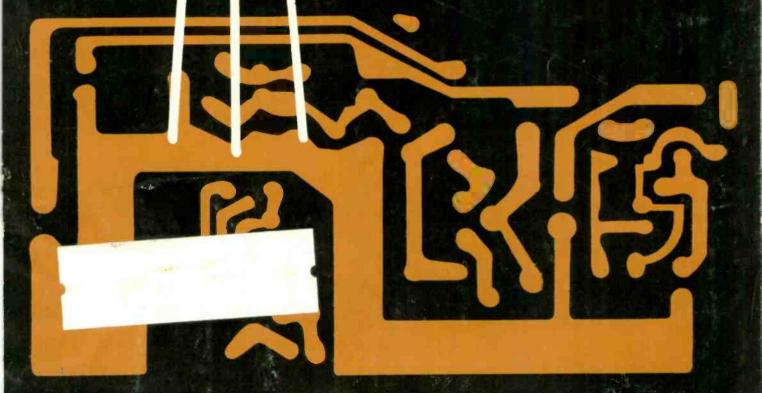
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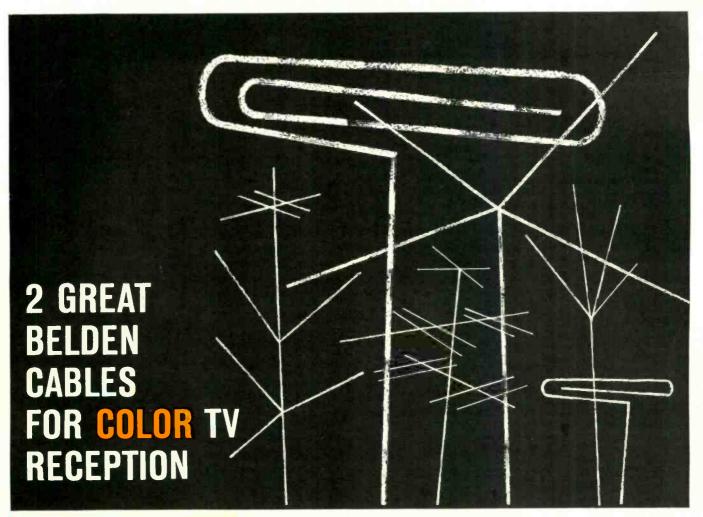
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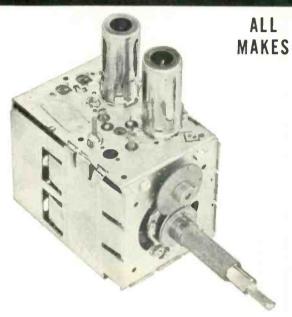
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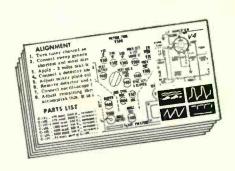
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By the time you finish reading this column a few times, you should be thoroughly familiar with the resistor color code—even if you never remembered a single color before! I am not going to discuss how to read the color bands. You should know that the first two bands are the significant figures, the third band is the decimal multiplier, and the fourth band is the tolerance.

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- a FOUR legged YELLOW dog
- an EIGHTY year old man has GRAY hair

Are you concentrating? Read the list over several times, and try to burn that mental picture into your memory. Can you see that white cat with nine lives howling on a fence? Just look at the six legs on that blue tail fly crawling up your arm. And so on.

Now close your eyes and try to repeat them all. Notice that the numbers are not given in order, because the important thing is to associate the mental

picture with the number.

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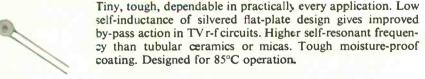
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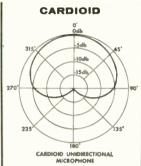


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Conton — Walkeradia, 1546 Fulton Rood, NW
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Cincinnati — Steinbergs, Inc., 633 Walnut Street
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Tulso—S & S Radio Supply, 537 South Kenosho

OREGON Pendleton—The Town Shop, 142 South Main

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Johnstown — Cambria Equipment, 17 Johns Street
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Pittsburgh—Comcor Electronics, Inc., 937 Liberty Ave.
Pittsburgh—Hamburg Brothers, 213 Golveston Avenue
Pittsburgh—Rodio Parts Co., Inc., 6401 Penn Avenue
Pittsburgh—South Hill Electronics, 1420 West Liberty
Pittsburgh—Tydings Electronics, Inc., 3337 Penn Avenue
Reading—George D. Barbey Co., 333 North Fourth St.

Wilkes Barre—Communications Engr., 41 N. Franklin Wilkes Barre—General Radio and Electronic Co., 396 South Main Street

SOUTH CAROLINA

Charleston—Radio Labs, 475-477 East Bay Street Columbio—Dixie Radio Supply Co., 1628 Laurel St. Florence—Southern Electronics, 355-65 North Irby St.

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TENNESSEE

Memphis—Hirsh Electronics, 1658 Union Avenue

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VERMONT

Burlington—Radia Service Lob, 703 Pine Street White River Junction—Electronics Supply, Inc.

IRGINIA

Darville — Womock Radia & Supply, 513 Wilson St.
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Norfolk — Cain Electronics, 14th and Monticello Avenue
Norfolk — Electronic Engineering, 4201 Hampton Blvd.
Norfolk — Priest Electronics, 6431 Tidewater Drive
Richmond — Rodio Supply Co., 3302 West Broad Street
Roamoke — H. C. Boker Sales Co., Ltd., 19 Franklin Road

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Seattle — Western Electronic Supply, 717 Dexter Ave.
Seattle — Seattle Radio Supply, 2117 2nd Avenue
Tacoma — C. & G. Electronics, 2502 Jefferson Avenue
Yakimo — Lay & Nord, 112 South Second Street

WEST VIRGINIA

Charleston—Electronic Specialties Compony, Deloware of Randolph Hurtington—Electronic Supply, Inc., 422 11th Street Wheeling—General Electronics Dist., 735 Main Street

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Appleton—Valley Radio Distributors, 518 N. Appleton
Madison—Satterfield Electronics, 1900 South Pork St.
Milwaukee—Allied Radio, 3314 N. Port Washington
Milwaukee—Toylor Electric, 4080 N. Port Washington
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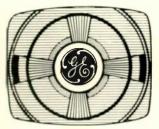
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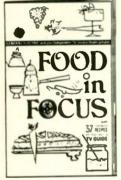


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G-E reporter, Roland Kempton, tells how September Tune-Up Spectacular

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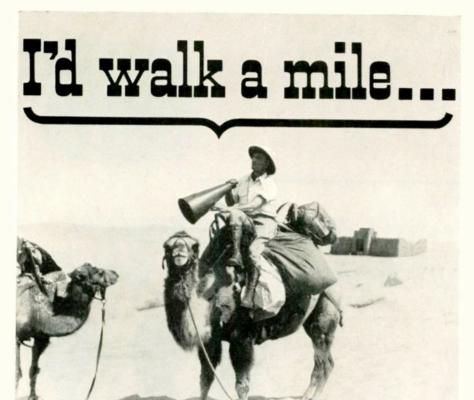
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for Centralab L&T Pad Attenuators



I'm not an ordinary camel—I'm a thinking man's camel—and I think highly of Centralab L & T Pad Attenuators.

These units work good—like an L&T Pad should—because of their small size, high wattage, and antibacklash construction. Measuring less than 1¾ deep from the mounting surface, and with 1¾ diameter, they fit into any standard junction or switch box with room to spare.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Battery Dies Quickly

Editor, ELECTRONIC TECHNICIAN:

I'm having trouble with a Japanese tube type portable radio...The "A" battery lasts only about four hours... Can you help me?

(Name Withheld on request) Inglewood, Calif.

• Current drain for a four tube portable of this type is about 200 ma. Insert an accurate milliammeter in series with the radio's "A" battery circuit (with a new battery in the set). Any drain greater than 200 ma will indicate leakage in filament circuits. A quick way to check this is to pull all tubes from the radio and disconnect the battery. The hot side of the filament connections should read a very high resistance to ground. Since the filaments in these tubes are also the cathodes, any decoupling or connections to the suppressor grids should be investigated.—Ed.

From Afar

Editor, ELECTRONIC TECHNICIAN:

We have read an issue of your ELECTRONIC TECHNICIAN Magaine and found the articles very interesting. Will you kindly advise us of subscription rates for this territory...

E. C. PADUA, JR.

Manila, Philippines

Phantom Model Corralled

Editor, ELECTRONIC TECHNICIAN:

I would like to apologize to Mr. R. J. deLaubell of G-E for stating the wrong model number on the G-E clock radio. He is correct, the model is C415, not F-22-100. The model numbers of two radios were confused hence the wrong number was given. I would like to say that we tried tape around the fishpaper holder but the holder sags in the middle and still drags. The method of repair stated in my shop hint works better.

HOMER L. DAVIDSON

Fort Dodge, Iowa

Japanese Transistor Radios

EDITOR, ELECTRONIC TECHNICIAN:

In the December, 1959 issue . . . you printed an article titled "Japanese Transistor Raido Guide" in which you listed a number of Japanese radios by brand name and the distributor of each brand. We are interested in a more up-to-date listing if it is available. . .

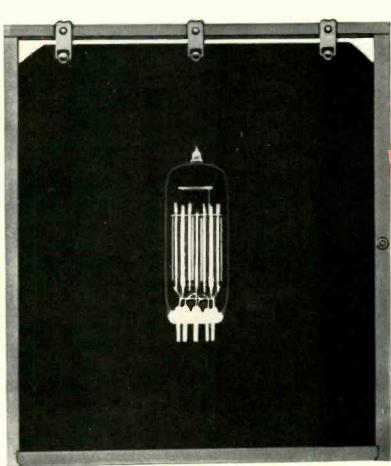
WALTER EVANS

Cincinnati, Ohio

• No sooner said than done. The latest Japanese radio listings, including brand names and distributors, appear in this issue.—Ed.

Controlled heater explains greater life expectancy of Tung-Sol series-string tubes

Prognosis—excellent! Examination of Tung-Sol series-string TV tubes reveals advanced design of heater and cathode structure, making possible controlled warm-up time. This explains the good health and longevity of Tung-Sol series-string tubes. Tung-Sol was a pioneer producer of 600 ma series-string tubes. But, not content merely to be among the first, Tung-Sol expanded this group to cover many applications and then added 450 and 300 ma series-string tubes for sets of more sophisticated circuitry. Time has proved Tung-Sol's diagnosis to be correct; the series-string principle radically improves tube life expectancy while retaining youthful vigor. Consultants on TV service agree that the family of Tung-Sol series-string tubes are far more immune to malfunctions of all kinds. Sets equipped with Tung-Sol series-string tubes require fewer visits and less hospitalization than sets with ordinary tubes.







To avoid sluggish customer attitude, low profit levels and other complications symptomatic of poor components selection, always rely on Tung-Sol. Choose from more than 100 Tung-Sol series-string tubes to fill your prescriptions.



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TUNINGIN

ANNUAL STEREO SALES ceased to rise in 1961, according to the EIA. The phenomenal rise of stereo started in 1958 when monophonic sales began to fall. Monophonic sales continued to fall through last year. A total drop of 534,705 phonographs was noted from 1960 to 1961. There were 3, 988, 680 phonographs of all types sold at factory outlets in 1961.

SOUND FREQUENCY COMBINATIONS forming "white noise" are being used to repel sharks. Tests conducted in shark-infested tropical waters with electronic equipment supplied by Solitron, show that the gentle "frying" noise can be amplified and projected through water over an effective radius of 400 yards. The equipment is controlled by a SCUBA diver in a sharkproof cage, who observes and films the effect of different white noise frequencies on sharks.

FOAM HOME



Space travelers of the future may have an easy chair and "igloo" similar to these which were formed from a new plastic foam material developed by Hughes Aircraft Co. for building light weight structures in space. Forms for the two structures were covered with thin discs that "sudsed" into a hardened mass after exposure to solar rays in a space chamber.

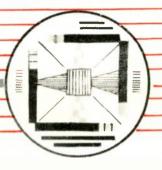


"Keep your bat a little higher-watch out for his knuckler."

TV AND RADIO workshop courses are being given for the 27th year by New York University's Division of General Education. The first six-week course was given in 1936. The rigorous, six-day-a-week schedule (minimum of 45 hours) includes training and instruction in TV production and direction, educational TV station programming and management, TV films, TV writing, and current concepts of radio programming. College students specializing in TV and radio, and men and women with experience in educational or commercial TV, study and personally operate each piece of studio equipment—including cameras, booms, lights, controls, film and slide projectors.

RADAR OVENS quickly thaw sub-zero fishing fleet catches prior to filleting and packing. Method may speed delivery of fresh fish as much as 24 hours. A specially-designed Raytheon Radarange oven has been adapted to assembly-line defrosting of frozen fish. The fish enter the deep-heating electronic device on a conveyor belt and emerge completely defrosted one minute later. Experiments are being conducted at Gloucester Technological Laboratory of the U. S. Bureau of Commercial Fisheries.

THE PICTURE



THE MIGHTY PIKE, the biggest little capacitor in the world, has been designed by the National Bureau of Standards. To be used primarily for determining the voltage ratio and phase angle corrections of instrument voltage transformers, the 1-pf capacitor is rated at 350,000 v. It was built in response to a request by the Ontario (Canada) Hydroelectric Power Commission for calibration of its 350,000 v instrument transformer. The capacitor will also serve for calibrating other instrument transformers up to 350,000 v for use as standards by public utilities and manufacturers.

