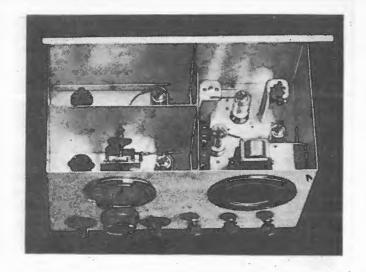
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An interior view of the completed receiver. The separate 1N5G oscillator and 1A7G mixer, with their associated tuning circuits, are in the front and rear left-hand compartments, respectively. In the compartment on the right are the i.f. amplifier, second detector and output pentode stages, together with the speaker and bias battery.

#### Shortwaver Vulcan

This five-valve shortwave superhet, which covers from approximately 9.5 to 200 metres, uses 1.4-volt valves throughout, and employs regeneration on the mixer and second detector stages,

R ECEIVERS and associated radio equipment featured in American magazines cannot always be built by Australian experimenters, primarily because key components in the designs are often unobtainable locally. However, in the September issue of

the American "Radio News" appears a description by an American amateur, Harry D. Horton (W8KPX), of a shortwave superhet that uses easilyobtainable components throughout.

Since the outbreak of war there has been a widespread demand for re-

ceivers capable of picking up news bulletins from shortwave stations in all parts of the world, and because the receiver mentioned above is ideal for this purpose, the "Radio News" article has been re-printed elsewhere in this issue.

The receiver could either be built as described by the author, or the "Radio World" version shown above could be followed. In the latter, the aluminium cabinet, chassis and partitions are as used for the "Air Ace Communications Four," a t.r.f. battery reseiver described in "Radio World" for September, 1938. While the "Vulcan Shortwaver" uses an extra valve, this can be easily accommodated on the "Air Ace" chassis.

#### Uses Five 1.4-Volt Valves.

A shortwave superhet tuning from approximately 9.5 to 200 metres using plug-in coils, the "Vulcan Shortwaver" uses 1.4-volt valves throughout. A 1A7G is used as mixer with a 1N5G as separate oscillator. Then follows another 1N5G as i.f. amplifier, and a third 1N5G as second detector with regeneration, choke capacity coupled to a 1A5G output pentode. While in the original receiver the speaker is a separate unit, in the "Vulcan Shortwaver" it is built into the receiver,

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#### THE VULCAN SHORTWAVER

#### Tentative List of Parts

1 aluminium chassis, panel and cabinet to

specifications (Acorn).
octal, 2 4-pin, 1 6-pin wafer sockets.
vernier tuning dial.

4-pin coil formers, 5 5-pin.

2 Indicator plates. 2 iron-core 465 k.c. i.f. transformers (Radiokes, R.C.S.).

pointers. r.f. chokes (see text).

terminals, "A" and "E".
'phone jack and plug.
pair headphones (S.T.C.).

100-henry audio frequency choke

(Radiokes, R.C.S.).

2 40-mmfd. midget variable condensers (Radiokes, R.C.S.).

2 160-mmfd. midget variable condensers (Radiokes, R.C.S.).

1 coupler for ganging 2 40-mmfd. variables.

1 2,500-ohm potentiometer (Radiokes,

R.C.S.).

1 50,000-ohm potentlometer (Radiokes,

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yard 6-wire battery cable. valve shields.

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50,000 carbon resistor (I.R.C.)

1 5in. P.M. dynamic speaker, input transformer to match single 1A5G (Rola).

BATTERIES: 2 45-volt Superdyne "B" batteries.

(Eveready). 1 1.5-volt "A" battery (Eveready X250). 1 9-volt "C" battery (Eveready).

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FIXED RESISTORS:

Small quantities of 16, 18, 22, 26 and 28 cn. copper wire for winding colls; 4 midget grid clips; nuts and bolts; solder tags; hook-up wire; 2 feet of carthing busbar; 4 3/2in. brass spacers, and 4 lin. bolts and nuts for mounting coil sockets.

The accompanying photo shows Sir John Anderson, the Lord Privy Seal, leaving the S.T.C. air-raid shelter following a demonstration of the A.R.P. arrangements made for fastest possible evacuation of all workers from the factory.

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The factory covers 40 acres, has 15 acres of floor space and employs 6,000 persons, of whom a little over 40% are women. A circumstance which has been very favourable to the A.R.P. scheme is that the company has near the factory a large tract of elevated land, the top of which has been occupied by tennis courts and other sports grounds.

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The main tunnels have seats along both sides throughout their length to accommodate 5,000 persons, and concrete gutters to carry off any water which might accumulate. Telephones to and from an underground office are provided for communication between wardens. The trained first-aid personnel within the shelters numbers 140.

There are steel doors at the numerous entrances to the tunnels which can be closed to make the sys-



tem gas-tight, but which are normally left open, as there are blast walls outside to protect the entrances from splinters or blast.

As the demonstration showed, the workers can be marshalled from their shops to their places in the tunnels in from 7 to 8 minutes. Control is exercised from a headquarters building, the supervision of the different activities being entrusted to the chief executives of the company, such control being mainly carried out by means of a selective system of loudspeakers suitably installed throughout the factory.

#### Trained A.R.P. Workers.

About 900 people working in three shifts have been trained to deal with fire-fighting decontamination, medical and first-aid services, cleansing, communications and gas detection, etc., in addition to a number to act as guides and marshals.

The system of dealing with air raid warnings is briefly as follows: The headquarters official's warden alarm units are plugged into the electric light mains so that they receive the first warning. They proceed to the headquarters building, from which, under the direction of the head warden, they carry through the procedure for evacuating the personnel when the final warning is received. Using for this purpose a selective loud-speaker installation, all machinery is shut down and the personnel

form queues under the direction of group marshals and then proceed to the shelters along prescribed routes to their allotted sections in the tunnels.

The firefighting arrangements comprise specially-constructed shelters in each wing of every floor of the factory building, each accommodating an observer, a telephonist and a fireman. From these points all incidents are reported to headquarters.

The actual demonstration proceeded in the following order and the effects of the "raid" were—or in some instances were supposed to be as follows:—A flight of aircraft dropped six bombs in the vicinity of the factory. One fell in the roadway west of No. 7 building, causing four assumed casualties, which were attended to by first-aid parties; another fell on a temporary store south of building No. 10 and caused a serious fire, ably dealt with by the fire brigade, but causing (assumed) injuries to two firemen.

A second flight of aircraft dropped four bombs, two of which were dealt with by a fire-watching crew, and a third flight of aircraft dropped three high explosive bombs and one gas bomb. One of the former wrecked a small building, burying two men (dummies), who were released by the salvage squad and handed over to a first-aid party. The gas bomb was dropped on the east side of building

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No. 4 and a gas observer was despatched to headquarters to confirm that gas was present. A decontamination squad came on the scene and cleaned up, while a first-aid party dealt with three supposed casualities who had been splashed with gas.

After an inspection of the tunnels, still occupied by the employees, the duty men and women were paraded for an inspection and the visitors reassembled at the stand which they had occupied to view the demonstration and heard a few remarks by the chairman of S.T.C. and Sir John Anderson, the Lord Privy Seal. The chairman said he thought that the day's demonstration had shown an excellent degree of efficiency and he thanked Sir John Anderson for the trouble he had taken in coming there to witness it.

Sir John Anderson said the value of such practical exercises was dependent on the manner in which they were carried out, and the workpoople had played their part well. He wished to express his very high appreciation of the manner in which the dis-

#### The Front Cover.

This month's front cover photo shows a trial evacuation of workers from the S.T.C. London factory to the air-raid shelters, which are built of concrete with steel doors.

play had been given and the evidence it gave of careful and able organisation. He admired the high standard to which preparations there for civil defence had been brought in a very short time.

The standard of efficiency which had been attained there was due in very large measure to the excellent relations between the managment and all grades of workers. He hoped the visitors would profit, and endeavour to induce others to profit by the example given that afternoon.

#### Vulcan Shortwaver

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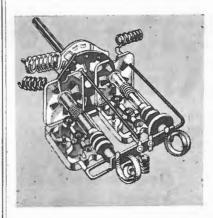
provision also being made for headphone reception.

#### Full Description Next Month.

Preliminary tests on the "Vulcan Shortwaver" have given very promising results, though several minor amendments will have to be made before the design is finalised. A full description will be published next month, though in the meantime a tentative list of parts is published with this article as a guide to prospective builders.

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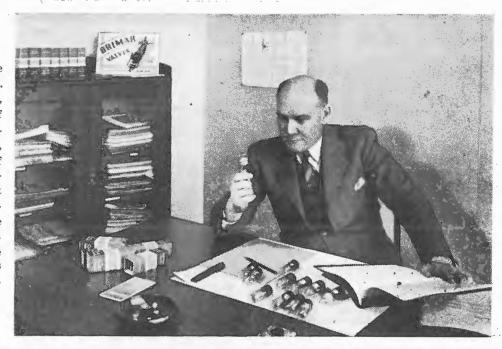
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An engineer looks at the "one-point-four's"-Mr. T. P. Court. M.I.R.E. (Aust.), A.M.I.R.E. (U.S.A.), Chief Engineer of Standard Telephones & Cables Ptv. Ltd., examining a selection of Brimar 1.4-volt valves. Characteristics and under-socket connections of types available to date are given in the below, which discusses applications of these valves in battery receivers for portable and home use.



## New Era For Battery Radio

Most important advance in battery radio technique for some years, the introduction of the 1.4-volt valves has made possible the design of receivers giving excellent all-round performance, coupled with remarkable economy of operation.

Since the introduction of 1.4-volt valves on the Australian market, the question has often been asked, "Have receivers employing these valves any advantages over the orthodox battery-operated receivers?" The following discussion is tendered as an answer.

The use of these special valves has ushered in a new era in the field of portable radio receivers. Considerable reduction in weight has been achieved by the elimination of the heavy accumulator, or wet "A" battery. This has been made possible by the extremely low power required to light the filaments; a single dry

cell of moderate size being adequate for the purpose.

Another disadvantage attending the use of an accumulator in a portable receiver is that, should the receiver be accidentally placed in any but the normal upright position, acid may spill from the battery and cause serious damage to the chassis and cabinet. This possibility is entirely eliminated when a dry cell "A" battery is used.

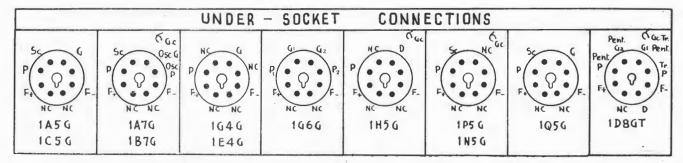
In addition to this, the 1.4-volt valves have reduced plate current consumption, and what is perhaps more important still, they are designed to operate from a "B" battery of

just two-thirds the usual voltage, i.e., 90 volts, as compared with 135 volts.

The combination of these factors makes possible the use of two small "light-duty" 45-volt batteries, which naturally weigh less and cost less to replace than the standard types previously employed.

So much for 1.4-volt valves in portable receivers; now to consider their use in standard mantel and console models.

For the receiver which must be operated in a location miles beyond the power lines, the source of power supply has always been one of considerable annoyance and trouble.



Type No.	Name	Filament Voltage		Plate Voltage	Plate Current	Screen Voltage	Screen Current	Negative Grid Voltage	Plate Resistance (Ohms)	Mutual Conductance	Amplification Factor	Load for Rated Output (Ohms)	Power Output Watts
1A5G	Power Amplifier Pentode	1.4	.05	90	4.0	90	.8	4.5	300,000	850	255	25,000	.115
1A7G	Pentagrid Converter	1.4	.05	90	.55	45	.6	0	600,000	Convers	ion Cond	uctance :	= 250
1B7G	Pentagrid Converter	1.4	.10	90	1.5	45	1.3	0				uctance :	
1C5G	Power Amplifier Pentode		.10	90	7.5	90	1.6	7.5	115,000	1,550	180	8,000	.240
	•		le Unit	:									
1D8GT	Diode Triode Power Am-		.10	90	.10	0	0	0	45,000	575	25		
	plifier Pentode	Pent.	Unit	90	5.0	90	1.0	9	200,000	925	****	12,000	.200
1E4G	Medium-Mu Triode	1.4	.05	90	1.5	0	0	3	17,000	825	14		
1G4G	Medium-Mu Triode	1.4	.05	90	2.3	0	0	6	10,400	825	8.8		_
1G6G	Twin Triode Amplifier	1.4	.10	90	1.0a	0	0	0	Peak G to	o G Sig	nal 18v.	12,000h	.675
1H5G	Diode Triode	1.4	.05	90	.15	0	0	0	240,000	275	65	_	
1N5G	R.F. Pentode	1.4	.05	90	1.2	90	.3	0	1,500,000e	750	1,160		
1P5G	R.F. Amplifier Pentode	1.4	.05	90	2.3	90	.7	0	800,000e	800	640e		
1Q5G	Beam Power Amplifier	1.4	.10	90	9.5	90	1.6	4.5		2,100		8,000	.270
(a) Zei	ro signal per element; (b)	Plate to	plate	; (c)	Appro	х.							

Receivers employing an accumulator for lighting the filaments, or perhaps for supplying the high tension voltage as well as by means of a vibrator unit, have proved entirely satisfactory in operation, but the absence of adequate charging facilities in many areas has been responsible for considerable interruption in the use of the receiver, many fine programmes being missed while the battery is away for charging, often for a week at a time.

To combat this trouble, the familiar "Air-cell" was introduced by several manufacturers; these give a long useful life, but replacement cost is high. Nowadays, with the development of

1.4-volt valves and special batteries for their operation, it is possible to instal a large 1.5-volt dry cell together with two heavy duty 45-volt "B" batteries and obtain approximately one year of trouble-free service from a set of batteries, representing a degree of economy hitherto unobtainable.

## WAR NEWS ON THE SHORT WAVES

#### When And Where To Tune

By ALAN H. GRAHAM, Shortwave Editor.

SINCE the outbreak of the war, a feature of transmissions on the short-wave bands has been a general re-organisation of schedules to enable the broadcasting of the latest news bulletins. Throughout the day and night the stations of the principal belligerent nations are issuing bulletins at frequent intervals, while on the other side of the Atlantic the American stations are putting over news flashes collected by the army of correspondents in the war zones.

With short-wave conditions as they are, it is possible for the average listener to pick up full bulletins almost hourly. Below are set out as simply as possible the best stations to tune for, and the best times to listen for them.

#### England:

The B.B.C. transmissions have been completely reorganised, and now consist very largely of news broadcast in a number of languages including English, German, French, Spanish, Italian, Roumanian and Serbo-Croatian. The English bulletins are given in great detail during each of the six transmissions, together with special news summaries and supplementary bulletins. The best times to hear the B.B.C. English bulletins are:—

Early morning: At 2 a.m. and 3.30 a.m. through GSG, 17790kc., 16.86m.; GSF, 15140kc., 19.82m.; GSD, 11750 kc., 25.53m.; and GSA, 6050kc., 49.59m. At 5 a.m., 6.50 a.m. and 7.45 a.m. through GSF, 15140kc.,

19.82m.; GSD, 11750kc., 25.53m.; and GSC, 9580kc., 31.32m.

Mornings: At 9.30 a.m. and 10.30 a.m., through GSF, 15140kc., 19.82m., and GSD, 11750kc., 25.53m.

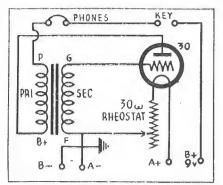
Afternoons: At 12.45 p.m. and 2 p.m. through GSD, 11750kc., 25.53m., and GSB, 9510kc., 31.55m. At 4.15 p.m., 6 p.m. and 7 p.m., through GSD, 11750kc., 25.53m.; GSB, 9510kc., 31.55m.; GSI, 15260kc., 19.66m.; GSP, 15310kc., 19.61m.; and GSW, 7230kc., 41.63m.

Evenings: At 8.45 p.m., 9.30 p.m. and 11.15 p.m., through GSJ, 21530kc., 13.93m.; GSG, 17790kc., 16.86m.; GSV, 17810kc., 16.84m.; and GSF, 15140kc., 19.82m.

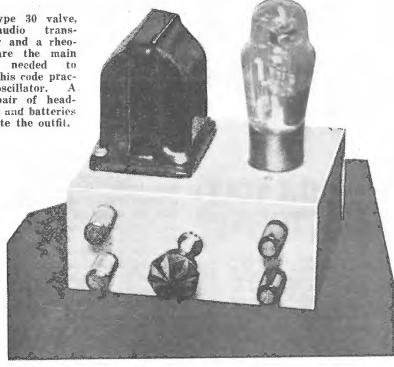
The transmitters listed above are not all those on the air when the various news sessions are broadcast, but merely those through which most satisfactory reception is to be expected.

N.B. These times are correct at time of writing, but may possibly be changed. Listeners should therefore note the announcements regarding programme details given at the commencement of the various B.B.C. transmissions, namely, 3.17 a.m., 6.30 a.m., 9.22 a.m., 12.37 p.m., 3.57 p.m. and 8.45 p.m.

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## Morse Code

Urgent demand in signal units for qualified operators.

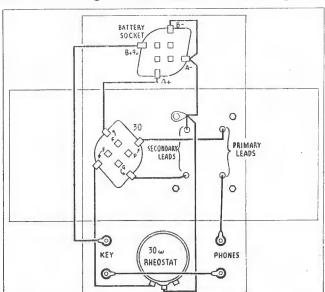
#### By DON B. KNOCK (ex-VK2NO)

OR several years the writer has stressed the importance of radio amateurs paying full attention to proficiency in the use of the morse code in preference to the microphone, the main reason being that a good working telegraphic knowledge would be of primary utility should we be unfortunate enough to be launched

into war. The worst has happened, and because a group of unscrupulous adventurers who wield the big stick over millions has decreed it, the British Empire is embarked upon a war, the end of which nobody can foresee.

