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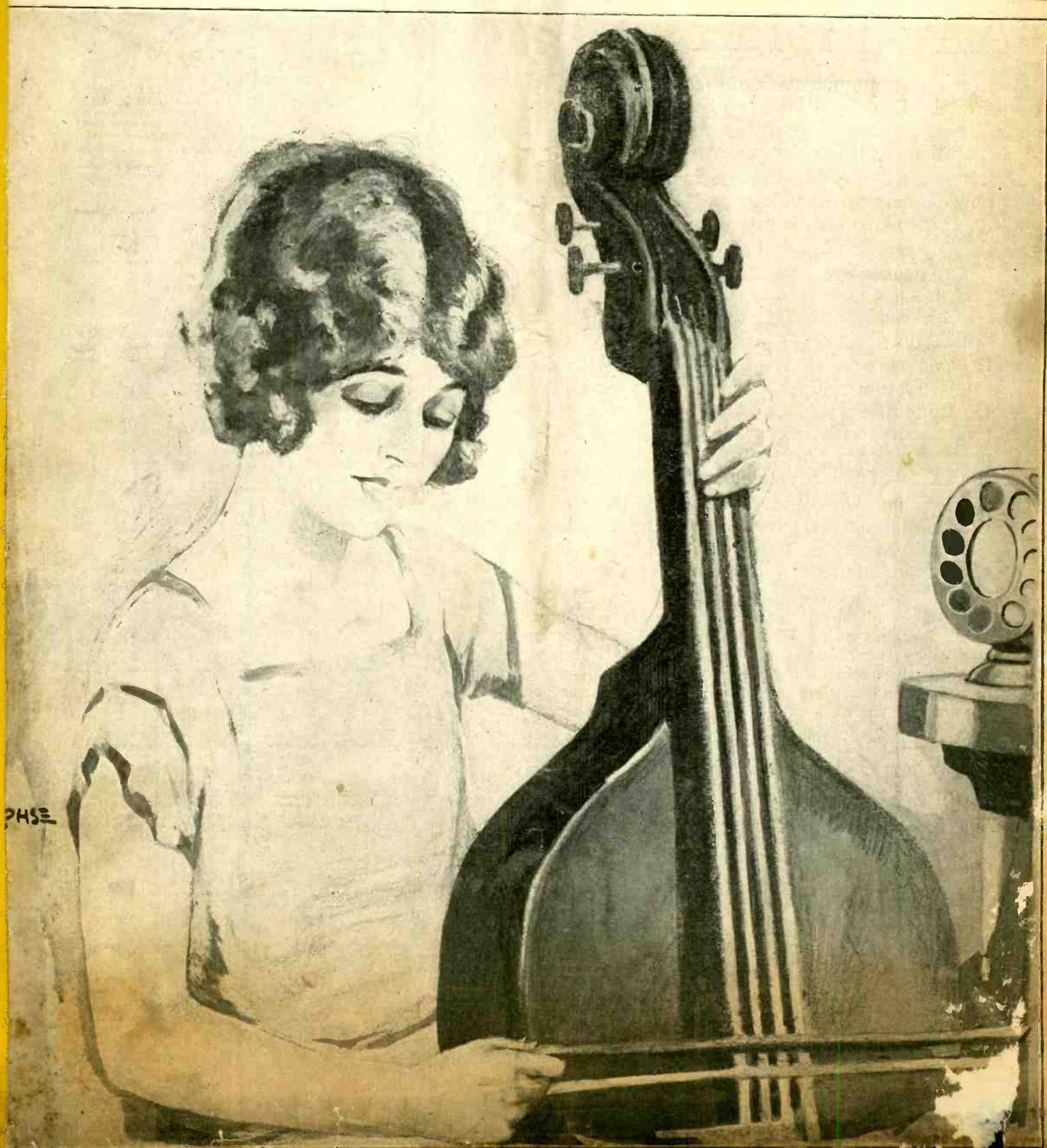
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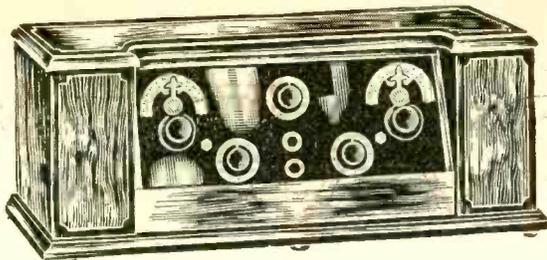
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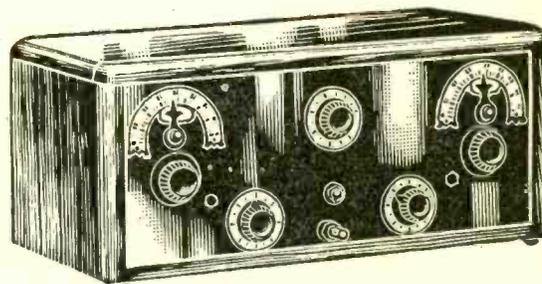
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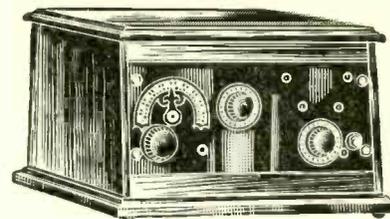
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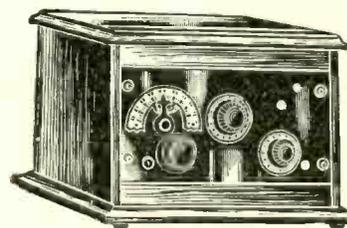
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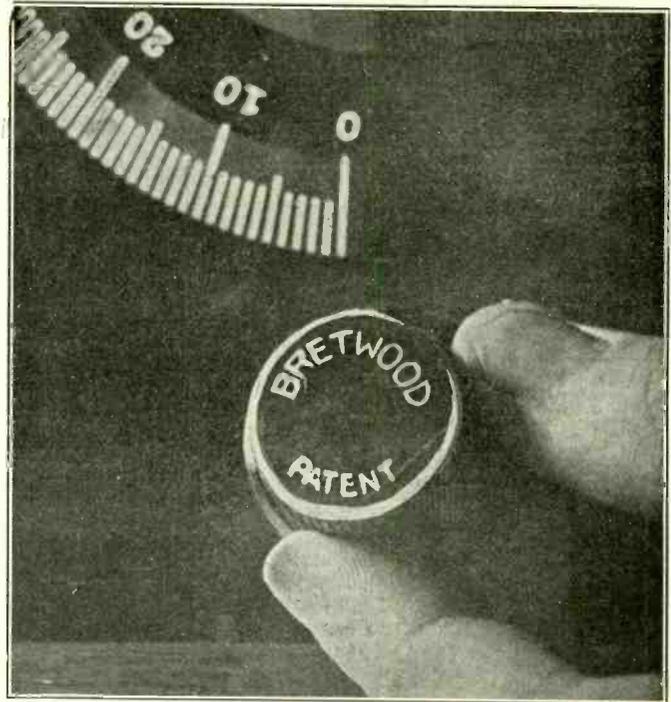
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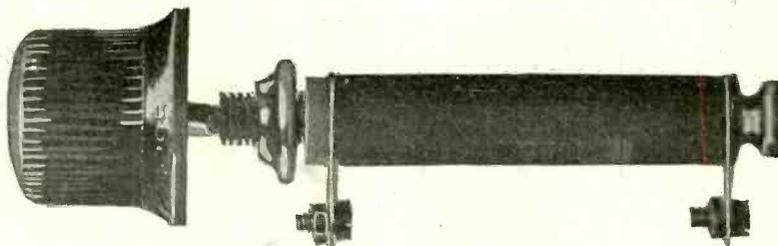
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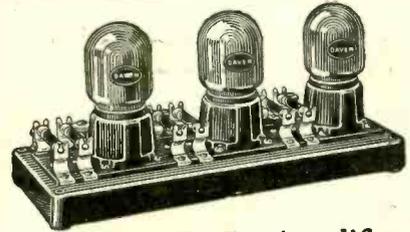
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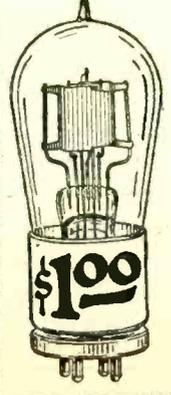
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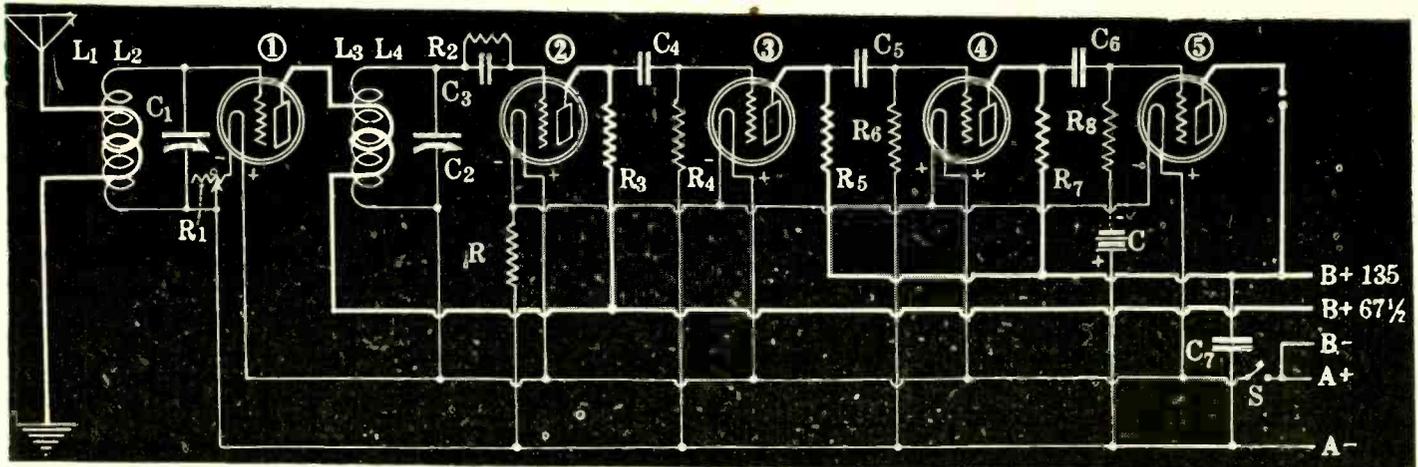
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## The 2-C Set for Simplicity



THE WIRING DIAGRAM of the receiver. The primaries (L1 and L3) of the coils are shown in heavy white lines. (Fig. 1).

By Capt. P. V. O'Rourke

THE 1-tube regenerative set is very popular, because it represents the greatest efficiency obtainable from a single tube. Yet by using a stage of tuned radio-frequency amplification, and leaving out the regeneration, so that one will have a set quiet in operation, a degree of sensitivity is achieved that surpasses the best performance of the 1-tube regenerator. Such a hookup is shown in Fig. 1, with three resistance-coupled audio stages added. This gives a sufficient volume to operate a speaker on any receivable station, except a notoriously weak one, and assures as fine a quality of tone as it is possible to produce.

### Control of the RF Tube

Any tendency toward over-oscillation in the radio side of the circuit, should such develop, is controllable by using the rheostat R1. This should be either 20 or 30 ohms if tubes are used that normally require 5 volts at the filament. The maximum resistance of course is higher than what is necessary to produce 5 volts at the filament terminals from a 6-volt source, but this is because the rheostat performs the double function of dropping voltage and varying grid bias. For most of the broadcast range of wavelengths it will not be necessary to bother with the rheostat setting but for the lower waves a slight adjustment may be advisable, to cut in more resistance, heat the filament at a lesser temperature, and increase the negative bias on the grid. Also, in the reception of signals from distant stations the rheostat will help considerably in clearing up roughness which often characterizes signals from far-off places, no matter what type of set is used.

### The Receiver is Simple

A study of the diagram (Fig. 1) will confirm the fact that utter simplicity characterizes the receiver. The two coils, L1L2 and L3L4, are the only inductances, and these are shunted by variable condensers of suitable maximum and minimum capacity. For convenience in tuning

in stations on the lower wavelengths, straight line frequency condensers were used, and as these have a very low minimum capacity it is possible to tune from well below 200 meters to safely above 550, and that comprises the entire broadcast wavelength spectrum.

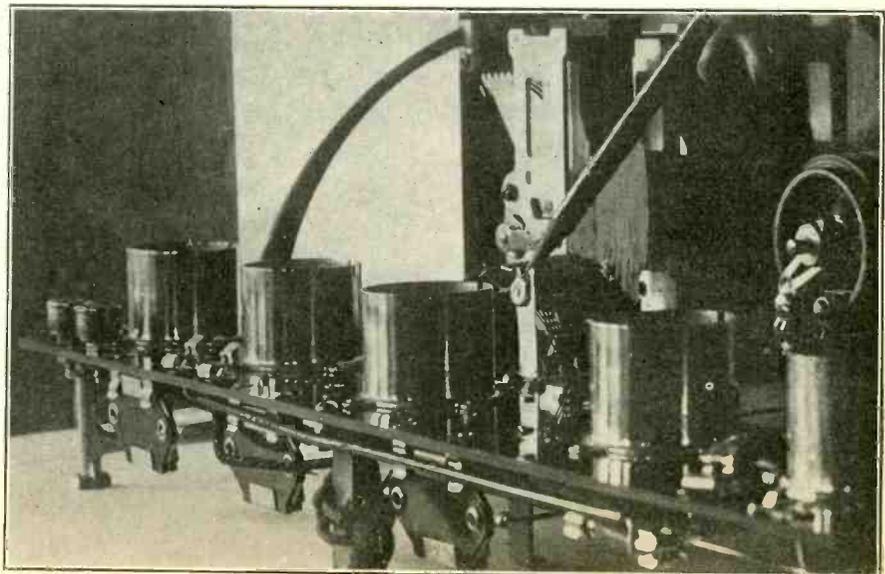
### Grid Returns Differ

There are a few points in the construction of the receiver that deserve special mention. One is that the grid return of the secondary L2, across which C1 is connected, is made to negative A battery, while the grid return of the coil L4, which takes care of the detector input, is to positive A. As for the positive A, no mistake can be made, since there is no resistance, rheostat, ballast or other such device in the positive leg anywhere in the circuit, but in the tuned RF stage one

may easily make the mistake of connecting the low potential potential end of L2 to the negative filament, instead of to negative A, in which event the desired grid bias variation would not be obtained.

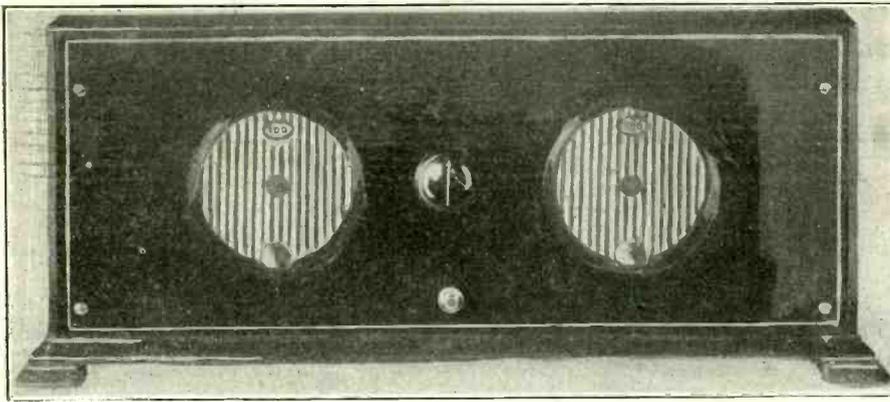
Tracing the lead in the diagram, from the minus A battery post at extreme right, one sees that it goes uninterruptedly to the grid return terminal of L2 and simultaneously to the rotor plates of the variable condenser C1. But the rheostat is in series with this lead and the negative terminal of the tube filament.

Connect the rheostat in such a manner that when the arm first makes contact with the winding the maximum resistance is in the circuit and the tube lights dimly, scarcely at all, but grows brighter as the arm is turned. Should you make the connection mistakenly the tube will light at its brightest immediately and the rotation



HOW the coils are mounted. A brass right-angle with a 1/8" base is fastened to the socket strip with a screw and nut. A long screw, inserted through a 1/4" tubing, is passed through an aperture in the coil and secured to the cutout top of the brass mounting.

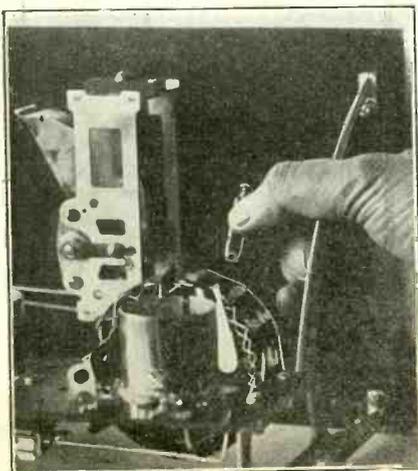
# Panel and Rear Cabinet View



**THE PANEL VIEW.** The set is shown in a 7x18" piano hinged cabinet, with feet. The dials are vernier, not SLF, as the tuning condensers they actuate are SLF. The dial for C1 is at left, that for C2 at right. The rheostat R1 and A battery switch S are the only other panel-mounted parts.

of the rheostat knob will reduce the temperature of the filament. The remedy is to reverse the connections to the rheostat.

No bias, save the variable kind afforded by the rheostat R1, is used in the radio side of the circuit, and at only one point is a negative bias introduced on the audio side. This is in the last stage, and the reason for the inclusion of the C battery there is that the B plus 135 lead is connected to one of the speaker terminals, the other speaker cord tip going to the plate. Hence there is no supplementary resistance introduced in the plate lead like R5 and R7 in the preceding audio stages, and R3 in the detector plate lead. These resistors cut down the net applied voltage at the plate with such severity that no special bias is necessary, but if a C battery is omitted from the final stage the current drain on the B battery, rated in milliamperes, would be so great that the B battery upkeep would be discouragingly expensive. Hence the C battery is introduced primarily from considerations of economy. As to quality, that is relevant in connection with the C battery particularly when a power tube is used in the last stage, since with no conductive grid return at all the quality will be about the same, so far as the normal ear can judge, as with the correct C negative bias. In other words, C minus may be left dangling, connected nowhere, and the volume may turn out to be very good. Then when you connect this lead to some incorrect voltage pole of the C battery block you find that volume drops 50 or 75 per cent. and usually to the accompaniment of grating distortion. The problem then is to find the right post. The in-



**THE hollow tubing, with screw head protruding, is shown just before being passed axially through the coil. The mounting is shown in white, tilted.**

## LIST OF PARTS

- Two radio-frequency transformers, L1-L2, L3L4.
- Two .00035 mfd. SLF variable condensers, C1, C2.
- Two 4" vernier dials.
- One 1-ampere ballast, R.
- One 20-ohm rheostat, R1.
- One grid leak, R2.
- Three .1 meg. resistors, R3, R5, R7.
- Three leaks, R4, 0.5 meg.; R6, 0.25 meg.; R8, 0.1 meg.
- Five-gang socket shelf, 17x2½", with sockets.
- One pair of brackets.
- Four fixed condensers, C4, C5, C6 and C7, .25 mfd. each.
- One grid condenser .0002 or .00025 mfd., C3.
- One 7x18" panel.
- One pair of phone tip jacks.
- One A battery switch, S.
- One battery cable, with marker.

clusion of the biasing facilities makes it doubly handy to use a power tube in the last stage, for without bias one cannot be used.

If the UX120, which draws .16 amp. at the filament on 3 volts, is used for the last stage, an extra ballast will have to

be included, in the negative leg of that tube alone, to cut down the wattage.

If a power tube is used in the last stage, and the diagram followed exactly as shown in Fig. 1, the UX112 should be used, but R in that case should be a Daven 1¼-ampere ballast, because the 112 draws .5 amp., not .25 amp. It operates best with 5 volts at the filament.