ARMOUR RESEARCH FOUNDATION of Illinois Institute of Technology plans to expand its electronic data processing services with the addition of an IBM 7090 computer. "It will make the installation one of the most formidable data processing research facilities in the country," said Dr. Haldon A. Leedy, ARF director. The computer will be used for solving problems in connection with over 700 scientific research projects being carried out for both government and industry.

TRANSISTORIZED FISH ATTRACTORS are said to make it possible for any fisherman to dial a choice of bait. The device simulates the sounds of injured bait fish, minnows and insects. It was developed by elec-

IT FLOATS



A 2000 lb sports car and its attractive passenger literally floats on air to demonstrate the load capacity of a precision air bearing servorate turntable. A similar type, designed and built by Dunn Engineering Corp., will test the inertial guidance system of the Saturn rocket. The turntable rotor rests on a thin film of compressed air, instead of the conventional ball or roller bearings.

CALENDAR OF COMING EVENTS

August 14-16: International Conference on Precision Electromagnetic Measurements. PGI, NBS, IRE, AIEE. At NBS Boulder Labs., Boulder, Colo.

August 15-17: Third Electronic Packaging Symposium. University of Colorado Campus, Boulder, Colo.

August 21-24: WESCON, Western Electronics Show and Conference, Sports Arena, Los Angeles, Calif.

August 28-30: EIA Annual Maintainability Conference, University of Colorado, Boulder, Colo.

August 31- 1962 World's Fair of Music, McCormick Place, Sept. 9: Chicago, III.

tronic engineers to simulate underwater baitfish sounds. The battery powered instrument is claimed to attract various fresh and salt-water fish, including bass, trout, musky, bluegill, crappie, etc.

COMMUNITY ANTENNA SYSTEMS in 1000 areas in 45 states and the Virgin Islands made it possible for more than 3,000,000 more televiewers—one out of every 54 TV equipped homes—to observe Astronaut Glenn's history-making orbital flight, according to William Dalton, president of the National Community TV Association.

UNUSED TV CHANNELS on sets in motels, hotels, hospitals, schools and apartment houses, can now be employed to furnish a-m/f-m music. The First Electronics Corporation has developed a radio type package called MICRO/MITTER which eliminates the need for inter-wall wiring. The device may also be used to transmit closed circuit or educational TV to a number of TV sets.

VEHICULAR COMMUNICATIONS is expected to benefit through the 13th National Conference of the IRE VC Professional Group to be held in Anaheim, Calif., Dec. 6-7. Manufacturers and users are urged to take advantage of this opportunity to share their experiences in this rapidly expanding communications field by submitting papers on subjects covering vehicular systems and equipment designs. Discussions on new or unusual system techniques, applications of new types of components or related circuitry, interference reduction or spectrum utilization are invited. An abstract of 500 words is required for review by the Papers Committee. Abstracts should be mailed to William J. Weisz, Motorola, Inc., 4501 West Augusta Blvd., Chicago 51, Ill., by Aug. 15, 1962.

GENERAL ELECTRIC

TV Color Chassis "CW" Series-Production Change

In VHF tuners ET6X125, and ET86X128, the 6CWR4 is replaced by a 6DS4 tube. Installation of this new tube requires removal of the agc bleeder resistor. The agc bleeder resistor is R20 in the ET86X 125 tuner and R14 in ET86X128 tuner.

The dynamic convergence board, PW800 has also been turned around so that the controls face the rear of the receiver. "Touch-up" convergence adjustments can be accomplished without removing the set's back, by inserting a screwdriver or alignment tool through the holes in the back.

MAGNAVOX

Multiplex Adapter 70-01-10—Correcting Background Noise

Background noise which may be noticeable in some of these units is identified as a hiss or rumble. The trouble has been traced to modulation of the 38 kc carrier by atmospheric noise.

To correct this, R-24, which couples the 38 kc signal from L6 to the L-R detector should be changed from 33 k to 100 k. This change has been incorporated on units stamped 70-01-20.

MOTOROLA

TV Chassis TS-568 Code A-01-To reduce Vertical Frequency Drift

Vertical frequency drift caused by temperature change, can be corrected by changing the saw-tooth forming capacitor C-604 from 0.02 μ f tubular type to 0.02 μ f ceramic type.

PACKARD BELL

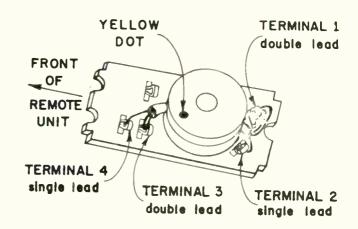
TV Chassis 88-13-Wrong Capacitor Installation

Service manual BC-95 correctly shows the value of C-79 as 100 v, 0.033 μ f. Some sets were built with a 600 v unit by mistake. Sets which are being repaired should be checked to determine if they are equipped with a 1000 v capacitor. If not, the existing capacitor should be replaced with a 1000 v unit.

RCA

Remote Control Unit-Lead breakage on Oscillator Coil

Extreme care should be exercised when servicing this unit to avoid breaking the oscillator coil leads.



RESISTANCE READINGS !-2 .5 ohms
OF OSCILLATOR COIL: !-3 .3 ohms
2-3 .8 ohms
3-4 34.0 ohms
2-4 34.8 ohms

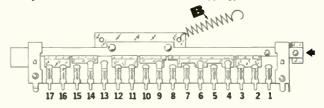
Remote Control Unit Oscillator Coil Used Should Be Wired As Shown.

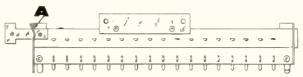
If breakage should occur, the accompanying diagram is supplied to facilitate rewiring the unit. If the leads are too short to make good soldered connections, the coil should be replaced. The resistance readings are average measurements taken with the collector terminal of Q2001 disconnected. The mounting board is supplied with new replacement coils.

WEBCOR

Tape Recorders Model 2202 and 2202-1A—Possible Switch Arm Breakage

To prevent possible switch arm breakage, the assembly should be modified as follows:



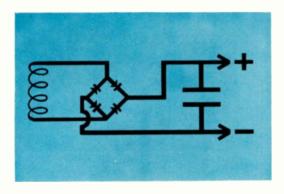


Modification to Webcor tape recorder switch prevents possibility of breakage.

P. O. Box 1558, Indianapolis 6, Indiana

Hints on Reducing Hum...







In high fidelity sound systems... and in many kinds of commercial and industrial electronic equipment... reduction of 60-cycle hum is one of the toughest problems that a technician has to tackle. Most hum comes from 60-cycle voltage sneaking into the signal circuit. There are, of course, many well-known precautions that should be observed... using shielded or coax cable between major components, keeping cables short especially in the low-level portion of the system, making sure connectors are tight. Here are some other thoughts that may be useful.

Power supplies in sound systems . . . hi-fi or commercial . . . generally operate at higher temperatures than those encountered in radio or TV. So it pays to be particular about filter capacitors. It pays to use electrolytics rated at 85° C. Those rated at only 65° C start to run into trouble. Then too, because of the added heat, the vent construction is important. In other words, "How good is the seal?" Our tip is to always use Mallory FP-WP electrolytics . . . voltage ratings are conservative and dependable . . . they have excellent stability at high temperature . . . and they all have etched cathode construction. This latter is extremely important in avoiding hum. We covered the reasons in a previous TIP (remember?).

Here's another source of hum . . . filament circuits. Many of the highest quality sound systems use a DC filament supply in the preamplifier. It's easy to add this refinement to any system. All you'll need is a Mallory FW-50 "packaged" silicon rectifier circuit. It's encapsulated in a tiny plastic block and takes up very little space. Simply connect the FW-50 to the circuit, add a WP-042 electrolytic and filament hum disappears permanently. If you want more specific information, write and ask us.

Another tip: call on your Mallory Franchised Distributor for prompt service, at sensible prices, on Mallory capacitors, switches, silicon rectifiers, controls, and batteries...and for any other parts you may need.

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- Convenient one-source buying . . . backed by V · M's national network of Service Centers.



The store display fixture is complete with literature dispenser and the "Silhouette 62" speaker feature posters. It actually displays nine V M component products!



'Stere-O-Matic'® 4-Speed Automatic Record Changer Model 1571 11" turntable.

Automatic Manual-Play, Extra-long, dynamically balanced, non-resonant Tone Arm. Diamond Needle. Shadowlite stylus pressure.



Changer Base Model 1438. For 'Stere-O-Matic'® Changers, Pre-wired receptacles.



Stereophonic High-Fidelity Component Amplifier Model 1428, 60 watts ratts per channel, Frequency

(peak); 30 watts per channel. Frequency response, 20-30,000 cps.



High-Fidelity FM Stereo.
FM, AM Component
Radio Tuner Model 1465.



Precision-Built AC Stereo Amplifier Model 1448. 40 watts (peak); 20

1448. 40 watts (peak); 20 watts per channel. Frequency response, 40-25.000 cps.



"Silhouette 62" High-Fidelity Component Speaker System. Three speakers: 10" woofer, 6"

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High-Fidelity Component Speaker Model 32. Three speakers: Two

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TV MANUFACTURERS TECHNICAL DIGEST

- 1. Bend switch mounting frame as shown in A of the accompanying drawing.
- 2. With switch arm fully retracted, apply thumb pressure to the wiper arm as shown by arrow. This will position the bend in the mounting frame.
- 3. With the switch arm fully retracted, check for continuity between contracts 6 and 7. If continuity is found, relieve bend in mounting frame until there is no continuity.
- 4. Replace switch spring (B) with new spring No. 46P609. The replacement spring will be colored red to facilitate identification between new and old springs.

SYLVANIA

Code CO3 Revision—To Incorporate Latest Circuits

- 1. Remove C-411, 0.0047 Capacitor.
- Plate-horizontal afc, PP400, changed to PP400 Sylvania part No. 190-0062.
- 3. Plate-horizontal oscillator, PP402, changed to PP402-1. Sylvania part No. 190-0061.
- 4. Change R-410, 10k to R-401-1, 3.9k.
- 5. Change R-414, 1k to R-414-1, 1.2k.

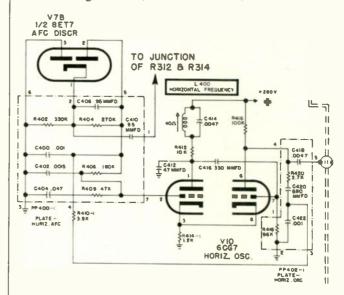
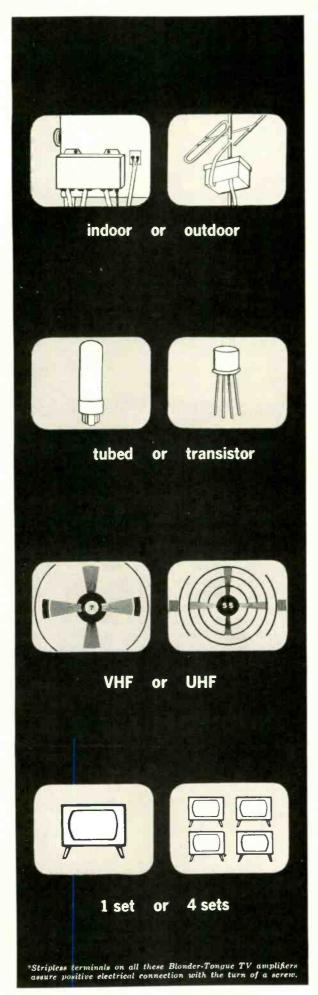


Diagram Shows Latest Changes for Sylvania Chassis, code CO3.

ZENITH

16H28 Chassis—Reject Switch

If adjacent channel interference is experienced in these chassis, a switch located at the rear of the chassis can be turned on to eliminate it. The switch is on the "out" position when the set is shipped from the factory. When maximum picture detail is needed and adjacent channel interference is not a problem, the switch should be left in the "out" or open position. In the open position, the 47.25 mc sound trap is removed from the circuit giving the i-f a wider pass band.



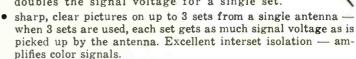
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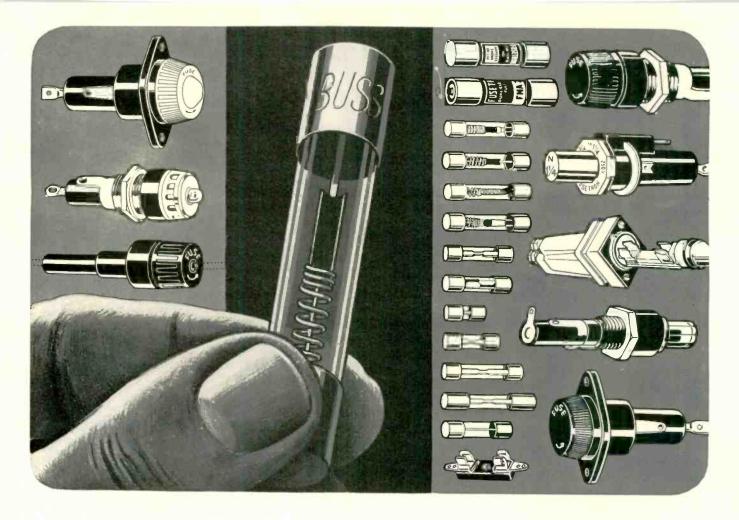


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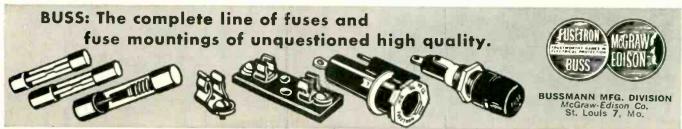
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- EMPIRE SCIENTIFIC CORP. is conducting a "life-span contest" on its 880p mono/stereo cartridge and will announce the actual duration of the test soon.
- FANON-MASCO adds a new a-m/f-m home radio-intercom, Model 5500, to its line.
- FIDELITONE appoints Nation Wide Walker Jimieson, Inc., as an exclusive electronic parts distributor for Fidelitone products. Nation Wide has outlets in the Chicago Metropolitan area, Gary, Hammond and surrounding cities.
- FISHER RADIO CORP. appoints Paul E. Bryant, formerly with Hoffman Electronics Corp., as General Sales Manager.
- GOTHAM AUDIO CORP. control passes to Stephan F. Temmer as he acquires all of the outstanding stock interest formerly held by Hal Michael.