Simultaneously with the rapid gathering of the war clouds, amateur radio throughout the Empire perforce vanished from its seething channels, and many of those once peacefullyengaged private individuals are now handling service radio equipment with serious purpose. Others are not, and in many cases their handicap of poor telegraphic ability has been engendered by their preponderance of attention to the microphone. Many radio amateurs who were once reasonably good telegraphists forsook completely their morse keys and capitulated to the lure of DX working by telephony.

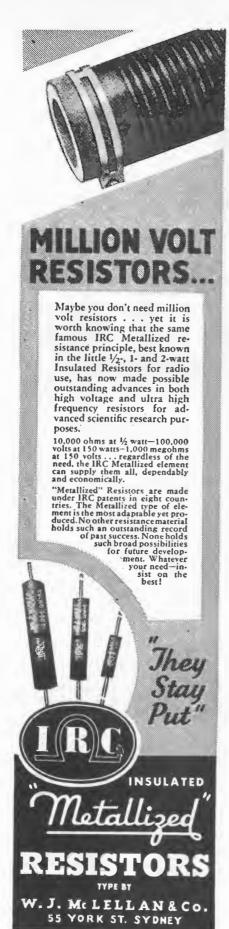
Despite the fact that the maintenance of a modern amateur radio-



#### Code Practice Oscillator: List of Parts.

One aluminium chassis, 4" x 5" x 2½"; 2 4-pin wafer sockets; 1 audio transformer; 1 30-ohm rheostat (Radiokes); 4 terminals-2 red, 2 black; 1 small knob; 1 4-pin plug and 4-wire battery cable; 1 type 30 valve; 1 pair headphones (S.T.C.); 1 Morse key; hook-up wire, nuts and bolts, solder tags; 1 9v. "C" battery (Ever-Ready); 2 1½v. "A" cells (Ever-Ready), or 1 2v. accumulator (Clyde).

The parts required are listed above, while the sketch on the left shows the under-chassis wiring. After the key, 'phones and batteries have been connected to the oscillator, a loud, clear note should be audible in the phones when the key is depressed. If nothing is heard, however, reverse the leads to either the primary OR secondary (not both) of the audio transformer.



telephone station certainly called for careful application of equipment as against the plain telegraphy transmitter, any untutored person can speak into a microphone, but only the qualified telegraphist can make himself understood by means of the morse key.

There are some people to whom the mental acquisition of the morse code in perfect rhythmic sense appears to be a real obstacle, but the root of such failure invariably lies with the method of learning. It is not enough to study the morse alphabet with the idea that the letter "A" is represented by a dot and a dash; that "B" is a dash and three successive dots, and so on. The sense that must be acquired is the rhythmic sound of those symbols which go to make up letters, figures, etc. Once the learner has memorised the complete alphabetical and numerical symbols, he should cease to think of them as dots and dashes.

Most would-be learners are under the impression that it is essential to obtain tuition at the hands of an instructor from the commencement, but such is not the case. Quite a high degree of proficiency can be reached by self-tuition. Having reached a certain stage, it is then desirable to have the co-operation of a good telegraphist for actual sending and receiving practice, as distinct from one's own efforts.

Here is my advice to the would-be telegraphist, or to the telegraphist of poor standard. First thing to do is to obtain or make up a variable pitch audio oscillator for use with a pair of headphones.

The key is something that should not be an afterthought, and if one is not versatile enough to make one's own, then a really good one should be purchased. The kind of key to get is one that costs a little more than the cheapjack type; one that is solidly engineered and smooth in action without effort. It should be remembered that the use of a hand key with a large gap is not conducive to good operating. The key should be adjusted for the smallest possible gap.

Having the audio oscillator equipment all ready for use, one should familiarise oneself with the action of the key and the sounds from the oscillator. If the tone doesn't suit the ear, then adjust the pitch until the note may be considered pleasant to listen to. That is a matter for in-

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dividual liking.

Put in some time getting accustomed to the feel of the key, repeating each letter several times until satisfied that the spacing of "longs" and "shorts" is correct. Once the code is fairly well memorised, a good plan is to send to oneself for considerable periods whilst reading from a book. Don't worry about punctuation until thoroughly conversant with letters and figures.

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A New Triumph of Radio Engineering

Radio has made gigantic strides in recent years. Newest development is the sensational 1.4 volt economy valve that has made possible an entirely new type of set for country listeners. Operating entirely from Eveready dry batteries, using no more current than an ordinary electric torch, and eliminating the need for an accumulator, it offers listeners greater economy and convenience than ever before. Lighter, more compact and more efficient portable sets have also been designed with the 1.4 volt Valve. Requiring no outside power supply you can carry and use them anywhere. Ask your radio dealer to arrange a demonstration or write to-day to Box 37, P.O. Mascot, for advance literature.



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## What's New In Radio

#### Supply Of Radiokes Products Assured.

Mr. R. K. Stokes, managing director of Radio Suppliers Pty. Ltd., wishes to advise readers that continuity of supplies of Radiokes products is assured for at least the next few months. Furthermore, in the meantime prices will remain unchanged while current stocks of raw materials last.

#### New Radiotron Valve Data Booklet.

A copy has been received from Amalgamated Wireless Valve Company Pty. Ltd. of a new Radiotron Characteristic Chart.

This time the Valve Company has adopted the booklet style measuring approximately 9" x 6"-a form which should prove most convenient to all radio servicemen whose work calls for frequent reference to this chart. The booklet gives very comprehensive characteristic details and includes the entire range of Radiotron receiving valves.

#### A monthly review of latest releases in sets, kit-sets and components

In addition to the general types, of which a large number are, of course, manufactured at the A.W.V. Works at Ashfield, a page is devoted to special Australian Radiotron types, whilst a further supplement is included dealing with recently released general Radiotron types.

The final three pages of the booklet are devoted to illustrations of socket connections.

#### New Paper For Radio Fans.

"Flash" is the title of a monthly bulletin now being released by Messrs. F. J. W. Fear & Co., of 109 Customhouse Quay, Wellington, N.Z.

The third issue, dated July, 1939, contains complete data with illustrations of a wide variety of latest radio components and accessories, while the circuit, together with brief

details, are given of the "Micromatic 4/5 Pentagrid." This receiver is a battery superhet using 1.4-volt valves, and is available using either single pentode or class "B" output.

Copies of this bulletin are available free on request to "Radio World" readers writing the address given above.

#### 6K8 Oscillator Grid Current.

A warning is issued by A.W. Valve Co. Pty. Ltd. against the use of the 6K8 mixer-oscillator with coil kits not designed for use with this valve. Recommended oscillator grid current is 150 microamps., and at no part of any waveband should this value rise above 200 or fall below 100 micro-

A simple method of checking up oscillator grid current is to include a 0-1 milliammeter in the oscillator

## SPECIFY

Parts for the Sets Featured in this issue.



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grid leak return to cathode. The grid current should be noted while the tuning control is swung over each . waveband, and should be within the limits given above.



#### In Latest "Radiotronics."

"A New 2A3 Amplifier-13.5 Watts Output," is the title of an article featured in "Radiotronics" No. 100, issued by the A.W. Valve Co. Pty. Ltd. (This article is re-printed elsewhere in this issue.—Ed.).

Next follows an R.C.A. note entitled "The 6SK7 As An I.F. Amplifier." In this article a comparison is drawn between the valve types 6K7 and 6SK7, the latter being a single-ended type with the grid lead taken to one of the base pins.

Full characteristics are given of the Radiotron 1D8G's, a combination diode triode power pentode in the 1.4-volt valve series. The diode triode unit broadly resembles the 1H5G, while the pentode section is similar to the 1A5G except as regards power output, which is appreciably higher (200 in place of 115 milliwatts).

Data sheets supplied with this latest issue of "Radiotronics" cover the following valve types:-6U5, 6G5, 6T7G, 6S7, 6L6G, 6G6G, 6E5 and 6C8G.



#### Further Improvements To Rola Speakers: Design Amendments.

Following close upon the introduction of permacentric construction, Rola announces that all 1" voice coil types now leaving the factory are rivetted in one immovable whole. It is anticipated that the ¾" voice coil models will follow suit almost immediately, in fact, this rivetting process is now being used on some of the electro-dynamic models.

In addition, several models have taken on a smart streamlined appearance, due to the re-designed "pot cover," which clamps to the speaker without the aid of screws.

Now that all models except the exceptionally compact 5" types are fitted with isocore transformers (of two sizes) the streamlined effect is complete.

Fitted to the electro-dynamic models F12 (12"), K10 and F10 (10") and K8 (8"), the new pot cover entirely shields the rear portion of the speakers in one piece. Drawn from mild steel, this new pot cover completely protects the electre magnet, and at the same time imparts balance and design to the appearance of the speakers. Screws have now been done away with. The pot cover clamps to the front plate of the electro magnets, and fits snugly against the speaker housing. pot cover of the K12 remains unchanged.

#### Rivetted Construction.

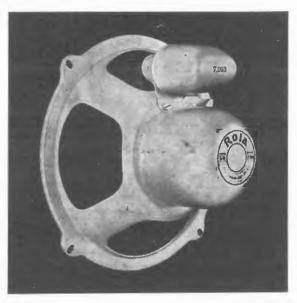
Following close upon the adoption of permacentric construction, Rola now announce rivetted construction, whereby the housing and magnet assembly are locked in an immovable unit. Although a finely constructed instrument such as a loud speaker is (Continued on page 30)

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maintains perfect alignment and provides the most effective system proofing found in loud speakers.

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Specify... RADIOTRONS for the "Picnic Portable" and "Vulcan Shortwaver" described in this issue.





These photographs were taken by club member I. Skinner on a recent field day arranged by the Gladesville Radio Club. Left: A group of the members who attended. Right: The transmitter used can be seen above the "Y" in "VK2ADY." It was operated by Mr. B. Manly (VK2XH).

## Amateurs Off The Air Radio Clubs Plan To Carry On

Lakemba Radio Club Anticipates "Business As Usual."

By W.J.P.

N view of the declaration of war, the activities of all experimental stations throughout Australia were last month brought to a standstill. Amateur experimenters were informed by urgent telegram that they must put all transmitting apparatus out of operation by removing valves, transformers, coils, keys and microphones. A later notice requested the dismantling of the antenna if it had been used for transmitting, while a further letter stated that it would be necessary for those who previously held transmitting licences to take out a broadcast listener's licence (if they still operated a receiver) after the expiry of the transmitting licence.

At a recent meeting of the Lakemba Radio Club it was decided for the time being to continue the club meetings as previously. The proposed radio tests with the Bushwalkers' Club had to be cancelled as a result of the suspension of transmitting licences.

At two meetings of the club, lectures were delivered by Mr. H. Ackling on air raid precautions and the measures necessary to combat gas attacks.

Future club activities are uncertain, but it is anticipated that the "business as usual" policy will be adopted, and members will for the time being at least, branch off into some other phase of radio activity. Several useful suggestions have been sub-

mitted which, together with other matters of vital importance, will be discussed at future meetings.

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Waverley Radio Club Notes. By F.A.B.

"Here's to the memory of 2BV Standing unused with silent key."

So quoth the Club's jester, and although true in the main it calls for some explanation. Although of course the transmitter will no longer be heard in its accustomed place in the 40 m. band, the Club's activities in the form of morse classes and so on will continue as usual.

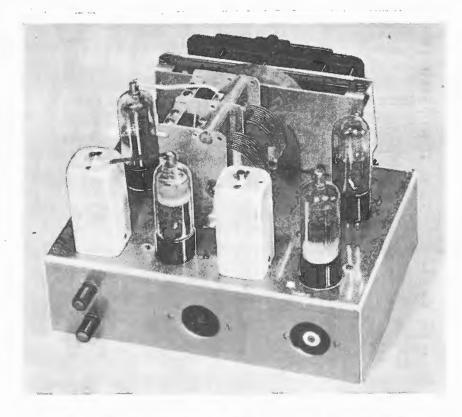
On September 5 a "Question Box" night was held. Ivan Bailue gave us particulars of the problems he had encountered in the building of his portable equipment, and was helped over several tricky spots by the wealth of information usually forthcoming on such occasions.

Bob Wilson, 2AFS, formerly of Moree, was a visitor at the club during the last month, and we hear that he is to become a member in the near future.

Gordon Wells, former president of the Club, treated us to an interesting lecture on A.V.C. at the meeting on September 26, explaining the fundamentals in detail and leaving no one in doubt as to "what makes the wheels go round."

In conclusion, I would like to invite anyone interested in radio to visit the Club rooms at the rear of "Almont,"

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A rear view of the completed receiver. On the left of the condenser gang is the 1A7G mixer oscillator, while in line along the rear of the chassis (left to right) are the first i.f. transformer, 1P5G i.f. amplifier, second i.f. transformer, 1H5G second detector and 1Q5G beam output pentode.

## Falcon Dual - Wave Four

In this concluding instalment, further details are given covering the assembly and alignment of the "Falcon Dual-Wave Four," a four-valve dual-wave battery superhet using 1.4-volt valves throughout.

N assembling the "Falcon Dual-Wave Four," the four valve sockets, aerial and earth terminals, volume control, battery and speaker sockets, and i.f. transformers are mounted first of all. The wiring of the receiver should be then completed from the plate of the 1A7G mixer-oscillator onward, before the dual-wave coil unit is mounted and wired.

The under-chassis diagram published elsewhere shows the wiring in detail. To complete the "A+" side of the filament wiring, a lead should be taken from "X" on the switch mounted on the volume control to the lug marked correspondingly on the 1Q5G socket. A further lead is then run from this lug to the corresponding one on the 1H5G, and so on. "A-" on each valve socket is earthed.

Next, commencing with the plate of the pentode section of the 1A7G, wire the first i.f. transformer in accordance with the colour code supplied with the coil kit. Then wire the socket of the 1P5G i.f. amplifier, second i.f. transformer, 1H5G second detector and 1Q5G output pentode.

#### Mount Gang And Coil Unit.

The assembly should now be thoroughly checked over and, if everything is in order, the two-gang condenser can be mounted. A six-inch length of flexible push-back should be soldered to each fixed plates lug before this component is bolted in position.

All that now remains to be done is to mount the dual-wave coil unit and connect it in circuit according to the colour code supplied.

It will be noted that leads on the under-chassis wiring diagram running to this unit are all numbered. Corresponding numbers appear on the separate sketch of the unit accompanying this article.

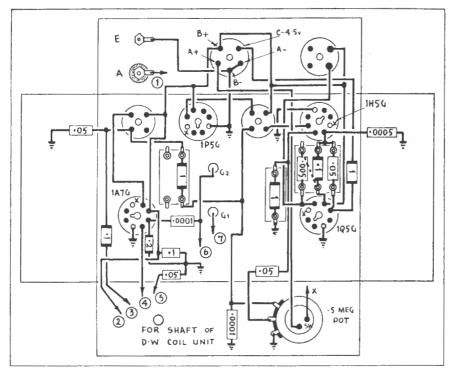
Lastly, the tuning dial can be mounted and the control knobs fitted.

Now, before plugging in the valves, connect up the batteries and check all voltages with a voltmeter. If they are all correct, plug in the valves, connect the aerial and earth leads and plug in the speaker. Turn the volume control full on and rotate the tuning dial until a station is picked up.

#### Alignment Instructions.

Set the aerial and oscillator trimmers approximately a third of the way out, and tune in a station on approximately 1400 k.c. Now adjust the aerial trimmer for best response. Swing over to a station at the other end of the dial, on approximately 600 k.c. Adjust the padder, at the same time rocking the tuning dial backwards and forwards across the station, until a position is found at which volume is loudest. Carefully repeat this process until the alignment is accurate.

Though the i.f. transformers are



The sketch above shows the complete under-chassis wiring of the "Falcon Dual-Wave Four." Connections running to the coil unit are numbered correspondingly on this sketch and that on the right, of the Radiokes dual-wave unit used in the original receiver.

pre-set to 465 k.c. before leaving the factory, the trimmers can be given a slight adjustment to ensure maximum gain. Commence with the trimmer across the secondary of the second i.f. transformer, and work through to the trimmer across the primary of the first i.f., adjusting each in turn for maximum response.

On the short waves, the aerial trimmer can be adjusted for highest gain on a station somewhere near the centre of the dial.

#### "Sky-Chief Dual-Wave Five."

#### (Continued from last month)

An apology is due to readers for the accidental omission from last month's issue of the concluding portion of the article describing the alignment of the "Sky Chief Dual-Wave Five," and of the sketch showing connections to the coil unit

The alignment instructions appear below, while a sketch of the coil unit appears at the top of the third column of this page.

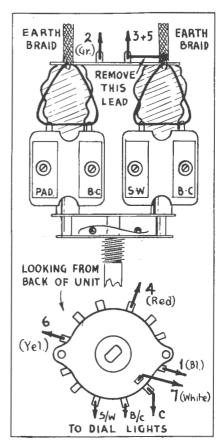
To align the "Sky-Chief," tune in a station on approximately 1400 k.c. and adjust the broadcast aerial trimmer on the coil unit for greatest response. Keep the volume turned well down while this is being done, because at low volume levels small changes can be more readily detected, and as well the a.v.c. system is not brought into action. Next, tune in a station near the other end of the band, such as 2FC, and adjust the padder, at the same time rocking the dial backwards and forwards over the station until a point is found at which volume is loudest. The entire procedure can now be repeated.

Finally, the i.f. trimmers can be "touched up" a little, commencing with the trimmer across the secondary of the second intermediate. Adjust each for loudest volume, but at the same time be careful to mark the original positions of these trimmers in case it is found necessary to return them to their former settings.

Correctly built and aligned, the "Sky Chief" is an outstanding performer as regards sensitivity and selectivity, while with a well-baffled speaker, tone is superb.

