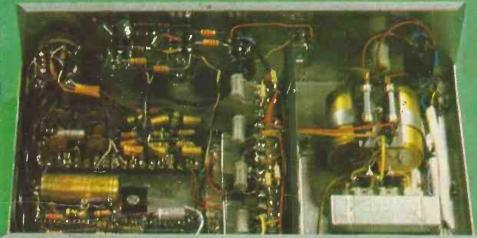
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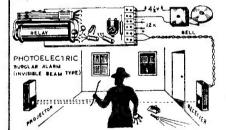
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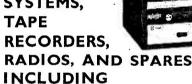
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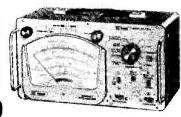
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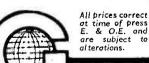
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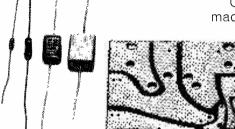
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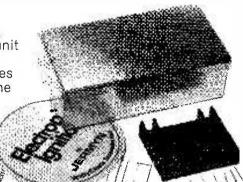
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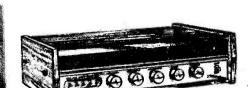
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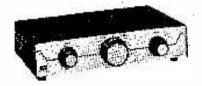
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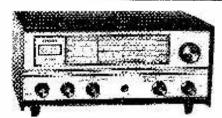


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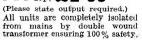
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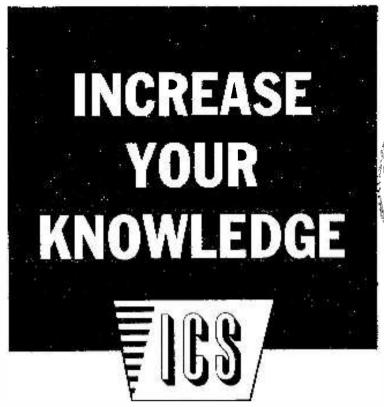
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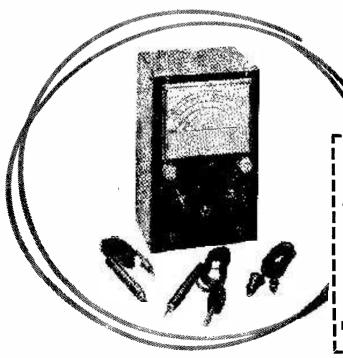
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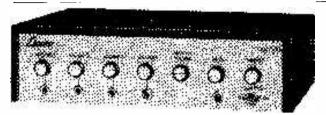
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AC188	0.22	BC107	0.09	BC209	0·12 0·11	BF152 BF153	0·55 0·45	BSY38 BSY39	0·18 0·18	OC208 OC204	0·25 0·25	2N929 2N930	0 21 0 21	2N3053	0.17	2N4058	0.12	40362	0.45
AC188K ACY17	0·20 0·25	BC108 BC109	0·09 0·10	BC212L BC213L	0.11	BF154	0.45	BSY+0	0.28	OC204	0.35	2N1131	0.20						
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ACY20	0.20	BC115	0.15	BC226	0.85	BF157	0.55	BSY95A	0.12	P397	0.42	2N1303	0.14	AA119	0.08	BY133	0.21	OA10	0.35
ACY21	0.20	BC116	0.15	BCY30	0 24	BF158 BF159	0·55 0·60	Bu105 Cl11E	2.00	OCP71 ORP12	0·48 0·43	2N1304 2N1305	0·17 0·17	AA120 AA129	0.08	BY164 BYX38/3	0.50	OA47 OA70	0.07
ACY22 ACY27	0·16 0·18	BC117 BC118	0·15 0·10	BCY31 BCY32	0.30	BF160	0.40	C400	0.80	ORP60	0.40	2N1305 2N1306	0.17	AAY30	0.08	DIA35/3	0.42	OA70 OA79	0.07
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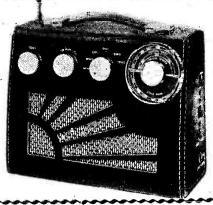
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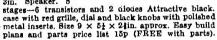


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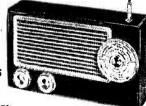


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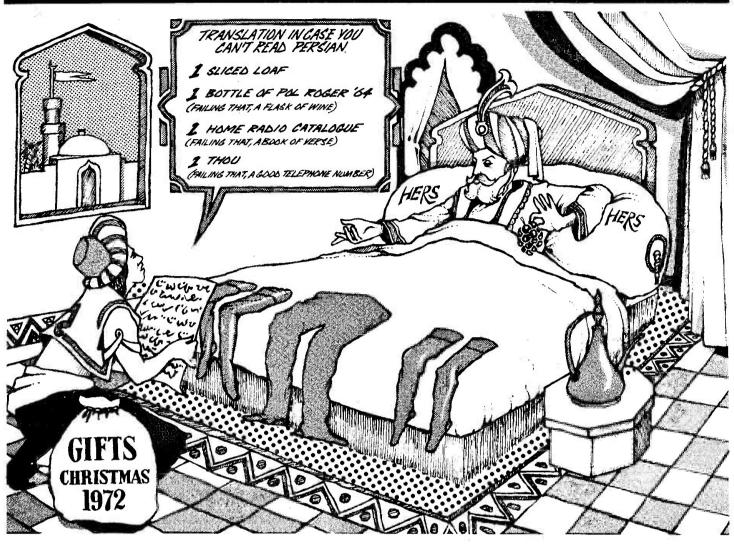
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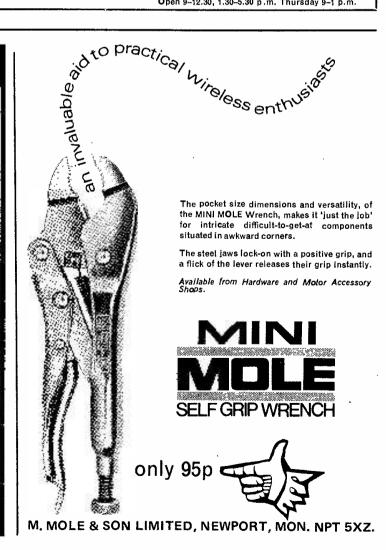
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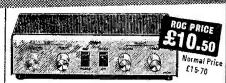
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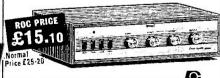
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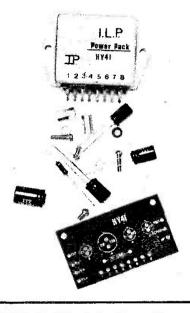
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INPUT IMPEDANCE: 30K ohms at 1KHz.

VOLTAGE GAIN: 30db at 1KHz

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FREQUENCY RESPONSE: 5Hz-50KHz + 1db.

SUPPLY VOLTAGE: ± 22.5volts D.C. SUPPLY CURRENT: 0.8 amps maximum.

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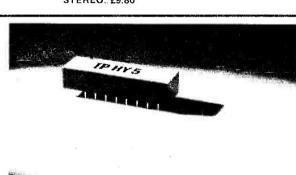
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#### 1932-1972

ALMOST unnoticed amidst the fanfare of the BBC's 50th Anniversary, we too at *Practical Wireless* have something to celebrate. On the 24th September 1932, 40 years ago, the first issue of this magazine was published under the editorship of the late F. J. Camm. We are justifiably proud of the many "firsts" that we have published in those glittering editorial decades and we wish to thank our many readers, contributors and advertisers for their continuing support.

Our basic policy laid down in issue No. 1 has remained almost unchanged to this day. Editorial content has been broadened to cover the changing scene in the world of wireless and electronics. We have a number of projected constructional features that will introduce our readers to new fields in the coming year. Our emphasis, as always, is to keep our readers abreast of new advances in the everchanging world of technological advancement and to cater

for readers at all levels.

We attempt to cater for all the desires of our readers which is of course our objective. We are here to help and educate and we feel that in this we are making a worth-while contribution.

To commemorate our 40th birthday we feel that many of our readers would wish to voice their thoughts on the early years and therefore we invite those of you who have been with us since issue No. 1 to write to us.

LIONEL E. HOWES-Assistant Editor.

Norman Stevens, Editor of *Practical Wireless* and *Television* since September 1962 has left these lofty portals for other spheres. We all wish Norman bon voyage.

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To all our readers

#### A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

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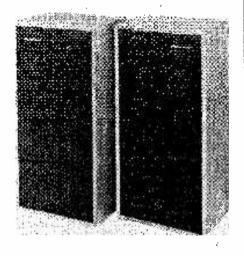
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#### **Eagle speakers**

Eagle International have just announced the model AA20 speaker. It has a power handling capacity of 15W r.m.s. and uses a high-compliance dual-cone combined bass and mid-range speaker with a 3in, tweeter.

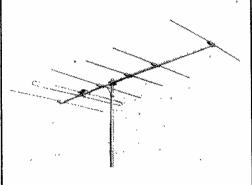
Frequency range is 35Hz-20kHz and cabinet size  $23^12\text{in.}\times12\text{in.}\times$  9in. Recommended retail price is £28.



#### The "mush killers"

As a follow-on to the BBC's statement of plans for extending the f.m. stereo broadcasts, Antiference have announced their new "mush-killer" aerials for f.m. stereo.

They are specially tuned for optimum performance in the U.K. f.m. band 2 (88-100 MHz) and the model priced at £6.95 shown in photograph comprises a 6-element folded dipole array. A surface-mounting dipole priced at £2.20 is also available. Antiference Limited, Bicester Road, Aylesbury, Bucks.

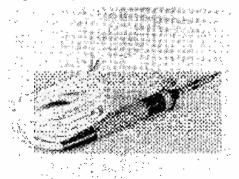


### Antex "X25" Dolby B unit

The picture shows the Antex "X25" soldering iron. It's rated at 25W and has a leakage current of only a few  $\mu$ A so the makers claim it cannot harm the most delicate equipment — even when soldered 'live'.

It comes fitted with a long-life  $^{1}8$ in. iron-coated bit and is priced at £1.75.

If you would like a copy of the free Antex colour catalogue, write to Antex Limited, Freepost, Plymouth, PL1 1BR.



Kellar Electronics have introduced their KDB3 simplified Dolby B Noise Reduction unit. It has two line inputs controlled by a master record control lever and two line outputs with 10dB switched attenuator. There are complete metering facilities in record/replay, together with a built-in 400Hz oscillator.

The record section input sensitivity is 25mV for Dolby level at  $20k\Omega$ . A 19 and 38 kHz notch filter is provided to prevent beating of f.m. multiplex tones with a tape recorder bias oscillator. Frequency response is 20Hz to 15kHz  $\pm$  1dB, 19kHz—36dB and output to tape recorder inputs (adjustable by record/calibrate controls) is 580mV for 25mV input with a minimum load of  $5k\Omega$ .

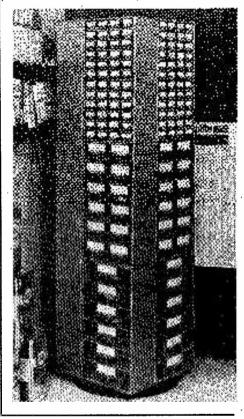
Price of the  $15^{1}_{2}$ in.×8in.× $3^{1}_{4}$ in. unit is £39. Kellar Electronics Ltd., Lopen Works, R/o 78 Lopen Road, London N18.

#### **Multiple drawers**

Did you know that with a Link MK Space Mizer you can get 21 sq. ft. of storage space totalling 12 cu. ft. of drawers in a floor area of only  $18^{1}_{4}$ in.  $\times 18^{1}_{4}$ in. These cabinets are fixed firmly to a heavy-duty ball-bearing turntable enabling the units to be easily rotated.

Link MK cabinets from the 120, 250 or 500 ranges can be combined in multiples of four to build a complete Space Mizer. There are 16 basic drawers, each of which can be sub-divided in at least six different ways.

If you want a free brochure on these units, write to Link-Hampson Ltd., 5 Bone Lane, Newbury, Berkshire.





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#### The Cornish Link

The other morning a copy of "The Cornish Link" magazine came in with the post. It's the official magazine of the Cornish Radio Amateur Club and contains the club's future programme and some interesting little articles together with "sales and wanted" columns, etc.

The club is affiliated to the R.S.G.B. and holds regular monthly meetings.

The November meeting was held at the S.W.E.B. Club Room, Pool, Cambourne, on November 2nd. The business of the Club was followed by films, one of which was "The Radio Sky".

The December 7th meeting includes closed-circuit TV and video tape recording demonstrations.

The magazine has a lively editorial and is full of interesting "goodies", and the Assistant Editor is Sheila Locke, to whom all "contributions" should be sent at "Hillside" Kehelland, Cambourne. Sheila's OM is Bill Locke, G3NKE, who is the public relations officer of the club.

Visitors to Cornwall who are interested in the Club's activities are asked to write or telephone Bill, G3NKE, at Cambourne 2419.

Annual subscription to The Cornish Link is £1.25.

### Applications handbook

SGS/ATES has published an applications handbook setting out numerous suggestions for the use of its high level logic family, the H100 series.

Aimed at the general reader, and including an introduction to the logic and a presentation of the range and operation of the elements, the handbook will also interest the specialist, detailing as it does some fifty applications under the general headings of digital and computing, wave forming and pulse circuit, interface and miscellaneous.

Copies are available at a price of £1·20 from Mr. R. Burnip, SGS (United Kingdom) Ltd., Planar House, Walton Street, Aylesbury, Bucks.

#### Richard Mann

Author and designer Richard Mann of "TEXAN" fame has, after a period of five years moved from the Applications Laboratory of Texas Instruments Limited to become Market Communications Manager for Northern Europe. He is responsible for technical publications, advertising and P.R.

He previously specialised in the uses of TTL and Operational Amplifiers and has been one of the principle speakers at Technical Seminars which Texas Instruments hold regularly in London, Edinburgh and the Scandinavian countries.



#### Adcola kit

Adcola Products have produced a new soldering kit, containing an Invader iron, a stand, solder, two spare bits and an instruction card giving hints and tips on soldering. Price is £3.99. Adcola Products Ltd., Adcola House, Gauden Road, London, S.W.4.



#### **Eagle brochure**

Eagle International, of Wembley, Middlesex, have just released their latest 28-page colour brochure, containing over 60 of their audio products.

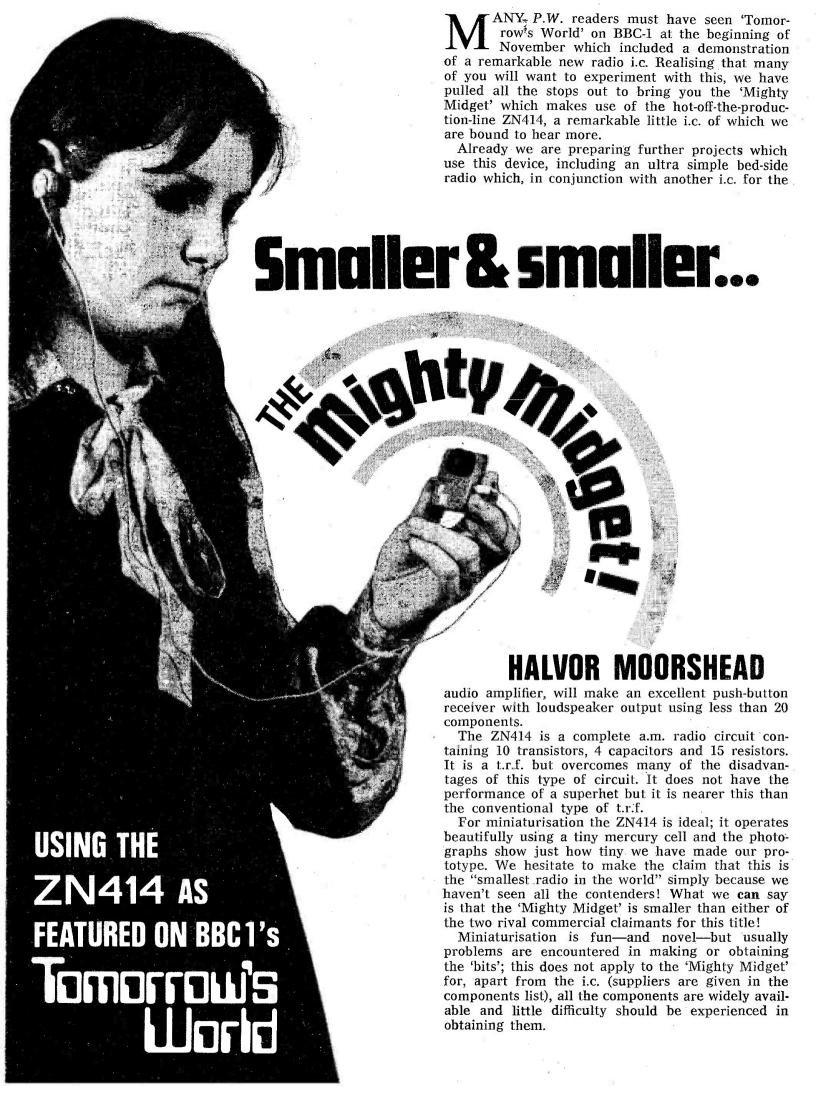
Sections cover stereo amplifiers, tuners, speakers and speaker systems, tweeters, cartridges, stereo headphones, accessories, microphones and mixers.