- HARMAN-KARDON reports a new series of popular-priced tuner and amplifier kits. The new series consists of the Model A50K, a 50 w integrated stereo amplifier; the Model A30K, a 30 w integrated stereo amplifier, and the Model F50XK F-M stereo (multiplex) tuner.
- HARTLEY PRODUCTS introduces its first 12 in. speaker, the Model 312, with a cast aluminum frame, a 534 lb Alcomax II magnet with 16,000 lines sq/cm. Impedance is 8 ohms and frequency response is 20-20,000 cps. In oil rubbed walnut enclosure \$155 in walnut \$215.
- H. H. SCOTT offers an all-silicon solid state high power amplifier providing 300 w of continuous power from 20-25,000 cps. Known as type 255, the unit lists for \$2,800.
- JENSEN INDUSTRIES announced that a survey indicates a total of 68 percent of all dealers now stock and sell the company's needles.
- **KEUFFEL & ESSER** announces formation of an audiovisual division. The company will market its products through a national network of audiovisual distribution outlets.
- I.AFAYETTE unveils a 2 speed 4-track stereo playback which is reported to have a rugged positive action lever control mechanism for play, fast forward and rewind. Suggested retail \$89.50.
- LANGEVIN announces a new compressor limiter designed for recording, background music applications and TV-broadcast use. The compressor-limiter, Model AM-5301, has 100 microsecond attack time with a compression ratio continuously variable up to 5 to 1.





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Keeping Service Independent

A number of TV-appliance retailers, particularly some of the larger outlets, have found servicing to be somewhat unprofitable. When a retailer decides to have someone else do his servicing for him, he has his choice of working with an independent service company, or in some areas with factory central service.

The National Appliance and Radio-TV Dealers Association has become sufficiently concerned with the problem as to pass a resolution which reads in part: "Be it resolved that independent appliance radio-TV dealers be urged to establish efficient servicing departments, either owned by them or controlled by them, so that the service rendered becomes their responsibility, for failing to accept this responsibility removes one of the main reasons for their continued existence."

NARDA's point should be well taken. Where a dealer is reluctant to carry the responsibility of service, his role in the economic channel rom manufacturer to consumer is greatly reduced. Greater reliance on factory central service means that the independent dealer becomes little more than a merchandise outlet.

However, we assume that the NARDA leadership is realistic enough to recognize that a resolution does not carry the weight of economic necessity. When a retailer decides that service is an unprofitable expense which he cannot absorb in his overhead, it is difficult for this dealer to recognize that in the long run failure to give service is diminishing his role in the industry.

Our view is that retailers should have their own service department if they are able to render good service. But where a retailer decides against it, he should set up an arrangement with an independent service company. There are many good reasons for this. A working relationship with a service company which is not heavily engaged in TV-appliance sales can bring

TV Leads Telephone

If anyone has any doubts about the popularity of TV (you would have to be a hermit living in a cave), just listen to what the Census Bureau reports. Back in 1950, only five million households had TV. In 1960, TV households jumped to 46 million, out of a total of 53 million households in the country. This means that there are 4 million more households which have TV than the 42 million households which have telephones in or near their houses or apartments.

Lest we forget, that still small voice of radio beats out them all. Some 48,500,000 households in the country have one or more radios, says the Census Bureau.

referrals to the appliance retailer. Furthermore, the independent service company is frequently well known in the community, and the owner will often have many personal contacts with customers. A small independent is usually willing to go out of his way to accommodate a retail store which sends him business, while central service is less flexible and more impersonal.

Still another point is that factory central service is frequently more expensive than an independent service. A customer who realizes that he paid more for a repair by going to the dealer from whom he purchased the television set, for example, may build up enough resentment to take his next purchase elsewhere. Yes, independent service has many advantages.

Just as the man who built a better mouse trap should not expect people to beat a path to his door, independent service companies should not sit back and expect retail-only stores to come flocking to them. Get out and sell these merchandisers on the advantages of tying up with your service operation. Don't hide your light under a barrel.

Satellite TV Broadcasting

At this writing, Congress is considering a plan to establish a world-wide network for broadcasting television. This global communication system would utilize satellites in orbit to reflect signals from the transmitter to distant locations.

An example of what such a system can do was a demonstration on April 24th and 26th, this year. Under Air Force sponsorship, Massachusetts Institute of Technology transmitted a TV picture from California to Massachusetts, over 2700 miles away.

The signals went 1000 miles up to Echo I, the orbiting balloon which has been in space for two years. These signals were reflected to earth, traveiling close to 4000 miles to make the 2700-mile jump.

The TV pictures were of poor quality because the received signals were weak. This is due to the fact that Echo I has passed its expected life in orbit, has become partially deflated and wrinkled. The result is a 50% reduction in reflection capabilities. Also, the 100-foot diameter balloon does not hold to its course as well as the heavy satellites, and so its orbit cannot be predicted accurately more than a few hours in advance.

For the TV technician, a new era of broadcasting is in the offing. At the same time, there may very well be new problems in terms of reception requirements, transmission schedules and interference. We will keep you posted on new developments.



Rapid trouble symptom diagnosis by visual inspections, proper voltage and current checks, is key to profitable repair

Making MONEY On Transistor







by Ben Allen

■ Transistor radio servicing can make the difference between lingering failure or a profitable business. In many areas too, transistor radio servicing, including battery replacements, can compensate for seasonal slumps in regular TV service income.

Many TV-radio service technicians repair as few transistor radios as possible. They probably do not realize that regular TV service business can be lost by allowing competitors to service the transistor radios. Many customers feel that the technician who is too busy (or cannot) repair a transistor radio will not do a good TV repair job. Hence, they frequently take all of their business elsewhere. Moreover, technicians who repair transistor radios are obtaining vital technical

experience required for successfully troubleshooting new transistor TVs which are now appearing in rapidly increasing numbers.

The key to profitable transistor repairs, of course, is rapid service. This is frequently easier said than done. But if the radio cannot be repaired quickly, time is wasted and a profitable service charge may be too near the cost of a new radio. Rapid service is easily possible if you know all the "tricks" involved.

New Techniques

Methods used in servicing vacuum tube radios are not directly applicable to transistor radios. Although similar tests are used and circuit principles are the same, we already know that circuit operation is based on *current* principles instead of the familiar *voltage* characteristics of vacuum tubes. Therefore, methods of applying these tests are not the same.

"Rough" voltage checks will usually help the experienced technician pinpoint trouble in tube sets but a careful analysis of each voltage is required in transistorized radios. This is true primarily because smaller variations have a greater effect on operation since small signal and bias voltages are used in transistor circuits. One d-c volt, for example, in tube circuits may often be only 5 percent of the signal voltage. But 1v in transistor circuitry

can exceed the entire signal voltage.

Since voltages requiring accurate measurements in transistor radios are usually only a fraction of a volt to about 5 v, a VTVM with an accurate low voltage scale is an absolute necessity. Although a 20,000 ohm/v meter will not upset the circuit in some cases, when in doubt, use a VTVM.

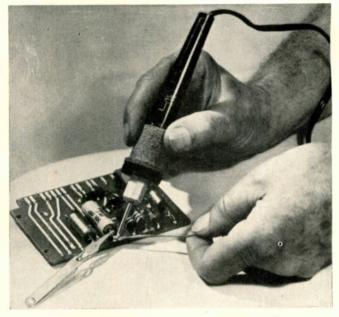
Servicing Procedure

A simple check which frequently uncovers more faults than any other, is a thorough visual inspection. Small portables generally receive more abuse than other types of equipment and consequently have a high rate of mechanical failures. Breaks in the PC boards, broken components, (including i-f transformers) and corrosion from a leaky battery or from salt spray or other corrosive liquids and fumes, are only a few causes of failure.

After a preliminary visual check, the battery should be changed. A weak battery can cause a large number of symptoms which may seem highly improbable on first consideration. Change or check the battery to eliminate this trouble symptom. If the set still does not work, leave the new battery connected to the set (if there are no shorts in the set) or use a well regulated power supply for further testing.

The radio will probably need to be removed from its case at this Heat sink is used to prevent damage to heat sensitive components used in transistor circuitry.

Radio Repairs



point. This is the time to make a more complete visual inspection. Resistors are seldom damaged in transistor radios since the power involved is limited. Don't wait till the last check, however, to test resistors—they do fail. Some manufacturers use low wattage resistors in low resistance emitter circuits which change value easily.

A check of the total current drain from the power supply should also be made at this time. Manufacturers' literature usually gives this information for no volume and for a specified output. Radios with class B output will draw considerably more current when operating at an increased volume than at little or no volume. The easiest way to check the current drain is simply to connect a milliammeter across the off-on switch with the set turned off. The meter completes the power circuit, and no wires have to be disconnected. This should be the first check if a customer complains of short battery life.

Shortened battery life will also be encountered when the radio refuses to operate on a lower than normal voltage. As the battery ages, its voltage under load decreases and causes the radio to stop operation prematurely. Poor operation at low voltage can be checked by inserting a 500Ω rheostat in series with the battery.

A voltmeter is then placed across the supply terminals at the radio.

Many radios are built so that batteries can be installed with reverse polarity. Transistors may be destroyed if the radio is turned on with the battery polarity reversed.



By turning the rheostat till the radio stops operating, the cut-off point can be measured with the voltmeter.

Most well-designed transistor radios will operate with battery voltages near 70 percent of full rated voltage load. In no case should the radio fail to operate with less than 80 percent of rated battery voltage under load. The radio's converter stage is usually at fault when a newbattery or maximum voltage is required to make the radio operate. A new converter transistor often cures the trouble.

If the cause of a malfunction cannot be located after battery substitution and a complete visual check, a more sophisticated approach will be necessary to solve the problem. Signal injection or signal tracing will be necessary to isolate the defective stage, and a VOM or VTVM may be used to locate the faulty component.

Troubleshooting

Technicians usually have pet procedures for troubleshooting vacuum tube radios; signal tracing or signal injection may be used. In either case, a capacitor should be placed in series with the test probe to eliminate the possibility of upsetting the circuit's d-c balance. In addition, a resistor—about 10K or so—should be connected in series with the test lead to prevent disrupting the circuit's a-c balance.

Injection and tracing techniques are similar to those used with tube receivers with test points being the base, collector and in some instances the transistor emitter.



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It will usually be of great value if the manufacturer's literature is available giving the voltages and resistances at various points in the set. When the defective stage is located, voltage checks will be found out-of-tolerance at one or more of the transistor elements in that stage.

Demonstrator designed by Motorola to be used with a booklet in their transistor radio troubleshooting program.

Biasing components, shorted and open components must be all taken into consideration in trying to deduce the fault.

Symptoms which are similar to those found in vacuum tube receivers are also found in transistor radios. Moreover, these symptoms are often caused by similar faults. Distortion, for example, is usually associated with the output stage. This is generally caused by faulty biasing or defective coupling in both vacuum tube and transistor radios.

After a tranistor is replaced the radio may need realignment. Parameter variations from one transistor to another are generally greater than those in vacuum tubes and substitutions in r-f or i-f stages will often cause "whistles" until the set is realigned or neutralized.

When a "whistling" radio is brought in and alignment is not the

cure, a careful check may reveal a neutralizing capacitor which is open or reduced in value. Similarly, a new transistor may cause a radio to develop whistles as previously mentioned. Experimentation is usually the best method to find the correct value for a new or replacement neutralizing capacitor. These capacitors may range in value from 2 to 70 pf. A good quality replacement should always be used. Low battery voltage will cause similar oscillations. Check the battery first!

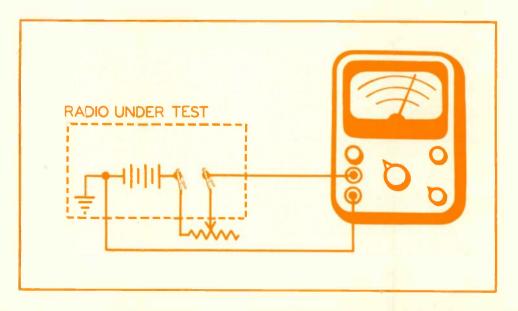
Precautions

Transistors are actually more rugged mechanically, than vacuum tubes. There are certain precautions, however, that should be observed to avoid damage to the transistor which would not occur under similar circumstances with a vacuum tube.

Leads of transistors are their most fragile parts. If these leads are bent several times without considering the point of stress, they may break off at the point of entry into the transistor case. Of course, transistors cannot be repaired when this happens.