#### Testing Transformer Windings.

Just a short note to let you know that I think "Radio World" is "A1," and just the magazine for anybody interested in radio and wanting to become a ham. I was introduced to "R.W." through AW1DX and have



been reading it ever since, and especially enjoyed the articles "Radio Step By Step," "Radio Ramblings," "Breaking Into the Amateur Game," and all radio construction information.

Here is a very simple and effective way to test transformers. Connect a "B" or "A" battery and a pair of headphones in series, take a lead from the negative battery terminal and touch "P" on "PRI." Hold while other side of the 'phones is placed on "B+" of primary winding, and a click will be heard when it touches if winding is O.K. Connect same for secondary winding, but the click will be louder from this as it has a bigger winding. If no click is heard the wire in winding is broken or has come off solder tags.—R. Gallagher (AW521DX), via Donald, Victoria.

### Philips Technical Communication No. 68.

"Hum Phenomena In Receiving Valves" is the title of the feature article in Philips Technical Communication No. 68 (for June-July, 1939). In this article, causes of hum are analysed and methods are outlined whereby it can be reduced to a minimum.

## **World Shortwave Stations**

Below are listed the principal shortwave transmitters in the world. The schedules given are the latest available, but owing to the international situation frequent alterations in hours of transmission are to be expected. In the case of the B.B.C. shortwave stations, listeners are advised to note the changes detailed at the commencement of the various transmissions.

#### Compiled by ALAN H. GRAHAM, Shortwave Editor.

Call	K.C.	Metres Location	Schedule, Address, etc.
W4XA	26150	11.47 Nashville, Tenn., U.S.A.	Addr., C/- National Life and Accident Insurance Co. Daily 2-4 a.m.; 8-30-2 p.m.
W6XKG	25950	11.56 Los Angeles, Calif., U.S.A.	Addr., Washington Blvd. & Oak St. RelaysKGFJ; 24 hours daily.
W8XNU	25950	11.56 Cincinnati, Ohio, U.S.A.	Addr., Crosley Corp. Relays WSAI; 10 p.m4 p.m.
WPIT	21540	13.93 Pittsburgh, Pa., U.S.A.	Addr., Grant Building. Relays KDKA; 8.30-11 p.m.
GSJ	21530	13.93 Daventry, England.	Addr., B.B.C., London. Trans. 2: 8.45 p.m 3 a.m.
GSH	21470	13.97 Daventry, England.	Addr., B.B.C., London. Trans. 2: 8.45 p.m 3 a.m.
DJS	21450	13.99 Berlin, Germany.	Addr., Broadcasting House 3.05-10.55 p.m.
TPB-3	17850	16.81 Paris, France.	Addr., 98 Bis. Blvd. Haussmann. "Paris Mondial." 11 p.m1 a.m.
DJH	17845	16.81 Berlin, Germany.	Addr., Broadcasting House. 3.05-10.55 p.m.; 11-11.55 p.m.; midnight-2 a.m.
W2XE	17830	16.83 New York City, U.S.A.	Addr.: C.B.S., 485 Madison Ave. Daily, 3-8 a.m.; 9.30 p.mmidnight; Sat. and Sun., 10 p.m2 a.m.
2RO-8	17820	16.84 Rome, Italy.	Addr., EIAR, 5 via Montello. 9 a.mnoon; 8-11.45 p.m.
GSV	17810	16.84 Daventry, England.	Addr., B.B.C., London. Trans. 2: 8.45 p.m3 a.m.
XGOX	17800	16.85 Chungking, China.	Daily 12.30-2.30 p.m. Will change to Barrin near future.
GSG	17790	16.86 Daventry, England. 16.86 Tokyo, Japan.	Addr., B.B.C., London. Trans. 2: 8.45 p.m3 a.m. Addr., Overseas Section, B'casting Corp. of Japan. 7.30-
JZL	17785	10.60 lokyo, sapan.	8.30 a.m.; 11 a.mnoon.
WNBI	17780	16.87 Bound Brook, N.J., U.S.A.	Addr., N.B.C., New York. Daily, 7 a.mnoon.
PHI-2	17770	16.88 Huizen, Holland.	Addr., N.V. Philips Radio. Daily, 10.10-11.15 p.m. Sundays, 9.10 p.m12.35 a.m.
DJE	17760	16.89 Berlin, Germany.	Addr., Broadcasting House. Daily, 7.55 a.mnoon; 3.05-8.50 p.m.; 9-10.45 p.m.; also 3.10-4.25 a.m. on Mondays-
RV-96	15400	19.47 Moscow, U.S.S.R.	Addr., Radio Centre. Daily, 7-10 p.m.; also irreg. 10 a.m 12.15 p.m.
HAS-3	15370	19.52 Budapest, Hungary.	Addr., Radiolabor, Gyali Ut 22. Sunday, midnight-1 a.m. Monday.
DJR	15340	19.56 Berlin, Germany.	Addr., Broadcasting House. Daily, 7.55 a.m1.50 p.m.
WGEA	15330	19.56 Schenectady, N.Y., U.S.A.	Addr., General Electric Co. Relays WGY, 1.15-8 a.m.
KGEI	15330	19.56 San Francisco, Calif., U.S.A.	Addr., General Electric Co., Treasure Island. Daily, 9.30
GSP	15310	19.60 Daventry, England.	a.m1 p.m., 10 p.m1 a.m. Addr., B.B.C., London. Trans. 4b: 6.30-9 a.m., and Trans. 1: 3.57-8 p.m
2RO-6	15300	19.61 Rome, Italy.	Addr., EIAR, via Montello 5. Daily, 1-3.05 a.m.; 4.38-8.30 a.m.; 9 a.mnoon; 7.05-7.55 p.m.
VUD-3	15290	19.62 Delhi, India.	Addr., All India Radio. Daily, 11 a.m1 p.m.; 4.30-6.30 p.m.; 10.30 p.m3.30 a.m.
DJQ	15280	19.63 Berlin, Germany.	Addr., Broadcasting House. Daily, 7.50 a.mnoon; 12.05-1.50 p.m.; 3.05 p.m2 a.m.
GSI	15260	19.66 Daventry, England.	Addr., B.B.C, London. Trans. 1: 3.57-8 p.m.
TPA-2	15245	19.68 Paris, France.	Addr., 98 Bis Blvd Haussmann. "Paris Mondial." Daily, 8 p.m1 a.m.
OLR5A	15230	19.70 Prague, Bohemia.	Daily 10.55 a.m1.20 p.m.; 7.55-11.15 p.m.
PCJ-2	15220	19.71 Huizen, Holland.	Addr., N.V Philips Radio. Daily, 10.40 p.m12.10 a.m.; Sundays, 9.25 p.m12.45 a.m.; also Tuesdays, 4-5.30
WPIT	15210	19.72 Pittsburgh, Pa., U.S.A.	p.m.; Thursdays, 12.30-2.30 a.m. Addr., Grant Building. Relays KDKA, 11 p.m4 a.m.
DJB	15200	19.74 Berlin, Germany.	Addr., Broadcasting House. Daily, 7.50 a.m1.50 p.m.; 3.05 p.m2 a.m; also 3.10-4.25 a.m. on Mondays.
TAQ	15195	19.74 Ankara, Turkey.	Addr., Correspondence Dept., Radio Ankara. Daily, 8.30-10 p.m.
XGOX	15190	19.75 Chungking, China.	Will soon replace 16m. transmitter.
GSO	15180	19.76 Daventry, England.	Addr., B.B.C., London. Trans. 4b: 6.30-9 a.m.

Call	K.C.	Metres	Location	Schedule, Address, etc.
RV-96	15180	19.76	Moscow, U.S.S.R.	Addr., Radio Centre. Daily, 10 a.m12.15 p.m.; 3.45-6.45 p.m.
LKV	15166	19.76	Oslo, Norway.	Addr. Norsk Rikskringkasting, Stortingasgaten 28. Daily, 9.40 p.m1 a.m.
JZK	15160	19.79	Tokyo, Japan.	Addr., Overseas Section, B'casting Corp. of Japan. Daily, 5-7 a.m.; 3-4.30 p.m.; 10 p.m12.30 a.m.
SBT YDC	15155 15150		Motala, Sweden. Bandoeng, Java.	Daily, 4-7.15 a.m Addr., N.I.R.O.M. Daily, 9-10.30 a.m.; 1.30-5 p.m.;
GSF	15140	19.82	Daventry, England.	7.30 p.m1.30 a.m.  Addr., B.B.C., London. Trans. 2: 8.45 p.m3 a.m.; Trans. 4b: 6.30-9 a.m.; Trans. 5: 9.22 a.m12.15 p.m.; Trans. 6: 12.37-3.30 p.m.
TPB-6	15130	19.83	Paris, France.	Addr., 98 Bis Blvd Haussemann. "Paris Mondial." Daily, 4-7 p.m.
CSW-4 DJL	$15120 \\ 15110$		Lisbon, Portugal. Berlin, Germany.	Addr., National B'casting Stn. Irreg. 9-11 p.m. Addr., Broadcasting House. Daily, 1.40-7.25 a.m.; 3.05-5 p.m.; 11 p.mmidnight.
2R()-12	15100	19.87	Rome, Italy.	Addr., EIAR, via Montello 5. Testing irreg.; heard around 7 a.m.
RKI	15083	19.89	Moscow, U.S.S.R.	Addr., Radio Centre. Daily, 10 a.m12.15 p.m.; also 3.15-5.30 a.m.
KQH	14920	20.11	Kahuku, Hawaii.	Relays to U.S.A. Saturdays, noon-1 p.m.; 5-5.30 p.m.; Sundays, 2-2.30 p.m.
IQA DZH	$14795 \\ 14460$		Rome, Italy. Berlin, Germany.	Addr. as 2RO stations. In Arabic, 7.30-8 p.m. Addr. as DJ stations. South American programme, 7.50 a.mnoon.
KKZ	13690	21.91	Bolinas, Calif., U.S.A.	Relays special programmes to Hawaii on Sundays till 2.45 p.m.
HCJB	12460	24.08	Quito, Ecuador.	Addr., Box 691. Daily, 2.30-4.30 a.m.; 7.45 a.m1.15 p.m.; 10-11.15 p.m.
RNE	12000	25.00	Moscow, U.S.S.R.	Addr., Radio Centre: Daily, 1-1.30 a.m.; 4-4.30 a.m.; 6-8.30 a.m.; 11.30 a.m1 p.m.; 9-9.30 p.m.; Sundays, 9 p.m1 a.m.; Mondays, 4-9 a.m.; noon-1 p.m.
CB-1180 CD-1190	$\frac{11970}{11910}$	$25.06 \\ 25.19$	Santiago, Chile. Valdivia, Chile.	Daily, 10 a.m2 p.m. Addr., Box 642. Relays CB-69, 1-4 a.m.; 6-9 a.m.; 10 a.m2 p.m.
XGOY	11900	<b>25.2</b> 1	Chungking, China.	Daily 2-2.30 a.m.; 7-9.30 a.m.; 8.30 p.m1.30 a.m. Will change to 31mx in near future.
2RO-13 TPA-3	$\frac{11895}{11885}$		Rome, Italy. Paris, France.	Addr., EIAR, via Montello 5. Testing irreg. 9 a.mnoon. Addr., 98 Bis Blvd. Haussmann. "Paris Mondial." Daily, 1.15-8 a.m.; 4-7 p.m.
TPB-7 VLR-3 WPIT GSE DJP XMHA W2XE 2RO-4	11885 11880 11870 11860 11855 11850 11830 11810	25.25 25.26 25.29 25.31 25.32 25.36	Paris, France. Melbourne, Australia. Pittsburgh, Pa., U.S.A. Daventry, England. Berlin, Germany. Shanghai, China. New York City, U.S.A. Rome, Italy.	Addr., as TPA-3. Daily, 9-11.15 a.m.; 11.30 a.m2 p.m. Addr., Box 1686. Now used during mornings. Addr, Grant Building. Relays KDKA, 4 a.m1 p.m. Addr. B.B.C., London. Trans. 1: 3.57-8 p.m. Addr. Broadcasting House. Irreg.; heard testing 2-3 p,m. Addr. Racecourse Rd. Daily, 8 p.m2 a.m. Addr. C.B.S., 485 Madison Ave. Daily, 11 a.m1.30 p.m, Addr. EIAR, via Montello 5. Daily 1-5.30 a,m.; 9 a.mnoon; 7.30-11.45 p.m.
DJZ COGF	11801 11800		Berlin, Germany. Matanzas, Cuba.	Addr. Broadcasting House. Daily 7.50 a.m1.50 p.m. Addr. Gen. Betancourt 51. Relays CMGF 4-5 a.m.; 7-8 a.m.; 9 a.m3 p.m.
JZJ	11800	25.42	Tokyo, Japan.	Addr. Overseas Section, B'casting Corp. of Japan. Daily 5-7 a.m.; 10 p.m12.30 a.m.
W1XAL	11790	25.45	Boston, Mass., U.S.A.	Addr. University Club. Daily 6.30-9.30 a.m.; Sundays from 5 a.m.
Saigon MTCY DJD	$\begin{array}{c} 11780 \\ 11775 \\ 11770 \end{array}$	25.48	Saigon, French Indo-China. Hsinking, Manchukuo. Berlin, Germany.	Addr. Box 412. Daily 2-15-3.15 p.m.; 11.30 p.m12.45 a.m. Daily 7-7.45 a.m.  Addr. Broadcasting House. Daily 2.30-7.35 a.m.; 7.50 a.m1.50 p.m.
GSD	11750	25.53	Daventry, England.	Addr. B.B.C., London. Trans. 1: 3.57-8 p.m.; Trans. 4a: 3.17-6.15 a.m.; Trans. 4b: 6.30-9 a.m.; Trans. 5: 9.22 a.m12.15 p.m.; Trans. 6: 12.37-3.30 p.m.
COCX LKQ W1XAR	$11735 \\ 11735 \\ 11730$	25.57	Habana, Cuba. Oslo, Norway. Boston, Mass., U.S.A.	Addr. Box 32. Relays CMX, 11 p.m4 p.m. Addr. see LKV, 19m. Daily 1-6 a.m.; 5-9.40 p.m. Addr. University Club. Daily 10 or 10.30 a.mnoon; 12.15-2 p.m.; Sunday and Monday, 5.30-8 a.m.
CJRX	11720	25.60	Winnipeg, Canada.	Addr. James Richardson & Sons Ltd. Daily, 9 p.m3 p.m.; Sundays till 7 p.m.
ZP-14	11720	25.60	Villa Rica, Paraguay.	Irreg. 8.25-10.55 a.m.

