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FACTS Every Real Experimenter Must Know

R ADIO is a branch of electrical science and that in turn is a branch of the science of physics. Physics is an exact science, and that means that its principles may be expressed accurately by mathe-matical formulas and by numbers. What is true of physics as a whole is true of any of its branches, provided that the bran-ches have been developed thoroughly. Since radio is a branch of physics, any discussion of radio must necessarily in-clude a great deal of mathematics. In fact, before any complete understanding of radio can be achieved it is necessary to have a fair knowledge of mathematics. A person's possible attainment in radio is directly proportional to his proficiency in mathematcs.

mathematcs. In pseudo-engineering circles it is quite common to sneer at theory. One often hears that theory and experience are at variance and that for this reason it is a waste of time to learn the theory. This waste of time to learn the theory. This is a fallacy of the most vicious sort. Only those sneer at theory who are incapable of generalizations. Theory cannot be at variance with true experience, not for any length of time at least, for theory is noth-ing but crystallized experience. As soon as one definitely established fact contradicts a theory, that theory is discarded and some other theory is substituted. The new theory must not only be in agreement with all the old facts that the old theory explained but it must also be completely in accord with the new fact which overthrew the old.

Sneer Analyzed

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When persons sneer at a theory they merely say that all the experimental in-vestigators in the past were incompetents. They commit the spirits of Faraday, Kel-vin, Henry, Ohm, Ampere, Volta, Newton and others to an asylum, and they do it for the simple reason that they do not understand what these illustrious scientists did. Let us repeat that theory cannot be at variance with experience be-cause theory is the essence of experience, tested, refined, criticized, purified and amended up to date. It is true that the experimental results

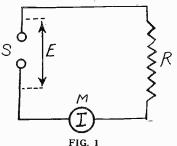
obtained by a few investigators do not agree with the theory as it stands. Sometimes this is due to an incompleteness of the theory but in the great majority of cases it is due to errors committed by the experimentor himself. You have all heard the statement that "figures do not lie". which is quite true, but that does not pre-vent errors in the figuring. Many "liars do figure", just as many unqualified experimenters theorize.

Both theory and mathematics are to be used as tools in investigations. Neither tool is infallible per se and each must be handled by a skillful workman.

Knowledge Spares Folly

radio investigator who can use mathematics as a tool and who understands the theory of this subject will save many hours of work. If he knows the theory he will know what others before him have done and the conclusions that

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Circuit illustrating the application of Ohm's law

they have reached. He will thus be saved from starting out on many hopeless re-searches. If he knows both the theory and the mathematics he will be able to predict what he probably will get and

what he cannot expect. With this brief defense of theory and mathematics let us proceed with a few of the facts that the radio experimenter should know.

Perhaps the first thing that the experimenter should master is Ohm's law, not because this comes, first chronologically but because he will have the greatest use of it. Ohm's law as applied to direct cur-rent circuits is simply that the voltage drop in any resistance is directly proportional to the current flowing through that resistance. Another an equivalent statement of the law is that the voltage drop in a resistance is the product of the resist-ance and the current flowing through that resistance. This is theory, but there is no one fact in electrical science which has been more definitely established. It is the result of the discovery of George Ohm, and it has been confirmed by countless

experiments. Stated mathematically Ohm's law takes the simple form E=R1, where E is the

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(3) Theory and mathematics are tools with which real experimenters must work.

(4) Ohm's law.(5) Relationship between frequency, inductance and capacity in a tuned circuit.

(6) The principle of conservation of energy.

(7) Relationship between wavelength, frequency and velocity of propagation of wave motion, with special reference to radio and sound.

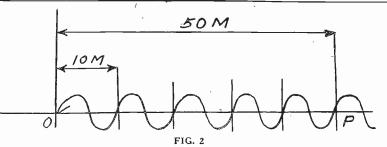
voltage drop in the resistance R when current I flows through the resistance. If the resistance is measured in ohms and the current is measured in amperes, the voltage is expressed in volts. The last statement might seem unnecessary but it must be remembered that volts, ohms and amperes are not the only electricalunits in use, although they are the only prac-

What can be done with Ohm's law? Many things indeed. Since the law connects three electrical quantities in a definite manner, any one of them can be inite manner, any one of them can be found if the two others are known. Thus we only need to measure two of them to know all three. Let us consider a few practical examples. In Fig. 1 we have a voltage source S, which may be a battery or a generator. In series with this source of voltage is connected a load resistance of voltage is connected a load resistance R and an ammeter M. Now suppose that If and an ammeter M. Now suppose that we know that the voltage E of the source S is 110 volts and that the current as in-dicated by the ammeter is 2 amperes. What is the value in ohms of the resist-ance R? We have by Ohm's law that 110=2R, and therefore R=110/2 or 55 ohms ohms.

Finding the Current

Again, we may have a known voltage and a known resistance and desire to know how much current will flow through the resistance when this is connected in series with the known voltage. We may series with the known voltage. We may not have an ammeter handy to measure the current. Well, suppose that the volt-age again is 110 volts and that the known resistance is 550 ohms. What current will flow? We have $110=550\times1$. Dividing through by 550 shows that the current 1=0.2 ammere. Again suppose that we through by 505 shows that the current 1=0.2 ampere. Again, suppose that we do not know what the voltage is but that we do know the resistance and the current 100rent. We may put a resistance of 100 ohms in series with the unknown voltage and find from the animeter that the cur-rent is 1.25 amperes. We then have $E=1.25\times100$, or the voltage is 125 volts. Another example may be of interest. Recently I was in search of a resistor of Recently I was in search of a resistor of 20 ohms which could carry a heavy cur-rent. The clerk in the store I visited had nothing but a 20-ohm radio rheostat, which was not wound with heavy enough wire to meet the requirement. But there was a heating element designed for a 660 watt heater. Would that meet the re-quirements? The wire was heavy enough but it remained to determine whether the resistance was close enough to 20 ohms. resistance was close enough to 20 ohms. I happened to have an ammeter and a I happened to have an ammeter and a $4\frac{1}{2}$ -volt battery in my pocket. Arranging the circuit shown in Fig. 1, putting the battery in place of S, the current was found to be 0.2 ampere. By Ohm's law then, $4\frac{1}{2}$ =0.2R. Dividing through by 0.2 gives a resistance of 22.5 ohms, a value close enough to the required resistance. If a voltmeter and an ammeter are both

If a voltmeter and an ammeter are both It a voltmeter and an ammeter are poin available, Ohm's law may be used for de-termining almost any resistance in the manner in which the above was obtained. The accuracy of the determination de-rend on the accuracy of the two meters. pend on the accuracy of the two meters,



The velocity of propagation of a wave motion is the product of the length of each wave and the number of waves that pass a given point in one second.

which usually is sufficient for all practical purposes.

Another fact that the radio experimenter should know is the relation between frequency, inductance and capacity when a circuit is in tune. When the circuit is driven, as it is in all radio receivers, this

relation is
$$F = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{LC}}$$
, or the frequency F

is obtained by taking the reciprocal of the quantity 2π VLC, where L is the in-ductance in the circuit in henrys and C is the capacity in farads. The number 2π is a constant, 6.2832. This formula is used every time that a tuned circuit is designed, and from it one use of the supprise and from it any one of the quantities may be obtained if the other two are known.

When we are dealing with radio frequencies it is more convenient to use microhenrys instead of henrys, and microfarads instead of farads. When the above formula is expressed in these units it be-1,000,000

= , or the frequency in $2\pi\sqrt{LC}$ comes F=

cycles per second is obtained by dividing one million by the quantity $2\pi \sqrt{LC}$. Sup-pose, for example, that we wish to know what the resonance frequency is of a circuit the induction of which is 200 microhenrys and the capacity is .0005 micro-farads. The product of the inductance and the capacity then is 200×.0005=0.1. The square root of this is 0.316. This is multiplied by 6.2832, which gives 1.986, or about 2. One million divided by 2 is 500,-000, which is the frequency of resonance of the circuit in question.

If we wish to know what the inductance should be to tune a circuit to 550,000 cycles with maximum value of capacity equal to .0005 microfarads, the process is inverted. Substitution of the known values and simplifying the formula gives as the required inductance as nearly 153 microhenrys.

Application to AF

It may be more instructive to use the formula at audio frequencies. Suppose formula at audio frequencies. Suppose that the inductance is 10 henrys and that the capacity is 10 microfarads. The pro-duct of these two, expressed in henrys and farads, is .0001. The square root of this number is .01. And 6.2832 times .01 equals 0.062832 the reciprocal of which is 1/.062832 or 15.9 cycles. This frequency is very low but is audible to most persons very low but is audible to most persons. Another fact that the radio experi-

menter should know is the principle of conservation of energy. Let no one be cowed by the high-brow tenor of this ex-pression. It is of far-reaching importance but it is quite easy to understand. In the simplest terms it means that no one can get anything for nothing. More accurately it means that energy cannot be destroyed nor created. Energy may be transformed from one form to another, but in the transformation no energy is lost and none is created. It is true that some of the energy may be lost to practical use, that is, during the transformation of energy from one form to another, part of it may go into a form which we can not utilize for our present purpose. Although some of the energy slips away from us

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in this manner no energy is ever created

during a transformation.

Examples of transformation of energy will help to understand what is meant. Energy may exist in the form of electricity, of magnetism, of heat, of light, of sound, of motion, of stresses, or position, or chemical composition. All of these varous forms of energy can be classed as either kinetic or potential, or combinations of these two. Electric may be changed into magnetic energy, or into any of the other forms listed above. Or a certain quantity of one of them may be changed into several of the other forms in various proportions, but the sum of the partials is always equal to the original quantity. When we generate electricity from a

waterfall many transformations of energy occurs. Energy first exists in the form of potential energy, or energy of position, then at the bottom of the falls it is kinetic, or energy of motion. Then it is converted into electro-magnetic energy. Suppose we use this energy to charge a stor-age battery. It then becomes chemical. Upon discharge of the battery it may go into motion or heat. When we heat fila-ments with the energy all goes into heat. During all these transformations there is some that slips through our fingers and which cannot be used. It all goes into heat.

practical value of knowing the The principle of conservation of energy lies in avoiding foolish experiments. No one appreciating this principle will waste any time playing with perpetual motion con-traptions. He knows before he starts that the task is hopeless.

Why It Is Foolish

In his machine, no matter what the form of it may be, he must put in at least as much energy as he expects to take out, becuse his machine cannot cre-ate any energy. If he appreciates the principle he will also be prepared to put in more energy than he expects to take out, because he knows that some of the energy he puts in will go to overcome friction or to supply the portion which is inevitably changed into unavailable forms. He will spend his time and knowledge in keeping the energy leaks down to a minimum and thus to make his machine as efficient as possible. That is the main problem of the engineer, and he has a big problem.

The man who understands the principle of conservation of energy will also rec-ognize immediately any proposals which would depend on perpetual motion, or which would demand the creation of energy. For example, he will not enter-tain any thoughts of making crystal am-plifiers which will operate without batteries or power driven generators of electric current.

After having read all this about con-After having read an time about con-serving energy the reader would probably like to know just what energy is. The writer would. He would also like to know what life is. One is probably a form of the other. Some might take this opportunity of observing that life may be destroyed, whereas above it was stated that energy cannot be destroyed. If life is a form of energy it cannot be destroyed, it can only be transformed into some other form of energy.

Components of Energy

In the scientific system of units energy is not a fundamental quantity, but is made up of other elements, but that is only in our arbitrary system of measurements In this system time, mass and length are taken as the three fundamental quantities. Every other physical quantity may be expressed in terms of these three units. Energy in this system is a force times a length. Force is not one of the three basic quantities, but is a mass times an acceleration. Acceleration in turn is a length divided by the square of a time. So that energy in our system of units is a mass, a length squared and a time squared, or in symbols it is ML^2/T^3 . That expression does not tell us what energy is. It merely tells us how it is related to mass, time and length. Life may have the same relationship to these three basic conceptions. If it does, life is en-

How is life connected with radio any-Well, anybody who expects to get way? anywhere in radio research must be fully alive. He must have a lot of vital and mental energy.

Relationship of W F and V

A very useful relationship that the radio experimenters should know is the conand velocity of propagation of the wave. This relation is WF=V where W is the wavelength, F the frequency in cycles, wave motion. This relationship may be proved very easily. Suppose that the length of the wave is 10 meters and that five waves pass a given point every sec-ond. The length of the five waves is evidently 50 meters.

