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Both Dials Synchronize



FIG. 3.

The panel is simplicity itself—simplicity of control and of appearance. The modulator dial is at left, the oscillator at right. The rheostat is in the middle.

it is isolated from the rest of the wiring. The tubes (1) and (2) take care of the frequency conversion, which is the distinguishing characteristic of the Super-Heterodyne. There are only two stages of intermediate or medium frequency amplification, instead of the usual three, because the receiver proved sensitive and selective enough in that form. Theoretically, a tube was taken from the medium frequency channel and placed in the audio channel, so that instead of three medium frequency stages of amplification there were two, and instead of two stages of audio amplification there were three. The second detector (5) and the three audio tubes (6), (7) and (8), account for the rest of the tubes in the circuit.

The Division Idea

The set was built on a plan which contemplated the use of the reboxed receiver at home when portable days had passed into memory lane, hence was placed on a baseboard in conjunction with a 7x18" panel. Instead of being in one unit, the set and equipment were in separate compartments, each of which could be independently carried. This idea proved a happy one, although it is not necessary for any one to follow it who disagrees with the division of the load. Any portable set is bound to weigh quite too much to be carried by hand for any considerable distance, especially over rough country, and as one seldom travels alone it is well to have the set so arranged that one person may carry the receiver proper and the other the compartment containing batteries, loop, etc. We used to drive to within five-eighths of a mile of our camp and park the car in a barn at Farmer Charles Clark's place. Then we would have to hike over the hill and cross two high stone fences to reach our destination. While Capt. O'Rourke never showed any great enthusiasm for the division of labors made possible by the split portable, I rather fancied the idea and used to encourage him to accept the batteries, etc., as his load, on the plea that the receiver itself, with the precious eight tubes therein, required my special care.

The Question of Weight

Any portable Super-Heterodyne, with all equipment included, even when contained in a single unit, may be expected to weigh at least 35 pounds. Of course, persons do not travel the countryside toting an object by hand, but most usually go by car, or by train or boat, so that the actual hand carrying is reduced to a minimum. But that minimum may be altogether too large to leave one comfortable after the necessary hike, unless there is an advantage in a division of the load. Besides, the split portable may be transformed into one unit by the simple expedient of strapping, and it is consoling

to think that the option of division is ever available.

The wiring of the set is very simple in point of electrical work, although the necessarily crowded quarters may occasion some mechanical inconvenience to those whose experience has been along the line of sets with wide-open spaces behind the panel. But the photographs of the set will elucidate these points sufficiently to guide even the novice.

Circuit Diagnosis

On the electrical side, we see that the first tube is what looks like, and really is, a stage of tuned radio frequency amplification, at the signal frequency—the wavelength of the station that is being tuned in. This frequency gets no farther than the input into tube (1), because an oscillator hookup is operated in conjunction with this original frequency, the os-

LIST OF PARTS

- Two Type 247-N General Radio variable condensers, C1, C2.
 - One Sickles coil, 3-circuit type, L1, L2, L3.
 - One 7x18" Bakelite panel.
 - Eight Klossner Model X sockets.
 - Two Micamold .00025 mfd. grid condensers, with 2 meg. grid leaks built in, C3R2, C4R3.
 - Two Type 271 General Radio Medium Frequency Transformers, MF1, MF2.
 - One Type 331 General Radio tuned transformer, MF3.
 - One 6-ohm Centralab or G.R. rheostat, R1.
 - Four phone tip jacks, PTJ1, PTJ2.
 - Two Marco 4" counterclockwise dials.
 - Three audio-frequency transformers (Meloformers), AF1, AF2, AF3.
- The accessories will be enumerated and discussed next week.

illator frequency being produced by tube (2) in conjunction with its tuned circuit, C2L2. This locally generated frequency is mixed with the frequency of the broadcasting station to produce the intermediate frequency, in this case 30 kilocycles (10,000 meters). This is the output of tube (1) and it passes through two medium frequency stages where iron-core transformers are the coupling media. These are General Radio 271 Medium Frequency Transformers. The input to the second detector (5) is achieved through a tuned medium frequency transformer of air core design (General Radio 331). This is a sharply tuned transformer, with a fixed condenser built in, neither visible on the

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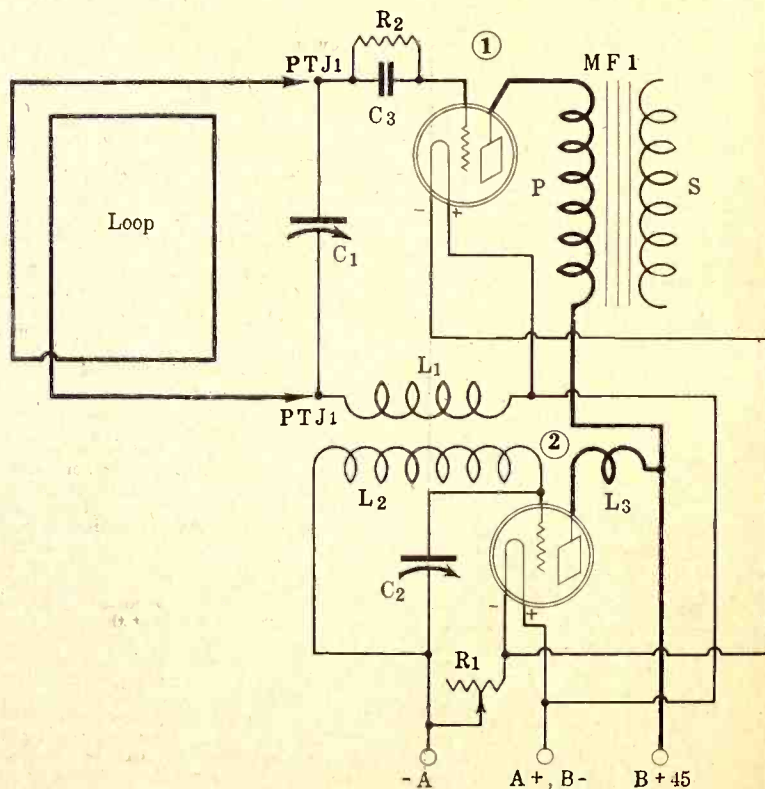


FIG. 2

The frequency converting system of the Bernard Portable, exactly coinciding with the representation in Fig. 1, but rearranged and isolated for those whose experience with Super-Heterodynes is limited.

How to Get DX

By Capt. P. V. O'Rourke

THE keenness for hearing stations thousands of miles away is numerically stronger than it ever was. While in some individual cases interest in DX may be abating, the ever increasing population of radio ranks keeps the numerical strength of the DX hounds very great indeed, hence it is premature to suppose that the lure of DX has passed away. Why, it even reposes in the bosoms of folk who do not know that DX stands for distance!

Perfect proof of the great interest in DX may be obtained from any manufacturer of radio receivers. One of the most frequent questions from prospective purchasers of sets is:

"Will this receiver bring in distance?" If the seller says it will, and the purchaser is unable to make distant stations plainly audible, an inevitable clash takes place, and often as not the purchaser himself has stood in the way of success. Nearly all receivers commercially marketed today, as well as sets in the home-constructed class, can get DX. Some, of course, succeed better than others, but there are items to consider that will enable one to get best distance results from any particular set.

Tuning Skill Necessary

First of all, skill in tuning must be developed. This is not hard to acquire, but enough experience is necessary so that one learns to appreciate what fine tuning is necessary to bring in a far-off broadcaster. Many persons condemn a receiver because it does not bring in DX, whereas it will do so if properly tuned. Local stations are very easy to tune in, because of the power input into the receiver. Except where one suffers from shielding or

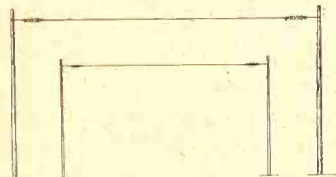


FIG. 1.

The larger and higher aerial improves the chances of receiving signals from distant stations, but within limits set forth in the text.

other forms of absorption, a local station will come pounding in, and it is hard to miss bringing it in, rather than hard to tune it in. Hence when one changes from the sphere of locals to the fascinating hunt for distance, he should remember that conditions will be entirely different. This is due to the weak power at the input, the radio wave being partly dissipated in its almost instantaneous travel from the station to the receiver. Along the route a thousand factors enter into this consideration, and one must have a receiver that is sensitive to weak signals, if he is to be fortified in his expectations of DX. This degree of sensitivity is obtained in the run of tuned radio frequency sets, in Neutrodyne, Super-Heterodyne and even in 1-tube regenerative sets. However, the 1-tube sets should not be used for DX hunting, because the only way to tune in distance is by causing a beat note—the familiar regenerative whistle that discloses location of the carrier wave. This causes radiation, a form of interference very annoying and unfair to neighbors, hence a stage of tuned radio

frequency, neutralized if you like, is advisable ahead of the regenerative detector, as an alleviative.

Tips on Batteries and Tubes

Aside from tuning experience and skill, other considerations which require no structural changes are proper regard for the tubes and the sources that supply them with power. The A battery, if a storage battery, should not be allowed to go down further than a condition of half charge. The B battery voltage, while an uncertain item so far as any general rule goes, should not be maintained for a long period below 17 volts for a 22½ volts battery and 34 volts for a 45-volt battery. As we are remarking upon distance only, we must require battery conditions in excess of those which would be passable for reception of local stations. The tubes should have a good filament emission and function well as amplifiers in particular and should be changed about in the sockets until the tubes are so apportioned to the receiver that each bulb is in a socket where it works best. Those possessing regenerative sets may put tubes to a rather rough but insuring test by placing one after another in the socket where the regenerative tube is to go, and thus find out if perhaps the tube fails to respond to oscillation encouragement. If it is lacking one need not wonder that DX reception has been curtailed or prevented.

The aerial and ground connections and conditions are very important. Fig. 1 shows a method of improving DX conditions. If your aerial is short and is strung on low masts, or from chimney pot to chimney pot, particularly over a tin roof, you need not be surprised that DX holds aloof. The first requisite is to raise the antenna. That is even more important than lengthening it. Generally, the higher the aerial is from ground potential, the greater its facility for picking up DX. On the point of lengthening the antenna—and this refers to physical length—a condition soon would be approached when broad tuning would set it, and this would hinder rather than help distance reception where one had to tune through locals to get distance. The drowning effect of the locals would prevent one from "stepping out."

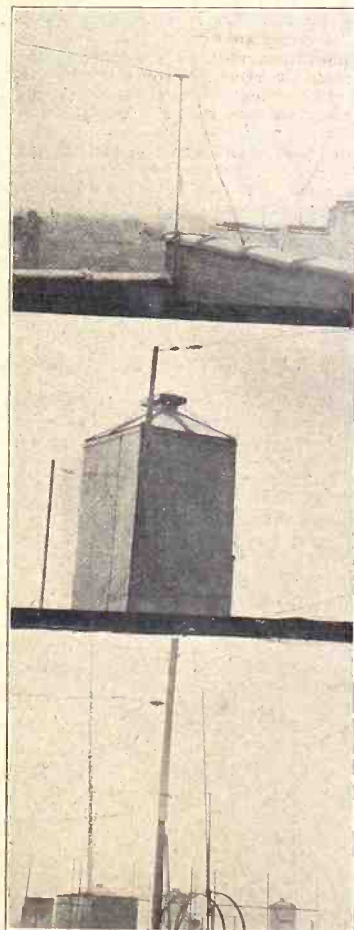
Physical vs. Electrical

The physical length of the aerial and its electrical length are two different things, although there exist points of interrelation. The electrical length is represented by the natural period or fundamental wavelength of the antenna. Hence, if an outdoor aerial and a ground are used, the antenna system consists of both of these and all wire used as a part thereof. A 100-foot aerial really would mean that the ground lead, aerial proper and leadin, to the very posts of the set, comprise 100 feet, not that the wire alone that stretches between the aerial insulators is 100 feet. For most broadcast reception 100 feet usually is recommended, and is generally satisfactory, but it is better to have a shorter aerial, say 75 feet, with the antenna wire proper raised higher than it usually is. In that way you get greater pickup with lesser tendency toward broadness in tuning, while the simple extension of the antenna stretch

combines the virtue with the disadvantage. The extension of wire stretched between the insulators makes the antenna proper longer both physically and electrically. Every antenna system has a wave length of its own, and that is the one to which it is most responsive, but it should be kept below the lowest broadcast wave length, as the best compromise.

Some Aerial Pointers

The aerial problem in cities is often a difficult one. Many radio users are content to erect merely some sort of an aerial, and depend on the set to make up any deficiencies. This is asking too much of the set. If the landlord will consent to the erection of antenna masts, these should be used, and 12-foot masts usually will suit admirably. In this way the antenna is at least 12 feet from ground potential, and in most instances considerably more. The distance of the aerial from the earth itself is not the controlling



FIGS. 2, 3 AND 4.

Do not have your leadin close to another one. Do not run your aerial parallel and close to another aerial. (Fig. 2).

A tin-encased skylight is a robber of radio energy. (Fig. 3)

Use the full height of your mast by moving up the insulator. (Fig. 4) (Photos by Hayden)

Signposts to DX Stations

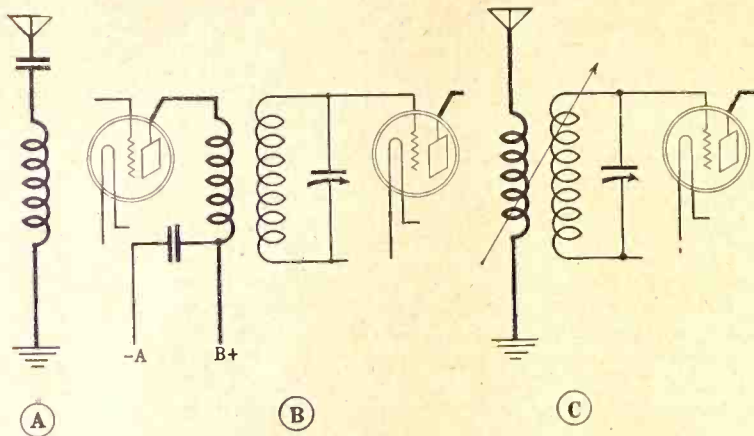


FIG. 5. A represents the antenna series condenser for improving sensitivity. B shows a bypass condenser. C illustrates a variable primary.

factor, for often tin roofs are grounded throughout gutters and outlet pipes, and the roof is the ground in every electrical sense.