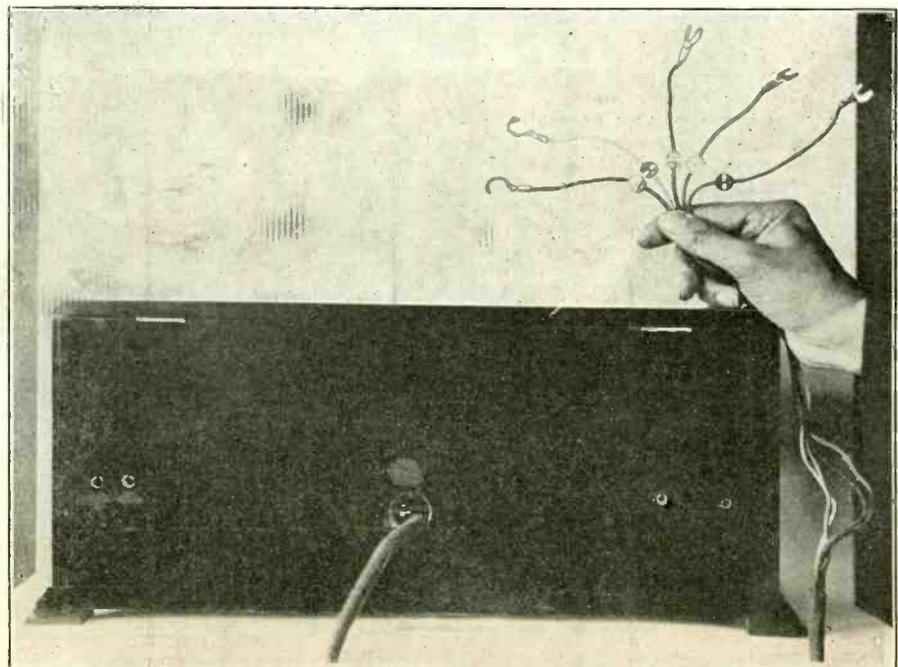
If a UX120 is used, as this tube requires only 3 volts at the filament, R should be ¾ amp., while an extra ballast, Amperite No. 112 would be necessary for the last tube alone.

If a lo-mu tube of the type merchandized by the hi-mu tube manufacturers is used, such as mu-6, and if, as is usually so, 6 volts are needed at the filament, use a ¾-amp. ballast for R, and instead of hooking up the negative terminal of the last tube's filament to the balast chain, connect it direct to minus A. In other words, both filament terminals of the last tube, in such a case, would be connected direct to battery, with no intercepting ballast or rheostat.

As for the amount of negative bias to use, this will depend on the type of tube. Of course one may use the regular make of 5-volt tubes in this stage with fairly good results, too, but the power tubes, which includes the order of the lo-mu, are better. For 135 volts on the mu-6 tubes, about 9 volts negative bias is correct. One may determine this question quite readily, because with the wrong bias the volume almost disappears, while when the correct bias is ascertained the volume is as great as, if not greater than, when the C minus lead is left unconnected.

At 135 volts 9 is usually correct also for the negative bias on the 112 tubes, while at that plate voltage 22½ (a small B battery used as a C battery) is recommended by the manufacturer as the negative bias, although somewhat less has proven equally efficient in practice.

As for the other tubes in the circuit, the -01A should be used for socket No. 1, if one is using a 6-volt storage battery. The detector and first and second audio tubes (sockets 2, 3 and 4) may have hi-mu tubes, say mu-20, for in the detector stage no less than in the two succeeding stages they will enable one to obtain the greatest possible volume. As is well known, resistance-coupled amplification depends



**FOUR HOLES** are drilled through the rear wall of the cabinet. The two at left, ¼" each, are for speaker cord leads. The one in center may be ½ to 1". This is for the battery cable leads. At right are aerial and ground lead holes (¼").

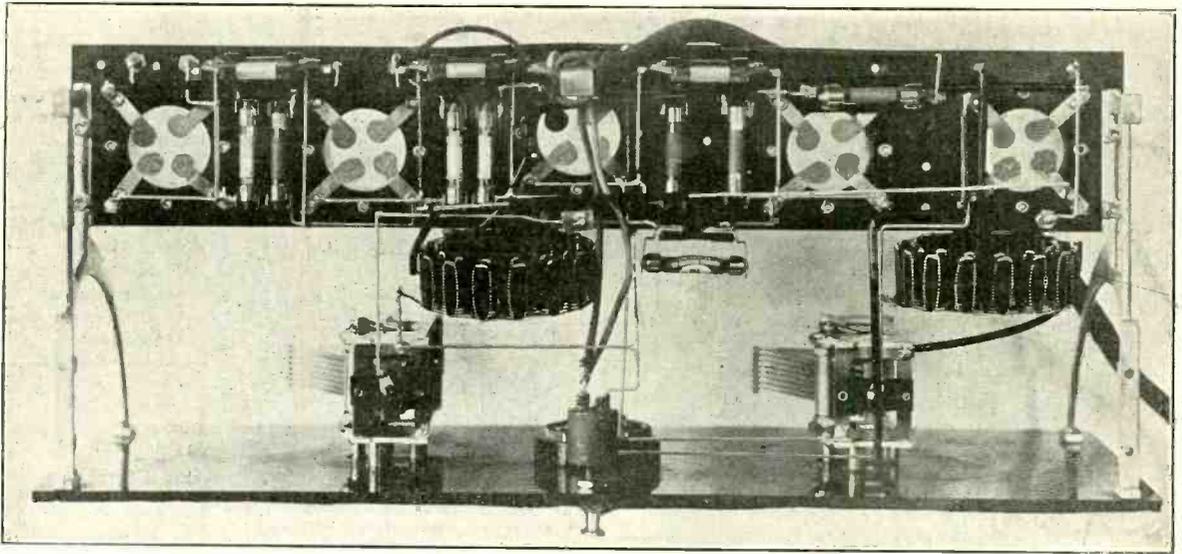
# Photos Detail the Assembling

solely upon the amplifying capability of the tube, and hi-mu tubes have such desired characteristics. Hi-mu does not stand for high mutual conductance but mu in this case is Greek for the letter "m," which supposedly was used originally to denote magnification.

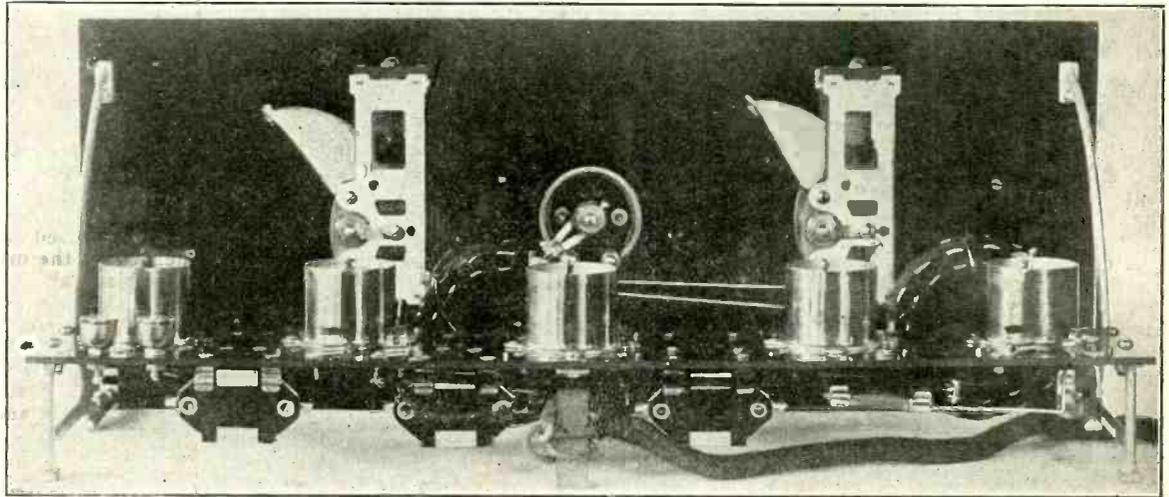
The common connection of the B plus  $67\frac{1}{2}$  lead to the RF and detector tube plates is a good plan, if it works out, as it does nearly always. This depends largely on the coil construction and the wiring, for if the detector tube is the readier oscillator, then the joint plan is not so good. But nearly always the RF tube will lead in over-oscillatory tendency, due to the winding L3. The solution, of course, would be to connect the B plus detector lead to a lower voltage tap on the B battery block. At the same time try putting more B battery on the RF plate, say 90. One must have enough B battery voltage on the plate of the RF tube to maintain satisfactory volume, but  $67\frac{1}{2}$  normally will meet this demand.

There is no provision for a telephone listening post at the detector output, as this is declining in popularity, but any one desiring such provision may include it. The outside prongs of a double-circuit jack would be connected to the terminals of the mounting for R3. The prong contacting with the external lead to the plate would go to the fixed condenser C4, as well as to

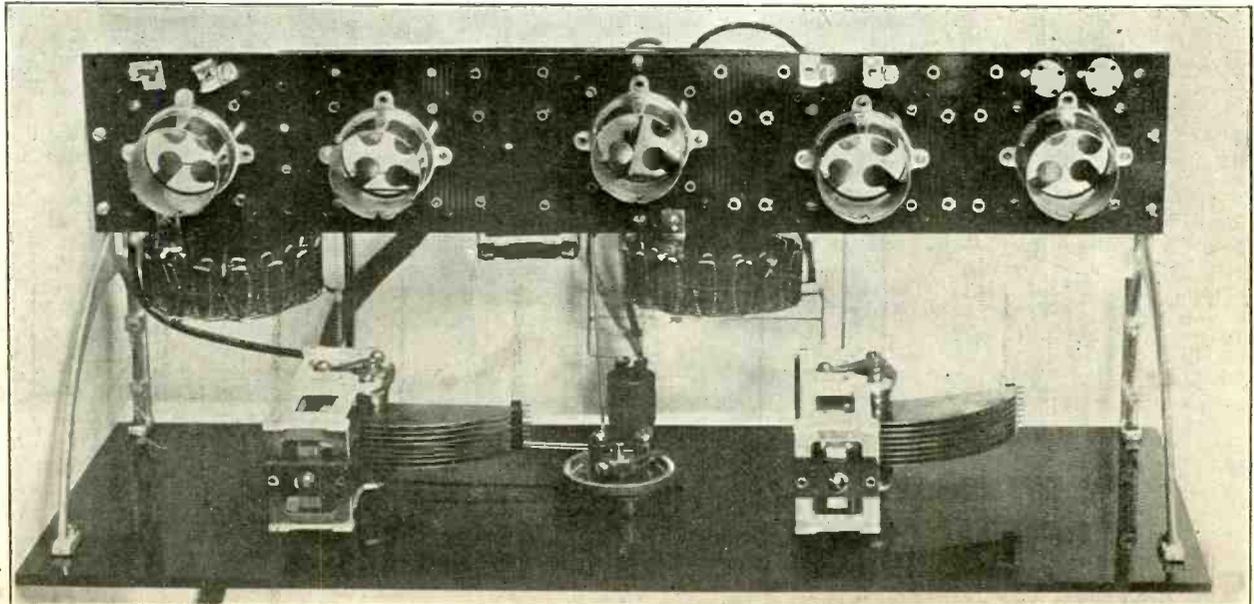
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**BOTTOM VIEW**, with panel toward you, which makes the wiring in the right-to-left direction. Hence L1L2 is the coil at right and L3L4 is near center. The sockets are, right to left, 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5. R3, the 1 ampere ballast, is at right, rear, while the coupling condensers, C4, C5, C6, are about in the same line. Right to left the resistors (at right angles to the length of the socket shelf) are R3, R4, R5, R6, R7 and R8. At center of the strip, front and back of middle socket, are two supports, to prevent the shelf from sagging. C7 is not shown as it was placed on the batteries proper, between A- and B+ 135.



**THE REAR VIEW** shows the details of the variable condenser mounting method and reveals the location of coils, sockets, coupling condensers, rheostat, battery cable and the ballast.



**LOOKING DOWN** on the inside of the receiver. The clips at left rear are for aerial and ground. The other clips, behind the fourth socket, are for C+ (at left) and C- at right. The phone tip jacks, for speaker cord tips, are at extreme right, rear. The grid leak, mounted on condenser clips, is visible.

# A Chemical B Eliminator

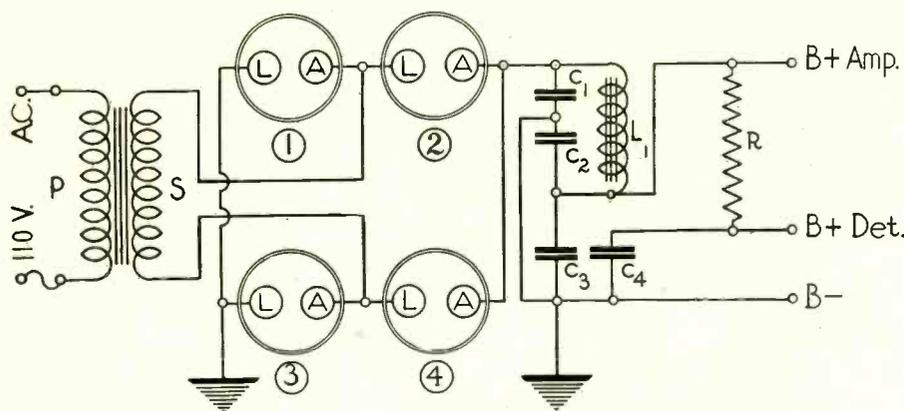


FIG. 1—The electrical diagram of the chemical rectifier B Battery Eliminator.

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A SIMPLE B eliminator is shown in Fig. 1. Instead of a vacuum tube being used to rectify the current, chemical cells are employed. The use of the chemical cells enables the making of this eliminator in a very small space as compared with eliminators that employ the tube. This eliminator was built in a cabinet  $10\frac{3}{4}$ " long by  $4\frac{1}{2}$ " wide. The depth of the cabinet was  $5\frac{5}{16}$ ". The eliminators which employ a tube as a rectifier usually require a cabinet 12" long, 5" wide and 7" high.

The weight of the eliminator in the cabinet, which was composed of a form of sheet metal was  $6\frac{1}{2}$  pounds. The weight of the usual eliminators using tubes is 15 to 20 pounds. This is due to the extremely large condensers and chokes which have to be employed to obtain the best results. There is no doubt that those eliminators which employ tubes will be built in small-sized cabinets and weigh little in the future.

An objection of the chemical eliminator is that it requires attention. That is, water has to be added to the chemical cells. Also one must realize that B battery eliminators, as a rule, do not function "humlessly."

## The Chemical Cells

Each one of the jars which contain chemical rectifying properties should be able to stand 30 volts of the current, that you are presumably attempting to rectify. Let us take an example of just what this means. If a step-up transformer we are employing gives 120 volts (secondary voltage), 4 jars should be employed, 2 on each side of the line.

Now for the jars. These can be bought in any hardware store and may be pint preserving jars. Instead of the usual method of getting some hard rubber and sawing out a round piece to fit the top of jar, we are going to use the tin cover. Take the cover off and exactly in the center drill a  $\frac{1}{2}$ " hole. This hole is used for putting solution in the jars so as to minimize evaporation.

This hole will be rough. File it down and get a piece of bakelite hard rubber fibre or even plain soft rubber tubing that will fit in the hole. Insert tubing and let it drop to  $\frac{1}{2}$ " beneath the surface of the cover. Now drill two holes for holding of the electrodes, these being  $\frac{3}{4}$ " away from the center hole on each side. Drill holes large enough for the ordinary machine screw to pass through,  $\frac{3}{16}$ " being the common size.

## Getting the Plates

The plates may be bought of Eimer and

Amend, Eighteen Street and Third Avenue, New York City. Purchase about 14 feet of absolutely pure sheet or rod aluminum and lead,  $\frac{1}{8}$ " thick. If you are mathematically inclined you can find out how many inches of plate surface are required for so many milliamps that are being used in the plate circuit.

For every square inch of the elements surface, present in the solution, 41 milliamperes of current, which is on the plate of the tubes, is to be allowed, that is, if the plates are drawing 100 milliamperes, then there should be allowed 2.4 square inches on the surface of the electrodes, which are immersed in the solution. For the 201A tubes the plates should be cut as follows:  $2\frac{1}{4}$ " long, 1" wide and  $\frac{1}{8}$ " thick. Cut in 1" from either end and  $\frac{1}{2}$ " from both sides. The plate will then look like a handball racket. One-half inch from cut in section, make a right angle bend, and drill a  $\frac{3}{16}$ " hole so that the machine screw from the top of cover will fit. For insulation purposes, put a  $\frac{1}{8}$ " thick piece of bakelite between plate and cover, where the screw passes through.

This is done to all the plates for the four jars that are necessary in this case. There will be one aluminum plate and one lead plate in every jar.

## Simple Solution

The solution is very simple to make. Ordinary borax is used here. Get about 1 lb. and dissolve in distilled water. Be sure that the solution is thoroughly cleaned as per: Borax cannot be dissolved completely by water, so mix the solution for about 30 seconds, and then let the borax sediment settle on bottom. Either filter out or siphon out the clear solution. Each jar is filled with this solution, the plates being covered up until the cut in, on the plates are present. Put a little rubber cork in the center hole for prevention of evaporation. To prevent evaporation put a  $\frac{1}{4}$ " coat of mineral oil on top of solution.

We cannot yet use the rectifier, as the plates are not formed. Get all the jars that you have made, and put them across the AC line, in series with a 200-watt lamp, for 10 hours. The aluminum plate will have light gray covering of oxide and the lead plate will have a dark brown covering when the plates are formed.

If after some weeks' operation, the jars heat up, better make new jars. The aluminum plate will look green, if operating perfectly, when in use with the transmitter.

## What Is Used

In commercial practice, aluminum and lead rods are used. The aluminum rod is  $\frac{1}{4}$ " in diameter, while the lead rod is  $\frac{3}{16}$ " in diameter. Be sure that these ele-

## LIST OF PARTS

- One A.C. Step-up Transformer (Shore).
- One choke coil, L1 (Shore).
- Four chemical rectifier cells, 1, 2, 3 and 4.
- Two 2 mfd. fixed condensers, C1 and C3.
- One 4 mfd. fixed condenser, C2.
- One  $\frac{1}{2}$  mfd. fixed condenser, C4.
- One 100,000 ohm resistor, R.
- Four binding posts.
- One cabinet.
- One electric cord with plug.
- One fuse.

ments are pure. When the rods are employed, a rubber cork will have to be used, so that holes can be drilled and the elements inserted.

## The A.C. Transformer

This transformer is constructed in the same fashion as the A. C. Step-up Transformer described by myself in the December 19 issue of RADIO WORLD. The only difference lies in the number of turns. The primary contains 1,000 turns of No. 26 enameled wire, wound in a haphazard manner. The secondary contains 150 more turns or 1,150 turns. This allows a small step-up, which is due to the internal construction of the chemical cells. Instead of there being six terminals as on the other step-up transformer, there are only four, the filament (two terminals) winding being left off. The four terminals will then be on the top of the head, all opposite to each other, one on each corner of the head. Be sure to carefully insulate the primary from the secondary winding, with heavy manila paper. See that the ends of the paper hit up against the sides of the head, so that there is no possibility of the primary winding hitting the secondary winding, thereby shorting the windings.

## Making the Choke

The choke coil L1 is made in the same fashion as the transformer. There are 6,850 turns of No. 30 enameled wire wound. There will only be two terminals to this choke.

## Wiring the Eliminator

Bring the flexible leads of an electric cord to the primary winding P, terminals of the step-up transformer. In series with one of the primary leads, place a 110 volt 25 ampere A.C. fuse. This is represented as the peculiar curved line in the figure. The beginning of the secondary of one of the cells 1. Bring the end of the secondary S, winding goes to the aluminum of this winding to the aluminum plate of the other cell 3. Join the lead plates or rods of both these cells together and run to binding post marked Gnd. Connect the beginning of the secondary S, which goes to the aluminum plate, to the lead plate of the second batch of cells 2. Connect the end of secondary, which goes to the aluminum plate of the first cells discussed, 1 and 3, to the lead plate of the second batch 4. Connect the aluminum plates of these latter cells, 3 and 4, together. Connect this terminal to the beginning of the choke coil winding L1 and also to one terminal of a 2 mfd. condenser C1. Connect the other terminal of C1 to one terminal of C2 and to the Gnd post. Connect the other post of C2 to the end winding of the choke coil L1. This connection goes to the B + Amp. post and to one terminal of resistance, R. This same connection goes to one terminal of C3. The other terminal of C3 goes to the Gnd. post, to

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# Multiple Condensers in Practice

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THE use of multiple tuning condensers in radio receivers sometimes gives rise to problems that may baffle the home constructor. There are several ways of discovering the road to synchrony. The objective is to have all circuits tune to the same wavelength for a given setting of the dial which actuates the multiple tuning condenser. As the same underlying practice applies to any multiple condenser, the double or two-section type will be taken as the basis.

