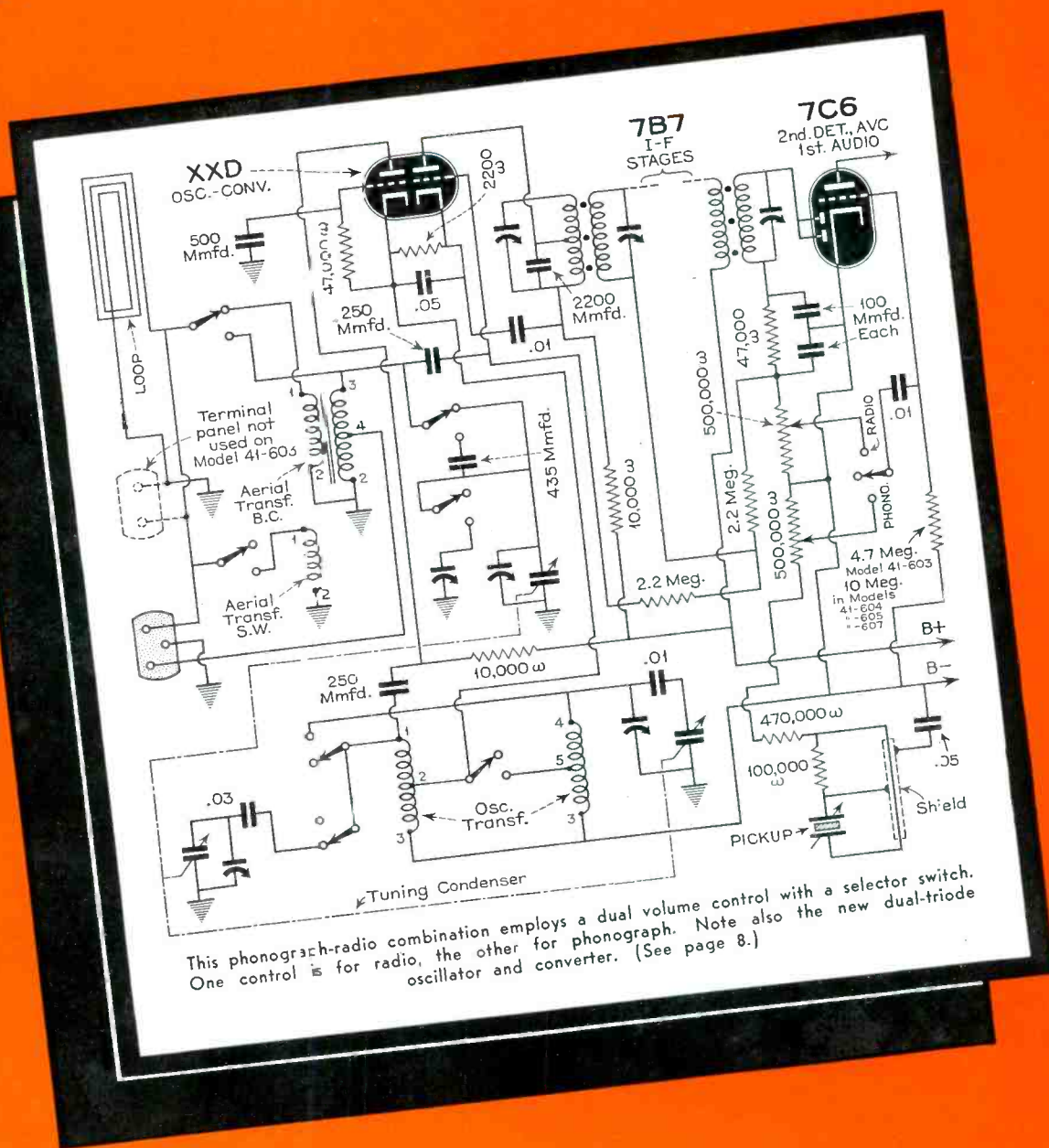


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Radio ranks high on the list of defense industries. Hundreds of teachers of radio theory, servicing and code have been appointed and classes formed; many have been under way for months. This opportunity has been created for those who are not up to snuff on the basic fundamentals of their trade.

Go back to school a few nights a week and brush up on some of the things which you have previously overlooked, under the guidance of carefully chosen instructors!

IN the midst of stress and strain at home and abroad . . . a Presidential campaign . . . and the start of the football season, let us not forget that, this year, radio is twenty years old.

" . . . This anniversary is important. In the national emergency through which we are now passing, it is important that the public understand and appreciate the blessings of a free radio, parallel to a free press, free worship and free assembly." . . . From a personal message by Neville Miller, president, National Association of Broadcasters to all broadcasters.

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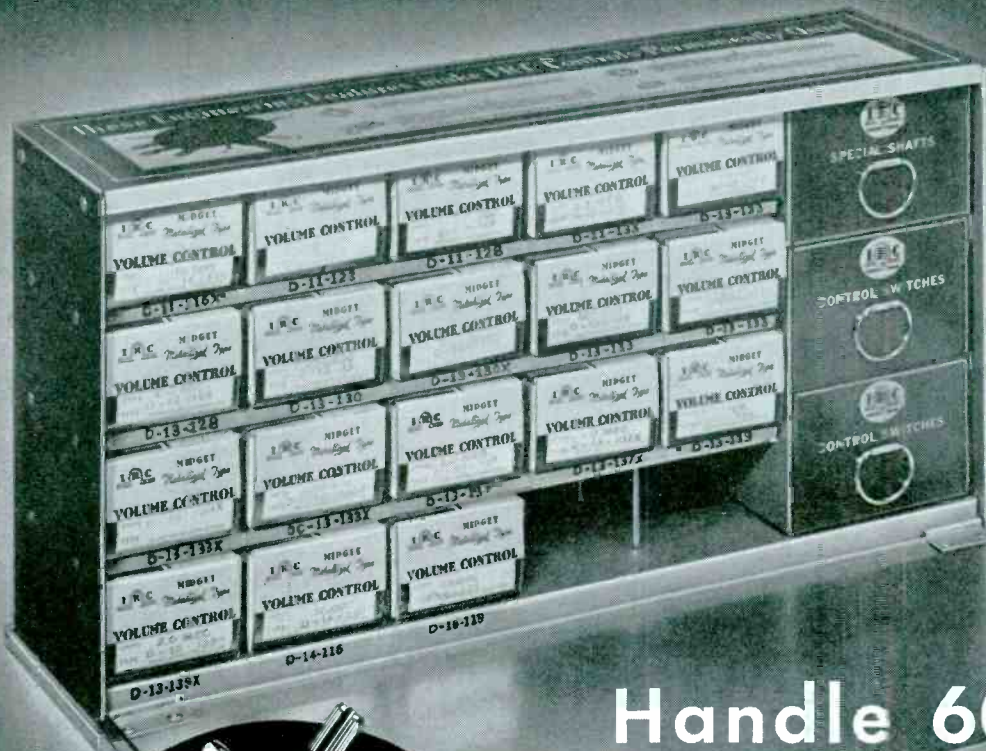
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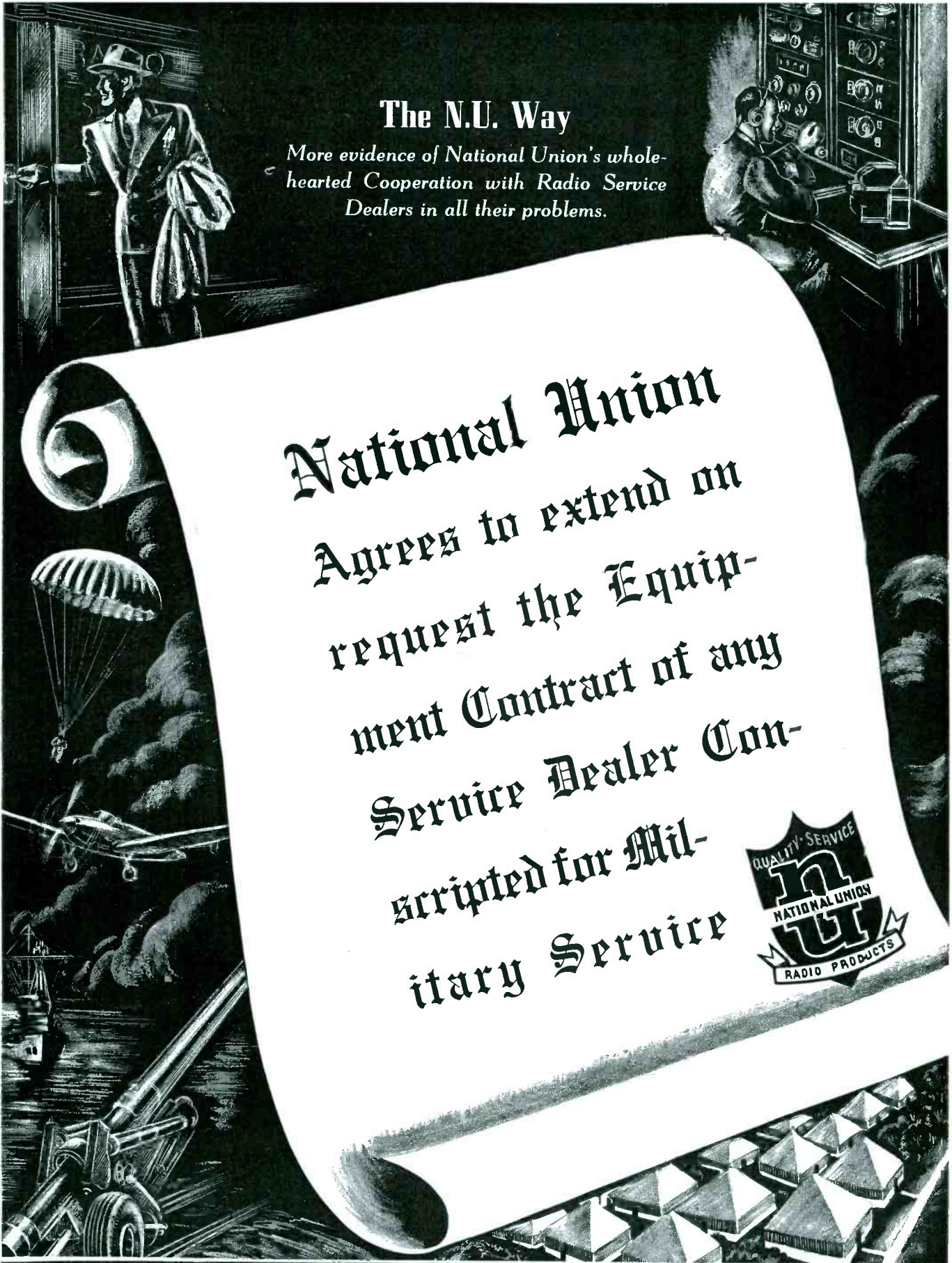
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H E A R I N G A I D S

By ROBERT G. HERZOG

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HEARING-AID amplifiers are older than radio. In the early days of the vacuum-tube repeater they were used on telephones to assist the partially deaf in hearing telephone conversations. Carbon-button microphones with button amplifiers were also used, and still are used, as portable lapel hearing aids.

With the advances in tube and microphone design, however, hearing aid amplifiers have been greatly improved. Wearable battery-operated amplifiers as well as all electric aids are obtainable for every type of installation. These modern aids are not only cheaper, but are more compact, have higher and more faithful amplification, less background noise, are more dependable and last longer than their earlier counterparts.

In the home, at the office, on the street, in the theatre, church, or opera the partially deaf need no longer have difficulty in hearing—no more than a myopic individual need do without the convenience of glasses.

In speaking before the Society of Motion Picture Engineers, recently, W. C. Beasley, of the National Institute of Health, United States Public Health Service, declared that only 5 percent of all Americans sufficiently deafened to derive benefit through hearing aids, actually use them. He based his conclusions on data obtained from 9,000 patients examined in 17 clinics in 12 cities. Mr. Beasley further declared that hearing aids are used three times as often by women as by men because of different types of deafness which affect the two sexes.

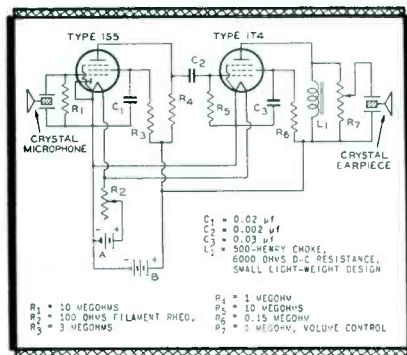
Most women, he found, have conductive deafness, with a large amount of relatively uniform hearing loss of air borne sounds, with practically no loss for sounds conducted through the bones of the skull. On the other hand, most

men have progressive nerve deafness, which involves large amounts of loss by either air or bone conduction on tones below 500 cycles. Thus there is an in-



Fig. 1. The recently introduced seven-pin miniature tubes are quite well suited for use in hearing-aid amplifiers which employ an air-conduction earpiece. Sufficient gain and output can be obtained by employing a 1S5 followed by a 1T4.

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tricate problem of relationship between the nature of hearing loss and the possibilities of improving the hearing for the deafened through improvement in the design of hearing aids.

Service

At the present moment, most manufacturers of hearing-aid units recommend the return of the equipment for

service. Many give a full year's guarantee; several give two years. In every case these guarantees are supposedly voided if the unit is subjected to "tampering."

Actually, except for the problem of tube testing, there is little in the hearing-aid amplifier that presents difficulty to the really first class Service Man. After all, a customer who is deaf cannot be without the hearing-aid unit for a period of several weeks (and this is the minimum time required for factory service) while the instrument is traveling from one part of the country to the other. Sooner or later the manufacturers must realize, much the same as the radio receiver manufacturers have, that the sales of their products will skyrocket only when they can assure their customers of continuous operation. Immediate service is the foremost consideration to such an assurance. Adequate distribution of their service literature with the purpose of enabling every good Service Man to do a real job of servicing the instruments is the only alternative to a costly program of factory service branches. . . . We say again, sooner or later the manufacturers must make it easy for the Service Man to repair this type of equipment, if they expect to keep selling it.

Circuits

The recently introduced seven-pin miniature tubes are quite well suited for use in a hearing-aid amplifier which employs an air-conduction earpiece; sufficient gain and power output for such a unit can be provided by two miniature voltage-amplifier tubes drawing a total filament current of 100 ma.¹

Tests have shown that the best miniature-tube complement for an air-conduction hearing aid is a 1S5 followed by

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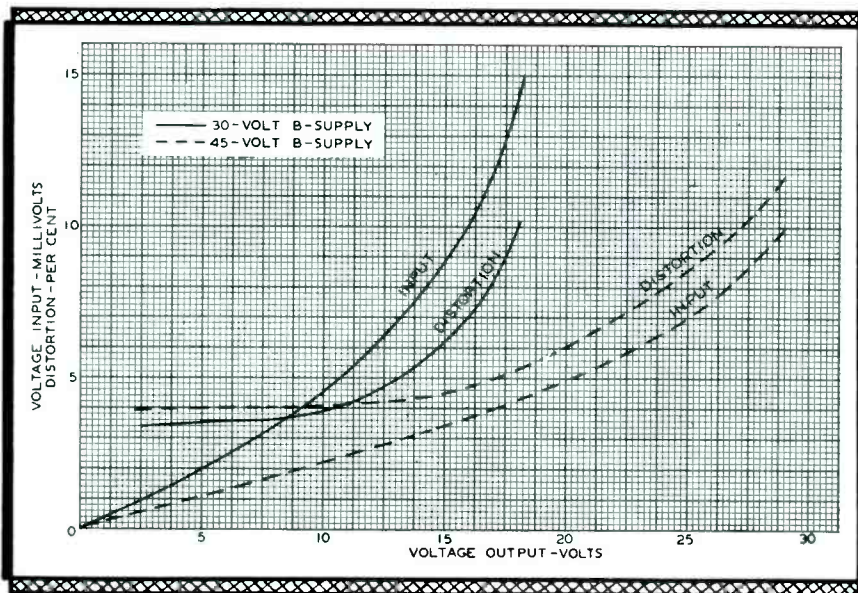
a 1T4. The 1T4 is desirable for use in the second stage because it can provide more power output than the 1S5; the 1S5 is desirable in the first stage because it can provide more gain than the 1T4. A circuit using this tube complement is shown in Fig. 1.

It was found desirable to use choke coupling, rather than resistance coupling, for the output of the 1T4 in this circuit. With resistance coupling, the voltage at the plate of the 1T4 was so low that the gain and output of the 1T4 were inadequate. Suitable chokes, small enough and light enough for use in a wearable hearing aid, are commercially available.