At the end of a given second the beginning of the first wave is then just 50 meters away from the point taken as reference point. Hence the wave motion traveled just 50 meters in a second. Since velocity is the distance that a moving body travels in a unit of time it is clear that the velocity of the wave motion in this case is 50 meters per second. That is, the velocity of a wave motion is the pro-duct of the length of each wave by the number of waves that pass a given point in a unit of time. The velocity and the frequency must of course be measured in the same unit of time, so that if the frequency is measured in seconds the velocty is also in seconds. The velocity of a radio wave is the same

as the velocity of light, which is very nearly equal to 300,000,000 meters per second (186,000 miles).

Frequency Conversion

The relation V=WF may be used by the radio experimenter in converting wavelength to frequency. For example, if the wavelength of a radio wave is 1,000 If the wavelength of a ratio wave is 1,000 meters. Therefore the frequency of the wave? The velocity is 300,000,000 meters per second and the wavelength is 1,000 meters. Therefore the frequency of the wave motion is 300,000 cycles per second, obtained by dividing the velocity in me-ters per second by the length of a wave in meters,

The relation between velocity, wavelength and frequency is not confined to radio waves but applies to all wave motion. For example, it applies to sound waves in air. The velocity of sound in air is 332 meters per second at zero de-grees centigrade and increases at the rate of 60 cm. per second for each degree increase in temperature. Thus at room temperature, which is about 20 degrees centigrade, the velocity of a sound wave is about 344 meters per second. This rela-tionship is sometimes useful in connection with radio in designing loud speaker horns. and cone speakers, and also in placing loud speakers so as to minimize singing (Concluded on page 7)

Why the Man in the Barrel? Nearly Always Too Much Resonance

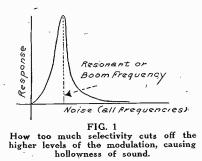
By Capt. Peter V. O'Rourke

WE sometimes hear the expression that the radio sounds as if someone were talking in a barrel. Persumably every-body at some time or another has talked into a barrel or some similar cavity and noticed the boominess of the sound that is heard. The person speaking does not hear the sound that went into the barrel at all, but a sound very much distorted. It sounds boomy or hollow. It is not necessary actually to talk into the barrel or cavity to hear the boominess. It is sufficient to clap the hands or make some other noise near the opening of the barrel. If there is just a little hole in the side or end of the barrel a liftle note in the side of chi of the barrel and if one blows across this hole the boominess may be heard. Why does it boom and why do some radio sets sound as if someone were talking into a barrel? Before answering that let us mention the Helmholz resonator. This is simply a hol-

low sphere with a single small hole on the side. There is a little neck attached to this hole and the neck projects out. If a person places his ear near this opening without actually closing the aperture, he will hear a characteristic sound of definite with their a characteristic south of definition pitch which depends on the physical dimen-sions of the cavity. To hear this sound it is not necessary to have a whistle gen-erating this tone in the room, but there must be present a certain amount of noise must be present a certain amount of noise of heterogeneous composition. The greater the amount of noise in the room the louder will be the tone heard in the resona-tor. Also the larger the cavity of the resonator the lower will be the pitch of the tone heard. If the cavity is very large the sound will be a low rumble. Similar phenomena may be observed by placing the ear near the mouth of a bottle, or near the hole in a barrel, or against a sea shell.

The Barrel is Selective

What causes the noise that is heard? Apparently the noise. But what causes the definite pitch that is heard when no such tone can be heard in the air without listen-ing in front of the hole? It is caused by resonance. Just as a tuned circuit in a



radio receiver selects one particular fre-quency and rejects all others, so a cavity enclosing air selects one sound frequency and rejects all others. The ear hears only that which is selected. This sound is in-tantified by reconstruct tensified by resonance.

The similarity between Helmholz resona-tors and musical instruments is very close. An organ pipe is a long cavity with a small opening at one end. Woodwinds and brasses are similar except as to phy-sical dimensions. When playing, the pitch to which the cavity responds is charged to which the cavity responds is changed by changing the length of the cavity or by exciting a cavity of different length. Even the stringed instruments have their air cavity with a small opening near the point where the sound is produced, although in this case the cavity is not a true resonator. Sometimes in broadcasting the studio

forms a resonator which seriously affects the pickup of the microphones. The effect is called echo, which is a special type of resonance. This effect often causes blasting of the signal, which is erroneously at-tributed to the receiver. Even a small part of a studio may form the resonant cavity which might cause trouble.

Magnification by Resonance

For example, if the microphone is placed near the opening of an alcove, the natural frequency of this cavity may be intensified

and thus cause distortion. In certain audi-toriums the acoustics are very bad. It is almost impossible to understand a speaker, almost impossible to understand a speaker, particularly when the hall is empty or nearly so. This is also caused by the bar-rel effect or by resonance. Certain tones are magnified by resonance to such an ex-tent that all others are lost in comparison. Nearly all horn reproducers pick out one or two frequencies and magnify them by resonance to the detriment of quality.

by resonance to the detriment of quality. Even cone speakers have their resonance effects. One well-known cone has the gen-eral shape of a Helmholz resonator, hav-ing a hole in the back but otherwise being ing a hole in the back but otherwise being enclosed. A resonance peak from this effect can be expected, but it would not be a boomy tone, because of the short dimen-sion of the speaker. Also it has another natural frequency which is caused by the mass of the moving system and the stiff-ness of the paper structure. This is a rether low tone because the stiffences of rather low tone, because the stiffness of the paper is not very great, while the moving system is somewhat heavy. This would tend to make the output boomy, but the frequency of this tone is not low enough to make the output objectionably

boomy. But if that is combined with electrical resonance of about the same frequency then the boominess might become quite severe. This often happens where the severe. This often happens where the speaker is not well matched to the circuit feeding it.

Over-Selectivity

Another source of boominess in the output of a radio receiver is super-selective-ness. If the set is made too much regen-erative and if the tuning is made too sharp, only the low tones come through, the higher one being cut off in the tuning. This causes very severe boominess, but fortunately it is encountered principally in the reception of distant and weak stations. Too large capacity condenser across the speaker terminals has about the same boomy effect.

[Other illustration on front cover]

"On the other hand, thanks to the courtesy and consideration of other departments of the Government, the Commission expects to be able to func-tion, with reasonable efficiency, and to perform the most important of its tasks without serious handicap. The Depart-ment of Agriculture has assigned Sam Pickard, of its Radio Service, to act as Secretary of the Commission for the time being. The Department of Com-merce has provided temporary quarters. The Department of Justice has offered the necessary legal assistance, and offers to aid have been generously made by the to aid have been generously made by the

to aid have been generously made by the War and Navy Departments and various other branches of the Government. "In this way, although the personnel attached to the Commission itself will necessarily be very small, the Commis-sion expects to be able to perform its necessary work without delay. "The Commission's first order, concerns applications for new licenses by holders

applications for new licenses by holders of amateur and ship radio licenses. In order that the Commission may devote its immediate aftention to the most pressing matters, it has extended the time for sending in applications by the many thousands of holders of amateur and ship licenses, and thus is calling for immediate applications only for broadimmediate applications only for broad-casting and point-to-point licenses."

Licenses Are Extended for Ships and Amateurs

After its first official meeting the newly created Federal Radio Commission issued a statement announcing that it had extended indefinitely all radio

rssued a statement announcing that it had extended indefinitely all radio amateur and ship licenses. The Commission later held public hearings in Washington after having called on the radio industry and the listening public to aid in the work of fact-finding which the Commission re-gards as vital to completing its work properly.

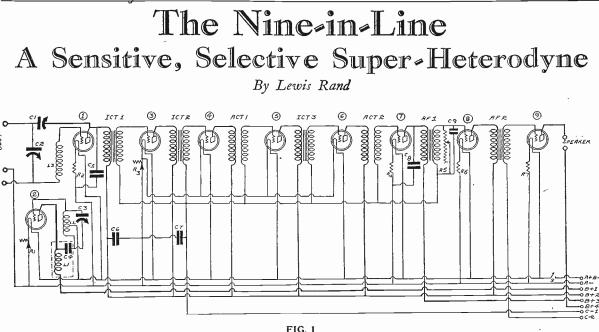
Subjects to be considered at the hearings were: widening the broadcasting band, limitation of power, reducing frequency separation, simultaneous broadcasting with same frequency, time divi-sion, consolidation of broadcasting serv-ice and limiting the number of stations. The text of the announcement follows:

"The Federal Radio Commission, an in-dependent branch of the Federal Gov-ernment, held its first formal meeting on call of the chairman, Rear Admiral

William H. Bullard. The chairman was unable to be present, but sent a call for the meeting by radio and cable from

the meeting by ratio and each China. "For the purpose of effecting im-mediate organization, the Commission elected Judge Eugene O. Sykes, of Mississippi, as vice chairman. Other members of the Commission present were O. H. Caldwell, New York; H. H. Bellows, Minnesota, and J. F. Dillon, California

Bellows, Minnesota, and J. A. ------California "There has been some question in the public mind as to whether the Federal Radio Commission would be able to function owing to the failure of the Second Deficiency Bill to pass the 69th Congress. The Commission will un-doubtedly be handicapped, due to lack of funds, and particularly in the matter of funds, and particularly in the matter of personnel, will be unable to establish such a staff as is contemplated in the radio law, on account of inability to pay salaries.



The circuit diagram of the sensitive 9-tube Super-Heterodyne.

PART I

"I S as highly efficient as it is hand-some."

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- some. This was only one of the many re-marks of praise that were showered upon the Nine-In-Line Super-Heterodyne re-ceiver during the tests held in RADIO WORLD'S Laboratories.

Worn's Laboratories. A glance at the photographs will attest to the simplicity, neatness and general at-tractiveness of this remarkable set. The volume obtainable on both locals and distant stations is so great that only on the most distant of stations it is unnecessary most distant of stations it is unnecessary to employ the volume control. The tonal quality is excellent. This is due to the dexterously designed transformers em-ployed in this set. The selectivity is ace high. This receiver, when placed only one-half mile from WRNY, which operates on 373.8 meters, cut right through, with-out the slightest difficulty in tuning, and brought in KVOO, located in Bistow, Okla., operating on 374.8 meters. And this was done during the evening when practically 95 per cent. of the stations were on the air. on the air.

The Intermediate Stages

The average Super-Heterodyne employs The average Super-Freterodyne employs three untuned stages of intermediate fre-quency amplification and a filter stage. In this receiver the signal is first passed through two untuned stages and then fed into a tuned stage. In this way we not only obtain a sharper tuned signal, but one of greater volume. This same signal

is now fed into another untuned stage and finally through the filter tuner into the second detector. So that the greatest energy transfer through the untuned stages may be obtained, the transformers should have very flat resonance curves, which the HFL transformers possess. This is accom-plished in manufacture by using a paper section coil which has a very high capac-ity, and a large closed iron core, which consists of a great number of high grade silicon steel laminations. This transformer has a uniform amplification factor over a range of approximately six to eight kilo-cycles. The tendency for the tubes in these circuits to oscillate is reduced to a mini-

The first two untuned iron core trans-formers, ICT1 and ICT2, are made to cover the 32 to 42 kilocycle band, maximum amplification being obtained at about 35.6 kilocycles. The next transformer, ACT1, is tuned to give maximum amplification at this frequency. The third untuned transformer ICT3 possesses the same character-istics as ICT1 and ICT2. The signal is then passed to the second air core trans-former, ACT2, which is made in the same manner as ACT1.

Circuit Theory

The incoming signal after being picked up by the loop and detected by the regen-erative detector is beat with the oscillator, which is of the Hartley type. The sum or the difference frequencies are then ampli-fied by the radio frequency stages and fed into the second detector, which is non-

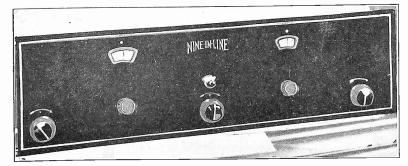


FIG. 2 The panel view of the receiver.

regenerative. The signal is then amplified at audio frequencies by two low ratio audio frequency transformers, AF1 and AF2.