In bringing the leadin to the house you should avoid having it come close to somebody else's leadin, and by all means do not have the bare wire resting on the cornice or coping (Fig. 2). Use a leadin insulator, consisting of a brace with a porcelain tip. Nor should one aerial be run parallel to another, especially where the distance between them is only a few feet, for then a condenser effect is produced, and this entails losses. Running the antenna proper near the tin casings of skylights and other objects should be avoided, too (Fig. 3). Where one has a mast he should utilize the full height of it, and not attach the insulator at some point considerably lower. (Fig. 4). That these injunctions frequently are ignored is proven by the photographs of actual aerial conditions on two roofs in New York City. At all hazards, one should comply as nearly as possible with the rules for best electrical results. Although full compliance is difficult in many instances, one should not go out of his way to avoid feasible improvements in the antenna installation. At least he can acquaint himself with the rules and apply them as circumstances permit.

The Ground Connection

The ground connection should be securely made, preferably with a ground clamp or soldered connection to the cold water pipe. Sometimes conditions are improved by using two grounds, one to the cold water pipe, the other to a radiator. Both are used at the same time. Under some conditions this will bring no improvement, due to added resistance.

Soldering to the cold water pipe is difficult, because the solder cools too quickly. Any attempt to get the proper condition of heat should be accompanied by great caution, as the pipe is lead and you might melt it. These are reasons why the ground clamp is by far the favorite method of attachment. The cold water pipe should be filed until bright, and the same should be done with that part of the ground clamp that is to make contact with it. The lead from the clamp to the set should be soldered to the clamp.

The Spring Inspection

Persons with existing aeriols should inspect them now, as this is well within the purview of Spring cleaning, and it is the

most attractive time of the year to do this work. Many persons in previous years have improved their antenna system in the Spring and obtained better results in April and May than they did during the Winter. This happy condition may be repeated in many instances this year, particularly as DX was somewhat more difficult to get than during the previous Winter. Scientists have different reasons for this, some ascribing the condition to a magnetic blanket over the earth, others to sun spots and still others to the coal strike, which occasioned considerable use of soft or bituminous coal, the smoke of which filled the air with absorbing particles.

As for the electrical length of the aerial, although this is increased by physically lengthening the stretch between insulators, or the ground wire, or both, the natural period or fundamental wave length may be brought down by inserting a series condenser. (Fig. 5A). This is usually placed between the leadin and the antenna post of the set. It should be of smaller capacity than the capacity of the antenna system. Few radio set users know what is the capacity of their antenna system, but a fair average is .00025 mfd., with occasional tendency toward slightly higher capacity. Hence the series condenser, under such circumstances, may be .0001 mfd. or .00015 mfd. Another plan, of course, is to use a variable condenser here, either setting it permanently at the optimum point, or putting it on the panel for variation purposes. Its setting will not be critical, except if the set has a tendency toward over-oscillation or if a distant station is being tuned in.

The greater wave length or frequency

separation between the station being received and the natural period of the antenna, the lesser the transfer of energy, hence the smaller the chances of getting DX. The fixed primary, or so-called untuned or aperiodic primary, has become very popular, due to its simplicity and the elimination of a control, but as a DX feature the variable primary, by means of a movable coil (Fig. 5C), or the variable condenser in the aerial circuit, make for greater DX, within certain limits. These limits included the tendency toward free oscillation or condition of unbalance. Receiver design today includes sufficient radio frequency amplification to compensate for the fixed primary. Hence Neutrodyne might be unneutralized by the introduction of the variable primary or antenna series condenser.

A bypass condenser (Fig. 5B) often helps increase sensitivity and volume. This functions strictly as a bypass when connected as shown in the diagram, but if the right-hand side of the fixed condenser is placed instead at the plate (not at the battery end of the interstage coupling primary) a different action takes place, in that feedback is introduced. As a bypass, this fixed condenser, which is across the batteries (A minus and B plus), should be large. Something on the order of .5 or 1.0 mfd. would be suitable. But for connection direct to plate .0005 mfd. or .001 mfd. would be about right. As a bypass, across batteries, the .5 or 1.0 mfd. condenser tends to eliminate audio oscillation due to long leads and stray feed back.

Regeneration As An Aid to DX

As we have passed from the field of operation external to the receiver to a consideration of improvements in the construction of the set itself, we may well consider the advisability of introducing regeneration. This may be accomplished by having a rotary plate coil in inductive relationship to the grid coil of the same tube circuit (Fig. 6A). Regeneration increases the sensitivity of a receiver by enhancing the amplification. In fact it is a form of radio frequency amplification and its effectiveness is derived from the reduction of the resistance in the circuit. If the resistance is too greatly reduced instability results, hence there is a limit to which regeneration may be pressed, and it is impractical to use it in this form in more than one stage in any receiver. Where a rotary coil in the plate circuit is used, as shown in the diagram, the leads may be connected in either fashion—that is, either terminal of the coil to plate, the other to battery—if the tickler has a wide angle of rotation. If that angle is small, reverse the tickler connections as a test for best results. The highest effect is obtained by using the "aiding" method

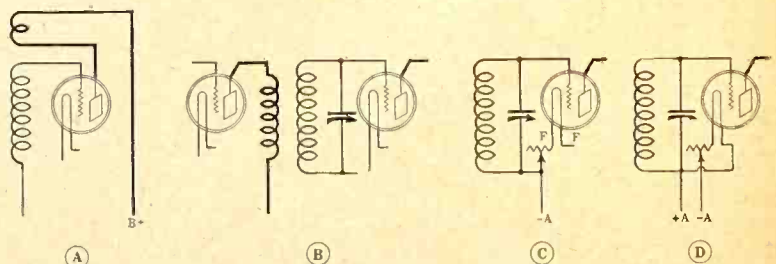


FIG. 6. A tickler coil supplying regeneration, improves sensitivity (A), while a reversal of interstage coupling primary leads (B) helps in many instances. (C) and (D) show the right and a wrong way to connect the grid return in amplifier circuits.

The Magic Key to Distance

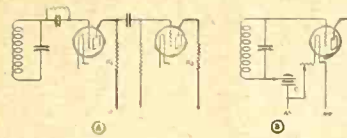


FIG. 7. A detector circuit (A) followed by resistance audio, where the plate voltage at R1 is very important. A C battery is shown at (B).

of regeneration, where the two fields are in the same direction. If the wire is wound in the same direction, the leads should be connected in similar manner (plate and grid to beginning of respective coils). If they are connected with fields opposing, negative feedback results. Then the greater the opposition to current flow, the lesser the feedback. By the other method, the greater the coupling the greater the feedback. As simple reversal of connections will bring the solution, no detailed discussion of this is necessary. If the tickler coil rotates through more than 180 degrees, then there is no advantage in reversing connections, since exactly the same effect is gained by reversing the tickler setting, that is, the current flow is in the opposite direction to what it was before. From this it may be deduced that in any radio circuit the direction in which the wire is wound is of no importance or concern, since the correct result always can be achieved by the proper method of connection in respect to the windings as they are. In line with this idea also, reverse the primary leads of an interstage coupler (Fig. 6B) for more stability and voltage.

The Grid Return

Due consideration of the characteristics of tube operation is necessary for proper DX results. In amplifying circuits the grid return should be to negative A. This is the A minus lead of the battery, and if the rheostat is in the negative leg, as it should be, it is not the negative filament post of the socket. The connection for amplifying circuits. (Fig. 6C) takes advantage of the voltage drop across the rheostat to give the grid a negative bias equal to that drop. As the rheostat setting is changed, the bias changes. If a fixed ballast is used, the bias is steady. Granting the use of a 6-volt A battery, minus A represents minus 6, and to this point is connected the grid return side of the coil, while the negative filament is 6 volts minus the drop in the rheostat, say 5 volts, if the drop is 1 volt. As all reckoning is made from the negative filament it can be seen that the grid, due to connection to the coil, is one volt more negative than the negative filament. And that is what the bias means.

The amplifying action of the tube is almost destroyed if the grid return is to positive A (Fig. 6D).

In detector circuits the grid return is to positive A, not as shown in Fig. 6D, however, for a grid condenser and leak are inserted. If it were not for the leak there would be no conductive path from grid to filament, on account of the fixed grid condenser blocking that path. With the rheostat or ballast in the negative leg, F plus and A plus are identical leads, since no resistance is in the line to effectuate the difference.

The location of the grid leak and condenser is shown in Fig. 7A, which also illustrates a resistance coupled stage of audio following the detector. On this point it is well to remember that the plate

resistor is in the order of 100,000 ohms and that a higher voltage than the usual 22½ or even 45 is necessary at the battery end of the resistor to establish a sufficient actual applied voltage on the plate for best detector action. A resistance of 100,000 ohms, in many such circuits, cuts the B voltage about in half, comparing the battery post with the plate post of the tube, and allowing for the plate resistance.

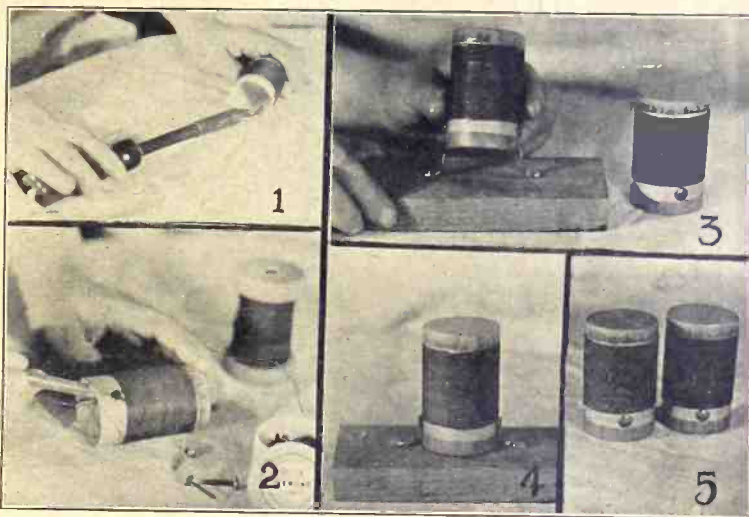
A C battery, with C plus connected to minus A and with the grid return of the coil to minus C, sometimes helps to render

a radio frequency amplifying tube more responsive and sensitive, and may be tried, especially in cases where tubes show signs of sluggish action. (Fig. 7B).

Perhaps the greatest obstacle to DX, so far as parts go, is the oversized primary. Take turns off the primaries (Fig. 6B) of interstage couplers and finally of the antenna coil (Fig. 5C) until that degree of selectivity is gained that makes DX possible.

[Next week, J. E. Anderson on How to Get DX.]

Plug-in Coils Made on Cardboard Containers



FIVE steps in making the plug-in coils.

A METHOD of making plug-in coils is shown in Figs. 1 to 5. Drug store containers, made of cardboard, are the forms.

A half-pound spool of No. 22 double cotton covered wire, a board 6" square, a box of thumb tacks, cutting pliers and a soldering iron, complete the equipment to make up the coils. The diameters of these containers are usually 3" or 3¼".

Take the container and wind the desired number of turns (Fig. 1). Place a couple of thumb tacks on one of the bottoms of the containers. Solder leads, as per Fig. 2. Bring the beginning and the end of the windings to the tacks. Now take the piece of wood. Make a circle as large as the diameter of the form. Mark two dots, one directly opposite each other on the outside of the circle. Get a pair of grid leak holders. Screw a holder in on each side. Now insert the portion of the container, where the thumbtacks are placed in the grid leak holders. This is seen in Fig. 4. The coil should fit very snugly and yet be easy to take out, so that quick changes can be made. Fig. 5 shows two completed coils.

Herewith is given the coil data, when using the .00025 mfd., .00035 mfd., .0005 mfd. variable condensers, with the first stated form and wire. The wavelengths from 100 to 150 and 150 to 550 meters may be covered. The primaries always consist of 10 turns. There is a ¾" separation between the windings.

For the 150 to 550 meter waveband,

with the .00025 mfd. variable condenser, the secondary consists of 70 turns, with the .00035 mfd. variable condenser the secondary consists of 60 turns; with the .0005 mfd. variable condenser, the secondary consists of 45 turns.

If the form happens to be a bit larger, say, 3¾", the following data should be used (150 to 550 meters):

With the .00025 mfd. variable condenser, the secondary consists of 60 turns. With the .00035 mfd. variable condenser, the secondary consists of 46 turns. With the .0005 mfd. variable condenser, the secondary consists of 35 turns.

Now for the 100 to 150 meter waveband, using the 3" diameter form, with the .00025 mfd. variable condensers, the secondary consists of 25 turns, with the .00035 mfd. variable condenser, the secondary consists of 21 turns, with the .0005 mfd. variable condenser, the secondary consists of 17 turns.

Using the 3¼" form, with a .00025 mfd. variable condenser, the secondary consists of 22 turns; with the .00035 mfd. variable condenser, the secondary consists of 19 turns; with the .0005 mfd. variable condenser, the secondary consists of 13 turns. When winding the short wave coils, it is advisable to space the windings.

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\$50 Television Machine for Regular Receivers Is Prophesied for 1928

By Hugo Gernsback, F.R.S.
Editor of "Radio News"

I AM frequently asked this question: "What, in your opinion, will be the next great development in radio?" And to this question I always answer that, in my opinion, the next and most logical step in radio will be the establishment of "television," or the power to see objects at any distance, through the same medium by which we are now enabled to hear sounds by radio from all over the world.

Radio receiving sets have been developed to such a high degree that we need not expect any revolutionary improvements to be made in them for some years to come. The radio receiver is now at the stage of development such as the automobile reached ten years ago. The improvements made since then in the automobile have been only in the refinement of its various parts; and it will prove exactly so with radio.

The Prophecy Explained

So, when I speak of television, I do not predict a novel type of radio set per se, but rather the creation of a device which can be attached to your radio set. It will be similar, in its relation to the present radio set, to the loud speaker, which can be connected to your set, regardless of whether the latter is of the vintage of 1923, or the latest 1926 model.

This may seem to be a rash, offhand statement, but a moment's consideration will show that it is not. For instance, you can listen to a full orchestra with your radio set and (providing you have good transformers and your loud speaker will take both the upper and lower ranges) you will find no trouble in distinguishing the notes of the bass drum from those of the piccolo, even though both are playing at the same time. In other words, you hear simultaneously a number of different instruments with their interfering with each other.

Through the future application of television, it is quite logical that while a station is broadcasting a song, you will be able to see the face of the singer at the same time through a transmission on the same wave to which you are tuned in, for the following simple reason.

Narrow Audible Range

The range of acoustical frequencies is really very narrow, and does not take in a wide band; the human ear responds to no vibrations above a frequency of 23,000 per second. That is the reason why the so-called radio "carrier" is inaudible. To the non-technical listener it may be explained that the "carrier" is the fundamental wave emitted by a broadcast station, which is on the air at all times when the station is transmitting. When no one is speaking or singing at the broadcast studio, you hear nothing but a faint rushing sound in your receiving instrument. The vibrations of this carrier run into millions per second, and that is why we

If, however, television is perfected (as it almost surely will be during the next two years, or perhaps sooner) it will be possible to impress the television impulses upon this same "carrier" which brings the sound impulses to your set.