The filament rheostat (R_2) is the battery saver frequently used in hearing aids. This rheostat should be set so that filament current is at the lowest value providing adequate signal output. It is possible to use the rheostat as the volume control and thus to eliminate potentiometer R_7 . However, volume can be controlled more smoothly by means of R_7 than by means of R_2 . It is not advisable to insert a volume-control potentiometer in place of R_1 or R_2 because suitable potentiometers having a resistance as high as 10 megohms are not generally available. A resistance of less than 10 megohms for R_1 or R_2 would reduce the circuit's sensitivity.

Fig. 2 shows the performance of the circuit with a 45-volt, and with a 30-volt B-supply. These curves were measured at a signal frequency of 420 cycles. The capacitance of the earpiece was 0.0015 mfd. It can be seen from Fig. 2 that, with a 45-volt supply, a 5-millivolt signal from the microphone produces

Fig. 2. The curves shown below indicate the performance of the hearing aid amplifier whose circuit is given in Fig. 1. Operation with 30- and with 45-volt plate supply is plotted.



an output voltage of 20 volts across the earpiece with 6% distortion. This output voltage is large enough for most people who use an air-conduction unit. With a 30-volt supply, a 5-millivolt signal produces approximately 10-volts output with 4% distortion. This output voltage is large enough for many people whose hearing loss is not severe. The total plate and screen current drain by the circuit from a 45-volt supply is approximately 0.6 ma; from a 30-volt supply, the drain is approximately 0.4 ma. At these low drains, good life can be obtained from a very small B battery.

In the circuit shown in Fig. 3 the filaments are in series and the grids are grounded as is one side of the filament line. In this way the second stage obtains a volt and a half bias due to the voltage drop across the first tube. The output stage receives a three-volt bias due to the voltage drop across the first two tubes. Amplifiers which employ parallel filament circuits must use a bias cell to obtain bias for the output tube.

The power output of an amplifier of this type is on the order of 10 milliwatts and the plate potential is 30 volts. While this is relatively low power, it is sufficient for the purpose because of the availability of highly efficient earphones.

Problems

The hearing-aid amplifier is really more than a high-gain two or three stage unit employing either resistance coupling or impedance coupling. Because of the low battery voltages employed, usually 30 volts on the plate, it is necessary that every component in the unit be of the highest quality and be permanent in value. Likewise the tubes must be of the highest possible quality.

In the amplifier circuits shown (Figs. 1 and 3) the resistors have extremely

high values. With such high values it can readily be appreciated that leakage is a very important factor and that the presence of such may easily render the amplifier inoperative.

In the manufacture of tubes for hearing-aid amplifiers the shrinkage (tubes discarded because they do not measure up to standard) is many times greater than on receiving tubes, chiefly because of the extremely rigid limits imposed by the nature of the application.

For this reason, ordinary tube testing methods are usually useless. It has been general experience that the only reliable method of checking the tubes is in the circuit in which they are used. It is the opinion of one of the manufacturers of these types of tubes that some of the testers which provided sockets for testing such tubes actually ruin the tubes. While the characteristics are of interest, they are not of much help in servicing because individual tube readings vary over extremely wide limits.

Many hearing-aid amplifiers employ tubes without bases and it is necessary that these be wired directly into the circuit. Extreme care must be used in cutting, bending and soldering the leads

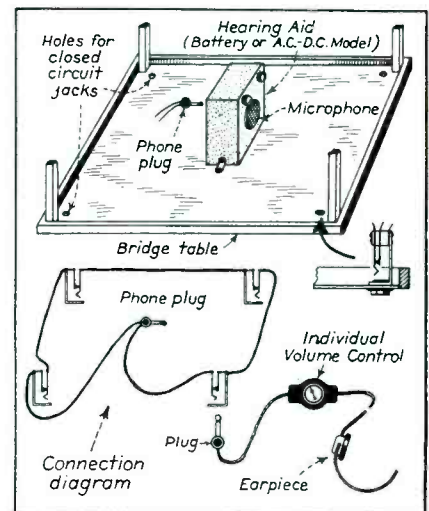


Fig. 4. The loan of equipment, similar to that shown, to assist a group of partially deaf people in enjoying an evening of bridge can often be used as the entering wedge for the sale of units to everyone in the group.

so that no strain is placed on the glass seal.

Accessories

In small communities, where each individual and his intricacies are known, the partially deaf may be located by judicious questioning. Sales pressure must be tactful and is usually best in the form of printed matter, skillfully worded.

In larger communities hard of hearing individuals often form clubs or leagues.

The names and addresses of the members of these leagues can be obtained from the secretary and used for direct to the customer mail advertising.

Often the hard of hearing congregate in groups and spend much of their time playing bridge or in similar forms of entertainment. A bridge table, connected in the manner shown in Fig. 4, will prove a convenient accessory to the complete enjoyment of the game. The loan of such equipment for an evening may provide the entering wedge that may result in the sale, not only of a similar unit, but also of hearing-aid amplifiers to members of the group.

A single desk or portable amplifier can be used in the circuit shown, with a separate jack in each corner of the

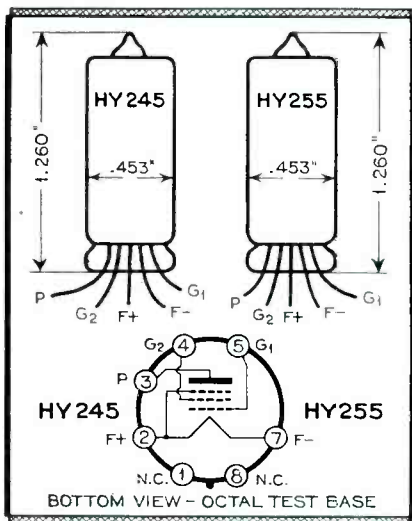


Fig. 5. Manufacturers of hearing aids generally solder the tube connections directly into the circuit. Replacement tubes are supplied with a standard octal base, however, for test purposes.

table for each player. The jack is so connected that the dummy position (or any other position) may remove his earpiece without interrupting the functioning or disturbing the volume level for the remaining players. Individual control of the volume level at each earpiece is, of course, essential in such installations. Similarly interconnected jackboxes can be constructed in the form of ashtrays, chip holders, etc., for the multiple earphone connection to a single amplifier.

Tube Characteristics

The HY165 is a power output pentode designed specifically for use in wearable hearing aids where high-power sensitivity is of extreme importance. It may or may not be interchangeable with the HY155 tube, depending upon the nature and value of the plate load impedance.

Ratings and Characteristics

Filament	1.4 v
Filament current	0.05 amp

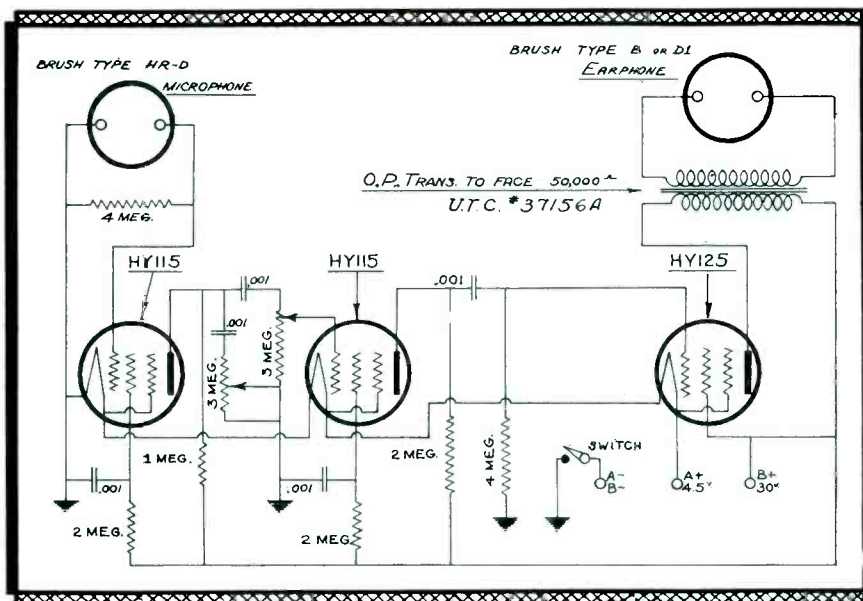


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Plate potential	45 v
Screen potential	45 v
Grid bias	3 v
Average plate current	1.39 ma
Typical variations ¹	1.25 to 1.6 ma
Average screen current	0.28 ma
Typical variations ¹	0.24 to 0.34 ma
Average amplification factor	145
Typical variations ¹	125 to 155
Average plate resistance	375,000
Typical variations ¹	320,000 to 450,000
Average mutual conductance	.445
Typical variations ¹	400 to 500

The HY245 is an extremely small and efficient filament type pentode of very low drain. It is particularly suited for use as a high gain pentode voltage amplifier in applications where very small size and low drain are essential requirements. It is supplied with 1½-in tinned flexible lead wires for direct electrical connection of the tube elements. To facilitate retesting, the HY245 is equipped with a standard octal base. It makes use of a V type high tensile strength alloy filament to afford maximum life and minimum microphonism.

Ratings

Filament voltage	1.25 v
Filament current	0.028 amp approx.
Plate voltage	45.0 v max.
Screen voltage G ²	45.0 v max.
Grid bias	0 v
Plate current	0.4 ma approx.
Screen current	0.2 ma approx.
Mutual conductance	375 mmhos approx.
Plate resistance	1.0 meg approx.

Typical Operation (Class A)

	Resistance Coupled		Impedance Coupled	
	30	45	30	45 v
Plate supply voltage ²	30	45	30	45 v
Screen supply voltage ³	30	45	30	45 v
Grid bias	0	0	0	0 v
Plate load ⁵	1	1 meg	300	200 henrys
Screen dropping resis.	3	2	2	1 meg
Grid leak resis.	5	5	5	5 meg

The HY255 is an extremely small filament type pentode power amplifier of design and construction similar to the HY245.

Ratings

Filament voltage ²	1.25 v
Filament current	0.028 amp approx.
Plate voltage ³	45 v max.

Fig. 3. The hearing-aid is really more than a two- or three-stage amplifier. Because of the low battery voltages employed every component must be of the highest quality and be permanent in value.

Screen voltage G ²	45 v max.
Grid bias ⁴	-1.5 v
Plate current	1.1 ma approx.
Screen current	0.35 ma approx.
Mutual conductance	450 mmhos approx.

Typical Operation (Class A)

Plate voltage ²	30	45 v
Screen voltage ³	30	45 v
Grid bias ⁴	0	-1.5 v
Load impedance ⁵	50,000	40,000 ohms
Grid leak resis.	5	5 meg
Plate current	.85	1.1 ma approx.
Screen current	.2	0.35 ma approx.
Power output	10	18 mw approx.
Total harmonics	15	12 % approx.

¹These variations are given merely for the designer's reference. This statement is not to be construed as test limits, nor does Hytronic Laboratories guarantee that all tubes supplied will be within such limits.

²Provision must be made to prevent the filament voltage exceeding 1.55 volts at the tube at all times. Less than 1.0 volt is not recommended.

³For optimum conditions, 30 volts is recommended.

⁴It is possible to operate at zero grid bias where the values of plate and screen voltage are 30 volts or less.

⁵This value is an approximation based on mean average laboratory measurements. It is recommended that the output loading choke be designed for a minimum inductance of 40 henrys at rated plate current. The reflected impedance of the receiver should not be less than 40,000 ohms to obtain maximum efficiency.

The CK-501 and CK-501X are miniature pentode type amplifier tubes designed for use as voltage amplifiers in applications where extremely small size and low battery drain are the primary tube requirements. The CK-501 is equipped with a special miniature base. The CK-501X has tinned copper leads for direct soldering and is supplied with a removable standard octal base to facilitate retesting.

Interelectrode Capacitances (Approx.)

Grid to plate	0.12 mmf/d
Input	3.8 mmfd
Output	5.6 mmfd

Ratings

Max. fil. voltage (dry battery supply)	1.55 v
volt. must never exceed	1.55 v

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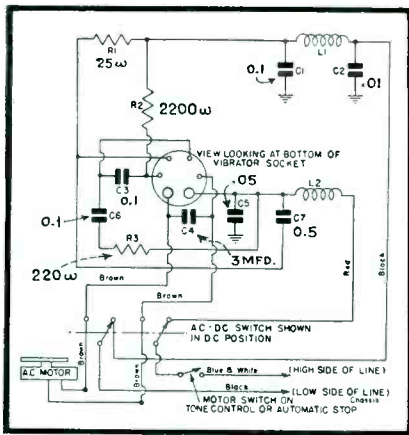


Fig. 1. Emerson 8MT574 phonograph inverter.

IT LOOKS as if we are really going to have something in the way of honest to goodness high quality radio and phonograph programs in the near future. There is plenty of evidence of this in the new data sheets supplied by the manufacturers. We notice careful attention is paid to details as well as the more obvious features. The first of these features is the wide acceptance of f-m with the tendency to go all the way toward a real job including an audio

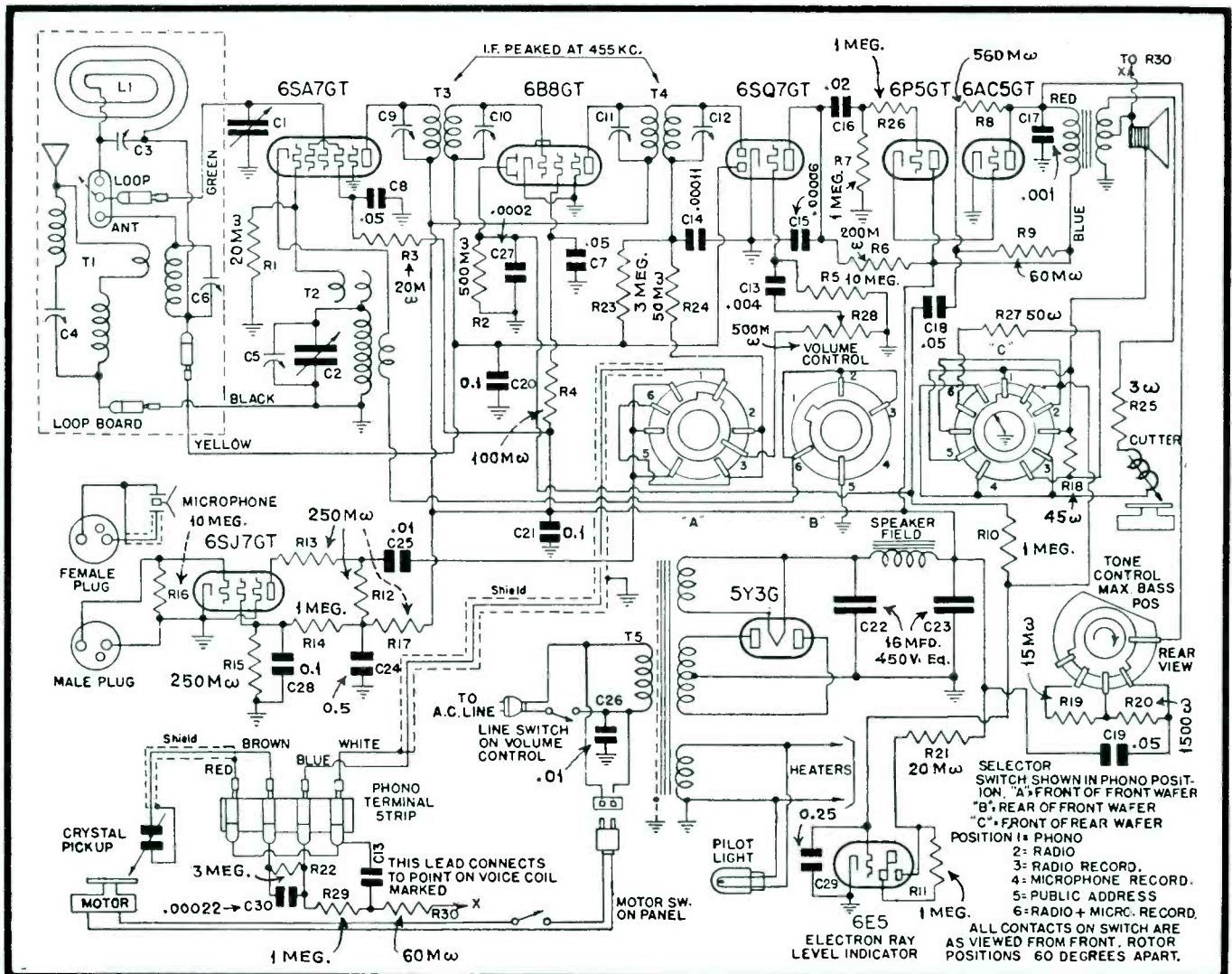
range substantially flat from 30 to 15000 cycles; power output from 10 to 25 watts; properly balanced dual speakers, or dual audio channels in the more expensive models; separate tone controls for bass and treble, a minimum of hum and extraneous noises; and perhaps as important as any feature, the reduction of several types of distortion through the use of a considerable amount of inverse feedback (degeneration) from the output transformer to the first audio stage, taking in the entire audio system.

