## ELECTRONIC SERVICING

$5 E B$ M1C1NC


V S S S




At Raytheon, we test tubes to find out how good they are, not how bad. Accepted methods of testing tubes like the 1B3GT often resulted in subpar tubes. To improve and maintain the quality of Raytheon 1B3GT Tubes, Raytheon developed an expensive but super-accurate method of life testing these tubes.

Tests on the improved Raytheon 1B3GT far exceeded our expectations. Receiver life tests of the Raytheon 1B3GT showed not a single failure at 600 hours. (No worries about early life tube failure here.) At 1850 hours a sensational $93 \%$ of these tubes were still operating at rated efficiency in spite of the fact that these sets were operated at 10\% above their rated line input and cycled on and off every two hours.

These torturous Ray theon Tube tests not only prove the quality of Raytheon Tubes, they help maintain
that quality. Tubes are constantly checked and tested and any variance in quality is instantly noted and quickly corrected.

That's why you can use Raytheon TV and Radio Tubes with complete confidence in their quality with full knowledge that you are giving your customers tubes that are RIGHT . . . for Sound and Sight.

New Raytheon IG3GT, IJ3GT and IK3GT are also subjected to the Raytheon Fly-Back Tests - and as a result meet Raytheon's highest standards of quality. Ask your Raytheon Tube Distributor for them.

## RAYTHEON MANUFACTURING COMPANY



Stock up todory! Ask your distributor about Sprague CERAMIKITS . . . they contain the ceramic dise capacitors you need most... they keep them in order... ready to use.

## versatile CERA-MITE* CERAMIC CAPACITORS with handy identification tags

Sprague's complete ceramic capacitor line is now individually tagged for quick, complete identification - capacitance, toler* ance, voltage, and type. No fumbling, no guessing about ratings ... you're always. sure with Sprague tagged disc capacitors. Use them all the time. You'll find that they also make excellent replacements for molded mica, ceramic tubular, and paper tubular capacitors in many applications
of ceramic capacitors

Sprague offers you plenty of service information... the kind you need and use everyday:

Sprague CERAMICHART: illustrates various types of ceramic capacitors and shows where to use them; details color codes. - FREE
Sprague "ABC's of Ceramic Capacitors": a compact booklet containing basic facts on all types of ceramic capacitors.-FREE

Sprague "T-C" Slide Rule: shows at a glance the values of the N750 and NP0 type ceramic capacitors to connect in parallel to equal a capacitor of desired intermediate temperature coefficient of the required capacitance; available from your distrib. utor for only 15 c .

Be sure you get this useful and valuable information from your Sprague distributor, todayl Or write Sprague Products Co., Distributors' Division of Sprague Electric Company, 71 Marshall Street, North Adams, Mass.

Ploneer in ceramic capacitors...First in ceramic capacitor information
don't be vague... insist on

SPRAGUE world's largest capacitor manufacturer

## look what \$2450 buys

## in test equipment!



Get the most out of your test equipment budget by utilizing HEATHKIT instruments in your laboratory or on your production line. Get high quality equipment, without paying the usual premium price, by dealing directly with the manufacturer, and by letting engineers or technicians assemble Heathkits between rush periods. Comprehensive instructions insure minimum construction time. You'll get more equipment for the same investment, and be able to fill your needs by choosing from the more than 100 different electronic kits by Heath. These are the most popular "do-it-yourself" kits in the world, so why not investigate their possibilities in your particular area of activity! Write for the free Heathkit catalog now!

## FREE catalog

Mall coupon below for
your copy-Now!

Contaths detailed descriptions of Heathkit models available, including VTVM's, scopes, generators, testers, bridges, power supplies, etc.

Also describes Heathkit ham gear and hi-fi equipment in kit form. 100 interesting and profitable "do-it-yourself" projects


## HEATH COMPANY

A SUBSIDIARY OF DAYSTROM, INC, BENTON HARBOR 29, MICHIGAN

Name

Address

City \& Zone

State

| Sanford R. Cowan | Publisher |
| :---: | :---: |
| Oscar Flsch | Editor |
| Irving Tepper | Associate Editor |
| Robert T. Dargan | Technical Editor |
| San D'Arcy | Contributing Editor |
| Paul Goldberg | Contributing Editor |
| Elbert Robberson | Marine Communications Editor |
| Lawrence Fielding | Hi-FI \& PA Editor |
| David Fish | Art Director |
| Selma Uslaner | Research |

## BUSINESS STAFF

Advertising Sales

| New York and East | Richard A. Cowan Jack N. Schneider 300 West 43rd Street New York 36, N. Y. JUdson 2-4460 |
| :---: | :---: |
| C̄hicago and Midwest | Jim Summers <br> Suite 556 <br> Pure Oil Building <br> 35 E. Wacker Drive <br> Chicago 1, III. <br> ANdover 3-1154 |
| West Coast | Ted E. Schell 2700 West 3rd Street Los Angeles 57, Calif. DUnkirk 2-4889 |
|  | Charles W. Hoefer 1664 Emerson Street Palo Alto, Calif. DAvenport 4-2661 |

Charles W. Gardner, Jr. .............. Production Mgr.

## CIRCULATION

## Harold Weisner

Carol J. Blnderman
Rose Mercurlo Ass't Clrculation Mgr. CIrculatlon Dept.