The television impulses, being of a frequency too high to be audible, will not interfere with your loud speaker; and

the television picture for the same reason will not be mixed up with the speech, any more than a violin with a piano, both of which you can readily distinguish with your ear. This is an inadequate comparison, because the separation between the acoustical band or audio frequencies and the radio frequency band is enormously wider than that between any two audible notes of music; and it will therefore be practically impossible for the "sight" waves and sound waves to interfere with each other.

I have pointed this out to bring home the point that, when television is finally brought about, it is quite probable that today's radio sets will be adapted to this new purpose; and that it will be possible to connect a television attachment right to your present set and thereby see what is going on all over the country while you are enjoying the program. Not only will it be possible to see the entertainers at the broadcast station to which you tune in, but everything that is broadcast for sound only, today, will be broadcast by "remote control" for television as well.

A Hint for 1929

It may be possible to witness the inauguration of the next President from anywhere in the United States, as well as hear his address; to see a baseball game, play by play, thousands of miles from the field; to broadcast from the bottom of the ocean and give the distant audience a chance also to see what "Davy Jones' locker" looks like; or by means of a portable outfit in an airship, to look down on cities or even mountains from the clouds, while you are sitting comfortably before your radio set in your library.

Radio television, it must be said, is nearer at hand than most of us realize. The inventors of the entire world are racing frantically for the goal, because they realize that in television they will have created a great new emancipator much greater than the telephone or radio communication itself.

In this country C. Francis Jenkins has been in the foreground in television experiments; and he has achieved success in making it possible to transmit and receive the outlines of moving objects by radio at the present time. In England, it is reported, John L. Baird, who has been on the same track, has accomplished a great deal; in France Professor Edouard Belin has also produced results, and similar work has been done in many other countries. Television is now "in the air," and I shall be very much surprised if this great new art does not step out of the laboratory into everyday use, sometime in the next two years, or less.

A Great Advance

Back in 1915, and again in 1918, I wrote a series of articles on television which were the first, I believe, published in the technical press. At that time we had only the selenium cell as a "photo-electric" or light-sensitive substance; but it is sluggish and does not follow changes of light with sufficient quickness. It has been superseded recently by some very excellent light-sensitive cells, which react to changes in less than one ten-thousandth of a second; and this improvement makes television an assured possibility today.

We should not be surprised, also, when the final apparatus is evolved, to note

Result of Tally Shows Program Choice of Fans

THE symphony concert is the most popular feature on the air. This was determined by RADIO WORLD's national canvass. Readers balloted by the thousands. Here is the tabulated result of the first five:

Type	For	Against
(1) Symphony Concert	1,410	116
(2) Organ Recital	1,213	108
(3) Instrumental Duet	1,142	46
(4) Classic Inst. Solo	1,076	121
(5) Inst. Trio	1,038	26

One of the surprises for some station managers was the popularity of the organ recital.

What do you suppose happened to jazz? It was the eighth favorite. Ahead of it were the vocal quartet, 1,016 for, 110 against, and the baseball game, 976 to 204.

Band concerts are very little liked, the tally shows, only 271 favoring them, while 26 opposed them. This proved the existence of much indifference to this type of program.

The rest of the tally:

Type	For	Against
(6) Vocal quartet	1,016	110
(7) Baseball game	976	204
(8) Jazz orchestra	946	321
(9) Waltz (inst.)	957	32
(10) Weather reports	951	102
(11) Inst. quartet; (12) brass quartet; (13) football game; (14) vocal duet; (15) classical vocal solo; (16) sermons; (17) world topics; (18) vocal trio; (19) ringside boxing reports; (20) short play; (21) market reports; (21) radio talks, travel; (22) musical comedy; (23) grand opera; (24) musical saw; (25) hockey match; (26) old time music; (27) recitation; (28) bedtime story; (29) band concerts.		

The tally clearly shows the trend toward the better class of music at the expense of ephemeral music. This confirms the musically educating influence of radio.

A point not to be overlooked is the variety of favored types of renditions.

with what simple instruments television can be accomplished. It is my belief that the successful device will be simpler and of fewer parts than our radio receivers are today, and it is quite possible that within the next ten years \$50 will purchase a complete television attachment which will perform well.

To be sure, for a long time to come, transmission will be only in black and white, giving an effect similar to that seen in motion pictures now. Color transmission will come later.

Direct Sight, Not Pictures

At this point I desire also to correct an erroneous idea about television, which is much in vogue now. Many people think of television as "radio motion pictures." Of course there will be no motion picture equipment of any kind in the radio television apparatus. Television does not concern itself with such methods at all. In reality you will see at a distance, just as if you had a telescope through which you could observe anything going on in any part of the country.

Television between broadcast stations and the broadcast public will become very popular.

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Adjustment of Grid Bias

By the Jumping Needle Does One Determine the Right Bias, Using a Milliammeter in the Plate Circuit

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BROADCAST listeners and home set builders are just beginning to realize the tremendous importance that the grid bias battery plays in a receiving set. They have been told innumerable times that a little C battery will almost double the life of the plate battery and at the same time make the receiver more sensitive and greatly improve the quality of the voice and music. All of this sounds too good to be true, and naturally the fans have been a little skeptical. On the face of the statement it seems contradictory and of the same variety as the manifestly absurd and contradictory claims made for many commercial radio products. Nevertheless the claims made for the C battery are fortunately true. That little C battery does just about double the life of a large B battery. It does increase the sensitivity or the volume of the set, and it does vastly improve the quality of the signal. And it does perform these functions without itself delivering any power; that is, the life of the C battery in the set is very nearly the same as its life "on the shelf." But in order that it should perform these functions well and to the fullest degree, its voltage must be adjusted very carefully for each tube and for the plate voltage on that tube. How can this voltage be adjusted conveniently?

The Easiest Way

There are several methods by which the grid bias voltage may be adjusted to the correct value, but perhaps the simplest and most convenient is by the use of a milliammeter in the plate circuit of the tube for which the grid bias is to be adjusted. In the left-hand upper corner of Fig. 1 is shown a single tube amplifier having plus B volts on the plate, and in whose plate circuit a direct current is flowing (designated I_p). This current is measured by a milliammeter M inserted in the plate circuit, preferably just below the output device, which may be a head-set, a loudspeaker, the primary of a transformer, or a coupling resistance. A grid battery is inserted in the usual place, and it is the voltage E_g of this battery that is to be adjusted. The signal voltage is impressed on the amplifier between the points indicated, either by means of the secondary of a transformer or by the drop in a resistance.

Let the curve ABC in the drawing represent the grid voltage, plate current characteristic of the amplifier. In this curve the grid voltages are measured horizontally along the line AEG and the plate currents are measured vertically from this line to the curve. Thus for a zero grid voltage the plate current is OE-0, or simply I-0; and for a voltage OE-2 the plate current is I-2, etc.

The Needle's Movement

Now suppose that the grid voltage be OE-1 and that no signal voltage be impressed. The plate current as read on the meter is I-1. Now let a signal voltage with a double amplitude of EE-2 be impressed on the amplifier. The grid voltage will then alternately increase from E-1 to E, and decrease from E-1 to E-2. The current in the plate circuit will in-

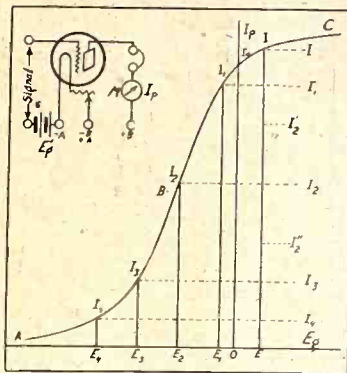


FIG. 1—The circuit diagram, showing insertion of the milliammeter, and beside it, the grid voltage-plate current curve of a vacuum tube.

crease from I-1 to I, and decrease from I-1 to I-2. The signal will therefore cause the plate current to fluctuate between I and I-2. These fluctuations occur so rapidly that the meter, due to the inertia of its moving system, cannot follow them. The needle of the meter remains practically motionless at a position which indicates a mean value of current between I and I-2. But this mean does not coincide with the current for the mean voltage of EE-2, because I minus I-1 is very much less than I-1 minus I-2. The mean of I and I-2 will therefore be somewhat less than I-1, or it will be very nearly equal to I-2. The signal voltage will therefore cause the meter to move down from I-1 to I-2. The grid bias OE-1 is obviously not enough. Hence if the grid bias is not enough, the application of a strong signal will cause a decrease in the milliammeter reading.

The Needle Kicks Up

Now suppose that the grid bias be adjusted to have the value OE-3. The current in the meter will then be I-3. Now if the same signal voltage be impressed as before, in this case represented by the double amplitude E-2 E-4, the plate current will alternately decrease from I-3 to I-4 and increase from I-3 to I-2. The increase in this case is much greater than the decrease and as before the meter will indicate the mean between the two extremes rather than the current I-3 corresponding to the mean grid voltage. Now this mean is approximately I'-2, which is greater than I-3. The application of the signal voltage will therefore cause an increase in the meter reading, and this increase is the vertical distance I-3 I'-2. But the grid bias OE-3 is much too great. Hence the rule: If the grid bias is too great, the application of a strong signal will cause an increase in the meter reading.

Now suppose that the grid voltage be adjusted to have the value OE-2, that is, so that the operating point is where the curve is steepest. The current in the meter will be I-2. Now let a signal of the same double amplitude as before be impressed on the grid. The grid voltage will then fluctuate between OE-1 and OE-3, and the plate current will fluctuate between I-1 and I-3. In this case the increase in the plate current is exactly equal to the decrease. The mean value, and also the indication on the milliammeter, will therefore be the same as the current corresponding to the mean grid voltage, or it will be I-2. The meter will therefore show no change when the signal

is applied. This is the correct grid bias, for here the amplification will be greatest and the distortion, or rectification, will be least. Hence the rule: If the milliammeter shows no change on the application of a strong signal voltage, the grid bias is correct.

Greater Amplitude Helps

This method of determining the correct grid bias is easier the greater the amplitude of the impressed signal voltage. On weak signals the increase or decrease is not definite or very easily seen. But if the signal is weak it is not so important to get the exact correct value, because if it is only approximately correct the distortion and the decrease in amplification will be negligible. It is better to make the grid bias just a little too great rather than too large on account of the smaller plate current and consequent smaller drain on the plate battery.

The permanent decrease or increase in the plate current on the application of a signal voltage presupposes uniform amplitude of the signal voltage, that is, uniform modulation of the radio-frequency current. In case of broadcast reception, in which the radio-frequency current is voice and music modulated the signal amplitude does not remain constant, particularly on the audio-frequency end of the receiver, where the present method of determining the grid bias is especially useful. There are moments when the amplitude is very great, and moments when it is very weak, and also moments when it is practically zero. Hence the decrease or increase as discussed above will not be definite for any length of time. The result is that the meter needle will jump around more or less, and it will always jump from that value of plate current which corresponds to the mean value of the grid potential, or that value which corresponds to the permanent grid bias. The amount of jumping will depend on the signal intensity, on the accuracy of the grid bias adjustment, and also on the type of signal. On a prolonged note it may jump down or up and stay a while, but on staccato music and on speech the movement of the needle will be very jerky and indefinite.

An Infallible Rule

But no matter what kind of loud signal is received, it is always possible to tell whether to increase or decrease the grid bias, by carefully observing the tendency of the needle to jump. If it jumps down on a loud passage, the bias is not enough; if it jumps up on a loud passage, the bias is too great; if it does not jump at all, the bias is either correct or else the capacity of the tube is so great as to make a closer adjustment of little importance.

The best meter for the purpose is a low resistance milliammeter having a range of 0-10 milliamperes, unless a power tube is employed, when a milliammeter of greater range should be employed. In case a meter of this type is not available, the next best is a low resistance, low range voltmeter, such as is used for filament voltage adjustments. A voltmeter measures the voltage across its own terminals. Hence if it is inserted in series with the plate circuit it measures the voltage drop across its terminals, and this is directly proportional to the plate current. If neither of these meters is available, then a plate voltage voltmeter might be used. This is not so good, however, on account of its high resistance. But even at that it is better to use it for adjusting the grid bias than to guess at the correct value.

A Compact B Supply

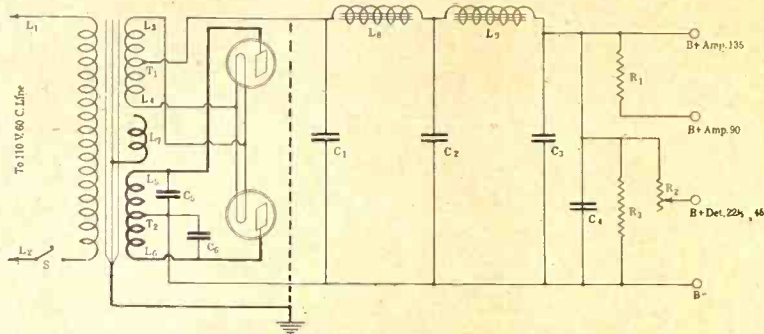


FIG. 1, showing the electrical diagram.

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WITH a few improvements in the original Tectron B battery eliminator circuit diagram and in the parts it was so designed that all the parts used to make up the eliminator could be placed in a cabinet 7 $\frac{3}{4}$ in. long, 4 in. wide and 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ in. high. Heretofore, when parts for making up a B eliminator were placed close to each other, due to induction of circuits, the rectifying value of the tube and the filtering action of the coils and condensers were killed. That is, a hum always persisted, while the voltage output was poor. However, after extensive tests, a special method of placing was evolved. The circuit diagram as shown in Fig. 1 was used. The special placing of the parts is shown in Fig. 2.

Little Change Necessary

Those who have already constructed the Tectron, and still having a little trouble in eliminating the hum, even after doing all suggested in last week's article, may follow this diagram and have a humless B eliminator. A very important change was first made in the construction of the step-up transformer. Although the shell type

core was employed, it was done only for economy of space. The change made was in the use of a static or inductance shield, placed in between the secondary high and secondary low potential windings. This is indicated by L7 in the diagram. By placing this shield in this particular place the familiar hum was eliminated. This shield keeps the high voltage off the low voltage side, acting also as a filtering by-pass condenser, shunted across the line, in the raw AC side of the line, instead of in the rectified semi-DC side of the line.