Exercise care to keep test equipment voltage surges off transistors while making tests. Any test equipment leakage into the transistor

Minimum operating voltage can be checked quickly by connecting a 500 ohm rheostat in series with the battery. Connect the rheostat in one side of the battery line or across the on-off switch. The rheostat is adjusted until the radio stops operating; minimum operating voltage is then found by measuring with a VOM.



could prove fatal to the transistor. Soldering iron tips should be connected to an earth ground. Though an iron may exhibit excellent resistance to line leakage when cold, when heated, the leakage may be high enough to damage all but the toughest transistors.

Careless haywire set-ups can also prolong service time and result in transistor damage, particularly to audio output circuits. If the bias is temporarily removed from a transistor, for example, increased conduction through the output stage builds up a field in the output transformer. When bias is restored the collapsing field can cause a damaging surge. Similarly, if the battery connections are reversed, all transistors conduct heavily. If the transistors are not damaged by heavy conduction, when the battery is removed, collapsing fields in transformers may damage them.

When a bad transistor is found, the associated circuits should be carefully tested before replacing it. Since transistors are hardy, failures are likely to be caused by another component break-down in the circuit. Installing a new transistor at the wrong time will only decrease your profit margin by the price of one transistor and your wasted time.

Be sure to use a heat sink when

soldering transistor lead connections. A pair of needle-nose pliers or a special heat-sink clip should be used on the lead between the iron and the transistor.

Many technicians use "finger injection" in vacuum tube radios quite successfully. Indications are that the no-shock-hazard low voltages in transistor circuitry make this an even more desirable technique for transistors. A word of warning, however. Some low level stages in amplifier circuits can actually develop a large enough surge from this method to cause failure of the output transistors. Static charges built up on the body can also cause breakdown of transistors at the point of injection. If you've been moving around the shop and must touch the circuitry, touch a good ground first. This will remove the charge from your body. Always use leak-free, well grounded test equipment when probing or testing transistor circuits.

Damage can also result from poor testing methods. If a transistor tester is not available, an ohmmeter may be used; the transistor can be tested as two diodes back-to-back. The meter you use for this test should be checked to insure that battery voltages and series resistance of the meter will not exceed the voltage and current ratings of

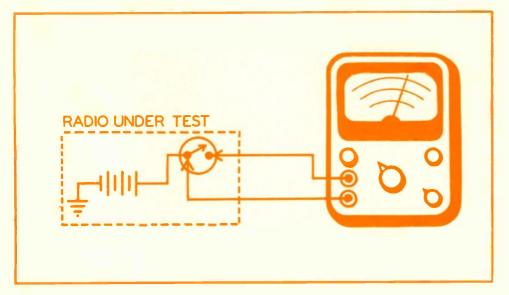
the transistor being tested. This is particularly important when testing base and emitter parameters.

Shop-Side Manner

Much has been said about technicians' manners in the customer's home, but little about shop attitudes. These are particularly important when the customer brings in his radio for a quick repair.

You can easily lose a future radio or TV customer when you "stumble" with an unfamiliar set. The large number of different imports, as well as the many varieties of domestic radios, make it difficult for technicians to be instantly familiar with all radios (there are over 1000 different kinds). Don't examine a set as if you've never seen one-whether you have or not! Take the radio to a private area of the workshop and figure out how the case opens.

If you're not thoroughly sure about the set don't work on it in the customer's presence. If the battery is not at fault, it may be better if you requested the customer to leave the radio for a thorough check. It's easier than you think for a customer to sense that you are puzzled. And he may jump to the erroneous conclusion that you do not know your business.



Current drain can be measured without breaking battery connections by inserting a milliammeter across the on-off switch with the set turned off.

Fig. 2 (A) — Schematic of a bias box for TV alignments to clamp the agc. (B) — Line an attenuator can be used to reduce signals to usable amplitude for r-f alignment. The network must be entirely shielded to prevent radiation pickup.

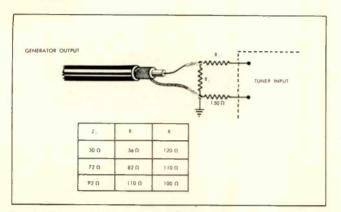
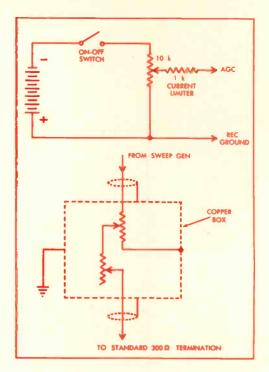


Fig. 1 — Network to terminate sweep generator output to 300 ohm input at the tuner. Zo is equal to the generator impedance. The inset chart shows network values for three common generator impedances.



Easy-to-understand alignment procedures for turret and wafer type tuners

TV R-F

Many TVs have been scrapped after a "do-it-yourselfer" opened the tuner and "worked" on it. Some technicians shudder at the thought of more than an oscillator slug adjustment. When faced with an r-f alignment they inform the customer that the TV isn't worth the repair expense.

This attitude is usually not well founded, since r-f alignments are as simple as i-f alignments although sometimes more lengthy. Manufacturers' instructions are usually complete in detailing proper frequencies and test points. But they naturally assume that the technician is experienced in alignment procedures. Those who haven't had an opportunity to gain this experience can't be expected to do an r-f alignment. The technician must also recognize trouble symptoms caused by faulty alignment, and confirm it through alignment checks.

Alignment

A long list of trouble symptoms can be associated with the r-f section which could also originate in other areas. Some of these symptoms include: Distorted sound, degraded picture quality, multiple images, poor sync, smear, ringing and picture overload. Multiple images caused by misalignment appear to be ghosts but moved by varying the fine tuning control. R-F overload is caused by over-peaked signals and appears the same as an exceptionally strong signal would on a properly aligned set. Of course, when these symptoms appear, we do not immediately align the tuner.

Tube substitution should always be the first step, keeping in mind that different inter-electrode capacitances in tubes may require readjustment of the fine tuning control or the tuner's oscillator slugs may need touching up after a tube is replaced.

Although a snowy picture almost always points to a fault in the tuner, possibility of trouble in the i-f section should be considered at this point. The quickest way to isolate the fault to i-f or r-f components is to inject a substitute video signal at the i-f input. Signal injection can be accomplished with a regular video test generator or a signal can be "borrowed" from another TV set on the bench. Some shops use an old TV set for this purpose. If a signal is taken from an old TV set, however, the i-f frequency must be the same.

If the picture is good when a signal is injected at the i-f input, the tuner may be at fault. But suspicion must also be directed at the transmitting station or to the set's antenna.

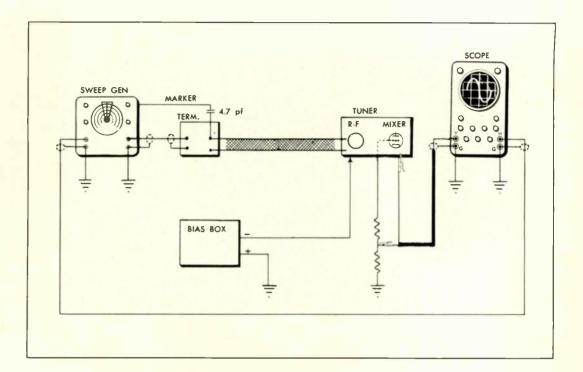


Fig. 3 — Test equipment setup for an r-f response check. All leads must be kept as short as possible and equipment must be well grounded. Most tuners have a scope test point.

Alignment Techniques

by Enrique Shaw-Galvez

No effort should be made to align sets unnecessarily. If a good picture can be brought in on all channels by adjusting the fine tuning control, then the set does not require r-f alignment and no alignment should be attempted.

When the trouble has been definitely isolated to the tuner and tube "tapping," tube substitution, visual inspection, and voltage measurements do not uncover a fault, then alignment is in order.

Equipment and Setup

Test equipment used for r-f alignments is basically the same as that used for i-f alignments. A good stable marker generator is a necessity; the sweep generator must be capable of covering the wide r-f pass-band — about 10 mc — with no more than 5% tilt.

It will be necessary to use a ter-

mination box from the sweep generator output to the TV set's tuner input to match and balance the two impedances. Proper resistance values to match 50, 72, and 92 ohm generators to the tuner's 300 ohm input are shown in Fig. 1. The terminating hookup is also shown in Fig. 1.

Signal output amplitudes of many generators in use today are often too high for r-f alignment purposes. A simple attenuator can be rigged as shown in Fig. 2 which will give a variable output at proper levels.

To align all receivers, you will need an assortment of alignment tools. Several companies make various types of alignment tools. The choice of a type is largely a personal matter. For tuner alignments, the best are probably plastic with hard metal blade tips. Some tuners use traps and oscillator slugs that

require a hex-head tool which should be made from a non-magnetic material.

An r-f response check equipment setup is shown in Fig. 3. The sweep generator output and marker inputs should be fed into the tuner antenna terminals through a proper matching network. Set the generator to sweep 10 mc on channel 13 for wafer or disc type tuners and to channel 12 for standard coil types. The marker frequencies should be set at the video and sound carrier frequencies. The frequencies for all 13 channels are shown in Table 1. As each channel is aligned, the next lower channel will be checked. Connect a bias box to the tuner age line and adjust to 1.5v or to the voltage specified by the set's manufacturer

Most tuners have a built-in scope test point for r-f alignment. If the tuner you are working on does not

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(5) ALL CHANNEL TRACKING

Fig. 4 — Adjustments for the Standard Coil tuner showing the proper alignment sequence. Tube shields should be installed during the alignment process.

have such a test point, connect the scope's vertical input to the center of the grid network on the mixer stage. In either case, use a 10K resistor in series with the scope lead. Keep the generator and marker inputs as low as possible. Excessive signal injection tends to distort the response curve.

The first i-f must be disabled before the scope waveform will be meaningful. In parallel heater sets, the first i-f tube can be removed and the grid resistor shunted with a 100Ω resistor. Series string sets are most easily disabled by shunting the first i-f grid with a 0.005 μf capacitor. The primary of the mixer/output coil should be detuned to prevent "kickback."

Alignment

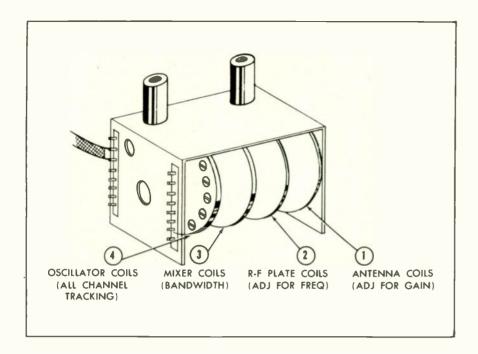
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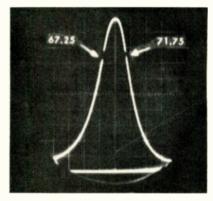
ment must now be considered to determine the location and sequence of the adjustments. Fig. 4 illustrates a Standard Coil tuner showing adjustments with alignment steps numbered. Adjustments are made in this order on channel 12 except for "all channel" adjustments, which are set for the best compromise between the other channels or for each channel.

A wafer type tuner is shown in Fig. 5 with the description of each wafer. Each adjustment is made in the order described for the standard coil tuner: Antenna, r-f plate coil, mixer and oscillator. These adjustments must be made, however, by flexing the coils (closing, opening turns or moving single turn coils in relation to wafer), for each particular channel. An invaluable time saving tool for aligning this type tuner is the tuning wand.

A tuning wand is a plastic pencil-shaped rod with a piece of ferrite in one end and a brass slug in the other. When the ferrite end is brought near a coil and the response becomes more nearly perfect, the inductance should be increased, so the coil's turns should be pressed closer together. The brass tip has an opposite effect. When neither end has a desirable effect, the coil is properly tuned and should not be adjusted. Without a tuning wand, trial and error must be used. Very small high frequency coils are adjusted by moving the coil nearer or further from the mounting wafer.

In any type tuner, except when the manufacturer gives other instructions, the r-f output curve should be as high and narrow as set design permits while maintaining good symmetry. After the r-f





Typical r-f response taken from a properly aligned tuner on channel four. Note the symmetry of the waveform.

Fig. 5 — Wafer type tuners are aligned in the same way as turret types. Coils for each channel are aligned in the order shown.

Alignment

coils have been adjusted, the mixer adjustments should be made. If the i-f has been previously adjusted, the scope can be connected to the detector load. Two adjustments are normally found in the mixer circuit. They should be varied for maximum amplitude and greatest symmetry.

Tuner oscillator adjustments are the simplest to be made. Although a signal generator can be used, the easiest method is with a broadcast signal. The oscillator adjustment slugs can be tuned without removing the tuner from the chassis in most sets. Access holes are located in the front side of the tuner to allow the technician to make adjustments with a long alignment tool. Some of these slugs are slotted, while others have hex' type heads. A non-magnetic tool should always be used for this adjustment.

The oscillator slug should be varied for best picture and sound on each channel. Be sure the fine tuning is centered before making this adjustment.

Service Tips

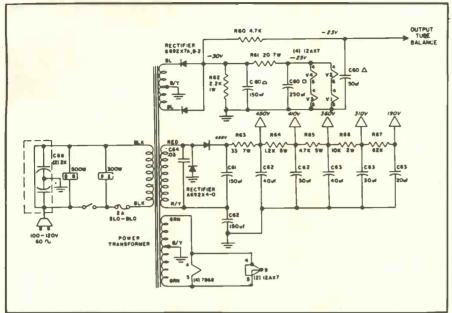
After returning an aligned set to a customer, you may receive a call back. For example, a drifting oscillator. If a drifting oscillator tempts you to realign the tuner, change the negative temperature coefficient capacitors first. These NTC units are frequently at fault and often necessitate tuner realignment anyway after their replacement

Frequent burn-out of the mixer tube may also indicate a fault which causes operation similar to poor alignment symptoms. Before you tackle this job, check the mixer grid circuit resistor values very carefully. They are often the cause of frequent mixer tube burn-out and their replacement sometimes necessitates alignment.