ELECTRONIC SERVICING (formerly RadioTV Service Dealer) is published monthly by Cowan Publishing Corp., 300 West 43 rd Street, Cowan Pubishing Corp.,
New York 36, New York, JUdson $2-4460$. Sub-
scription Price: $\$ 3.00$ one year, $\$ 5.00$ two years in the United States, U. S. Possessions, Canada in Mexico. Elsewhere $\$ 1.00$ per year addiand Mexico. Elsewhere $\$ 1.00$ per Year addiprivileges authorized at New York, N. Y. Copyright 1958 by Cowan Publishing Corp.

[^0]
## ELECTRONIC SERVICING

VOL. 19, NO. 6
JUNE, 1958

Member


Servicing With An
Absorption Analyzer
by M. Tepper
Answerman
Complete Manufacturer's Schematics

Westinghouse Transistor Radio Model V2278r4

9, 10
Oldsmobile-Delco Auto Radio Model 989129

11, 12
Hoffman TV Model 332-332U
13, 20
Hoffman TV Model 334-334U
14, 19
Travler TV Model 631-56

Travler TV Model 72916
16, 17
Zenith Transistor Radio Model 500D

21,22

Video Speed Servicing
Systems
Admiral 14YP3B
Motorola TS423
Workbench
by Paul Goldberg

Trade Literature29
Shop Hints and Short Cuts ..... 32

COWAN PUBLISHING CORP., 300 West 43rd Street, New York 36, N. Y.

## CDR ROTORS



## All new features

Completely designed from the ground up, CDR Model TR-15 and TR-16 Rotors have features never before available in the popular price range. Check these refinements and you'll see why: Quick mounting mast collet... speedy installation (no loose parts to assemble)... self-centering sawtooth clamps take masts up to $1 \frac{1}{2} 2^{\prime \prime}$ O.D. . . instant locking prevents drift... mechanical brake releases magnetically ... instantly reversible... makes complete revolution in 45 seconds... meets JAN salt water test...great strength thrust bearing support... low weight. . completely weather-sealed... fits standard towers .. streamlined to reduce wind resistance... mahogany or blonde finish control box. Get full details today from your local CDR distributor.

Indianapolis, Indiana

# Servicing With An Absorption Analyzer 

by M. Tepeer


#### Abstract

An absorption analyzer is a useful piece of test equipment. The techniques for using this device are discussed in this article.


TIME is money. Any device that will enable a service technician to cut the length of time required to service a receiver is a monev-saver.

A typical absorption analyzer, ${ }^{\text {a }}$ (Fig. l) is a dynamic test equipment un:t capable of extremely fast and


Fig. 1-Absorption analyzer and probe. Note the few controls.
accurate checks of circuit operation, without the necessity of removing the equipment from its cabinet. Although this article will deal mainly with the use of the instrument for service of black and white, and color TV receivers, the uses are wide and varied. Essentially the instrument can be used wherever a waveform is present in a vacuum tube circuit. This covers a lot of territory, and a lot of equipment. Some of the additional uses are in repair of radios, communication receivers, transmitters, radar, etc.

## Pickup Probes

The heart of the analyzer is an electrostatic pick-up probe. The
${ }^{\circ}$ Kingston Electronic Corp. Medfield, Mass,
probe, by its special shape and design, is capable of being capacity coupled to the signal in the plate circuit of a tube. Since the plate of a vacuum tube is the outermost electrode, placing a circular metal conductor about the tube envelope per-


Fig. 2 - Several probe tips are supplied for different tubes.


Fig. 3-This probe permits the analyzer to be used as a scope.
mits capacitive coupling to the circuit.

Picking up the plate signal in this manner has two great advantages. First, there is no direct connection to the circuit and therefore no loading of the circuit under test. Second, the ease and speed with which it can be accomplished. As shown in Fig. 2, the probes are constructed for the various size tube envelopes. A half ring or crescent probe is for use with dualtype tubes such as the 6SN7, where each half of the tube may have a different signal. In addition to the electrostatic pick-up probe, a direct probe, (Fig. 3) with a built-in attenuator is available for conventional oscilloscope servicing with the analyzer.

## Analyzer Input

The signal picked up by the probe is applied to the analyzer. The analvzer block diagram (Fig. 4) shows the basic circuits to consist of a front end, (tuner), detector and a speciallv designed oscilloscope. The input, if already detected, may be switched directly to the vertical amplifier of the oscilloscope. When applying an of, or if signal, the input is switched to the appropriate position and applied to


Fig. 4-The block diagram of the absorption analyzer is much the same as that of a scope except for the special input circuit.
the tuner.
The tuner is the well known Standard Coil rotary drum type, which comes complete with all 12 vhf channel strips. In addition, special tuner coil strips are supplied for $3.58,4.5$, 20 and 40 mc bands. These are inserted in place of the unused channels in the local area in which the service technician is located. These special tuner coil strips are for use with color TV circuits, intercarrier sound if circuits, and both 20 and 40 $m c$ if circuits.