Separates Two Sides

The shield or layer of wire separates the high and the low power sides, keeping the field of one secondary from penetrating the field of the other secondary winding, thereby balancing the line and keeping the voltage from fluctuating, which causes the hum, due to the change in the inductance and capacity of the line, which necessitates the changing of the filtering

medium. It is indeed a small item, but look at all the trouble avoided. The by-pass condensers shunted across the plate secondary winding tend to do the same thing, but do not fully accomplish the job. The metal shield, which is indicated by the dotted lines, prevents the fields of the AC line from penetrating those of the filtered portion, which otherwise would happen and cause a hum. The placing of the parts, so that both these portions of the circuit are so well separated, is a big step in the elimination of the hum. The core of the transformer was grounded for by-pass action, keeping the magnetic field of the AC side of line from from intervening with that of the DC side of the line. This is also the reason for grounding the core with the shield between the two circuits.

The filtering system remains the same, that is, two 30 henry choke coils, with three by-pass condensers shunt each portion of the chokes and assure a perfect filtering system. Instead of there being only two B output voltages, there are 3 output B voltages, viz., 22 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 45 (variable through resistor R 2), 90 and 135.

Constructional Advice

Now as to the actual constructional data. Those who have constructed the original Tectron eliminator only will have to place the special shield between the transformer windings. Those who are newcomers should use this information. The shell type core was used in both the transformers and the chokes. The choke coils consist of 5,800 turns of No. 32 enameled wire, wound over 80 shell type laminations. These are 3-8 in. in width at all ends. The mid-section is 3-4 in. The cut-in portion for the gap is $\frac{1}{4}$ in. smaller than that of the mid-section, which is $\frac{3}{4}$ in. The holes at the top and the bottom are $\frac{1}{8}$ in. from the top

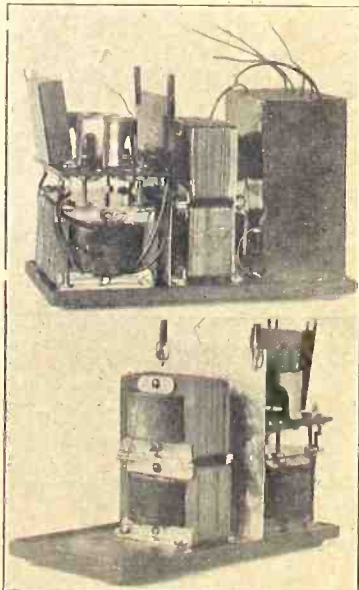


FIG. 2 (top), a side view. The layout of the parts can be clearly seen therefrom. Fig. 3 (bottom), showing the choke coils mounted one over the other. Note the metallic shield in back of the chokes.

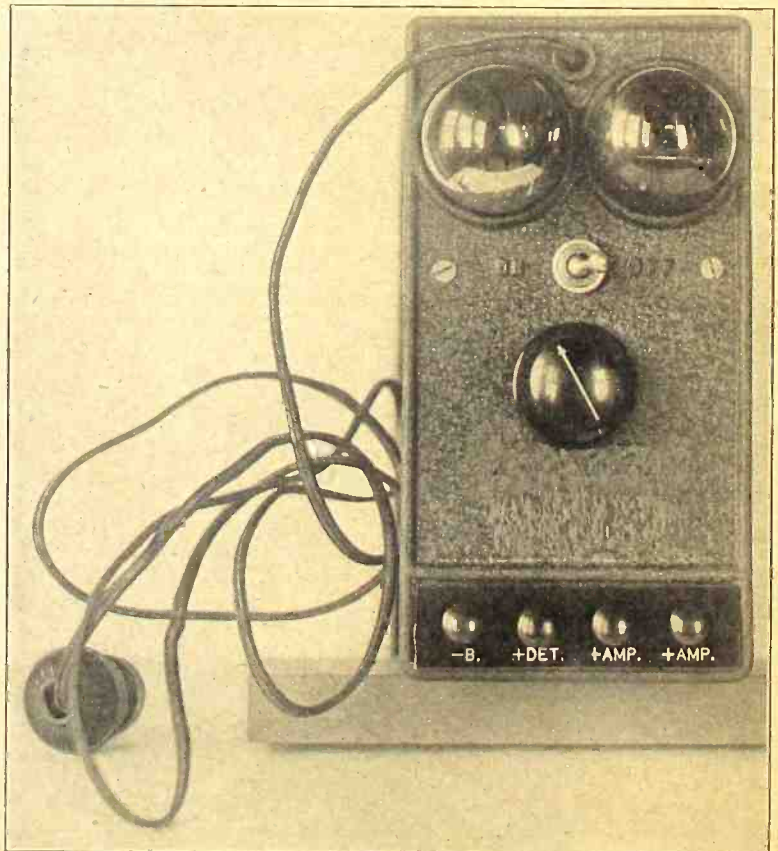


FIG. 3, the front view of the Compact Eliminator.

"No Hum," Says Author



FIG. 4, the bottom plate. The screws holding the rubber feet, hold the transformer (left) and the condenser bank (right).

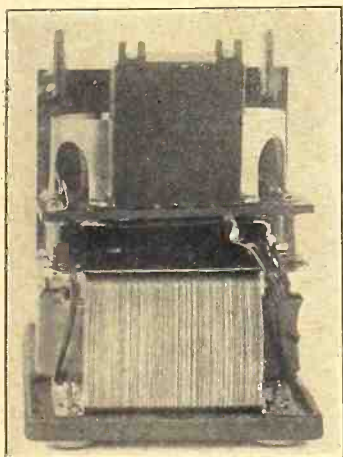


FIG. 5, showing the special step-up transformer. Note the platform with the screws holding a bypass condenser unit and the sockets.

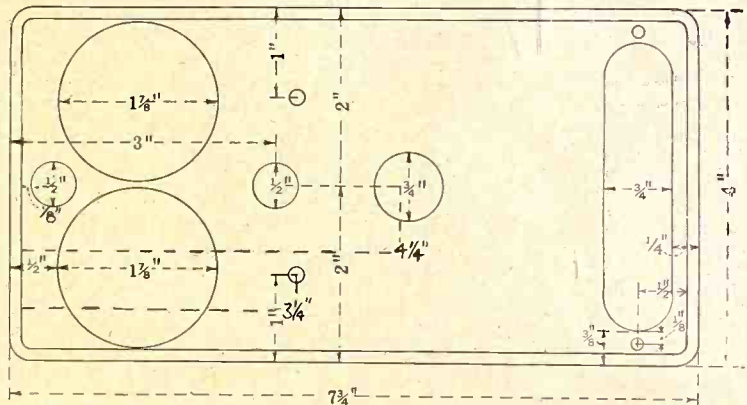
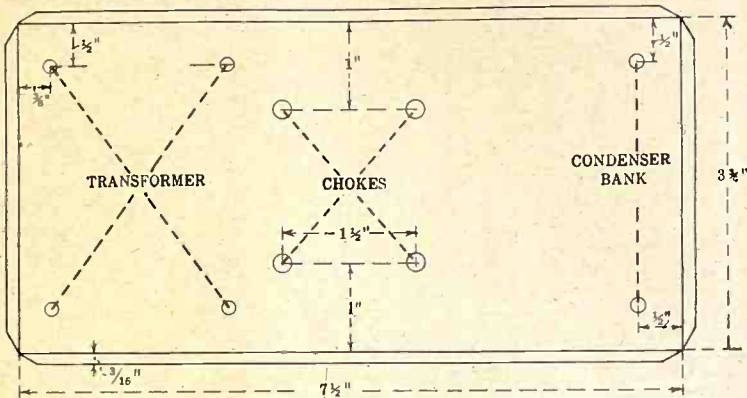


FIG. 6 (top), showing the template for the bottom plate. Fig. 7 (bottom), showing the template for the top plate. The screws holding the minus B and the plus Amp. posts on the extreme left and right positions respectively, also hold the strip to the plate.

and the bottom of the mid-section. As to the transformer, the primary L1L2, consists of 710 turns of No. 26 enameled wire. The secondary, L5L6, consists of 2,840 turns, tapped at the 1,420 turn, the half-point, using No. 31 enameled wire. This, as you will note, is the high tension secondary for supplying the voltage to the plates. The other secondary, L3L4, consists of 46 turns, tapped at the 23d turn, using No. 18 enameled wire. The core consists of 150 laminations. The special shield is made in this manner: Over the plate voltage winding, place a few layers of .014 in. thick manila paper. Obtaining some No. 18 double cotton or enameled covered wire, bring the beginning of the wire to the core. Bringing the wire $\frac{1}{8}$ in. from the edge, wind evenly until you are $\frac{1}{8}$ in. from the opposite edge. This terminal goes nowhere, being held intast by cutting a small slit in the heavy paper, tying the wire in this slit. Over this, the usual covering is placed and the filament secondary is wound.

The Wiring

Bring L1, the beginning of the primary, to a terminal on a socket or to a terminal of the wire going to the line. Bring L2, the end of the primary, to one point of a switch and the other terminal to the other wire of the line lead. Bring L6, the beginning of the plate secondary, to a P post on one of the sockets. Bring L5, the ending, to the P post of the other socket. Bring T2, which is the tap on the high potential secondary, to the B minus post. Across one portion of the tap, shunt C5. Across the other portion, shunt C6. Connect the F plus posts of both sockets together and the F minus posts of the sockets together. Bring the beginning of the fila-

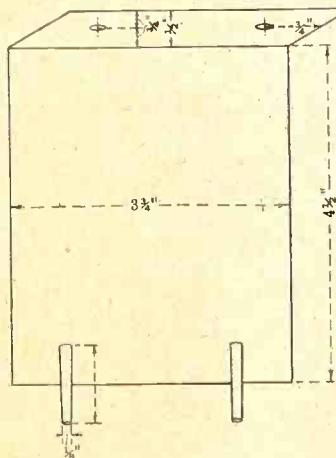


FIG. 8, showing the template for the metal shield.

ment secondary, L4 to the F plus posts. Connect the end of the same winding, L3, to the F minus posts. T1 goes to the beginning of the choke coil, L8 and to one terminal C1. The other terminal of C1 goes to the B minus post or to T2. The other terminal of L8 goes to one terminal of C2 and to one terminal of the choke coil, L9. The other terminal of C2 goes to T2 or B minus. The other terminal of L9, goes

FIG. 9, showing the perspective of the sheet metal cabinet.

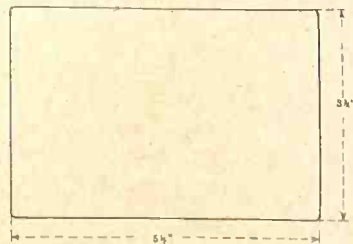


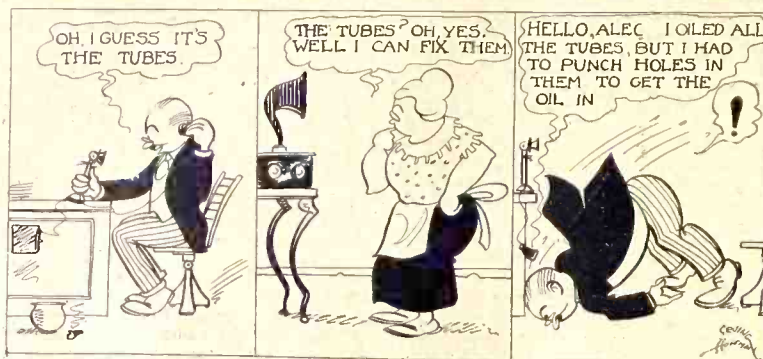
FIG. 10, showing the dimensions of the ends of the cabinet.

to one terminal of C3 and to the B plus 135 Amp. volt post, to a terminal of the
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How Tubes Affect Quality

THE FATAL REMEDY

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THE quality of reproduction of music in the home depends, as has been pointed out in earlier articles of this series, on many elements at the transmitting and receiving stations. The contributions to musical quality from the transmitting and receiving sets have already been considered and it has been pointed out how important it is that each of these, and particularly the receiving set, shall be acoustically synchronized. Acoustic synchronizing, or the accurate re-creation in the home of the sound waves produced in the studio, is the determining factor in the enjoyment of radio programs. Few people realize the very important part played by vacuum tubes in the receiving set as regards quality of musical reproduction, and the real necessity for exercising discretion in the choice of the vacuum tubes used and for maintaining them and their batteries in good operating condition.

From the view of obtaining real musical results in the home, tubes must meet a number of difficult specifications. While high-grade tubes do, as a matter of fact, meet such specifications, it is by no means uncommon to see the entire circle of broadcast transmission and reception broken and tone quality ruined by the use of unsuitable or unreliable vacuum tubes.

The Amplification Factor

Considering first some of the electrical constants of the tubes, and without going into the technical details of the matter, vacuum tubes have a certain characteristic which is known as the amplification factor. If the amplification of the tubes used in the receiver is too small, weak and unnatural-sounding signals will result. If, on the other hand, the amplification is too great in its relation to the design of the receiving set, the receiver may "oscillate" or produce squealing or howling notes which cannot be conveniently eliminated or controlled. Here then is an electrical constant of vacuum tubes which must be reasonably correct.

Another important constant is what is known as the "internal impedance" of the tube. Roughly speaking, this is a measure of the opposition of the tube to the flow of plate current through it. It is the factor which limits the current drawn from the B battery. If the internal impedance is too small there will be an excessive drain on the plate batteries without corresponding advantage, and plate battery renewals will be uncomfortably

frequent. On the other hand, if the internal impedance is too high, weak signals of unsatisfactory character will be produced and tone quality on the average loud speaker will be distinctly unsatisfactory. Accordingly, internal impedance of vacuum tubes must also be held within carefully considered limits.

The Internal Capacities

The tiny filament, grid, and plate elements inside of modern vacuum tubes are close together and they, in conjunction with the wires leading from them to the contact pins in the base of the tube, constitute what are known as electrical capacities. In other words, there are miniature condensers formed by the filament, grid, and plate, the capacities of such condensers residing inside of the tube. It is a fact that in many highly efficient circuits these internal tube capacities definitely influence the electrical behavior of the set. Receivers which are "neutralized" or "balanced" against tendency toward oscillation (howling) are necessarily so balanced for a particular tube. If the internal capacity of tubes varies too far, receivers which would otherwise properly function will begin to produce uncontrollable noises, generally of a buzzing or whistling nature, whereupon the musical enjoyment by the audience is destroyed. Consequently, a watch has to be kept by the test laboratories of the tube manufacturer on the internal capacity of high quality vacuum tubes.