Problems encountered in tuner alignments are almost invariably caused by faulty connections, or improper setting of the test equipment. Extreme care should be taken with every step of the alignment to eliminate these errors. The entire hookup should be accomplished with short coaxial leads.

Most professional alignment specialists use a tuner jig to hold tuners and simplify alignments. The jigs generally incorporate agc, B+, filament, and termination networks.

Alignment of the tuner should always be accomplished with the tube shields installed. The same principles for alignment are used for transistor and nuvistor tuners.



Power supply used in a Sherwood amplifier uses d-c to supply filament voltage for low level stages. Heavy filtering is used for both B+ and filament voltages. A small d-c voltage is also used in a balance circuit for the output tubes.



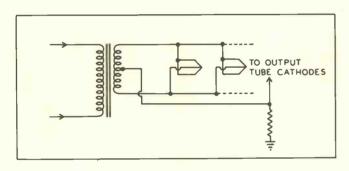


Fig. 1—Coupling of a-c between the filaments and cathodes of low level stages is greatly reduced by elevating the filaments with a positive d-c voltage. Often the d-c is supplied by the cathode voltage on the output tubes.

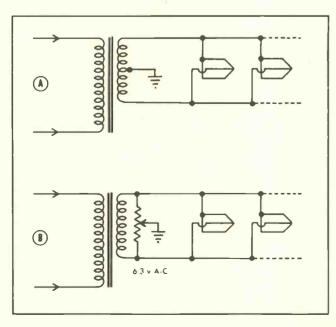


Fig. 2 (A)-Standard method of minimizing hum in low level heater circuits. -A transformer without a center tap can be effectively center tapped with a potentiometer. This method has the advantage of being adjustable for a more precise balance.

High fidelity reproduction can be deteriorated by a number of factors. Audible hum is perhaps the easiest of these factors to detect, locate and correct. Distortion, poor transient response and others all require a trained listener or elaborate test equipment to detect. Yet methods used to reduce hum are still unknown to many technicians.

Hum can originate in several areas of a Hi-Fi system, though the most offending area is in low levelhigh gain preamplifier stages. Unbalance in the output or inverter stages, as well as ground loops within the amplifier and between the units are also common causes of excessive hum.

Inherently poor design must be considered when trying to track down hum, though a conscientious effort to minimize hum has been made by amplifier manufacturers for several years. More often, the cause can be traced to aging components which have caused amplifier unbalance or increased ripple in the B+. Also, minor repairs made with parts chosen or installed indiscriminately can increase hum many fold. "Component" systems may have excessive hum because of ground loops in inter-connecting wires which carry small audio signals. Hum is induced into these signals from potential differences between units.

Solve ground loop, faulty capacitor, capacitive and inductive hum problems with practical troubleshooting methods

The oscilloscope can also be used to detect the source of certain hum by its frequency. Hum which is introduced from the power supply will have a higher frequency than hum picked up from the filament circuits. Power supply hum is usually 120 cps, or the second harmonic of the line, while a-c filaments use the line frequency. Other rectifiers could cause ripple at the third or fourth harmonic of the line.

ing Hi-Fi Equipment Hum 64 L. V. Winston

Locating Hum Sources

Localizing the hum to a particular section of the Hi-Fi system should be the first step in tracing its source. Hum is most prevalent in amplifiers where small signal voltages pick up a-c from the power supply or through multiple ground connections, (ground loops). A larger amount of hum is usually more noticeable when the selector or function switch is in the "magnetic" or "phono" position where there is greater over-all gain. The selector switch should be turned to all of its positions and the amount of hum should be noted on each. If the hum does not change appreciably, it is probably being introduced in the stages following the preamp.

Since hum can originate in other areas of the system, a method to definitely localize the faulty area must be used. Shorting all inputs to ground directly at the amplifier input jacks is the quickest and surest way to accomplish this. The resultant hum can be quantitatively measured on a VOM set to the proper a-c scale and connected to the speaker terminals. If no speaker is used, a load should be placed across the output transformer.

To introduce the largest amount of hum—which will allow you to better judge corrective measures—the volume and bass controls should

be boosted to maximum. If the amplifier has a rumble filter, it should be turned off.

Isolation of amplifier stages can be achieved by shorting each stage with a wire loop between the grid and cathode. For example, if a short across the voltage amplifier gridcathode reduces the hum content to a large extent, all stages beyond this point-toward the output-are no longer suspects. Of course, all stages have an inherent amount of hum. Hence, during these shorting tests. slight reductions in hum will be noted even in properly operating equipment. And since front-end stages contain signals which will be amplified a great deal more, hum is most likely to be picked up there.

Additionally, it should be noted that small amounts of hum in each stage of the amplifier can cumulatively become an over-powering amount of hum at the speaker. This problem is almost always caused by weak filter capacitors. Although the ripple from electrolytics can be quite easily measured with an oscilloscope, manufacturers seldom release any information giving the maximum allowable ripple content. The surest method is to replace each filter with one known to be good and of the proper value. On old amplifiers, all of the filters may need to be replaced before an acceptable hum level is obtained.

Heater Problems

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Many preamplifiers now use d-c filament supplies in low level stages. Poor filters in these supplies may go unnoticed until they are almost open. Substitution of the filters while observing the ripple on a scope is one quick way to determine their condition. Other methods of reducing hum pickup in low-level stages include elevating the filament supply to some positive potential between 10 v and 50 v (Fig. 1); and several filament balancing techniques.

A positive voltage applied to a center tap on the filament transformer does not permit the flow of electrons from the heater to the cathode. Thus, eliminating most of the hum which is impressed on the cathode from the a-c filament supply.

A less expensive and somewhat less effective method of preventing hum pickup from the filaments is shown in Fig. 2. The grounded center tap on the filament transformer prevents the d-c potential of the transformer from floating and balances each half of the filament conduction with respect to ground. Filament transformers which do not have a center tap can be effectively center tapped and balanced with a potentiometer or two resistors.

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Once again ELECTRONIC TECHNICIAN Magazine has rounded up the names and addresses of Japanese transistor radio importers and distributors. The list is up-to-date and should help technicians locate schematics, component replacement sources, and otherwise unavailable information.

Troubleshooting pocket receivers can be trying at times. The work is usually accomplished without the aid of a schematic because the actual importer's name and address cannot be located.

Brand names and addresses of importers and distributors are listed. One list gives brand names in alphabetical order with a code number. The second list gives addresses of the importer or distributors in code number order.

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Low wattage iron equipped with slotted desoldering tip may be used to remove capacitor from printed circuit board. Iron at left is equipped with bar type desoldering tip.



ENDECO's desoldering and resoldering iron removes molten solder by vacuum pickup.



Oneida's desoldering attachment for guns can lift solder into a porcelain bowl when bulb is squeezed a few times.

by Don Henderson

Tools For Transistorized

Speed up transistorized circuit component desoldering and replacement by using proper iron tips, suction solder removers, and other specially designed tools

■ No array of fancy tools or testers alone can help technicians make money repairing transistorized radio and TV equipment. Something more is needed. This prerequisite is a thorough knowledge of transistorized circuitry and the techniques of "bread-and-butter" servicing. Still, without time-saving tools, even a "cracker-jack" technician can starve to death while attempting to service transistorized equipment.

Electronic measuring instruments are needed for testing transistors, batteries and other circuit components. And practical hand tools are also essential for quickly removing defective parts and for replacing

new components. Some of these tools include special desoldering tips for irons, suction type solder removers, square end cutters, soldering tweezers and others.

A major portion of total repair time is used to desolder, remove, and replace transistorized circuit components. Moreover, the time needed to remove a defective part is frequently twice as long as required for replacing and soldering-in the new component. Total repair time can be substantially reduced, however, by applying the proper tools and techniques to each individual operation. These tools are available for almost every job.

Desoldering Problems

A large number of technicians say that multi-lug component removal is one of their most time consuming repair operations. A number of methods have been used to solve this problem.

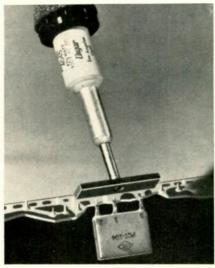
One approach, successful on larger components, requires the application of specially shaped detachable soldering iron "tiplets" which fit over and heat a number of lugs simultaneously. When all lugs are properly heated, the part is lifted out of the printed circuit board.

Some technicians prefer to heat one lug at a time and blow the solder out with a fine compressed air jet. This method is highly effective but other technicians are quick to point out that solder particles can be sprayed into other printed circuit areas if precautions are not taken.

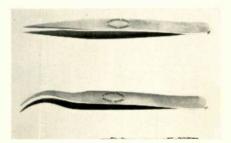
A number of other methods are used to remove excess solder, including the small wire-bristle brush. One of the latest effective methods employs a system of "vacuuming up" excess molten solder with a bulb-like suction device. These can



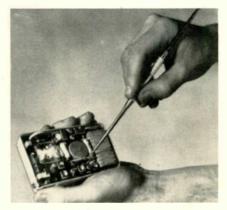
Wall's 25w general purpose transistorized circuit iron equipped with chisel type tip. Slim design allows working in close quarters.



Ungar's bar-type desoldering tip may be employed for easy removal of multiple inlineterminaled components.



Mark Tool's straight and curved point tweezers can serve as needle nose plier on midget type transistorized radios.



Moody's HPS-2 hooked point scriber is another aid in checking transistorized circuit connections and general probing.

Circuit Repairs

be simple separate units or they may be designed as part of a hollowtipped iron or arranged for attaching to a soldering gun.

Small soldering iron tip-cups or "pots" can also be used to dip-heat and remove or replace certain components. A regular iron tip can also be modified to serve as a pot by sawing off its end and then drilling a shallow well into the flat tip end.

Another desoldering problem arises with crimped or bent component leads. These can be handled easily in most cases by a soldering iron equipped with a slotted tip. When the component lead is brought to proper heat the tip functions as a regular slotted soldering aid and the lead end can be straightened. Round wooden toothpicks also come in handy at times for opening up terminal holes after a component has been removed. The tooth pick is pushed into the terminal hole while the solder is molten.

Many components — capacitors, resistors and even known-to-be defective transistors—can be cut from the circuit or broken with diagonal cutters to facilitate replacement.

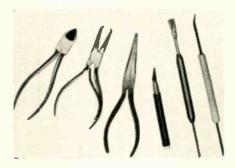
The new and old component lead ends are bent, crimped together and soldered. This eliminates time wasted in desoldering the old component and cleaning out the terminal holes

Defective Plated Connections

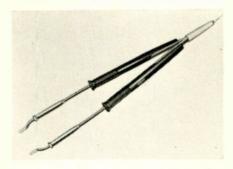
Another time-consuming problem arises with plated wiring which has become broken and detached from the board. Special adhesives are available for reattaching the plating to the board. The broken ends can usually be repaired with a low wattage iron and a spot of solder. But don't forget to carefully scrape the coating from the foil ends with a sharp pointed scriber, razor blade or special knife. In some cases it may be better and quicker to remove the two pieces of detached plating and replace with one length of tinned hook-up wire between the two terminals. Lead dress, however, should conform closely to the original.

Conductive epoxy paint can also be used for quickly replacing damaged plating. These silver-filled

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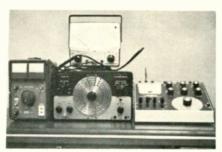


Some handy tools used by technicians when working on transistorized circuit equipment.



Oryx Company's 25w soldering tweezers has separate heating elements in each arm.

NEW TEST INSTRUMENTS



Instruments checked this month by ET editors were EICO's variable a-c supply, a Triplett VTVM, Heathkit's transistor tester and a Precision r-f signal generator. All are "tops" in their category.

For Bench and Caddy

Heathkit Portable Transistor Tester, model IM-30, at \$54.88— More and more emphasis is being placed on transistorized equipment. It will probably not be too long before the transistor tester will be at least as valuable as the shop tube tester. If you don't have a transistor tester, here's one to consider. The unit is battery operated with provisions for feeding external voltages for special tests.

The IM-30 makes all the common tests needed for service work and also checks diodes. Each test is run under d-c voltage and current conditions identical to those in actual operation. Operation for a-c can be quickly found by testing the transistor under two d-c conditions and then calculating the desired a-c operating condition. The instruction book supplied with the test



Transistor tester by Heathkit checks all major transistor parameters.

set explains all tests in simplified terms and makes testing any transistor a routine job.

A four-lever, three-position switch selects the desired test: Base current; gain; collector voltage; collector current; leak voltage; short test; I_{cro} or diode; and I_{cho}. A universal transistor socket is mounted on the sloping panel which fits most transistors. Binding post and alligator clip connections are located on the top of the panel for diodes, other transistors, external bias and test leakage test voltage supplies.

The over-all size of the tester is $5\frac{1}{2}$ x $10\frac{1}{4}$ x $10\frac{3}{4}$ in.; weight 8 lb.

Triplett VTVM, model 850 at \$79.50 — This VTVM has been made especially rugged by providing a shunt across the meter movement when the meter is turned off. The shunt damps the movement and prevents excess wear and possible damage to the meter needle. Eight ranges are provided for d-c measurements and seven separate ranges for a-c and resistance measurements. One probe is used for all functions: a-c, d-c, and ohms. The meter scale is calibrated for p-p, as well as rms.