## Sweep Amplifiers

The oscilloscope sweep amplifiers differ slightly with the two other analyzer models available. The analyzer model illustrated has been designed exclusively for the radio and television service technician. A quick snap of the switch will set the oscilloscope sweep circuits to the correct frequency for use with either a vertical circuit signal, or a horizontal circuit signal. Another model analyzer designed for general purpose use contains a variable frequency stepping switch permitting the selection of any desired oscilloscope sweep frequency,

## Operation

Operation of the instrument in actual use is rapid and it takes more time to discuss than to do. All operations can be carried out without removal of the receiver chassis from its cabinet. The entire instrument has been designed for portable field use as well as bench use.

The use of the instrument is simple since the number of controls having been kept to a minimum. When checking an of or if signal the input selector is set to the appropriate setting, the band selector switch, (tuner), is set for the desired channel or if frequency, and the oscilloscope sweep switch set to V or H for vertical or horizontal signal viewing. The probe is then used to follow the signal throughout the circuits for quick location of weak, distorted, noisy, or missing signals. The use of the electrostatic probe, permitting top-side operation, alleviates the time consuming job of disassembling a receiver. Probing about the underside of a chassis with its accompanying tedious, frustrating location of the correct tube socket, and tube socket terminal, is also reduced. The accompanying trouble shooting chart will best illustrate the ease and rapid use of the analyzer in following the signal waveforms from antenna to crt and speaker.

## ANALYZER TROUBLE SHOOTING CHART

Circuit under test.
Test for the following;

## Antenna

RF Amplifier

Oscillator and Mixer

IF Amplifier

Detector and Video Amplifier

Sync Separator

AGC

Keyed age

Vertical Oscillator and Amplifier

Horizontal Oscillator and Amplifier

Sound if Amplifier

Test for the imput if signal. An open or intermittent lead-in. Use for antenna orientation. Check for incoming noise signals. Feed the lead-in through the probe, run the probe up and down the lead-in to check for standing waves.

Check for cathode to heater 60 cycle leakage. Test for weak of input signal. Check for overloading and sync clipping due to wrong setting or defective agc, gassy tube, etc.

An if output indicates the oscillator and mixer are operating correctly. To localize the difficulty with no if output, set the analyzer tuner for the correct channel. An of output indicates the mixer is operating, and the difficulty is in the oscillator.

Test for increasing gain with each succeeding stage. Check for cathode to heater 60 cycle leakage. Examine the waveform for 120 cycle power supply hum. Check for overloading and sync clipping due to wrong setting or defective agc, gassy tube, etc. Test for noise pickup at the same frequency as that used for the if circuits.

Check for detected output signal. Test for gain from detector to output signal applied to the crt. Check for proper contrast action by examining the variation in gain while varying the contrast control.

Check for the presence of sync pulses. Examine the waveform for the absence of video information. Test for the correct amplitude of the sync pulses.

To check for agc action, check the waveform of the rf amplifier, remove an if amplifier tube. The agc applied to the rf amplifier will increase the gain of the rf amplifier, increasing the amplitude of the waveform present. Replacing the if amplifier tube, the increased agc voltage will return the gain of the rf amplifier to normal. For series string tube circuits, varying the AGC control will indicate variation in gain in the of amplifier.

Check for the presence of horizontal pulses in the keyed agc tube.

Check the oscillator for sweep signal output. Test the vertical amplifier for the presence and proper amplitude of the vertical sweep voltage waveform. In receivers using the vertical pulse for vertical retrace blanking, check for the presence of the vertical blanking pulse at the signal lead of the crt.

Test for the presence of the horizontal oscillator signal waveform. The shape of the horizontal oscillator waveform will vary with the type of horizontal circuit used. Test the horizontal amplifier for the presence and proper amplitude of the horizontal sweep voltage waveform. Check the damper tube operation by the presence of the horizontal output pulse waveform.

For audible signal testing plug earphones into the front panel jack labelled Sound. Test for the presence of sound at the video amplifier. Where the sound takeoff is at video detector, the presence of audio will have to be tested at the sound if tube.
[Continued on page 28]

## LEADING SET MAKERS SPECIFY TUNG-SOL



Magic Mirror Aluminized PICTURE TUBES NEW ARK 4, NEW JERSEY

## ANSW

## Dear Mr. Answerman:

I have a condition of vertical bars appearing in the left portion of the picture on an Emerson chassis 120381-M that I don't seem to be able to eliminate. I have checked the circuits thoroughly and nothing appears to be defective. The only possible reason I can find for the deflection circuit ringing is the fact that the customer has just moved into a new home where the line voltage is abnormally high. The high B plus voltage may be causing the trouble. If this is the case what can you suggest I do?
L. G.

Dallas, Texas
Horizontal deflection coil ringing produces a fluctuation in the horizontal deflection magnetic field. This causes the electron beam to slow down or speed up according to the nonlinearity or ripple developed in the deflection current sawtooth for each horizontal line. Thus, vertical bars result, generally on the left side of the picture. This condition is different from that of each line being displaced vertically due to a defect in the vertical deflection system. It is therefore most important to determine which type of trouble is being experienced. In other words, deflects in the picture on the left side can be due to ringing in the horizontal deflection coils, an unbalance between the two deflection coils or an excessive coupling between the horizontal and vertical deflection coils. To be able to correct the condition requires that the nature of the problem be known.