Inside the vacuum tube is a glowing element called the filament. It is a sort of reservoir from which streams a current of electricity in the form of a myriad of tiny electrical charges called electrons. These pass from the filament to the plate inside of the tube, and their flow is definitely controlled by the grid element between the filament and the plate which acts as a sort of electric valve turning on and off the flow of current through the tube, and presumably in accordance with the shape of the sound originally produced in the broadcast studio. This, in general terms, is the process whereby the original signal is reproduced in the home.

Electron Flow Must Be Big

It is clear that an essential portion of this process is the emission of a sufficiently copious stream of electrons from the filament. If the stream is reduced to a mere trickle, the signals will become weak and distorted. In this case, even for a low volume of sound in the home there will be rattles and distortions in tone quality. Only by a careful choice of filament material and a thoroughly correct process of manufacture and testing has it been found possible to produce filaments which not only have a sufficient electron emis-

sion when new, but which maintain their efficiency during a long useful life. It may be added that it is particularly difficult to produce such satisfactory filaments when great economy in the amount of power required to heat the filament is imperative as, for example, in the case of dry battery tubes. Filament design is accordingly a real factor in tube performance and the production of musical quality.

Vacuum tubes used as amplifiers require a high vacuum. Unusual and seemingly extravagant precautions must be taken to extract gases from the bulb and even from the metallic elements inside the tube and the very glass itself. The presence of gas in the tube shortens the life and causes it to be "noisy." Gassy tubes, instead of giving a velvety, silent background when the music stops or when a soft note is being sung, give a continual hissing or scratching sound which is most distracting and greatly detracts from the otherwise complete enjoyment of a musical program.

Microphonic Noise

This subtle factor in tube performance is difficult to measure except in the laboratory, and it is therefore of importance to be sure that highly exhausted tubes are actually being obtained by the broadcast listener—tubes which are critically tested by the laboratories of the manufacturer.

The delicate elements inside of a vacuum tube, if jarred, will vibrate. Some makes of tubes are peculiarly sensitive to mechanical disturbance and easily produce a "ringing note" if the receiving set is touched or tapped. Particularly is this the case if the tube sockets are not effectively cushioned and elastically supported. Vacuum tubes which produce a loud and prolonged ringing note when tapped will not give the same satisfaction as "non-microphonic tubes" which are free from this defect. In any case the vacuum tube mounting should be appropriate.

Radio has passed out of the stage where one sort of tube is equally desirable in every socket of the receiving set. The day of the "general utility tube" is over. We should still use the general utility tube of the older types for the amplifier portions of the receiver with the important exception of the last, or output stage. This is the tube which feeds the loud speaker and it should be a specialized "high output tube." Fortunately, there have been recently produced very useful and efficient dry-battery, storage-battery, and power-supply operated tubes which give a higher output than has hitherto been obtainable in tubes of these respective classes.

Quality Improved

By using such tubes, considerable and natural volumes of sound can be secured without distortion on appropriate loud speakers. This meets a long-felt need, because there is a vast difference between the limiting output of a tube and the undistorted output. The limiting output is merely represented by the maximum of noise which the tube can produce, which is certainly a very different thing from the undistorted output or the greatest volume of sound which can be produced while still retaining high quality.

A brief mention of the importance of suitable batteries, in good condition, in their relation to tone quality is pertinent. When the A or filament batteries of a receiver run too low, the tubes will not light up fully and the signals, besides being weak, are frequently distorted, or scratchy in quality. A run-down condi-

Loudspeaker Requisites

tion of the B or plate batteries similarly causes a noisy or weak signal with distorted quality, or may even give rise to disagreeable howling sounds. The C or grid battery also plays a great part in the production of high quality music. Exhausted C batteries, or C batteries of wrong voltage, will damage the tone quality of the received music by introducing false overtones and will also give rise to rattling. Proper C battery voltages and batteries in good condition are particularly necessary in the last two amplifier tubes of the receiving set.

The best rule is to select reliable tubes, each suited for the particular purpose to which it is to be put in the receiver, and then not to overwork these tubes nor to neglect the upkeep of the batteries feeding the tubes.

The remaining piece of apparatus to be considered, namely, the loudspeaker, is certainly one of the most important factors in acoustic synchronizing and one which, in many instances, falls lamentably short of the needs of the situation. There is more imitation science quoted in relation to loudspeakers than in almost any other portion of the radio receiver field. The most extravagant claims are made even on an amazingly slim foundation.

The loudspeaker is, in fact, the "neck of the bottle," so far as sound reproduction is concerned. Even if everything else at the transmitter and receiver is acoustically synchronized but the loudspeaker is not, the results will be spoiled. It is just as if an opera with inspired music, a fitting libretto, and striking stage settings, were nevertheless to be sung by incompetent performers. The effect would be ruined despite the perfection of all factors save the vocal rendition.

The Three Major Points

There are three definite things which must be accomplished by the perfect loudspeaker. The first of these is that it shall give omnitonal reproduction. In other words, it must reproduce every tone from the lowest to the highest—from the gravest, deep note to the highest, shrill note. In the second place, it must be equitonal. It must not select any tone or group of tones and either unduly emphasize or arbitrarily suppress them. And, thirdly, it must have what may be termed sonority. This is the quality of giving full volume without distortion of tone quality. Naturalness of reproduction depends on normal volume without distortion.

Considering first the omnitonal requirement, if low notes are missing from the loudspeaker, a thin, metallic, and un-

natural effect will be produced and music will sound as if it were coming from the older types of cheap phonograph, now happily obsolescent.

If high notes are omitted, a booming quality will be given to speech, the higher pitched musical instruments will be lost, speech intelligibility will suffer, and everything will sound as if it were being produced in a large echoing vault. Should the medium register of tones be omitted, the effect is of course fatal, and speech will be practically unintelligible and music without merit.

Choppy Flow of Music

A failure to meet the even more difficult equitonal condition causes a series of somewhat similar faults, though not in so extreme a measure. A loudspeaker which is not equitonal spoils the smooth flow of music. Some notes, which are exaggerated, fairly "pop out" at the listener in a distracting and inartistic way. Other notes, which are relatively slighted, are practically lost and this also produces a distracting and unnatural effect. The different notes in a chord may not be reproduced with equal or appropriate volume, and the chord will sound strange and even unpleasant. A scale played on an instrument will not hold constant quality from note to note. Some notes will sound sharp, and others flat. The delicate intonations of the speaking voice will be lost, and the human quality of speech impaired or absent. In summary, natural and faithful reproduction definitely requires equitonal loudspeakers.

The influence of volume or sonority is not quite so pronounced but is, nevertheless, very noticeable. If the volume is reduced, the lower musical notes seem to drop out first, the balance between the various instruments in the orchestra is destroyed, noises in the room interrupt the enjoyment of the music, and a decidedly inferior effect is produced. If, on the other hand, too great a volume is employed (and even if there is no distortion of tone quality such as generally occurs in this case since most loudspeakers overload on high volumes), the effect is oppressive and deafening. Neighbors are annoyed, and rattling and disagreeable notes seem to be present. The happy medium of natural volume is definitely required to meet the third condition of proper sonority. If sonority is too low, the attention of the audience will wander and the concert will be spoiled by interruptions. If the volume is too high, the owner of the receiving set will be forced to apologize continually for peculiar and

unnatural tone effects. Only full, natural volume is rich and true in its effects.

Big Advance Made

Fortunately, we have available today types of loudspeakers which meet the three primary requirements of a perfect loudspeaker to a close degree of approximation, and are capable of giving great enjoyment to the listener. This was not the case for the earlier types of loudspeakers which were crude. The important feature of the development is that the result has actually been obtained, and that the high quality loudspeaker has become available. Fortunately these devices can be used either separately or as a part of an assembled radio receiver. Each method of use has its advantages and disadvantages. Putting the loudspeaker into the radio receiver makes a convenient, compact, and self-contained unit of the entire receiving equipment. It is, however, difficult to tune such a receiver right in front of it and at the same time to be sure that the best results are being obtained across the room where the listeners generally are located.

The Other Side

On the other hand, the separate loudspeaker across the room from the listeners, with the receiver itself placed among the listeners, has the disadvantage of requiring a wire connection from receiver to loudspeaker and of putting two pieces of furniture into the room. But it has the marked operating advantage of furnishing the possibility of tuning the set from the location of the listeners with the loudspeaker at a distance so that the best effect, as experienced by the audience, will actually be obtained. No doubt each method of operation always will be preferred by some.

The result of the development of the relatively perfected loudspeaker is that radio broadcasting has become a branch of music. The greatest artists in the world no longer hesitate to send their performances by radio to the homes of the listeners, and leading musical organizations are giving broadcasting their enthusiastic backing and support. The high quality loudspeaker has made it possible to convince musicians that they will lose nothing of their artistic reputations through radio.

3 STATIONS INCREASE POWER

KFNF, Shenandoah, Iowa, has been transferred to class B and has increased its power from 500 to 1,000 watts.

The power of WEBH, Chicago, has been increased from 1,500 to 2,000 watts.

The power of WLWL, New York, has been increased from 1,500 to 3,500 watts.

BETTER LATE THAN NEVER

By Dan Napoli



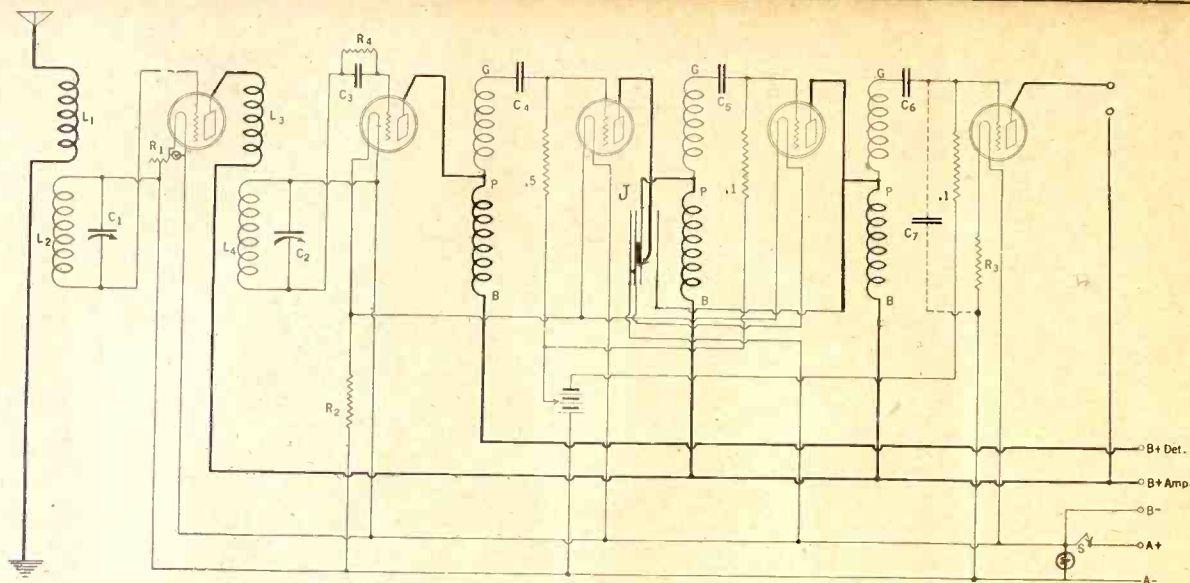


FIG. 285, showing the receiver requested by Philip Draughn

Radio University

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I WOULD be very pleased to have a diagram of a 5-tube receiver, employing a stage of non-regenerative tuned radio frequency amplification, a non-regenerative detector and three stages of autotransformer AF coupling. A voltmeter should be shunted across the filament leads, in shunt to which is a lamp and a switch. A filament jack should be inserted in the output of the first AF tube, so that when the switch is turned to the "off" position, the second audio tube is automatically unlighted, the plate of the first tube being connected to the P post of the final autotransformer. When the switch jack is at the "on" position, the filament circuit of the second audio tube is closed, which lights that tube up. The object of this switch is to have a volume control on local stations, where if it is so tremendous, only two stages of AF can be employed (middle stage being cut out). A rheostat should be inserted in series with negative leg of the RF tube. Ballast resistors should control the filaments of the detector and the last audio tubes. I wish to use a C battery also. Please state the constants of the coils, condensers, etc.—Philip Draughn, Hillsborough, N. J.

Fig. 285, shows the diagram, that you request. The RFT are wound on tubings $3\frac{3}{4}$ " in diameter and 4" high. The primaries, L1 and L3 consist of 10 turns. The secondaries, which are wound on the same tubings, as the respective primaries, consist of 45 turns. There is a $\frac{3}{8}$ " separation, between the two windings. No. 22 double cotton covered wire is used for winding. Condensers, C1 and C2, are of the .0005 mfd. variable type. C3 is a .00025 mfd. fixed condenser, while the grid leak, R4 which shunts it, has a resistance of 2 megohms. C7 is a .002 mfd. fixed condenser. The voltmeter is designated by the small V in the circle, in shunt to the filament, leads of the first or RF tube. The lamp is designated by the capital E in a circle, between the A plus and the A minus leads, in the lower right hand corner. S is the filament switch. C4, C5 and C6 are .25 or 1 mfd. fixed condensers of the mica dielectric type. R1 is a 6 to 10 ohm, $\frac{1}{4}$ ampere rheostat. R2 is a $\frac{1}{4}$ ampere ballast resistor. R3 is a $\frac{1}{4}$ ampere ballast resistor. The —01A

type tubes, should be used in this receiver to obtain the greatest efficiency.

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I WOULD like to have the electrical circuit diagrams, for an A and B battery eliminator, for use with the 110 volt, 60 cycle line, A. C. If such diagrams appeared in RADIO WORLD, I would like to know the dates of their appearance.—Russell Zimmerman, News Depot, 116 Poplar St., Two Harbors, Minn.

Diagrams for the construction of B battery eliminators have appeared in the Dec. 12, 26, Jan. 2, 16, March 13 and 27 issues of RADIO WORLD. There is also one in this issue. The complete constructional data were given in each one of these issues. A circuit diagram of an A battery eliminator will be described soon by Lewis Winner.

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HOW MANY turns should be placed on a form, 2 feet square, using No. 18 double cotton covered or annunciator wire as the conductor, to make a loop, to be used in conjunction with the Diamond of the Air? The same method of winding, etc., as was described by Herbert C. Hayden in the Oct. 31 issue of RADIO WORLD, is to be used. (2)—Can a 10-ohm rheostat be used to control the filament of a —01A type tube, to be used as a detector as well as a 20-ohm rheostat, with the proper carrying capacity of amperes in this set? (3)—Can a 20-ohm, $\frac{3}{4}$ ampere rheostat be used to control the filaments of the two AF and one RF tubes in the 1925 Model Diamond of the Air? (4)—As I am confined to a very small space, I find it necessary to use a short antenna. I use the regulation tuner and RFT with 45 turns on the secondary. In this manner, I am unable to receive stations, above 455 meters. What can I do to receive stations above this wave-length, without increasing the length of the antenna?—D. P. Norman, 1812 Montrose St., Philadelphia, Pa.