A color scale is used to help make scale selections quickly. The



VTVM made by Triplett. Frequency response of this instrument can be extended to 250 mc with a special probe.

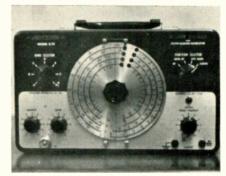
instrument's panel is made from etched aluminum and is equipped with a 7-inch meter. Input impedance is 11 and .83 megohms for d-c and a-c respectively. Frequency of the instrument is calibrated to 3 mc and can be extended to 250 mc with an accessory probe.

The meter comes with rubber feet and a handle which can be used to hold the meter at a 25 degree angle for easier reading. The meter weighs only 5 lb and measures 75% x 6 7/16 x 334 in.

Precision R-F Signal Generator, model E-75, at \$49.95 — Here's an r-f generator with several interesting features and a frequency range from 160 kc to 240 mc. The unit should prove useful in a-m and f-m radio as well as TV work. The a-m band is located on one range of the generator which should save time in radio servicing.

The last band of the generator's range extends from 120 mc to 240 mc and is operated from calibrated harmonics. The dial calibration includes markings for most often used frequencies, including

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Precision's model E-75 r-f signal generator for a-m, f-m and TV alignment.

■ The field strength meter is already well known for its usefulness in measuring signal voltages in TV receiving antennas, and in field intensity surveys for 2-way mobile radio, f-m and a-m broadcast stations. Signal intensities can be plotted at various distances from a transmitter to construct intensity contour maps.

The field strength meter can be portable and battery operated or operated mobile from a 115 v inverter working from a 6 or 12 v

auto battery.

We seldom hear about the field strength meter's other capabilities, however. Actually, it is a versatile test instrument for the laboratory or TV work-shop bench.

When used with an oscilloscope, for example, a field strength meter can remove the "wraps" from a TV video signal. This video signal can then be observed, measured, and its characteristics tested for degradation. If degradation factors exist, the extent of noise, hum, interference, non-linearity, intermodulation, etc., can be measured and compared. Even when used alone, a field strength meter has many other applications. It is an excellent aid in locating RFI.

An Interference Locater

In TV fringe areas when an interference problem arises, the field strength meter is a "natural" aid in locating the interference source. As an example, the interference may be radiated from high voltage power lines. A U.S. Geodetic map is obtained covering the area for several miles surrounding the antenna site. The meter and map are loaded into the car and the main power line masts or poles are identified on the map. At the same time, signal level readings are recorded for each pole by directing the field strength meter dipole (Fig. 1) toward each, as the car passes by. The radiating mast will indicate a high reading. Corroded or loose washers on crossarm braces or defective insulators often cause the trouble.

Interference radiation from dielectric, induction heating and other r-f equipment, can also be measInstrument serves to measure antenna signals, plot intensity contour maps, locate RFI, analyze TV video signals and accurately indicate quarter wave open stub resonance

The Versatile Field Strength Meter

by Victor Nicholson

Chief Field Engineer Jerrold Electronics Corp.

ured in the same way. The dipole is directed broadside toward the device to be measured. Readings will be in $\mu\nu$. It may be necessary to convert $\mu\nu$ to $\mu\nu/m$ (microvolts-permeter).

"Microvolts-per-meter" is a basic relative indication obtained at a specified distance from a transmitting antenna by dividing the field strength meter's reading in $\mu\nu$ by the actual electrical length of the radiating antenna in meters. In RFI practice, however, FCC rules specify maximum permissible levels in $\mu\nu/m$ measured at a certain specified distance away from the radiating device. And maximum readings are generally specified over

a group of frequency ranges.

Field strength meter readings in $\mu\nu$ can be converted to $\mu\nu/m$ by using the following formula:

 $E_1 = .021 \times E \times f$

where E=meter reading in μν f=frequency of RFI signal in mc E₁=field intensity in μν/m

Conversion factors for various VHF TV channel frequencies are shown in Table I. Multiply field strength reading in μv by these factors.

The frequency meter can be used to measure interfering signals from any source, including f-m broadcast stations, police and amateur transmitters, adjacent TV sound and picture carriers, diathermy and others.

Master System Troubleshooter

The field strength meter is also invaluable in servicing master antenna or multiple-set distribution systems. Amplifier frequency response and gain can be approximated by measuring both the input and output signals on all channels of interest, at both video and audio carrier frequencies. The difference between input and output levels is the amount of operational gain. Measurement of gain at frequencies within the amplifier's pass-band will give an indication of its response.

When a distribution system is will usually reveal important information. Any cable section or atchecked quickly for loss by compar-

first installed, a record of signal levels can be made with the field strength meter. A chart showing these readings can be used for future maintenance. Comparison of signal levels with original readings tenuation tap-off device can be ing input and output levels with original records. A db calibrated field strength meter is convenient in checking distribution system equipment. Signal level differences can

> 1 - Specifications for dipole antenna used with field strength meter for intensity surveys and for RFI interference location. It can be altered for ve-

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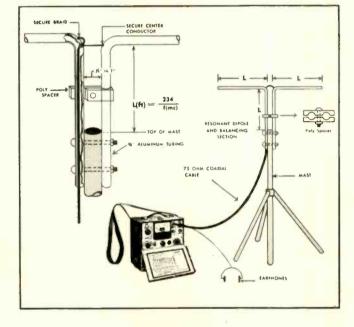
be read directly as equipment db gain or loss.

TV Video Analyzer

When used with a d-c coupled oscilloscope, a field strength meter can strip the r-f overlay from the composite video to permit thorough analysis.

The tuner of the field strength meter selects and amplifies inconiing TV signals and then converts them to an i-f frequency. The signals are again amplified and detected. The detected output, fed directly to the vertical input terminals of an oscilloscope, shows up as composite video. Hence distortions in this composite signal are readily apparent and will show up at lower levels than on a TV receiver.

Hum is usually not noticed on a TV set, for example, until it is at least 10 percent of the composite total. Even then, it may be difficult to see because of the picture back-





Technician uses Jerrold's Model 704B field strength meter to measure TV signal at a master distribution outlet.

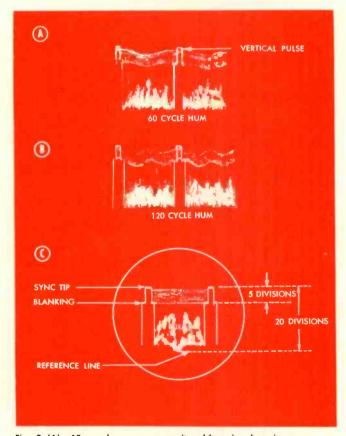


Fig. 2 (A)-60 cps hum on composite video signal as it appears on scope when dic coupled from field strength meter. (B)-120 cps hum. (C)-Percentage of sync pulse height can easily be compared with total composite video amplitude.

ground. On a linear scope, this hum can be seen and measured at levels below 5 percent. Thus, it can be easily determined whether the hum frequency is 60 or 120 cps. This information can aid in locating the hum source. A 60 cps hum naturally points to cathode-heater leakage in a tube, while 120 cps hum indicates power supply trouble when full wave rectification is employed (see Fig. 2A and 2B).

Percentage of sync pulse height compared with the composite total or linearity can also be measured (see Fig. 2C). This becomes important in checking a CC-TV system where a camera output is fed to a regular TV set monitor which is tuned to an unused channel. The linearity and percent of modulation can be observed via the meter on a scope and either may be measured or compared with that of another TV signal received directly off the air.

Intermodulation or video modulation of an audio carrier can also be observed. The signal to be checked is fed into the field strength meter. The video output of the meter is connected to the scope's vertical input. The meter is then tuned to the signal's audio carrier. Audio modulation should include no sync pulses since these would be a symptom of overloading of one or more amplifiers. This problem is usually solved by reducing the offending amplifier's gain to make it operate within its rated output.

Another important consideration in TV signal quality is signal-to-noise ratio. This ratio is easily ob-

tained by first tuning the field strength meter to the video carrier of the channel to be checked. A note is made of the carrier level. The meter is then tuned to the lowest measurable signal midway between the video and sound carriers. This level is also recorded. The latter reading is primarily noise and the difference in db between the two readings is the signal-to-noise ratio.

The ratio of signal-to-noise across the entire 4 mc video passband can be computed by subtracting 6 db from the aforementioned reading. This correction factor compensates for the meter's 1 mc bandwidth since a 4.1 power ratio is equivalent to 6 db.

Stub Tuner

The characteristics and uses of quarter wave open stubs are well known to technicians. The field

strength meter is also a valuable aid in "tuning" these stubs.

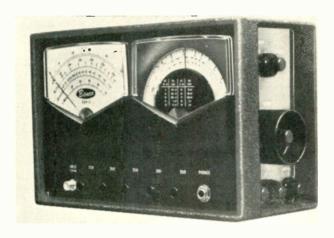
Length of a stub is first calculated by the regular formula:

Length (ft.) = 246° over f where f=frequency in mc at which maximum attenuation is desired, and V=velocity factor (propagation constant) of the stub material to be used. The stub is then cut a few inches longer than calculated.

The stub can now be "tuned" to precise effective length in the following manner: Connect one end of the stub to the antenna down lead end. Connect this terminal point to the field strength meter's input. Tune the meter to the frequency at which maximum attentuation is desired. The unconnected stub end is now cut off, a quarter or half-inch at a time, until a minimum signal reading is observed on the meter.

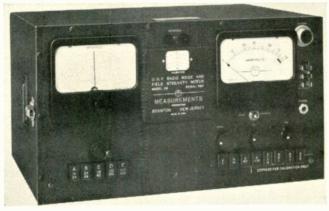
Applications for field intensity meters are probably limited only by users' imaginations.

Benco (Blonder Tongue Labs) transistorized portable combination field strength and watt meter, Model FSP-3, weighs only 10 lb and covers the range from 52 to 220 mc.





Simpson's Model 498A calibrated field strength meter can be operated on 117 vac or on batteries.



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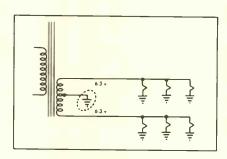
Difficult Service Jobs Described by Readers

A Dog's 'Dog'

I had to make a second service call on an Admiral model LS361 with a remote control which had developed the habit of changing channels by itself. The set was removed to the shop for a complete check, and no trouble was found with the remote control equipment. After the set had been returned for a short time, I received a third call. The set was changing channels again. Since it was a sonic remote receiver, I decided to check to see if any noise in the house could cause the set to change channels. After exhausting almost every possibility, it suddenly dawned on me that the owner's dog was in the room everytime the set changed channels. He had a dangling license tag which banged against his collar chain and created sound of proper frequency to activate the channel selector. — Joe DeSabantonio, Jamestown, N. Y.

Intermittent Ground Affects Sync and Sound

I recently received a call from a customer who complained of symptoms which were said to have existed since the set was new. It was a Westinghouse model H-867T21. Intermittent symptoms included sound buzz, horizontal bending, and complete loss of sync.



Intermittent ground in Westinghouse set caused sync and sound troubles.

After the agc and other tubes were checked and substituted without favorable results, the set was pulled into the shop. Key voltages were checked and all were within tolerance. After checking components in the front end, video amplifier, and sync section, I decided to go over the power supply.

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I found the filament voltage to be fluctuating between 4 and 5 v; at times it dropped to as low as 2 v. The filament transformer used in this set is a 12.6 v type with a center tap. When the voltage on one side dropped the other side was raised by the same amount. I decided the transformer must be good since the total voltage was always 12.6, and that it must be the center tap ground. This tap was grounded through a terminal strip riveted to the chassis. Measuring the resistance, I found 10 or 15

 Ω between the terminal and ground. A new lead was soldered from the terminal to ground, which cleared up all the symptoms.—Paul Holiday, Maspeth, N. Y.

Portable TV 'Ticks'

A 9-inch GE portable receiver, model 9T001 was brought into the shop for a check-up. The owner said the TV developed a slight "ticking" sound after it played about 30 minutes. Preliminary examination showed that the noise came from the speaker even when the volume control was turned completely down.

Shorting the audio tube's grid to ground quieted the ticking, and established that the trouble source was somewhere between the volume control and the grid of the first audio tube. The only component between them was a couplate, so the repair seemed simple enough. I theorized that there was internal arcing in the couplate, and I only had to bypass it with suitable external components.

I scraped away the foil from the couplate, removed the section that was of interest, and finished the wiring with conventional components. I planned to let the set "cook" for a while, but found the trouble was still present when it was turned on.

I concentrated on this area, still certain that the couplate was at fault. Then I noticed that the high voltage lead was dressed against the volume control. Thinking the high voltage lead was dressed against through the anode lead's insulation, I dressed the high voltage lead away from the volume control and slipped a length of insulation over it. The ticking disappeared. — Frank A. Salerno, Long Island, N. Y.

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TIPS FOR HOME AND BENCH SERVICE

Handy Bench Mirror

An inexpensive medicine cabinet with a mirror front is a handy bench item when equipped with a handle. It may be used to view TV receivers for adjustments as well as hold small instruments and tools. The cabinet I have cost less than \$3 and measures 18 x 11 x 4 in. The cabinet with tools inside can be easily lifted off the bench by the handle.—

H. Leeper, Canton, Ohio.



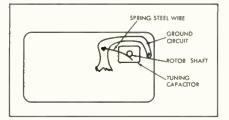
A handy bench mirror and tool cabinet can be made by attaching a handle to a standard medicine chest.