The new brochure which is free, is available from retailers or direct from Eagle International, Precision Centre, Heather Park Drive, Wembley HA0 1SU.

#### Top Band Transatlantic Tests 1972-73

Stewart Perry, W1BB, reports almost 100% support for the continuation of these tests, held since 1932, during the coming DX season. The dates are Sundays December 24, January 14 and February 11 from 0500 to 0700 GMT with the W/VE's on 1800-1807kHz and the Europeans on 1825-1830kHz, better known as the "DX Window". W/VE's will call "CQ DX TEST" for the first 212 minutes of the first 5-minute period and then listen for replies for 212 minutes. Europeans will call similarly for 212 minutes at the beginning of the second period and then listen for replies for 2<sup>1</sup><sub>2</sub> minutes, and so on. W1BB emphasises the importance of accurate time-keeping unless in QSO. Reports to W1BB or your favourite DX column.



Construction is relatively simple; all you need is a file, a couple of drills, a screwdriver, fine-nosed pliers and a soldering iron. The total cost will depend on what you already have available or where you buy your components but assuming that all-new components are used, the cost will be about £2, £1.25 of which is for the i.c.

It must be emphasised that although we are using the ZN414 here in a 'gimmick' circuit, this is by no means its main application. Ferranti, the British makers, have released few details of this device—no internal circuit has yet been made available to the public—but it offers several attractive features. The input impedance is very high—typically  $1\cdot 5M\Omega$ —and this allows for a simple tuned circuit to be connected to it without the device damping it; this accounts for the good selectivity.

There is also an excellent a.g.c. circuit built into the device; this is a feature difficult to obtain with normal t.r.f. design.

The output from the unit can be as high as 30 mV but the tiny aerial used here means that the output of our unit is somewhat less. The current drain measured on the prototype was a tiny  $70\mu\text{A}$  but the makers say that a more typical figure would be  $400\mu\text{A}$ . Even so, the mercury cell will give over 400 hours of operation for about 16p (the cost of the battery).

Our circuit here is for medium waves only but the i.c. will operate (at lower efficiency) on the long waves and up to 5MHz. In a quick lash-up during development of the prototype, our sample even worked well on the 49 metre-band—rather above the maker's claim, though this may be a characteristic of our sample.

The selectivity of the prototype is reasonable but takes an unusual form. Although the tuning of the more powerful stations is very broad, as soon as another station of sufficient strength is tuned in, even though fairly close to the main one, there is no trace of the well-spread, powerful one. Radio 4, pretty strong in the author's area, appears across most of the dial but is not present when the receiver is tuned to other stations. This is hard to describe but those building this project will notice the effect.

The author, living in the London area, picked up over a dozen stations at one o'clock in the morning but Radio Luxembourg was not amongst these as BBC Radio London on 206 metres completely swamped it. When the latter went off the air one hour later, Luxembourg was as clear as crystal, so readers outside London and Birmingham (which also uses 206 metres) should have no problems in getting it. The weaker the station, the better the selectivity; there is definitely swamping of the front end from powerful stations and the makers admit this in their spec. sheet.

Our use of the ZN414 is obviously not the best way of demonstrating audio quality but the distortion from this unit is somewhat less than that from an ordinary superhet due to very low intermodulation distortion.

#### **CIRCUIT**

The complete circuit is given in Fig. 1. The ZN414 comes in a TO-18 can (the same as a BC109) and there are only three connections: input, negative-chassis and output-positive.

The radio signals are induced into the tiny coil, L1,

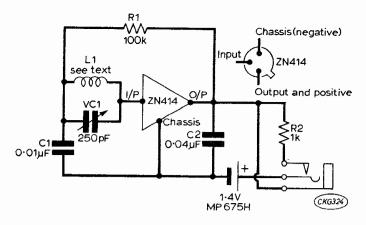


Fig. 1: The complete circuit, beautifully simple as far as the constructor is concerned yet the i.c. contains 10 transistors, 4 capacitors and 15 resistors—all on a 30 thousandths of an inch square chip.

#### \* components list

R1 100k $\Omega$ ,  $\frac{1}{8}$ W, 5%

R2  $1k\Omega$ ,  $\frac{1}{8}W$ , 5% — see text

C1 0·01μF tubular ceramic
 C2 0·04μF disc ceramic—see text

VC1 250pF compression trimmer (R.S. Components)

L1 90 turns of 32 s.w.g. enamelled copper wire on 1½in. length of ¼in. diameter ferrite rod.

IC1 ZN414 (Ferranti). Available from Bywood Electronics, 181 Ebberns Road, Hemel Hempstead, Herts or Henry's Radio Ltd., 303 Edgware Road, London W.2 or Davian Electronics, P.O. Box 38, Oldham Lancs. Price (same from all suppliers) £1.25 including postage.

Battery: Mercury cell, 1.4V, type MP675H (available

from most chemists).

Jack socket: 2.5mm type with switch, modified as shown.

Crystal earpiece with 2.5mm jack plug, see text.

Case: Snuff box, see text.

Tuning knob; 6BA screw, in long.

Total cost: about £2

which is tuned by the variable capacitor VC1. One side of the tuned circuit connects directly to the input while the other is at chassis potential (as far as a.c. is concerned) by having C1 in line.

As the internal circuit is not available and details are at present a closely guarded secret, we can only guess at the function of R1—presumably it applies bias to the input but it may also affect the a.g.c. Experimentally it was found that lower values caused regeneration and instability but such experiments cannot be recommended as the device may be harmed.

The output is an audio signal but a small smoothing capacitor is required. The makers suggest a  $0.01\mu F$  component for C2 but this was found barely sufficient and a  $0.04\mu F$  (or  $0.05\mu F$ ) was found better. This higher value was not found to affect the audio signal. This component has been left accessible in the layout if readers wish to experiment with this value.

The reason why a higher value is better is because we are closing things up a bit tighter than is recommended; ideally the output lead of the i.c. should be at least an inch from the coil but if extra smoothing is used there is less danger of instability resulting from r.f. finding its way back to the coil. The load resistor, across which the a.f. signal is developed, is R2. The value here affects the a.g.c. and once again

there is room for experiment. As with C2, this component is left accessible for changes if necessary. The makers recommend a  $470\Omega$  here as a typical value but in the prototype the  $1k\Omega$  was found a bit better.

For efficiency and economy a crystal earpiece is used. This has a high impedance and will not affect the circuit operation. The author also tried  $250\Omega$  and  $2000\Omega$  impedance magnetic types; both worked well, although the d.c. conditions are affected and changes may be necessary in both R2 and C2 if these are used. Low impedance magnetic types which are provided with many transistor radios are *not* suitable and should not be used.

#### THE COIL

Commercial coils of the size that we need are not available and so it is necessary to wind one's own but this is not difficult. You need to buy a length of <sup>1</sup>4in. diameter rod, this is available in 5in. or 6in. lengths from Henry's Radio or Home Radio but of course this has to be cut to a <sup>11</sup>2in. length. The way to do this is to file a V-shaped groove and smartly snap the rod—it is no good trying to cut it with a hacksaw. When this is done check that it will fit inside the case before winding the coil.

A narrow band of plastic, self-adhesive tape should be wound around one end, trapping the wire in it. 90 turns of 32 s.w.g. wire should then be made, the final turn being trapped in a second band of tape. Thinner gauge wire may be used if available, but thicker gauges will not fit on, the length of the rod is not sufficient.

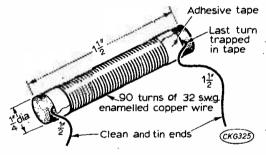


Fig. 2: The aerial is wound on a short length of ferrite rod as shown.

A drawing of the ferrite rod aerial is shown in Fig. 2 and, as will be seen, short lengths of wire should be left at both ends, stripped of the insulation and tinned.

#### CONSTRUCTION

The case can be obtained from nearly any tobacconist—it is the container used for Wilson's S.P. No. 1 Snuff, the most widely available brand. The cost of this—including the snuff of course—is only 8p and the little plastic box is an ideal size for our needs and quite strong. The metal lid fits tightly and no additional fixing for this is necessary. Incidentally if you haven't tried snuff, this is your chance (your author is partial to the occasional pinch).

Two holes have to be drilled in the box, these are shown in Fig. 3. The siting of the hole for VC1 has to be quite accurate and it may be best to take this from the actual component. At this end of the box there is very little room for the ferrite rod and VC1 and careful siting is essential.

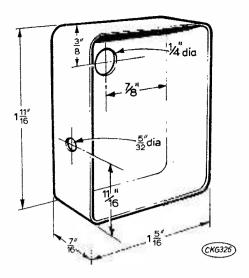


Fig. 3: The holes necessary in the plastic snuff box which is used for the case.

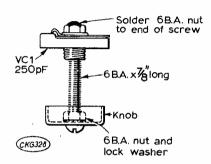
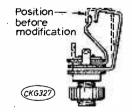


Fig. 4: The modification to the compression trimmer to make it into a variable capacitor.

The tuning capacitor is small 250pF compression trimmer which has to be modified as shown in Fig. 4. The screw supplied should be removed and replaced by a 78 in. 6BA screw fitted from the other end. The knob should be held near the head as shown and, after assembly in the box, this should be secured by soldering a nut to the end, ensuring that the special washer is fitted. This trimmer capacitor has rather long solder tags and these should be cut off, leaving just enough to solder to.

The earpiece socket is a 2.5mm type and this has to be adapted as shown in Fig. 5. It must be fitted with a switch but this will be of the break type. For our purposes we need the switch to *make* when the earpiece is inserted and the contact should be modified as shown using fine-nosed pliers.

Fig. 5: The 2.5mm jack socket has to be modified to make it switch on when the plug is inserted.



The component layout is shown in Fig. 6. The easiest method is first to mount the wires and R2 directly onto the small socket and then fit this into the case. The components are 'floating' and this will provide an anchoring point. The output lead of the i.c. should be soldered to R2 and the input lead should be run to one connection of VC1. Lengths of wire should be left for the final connection to the mercury cell. These should be soldered directly to it;

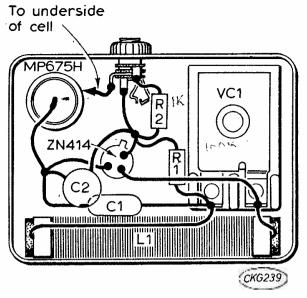
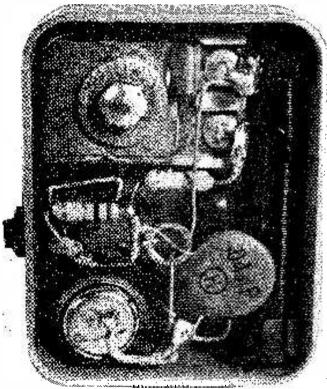
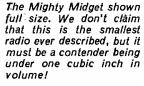


Fig. 6: The components layout. Note that C2 and R2 are left accessible to allow for later experimentation.



An inside shot of the prototype, compare this with Fig. 6. This photograph is of course much larger than actual size.

Being so small, the Mighty Midget lends itself to several types of gimmick. One idea is shown on the right, that of gluing the finished radio to the fob of a key ring.





note that the positive connection is the main body.

Great care should be taken when making this joint as mercury cells can quickly be destroyed if they are overheated. The solder joint must be made as fast as possible and, after it has solidified, the cell should be cooled as quickly as possible—wrapping it in a damp cloth is one way. The author has never destroyed a transistor by soldering but several mercury cells have been ruined, this is only mentioned to emphasise the great care that is needed in this operation.

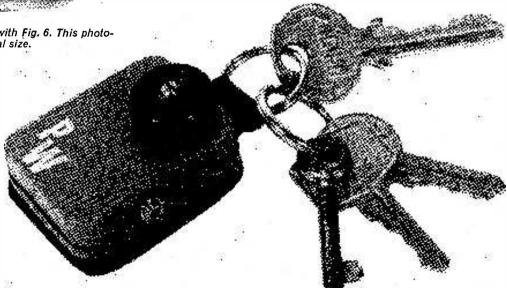
Ideally a metal lid should not be used but in practice it hardly affects the circuit and, since it forms a neat back, may be used. It should not be connected electrically to any part of the circuit. A small 'nick' will be needed in the lid to prevent it interfering with the earpiece holding nut.

There is of course no lining up and the radio should work immediately upon switching on. It is worthwhile having a look to see that the earpiece on-off switch is operating properly in situ.

The radio is not as directional as most t.r.f.'s and is similar to a superhet; this is on account of the very efficient a.g.c. action; it can certainly be operated from a breast pocket.

The small size, of course, enables lots of gimmicks to be tried. One photograph shows that it can be mounted on a key ring fob.

Few problems should be experienced with this circuit but remember that the i.c. is a delicate device and should be treated carefully—especially while soldering.



# edium ave Column

HILIP J. WHARMBY who lives in Manchester has been DXing on the medium waves with his HMV 2170 receiver. He reports reception of WBT Charlotte, North Carolina, on 1110kHz at 0300hrs with some interference from AFN Munich; The Voice of America, Kavalla, Greece, on 791kHz in English at 2302hrs after Limoges, France, had closed down; Athens (Armed Forces outlet) on 1320kHz at 2230hrs with Leipzig off the air. Philip asks for a list of the new BBC Local Radio Stations on the medium waves. Radio Blackburn is on 854kHz; Solent on 998kHz: Sheffield and Medway on 1034kHz: Leeds on 1105kHz: London, Birmingham, Manchester and Newcastle on 1457kHz; Brighton and Humberside on 1484kHz; Stoke on 1502kHz; Bristol and Teesside 1546kHz; Leicester 1594kHz. Radio Merseyside is not yet on the medium waves but is expected to appear on 1484kHz early in 1973.

Although these local broadcasters are on the air until 0100hrs, it is during the daytime, when continental interference is at a minimum, that the DXer has his best chance of hearing a few of the more distant ones. Dr. H. S. Brodribb who lives at St Leonards-on-Sea, Sussex, has had daylight reception of London, Medway and Solent. His receiver is a 1938 vintage Philips superhet connected to an outdoor aerial via a Joymatch aerial tuning unit. He remarks "It is interesting (and reminds me of about 1925) to receive low power stations at a distance". George East of Solihull has heard Manx Radio 1295kHz on his car radio while driving near Whitchurch in Shropshire. This station transmits on 1295kHz and 1594kHz during daylight hours, each with a power of 1kW. At dusk the 1295kHz transmission closes down while on 1594kHz the power is reduced to 200 watts.

Mid-winter is the season for Asiatics on the medium waves. They are usually audible in the afternoon during the closing hours of daylight. before they become swamped by interference from Europeans. Listen from 1500hrs onwards for China, India and Japan. The 1000kW outlet of All India Radio in Calcutta is a regular on 1130kHz and has been heard with news and identification in English at 1600hrs. It is subject to slow fading so it is worth remaining on the channel for a minute or two if it cannot be heard. Chinese stations are often conspicuous. Search for Lanchow on 860kHz; Sinkiang 910kHz; Hofei 940kHz; Peking 1000kHz, 1190kHz and 1200kHz; Chanso 1230kHz. From Taipeh in Taiwan BED2 on 750kHz and BED50 on 1250kHz are sometimes audible with programmes of westernised Chinese music. Japanese stations are less conspicuous but listen for JOBB in Osaka on 830kHz and JOLB in Fukuoka on 870kHz. Two regulars from the Near East are Baghdad 760kHz and Kabul, Afghanistan 1280kHz, while the new high power Radio Iraq at Ovazim on 841kHz is usually a strong signal for most of the evening.

Please send logs and information about medium wave to the author at 132 Segars Lane, Southport.



Many months back I wrote of the application of a laser to write and then read a holographic memory. The idea was simple. Since the flat photographic plate could be made to produce a 3D photograph, then a similar idea could be employed as a form of data recording. One "layer" of data could be stored and then, because the 3D effect gave depth, a second "layer" of data could be recorded behind the first, and so on.