(1)—You will have to wind 16 turns. (2)—Yes. (3)—Yes. (4)—Either insert a .0005 mfd. fixed condenser in shunt to the antenna and the ground or add 6 turns to the secondaries of both the tuner and the RFT.

I AM rebuilding The Set That Thrilled Jack, described by Lewis Winner in the Oct. 10 and 17 issues of RADIO WORLD, and wish to have the following straightened out: (1)—Should there be a space left between the primary and the secondary windings of the two radio frequency transformers, or should they be wound together? (2)—On my first set I had trouble in controlling the oscillations with the potentiometer. Is it advisable to take it out altogether, running the grid returns of the radio frequency tubes to the negative side of the filament and the grid return of the detector to the positive side of the filament? (3)—In the first receiver, I connected a 500,000 ohm potentiometer in the last stage of AF amplification thus: the arm to the G post of socket 5, while the resistance posts went to one terminal of C4 and C minus respectively. As soon as this was done a loud howl developed. However, when the arm of the potentiometer was placed between the center and the resistance terminal, which went to the fixed condenser, C4, the howl ceased. The volume decreased. How could this howl be killed and the volume kept?—H. R. Halbfass, LaPorte, Ia.

(1)—It is immaterial as to whether a space is left between the primary and the secondary windings. (2)—Yes. Do not overload RF and detector tubes with plate voltage. Be sure that the RFT are all properly spaced apart or at right angles to each other. (3)—According to your description, it seems as if you had a potentiometer with a portion of the resistance burned out, or probably disconnected. No howl should occur when the resistance is connected as you state. Test the C battery for correct voltage. Be sure and place the correct C voltage with the proper B voltage, e.g., 90, 4.5, etc. These data are given on the carton of each tube purchased. See that the stopping condensers make a complete circuit.

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I AM very much interested in the 1926 Model Diamond of the Air, which I am going to build. However before doing so I would like to have the following queries answered. (1)—What is the best size wire to use to wind the tuner and the radio frequency transformer, using a 3" diameter basket weave form, with the under two and over two method of winding? (2)—When winding these coils, is it all right to wind the primary in with the secondary as is done with all basket

weave windings? (3)—How many turns should the primaries and the secondaries consist of, using the wire first specified. The tickler is to be wound on a tubing 2" in diameter. Basket weave method of winding is to be employed here also.—Charles Tucker, North Windham, Conn.

(1)—Use No. 22 double cotton covered. (2)—Yes. (3)—The primaries consist of 10 turns. The secondaries consist of 50 turns. The tickler consists of 36 turns of No. 26 single silk covered wire. Of course .0005 mfd. variable condensers shunt the secondaries. In winding the coils, 20 turns of the secondary are first put on. Then 10 turns of the primary along and 10 turns of the secondary are wound side by side, together. The rest of the secondary winding is then put on, viz., 20 turns.

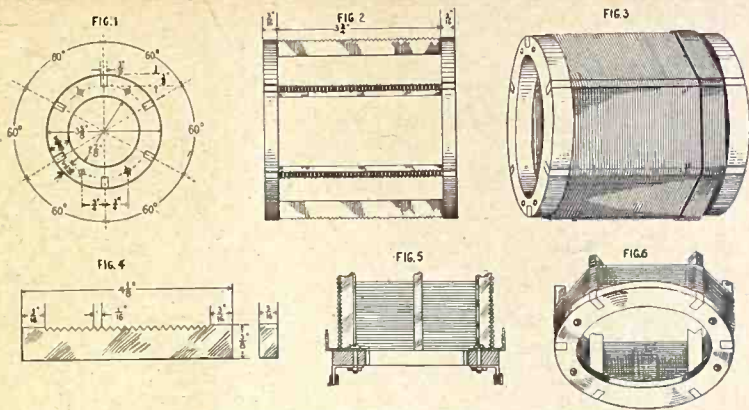


FIG. 286, showing how to make a tuned RFT

I WOULD be pleased to have complete data as to the construction of a tuned radio-frequency transformer, the windings being supported on strips and well spaced. The secondary is to be shunted by a .0005 mfd. variable condenser.—H. Rufins, Houston, Tex.

Fig. 286, shows the diagrams, which illustrate the various steps as to the construction of such an RFT. Fig. 1, in this group, shows the dimensions for one of the circular heads, used to mount the strips. Fig. 2, shows the length of the strips, which may be of hard rubber or wood and also that of the width of the head, with manner of mounting. Fig. 3, shows how the primary and the secondary are placed. Now, since you are going to use the .0005 mfd. variable condenser, the secondary will consist of 45 turns. The method of making the notches to fit the windings is shown in Fig. 4. You will note, however, that when making these notches, by following the diagrams, you will have 67 notches, or 22 to spare. However, you do not have to use a form 4 3/4" long. Use one which is only 3 3/4" long. Then you will find that there will be just enough room for the placing of these turns of wire. The primary consist of 10 turns and may be wound on top of the beginning of the secondary winding or alongside of the secondary winding. Fig. 5, shows how to mount the coil on angle brackets. The last Fig. (6), shows how the strips are fitted into the slots of the circular head. No. 22 double cotton covered wire is used to wind the coil. Do not place any shellac or varnish on these coils. Collodion may be applied, but very sparingly. If the notches are deep enough and the windings tight enough, you should have little trouble in making the windings stay securely.

I HAVE a Daven Super Amplifier, which consists of three stages of resistance coupled amplification. Will this amplifier give as good results when used after the detector tube in the 1926 Model Diamond of the Air, as the stage of transformer coupled and two stages of resistance coupled AF amplification, now used?—A. J. Pushwal, Box 382, Wilmerding, Pa.

Yes.

I AM building the 5-tube Low-Loss Neutrodyne, described in the June 13 issue of RADIO WORLD, by Neal Fitzalan. Now I find it very difficult to connect the coils. That is, I do not know, where the beginnings and the ends of the RFT go to, etc. (2)—How many turns do the secondaries consist of? I am using .0005 mfd. variable condensers.—George W. Berry, 65 Duane St., N. Y. City.

The beginning of the primary winding, L1, goes to the antenna. The ending of this same winding goes to the ground. The beginning of the secondary winding, L2, goes to the F minus post. The ending of this winding goes to the G post. The stationary plates of the variable condenser C, are also connected to this point,

while the variable plates are connected to the beginning of the winding. The beginning of the primary, L3, of the second RFT goes to the plate post of the first socket. The end of this winding goes to the B plus 7 1/2 volts post. The beginning of the secondary winding, L4, goes to the F minus post and to the rotary plates of the variable condenser. C3. Now the tapped portion of this coil, which is near the beginning of this winding, goes to the rotary plates of the midget or neutralizing condenser, C2. The stationary plates of this condenser go to the end of the secondary winding of the first RFT. The end of the secondary winding, L4, goes to the stationary plates of the neutralizing condenser, C6, to the stationary plates of the variable condenser, C3, and to the G post. The beginning of the primary, L5, of the third and last RFT goes to the P post on the second socket. The ending of this coil goes to the B plus 6 7/2 volt post. The beginning of the secondary winding, L6, goes to the rotary plates of the variable condenser, C4, to one terminal of a variable grid leak, R1 and to the F plus post. The tapped portion of this coil goes to the rotary plates of the neutralizing condenser, C6. The ending of this winding goes to the stationary plates of the variable condenser, C4 and to one terminal of a fixed grid condenser, C5. Note that all the high and the low potentials of the coils, F with B plus and grid with plate terminals, are kept together. (2)—The secondaries consist of 50 turns.

ARE ALL single circuit 1-tube receivers regenerative?—A. H. Hewitt, 1406 Garfield Ave., Laramie, Wyo.

No, but if they are not they may not suit the needs of the day regarding selectivity.

IN REFERENCE to the Super-Heterodyne described by J. E. Anderson in the March 20 issue of RADIO WORLD and built by Paul Hollingshead. (1)—Can the -01A type tubes be employed successfully. (2)—Could ballast resistors be used to control the filaments of the AF and the RF tubes? (3)—Will the -01A type tubes give louder signals than the -99 type tubes? (4)—Is it advisable to use only the General Radio IFT in this set, or can any IFT be employed?—J. B. Blund, Jersey City, N. J.

(1)—Yes. (2)—Yes. (3)—This circuit was designed around the use of the GR. medium frequency transformers.

IS IT not possible to use a hand drill as a coil winder? (2)—If so, please show how this can be done and explain the operations.—J. Kahn, Morris Plains, N. J.

Fig. 287, shows the method of employing a hand drill as a coil winder. Place a piece of dowel stick in the chuck, instead of the drill. Place the tubing on which the coil is to be wound over the dowel stick. The diameter of the dowel stick should be about 1/16" less all around than that of the tubing itself.



FIG. 287, illustrating the method of using a hand drill as a coil winder. (Hayden)

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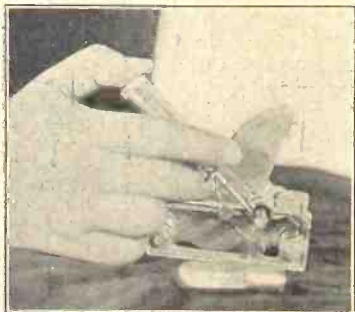
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Broadcasts in Costume



ANGE SORENSON, who appears during the Norwegian half hour by the Vikings, broadcast through stations WEA, WJAR, WGR, WTAG, WCAE, WOC, WWJ, KSD, WEAR and WCAP, every Friday from 9:30 to 10 P. M. (Foto Topics).

A Funny "Remedy"

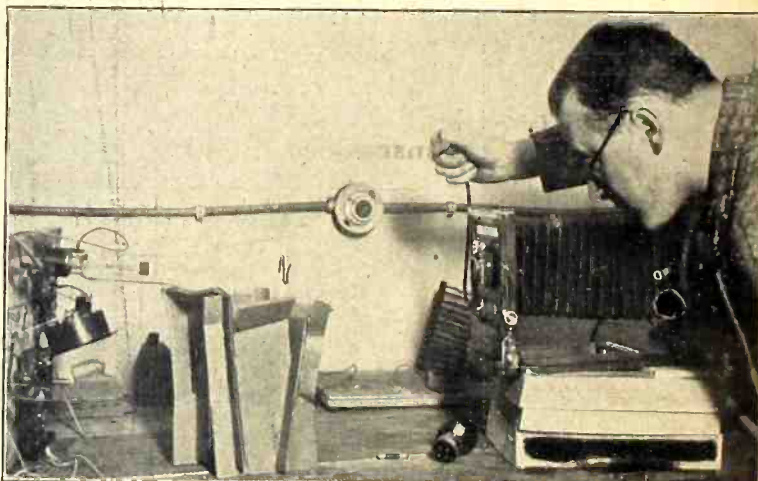


DON'T pour oil on troubled variable condensers, even if the shaft happens to be a little tight. The oil will insulate the bearings and then the real trouble starts. If the condenser action is too stiff you may loosen up on the bearings. (Hayden)

English Language First in Japan!



WHEN it comes to enjoining artists by the bulletin board method, the English language tops the native tongue in Japan. The Shochiku Girl Opera Company broadcasters are shown at the Tokio studio. The girl at right is not the dramatic soprano. (Underwood & Underwood)

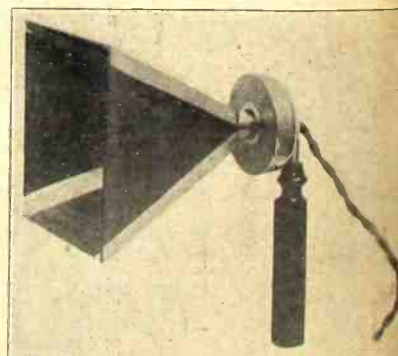


HOW audio waves are photographed. Note the wave form being photographed by John F. Rider. (Foto Topics)



ALEXANDER BRAILOWSKY, Russian pianist, Atwater Kent artist.

The First Microphone



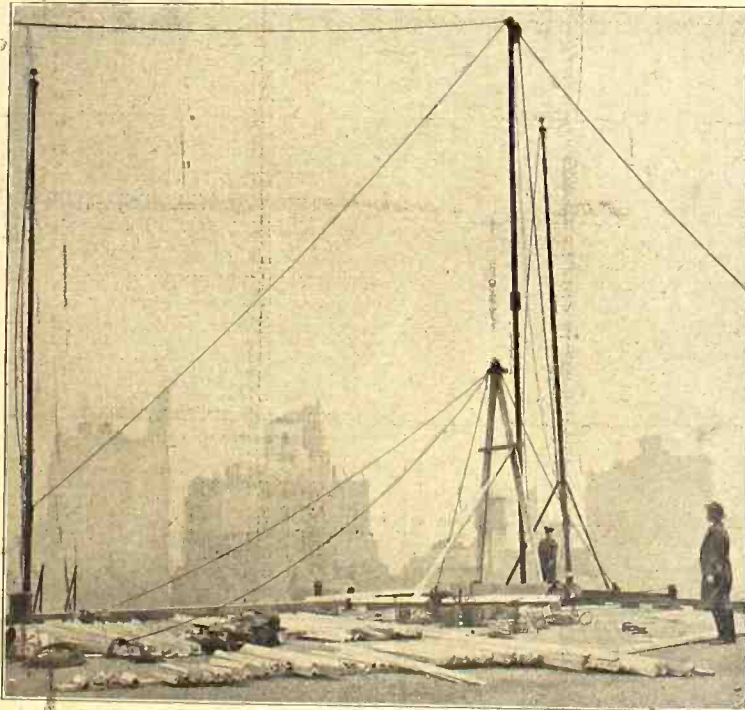
ABOVE WE see the microphone used by Nellie Melba, diva, in the first important concert broadcast, through a station at Chelmsford, England, on June 15, 1920. (Kadel & Herbert)

Shakespearean Players Heard Weekly



THE WEAF Shakespearean Players, heard every Saturday at 8:15 P. M. in tabloid Shakespearian presentations. Standing (left to right): Gerald Stopp, Katherine Emmet, Lawrence Cecil. Sitting (left to right): Alfred Shirley, Margot Lester and Charles Webster. (Foto Topics)

Remote Transmission Gains Way



AN aerial erected by a station just outside the tall buildings of Manhattan.