Call	K.C.	Metres	Location	Schedule, Address, etc.
JVW-3	11720	25.60	Tokyo, Japan.	Addr. International Tele-Communications Co. Ltd. Daily 4.50-10.40 p.m.
TPA-4	11715	25.61	Paris, France.	Addr. 98 Bis Blvd. Haussmann. "Paris Mondial." Daily 9-11.15 a.m.; 11.30 a.m2 p.m.; 4-7 p.m.
JLG-3 SBP	$\frac{11705}{11705}$		Tokyo, Japan. Motala, Sweden.	Addr. see JVW-3. Daily 5-7 a.m. Daily 4-7.15 a.m.
HP5A	11700		Panama City, Panama.	Addr. Apartado 954. Daily 1-4 a.m.; 8 a.m1 p.m.; 10-11.30 p.m.
CB-1170 IQY	11700 11676		Santiago, Chile. Rome, Italy.	Addr. Box 706. Relays CB-89, 1-5 a.m.; 6.30 a.m2 p.m. Addr. EIAR, via Montello 5. Daily 3.07-3.56 a.m.; 4.50-5.30 a.m.; 9 a.mnoon; 8.20-8.40 p.m.
CSW-5 PLP	11040 11000		Lisbon, Portugal. Bandoeng, Java.	Addr. National B'casting Stn. Daily 2-7.30 a.m. Addr. N.I.R.O.M. Relays YDC, 19.8m.
EAJ-43	10360		Teneriffe, Canary Is.	Daily 5.30-7 a.m.; 7.30-10 a.m.; 10.45-11.45 a.m.; noon-1 p.m.
ORK PMN	$10330 \\ 10260$		Ruysselede, Belgium. Bandoeng, Java.	Daily 4.30-6 a.m. Addr. N.I.R.O.M. Relays YDC, 19.8m.
PSH	10220	29.35	Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.	Addr. Box 709. Daily 9-10 a.m.
DZC	10050	29.86	Zeesen, Germany.	Addr. as DJ stations. Special Arabic session, around 4 a.m.
COBC JDY	$9985 \\ 9920$		Habana, Cuba. Dairen, Manchukuo.	Addr. Box 132. Relays CMBC, 9.55 p.m4 p.m. Relays JQAK, 10-11 p.m.
Burgos	9855	30.45	Burgos, Spain.	Has replaced EAQ on this frequency; schedule unknown.
EAQ	9855	30.45	Madrid, Spain.	Replaced by Radio Burgos (or possibly sharing frequency). Addr. Box 951.
IRF	9830		Rome, Italy.	Addr. as 2RO stations. Daily 3-4 a.m.; 4.50-6.30 a.m.; 9 a.mnoon; 8.20-8.40 p.m.
COCM CSW-7	$\begin{array}{c} 9805 \\ 9735 \end{array}$		Habana, Cuba. Lisbon, Portugal.	Addr. Box 33. Relays CMCM, 11 p.m4 p.m. Addr. National B'casting Stn. Daily 9.13 a.mnoon.
CB-970	9730	30.83	Valparaiso, Chile.	Daily 8.30 a.m2.30 (or 3) p.m.
LRA-1	9690	30.96	Buenos Aires, Argentine.	Addr. Post & Telegraph Bldg. 8 a.mnoon; Saturdays from 7 a.m.; Sundays from 10 a.m.
ZHP	9690	30.96	Singapore, Malaya.	Addr. Broadcast House, 2 Orchard Rd. Sundays 8.40 p.m 12.40 a.m.; Wednesdays 3.40-4.40 p.m.; MonFrf. 7.40 p.m12.40 a.m.; Saturdays 3.25-4.40 p.m., 7.40
GRX	9690	30.96	Daventry, England.	p.m12.40 a.m. Addr. B.B.C., London. Trans. 2: 8.45 p.m3 a.m.; Trans. 4b: 6.30-9 a.m.; Trans. 5: 9.22 a.m12.15 p.m.
TGWA	9685	30.97	Guatemala City, Guatemala.	Daily 1-2.30 p.m. Special DX programmes till 6.30 p.m. on alternate Sundays.
Paris	9680	30.99	Paris, France.	Addr. "Paris Mondial," as TP stations. Same programme as TPA-3 and TPA-4 during afternoons.
DJX	9675		Berlin, Germany.	Addr. Broadcasting House. Daily 1.40-7.25 a.m.
WRCA 2RO-9	$\frac{9670}{9665}$		Bound Brook, N.J., U.S.A. Rome, Italy.	Addr. N.B.C., New York City. Daily 8 a.m3 p.m. Addr. EIAR, via Montello 5. Daily 3.40-8.30 a.m.; and irreg, from 9 a.m.
LRX	9660	31.06	Buenos Aires, Argentine.	Addr. El Mundo, Calle Maipu 555. Daily 12.15 a.m 1 p.m.; 9-9.45 p.m.
IABA	9650	31.09	Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.	Daily 2-3 a.m.; 4-6 a.m.; 6.55-7.05 p.m.; 7.15-7.45 p.m.; and Sundays 6.30-6.55 p.m.
CXA-8	9640	31.12	Colonia, Uruguay.	Addr. Belgrano 1841, Buenos Aires, Argentine. Relays LR-3, 8 p.m1.45 p.m.
JFO 2RO-3	$9636 \\ 9635$	31.18 31.18	3 Taihoku, Taiwan. 3 Rome, Italy.	Relays JFAK, 7 p.m1,30 a.m. Addr. EIAR, via Montello 5. Daily 3.07 a.mnoon. Also special test for N.Z. at 4 p.m.
TIPG	9620	31.19	San Jose, Costa Rica.	Addr. Box 225, Daily from 10 p.m.
CXA-6 RAL	9620 9600	31.25	Montevideo, Uruguay. Moscow, U.S.S.R.	Relays CX, 7 a.mnoon.  Addr. Radio Centre. Daily, exc. Mon., 9 a.m1 p.m.;  Mondays 9-10 a.m.; 12.15-1 p.m.
CB-960 HP5J	9600 9590	31.23 31.28	5 Santiago, Chile. 3 Panama City, Panama.	Daily 10 p.m7.30 a.m.; 10 a.m3 p.m.  Addr. Box 867. Daily 3-4.30 a.m.; 9 a.m1.30 p.m.; from  10 p.m.
VUD-2	9590	31.28	B Delhi, India.	Addr. All India Radio. Daily 11.30 a.m1.30 p.m.; 4.30-6.30 p.m.; 10.30 p.m3,30 a.m.
PCJ	9590	31,28	8 Huizen, Holland.	Addr. N. V. Philips Radio. Mon., 4-5 a.m., 10.15 a.m12.25 p.m.; Wed., 4.45-6.30 a.m., 10-11.30 a.m., 11.45 a.m1.15 p.m.; Thurs., 10.15-11.40 a.m.; Sat., 11 a.mnoon.
VK6ME VK2ME	9590 9590		8 Perth, W.A. 8 Sydney, N.S.W.	Addr. A.W.A. Daily, exc. Sunday, 9-11 p.m. Addr. 47 York St. Sundays 4-6 p.m.; 8 p.mmidnight; Mondays 1.30-3.30 a.m.

Call	K.C. Metres	Location	Schedule, Address, etc.
WCAB	9590 31.28	Philadelphia, Pa., U.S.A.	Addr. C.B.S., 485 Madison Ave., New York City. Tues. and Fri. 8.30-9.15 a.m., 9.30 a.m1.30 p,m., 2-3 p.m.; Sun. 8.30-9 a.m., 9.30 a.m1.30 p.m.
GSC	9580 31.3	2 Daventry, England.	Addr. B.B.C., London. Trans. 4a: 3.17-6.15 a.m.; Trans. 4b: 6.30-9 a.m.; Trans. 5: 9.22 a.m12.15 p.m.
VLR	9580 31.3	Melbourne, Vic.	Addr. Box 1686. Now used during afternoons and nights.
KZRM	9570 31.3	5 Manila, P.I.	Addr. Box 283. "Radio Manila." Daily 7.30-9 a.m.; 8 p.mmidnight (or 1 a.m.),
WBOS		5 Boston, Mass., U.S.A.	Addr. Westinghouse Electric & Mfg. Co. Daily 9 p.m3 p.m. (Sundays from 10 p.m.),
CXA-2	9570 31.3	Montevideo, Uruguay.	Exact schedule unknown; heard around 7 a.m., and after 1 p.m.
OAX4T		7 Lima, Peru.	Daily 2.30-4.30 a.m.; 11 p.m,-midnight.
DJA WGEA		Berlin, Germany. Schenectady, N.Y., U.S.A.	Addr. Broadcasting House. Daily 9.30 a.m1.50 p.m. Addr. General Electric Co. Daily 8.15-11.15 a.m.
YDB		Soerabaia, Java.	Addr. N.I.R.O.M. Same schedule as YDC, 19.8m.
DJN		Berlin, Germany.	Addr. Broadcasting House. Daily 7.55 a.m1.50 p.m.; 3.05-5.30 p.m.
VPD-2 SBU		Suva, Fiji Is.	Addr. A.W.A. Ltd. Daily, exc. Sunday, 8.30-10 p.m. Daily 7.15-8 a.m.
JZI		6 Motala, Sweden. 6 Tokyo, Japan.	Addr. Overseas Section, B'casting Corp. of Japan. Daily 7.30-8.30 a.m.
KGEI	9530 31.4	8 San Francisco, Calif., U.S.A.	Addr. General Electric Co., Treasure Island. Daily 10 p.m1 a.m.
WGEO		Schenectady, N.Y., U.S.A.	Addr. General Electric Co. Daily 6 a.m2 p.m.
ZBW-3 OZF		Hong Kong. 1 Skamlebaek, Denmark.	Addr. Box 200. Daily 2.30-4.15 p.m.; 8 p.m1 a.m. Addr. Statsradiofonien, Heibergsgade 7, Copenhagen.
RV-96	9520 31.5	1 Magazza II C C D	Daily 11 a.m2 p.m. Addr. Radio Centre, Daily 4-6 a.m.; 7-10 a.m.
YUA		1 Moscow, U.S.S.R. 5 Belgrade, Yugo-Slavia.	Addr. Emetteur a Ondes Courtes. Testing 4-8.30 a.m.
GSB		Daventry, England.	Addr. B.B.C., London. Trans. 1: 3.57-8 p.m.; Trans. 5: 9.22 a.m12.15 p.m.; Trans. 6: 12.37-3.30 p.m.
HS8PJ	9510 31.5	Bangkok, Siam.	Four nights a week—11 p.m1 a.m.
XEWW	9503 31 <b>.</b> 5	7 Mexico City, Mexico.	Addr. Box 2516. Daily 10.45 p.m3.30 p.m.
VK3ME	9500 31.5	Melbourne, Vic.	Addr. 167 Queen St. Daily, exc., Sun., 7-10 p.m. Will replace 25m. transmitter in near future.
XGOY OFD	9500 31.5 9500 31.5	8 Chungking, China. 8 Lahti, Finland.	Addr. Finnish B'casting Co., Helsinki. Daily 3.15-8 a.m.
KZIB		Manila, P.I.	Daily 10 p.m12.05 a.m.
TAP	9465 31.7	Ankara, Turkey.	Addr. Correspondence Dept., Radio Ankara. Daily 2.30-8 a.m.
COCH	9437 31.8	Habana, Cuba.	Addr. 2 B St., Vedado. Daily 11 p.m12.30 p.m. (Mondays till 3 p.m.).
OAX5C	9390 31.9	lca, Peru.	Addr. "Radio Universal." Daily 10 p.m2.30 p.m. Addr. Box 2294. Relays CMCD, 1 a.m2.30 p.m.
COCD OAX4J	9350 32.0 9340 32.1	8 Habana, Cuba. 2 Lima, Peru.	Addr. Box 1166. Daily 4-6 a.m., 8 a.m4 p.m.
COBX	9200 32.6	1 Habana, Cuba.	Addr. San Miguel 194, Altos. Relays CMBX, 11 p.ni2.30 p.m.
COCA	9100 32.9	1 Habana, Cuba.	Addr. Galiano 102. Relays CMCA, 3 a.m3.15 p.m. (or later).
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CSW-8			1.15-8.15 a.m. Addr. National B'casting Stn. Daily 7-8 a.m.
GSW	7260 41.36 $7230$ 41.56	Daventry, England.	Addr. B.B.C., London. Trans. 1: 3.57-8 p.m.
YDX	7220 41.5	Medan, Sumatra.	Daily 1.30-5 p.m.; Sunday 10.30 a.m4.30 p.m. Also from 7.30 p.mmidnight. Both native and N.I.R.O.M.
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XOJD	6880 43.60	Hankow, China.	Daily 9-11.30 p.m.
РМН	6720 44.6	Bandoeng, Java.	Addr. N.I.R.O.M. Native programme 7.30 p.m-2 or 2.30 a.m.
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YDD	6060		Bandoeng, Java.	Addr. N.I.R.O.M. Daily 8.30 p.m1 a.m.
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DJC	6020		Berlin, Germany.	Addr. Broadcasting House. Daily 2.30-7.25 a.m.
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COCO	6010		Habana, Cuba.	Addr. Box 98. Daily 10.55 p.m. 3 p.m.
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ZRH	6007	49.94	Roberts Heights, S. Africa.	Addr. as ZRK. Daily 12.30-6.30 a.m., 2.45-3.50 p.m.
HP5K	6005		Colon, Panama.	Addr. Box 33. Daily 10 p.mmidnight.
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PMY	5145	58.31	Bandoeng, Java.	Daily 8.30 p.m2 a.m.
VUD-2	4960	60.48	Delhi, India.	Addr. All India Radio. Daily 10.30 p.m3.35 a.m.
VUM-2	4920		Madras, India.	Addr. All India Radio. Daily 9.30 p.m3.10 a.m.
VUB-2	4880	61.48	Bombay, India.	Addr. All India Radio. Daily 10.30 p.m3.30 a.m.
VUC-2	1810	61.98	Calcutta, India.	Addr. All India Radio. Daily 9.30 p.m3 a.m
YDE-2	$\begin{array}{c} 4810 \\ 4273 \end{array}$		Solo, Java.	Native programmes. Daily 7.30 p.m1 a.m. Daily 4 p.m1 a.m.
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#### Amateurs Off The Air.

#### (Continued from page 16)

13 Macpherson St., Waverley, on any Tuesday night. Members will doubtlessly be found discussing "hi-fi" amplifiers and new receivers instead of the number of G's and W's they have worked.—G. A. Burke.

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#### Hurstville Amateur Club Notes.

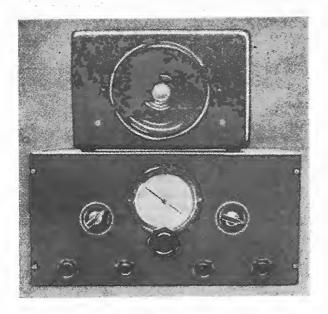
The club was honoured recently by a visit from an associate club, Lakemba. (The visitors, all transmitting members, form a group known as the "Big Six"). Greetings were extended on both sides, and QSL cards were exchanged by many members who had QSO'd each other, and an invitation was handed to VK2MZ (H.A.R.C.) to visit Lakemba.

The Club have received their badges from the manufacturers, and members or anyone interested may obtain one by calling at the QRA, 13 Clevedon Rd., (bus to door) or by writing to the Secretary, J. Ackerman, 34 Park Rd., Carlton, and full particulars will be forwarded by return mail.—G. J. Boyd, Official Publicity Officer.

#### Triplett Signal Generator:

#### Special Offer.

Messrs. W. G. Watson & Co. Pty.. Ltd., of 279 Clarence St., Sydney, wish to draw the attention of readers to the special offer made this month in their inside front cover advertisement. For one month only a special reduction of 30/-, from £6/10/- to £5, will be made on the Triplett Model 1230 All-Wave Signal Generator, which is supplied complete with batteries, valves and six individually calibrated graphs.



The completed receiver is attractively mounted in a metal cabinet, with the speaker as a separate unit. Standard components, readily obtainable anywhere in Australia, have been used in this latest American design. Main features include the use of 1.4-volt valves, regeneration on mixer and second detector stages, and continuous waveband coverage from 9.5 to 200 metres.

## 1.4 Volt Shortwave Superhet

Exceptionally high overall gain, coupled with excellent selectivity, are features of this battery-operated shortwave superhet, which uses 1.4 volt valves throughout. Designed by HARRY D. HOOTON (W8KPX), the receiver is described by him in the September issue of the American "Radio News."

LWAYS on the alert for new developments in economical radio operation, the short wave experimenter should be interested in the little five-tube superhet to be described. Designed around the new 1.4 volt battery-type tubes which were recently released, this receiver operates from only a single 1.5 volt dry cell "A" battery, a small 4.5 volt "C" battery, and two midget 45 volt "B" batteries, yet it is capable of extraordinary performance.

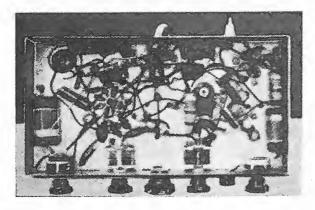
The circuit, as the schematic diagram shows, consists of a 1A7-G mixer, a 1N5-G oscillator, a 1N5-G i.f. amplifier, another 1N5-G as detector

and a 1A5-G as output. Regeneration is used in both the mixer and the detector circuits to boost the sensitivity, especially in the 14-28 megacycle region, and to provide a simple and effective means of receiving C.W. code signals. The method of obtaining feedback in the 1A7-G circuit is novel—a small r.f. choke coil, consisting of 25 turns of No. 24 enamelled wire wound on an old broadcast r.f. choke core, is placed in series with the positive filament lead, close to the tube socket as shown in the photograph.

The negative filament lead is connected to ground through a small tickler winding on the coil form as

indicated in the diagram. A .05 mfd. bypass condenser across the filament terminals of the socket keeps both legs of the filament at the same r.f. potential. Although the 1A7-G tube cannot be made to oscillate in this manner, the sensitivity is enormously increased; it is necessary to provide a 2,000 ohm control across the tickler in order to keep the regeneration within reasonable bounds. The image response, while not completely eliminated, can be very effectively reduced by the use of the r.f. regeneration control and the mixer trimmer condenser.

The separate 1N5-G oscillator pro-

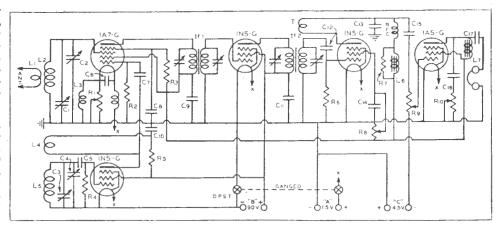


The underchassis view on the left shows the simplicity of the wiring, while the view on the right shows the above-chassis layout, which has been planned for short, direct wiring.



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C1, C3, variable condensers, 35 mmfd. each. C2, C4. dual section tuning condenser, 15-15 mmfd. per section. C5, .0001 mmfd. C6, 0.05 mfd., C7, .00005 mfd. C8, 0.1 mfd. C9, 0.5 mfd. C10, 0.1 mfd. C11, 0.1 mfd. C12, .00025 mfd. C13, .001 mfd. C14, 1.0 mfd. C15, 0.01 mfd. C16, 0.05 mfd. C17, 0.25 mfd. R1, 2,000 potentiometer. R2. ohms 200,000 ohms. 70,000 R3, ohms. R4, 50,000 ohms. R5, 100,000 ohms. R6, 3 megohms. R7, 250,000 ohms. R8, 50,000 ohms potentiometer (regeneration), R9, 500,000 ohm potentiometer (volume). R10, 1 megohm potentio-



meter (tone). L1, antenna coil, three or four turns around "cold" end of the mixer grid coil form (see drawing). L2, L3, L4, L5, mixer and oscillator grid coils. See coil table. L6, 100 henry A.F. choke (A.F. transformer primary and secondary in series will do). L7, 30 henry A.F. choke, 20 m.a. IFT1, 460 k.c., iron-core, input I.F. transformer. IFT2, 460 k.c. iron core output I.F. transformer (see drawing). DPST, switch on potentiometer.

vides much better stability on the higher frequencies, around the 14 and 28 megacycle amateur bands, and is less likely to be affected by adjustments in the antenna circuit. The oscillator output is introduced into the mixer circuit through the 1A7-G grid No. 1, as shown, grid No. 2 being tied directly to the "B" plus end of the 70,000 ohm screen dropping resistor. This arrangement has proved quite effective and should not be changed if maximum performance is to be expected.

The receiver is built up on a 7" x 13" x 2" chassis and a 7" x 14" panel with steel cabinet. The various controls on the front panel, left to right, beginning with the lower row, are as follows: (1) R.f. regeneration control; (2) mixer trimmer condenser; (3) oscillator trimmer condenser; (4) detector regeneration control. Top row: (1) a.f. tone control; (2) a.f. gain control. The dial is of the micrometer type, capable of being read to an accuracy of one-tenth of one division.