News now comes from Japan that this is not a theoretical idea anymore. The Central Research Laboratory at Hitachi has developed a system in which, it is claimed, the maximum limit of storage density is approaching that predicted by optical theory. Some 10,000 symbols can be accommodated or stored in a spot only 1 millimetre in diameter (about 1/25 of an inch). Reading time is of the order of  $1\mu S$  (one millionth of a second). Wonder if this will bring that 3D colour telly any closer? It will certainly be interesting to see what may be developed over the next few years.

I hear that Chrysler, the U.S. automobile manufacturer, has ordered 3 million transistors from RAC. These are for electronic ignition systems and bring this form of ignition a step nearer becoming a standard. It is acclaimed by some as a "major step" in helping to combat pollution problems due to exhaust emission. As you all know, this pollution question is a big thing in the States and it is something that will have to be seriously thought about here!

For those making their own Printed Circuits—good news. A company called Decon Laboratories is to market a special pen in small quantities down to a one-off. The pen is "special" because it contains an acid resistant ink! This is applied via a nylon "nib". It is thus only necessary to take a piece of copper-clad laminate, and literally draw the circuit connection pattern required. The laminate is then etched in ferric chloride in the usual way to remove unwanted copper.

A problem with some memory systems is that when power is cut, the memory "forgets" and clears itself. A fairly new device introduced by Siemens boasts a storage time of many months even with power removed. The device works on the principle of charge carriers being stored between a silicon oxide layer and a nitride layer. Although the charges shift the threshold voltage of the transistor, they do not alter the physical semiconductor structure. Thus information may be repeatedly written and erased. Pulses of between 50 and 100 µS duration at ±35V are required to write/erase information.

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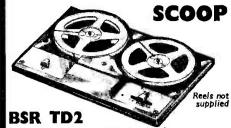
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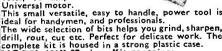
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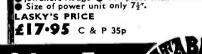
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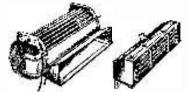
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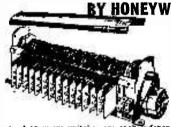
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# MONTHLY **NEWS FOR** DX LISTENERS

THE collecting of QSL cards, as mentioned last month, gives the hobby of shortwave listening a new dimension. The cards, once received, can be made into an attractive and interesting collection and put into albums for display. Alternatively, those listeners lucky enough to have their own shack can decorate the walls with QSL cards.

Most of the DX and radio clubs issue attractive certificates to members who have collected certain numbers of cards. There is usually one award for number of countries verified, 50, 100 etc. Other certificates are more specialised, for hearing a certain number of countries on a certain band; for hearing, say, ten stations in each of the continents etc. These certificates can be added to the collection.

Some DX clubs also organise listening competitions in which the listener is restricted to certain bands and certain times. The competitor then submits his log for the competition which is then checked against the transmission schedules of all the stations. Points are then awarded according to the difficulty of reception. The winner is the person with the most points at the end of the day.

# DX News

Bolivia: Radio Juan XXIII, San Ignacio has been heard with a poor signal at 0125 on 4967kHz, the programme consisted of music and advertisements.

Fiji: The Fiji Broadcasting Commission has closed its short-wave transmitters and the two 10kW units are being converted for medium-wave broadcasts.

Gabon: Franceville has been noted at 0500 on the new frequency of 4830kHz. The programme was in French and reception was poor.

Papua: R. Milne Bay, VL8AS, is now in operation on the new frequency of 3360kHz with a power of 10kW. The station advises that the reception is world-wide and they are rated as the best signal from Papua.

The above items of news are from Sweden Calling DXers and my own listening efforts.

The first log this month comes from Michael Berry of Dewsbury, Yorkshire who heard the following stations:

3210 R. Clube Mozambique, Portuguese at 1810.

11805 R. Globo, Brazil in Portuguese at 2020.

11835 R. El Espectador, Uruguay, Spanish at 2135.

11865 R. Clube Pernambuco, Brazil at 2050.

11920 Ivory Coast in English at 1935.

11950 R. Min. Educacao, Brazil, Portuguese at 2245. 15105 Windward Islands B.S. in English at 2120.

Richard Witney of Braintree, Essex, used his Binatone Air Marshall portable receiver and 35 foot telescopic antenna to hear the following stations:

9670 Trans Europa Radio, Greece 1250. 9750 Radio Kuwait in English at 1710.

9913 All India Radio, News in English at 2100.

11721 Radio Nacional de Brazilia at 0700.

11955 FEBA, Seychelles in English at 1600.

Richard Keen of Haves in Middlesex has just installed an a.f. processing unit to improve reception and was rewarded by hearing:

4550 R. Nacional Columbia at 2100.

5960 HCJB, Quito, Ecuador in English at 2040.

11724 R. Nacional Brazilia noted at 2020.

11795 R. Nacional, Rio de Janeiro at 2015.

11805 Radio Globo, Brazil noted at 2115.

11830 VOA, Okinawa at 1635.

15105 R. Rural Brazil noted at 2040.

John W. Smith of Cellardyke, Anstruther, Fife returns after a long absence with the following list received on his Eddystone 840C and 60 metre halfwave dipole.

4860 All India Radio at 1920.

4890 R. Dif. Venezuela at 0250.

4910 Conakry, Guinea at 2215.

4940 R. Yaracuy, Venezuela noted at 0223.

4965 South African B.C., Internal Sce. at 2130.

4980 Ecos del Torbes, Venezuela at 0235.

4990 R. Barquisimeto, Venezuela at 0355

5035 Radiodif. Nationale Centrafricaine, 2230.

5047 Radiodif. du Togo noted at 2245.

15155 R. Dif. de Sao Paulo, Brazil at 2005.

15180 R. Cultura de Bahia, Brazil at 2030.

15450 R. Nacional de Brazil at 1930.

Simon Fordham sent the following log from his home in Auckland, New Zealand, his equipment consists of a 5-valve domestic receiver and a 15 foot vertical aerial:

5970 CBC, Radio Canada at 0840. 9680 ABC, Radio Australia at 0815.

9715 Radio Nederland, Bonaire at 0815.

9745 HCJB, Quito, Ecuador at 0830.

11730 Radio Moscow at 0430.

11730 Radio Nederland, Bonaire at 0700.

11765 ABC, Radio Australia at 0800.

11765 HCJB, Quito, Ecuador at 0835.

15405 ABC, Radio Australia at 0800.

Mohammed Huq of London, E.2. is a newcomer to the column, his equipment consists of a Skywood CX203 receiver and a 45 foot long-wire antenna, this enabled him to hear:

9460 R. Pakistan with music at 2025.

9570 Radio Australia, newsreel at 0730.

9912 All India Radio, music at 2240.

11650 Radio Bangladesh with songs at 1740.

15520 Radio Bangladesh with news in Bengali at 1500.

17825 NHK, Tokyo, Japan in Japanese at 0820.

Reports should arrive by the 15th. of the month and be addressed to me at 59 Windrush, Highworth, Swindon, Wiltshire, SN6 7DT.

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# THE AMATEUR BANDS David Gibson, G3JDG

# Frequencies in kHz Times in GMT

T'S the very last month of the year, Time for Santa to come sliding down your antenna with a big bag crammed with goodies. All the best wishes from G3JDG will not guarantee a nice new hunk of equipment, but a very happy Christmas to all slaves of the ether, anyway.

Speaking of Christmas; for the benefit of the many newcomers plus those who forgot (confess!), remember the large number of nets on Christmas morning. Topband is a firm favourite with two metres a close second.

Did you know that you can "grade" an Amateur Radio station by listening to the Christmas nets? Well, you can, and here's how. At 0600hrs the fanatics come on. They've been up all night on the air. Note their callsigns. These are the ones to listen for next year. They'll be working the DX even if it kills them.

This group is joined at 0800hrs on Christmas morning by a very large number. These are the family types who were awakened at 0600hrs by their harmonics (children). They have already received (0601hrs) their annual quota of gloves (wrong size), socks (wrong colour) and aftershave (wrong pong) and are killing time until breakfast.

At 0930hrs—the elite—the guy who doesn't have to get up early. His 1kW transmitter at the bedside feeds a well-hidden 5 Megawatt linear in the garage and from thence to a tri-band quad at 200feet. He doesn't have to get up early for DX, they can hear him everywhere, anywhere, anytime.

At about 1030hrs, the last batch arrives on the bands. These are just plain lazy and the group will almost certainly harbour G3JDG. See how many you can log in each group and let me know.

Time to look at our Potty Prefix list. It seems that there are more changes than the consumption of proverbial hot dinners. Gozo has changed from 9H1 to 9H4 followed by two letters. Indian Amateurs are using a VU25 prefix to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the country's independence.

Scalp hunters will be pleased to note that Mellish Reef has been added to the Countries List by the ARRL (American Radio Relay League). Wonder how they'd reckon on G3JDG working /A from the duck sanctuary in the middle of the Serpentine.

If you get fed up listening to crowded bands with 40 stations separated by 3Hz—have a rest, tune into the wide open r.f. pastures of the four metre cemetery. Think of it; just you, your receiver and the noise level—Haaa . .! But things have changed. Real signals have been heard with people unashamedly giving callsigns quite openly.

Kevin Gibson (no, I'm not his sister!) of Buckingham backs up my findings with a 70MHz log filled in with the aid of a solid state homebrew converter (r.f., mixer) feeding the precious QSO's into an Eddy-

stone 750. Antenna is a 4-element Yagi at 25ft. Heard on 70MHz and not forgotten; G3—CDG/P, GGH, GJW/A, HBG, NVI, RML, RSB, SLI/M, TIR, UHH, UPK, UPS/P, WIR, YCN, YNX/M, YQW, ZHA/M, ZQX, ZRF, ZRH, ZYS/P, G4—AAW, ADM (using indoor dipole), BDQ, BEG. Kevin also reports hearing "meteor pings" from Eastern European f.m. broadcast stations. (Not the dreaded Peking Pings?). Anyone else hear anything on 70MHz? Be pleased to hear from you.

Richard Osborne (Weaverham, Cheshire) asks, "Why are there so few logs for 10 metres? When the band is open, the DX comes rolling in". Proof of the Christmas Pudding etc., so Richard sent a list which reads; CE3AOS/P/O, CR6TP, CX2CN, EL8YE, FL8OM, HC1JB, KV4GV, MPHMBQ (Masira Island), MP4TEE, PW1EMM (Editor on holiday on Lundy?), PY2RZ, PZ5CW, TU2DO, VP9GE, fifteen W's, ZE4JW, seven ZS's, 4X4IX, 4Z4LS, 5T5TY, 9JZDT.

Same guy, same gear bagged these on 21MHz; CR6QA, DUICM, FB8XX, FP8CT, many JA's, KL7HDY, KV4AD, MP4MBP, MP4TDM, TN8AU, VS9MB (on Gan Island), VU25DK, YB3AAY, ZD3D, 5H3MT, 5N2AAN, 9M2DW, 9Q5NB, 9X5VA. Kevin uses an "all PW" station which includes the PW General receiver, G3TYJ preselector and PW DXer's audio processing unit. Ten metre antenna is 30 metres long end-fed.

Robert Iball (is that pronounced "Eyeball" or am I being too Eyebrow?) is back in the saddle of his Trio JR500SE. Antenna is 75ft endfed and the cream of hearings on three bands are as follows. Twenty metres: UA1KAE (Antarctica), VK3MO, VK5UC, VK6BC, WA1QOX/VE8, all on s.s.b. with VE8RCS and CO1IB/FP8 on c.w. Fifteen metre s.s.b. from WA6OYU/KG6 and G3MUL/CE3 while VK2CX put in an appearance on c.w. Ten metre c.w.; UM8MAH: s.s.b. signals from FL8OM, HC1LG, HC1XX, JY9DR and VK6NI. Robert's QTH is Worksop, Notts.

Anyone started some serious Topband listening yet? **David Sharred** (South Yardley, Birmingham) managed to hear HB9ANW plus GI3GRD and GW3XHG. Receiver is a three valve regen. from PW; about 1965 (a good year for regens!) Antenna is a "folded" 140ft. endfed.

Only two "happenings" in my diary for the immediate future. December 9 and 10, topband c.w. contest; January 27-28, C.Q. World Wide DX 160 contest—now there's an opportunity.

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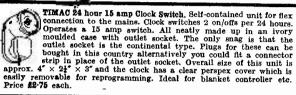
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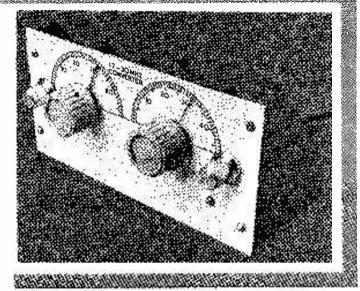
HEN used in conjunction with a receiver able to tune between about 1·4 and 1·6MHz, at the high frequency end of the medium wave band, this converter provides continuous coverage from 1·7 to 30MHz. This includes the 160, 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metre Amateur bands as well as the general short wave broadcasts and many other transmissions.

# CIRCUIT

Fig. 1 shows the circuit, having Tr1, an AF117 as r.f. amplifier with VR1 as the r.f. gain control, necessary to prevent overloading with strong signals. Tr3, another AF117, is the tunable oscillator. The output from the MPF105 f.e.t. mixer Tr2 goes to a co-axial lead feeding the receiver.

L1 and L2 are tuned to the signal frequency by the ganged capacitor VC1/2 but L1 can be peaked for maximum efficiency on any range by the panel trimmer VC3. A separate capacitor, VC4, is the oscillator tuning.

The coils L1, L2 and L3 are designed for use in circuits which employ a 1.6 MHz i.f. amplifier. By using a separate capacitor for VC4 and an untuned output circuit at Tr2 the need to set the receiver to precisely 1.6MHz is avoided. The receiver may in fact be tuned to some convenient frequency which avoids any breakthrough of m.w. signals or it may be tuned over a narrow segment to bandspread a part of the converter range. The combination of converter and receiver works as a double-superhet. Initial conversion is to the frequency to which the receiver is tuned followed by the usual conversion to 470kHz or a similar frequency in the receiver.



# 1·7–30MHz

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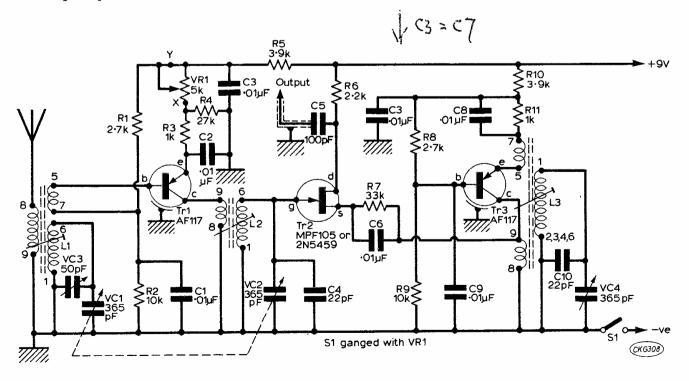


Fig. 1: Complete circuit of the short wave converter. Leadout connections for the transistors are shown in Fig. 3.

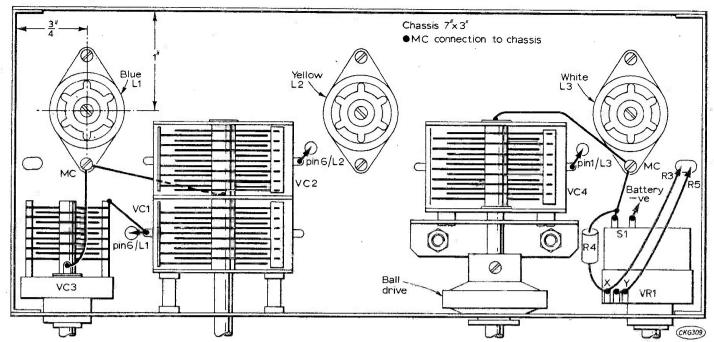


Fig. 2: Component layout on top of the chassis, which is only 7 x 3in.

# CONSTRUCTION

Construction is greatly simplified by using flanged 'universal chassis' members. A 7 x 3in. member orms the chassis, carrying the coil holders, VC4 and in insulated circuit board.

The panel is a  $7^{1}_{4}$  x  $3^{1}_{2}$ in. flat piece of aluminium, arrying VC1/2, VC3, VR1 and the ball drive for VC4.