If examination reveals that the vertical bars are the result of ringing in the horizontal deflection system, it is quite possible, as you mention, that the high line voltage has brought about the nonlinearity or ringing in the horizontal deflection circuit. Since you have most probably checked


Fig. 1-Flyback transformer for the Emerson 120381M.
the condensers shown in Fig. 1, the next step that can be taken is to make several changes that will possibly clear up the condition. Resistor R83 can be reduced from 10 K ohms to 2.2 K ohms adding to the damping affect of this resistor. Condenser C39, 047 mf , can be removed from its connection at terminal $\# 1$ of the horizontal output transformer and connected directly to the 255 volt source which will also decrease the possibility of deflection circuit

## RMAN

resonance
Of course, the possibility exists that at some previous time the yoke may have been replaced by a supposed equivalent substitution and now with the higher B plus the ringing is more pronounced. It may very well be that more capacity is required to lower the resonant frequency of the horizontal windings and thereby reduce the susceptibility to ringing. Therefore if the condition persists vary the capacitances of C40 and C41 to see if the condition can be corrected. Another 68 mmf might be added in parallel with the existing condenser C40.
If the inspection of the picture has revealed that the vertical bars are the result of the electron beam being displaced vertically it is most likely occurring because of a large amount of capacitive coupling between the horizontal and vertical windings of the yoke. This allows a horizontal deflection on pulse to be coupled into the vertical deflection coil.

This latter type of picture distortion is frequently reduced or eliminated by adding a condenser of about 270 $m m f$ between the horizontal and vertical windings of the voke. Connect the condenser between the center of the vertical winding and the of ground side of the horizontal winding thereby bypassing the high frequency pulses to if ground potential. If the addition of a condenser does not correct the condition it is suggested that the yoke be replaced with a replacement recommended by the receiver manufacturer.

## Dear Mr. Answerman.

We have a problem with a 27 series Magnavox TV receiver which you may be able to help us with. There is a hum or horizontal bright bar across the center of the picture which I have been unable to eliminate. I have checked by substitution all tubes in the receiver which might cause such a hum in the picture, and tested all the electrolytic condensers, etc. We would appreciate any thoughts you may have that might permit us to correct this trouble.

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { E. C. } \\
& \text { St. Louis, Mo. }
\end{aligned}
$$

The Magnavox Service News Letter made available through their general service manager mentions in the


Fig. 2-Power supply change to eliminate hum bar.
April 3, 1958 issue a correction for this possible trouble. The letter states that a $.05 \mathrm{mf}, 500$ volt ceramic capacitor should be shunted across the power rectifier as shown in Fig. 2 to eliminate the hum bar. Evidently the power rectifier is radiating a pulse which is being picked up somewhere along the video signal path and applied to the picture tube.
[Continued on page 30]


# AVAILABLE AT YOUR ELECTRONIC PARTS DISTRIBUTORS 



## TV - RADIO-AUDIO-ELECTRONICS

Completely catalogs over 150,000 standard electronic parts and equipment necessary to radio-TV-audio and industrial servicing. It places the entire electronic industry at your fingertips!

World's largest and most referred to electronic buying guide contains - complete product descriptions - specifications - 11,500 illustrations - prices

## when you BUY AND SELL

You can immediately find out... What product best fills your needs? How does it compare with other makes? What does it look like? What does it cost?... because the MASTER is systematically arranged in 18 product sections with all similar products grouped together.

## YOU OPERATE MORE EFFICIENTLY, MORE PROFITABLY WITH THE MASTER

The MASTER describes, illustrates, lists specs of all items necessary to radio-TV servicing. What's more-it offers thousands of additional products that can lead to extra income in Hi-Fi, sound and industrial servicing. You can buy, sell and bill direct from The MASTER. It shows list prices! It's invaluable at the bench, over-the-counter or in the field. Remember, no matter what product or component
you require...YOU FIND IT FASTER IN THE MASTER!
Get your 1958 MASTER today at local electronic parts distributors or write for list. Act now - the supply is limited.

## THE RADIO-ELECTRONIC MASTER <br> 60 Madison Avenue - Hempstead, New York

Chassis V-2278-4

## WESTINGHOUSE


alignment procedure

| Loosely couple <br> modulated signal to: | Generator <br> frequency | C1 <br> setting | Adjust for maximum: |
| :---: | :---: | :--- | :--- |
| Loop L1 | 455 KC | maximum | T3, T2 and T1 in order. Reduce <br> generator output if necessary for <br> T2 and T1 adjustments |
| Loop L1 | 1625 KC | minimum | Oscillator trimmer "D" |
| Loop L1 | 1400 KC | 1400 KC | RF trimmer "B" |
| Loop L1 | 600 KC | 600 KC | Oscillator coil, L2, if necessary |



## ALIGNMENT REQUIREMENTS

Signal Generator - Use generator providing modulated 455 KC and AM broadcase frequencies. Connect a 4 or $S$ turn loop of wire across output cable. Keep output of generator low enough to just give an indication on VTVM or output meter. Keep volume control at maximum to avoid AVC action. Indicator - Connect VTVM or ourput meter across voice coil.

Receiver - Set volume control to maximum. Be sure during RF alignment that the hand or any objects on the bench do not come in close contact with the
antenna loop or detuning will occur and alignment will be incorrect. Alignment Tool-Use a fiber aligning tool that snugly fits the slot in the fertite core to prevent chipping of the slot.