Fig. 1 shows the circuit diagram for wiring a 2-control set which comprises one stage of tuned radio-frequency amplification and a non-regenerative detector tube with tuned input. Notice that the grid return of the RF stage—the terminal of L<sub>2</sub> other than the one that goes to grid—is connected to minus A, while the detector grid return is to positive A. Also, observe that the grid leak, R<sub>3</sub>, is connected in the conventional fashion, in shunt with the grid condenser C<sub>3</sub>.

### Three Changes

Now, as we proceed to convert this into a single-control set we reach that stage of development represented in Fig. 2. This is the fundamental principle of the Power-tone, indeed the very diagram of its RF circuit. These changes have taken place:

(1) The receiver shown in Fig. 1 has been converted from two tuning controls to one.

(2) The low potential end of the detector input secondary L<sub>4</sub>—the so-called grid return end—has been switched from positive A to negative A.

(3) The low potential end of the leak (at left in Fig. 1) has been connected direct to positive A instead of through the coil L<sub>4</sub> to positive A.

### The Grid Potentials

The object of the unification of control, of course, is the achievement of simplified tuning. The terminal of L<sub>4</sub> other than the one connected to grid has been moved over to negative A because the multiple condenser has only one rotor, hence the low ends of the secondaries, L<sub>2</sub> and L<sub>4</sub>, must be connected to the same leg of the A battery. Otherwise the A battery would be short-circuited.

The amplifying tube requires a negative grid return and this applies to all circuits and to all forms of amplification, whereas the detector tube functions most efficiently with its grid slightly positive in respect to the negative filament. This is because of the greater response in the plate circuit for a given impressed grid voltage when the tube is operated on the upper part of its characteristic curve. The problem of obtaining the required positive bias is solved by the conductive connection of positive A to the grid through the leak. The bias actually results, although one might doubt at first thought that it amounts to anything, due to the extremely high resistance of the leak, normally about 2,000,000 ohms (2 megohms). This method of connecting the leak may be utilized in any other circuit, instead of the shunt position, without noticeable difference in operation.

### C Battery Objectionable

The only other ready way of obtaining a positive bias on the detector grid would be to introduce a C battery, connected in the manner opposite to that usually employed. C minus would connect to A minus and C plus would go to the coil side of the grid condenser. This has theoretical as well as practical objections. Even if the C battery were connected as suggested and the grid condenser placed

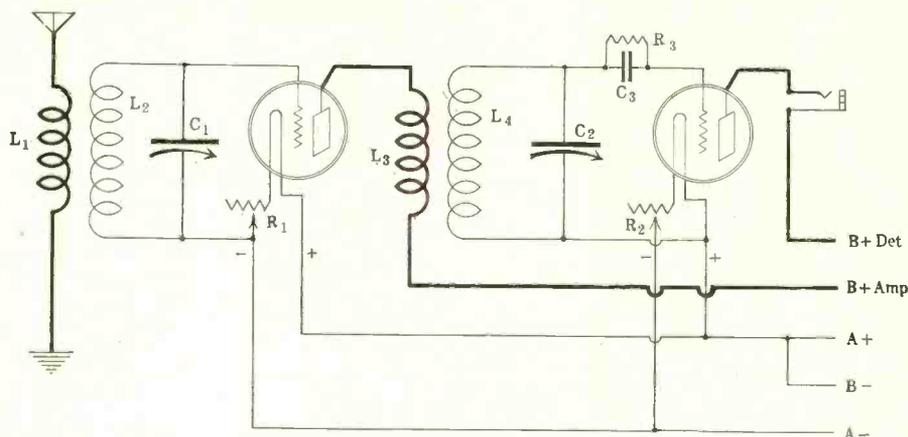


FIG. 1, the fundamental circuit that is to be converted into a single wavelength control tuner.

across it for the extra purpose of by-passing the battery, losses still would be sustained. In actual practice the positive biasing of the detector grid by the C battery method causes instability and also a considerable drop in volume.

Moreover, the grid bias is so critical that the commercial C batteries of 4½ volts, that have a 3½-volt post, too, will not afford correct bias, except by accident. Such a battery gives this range of biasing effect: 1½ volts, 3 volts and 4 volts. The 1½ are obtained by utilizing the minus 3 post as the positive terminal and the minus 4½ as the negative. This point is easy to understand when one considers that the C battery is composed of three dry cells of 1½ volts each connected in series.

### The Variation of the Bias

The biasing of the grid is very important. Usually the positive bias will contribute stability to the receiver, besides giving maximum response for a given impressed grid emf. And in the achievement of success in single control by the multiple condenser method it is indeed important to have stability at every possible point. Otherwise the set will over-oscillate with a harsh squawk, objectionable even though the surplus may be suppressed by turning down the RF tube filament temperature. In point of fact it is not the tube heating that we are so much concerned with, for if the —01A type of tube is used, the filament voltage should be 5 for best results, in the absence of over-oscillation, but the voltage may be reduced as exigencies require. In this case, therefore, the lowering of the temperature of the filament, due to cutting in more of the resistance of R<sub>1</sub>, contributes the second function, that of reducing the negative bias on the grid.

This effect may be compared with that obtainable from the use of a potentiometer, popular as a stabilizing agent a year ago. The function of the potentiometer, which is connected across the A battery in seeming short-circuit fashion, is to enable the traveller or arm, to which the grid return end of a tuning coil is connected, to be moved from the extreme negative position to a less negative position. This the potentiometer does without affecting the temperature at which the filament is lighted. The arm may be moved over to the positive side, but in that event the vice which has caused the potentiometer to lose favor runs rampant. The amplifier tube then contributes nothing to the circuit but may be a severe detriment, due to the positive bias. Hence, while a potentiometer may be used with good results, it should never be used in an amplifying circuit so as to make the grid positive, but

the grid should be maintained as highly negative as is consistent with judicious results.

### The Effect of R1

While it is possible to make the grid positive when a potentiometer is used, it is impossible to make it positive by the rheostat method of grid bias control, in any of the hookups illustrating this article, since when the tube is alight, even if the rheostat knob is set so as to cause a short-circuit of the entire DC resistance of the windings or granules, there results only zero bias on the grid, whereas when the tube is just barely lighted (with all the resistance of the rheostat in the circuit) the negative bias on the grid is equal to the difference in potential between that applied at the negative leg of the filament and that at the grid itself. Using —01A tubes, with a 6-volt battery to supply the wattage, and a 20-ohm rheostat, the drop in the rheostat will be about 1 to 1½ volts. Hence by looking at Fig. 1 or Fig. 2, and assuming a 1-volt drop, you can see at a glance that with the grid connected to minus 6 volts and the filament heated at 6 less 1 at the negative leg, the maximum negative bias would be 1 volt, and from zero bias to 1 volt negative bias is an effective range in point of actual utility.

### The Range of the Bias

As this rheostat is very important in the control of over-oscillations, particularly in a single-control circuit like the one shown, it is well to know something about the value in ohms. For adherence to the manufacturer's directions as to correct filament temperature, actually only 4 ohms would be needed, since with a 1-volt drop and a .25 ampere filament current drain the required resistance, as determined by Ohm's law, would be inversely proportional to the voltage. As the rheostat's function circles around only one volt—the five others being taken care of by the filament—the required resistance to drop the volt from the 6-volt source would be E (electromotive force, i.e., voltage) divided by I (amperage) or 1 divided by ¼ or 4 divided by 1. That is how the 4-ohm required resistance is determined. A fixed resistance if used in a circuit with such a tube, should have that value.

### 30 Ohms Work Well

But when a rheostat is used for the combined purposes of dropping voltage and varying bias it should be of a much higher resistance than 4 ohms. Even for other receivers a 20-ohm rheostat is recommended for 201A tubes, because just as good results may be obtained in many instances by heating the filament at 3 to 3½ volts, particularly in a detector cir-

# Problems of Unified Tuning

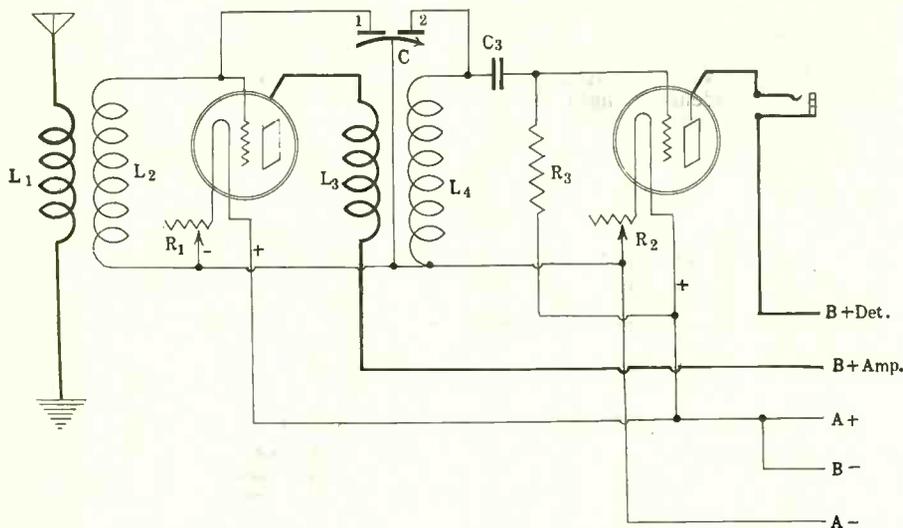


FIG. 2, the single-control circuit, which represents a 3-fold change from that shown in Fig. 1, as is explained in the accompanying text.

cuit. This does not "save" any voltage, nor should any appreciable saving be expected, except in possible extension of tube life and in slightly reduced drain.

As a stabilizing agent the rheostat may be even higher, say 30 ohms. The current drain from the A battery (amperage consumption) is of course less as the filament temperature is lowered and likewise the drain on the B battery amperage is reduced.

The discussion of the bias is important in a single control receiver of this type, and even more important where a 3-section condenser is used. When there is only one stage of RF, tuned or untuned, there is no necessity for balancing out over-oscillation by any means additional to the rheostat, while with two RF stages at least one rheostat for each RF stage should be used, but even then the other methods of balancing, such as neutralizing the tube capacities, are more satisfactory.

### The Voltages in the Plates

The plate voltage is important in a set like the one shown in the diagrams. If the B plus detector and RF amplifier voltages are on the same lead, and results are not satisfactory, isolate them, and put a higher plate voltage on the RF side and a lower one on the detector. This might be done even by connecting the RF B plus lead to the AF B plus post, which, if any resistance coupling is employed on the audio side, would be 135 volts. It is not imperative to bias the grid of the RF tube additionally.

The foregoing considerations are important because often as not if anything is amiss with a completed receiver the constructor who does not know just where to locate the trouble will conjure a diagnosis of unmatched coils or defective condenser.

### Other Trouble Sources

For the present we take for granted that the condenser is not defective, although the question of determining whether that instrument is at fault will be discussed later.

With plate voltages and bias at their best, one may then proceed with safety to an analysis of other sources of trouble.

Fig. 2 shows the hookup with the 2-section condenser designated as C and with the two separate stators marked "1" and "2," because these in Fig. 2 correspond to C1 and C2 in Fig. 1.

Proceeding to a discussion of matching coils, we will assume for the moment that the receiver has been completed. That is the worst that can happen—that

the trouble arises after all the work is done—so let us face the worst at once.

### Matching Coils

Generally poor results will attend the use of unmatched coils, but utter failure to receive signals will not be experienced if the difference in the number of turns, as between the two secondaries, is even as much as 4 to 5, say on a 3" diameter. Such a difference in most types of coils may be seen at a glance.

Therefore, simply disconnect the aerial and ground from their connections to L1 and L2 and instead connect the antenna system to the primary of the interstage transformer (Fig. 3). This gives you a simple audion circuit, not selective or sensitive enough to pick up any except strong signals. It is about on a par with a simple crystal set. Nevertheless, as you had tuned the set as a unit on previous occasions, noting the dial settings then, you know at what points certain stations came in loudest. These would represent almost without exception the dial settings of the section of the tuning condenser that governs the detector wavelength, and not the RF stage input setting. Therefore determine how the dial settings on the Fig. 3 hookup compare with those of the unit circuit as originally calibrated. If you find that higher readings result that will mean the inductance of L4 is less than that of L2, since more capacity was required to achieve a given wavelength. It is assumed that a condenser-dial combination is used that gives higher readings for the higher wavelengths. That will mean a counterclockwise dial on a counterclockwise condenser or a clockwise dial for a clockwise condenser, as it is only when the condenser and the dial work in conflict that the lower readings represent the higher capacities.

### The Test Condenser In Use

The fact that the inductance of L4 is too small may be confirmed experimentally by connecting up a variable condenser in parallel with L4, in addition to leaving intact in the circuit the No. 2 section of the condenser C in Fig. 2. Indeed, as the condenser is easily hooked up, many may prefer to try that method before introducing the aerial admidships. Any popular capacity tuning condenser may be used for the purpose, since at zero setting it will represent a very small capacity, say .00005 (50 micro-microfarad). With an undersized secondary at L4 and the test condenser at zero setting (not zero capacity, for that it can never have), it will increase volume, or when the condenser

is turned to a slightly higher capacity setting the volume will go up. Indeed it may be altogether too tremendous and it will be necessary to turn down the RF tube filament temperature to clear up the reception.

If you start either with the condenser method or the other, you need disconnect no fixed wires, because in the one case aerial and ground are removed to existing points, while in the other a supplementary capacity is introduced by bringing leads from the test condenser to L4 and leaving the condenser on the table close to the receiver. The temporary connection is made by twisting bared wire at the proper point. It will be advisable in most cases, however, to remove the receiver from the cabinet to facilitate testing.

### Add or Subtract?

Now that you have determined which secondary has the fewer number of turns you still must decide whether you must add more turns to one coil or remove turns from the other. The temptation is very strong in the direction of removal, because that is a slight piece of work, whereas adding turns is a harder job and moreover most persons would want to make the addition with the same kind of wire as the coils already contain. If the inductances are home-constructed this is easy, but if they are factory products, then the fan will have to get wire of the same size and insulation.

One must not overlook the necessity of covering the wavelength band. With most coil and condenser combinations made up during the past several months tuning is safely above and below the broadcast wavelength maximum and minimum, so that even two or three turns will not necessarily defeat the objective. But to make sure, consult your dial readings as obtained when the set was worked as a unit.

If you got the highest receivable station at 95 to 100 you can not afford to take off a single turn of wire from L4, hence must add to L2. If the reading for the highest add turns to L2. In a general way around 75 or a little more, then you must remove turns from L2. In a general way you can determine by the Fig. 3 method whether the detector input gives correct readings within the safety zone of complete coverage of the band, but if in doubt you may use the test condenser previously referred to, shunting it with some suitable inductance, and tune the plate of the detector tube to make the receiver (Fig. 4.) Then sharper tuning will result and you can locate the dial settings on the higher waves to within a division or two for maximum signal response, and on the lower end of the scale to a minor fraction of a division.

### Additional Waveband Test

Another form of verification as to which inductance has the fewer number of turns, and whether despite its minority stock of inductance a coil nevertheless covers the band, may be obtained by introducing the tuned plate in the RF side.

The determination is thus made, if need be, with a certainty. You have discovered which coil has the lesser inductance and whether it is wiser to add turns to one coil, to make up the difference and establish unity, or subtract turns from that coil, to achieve matching.

### Injecting the Remedy

Now, as to the actual performance of the operation, once the diagnosis is complete, it is a good plan to take several feet of the wire you are to use, if addition is the method decided upon as correct. Disconnect the negative A lead to the coil,

# Unit Control Trouble Shooting

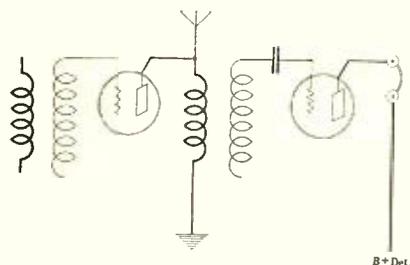


FIG. 3, a method of calibrating the detector input.

twist a bared end of the new wire to this free terminal of the winding, and put on several feet of the wire, say 10 feet. Take care not to let the existing winding spring off. You are starting with too much inductance on the coil that had too little when you add that much wire, as your eye alone will confirm, but the plan is to reduce the number of turns, one at a time, or half a turn at a time, counting the total number of added turns just as soon as volume starts to go up. Thus your sheet may start with the notation "6 turns," meaning that you added six to the number originally on that secondary (before you put on the 10 feet). In going down farther you are undertaking the risk of getting lesser volume, because you can not tell offhand just when the mutual resonance point has been found. After you have received fairly satisfactory volume results from the receiver from a given station, tune in other stations, then remove another turn and try that inductance on several stations.

## An Odd Discrepancy

Under some conditions you will get great volume on a high wavelength station and may assume the secondaries are matched, but when you receive lower wavelength stations there is a saddening absence of pep. This might denote failure of matching, for on the higher wavelengths, using a straight-line capacity condenser (semi-circular plates) one dial division makes little difference in the test circuits, largely because a given change of capacity causes much smaller change in frequency here than on the lower waves. This condition is commonly referred to as "broader tuning on the higher wavelengths," although it is not that at all, simply the electrical law in operation, the results being communicated to the dial in a manner confusing to the novice. Therefore, it is quite advisable to test as well on the lower waves, say at 341 meters or less. It is possible that the tuning condenser has unbalanced sections, a point that will be discussed.

In removing turns, one or even a half at a time, and noting the number of added turns remaining, you will reach that point where volume declines again, and thus will be able to tell how many turns of what specific kind of wire to add to the secondary L4. Then remove all the extra wire, get a fresh length sufficient for the purpose, and put on exactly that number of turns.

It must be kept in mind with great seriousness that once you get at or near the correct point, one full turn makes the difference between wonderful reception and fair or poor reception.

## A Fixed Capacity

The introduction of the test condenser method may give rise to the assumption that a given fixed capacity may be connected in shunt and left that way, to solve the difficulty of unmatched secondaries. But this is not true, since at a given frequency that small added capacity may be

a wonderful aid, but at some higher frequency it would cause a very severe departure from resonance in the two tuned circuits, for the reason previously explained. A small variable capacity, like a neutralizing condenser, might do the trick, but that would render the set a 2-control affair, with one major tuning control and one minor one. This is not a bad plan, but it is a makeshift in the sense that it does not represent strict adherence to single control of wavelength.

A manner of connecting a small condenser of the neutralizing type is to put it between rotor and one grid. Once the correct setting is established it would not be varied. Its object will be discussed later.

## Investigating the Condenser

So far the procedure has been altogether along the happy path of a successful solution of the matching problem. But let us assume that under no conditions of either "turns off" or "turns on" has it been possible to make the receiver efficient on all wavelengths. We will try to determine whether the tuning condenser is at fault.

This may be done by reinserting the auxiliary test condenser. The present experiment, remember, is one being made when the coils are adjusted as well as is possible, i.e., they are matched. If one receives signals well in a given zone of wavelengths, while at some other span of the dial there is something radically wrong, he may determine by the use of the test condenser whether the tuning condenser is out of balance. You can not put more plates on the tuning condenser, neither can you take any off, because of mechanical limitations, and more importantly for the electrical reason that the unbalance would be frightful, and probably no signals would be heard.