Each side is  $3^{1}_{2}$  x 3in. cut from a single 7 x 3in. langed member, the back corners being cut off at 45°. t would be in order to close the back of the converter by leaving the sides intact and bolting a 7 x  $3^{1}_{2}$ in. plate on to the back. A top would have to be singed, or removable, to permit changing the coils,

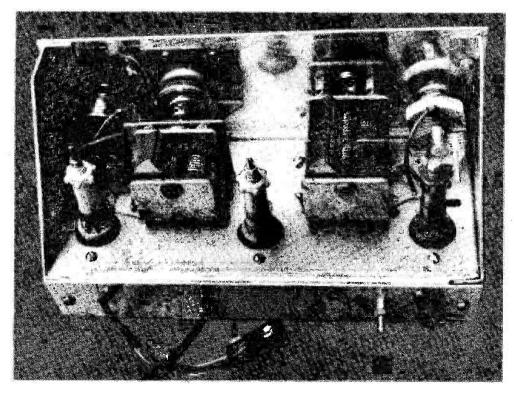
unless interest is confined to one particular range.

Fig. 2 shows the top of the chassis the holes for the 9-pin holders being punched before assembling any parts. The flanges are cut away for about <sup>3</sup>8in. to <sup>1</sup>2in. at the ends so that this part fits inside the flanges of the sides.

Clearance holes are required for the ball drive and spindle of VC1/2. VC4 is positioned to match up with the drive and is fixed to a bracket cut from scrap metal or a spare flanged member.

A lead is soldered to the rotor tag of VC1/2 and runs to a tag bolted to the chassis. This is also done with VC4. Insulated leads from VC1, VC2, VC4 and VR1 pass down through holes in the chassis.

Fig. 3 shows components and connections under the chassis. Trl and Tr3 are soldered directly to the



This view of the completed converter may help when positioning components.

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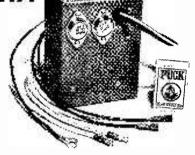
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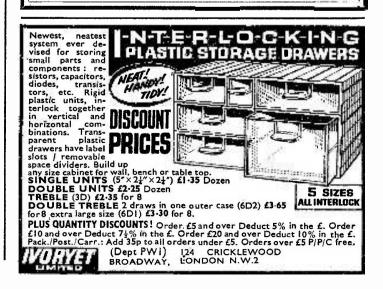
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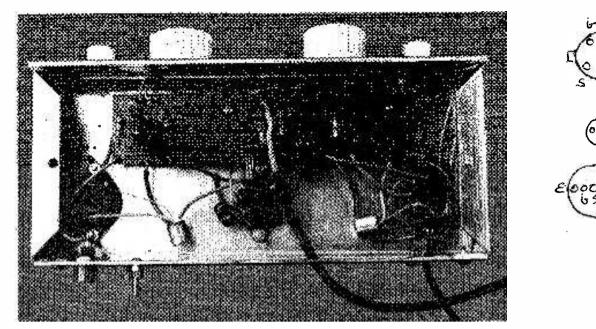
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A 3-lead holder was used for Tr2 so that different transistors could be tried here. If preferred, Tr2 can be wired permanently on to the board. The usual care should be taken to prevent undue and lengthy heating of the transistor leads. Be sure drain, source and gate wires are correctly connected, as in Fig 3.

# CONVERTER ADJUSTMENT

Range 3 is probably most easily dealt with but each range is adjusted in the same way. The coil cores are unscrewed somewhat from the fully-in position. A signal is tuned in with VC4 about 80% closed and VC1/2 tuned for best results. With VC3 about half closed adjust the cores of L1 and L2 for best volume. If the tuning position of VC1/2 is very different from that of VC4 adjust the cores of L1 and L2 to correct this, keeping the signal in tune by rotating VC1/2.

Subsequently tune in a signal with VC1/2 and VC4 nearly fully open and peak VC3 for best reception. Tune to the l.f. end of the band, leaving VC3 untouched, and adjust the core of L1 for maximum volume.

Maximum efficiency will be obtained provided VC1/2 is tuned for best volume and VC3 peaked for best results while not fully open or fully closed. However, adjusting the coils in the way described

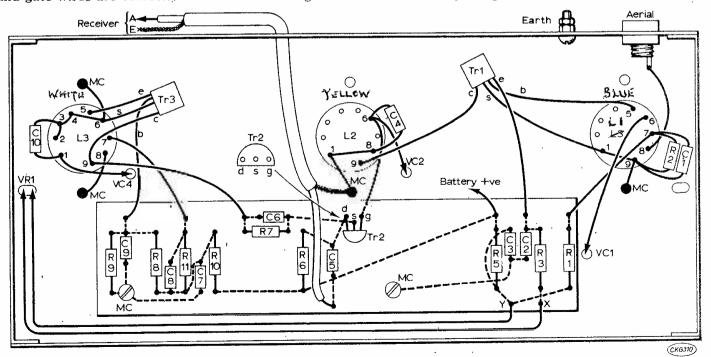


Fig. 3: Details of the component board and wiring under the chassis.

will reduce the need for frequent adjustment of VC3 throughout the range.

On range 5 the mixer utilises the oscillator second harmonic, with the coils listed, and more care is required to adjust the coils. At high frequencies it is also possible to tune VC1/2 to the second channel frequency which arises at about 3MHz from the correct channel. On all frequencies the latter is selected when the oscillator is h.f. of the signal frequency.

A card panel was drawn with scales for the pointers. Suitable ready-made dials calibrated 0-100 can be obtained and may be used if preferred. There is also sufficient space for VR1 and VC3 to be placed under the chassis, if this is required to clear the dials.

As the oscillator circuit is tuned separately, padders are not essential and there is no loss of efficiency without them. The addition of padders will allow the settings of VC1/2 and VC4 to agree more closely, especially on the lower frequencies, and this may be felt to be an advantage. If so, the padder is 350pF for Range 3, 1000pF for Range 4 and 2000pF for Range 5. Range 3 padder is connected from chassis to pin 3 of L3, Range 4 padder from chassis to pin 4, and Range 5 padder from chassis to pin 6.

# NOTES

Many transmissions can be received with a short indoor aerial and no earth but for weak signals a better aerial will bring about a great improvement. Unless a specially designed aerial is to be used this

# \* components list

# RESISTORS

All resistors ‡W 10%

# Capacitors

C6 0-01µF C1 0.01µF C2 0.01µF 0.01µF C7 0.01 uF C8 0.01µF C4 22pF SM C9 0.01 uF C5 100pF C10 22pF SM 2 x 365pF with slow motion drive VC1/2 (Jackson 02) VC3 50pF (Jackson C804) VC4 365pF (Jackson 01)

# Inductors

L1 "Blue" ranges 3T, 4T and 5T L2 "Yellow" ranges 3T, 4T and 5T L3 "White" ranges 3T, 4T and 5T All Denco, miniature, transistor type.

# **Semiconductors**

Tr1 AF117 Tr2 MPF105 or 2N5459 Tr3 AF117

# Miscellaneous

Ball drive (Home Radio DL50A). Valveholders B9A(3). Veroboard, plain, 5 x 1½in. Knobs. Universal chassis flanged members 7 x 3in. (2), chassis back 7 x 1in., panel 7½ x 3½in. (Home Radio).

can be 25ft. to 100ft. or so of wire, out-of-doors, placed as high and clear of earthed objects as is practicable. A reasonably long aerial will give much better results on the low frequencies than a short wire.

With weak signals an earth connection will improve results. A good earth can consist of a reasonably short, stout lead to a copper spike driven into the ground.

An unnecessarily long screened lead from the converter to the receiver will reduce signal strength. This lead must be screened to reduce pick up of m.w. signals. The outer braid of the screened output lead is taken to earth on the receiver.

No direct connections must be made to an a.c./d.c. type receiver or to any receiver deriving h.t. directly from the mains in such a way that the receiver chassis is connected to the mains. The converter is not intended for use with such receivers.

For general short wave reception the receiver can be left tuned to some point near the h.f. end of the m.w. band where no m.w. signals are received. All tuning is then carried out on the converter. To search a narrow band of frequencies the receiver can be employed as a tunable i.f. In this case, VC4 is set to the wanted range of frequencies and tuning carried out on the receiver, VC1/2 and VC3 being peaked for best reception.

# **TELEVISION**

# JANUARY ISSUE

# RECONDITIONED TV SETS

With the growth of colour vast numbers of monochrome sets are coming on the second-hand market. Most of these are capable of a long useful life, maybe as second sets, if knowledgeably reconditioned—in fact with care they can be offered with a good guarantee. What then constitutes reliable TV set overhaul? This month we provide a general guide as to what to look for and the minimum action necessary. The article is based on the author's practical experience of this type of work over a number of years.

# **BUILDING A COLOUR SET**

You don't have to follow the TELEVISION colour receiver design. In fact many readers have gone their own way, using surplus panels and so on. It's likely to take you rather longer but can work out cheaper. Barrie Spink describes his experiences in assembling a go-it-alone colour receiver.

# **COLOUR RECEIVER PROJECT**

This month the final module, the power supply circuits. Details also of the tuner and its connections. This will leave you ready for final assembly of the various units, testing, setting up, etc.

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# WIRELESS

# POWER for EVER!

Using batteries costs roughly 2,000 times as much as operating via a mains power supply! This article describes a battery eliminator for the popular PP9 type; not only are the voltage and available current characteristics the same, but the unit is housed inside an old battery case, making it a direct replacement. The total cost is only about £1 but this will rapidly be recovered in savings on batteries.

# 3-RANGE CRYSTAL MARKER

A simple "box" providing r.f. signals on known frequencies is probably one of the most useful bits of equipment that one can have around the radio workshop, Besides its basic role of providing accurate calibration points it gives a range of signals that are invaluable when testing and aligning receivers. Self-contained and battery operated, this is a "must" for the experimenter.

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Another project by popular author

F. G. Rayer—this time a battery operated stransistor radio receiver covering the long, medium and short wave bands. Each stage is built on a separate board and, with the detailed information given by the article, construction is simplicity itself. Testing and alignment instructions, for involving expensive test gear, will be appreciated by the newcomer to this type of eroject. olene jed.

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# Inear linear capacitance meter

HIS project makes use of readily available digital integrated circuits to produce a direct reading meter that will measure capacitance between 1pF and  $10\mu$ F. The meter is simple to construct, calibrate and use.

Many capacitors, in their life, either change in value, become leaky, or loose their markings. Such capacitors should not be used in construction as it is highly probable that they will cause a fault. It is also possible that even new capacitors are faulty or wrongly marked. Because of this, it is desirable that capacitors can be checked before use.

For low voltage capacitors, leakage can be assesed with a good multimeter, but high voltage capacitors are best checked by using a medium voltage supply (about 100V). Capacitance values can be measured by a number of means, the most common of these being the RC bridge. The main difficulty in constructing an RC bridge is producing a neat and accurate scale. It is also common practice to use a 50Hz sine-wave derived from the mains supply which leads to inaccurate balancing of the bridge for low capacities.

The meter described here does not require calibration—the only adjustments being a preset resistor for each range.

# Principle of operation

A block diagram of the circuit is shown in Fig 1.

An oscillator triggers the monostable multivibrator at regular intervals. This gives a square-wave output at A, which is at a constant frequency with a mark period directly proportional to the unknown capacitance, C, which is used as the timing element in the monostable. These pulses are then clamped to a fixed potential, V, so that the output at B is a

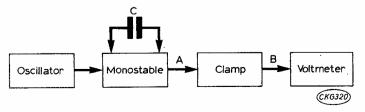


Fig. 1: Block diagram showing the principle of operation. The text explains the function of each section.

square-wave oscillating between negative and the reference potential V. The average d.c. voltage at B is measured by a voltmeter, and is directly proportional to the mark period, and therefore to C.

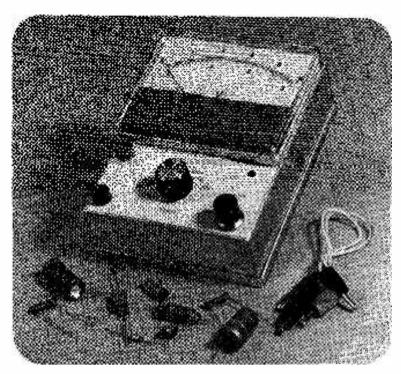
The circuit is built around two i.c.'s, the first being a BP-13 or an SN7413 which is used as the oscillator; the second a BP-121 or an SN74121 which is the monostable multivibrator.

# \* components list

#### Resistors: 330 $\Omega$ 33k Ω R1 1kΩ 270 All 1W, 5 per cent types VR1-3 47k Ω skeleton preset types VR4-6 4·7k Ω skeleton preset types Capacitors: C1 6,800pF 6.8µF 12V min. C2 0.068µF C5 68µF 12V min. 0.68µF See text regarding capacitors required for calibration. As C4 and C5 may be hard to obtain, a 6.4 µF and 64µF may be used instead. Semiconductors: BP-13 or SN7413 IC1 BP-121 or SN74121 IC2 BC107 Tr1 BZY88 C3V3 (3-3V zener diode) D1 D2 **QA200** BZY88 C3V3 (3-3V zener diode) 5 • 1 ¥ D3 TIL209, Light emitting diode Arrangements have been made with Bi-Pak, P.O. Box 6, Ware, Herts, for the supply of all the above semiconductors to P.W. readers at the special price of £1.30 plus 10p postage. Miscellaneous 50µA meter (10cm x 8cm) Radiospares-MI see text SW1 2-pole, 6-way rotary switch Single pole, blased on-off push-button SW2

Veroboard, 2½in x 1½in., 0·1in. matrix

Case, 5¼in. x 4in. x 1¼in., Type AB10 (Henry's Radio) Wander sockets, PP6 battery and battery clip



D.J. DENTON B.Sc.

# Circuit

The complete circuit is shown in Fig 2. R1, the capacitor selected by SW1a and half of IC1 form the oscillator. The frequency is increased in decades, from about 45Hz to 450kHz, by SW1a. The other half of IC1 is not really required, but is used to ensure a good square wave for triggering the monostable.

IC2 is the monostable, in which the time of the output pulse is determined by Cx and one of VR1 to VR6. A separate preset resistor is used for each range for calibration.

R2, D1, and D2 ensure the pulses from the monostable oscillate between OV and approximately 3.3V. The average d.c. potential is measured by the voltmeter formed from R3 and M1.

Since the meter is powered by a PP3 or PP6

battery a simple voltage stabiliser (D3, R4, and Tr1) is used to reduce the supply to the 5V required by the i.c.'s.

The light emitting diode, LED1, is used as a battery level indicator. When the battery is at 9V, the current through the diode is about 9mA but at 6V falls to nothing so no light shows.

The meter is switched on by means of a push on—release off switch, SW2. Since the meter consumes 40mA the use of a biased switch is strongly recommended, so reducing the likelihood of leaving the unit left on.

The prototype meter uses a  $50\mu A$  movement. Other movements can be used by substituting suitable values of R2 and R3. Suitable values are shown in Table 1.

TABLE 1

Movement	R2	R3	Battery current
50μΑ	1k Ω	33k Ω	40mA
100μΑ	470 Ω	18k Ω	43mA
200μΑ	270 Ω	9·1k Ω	50mA
500μΑ	120 Ω	3·3k Ω	74mA

# Construction

The size of the box used to house the meter will depend on the size of meter movement employed. The prototype was built in a small aluminium box measuring  $5^1_{4}$ in x 4in x  $1^1_{2}$ in which is available from the suppliers mentioned in the components list.

The front panel is drilled to hold the meter, wander sockets, on-off switch, range switch and the light emitting diode (which is glued in place).

The majority of the components are soldered on a piece of  $0 \cdot 1$  in Veroboard  $(2^1 \cdot 2^1 \cdot 1^1 \cdot 2^1 \cdot 1^1)$  as shown in Fig. 3. Sockets were used for the i.c.'s in the prototype. Due to the small size of this board, only one mounting hole is needed, the board being fixed behind the meter. The head of the screw for holding

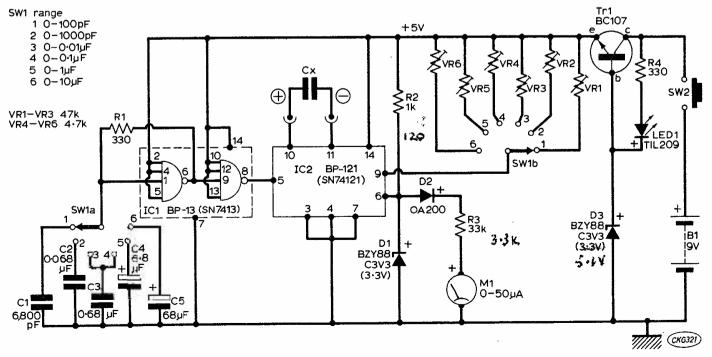


Fig. 2: Complete circuit of the Linear Capacitance Meter.