Steel Wool Holder

When cleaning soldering iron tips with steel wool, the fingers can be easily burned and small pieces of steel can stab the finger. To prevent this, a rubber tip used on furniture legs or crutch tips can be stuffed with steel wool and used as a holder. John A. Comstock, Wellsboro, Pa.



Steel wool used to clean soldering irons can be held in a rubber tip found on furniture legs.



Noisy variable capacitors can be repaired by soldering a spring steel strip to PC board ground. Other end of spring is tensioned against rotor shaft.

Variable Capacitor Contact Repair

I recently repaired a small transistor radio which was noisy when tuned. There were no shorts between the plates but the ground connection to the rotor was intermittent. A short piece of spring steel wire was tensioned against the shaft and soldered to the PC ground. The radio has worked fine since then. — R. H. Rombough, Rugby, N. D.

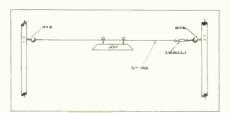
Solder Removal

Solder removal from printed circuit boards is facilitated with a short length of ½ in. copper braid. Simply tin the end of the braid and hold it against the area while heating the solder to be removed. The solder will be drawn into the braid by capillary action. The braid may be used over and over by heating the solder-filled portion and striking it against the end of the bench to expel the solder. Be careful not to splash the solder into the eyes or on unexposed parts of the body. — G-E TV Engineering Dept., Syracuse, N. Y.

Bench Light

I recently built a new bench which is 15 ft long but had the problem of how to light it. Though only one part of the bench is used at a time, light is needed wherever I work. As a solution, I mounted a four ft fluorescent light on pulleys hung on a length of guy wire strung

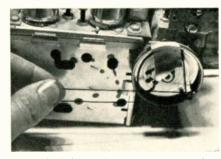
from wall to wall. I installed hooks in each wall with a turnbuckle near one end to keep the "trolley wire" tight. This idea has worked out very well, and has received many favorable comments from my customers. — Frank M. Dickinson, Stony Point, N. Y.



Bench light for long work table is hung from "trolley wire" and moved to any desired position over work area.

Tape Aids Dial Stringing

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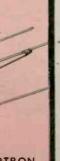
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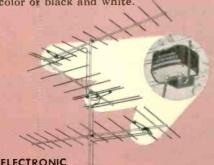
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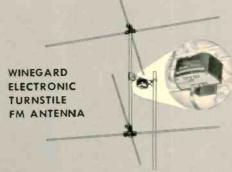
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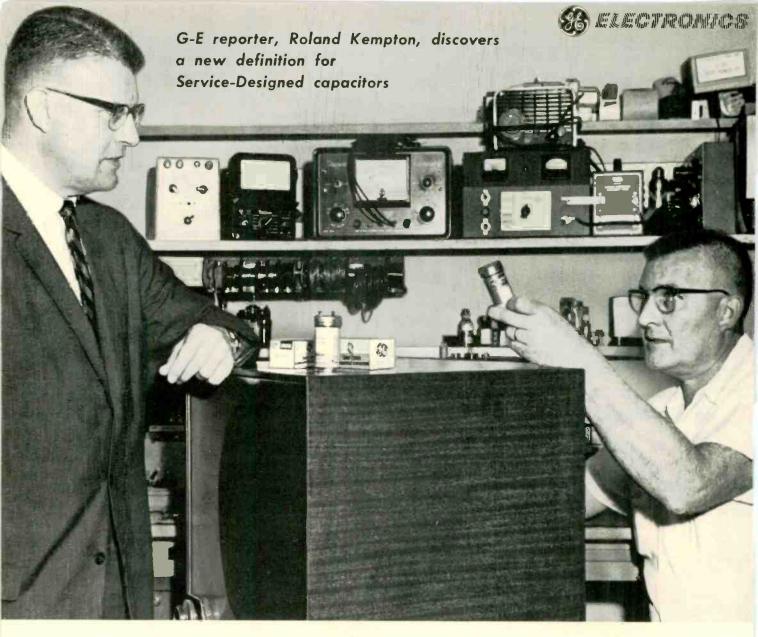
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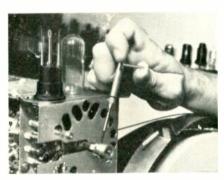


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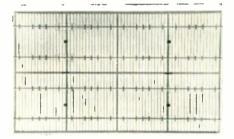


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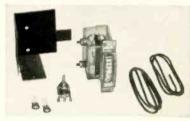
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NEW PRODUCTS

SPEAKER DISPLAY

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Offered is a self-service speaker display for counter-top use, the Thin-Drive speakers are mounted in clear plastic

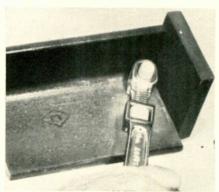


"bubbles" which are heat-sealed to attractive display cards. The base of the display is only 15 x 15 in. to conserve counter space. The triangular portion rotates at the touch of a finger to permit examination of the six models mounted on the various hooks. The model number, size, magnet weight, list and coded net prices are included on every package. Utah Electronics Corp.

ADJUSTABLE WRENCH

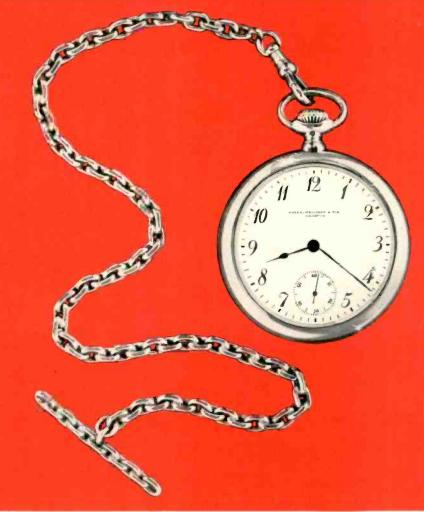
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A patented adjustable box wrench is designed to work in tight, confined places where regular adjustable and many openend type wrenches cannot be used. Having an extremely slim contour, obtained without sacrificing strength, the 8 in. "Adjust-A-Box" requires 11/2 in. less lateral operating space than a conventional adjustable wrench of comparable size and adjustment range. It has a



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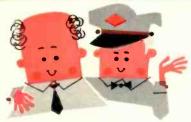
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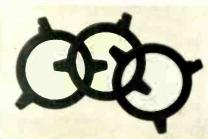
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NEW PRODUCTS

CRT MAGNETS

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A loaded plastic material, which significantly reduces required scanning power for both line and frame in 110° TV picture tubes is announced. The Ferroxdure magnet is employed on the CRT



neck back of the deflection coils in place of the usual low percentage cobalt, chrome or tungsten steel materials. Ferroxcube Corp.

TRANSISTOR RADIO

212

Model 6523 is a three-band 10-transistor short wave radio, which receives the standard broadcast band and two short wave bands, 2-6 mc and 6-18 mc. The two short wave bands receive for-



eign and English language broadcasts, marine information, police and aircraft messages, and "ham" communications. Long-range power is provided by 10-transistors and one diode in the radio's superheterodyne push pull circuit. Channel Master Corp.

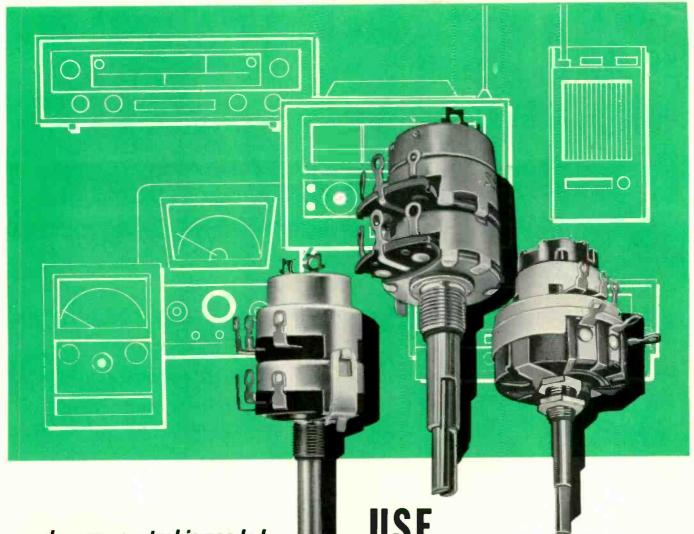
TRANSISTOR TESTER

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A compact transistor tester has been developed for testing PNP, NPN, power transistors, diodes and rectifiers (semiconductors). The unit measures 5 x 5 x 1-1/2 in. and weighs only 1-3/4 lb. Fea-



tures include a wide angle meter, three tests (shorts-leakage-gain), transistor socket for "out-of-circuit" testing and zero adjustments on meter. G C Electronics



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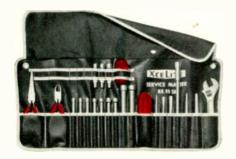
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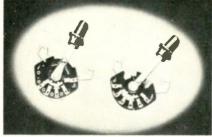
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NEW PRODUCTS

LEVER SWITCHES

214

Lever switches available with two, three, and four position indexing, with or without spring return have been announced. Designated the PA-700 series.



these switches are available as single units or as ganged assemblies with end brackets for mounting. Rated at 1.5 amp at 28 vdc, 230 ma at 115 vac, with a current carrying capacity of 9 amp. Clips and rotor contacts are silver plated brass and the clips will accommodate up to #18 wire. Silver alloy clips are also available. Insulation is laminated phenolic with a voltage breakdown of 1000 v rms. Centralab.

TAPE CARTRIDGES

215

Introduced are two models of continuous tape cartridges that are compatible with all current models of continuous cartridge playback equipment. SCA model S has a capacity of 225 ft of tape and is specifically designed for broadcasting, message repeaters, audio



and visual display devices and language equipment.

SCA model L has a capacity of 1690 ft and is designed for background music. data retrieval or where longer tape lengths are required. Sound Corporation of America.

PLASTIC BOX

216

A free, reusable plastic parts box is offered with each purchase of four rolls of #29 plastic electrical tape. The clear plastic box is 7 x 3-1/2 x 2 in. and can be compartmented into five sections with plastic separations which are provided.



The box has a self-contained lid with reinforced hinges and closure. It can be used to hold small parts, hardware, household and office items, fishing flies and hooks, golf tees, etc. Permacel.

PLUG-IN RECTIFIERS

217

Silicon rectifiers have been designed to permit direct plug-in replacement of vacuum or gas type rectifier tubes. Available in ratings to 40,000 v PIV and 2.5



amp. This CP series of rectifiers permits replacement of 5U4, 6X4, 3B28, 866, 8008, and many others. Columbus Electronics Corp.

MINIATURE RECEIVER

218

Pagefone, a miniature personal paging receiver, operates indoors or out on any of 23 citizens' band channels. Ideal for low cost industrial radio paging. Measuring only 1½x2½x4 in. it will fit into any shirt pocket. Does not require a conventional telescoping antenna, and features an efficient squelch



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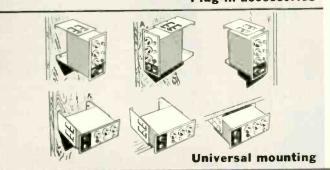
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NEW PRODUCTS

TUBE TESTERS

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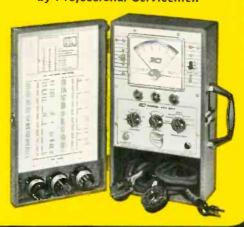
A self-service tube tester designed to enable servicemen to promote in-shop do-it-yourself tube testing and also use on service calls has been announced. The ETA Model 88SS instrument is said to be a complete TV tube tester for all new tubes including nine-pin novars, 12-pin compactrons, 10-pin tubes and nuvistors plus all previous popular TV and modern radio tube types. Size 9x10-1/2 x 5-1/2 in. Specifications include: 12AU7



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two stage d-c amplifier, selenium rectifier power supply, single 5 ma meter which indicates results for both grid circuit and tube merit tests. \$79.50 with self-service display. Seco Electronics, Inc.

REMOTE ROTOR CONTROL 220

A remote antenna rotor control unit permits armchair tuning of TV antenna direction without wire or other physical connection to rotor control unit. The Model-AK-122 consists of a small sonic transmitter the size of a cigarette pack and a receiver unit which forms an attractive base for the rotor control unit. The receiver unit can be easily installed by the set owner in the several models of rotor control units designed for this use. \$54.95. Cornell-Dubilier Electronics.