## The Computation

Therefore if you find that no cure presents itself except by using the extra tuning condenser, which say is .0005 or .00035 or .00025 mfd., note through how much of the 180 degrees of rotor action it is necessary to turn the test condenser from zero, and roughly compute the maximum capacity to be added. The test should be made on all receivable stations. If you find that a reading of 10 is the maximum requisite, then you may assume on the basis of a 100-division dial, that you require one-tenth the maximum capacity of the condenser. If this condenser is .0005 mfd. then you need .00005 mfd. maximum. But as condensers vary from their rated capacities, and as you desire to play safe, you may add half again as much. The small variable condenser that will be required to make up for the deficiency of the tuning condenser may be of the midget variety and it is not necessary to be particular about the

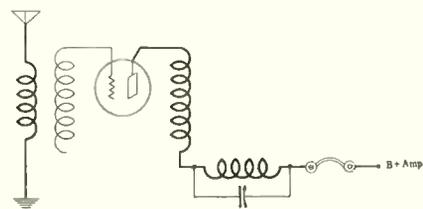


FIG. 4, tuning the plate for more definite readings.

capacity, beyond the point that you should get one of at least the computed capacity plus 50 per cent. If the extra capacity is 100 or 200 per cent. there is no harm done. But when the midget condenser is introduced in the circuit it must be panel mounted. Probably it will prove advisable to take off a turn or so from the secondary across which this small condenser is connected, to reduce the reactance otherwise brought to a point perhaps too high for convenience, due to the additional small condenser.

## Use of an Oscillator

All the tests so far discussed are based on the reception of programs from broadcasting stations, although of course one may have his own miniature station at home, sending out pure continuous waves, or interrupted continuous waves, as when a buzzer is introduced. Such a device is known as an oscillator and the waves it generates are picked up by the receiver, which is close to it. The buzzer method is not altogether satisfactory, unless one has a particularly keen ear, because of the broadness of the rectified note and the danger of hearing mechanically (that is, overhearing the original buzzing) instead of through electrical means. How to make an unmodulated radio-frequency oscillator was described by J. E. Anderson in the Sept. 12 issue of RADIO WORLD in his article "An Oscillating Wavemeter."

## Stations Join Hands To Eliminate Harmonics

In an effort to eliminate their harmonics, forty-seven broadcasting stations have equipped their transmitters with apparatus designed to eliminate this form of station interference. Most of the stations which have taken this step to improve broadcast reception are old timers or stations of national interest. The list: KDKA, KFDM, KFJF, KOB, KPRC, KTHS, KWWG, WABX, WAHG, WAPI, WBAL, WBAP, WBAX, WBBR, WBDC, WCAE, WCAP, WCAR, WCAU, WCX, WEAF, WEBK, WFAA, WFDF, WFI, WGBS, WGBU, WHAP, WHAR, WJAD, WJR, WKAR, WLW, WLWL, WOAI, WOR, WPG, WRC, WRNY, WRR, WRVA, WSAI, WSB, WSM, WSMB, WTAM and WWJ.

## Fixed Condenser Necessary When Using Main as Aerial

By E. S. Anderson

When the electric lighting system or any fixture thereof is used for an aerial either in the lead from the fixture or in the ground lead there should be a fixed condenser. Due to the contractor's method of grounding the wiring of the house circuit, or to shorts, a radio connection from lighting fixture to water

pipe may establish a direct 110 or 220-volt circuit that may raise havoc with the set, injure the operator, and blow the fuses.

I have had two such experiences among my immediate circle of radio friends, and heard of several others. In one of the cases under my own observation the results might easily have been very serious—possibly fatal.

# Expert Advice on B Voltage

**Rider, in His Third Article Analyzing the 1926 Model Diamond, Gives Scientific Facts Applicable to Receivers Generally—Approves As High As 75 Volts on the Primary of the AF Transformer in Detector Circuit—No Greater Needed for RF Amplifiers, He Shows.**

*By John F. Rider*

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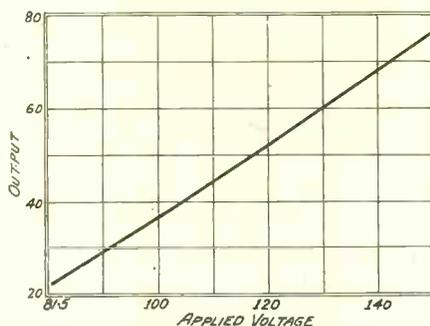
**M**ANY experimenters are prone to overlook entirely the importance of the plate voltage applied to the various tubes in a receiver, considering it as a necessary accessory, without any real significance. But the plate voltage is a paramount item when the maximum efficiency and output are desired. Without the proper values of plate voltage, the trouble taken in the design of a receiver has gone for naught, and satisfactory results cannot be expected.

Take for instance the 1926 Model Diamond of the Air. One tube is utilized as a radio-frequency amplifier, one as a detector and three as audio-frequency amplifiers. This makes five tubes in all. Two plate leads are furnished. One supplies both the radio frequency tube and the detector and one the three audio tubes. Now, the design of the radio frequency stage took into consideration the value of plate potential that was to be normally applied to that tube, since the plate voltage is a controlling factor in the extent of oscillations in the radio frequency system, by virtue of its effect upon the tube characteristics. Therefore if operation, as intended by the designer, is to be achieved the specified plate voltage should be used. This of course applies to all receivers, even though no definite value was recommended for a set.

## The Conjunctive Plate Voltage

In the Diamond the radio-frequency tube is supplied with the potential that is applied to the plate of the detector tube, which practice is entirely satisfactory in a receiver of this type, since the tendency towards oscillation in a single stage of radio-frequency is very small.

Furthermore, very little amplification is gained by applying more than 67½ or 75 volts to the plate of the radio-frequency amplifying tube, since the input grid voltage fluctuations as compared with the audio tubes are very small, and it is really unnecessary to lengthen or straighten the characteristic curve beyond that obtained with 67½ volts on the plate. And since the design of the detector circuit is such as to permit the application of a plate potential of 67½ volts, without causing the detector tube to be critical in operation, it is a very feasible plan to supply both the radio-frequency and detector tube plates from one source. With 75 volts upon the plates, the plate current drain of these two tubes is 11 milliamperes, divided equally between the two, each tube drawing 5.5 mils. The tubes used



**CURVE showing the output as measured on the basis of various applied voltages (81.5 to 150) on the 100,000-ohm plate resistors in the Diamond. This curve holds good wherever such voltages and resistors are used. The 20-to-80 scale represents arbitrary figures that show accurately the proportional increase.**

during tests were R. C. A., Cunningham and Musselman Certified, and the values quoted are averaged.

As to the operation of the detector tube, one may say very little, unless the particular tube used is at hand. The functioning of a tube as a detector is a peculiar action. Not that the rectifying action is different in the various tubes, but rather that the degree of sensitivity is a very uncertain item. Some fans due to the use of resistance coupling in some of the audio stages may forget that the detector is coupled to the first stage of audio by means of a transformer, and accordingly apply an excessive plate voltage, in order that the effective voltage be sufficient. This high voltage will cause very poor rectification, because of the complete saturation of the tube, and in addition the regeneration control will not be very stable on the lower wave band. The fan should therefore observe that the coupling medium between the detector tube and the first stage of audio-frequency is a transformer and 67½ to 75 volts applied to the plate of the detector tube is very satisfactory for all intents. These values, while slightly above the ones normally used, have been selected as the compromise best conducive to efficient operation of both the radio-frequency and the detector tubes.

## The Audio Plate Voltages

The selection of the plate voltage for the audio-amplifying tubes is slightly more complicated, in that it should be higher than is normally used for audio-amplification. This is brought about by the different coupling media used. It was customary with transformer coupled audio-amplifying systems to use 90 volts as standard, and experiments showed that this value was most economical so far as increase of output as against increase in plate current was concerned. But the growth in popularity of resistance coupling necessitated a change in this value, that is, an increase. This is necessary so that the proper effective voltage be applied to the tube plate, since the additional resistance of the coupling resistor causes a very large voltage drop. In the average audio-frequency amplifying system, using transformers, the resistance of the complete plate circuit is the sum of the tube impedance and the resistance of the transformer primary. In actual figures this approximates 14,000 to 16,000 ohms (DC). But in resistance coupled system the transformer primary is replaced by the coupling resistor, and in place of a 1,500-ohm primary resistance we have a 100,000

to 120,000 ohm resistance unit, hence the total resistance is many times that previously resulting. Now, if the same plate potential is separately applied across both values of resistance it is obvious that the drop across the higher value would result in a lower effective. To compensate to a certain degree for this additional resistance and increased drop, the applied plate voltage is increased to 150 volts, wherever it was 90 volts with transformer coupling. In fact, if it is desired to apply identical effective voltages it is necessary with resistance coupling to use approximately 200 per cent. higher applied voltages.

## What the Curve Shows

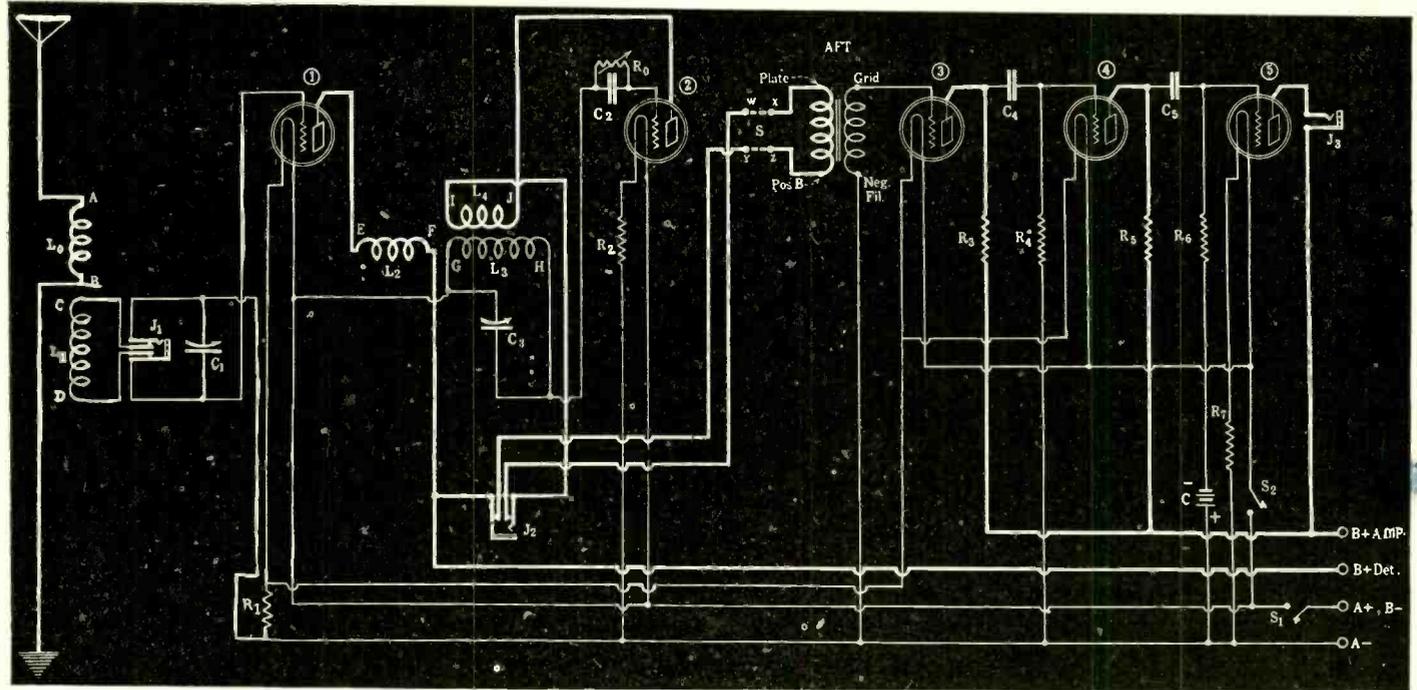
A graph showing how the output is increased when the applied plate voltage is increased is shown herewith. From this curve one may observe the difference between an applied voltage of 90 and 150. And fortunately with this type of amplification the increase in plate current is not proportional to the increase in plate voltage, being very much less. The following values are cited:

At 100 volts the output of the unit was rated as 72 and the drain was .8 of one mil. At 150 volts applied, the output was increased to 172, but the current advanced only .315 of one mil to a total drain of 1.15 mils. With 150 volts applied to the audio tubes in the Diamond of the Air receiver the total plate current drain of the entire audio amplifying system was 13.9 mils. Of this 11.5 mils was the drain of the output tube, and 1.2 mil for the first and second audio stages. It should be remembered that no biasing batteries were used when these values were ascertained. This high rate for the last tube is due to the replacing of the plate coupling resistor by the loud speaker, whose winding has a resistance value about one-tenth of that of a resistor and the effective voltage is higher. Thus the total drain of the receiver is 24.9 mils. Proper design, however, calls for a biasing battery in the grid circuit of the output audio tube. The offered hookups and blueprint embody this. The grid biasing voltage value as determined by best response was 6 volts negative and the plate current thus was reduced by 5 mils, to 8.9 mils for the last tube. The total drain of B current in the whole set, with C battery used, is 19.9 mils, not at all excessive for a 5-tube receiver of this design. This value of bias is used with a plate potential of from 145 to 150 volts with 5-volt tubes, other than the himu type.

## Plate Voltage in Resistance

Experiments conducted with various values of plate potential upon audio-amplifying tubes utilized in resistance coupled units showed that 90 volts applied was not sufficient to provide satisfactory, distortionless amplification of loud signals. The advantages that should have accrued due to the use of resistance coupling were lost entirely, through insufficient effective plate voltage. With 90 volts applied to the plates of tubes coupled with 100,000 ohm resistors, the effective voltage is about 25 to 30, depending upon the tube impedance, and experimenters have generally found that 25 or 30 volts are anything but sufficient for the plates of an audio-amplifier. This is the reason for the poor operation of many resistance-coupled amplifiers. The lower the effective voltage, the shorter the operating characteristic curve, and the more tendency for the grid to swing positive, at which time distortion cannot be avoided. By increasing the effective plate voltage, this characteristic curve is lengthened, until grid voltage fluctuations cannot swing the grid positive.

# Resistors Need High Potential



THE PLATE RESISTORS, shown in the above diagram of the 1926 Model Diamond of the Air, are R3 and R5, each 100,000 ohms. The curve on the opposite page shows that a B battery voltage of 140 gives about 1.75 as great an output as a voltage of 105 (the proportion of 70 to 40).

**Tubes Vary Greatly As to Sensitivity As Detectors —150 Plate Volts Supplied to 100,000-ohm Resistors Found Best in Resistance AF — Diamond Audio Draws 8.9 Mils, with Last Tube Negatively Based 6 Volts; Entire Receiver Uses 19.9 Mils.**

and distortion from that angle is eliminated.

**Resistors Stand 150 Volts**

It would be well at this time to consider an item found in the audio circuit that is closely allied with the plate voltage. This is the plate resistor. Being of the graphite type it is limited in the value of potential that may be applied across it, due to the disintegrating action of the voltage upon the carbon granules. If the voltage is excessive this deteriorating action takes place and the resistance of the resistor decreases, resulting in a decrease in the total voltage amplification obtainable with the tube-resistor combination. Experiments with the resistors used showed that 150 volts was the maximum potential which could be applied without causing rapid voltage and resistance fluctuations. This voltage is sufficient for all purposes, and the coupling resistors are adequate to withstand that voltage.

Now, as to the life of the B batteries when the potential is increased. Peculiar as it may seem, this angle is very seldom thought of when increased amplification via increased plate potential is considered.

One is very likely to forget that when the plate potential is increased, the plate current drain is increased, because the higher the plate voltage, the greater the current drain of the tube, and when this action is applied to a receiver it is at once

obvious that when the output is increased by the application of increased plate voltage, the life of the B battery is correspondingly decreased, due to the increased current drain. And this action occurs despite the C battery, for the biasing battery is limited in its scope when a modulated input and output are concerned.

This additional drain is of great importance when the B batteries are of the dry non-rechargeable type, since their design does not permit of a heavy overload; nor is the decrease in life proportional to the increase in drain. Doubling the load on a battery of this type will not decrease

the life in proportion, the advance towards death being much more rapid as the load is increased. So we see that the plate potential is not as small an item as we might imagine.

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[This is the third of a series of articles by John F. Rider, reporting the results of tests of the 1926 Model Diamond of the Air. The tests were made by Mr. Rider in his laboratory. Other articles are in preparation. The construction of the Diamond was described by Herman Bernard in the September 12, 19 and 26 and the November 21, 28 and December 5 issues of RADIO WORLD.]

## Demand for Nameplates Increases

Requests for free name plates for the 1926 Model Diamond of the Air are being received in greater quantity than ever. Following is a new list, representing one morning's mail on the subject:

- George Jenkins, 615½ N. Broadway, Oklahoma City, Okla.
- Wayne Messenger, R. F. D. 2, Box 99, Menlo, Iowa.
- E. Criswell, 308 Chestnut St., Phila., Pa.
- A. L. Bumpass, Sr., 162 Oakwood Place, Orange, N. J.
- J. F. Robinson, 1922 Calif. St., Omaha, Neb.
- Wm. Rowe, 326 Pilgrim Ave., Highland Park, Mich.
- R. E. Mills, Room 1115, Houston, Tex.
- W. G. Dowell, c-o Rexall Store, Dresden, O.
- Ray E. Rork, Lexington, Neb.
- J. A. Van Wynen, 5 Bentley Ave., Jersey City, N. J.
- Jay Worley, 406 South 25th St., Lincoln, Neb.
- W. S. Porter, 1208 College Ave., Indianapolis, Ind.
- John C. Herberg, 1176 Conway St., St. Paul, Minn.
- John R. McDonald, Florence, Nova Scotia, Canada.
- E. C. Barker, Box 112, Power, W. Va.
- Thomas Elliot, 14,815 Parkside Ave., Detroit, Mich.
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- Arnold W. Tholen, 1174 Jessie St., St. Paul, Minn.
- Charles E. Dougherty, 1307 Fernwood Ave., Toledo, O.
- F. E. Leppert, Box 36, Glenville, O.
- K. H. Sarson, Lake Mills, Ia.
- C. D. Shook, First Co. 34, Ludlow and Clifton, Cincinnati, O.
- Chas. Fanderson, 92 Lindsay Ave., Toronto, Canada.
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- W. E. Rinn, Harbor Beach, Mich.
- A. J. Crim, Plainville, Ill.
- Milford Glass, 147 McKinley St., Chambersburg, Pa.
- R. W. Reed, 1104 Oakley St., Evansville, Ind.
- George W. Wilde, 250 East 53d St., Portland, Ore.
- G. E. Isham, Hotel New, 730 Eddy St., San Francisco, Cal.
- P. B. Crabbs, Leavittsburg, O.
- James V. McMillen, R. D. 2, Barnesville, O.
- J. D. Evans, Route 7, Box 294, East Royal Oak, Mich.
- Burton Bailey, 9118 Folsom Ave., Cleveland, O.
- Charles Freedman, c-o Kaufman Hat Store, 501 East Tremont Ave., Bronx, N. Y. City.
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- Marinius Hansen, 9 Mission St., San Francisco, Cal.
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# Laboratory

## Reports for the Guidance of Its Readers

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New York City.

### Collodion-Amyl-Acetate Proves Suitable As a Binder for Coils—Resistance at 200 Meters 15.3 Ohms, Compared with 14.7 Where No Binder Was Used.

THE binder as a topic is more interesting than ever, due to the increased popularity of coils free of all solid dielectric winding forms, such as Bakelite, hard rubber or nbre. The importance of the binder has increased in magnitude to the point where it is a paramount item.

There have appeared upon the radio market various types of inductances free of winding forms, the turns being kept in position by means of a binder, affording a greater degree of efficiency, to a certain extent, than the average inductance. Now, discussions unfortunately too often deal more with the actual construction of the inductance, so far as mechanical features are concerned, and not sufficiently with the binding substance. In many instances the wrong binder was selected and used by the experimenter and the coil a fizzle.

Selecting a binder substance to be applied to receiver inductances is not so simple as one is wont to imagine. While all binders will function as binders, holding the turns in place and thus maintaining the inductance value constant, they will not display identical electrical effects. So that the increased degree of efficiency obtainable with this type of coil may be realized, it is highly essential that the proper binder be selected. In fact, one cannot bear too strongly upon the selection of the binder, since the incorrect binder will irreparably ruin the best inductance.