BOTTOM VIEW OF PRINTED CIRCUIT BOARD SHOWING COMPONENTS SYMBOLICALLY

IMPORTANT!
When radio is operated on battery eliminator, the tuner may stop seeking every time a solenoid energizes, due to voltage regulation.
Speaker socket, Illus. 96, is a shorting-type to prevent transistor damage if speaker is disconnected. If not opened, radio will be very weak or dead.

## RECOMMENDED TROUBLESHOOTING PROCEDURE



The tube stages in this receiver may be checked in the sam: manner as similar stages in high voltage tube circuit radios. CAUTION: Do not ground any point in the transistor base crcuit, including the input transformer secondary, Illustration 91 as this will either damage the transistor or open the emitter resistor.
THE TRANSISTOR IS FUSED BY A FUSE TYPE RESISTOR (Illus. 71) IN THE EMITTER CIRCUIT. THIS RESISTOR OPENS QUICKLY IF A SHORT OCCURS IN THE 2 N278 CIRCUIT. CHECK ACROSS THIS RESISTOR (SEE PAGE 4) USING OHMMETER ON RXI SCALE. IF OVER 1 OHM, MOUNT A NEW RESISTOR at This point. CaUtion: This special resistor prevents fire, and must be replaced with EXACT PART OR WARRANTY IS VOID.

The recommended procedure for checking this radio is allows:

1. Make certain the antenna is good, and the "A" supp'y voltage normal.
2. Check the tubes by substituting new ones.
3. Signal trace, using isolated (capacitor in lead) signal generator or "signal tracer." A strong audio signal injected at the 12DV8 tube plate, pin \#6, should be heard in the case of a dead radio. (A quick check of the audio stage, can be made with the radio warmed up by pulling out the l2DV8 tube and listening for a "click." If the "click" is heard, the transistor stage is working.)

## TROUBLE SHOOTING THE OUTPUT STAGE

A quick way to determine that the 2 N 278 is conducting can be made by checking the collector voltage, from transistor case to the radio case. If no voltage is present, the transistor is not conducting or the transistor heat radiator is grounded to the radio case. If the voltage at the collector is higher than listed, the transistor is conducting too heavily (check with milliammeter) or the output transformer is open. The amount of current the transistor conducts is determined by the voltages at each element, the resistor in the base and emitter circuits, the input transformer secondary resistance, and the transistor itself. The most common defect in the transistor is an internal short between emitter and collector. To check for this, use the following procedure.

1. Unsolder base and emitter leads from the circuit.
2. Set ohmmeter on the " $\mathrm{R} \times 1$ " scale (no other scale should be used.)
3. Place negative lead of ohmmeter (polarity refers to internal ohmmeter battery) on collector, and positive lead on the emitter.
4. The transistor is shorted if reading is "O."

If a transistor is replaced, the "bias" adjustment should be made for the new transistor. Adjust bias potentiometer (Illus. 83) to obtain proper collector voltage with 12 volt input to radio.

## RADIO BLOWS FUSES

If the radio blows fuses, check for a shorted transistor, If the transistor is okay, check for a short in the radio " $A$ " supply circuit.


PARTS LAYOUT-TOP VIEW


PARTS LAYOUT-BOTTOM VIEW

Television Receiver Chassis 332, 332U, 333
HOFFMAN


## ELECTRONIC





## TRAVLER



RAV-LER RADIO CORṔ

## ELECTRONIC SERVICING



## HOFFMAN

eiver Chassis 334, 334U


SUPER MARK IO CHASSIS 334, 334U

## ELECTRONIC <br> servicing


9. AND MARKED * ARE IN THE CONTAINER PART NOB 56903 .
10. NUMERALS SHOWN IN PARENTHESIS (XXXXXX) INDICATE HOFFMAN PART No.


## ZENITH MODEL "ROYAL 500D



## Videa Speed Servicing Systems: DATA SHEETS

Mfr: Admiral

Card No: AD-14YP-1

Section Affected: Saund.

Symptoms: Poor sound on very weak signals.
Reason For Change: To improve sound on weak signals by lowering Q of L202.

What To Do: Add $R 211,100 \mathrm{~K}$ in parallel with L202.

Mfr: Admiral
Chassis No. 14YP3B

Card No: AD-14YP-2

Section Affected: Raster
Symptoms: Drive lines appearing with different 12DQ6 output tubes.

Reason For Change: To reduce the possibility of drive lines with different output tubes.

What To Do: Reduce $R 436$ from $470 K$ to $330 K$.

Mfr: Admiral
Chassis No. 14YP3B
Card No: AD-14YP-3
Section Affected: Raster
Symptoms: Excessive brightness. Little or no brightness control action.

Cause: Leakage or short in C410, part of printed circuit M401.

What To Do: Replace M401.



Mfr: Admiral
Chassis No. 14YP3B
Card No: AD14YP-5
Section Affected: AC Line
Symptoms: Horizontal radiation interference through ac line.

Reason For Change: To suppress horizontal sweep radiation reducing beat interference on am radios.

What To Do: Remove C501 between ac line and ground. Add C505, . 0471 KV , across the line at the terminals of the ac interlock. Insert $r f$ choke L502, part $\# 73 B 31-1$ between one side of the ac line and the junction of resistors $R 502$ and $R 503$.

Mfr: Admiral
Chassis No. 14YP3B
Card No: AD-14YP-6
Section Affected: Pix
Symptoms: Excessive contrast, poor pix detail, (focus good).