There are models for f-m only as well as f-m, a-m combinations; also further combinations of phonograph and recorder. Stromberg Carlson has announced a super deluxe f-m, a-m phono-combination with dual audio channels.

Lafayette has just introduced their Model FM13, a similar combination less the dual channels in a much lower price bracket. General Electric has several new f-m models. There will be a parade of these high class sets before long. Here's hoping they have wide acceptance.

Another trend we are glad to witness is the return of the r-f stage with a three-gang tuning condenser. For the broadcast band, at least, better sensitivity and signal-to-noise ratio is obtained over an extra i-f stage. This is especially noticeable in battery portables. Other favorable trends are the

Fig. 4. Emerson DV364.



progress in tube type standardization through the adoption by manufacturers of preference types and the elimination of fake tubes. Related to the latter is the hope that a rectifier will be called by name and an eye tuning or level indicator will be called just that—neither of them being counted as tubes. We have waited a long time for this! Octals, loctals and GT types are rated as standard. Last year, there was much concern over the life of 150-ma. a-c, d-c tubes. It appears that all the bugs have been eliminated, giving this series a new bill of health. For us bystanders the counting of regular tubes promises to be interesting. How about triodes being used as diodes when popular combination tubes are available? Or how about a set using a high quality push-pull input transformer in place of an inverter tube—is this set inferior for having one less tube? You tell 'em; we want to stay out of this mess!

Phonographs and Recorders

We'll next consider phonographs and recorders for the trend is certainly upward in these items. New automatic record changers are simpler, more fool-proof, cheaper and have less parts; hence, they are becoming very popular, some with recorder combinations. All the new phonograph motors have rim-driven turntables which eliminate gear noise and vibration. With few excep-

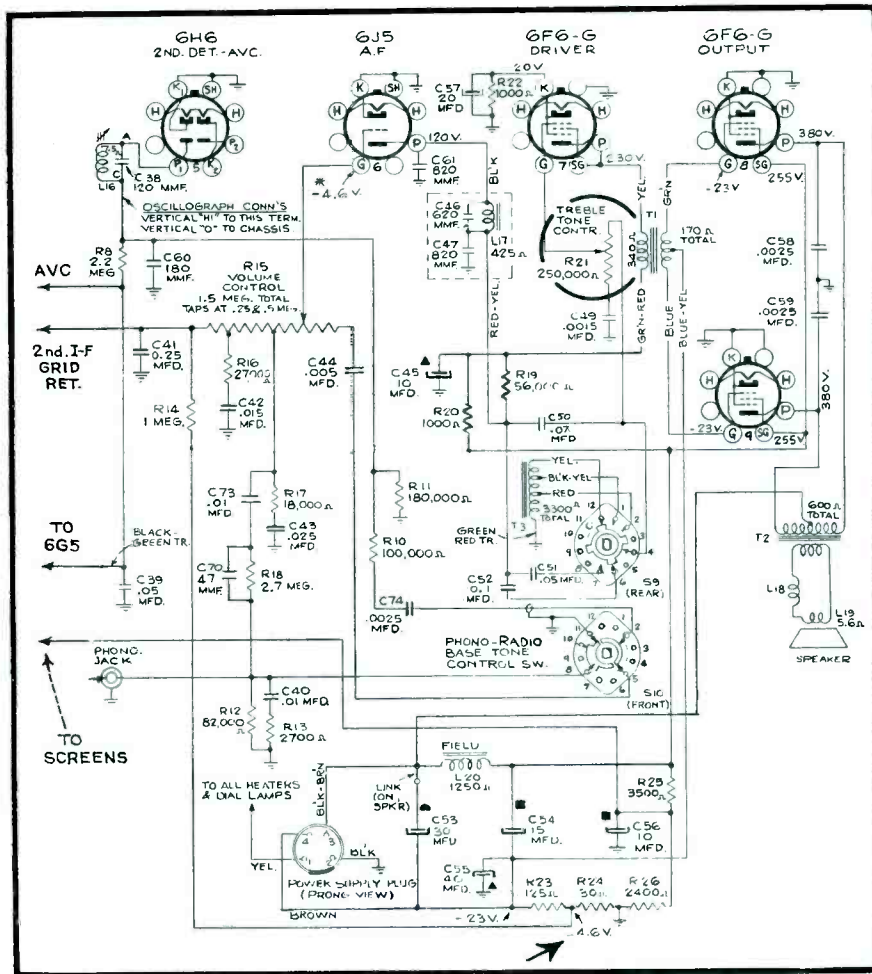


Fig. 5. RCA V300, V301, V302.

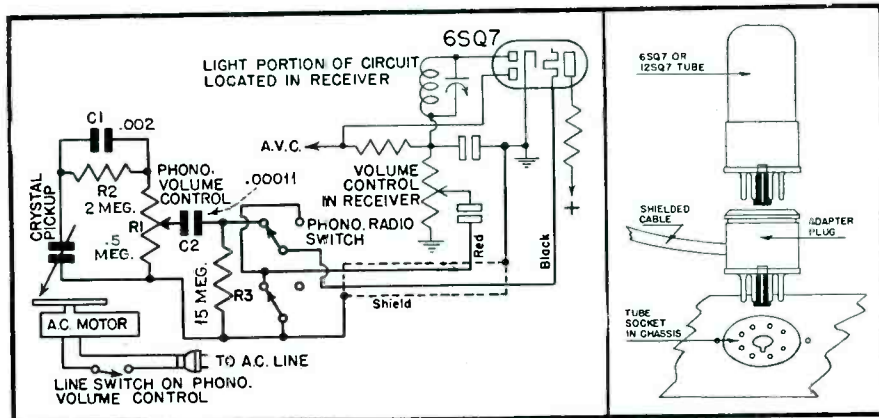


Fig. 2. Emerson EO388 phonograph adapter.

tions there is no adjustment for speed. Crystal pick-ups are flatter; crystal mikes are better and cheaper. Phonograph motors are available for a-c, d-c operation through the use of a vibrator type inverter, such as the Emerson 8MT574 (Fig. 1), on d-c. The inverter is a compact unit complete with filters and connectors and can be mounted directly to the underside of the motor board.

Emerson also has a novel phonograph adapter (Model EO388, Fig. 2) for a-c only, which may be used with any receiver that employs a 6SQ7 or 12SQ7. The tube is removed from its socket and

Fig. 3. Philco 41-602.

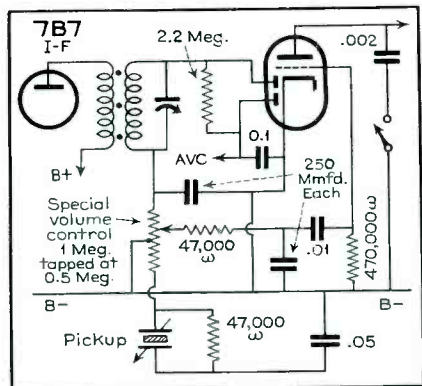


Fig. 8. Silvertone 5751.

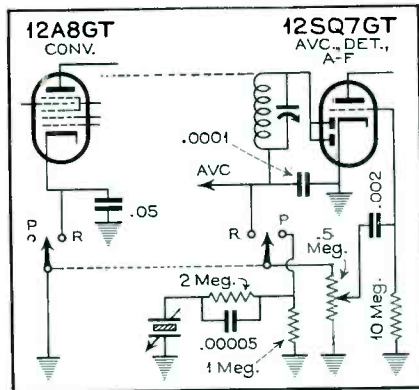
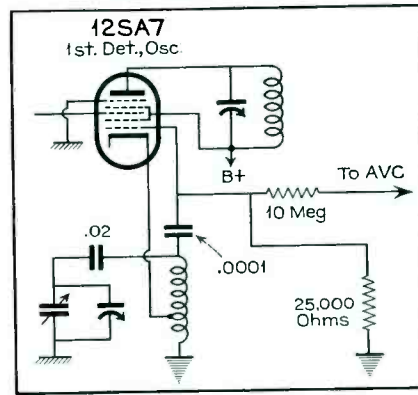
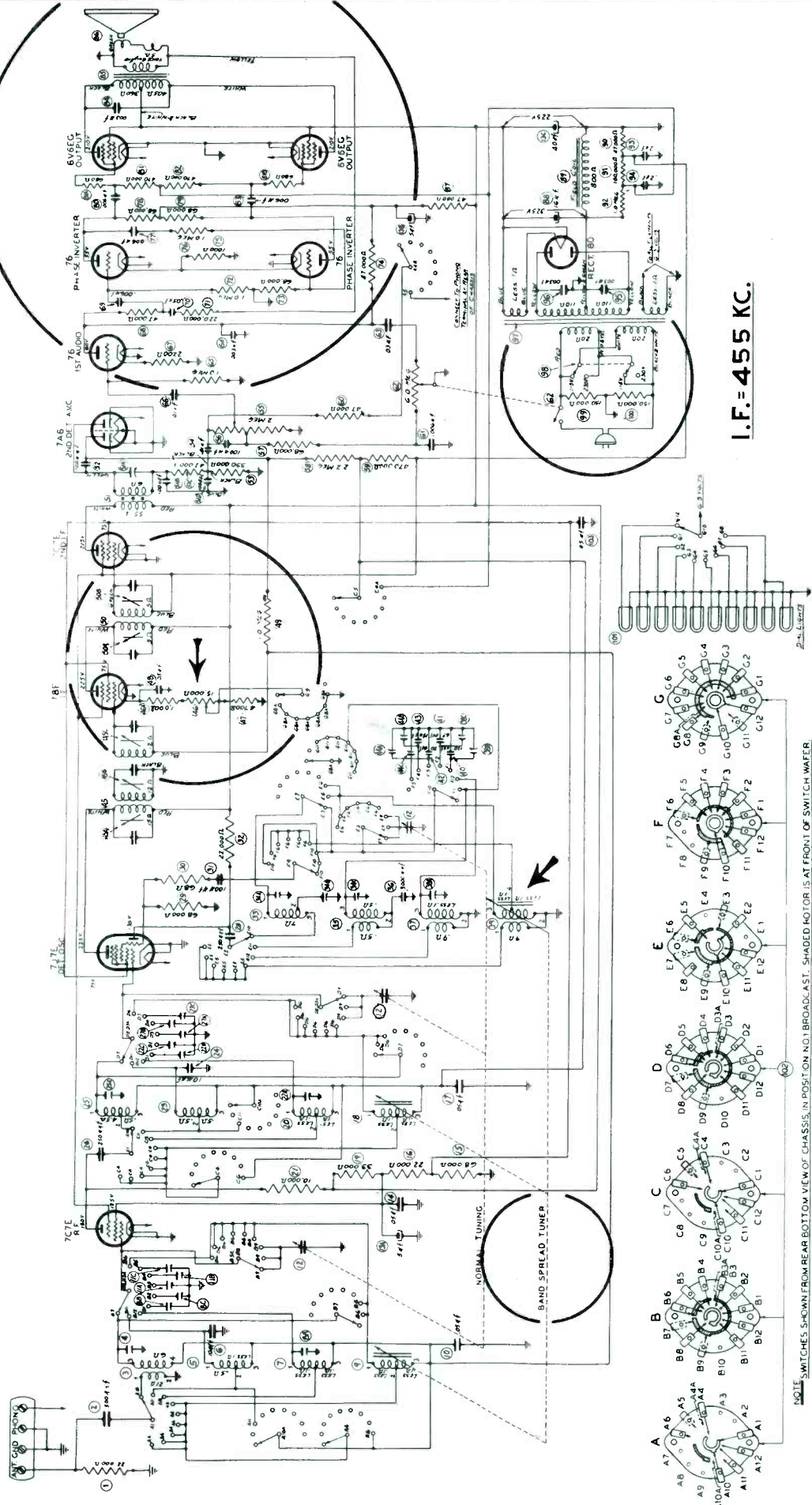


Fig. 6. Admiral J55, XJ55.



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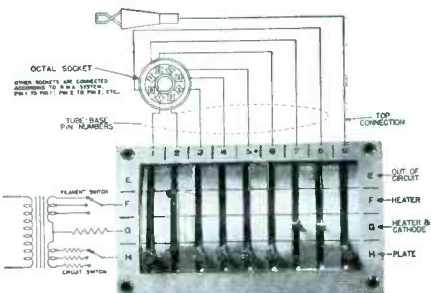
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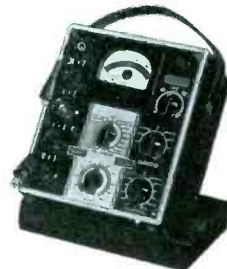
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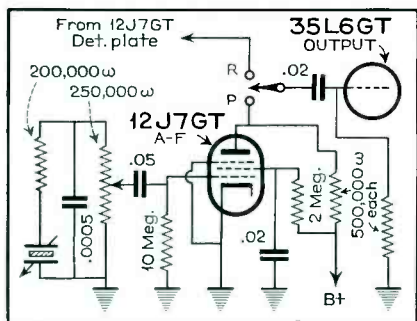


Fig. 9. Silvertone 6326A.

plugged into the top of an adapter plug, the plug being inserted in the tube socket. Volume control and phono-radio switch are contained in the phono unit.

Personal Receivers

Personal a-c, d-c battery receivers as well as a-c, d-c sets alone are getting smaller. We will probably soon see a lot of a-c, d-c tubes in miniature size envelopes to assist this reducing process—all but rectifier and power output tube, which cannot be made smaller because of the necessary heat dissipation. These smaller tubes would be excellent for auto sets, too. Many new portables have resistance coupled i-f stages with a gain of 10. Iron core i-f transformers are being made as small as 3/4 inch square, especially condenser tuned, potted types. A method of assembling small p-m and electro dynamic speakers has been developed using thermal cements instead of welding. Shoulder straps are getting more popular as loop antennas. Philco has an auxiliary plug-in loop aerial for use where reception conditions are difficult. The auxiliary antenna plugs into the side of the portable receiver, disconnecting the set loop.

Television

After a period of inactivity, television

in the New York area got a tremendous boost with the demonstration of color television by the Columbia Broadcasting System. An invention of Dr. Goldmark, the color is added by mechanical means by spinning colored discs in front of the picture tube in synchronism with

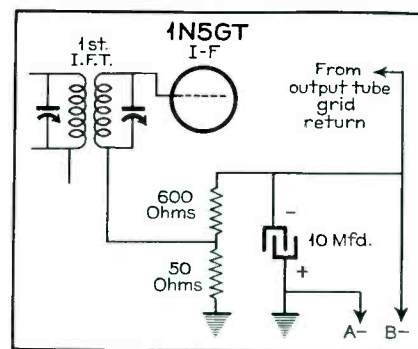


Fig. 11. Sentinel battery set.

time before any system will be put into operation commercially. There remains a great deal to be done with black and white pictures before we can hope for color.

Just a Tip

Why doesn't some smart manufacturer make a dial scale on a fluorescent lamp?

Philco 41-602

Philco Model 41-602 (Fig. 3) is a five-tube, radio-phonograph combination with a dual volume control and on-off switch combined in a single unit. The control is tapped at the center, this point being grounded, so that both ends are hot, one half of the control serves for radio, the other half for phonograph. No switching is required; the control does the complete job itself. A resistor running to the arm of the volume control, in conjunction with two 250-mmfid mica condensers, acts as an r-f filter to keep the i-f out of the audio amplifier. Separate diodes are used for avc and demodulation.

Emerson DV364

Emerson Model DV364 is a seven-tube superheterodyne and phonograph recorder for a-c only. One of the tubes (6SJ7GT) is a microphone preamplifier. In addition, a 6E5 eye is used as a recording level indicator. Dynamically coupled (cathode of driver connected to grid of output) output tubes are featured in combination with inversed feedback in phonograph position. A low-impedance cutter is fed from the secondary of the output transformer, the same winding feeds the voice coil of the speaker.