Certain high-frequency tests were made upon inductances treated with various binders. The binders selected were those most familiar to the radio fan, exclusive of the various varnish compounds. The substances considered were collodion (ingredients, alcohol absol. 20%; ether U. S. P., 73%; pyrmoxilin, 6% and castor oil, 5%); sodium silicate, and a solution of collodion and amyl acetate. The last solution was compounded from a half ounce of collodion and an equal amount of amyl acetate.

The testing arrangement is shown herewith. The 50-watt driver is to the left.

The precision wavemeter is situated between the oscillator coil and the circuit containing the coil under test, as can be observed in the photograph. The testing circuit containing the coil is in the center foreground. The oscillator is set to certain wavelengths. The test circuit is tuned to resonance with the oscillator until the current square galvanometer shows maximum deflection with the resistance of the decade box all "out." The resistance is added and the circuit retuned until the deflection on the current squared meter is one-fourth of the value previously obtained. The effective resistance of the circuit for that frequency is now indicated by the resistance dialed on the resistance box.

Following along these lines tests were conducted upon four coils identical in inductance and physical design but differing in the binder substance. Coil No. 1 was entirely free of any binder. Coil No. 2 received a thin coating of sodium silicate; coil No. 3 received a thin coating of collodion in the state as purchased in the drug store. Coil No. 4 received a thin coating of the collodion-amyl-acetate solution. Hourly tests shows that a certain time is required for each of the solutions to dry thoroughly and that unless the binder is dry the losses in the coils are increased appreciably. Also the effects were dissimilar, the advantages and disadvantages becoming more perceptible as the drying process progressed.

After a lapse of thirteen hours the coils were considered thoroughly dried and placed upon the final tests. The following determinations were arrived at: Coil No. 2, coated with sodium silicate, had the highest losses, being 33 1/3% greater at 200 meters than coil No. 1 (free from binder) and about 25% greater on 550 meters. Coil No. 3 (collodion) did not possess losses as high as those of No. 2 but they were greater than those of No. 1. No. 4 (collodion-amyl acetate) on the other hand, possessed lower losses than either numbers 2 or 4 and slightly greater

losses than No. 1 on wavelengths below 300 meters; but on wavelengths higher than this value, the losses due to the use of binder were negligible. The exact resistances in ohms at the various wavelengths are furnished herewith.

Wavelengths	No. 1	No. 2	No. 3	No. 4
200 meters	14.7	20	17	15.3
250 meters	10.1	14	11	10.3
300 meters	7.8	10.7	8.3	7.9
350 meters	7	8.3	7.5	7
400 meters	6.1	7.5	6.6	6.1
450 meters	5.6	7.0	6.2	5.6
500 meters	5.2	6.5	5.7	5.2
550 meters	5.	6.25	5.2	5.

Se we conclude that sodium silicate as a binder for receiving inductances is not suitable at all. Furthermore, the selection of the binder will have a great bearing on the selectivity and volume obtainable with the coil, since it acts upon the resistance and from these data it can be seen that collodion, as is normally obtainable, is not as good as a solution of collodion and amyl acetate. And lest we forget, the last named solution when applied to a coil renders it as immune to moisture absorption as No. 2 or No. 3. Furthermore, it keeps the turns in the proper places. Thus it has all the advantages of the other binders, without any effects which would tend to impair materially the operating efficiency of the inductance.

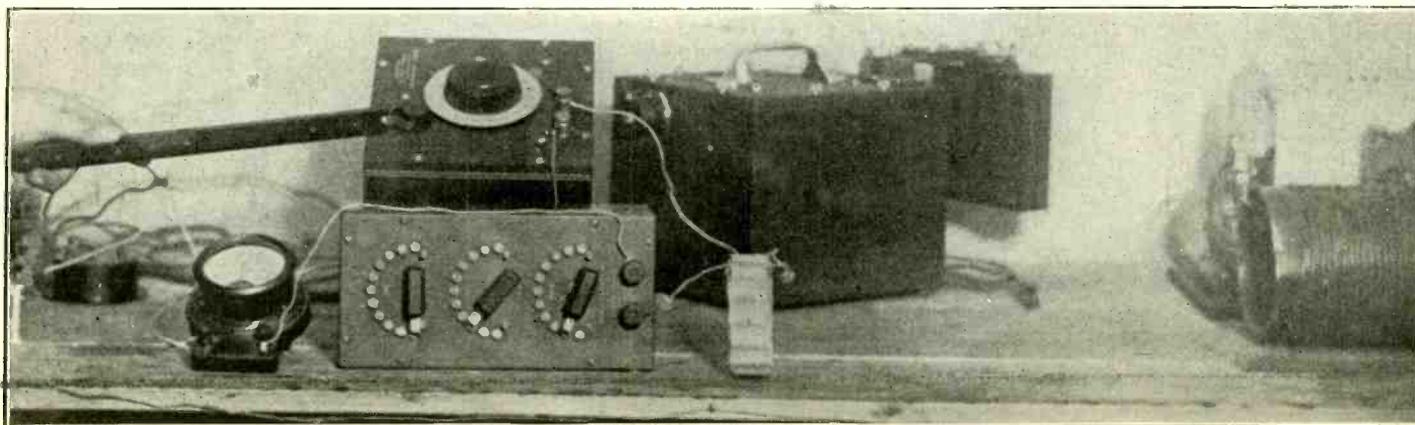
### More Freak Audio

S. S. Merrel, of Swanton, O., reports an incident similar to that of Mr. William Bothyk, of Paterson, N. J., who heard music without the aid of a horn or a pair of phones. "I was using a Roberts set that I had made myself," said Mr. Merrel. "The music seemed to come from my second variable condenser. My second audio-frequency transformer was mounted about 2" to the rear of the condenser. I believe that the core of the transformer acted the same as the magnets in a phone, and the plates of the condenser as a diaphragm. The music was loud. It would instantly stop if I would put my hand near the condenser."

### MONEY FOR MORE INSPECTORS APPROVED BY BUDGET BUREAU WASHINGTON.

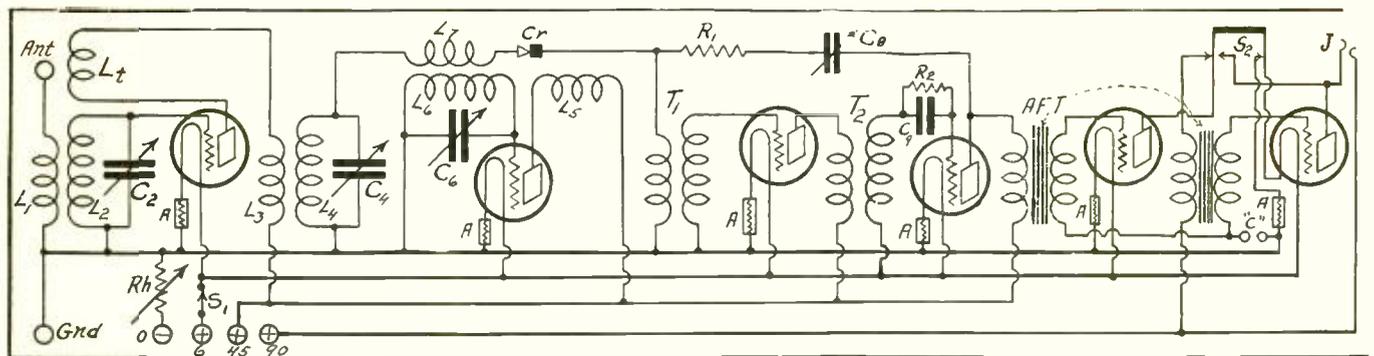
If the recommendation of the Bureau of the Budget is adopted by Congress, sufficient funds will be provided for the Radio Bureau to greatly increase its inspection field force. Such a step would result in greatly improved service to the public through the elimination of interference.

Officials of the Budget Bureau refuse to disclose the amount they have recommended for the radio service. The opinion prevails, however, that the demands of the Radio Bureau were given more consideration this year than at any previous time.

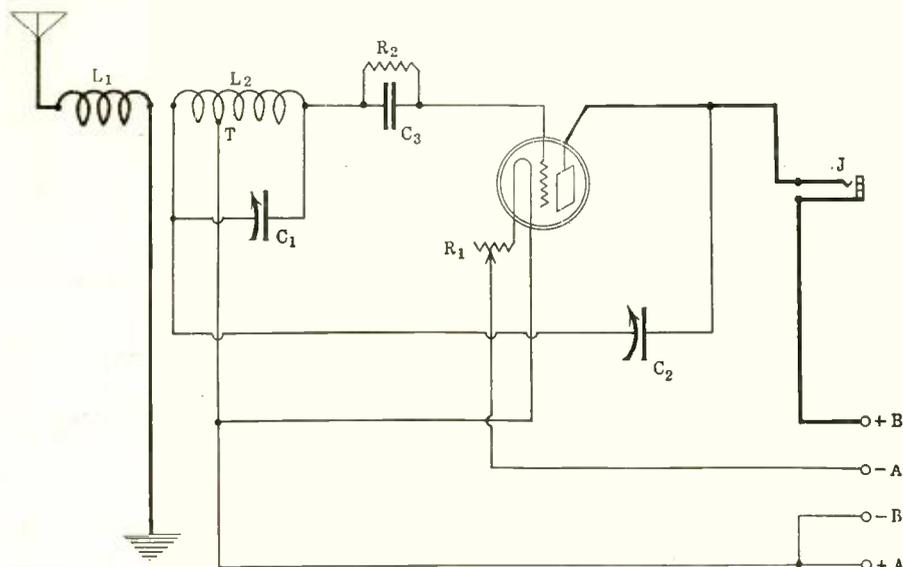


THE APPARATUS used in testing the relative efficiency of binders on coils. Note that an insulation strip was used, with clips at the end to engage the vernier of the variable condenser in the precision wavemeter. This was to obviate any body capacity effects upon the coil tests.

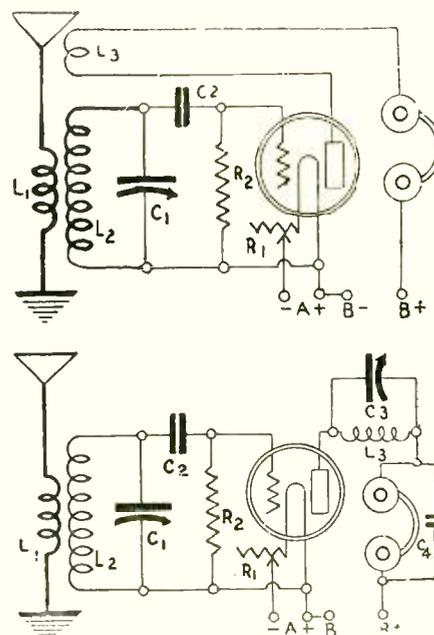
# Ten Interesting Hookups



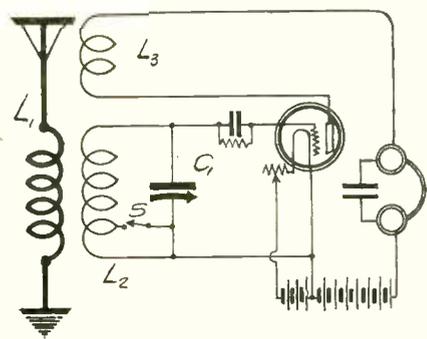
THE 6-Tube Super-Heterodyne, described by J. E. Anderson in the July 18 issue of RADIO WORLD.



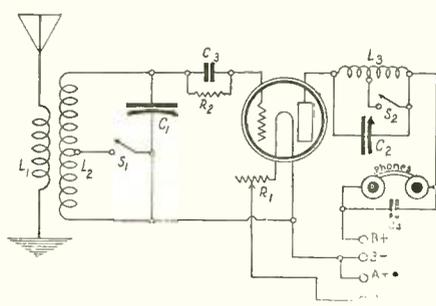
THE Bernard 1-Tube DX set, described by Herman Bernard in the Oct. 24 issue of RADIO WORLD.



Two methods of obtaining regeneration are herewith shown. In both cases, if the UV200 is to be employed, the grid return should be negative.



A NOVEL way in which a 1-tube 3-circuit regenerative set may be hooked up, so that long and short waves may be used. This is accomplished by the use of the switch S, which increases or decreases the number of turns in the secondary winding.



THE same method of obtaining long and short waves is shown in the above hookup. The only difference is in the manner in which regeneration is obtained. Instead of a coil tuning the plate, a condenser does the tuning.

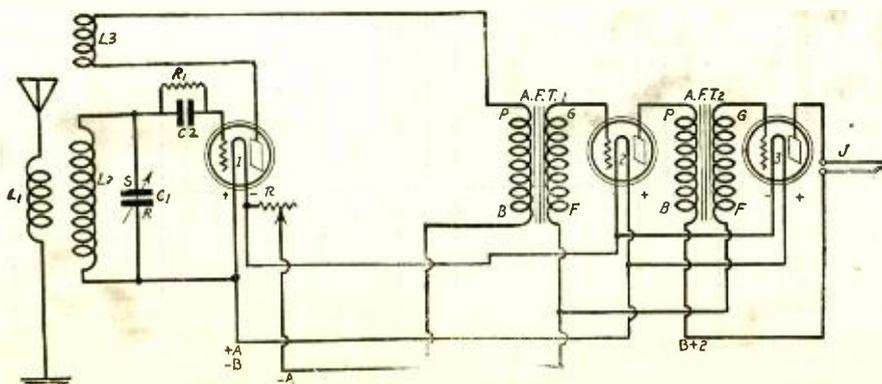
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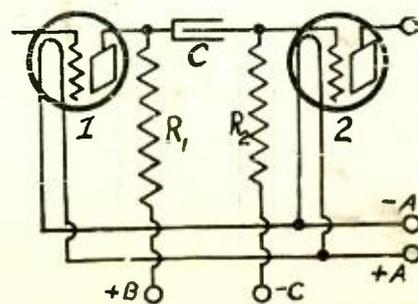
$$C = C_1 + C_2$$

(Capacities In Parallel)

TWO diagrams, illustrating how capacity is calculated. Condensers in parallel are added, while condensers in series are calculated by the reciprocal law.

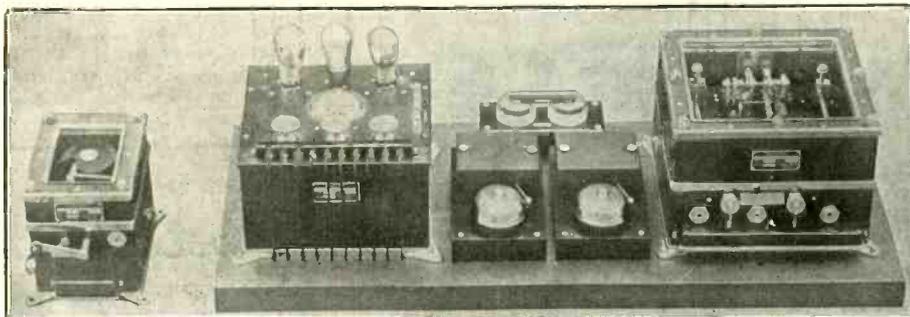


THE famous 3-circuit tuner with two stages of transformer coupled AF amplification.



ABOVE is shown the resistance-coupled AF amplification method.

### S O S Alarm Sounded Automatically



THE Marconi four-second wireless alarm device which has been designed to respond to a series of three four-second dashes. This signal, it is suggested, should be used as a forerunner of all S O S calls, with the object of making it unnecessary for ships and land stations to maintain a human watch for this purpose. On the left is the automatic four-second dash-sender, which is connected to the station's main transmitter. The mechanism is wound up by the handle shown and automatically signals a series of four-second dashes. Next is the three-tube receiver. On the right is the selector unit for interpreting the signals and putting the bells in circuit, when three four-second dashes have been received. (Kadel and Herbert).

## DeForest and Terrell Tell of the 1926 Outlook

Dr. Lee DeForest, one of the world's greatest radio scientists, and W. D. Terrell, chief supervisor of radio, U. S. Department of Commerce, gave their views of what 1926 holds for th, answering a request from RADIO WORLD. Their replies follow:

### The Less Jazz the Better Is De Forest's Opinion

Editor, RADIO WORLD:

Each year brings from the treasure chest of the Future new happiness to added millions through radio. Each year brings improved programs from better artists, more perfectly modulated, from farther-reaching broadcasters.

Greater care, more discriminating intelligence in selection of numbers, more culture in entertainment, nobler music—less of jazz—all of these things the notable progress of the year past promises in larger measure for 1926.

Favored above all other nations. America in radio also leads the world. The untiring efforts of a thousand radio engineers, musicians, artists, authors, speakers, will

next year bring to ten million homes wealth unmeasurable in dollars. The new year will see our greatest men and women, leaders in every field, nightly visitors to every man.

LEE DE FOREST.

### Terrell Finds Art Is Swiftly Advancing

Editor, RADIO WORLD:

Radio is developing so rapidly it is difficult to predict what may happen in a year.

The public are, as we know, more interested in the broadcast service than in the various other radio services coming under the control of this office.

It is my opinion that the developments of 1926 which promise to be of most importance to the public are the crystal control of frequency, which will prevent much of the interference we are now experiencing between stations; the improvement in programs, making available the most select musical talent and reception of international programs.

W. D. TERRELL.

## Laboratory a Fertile Field; Repairing Needs Expertness

The application of radio laboratory apparatus and personnel to the needs of broadcast listeners is an unusual procedure. For over a year the services of the radio laboratory of Rossiter, Tyler & McDonnell, Inc., 136 Liberty Street, New York City, have been available for this purpose. A special service for testing, balancing and repairing super-heterodynes, particularly home-made receivers, has long been a feature of their work, and has enabled many disgruntled owners to obtain an efficient working co-ordination of their equipment, thereby redeeming an otherwise useless instrument in miscellaneous parts and apparatus.

This type of engineering service, originally instigated as a corollary to the development and research work of the laboratory to build up an efficient staff of test engineers, has been so successful that receivers have been sent to the laboratory

from all over the United States for adjustment.

The methods employed in servicing of home-built super-hetrodynes is unique. When a receiver comes in with a complain of lack of sensitivity, the intermediate frequency amplifier is carefully tested, not only for matched frequency characteristics, but for stage by stage and overall vottage amplification as well. The delicate high frequency measuring apparatus employed for this purpose is so sensitive that visual measurements can be made, as even the very small high frequency vottages and currents produced in a receiver by a broadcast signal. Only the most modern test methods are employed.

The laboratory is fully equipped to make all types of measurements common to development and research work of every radio nature.