So that the radio frequency energy gen-erated in the oscillator tube may be kept out of the batteries, and avoid a feed-back effect through the other stages, which will make the set erratic, a radio fre-quency choke coil L1C4 is connected in series with the plate circuit of the oscil-lator tube. The filament of this tube, it will be noted, is controlled by a rheostat. This is a very important control and adds to the sensitivity of the receiver. A vari-able condenser C3 which is of the .0005 mfd. type controls the oscillatory action of this tube. It is exigent that the sta-tionary and rotary plate connections will cause noticeable body capacity. **Coil Data** So that the radio frequency energy gen-

Coil Data

The oscillator unit consists of the pick-The oscillator unit consists of the pick-up coil L3 and the oscillator coil L2, which is tapped. Oscillations in the detector tube are controlled by the small variable con-denser C1, which has a maximum capacity of .00005 mfd. Radio frequency energy in both the battery circuits is by-passed by Polymet 1 mfd. fixed condensers, C6 and C7 C7

C7. Although the audio transformers are small and outwardly seem as if they would not give very much amplification, they do, and with very fine quality, at that. This is accomplished by using winding wire of the very smallest gauge possible to handle, over a specially-designed core. The high impedance secondary in these transform-ers with its high capacity effect causes a sharp decline on signals having a greater sharp decline on signals having a greater frequency than 10,000 cycles, which is the highest common audible frequency. In this way, any intermediate frequencies, which may enter in the audio portion of the cirmay enter in the audio portion of the cir-cuit will not be amplified, thus avoiding distortion. The layout is unique. All the transformers, including the radio, audio, and also the radio frequency choke, are placed in the rear of a sub-panel, which can be purchased already drilled. Imme-diately in front of these coils the nine sockets are placed. In this way it is pos-sible to use very short leads to the trans. sible to use very short leads to the trans-formers to the sockets. The filament connections are also simplified. The variable condensers are placed above

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LIST OF PARTS

ICT1, ICT2, ICT3—Three High Fre-quency Lab., H.210 transformers. ACT1, ACT2—Two High Frequency Lab. H.215 transformers. AF1, AF2—Two High Frequency Lab.

F.320 transformers. L2, L3-One High Frequency Lab. L.430 radio frequency transformer (oscillator

coil). LI, C4—One High Frequency Lab. L.425 radio frequency choke unit. RI—One Yaxley 25-ohm rheostat, type

125-K

R3-One Yaxley 6-ohm rheostat, type 16-K.

R4, R6, R7—Three 1A Amperites with mountings (R7 may be a 112 Amperite if power tube is to be used). C2, C3—Two Benjamin straight line fre-

quency .0005 mfd. variable condensers. C1-One General Radio 50 mmfd. micro-

denser, type 368 B. C6, C7—Two Polymet 1 mfd. fixed con-

densers. C5, C9-Two Polymet .0005 mfd. fixed

condensers. C8—One Polymet .002 mfd. fixed con-

denser. R5-One Centralab 500,000-ohm variable

resistance, type 500-M. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9—Nine Benjamin Cle-Ra-Tone sockets. (Without mount-ing base and for 3-16-inch base).

One Celeron 7x26 inch drilled and

engraved panel. One Celeron drilled subpanel. One pair of Benjamin self-supporting

brackets. One Yaxley complete cable connector

plug.

One Yaxley midget battery switch, complete.

Five Yaxley pup jacks. Two Mar-Co Illuminated Controls.

ACCESSORIES

Three Eveready 45-volt standard heavy-duty Layerbuilt B batteries, No. 486. Four Eveready 4½ volt C batteries. One Corbett, Model C, 7x26 inch cabinet. Nine CX-301A tubes or eight of these tubes and one CX-371 or 112.

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One speaker. One Qualitone loop.

One 6-volt A battery.

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the sub-panel, holes being drilled thereon for underneath connection to the oscillator coil and loop posts. The oscillator rheo-stat is placed in the left-hand corner, the radio frequency rheostat next and the variable resistance across the secondary of the first audio frequency transformer, in the right-hand corner. Above the radio frequency rheostat the filament switch is placed. The oscillator coil is placed in the center underneath the sub-panel, close up to

the panel. The grid returns of all the RF, detector and first audio tubes are all connected to a common C battery. The grid return of the last audio tube is connected to a separate C battery. A common C battery for all these tubes was tried, but found not to

be as satisfactory as the separate ones. The -01A tubes should be used throughout the entire receiver, although a power tube may be used in the last stage. Using the -OIA's, the B voltages should be as follows: B plus 1 equals forty-five; B plus 2 equals ninety; B plus 3 equals sixtyseven and one-half, and B plus 4 equals 135. Should you use a power tube in the last stage, the B voltage applied should vary according to the tube used. The C bias for RF, detector and first AF tubes is six and one-half. For the last audio, on 135 volts B, use a 9 volt battery. The en-tire filament supply is controlled by the filament switch S. filament switch S

The A and B battery output leads are connected to a Yaxley plug, not to indi-vidual binding posts. The C battery con-

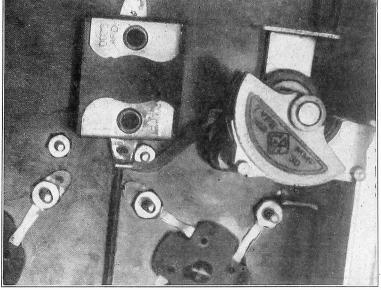


FIG. 3

A closeup view of the midget variable condenser (mounted on the sub-panel), which is used to control the regenerative action of the first detector

of parts column, you will be able to dis-cern the values of the various parts. (Part II, Next Week) nections are made to flexible leads. The loop and output connections are made via Yaxley pup jacks. By consulting the list

How to Figure Cure for "Singing Speaker"

Distance of Reproducer From Set Affects Its Sensitivity to Magnetic Pickup Harmful to Quality

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of a receiver due to microphonic tubes. The length of a horn should be about one-half of the wavelength of the lowest tone it is desired to reproduce. Suppose then that it is desired to design the re-producer so that a 60-cycle tone is brought out well. What should be the length of the horn to reproduce the note? Taking the velocity of sound at room tem-perature to be 344 meters per second we obtain 344=60W, or W is 5.73 meters. The horn should be about half of this, or about 2.86 meters. This is roughly equal to 9 feet.

The "Singing" Speaker

Suppose also that due to a microphonic detector tube the receiver will sing in certain positions of the loud speaker and suppose that the frequency of the singing is 1,000 cycles per second. How far should the speaker be removed to stop this sirging? It should be moved a distance equal to about one half wavelength of the sound wave. If the distance moved

is just one wavelength it is no appreciis just one wavelength it is no appreci-able change in the singing, but if it is moved a half wave, more or less, the noise gan be completely stopped. Moving the speaker through one complete wave is equivalent to turning the tickler in the radio end of the receiver through one complete revolution complete revolution.

The equation for this case becomes 344=1000w, whence the wavelength is 34.4 cm. which is about 13.5 inches. If the receiver sings very violently the distance moved should be half wavelength, of about 7 inches. If it sings less violently the proper distance to move the speaker is somewhat less than half wavelength. The proper distance can always be found In some cases the adjustment is by trial. quite critical, particularly when the amplication is large, when the detector tube is very microphonic, and when the loud-speaker is close to the detector tube, say a few feet away.

A tea wagon would be a fine place to put the speaker.

Scott Is Appointed Counsel to Stations

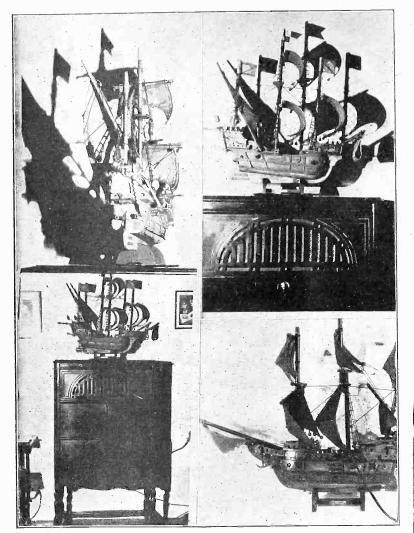
The Radio Manufacturers Association and the National Association of Broadcasters announce the appointment of Frank D. Scott, of Washington, D. C., as their legal representative in Washington. The need of having immediate representation before the Radio Commission in Washington resulted in the assignment for Mr. Scott.

Mr. Scott took a leading part in the preparation and passage of the present radio law, and has a thorough knowledge of what the present law is intended to cover. Mr. Scott retired from Congress on

March 4 last, after serving for twelve years as Congressman from Michigan. years as Congressman from Michigan. Prior to that he was President of the Sen-ate of the State of Michigan. During re-cent years Mr. Scott has been Chairman of the Merchant Marine and Fisheries Committee of the House, which committee has held public hearings and has had charge of radio legislation from its incepcharge of radio legislation from its incep-tion, three years ago. All of the White bills were handled by Mr. Scott's com-mittee. He was also Chairman of the House Conferees, who finally developed the compromise bill between the Senate and the House.

A Ship Model Speaker Adds Beauty and Romance to Installation

By Herbert E. Hayden Photographs by the Author



A STRIKING VIEW of the ship (upper left) as she leaves her home port for adventure and exploration of unknown lands.

THE SHIP under way (upper right) on top of the radio console. A gale is blowing and the ship is pitching lustily.

THE PICTURE at lower left shows the decorative effects that may be obtained in the home with this attractive ship model and a console type radio receiver.

GENERAL view of port side of the ship model (lower right). Note the loudspeaker unit and the cord leading to it.

T HE latest in interior decoration are the interesting and historically significant ship models. These not only satisfy the artistic taste of the homemaker, but they also furnish a continual reminder of discovery, and they serve to place the owner in a mood appreciative of the struggles and hardships that the early pioneers underwent to win religious freedom for themselves and economic affluence for their posterity.

posterity. The decorative value and historical significance of these ship models are in themselves sufficient to earn them a permanent place in every American home. In addition to these values the ships may also be given a modern utilitarian value. They can be made part of the radio receiver and serve as a loudspeaker.

How Work is Done

When a speaker unit, e. g., the Ensco, is combined with one of the model ships the hollowed body of the ship is used as a chamber to house the usual unit, or place for it is scooped out. In some of the ship models the hull has already been gouged out and there is nothing else to do but to attach the loudspeaker unit in the most convenient manner. In other ship models the body of the ship may be solid, and then it is merely necessary to gouge out a cavity of sufficient size to meet the requirements

of the loudspeaker. This is easily and quickly done. The work may be facilitated by drilling a row of holes along the edges of the proposed cavity as well as in the interior and then the rest can be done with a chisel. See that you don't cut through the hull.

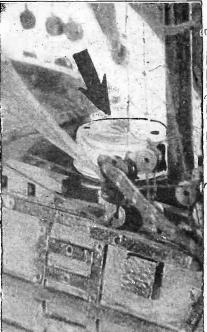
A cardboard horn of suitable dimensions should be made to go into this cavity. The cardboard may be formed into almost any desired shape by first soaking it in water and forming it while wet. It should then be dried without permitting it to assume any other form.

any other form. As dried it should be stowed away in the hull of the ship and the whole concealed from view.

Placement of Unit

The photograph below shows a closeup view of the ship model with loudspeaker installed. An arrow points to the unit. The only thing that can be seen of the loudspeaker is the inverted cup of the speaker unit, which can be seen just ahead of the mast. The horn has been covered up by the decks and the rigging. It is, of course, necessary to leave an opening somewhere for the sound to get out into the air.

the air. The ship models may be obtained in knock-down form, very inexpensively. The assembly is exceedingly simple and can be effected with no other equipment than a small hammer, a few small nails and a pot of glue. The entire work, including the assembly of hull, placement of rigging and sails can be done in a few hours. The addition of the loudspeaker, including the making of the horn, will take a few more hours of very fascinating work.



HOW THE phone unit appears when it is placed over the hollowed body of the ship. The unit is, of course, inverted, so that the sound comes through the horn, placed in the hollow body.

The Zoom of Kettle Drums Splendidly Reproduced on 3-Foot Cone

By Clyde J. Fitch

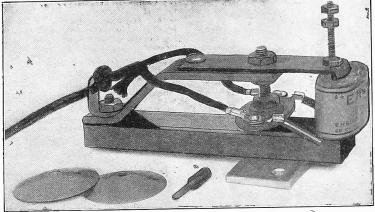


FIG. 1

The rule of simplicity was followed in the construction of the unit. The coil (at right) is a solenoid, and the magnet (pedestal) is straight bar tungsten steel. One pole piece is on the top, at the end of which is the threaded driving rod.

Whole Tonal Range of Music Handled Well by Large Reproducer of Right Type

T HE popularity of the three-foot cone speaker has grown so rapidly during the past six months that most persons now the past six months that most persons now believe that by simply connecting any three-foot cone to their radio set, they will greatly improve the quality of recep-tion. While this is true in the majority of cases, it often happens that the results are much inferior to those obtained from the average horn or small cone repro-ducer. There are two reasons why na-tural tone quality may not be obtained. One is that the set is defective and the other is that the unit employed in the cone may not respond to the full musical tonal range.

tonal range. Of course we can easily eliminate the Of course we can easily eliminate the first trouble by employing a good set. If the set chokes back some of the musical tones they cannot be reproduced by he speaker. All that is necessary to correct the set is to employ good transformers in the audio amplifier or to employ a good amplifier if of another type, such as an impedance or resistance coupling. Any radio set, no matter how cheaply con-structed, will give as good tonal quality when using a three-foot cone as can be obtained from expensive sets, provided good transformers are employed in the audio amplifier.