The radio-recorder-phono switch has a position for recording both radio and microphone simultaneously. This should be a great help to those disgusted broadcast listeners who have always wanted to talk back to the announcer or rotten performer. The manufacturer gives a word of caution which should be useful when servicing any recorder combina-

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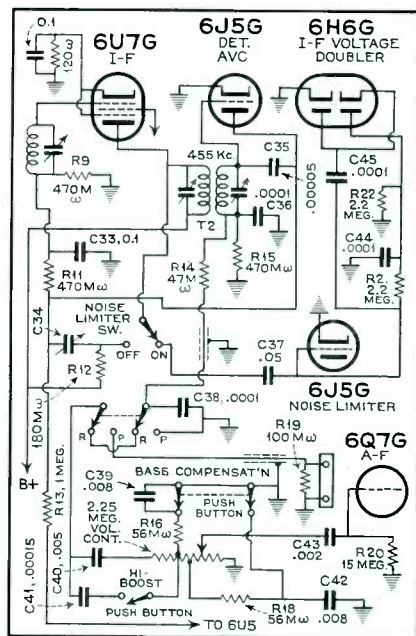


Fig. 7. Silvertone R121, 721

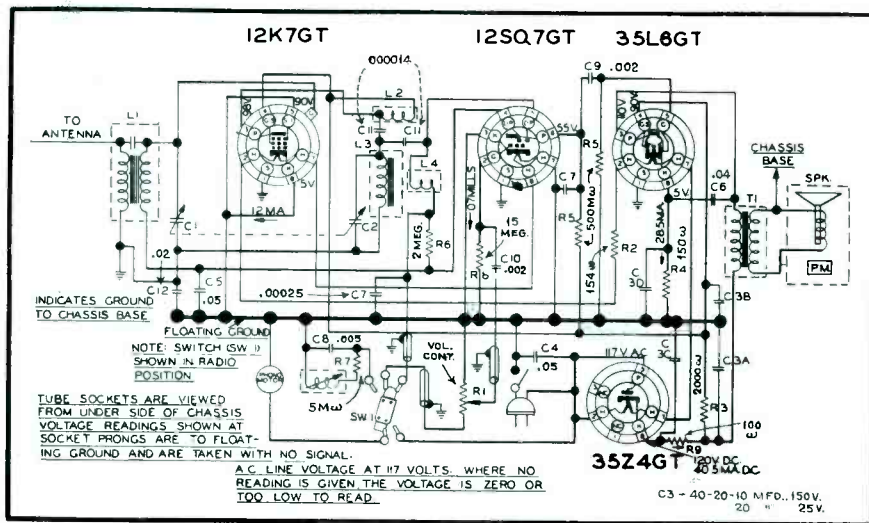
color changes in the transmitter. Using the same band width as standard television, the detail seems to appear greater to the eye.

It is said that the DuMont Laboratories are working on a system for introducing the color electronically. Another electronic method for color television has been discussed in SERVICE¹ recently.

In any case, it will probably be some

¹"Television in Natural Color," SERVICE, Sept. 1940, p. 28.

Fig. 10. Silvertone 5701.



MODERN MULTITESTERS

(Part II)

By S. GORDON TAYLOR

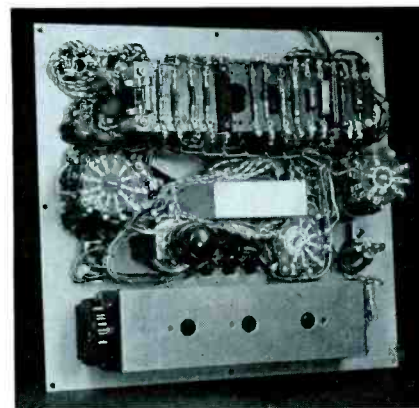
LAST month, in considering the functional breakdown of the circuits of a modern multiple-purpose service instrument, the circuits for the d-c voltmeter, a-c voltmeter, direct-current meter and tube tester functions were shown individually, as set-up by operation of the selector switch. This month the discussion is continued and includes the circuits employed for the several different ohmmeter positions and the capacitor leakage test circuit. These and the circuits covered last month are those of the Radio City Products, Model 803 combination tube and set tester. A front view of this compact instrument, also a close up of the multiple scale of its meter, were shown last month. The rear view shown herewith completes the illustrations.

In the individual circuits shown, each component employed in a particular function is included, as well as the switch contacts which come into play in each. This latter feature is being in-

cluded to aid those who wish to compare the individual functional circuits with that of the complete unit as shown in Fig. 5 herewith. Switch contacts having the letter "A" are a part of the 4-gang, 12 position "Circuit Selector" switch; those with the letter "B" are a part of the 3-gang, 12 position "Range Selector."

In all, five resistance measuring ranges are provided as follows: 0-500/5000/100,000/1 meg/10 meg. Of these, the two lowest ranges employ a circuit of the back-up type, the middle range is battery operated (for use in locations, such as in checking car installations, where an a-c line is not available) and the two highest ranges are of the series type with voltage provided by

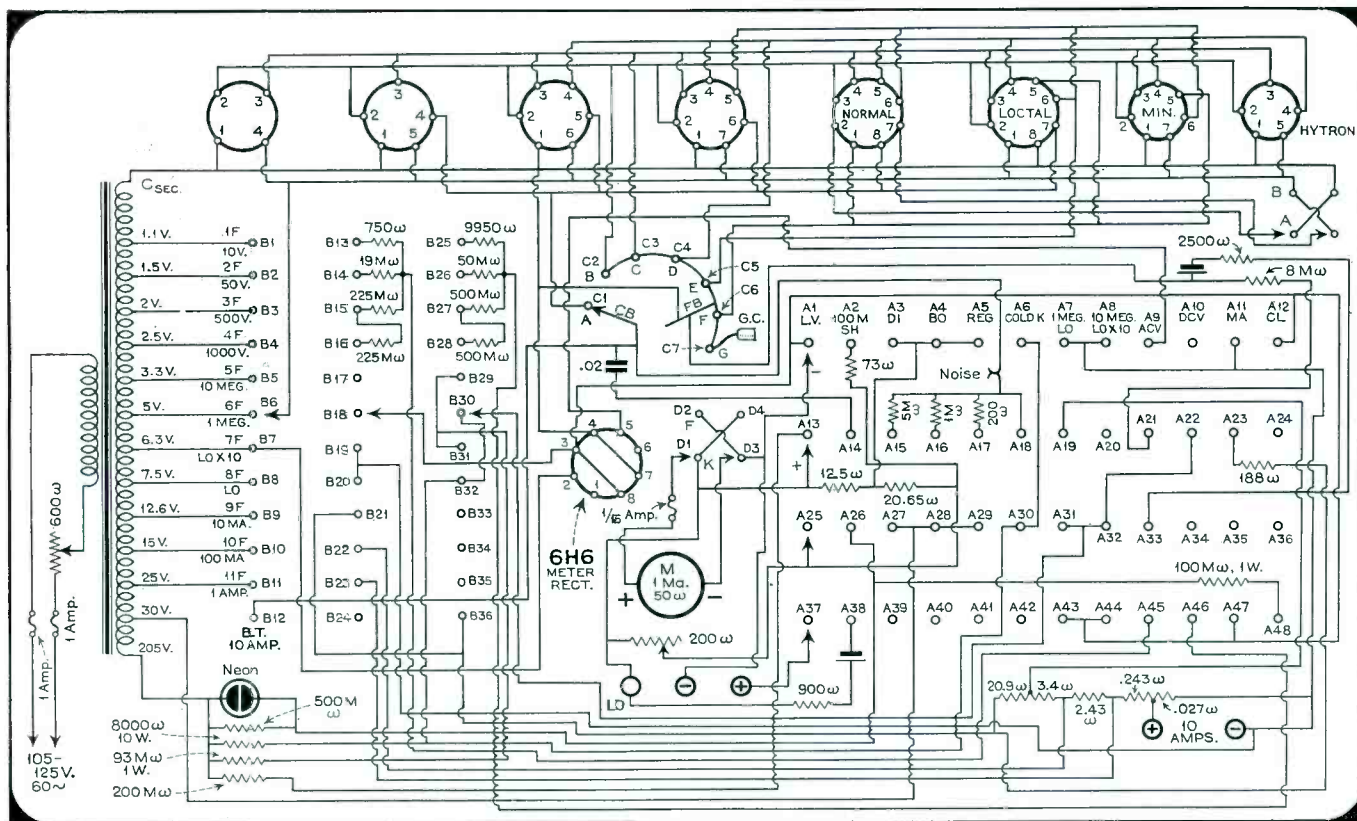
Fig. 5. The switches employed in the RCP Model 803 involve a total of over a hundred contacts, so ganged in design, that the operation of two knobs sets up the tester for a desired type and range of measurement.



A modern multimeter, as exemplified by the Model 803 shown above, employs several selector switches and a host of shunts, multipliers, etc.

a built-in line supply. Because of the circuit differences, each of the three types will be described.

Fig. 6 shows the 0-5000 ohm range with the test prods connected to the "Common" (-) and "Lo" jacks and the "Low Ohms" scale on the meter employed, but multiplied by 10. It is the back-up type of circuit in which the meter reads full scale with no resistance connected, and backs off when a resistor is connected for test, this resistor functioning as a direct shunt. The necessary current is drawn from the line transformer through a 6H6. Because this is a half-wave rectifier the applied a-c voltage is reduced to roughly 45% so that with 93,000 ohms in series it provides just 1 ma full-scale current from the 205-volt tap of the transformer. The



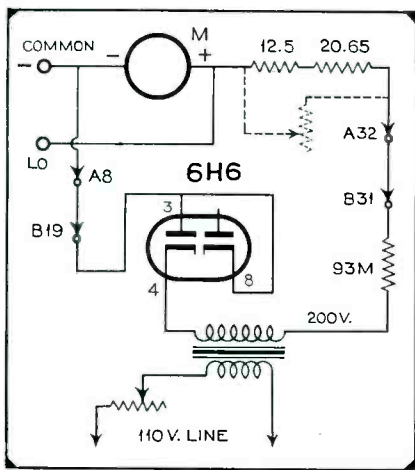


Fig. 6. The 0-5,000-ohm section of the tester is of the back-up type in which the meter reads full scale, when the prods are not connected to a resistor, and backs off for measurement of a particular value.

smaller resistors in this circuit serve no useful purpose. They are employed for another function of the instrument and are simply left in this ohmmeter circuit because their value is so small as to be negligible. No conventional zero-adjustment control is necessary as this purpose is served by a line-voltage control in the primary circuit of the transformer. It is only necessary to adjust this for full-scale meter deflection.

The "Lo Ohms" circuit differs from the one of Fig. 6 only in that an 8,000-ohm resistor replaces the 93,000-ohm series value, and a 6.1-ohm resistor is shunted across the meter, increasing the meter capacity to 10 ma and decreasing its overall resistance to 5.5 ohms. This arrangement results in a midscale value of 5.5 ohms for this range, and the first 10 divisions represent a value of 0.1 ohms each.

Offhand it would appear, if the current is to be multiplied by ten, that the series resistor should be reduced to one-tenth the original value, or 9300 ohms. Actually the rectifier itself contributes some resistance to the circuit—something over 1000 ohms. With 93,000 ohms in the circuit this can be safely neglected but in the high-current arrangement where the series resistance required is relatively low it is necessary to make due allowance for this rectifier resistance. It is for this reason that the 8000-ohm resistor is employed instead of one of 9300 ohms.

The battery ohmmeter circuit operates from a 1½-volt cell incorporated in the tester. Only the circuit selector switch comes into play in setting up for measurements on this range, this switch closing contacts A2 and A38 as indicated in the circuit of Fig. 7. This circuit offers a particularly interesting feature in that the accuracy of measurement can be designed to be one-half of

1 percent regardless of the adjustment of the 200-ohm zero-setting control which constitutes a portion of the meter-shunt network. The meter and its fuse represent a resistance of 55 ohms, which is reduced by the shunt network to approximately 36 ohms with the 200-ohm rheostat all in (or open), or 31 ohms with this rheostat shorting out the two small parallel resistors. This value is in series with the 900-ohm resistor, therefore the total resistance of the circuit can vary only from 931 to 936 ohms, or 5 parts in 931.

Obviously, with the current always adjusted for full-scale deflection when the test prods are shorted, and with the internal resistance constant, any given value of resistance inserted in the measurement circuit will always cause the same degree of deflection. For instance, a value of 935 ohms would double the

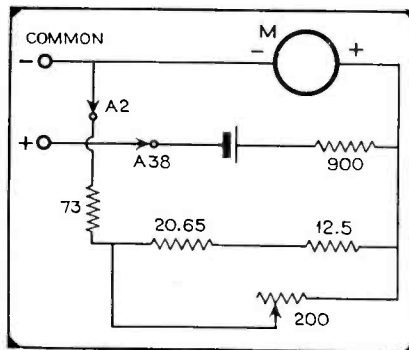


Fig. 7. The battery-operated scale of the ohmmeter section receives its current from a 1½-volt cell housed within the tester.

total circuit resistance and would reduce meter deflection to half-scale, and so on. The meter calibration therefore, can always provide a high degree of accuracy.

Fig. 8 shows the circuit employed in the 10-megohm range. It will be noted that this circuit and its values are identical with the low-resistance circuit of

Fig. 9. A neon indicator is employed instead of the meter for checking condenser leakage. The 6H6 supplies rectified d-c for the test.

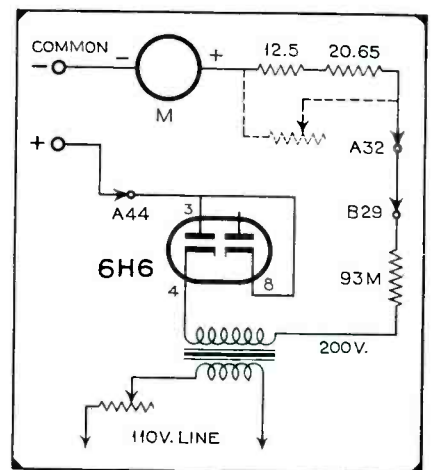
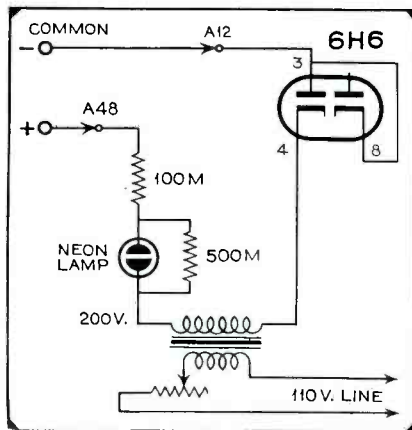


Fig. 8. The values employed in the 10-meg range of the meter are similar to those used for the 0-5,000-ohm range except that the resistance under test is connected in series with the meter instead of across its terminals.

Fig. 6 except that the resistance under test is connected in series with the meter, internal resistors and power supply, instead of being shunted across the meter. This is because the regular test prod jacks are employed instead of the separate "Lo Ohm" jack in Fig. 6. Here again the applied a-c voltage is reduced to something less than half due to the relative inefficiency of the half-wave rectifier, with the result that when the line voltage control is adjusted for a current flow of 1 ma on the meter, the applied d-c voltage is only about 93 volts.

The circuit arrangement for testing leakage in capacitors is shown in Fig. 9. This circuit does not utilize the meter but instead employs a neon lamp as an indicator, working on the principle that such a lamp will not glow until the voltage across it reaches a certain predetermined value. With the test prods shorted five-sixths of the total available d-c voltage is applied across the lamp by the voltage divider action of the 500,000- and 100,000-ohm resistors, and because this exceeds the striking voltage of the lamp, it will glow brightly. If a capacitor is connected between the test prods, it will be the equivalent of inserting an additional high resistance in the voltage divider network (assuming the capacitor to be one with satisfactorily high leakage resistance). This means that a large part of the available voltage will be developed across the capacitor and not enough across the lamp to cause it to glow. Therefore failure of the lamp to glow is an indication that the leakage through the capacitor is normal. If it does glow (beyond an instantaneous flash during the charging period of large capacitors) it is an indication that leakage is excessive. This test is for use only with paper and mica capacitors. The inherent leakage in elec-

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ADVERTISING with little expense

By Jack H. Zeilenga

Jack H. Zeilenga, operating the Universal Radio and Electrical Laboratories on the outskirts of Chicago, never misses a chance to advertise his shop. Every chassis, every tube, yes, and even every receipt carries the Universal name in some form as a continuous reminder of the "Headquarters for Guaranteed Service, Sales, Repairs."