Difficulty in "getting out" has prompted several stations, with studios in congested Manhattan Island, to use aeriels far enough away from the mass of steel buildings to avoid absorption. WOR, WBPI, WJZ, WMCA, WGCP and WGBS have such remote transmission. The photo shows the WGBS antenna at Astoria, L. I., just after its recent erection. The broadcasts are carried by land wire from the respective studios, at which are located speech amplifiers, also. The radio part of the work takes place at the transmission plant.

Radio Under the Sea



WORKMAN ON the naval laboratory sound barge, lowering a sound transmitter into the Potomac River, where experiments are being carried on in the development of the undersea radio telephone. (Wide World).

The Official List of Stations

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Station	Owner and Location	Meters	Station	Owner and Location	Meters	Station	Owner and Location	Meters
KDKA	Westinghouse E. & M. Co., Pittsburgh, Pa.	309	KFUR	H. W. Peery and R. Redfield, Ogden, Utah	224	KTBI	Bible Inst. Los Angeles, Cal.	294
KDLR	Radio Elec. Co., Devils Lake, N. D.	231	KFUS	Louis L. Sherman, Oakland, Cal.	256	KTBR	Brown's Radio Shop, Portland, Ore.	263
KDYL	Newhouse Hotel, Salt Lake City, Utah	246	KFUT	University of Utah, Salt Lake City, Utah	261	KTCL	American Radio Tel. Co., Inc., Seattle, Wash.	506
KDZB	F. E. Seifert, Bakersfield, Cal.	210	KFUU	Coburn Radio Laboratories, San Leandro, Cal.	220	KTHS	New Arlington Hotel, Hot Springs, Ark.	375
KFAB	Nebraska Buick Auto Co., Lincoln, Neb.	340	KFUV	G. P. Ward, Springfield, Mo.	252	KTNT	N. Baker, Muscatine, Ia.	256
KFAD	Electrical Equipment Co., Phoenix, Ariz.	273	KFVJ	Chas. & W. J. McWhinnie, San Pedro, Cal.	205	KTW	1st Presbyterian Church, Seattle, Wash.	454
KFAE	State College, Pullman, Wash.	349	KFVE	Film Corp., St. Louis, Mo.	240	KUO	Examiner Printing Co., San Francisco, Cal.	300
KFAF	A. E. Fowler, San Jose, Calif.	217	KFVF	Clarence B. Juneau, Hollywood, Cal.	208	KUCA	City of Ark., Fayetteville, Ark.	250
KFAJ	University of Colorado, Boulder, Colo.	261	KFVG	1st Meth. Epis. Church, Independence, Kan.	236	KUOM	State University of Montana, Missoula, Mont.	245
KFAU	Boise High School, Boise, Idaho.	283	KFVH	Herbert Whan, Manhattan, Kans.	219	KUSD	University of S. D., Vermillion, S. D.	278
KFBB	F. A. Buttry Co., Havre, Mont.	275	KFVI	50th Cav. Brigade, Houston, Tex.	240	KUT	University of Texas, Austin.	231
KFBG	1st Presbyterian Church, Tacoma, Wash.	250	KFVN	C. E. Bagley, Welcome, Minn.	227	KVOO	Voice of Oklahoma, Bristow, Okla.	375
KFBK	Kimball, Upson Co., Sacramento, Cal.	248	KFVO	F. M. Heller, Big Bear Lake, Cal.	203	KWCR	A. P. Paar, Cedar Rapids, Ia.	278
KFBL	Leese Bros., Everett, Wash.	234	KFVW	Moonlight Ranch, Denver, Col.	246	KWG	Portable Wireless Tel. Co., Stockton, Cal.	248
KFBS	School District No. 1, Trinidad, Col.	224	KFVX	Cape Girardeau Battery Station, Cape Girardeau, Mo.	224	KWKC	Wilson Duncan Studios, Kansas City, Mo.	236
KFBU	Bishop N. S. Thomas, Laramie, Wyo.	270	KFWV	Airman Radio Corp., San Diego, Cal.	246	KWKH	W. K. Henderson I. W. & S. Co., Kennonwood, La.	273
KFCB	Nielson Radio Co., Phoenix, Ariz.	238	KFWA	Radio Supply Co., Albuquerque, N. M.	250	KWWG	State College, Pullman, Wash.	349
KFCF	F. A. Moore, Walla Walla, Wash.	256	KFWB	Browning Bros. Co., Ogden, Utah	261	KYW	Westinghouse E. & M. Co., Chicago, Ill.	535
KFDD	St. Michael's Cathedral, Boise, Idaho.	278	KFWC	L. E. Wall & C. S. Myers, Upland, Cal.	211	KZKZ	Electric Supply Co., Manila, P. I.	270
KFDM	Magnolia Petroleum Co., Beaumont, Texas	316	KFWF	St. Louis Truth Center, St. Louis, Mo.	214	KZM	Western Radio Inst., Oakland, Cal.	241
KFDX	1st Baptist Church, Shreveport, La.	250	KFWH	F. Wellington Morse, Jr., Chico, Cal.	254	KZRQ	Far Eastern Radio Inc., Manila, P. I.	270
KFDY	State College of Agriculture, Brookings, S. D.	273	KFWJ	Lawrence Mott, Avon, Cal.	211	WAAB	W. S. Navy, Arlington, Va.	435
KFDZ	H. O. Ibersson, Minneapolis, Minn.	231	KFWL	Radio Electricians, Inc., South San Francisco, Cal.	220	WAAD	Ohio Mech. Institute, Columbus, O.	268
KFEC	Meier & Frank Co., Portland, Ore.	248	KFWM	Oakland Educational Soc., Oakland, Cal.	207	WAAF	Drovers Journal, Chicago, Ill.	278
KFEL	Winner Radio Corp., Denver, Colo.	254	KFWU	Louisiana College, Pineville, La.	238	WAAW	Omaha Grain Exchange, Omaha, Neb.	273
KFEO	J. L. Scroggin, Oak, Neb.	268	KFWV	Wilbur Jerman, Portland, Ore.	213	WABC	Asheville Battery Co., Inc., Asheville, N. C.	254
KFEY	Bunker Hill & Sullivan, Kellogg, Idaho	233	KFYF	Carl's Radio Den, Oxnard, Cal.	205	WABI	Bangor Ry & Elec. Co., Bangor, Me.	240
KFFP	1st Baptist Church, Moberly, Mo.	226	KFXB	B. O. Heller, Big Bear Lake, Cal.	203	WABO	Lake Avenue Baptist Church, Rochester, N. Y.	278
KFGQ	Crady, Boone, Iowa	226	KFXC	Santa Maria Valley R. R. Co., Santa Maria, Cal.	210	WABQ	Haverford College Radio Club, Haverford, Pa.	261
KFHA	Western State College, Gunnison, Colo.	252	KFXD	L. H. Strong, Logan, Utah	205	WABR	Scott High School, Toledo, O.	263
KFHL	Penn. College, Oskaloosa, Iowa	240	KFXH	Bledsoe Radio Co., El Paso, Texas.	242	WABW	College of Wooster, Wooster, O.	207
KFII	E. C. Anthony, Inc., Los Angeles, Cal.	469	KFXJ	Mt. States Radio District, Inc., (Portable), Col.	216	WABY	H. B. Joy, Mt. Clemens, Mich.	246
KFIJ	Benson Institute, Portland, Ore.	248	KFXK	Pikes Peak Broadcasting Station Co., Colo. Springs, Colo.	250	WABZ	John Magaldi, Philadelphia, Pa.	242
KFIU	1st Methodist Church, Yakima, Wash.	256	KFXL	Neches Electric Co., Beaumont, Tex.	227	WABC	Coliseum Place Baptist Church, New Orleans, La.	275
KFIU	Alaska Elec. Co., Juneau, Alaska	226	KFXM	Classen Film Finishing Co., Okla. City, Okla.	214	WADC	Allen Theatre, Akron, Ohio	258
KFJG	Daily Commonwealth, Fond du Lac, Wis.	273	KFXN	Mary M. Costigan, Flagstaff, Ariz.	205	WADF	A. B. Parfet Co., Port Huron, Mich.	275
KFJB	Marshall Elec. Co., Marshalltown, Ia.	248	KFXO	Houston Chronicle, Houston, Tex. (Portable)	238	WAHG	A. H. Grebe Co., Richmond Hill, N. Y.	316
KFJC	R. B. Fegan, Junction City, Kan.	219	KFYR	Hoskins Meyers, Inc., Bismarck, N. D.	248	WAGM	R. L. Miller, Royal Oak, Mich.	225
KFJE	National Radio Co., Oklahoma City, Okla.	261	KGO	General Electric Company, Oakland, Cal.	361	WAIT	A. H. Waite & Co., Taunton, Mass.	239
KFJI	Liberty Theatre, Astoria, Ore.	246	KGTT	Glad Tidings Tabernacle, San Francisco, Cal.	207	WAIU	American Ins. Union, Columbus, O.	254
KFJM	University of N. D., Grand Forks, N. D.	278	KGU	M. A. Mulromy, Honolulu, Hawaii	270	WAMD	Hubbard & Co., Minneapolis, Minn.	244
KFJR	Ashley C. Dixon & Son, Portland, Ore.	263	KGW	The Oregonian, Portland, Ore.	492	WAPI	Alabama Polytechnic Inst., Auburn, Ala.	248
KFJS	Tunwall Radio Co., Ft. Dodge, Iowa.	246	KGY	St. Martin's College, Lacey, Wash.	246	WARC	American Radio Res. Corp., Medford Hillsdale, Mass.	261
KFJV	Southwestern Baptist Theol. Seminary, Ft. Worth, Tex.	254	KHJ	The Times, Los Angeles, Cal.	405	WBAA	Purdue University, West Lafayette, Ind.	273
KFKA	State Teachers College, Greeley, Colo.	273	KHQ	Louis Wamer, Seattle, Wash.	273	WBAK	State Police, Harrisburg, Pa.	276
KFKU	University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kans.	275	KJBS	J. Brunton & Sons Co., San Francisco, Cal.	220	WBAL	Gas and Electric Co., Baltimore, Md.	246
KFKX	Westinghouse E. & M. Co., Hastings, Neb.	288	KJR	Northwest Radio Co., Seattle, Wash.	384	WBAA	James Millikia University, Decatur, Ill.	270
KFKZ	F. Henry, Kirksville, Mo.	226	KJDS	Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Independence, Mo.	441	WBAP	Star Telegram, Fort Worth, Tex.	476
KFLP	Everett M. Foster, Cedar Rapids, Ia.	256	KLS	Warner Bros., Radio Co., Oakland, Cal.	252	WBAX	J. H. Stenger, Jr., Wilkes-Barre, Pa.	256
KFLR	University of N. M., Albuquerque, N. M.	254	KLX	Tribune, Oakland, Cal.	508	WBBL	Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church, Richmond, Va.	229
KFLU	San Benito Radio Club, San Benito, Tex.	236	KLZ	Reynolds Radio Co., Denver, Colo.	266	WBHM	H. L. Atlass, Chicago, Ill.	226
KFLV	Swedish Evangelist Church, Rockford, Ill.	229	KMA	May Seed & Nursery Co., Shenandoah, Ia.	252	WBHP	Petoskey High School, Petoskey, Mich.	238
KFLX	George R. Clough, Galveston, Texas	240	KMJ	San Joaquin Corp., Fresno, Cal.	252	WBBS	Peoples Pulpit Ass'n., Rossville, N. Y.	273
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KFRW	United Churches, Olympia, Wash.	220						
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A THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

"And a little child shall lead them"—which applies frequently to the youngsters of a family who show their elders there are things in the radio, heaven and earth, that the older philosophy knows not.

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Kind Words Uttered by Good Friends

Editor, RADIO WORLD,
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New York City.

At the beginning of the Fifth Year of RADIO WORLD a brief glance into the future of radio is appropriate.

During the last two years the infant Radio has suffered from almost every disease known to childhood, including measles and very much whooping cough. The task most directly ahead of those who are to direct its destiny is to cure it of some of these diseases—notably those of a pulmonary nature, in other words to improve the speaking and singing voice of radio.

There is not a set on the market today which with its loud-speaker gives perfect reproduction of music, as transmitted from our best broadcasting stations. Every set

The Fifth Year of Radio World

IT is difficult to explain just why an editor should expect the public to become excited over the birthday of his publication. A birthday is really a very personal matter, except in cases of eminent personages or tremendous events that force leave their impress on the pages of history. However, custom is sometimes stronger than reason, and therefore it is only natural that the publishers and editors of RADIO WORLD should be a little heady over the passing of the fourth birthday and the start of a fifth year of this publication.

RADIO WORLD has not upset all newspaper traditions, by doing superlatively well all those things that other publications have been able to do only fairly well. It does not hide behind an irritating smugness and contend that it is fully satisfied with all the things it has attempted to do, nor does it believe that it cannot vastly be improved in the future. But—

RADIO WORLD can at least bask in the more or less complacent satisfaction that it has not utterly failed in any of its ambitions. It started out to serve the interests of radio fans, and, in a broader measure, the interests of everybody interested in any way in radio. How well this earnest attempt has been appreciated and understood is amply shown by the fact that each year has seen an increase in its army of newsstand purchasers, in its impressive paid-in-advance subscription list and in its advertising patronage.

But the greatest satisfaction of all comes in the knowledge that we, the editors and publishers and entire staff have succeeded in building a good will that is splendid in its size and vastly potential in its possibilities.

Let us not discount the value of good will. It is that intangible but tremendous something that empires, republics, great corporations and combinations, and big and little men have attempted to create throughout the centuries. Those that have failed have done so because there was a basic weakness somewhere in their structures. Those that have succeeded have created an asset that cannot be measured by the yardstick of dollars.

Therefore RADIO WORLD, in building up a magnificent good will, has done something worth while and lasting. We know we have done this. Letters in our daily mail prove how closely we have grown to the hearts as well as the intellects of our readers. They trust us. They know that our first regard is for the interests of our readers. They know that truth as we see it is reflected in our reading columns. They know we are not afraid. They know also that in this strength that is ours we are not unbearing, nor vengeful, nor fearful of taking sides in matters because they happen to be the sides of the weaker. Success is only worth the candle if it comes with a certain quality of humility that is no kin of subservience. We treasure our friends. If we have enemies, we do not fear them.

Service, service, and yet more service for our readers is our watchword. And so, if during our fifth year we shall add to the good will we have already seen grow to fine proportions, we shall be content.

THE EDITOR.

on the market today either howls, squeals or in some way distorts the sound. This lamentable condition of affairs is quite unnecessary. Designers have been too economical; have sought to make one tube do the work of two or more; have tolerated back-feeding; have failed to sufficiently shield the various elements of their sets. Their slogan for the ensuing year should be "QUALITY," Improve, Improve.