LIST OF PARTS

One kit, consisting of Alhambra Fonotex unit, extensions and metal cones.

Two pieces of wood for cross sticks, each 36 x 1¼ x 5% inches. One wooden block for spacer 5 x 3 x 2 inches.

A large cone in itself is not sufficient for high quality reproductions. I have heard many a three-foot cone driven by an inferior type of unit that failed en-tirely to transmit the lower musical tones, such as the zoom of the bass viol, the kettle drums, etc. Unless the vibrations

are present in the unit, the sound cannot be amplified by the large cone.

Does Not Require Big Power

Contrary to the general opinion, power amplification is not required to "force" the low tones through. They come through with perfect ease and fidelity, and do not in any way interfere with or submerge the notes of the upper register. There are many types of loud speaker units. Nearly all of them comprise some

units. Nearly all of them comprise some form of permanent magnet, electromag-net and vibrating diaphragm or armature. In design, the unit, in Figs. 1 and 2, is perhaps the simplest on the market. Only the bare necessities of a loud speaker driving unit are employed, and these are of best quality material. And it was found that by eliminating all unnecessary parts, and making the unit as simple and rug-ged as possible, unuusual tone quality re-sulted. For example, the vibration arma-

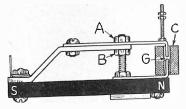


FIG. 2

Two nuts, A and B, are used to adjust the length of the air gap G. C is the coil.

ture was made of the proper size and shape so that the drive pin connecting it to the cone apex-could be attached di-rectly over the coil at the free end. By so doing, reducing levers were rendered un-necessary. The air gap between the pole tips is located at the center of the coil, where all the variable magnetic flux from the coil is concentrated, thus giving in-creased efficiency. The coil in this case is a solenoid.

Another point of interest lies in the permanent magnet. Instead of the usual chrome steel horseshoe magnet; a straight

chrome steel horseshoe magnet; a straight bar tungsten steel magnet is employed. The use of tungsten steel in the shape of a straight bar gives everlasting per-manence, both as regards magnetic strength and mechanical stability. No horseshoe magnet, or any type of bent steel magnet, will retain its phys-ical shape indefinitely, but will have a tendency to straighten out with age. such magnets should be aged several months after bending before being placed in operation.

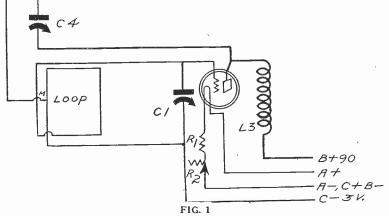
Requires No Output Filter

The coil of this unit is worthy of comment, in that it is designed for direct ment, in that it is designed for direct operation on the set without necessity for the use of an output transformer or choke coil and condenser combination. It may be so connected when used with a 301-A, 201-A, 112, 371 or 171 output tube with (Concluded on page 23)

BEND BACK SMALL PAPER CONE 4 HOLE HERE FOR APEX, CUT OUT HERE' SMALL PAPER CONE SCORE WITH BLUNT POINT 36 1 GLUED HERE AND BEND BACK-GLUE HERE. r w 110 Ann HOLE CUT AFTER CONE IS GLUED IN SHAPE METAL CONES CUT HERE . SUPPLIED WITH UNIT GRAIN OF PAPER SQUARE SHEET OF PAPER 38" X 38" / NOTE: FOR 36 CONE A=19 B= $10\frac{3}{5}$ C= $6\frac{1}{4}$ FOR 33 CONE A= $17\frac{1}{2}$ B= $16\frac{3}{5}$ C= $5\frac{3}{4}$ FOR 30 CONE A= 15 $\frac{3}{6}$ B= 14 $\frac{3}{4}$ C= 5 $\frac{1}{4}$ FOR 24 CONE A= 12 $\frac{3}{4}$ B= 12 $\frac{1}{6}$ C= 4 $\frac{1}{4}$

FIG. 3 Dimensions for cutting cone paper for 36, 33, 30 and 24-inch diameters

The Universal on a Loop Brings In Stations With Excellent Volume



Skeleton diagram showing how to wire the Universal for loop operation.

THE four-tube Universal receiver may be operated from a loop. While the loop does not pick up as much energy as an outdoor antenna, or even as an inside antenna of the capacity type, nevertheless it picks up enough to bring in all the local stations, and even some distance, on the new Universal.

The loop as a collecting agency is favored by those who have no facilities for erecting an outdoor antenna and who do not care to string any wire around the moulding of a room to constitute an indoor antenna.

Of course the loop is directional in that it will tune in stations at maximum volume when the plane of the loop coincides with the direction of the received wave. In that way many stations can be tuned out completely by rotating the loop, even though the two tuning condensers are at resonance with the wavelength of the station in question. This builds up selectivity of a directional nature and enables one to get rid of all stations interfering, where the interference is caused by a station the wave front of which is in a direction other than that of the station desired to be received.

Gives Good Volume

Fig. 1 shows the wiring of the loop where the Universal is to be built as a receiver not equipped for optional use of an outdoor antenna. If one has an outdoor antenna he should use that exclusively, but if he gannot have an outdoor antenna and wants to have a loop it is perhaps better practice in this receiver to build a set for loop operation exclusively. The volume obtainable even when a loop is used will prove to be considerable. The use of a loop therefore will obviate including the antenna coupler, so that the tuning coils of the receiver consist of the loop as the pickup and L3L4 as the interstage coupler.

as the interstage coupler. The diagram shows the method of connecting the loop and the neutralizing condenser. All the rest of the wiring is done along exactly the same lines as for the receiver built for an outdoor antenna. The wiring diagram, other illustrations and the constructional data were given in the March 12 and 19 issues, with trouble shooting in the March 26 issue.

Mid-tap Question

Those who read the preceding articles no doubt are familiar with the fact that the mid-tap of the secondary of the antenna coupler was connected to C minus 3 volts, while the beginning and end of the secondary went respectively to the rotor of Cl and to the stator of Cl and grid. The neutralizing condenser was connected from plate to aerial.

Neutralizing Condenser

The skeleton diagram, Fig. 1, shows how the neutralizing condenser should be connected if a mid-tap loop is used. M represents the mid-tap. The loop must have the correct inductance to tune with the capacity used for Cl. In the laboratory model Cl was a General Radio .0005 mfd. variable condenser. The loop was a mid-tap commercial model wound for tuning with an .0005 mfd. condenser.

Establishing Mid-tap

If no mid-tap is provided on the loop one may be made by scraping the insulation off the wire at the mid-point and soldering the connection thereto. It is not absolutely necessary, however, to use the mid-tap for connection to C4. If you do not desire to scrape the insulation off an existing loop that has no mid-tap then C4 may be connected from plate to grid direct.

Advice on Dials

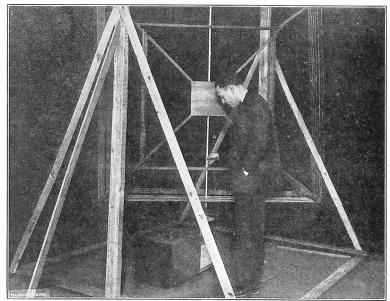
When the loop type receiver is used it is still important to adhere to the admonition that completely insulated dials be used. These present a front view showing no metal. The reason is that exposed metal parts cause body capacity in this circuit, whereas the recommended Karas Micrometric Dials do not.—Herman Bernard.

U. S. Phone Directories Put in London Hotel for Oversea Service

What is believed to be a new record for long distance telephoning was made when John W. Harrigan, of Detroit and Milwaukee, now in London, spoke twice on the same day across the Atlantic on the commercial radio telephone. Both calls pertained to business matters and were made at a two-hour interval. The two talks cost \$700.

talks cost \$/00. That the radio telephone has achieved wide popularity with visiting Americans in London is attested to by the fact that the Savoy Hotel has placed in every room New York, Pennsylvania, Maine and Connecticut telephone directories. To improve the audibility on trans-Atlantic radio telephone calls, each telephone instrument has been equipped with an extra receiver.

AN AUTOMATIC LOOP



(Harris & Ewing)

A LOOP, which without the presence of an operator, turns around a predetermined number of revolutions per hour, day or night, so as to cover all directions, enabling one to procure valuable data on fading, static and other radio phenomena, was recently invented by E. B. Judson, of the Special Laboratory for Transmission Research of the Bureau of Standards, in Washington, D. C.

Auto Reception His Hobby British Captain Has Huge Loop on Outside

By C. J. Fenwyn-Cholmondeley

A GREAT many of us will be taking our vacations shortly, some to the hills, others to the seashore. And the thrill that comes by going by auto can hardly be surpased, unless it be for the very reason that prompts this narrative—taking a radio receiver with you! Portable radio receivers have been de-scribed time and again. However, Cap-tain Plugge, English radio engineer, felt that at best the so-called portable radio receiver was nothing which its name im-plied, and so conceived the idea of build-ing his receiver right into the dash board plied, and so conceived the idea of build-ing his receiver right into the dash board of his car. By doing this, he achieved his main objective—portability in every sense of the word—for wherever he wanted to go, he would do so in his car, and his radio would be right there when-ever he wanted it ever he wanted it.

Uses Super-Heterodyne

Naturally, the first consideration was the design of the receiver, the best circuit to employ. As the receiver was to be subjected to the severest kind of ser-vice, the most sensitive radio amplifier had to be used in conjunction with special features which would adopt the set to the strain and stress of operating over rough roads in poor locations, and above and below sea level which conditions have a decided effect upon the reception of radio waves.

Hence, a nine-tube Super-Heterodyne to which was added two stages or tuned radio frequency amplification was finally decided upon and was found to exceed by far the expectations. But the success of the set rested in a large part, at least, with the loop which was employed to pick up the faint and distant signals.

The Loop Antenna

As can be seen in the accompanying photograph, the loop was a real large busi-ness-like affair of sturdy construction and was made weather-proof by a covering of beauty duck covering of heavy duck canvas which was thoroughly shellached several times. The actual di-mensions were 3½ feet square.

The winding consisted of 12 turns of No. 18 enamelled copper wire and the tuning was accomplished by a 00035 vernier-drive variable condenser of the straight-

The loop was rotated into position by means of a two-foot handle attached to the frame work readily accessible from the driver's seat. The bearing, by the way, was made to fit snugly, so that the friction mused the loce the two into the friction caused the loop to remain in position re-gardless of the rocking and swaying of the car.

Some Interesting Experiences

Captain Plugge was at first somewhat reticent to talk of his many interesting experiences, but further coaxing and persuasion finally brought forth some very elucidating statements.

In going through the countryside, sev-eral miles from any of the broadcasting stations, it was most amazing to learn of the varying strength of signals. In some cases, the signals faded out completely but would come in strong again a few hundred feet down the same road. No reason other than that possible reflection of the radio waves by nearby metallic ore deposits was suggested for such strange pranks. Again, it was necessary actually to change the position of the loop to what appeared to be at right angles to the proper direction from which the radio waves came, but again the so-called

(Herbert Photos)

An eleven-tube Super-Heterodyne, designed and built by Captain Plugge, of the British army, has proved its mettle and worth. The loop antenna is used in conjunction with the "radioized" car. Its large size is a large factor in contributing to the excel-

lent results which have characterized the operation of the receiver. It is made weatherproof and can readily be demounted.

"wave-chute phenomenon was held as the reason.

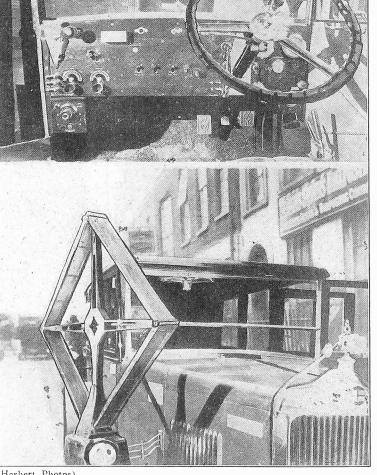
"Dead Spots" Encountered

Of course, there were found quite a number of "dead spots" in which regions no signals whatsover could be heard. The same stretch of territory was ex-plored both at night and during the day-time and graphs of the signal strength were made. When these were compared, it was found generally: that, while the it was found generally, that, while the it was found generally; that, while the strength of the signals received during the night were of far greater intensity than those received during the day, the "dead spot" phenomenon varied! For instance, where it had been im-possible in the evening to obtain even the slightest semblance of a signal in a posi-

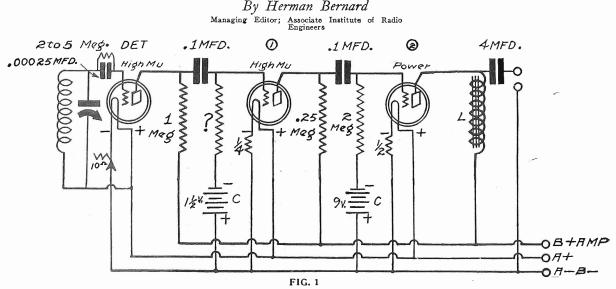
tion located between two high ridges, it was found surprising to receive with fair strength and extreme clarity signals from relatively distant stations even at high noon!