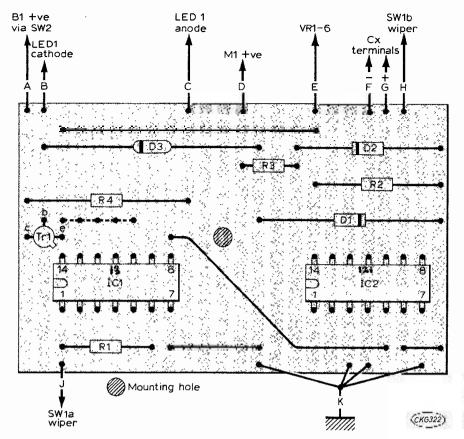
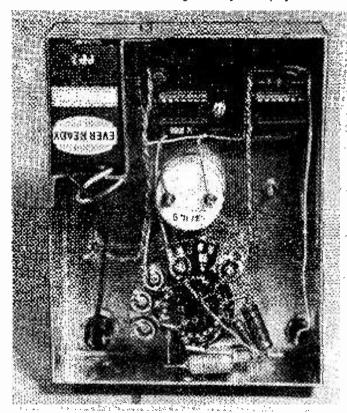


Fig. 4: The wiring from the various controls etc. to the component board. The letters correspond with those in Fig. 3.

Fig. 3 (above): The main component board layout on 0·1in matrix Veroboard. Five of the conductor strips should be connected together by a wire soldered on the under side, This is shown dotted.

Some changes have been made since the photograph below was taken but it does illustrate the general layout employed.



Capacitors used for calibration should be of known quality and better than  $\pm 2$  per cent tolerance. The values of capacitors required are 100pF, 1000pF,  $0.01\mu\text{F}$ ,  $0.1\mu\text{F}$ ,  $1\mu\text{F}$ , and  $10\mu\text{F}$ . Each capacitor is used with its respective range and the associated calibration resistor (VR1-6) is adjusted to give full scale deflection on the meter.

To test an unknown capacity, connect the capacitance across the test terminals and, starting with the highest range ( $10\mu F$ ), switch on and reduce the range until the meter indicates between 0.1 and 1.0 of full scale deflection. This will then be the correct range for measuring that capacitor.

If the indicator does not light up when the meter is switched on, the battery is in need of replacement. Polarised capacitors (electrolytics or tantalums) should be connected the correct way. The meter is not damaged by short circuited capacitors.

Assuming a meter movement can be acquired for about £2, the total cost of the meter will be about £6.

the board fits into a recess on the under side of the meter used in the prototype. With many movements this may not be possible and the board will have to be mounted on the side of the box. The main wiring is shown in Fig 4.

Two short test leads were made using wander plugs and crocodile clips.

# FREE COMPETITION

# Organised by Practical Wireless and Heath (Gloucester) Ltd.

We're repeating the competition from last month's Practical Wireless so that anyone who missed that issue can still take part. Regular readers who have kept the first coupon can send it with this month's coupon.

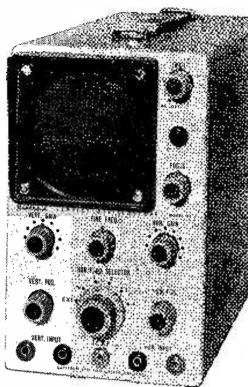
The Heathkit General Purpose Oscilloscope Kit K/OS-2 is a dependable, well-rated design, ideal for the hobby constructor. The small size and light weight make it ideal for the 'shack' while the wide range of facilities make it extremely versatile.

The low price of £29 50 for the kit plus 80p postage and packing (when ordered direct from the Gloucester factory) is an added attraction and of course, coming from Heathkit, the instructions for both assembly and operation are clear and precise, leaving nothing to chance. Even if you already own a 'scope, the OS-2 makes an excellent portable, back-up unit. Just consider the specification: Y Bandwidth from 2Hz to 3MHz; Time base 20Hz-200kHz Automatic sync; P.C. board construction; small size, 12in x 7\frac{3}{2}in x 5in; Switched ext/int Y plate connections; Sensitivity 250mV peak-to-peak per cm.

# HOW TO ENTER:

Listed below are eight important features of the Heathkit OS-2 oscilloscope. All you have to do is place them in what you consider to be their order of importance to the average Practical Wireless reader. For example, if you think Portability is most important of all, write D in the box marked 1st on your entry coupon. The key letter of your second choice goes into the box marked 2nd, and so on for all eight. Complete the coupon, all in ink or ball-point pen, with your full name and address, then post in a sealed envelope to: PRACTICAL WIRELESS 'SCOPE COMPETITION, 16 GARRICK STREET, LONDON WC2E 9PR to arrive not later than Wednesday, February 14th, 1973, the closing date. If you still have the coupon from the December issue you can, if you wish, send it with this month's coupon, for an extra attempt.

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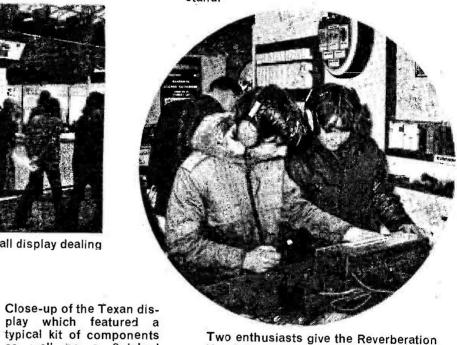
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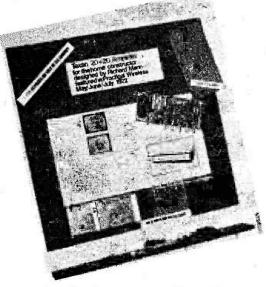
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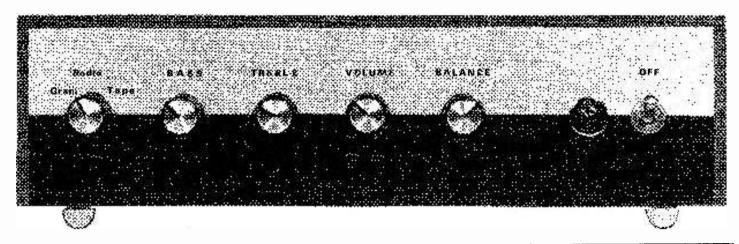




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# PART ONE

HIS project is a development of the author's "Low Cost Hi-Fi" published in the December 1967-March 1968 issues of *Practical Wireless*. It is an ideal design for those who have had little success previously with transistor projects and for those who consider themselves perhaps too biased towards valve equipment to change. This is because it uses familiar methods of construction, with wired rather than printed circuits, making servicing and replacement of components easier, and lending itself to modification if one wishes to add refine-

A stereo f.m. tuner is currently being developed for use with this amplifier and it is hoped that this will be published in a future issue of Practical Wireless.

The amplifier has a maximum output of 15 watts r.m.s. per channel into  $15\Omega$ , a class A driver amplifier and preamplifier with RIAA equalisation for

# **Specification**

Sensitivity

Input Impedance

**Tone Controls** 

**Hum and Noise** 

Crosstalk

Distortion

Magnetic P.U.: 5mV

Ceramic P.U.: 100mV (see

text)

Radio: 250mV

Tape: 250mV

Magnetic P.U.: 47kΩ

Radio/Tape: 120kΩ

Treble: ±15dB

Bass: +15dB

Into 15 $\Omega$ : 15W r.m.s. max **Power Output** (same for 8Ω) 10W con-

tinuous sine wave

At 1kHz: Better than 80dB

Better than 70dB

Less than 0.1 per cent

at 10W, less than 0.05

per cent at 2W

±1dB: 20Hz to 20kHz

Transient Response

Frequency Response

 $\pm$  3dB: 10Hz to 40kHz Rise time less than 4µS magnetic or ceramic pick-up cartridges, input facilities for P.U., radio and tape, and bass and treble controls, each with a range of 15dB above and below flat response.

Main considerations in the design must be to produce a true Hi-Fi amplifier of excellent frequency and transient response, with very low harmonic and intermodulation distortion. Equally important, especially if it is to be built by relatively inexperienced constructors, is that construction should be straightforward. For this reason the amplifier is divided into three units, each built up as a module, namely, power amplifier, driver amplifier and preamplifier.

For simplicity, the driver and preamp modules are constructed on group boards. The power amplifier is built on an aluminium sub-chassis which serves as a heat sink for the power transistors and also as a partition screen between power supply and amplifier.

The design is such as to avoid complicated circuit configurations in which wiring mistakes might easily be made, resulting in the destruction of transistors. This latter possibility is considerably reduced in this amplifier as the bias for the output transistors is not dependent on the operating conditions of the driver stages, due to the use of a driver transformer rather than phase-splitting transistors. This arrangement also gives perfect drive balance to each half of the push-pull output stage, and much greater reliability due to the independence of the output pair.

The general disadvantages of transformer coupling are avoided in this design. Leakage inductance is overcome by using very close coupling between windings by winding primary and secondaries together (trifiler wound). Magnetisation is avoided by using capacitor coupling to provide d.c. isolation, so because there are no magnetising currents in the windings and because the driving power is relatively low, the transformer can be quite small. A minimum of 38in. square centre core section is sufficient, provided the core material is of Radiometal or Unisil.

Winding details are given but as many constructors will prefer to purchase ready-made transformers, arrangements have been made with C. & D. Electronics, St. Lukes Cross, Sunderland, for the supply of these; see components list.

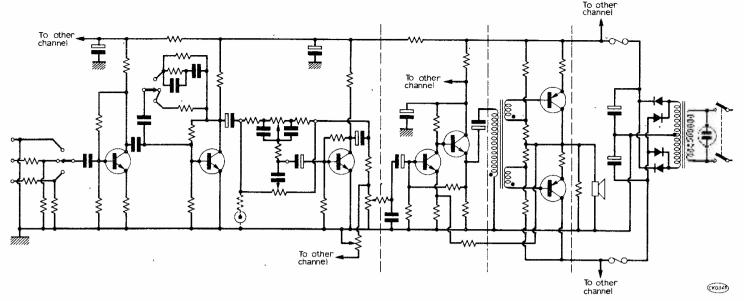


Fig. 1: The skeleton circuit of one channel. The component values and voltages of the individual sections are given under the various headings although the components list is complete.

# CONSTRUCTION

The logical order of construction is first to complete the metal work, then build up the modules in the order: power amplifier, driver amplifier and preamplifier, which are then installed in the chassis together with the controls and power supply. The following notes will therefore be in that order.

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Fig. 2a: The main chassis metalwork dimensions. The size of the holes shown should correspond to the components used.

# CHASSIS AND METALWORK

The chassis is of 18 s.w.g. aluminium, size 14in. x 12in. The front and rear 3in. are turned up to provide the front and rear panels, giving a basic chassis size of 12in. x 8in. x 3in. A stronger job will result if sufficient material is left to give a <sup>1</sup>4in turnover along the front and rear panels (aluminium size 14<sup>1</sup>2in. x 12in. will be required for this).

It is best to complete the main drilling before bending. The mounting and ventilation holes for the heat sink are drilled after bending, when their positions can be marked directly from the heat sink. Drilling and bending details are shown in Fig. 2a.

The front and rear panels of the chassis can be painted, using an aerosol spray, and then lettered as required.

The controls can now be fitted and also the speaker and input sockets. Two pairs of single sockets are used for the speakers, and two 3-way phono sockets for inputs. These were used simply because they are easiest to work with, although D.I.N types may be used if desired.

The heat sink on which the power amplifier section is to be built is also of 18 s.w.g. aluminium, size 7in.

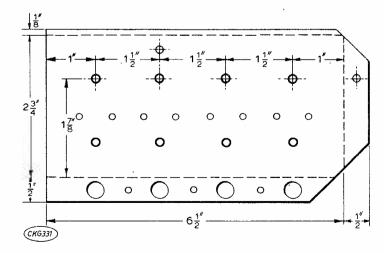
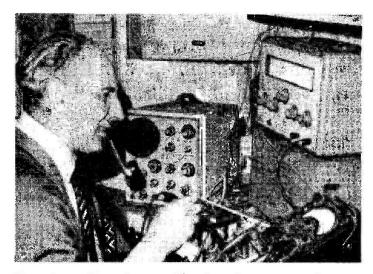


Fig. 2b: Metalwork details of the heatsink sub-chassis on which the power output section is built.



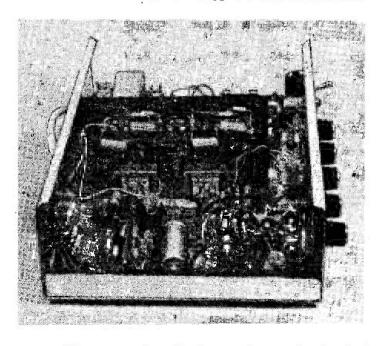
The author taking voltage readings from the prototype. Note the elaborate test gear that was used to prove the design.

x 3<sup>1</sup>2in. drilled and bent as shown in Fig. 2b. The mica used for insulating the power transistors from the chassis are used here as templates for marking the positions of the transistor holes. It is essential that no burrs remain on these holes, which could later puncture the mica to cause a short between transistor and panel. It is desirable to rub these areas with very fine emery paper.

Choice of a covering case is left to the constructor. Two angle pieces along the ends of the chassis will facilitate the fitting of a neat and simple "top and two sides" type of cover, while if countersunk screws are used to secure chassis components, the "sleeve" type of case can be used. The case can be of wood or metal. The ventilation holes in the bottom of the chassis must not be obstructed and feet should be fitted to aid ventilation as well as for effect.

# **POWER AMPLIFIER**

This is assembled on the heat sink panel as shown in Fig. 3a. Mica insulators and bushes insulate the power transistors and mounting bolts from the chassis. If the transistors are types with a thin mount-



A view of the prototype illustrating the general constructional method

# ★ components list

Resist	A.	7		* 3	2.74
	56kΩ	Test i	100003		
-		* 7			4.2
	12010		1040	bear B.	
* R3	4° 76.0	C. Carlotte	2:2kΩ		
R4	100kO ***		1.5kن		7
, R5 ×		200	2-2kΩ		
R6	IMΩ	R26	100kΩ		•
R7	470kΩ	R27	3.9kΩ	E-A-T	
R#	56kΩ	R28	270		
R9 "	390Ω	R29	.390kΩ	*	18,1%
R10.	56kΩ**	- R30 -	56Ω 1W*		
R11	220kΩ 💥	R31	1200 IW		
R12	12kQ 12m	R32	2.7ki)	New All	
R13	15kΩ	"R33"	4.7Ω		
R14	330kΩ	H24	500Ω 5W V	ŴW	
R15	56kΩ	R35	4.7Ω		
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R18	The state of the s	R38	0.470 2W	*	
R19	4 7kΩ	R39	3300		1.12.4
R20	the control of the co	1102	***		
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which are common to both and one only is required.
All resistors carbon type, .W. 5 per cent tolerance except where stated, RI-R24 are in the preamplifier. R25-R32 are in the driver and R33-R39 are in the power amplifier.

# Controls

VR1 25 + 25kΩ linear ganged pol. VR2 50 + 50kΩ linear ganged pot. VR3 \*25+25kΩ log, ganged pot VR4 · 25kΩ linear.

# Capacitors

C.	0.414.0°		OMF JZV IIIII
C2	64µF 10V min*	C12	100µF 12V min*
C3	0.47μΓ	C13	8μF 12V min.
C4	0.47µF	.:C14	1000pF
C5	0.02µF		8μF 12V min.
C6	4000pF (or 3900pF)		2000 uF 18V min.*
CJ	BaF 12V min	C 7	200µF 6 4V min.
-C8	0-1aF	C18	5000µF 25V min.*
C9	0.1µF	C19	5000μF 25V min*
1710	0.01.5		

Two of each inquired except those marked which are common to both channels and only one are in the driver stage and C18 and C19 are in the power supply. The 8µF capacitors may be 10µF; non-electrolytics may be ceramic or polyester.