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I have a definite procedure for receiver repairs. First of all I test all the tubes thoroughly. Then I give the set a complete mechanical check; look over the wiring, tube prongs, screws, dial and other controls, speaker cone, transformer laminations, etc. After I am sure that everything is in its proper place I start the job of repairing the



The Universal Radio and Electrical Laboratories, 7020 South Halsted Street, Chicago, looked like this for a number of years. It is now being modernized, however.

set and its components, electrically. Every set is given a performance and quality test before it leaves the shop and it has to be perfect or it doesn't leave. On intermittents and noise jobs we leave them on the air for a few stretches of two hours each with an hour between each stretch.

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It seems never to have failed,—sooner or later they all wake up and come back. When they do and you are able to satisfy them, you have earned a lifelong customer.

I always urge replacement of weak and worn out tubes. If the entire set has seen ample service, I recommend a completely new set for the best in performance and dependability. If the set has six or more tubes, I allow an additional 10-percent discount, providing that all the tubes are purchased at the same time. This often provides the final argument that clinches the sale. I know that I'm way ahead in allowing the 10 percent, even if only the expense of future testing of their tubes is considered.

When her receiver clicks perfectly, your customer is happy and pays your fee gladly. Of course, there will always be a few that growl and grumble. If you do your job conscientiously and

completely, however, you will know that you are right, as will most of your customers. If practically everybody thinks you are good, even the disgruntled few will believe it and remain your customers in spite of their grumblings.

I charge full list price on all parts, tubes and accessories. On jobs that run over ten dollars in parts alone I may allow five or ten percent off list, depending on the net cost of the parts. Minimum repair charge (parts extra) is \$1.00.

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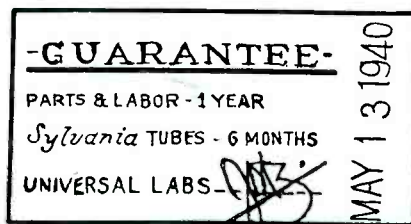
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The customers seem to like the plate set up and it leaves your name and phone number permanently on the set where it is easy to find. I always call our customer's attention to the job plate with this in mind.

Repeats, or kickbacks, have been about two percent. I have always endeavored to take care of these without charge and given the customer the benefit of the doubt as to whether it was coming to her or not.

Jack Zeilenga rarely misses an opportunity to publicize his shop. At the head of the column to the left is the Universal imprint which is stamped on each bill and job ticket. Below this is a repair plate which is attached to finished jobs. Following the plate is an advertising sticker that is distributed freely throughout the neighborhood. A throw-away card, in various colors, is also distributed. A small plate similar to the one at the bottom of the column is tacked on the cabinet of every new set sold.



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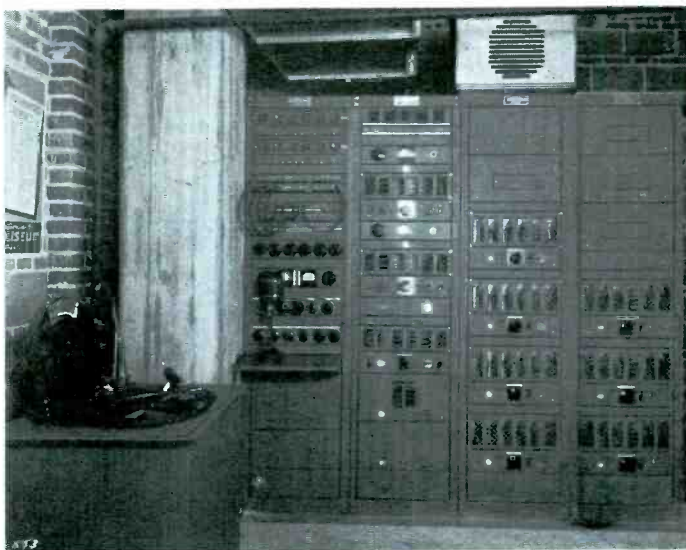
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SOUND IDEAS

By JAY ALLEN

Fig. 2. A special rack and panel amplifier was designed to meet the requirements for the Live Stock Pavilion at the Indiana State Fair Grounds. It is installed in a small control room built especially for that purpose alongside the arena.



THE Live Stock Pavilion at the Indiana State Fair Grounds, Indianapolis, Indiana, was planned and built to give the people of Indiana the finest building of its kind possible, both architecturally and functionally.

Fig. 1. The usual problems encountered in sound installations were complicated by the size of the Live Stock Pavilion and the wide variety in the types of activities covered, ranging from live stock judging to symphony concerts. Loudspeakers can be seen in the center overhead.

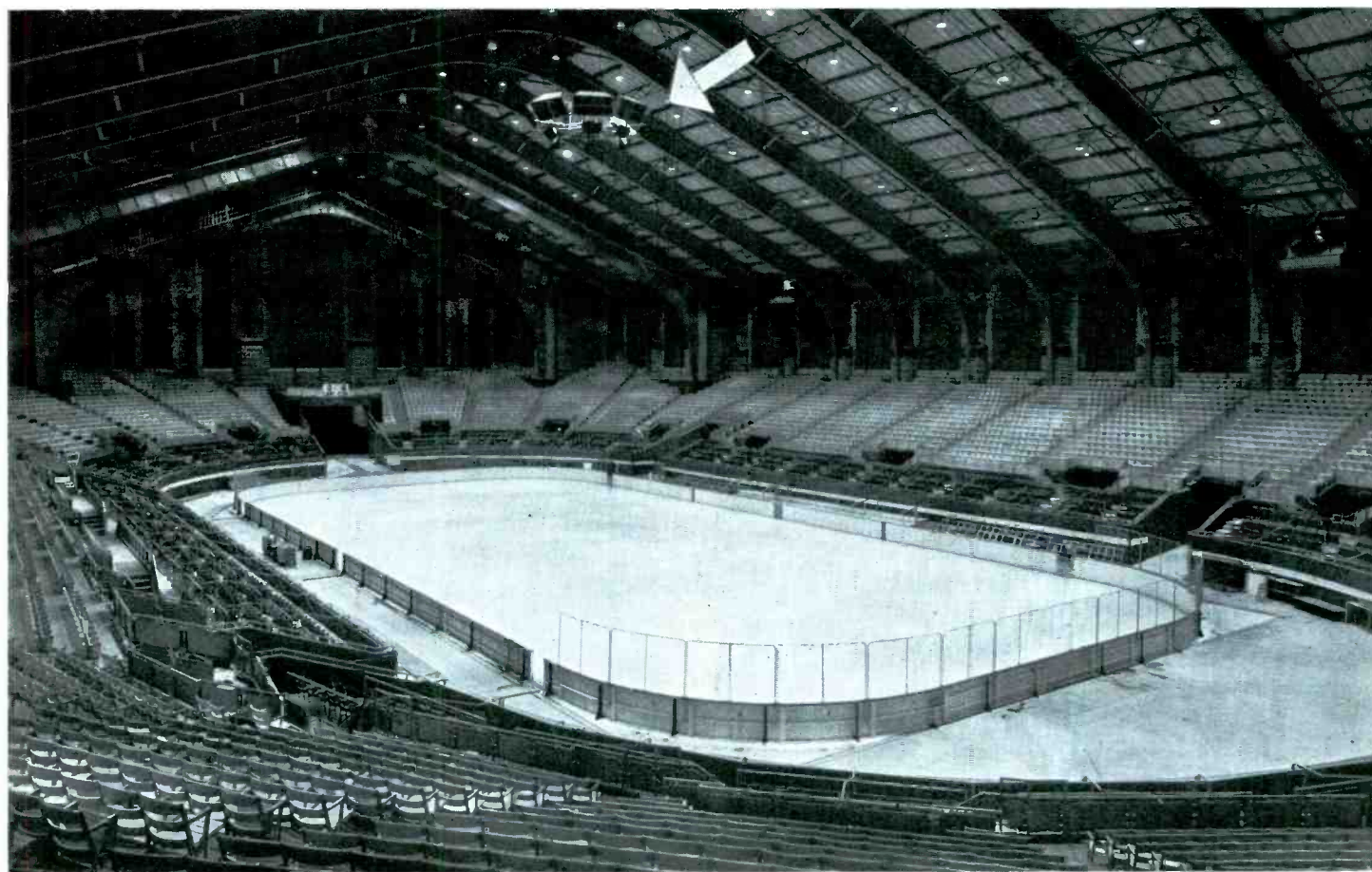
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When the problem of sound reinforcement arose, the State Board of Agriculture conferred with authorities on the subject who prepared specifications which assured the Board that the sound system would be the finest obtainable. Eugene Van Sickle, president of the Van Sickle Radio Supply Company, recognized the importance of such an installation and started work with Operadio Engineers with the result that, when the bids were opened, Van Sickle was the successful bidder and Operadio Equipment was selected.

A building of this type always pre-

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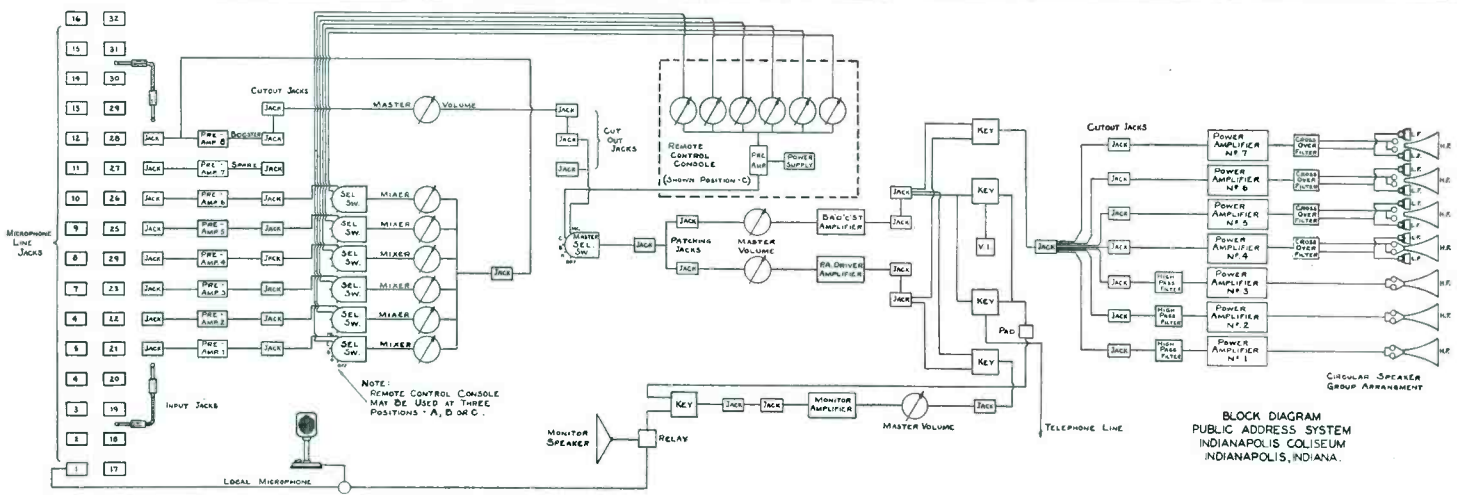


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(See Fig. 2) was designed to meet the requirements and installed in the control room adjacent to the arena. The equipment in this assembly is mounted on four standard sized racks and consists of eight preamplifiers, patch panels,

Fig. 3. (Right) The remote control console permits mixing any six of twenty-six microphone positions from any one of four predetermined locations in the audience section. A portable automatic phonograph unit may also be used at any of the twenty-six positions.



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Fig. 4. (Above) In spite of the somewhat elaborate arrangement, the fair grounds installation is quite flexible and can be controlled from the remote console board shown in Fig. 3. This console permits control and mixing from any of four predetermined locations in the audience section.

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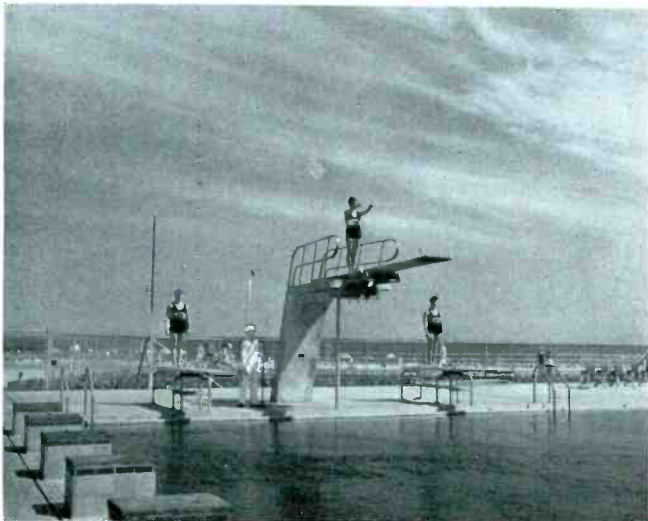
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Fig. 6. Control and amplifying equipment for the system. The illustration shows push-button controls which allow the operator to choose between recorded music, live talent, radio programs, announcements or special features from the nearby Olympic Pool.

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Fig. 8. A triple dive is announced through the Saltshaker microphone at the Olympic Pool in New London's new Ocean Beach Park. The microphone is part of what is said to be one of the largest outdoor sound systems in the United States.

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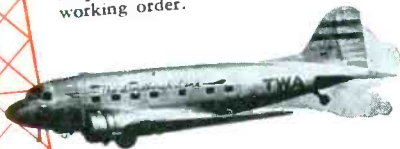
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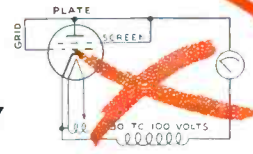


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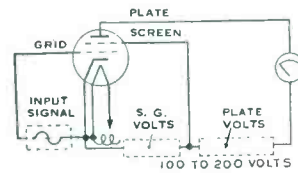
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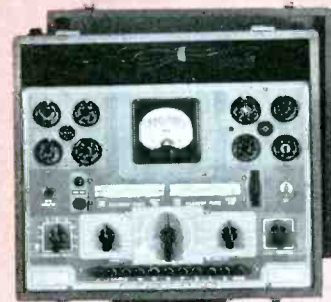
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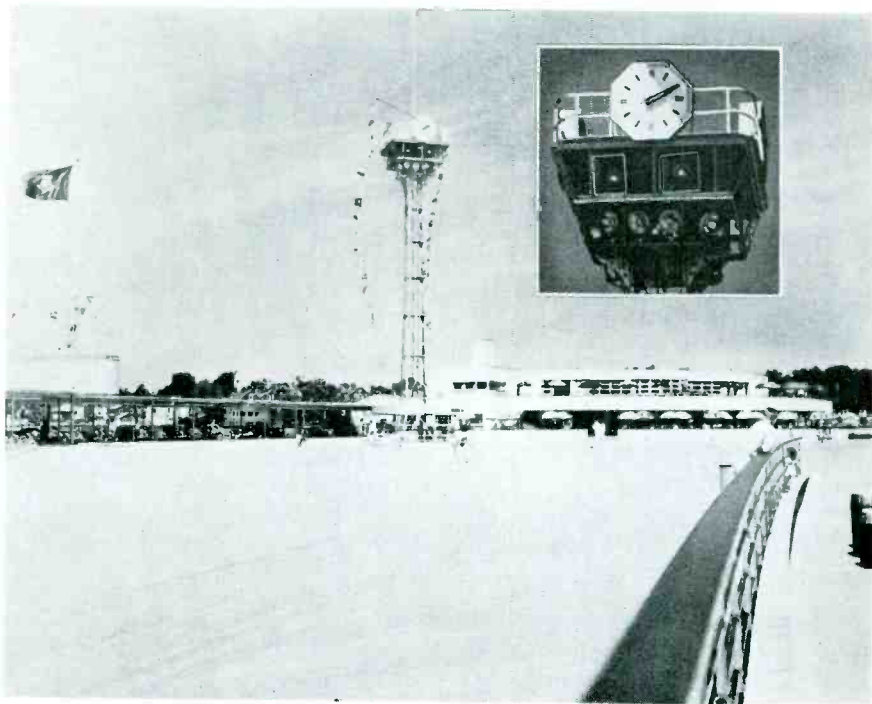


Fig. 5. The beach plaza at Ocean Beach Park, New London, Connecticut. Loudspeakers may be seen directly under the clock on the tower. These five speakers carried special announcements of music to swim by to crowds along a half-mile stretch of beach.