The coils are of the plug-in type, five pairs being required to cover the

range from 9.5 to 200 metres. The 10 and 20 metre coils are wound on the midget one-inch isolantite, five-prong forms; the 40, 80 and 160 metre coils are wound on the standard 1½-inch forms. The coils for the three low-frequency bands carry their own band-setting condensers inside their forms; the 10 and 20 metre coils are tuned only by the dual 15-15 mmfd. tuning condenser and the 20 and 35 mmfd. trimmers. This results in a great increase in sensitivity on these bands.

Iron-core, 460 k.c. i.f. transformers and regeneration in the detector circuit boost the gain at the i.f. level. A single 1A5-G pentode a.f. stage provides plenty of volume for speaker operation on most of the stronger signals.

The actual construction of the set is not difficult but the work should be done slowly and carefully. The holes for the tube and coil sockets and the large panel cuttings are made before the panel and chassis are fastened together and before any of the parts are mounted. It is best to drill as

These sketches show details of the coils and of the regeneration winding for the second i.f. transformer.

many of the small holes as possible before mounting the sockets, tuning condensers, etc., in order to keep the metal "dust" off the insulation. Once embedded in the isolantite, these small cuttings are extremely difficult to remove and will certainly impair the efficiency of the set even if they do not cause an actual short-circuit.

The same precautions must be observed when soldering the various connections; use just enough of the rosin-core solder to make a good joint and keep the iron hot, clean and well-tinned. Use either the solid or stranded hook-up wire for connecting the parts together and keep all leads, especially those in the mixer and oscillator circuits, as short and direct as possible.

After the receiver has been wired, go over each circuit carefully in order to make sure that all of the connections are correct. It is always a good policy to test from each "B" plus lead to the chassis in order to determine whether any "shorts" are in existence. If everything appears to be correct,

		Coil	l Data.		
Range	Mixer Grid	Osc. Grid	Ticklers	Wire	Spacing
$9\frac{1}{2}-15$	4*	4	3	No. 16	1"
15-30	12*	11	6	,, 18	11/4"
30-60	173/4 **	151/2	8	,, 22	11/2"
60 - 150	38**	31	12	,, 26	11/2"
130 - 270	82**	65	15	,, 28	11/2"
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\*\* Wound on 1½" forms with 140 mmfd, band-setting condensers inside the form. Range given is in metres. Spacing is the distance between the grid and filament ends of the coil, not the distance between turns. Wind ticklers in the same direction as grid coil and on the "cold" ends of the form. All wire enamelled copper.

the batteries may be connected as shown and the process of alignment carried out.

It is usually best to align the i.f. circuits from the signal of a 460 k.c. test oscillator, if one is available. Transmitted high frequency signals are poor for this purpose because of their rapid fading. If nothing better is on hand, the circuits may be aligned in the following manner: Place the switch in the "on" position and turn up the mixer and detector regeneration controls slightly and try to tune in some weak broadcast station operating on a frequency around 6,000 k.c. Adjust the mixer and oscillator trimmer condensers, or the band-setting condensers, for maximum signal volume.

Now, using a non-metallic screwdriver, beginning with the secondary of the output i.f. transformer adjust each i.f. trimmer in turn for maximum volume. If the volume becomes too great during the adjustment, reduce the input from the antenna to the mixer circuit; do not, under any circumstances, reduce the volume by turning down the volume or gain controls. It is usually necessary to go over the i.f. trimmers three or four times in order to obtain an accurate alignment.

The tuning and operation of the various controls is extremely simple. The dial shown on the receiver is a new precision type, having a ratio of about 10:1 in 270 degrees and is capable of being read to an accuracy of one-tenth of one division. This is extremely useful when tuning on the crowded amateur bands and actually permits razor-edge logging of signals no matter how weak or distant they may be.

Normally, the mixer regeneration control is turned about three-fourths on while tuning. It is not necessary to adjust this control when changing bands; if the tickler coils are wound exactly as specified in the coil table, the same setting will serve no matter whether the 10 or 160 metre coils are whether the 10 or 160 metre coils are in the sockets. Generally, the following operating technique is used: Rotate the oscillator trimmer condenser to about one-half scale, turn up

the mixer and detector regeneration controls slightly and adjust the mixer trimmer condenser for the highest noise level. Rotate the dial for a signal, keeping the detector regeneration control just below the point of oscillation for phone and just above for C.W. code reception. It may be necessary to readjust the mixer trimmer occasionally in order to obtain the proper "tracking" between the two r.f. circuits.

Having progressed thus far, most readers undoubtedly will wish to know just what results may be expected from the little receiver. At the author's home in West Virginia (which is by no means the ideal receiving location) numerous VK, K6, XU, G and other long distant stations have been heard on the 14 and 28 megacycle amateur bands. Also, the usual British, German and other popular short-wave broadcasters are received with almost local-like regularity and volume. The antennae used are a single wire 25 feet high and 50 feet long and a Johnson "Q" 10 metre beam.

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## 13.5 Watts From 2A3's

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N Radiotronics 78 a full description was given of a 13.5 watt amplifier using a pair of 2A3 valves in the output stage. Although this amplifier has proved very satisfactory, there has been a consistent demand for one providing similar power output, but with fewer valves. Such an amplifier is described in this article.

#### The Output Stage.

The characteristics of Radiotron 2A3 are such that two valves, operating in push-pull Class AB1 can, under fixed bias conditions, deliver a power output of 15 watts with 2.5% total harmonic distortion.

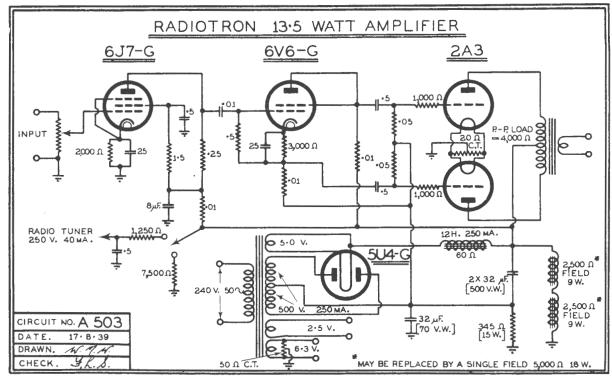
Since the plate current varies with the input signal, from 80 mA. at no signal to 140 mA. at maximum signal for two valves, there is obvious difficulty in applying self-bias. If the cathode resistor for self-bias is designed to provide the correct bias with no signal input, the bias developed at maximum signal input will be greater than the optimum. On the other hand, if the cathode bias resistor is designed to give the optimum bias at maximum signal input, then

In this amplifier, developed in the A.W. Valve Co. laboratory, a pair of 2A3's in class AB1 deliver a a maximum power output of 13.5 watts, with excellent fidelity.

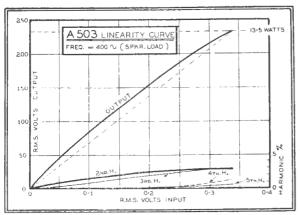
the bias with no signal input will be so low that the maximum plate dissipation will be exceeded. The procedure which is adopted is therefore to design the cathode bias resistor to give the same plate current at no signal input as is given under fixed bias conditions, and to adjust the value of the load resistance to give maximum power output for limited distortion without exceeding the plate dissipation at maximum input. The reduction in power output is not due to the variation in plate current over the cycle, for it is assumed that the cathode bias resistor is adequately by-passed, but to the restricted choice of operating conditions. Even if the valves were operated at a fixed bias equal to that produced by the self-bias resistor at maximum signal, and with a load resistance as for self-bias, the performance as regards power output and distortion would be the same as for self-bias.

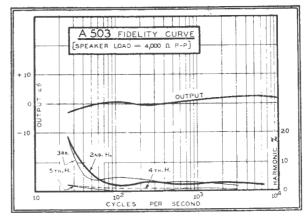
The maximum power output for self-bias operation of 2A3's in Class AB1 is 10 watts with 5% total harmonic distortion; for 2.5% distortion, the output is necessarily less than 10 watts.

Although the higher power output is desirable, it is usually difficult in a practical amplifier to provide a convenient source of fixed bias. However, by arranging the circuit so that



Circuit of the 13.5-watt amplifier, which uses a 6J7G first audio stage followed by a triode-connected 6V6G phase splitter, with a pair of 2A3's in the output.





Figures 2 (left) and 3 (right) show, respectively, the linearity and response curves which were taken with the amplifier operating into a pair of typical 10-inch speakers. The curves can thus be taken as indicative of the performance which can be expected under normal service conditions.

the bias is not entirely dependent on the plate current, it is possible to effect a compromise between the two conditions and to realise a power output of approximately 13.5 watts.

In this circuit (A.503) the required bias voltage is developed across a back bias resistor by the plate current of the output valves, the energising current of the speaker, and by the supply current of the radio tuner.

The back bias resistor should preferably be adjustable, so that due compensation may be made for normal variations in load current. The

no signal bias should be set to -62 volts, preferably with the radio tuner set to a local station and drawing normal current.

In the experimental amplifier, zero signal current through the resistor was 181 mA. which rose to 209 mA. at full output.

When no tuner is used, an equivalent amount of current should be drawn from the power supply by connecting a 7500 ohm, 15 watt resist ance between B+ and earth.

Under semi-fixed bias conditions, the maximum permissible resistance in the grid circuit of a 2A3 valve is intermediate between .05 and .5 megohm, but in this amplifier it was found possible to maintain the grid resistors at .05 megohm without compromising the performance. The 1000 ohm resistors in series with each grid lead serve to relieve the severity of the distortion when the output valves are momentarily driven into the grid current zone.

For full power output, the valves require a peak input voltage of 144 volts (grid to grid). The rated power

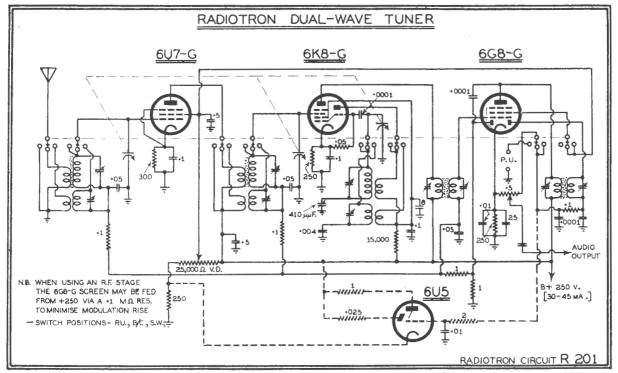


Figure 4: The circuit of a typical tuner that would be suitable for use with the amplifier described in the accompanying article.

output is measured across the primary of the output transformer. The power which can be taken from the secondary is, of course, dependent upon the efficiency of the transformer.

In order to reduce the number of valves, it was necessary to find a phase splitter which was capable of fully exciting the output valves without an intermediate stage of amplification.

Investigation showed that, of the valves available, type 6V6-G connected as a triode is most suitable, and may be used to provide the necessary output voltage when connected across the full 360 volts available from the power supply. Accordingly, the cathode return is made to the centre tap of the power transformer instead of to earth. The connection is unorthodox, but quite in order, and provides an additional 60 volts for the valve. Tests showed that the 6V6-G commences to draw grid current as the output of the amplifier reaches 14 watts.

In this application, the plate current of the 6V6-G is approximately 7 milliamps, and the 10,000 ohm load resistors may therefore be of 1 watt

rating. The self-bias resistor in the cathode circuit is comparable in value to the load resistor and is by-passed to avoid unnecessary degeneration. In cases where the value of the bias resistor is very small in comparison with that of the total load resistance, such a precaution is unnecessary. With the by-pass condenser in position, the gain of the stage from input to either grid is 0.78.

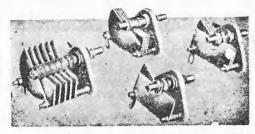
The remainder of the amplifier is straightforward and does not call for special comment, being generally similar to the original amplifier featured in Radiotronics 78.

The general characteristics are tabulated below and are self-explanatory. Figures 2 and 3 show, respectively, the linearity and response curves which were taken with the amplifier operating into a pair of typical 10-inch speakers. The curves can therefore be taken as indicative of the performance which can be expected under normal service conditions. It will be seen that the curves for linearity, response and distortion compare favourably with those given for the earlier amplifier.

Figure 4 shows a typical tuner which would be suitable for use with this amplifier. The supply voltage should not exceed 250, which is 50 volts less than that delivered by the amplifier. It will therefore be necessary to include a dropping resistor of 1250 ohms in series with the tuner supply. Complete coil data for this tuner will be found in Radiotronics 92, page 173, or in Radiotron Service Lecture No. 2.

#### Characteristics:

R.M.S. Input Voltage for	
Full Output	0.34 Volt
2A3 Plate to Fil. C.T.	
Voltage (no sig.)	300 Volts
2A3 Plate to Fil. C.T.	
Voltage (max. sig.)	280 Volts
2A3 Grid Bias (no sig.)	-62 Volts
2A3 Grid Bias (max. sig.)	-72 Volts
2A3 Plate Current (2	
valves no sig.)	80 mA.
2A3 Plate Current (max.	
sig.)	112 mA.
Total Amplifier Current	
(no sig.)	188 ma.
Total Amplifier Current	
(max. sig.)	216 mA.
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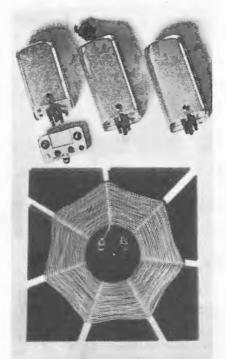
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#### War News On Short Waves. (Continued from page 10)

France:

English news sessions are given through the stations of "Paris Mondial" at the following times, and should be heard best through the stations indicated.

Early mornings: At 5 a.m. through TPB-11, 7280kc., 41.21m., and TPA-2, 11885kc., 25.24m.

Afternoons: At 3.30 through TPA-4, 11718kc., 25.6m., and TPA-3, 11885kc., 25.24m.

Evenings: At 6.15 p.m. through TPA-3, 11885kc., 25.24m., and TPB-6, 15130kc., 19.83m. At 9 p.m., through TPA-2, 15243kc., 19.68m.
Nights: At 1.15 a.m. through TPB-

11, 7280kc., 41.21m.

The enigmatical policy towards the present conflict adopted by the Kremlin makes broadcasts from Moscow of more than passing interest. The best times to listen for the English sessions from Radio Centre are:-

Mornings: During special English session commencing at 10 a.m. through RV-96, 15170kc., 19.76m.; RKI, 15083kc., 19.89m., and, possibly, through RAL, 9600, 31.25m.

Evenings: At 6.15 p.m. through RV-96, 15170kc., 19.76m., and RNE, 12000kc., 25m. Also on Sunday nights at 9 p.m., and Wednesdays at 9.30 p.m., through RNE, 1200kc., 25m.

#### United States:

During the early stages of the war many of the American shortwave stations remained on the air much beyond the period of their normal transmissions. At present, however,

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## Learn The Morse Code. (Continued from page 12)

Once a fair amount of confidence is gained, then is the time to enlist the help of a good operator to send copy to you. A good instructor will not try to hurry things along, but will send deliberately and slowly, gradually raising the speed as proficiency in reception improves. Above all, remember that the all-important thing is "correct spacing." A medium-speed operator with perfect spacing is a far better man than a speed merchant with a stumbling "fist."

Here is a tip that helped the writer to morse proficiency in early days.

Once the code is fairly well established in the mind, get the habit of reading shop signs and the like to yourself in morse. Again, never think of dots and dashes, but always of the "dits" and "dahs" of the morse code as it appears to the ear.

The time will come, with constant application, when this becomes second nature, and of course it is only by the acquisition of this second "sense" that the proficient telegraphy operator is made. After all, the morse symbols are but the interpretation of the letters, etc., they represent in a different form, something akin to shorthand, but much easier.

It will be obvious to all that at the present time the demand for good morse operators is a large one, and the lot of the wireless operator in any of the fighting services is an interesting one. The operator on active service has a sense of knowing that he is a valuable item in the machinery of communication, and communications are the heart of the fighting services. If an army pushes too far ahead of its main forces, and communications are poor or perhaps nonexistent, then the operation is better not undertaken. An army cut off from all communication is an army lost.

The British Empire is at war, and good telegraphists are needed. Better to present onself for any signals unit with the knowledge that all you need to be coached in is service procedure, than to expect consideration for enlistment in a signals unit without any previous morse code knowledge. Training operators from the raw means valuable time wasted.

There are many ex-radio amateurs who once had a reasonably good background of the morse code, but have lagged somewhat in recent years. A

little practice will bring back that knowledge, and such men will be welcomed in the communications units of the services.

## SIXTH DX CONTEST. Winner Relates His Experiences.

T gave me great pleasure indeed to know I had won the Sixth DX Contest, and I wish to thank you for the Replogle Globe.

main DX receiver is a 1938 Radiotron Junior Communications Superhet, and as well I use a pre-selector to drag in the hard ones. I have been dxing for three years, and in that time have been lucky enough to receive verifications from 102 countries, all on 'phone, ranging from 5 to 90 metres. I have verifications from 42 of the 48 States of America, have heard all American States and all continents, and have veris from all VK States from VK2 to VK9, and all districts of Cuba from CO2 to CO9; total veris, 243.

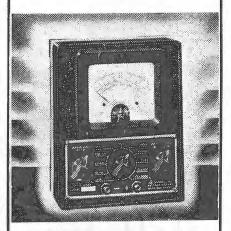
I do not go in for bulk verifications, but try and log each district or State in each country, etc. Although I do a great deal of dx-ing on the Radiotron Junior, the verification with which I won the Sixth DX Contest—from FZE8, Djibuti, French Somaliland, on 17.36m.—resulted from a transmission picked up on my eightvalve Airzone radio.