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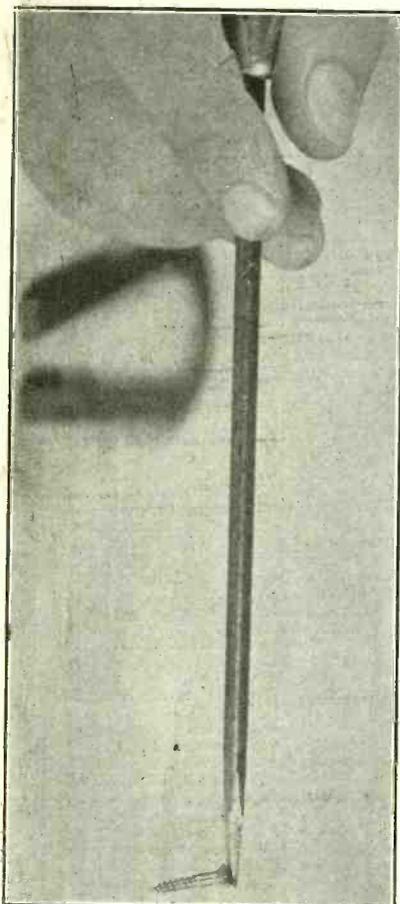


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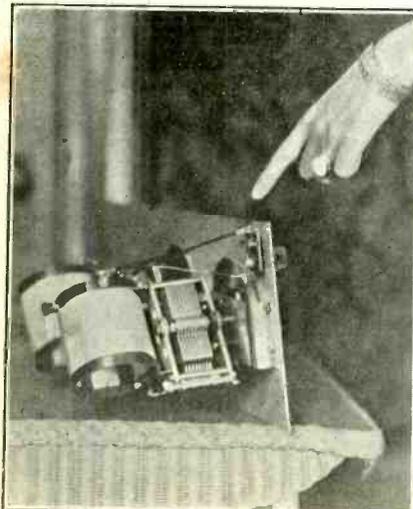
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### Helps in Tight Places



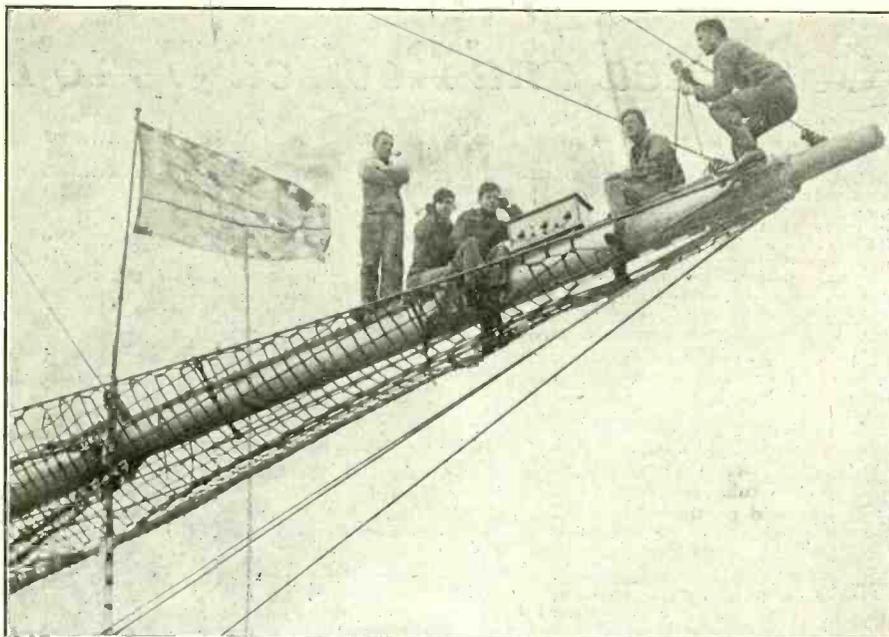
WHEN you find that you cannot place a screw into a hole, due to the awkward position of the hole, the above suggestion will come in handy. Procure a horseshoe magnet of fairly large size. Bring the screwdriver up against the ends of the magnet. Run the wedge of the screwdriver against these ends a few times, until it becomes a temporary magnet. Then bring the screw up against this wedge. Due to the magnetic effect of the wedge the screw will be attracted. You will then be able to insert the screw into the hole, which otherwise could not be reached, due to its awkward position.

### Switch a Volume Control



THE TAP SWITCH, located on the panel, connects to taps on the aerial primary, thus making it easy to adjust the receiver to almost any aerial for maximum efficiency. (Foto Topics)

### Bowsprit Is Best Reception Point



THE New York State Schoolship "Newport," on which future officers for America's merchant marine are trained, houses scores of real radio fans. They listen in on programs whenever their duties will permit. They say that reception of distant stations is best on the ocean. Above we see cadets of the "Newport," listening in on the bowsprit of the vessel, which they find is the best spot aboard for reception. (Kadel and Herbert)

### Builds Arch from Telegrams of Approval



COLLEEN MOORE, movie actress, recently broadcast from station KFI, Los Angeles, Cal., with the result that she was showered with letters and telegrams.

## WCAE Becomes Gimbel Station; Pittsburgh Store Changes Hands

Gimbel Brothers announced the acquisition of 100 per cent. stock ownership in Kaufmann & Baer Co., one of the principal department stores of Pittsburgh, the sales of which in 1924 were declared to be more than \$16,000,000.

Kaufman & Baer Co. recently completed a large new seven-story warehouse with more than 400,000 square feet of space, which is releasing 100,000 square

feet in the main building for retail purposes. The company also owns and operates a radio broadcasting station, with the call letters, WCAE, which sends on a 461-meter wave length. Gimbel Brothers accordingly now control three national broadcasting stations, already having WGBS in operation in New York and WIP in Philadelphia.

Improved programs are promised.

# The Official List of Stations

## Corrected and Revised Up to December 22

Station	Owner and Location	Meters	Station	Owner and Location	Meters	Station	Owner and Location	Meters
KDKA	Westinghouse E. & M. Co., Pittsburgh, Pa.	309	KFQU	W. Riker, Holy City, Cal.	217	KOB	College of Agri., State College, N. M.	349
KDLR	Radio Elec. Co., Devils Lake, N. D.	231	KFQW	F. C. Knierim, North Bend, Wash.	216	KOCH	Omaha Central High School, Omaha, Neb.	258
KDPM	Westinghouse E. & M. Co., Cleveland, Ohio	250	KFRB	Hall Bros., Beeville, Texas	248	KOCW	Okla. College for Women, Chickasha, Okla.	252
KDYL	Newhouse Hotel, Salt Lake City, Utah	246	KFRM	Paris Dry Goods Co., San Francisco	268	KOIL	Monarch Manufacturing Co., Council Bluffs, Ia.	278
KDZB	F. E. Seifert, Bakersfield, Cal.	210	KFRU	First Field Artillery, Fort Sill, Okla.	242	KPO	Hale Brothers, San Francisco, Cal.	429
KFAB	Nebraska Buick Auto Co., Lincoln, Neb.	340	KFRW	Stephens College, Columbia, Mo.	500	KPPC	Pasadena Presbyterian Church, Pasadena, Cal.	229
KFAD	Electrical Equipment Co., Phoenix, Ariz.	273	KFRY	United Churches, Olympia, Wash.	220	KPRC	Houston Print Co., Houston, Tex.	297
KFAE	State College, Pullman, Wash.	217	KFSG	College of Agriculture, State College, N. M.	266	KPSN	Pasadena Star-News, Pasadena, Cal.	316
KFAF	A. E. Fowler, San Jose, Calif.	217	KFUJ	Echo Park Evangelistic Ass'n., Los Angeles, Cal.	275	KQP	H. B. Read, Portland, Ore.	213
KFAU	University of Colorado, Boulder, Colo.	261	KFUL	Hoppert P. and H. Co., Breckenridge, Minn.	242	KQV	Doubleday Hill Elec. Co., Pittsburgh, Pa.	275
KFAU	Boise High School, Boise, Idaho	283	KFUM	T. Goggan & Bro., Galveston, Tex.	258	KQW	First Baptist Church, San Jose, Cal.	227
KFBB	F. A. Buttry Co., Havre, Mont.	275	KFUP	W. D. Corley, Colorado Springs, Colo.	242	KRE	Gazette, Berkeley, Cal.	258
KFBC	W. K. Asbill, San Diego, Cal.	224	KFUR	Concordia Theo. Seminary, St. Louis, Mo.	545	KSAC	Kansas State Agricultural College, Manhattan, Kans.	341
KFBG	1st Presbyterian Church, Tacoma, Wash.	250	KFUS	Fitzsimmons General Hospital, Denver, Colo.	234	KSD	Post Dispatch, St. Louis, Mo.	345
KFBK	Kimball Upton Co., Sacramento, Cal.	248	KFUT	H. W. Peery and R. Redfield, Ogden, Utah	224	KSL	Radio Service Corp., Salt Lake City, Utah	300
KFBL	Leese Bros., Everett, Wash.	224	KFUV	Louis L. Sherman, Oakland, Cal.	256	KSO	A. A. Berry Seed Co., Clarinda, Ia.	242
KFBS	School District No. 1, Trinidad, Colo.	238	KFVJ	University of Utah, Salt Lake City, Utah	261	KTAB	Tenth Ave. Baptist Church, Oakland, Cal.	240
KFBU	Bishop N. S. Thomas, Laramie, Wyo.	270	KFVU	Colburn Radio Laboratories, San Leandro, Cal.	220	KTBI	Bible Inst., Los Angeles, Cal.	294
KFCB	Nielson Radio Co., Phoenix, Ariz.	238	KFVW	G. P. Ward, Springfield, Mo.	252	KTBR	Brown's Radio Shop, Portland, Ore.	263
KFCF	F. A. Moore, Walla Walla, Wash.	256	KFVX	Chas. & W. J. McWhinnie, San Pedro, Cal.	205	KTCL	American Radio Tel. Co., Inc., Seattle, Wash.	306
KFDD	St. Michael's Cathedral, Boise, Idaho	278	KFVE	Film Corp., St. Louis, Mo.	240	KTHS	New Arlington Hotel, Hot Springs, Ark.	375
KFDJ	Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, Ore.	283	KFVG	Clarence B. Juneau, Hollywood, Cal.	208	KTNT	N. Baker, Muscatine, Ia.	256
KFDM	Magnolia Petroleum Co., Beaumont, Texas	316	KFVH	1st Meth-Epis. Church, Independence, Kan.	236	KTW	1st Presbyterian Church, Seattle, Wash.	454
KFDX	1st Baptist Church, Shreveport, La.	250	KFVI	Herbert Whan, Manhattan, Kans.	219	KUO	Examiner Printing Co., San Francisco, Cal.	250
KFDY	State College of Agriculture, Brookings, S. D.	273	KFVJ	56th Cav. Brigade, Houston, Tex.	240	KUOM	State University of Montana, Missoula, Mont.	245
KFDZ	H. O. Iverson, Minneapolis, Minn.	231	KFVN	C. E. Bagley, Welcome, Minn.	227	KUSD	University of S. D. Vermillion, S. D.	278
KFEC	Meier & Frank Co., Portland, Ore.	248	KFVO	F. M. Henry, Kirksville, Mo.	226	KUT	University of Texas, Austin	231
KFEL	Winner Radio Corp., Denver, Colo.	254	KFVQ	Moonlight Ranch, Denver, Colo.	246	KVOO	Voice of Oklahoma, Bristow, Okla.	375
KFEQ	J. L. Scroggin, Oak, Neb.	268	KFVS	Cape Girardeau Battery Station, Cape Girardeau, Mo.	224	KWCR	H. F. Paar, Cedar Rapids, Ia.	278
KFEY	Bunker Hill & Sullivan, Kellog, Idaho	233	KFVU	Standard Publishing Co., Eureka, Cal.	210	KWG	Portable Wireless Tel. Co., Stockton, Cal.	248
KFFP	1st Baptist Church, Moberly, Mo.	242	KFVW	Airtan Radio Corp., San Diego, Cal.	210	KWKC	Wilson Duncan Studios, Kansas City, Mo.	236
KFGC	Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, La.	268	KFVY	Airtan Radio Corp., San Diego, Cal.	210	KWKH	W. K. Henderson I. W. & S. Co., Kennonwood, La.	273
KFGH	Leland Stanford Junior University, Stanford University, Cal.	270	KFWA	Browning Bros. Co., Ogden, Utah	261	KWSC	State College, Pullman, Wash.	349
KFGQ	Crory Co., Boone, Iowa	226	KFWB	Warner Bros. Pictures, Inc., Hollywood, Cal.	252	KWUC	Western Union College, Lemars, Ia.	252
KFHA	Western State College, Gunnison, Colo.	252	KFWC	L. E. Wall & C. S. Myers, Upland, Cal.	211	KWWG	City of Brownsville, Brownsville, Tex.	278
KFHL	Penn College, Oskaloosa, Iowa	240	KFWF	St. Louis Truth Center, St. Louis, Mo.	214	KYW	Westinghouse E. & M. Co., Chicago, Ill.	535
KFI	E. C. Anthony, Inc., Los Angeles, Cal.	469	KFWH	F. Wellington Morse, Jr., Chico, Cal.	254	KZKZ	Electric Supply Co., Manila, P. I.	270
KFIF	Benson Institute, Portland, Ore.	248	KFWO	Lawrence Mott, Avalon, Cal.	211	KZM	Western Radio Inst., Oakland, Cal.	241
KFIQ	1st Methodist Church, Yakima, Wash.	256	KFWP	Rio Grande Radio Supply House, Brownsville, Texas	214	KZRQ	Far Eastern Radio, Inc., Manila, P. I.	270
KFIU	Alaska Elec. Co., Juneau, Alaska	226	KFWI	Radio Entertainers, Inc., South San Francisco, Cal.	220	NAA	U. S. Navy, Arlington, Va.	435
KFIZ	Daily Commonwealth, Fond du Lac, Wis.	273	KFWM	Oakland Educational Soc., Oakland, Cal.	207	WAAB	V. Jensen, New Orleans, La.	268
KFJB	Marshall Elec Co., Marshalltown, Ia.	248	KFWU	Louisiana College, Pineville, La.	238	WAAD	Ohio Mech. Institute, Cincinnati, O.	258
KFJC	R. B. Fegan, Junction City, Kan.	219	KFWV	Wilbur Jerman, Portland, Ore.	213	WAAF	Drovers Journal, Chicago, Ill.	278
KFJD	National Radio Co., Oklahoma City, Okla.	261	KFYF	Carl's Radio Den, Oxnard, Cal.	205	WAAM	I. R. Nelson Co., Newark, N. J.	263
KFJE	Liberty Theatre, Astoria, Ore.	246	KFXB	B. O. Heller, Big Bear Lake, Cal.	203	WAAW	Omaha Grain Exchange, Omaha, Neb.	278
KFJM	University of N. D., Grand Forks, N. D.	278	KFXC	Santa Maria Valley R. R. Co., Santa Maria, Cal.	210	WABC	Asheville Battery Co., Inc., Asheville, N. C.	254
KFJR	Ashley C. Dixon & Son, Portland, Ore.	263	KFXD	L. H. Strong, Logan, Utah	205	WABI	Bangor Ry. & Elec. Co., Bangor, Me.	240
KFJX	State Teachers College, Cedar Falls, Ia.	258	KFXE	Electric Research and Mig. Co., Waterloo, Ia.	236	WABO	Lake Avenue Baptist Church, Rochester, N. Y.	278
KFJY	Tunhall Radio Co., Ft. Dodge, Iowa	246	KFXH	Bledsoe Radio Co., El Paso, Texas	242	WABQ	Haverford College Radio Club, Haverford, Pa.	261
KFJZ	Southwestern Baptist Theo. Seminary, Ft. Worth, Tex.	254	KFXJ	Mt. States Radio District, Inc., (Portable), Col.	216	WABR	Scott High School, Toledo, O.	263
KFKA	State Teachers College, Greeley, Colo.	273	KFXK	Pikes Peak Broadcasting Station Co., Colo. Springs, Colo.	250	WABW	College of Wooster, Wooster, O.	207
KFKU	University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kans.	275	KFXM	Neches Electric Co., Beaumont, Tex.	227	WABX	H. B. Joy, Mt Clemens, Mich.	246
KFKX	Westinghouse E. & M. Co., Hastings, Neb.	288	KFYJ	Mary M. Costigan, Flagstaff, Ariz.	205	WABY	John Magaldi, Philadelphia, Pa.	242
KFKZ	F. M. Henry, Kirksville, Mo.	226	KFYR	Houston Chronicle, Houston, Tex., (Portable)	238	WABZ	Coliseum Place Baptist Church, New Orleans, La.	275
KFLP	Everett M. Foster, Cedar Rapids, Ia.	256	KFYU	Hoskins Meyers, Inc., Bismarck, N. D.	248	WADC	Allen Theatre, Akron, Ohio	258
KFLR	University of N. M., Albuquerque, N. M.	254	KGB	The Ledger, Tacoma, Wash.	250	WADF	A. B. Parfet Co., Port Huron, Mich.	275
KFLU	San Benito Radio Club, San Benito, Tex.	236	KGO	General Electric Company, Oakland, Cal.	361	WAHG	A. H. Grebe Co., Richmond Hill, N. Y.	316
KFLV	Swedish Evangelist Church, Rockford, Ill.	229	KGTT	Glad Tidings Tabernacle, San Francisco, Cal.	207	WAIT	A. H. Waite & Co., Taunton, Mass.	229
KFLX	George R. Clough, Galveston, Texas	240	KGU	M. A. Mulrony, Honolulu, Hawaii	270	WAIU	American Ins. Union, Columbus, O.	294
KFLZ	Atlantic Auto Co., Atlantic, Iowa	273	KGW	The Oregonian, Portland, Ore.	492	WAMD	Hubbard & Co., Minneapolis, Minn.	244
KFMQ	Univ. of Ark., Fayetteville, Ark.	300	KGY	St. Martin's College, Lacey, Wash.	246	WAPI	Alabama Polytechnic Inst., Auburn, Ala.	248
KFMR	Morningside College, Sioux City, Iowa	261	KHJ	The Times, Los Angeles, Cal.	405	WARC	American Radio Res. Corp., Medford Hillside, Mass.	261
KFMW	M. G. Sataren, Houghton, Mich.	263	KHQ	Louis Wasmer, Seattle, Wash.	273	WBAA	Purdue University, West Lafayette, Ind.	273
KFMX	Carleton College, Northfield, Minn.	337	KJBS	J. Brunton & Sons Co., San Francisco, Cal.	220	WBAK	State Police, Harrisburg, Pa.	276
KFNF	Henry Field Seed Co., Shenandoah, Iowa	266	KJR	Northwest Radio Co., Seattle, Wash.	384	WBAL	Gas and Electric Co., Baltimore, Md.	246-375
KFOA	Rhodes Company, Seattle, Wash.	454	KLDS	Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Independence, Mo.	441	WBAO	James Millikia University, Decatur, Ill.	270
KFOB	Chamber of Commerce, Burlingame, Cal.	226	KLS	Warner Bros., Radio Co., Oakland, Cal.	252	WBAP	Star Telegram, Fort Worth, Tex.	476
KOFJ	KFOS—Moberly High School, Moberly, Mo.	242	KLX	Tribune, Oakland, Cal.	508	WBAX	J. H. Stenger, Jr., Wilkes-Barre, Pa.	256
KOFN	Echophone Radio Shop, Long Beach, Cal.	233	KLZ	Reynolds Radio Co., Denver, Colo.	266	WBBL	Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church, Richmond, Va.	229
KFOO	Latter Day Saints University, Salt Lake City, Utah	236	KMA	May Seed & Nursery Co., Shenandoah, Ia.	252	WBBM	H. L. Atliss, Chicago, Ill.	226
KFOR	David City Tire & Elec. Co., David City, Neb.	226	KMJ	San Joaquin Corp., Fresno, Cal.	234	WBBP	Petoskey High School, Petoskey, Mich.	238
KFOT	College Hill Radio Club, Wichita, Kan.	231	KMO	Love Elec. Co., Tacoma, Wash.	250	WBBR	Peoples Pulpit Ass'n., Rossville, N. Y.	273
KFOX	Technical High School, Omaha, Neb.	248	KNRC	J. B. Juneau, Hollywood, Hollywood, Cal.	208	WBBS	1st Baptist Church, New Orleans, La.	252
KFOY	Beacon Radio Service, St. Paul, Minn.	252	KNTR	D. S. Garretson & R. M. Turner, Los Angeles, Cal.	238	WBBW	Ruffner City High School, Norfolk, Va.	222
KFPL	C. C. Baxter, Dublin, Texas	252	KOA	General Electric Co., Denver, Colo.	322	WBBY	Washington Light Infantry, Charleston, S. C.	268
KFPM	New Furniture Co., Greenville, Texas	242				WBBZ	C. L. Carrell, (Portable), Chicago, Ill.	216
KFPR	Forestry Department, Los Angeles, Cal.	231				WBCN	Southtown Economist, Chicago, Ill.	266
KFPW	St. John's Church, Carterville, Mo.	258				WBDC	Raxter Laundry Co., Grand Rapids, Mich.	256
KFPY	Symonds Investment Co., Spokane, Wash.	266				WBES	Bliss Electrical School, Takoma Park, Md.	222
KFOA	The Principia, St. Louis, Mo.	261						
KFOB	Searchlight Publishing Co., Ft. Worth, Texas	263						
KFOC	Kidd Bros., Taft, Cal.	231						
KFOH	Radio Service Co., Burlingame, Cal.	220						
KFQP	G. S. Carson, Jr., Iowa City, Ia.	224						