Fig. 7. Two-wide range Western Electric loudspeakers are installed as part of the beach system. The beach park is estimated to have cost approximately \$3,000,000. The sound installation is said to be one of the largest outdoor systems in the United States. It consists of a number of units with a special arrangement that permits extreme flexibility in interconnection.

Fig. 9. Chicago's Grant Park employs several amplifier systems to reinforce musical offerings of guest conductors and soloists. Separate speakers are used for low and high frequencies.



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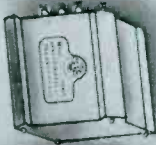
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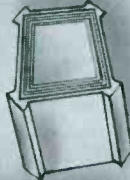
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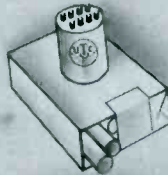
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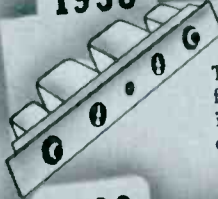
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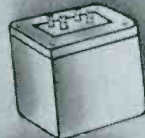
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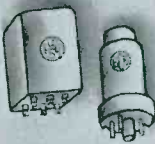
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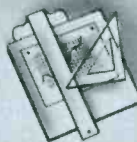
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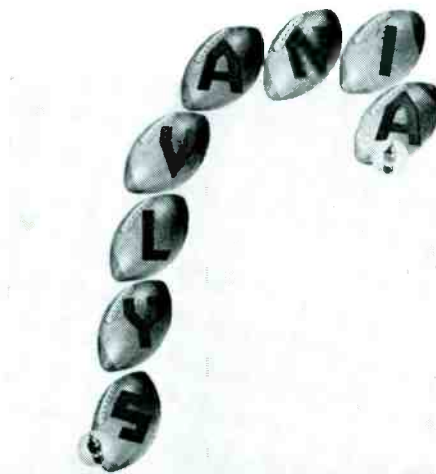
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APPLIED ACOUSTICS, second edition, by H. F. Olson and F. Massa, published by P. Blakiston's Son and Co., Inc., 1012 Walnut St., Philadelphia, Pa., 1939, 494 pages, price \$5.50.

The second edition of this text has been considerably enlarged and revised with the result that its usefulness has been greatly enhanced. Although the authors assume a familiarity of differential equations and vector analysis on the part of the reader, sufficient descriptive matter has been included so that those who have grown mathematically rusty will also find this book of great utility in his work.

The treatment is mainly theoretical in character, but, as its title implies, this book is concerned with the practical aspects of electro-acoustic equipment. The major emphasis of the book is placed upon an analysis of microphones, telephone receivers, and loudspeakers, although other topics such as acoustical measurements, architectural acoustics, measurement of noise, and physiological acoustics are also dealt with. It is unfortunate, however, that such sketchy treatment has been given to the chapter on Electrical Apparatus for the Acoustical Laboratory, and it is to be hoped that future editions will find this section considerably enlarged.

R. L.

A DICTIONARY OF RADIO TERMS, edited by L. O. Gorder, published by Allied Radio Corp., 833 W. Jackson Blvd., Chicago, 1940, 36 pages, paper covers, 10c.

This booklet contains simple, illustrated definitions of approximately 800 terms and abbreviations most likely to be encountered in magazines, books or lectures on radio and allied fields. Schematic symbols, tips on reading circuit diagrams, instructions for reading the RMA code, historic data and other useful information are included.

Although the definitions are not always technically accurate, they are not involved and will easily suffice for the layman. The book is surely worth the modest purchase price and is especially recommended to those who are constantly besieged with questions from laymen.

R. H.

HIGH FREQUENCY ALTERNATING CURRENTS, by K. McIlwain and J. G. Brainerd, published by John Wiley and Sons, Inc., 440 Fourth Ave., New City, 1939, 530 pages, price \$6.00.

Although most sections of the book presuppose a knowledge of differential equations and vector analysis on the part of the reader, the majority of the work can be read without familiarity of these topics. A grasp of the symbolic treatment of alternating current theory is, however, prerequisite.

The authors' analysis of the triode is unusually good. On the other hand, they dispose of pentodes in less than half a page. Nor do they return to them when they discuss radio frequency amplification, for their analysis is based on r-f triode amplifiers, which are completely in the discard today.

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TRANSMITTER GUIDE, prepared and published by Thordarson Electric Manufacturing Co., 500 W. Huron St., Chicago, 1940, 44 pages, 8½ by 11 in., paper covers, 15c.

This interesting booklet contains circuits, new ideas on ham transmitter equipment and technical articles covering Class B output calculations, driver transformer ratios, matching Class C loads to modulators as well as a wide selection of circuits for transmitters with power ranges from 2 to 1,000 watts.

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R. H.

SERVICING BY SIGNAL TRACING, by G. N. Goldberger, published by Precision Apparatus Co., 647 Kent Ave., Brooklyn, New York, 1940, 119 pages, 5 by 8 in., (typewriter size type, photo offset), paper covers, 35c.

This booklet presents a method of dynamic receiver analysis which extends the usefulness of test equipment . . . tube tester, multimeter and signal generator . . . found in the everyday service shop. Individual problems such as the adjustment of frequency modulation receivers is also included in special chapters.

Although the treatment is somewhat laborious in that it is largely a series of instructions, it is of interest to the Service Man because of its extreme importance in his daily work.

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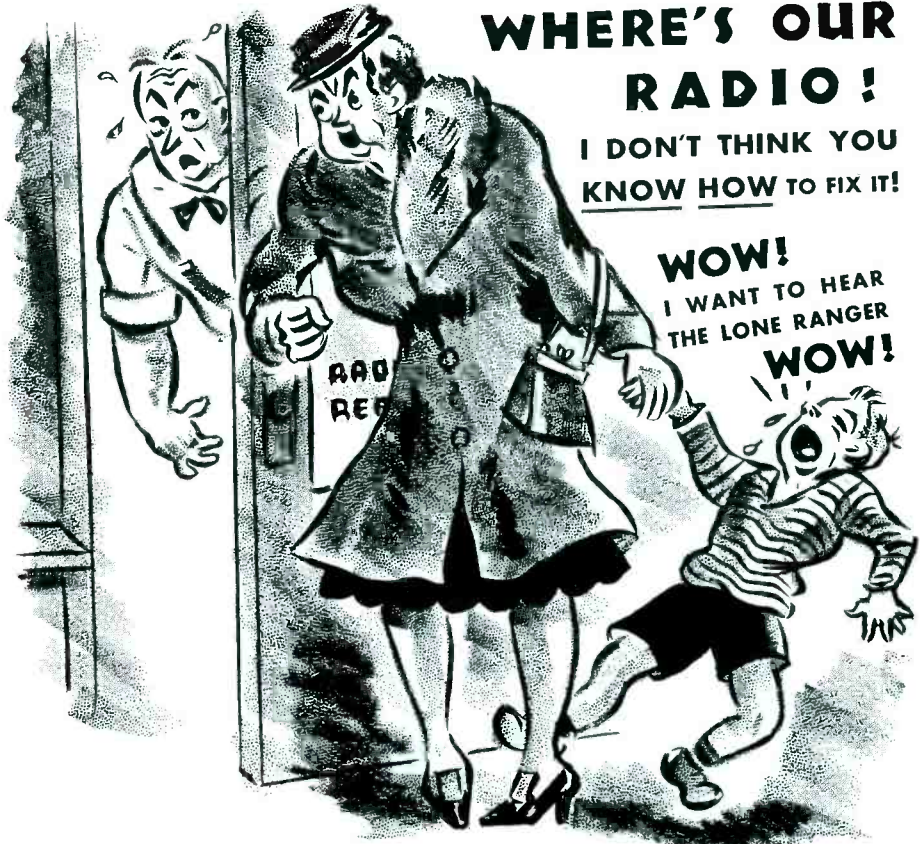
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• • • • Shure catalog No. 153 is a 12-page booklet which describes and illustrates the Shure line of microphones, recording heads, crystal pickups and accessories. Copies from Shure Bros., 225 W. Huron St., Chicago.

• • • • Sprague's bulletin SC contains tables showing what Sprague universal replacement condenser should be used with motors of horsepower ratings commonly used in appliances. Copies from Sprague Products Co., N. Adams, Mass.

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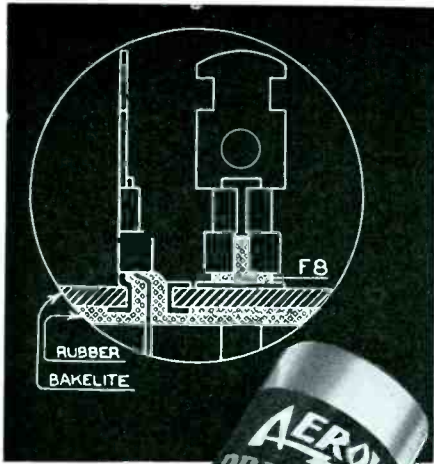
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MODERN MULTITESTERS

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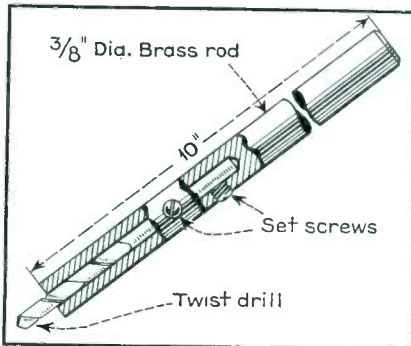
trolytics is too high to permit practical tests with this circuit.

It is realized, of course, that the functional circuits presented in this and the article last month can only prove suggestive so far as other makes of test instruments are concerned. However, for the Service Man who has never attempted a detailed study of individual circuits of modern and highly complicated test equipment, it is believed that the discussion presented will help to provide greater familiarity with the general principles and design practices involved and will make it easier for the reader to trace through the various circuits of his own equipment, gaining for him not only a better understanding of the equipment but making it easier for him to trouble-shoot if and when anything does go wrong with his equipment.

EXTENSION DRILL

A HANDY extension drill can be made by boring out the end of a 3/8-inch brass rod about eight-or ten-inches long, to almost the full length of the drill. The drill can then be soldered securely through a notch which may be ground through near the end of the hole.

These drills have several advantages. They seldom break. They are the cats whiskers in replacement work, since a power transformer, or what have you, may be put into place and the holes drilled from



A handy extension can be made for a twist drill as indicated in the above drawing. Two holes can be drilled and tapped at right angles, in the side of the extension and set screws employed to hold the twist drill fast. It is also possible to jam the drill fast by soldering the drill through a long slot in the shaft.

above the transformer. They are equally ideal where the new holes don't quite line up with the chassis. In drilling holes from the top of the chassis the brass rod will prevent the drill point from scooting on through and wrecking something below deck.

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trols, 6 switches and 5 special, extra tap-in shafts. It is said that this selection will take care of requirements for from 60 to 75% of the control replacements which the Service Man encounters. The cabinet is of all metal construction and is attractively decorated. Additional information may be obtained directly from International Resistance Co., 401 N. Broad St., Philadelphia, Pa.

STANCOR PACK

Standard Transformer Corp., 1500 N. Halstead St., Chicago, offers their Stancor Model 132 auto radio demonstration pack. The 132 is a filtered unit delivering 12.5 amperes at from 3 to 6 volts for the



testing or demonstration of d-c operated equipment such as radio receivers, amplifiers, horns and other 6-volt automobile accessories and equipment. Additional information may be obtained directly from Stancor.

CABINET REFINISHERS

Walter L. Schott Co., 5264 W. Pico Blvd., Los Angeles, Cal., have announced an alcohol soluble cabinet touch up and refinishing kit that is said to fill the requirements of many shops. The kit contains stain, spirit lacquer, polish, French varnish, enamels, etc. Complete instruc-



tions are also included. Brushes are built into the bottle caps.

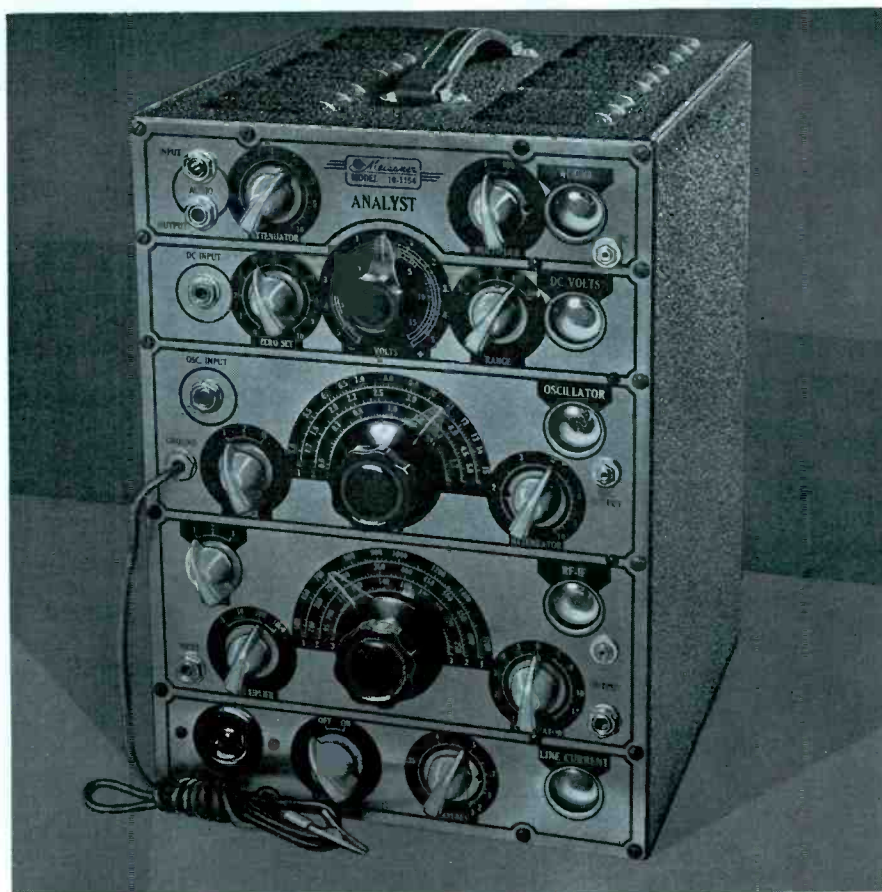
Additional information on this and other Walsco radio products may be obtained directly from the manufacturer.

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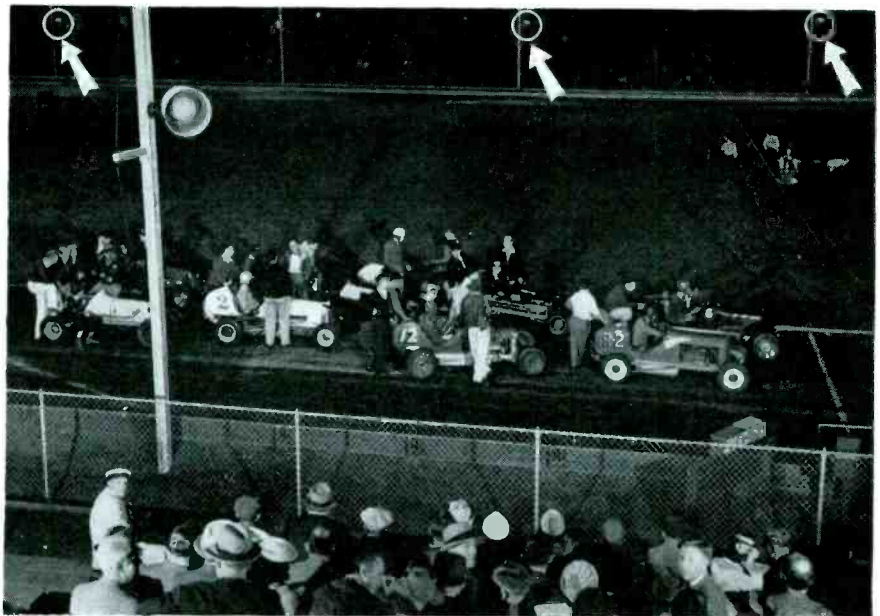


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SOUND IDEAS

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tower speakers the operator's choice of programs. Each of these tower speakers is powered by a 118A amplifier. An additional amplifier and speaker are used for monitoring in the control room.

Park Sound

City sponsored concerts with famous guest conductors and soloists appearing in Grant Park, Chicago, have become outstanding musical events. (See Fig. 9.)

The installation of sound equipment, without the use of a multitude of speakers to amply cover the vast area of Grant Park, was effected by using Jensen Type B full range heavy-duty systems. Two of these new units provide ample sound for the great audiences. Each unit consisted of two Type N Jensen high-frequency units; one 32-cell multicellular horn, two low-frequency speakers with horn and frequency dividing network.