My antenna at present is a two half-waves in phase, 33ft. high, and feeders 8 feet long with a lead-in 65 feet long cut for 20 metres. I have tried practically all types of antennae in the last three years excepting a rotary, and have found this to be the most satisfactory for this location. I will be erecting a rotary beam within a few weeks for 20 and 10 metres

I have logged over 4,000 different stations in the last three years, including nearly 1,800 W's, and consider that FA3HC, VS2AL (5 watts), VP6TR, 'TI2LR (10m.), FZ 8, VR6-AY, OK1LV, HB9J, LA1F, CN1AF, VQ8AE, VR5VV, VS7GJ, VP5PZ, PK-6WF, 'TI4NRH, HC1FS, FNIC, some of my best veries.

In closing, I want to say that I consider that the "Australasian Radio World" has been the means of logging and verifying a good number of those hard-to-get stations on account of the up-to-the-minute news of all stations.—J. Linehan, 181 South Terrace, Adelaide, S.A.

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### War News On Short Waves. (Continued from page 30)

as rigid censorship makes news more difficult to obtain, they have resumed normal schedules, and, for the most part, limit their news broadcasts to regular scheduled sessions. Through the stations listed below it is possible to obtain a complete review of latest developments.

Mornings: At 6.55 a.m. through WGEO, 9530kc., 31.48m. At 8.45 (commentary by Lowell Thomas). through WPIT, 11870kc., 25.26m.

Afternoons: At 1 p.m. through KGEI, 15330kc., 19.56m.

Evenings: At 10 p.m. through WCBX, 17830kc., 16.81m. At 10.30 p.m. through KGEI, 9530kc., 31.48m.

N.B. In addition to the above regular news sessions, it is more than probable that special broadcasts will be arranged by both the N.B.C. and C.B.S. organisations. Listeners should tune for these through the following additional transmitters:—

Morning and early afternoon: WBOS, 9570kc., 31.35m.; WCAB, 9590kc., 31.28m.; WRCA, 9670kc., 31.01m.; and WNBI 17780kc. 16.87m.

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Late Afternoons: KGEI, 6190kc.,
48.47m.; WLWO, 6060kc., 49.5m.;
WPIT, 6140kc., 48.86m.; and W2XE,
11830kc., 25.36m.

Evenings: WNBI, 17780kc., 16.87m.; WGEA, 15330kc., 19.56m.; and WLWO, 6060kc., 39.5m.

#### Poland:

At the time of writing, the Polish shortwave stations at Warsaw were still on the air, but whether this will still be the case by the date of publication is another matter. An extraordinary feature of the war has been the German tactics of transmitting propagandist material over channels allocated to Polish broadcasters, both medium and shortwave; and listeners will find it difficult to determine whether stations announcing as "Radio Polskie" and "This is Warsaw calling" are really what they purport to be. Should the Polish stations continue on the air they are best heard as follows:-

Mornings: From 5 to 8 a.m. through SP-48, 6140kc., 48.86m.; and SP-31, on approximately 31.35m. From 9 a.m. till noon, through SP-19, 15110kc., 19.85m.

#### Other Broadcasts:

As every country in the world is vitally interested in the outcome of the present conflict, it is only natural that they present latest news concerning it to their listeners. English sessions of these stations are:—

Italy: At 7.30 a.m. and 9.30 a.m., through stations 2RO-4, 11810kc., 25.4m., and 2RO-3, 9635kc., 31.13m.

Malaya: At 10 p.m. (ZHP, Singapore, 9690kc., 30.96m.).

China: At 8 a.m. and 9.20 p.m. through XGOY, 11900kc., 25.2m. (May be altering frequency to 9500 kc., 31.58m.).

Japan: At 6.05 a.m. (JZK, 15160kc., 19.79m., and JZJ, 11800kc., 25.4m.). At 10.30 p.m. (JZK, 15160kc., 19.79.m.).

Philippines: At 10.50 p.m. through KZRM, 9570kc., 31.35m.

Yugo-Slavia: At approximately 7.15 a.m., through YUC, 9510kc., 31.56m.

#### A Warning.

In conclusion, a warning to those readers not well versed in shortwave reception. At times conditions on the shortwave bands vary a good deal from day to day, and it is quite possible that the transmissions referred to above may sometimes be inaudible: however, only stations heard at good strength have been listed, and on most occasions good reception should be possible.

#### Latest Loggings On Shortwave.

I have received my Club badge and certificate and must say I am very pleased with both. My set is an ordinary dual-wave type, and I am always trying to improve the reception.

Reception here is wonderful. I have been in different parts of Australia at different times of the year, and have not yet struck a locality to beat it. Even in summer the receiver is very seldom quiet and you can nearly always count on a good programme after 9 p.m. from anywhere on the dial as I do not get much trouble from static.

I have not been doing much DX lately as I am studying a radio engineering course and now devote much of my spare time to it, but nevertheless I am very interested in anything concerned with wireless. Am also a constant subscriber to the "Radio World," and only wish it was a weekly instead of a monthly.

The following stations have been received here, beside many VK's:—HAT4, Budapest, 32.88m., HS8PJ, Bangkok, 32.09m., TFK, HJ1ABE, 31.58m., GSB, Daventry, 31.55m., DJN, 31.45m., VPD2, Suva, 31.45m., DJA, Zeesen, 31.38m., KZRM, Manila, 31.35m., W1XK, 31.35m., CQN, 31.30m., W1XAZ, 31.30m., HP5J, Panama, 31.28m., HBL, Geneva, 31.27m., RNE, Moscow, 31.25m., LRX, 31.0m., and LSX, 28.98m., Buenos Aires, JVN, Tokyo, 28.14m., SM5SX, Sweden, 25.63m., TPA4, Paris, TPA2, Paris, PCJ Holland, 19.71m.—H. Holland (A.W.512DX), Wyandra, Q.

## Shortwave Review CONDUCTED BY . ALAN H. GRAHAM

War News Broadcasts.

During the fateful days which preceded the outbreak of war on September 3, the possibilities of shortwave transmissions for the dissemination of up-to-the-minute news were fully exploited by overseas stations. especially the American transmitted programmed by the N.B.C. and C.B S. systems. Both these organisations maintained a 24-hour service, including both relays of important speeches (by the King, Chamberlain, Roosevelt and Hitler) and frequent broadcasts from special representatives in London, Paris, Berlin and Warsaw. These transmissions were heard exceptionally well in this country through a number of the American shortwave stations on all wavebands from 11 to 49 metres.

#### B.B.C. Transmissions.

As a result of the war the B.B.C. shortwave transmissions have been completely reorganised. Additional transmitters have been placed in use; hours of transmission have been altered, and all previously arranged programmes have been suspended. The B.B.C. Overseas Service is now directed to the whole world, and war bulletins and news summaries are now given in a variety of languages and at frequent intervals.

In addition the B.B.C. Reuters' news bulletins have been made available for re-broadcasting in Australia.

#### General Reception Conditions.

During the past month conditions have been very satisfactory. Daylight reception has fallen off a trifle in the period around mid-day, but morning and late afternoon signals are still excellent on 19, 25 and 31 metres. The feature of night reception has been the vast improvement on the higher frequencies, with excellent signals available on 13, 16 and 19 metres. 49 metres is still very good during the late afternoons, and at night. On the ultra high-frequency bands conditions, although still very erratic, seem to be definitely improving.

The attention of listeners is directed to the new 41-metre broadcast band, which became available for European stations on September 1 (although several stations used it before this date). Already the B.B.C have placed GSW in use.

#### Many New Stations Logged.

In the list of stations logged during

War news through shortwave transmitters ¥ Amateurs ordered off the air \* Ultra high-frequency notes \* Full list of month's loggings.

the past month readers will notice many new transmitters. Attention is directed to the following:-MTCY, Manchukuo, now on 19 and 25 metres; YUA, Yugo-Slavia, on 31 metres; the new Paris Mondial transmitter on 30.9 metres; KGEI (ex-W6XBE), on 48 metres; LRA, on 16 metres; DXB, Berlin, on 30.93 metres; Radio Luxembourg, on 25 metres; and a number of other interesting loggings.

#### Latest Overseas Changes And Schedules.

Switzerland.

No doubt readers have been wonder-

ing why nothing has been heard of the new Swiss shortwave transmitters Schwarzenburg, which were scheduled to come on the air on August 1. News now comes to hand that the station was badly damaged by fire, which destroyed a considerable portion of the building. Orders have been placed for new equipment, and it is expected that the service will start early next year.

Owing to the outbreak of hostilities the League of Nations transmitters, HBO and HBJ, have suspended indefinitely their programmes for Australia and New Zealand, heard here on Monday afternoons.

#### ALL-WAVE ALL-WORLD DX CLUB

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a Membership Certificate showing my Official Club Number.

#### Sweden.

The Swedish national shortwave stations do not verify reports on their transmissions, merely acknowledging receipt of information forwarded.

Latest schedules for these stations: SBO, 6065kc., 49.46m.: 7.15 to 8 a.m. daily.

SBU, 9535kc., 31.46m.: 7.15 to 8 a.m. daily.

SBP, 11705kc., 25.63m.: 4 to 7.15 a.m. daily; also 11 a.m.-noon on Thursday and Sunday.

SBT, 15155kc., 19.8m.: 4 to 7.15 a.m. daily; also 11 a.m.-noon on Thursday and Sunday.

#### Portugal.

The following is the complete schedule for the Portuguese trans-

CSW-4, 15215kc., 19.71m.: 3 to 4.30 a.m. and 10 p.m.-midnight,

CSW-6, 11040kc., 27.17m.: 4.35 to 7.50 a.m.

CSW-7, 9740kc., 30.80m.: 9.13 a.m. to mid-day.

CSW-2, 7260kc., 41.32m.: 8.05 to 9

#### Philippine Islands.

No little confusion has been caused of late by the appearance of quite a number of new stations located in Manila, several of which seem to be operating on identical frequencies. The following should help to clarify matters.

Operating on 6140kc., 48.86m., we have a station which uses no less than three calls-KZRM, "Radio Manila"; KZEG, "The Sunshine Station"; and KZRF, "Radio Philippino."

KZIB now operates simultaneously on 9500kc., 31.58m. and 6040kc., 49.67m.

#### United States.

The following are changes noted in the call-signs of well-known American stations: W8XK to WPIT, W1XK to WBOS, W2XAF to WGEO, W3XL to WNBI, W2XAD to WGEA, W6-XBE to KGEI, W8XAL to WLWO, W3XAU to WCAB, W3XAL to

At the present time W1XAL and W2XE still use their old calls.

Latest schedules for WIXAL/ W1XAR are:--

W1XAL, 21460kc., 13.98m.: 1-2.30 a.m. (Mondays); 11790kc., 25.45m.: 6.15-9.30 a.m. (Tuesday-Saturday); and 5-9 a.m. (Sundays); 6040kc. 49.65m.: 5.30-9.50 a.m. (Mondays) and 10 a.m.-noon (Tuesday-Saturday).

W1XAR, 15130kc., 19.83m.: 1-2.30 a.m. (Mondays); 6.15-9.30 a.m. (Tuesday-Saturday); and 5-9 a.m. a.m. 11730kc., 25.58m.: 10 (Sundays). a.m.-2 p.m. (Tuesday-Saturday).

Information regarding a new Euro-

pean station is to hand from an English reader, Mr. Cuthbert. Station is HAAQ-2, operating on 11850kc., 25.32m., with a power of 210 watts. Schedule is 2-3 a.m.; and QRA "Radiolabor," Budapest.

From another source it is learned that HAAQ-2 will also test on 9625 kc., 31.18m., and 21680kc., 13.84m. (QSA-5).

#### Japan.

Complete list of calls and frequencies for the international stations of the Nippon Hoso Kyokai, as at January 1, 1939:-

49 metre band: JLR, 6015kc.; JZH, 6095kc.; and JLT, 6190kc.

31 metre band: JLG-2, 9505kc.; JLU-2, 9525kc.; JZI, 9535kc.; JLP, 9605kc.; JLT-2, 9645kc.; JLS, 9655kc.; JVW-2, 9675kc.

25 metre band: JLG-3, 11705kc.;

JVW-3, 11725kc.; JZJ, 11800kc. 19 metre band: JLG-4, 15105kc.; JLR-2, 15115kc.; JLU-3, 15135kc.; JZK, 15160kc.; JLT-3, 152251 JVW-4, 15235kc.; JLP-2, 15325kc. 15225kc.;

16 metre band: JZL, 17785kc.; JLU-4, 17795kc.; JVW-5, 1782 JLP-3, 17835kc.; JLS-2, 17845kc. 17825kc.;

13 metre band: JZM, 21520kc.; JLP-4, 21560kc.; JLT-4, 21610kc.; and JLS-3, 21620kc. (QSA-5).

#### Germany.

A new series of DX stations are announced (power is 50kw.):-DXA, 6160kc., 48.71m.; 30.93m.; **DXC**, 9610kc., DXB, 17825kc., 16.82m.; DXD, 21660kc., 13.85m.; DXE, 21720 kc., 13.81m.; DXF, 21690kc., 13.83m.; and DXG, 6190kc., 48.47m. (QSA-5).

#### Ultra-High-Frequency Notes.

#### Conditions Improving: New Stations On 11 Metres.

Although conditions on the U.H.F. bands have remained very erratic, on the whole there has been a tendency towards improvement. The feature of the month's reception has been the logging of a new station on the 11-metre band. This is W9XPD, St. Louis, which has shifted from 9.49 metres to approximately 11.59 metres (just above W8XNU and W6XKG). Signals from W9XPD have seldom reached more than R4-5, but have been heard fairly regularly. Listeners should be careful not to confuse W9-XPD with W8XNU, as both these stations carry the same N.B.C. programme.

A remarkable falling off in reception of W6XKG has been noted. This station has not been heard in this locality since the middle of August, although at that time it was heard till as late as 7 p.m.

The best 11-metre station is now

W8XNU, as W4XA has become very erratic.

11-Metre Loggings.

W4XA, 26150kc., 11.47m.: Now very erratic; seldom at good strength (Rattray).

W8XNU, 25950kc., 11.56m.: Best station on this band; heard almost every day; often at good speaker strength.

W6XKG, 25950kc., 11.56m.: Not heard since mid-August (Rattray).

W9XPD, 25890kc., 11.59m. (approx): Fairly regular, though seldom very loud.



#### Amateur Bands Review

#### Amateurs Ordered Off Air.

One effect of the outbreak of war has been the ordering off the air of experimental transmitters in many countries. This has been particularly noticeable on the 20-metre band. where favourable conditions at the end of August saw many good loggings of European stations. At the present time reception on this band is now limited to American and Asiatic stations.

#### 20-Metre Calls Heard.

The stations listed below were, for the most part, logged during the last week of August.

South Africa: ZS- 2AH, 2AZ, 5Q, 5DA, 6EB, 6AJ, 6DY, 6DJ.

Southern Rhodesia: ZE1-JN.

Tangier International Zone: EK-

Madagascar: FB8- AB, AH. Mauritius: VQ8-JM.

Europe.

Leichtenstein: HB1CE (QSL via HB9CE).

Switzerland: HB-9DO. Denmark: OZ- 5G, 5BW.

Germany: D-4KPJ. Gibraltar: ZB2-B.

Spain: EA-7BA. Sweden: SM-5KP.

Northern Ireland: GI- 2CC, 5SJ, 5QX, 8TS.

Portugal: CT- 1PM, 1QG.

Norway: LA-6N.

Holland: PA- ODR, OFH, OWF,

OBE, OMZ. Belgium: ON- 4US, 4TO, 4VG.

Wales: GW- 2UL, 3KY, 5KJ. Scotland: GM- 2UU, 6WD, 8MN.

France: F- 3QT, 3MN, 3CS, 3DY, 8NT, 8QD, 8BP, 8DC, 8XT, 8KI, 8UE, 8VP, 8PQ, 8MX.

England: G- 2MF, 2TK, 2PU, 2MQ, 2OC, 2XV, 2DH, 3AH, 3GQ, 3DO, 4RH, 4FL, 5LU, 5BJ, 5PP, 6BW, 6VX, 6WX, 6GO, 6TD, 6WT, 6KL, 8BK, 8MA, 8UJ, 8KD, 8SB. South America.

Peru: OA- 4AI, 4AW.

Venezuela: YV- 1AP, 1AQ, 4AE, 5ABH.

Ecuador: HC- 2CC; HK- 2CO. Chile: CE- 1AR, 1AS, 3AT. Brazil: PY- 7AI, 8AB.

Argentine: LU- 2DG, 4BC, 8AY.

Central America and West Indies.

Costa Rica: TI-2RC. Guatemala: TG-5JG. Canal Zone: K5-AM. Dominican Republic: HI-5X. Cuba: CO- 2WM, 3EE, 5EO, 7CX,

Haiti: HH-5PA.

Porto Rico: K4- FAY, FKC.

#### Northern America.

Canada: VE-1DQ, 2QM, 3PT, 4BT, 4GE, 5EF, 5AHU, 5AAR, 5ACN, 5OT, 5RV. 9AT.

Mexico: XE- 1FF, 1BG, 1GK, 1CX, 1GE, 1FY, 2HB, 2CA.

Alaska: K7-GSC.

Ceylon: VS7-RA. Burma: XZ-2TP. French India: FN-1C. India: VU-2XA.

Korea: J8-CI. Hong Kong: VS6-AA.

Malaya: VS- 1AE, 2AD, 2AL. Japan: J- 5CW, 6GU, 7CB.

China: XU- 5CS, 5HI, 8ZA, 8RJ, 8NA. 8RM.

Philippines: KA- 1CS, 1JM, 1HS, 1FH, 1LB, 1ME, 1JP, 1BB, 1LV, 1MF, 1MM, 1ER, 3KK, 4LH, 7EF.

Dutch East Indies: PK- 1XZ, 1MF, 1TM, 1GL, 1MJ, 1DG, 2LZ, 2AY, 3ST, 3W1, 4KS, 4MM, 4JD, 4WS.

#### Pacific.

Dutch New Guinea PK-6XX. New Guinea: VK9- DW, VG. Guam: KB6-OCL. Wake Is.: KC6-IDB.