Fun In the City

But when tests were made in the city it was astounding, the manner in which the music from a local station would come in. In going down a street and nearing an intersection, the music would gradually in-crease, until the car arrived at the corner, when the volume would be tremendous. Often when a machine passed the loop an-tenna, on the right, as is the London man-ner, the signal would begin to fade, and, if the median creased treased the loop of if the machine passed too closely, die out, (Concluded on page 28)



Two Steps of Resistance AF That Afford Ample Volume for a Speaker



A two-stage resistance-coupled audio amplifier that operates a loudspeaker with about as much volume as the run of two-stage transformer- coupled amplifiers. The detector stage is shown also, because a high mu tube must be used there. The 1 meg. resistor in the detector plate circuit, and proper value of the grid leak (see question mark) usually will stop even the severest cases of motorboating. Note that the same B plus lead is used for detector and both audio tubes. The applied voltages differ greatly, however, due to voltage drop in the resistors and choke coil. The bias is arranged for 150 volts at the source.

T HE advent of the 30 mu tube has made it possible for the first time for home constructors to utilize a two-stage resistance coupled audio frequency amplifier and obtain ample volume to operate a speaker. Heretofore the required volume was obtainable only from three stages because the mu of even the high mu tubes was about 20 or less. The voltage gain in resistance coupled audio amplification depends on the tube characteristics, there being mo other step-up, as contrasted with transformers. While the tube itself has a gain of 30, the net gain is about 20, due to the effect of the coupling resistor.

To construct a two-stage resistance coupled audio amplifier and obtain sufficient speaker volume to appease even those who like extremely loud signals it is necessary to use a high mu tube as detector. The same voltage source is applied to the detector plate resistor as to the other plate resistors and the choke coil.

Should Use High Voltage

It is assumed that a high voltage is used for the B plus lead, i. e., 135 volts or more. If the audio amplifier is used in conjunction with an AC B eliminator, when normally 180 volts may be obtained, the same rule of a common B plus lead applies. The voltage drops about 40% in the case of the first audio tube and somewhat more in the case of the detector tube. On the other hand the choke coil, L, drops only about 10 volts, thereby giving the final audio tube the high voltage that it requires for efficient operation.

In the construction of the two-stage resistance coupled audio amplifier, new problems arise, as this field has not been thoroughly explored, due to the prior non-existence of tubes of sufficiently high amplification constant to make the two stages practical for speaker operation. It will be noted of course that with an actual gain of 20 per stage there is reason for favorable comparison between the volume obtainable from the run of two-stage transformer coupled amplifiers and the two-stage resistance circuit. Also, the quality obtainable from the resistance circuit is likely to be better, although audio transformers of the better makes produce such good quality nowadays that many persons cannot notice the qualitative differences by ear.

The Motorboating Problem

Perhaps the outstanding problem in connection with 30 mu tubes is that of motorboating, a low frequency oscillation due to the common impedance of the circuits. Such tubes increase the tendency of the circuit in this direction. The impedance may be regarded as the

The impedance may be regarded as the obstruction that the resistance offers to alternating current.

alternating current. A study of any circuit will show that the power sources, i. c., the A, B, and C supplies, are all connected together, the lowest potential being C minus and the other steps being A minus, B minus, A plus and B plus. A diagram of the batteries will show them in that order, and the common connection is inherent and inevitable, but of no particular detriment where the indirect coupling method is used. But the moment that one resorts to direct coupling, particularly resistance, the common impedance is accentuated, there being not only the power source to consider, but also the coupling-isolating condensers which unite the one stage to the other while isolating the high voltage of the DC on the preceding plate from the succeeding grid, and also one must consider the plate and grid loads.

It will be found that the resistor in the plate circuit of the detector tube will have a very great effect on motorboating. The higher the resistance of this unit, the greater the proportion of the load resistance to the total or external resistance, and hence the smaller the likelihood of motorboating. There exists between the detector plate resistor and the first audio grid resistor a compensating effect, due to the opposition of phases.

Opposite Rule for Grid

While the rule is the higher the resistor in the plate circuit the smaller the danger of motorboating, the opposite rule prevails in respect to the audio grid leak. The value of the grid leak of the first audio stage is one that should be obtained experimentally, the objective being to use as high a value as is consistent with absence of motorboating. Therefore resistor values which show up well in tube tests independent of united circuits unfortunately do not give much assistance when one tries to make a practical application of the high mu tube to an operating audio chain, especially of two stages, with an an uneven number of plate circuits (including detector). The l meg, resistor in the plate circuit of the detector tube was found to cure motorboating in every instance in which it was encountered, even when B eliminators were used, provided that the succeeding grid resistor was of a sufficiently low value, e. g., 25 meg. It may be necessary to use even a smaller resistor here, despite theoretical objections. An important consideration in respect

An important consideration in respect to motorboating is the value of the coupling-isolating condenser. In the tests its value was .1 mfd. The plate resistors and the grid leaks in the audio channel are based upon that value of the condenser. If anything else than .1 mfd. is used then the grid resistor of the first audio tube, identified by a question mark in Fig. 1, may be increased. The heart of the subject-matter is the stifling effect of either the leak or the condenser, or both, on the lower frequencies. If a small enough condenser is used, then there is no danger of motorboating, although frequencies below 100 cycles may be cut off as high as 50%. Low value grid leaks similarly affect lower frequencies.

The Three-Tube Compact Makes Dandy House Set and Handy Portable

By Jasper Henry

T HERE is a three-tube receiver that can easily out perform many five and can easily out perform many rive and six-tube radio sets. It is the result of the application of several important re-finements which, when combined, pro-duce a circuit which is as sensitive and selective as even present-day needs require.

quire. To obtain sensitivity in a radio circuit it is necessary to reduce to a minimum all forms of losses, such as absorption, radio frequency leakage, hand capacity, distri-buted capacity in the inductance coils, and to ascertain that the tubes are operated to ascertain that the tubes are operated

to ascertain that the tubes are operated at their proper characteristics. The circuit diagram, Fig. 1, shows that a variable primary is used as well as a tickler coil which is movable in the same tickier coil which is movable in the same manner. The coil used in the laboratory set was the Micro-coupler, which has a very minute vernier adjustment and ope-rates so smoothly and finely that one can tune in stations not otherwise obtainable. tune in stations not otherwise obtainable. The set tunes so sharply that to receive some distance stations it is well to have a small vernier condenser, Cl, connected across the tuning condenser.

The Rotary Coils

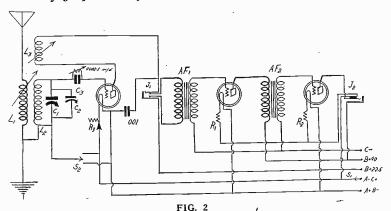
The proper connections for the Micro-coupler, type 3C, are join No 3 to the plate and No. 4 to the B plus detector. The other variable or primary coil is connected in the antenna circuit, while the grid circuit is connected to the secondary.

grid circuit is connected to the secondary. Reference to Fig. 2 shows the compact-ness of this set, which consists of a re-generative detector and two stages of au-dio frequency amplification. The cabinet was purchased from a radio dealer. It was the well-known Atwater Kent com-pact cabinet. These cabinets are plentiful, a dealer emore sets from cabinets to as dealers remove sets from cabinets to

as dealers remove sets from cability to install the sets in consoles. The tuning of the set is done with one control, while two other controls are re-quired to sharpen the tuning and "sen-sitize" the detector. These are the de-tector rheostat control and the tickler foodback coupling coil control feedback coupling coil control.

Rheostat on Detector

The detector tube filament is controlled with a 20-ohm rheostat while the audio with a 20-onm meostal while the adulto amplifier tubes are automatically fed with the proper current by means of Amper-ites. In conjunction with the fine con-trol of the detector, the grid return is connected to a miniature single pole double throw switch which allows either positive or zero bias to be obtained, so that the set may have a general purpose tube as detector, with positive re-turn, or a special detector, like the CX-



300, with zero bias (negative filament return).

The circuit diagram shows just what has been incorporated into the receiver. Note that the grid return of the two audio tubes requires that a C battery be used. This is to insure good quality of reproduction at all times and to minimize the drain on the B batteries. All that is needed for the -01A type tube at 40 volts is a $4\frac{1}{2}$ volt battery, but for two 112 tubes in the audio channel use 9 volts

The filament switch turns the set voits bias at 135 plate volts. The filament switch turns the set on and off, and by virtue of the manner of the wiring does not affect the ground connection, which is often disconnected in other types of receivers. In this way, the entire circuit is always grounded, a good plan.

Costs Little

What is particularly interesting about this receiver, besides its exceptionally-small size, is its low cost of building and upkeep. The seemingly expensive part, the cabinet, was obtained from a well-known concern for a few dollars.

The panel is of mahogany bakelite, size $19\frac{1}{2} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$ inches, and the baseboard of bakelite, size 18×5 inches. The two jacks are mounted so that their frames fasten these items together.

The second jack is a filament control for the two stages of audio frequency am-plification. When the phones are being plification. When the phones are being used the filaments of the audio tubes are not lit. The moment the reproducer is plunged into J2, however, all the tubes are lit.

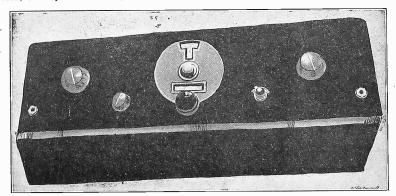


FIG. 1

Due to the small size of the receiver it lends itself very readily to portability, and with this in mind it has been designed for use with either 3-volt tubes or the 6-volt variety. The excellence of the tuning inductance

The excellence of the tuning inductance has been augumented with the small vari-able vernier three-plate condenser which aids in tuning with such remarkable fine-ness that one can almost "split hairs." How-ness that one can almost "split hairs." Howness that one can almost "split hairs." How-ever, nothing is lost from the quality of the reproduction. None of the harmonics or overtones accompanying the music is lost or suppressed due to the elimination of the side bands of the incoming carrier wave, for the side bands are not in any way affected by Cl.

LIST OF PARTS

L1, L2, L3-One Micro-coupler.

S1-One Carter Imp. filament switch. R4-One Bretwood variable grid leak. C3-One Bretwood .00025 mfd. grid condenser, bullet type.

R3-One 20-ohm rheostat. R1, R2-Two No. 1A Amperites.

J1—One double circuit jack. J2—One double circuit filament control

jack.

C1-One .0005 mfd. variable condenser.

AF1, AF2—Two audio transformers.

S2-One miniature single pole double throw switch.

C1-Small vernier condenser (three plates).

One Atwater Kent Cabinet. One Bakelite panel 191/2x51/2.

One Bakelite sub-panel 18x5. One vernier dial.

Three sockets. Seven binding posts.

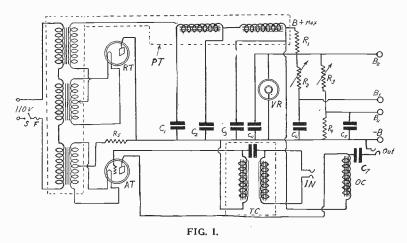
Is Such Laudation a Matter of Money?

Lives there a musician of some conse-quence who never has had his or her picture taken beside a radio set, pretend-ing to marvel over the natural quality of this particular set? Is there one among or this particular set? Is there one among them who has ever heard what the qual-ity of that set is? If so, has that par-ticular exception heard any other set? What is the answer to these questions? If the check is large some persons will have their pictures taken beside anything and participation of the set of the and permit the advertiser's copywriter to "quote" the sitters as his imagination may direct.

The Power Compact Socket Operation for all B, One A, One C

By Lewis Winner

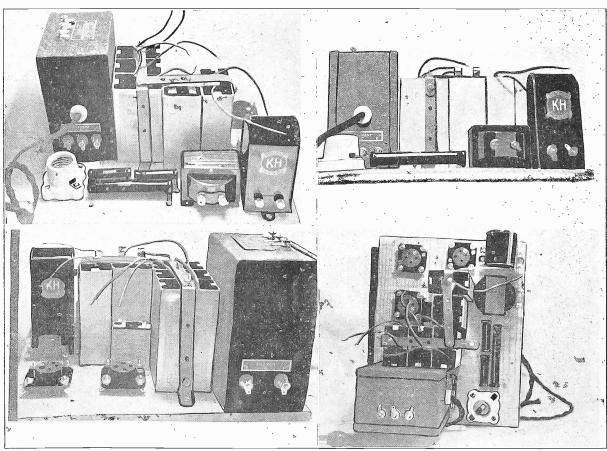
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The circuit diagram of the B eliminator and one-stage power amplifier.