Auto Races

Around the fifth-mile track at the Castle Hill Speedway in the Bronx, New York City, nine Atlas sound Type WX8HL marine speakers blare forth announcements that override the ponderous noise of the racing midget autos. Bill Heiserman, a pioneer in midget auto racing, had the system installed by a local Service Man in 1939. When the races are moved indoors to the New York Coliseum, during the winter months, the amplifier system goes along.

The equipment used is standard in every respect. A single 32-watt driver with several inputs picks up announcements from one of a number of micro-

phones and feeds the inputs of a three channel 100-watt amplifier. Each channel feeds three of the nine marine horns. The amplifier, built by Amplifier Corporation of America, employs three pairs of 6L6s, one pair for each channel, with three separate output transformers. The inputs are connected in parallel and are fed directly from the output of the 32-watt driver. Two small monitor speakers are connected to the 32-watt driver, one at the amplifier proper and one in a small room off the track.

While the stands are filling up, before the races start, and during intermissions, a Packard record changer feeds recorded music into the system to help pass the time.

A 10-watt Lafayette system with four small speakers located in the drivers' pits, is used in addition, to call the next event and to prepare the drivers to take their posts.

Werner J. Grunwald, who operates the system for the Bill Heiserman Promotions, is on hand each racing night to assure continuous operation.

WILCOX-GAY STYLUS

Wilcox-Gay has introduced their Hi-Clearance cutting stylus, which has been designed to eliminate the tendency of the thread to chip rather than have a smooth cut, during slow speed (33 1/3 rpm) recording. Additional information may be obtained directly from Wilcox-Gay Corp., Charlotte, Mich.

NEW TEST EQUIPMENT

OHMITE DETERMOHM

The Ohmite Determohm resistance box is provided in 2 new ranges, 1 to 9,999 and 10 to 99,900 ohms. These sizes are in addition to the 100 to 999,990 range box previously available. The Determohm is a



decade resistance box of $\pm 5\%$ accuracy for industrial and laboratory uses. It may be used in the determination of replacement resistors in radio sets; as a voltmeter multiplier; or, with auxiliary apparatus, in an ohmmeter, resistance bridge or in many other applications.

Additional information may be obtained directly from Ohmite Mfg. Co., 4835 Flournoy St., Chicago.

HICKOK TUBE TESTER

Hickok Model 530M tests tubes by measuring dynamic mutual conductance in micromhos and is primarily designed to assist in making more tube sales across the



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Additional information may be obtained directly from Hickok Electrical Instrument Co., 10308 DuPont Ave., Cleveland, Ohio.



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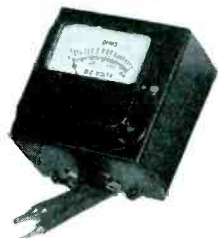


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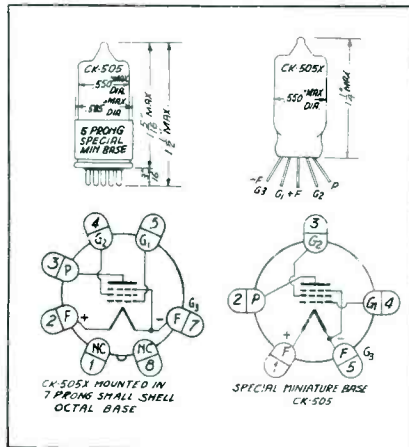
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Mean filament voltage.....	1.25 v
Maximum plate voltage.....	45 v
Maximum screen voltage.....	45 v

Typical Operation (Class A)

	Impedance Coupled		Resistance Coupled	
	1.25	1.25	1.25	v
Filament voltage*	0.033	0.033	0.033	amp
Filament current	30	45	30†	v
Plate voltage	30	45	30†	v
Screen voltage	0	-1.25	0	v
Grid bias†	1.0	1.5	—	meg
Plate resist. (approx.)	325	300	—	mmhos
Transconductance	0.30	0.30	0.025	ma
Plate current	0.06	0.06	0.008	ma

The CK505 and CK505X are miniature pentode type voltage amplifiers of design and construction similar to the



The type CK505 tube is equipped with a special 5 prong base. The CK505X is mounted on an actual base shell which is used for test purposes.

CK501 and CK501X. The CK505 is equipped with a special miniature base. The CK505X has tinned copper leads for direct soldering and is supplied with a removable standard octal base to facilitate testing.

Typical Operation (Class A)

	Impedance Coupled		Resistance Coupled	
	d-c	d-c	d-c	v
Filament voltage*	0.030	0.030	0.030	amp
Filament current	30	45	30†	v
Plate voltage	30	45	30†	v
Screen voltage	0	-1.25	0	v
Grid Bias†	1.1	2.0	—	meg
Plate resist. (approx.)	140	150	—	mmhos
Transconductance	0.17	0.2	.020	ma

Screen current 0.07 0.08 .007 ma
Voltage amplification 15

* The filaments of two tubes may be operated in series directly from a single small flashlight cell. If larger cells are used or if other factors cause the mean battery voltage to exceed 1.25 volts computed over the normal battery life, a series filament resistor should be used to reduce the mean filament voltage to 1.25 volts for the two tubes in series.

† Grid circuit returned to negative filament. The



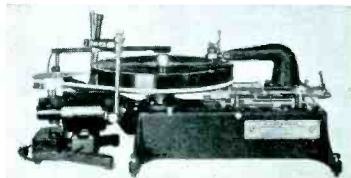
The small size of the hearing aid tubes can be realized from this illustration by comparison with a man's hand.

d.c. resistance in the grid circuit should not be less than 5 megohms.

‡ Supply voltage. Plate resistor: 1 megohm. Screen resistor: 2 megohms by-passed with 0.01 mfd. Coupling condenser: 0.01 mfd.

In conclusion, the writer wishes to express his appreciation to the tube manufacturers for their help in preparing this article.

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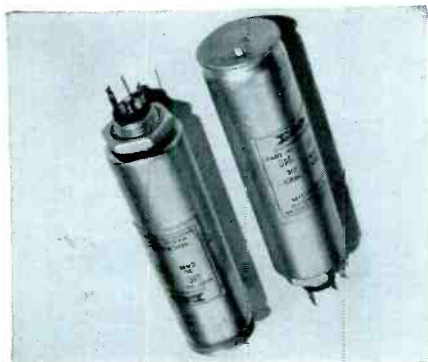
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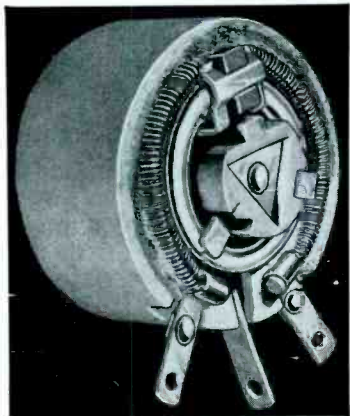
Micamold Radio Corp., Flushing and Porter Aves., Brooklyn, N. Y., announce the addition of a line of Type MP dry elec-



trolitics. These are available in a wide variety of capacity and voltage ranges. Standard lug mountings with both 3 and 4 terminals, both 1 and 1 3/8 in diameters. Additional information may be obtained directly from the manufacturer.

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Additional information may be obtained directly from Clarostat Mfg. Co., Inc., 285 N. 6 St., Brooklyn, N. Y.

TRANSMISSION CABLE

A high frequency transmission cable is announced by Belden Manufacturing Co., 4689 W. Van Buren St., Chicago. The



cable is of the 100-ohm twisted pair type and is designed for f-m and television use. It consists of 18-gauge stranded tinned copper, celanese braid, rubber covered, color coded; twisted pair with fillers; celanese wrap; tinned copper shield; cotton wrap; and rubber sheath. It is cataloged as No. 8219. No. 8218 is similar except that it does not have the outer tinned copper shield.



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PERMO PRODUCTS ADDS SPACE

Permo Products Corp., 6415 Ravenswood Ave., Chicago, have started construction on an addition which should double the size of their plant. Permo products manufactures phonograph needles and recording styli and was started by Arthur J. Olsen, president, 14 years ago.

SOLAR APPOINTMENT

Solar Manufacturing Corp., Bayonne, N. J., manufacturers of capacitors, announces the appointment of R. C. Merchant, 4829 Woodward Ave., Detroit, as district manager for the State of Michigan.

RADEX I-F TRANSFORMERS

Radex Corp., 1733 Milwaukee Ave., Chicago, have developed 3 new double-tuned i-f transformers. The three cover replacements for practically every frequency and may be used as input, inter-stage or output transformers. Provision has been made to bring the grid lead out from either the top or the bottom of the can.

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SOUND NEWS

CLARION AMPLIFIER

Transformer Corp. of America, 69 Wooster St., New York City, announces their Clarion A93K amplifier with a rated output of 71 watts. The unit has a gain of 125 db and is said to have a frequency response from 40 to 12,000 cycles. Four speaker outlets are provided and six inputs allow simultaneous operation of 4 microphones and 2 record players. The same amplifier is also available with a built in record player as A95K. Additional information directly from TCA.

N. U. SOUND X/TRA TUBES

The National Union Sound X/tra type 6W5G replaces the previous Sound X/tra type 6X5G and the type 6J5GT/G replaces the 6J5G. Two special types have been added that do not have equivalents in the standard N. U. line. These have been specifically designed for sound work. The type NU540SX is a super-power output triode, a pair of which will deliver 25 watts output (3% total distortion) with 350 volts on the plates. The second, type NU576SX, is a special mixer tube which is said to have low microphonics, low hum and low input and output capacities. The tube has two grids, two cathodes and a common plate. It is intended for two channel mixer service.

Additional information on Sound X/tra tubes from the National Union Radio Corp., 57 State St., Newark, N. J.

KNIGHT AUDIO-MASTER

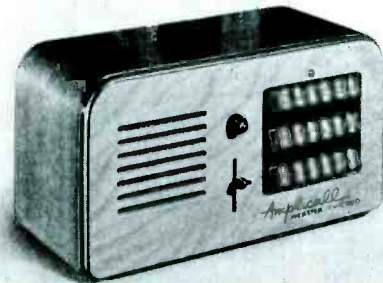
The Knight Audio-Master combines into one portable unit a transcription player and p-a system for a-c, d-c operation. The amplifier has 2 input channels, tone con-

trol, inverse feedback, additional speaker outlet, phono-mike mixer and dual-speed phonograph record player. The gain is 120 db for the microphone input and 83 for the phonograph. Output is rated at 20 watts.

Additional information may be obtained directly from Allied Radio Corp., 833 W. Jackson Blvd., Chicago.

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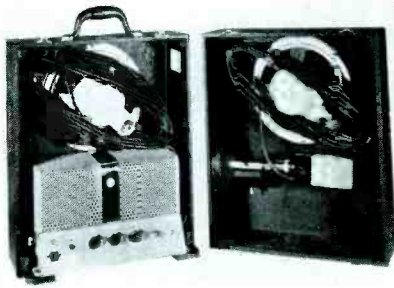


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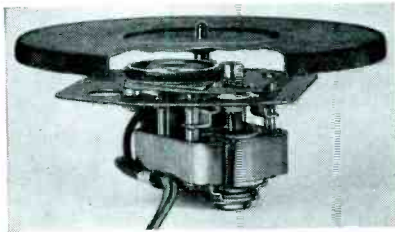


plied in the compact carrying case. The RCA Junior velocity microphone can also be placed into the case together with its table stand, while carrying the system about. The entire system weighs 43 lbs.

Additional information may be obtained directly from RCA Manufacturing Co., Inc., Camden, N. J.

ALLIANCE 25-CYCLE MOTOR

Alliance announces its Model K800 25-cycle motor which is adapted to the standard friction drive assembly as used on



the Alliance 80. This permits interchangeability in mounting without sacrificing performance, it is said. The Model K800 is available for 110 or 220 volt, 25-cycles in 8- or 9-in turntable sizes.

Additional information may be obtained directly from Alliance Mfg. Co., Alliance, Ohio.

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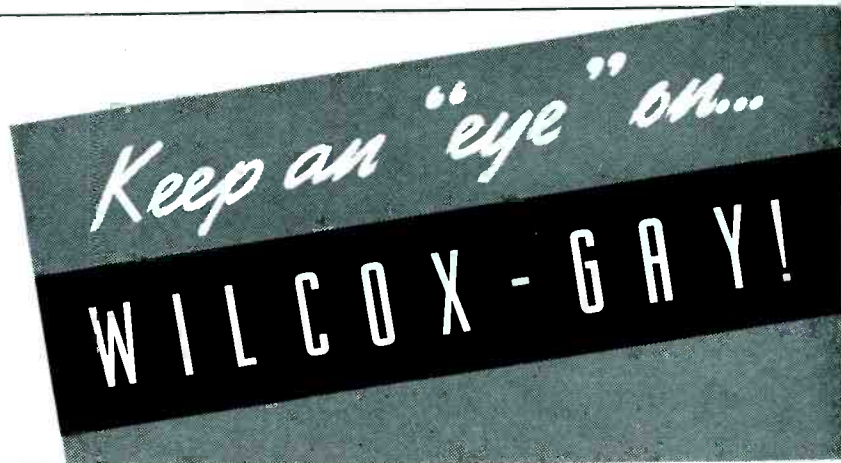
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tion: Keep any part of the dial and condenser assembly from touching the cabinet when replacing the chassis in the cabinet, otherwise there will be trouble with microphonics.

RCA V300, V301, V302

In line with the trend toward high power output, audio driver stages are coming back to work the final push-pull

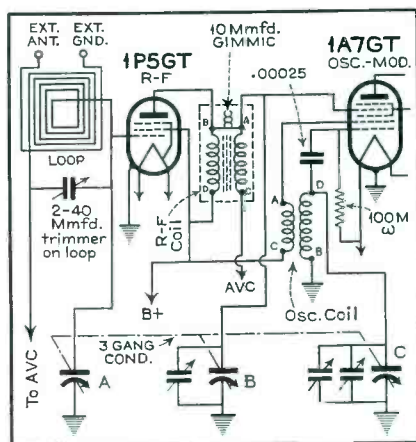


Fig. 12. Sentinel r-f stage.

amplifier in Class AB operation. RCA Victor V300, V301, V302 models employ a triode-connected 6F6G to drive a pair of 6F6G pentodes to 18 watts of undistorted output. Note also the separate treble tone control at the driver grid. The 6J5 first audio stage is biased at -4.6 volts by the power supply voltage divider which supplies bias for the output stage. A decoupling filter of 1 megohm and $\frac{1}{4}$ mfd serves to isolate these two audio circuits. See Fig. 5.

Philco 41-603, 41-604, 41-605, 41-607

Philco Models 41-603, 41-604, 41-605, 41-607 have a dual volume control consisting of two separate controls with selector switch, one being for radio, the other for phonograph. (See front cover.) The main a-c switch is also attached. Note also the new dual-triode tube used as oscillator and converter in a rather unusual circuit. The converter section is tapped down on the primary of the i-f transformer instead of being across the entire coil. This allows more gain and better selectivity. The first i-f amplifier tube is also tapped down on the second i-f transformer. The oscillator section has the grid at ground potential and the cathode hot. Two i-f stages are used.

Admiral J55, XJ55

In order to provide some initial bias on the converter and i-f tubes during

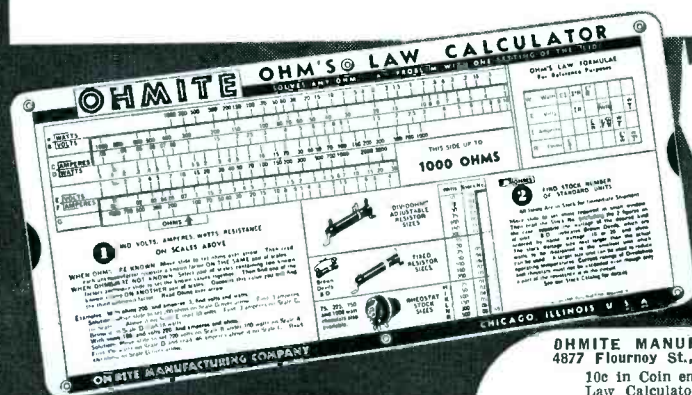
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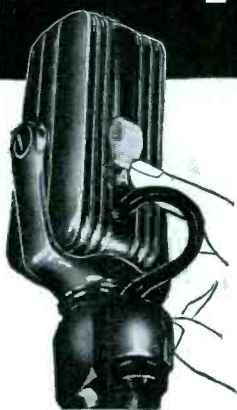
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New tube applications, what to look for in new circuits, and how to correct possible trouble that may be encountered was discussed by George C. Connor, Hygrade Sylvania Commercial Engineer, before the Jersey City Radio Servicemen's Association in Arion hall at their last meeting.