SCREW DRIVER DISPLAY

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A "system" for inducing customers to purchase screwdrivers, and have fun doing it besides, has been devised. This "system" consists of the development of "Bull Driver," the screw driver with the 35 percent bigger handle, plus a

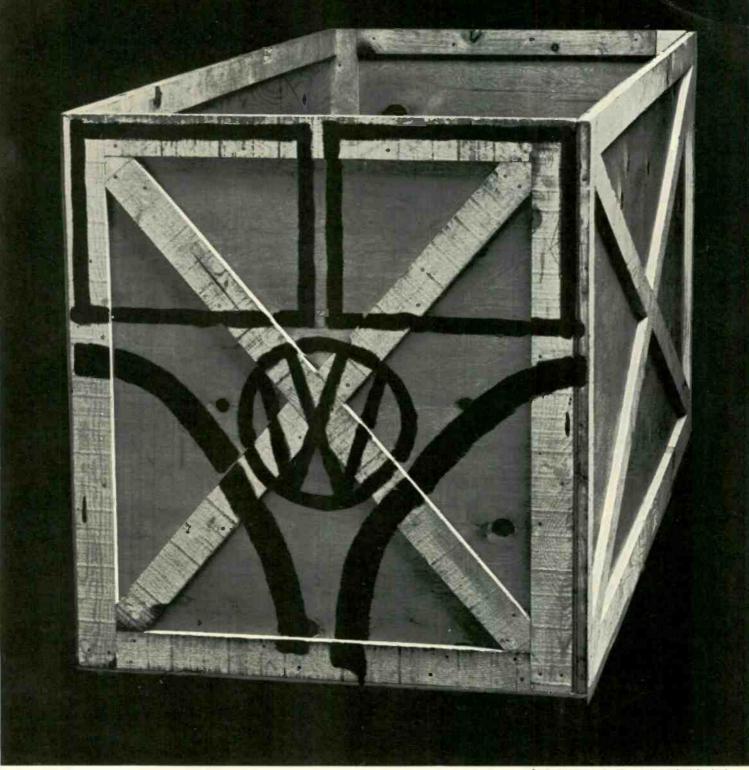
colorful display with a built-in testing device which enables customers to make their own dramatic tests. Called "Compar-O-graph" this display measures 11-34 x 8-1/2 x 23 in. It holds 34 assorted drivers. Prices and sizes are clearly marked with tabs inserted in a special holder. Vaco Products Co.

CIRCUIT BOARD HOLDER 222

A printed circuit board holder, model 315, is designed to firmly hold any board at three points whether the shape be oblong, square, oval, or of special shape. When used with the model 300 Pana/Vise work positioner, the operator can rotate, tip or tilt the PC board up or



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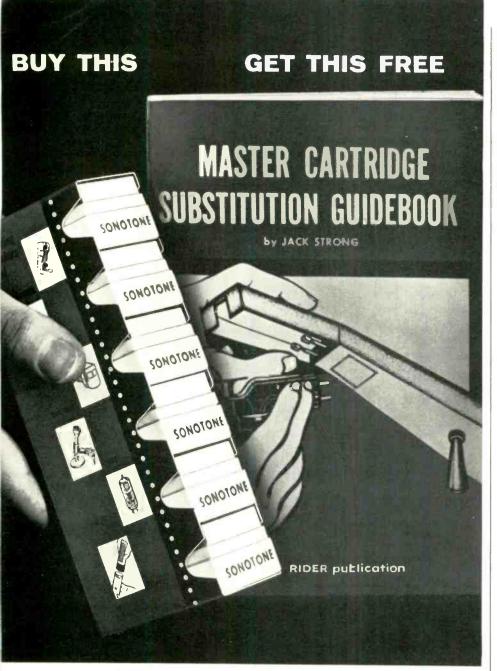
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STEREO CONTROL

223

The CC-1 stereo headphone control center connects to any stereo amplifier with an output of as little as 10 w/channel, and provides the listener with dimensional "audience-seat" feeling. The center provides private stereo listening for two. Headphones provide private stereo for the discriminating listener who



wishes to concentrate on music while others in the room are reading, studying, watching TV or sleeping. \$39.75, less headphones. Stereo headphones \$24.95. Jensen Manufacturing Co.

CAPACITOR ANALYZER

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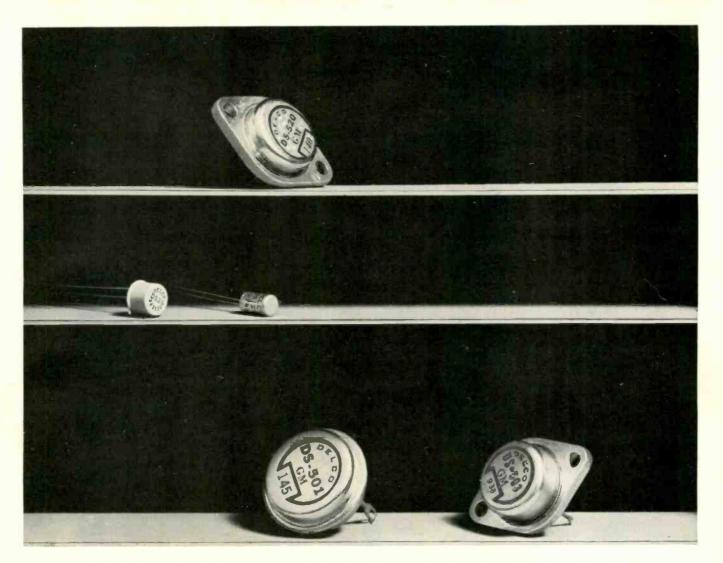
A capacitance tester that measures low-voltage capacitors without damage or creating any change in their characteristics is being offered. With applications in TV repair, laboratory and classroom work and manufacturer's assembly line testing, the model BF-71 analyzer is capable of testing all low-voltage capacitors as well as the usual higher-voltage types. \$129.75. Cornell-Dubilier Electronics.

DEFLECTION AMPLIFIER

A space-saving compactron device for use as the horizontal deflection amplifier in TV receivers has been developed. Seated height of the single-ended com-



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REPLACEMENT FLYBACK 227
Three exact replacement flyback trans-

formers for Motorola TV sets are announced. HO-342 replaces 24C740969 and 24C742676 in 50 Motorola models and chassis. HO-343 replaces Motorola 24C744042 in 119 models and chassis. HO-343 replaces Motorola 24K748397 and 24K754273-Z in 379 models and chassis. All three units are exact electrical and physical duplicates of the original Motorola parts and can be installed without circuit or chassis alteration. Stancor Electronics, Inc.

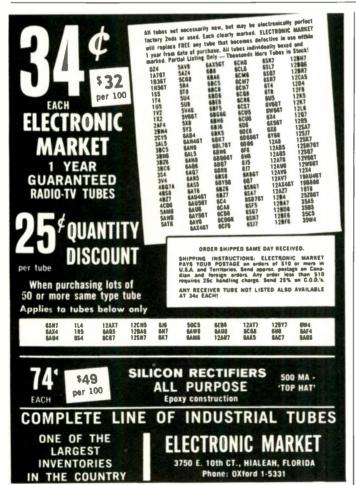
SOLDER REMOVER

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"Little Joe", model 5R-25, is a device to prevent smearing solder over the rest of the circuit board when desoldering components. Has a removable Teflon tip which quickly sucks up the excess solder. Helps to eliminate possible damage to PC board from scratching or from



excess heat. Saves time and promotes neatness in solder work. Is effective in removing solder from hard-to-reach and otherwise inaccessible places. Solder pellets cool quickly inside the bulb. \$1.10. Macdonald & Company.



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1962 Tube Caddy TUBE SUBSTI-TUTION GUIDEBOOK. By H. A. Middleton. Published by John F. Rider Publisher, Inc. 61 pages, soft cover. 90c.

This is a most useful up-to-date tube substitution manual for receiving tubes and picture tubes. It contains only direct substitutes that can be made without modifying wiring and which will yield excellent or good results, noted by E or G respectively. The manual is about 4" x 6" and is less than 1/8" thick; ideally suited for tube caddies. The manual's exceptionally high quality paper stock-a consideration which is normally overlooked — should permit it to withstand the abuse faced by continually-used manuals of this type.



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INDIANA

IESA. Elkhart, announces the election of the following officers to the Television Bureau of Elkhart: Pres., Wayne L. Clem; V. P., Arden Gaerte; Secv., Dean R. Mock; and Treas., Hubert McAllister.

South Bend recently passed an ordinance requiring that all TV servicemen and antenna installers be licensed. The bill was passed with a 7 to 2 vote by the city council. Enforcement of the new law will be accomplished by the Division of TV Inspection, headed by the Chief TV inspector. The examining board for new licenses will be appointed by the mayor and the city council. It will consist of two TV technicians, one antenna installer, a businessman engaged in selling TV sets, and a layman. The Chief TV Inspector, an appointee with 5 years experience, must investigate all complaints registered with the board. The law contains a Grandfather Clause, allowing those in business for one or more years not to require examination.

IESA, Indianapolis, reports that the editor of the Hoosier Test Probe, Frank J. Teskey, had an injunction issued against him for a series of articles he was writing. The Test Probe is the official

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paper of IESA. The series is called Learn About The Real NATESA." In his last article, the editor told members that to deal with NATESA, the IESA should join to have a vote in what affects the entire electronics industry.

KANSAS

TESA, Salina, is taking part in a program sponsored by KFRM radio station. The station is supplying tags imprinted with the following: Your radio has been serviced by an expert TESA technician and left tuned to KFRM-55 on your dial-Mid-America's good music station. On the reverse side of the tag is an additional "plug" for the service technician and a place for his stamp.

MICHIGAN

TSA, Detroit, reports that the city has taken 60 TV repairmen to court in the last year and fined all but one for violations of good TV practice. Most of the fines were \$50, but some ranged to \$294.44.

MISSOURI

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TSA, Seattle, announces that attorneys for Better Radio and TV have issued a cease-and-desist order to a newly established firm calling themselves "Better TV Shops." Better Radio and TV has their name registered as a trademark with the county auditor. A few years ago, another firm was enjoined by a court from using the name "Always Better TV." Better TV Shops are said to be using multiple answering service numbers with ads in the local newspapers, TV Guide and the telephone directory.



Westinghouse—names W. H. EUTZY TV-Radio Division Operations manager. He will be responsible for manufacturing, purchasing, industrial relations, quality control and service functions of the division.

Zenith Radio Corp.—reports that ground has been broken for a new \$7 million plant near the company's main facility. The new plant will permit rearrangement to provide for expansion of research, engineering and manufacturing operations.

Sonar Radio — appoints JACK M. GUTZEIT as national sales manager for the Corp. He was formerly sales manager for Rogers Electronics.





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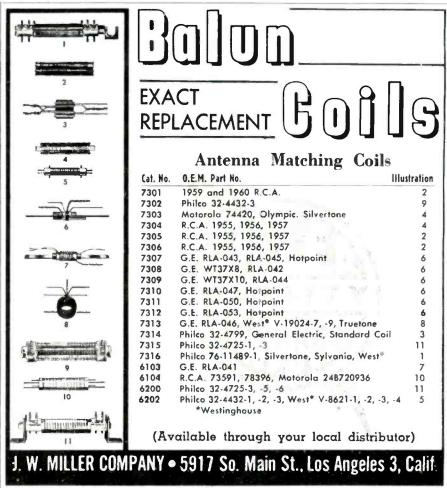
Sylvania—LARRY L. MALIN has been named district sales manager for Los Angeles. The appointment was announced by Kenneth W. Connor, vice president of national sales of Sylvania Home Electronics Corp.

Olympic—a division of the Siegler Corp. has signed an agreement with Nippon Columbia Co. Ltd. of Tokyo, Japan. The agreement calls for Olympic to supply design, engineering, and procurement of parts for TV manufacture. In turn, Nippon will offer these sets exclusively to Olympic for sale in the U. S. Olympic will receive a royalty for sets sold outside the U. S.

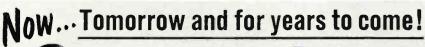
International Resistance Co.—appoints Kenneth R. Lewis as Chief Engineer of its Documented Reliability Division. Norman L. Kohl named Application engineer, Control Components Division.

Varian Associates - announces forma-

tion of a jointly-owned company with Compagnie Franchise Thomson-Houston of Paris, France, to supply microwave tubes to the European market. It is expected that majority interest in the new company will be held by the French company.



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10.7 mc for f-m work, and others for TV alignment. Frequency ranges of i-fs are spread for easy reading and setting. Modulation and output are continuously variable.

A 400 cycle output is also available for audio tests. The audio output is continuously variable with a maximum output of about 15 v.

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Ply, model 1078, at \$54.95 wired, \$42.95 kit — Though many shops are equipped with d-c power supplies, relatively few have variable a-c bench supplies. If your shop doesn't have one, here's one for your consideration.

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isolates the equipment from the line when the power switch is off. This simplifies testing while the equipment under test is still plugged into the line.

Uses for the instrument are almost unlimited. Over-voltage treatment will often show up intermittents which would otherwise require hours of troubleshooting. TV and other equipment performance can be checked under various line voltages to simulate actual use. Power comsumption can be easily calculated from the meter readings. The over-all dimensions of the supply are $8\frac{1}{2} \times 5\frac{3}{4} \times 7$ in. Total weight of the unit is approximately 12 lb.

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"solder" paints make good low resistance contact and dry to a hard silver film. This material is especially useful in connecting broken leads near heat-sensitive component ends since no heat is required to remake the connection.

Soldering tweezers, with nickelplated alloy tips, are especially helpful in soldering connections in some hard-to-get-to areas.

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Miscellaneous Hum Sources

A large number of hum problems arise as a result of inexperienced kit builders' attempts: capacitive pickup from poor wiring techniques. Filament leads dressed near the grid circuitry, even in high level stages, can introduce objectional hum. Leads carrying a-c should always be paired—not grounded one side—and should be twisted around each other so their magnetic fields tend to cancel. These leads should be dressed as close to the chassis as possible, using clamps if necessary.

Poor lead dress can usually be corrected only by moving signal wires and filament wires with a non-conductive probe while checking the hum level. It may be necessary to secure the wires to prevent them from moving back to their old position.

Hum generated outside the amplifier is most often caused by bad cable connections or line cords which are not polarized (when more than one a-c input is used). Proper polarization can be obtained by reversing the line cords for all possible combinations until minimum hum is obtained. A good ground connection between components will stop hum which originates from poor connections between units.

Pickup from the strong a-c fields around the phonograph motor can usually be corrected with a combination of shielding and grounding techniques. Leads used from the phono pickup to the amplifier should be well grounded and shielded.

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