#### 10-Metre Band Shows Signs Improvement.

Despite the fact that reception continues to vary greatly from day to day, the 10-metre band has shown definite signs of improvement. On a number of mornings really excellent signals were heard from West Coast W's and once or twice a Canadian was heard.

#### Calls Heard: 10 Metres.

Canada: VE- 3KE, 5AEZ, Costa Rica: TI-2RC. Hawaii: K6- OQM, PLZ.

New Zealand: ZL-1GI, 2FY, 2BT. United States: W- 1KQN, 2GWI (marine portable, near Wake Is.), 2JCY, 2BUR, 2MFS, 2AOH, 2LZ, 3HFW, 3DOU, 4FGF, 4NT, 4EZK, 4FLS, 4USA (Mid-South Fair at Memphis), 5GKZ, 5GFN. 5FOK, 5HQC, 5HQQ, 5HLO, 6FZC, 6LWN, 6PIB, 6NHK, 6RRN, 6LTH, 6AGG, 6QNT, 6QQD, 7NKF, 6KYT, 6POZ, 6QGI, 6MRF, 6PQQ, 6NMW, 6BUK, 6PNO, 6PMB, 8NED, 8OLX, 9NMD, 9BHP (marine portable).

#### Letters From Readers.

AW509DX, Hurstville, N.S.W.,:-Many thanks for your letter, with information regarding KGE1. Hope to hear from you again in the near future.

AW522DX, Hawthorn, Mount W.A.:—Thanks for list of amateur

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loggings on 20 metres; also for complete data on Manila stations now on the air. Regarding the mystery station you mention-details are rather vague, but might be DZH, 14460kc., 20.75m., with programme for South America.

AW380DX, Koongal, Rockhampton, Q'ld .:- Glad to hear you like the new layout of the S.W. notes. You will find details of KZRF elsewhere.

AW418DX. Manjimup, W.A.:-Glad to hear from you regarding the non QSL-ing amateurs section. This feature will have to be suspended temporarily, while the considerable amount of information forwarded by readers is checked. Revised list in November issue. Write again.

Invercargill. Mr. M. Rattray, N.Z.:—Have answered your query re antenna by mail. Drop us a line occasionally regarding your results on the U.H.F. bands.

Mr. A. W. Eddy (ZL3GP), Irwell, via Christchurch, N.Z.:-Very many

thanks indeed for the fine list of ORA's for the S.W.L. Exchange section.

Mr. C. Cuthbert, Margate, England:--Thanks for letter and card, O.M. Will certainly include your name in list of S.W.L.'s who QSL 100%. Thanks for information regarding European stations, CSW-8, HAAQ-2 and Radio Luxembourg. Nice work with those veries from OFD, LLG, PSE, TFJ, SP-48, COCM and PRA-8.

Mr. F. Lendzioszek, Easthampton, U.S.A. (AW502DX):—Will be pleased to list you in S.W.L. Exchange section. Thanks a lot for nice remarks re "Radio World."

Mr. Lendzioszek forwards an interesting report of reception in his locality, which is reproduced below:-

HH3W, Haiti, is heard on 9645kc., 31.1m., from 10 a.m.-12.05 p.m.

FG8AH, Guadeloupe, is heard regularly on 7435kc., 40.3m. Callsign is seldom used, station usually identifying as "Radio Guadeloupe." American and French numbers are played; occasional announcements in English. QRA is Box 225, Pointe-a-Pitre, Guadeloupe.

HP5F, Panama, is heard at times

on 6140kc., 48.83m.

Reports to the Norwegian stations should be addressed to Norsk Rikskringkasting, Stortingsgaten

LYR, Lithuania, on 9315kc., 32.2m., has forwarded the following schedule: Daily, 3.30-5.25 a.m. and 4.30-5.15 p.m.

Loggings on the amateur bands include: TG, K4, LU, G, F, and CE on 10 metres, and YV, HH, HK, KA, K6, CO, PY, SP, PA, CT, HI, ON, G. GM, GI, EA and VK on 20 metres.

(N.B. All above times are Australian E.S.T. Mr. Lendzioszek will be pleased to hear from readers in this country, and will answer all letters and cards. Full QRA is: 40 Emerald Place, Easthampton, Mass., U.S.A.).

Readers are requested to address all letters in reference to the S.W. and B.C.B. DX sections to the DX Editor, Alan H. Graham, 258 Lower Plenty Rd., Rosanna N22, Victoria.

#### This Month's Loggings. SOUTH AMERICA.

Peru.

OAX4J, 9340kc., 32.12m., Lima: Still heard in the afternoons; best on Sundays till 4 p.m. (Anderson).

OAX4Z, 6077kc., 49.37m., Lima: Reported from the West as being heard occasionally during the mornings. (Anderson).

OAX4T, 9566kc., 31.38m., Lima: Weaker now, but still heard opening at 11 p.m.

93.50kc., 31.95m., Ica.: OAX5C, Heard on Sunday afternoon.s

Argentine.

LRX, 9660kc., 31.06m., Buenos Aires: Not very loud at present, but still audible in early mornings and afternoons.

LRA, 17825kc., 16.82m., Buenos Aires: This is station reported last month by Mr. Johns as "Radio Splendid." Heard in early mornings till 9 a.m.

Ecuador.

HCJB, 12460kc., 24.08m., Quito: Still heard in special session for Australasia from 10.30 p.m. (Chapman).

PRA-8, 6015kc., 49.87m., Pernambuco: Weak signal when opening at 7 a.m. just above DJC.

Paraguay.

**ZP-14**, 11720kc., 25.6m., Villarica: Weak and erratic; may possibly be heard on opening at 8.25 a.m. Does not transmit every day.

#### Venezuela.

YV5RM, 5010kc., 59.88m., Caracas: Reported from the West as heard around 9 a.m., E.S.T. (Anderson).

YV5RN, 5040kc., 59.52m., Caracas: Heard at same time as YV5RM. (Anderson).

YV4RQ, 5020kc., 59.76m., Puerto Cabello: Heard at same time as other YV stations, but very weak. (Anderson).

Uruguay.

CXA-2, 9570kc., 31.35m., Montevideo: Heard in early morning.

CXA-8, 9640kc., 31.12m., Colonia: Occasionally very weak around 8 a.m., also at better strength on Sunday afternoons till as late as 4 p.m.

CXA-6, 9620kc., 31.19m., Monte-video: Fair around 7 a.m. Chile.

CB-1170, 11700kc., 25.64m., Santiago: Heard once or twice at 8 a.m. and also just before closing at 2 p.m.

CB-1180, 11970kc., 25.06m., Santiago: Also heard fairly well till close at 2 p.m.

CD-1190, 11910kc., 25.19m., Valdivia: Also heard in the early after-

CB-970, 9710kc., 30.91m., Valparaiso: Heard in the mornings between 8 and 9 a.m.

#### CENTRAL AMERICA AND WEST INDIES.

Guatemala.

TGWA, 9685kc., 30.96m., Guatemala City: Strong signals till 6.30 p.m. on alternate Sundays (special DX programme). Also on week-days till around 2.45 p.m. (Anderson).

TGWA, 15170kc., 19.77m., same location: Reported as on the air with the 9685kc., transmitter till late on Sunday afternoons. (Anderson). TGWB, 6490kc., 46.2m., same loca-

tion: Same programme as TGWA on Sunday afternoons, (Anderson).

TG-2, 6190kc., 48.47m., same location: On Sunday afternoons only, till about 6 p.m. (Anderson).

TGQA, 6400kc., 46.88m., Quezaltenango: Heard weakly on Sunday afternoons.

TILS, 6165kc., 48.66m., San Jose: Still at good strength opening at 10 p.m. Also heard on several occasions around 5 p.m. at excellent strength.

TIPG, 9620kc., 31.19m.. San Jose: Good signal opening at 10 p.m.; also heard at 4 p.m. in special broadcast during August. (Anderson, Chap-

Mexico.

XEWW, 9500kc., 31.58m., Mexico City: Most consistent of Latin-American stations. Good strength every afternoon. (Anderson). Dominican Republic.

HI1S, 6420kc., 46.73m., Reported from the West between 9 and 10 a.m., E.S.T. (Anderson).

HIN. 6243kc., 48.0m., Ciudad Truillo: Heard in West at same time as HIIS. Both these stations are seldom if every reported in Australia. (Anderson).

Panama.

HP5J, 9590kc., 31.28m., Panama City: Good signal at night.

HP5A, 11700kc., 25.64m., Panama City: Strong signal at 10 p.m. (An-

HP5K, 6005kc., 49.95m.. Weakish signal, opening at 10 p.m. with "Merry Widow" waltz.

COCM, 9850kc., 30.46m., Habana: Fair signal early morning, afternoon and better at night. (Anderson).

COCH, 9437kc., 31.8m., Habana: Fair at night: also reported in early morning in the West. (Pepin, Anderson).

COGF, 11800kc., 25.42m., Matanzas: Heard weakly in West at 9 a.m., E.S.T. (Anderson).

COCX, 11735kc., 25.57m., Habana: As COGF. (Anderson).

COBC, 9985kc., 30.03m., Habana: Good signal at night from about 10 p.m.; also in early morning in West. (Anderson).

COBX, 9200kc., 32.61m., Habana: Heard in West around 10 a.m., E.S.T. (Anderson).

COCA, 9100kc., 32.91m., Habana:

As COBX. (Anderson).

COBZ, 9028kc., 33.24m., Habana: Opens at 10.45 p.m. with weak signal; also in mornings in West. (Anderson, Pepin).

COCQ, Habana: Up to old tricks of altering frequency almost from day to day in the vicinity of 34m. Opens at 10 pm. with good signal; also heard during afternoons. (Anderson).

COJK, 8665kc., 34.46m., Camaguey: From 10 p.m.; also heard in mornings in West. (Anderson).

COCW, 6324kc., 47.4m., Habana: Heard fairly well in West; at 10 a.m. and 9.55 p.m., E.S.T. (Anderson).

COCO, 6010kc., 49.92m., Habana: Heard in morning in West. (Anderson).

#### NORTH AMERICA.

United States.

(was W8XK), 21540kc., WPIT 13.93m., Pittsburgh: Now becoming audible around 10 p.m. as 13-metre band improves.

WNBI (was W3XL), 17780kc., 16.87m., Bound Brook: Heard very well during early weeks of September with special news broadcasts; best around mid-day and 10 p.m.

W2XE, 17830kc., 16.81m., New York: Splendid signals at night during special transmissions in connection with war.

WPIT, 15210kc., 19.72m., Pittsburgh: Heard at fair strength around midnight.

WCAB (was W3XAU), 15270kc., 19.65m., Philadelphia: Heard once early in September at 3.30 p.m., relaying special C.B.S. news programme simultaneously with W2XE on 25 metres.

WGEA (was W2XAD), 15330kc... 19.57m., Schenectady: Excellent signal around 10 p.m. with N.B.C. news broadcasts. (Pepin).

KGEI (was W6XBE), 15330kc., 19.57m., San Francisco: Heard best after mid-day till 2 p.m.

WPIT, 11870kc., 25.27m., Pittsburgh: Heard at varying strength from 8 a.m. till early afternoon. W2XE, 11830kc., 25.36m., New

York: Heard exceptionally well with special news programme. Fairly strong from 8 a.m. and then put in a terrific signal in the afternoons, remaining on air at times till 6.30 p.m. (Chapman).

W1XAL, 11790kc., 25.45m., Boston: Heard once or twice late in August, but not logged recently.

KGEI. 95.30 kc.,31.48m., Francisco: Excellent signal from 10 p.m.; afternoon session now on 48 metres. (Pepin, AW522DX, AW509-

WGEO (was W2XAF), 9530kc., 31.48m., Schenectady: Heard fairly strongly from 8 a.m. (Pepin).

WGEA, 9550kc., 31.41m., Schenectady: Reported heard from 8 a.m., E.S.T., in West. (Pepin).

WBOS (was W1XK), 31.35m., Boston: Heard just before closing at 3 p.m.; fair signal.
WRCA (was W3XAL), 9670kc.,

31.03m., Bound Brook: Special news broadcasts during afternoon and early evening preceding outbreak of war. Hitler's Reichstag speech at good strength through this station. (Pepin, Anderson).

WCAB, 9590kc., 31.28m., Philadelphia: Also on air with special broadcasts till around 6 p.m.; strong signal.

WPIT, 6140kc., 48.86m., Pittsburgh: Heard at very good strength with extended hours of transmission (till after 5.30 p.m.).

KGEI, 6190kc., 48.47m., San Francisco: Afternoon session from 3 till 6 p.m. changed to this new frequency on

September 4.

WLWO (was W8XAL), 6060kc., 49.5m., Cincinnati: Heard well around 4 p.m. and also later at 9 p.m. (Chapman).

KKZ, 13690kc., 21.91m., Bolinas, Calif.: Special relays on Sunday

afternoons.

#### AFRICA.

VQ7L(), 6082kc., 49.31m., Nairobi: Regular strong signal; best around 4 a.m.

EAJ-43, 10370kc., 28.93m., Teneriffe: Fairly strong signal in early morning, at 6 a.m., and again at 7.30 a.m. South Africa.

**ZRH,** 6007kc., 49.94m., Heights: Fair early morning signal,

after 6 a.m.

ZRK, 6097kc., 49.2m., Johannesburg: Also fairly good in early morning till 7 a.m.

Mozambique.

CR7AA, 6137kc., 48.88m., Lourenco Marques: Still heard around 7 am., but now much weaker.

#### OCEANIA.

New Caledonia.

FK8AA, 6122kc., 49m., Noumea: Opens with "Marseillaise" at 5.30 p.m.

Fiji. VPD-2, 9538kc., 31.38m., Suva: Very loud from 9 p.m.

Hawaii.

KQH, 14290kc., 20.11m., Kahuku: Special Sunday afternoon relays to U.S.A.

#### THE EAST.

Philippine Is.

KZRH, 6110kc., 49.1m., Manila, "The Voice of the Philippines": Heard nightly at fair strength.

KZIB, 9500kc., 31.58m., Manila: Very strong at night. (Pepin, AW-

522DX).

KZ1B, 6040kc., 49.65m., Manila: On the air simultaneously with transmitter on 9500kc. Very strong. A listener reports having heard the callletters KZRD, "The Pioneer Station," used on this frequency. (Pepin, AW-522DX).

KZRM/KZEG/KZRF, 6140kc., 48.86 m., Manila: All three calls have been heard on this same frequency. Stations announce variously as KZRM, "Radio Manila"; KZEG, "The Sun-

KZRM, 9570kc., 30.96m., Manila, "Radio Manila": Good strong signal from 7 a.m. and again at night. (Pepin, Chapman, AW509DX, AW-522DX).

shine Station"; and KZRF, "Radio (Anderson, AW522DX, Philippino." AW380DX).

Malaya.

ZHP, 9690kc., 30.96m., Singapore: Very consistent signal; best after 10 p.m. (Pepin, Chapman).

ZHJ, 6080kc., 49.3m., Penang: Very strong signal from 8.40 till 11.40 p.m. (Chapman).

VUD-3, 15290kc., 19.62m., Delhi: Sometimes comes through very well from noon till close at 1 p.m.

VUB-2, 9550kc., 31.41m., Bombay: Reported from the West. (Pepin).

VUD-2, 9590kc., 31.28m., Delhi: Strong signal on opening at 10.30 p.m. VUD-2, 4960kc., 60.48m., Delhi: From 11 p.m. (Pepin, Chapman).

VUM-2, 4920kc., 60.98m., Madras: Just fair at 11 p.m. (Pepin, Chapman).

VUC-2, 4840kc., 61.98m., Calcutta: Strongest signal of these low-(Pepin, Chap-

frequency Indians. man).

VUB-2, 4880kc., 61.48m., Bombay: Weakest of four Indian stations, at

Burma.

XYO, 6007kc., 49.94m., Rangoon: Much weaker than formerly, but still audible around midnight.

French Indo-China.

Radio Saigon, 6116kc., 49.05m.: Still best signal on band; good English sesions from 9 p.m. (Pepin, Chapman, AW509DX, AW380DX).

Radio Saigon, 11780kc., Also a strong signal on changing frequency at 11.30 p.m. (Pepin). Hong Kong.

ZBW-3, 9525kc., 31.49m.: One of best on 31-metre band. (Chapman,

Pepin).

China.

XGOY, 11900kc., 25.21m., Chungking: One of best stations on air; strong consistent signal at 8 a.m., and at 9 p.m. (Pepin, Chapman).

XGOX, 17800kc., 16.86m., Chungking: Weak to fair around noon.

XMHA, 11850kc., 25.32m., Shanghai: Regular at night.

XGOK, 11810kc., 25.4m., Canton: Still heard just before midnight.

XPSA, 7000kc., 42.8m., Kweiyang: Very strong.

XOJD, 6880kc., 43.6m., Hankow: Also fairly strong from 9 till 11.30 p.m.

#### Manchukuo.

MTCY, 6125kc., 48.98m., Hsinking: One of strongest signals on band. Time of opening varies a good deal.

MTCY, 11775kc., 25.48m., Hsinking: New frequency. On air daily from 7 till 7.45 a.m. Good strong

signal. (Chapman). MTCY, 15205kc., 19.73m., Hsinking: Another new frequency. Does not seem to be on regularly; heard once at 9.30 p.m.

JDY, 9920kc., 30.24m., Dairen:

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HS8PJ, 9510kc., 31.55m., Bangkok: Excellent signal four nights a week. Taiwan (Formosa).

JFO, 9636kc., 31.13m., Taihoku: Heard nightly till 1.30 a.m. (Pepin).

JVP, 7510kc., 39.95m., Nazaki. Reported heard late at night in West. (Pepin).

JLG-3, 11705kc., 25.63m., Tokyo:

Early morning.

JVW-3, 11720kc., 25.6ni., Tokyo:

Very strong at night.