# Semiconductors

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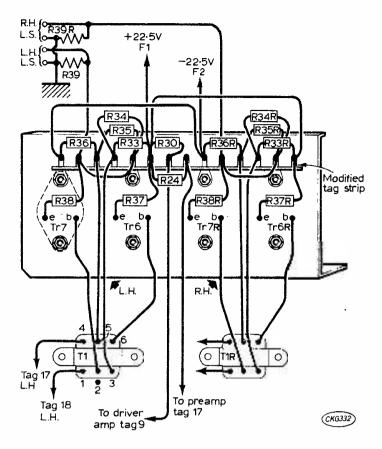
Two of each are required except D1-D4

# **Transformers**

Driver fransformer (two off required)—see text. Mains transformer, 15-0-15V secondary, 2A. The transformers are available from C and D Electropics, St. Lukes Cross, Sunderland. The complete set costs £5:50 plus 20p postage.

# Miscellaneous

Neon indicator Mains switch, two-pole on-off Fuse holders and 1-5A fuses Group boards (R.S. Components), 18-way Tag strip Screened lead Selector switch, 4-paid, 3-way



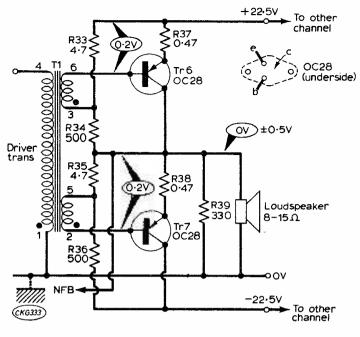


Fig. 3a (left) and Fig. 3b (above): The circuit and wiring of the outpu stages. Note that the tag-strip has to be modified to fit directly onto the collector connections, this is described in the text. The components for both channels are shown in the layout, those applicable to the R.H. channel are marked with the suffix R.

ing flange, the bushes may be too long, and must be carefully filed flush with the panel.

The transistors are secured on the flanged side of the panel, with 6BA nuts and bolts through the insulating bushes. These same bolts hold the 14-tagged mounting strip, modified so that the mounting lugs are spaced wider by one tag, to make their spacing to suit the transistor screws. The lugs therefore become the transistor collector connections. Make a check with an ohmmeter to ensure that the transistors are completely insulated from the panel.

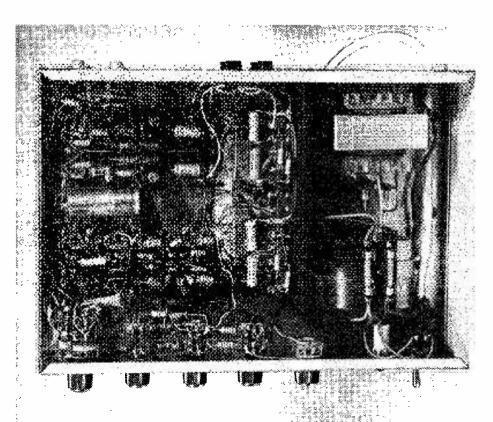
Fig. 3b is the power amplifier circuit diagram.

The following details will assist those who may wish to wind their own driver transformers. The transformer core with clamp measures approximately  $1^1$ 2in. x 1in. x  $1^2$ 2in. The actual core section is  $3_8$ in. square. The windings are 180 turns of 32 s.w.g. enamelled wire, trifiler wound, that is, the three windings are wound together so that the turns of each winding lie side by side.

The three "starts" are brought out on one side of the bobbin. The three "finishes" are identified with

an ohmmeter and brought out on the opposite side, corresponding with the "starts". After completion the "starts" side can be marked with an identifying spot, although this is not strictly necessary, as it will make no difference which way round the transformer is mounted.

The core laminations should be interleaved, that is, the **E** sections built up alternatively from each side, with the **I** sections inserted in the spaces. The C & D transformer mentioned previously is supplied not interleaved, but it is an easy matter to remove the core and reassemble it in this manner. Results are quite acceptable even if the core is not interleaved, but the low frequency response will suffer below 50Hz.



An overall view of the amplifier. The preamp and driver stages are on the left, the output stage in the middle with the power supply on the right.

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A rear view showing the input and output sockets. The holes at the top left are for ventilation.

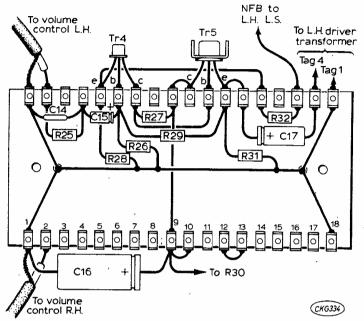


Fig. 4a: The layout of the driver amplifier section. Only the components for the L.H. channel are shown. Those for the other are mounted as a mirror image on the other side of the tag board.

### R27 3.9k 18V (underside) (0.65V) R25 6.0V) Tr4 BC108 2-2k R29 C14 რი5 390k 200u R26 **R31** Driver 6.4V R28 120, 1W trans R32 (CKG335)

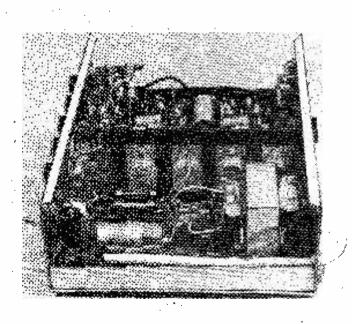
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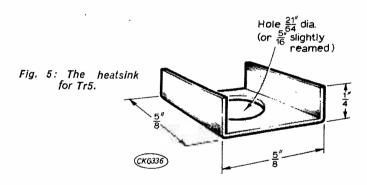
Flg. 4b: The circuit of the driver amplifier.

# DRIVER AMPLIFIER

The driver amplifiers for both channels are assembled on a single group panel size  $4^{1}$ <sub>2</sub>in. x  $1^{1}$ <sub>2</sub>in. A single common earth bus-bar of 20 s.w.g. tinned wire runs down the length of the board and some  $3_{8}$ in. above it, held in place by passing through the holes in each end of the board (next to last) and bent



An internal shot of the amplifier showing the power supply. The output transistors can also be seen on their sub-chassis.



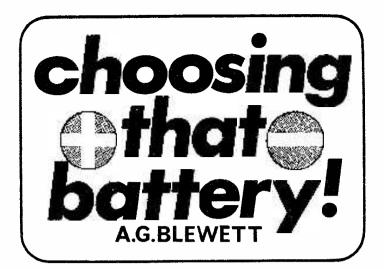
back through the preceding hole. The end holes are left for mounting. Assembly is as shown in Fig. 4a which illustrates one channel only for clarity. The other channel is a "mirror image" of the first except for the decoupling components C16 and R30 which are common to both channels.

Heat sinks for the BFY51 transistors are made from 18 s.w.g. aluminium  $1^{1}_{8}$ in. x  $^{5}_{8}$ in. bent and drilled as shown in Fig. 5 and painted matt black. These are pushed on to the transistors and must be a tight fit to be effective. Commercial heat sinks for this type are available but are difficult to find.

The completed board is secured to the chassis with two 6BA screws and nuts. Additional nuts between board and chassis act as distance pieces to hold the board clear of the chassis. Fig. 4b shows the circuit of the driver amplifier.

The input required by the driver, for full drive to the power amplifier, is 180mV r.m.s.

# TO BE CONTINUED



T the design stage of portable electronic equipment the choice of a battery usually presents problems for the amateur constructor. Various factors dictate final choice and, ideally, the matter should be settled before the physical construction stage reaches the drawing board. It is hoped this article will provide an alternative to the 'suck it and see' approach many constructors have to employ through lack of information.

Although many different types and sizes of dry batteries are available only ten of these are discussed,

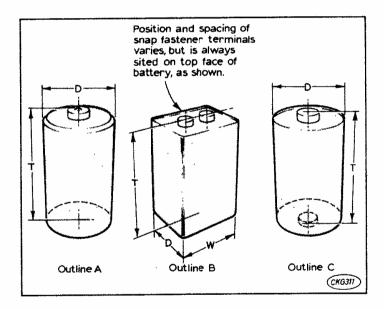


TABLE 1
DIMENSIONS AND WEIGHTS OF BATTERIES

Battery	Outline	T mm	D mm	W mm	Weight gms
HP2	A	61	34	_	90
HP11	Α	50	26	_	45
HP7	Α	51	14		17
PP8	В	201	52	65	1100
PP1	В	56	65	56	283
PP9	В	81	52	66	425
PP7	В	61	46	46	198
9cd	В	70	35	36	142
PP4	c	50	25	_	51
PP3	В	48	18	27	38

Outlines of the three principal types of battery with table of overall dimensions.

the more common types, but it is believed that this small selection will probably satisfy the needs of most amateur projects as far as output and size are concerned.

# Battery life

**Initial load.** Obviously, the more current taken from the battery, the shorter will be its life. The current taken into a fixed load will fall as the terminal voltage falls, but for the purpose of this article it can be taken as the average load current.

End point voltage. The terminal voltage of the battery will fall as discharge progresses. The lowest permissible voltage that can be tolerated for any particular application must be considered, as it will determine when the battery is of no further use and consequently the expected life.

**Periods of use.** Generally speaking, a battery will give a greater service life if used over short periods rather than long ones. The 'Hours Per Day' figure must therefore be taken into consideration.

**Temperature.** A battery will temporarily lose its efficiency at low temperatures. As we are only concerned with amateur applications, implying operation at room temperatures, this factor can be ignored.

Storage time. The service life of a battery is shortened after a long period of storage without use. It is therefore desirable to obtain batteries from a source known to have a frequent turnover of stock. Partly used batteries should never be left in equipment if this equipment is not to be used for a considerable period.

# Battery sizes

Table 1 details the physical sizes of the batteries listed so that these factors can be cross-referred to the data in Table 2 in choosing the best battery for the job. The rectangular shaped battery packages lend themselves particularly well to battery compartments in equipment cases, but the cylindrical cells can present a bit of a problem when it comes to stowing them. Home Radio (Mitcham) Ltd. can offer various alternatives to this problem by supplying S.R.B.P. tubing that can be tailored to take one or more cells. Specially shaped plastic holders for 2 4 or 6 units are available as well as a range of holders made by Bulgin Ltd.

# Service life

Table 2 details estimated service life as a function of battery type, hours of use per day and average discharge current. These figures are based on an endpoint voltage of around 75% of nominal, e.g. a 9V battery having dropped to 6.6V. Where it is permissible for the terminal voltage to fall further, greater life expectancies result.

It will be noted that the data for the 6V PP1 and the 9V PP9 is the same. This is because each package contains the same type of individual series connected cells, there being two extra in the PP9.

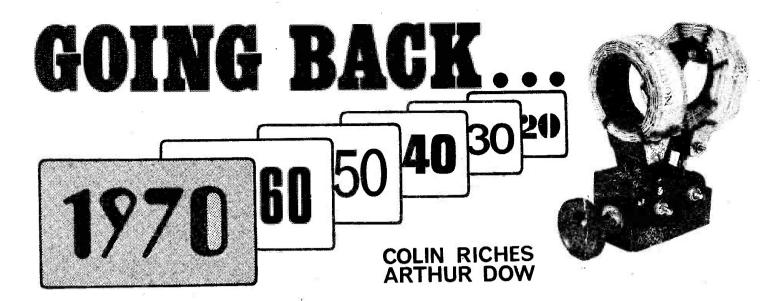
Similar batteries can of course be connected in series to obtain desired voltages; this does not affect the service life, which will be the same as if only a single battery is used, providing the current drawn remains the same.

Finally, the author would like to express his thanks to the Ever Ready Co. (GB) Ltd., for help in obtaining information used in this short article.

D I S	ESTIMATED SERVICE LIFE (HOURS) FOR ENDPOINT VOLTAGE 75% OF NOMINAL																			
C R H A A T R E	HP2 1·5V				HP11 1·5V			HP7 1 ·5V			PP8 6V				PP1/PP9 6/9V					
R E G E mA	30 MIN DAY	2 HR DAY	4 HR DAY	12 HR DAY	30 MIN DAY	2 HR DAY	4 HR DAY	12 HR DAY	30 MIN DAY	2 HR DAY	4 HR DAY	12 HR DAY	30 MIN DAY	2 HR DAY	4 HR DAY	12 HR DAY	30 MIN DAY	2 HR DAY	4 HR DAY	12 HR DAY
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0.5											-	1050				720	<u>.</u>
1				2000				1550				510			335	380	
5			560	470			240	210		95	90	56		58	67	47	Example :—A PP6
10			225	160		115	90	75		40	38	26	28	24	18		battery used in a circuit taking 5mA
15		135	130	81		68	49	38	24	23	21		18	12·5	10		on a basis of 4 hours per day will
25		68	59	33		32	23		11	13	7		9.5				have a service life of 240/4 or 60 days.
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Table 2 :-- FROM WHICH THE AVERAGE SERVICE LIFE OF NINE POPULAR TYPES OF DRY BATTERY CAN BE ESTIMATED

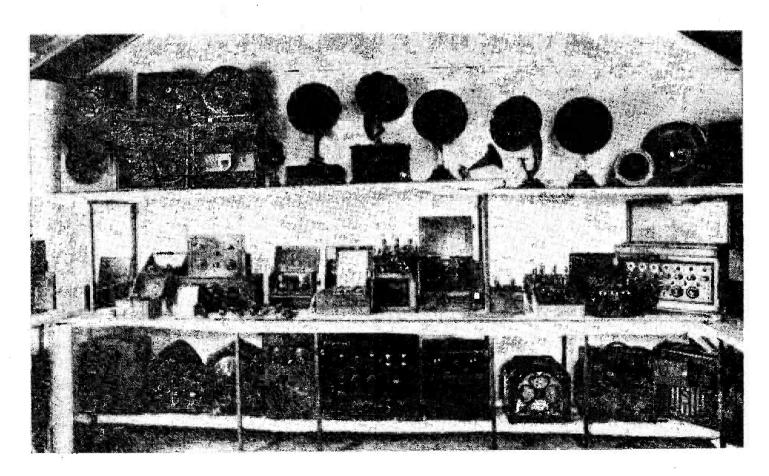


T the risk of wearying our readers with further chatter on the subject of collecting and preserving vintage radio equipment and our periodical suggestions for the formation of a vintage radio society to further this aim we are very happy indeed to learn that such a society is now in existence. Over the years we have met quite a few of those responsible for the formation of this group and we know that their aim of collecting, refurbishing and preserving old radio equipment is a true labour of love.

The Wireless Preservation Society is "exclusively devoted to the collection, preservation and restoration of wireless and electronic equipment (including sound reproduction, gramophone and television gear) for purely cultural, educational and historical purposes".

The Society is entirely non-profit making and all its Officers are honorary. These include the *President*, W. K. E. Geddes of the Science Museum, *Vice-President* F. C. Ward G2CVV, Immediate Past President of the RSGB, while the *Secretary and Museum Curator* is Douglas Byrne G3KPO, an Area Representative of the RSGB. Among the Founder Life Members are included Mrs. B. Hance who is an Historian with the Marconi Company, and a number of well known radio amateurs including G2UK, G2UV, G2VS, G3VA, G4AR, G5BV, G5LP, G5UL, G5UM, G5VS, G6GH and G6NZ, Historian for the RSGB.

A WIRELESS MUSEUM has now been established, containing many receivers dating right back to the first days of broadcasting in this country, the 50th.



Just one corner of the museum that has been established by the Wireless Preservation Society.

anniversary of which is currently being celebrated by the BBC and other organisations. Receivers with bright-emitter valves and plug-in coils as well as crystal sets have been brought into working condition by local radio amateurs. Other treasures include a 1916 trench set and an early superhet with frame aerial.

The Museum may be viewed at any mutually convenient time by arrangement with the Curator who may be contacted at Gosberton 485 (STD 077-584-485). Viewing is free of charge and there is no objection to the exhibits being handled by visitors, quite a pleasant change!

The Society would be very grateful for the donation of additional items and equipment as well as any old radio books, magazines and catalogues, which can prove so very useful in dating exhibits. Contact the Curator, Mr. D. Byrne, at Homa House, Quadring Watergate, Spalding, Lincolnshire.

# Letters

One of the joys of conducting Going Back is the continual stream of letters that we receive, many containing anecdotes and reminiscences of the early days of radio. These, when published, often bring together, perhaps only by correspondence, a pair of old friends who have almost forgotten each other. Unfortunately, shortage of space does not allow us to print as many letters as we would wish. The following letter is slightly different but full of interest nevertheless.

> I have just received the August PW and have read your article on John Scott-Taggart with great interest. I am a Boltonian myself and used to live quite near to the Scott-Taggart's house at the "Crofters". Indirectly, John Scott-Taggart helped to save my father's life! It was in the early 20's and my father was very ill, and although his doctor allowed him to continue to go to business, the rest of the time had to be spent indoors. The doctor insisted that father should not lose interest in life and should take up some hobby, which he did . . . radio! ... and started by buying "More Practical Valve Circuits" by J. S-T published in 1923. I still have that book with me. The first circuit in it is the ST68 and the last the ST151 which was a three valve job with a little drawing of a horn type speaker. We became so interested that long after father recovered we continued with radio, specialising in S-T sets. I think it was the ST300 which first offered coils for the "short waves" and it was with this that I first heard American broadcasting stations and then, of course, the amateurs, but not always on short waves. I still have a lapel badge issued by the British Broadcasting Company from the Manchester station 2ZY which entitles me to have my birthday greetings read out on the appropriate day!