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WBOQ	A. H. Grebe & Co., Richmond Hill, N. Y.	236
WBNY	Miss S. Katz, New York City	210
WBR	State Police, Butler, Pa.	203
WBRC	Bell Radio Corp., Birmingham, Ala.	248
WBRE	Baltimore Radio Ex., Wilkes-Barre, Pa.	231
WBT	Charlotte Chamber of Commerce, Charlotte, N. C.	275
WBZ	Westinghouse E. & M. Co., Springfield, Mass.	333
WBZA	Westinghouse Electric and Mfg. Co., Boston, Mass.	242
WCAC	Agricultural College, Mansfield, Conn.	275
WCAD	St. Lawrence University, Canton, N. Y.	263
WCAE	Kaufman & Baer, Pittsburgh, Pa.	461
WCAH	Entrekin Electric Co., Columbus, O.	266
WCAJ	Nebraska Wesleyan University, University Place, Neb.	254
WCAL	St. Olaf College, Northfield, Minn.	337
WCAO	Brager of Baltimore, Baltimore, Md.	275
WCAP	C. & P. Tel. Co., Washington, D. C.	469
WCAR	Southern Radio Corp., San Antonio, Texas.	263
WCAT	School of Mines, Rapid City, S. D.	240
WCAU	Universal Broadcasting Co., Philadelphia, Pa.	278
WCAX	University of Vermont, Burlington, Vt.	250
WCBA	C. W. Heinbach, Allentown, Pa.	254
WCBD	W. G. Voliva, Zion, Ill.	345
WCBE	Uhalt Radio Co., New Orleans, La.	263
WCBG	H. S. Williams, Pascagoula, Miss.	268
WCBH	University of Mississippi, Oxford, Miss.	242
WCBM	Hotel Chapeau, Baltimore, Md.	229
WCBQ	1st Baptist Church, Nashville, Tenn.	236
WCBR	C. H. Messter (Portable), Providence, R. I.	205
WCCO	Gold Medal Station, Minneapolis, St. Paul, Minn.	416
WCEE	C. E. Erbstein, Elgin, Ill.	275
WCK	Stix Baer & Fuller Co., St. Louis, Mo.	273
WCLO	C. E. Whitmore, Camp Lake, Wis.	231
WCLS	H. M. Church, Joliet, Ill.	214
WCM	Texas Market Department, Austin, Texas	268
WCSH	Henry P. Rines, Portland, Me.	256
WCSO	Wittenberg College, Springfield, Ohio	248
WCUW	Clark University, Worcester, Mass.	238
WCWS	C. W. Selen, Providence, R. I.	210
WCX	Detroit Free Press & Jewett Radio and Phonograph Co., Pontiac, Mich.	517
WDND	Dod's Auto Accessories, Inc., 160-164 8th Ave., N., Nashville, Tenn.	226
WDZ	J. L. Bush, Tuscola, Ill.	278
WDAD	Dad's Auto Accessories, Inc., Nashville, Tenn.	226
WDAE	Tampa Daily News, Tampa, Fla.	273
WDAF	Kansas City Star, Kansas City, Mo.	366
WDAG	J. L. Martin, Amarillo, Tex.	263
WDAY	Radio Equipment Corp., Fargo, N. D.	261
WDDB	Kirk, Johnson & Co., Lancaster, Pa.	258
WDBE	Gilham-Schoen Elec. Co., Atlanta, Ga.	278
WDBJ	Richardson Wayland Elec. Co., Roanoke, Va.	229
WDBK	M. F. Broz, Furr, Cleveland, O.	227
WDBO	Rollins College, Winter Park, Fla.	240
WDBR	Tremont Temple Baptist Church, Boston, Mass.	261
WDBZ	Boy Scouts of America, Kingston, N. Y.	233
WDCH	Dartmouth College, Hanover, N. H.	250
WDOD	Chattanooga Radio Co., Chattanooga, Tenn.	256
WDZ	J. L. Bush, Tuscola, Ill.	278
WDR	Doolittle Radio Corp., New Haven, Conn.	268
WDFW	Dutec Wilcox Flint, Inc., Cranston, R. I.	441
WEAF	A. T. & T. Co., N. Y. City, N. Y.	492
WEAH	Hotel Lassen, Wichita, Kans.	268
WEAI	Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y.	254
WEAM	Borough of North Plainfield, N. Plainfield, N. J.	261
WEAN	Shepard Co., Providence, R. I.	270
WEAO	Ohio State University, Columbus, O.	294
WEAR	Goodyear T. and R. Co., Cleveland, O.	390
WEAU	Davidson Bros. Co., Sioux City, Ia.	275
WECB	W. C. Bridges, Superior, Wisc.	242
WEBD	Elec. Equipment & Service Co., Anderson, Ind.	246
WEBE	Roy W. Waller, Cambridge, Ohio.	234
WEBH	Edgewater Beach Hotel, Chicago, Ill.	370
WEBJ	Third Avenue R. Co., New York, N. Y.	273
WEBK	Grand Rapids Radio Co., Grand Rapids, Mich.	242
WEBL	Radio Corp. of Ama. (Portable)	226
WEBM	Radio Corp. of Ama., Portable Mobile Station	226
WEBQ	Tate Radio Co., Harrisburg, Ill.	226
WEBR	H. E. Howell, Buffalo, N. Y.	244
WEBT	Dayton High School, Dayton, Ohio.	256
WERW	Beloit College, Beloit, Wisc.	268
WERZ	Savannah Radio Corp., Savannah, Ga.	263
WEET	Edison Electric Illuminating Co., Boston, Mass.	476-349
WEHS	Robert E. Hughes, Evanston, Ill.	203
WEMC	Emm. Missionary College, Berrien Springs, Mich.	286
WENR	All-Amer. Radio Corp., Chicago, Ill.	266
WEW	St. Louis University, St. Louis, Mo.	248
WFAM	Dallas News & Journal, Dallas, Texas	476
WFAP	The Times, St. Cloud, Minn.	272
WFBC	University of Nebr., Lincoln, Nebr.	275
WFBD	1st Baptist Church, Knoxville, Tenn.	250
WFBD	Getsemane Baptist Church, Philadelphia, Pa.	234
WFBE	I. V. De Walle, Seymour, Ind.	226
WFBG	W. F. Gable Co., Altoona, Pa.	278

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WFBH	Concourse Radio Corp., New York, N. Y.	273
WFBM	Galvin Radio Supply Co., Camden, N. J.	236
WFBJ	St. Johns University, Collegeville, Minn.	236
WFBK	Onondaga Hotel, Syracuse, N. Y.	252
WFBM	Merchants Lighting Co., Indianapolis, Ind.	268
WFBP	Maryland National Guard, Baltimore, Md.	254
WFBZ	Knox College, Galesburg, Ill.	254
WFDF	F. D. Fallain, Flint, Mich.	234
WFI	Strawbridge & Clothier, Philadelphia, Pa.	395
WFKB	F. K. Bridgman, Chicago, Ill.	217
WFLR	R. M. Lacey, Brooklyn, N. Y.	205
WGAL	Lancaster Elec. Supply Co., Lancaster, Pa.	248
WGBB	H. H. Carman, Freeport, N. Y.	244
WGBC	1st Baptist Church, Memphis, Tenn.	266
WGBF	The Fiske Furniture Co., Evansville, Ind.	236
WGBI	Frank S. Megargee, Scranton, Pa.	240
WGBK	L. W. Campbell, Johnstown, Pa.	248
WGBM	T. N. Saaty, Providence, R. I.	234
WGBQ	Stout Institute, Menomonie, Wis.	234
WGBU	Florida Cities Finance Co., Fulford By-the-Sea, Fla.	278
WGBR	Marshfield Broadcasting Association, Marshfield, Wis.	229
WGBS	Gimbel Brothers, New York, N. Y.	316
WGBX	University of Maine, Orono, Maine.	252
WGES	Oak Leaves Broadcasting Station, Oak Park, Ill.	250
WGHB	G. H. Boules, Developments, Clearwater, Fla.	266
WGN	The Tribune, Chicago, Ill.	370
WGMU	A. H. Grebe & Co., Inc., Richmond Hill, N. Y.	236
WGCP	Grand Central Palace, N. Y. City	252
WGHP	G. H. Phelps, Inc., Detroit, Mich.	270
WGR	Federal Telephone Mfg. Co., Buffalo, N. Y.	319
WGST	Ga. School of Tech., Atlanta, Ga.	270
WGY	General Elec. Co., Schenectady, N. Y.	380
WHA	University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wis.	535
WHAD	Marquette University, Milwaukee, Wis.	275
WHAG	University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, Ohio	233
WHAM	University of Rochester, Rochester, N. Y.	278
WHAP	Taylor Finance Corp., 426 West 31 St., New York City	241
WHAR	F. P. Cooks Sons, Atlantic City, N. J.	275
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WHBA	Shaffer Music House, Oil City, Pa.	250
WHBC	Rev. E. P. Graham, Canton, Ohio.	254
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WHBF	Beardsley Specialty Co., Rock Island, Ill.	222
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WHBH	Culver Military Academy, Culver, Ind.	222
WHBJ	Laver Auto Co., Ft. Wayne, Ind.	234
WHBK	Franklin St. Garage, Ellsworth, Me.	231
WHBL	J. H. Slusser, Logansport, Ind.	216
WHBM	C. L. Carroll (Portable), Chicago, Ill.	233
WHBN	1st Ave. Methodist Church, St. Petersburg, Fla.	238
WHBP	Johnstown Auto Co., Johnstown, Pa.	256
WHBQ	St. John's M. E. Church, Memphis, Tenn.	233
WHRR	Scientific E. & M. Co., Cincinnati, O.	216
WHBU	B. L. Bing's Sons, Anderson, Ind.	219
WHBW	D. R. Kienzie, Philadelphia, Pa.	216
WHBY	St. Norbert's Coll., West DePere, Wis.	250
WHDI	Wm. Hood Dunwoody Ind. Inst., Minneapolis, Minn.	278
WHEC	Hickson Elec. Co., Rochester, N. Y.	258
WHFN	George Schubel, New York, N. Y.	361
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WIL	Benson Radio Co., St. Louis, Mo.	273
WIP	Gimbel Brothers, Philadelphia, Pa.	508
WIJAD	Jackson's Radio Elec. Co., Waco, Tex.	353
WIJAG	Norfolk Daily News, Norfolk, Neb.	270
WIJAM	Rev. C. L. White, Greenwood, Ind.	254
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WJBB	L. W. McClung, St. Petersburg, Fla.	254
WJBC	Hummer Furniture Co., 2nd and Joliet Sts., La Salle, Ill.	234
WJBG	Interstate Radio, Inc., Charlotte, N. C.	224
WJBI	R. S. Johnson, Red Bank, N. J.	219
WJBK	Ernest F. Goodwin, Ypsilanti, Mich.	233
WJBL	Wm. Gushard Dry Goods Co., Decatur, Ill.	270
WJBN	St. John's Ev. Lutheran Church, Sycamore, Ill.	256
WJBP	Seneca Vocational School, Buffalo, N. Y.	219
WJBQ	Bucknell University, Lewisburg, Pa.	211
WJD	Dennison University, Granville, O.	217
WJJD	Loyal Order of Moose, Mooseheart, Ill.	303
WJR	Detroit Free Press and Jewett Radio and Phonograph Co., Pontiac, Mich.	517
WJY	Radio Corp. of Ama., New York, N. Y.	405
WJZ	Radio Corp. of Ama., New York, N. Y.	455
WKAA	H. F. Paar, Cedar Rapids, Iowa	278
WKAF	WKAF Broadcasting Co., Milwaukee, Wis.	261
WKAQ	Radio Corp. of Porto Rico, San Juan, P. R.	341
WKAR	Mich. Agricultural College, Lansing	285
WKAU	Laconia Radio Club, Laconia, N. H.	210
WKBB	Sanders Bros., Joliet, Ill.	214
WKBE	K. & B. Electric Co., Webster, Mass.	231
WKBG	C. L. Carrell (Portable) Chicago, Ill.	216
WKRC	Kodel Radio Corp., Cincinnati, O.	326-422
WKY	C. E. Hill and H. S. Richards, Oklahoma City, Okla.	275
WLAL	1st Presbyterian Church, Tulsa, Okla.	250
WLAP	W. V. Jordan, Louisville, Ky.	275
WLAX	Greencastle Commun. Broad. Sta., Greencastle, Ind.	231
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WMAZ	Kings Highway Presbyterian Church, St. Louis, Mo.	248
WMAZ	Mercer University, Macon, Ga.	261
WMBB	American Bond and Mortgage Co., Chicago, Ill.	250
WMBF	Fleetwood Hotel, Miami Beach, Fla.	384
WMC	The Commercial Appeal, Memphis, Tenn.	500
WMCA	Hotel McAlpin, N. Y. C.	341
WNAB	Shepard Stores, Boston, Mass.	250
WNAC	Shepard Stores, Boston, Mass.	280
WNAD	University of Okla., Norman, Okla.	254
WNAL	Omaha Central High School, Omaha, Nebr.	258
WNAT	Lenning Bros. Co., Philadelphia, Pa.	250
WNAX	Dakota Radio App. Co., Yankton, S. D.	244
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WOWO	Main Auto Supply Co., Ft. Wayne, Ind.	227
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WPCC	N. D. Agri. College, N. D.	275
WPDP	Hiram L. Turner, Buffalo, N. Y.	205
WPG	Municipality, Atlantic City, N. J.	300
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## Juvenile Ennui



"I'M tired of hearing only domestic stations!"

# When to Listen for Programs From Overseas During Tests

By L. A. Nixon

General Secretary, International Radio Week Committee

WHEN RADIO WORLD made the suggestion, over four years ago, that the radio industry should call the attention of the world to the progress made by this art and trade, the writer of that first suggestion that a radio week be held may not have dreamed of the far-reaching possibilities of the idea.

Today he can see that brain child of his international in scope with literally millions of people interested in the activities of the radio industry and in radio week.

**Overseas Tests**

The four annual International Radio Weeks, scheduled for the week of January 24, will bring into activity broadcasters of nearly a score of countries with listeners in the four corners of the globe gluing their ears to receivers in an effort to bring in distant stations performing special programs for the benefit of the overseas fan.

While the international tests will be the biggest feature of the International Radio Week program the broadcasts from American and Canadian stations in the regular hours of the week will be exceptional in quality and will enable every radio set owner to demonstrate the wonderful possibilities of radio entertainment and sport. Advance programs from broadcasters show that the biggest features of the radio year will be scheduled for broadcasting during this week, with programs in many cases the result of several months planning.

**Schedule Outlined**

The first five nights of the week will be devoted to International Radio Broadcasting Tests, American stations transmitting special programs to overseas listeners during the hours from nine to ten central standard time; while American listeners will hear special programs from overseas stations in the hours from ten to eleven central standard time while American, Canadian and Mexican stations remain silent.

On Friday, January 29, at the customary silent hour, a variation in the plan of listening to broadcasters in Europe, radio fans in the country will hear for the first fifteen minutes of the silent hour broadcasting stations in the Eastern standard time zone. Promptly at the conclusion of the first fifteen minutes of the silent hour, the eastern time zone stations will be silent, and broadcasters in the central standard time zone will be heard on the air while stations in all other districts remain silent. The third fifteen minute period of the hour will be devoted to stations in the Mountain standard time zone, while the last fifteen minutes of the silent hour will be reserved for Pacific Coast stations who expect to reach listeners in every state in the union with hundreds of thousands of fans glued to the earpieces.

**Exclusive for Canada**

On Saturday, January 30, another variation of the DX contest will be arranged, and after the conclusion of the hour broadcast from all American stations for the benefit of overseas listeners, broadcasting stations in Canada will have the air exclusively to themselves during the first fifteen minutes of the silent hour. Sixteen minutes after the silent hour has

begun broadcasters in the northern half of the United States will take up the broadcasting while the Canadian stations shut down for the remaining forty-five minutes of the test hour. The third quarter of the hour will be devoted to stations in the southern half of the United States while the last quarter of the silent hour will bring Mexican and Cuban stations on the air to entertain listeners throughout the entire American Continent.

Special programs are planned by broadcasters who will participate in these North American Continent tests, programs that will permit of the frequent announcement of call letters so the fan can rapidly log the DX stations that will possibly be coming into his receiver for the first time. Local radio clubs in many cities are arranging contests, according to the radio week contests, and prizes will be offered by newspapers and clubs in some cases for the best log arranged by listeners in their own communities.

**Log Will Be Kept**

A complete log of the programs broadcast from overseas will be kept by the International Radio Week committee, and every effort will be made to secure also complete logs of American broadcasters who are on the air during the special tests on Friday and Saturday. Broadcasters participating have pledged themselves to acknowledge all reports and claims of reception from distant fans, and there is no doubt that many thousands of people will hear stations this week that are normally not in the range of their sets because of local station interference.

Program directors in all broadcasting stations will set their watches by the Arlington time signal each night of the test, and it is expected that perfect harmony will be found in the air for the benefit of fans reaching out for new distance records.

**Widely Indorsed**

Because of broadcasters in widely separated parts of the country operating on the same wavelength it will be easy for fans to tune to a local station and bring their receivers into sharp tune at the time just before the tests start, and then wait for the distant station to come in at the exact dial setting of the local. In England standard frequency signals will be sent out for the benefit of local listeners wishing to tune their receivers sharply, and thus the British fan will be prepared for the overseas stations broadcasting on the same frequency as the frequency sent out by the British test station.

International Radio Week steadily grows in popularity. The movement has the indorsement of practically every radio trade body in the country, Powel Crosley, Jr., of Cincinnati, heading the executive committee. Other prominent officers are Paul B. Klugh, executive chairman of the National Association of Broadcasters, heading the committee on American broadcasting; Arthur Lynch, editor of "Radio Broadcast," heading the test committee; Herbert H. Frost, president of the Radio Manufacturers Association, heading the committee of manufacturers.

**WAAGE IN NEW QUARTERS**

A. H. Waage, manufacturer of Waage B Eliminator Tun-a-Far and Choke Coils has taken larger quarters at 112 Chambers Street, New York City.

# By DAVID SARNOFF:

*Vice-President, Radio Corporation of America*

## The Opera, the Concert Stage and the Theatre Soon May Look to the Microphone for New Talent, Instead of the Radio Capitalizing Existing Reputations, Says R. C. A. General Manager.

THE social revolution created by radio broadcasting will become more apparent as time goes on. Five years ago the man who once during his lifetime heard the living voice of the President of the United States was among the privileged few of his fellow citizens. Today President Coolidge can speak, and has spoken, simultaneously to an audience of approximately 25,000,000 people. Five years ago it was a mark of cultural distinction, confined to residents of metropolitan areas, to attend an operatic performance or listen to a great symphony orchestra. Today millions in this land are able to tune in by radio and listen to concerts broadcast by leading operatic stars and symphony orchestras.

The element of entertainment thus far has been the predominant appeal of the broadcasting program, so much so that it is turning the broadcasting director into an impresario. In his new role many problems have arisen that call for solution. Not the least is the relation of broadcasting to established fields of entertainment.

### May Reverse the Situation

Thus far radio has sought its leading program features from the opera, the concert hall, the orchestra and the stage. The day may come when the relationship will be reversed—when the broadcasting station will comb the field of original talent; when broadcasting will create new reputations, instead of capitalizing old ones; when the opera, the stage of the concert hall will draw from radio in response to the demand of the public to see as well as to hear its favorite artists; when broadcasters will compete with music publishers for original compositions, and not only buy but sell music publishing rights. This may seem a far cry, but radio broadcasting has advanced farther from the days of mechanical music to the present stage of star programs.

And yet the fact remains that entertainment is but one field of public appeal from which broadcasting may draw. Radio, as the latest and greatest means of mass communication known to man, must be essentially popular in appeal, but its true mission is the mission of service, of which entertainment is only a part. Motoring began as a sport, but the automobile industry reached its greatest stability when the motor car became an essential element of transportation. The telephone was a toy at the beginning and a novelty later on, but today it is a point-to-point communication service, of incalculable utility to business and the home. But it required more than fifteen years to develop the automobile to the transportation stage, and over a quarter of a century to make the telephone a general service in the home.