A LTHOUGH it is possible to employ the popular 5-volt tubes in amplifier circuits which will bring out the depth and fullness of signals on both the high and low frequencies with good volume, not until you have tried a stage of power amplification can you realize what real volume and excellent tonal quality your receiver is capable of delivering. The power tube, of course, requires a high plate voltage not readily obtainable from dry B battery blocks. However, the house line can be used to supply this power as well as the B power for the other tubes in your set, and at a very small cost, e. g., approximately equal to that drawn by a 50 watt lamp. A device with which it is possible to do the above is herewith described.

This unit consists of a stage of double impedance audio frequency amplification, (chosen because of its flat curve characteristic on the complete audio frequency range) and a B eliminator capable of delivering 400 volts to the plate of the power tube used in this audio stage as well as B voltages for any set using as high as (Concluded on 'page 29)

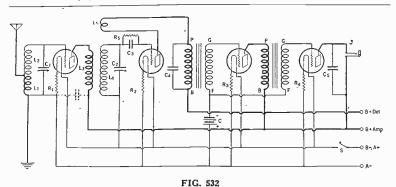


Four general views of the layout of the eliminator. How the Kroblak resistors are mounted is best seen in the photo in the upper left-hand corner. How the sockets are placed to avoid the tubes from hitting each other as well as allowing plenty of play for the insertion of the tubes is shown in the lower left-hand photo. The upper right-hand photo is another view of the resistor mounting. The lower right-hand photo shows exactly how all the parts are placed.



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The circuit diagram of the four-tube receiver requested by Frank Merrils.

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should be used throughout. COULD THIREE two-to-one ratio audio frequen-cy transformers be used to construct a four-tube receiver? I have these transformers and four sockets, as well as two .0005 mid. variable con-densers-Janes Hanson, Oakland, Calif. The circuit diagram of a receiver using these parts is shown in Fig. 533. One of the trans-formers is used in for reflexing, while the other two arc used in the straight andio stages. The .0005 mid. variable condensers are used to tune the secondaries of radio frequency transformers, which consist of sixty-two turns, wound on two aud one-half inch diameter tubing, using No. 22 double cotton-covered wire. The primaries of these RFT consists of ten turns. Each primary sequence secondary. Allow one-quarter inch hengehning and the end of each winding. Be sure to label the heghning and the end of each winding. Be sure to label the heghning and the detector are controlled by a twenty-ohm, rheostat. The filaments of both

receiver requested by Frank Merrils.
audio tubes are controlled by a one-half-ampere ballast resistor. RI is a 2 megohm grid leak. Cd is a .0005 mid. fixed condenser. C3 is a .0005 mid. fixed condenser. C4 mid. Sa .0005 mid. fixed condenser. Sa .0

I HAVE a four-tube receiver using two stages of radio amplification, a crystal detector and three stages of resistance coupled audio frequency am-plification. The volume and quality with this set on local stations is excellent. However, I would like to receive some distant stations. The furthest station I can now get is KDKA, and that very low. Would adding a tickler to the first radio frequency transformer increase my distance range any? I know that it is possible to get DX here, because I have had other sets here, and employing the same antenna and ground, obtained wonderful results. The primaries of my RFT consist of fifteen turns, while the second-aries consists of fifty turns, each primary and secondary being wound on a two and three-quar-

ter-inch diameter tubing. I think No. 24 double silk-covered wire is used. The secondaries are shunted by .6005 mfd. variable condensers. How many turns should the tickler contain and on what size tubing should it be wound? I am us-ing -01A type tubes.-Henry Meyers, Schenec-tady, N. Y.

many turns should the tickler contain and on-what size tubing should it be wound? I am us-ing -01A type tubes.-Henry Meyers, Schenec-tady, N, Y. . The tickler will add to the sensitivity of the receiver. The tuning will, however, become more difficult. The winding should consist of thirty-seven turns wound on a one and three-quarter-inch diameter tubing using No. 26 single silk-covered wire. This coil should be inserted near the end of the secondary winding. It is not known if you now have a rheostat connected in the filament circuit of this tube or not. If you haven't, better insert a twenty-ohm type. The resistance wire pôst is connected to the minus F post of the socket, while the arm post is con-nected to the minus A post. The grid return of the secondary winding of the RFT in this circuit is connected to the arm post or the minus A post, which is the same lead. It is also suggested that you connect the end of the primary wind-ing of the second radio frequency transformer, which is connected to the plate circuit of the first tube, to a separate B plus lead, applying about forty-five volts at the start.

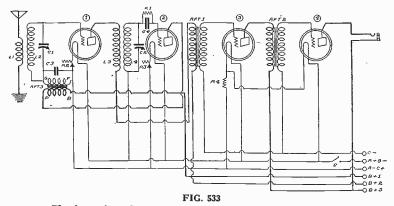
about forty-five volts at the start. I BUILT the six-tube receiver shown diagram-matically on page 13 of the Oct. 16 issue of Mathematically on page 13 of the Oct. 16 issue of Mathematically on page 13 of the Oct. 16 issue of Mathematically on page 13 of the Oct. 16 issue of Mathematically on page 13 of the Oct. 16 issue of Mathematically on page 13 of the Oct. 16 issue of Mathematically on a breadboard and an well-pleased with it. I would now like to build this set so that I can fit it into a seven-inch high, twen-ty-for-inch long and eight-inch deep cabinet. (1)—The haments were all controlled by a sin-rel rheostat. The rheostat that I used burnt out. I have, however, a ten and a twenty-ohm rheo-tat. Could these be used? (2)—In what fila-ment circuits should they be inserted? (3)—Have a 112 and a 1A Amperite. Could these be used? (4)—Where? (5)—Would the selectivity factor of the beginning of the iscondary winding of the first radio frequency transformer? (6)—I now have the coils placed in the regular neutrodyne angle style on the end plates of the variable condensers. Is this O, K.? (7)—I would the to senected?—Milton Glickman, Jersey City, N. J. (1)—Yes, (2)—Insert the twenty-ohm rheostat in series with the negative leg of the filament of the first radio frequency amplifier. The ten-ohm finestar should be inserted in series with the functions. (3)—Yes. (4)—The 1A Amperite shudd be used to control the filament of the first audio tubes. (3)—Yes. (6)—Yes. (7)— Aross the A battery line. The connection in the minus A line should be made after the filament switch connection. *******

I INTEND constructing the three-tube reflex receiver shown in Fig. 413 in the Radio Univer-sity columns of the Aug. 21 issue of Radio WorkD (1)--Could the 'potentiometer be left out? (2)--Where would the grid returns go to, if this is left out? (3)--Could a' ten-turn primary and forty-five turn secondary winding wound on a three-inch diameter tubing with No. 22 double cotton-covered wire be used instead of the single winding antenna inductance specified? (4)--I only have a single circuit jack. Could He double circuit jacks be omitted? (5) Would I receive satisfactory results if I used an antenna which was one hundred feet long, with a lead-in of twenty-five feet?-Joseph, Rimsky, Pittsburgh, Pa.

(1)—Yes. (2)—To the minu's A post. (3)—Yes.
 (4)—Yes. The plate and B plus connections are made directly to the transformer. (5)—Yes.

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DOES STATION WCAD, owned and operated by the St. Lawrence University of Canton, N. Y., use a frequency indicator to keep their frequency of 1140 kilocycles constant?--Charles Aster, Bos-Mass.



The four-tube reflex circuit diagram requested by James Hanson.

RADIO WORLD

Photoradio Use In War Envisaged by Sarnoff

'Planes With No Person Aboard May Photograph Enemy Terrain, He Tells the Army War College

In a recent address before the Army War College, Lieut. Colonel David Sarn-off, U. S. Army, Sigual Corps Reserve, vice president and general manager of the Radio Corporation of America, spoke of the possible uses of high-speed radio transmission in military operations. "The development of high-speed fac-simile transmission by radio," he says, "opens new and great possibilities in mili-tary communicaton." Military information sent in facsimile will carry its own proof of authenticity to the receiving department and the high

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to the receiving department and the high speed of transmission will solve the prob-lem of secrecy for military dispatches. He predicts that before long mechan-isms will be available whereby scouting planes soaring over the enemy's lines will be able to send back to headquarters maps and photographs of enemy positions within a few minutes of the time that the photographs were made. We may see the day, he says, when a fleet of aircraft, with no human occupants and loaded with with no human occupants and loaded with bombs, may be sent against the enemy's lines, with all controlling operations per-formed by radio, including photography.

Big Possibilities

It may also become possible for the staff at a military base to follow the progress of an air raid more or less accu-rately by comparing the photoradio maps transmitted with photographs previously taken of the same ground. Thus the prog-race of the flast could be plotted and the ress of the fleet could be plotted and the aircraft steered by radio so that bombs might be dropped when the desired posi-tion was reached. After their work had

been performed the craft might be steered to return. But even if driven to their destruction they might accomplish their purpose by exploding their charges after they had been brought to the ground. Colonel Sarnoff goes on to say: "As the principles of remote control by

"As the principles of remote control by radio already have been determined it is not impossible to conceive the radio-controlled tank of the future, without human pilotage, being driven toward the enemy's lines. "Perhaps it would be too fantastic to consider the part that might be played by direct television in the war of the future, but it is not too early to consider the direction which laboratory develop-ment should take in its annlication to

ment should take in its application to military uses.

Television Possibility

"It is conceivable that a radio television transmitter installed in an aeroplane might be useful in transmitting a direct image of the enemy's terrain, thus enabling greater accuracy in gunfre. "But here, it is believed, is a good point at which to end this address. For while

the radio art in its present phases has no more definite limits than the bounds of imagination, it is an admirable prin-ciple which commands men to keep their feet on the ground in discussing a subject of practical importance. Yet it is the anomaly of the age we live in that while men may desire to keep their feet firmly planted on Mother Earth scientific prog-ress may whirl the very ground from under them."

Voices of British Actors to Be Trained for Air

Royal Academy of Dramatic Art Institute Course, Following Complaints of Listeners

London. The broadcasting of plays in England has been hampered greatly because of the inability of both actors and actresses properly to gauge the effect of their voices in the microphone and amplifier. The British Broadcasting Company has met with great difficulty in casting radio plays in such a manner that listeners met with great difficulty in casting radio plays in such a manner that listeners could readily distinguish between the voices of the several members of the cast. So urgent has become the need for properly trained actors that Kenneth Barnes, principal of the Royal Academy of Dramatic Art, has organized a class where facts about broadcasting acoustics will be taught. Mr. Barnes has chosen a number of his most pronising students for this special training and it is hoped they will meet the needs of the radio drama. To further the interest of the students in this course, and to encourage students in this course, and to encourage others to familiarize themselves with broadcasting requirements, the British

Broadcasting Company has offered sub-stantial prizes for the two students who become most proficient as radio actors. It has been found that when actors on

It has been found that when actors on the radio use their voices as they ordin-arily do on the stage that listeners, though they have little difficulty in vis-ualizing the characters, get some unpleas-ant reactions to those voices. And if the actors use a natural, normal voice, it has been learned that it is extremely hard for listeners to distinguish between them. Consequently, one of the first things the training course will consider will be the proper speaking voice for actors to adopt. Another thing that has been discovered concerning the problem of play broadcast-ing is the fact that listeners are often completely lost when actors take up their cues with the same celerity they do in the theatre. Hence an effort will be made to get the actors to make a longer pause than seems necessary in the legitimate theatre.

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Department's Radio Stati Details to Newspapers

An order issued recently by the Navy Department forbids the commandants of naval radio stations to give out to the

naval radio stations to give out to the press or other publicity agencies any in-formation concerning SOS calls that may be received from ships at sea. Hereafter they may notify only the owners of the vessels in distress, although commandants may "give to agencies o maritime information within their dis-tricts such information of casualties a sea which they consider authentic and

Half of Grou In New Yor

That the radio is thought highly of by hat the radio is thought highly of op-physicians is demonstrated by the fac-that more than half of the New York hospitals in a group of fifty-six non-mu-nicipal institutions aided by the Unitec, Hospital Fund are now equipped with ra-dio facilities for their patients. Individual receiving sets are set up in each room and optimate are thus anallec

each room and patients are thus enabled to tune in on any program that might suit their fancies for the moment. That this is a great aid and benefit to the sick is heartily acknowledged by Minott A. Osborn, general director of the Fund. It

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en his entire larynx was removed, was known as an artificial throat. With the With the short, address from station WSB.