All of which makes me happy to sign, Yours sincerely,

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If we take a look at Fig. 1 and ignore all the components except for VR1, Cr, Cx and the crystal earpiece, we are looking at the basic Wheatstone Bridge. If an audio signal is developed across VR1, which the remainder of the circuit provides, our Bridge operates as follows:

Let us assume that Cr and Cx are the same value, they will then have the same reactance as each other and therefore the audio signal, which is applied across them as well as across the variable resistor will be equally distributed. Half the applied signal will appear at terminals B and C, which is the common point for both. If the slider of the potentiometer is also at the centre of the track, half the signal will be at this point. Since the signal at both sides of the crystal earpiece is the same, nothing will be heard in it. If the slider is anywhere but at the centre, there will be a voltage difference and a note will be heard in the earpiece.

If Cx is half the value of Cr, it will have twice the reactance and a balance will only be achieved if section 'b' of the track is twice the value of 'a'. Once again this will be the only setting of the slider at which nothing is heard in the earpiece. If we have a series of reference capacitors, say  $100 \mathrm{pF}, 0.01 \mathrm{\mu F}, 1 \mathrm{\mu F}$  and  $100 \mathrm{\mu F}$  we shall be able to find out the value of any capacitor with a value from  $10 \mathrm{pF}$  to  $1{,}000 \mathrm{\mu F}$  without having to rely on ratios of 'a' to 'b' of greater than 10:1.

The value of 'a' and 'b' will of course be proportional to the angle of rotation of the spindle and it will obviously be necessary to use a pointer knob with a calibrated scale. This should be marked with ratios; the mid-position will correspond to 1:1, of course. Then, if the reference capacitor is known it will be a simple matter to apply the ratio which is given on the VR1 scale to give the value of the unknown component.

The circuit given in Fig. 1 is only suitable for capacitors; if resistors were substituted these would affect the collector load of Tr2. A crystal earpiece is ideal with this type of circuit. The impedance is very high and so it does not affect the bridge and the cost is low. Crystal earpieces are also quite sensitive and so will enable a really accurate null to be identified.

The circuit providing the audio note is made up from Tr1, Tr2 and the associated components; it is a conventional multivibrator and the operation of this has been explained before in this series. The transistors can be replaced by a wide variety of other types if these are handy, in fact almost any small signal,

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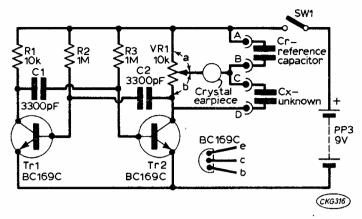


Fig. 1: The circuit of the capacitance bridge. See the text for an explanation of how it works.

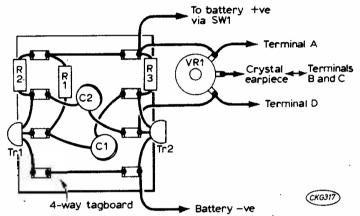


Fig. 2: A suggested component layout.

# ★ components list

R1	10kΩ, 5%, ¼W	1p
R2	1MΩ, 5%, ‡W	1p
R3	1MΩ, 5%, ‡W	1p
C1	3,300pF disc ceramic	3p
C2	3,300pF disc ceramic	3p
TrÌ	BC169C	12p
Tr2	BC169C	12p
VR1	10k $\Omega$ linear pot.	12p
SW1		5p
Crysta	al earpiece	25p
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silicon, NPN transistor can be used with no modifications.

The current taken by the circuit is quite small and a PP3 battery is perfectly adequate.

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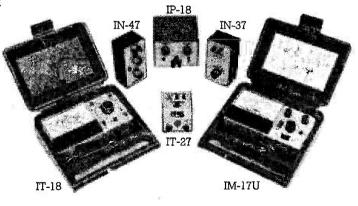
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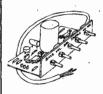
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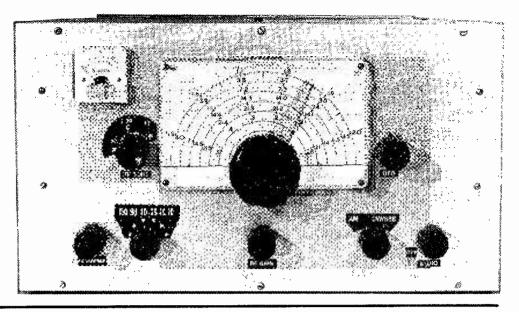
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The ganged capacitor is attached to the front of the box by three bolts. Solder a lead to the frame or rotor tag near the back, and run this to MC (chassis).

Trimmers TC1, TC2 and TC3 are of the ceramic type, each mounted with two 8BA bolts a little clear of the box top, so that they may be adjusted through holes in the box. Jackson air-spaced trimmers Type C801 (3·8-50pF) or concentric trimmers are also suitable.

Construction and wiring should be rigid. For easy identification of circuits, coloured leads are soldered on to pass down through the chassis. Solder a length of 75 ohm co-ax to L1 as in Fig. 3, and the white lead from pin 8. These run through a single hole immediately under L1.

Yellow (VR1), Brown (a.g.c.), Grey (150V), Blue (heaters) and Red (h.t. positive) leads run together through a single hole. R7 is actually on the voltage regulator holder, V2 of Fig. 2D.

The co-axial lead from V2 runs inside the box towards the first 455kHz i.f. transformer, and through the chassis. It is screened because stray coupling round the band-pass crystal filter will cause a reduction in selectivity.

All leads are left long enough for the box to be turned at right angles to the main chassis should any tests be needed. The box is mounted by self-tapping screws passing up through the chassis and into the flanges of the box sides, front and back.

# TUNABLE IF ADJUSTMENT

When the 455kHz, a.f. and power circuits are completed, the tunable i.f. can be aligned, and its coverage adjusted. This is the only calibration work re-

quired, as other receiver ranges are automatically obtained on the same scale, as explained.

With the ganged capacitor almost fully closed, adjust the core of L3 for 3·5MHz, and roughly peak the cores of L1 and L2 for best results. The ganged capacitor is then set nearly fully open, and TC3 is adjusted for 4MHz. Trimmers TC1 and TC2 are set for best results. Adjusting TC3 at the h.f. end of the band will to some extent change the core setting of L3 at the l.f. end of the band, so L3 and TC3 are checked several times. Remember to adjust L3 at the l.f. band and, and TC3 at the h.f. band end. In this way coverage is eventually brought to the desired range.

The cores of L1 and L2 can then be adjusted at about 3.55MHz, and the trimmers at about 3.9MHz, until no further improvement is possible, and the cores are locked with 6BA nuts.

For these adjustments, the signal is taken to the co-axial lead to L1. A harmonic crystal marker using a 100kHz crystal and giving calibration points at 3·5, 3·6, 3·7, 3·8, 3·9 and 4MHz is most suitable. A tunable signal generator should if possible be checked with a crystal or other reference source. Output indication can at this stage be estimated by ear. When construction is finished, cores and trimmers can if necessary be touched up while observing the receiver S-meter, to secure the best reading.

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Fig. 4 shows the top of the chassis and drilling dimensions. It is best to complete as much drilling and other metal work as possible before fixing any components, and to clear away metal fragments. Tags are bolted on tightly for chassis connections. Metal fragments between the i.f.t. pins and chassis can cause h.t. or other shorts, so sleeving can be put on the pins in advance. Each i.f.t. needs a central hole to reach the lower core.

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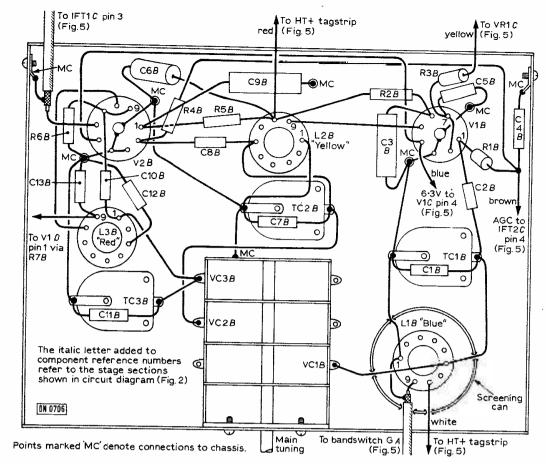


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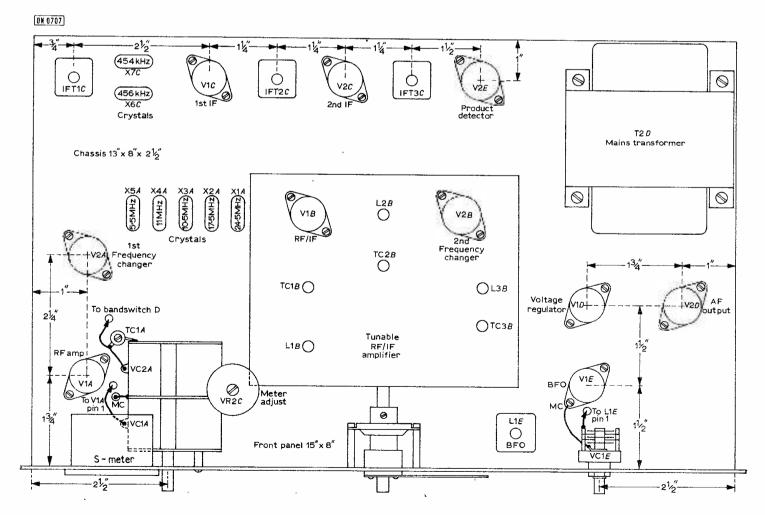
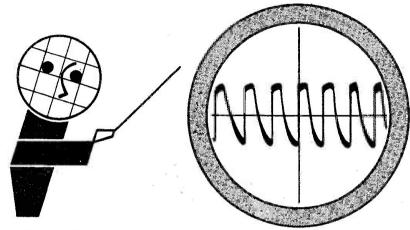


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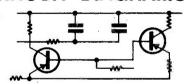
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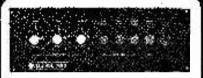
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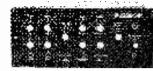
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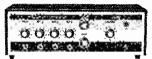
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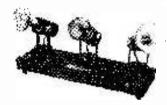
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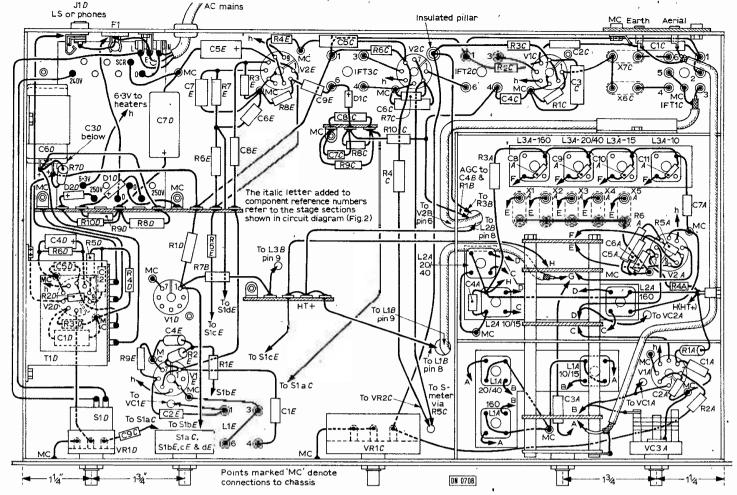


Fig. 5: Location of components underneath the chassis. Note that the wiring of the ECL86 output stage should be completed before fitting the output transformer.

cabinet requires this. Mark through the chassis control bush holes on to the panel, and drill or punch the latter to match.

The panel is marked centrally, level with the ganged capacitor spindle, then drilled and punched to take the ball drive. The dial can then be fitted and holes marked for it.

The b.f.o. pitch capacitor and ganged first r.f. and mixer tuning capacitor are also above the chassis and operated directly by knobs.

Fig. 5 shows the underside of the main chassis and where needed components can be identified by reference to the circuit diagrams.

The mains cord is anchored to a tag strip. The mains transformer tags project through the chassis and a long tag strip near this supports the h.t. rectifiers and other components.

The a.f. and output stage is wired complete and then the speaker transformer T1 is bolted to the side runner and thus lies over this valveholder. The audio section can be tested as described by feeding a signal in at VR1.

The a.m. diode D1 and associated resistors and capacitors are mounted on a tag strip as shown.

Fig. 5 shows all wiring to the crystal filter and following i.f. stage. It is easy to check that this section operates, by temporarily taking D1 positive to pin 6 of the 2nd i.f.t., or by wiring the i.f. amplifier anode to pin 3 of the last i.f.t. The signal is taken by the screened lead to pin 3 of the i.f.t., either from the tunable i.f. described, or from a signal generator. The i.f.t.'s may then be aligned in the way described. The few extra connections etc, for the second i.f. amplifier can then be added, to complete

the circuit, the meter being included or omitted as wished.

This completes construction up to the point where the receiver can be used for a.m. reception in the  $3.5-4 \mathrm{MHz}$  range.

# **BFO**

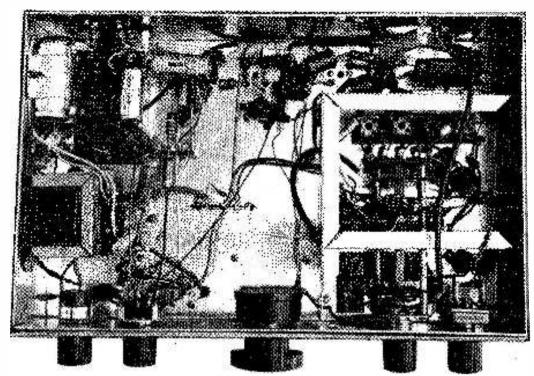
V1 in Fig. 2E is the beat frequency oscillator for c.w. and "carrier oscillator" for s.s.b., and receives h.t. from the regulated supply when section S1b of the 3-way switch is in the CW/SSB position.

The voltage regulated supply is not absolutely essential, but will be found to give a worthwhile improvement in frequency stability. It is possible to use a switched crystal controlled oscillator for selection of upper and lower sidebands but the tunable oscillator is simpler and gives satisfactory results.

# PRODUCT DETECTOR

This is V2 in Fig. 2E and it operates on both c.w. and s.s.b., giving an audio output which is selected by section S1a of the 3-way switch. Section S1c applies h.t. to V2, when in the c.w./s.s.b. position. This double-triode circuit is very reliable and trouble-free, and capable of very good results on s.s.b.

In some designs a.g.c. is removed for c.w. and s.s.b. reception and an extra pole on the 3-way switch could accomplish this. However, for strong signals the r.f. gain control has to be turned back anyway, which greatly reduces a.g.c. action so it was decided to leave the a.g.c. circuit in operation at all times.



This view of the chassis will be useful when wiring up the receiver from Fig. 5.

# **ADJUSTMENT OF BFO**

Initially VC1 is half closed and a steady a.m. transmission is tuned in as precisely as possible. The function switch is then turned to "c.w./s.s.b.", and the core of the b.f.o. coil adjusted with a trimming tool for zero beat. If the core is adjusted a little either side of this setting, a strong heterodyne note will be heard, which rises in pitch as the core is moved from its correct position. Opening or closing VC1 from its central or zero position has the same result.

To receive CW, set VCl above or below the central position, as required to produce the most suitable tone.

For s.s.b. reception, slowly rotate VC1 one way or the other, as required, to produce intelligible speech. Lower sideband is generally used on 1·8, 3·5MHz and 7MHz bands and upper sideband on 14MHz and above, but the effect of adjusting VC1 will soon become clear. Speech cannot be resolved if VC1 is the wrong side of the s.s.b. signal. When VC1 is set for s.s.b. reception, it need not be further adjusted, unless the receiver is switched from l.f. to h.f. bands or vice versa.

Many very strong s.s.b. signals are often heard so for general s.s.b. reception it is better to keep the a.f. gain fairly high, and turn back the r.f. gain as necessary.

The centre pole of the 3-way switch takes h.t. off all but the tunable oscillator and output stages, muting the receiver transmission.