### Indirect Returns Are Good

Although most broadcasters have found no way of obtaining direct returns from the listening public, the indirect returns in many cases, sufficiently impelling

## Prince Broadcasts



PRINCE WILHELM, Sweden's poet Prince, reading some of his verse into the microphone of the broadcasting station at Stockholm, Sweden. (Kadel & Herbert)

motives for the continuance of broadcasting. Already there is a waiting list for the privileges of the air; the problems of congestion and interference within the limited wave lengths available for radio broadcasting have become so serious that Secretary Hoover has found it necessary to suspend the further issuance of broadcasting licenses.

Radio, by virtue of the opportunities it has opened for mass appeal, is bound to become an important economic force. Whether the technique which commercial broadcasting will develop will tend towards institutional goodwill or any other form of appeal, it has become apparent that there is a definite place in business economy for this character of service. The doctrine of public service enunciated at the recent Washington Radio Conference, and the force of self-interest, I believe, will determine the situation. For no broadcasting station can be blind to the fact that the loss of public goodwill means the loss of public confidence, and no advertiser will be so blind to his own interest as not to know that only public acceptance can make his message of any value.

### The Restriction of Choice

There is a multiplicity of radio entertainment in some parts of the country, while other parts are only poorly served. In the larger metropolitan centers the radio listener has a wide choice of programs; in other parts of the country he is restricted to the offerings of the nearest local stations. Certain areas as yet remain completely uncovered by the useful range of any good broadcasting station.

Super-power broadcasting controlled by proper engineering conditions, will open a new era for the general radio listener in the United States. It is impossible, practically and economically, for 600 local broadcasting stations to give the supreme character of program that may be organized by a group of super-power stations, as it would be to erect an operatic or musical center at every crossroad in the country. And yet the fact remains that

the farmer and his family in their prairie home and the small town dweller are entitled to as good a broadcasting service as is available to those who live in the metropolis, for unlike the mountain which would not come to Mahomet, there is that virtue in radio, that it can bring the city to the farmer. Its mission from the high-power station is eventually to transmit to every home in the country the music, the entertainment, and the educational influences developed from the great centers of population.

### National System Demanded

Not only public but national interests demand a system of nationwide broadcasting. For regardless of the number of local stations—and the local station, like the local newspaper, the local theatre and the local concert hall, will remain a permanent institution—there is need for a system of national broadcasting, ready for any public emergency, with facilities adequate to cover the entire country and to reach across the ocean whenever desired. Nor can we expect to receive regularly organized programs broadcast to us through the powerful stations of Europe unless our own voice is strong enough to span the Atlantic with reciprocal radio programs.

Broadcast is just emerging from the chrysalis of experiment and development to the solid basis of service. Much has been done in the creation of a web of local broadcasting stations that now dot the country; more will be done by the establishment of a national service and the consequent extension of our broadcasting facilities to girdle the world. The programs that will soon be broadcast to us by the nations of Europe will only emphasize the need and purpose of further communication. For when we have brought Europe to our homes, South America and the Orient will still beckon to us.

### Undisputed Supremacy

The great progress made in the development of radio receiving devices during the present year is only now becoming apparent as the latest products achieved by the art are being made available to the public.

The year 1925 closes with the United States in undisputed position of leadership in world-wide wireless. From our powerful transmitting stations we have drawn the leading nations of the world towards us by invisible strands of communication. Radio circuits are now in operation between the United States and England, France, Germany, Italy, Poland, Sweden, Norway and Argentine. Across the Pacific we are connected by radio with Japan, Hawaii, and the Dutch East Indies.

The perfection of the system of transmitting pictures by radio to a stage of commercial practicability would be an extraordinary accomplishment in the field of communications. The day when a facsimile message can be flashed across the seas instead of woven letter by letter and word for word into complete sentences and paragraphs, will open a new era in international communications. Letters, drafts, notes, contracts and other legal documents, could then be almost instantaneously reproduced thousands of miles away from the sending point and thus greatly add to the momentum of business economy and convenience.

Already we are operating photo-radio-gram circuits from Honolulu to San Francisco and from San Francisco to New York daily for test purposes and very soon service by this method to and from Europe will be opened upon a commercial scale.

# THE RADIO TRADE

## Stabilization the Feature of Radio in 1925, Says Expert

The year 1925 probably will go down in history as the year which saw the greatest stabilization over a short period in the radio business. It will take several years before the industry is at that point where every ramification of the business is on a standard basis, but so far as getting down to a starting point toward this bigger goal, the year just closing witnessed the advance of the strong and reliable manufacturer and saw the death of the man who was in the business only for the quick money he could get out of it.

The above is the opinion of M. B. Benson, chief engineer for the National Engineering Company, 1930 Straus Building,

Chicago, makers of the Huntingdon set. Mr. Benson has been in radio for seventeen years and has several radio inventions to his credit. He was formerly president of the Benson Electric Company, New York.

He says that the conditions between manufacturer, jobber and dealer a year ago nearly approached chaos. And now, just a year later, he is of the opinion that many of the difficulties between these agencies have been ironed out. Radio, says Mr. Benson, will be on a firm and organized footing as a big industry in a shorter time than was required by the automobile industry.

### All Tubes Fit in New Amsco Socket

The newest Amsco product is a new type universal socket, designed to take all sizes of radio tubes, including the standard base and the UX and CX tubes, without adapters.

They click into contact, establishing a positive wipe connection that perpetually renews itself each time the tube is removed and replaced, because of the scraping grip on the prongs. Connection is possible only in one way—the right way—and the tubes lock into place automatically.

An interesting sidelight is thrown on tube design by the success of this new "click" socket. The side pin on the tube is now superfluous. As it has always been a structural weakness and a potential cause of shearing the prongs, the possibility of its complete elimination from future tubes is very great.

The socket is made of mottled green genuine bakelite—entirely enclosed and fool-proof. All-metal parts are of phosphor bronze, electrically tinned for easy soldering. The base is of the non-skid type, with tiny moulded spikes that prevent twisting out of place, making possible the great convenience of one-hole mounting.

### Art Screen Makes Horn Look Like Cone

A new accessory is a circular silk screen that transforms the homely horn into a thing of beauty and a joy forever and gives it the appearance of an up-to-date cone speaker. It is made of fine quality silk in a wide variety of beautiful colors and patterns, mounted upon a durable frame easily adjusted to the bell of any horn speaker and slips off and on in a jiffy. The silken screen works a magic transformation in appearance and the makers claim that it also gives a filtering effect that improves the tone, while the frame is felt-mounted to free it from vibration. The placque fits any horn aperture up to 15 inches in diameter. The beautiful designs come in blue, tan and gold, making it a decorative asset to any home. The Deco-Art Placques are manufactured and sold by the Lumier Decorative Process Co., Harold Harris and Louis Miller, makers of decorative objects for the home, 148 East 28th street, New York City. The list price is reasonable and they have a good proposition for jobbers.

### See-Jay B Battery A Rechargeable Unit

The makers of the See-Jay battery (a rechargeable B with a strong guarantee) say that it has met all tests and is endorsed and recommended by the Washington Information Service Bureau. It contains genuine alkaline connected elements and needs no drilling or wiring. Connectors are crimped under 1,000 pounds pressure. It saves time, temper and money, they say. On these ten reasons the manufacturers base their claim of See-Jay Battery superiority: has a great life than lead batteries, is more efficient than lead, is much cheaper than lead, no sulphation of plates, no corrosion of terminals, no buckling of plates, extremely small loss in capacity while standing idle, no injury to battery if left discharged, no injury due to excessive overcharge. We are told every battery is tested under actual working conditions before it is sent out, every care is used in packing and the buyer is also protected by an iron-clad guarantee. These batteries are sold at reasonable prices. A complete assembled 100-volt Alkaline B battery with a free factory made charger for \$12.00; 140-volt, \$16.00. See-Jay units are sold on a money back basis. Sold direct from the See-Jay Battery Co., 915 Brook Ave., New York City.

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### \$10,000,000 For Ads; 3/4 Not in Newspapers

Ten million dollars will be spent in radio advertising this coming year and only one-quarter of it will be spent in newspaper advertising, says The American Newspaper Publishers' Association. The bulk of this radio advertising money will probably be spent in the radio publications as they have a 100% radio buying interest, while newspapers and publications of general reader interest, have less than 7% radio reader interest.

### Coming Events

JAN. 24 to 30—International Radio Week. Trans-Atlantic tests.

### Literature Wanted

THE names of readers of RADIO WORLD who desire literature from radio jobbers and dealers are published in RADIO WORLD on request of the reader. The blank below may be used, or a post card or letter will do instead.

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One of the basic laws of electricity and magnetism says that when a current of electricity flows through a coil of wire a magnetic field is set up about the winding. Depending on the direction of the turns of the wire and on the direction in which the current enters, one end of the coil will act as a north pole and the other as a south pole. This can be demonstrated with any straight inductance by connecting a single dry cell to its ends, and bringing a small compass near each open end of the coil; if the north pole of the compass is pointed at the ends, it will be spun

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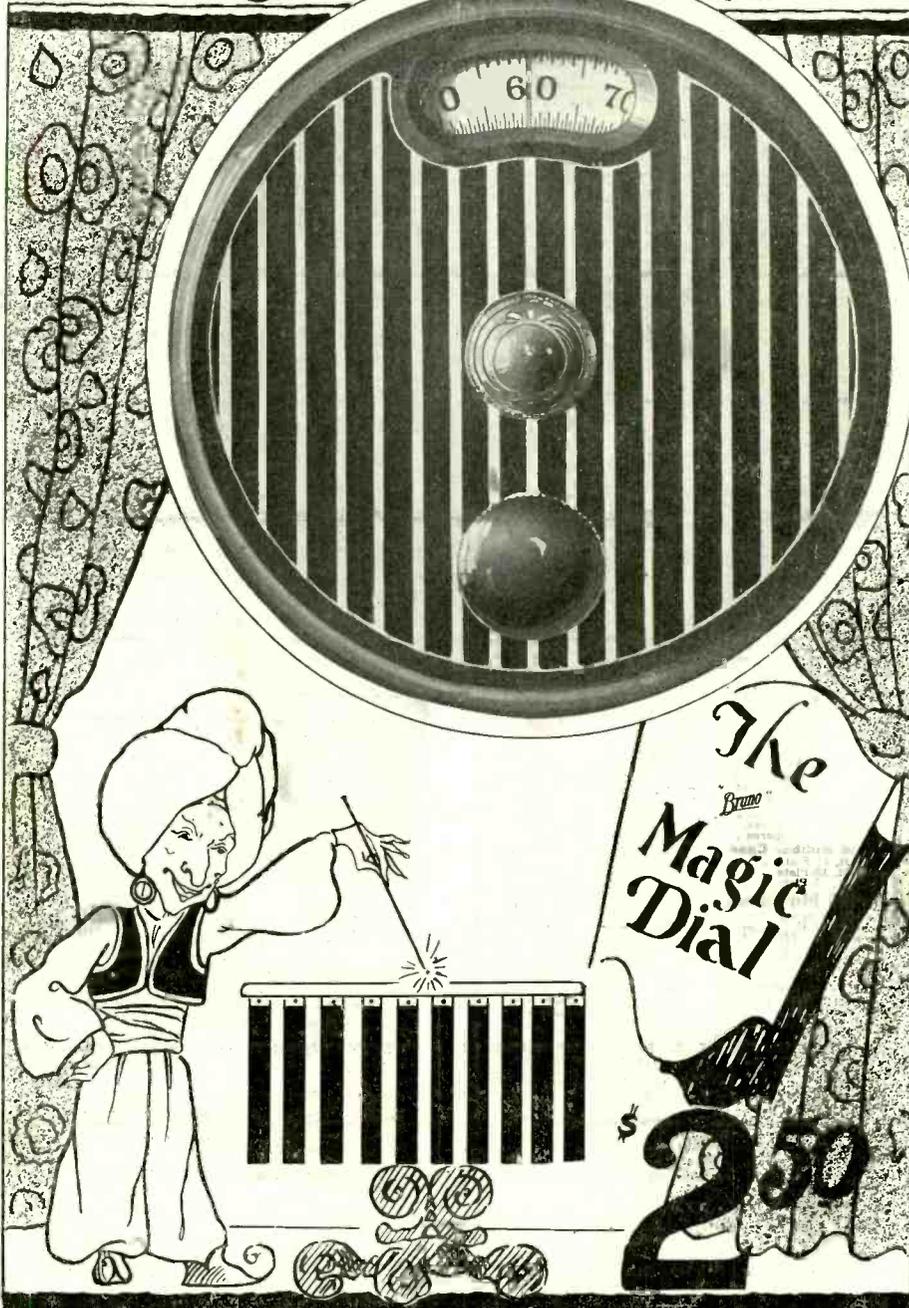
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# Public Interest in Technique Only in Infancy, Says Crosley

When the last enthusiast among the increasing million who form the buying public today, has purchased his set, the interest in the scientific development of wireless will have just begun to get started. This is the view of Powel Crosley, Jr., president of the Crosley Radio Corporation, Cincinnati, who used his prediction as foundation for the belief that radio will remain in the "experimental" stage for the average fan for many years.

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"This will not be the case in radio. In this new industry the more perfected the science becomes as a practical thing, the more will the interest of the layman increase instead of diminish. He will take radio up as a science and develop his accumulated knowledge of it, whereas with automobiles, the interest in the mechanical feature was driven into the discard by the pleasure of driving alone. It wouldn't even be going too far to say that as many people know about the inside of their

radio set today as they do about their automobiles.

"As every indication seems to bear out these remarks it is plainly evident that the small set which might in some cases be called an experimental one will for many years be in as much demand as the so-called finished models where the purchaser asks to be given no more responsibility than to turn the dials.

"From my own personal experience and as the result of many communications received it is apparent that the majority of radio fans still want to experiment with the ear-phone sets as a preliminary to the loud speaker variety. They feel that they have missed part of their radio education until they have gone through the simpler stage of radio reception."

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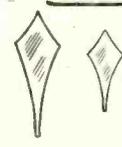
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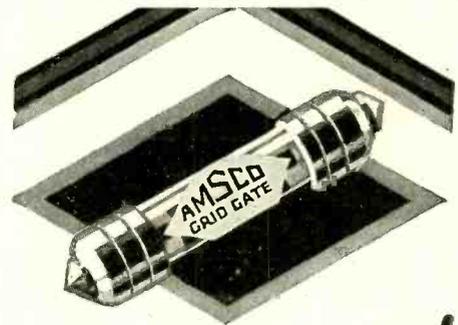
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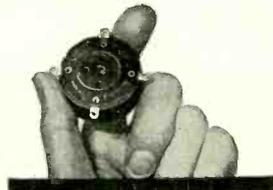
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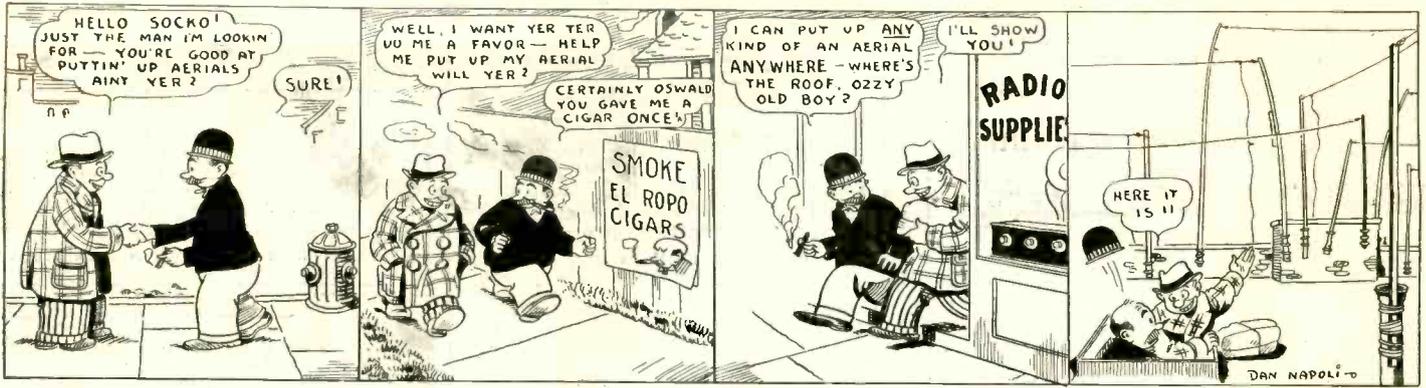
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# TOO MUCH IS PLENTY

By Dan Napoli



**DIAMOND EDITOR:**  
Using the Diamond of the Air I picked up 37 stations before 11 p. m. one recent night, all more than 500 miles away. At 11 p. m., while WMCA was on, I had KOA, Denver, so it could be heard across the room. I could hear WMCA, but Denver was not drowned out by any means. And, to top off a perfect evening I had KGO, (Oakland, Calif.) and have reported their broadcast (15 minutes of it) up to the time of their signing off at

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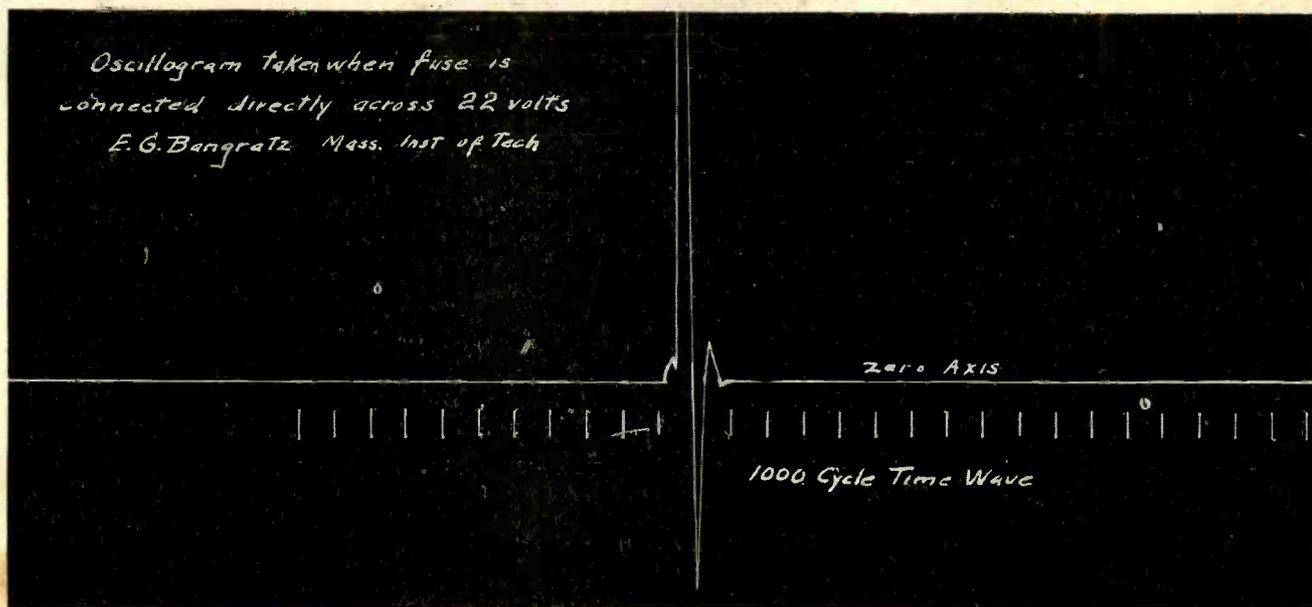
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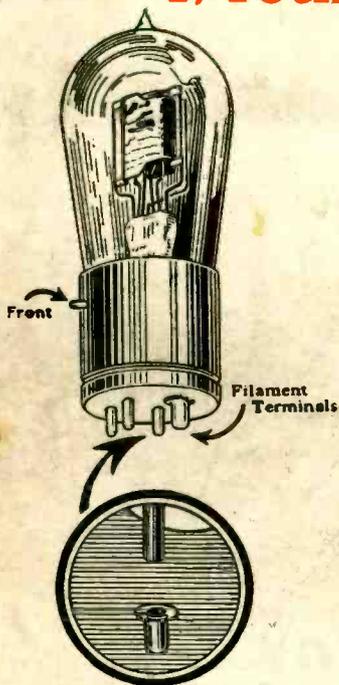
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