Cause: Open L305 causing R317 to act as part of video amp plate load resistance.

What To Do: Repair or replace L305 (L305 is is wound on R317).

Mfr: Motorola
Chassis No. TS423

Card No: MO-TS423-1
Section Affected: Raster
Symptoms: Excessive brightness. Brightness control inoperative.

Cause: Leaky or shorted C201 in vertical blanking circuit.

What To Do: Replace C201, . 01 mfd ., check R204, $3.3 k$ and $R 203,47 \mathrm{~K}$ and replace if they have changed value.

Mfr: Motorola
Chassis No. TS423
Card No: MO-TS423-2
Section Affected: Sync
Symptoms: No vertical hold.
Cause: Shorted C602.
What To Do: Replace C602, . 001 mfd .

Mfr: Motorola
Chassis No. TS423
Card No: MO-TS423-3
Section Affected: Vertical sweep.

Symptoms: Poor vertical linearity. Linearity control at extreme end.

Reason For Change: To center the vertical linearity action.

What To Do: Change $R 517$ from 1 meg to 470 K .



Mfr: Motorola
Chassis No. TS423
Card No: MO-TS423-4

Section Affected: Pix-Sync. Sound

Symptoms: Video overload and sync instability. Buzz in sound.

Cause: Leaky or shorted C401.
What To Do: Replace C401, 01 mfd .

Mfr: Motorola
Chassis No. TS423
Card No: MO-TS423-5

Section Affected: Sound

Symptoms: Drift. Frequent fine tuning necessary.

Reason For Change: To reduce drift in sound detector circuit.

What To Do: Change C315 from 4.7 mmf to 5.6 $m m f$. Replace Cso7, 18 mmf with Motorola part $\ddagger 21 \mathrm{~K} 125707$ and C316, 10 mmf , with part \#21R121114. These are special condensers chosen for minimum drift.

Mfr: Motorola
Chassis No. TS423

Card No: MO-TS423-6

Section Affected: Sound

Symptoms: Insufficient sound volume.

Reason For Change: To increase sound volume.

What To Do: Increase the value of C303 from .0015 mfd . to .0033 mfd . Replace L301 (sound take-off coil) with Motorola part $\# 24 \mathrm{~K} 746552$.

# Workbench 

## Sylvania 1-508-1 <br> Reduced Raster

The receiver was turned on and it was observed that there was insufficiint high voltage and width. About one inch was lacking on each side. The vertical sweep moreover, just managed to fill the screen. Reference to the diagram indicated that the 560 volt positive boost voltage was supplied to the vertical oscillator, 6C4, V116, but was not supplied to V20, 12AU7, the horizontal oscillator and discharge tube. The first check was a voltage measurement at the high voltage fuse where the B+ supply voltage was located. The meter measured correctly at about 330 volts positive. This eliminated the low voltage supply as a possible cause of the trouble. The 1B3 high voltage rectifirs V24 and V25 were replaced individually, because if they have a plate to filament leak they could affect the width, boost and high voltage. The damper, $6 \mathrm{~V} 3, \mathrm{~V} 23$ and the horizontal output tube 6BQ6, V22 were replaced individually, but had no effect.

A scope was set up and a waveform check was made at the grid of the $6 B Q 6$. The waveform checked correctly with the manufacturers service data. Therefore, the horizontal oscillator was supplying the correct drive.

The boost voltage was next measured at the cathode (cap) of the 6 V 3 , damper. Here, instead of measuring the correct 560 volts positive, the measurement was 450 volts positive. This low boost voltage we assumed was the reason for the insufficient sertical sweep and horizontal width. The screen pin \#4 of the 6BQ6, was next measured correctly at about 160 volts.

Because there was not the slightest sign of a trapezoidal effect, which would accuse the yoke, I suspected T63, the horizontal output transformer. Before doing anything so rash as replacing it, a voltage leakage check was made of the following condensers in the high voltage section; C2667A, C267B, C264, C270, but all showed no leakage. No check was made of C268 and C269 across the horizontal linearity coil as the horizontal linearity seemed ok.

It was noticed at this point after glancing at the diagram, that the bleeder resistor, R270, 39 K , could most assuredly cause a trouble of this kind.
[Continued on page 28]


A self-service tube testing route is a natural for servicemen. It's just like having branches of your shop in drug stores, luncheonettes, super-markets and other retail locations in your area, testing and selling tubes for you 12 hours a day - 7 days a week. Each Century selfservice tube tester you place can net up to $\$ 1000$ a year ... and there is no limit to how many you can handle.
Century's low manufacturer-to-you prices enable you to place more units with less investment
yet you are assured of the most versatile, accurate and durable testers available. Century backs you up with a proven plan of operation, sales literature, window streamers, etc. Learn how you can make money automatically and keep your income growing, without giving up your present source of revenue. Write today for FREE booklet that tells all about this booming business.

[^1]

## ABSORPTION ANALYZER

## [from page 5]

Audio Amplifier
With gated beam type detector circuits check for sound at the gated beam detector tube. Test for increased audio output at the power output stage. With discriminator type detector circuits test for audio at the triode first audio amplifier. Test for increased output at the power output stage. Distortion may be checked at any of the above test points. To check the speaker, test for the presence of an audio in the leads carrying the signal to the speaker voice coil.