JZK, 15160kc., 19.79m., Tokyo: Used regularly for transmissions to Europe (5-8 a.m.) and South Seas (10 p.m.-12.30 a.m.).

JZL, 17785kc., 16.87m., Tokyo: Used for transmissions to North and South America at 7.30 and 11 a.m.

JZJ, 11800kc., 25.42m., Same times as JZK.

JZI, 9535kc., 31.46m., Tokyo: Very weak from 7.30 till 8.30 a.m.

Dutch East Indies. YDD, 6045kc., 49.63m., Bandoeng: Interfered with by KZIB, but can be heard every night. (Pepin).

PMH, 6720kc., 44.64m., Bandoeng: Very strong steady signal; always native programme. (Pepin).

PMY, 5140kc., 58.31m., Bandoeng: Good signal above plenty of noise. (Pepin).

**YDE-2.** 4810kc., 62.37m., Heard very well in West. (Pepin).

YDX, 7220kc., 41.55m., Medan: Both native and regular NIROM programme. Strong. (Pepin, Chapman).

YDC, 15150kc., 19.8m., Bandoeng: Strong signal at night; also heard well opening at 9 a.m. with exercises and bright musical programme.

PLP, 11000kc., 27.27m., Bandoeng: Same hours as YDC; strong.

PMN, 10260kc., 29.24m., Bandoeng: As PLP: weak.

Siberia.

RV-15, 4250kc., 70.2m., Khabarovsk: Regular, but will not verify. (Pepin, Chapman).

#### EUROPE.

England.

GSW, 7230kc., 41.63m.: New transmitter on new European broadcast band. Heard very well in Transmission 1.

GSE, 11860kc., 25.29m.: Now in use again as additional transmitter for overseas broadcasts.

GSH, 21470kc., 13.98m.: Now being heard again as 13-metre band opens up. Still weak.

GSJ, 21530kc., 13.93m.: Now putting in excellent signal in Transmission 2 at 10 p.m.

Stations also logged: GSA, GSB, GSC, GSD, GSF, GSG, GSI, GSO, GSP, GSV and GRX.

Germany.

DXB, 9700kc., 30.93m.: New trans-

mitter; heard in early mornings, and also between 2 and 3 p.m.

DJP, 11855kc., 25.32m.: Special tests with DXB... Terrific signal between 2 and 3 p.m.

Also logged: DJA, DJB, DJC, DJD, DJE, DJH, DJL, DJN, DJQ, DJR, DJX and DJZ.

DZC, 10290kc., 29.15m.: Very loud with Arabic programme around 4 a.m.

DZH, 14460kc., 20.75m.: Special programmes to South America around 8 a.m.

#### France.

A new station announcing as Paris Mondial (call unknown) heard at good strength in the afternoons on 9680kc., 30.99m. Same programme as TPA-3 and TPA-4.

TPB-11, 7280kc., 41.21m.: A very loud signal around 7 a.m. (Chapman). Also logged: TPB-6, TPA-4, TPA-3 and TPA-2.

U.S.S.R.

RW-96, 15400kc., 19.47m., Moscow: This new frequency is still in use; loud signals in early morning, afternoon and at night.

Also heard: RKI, RAL, RNE, RW-96 (9520kc.), RW-96 (15180kc.) and RW-96 (15230kc.).

Italy.

Rome programmes heard over the following: 2RO-4, 2RO-6, 22RO-9, 2RO-12, IRF and IQY.

2RO-3, 9635kc., 31.13m., Rome: Good strength in mornings, and heard very well in special test programmes for New Zealand at 4 p.m. (announcements in English).

Sweden.

SBP, 11705kc., 25.63m., Motala: Excellent signal till 7.15 a.m. (Chap-

SBU, 9535kc., 31.46m., Motala: Now very weak; from 7.15-8 a.m.

SBO, 6060kc., 49.46m., Motala: Good signal at 7.15 a.m.

Bohemia.

OLR5A, 15230kc., 19.7m., Prague: Heard fairly well till closing at 1 p.m.

Hungary.

HAS-3, 15370kc., 19.52m., Budapest: Sundays at midnight.

Yugo-Slavia.

YUA, 6100kc., 49.18m., Belgrade: Good early morning signal from 6 till 7 a.m. (Chapman).

Turkev.

TAP, 9465kc., 31.8, Ankara: Still putting in a strong signal till 8 a.m. every morning. (Chapman).

TAQ, 15195kc., 19.74m., Ankara: Heard quite well at night. (Chapman).

Poland.

SP-31, 9570kc., 31.35m. (approx.): Station heard at good strength on September 9 at 7.30 a.m., announcing as "This is Warsaw I., Warsaw II., Poznan and ??" News in English and foreign language.

SP-48, 6140kc., 48.86m., Warsaw: Heard fairly well from 6 a.m.

SP-19, 15120kc., 19.84m., Warsaw: Barely audible at 9 a.m.

CS2WD, 5977kc., 50.02m., Lisbon: Heard fairly well around 7 a.m.

CSW-7, 9735kc., 30.81m,. Lisbon: Good signal in mornings.

CSW-8, 7260kc., 41.3ni., Lisbon: Excellent signal at 8 a.m. (Chapman).

CSW-5, 11040kc., 27.17m., Lisbon: Good signal in early morning; around 7 a.m. (Chapman).

Finland.

OFD, 9500kc., 31.58m., Lahti: Weak signal in early mornings till close at 8 a.m.

Belgium.

ORK, 10330kc., 29.04m., Ruysselede: Good early morning station, closing at 6 a.m.

Holland.

PCJ-2, 15220kc., 19.7m., Huizen: Very strong signal and excellent programme on Tuesday afternoons. (Pepin, Chapman).

PCJ, 9590kc., 31.28m., Huizen: Heard in the West in the late morn-

ing. (Pepin).

Norway. LKJ, 6130kc., 48.94m., Oslo: Fairly good signal at 7 a.m.

LKV, 15170kc., 19.78m., Heard fairly well at night, and in the early morning.

LKQ, 11740kc., 25.55m., Oslo: Heard around 6 a.m.

Switzerland.

HBO, 11400kc., 26.31m., and HBJ, 14535kc., 20.69m., Geneva: Heard well late in August. Transmissions now suspended.

#### Stop-Press News.

Additions to List of Month's Loggings.

Luxembourg.

A new station heard on approximately 11875kc., 25.46m., is Radio Luxembourg. This station has been testing in a number of languages, and was heard up till 9 a.m. Spain.

The station operating on 9860kc., 30.4m., is causing some controversy. Previously known as EAQ, it is now reported to announce Radio  $\mathbf{a}\mathbf{s}$ Burgos.

Additions to Amateur Calls Heard. 10 Metres:

United States: W- 2AFJ, 8GQE. 8MKG, 8FGV, 9BDT.

20 Metres (from Observers Coggins and Taylor):

Europe: G2MQ, G2AK, G2XS, G3-FQ, G3IG, G3QK, G3QL, G3RI, G4-AJ, G4HV, G4HW, G5ML, G5DT, G5-GS, G5JO, G5LJ, G5PQ, G5RV, G5SO,

G5VT, G5ZG, G6BC, G6BY, G6DT, G6JL, G6ML, G6RW, G6WU, G6XP, G6ZI, G8BK, G8GP, G8LP, G8RB, G8SB, G8UJ, G8WS (England); GW-3AX, GW4CC, GW5PH, GW8HI 3AX, GW4CC, GW5PH, GW8HI (Wales); GM8KQ (Scotland); EI2L, EI7N (Eire); PAOAD, PAOEO, PAO-GR, PAOUN, PAOWN, PAOVN (Holland); F3PS, F8CP, F8DC, F8FN, F8-GO, F8GM, F8MG, F8YZ (France); SM7MU (Sweden); ON4IW, ON4AR, ON4CK, ON4MV, ON4MZ, ON4OU, ON4PA, ON4MS (Belgium); LY1J ON4PA, ON4MS (Belgium); LY1J (Lithuania); LA8J (Norway).

South America: CP1BA (Bolivia); LU2AW, LU5AC, LU4BH, LU6DG, LU7BC, LU7BU, LU9AB (Argentine); PY2ER (Brazil); HC1FG, HC-2HP (Ecuador); CE1AO, CE3AG, CE3CZ (Chile); YV1AE, YV5AE, YV5AK, YV5AC, YV5ABQ (Venezuela).

North America: VE2OR, VE5ACR (Canada).

Central America and West Indies: XE1FA, XE2FC (Mexico); TI4AC CO7AS (Costa Rica); CO2LY. (Cuba); VP5PZ (Jamaica); VP6FO, VP6MY (Barbados).

Asia: KA1AF, KA1BB, KA1CW, KA1JP, KA1ZL, KA1AP, KA7HB (Philippines); VS6AO (Hong Kong); VS7GJ (Ceylon); VS2AK (Malaya); VU2CQ (India); XZ2BH, .XZ2TM (Burma); J2CS, J2KN, J2MI, J2NQ, J7CD (Japan); XU1B, XU5HR, XU-5HR, XU2MC, XU7HV, XU8MC, XU-7HV, XU8MC, XU8HB, XU8AM 7HV, XU8MC, XU8RB, XU8AM (China); PK1PK, PK1OG, PK1VM, PK1RI, PK3BD, PK3DA, PK3AA (DEI).

Pacific: VK9DK (New Guinea); VK-4NK (Papua); K6BNR, K6MVA, K6CGK, K6LKN, K6OES, K6OJI, K6OKN, K6OQE, K6PCW, K6RBM, K6CGK, K6MYD (Hawaii).

### **Broadcast Band DX Notes**

Conducted by Kevin A. Crowley in collaboration with the DX Editor.

Station Notes And News.

The following frequency changes have been noted:-2XL, Cooma, N.S.W., from 880kc., to 920kc.; 3UL, Warragul, Victoria, from 900kc., to 880kc.

Highlights Of The Month.

September 3 was undoubtedly the best night of the month. Many of the American and Philippine stations stayed on the air till well after midnight, giving details of the war. Australian stations also carried out the same idea and many stations which are normally impossible to log were heard at good strength. This applies particularly to Australian stations sharing the same frequency. The editor can vouch for this as he increased his Australasian log by 13 stations. Dx-ers would be well advised to watch very carefully when important news is being broadcast, as the opportunity of adding to one's log is very great on such occasions.

The Hawaiian stations are now coming in at good strength and Dx-ers should try for them now, as Europeans will soon be audible again. They are KGU (750kc.) and KGMB (1320 kc.) and they open their early morning programmes at 2.30 a.m. with Japanese music and talks. Do not let the Japanese programme confuse you.

Best Stations Of The Month.

The following list sets out those stations which are now reaching their maximum strength for reception in Australia. Any of them should be easily logged by even novice Dx-ers. JAPAN.

JBCK, 850kc., Seishin, Korea: Heard well in Eastern Australia despite different power ratings. Verifies fairly promptly.

JFAK, 750kc., Taihoku, Formosa: Heard well around 11 p.m. any Sunday night. Often difficult to log on week days.

JOAK-1, 590kc., Tokyo: Heard well in Eastern Australia as early as 8.30 p.m. Closes at 11.30 with musical chimes. Does not give call sign at close of transmission as formerly.

JOAK-2, 870kc., Tokyo: Heard at 11.30 p.m. after 2GB, Sydney, closes. English news around 11.45 p.m. Also closes with musical chimes.

#### MANCHURIA AND SIBERIA.

MTBY, 890kc., Mukden: Heard well on one occasion recently around midnight.

MTCY, 560kc., Hsinking: Strong around midnight-12.30, but badly heterodyned by 6WA till that station closes down.

MTFY, 675kc., Harbin: Heard well around midnight on several occasions this month.

RW-28, 635kc., Vladivostok: Heard recently in Eastern Australia at remarkable strength. Often at entertainment level at midnight. Sometimes puts on excellent programmes of classical music. Does not verify.

RW-25, 556kc., Tchita: Heard well from about midnight, but much better after 6WA closes down. Does not

RW-72, 577kc., Tcheliabinsk: Heard any Sunday night about midnight. Like all other Siberian stations, does not verify.

#### PHILIPPINES AND HAWAII.

KGMB, 1320kc., Honolulu, Hawaii: Opens 2.30 a.m. with Japanese programme (also heard between 7.10 and 7.40 p.m. at close of evening transmission, giving news service and station information).

KGU, 750kc., Honolulu, Hawaii: Programme identical with KGMB when oening at 2.30 a.m.

KZEG, 780kc., Manila: Heard well around 22.30. Closes at 1 a.m., after which KZRS operates in the same frequency till 2 a.m.

KZIB, 900 kc., Manilla: Heard well around midnight.

KZRH, 1200kc., Manila: Best around 12.30 a.m. Just a new station on air. Call-sign confused with KZRM by many Dx-ers. A new and easy addition to any Dx-er's log.

KZRM, 618kc., Manila: Closes at 1.30 a.m. and not 1 a.m., as reported formerly. One of three best stations heard in Eastern Australia this year. Verifies promptly.

KZRS, 780kc., Manila: Identifies as Radio Filipino and closes at 2 a.m. Heard after 1 a.m. when K2EG closes down.

#### CHINA.

FFZ, 1400kc., Shanghai: Hard to log but sometimes comes in at surprising strength at about 1 p.m.

XGAP, 640kc., Peking: Heard well at 1.30 a.m. here but subject to bad heterodyne. Does not verify.

XGOA, 1180kc., Location probably Chungking: This is the frequency Sometimes heard they operate on. on 1175kc., but this is due to frequency drift.

XGOW, 1010kc., Hankow: Has been heard as late as 6.45 a.m. Very strong at moment.

XMHA, 600kc., Shanghai: Still operating but does not reply to reports as readily as formerly.

XMHG, 200kc., Shanghai: Closing time indefinite, but comes through remarkably well around 2 a.m. despite low power rating.

XOJC, 660kc., Nanking: strong around 2 a.m. Heard well in Eastern Australia at moment.

XOJD, 1400kc., Hankow:

well at 2 a.m. Now uses 10 k.w. ZBW, 845kc., Hong Kong: Vo strong at moment. Plays mixed programme of Western and Eastern recordings from 12.30 to 1.30 a.m., at which time it closes. INDIA.

VUB, 1231kc., Bombay: Weak but audible in most parts of Eastern

VUC, 810kc., Calcutta: Strongest at 3 a.m.

VUD, 882kc., Delhi: Best Indian station on air; closes at 3.40 a.m.

VUL, 1086k.c., Lahore: Quite strong at 3 a.m.

VUM, 1420kc., Madras: Quite good at 2.30 a.m.

VUT, 758kc., Trichinopoly: Reported at good strength throughout Australia.

VUW, 1015kc., Lucknow: Very strong around 2.30 a.m.

VUY, 1176kc., Dacca: Reported at good strength by listeners throughout Australia.

-, 730kc., Hyderabad: New Indian station reported at great strength during past month. CEYLON.

VPB, 705kc., Colombo: Reaches peak just before closing at 2.30 a.m. MALAYA.

ZHL, 1332kc., Singapore: Reported recently by South Australian listeners. Verifies readily. Best about 1 a.m.

#### Around The Dial.

Other stations audible at reasonable strength at present include the following:-

XGOG, 560kc., Chengtu: Reported recently at good strength.

JONG, 600kc., Miyazaki: Closes around 11 p.m. Heard any Sunday.

JOKK, 630kc., Okayama: Scheduled closing time 11 p.m., but has been heard closing around midnight.

JODG, 640kc., Hamamatsu: Sometimes heard after 5CK closes on Sunday nights.

JOBK-1, 690kc., Osaka: Subject to bad interference from 6WF, but occasionally audible at reasonable strength on Sundays.

JODK-1, 710kc., Keijo: Difficult to separate from 6GF.

JFBK, 720kc., Tainan, Formosa: Sometimes at midnight; interference from 6GF.

JOCK-1, 740kc., Nagoya: Sundays at 10.45 p.m.

XHHB, 740kc., Shanghai: Closes at 2 a.m., but despite low power rating has often been logged.

JQAK, 760kc., Dairen: Heard well around midnight, but subject to interference from VUT.

JOKG, 800kc., Kofu: Audible around 11 p.m. Sundays.

JOIK, 810kc., Sapporo: Can be logged around 11 p.m. but usually heterodyned by VUC on same fre-

JBBK-2, 820kc., Heijo, Korea: Best around 11 p.m.

HS7PJ, 825kc., Sala Denj, Siam: Audible around 1 a.m.

JOFK, 830kc., Hiroshima: Easiest to log on Sundays around 11 p.m.

JOQK, 920kc., Niigata: Best on Sundays around 11 p.m.

JOBK-2, 940kc., Osaka: Sundays around 11 p.m. Best on

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JODK-2, 970kc., Seoul, Korea: Easy logging any Sunday night between 11 and 11.30 p.m.

JOCK-2, 990kc., Nagoya: One of the strongest stations heard in recent months.

JBBK-1, 1090kc., Heijo, Korea: Audible on Sundays after 3DB closes. XGOC, 1130kc., Nanchang: Audible around 1 a.m.

XGOB, 1290kc., Sinan: Heard around 1 a.m.

XQHC, 1300kc., Shanghai: Best at

XQCT, 1460kc., Shanghai: Strong-

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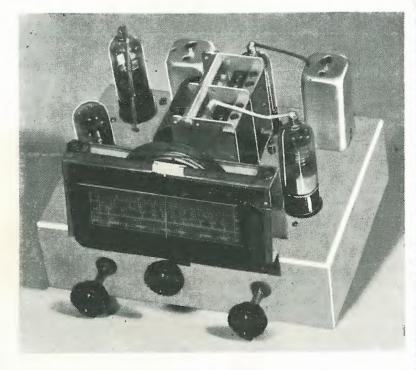
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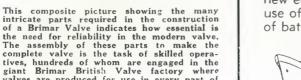
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