I hope the day of the bargain sale receiving set is past, and that from now on designers will concentrate on the task of attaining the best possible quality of sound reproduction for their customers, even if the receiver costs considerably more, and the volume of sales is thereby diminished.

RADIO WORLD, and other leading journals in this field, have in my opinion a distinct mission to perform in raising the standard of sound quality in the radio receiving sets of the future.

LEE DE FOREST.

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To RADIO WORLD:

Birthday Greetings:

May you continue to aid the Radio Industry and its patrons by your service, which has been so helpful to those who are interested in availing themselves of the information you are giving.

To your readers I would suggest that they interest themselves in learning the Telegraphic Code, wherein a wonderful field for further radio education, development and entertainment may be theirs, and thus be preparing for the next step which will be the transmission and reception of moving objects and sound, simultaneously, via Radio.

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versities, industrial plants and by individuals, which will no doubt be starting in their results.

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Very truly yours,

HENRY M. SHAW,
President,

National Radio Trade Association.

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Mr. Roland Burke Hennessy,
RADIO WORLD,
145 West 45th St., New York City.

My dear Mr. Hennessy:

My congratulations to you and to RADIO WORLD on the beginning of your fifth year. As an ordinary radio fan, I have been following you from the very start and as a rival editor, I have envied you the ability to do some of the things that you have done.

That your magazine is spreading the gospel of good radio was amply proved when demands from my own readers compelled me recently to publish one of your circuits and give you credit for it.

This is something I have never done for any other radio magazine.

Very truly yours,

HENRY M. NEELY,
Editor.

Radio In The Home.

Radio Knife Cures



THE RADIO knife, recent radio development, is shown above being put into operation by one of the nurses at the Vanderbilt Clinic, New York City. Through the cutting edge of the knife, which as will be noted, resembles that of a needle, are run high frequency currents. A cold spark is emitted, bringing about an electrical cauterization, which does not burn the tissues. (International Newsreel).

Birthday Recalls Favorites of 1922



The fact that RADIO WORLD has passed through four happy years of existence, and thus entitled to a birthday cake with four lighted candles, recalls that four years ago honeycombs were the ruling coils on tube sets and the simple crystal set was popular. Radio has learned much and progressed far since then. Multi-tube sets are the rage and circuit design has been greatly improved. Four years hence what do you suppose will be the radio situation?

THE RADIO TRADE

Fiat Loop Proves Efficient in Tests

The Fiat Loop, manufactured by the Radio Appliance Laboratory, 4,884 North Clark Street, Chicago, Ill., is a bank-wound loop of fine efficiency, as was proven in tests made in RADIO WORLD's Laboratories. This loop is officially certified by Herman Bernard for use in conjunction with the 1926 Model Diamond of the Air.

The loop is wound for a .0005 or .00035 condenser across it. Thus it is adaptable for the Super-Heterodynes, reflexes, tuned radio-frequency sets and the newer Neutrodyne.

The Fiat loop is collapsible and is thus excellent for portability. It is of very attractive appearance and excellent workmanship.

The laboratory test report follows: self-inductance, .00019 henry; distributed capacity, 17.38 micro-mfd.; natural wavelength, 108 meters; resistance at 1,000,000 cycles, 8.8 ohms; wave band covered with .0005 mfd. condenser across the loop, 180 to 600 meters.

(Tested and Approved by RADIO WORLD)

Pillsbury Is Named Executive in Drive

E. B. Pillsbury, general manager of the Radio Corporation of America, has accepted the chairmanship of the committee to cover the radio industry in the annual Maintenance Appeal for the work of the Salvation Army in Greater New York. Mr. Pillsbury will appoint prominent men in the radio industry to help him in bringing the appeal to the attention of every company, executive and employee in the field.

The appeal will be before the public during the month of May, and the preliminary organization work is now being carried on under the direction of Brigadier Edward Underwood from campaign headquarters in the Knickerbocker Building. The budget calls for \$517,000, which amount will be used in financing the varied humanitarian activities carried on by the Army's 43 institutions of mercy throughout the city.

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Exports for December Amount to \$967,222

WASHINGTON.

Radio exports during December maintained the high average for 1925 with a total of 817,424 pounds of apparatus valued at \$967,222. The principal purchasers of American radio equipment during December were Australia, \$62,565; Japan, \$41,567; Argentina, \$23,391; Cuba, \$18,037; Mexico, \$37,274; Canada, \$569,746; United Kingdom, \$78,278, and Netherlands, \$15,223.

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The Split Portable

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transformer, nor shown in the diagram, hence this need not be considered further. The rest of the circuit is familiar to all who know anything about radio—a detector tube, followed by an audio amplifier.

As many who build Super-Heterodynes tackle the circuit for the first time, and have some difficulty in understanding the oscillator hookup, I will take this up specially.

A glance at the diagrams will show that the oscillator hookup is nothing less familiar than a 3-circuit tuner, with grid return to negative A. There are a primary coil, L1, a secondary, L2, and a plate coil L3. Unlike the 3-circuit tuner, the oscillator has a fixed plate coil, in inductive relationship to the grid coil, since the only object is to generate oscillations over the entire band, and this is accomplished by insuring oscillations at the highest oscillator wavelength (lowest frequency).

The primary is connected so that one terminal goes to the loop terminal other than the one that goes to grid. This of course is the grid return or low potential side of the loop. Instead of connecting the rotor plates of C1 and the corresponding loop tip to A plus direct, it is joined to one terminal of the primary L1 of the oscillator coil system, the end of this coil going to A plus. Hence the signal frequency travels in this primary and the mixing of frequencies takes place, because that primary is in inductive relationship to the secondary of the oscillator coil.

The condensers used for tuning were the General Radio Type 247-N, with a maximum capacity of .00035 mfd., and operating on a straightline wavelength characteristic. Hence a loop must be wound or purchased accordingly, unless one desires to use .0005 mfd. condensers instead, which is quite feasible. These

would be General Radio Type 247-F. These condensers—both types—have counterweights, without gear. While they are heavy they are extremely rugged, and one must build a portable fortified against harm by accidental rough treatment. The Fiat loop suits 247-N.

The coil problem is a small one, since the loop is the radio-frequency tuning coil and will be purchased or wound by the constructor, and the oscillator coil may be a 3-circuit affair designed for .00035 mfd. tuning, and from which turns are removed until the dial readings of the oscillator are the same as those for the modulator. This identity of dial readings seems to be an important factor with many fans, and as it is hard to make coils commercially so as to insure such synchrony, fans desiring the much-vaunted benefit may resort to the turn-off method. The Sickles coil was used in the laboratory model and had the combined merit of efficiency and compactness. Moreover, its binder renders it relatively moisture-proof, a consideration of first importance where one builds a portable which inevitably must be put to the test of the cool damp air of mountain and lakeside nights.

On the score of departure from ordinary hookups, besides the three-fold audio transformer coupling, fully justified, there will be noted the absence of a potentiometer as a stabilizing agency and the presence of only one rheostat for the entire chain of tubes. The potentiometer was found unnecessary. As the hookup stands, the bias on the grids is $1\frac{1}{2}$ negative, amounting to the rheostat drop, excepting the modulator and the second detector, which have grid returns to positive A. If this negative bias is found to induce too much free oscillation for the rheostat to control, the grid return of tubes (3) and (4) may be connected to negative filament, instead of to negative A, so that there will be zero bias on the grid. If the set is properly constructed this is bound to be a free oscillation squelcher.

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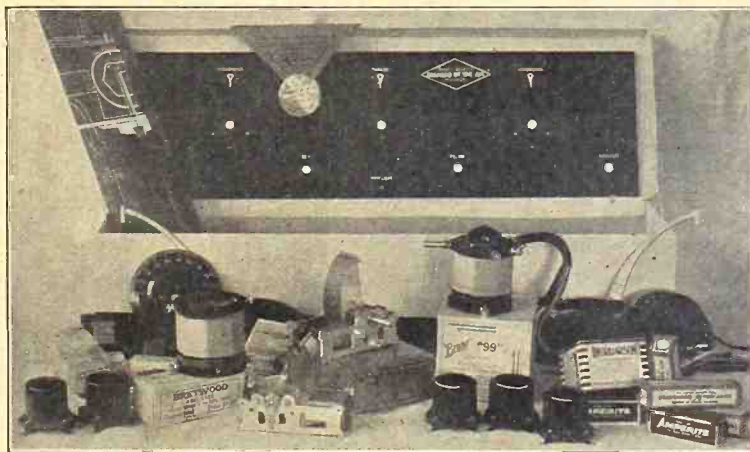
In explaining his theory, Mr. Stockbarger said he found that by means of an apparatus which he had constructed he could send messages great distances by means of an extremely powerful searchlight so focused as to maintain a narrow beam throughout its range. Since the light waves most concerned in carrying the radio signals are those at the short wave end of the spectrum in the region of violet and ultra violet, it was obvious, he said, that the process when refined would employ only the invisible ultra rays.

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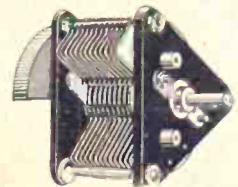
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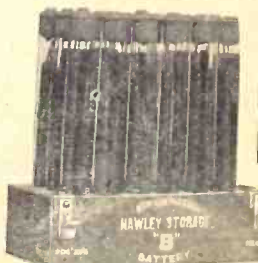


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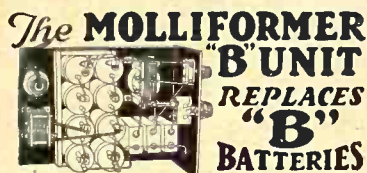
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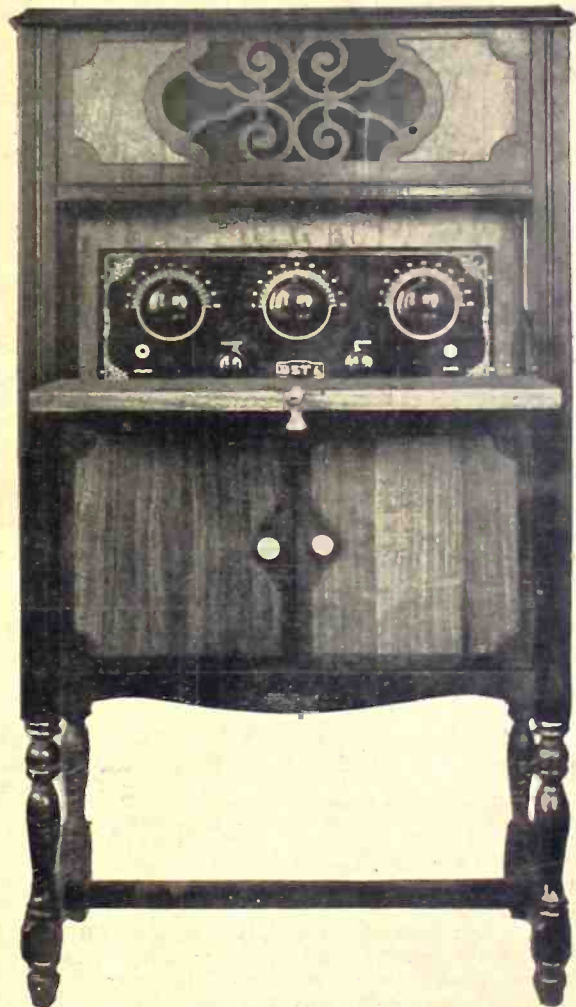
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RESULTS EDITOR:

After reading the results that are being obtained by others with the Model Diamond of the Air receiver I feel it is my duty to tell of my own results. The volume obtainable from this set is tremendous.

During the international test week I picked up 5WA, Cardiff, Wales. At times the strength from this station were so loud that it could be heard throughout the room. I obtained a certificate of confirmation from the Chicago "Tribune." Other stations that came in during this week were 6KW, Tunica, Cuba, and CZE, Mexico City, Mexico. Stations WGHT, KOA, WBAP, KPRC, WRR and WSMB are considered locals.

I wish to extend my congratulations to RADIO WORLD for publishing such an efficient hookup.

GEORGE MALISKI,
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RESULTS EDITOR:

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JOHN BLACK,
340 E. 55th St.,
N. Y. City.

RESULTS EDITOR:

I have constructed the Powertone, described in the Aug. 29, Sept. 5, 12, and Dec. 12 issue of RADIO WORLD. I find it to be the best set that I have made in the last two years. I can get stations in Miami Beach, Fla., on the loud speaker with ease.

S. W. FABER,
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RESULTS EDITOR:

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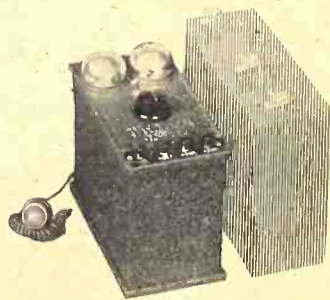
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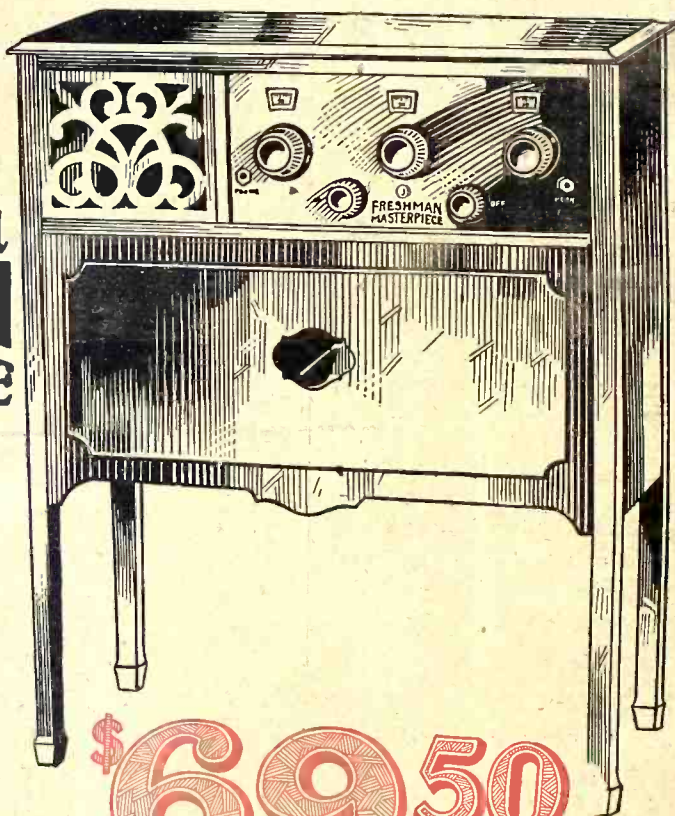
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