# FIRST RF/MIXER OSCILLATOR

This part of the receiver operates on 10, 15, 20, 40 and 160m bands, and the circuit is shown in Fig. 2A. V1 is the r.f. amplifier while the triode section of V2 functions as a crystal controlled oscillator and the heptode section as a mixer.

The 6-way bandswitch has eight poles. For 80m sections A and G take the aerial circuit directly to

the 3.5-4MHz tunable i.f., which operates as r.f. and mixer on this band. For all other bands, section A takes the aerial to the primaries of the aerial coils L1, while section G takes output of the mixer to the tunable i.f.

Section B selects the appropriate coils L1 but three coils only are required for the five bands covered by this section: one coil for 10m and 15m, a second for 20m and 40m, and the third coil for 160m. This reduces the number of coils needed while giving a satisfactory L/C ratio. Switch sections C and D select similar coils L2, for the mixer grid circuit.

Coils L1 and L2 are tuned by the ganged capacitor VC1/VC2. In use, this capacitor is peaked up in the selected band and need only be re-adjusted slightly when receiving weak signals, or when moving well across the band, except in the case of 160m, where it requires more frequent adjustment. The panel aerial trimmer VC3 allows further alignment with almost any aerial. AGC is not applied to either of these stages, but the gain of V1 is controlled by VR1, which also adjusts the cathode bias of some later stages.

The r.f. coils L1 are wound to give an input impedance of around  $75\Omega$ . Transmitting equipment will often be operated into a dipole or other aerial with a matching device to provide about this load, so the same system can generally be used for reception. For reception only, any simple end-connected wire may be taken to the aerial socket, with good results. For maximum signal strength with weak signals it is customary to employ some improved form of aerial, such as an end-connected wire with matching unit, or a single-band or multi-band dipole with  $75\Omega$  co-axial feeder.

Switch section E selects the appropriate crystal and section F the triode anode oscillator coils. The crystal frequencies are chosen so that incoming signals on the wanted band are converted into the 3.5-4MHz range. The latter thus covers a 500kHz band which includes the wanted h.f. band, or 160m.

It will be seen that it is not essential to use the crystal frequencies listed, though these allow dial

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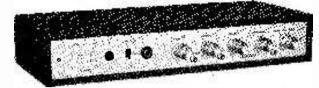


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Crystal frequencies which are not "rounded off" to 100kHz will result in the band being off-set one way or the other, according to the actual crystal frequency. The listed crystals can be easily obtained, but it will be seen that it may be possible to use surplus or other crystals to hand, provided band calibration is adjusted to suit.

A crystal should not put its own harmonic in the wanted band. A 3.5 MHz crystal would, for example, give 3.5 MHz from V2 with the receiver tuned to 7MHz, but the 3.5 MHz 2nd harmonic and fundamental pick-up at 3.5 MHz by the tunable i.f. would block reception.

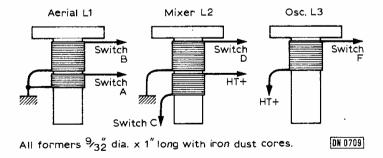
Only four anode coils L3 are necessary for the five crystals because 40m uses a 11MHz crystal and 20m a 10.5MHz crystal so a single coil is satisfactory for both ranges.

Should there be no interest in Top band, L1, L2, L3 and the crystal for this band can be omitted.

One crystal provides coverage of one 500kHz sector of 10m, any additional 500kHz sector requiring another crystal. If 160m is omitted, the 6th position could introduce a 25MHz crystal, for 28·5-29MHz. Alternatively, 8 and 9-way switches are available, so that coverage of 10m may be extended that way. Another method is to extend section E to a 3-way rotary switch for the 10m crystals.

## RF/MIXER COILS

Each coil is begun right against the tagged end, as in Fig. 6, no space being left between the tuned section and the primary. The wire ends can be



Band	F	RF ,	Mi	xer	Wire
MHz	Pri.	Sec.	Pri.	Sec.	****
1.8	10	*	40	*	32g. enam.
7/14	4	24	12	24	32g. enam.
21/28	2	10	10	7	26g. enam.

\* MW coil (Osmor Range 5) with 20 turns removed.
All windings close wound. No space between windings.

Fig. 6: Showing the method of constructing the r.f./mixer coils.

soldered to tags, taken through small holes, or run directly to wiring points, the ends of the windings being held with a touch of polystyrene adhesive.

A strip of <sup>3</sup><sub>16</sub>in. plywood or similar material is drilled to be a push fit for the ends of r.f. coils, with a similar strip for the mixer coils. The strips are bolted to the chassis.

## **CRYSTAL OSCILLATOR COILS**

The four coils, see table, are a push fit in holes in a strip of plywood, which is bolted to the chassis near the switch.

Crystal (MHz)	Turns	Wire	Parallel C
5·5	30	32g. enam.	100pF
10·5	24	32g. enam.	22pF
17·5	19	32g. enam.	10pF
24·5	16	26g. enam.	5pF

Close wound at end of former as in Fig. 6.

Winding information for the crystal oscillator stage coils.

If a meter is clipped from chassis to the h.t. end of the coils, oscillation is shown by a *rise* in voltage. Adjust each core for maximum voltage then, if necessary, set it slightly off this peak so that each crystal starts reliably. One setting is suitable for both 10.5 and 11MHz crystals. Readings were approximately 50V when not oscillating, rising to about 100V with oscillation, but a little lower on the highest frequency range.

## SWITCH AND COILS

The bandswitch is positioned as in Fig. 5, and arranged so that the 10/15m coil L1 can be placed as shown to allow short wiring to the wafers. A 5x2in. flanged universal chassis member is placed inside the chassis, and marked to agree with the switch bush hole. This hole is punched, and holes are drilled for the switch screwed rods. The rear wafers and spacers are taken off, and the switch re-assembled with the flanged member, which gives extra support and also provides a screen between r.f. and mixer sections. Holes are drilled in the flanged member in advance, so that a lead can run directly through from r.f. anode (pin 5) to section C, and so that the heater circuit can be wired. C3 (used to isolate h.t. on 80m) is near section A and a lead runs through to section G.

Leads from sections B and D run up through the chassis to VC1 and VC2. Short, direct chassis returns are necessary, especially for the h.f. bands coils. Connections to the 10/15m coils and leads to the crystals are kept very short.

To avoid possible errors in wiring the switch, first check that normal results are obtained on 80m. The coils and crystal for 40m may then be added and the circuit tested. The other ranges can then be fitted in turn.

The remaining flanged members listed can be bolted to the chassis to enclose this section of the receiver.

With TC1 and VC3 nearly fully open and with the band switch on 10m, check that 29.5MHz can be tuned with VC1/2 fullly open. If not, screw the cores of L1 and L2 further out of the windings (towards the chassis) VC3 should also peak signals but if it is fully open, screw down TC1 a little.

Switch to 15m and peak signals by closing VC1/2. If VC3 now needs considerable adjustment move the core of L1 or L2 (10/15m range) to correct this.

Switch to 20m, and with VC1/2 fully open, set the cores of L1 and L2 for  $14\cdot5MHz$ . Check that 7MHz can be reached with VC1/2 nearly fully closed, after switching to this range. If not, adjust the cores until this is possible to minimise the need for re-adjustment of VC3.

On 160m, adjust L1 and L2 (160m range) to allow peaking with VC1/2 and to minimise the need for altering the setting of VC3 when tuning from the h.f. end of the band towards the l.f. end.

The crystal oscillator coils are adjusted as previously described. No reception is possible on a range where the crystal is not oscillating. VC1/2 should peak quite sharply on each amateur band, but should not be too critical. The dial or control knob should be marked with approximate band positions and with frequencies for  $1 \cdot 8$ ,  $1 \cdot 9$  and 2MHz.

With an i.f. of 3.5 to 4MHz a second channel signal arises at 7 to 8MHz from the wanted amateur band so that in normal use, interference is unlikely. But on the highest frequency bands the wide coverage of VC1/2 allows these circuits to be tuned accidentally to the second channel frequency. This tuning position must not be used for amateur band reception.

With the tunable i.f. of 3.5-4MHz the oscillator covers 3955-4455kHz the 5th harmonic of which falls in the 15m band and is heard as a weak carrier. This is unavoidable with this type of circuit and similar considerations apply to 10m.

Should the S-meter potentiometer be at the limit of its adjustment without the meter being at zero, add a resistor of some 100 to  $330\Omega$  or so between potentiometer and chassis. This value depends on individual valves, h.t. voltage, etc.

## **CABINET**

Holes or slots are required in the back of the cabinet for the mains lead, aerial, etc. Slots can be made by drilling holes and sawing between them or by sawing between holes made with a chassis punch. For additional ventilation  $\sin^{1}2$  in. holes were punched in the bottom and a row of similar holes in the back near the top. The case is raised on four  $^{3}4$  in. rubber feet.

An opening lid is made to reach the S-meter potentiometer, etc. Lines are drawn about 1½in. from front, back and sides, to make a lid about 12x6in. Sufficient ½in. holes are drilled at the corners to start a small metal saw. The 12x6in. piece is cut out, and edges smoothed with a file. Strips of metal about 7x1in. are bolted inside the cabinet for the lid to rest upon when closed.

Note: Part 1. Fig. 2A, bottom of L1(160m) primary should go to chassis, 40 and 20m switch sections (B) should be linked. In Fig. 2E, C3 is a fixed capacitor.

## GOING BACK-continued from page 829

Arthur L. Kongshaug, Schouterrassen 22, Oslo 5, Norway has some more information on Dr. Loewe and his Loewe receiver mentioned in a previous Going Back article.

This type of receiver was based on a patent by Dr. Sigmund Loewe, and was manufactured in his own factory, Radiofrequenz G.m.b.H., in Berlin, starting in 1926.

The receiver was made in two versions, a twovalver and a three-valver. Both versions were intended to operate a vibrating reed type of loudspeaker—a type which was very popular at the time (before the Dane, Mr. Jensen, came along with the dynamic types).

The basic idea behind the "Loewe" receivers, was that all resistors, all capacitors and the elements of the valves, in fact everything outside the tuning arrangement, were enclosed in one big glass tube under vacuum. Resistors and capacitors not being as stable as they are today, this was a real improvement.

One may also assume that this first attempt to make an "integrated" receiver, made them cheaper to manufacture than the standard versions of the time. The sets were very popular, and are said to be the first sets to pass the million-mark in Europe. Who assembled the British version, I do not know. The brand is still one of the best known in Germany, today under the name "Loewe Opta", with works in Berlin, Kronach and Düsseldorf.

Jim F. Rowland, hailing from Kauhajoki KK, Suomi, Finland, says . . . "I am the proud possessor of a Philips Radio Type 2531 serial number 016824N1 complete with its original loudspeaker.

Valve line up is: 506—E442—E443—E424. Bands: 200—450, 400—950, 900—2100 meters. The speaker line out plug is also a three position switch.

I was rather lucky to get this set, I was in fact in the process of moving from my house near Vaasa when my next door neighbour came to ask me if I could help him with an old radio he had found in his loft. Well I helped him with a small token of my appreciation with a fiver!!

The wireless is to the best of my knowledge in perfect condition, that is to say that with a little bit of howl, wow and whistle. We manage to listen to the immaculate BBC in the evenings around 2300hrs local time (ours).

Well now, if you find this interesting and would like photos of the object, let me know. Should you be able to enlighten me as to its year of origin and perhaps country I should be very much obliged."

Yes, we would like to see photos of your receiver Mr. Rowland. Sorry, we don't know year of manufacture, but it was probably made in Holland.

Mr. D. M. Findlay, 2a St. George's Drive, Carpenders Park, Watford, Herts, writes in to say . . .

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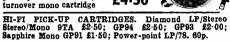
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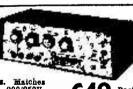
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Here, in short, is the OIC—pronounced, I have it on the authority of Jim McDermott, who is Eastern Editor of *Electronic Design*, as OYK, which I shall Anglicise to Oyck.

There is a two to ten year development timelag, and, to quote J. McD again: "... the major researchers tend to be closemouthed about what the big hangups are."

Henry could tell him! Hang-ups inevitably occur while big companies eye each other and such bodies as Standards Committees, waiting for the word from Olympus giving them what they hope is a monopolistic carte blanche.



Nail-biting telephonists ...

Astute readers will have deduced that OIC stands for Optical Integrated Circuit but idiots like Henry will still be floundering with the information that lightemitting diodes are non-lasing, producing a relatively broad spectrum of energy which, transmitted along optical fibres is limited to a few hundred feet, with maximum response in the 100MHz region.

Henry could have told Corning that his development of an optical, single-mode fibre with losses of only 20dB/km would have found applications for making dial lamps shine in impossible places, and that their incorporation in the one or two enterprising radio sets that have dared use them has been more trouble than it was worth.

The answer to the short-range, narrow-band optical system is—hadn't you guessed?—laser light.

This is where the integrated circuitry comes in: there are two ways of attacking the problem; with passive or active devices. Bell Telephone Laboratories (I seem to have heard of them somewhere before) are putting a lot of work into micron-sized thin-film, dielectric waveguides on transparent substrates. The methods of producing integrated circuits that have given us such things as perfectly pretuned FM IF strips and some audio amplifiers with noisier front-ends than some of us managed to make with warsurplus VR65's, allow what J. E. Goell describes as a deposited glass film. Oxygen is used for sputtering and a thin film of a glass with a higher index of refraction is deposited on another, when masking and etching processes are then carried

There is a bit of bother with the edges of the waveguides so made. Goell tells us that a loss of about 1dB/cm results from an edge with a 500 Angstrom rms deviation, for a refractive index difference of 1% between the



A chance to tell your grandchildren . . .

waveguide and its surrounding media at a wavelength of 1 micrometre.

Next problem is putting laser energy into the device. One way is to use prisms, the other an etched grating—and here we are, back to the Oyck again. At this stage of the proceedings, developers are more insistent than G8DSH's monkey, Maxwell.‡

We have Professor Bertoni of Brooklyn Polytechnic on the one hand, Prof. Jay H. Harris of the U of Washington claiming near 100% efficiency with his own tapered prisms and IBM using dense flint glass as well as the quartz crystal device by their Lawrence Kuhn, struggling to beat the Bragg angle.

No, I refuse to explain further. I've read the article seven times now and still wonder why R. G. Hunperger of Hughes Research Laboratories had to use ion (proton) implantation in gallium arsenide material. No Faraday had the same bother when he discovered that the resistance of silver sulphide went down sharply with heating, dating the first known negative temperature coefficient thermistor as 1833. It took the Henrys of this world a long time to get around to using it, so I just thought I'd give you, Joe, a chance to say to your grandchildren when the communal wired TV is changed over to OIC linkage: "Ah, yes, I remember reading about that in Practical Wireless."

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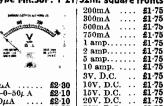
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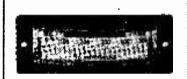
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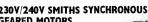
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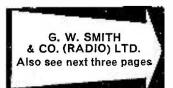
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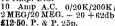


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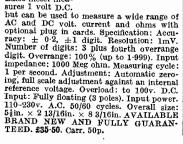


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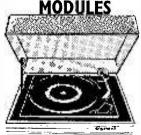
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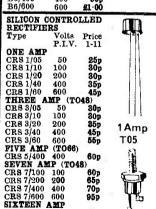
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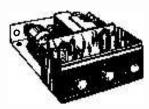
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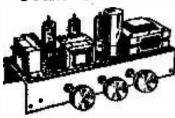
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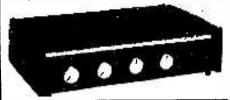
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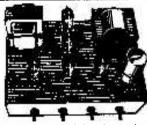
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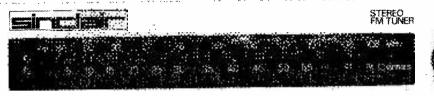
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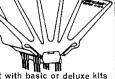
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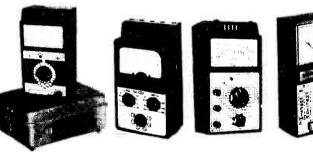
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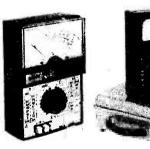
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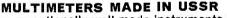
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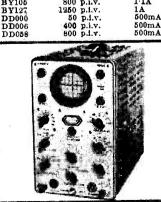
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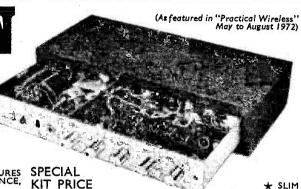
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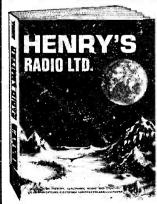
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