Martin Seel, president of the Jersey City group, conducted the meeting. The sponsoring distributor, Dale Radio Co., New York, was represented at the meeting by Jack Unger, Norman Leeb, Rene Jacobs, Bob Termame and Dean Ellner. A large, enthusiastic crowd of Service Men turned out for the meeting.

Following the technical discussion, refreshments were served.

Henry C. L. Johnson

RADIO TECHNICIANS GUILD

Boston, RTG

Our educational director, Albert C. W. Saunders, has finally given in to Old Doc Sawbones and consented to a little cutting up (at his age), picking, of all days, Friday the 13 to enter the hospital. I wonder if he put in his order for fancy hemstitching?

Last time Brother Technician Bertram Lewis of Rochester, N. Y., visited us he ran into our famous hurricane of 1938. This year, when he again visited us we had another hurricane warning. He must have something that attracts them. But,

after all, he is something to blow about. He has that rare faculty of making you feel as though you had known him all of your life, after only having met him five minutes before.

The Boston Chapter held its election of officers on Sept. 9, 1940. Emile Maginot, our president, was reelected while our former librarian, Bill Staples, has taken over the office of vice-president. S. DiRusso was elected librarian. The treasurer and secretary remain the same as in past terms, namely Frank Kennes, treasurer, and Joseph Cabral, secretary.

Rochester, RTG

The Radio Technicians Guild of Rochester extends a most cordial invitation to Service Men everywhere and especially to those living within a 400-mile radius of Rochester, N. Y., to attend the second annual Info-meet, being held this year in cooperation with the Rochester Fall Meeting of I.R.E., R.M.A. engineering department, Sunday, Nov. 10. It will be the opening gun of a four day session at which the greatest gathering of technical men the industry has ever seen will be assembled.

This is not an entertainment or a salesman's meeting, but the Service Man's opportunity to receive the latest information on technical developments in the radio industry direct from the men most qualified to tell it. Among these outstanding engineers will be Dorman D. Israel of the Emerson Radio and Phonograph Corp., Walter R. Jones of Hygrade Sylvania Corp., Robert G. Herzog of Service Magazine, and Albert C. W. Saunders of Massa-

chusetts Radio School.

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Once more let us state that in Rochester, N. Y., Sunday, Nov. 10, 1940, the doors to the storehouse of radio knowledge will be thrown open to all those who care to come in.

For further information, reservations, etc., write Info-meet Committee, 22 Thornton Rd., Rochester, N. Y.

Dallas, Texas

At the long awaited meeting on Sept. 27, we filled the auditorium with exception of standing room. Heard a good talk by Dan Fairbanks, of IRC, saw a good girl show and an act of vaudeville, had a whopping big dinner of fried chicken and all the fixins. Attendance from a radius of 100 miles all around Dallas and included over 100 of the leading Service Men of North Texas. Meetings are booked up until February and include several national engineers, etc.

Carter T. Bennett

Fairbanks Tour

Dan Fairbanks, sales manager of the resale merchandise division of the International Resistance Co., Philadelphia, Pa., is now on another of his trips to the trade during which he will visit jobbers and speak at various service meetings in a number of cities. Included in his itinerary are Charlotte, N. C.; Atlanta, Ga.; New Orleans, La.; Dallas, Houston, San Antonio, Oklahoma City, Kansas City, St. Louis, Chicago, Detroit and Dayton.

JOBBER GROUPS

Sales Managers Club

New officers for 1941 have been named by the Sales Managers Club, Western Group. The new chairman is John Robinson of Crowe Name Plate and Manufacturing Co., who succeeds Herbert W. Clough of Belden Manufacturing Co., the retiring chairman. The new vice-chairman is Win Hartford of Thordarson Electric Manufacturing Co., and Helen Staniland of Quam Nichols continues as secretary and treasurer.

Installations were made at the regular meeting in the Electric Club of Chicago, on Tuesday, Sept. 10, 1940.

NRPDA

At the meeting of Sept. 17, in the Hotel Manger in Boston a membership committee of five was set up to pass on all new applications for membership.

Luncheon meetings of Boston jobbers will be held shortly to discuss credit problems.

The next meeting of the National Radio Parts Distributors Assn. is planned for Springfield in order that traveling of the members will be equalized.

Among the many subjects discussed at this meeting were: the amateur situation in relation to National Defense; cooperative advertising of the New England jobbers; cash discount terms; prizes and program advertising; volume control price situation; problem of bid prices; uniform accounting; credit interchange; NRPDA cooperation with NAB and RMA on campaign "Listen Before You Vote."

The Philadelphia Radio Servicemen's Association recently invited Thomas F. Joyce, RCA Victor vice president and advertising director, to deliver a radio address under its auspices over Station WFIL, Philadelphia. Mr. Joyce (third from left) brought along three prominent RCA research engineers to assist him in presenting a round-table discussion on the importance of the Service Man (whom he called the unsung heroes of radio) and the possibilities of radio's future. From the left are Dr. G. A. Morton, of the Electronic Research Laboratory; G. L. Beers, television research engineer, and Dr. H. F. Olson, acoustic research engineer.



SERVICE HELPS

CHRYSLER-PHILCO C1708

Sensitivity control: To provide the greatest uniformity possible in the manufacture of the Chrysler custom-built auto radio, each set is provided with a sensitivity control. This is in the form of a variable resistance in the cathode circuit of the 7A7 radio frequency amplifier tube and the 7B8 detector oscillator tube. Access to the control is made by removing the wingnut holding the tube side cover. On the sub-base next to the 7B8 tube is a round disc with a screwdriver slot in the center. By turning this slot clockwise the sensitivity of the set is increased and counterclockwise it is decreased.

In locations at a great distance from a broadcasting station a readjustment of this control, to gain more sensitivity may be made. It must be remembered that this increase in sensitivity will be accompanied by an increase in the circuit noise of the

receiver and the noise heard when tuning between stations. The control is initially adjusted at the factory for best all around performance of the receiver. In all cases where an increase in sensitivity is desired, a thorough check of the antenna padding in the receiver should be made before readjusting the sensitivity control.

Where complaints of excessive noise are encountered in large cities, a reduction in sensitivity will help. This, however, if carried too far, will result in excessive fading of even local stations.

Philco RMS Service Note

STEWART-WARNER 5R, 5R4, 5R5, 5R6, 5R7

Increasing sensitivity: In locations where extreme sensitivity is necessary in a radio set, the 5R wood cabinet models (5R4, 5R5, 5R6 and 5R7) can be stepped up by the introduction of a slight amount of regeneration. This change can easily be made as follows:

Disconnect the 0.05-mfd condenser No. 23 from the suppressor grid terminal of the 12SK7 socket. In the Underwriters approved sets (Model 03-5R, etc.) connect it instead to the B— terminal of the volume control. This is the terminal nearest the 12SQ7 socket, and is clearly indicated in the tube socket voltage layout of the service manual. In non-approved models (07-5R, etc.) connect condenser No. 23 to ground.

After the condenser change has been made, realign the receiver. It is especially important to readjust trimmer No. 9, the broadcast oscillator padder, exactly as explained in the service manual. When aligning, keep the chassis away from the loop or oscillation may occur.

This change cannot be made on any of the plastic cabinet 5R sets (5R1 and 5R3). The plastic cabinet sets of this series will oscillate if they are stepped up beyond the present limit of sensitivity by this means.

STEWART-WARNER CORP.



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the absence of a signal when no AVC bias is being generated, Admiral uses a 10-meg leak from the AVC bus to the oscillator grid. (See Fig. 6.) As long as the tube oscillates, it generates its own negative bias independent of any signal. This stunt gives added stability and guards against oscillation.

Other Models

Sears Roebuck Silvertone Models R121 and 721 feature an i-f voltage doubler using a 6H6G and a diode connected 6J5G as a noise limiter. (See Fig. 7.) Noise peaks such as static crashes and transients generated by sparking (electric razors, ignition systems, etc.) are considerably reduced. In Silvertone Model 5751, Sears opens the cathode of the converter tube to prevent radio reception from getting through on phono position. (See Fig. 8.) In t-r-f model 6326A, Fig. 9, a 12J7GT is used exclusively as a phonograph amplifier with its own volume control. Another t-r-f combination Model 5701 with only four

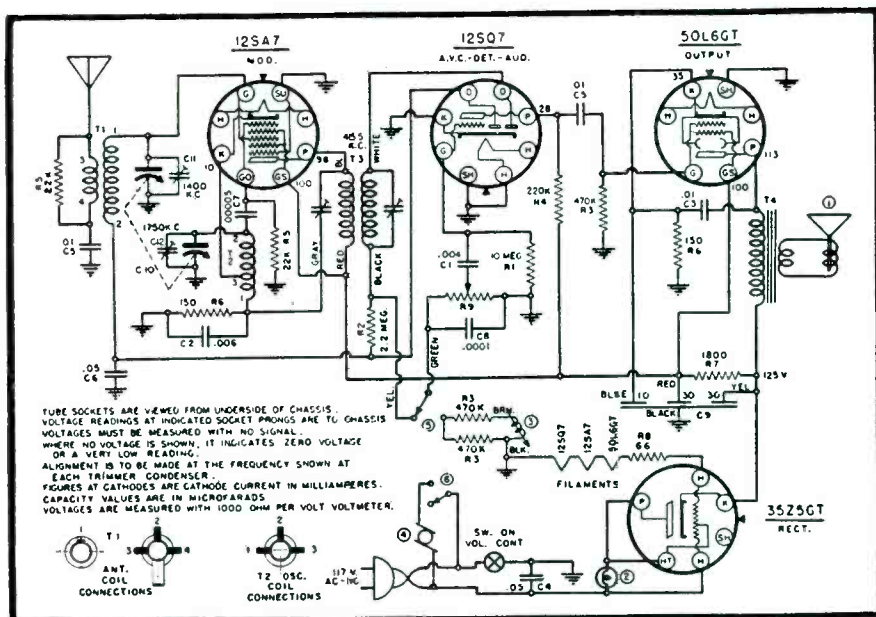
Setchell Carlson features DorAFone, combined radio and intercall system with finger-tip control for talk and listen positions. An external p-m speaker serves as the remote position. Radio output may also be switched to this speaker.

tubes uses diode detection and AVC. Iron-core coils are used and diode is impedance coupled to r-f stage. Fig. 10.

As an aid to battery set stability, Sentinel returns the grid of the 1N5GT i-f stage to a tap on the power tube bias network. See Fig. 11. Another model, Fig. 12, having an r-f stage and 3-gang condenser uses a 10-mmfd gimmie as part of the r-f transformer. Warwick has a 4-tube superhet without an i-f stage, additional gain is obtained through regeneration in the converter. See Fig. 13.

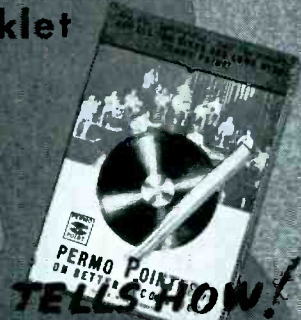
Philco Model 41-788 is an eleven tube job with 8 tuning bands, 5 of which are spread bands separately tuned by a 3-gang permeability tuner with shunt aligning condensers for each spread band. (See Fig. 14.) Note the sensitivity control in the first i-f stage. Also, the five tube audio amplifier. The power transformer is tapped for 115 and 230 volt operation.

Fig. 13. Warwick WS1-41



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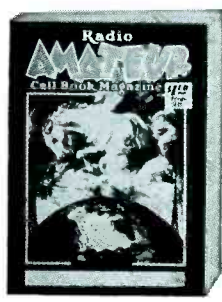


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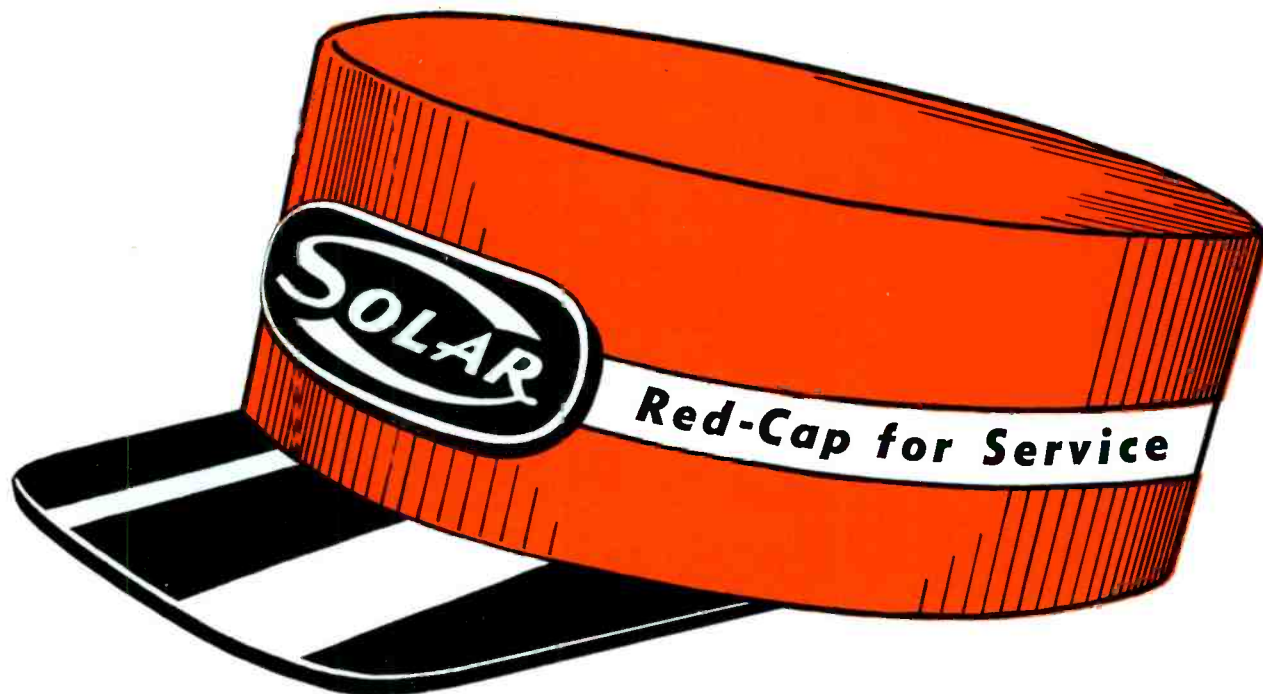
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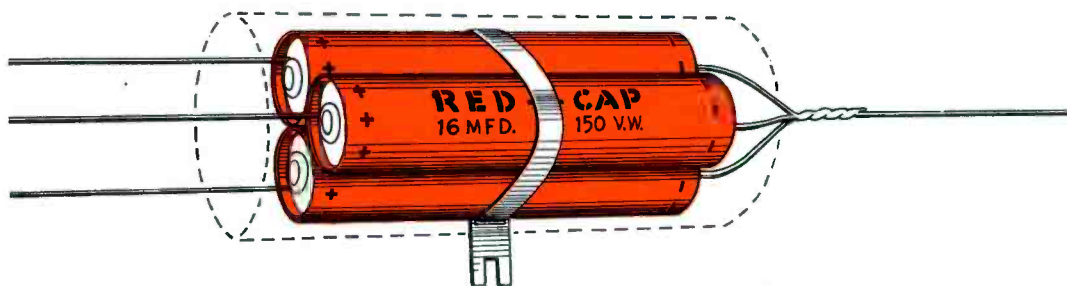


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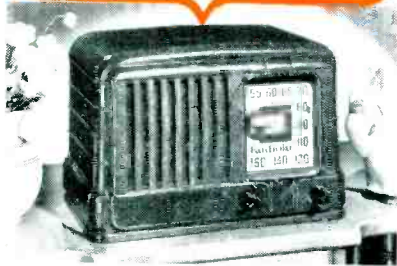
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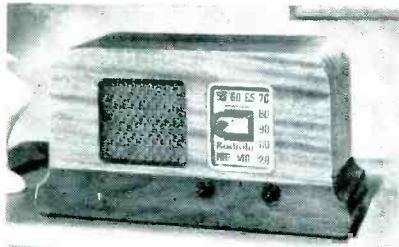
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