## WORKBENCH

[from page 27]

Resistor R270 was then checked and was found to measure $3 K$. What was amazing, was that this resistor didn't show any signs of having been overheated. After replacing R270 with a new $39 \mathrm{~K}, 2$ watt, the receiver functioned properly. The boost voltage which was obviously diminished by the defective $R 270$ is the plate voltage for the 6BQ6, horizontal output tube. If it is lowered due to a defect of this kind, it would cause the insufficient width and high voltage.

## RCA Color Receiver 21-CD-8725 Loss of Color

It was noted that the picture was seen in black and white on both color and black and white channels. A defect in practically any of the tubes in the color section of this receiver may cause this problem.

Referring to Fig. 2, the first and 2nd bandpass amplifiers, V701B and V702A amplify the chroma. During color reception the burst signal is amplified by V702B, and is processed by the phase detector, killer detector and killer stages in such a way that the 2nd bandpass amplifier, V702A is
biased to allow conduction. The color signals therefore can pass through to the circuits which are necessary for color reproduction.

During black and white reception, no burst signal is present, and the stages mentioned above operate in such a way as to drive V702A into cutoff, thus rendering the following color stages inoperative, and producing a black and white picture.

The 3.58 mc oscillator and reactance tube V707A-B, feeds an important voltage to the killer detector, and in addition supplies the input for the demodulators. The X and Z demodulators, V703A-B remove the chroma information from the 3.58 mc carrier.

Each one of these tubes was replaced individually, but had no effect. A voltage check was next made at pin 1 of the 6U8A color killer tube. The voltage measured about 23 volts negative. This voltage was enough to cut off the 2 nd bandpass amplifier, V702A. This indicated that the killer tube was conducting. A voltage check was next made at pin 7 of the 6 BN 8 killer detector. Here the meter read 8 volts positive. For normal


## TRADE LITERATURE

A new data bulletin, recently published by Sprague Products Company, 71 Marshall St., North Adams, Mass., is entitled "The ABC's of Ceramic Capacitors." Prepared as part of Sprague's continuing educational service program, this bulletin treats in easy-to-understand language all the major ceramic capacitor types-high-k, general application, the three temperature compensating types, multiple, universal, buttonhead, high voltage "doorknob," and printed circuits. The bulletin covers the history of capacitors, the construction of modern capacitors, descriptions of basic terms and many photos, charts and application data.

A new pocket-size folder, "TV Service Safety Hints," just printed by P. R. Mallory \& Co. Inc. is designed for use by television service engineers to give customers a better understanding of the job that the service profession is doing. Based on the series of cartoon advertisements which Mallory has been using for several years in TV Guide, this folder tells television set owners "don't do it yourself-call on us!" It dramatizes the dangers and pitfalls of amateur "doctoring" of television ailments, in humorous and informative style.
The folder is an effective and inexpensive promotional piece which the service technician can mail to his customers, leave at neighboring homes after completing a service call, or present when delivering a new set. Space is provided for imprinting of the individual dealer's name. Service dealers and associations can obtain quantities of these folders at $\$ 1.00$ per 100 from their nearest Mallory distributor, or by writing to Distributor Division, P. R. Mallory \& Co. Inc., Indianapolis 6, Indiana.

The Chicago Standard Transformer Corporation, 3501 West Addison St., Chicago 18, Illinois, has published a handy wall chart, listing Stancor exact replacement flybacks and yokes, by original manufacturers part numbers. The chart, printed on index cardboard, lists each TV set manufacturer alphabetically. All units for
[Continued from page 30]

## WORKBENCH

[from page 28]
color operation this voltage should be about 1 volt negative. This was the clue. A voltage from the output circuit of the 3.58 mc oscillator, V 707 B , is sent back through capacitor C720 to the plate of the killer detector. When the negative burst is fed to the killer detector cathode, and the feedback voltage goes positive at the plate, current flows causing C702 to charge up negatively and cut off the killer tube, V701A. Since the voltage at the plate of the killer detector read 8 volts positive instead of about 1 volt negative, C720 was clipped open and voltage leakage checked. It was found to have a dead short. Capacitor C720 was replaced with a new 0222 mf and the color picture now came in properly. The threshold adjustment was made, and then checked for operation on a color channel. With C270 shorted, the positive 8 volt from the demodulator athode was now directly fed to the plate of the killer detector through the 1 meg resistor $R 742$ to the grid of the killer tube. The positive 8 volts on the killer caused it to conduct heavily cutting off the 2 nd chroma bandpass amplifier, thus killing the color.


A complete line to meet every modern engineering need. You get convenience in low cost switches constructed for long trouble-free service.


Double-Pole,
Double-Throw
with or without spring returns

Triple-Pole,
Double-Throw
3-Position, 4-Position
Special Purpose Types̄

FREE Switch Catalog . . . write today
GENERAL CEMENT MFG. Co.
division of TEXTRON INC.
Western Plant: Los Angeles 18, Calif. Main Plant: ROCKFORD, ILLINOIS, U.S.A.

## P <br> 

*A compilation of specific receiver service repairs, "bugs," chronic troubles, field circuit changes, manufacturers' production revisions, etc. The compilation enables the service technician to pinpoint what is wrong with any given TV set and to correct the fault in the shortest possible time.