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reliable." Any one seeking information about a vessel will be directed by the Naval stations to the agents or owners of

Naval stations to the agents of owners of the ship. The Navy Department took this meas-ure because it believed that information available at one station might be frag-mentary and incomplete, thereby possibly resulting in undue alarm to the steamship company and causing unnecessary anxcompany and causing unnecessary anx-iety and alarm. The companies are very happy that this step was taken.

Hospitals Have Radios

enables them to pass their time in a pleas-ant manner rather than to spend it in melancholy thoughts about their ills.

Melancholy thoughts about their ills. Among the twenty-nine hospitals that have installed equipment are St. Luke's, New York Post Graduate, Roosevelt, New York Orthopedic, Lebanon, New York, Beth Israel, New York Eye and Ear In-firmary, Beekman Street, St. Mark's, Sy-denham and Park West, the two last-named having had radio wiring systems incorporated in their architectural deincorporated in their architectural designs.

Many others are rapidly following suit.

Canada Makes a Bid for Six More Channels

Also Wants Pirating of Its Waves by American Stations Stopped by Federal Government-International Delegates Confer

Canada's request for an increase in her allotment of wavelengths and her comallotment of wavelengths and her com-plaints against continued interference by American broadcasting stations "pirating" wavelengths already assigned to Canadian broadcasters were the two problems taken radae consideration by a special joint under consideration by a special joint commission of the United States and Canada which met at Washington re-

cently. It is expected that some arrangement will be made to cover the situation until the Federal Radio Commission can act. There is expectation of the establishment of a radio treaty-between the United States and Canada unless the Commission

States and Canada unless the commission is successful. One possible result of the present con-ference is a continuation of the "gentle-men's agreement" entered into several years ago, but not adhered to by some American broadcasters. This would afford the new radio commission the opportunity of enforcing observance of the agreement.

Seeks End of Interference

Proper control of the situation would result in Canadian radio stations broadcasting without interference and would enable American radio fans who wish to tune in on Canadian stations to do so without interference. It is not merely the stations located near the Canadian border that cause trouble. Any powerful station in the United States could create inter-ference if it pirated a Canadian wave-length. Officials declared that the eightytwo stations in Canada have lived up to their part of the "gentlemen's agreement" and have adhered strictly to the six wave-lengths allotted them.

Want Six More Channels

There are ninety-five available wavelengths in the present broadcasting band. Canada has six of these. The six wave-lengths now allocated to Canada, in kilo-cycles, are 690, 730, 840, 910, 960 and 1,030. If six more channels were given them, as is being contemplated, those free for use in the United States would total eightythree.

The reduction of the number of chan-nels for use in the United States would increase the difficilities of the Federal Radio Commission! As there are 733 broadcasting stations in this country now and as there are many additional applications before the Radio Commission the

tions before the Radio Commission the problem of allocating wavelengths to all and at the same time preventing chaos in the air is a great one. The American members of the Joint Commission, which was appointed by re-quest of Secretary Kellogg, are O. H. Caldwell, member of the Federal Radio Commission; W. R. Vallance, assistant to the Solicitor of the State Department, and W. D. Terrell, head of the radio service of the Department of Commerce. The two Canadian members are C. P. Edwards, Director of Radio, and Alex-ander Johnston, Deputy Minister of Ma-rine and Fisheries. rine and Fisheries

Minstrel Reunited With Friends After 50 Years

Old-Timer's Broadcast From WGY Heard by Cronies; Glad to Learn One Another Are Still Alive

A broadcasting program, given over WGY, Schenectady, was the means of bringing together a group of persons who had not seen or heard from one another for almost fitty years. William E. (Big Bill) Winney, widely

William E. (Big Bill) Winney, widely known old-time minstrel man, recently broadcast a program of old-fashioned minstrel songs and banjo selections. Nearly half a century ago, when the present day vaudeville was known as va-riety, Mr. Winney, a black-face artist, reached the heights of his theatrical pop-ularity. And avidence that his name had ularity. And evidence that his name had not been forgotten was given him when his work as a member of the Georgia Minstrels of the General Electric Company brought a deluge of telephone calls, telegrams and letters from old-time admirers and co-actors.

Plans are being made to equip each chair in the club and observation cars of the Louisville & Nashville Roalroad "Pan-American Flier" with a pair of headphones for the reception of broadcast concerts, Mr. Winney, in talking of his experi-ence, said that he had no sooner com-pleted his numbers when he received three telephone calls from persons he had not heard from in nearly fifty years and each of whom thought the others dead. It was about 1880 that Mr. Winney be-came a black-face trouper. His first les-sons in black-face singing and basic

sons in black-face singing and banjo playing were given him by Frank Con-verse and Horace Weston, famous old-time banjo players of the negro school in New York City.

Some fifteen years ago Mr. Winney de-cided to leave the ranks of the minstrels and went into the restaurant business in Oneonta, N. Y., ad has been engaged in that business since. His broadcasting programs will be continued through Sta-tion WGY.

Receivers, Earphones and Speaker on Trains

according to Frank A. D. Andrea, presi-dent of the Fada Radio Corporation. Loop-operated receivers will be utilized. Tests have demonstrated that good reception can be obtained from a loop.

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It has been found that when actors or the radio one their verses as they or driarily do on the stage that intervathough they have lived difficults in visinlacing the characters ger isome unpleasant remetions to those verses. And it the acteurs use a natural normal verse it has been increased that it is eastermely hard for bistometics to distinguish between them Consequently and of the first though the training observe will commiss will be the proper speaking verse for actors to adopt

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The Navy Department took this meas-ure because it believed that information available at one station might be frag-mentary and incomplete, thereby possibly resulting in undue alarm to the steamship company and causing unnecessary anx-iety and alarm. The companies are very happy that this step was taken.

Hospitals Have Radios

enables them to pass their time in a pleas-ant manner rather than to spend it in melancholy thoughts about their ills.

melancholy thoughts about their ills. Among the twenty-nine hospitals that have installed equipment are St. Luke's, New York Post Graduate, Roosevelt, New York Crthopedic, Lebanon, New York, Beth Israel, New York Eye and Ear In-firmary, Beekman Street, St. Mark's, Sy-denham and Park West, the two last-named having had radio wiring systems incorporated in their architectural de-signs. signs

Many others are rapidly following suit.

Canada Makes a Bid for Six More Channels

Also Wants Pirating of Its Waves by American Stations Stopped by Federal Government-International Delegates Confer

Canada's request for an increase in her allotment of wavelengths and her com-plaints against continued interference by American broadcasting stations "pirating" wavelengths already assigned to Canadian broadcasters were the two problems taken under consideration by a special joint commission of the United States and Canada which met at Washington re-cently. cently.

It is expected that some arrangement will be made to cover the situation until the Federal Radio Commission can act. There is expectation of the establishment of a radio treaty-between the United States and Canada unless the Commission

States and canada times the commission is successful. One possible result of the present con-ference is a continuation of the "gentle-men's agreement" entered into several years ago, but not adhered to by some American broadcasters. This would afford the new radio commission the opportunity of enforcing observance of the agreement.

Seeks End of Interference

Proper control of the situation would result in Canadian radio stations broadcasting without interference and would enable American radio fans who wish to tune in on Canadian stations to do so without interference. It is not merely the stations located near the Canadian border that cause trouble. Any powerful station in the United States could create interference if it pirated a Canadian wave-length. Officials declared that the eightytwo stations in Canada have lived up to their part of the "gentlemen's agreement" and have adhered strictly to the six wavelengths allotted them.

Want Six More Channels

want Six More Channels There are ninety-five available wave-lengths in the present broadcasting band. Canada has six of these. The six wave-lengths now allocated to Canada, in kilo-cycles, are 690, 730, 840, 910, 960 and 1,030. If six more channels were given them, as is being contemplated, those free for use in the United States would total eighty-three. three.

three. The reduction of the number of chan-nels for use in the United States would increase the difficulties of the Federal Radio Commission. As there are 733 broadcasting stations in this country now and as there are many additional applica-tions before the Radio Commission the problem of allocating wavelengths to all problem of allocating wavelengths to all and at the same time preventing chaos

and at the same time preventing chaos in the air is a great one. The American members of the Joint Commission, which was appointed by re-quest of Secretary Kellogg, are O. H. Caldwell, member of the Federal Radio Commission; W. R. Vallance, assistant to the Solicitor of the State Department, and W. D. Terrell, head of the radio service of the Department of Commerce. The two Canadian members are C. P. Edwards, Director of Radio, and Alex-ander Johnston, Deputy Minister of Ma-rine and Fisheries. rine and Fisheries

Minstrel Reunited With Friends After 50 Years

Old-Timer's Broadcast From WGY Heard by Cronies; Glad to Learn One Another Are Still Alive

A broadcasting program, given over WGY, Schenectady, was the means of bringing together a group of persons who had not seen or heard from one another for almost fifty years. William E. (Big Bill) Winney, widely

William E. (Big Bill) Winney, widely known old-time minstrel man, recently broadcast a program of old-fashioned minstrel songs and banjo selections. Nearly half a century ago, when the present day vaudeville was known as va-riety, Mr. Winney, a black-face artist, reached the heights of his theatrical pop-ularity. And avidence thet his name had ularity. And evidence that his name had not been forgotten was given him when his work as a member of the Georgia Minstrels of the General Electric Company brought a deluge of telephone calls, telegrams and letters from old-time admirers and co-actors.

Plans are being made to equip each chair in the club and observation cars of the Louisville & Nashville Roalroad "Pan-American Flier" with a pair of headphones for the reception of broadcast concerts, Mr. Winney, in talking of his experi-ence, said that he had no sooner com-pleted his numbers when he received three telephone calls from persons he had not heard from in nearly fifty years and each of whom thought the others dead. It was about 1880 that Mr. Winney be-came a black-face trouper. His first les-sons in black-face singing and banio

came a black-face trouper. His hrst les-sons in black-face singing and banjo playing were given him by Frank Con-verse and Horace Weston, famous old-time banjo players of the negro school in New York City. Some fifteen years ago Mr. Winney de-cided to leave the ranks of the minstrels and want into the restruction of the school of th

and went into the restaurant business in Oneonta, N. Y., ad has been engaged in that business since. His broadcasting programs will be continued through Sta-tion WGY.

Receivers, Earphones and Speaker on Trains

according to Frank A. D. Andrea, presi-dent of the Fada Radio Corporation. Loop-operated receivers will be utilized. Tests have demonstrated that good reception can be obtained from a loop.

A THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

W ITH a scratch of the pen, President Collidge made the new radio regulations a part of our Federal law structure. Fine-but don't expect the impossible. First must come order out of chaos; then decided improvement; and finally, an approximation of perfect air control.



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HELPFUL HINTS

In soldering, use Lux flux, because it assures clean contact.

To erect an antenna on a tree, it is best to cut off all the limbs so as to prevent absorption of the radio waves. Of course, the best procedure would be to start at the top, so as to insure getting to the higher vantage point in case the neighbors complain.

By reversing the tickler coil winding and at the same time incorporating a harmonic suppressor in the antenna circuit, one can rest assured that he will receive but one station at a time, even if it be the only one at all times. The slogan of radio fans should be "One at a time fellows, that's all we want, when we do want 'em.

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NOTED SCIENTIST DISCOVERS UNIQUE WAVE PHASE SHIFTER

Dr. Phumf Makes Startling Discovery When Delving Into the Mysteries of the Effects of Dielectric Hysteresis Upon **Ozonized Ionic Rarefied Atmosphere**

Working in a sausage balloon nearly four miles aloft, 20 yards abaft a snow cloud, Dr. Titus Aloysius Phumf, with his trusted laboratory technician, Henry McQ. Feitlebaum, chief of applied radio techni-cal mechanics, was able to prove, after many weary months of toil, that the rare-ford uncer atmembers envisioned the me fied upper atmosphere contained the medium of the propagation of high frequency sinusoidal currents and that by means of his special wave analyzer he was able to change heterodyning carrier waves into inaudible frequencies of various colors.

Never before has a scientist carried on his work with such zeal and effort as has Dr. Phumf. The most surprising result of his researches has led to the statement that the hypothetical ether has a dielectric hysteresis value of 14.7-in. This is really astounding in the light of the investiga-tions of Beermugs and Heinfinch, who conducted what appears to be a most plausible method of attack and who found the value to lie in the neighborhood of 14.657-in. Such a discrepancy has never

been tolerated in scientific circles and a commission to investigate Dr. Phumf's illuminating work has been appointed, but

Mr. Feitlebaum, upon the instigation of the learned Doctor, gave the details of the special wave analyzer its modus operandi and its medulla obbligato. In short, it consisted of a super-charged thermo-galvanic electrometer wince thermo-galvanic electrometer using as a conductive substance the rare metal Nuphonium in which a non-hygroscopic turnoline crystal of pure quartz was sub-limated. By employing an intense magne-tic field of 3,600 gausses per square millimeter, it was possible to diversify every single oscillation in carrier waves of 30,-000 meters to those which consisted of but one one-hundredth of a meter in length and with the proper heterodyning frequency obtain the colors of the spec-trum in such varying hues as have never before been achieved.