Video Speed Service Systems is guaranteed to simplify servicing all TV sets. Contains over 600 service items representing over 2500 of the most serviced TV models now in use. Over 25 different manufacturers' lines are covered.

CUT OUT AND MAIL.
COWAN PUBLISHING CORP., 300 WEST 43rd STREET, NEW YORK 36, N. Y.
Please send me postpaid Video Speed Servicing Systems
Vol. 1 in Hard Cover Ring-Binder Edition for $\$ 4.95$
Vol. 2 in Paper Bound Edition for $\$ 2.95$
My Check for $\$ \ldots . . . .$. . . . is enclosed.
New York City residents add 3\% sales tax
Name

Address.

City
Zone.............. State
oped leakage, placing a positive voltage on the picture tube grid. If you remove condenser C115 from the circuit the brightness control will probably function normally but retrace lines will be evident.

The following letter is another example of the type of problem that can result from a failure in the vertical retrace circuitry.

## Dear Sir:

I have a receiver in which I haven't been able to obtain a raster or picture even though there is sufficient high voltage, I believe. I don't have a high voltage meter so that I can't be certain on this point but I can draw a high voltage arc that appears about normal. I have changed and checked those components I suspected might be the cause of the trouble. I have even replaced the picture tube thinking the electron gun was defective but the tube was good as I found out by using it with another TV receiver. The voltages are normal at either side of the brightness control and at the variable arm.

The receiver is the Motorola TS-533 chass is.
H. T.

Boston, Mass.

The above problem is probably another condition where a component in the vertical retrace circuitry failed and caused an opposite condition to the case previously given. An interesting. point about these two cases is that it


Fig. b-Refrace blanking with a positive control grid voltage.
was a condenser that failed in both instances. Here, condenser C60:3 (Fig. 5) has undoubtedly shorted bringing the grid down to ground potential. The positive voltage applied to the grid cancelled some of the positive voltage applied to the cathode. When C603 shorts it causes the picture tube to be biased beyond cutoff so that it would not be possible to obtain a raster or picture.

# Shop llints and Short Cuts 

We would welcome hints and short cuts from our readers. ES will pay $\$ 5$ for each hint used. Sorry, but we cannot be responsible for unaccepted material. In case of duplication, first received will be accepted.


When the ejector spring in the spindle post snaps, a piece of rubber band stuffed in the opening of the spindle (as shown above) will serve as well. We have done it many times and never had a call back.
R. M.

Fairlawn, N.J.

A few transistor portables which we've had in the shop squealed and motorboated quite badly. Immediately the filter and decoupling capacitors were suspected, but they all proved to be OK. The trouble was finally traced to dirty battery contacts. We cleaned them and applied a very thin coat of solder and the sets played like new again. (Be careful not to apply too much heat otherwise the temper will be taken out of the contacts.) Many manufacturers are now cad plating the battery contacts so as to avoid this difficulty.
R. G.

Houston, Texas

## Advertiser's Index

Belden Mfg. Co.
Cover 3
Century Electronics Co., Inc. ................ 27
Cornell-Dubilier Elec. Corp. .................. 3

General Cement Mfg. Co. .................. 29
Heath Company 2

RCA Electron Tube Division …...... Cover 4
Raytheon Mfg. Co.
Cover 2

Service Instruments Co.
28

South River Metal Prods. Co.
28

Sprague Electric Co.
1

Tung-Sol Electric, Inc.
6, 7
United Caialog Pub.
8

Vis-U-All Frods. Co.
32

##  BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY


key to car radio service market
How many car radios have you serviced lately? Most service operators are missing this tremendous market because they have no regular contact with car owners!

This VIS-U-ALL Alto-Radio Service Merchandiser literally moves your shop into the gas stations and garages where car owners must go. It multiplies your sales of parts booms your repair volume, too. And without increasing your overhead!
Let us tell you how easy it is to increase your net profit by $\$ 50$ a week. See distributor or write us.
VIS-U-ALL products company 305 Fuller N.E., Grand Rapids 3, Mich.

## If it's worth Engineers'time...

## . . . It's worth Engineered Cable



Magnet Wire - Lead and Fixture Wire - Power Supply Cords, Cord Sets and Portable Cord - Aircraft Wires Welding Cable - Electrical Household Cords - Electronic Wires - Automotive Wire and Cable


## RCA MAGNETIC TOOL/RAK

## with each purchase of an RCA Silverama Picture Tube

The new RCA Magnetic TOOL/RAK is a workbench "must" for every TV Service Technician. Smartly designed in appearance and functionally sound in use...this magnetic "grip" TOOL/RAK facilitates easy, orderly placement of your tools when they are not in use. Just place tools on the RCA Magnetic TOOL/RAK-they stay put! Installed close at hand, the TOOL/RAK saves valuable time and eliminates fussing and fumbling for misplaced tools on crowded workbenches.

Now, for a limited time only, you can obtain one RCA TOOL/RAK FREE, with each and every RCA Silverama Picture Tube you purchase from your Authorized RCA Tube Distributor.

Get your TOOL/RAKS while they last-place your order today!
dOZENS OF PRACTICAL USES!



[^0]:    POSTMASTER: SEND FORM 3579 TO ELECTRONIC SERVICING, 300 WEST 43rd STREET, NEW YORK 36, N. Y.

[^1]:    MAIL THIS
    COUPON
    TODAY FOR

    BOOKLET!