It is predicted that the art of television may be greatly enhanced by this seeming miraculous discovery.

Point of Optimism In Dread Disease

A strange disease is reported as spreading among the thousands of radio clerks working in the downtown radio section of New York City. The victim's hair stands erect, like the quills of a porcupine, de-spite the restraining effects of hair glue, spite the restraining effects of hair glue, and sparks shoot forth from the body, making the patient resemble a Fourth of July pinwheel. The afflicted one is also luminous in the dark. Professor Dimple-noodle, of Wuff University, attributes it to brainstrain, combined with the heavy labor of calling the body also becoming labor of selling, the body also becoming saturated with electrical particles and radio saturated with electrical particles and radio waves due to the constant handling of radio parts. Savants from all over the world are rushing to New York to study and combat this strange disease. The en-tire Institute of Radio Engineers has been mobolized. The store proprietors are in-stalling rest rooms for the clerks and quarters for nurses. In fact, it has just been made known that these humanitarian owners have been preparing club rooms owners have been preparing club rooms and billiard rooms with attached gymna-siums and libraries for their clerks. This is being done in preparation for the strenuous summer season which brings a terrific strain to bear on the employees.

DX VS LOCALS

He: What's the matter with that of set?

She: I'm sure I don't know. He: Well, that was what I should have expected.

Ŝhe: Well, if you know your onions, bake this lemon pie!

G. M. G. C. New Fad Invented by OOF

Station OOF of the Good-Morning Glory Club of Hoboken, N. H., has in-augurated a new fad for the over-zealous white collar man who would sleep after his alarm clock has been thrown out of the window. By taxing the members— and by the way, their methods have not been disclosed—it is reported \$23.75 was collected. The wavelength is 492 meters, 0.2 meter from FAE

0.2 meter from EAF. To become a member of the G. M. G. C. H. to obtain all the benefits, it is necessary

And what are the dues? Only this: All your old shoes, alarm clocks and stray cats in your neighbor-hood. You are guaranteed to be awakened in the morning by the strains of "Arouse mit you, station OOF!"

Competition Is Stiff;

New Rivals Arrive

A rumor from Wall Street says that a prominent auto manufacturer is to enter the radio business with a line of tin re-ceivers, which, naturally, will be totally shielded. In retaliation, a prominent radio manufacturer who makes the largest sets manufacturer who makes the largest sets in the business says that he will turn them out with wheels and an engine in front, thus making a real portable auto set. A foremost independent tube maker, noted for the brilliance of his tubes, in other words, the bright emission, promises to enter the automotive headlight field. Special automatic filament heater ad-instors will be incorporated within each

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MR. SECRETARY

Diners Glum: Can't Tune in Alma Mater

Failure Leads Copeland to Denounce New Radio Law As Granting Monopoly on Land Wire Link-Up

On the ninetieth anniversary of the founding of the University of Michigan, celebrated recently by 200 members of the University of Michigan Club of New York at a dinner at the Aldine Club, United States Senator Royal S. Copeland denounced the new radio law as prohibiting

nounced the new radio law as prohibiting stations from owning their own wire link-ups with other cities. One of the features of the elaborate dinner program was to have been the tuning in on a radio program broadcast from Ann Arbor, Michigan, in which President Cook Little of the University spoke spoke.

Couldn't Be Done!

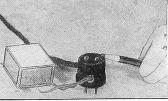
However, atmospheric conditions were such as to make it impossible to receive these radio waves in New York. This cir-cumstance, the source of great disappoint-ment to the alumni assembled at the din-ner, caused Senator Copeland to comment on the reason for their failure to hear President Little's address. "This legislation was passed," he said, "because the American Telephone and Telegraph Company does not want any competition in the telegraph business. However, atmospheric conditions were

Tolls Denounced

"If radio stations want to have wire connections with other cities they must pay tolls to this company. "If radio stations were allowed to own

their own wire connections, this would mean a substantial loss of revenue to this telegraph company. On one occasion alone the tolls on messages, sent over the telegraph companies' wires from one broadcasting station to another have amounted to \$90,000."

CUTS INTERFERENCE



(Hayden)

AN ELECTRIC heating pad, toaster etc. may cause interference in a radio set, particularly if socket power is used for receiver. A new plug device has provision for connecting in a 1 mfd. condenser which helps remedy the trouble.

WABC Will Test Heaviside Layer

Preparations for a series of tests expected Preparations for a series of tests expected to determine the exact height of the "radio roof," or Heaviside surface, thought to exist about 100 miles above the earth, are being made by engineers at WABC, Rich-mond Hill, LJ I. This ionized region is held responsible for fading and for the mysterious action of short waves when they hop, skip and jump around the earth. The Heaviside surface is thought by scientists to be a region of rarefied air which acts like a mirror, reflecting the Hertzian waves to the earth so that the

Hertzian waves to the earth so that the radio signals are heard in certain locali-ties but not in others. For example, short waves radiated from Richmond Hill may not be heard in New York, but they may not be heard in New York, but they may register with good intensity in California because they strike the "radio roof" and are reflected back to earth at that point. The regular broadcast program of WABC will be used for the tests, obser-vations of which will be made by ap-pointed listeners throughout the United States and Canada. The station will em-ploy the regular wave length for the experiments and the call 2XE will be used. Simultaneously, according to T. Osterman, one of the engineers at the station, short wave station 2ZV, also at Richmond Hill, will broadcast on 20, 40, 60 and 75 meters.

who has been named as acting secretary of the radio commission. Pickard conducted the first air course given from any school, at tre Kansas Agricultural College.

SAM PICKARD, chief of the Radio Service of the Department of Agriculture,

(Harris & Ewing)

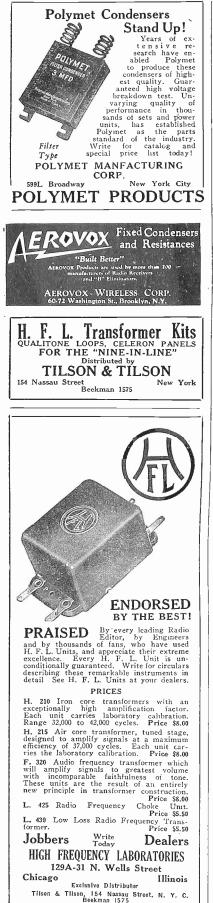
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Run-down B batteries are a common cause of broad tuning in many sets.

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List of Stations

60 and 75 meters.



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PARTS and ACCESSORIES

Fine Quality Obtained from 3-Foot Cone

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plate voltages up to 200 volts. On higher plate voltages, such as are used with the 210 or 310 power tube, it is safer to mploy an output transformer between the set and the speaker.

set and the speaker. The two nuts, A and B, Fig. 2 are used to adjust the length of the air gap G of the unit. While all units are factory adjusted for operation on sets employing B battery voltages from 90 to 135, a slight change in the adjustment may be found necessary when using the instrument on a 171 or 210 power tube with 180 or more volts of B battery.

A unit of this type is obviously polarized, and the marked lead of the cord should be connected to the plus B battery side of the circuit. If the proper connection is not known, simply connect it one way and the the other, and leave it in the connection that gives greater volume.

Size of the Cone

This little unit with its simple and rugged construction will be found very interesting to the radio experimenter. For example, it can be connected to the radio set and held against a table, window pane, or other large flat surface, and the reproduction will be loud and clear. It works exceptionally well when held against the sound board of a piano. A simple wooden arm can be clamped to

A simple wooden arm can be clamped to one of the rear members of the piano for supporting the unit, and it will be found that the piano makes an admirable reproducer. Best reproduction, however, will be obtained with the unit attached to the apex of a large cone.

Cones ranging in diameter from 24 to 36 inches seem to give best results, with the larger sizes favored. And the tone depends not only on the size of the cone but also on the method of mounting the unit. With the unit mounted on a solid wooden block weighing from three to five pounds or more, the lower tones come through with greater clearness and volume. A 24-inch cone with the unit mounted on a heavy block sounds as well as a 36-inch cone without the heavy block on the back of the unit.

This is an important factor and should not be overlooked to obtain the maximum of reproducing efficiency. Glued or laminated wood should be avoided because the constant tonal vibrations are likely to cause sectional pieces to set up countervibrations.

Dimensions for cutting 24-inch, 30-inch, 33-inch and 36-inch cones are given in Fig. 3. Before building the speaker it is best to decide which size to use, which depends largely upon the space available and the artistic desires of the lady of the household. For quality of reproduction, the larger the cone the better, and if a large cone is too unsightly for wall mounting, it may be placed under the radio table or in a console cabinet with silk draperies across the front.

Decoration Hints

The cone may be decorated with designs or pictures by using stencils, silhouettes or by painting directly on the cone. (Oil paint should not be employed, as the oil has a tendency to deaden or nuffle the sound. For this reason, ordinary parchment, such as is used for lamp shades, should never be used for cones. Water or show card colors are satisfactory. As a rule the undecorated cone with its plain mottled walnut finish looks much better than a decorated one.

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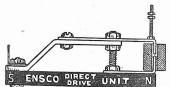
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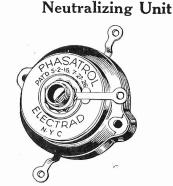
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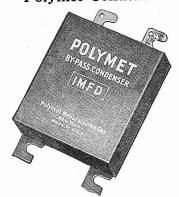
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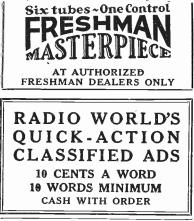
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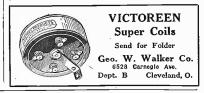


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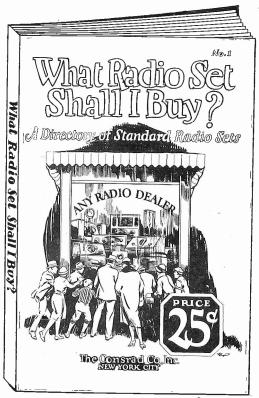
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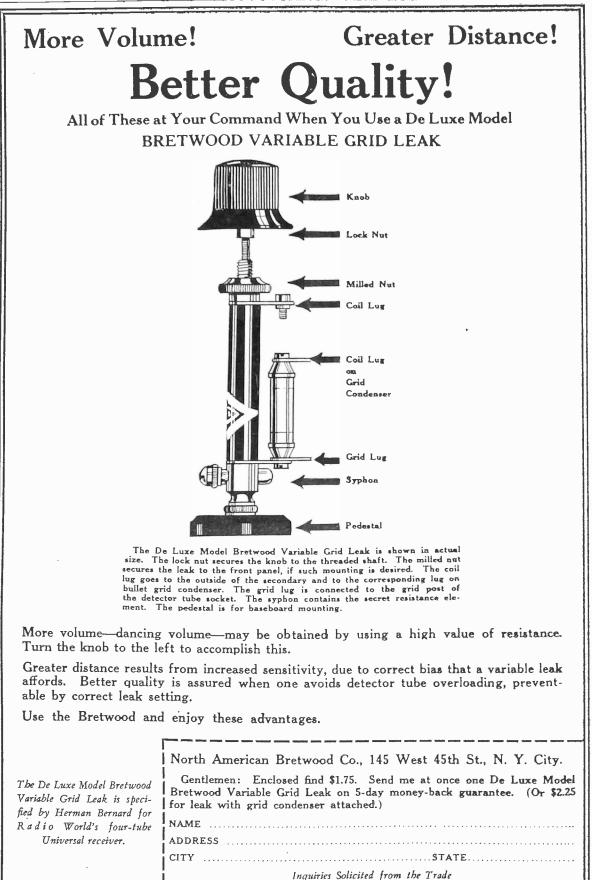
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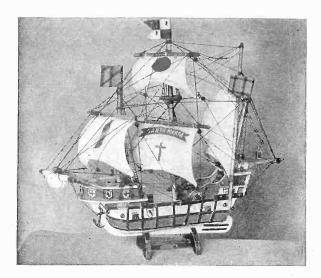
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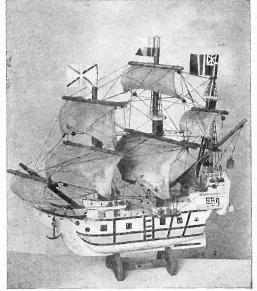




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