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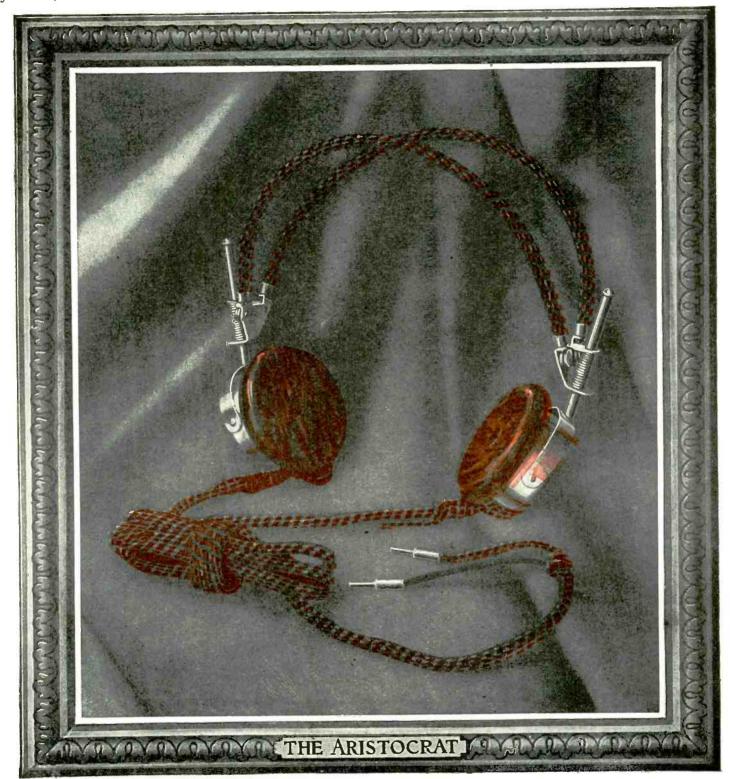
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In the past he has been active in the promotion of the amateur radio shows in Chicago and in the starting of *Radio Tobics* which was formerly the official organ of the 9th district Council. He is now with Zenith.

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#### MCCORED STREET CONTROLLED TO THE

MR. JOHN R. MEAGHER (Push Button Receiver) designed The Wireless Age Uni-Control Receiver, described in the December issue, which won immediate popularity. His chief joy in life seems to be, aiter getting through with the construction of one set, to turn impatiently to fresh experiments. He wastes little time in enjoyment of the fruits of his labor, and gets no thrill from the fact that the completed set works. "Of course it will work!" he exclaims with asperity; and of course it dess.

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What field of endeavor offers YOU the greatest chance for making good!

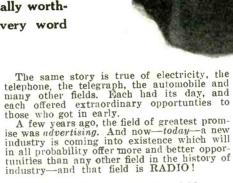
#### The Field In Which It's Easiest to Succeed

It's Easiest to Succeed

In general, new fields offer by far the best opportunities for rapid advancement and big success. In the old, well-established professions and businesses, the odds are against a man jumping a head unless "the breaks" favor him to an unusual degree or else he is a genius — and there are few of them.

But in new lines of endeavor, it's different. I've noticed it time and again. Take the railroads and again. Take
the railroads
years ago. I recall many of my
boyhood friends
who went in "the
railroad game."
Today many of
these ambitious
men, who started
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cial experience or education, no we are high executives; one is president of an important road. There's only one explanation for their swift progress. They got in on the ground floor where there was plenty of elbow room—and nothing at all was there to hold them back. So they jumped ahead rapidly.



#### More Money For YOU

More Money For YOU

It's been my good fortune as chief instructor for the world's foremost radio school to have trained hundreds of young men for the radio profession and to have come into contact with the developments of this fascinating branch of science. I tell you that not one person in a thousand dreams of the enormity of this business as it is today. And no one can possibly foretell to what limits it will grow in the future.

Take broadcasting alone. Most people think of radio in this connection. Hundreds of broadcasting stations have come into existence. Millions of dollars worth of equipment has been sold, and like the automobile business, there will be almost no limit to this end of the radio business.

But Radio's real growth in the future will not be along the lines of pleasure. Radio has grown to be the most practical and economical form of communication. It is being used by every ship on sea. It has been adopted by business houses, banks, exchanges and all progressive firms. The Government now uses Radio in its police service, in the postal department.

Already we have classrooms being taught

postal department and almost every other department.

Already we have classrooms being taught by Radio. Almost every day we hear of some new use for this wonder science. Radio is one of our greatest industries today, but as yet it has only started to grow. It is the one great field of promise of the future!

#### Men Wanted In This Field

This tremendous industry came into existence almost over night. Already fortunes have been made by the most wide-awake ambitous men—many of them who seem to me to be nothing more than boys, they are so

I wish that space would permit me to give just a few examples of how young men, my former students, have jumped ahead in Ra-

dio. There's nothing surprising about their successes though. The opportunities are there—thousands of them. Naturally the man who is on the spot, who gets in at the beginning, is the one to profit by them.

Young men are needed now in Radio. On land and on sea, there are opportunities—and opportunities that offer greater promise than those in any other field.

#### My Advice To Ambitious Men

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Here's the advice I want to give to you men
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you never dreamed existed.

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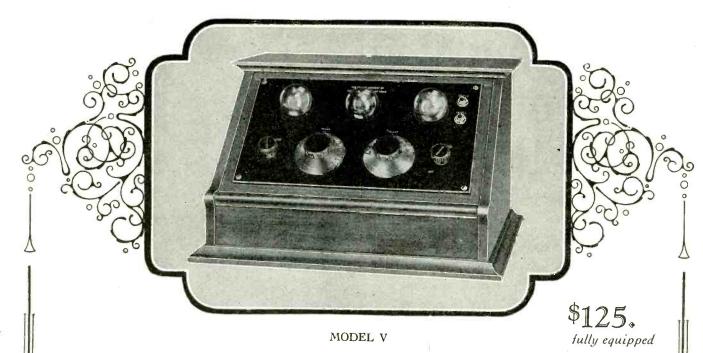
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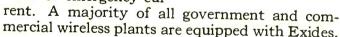
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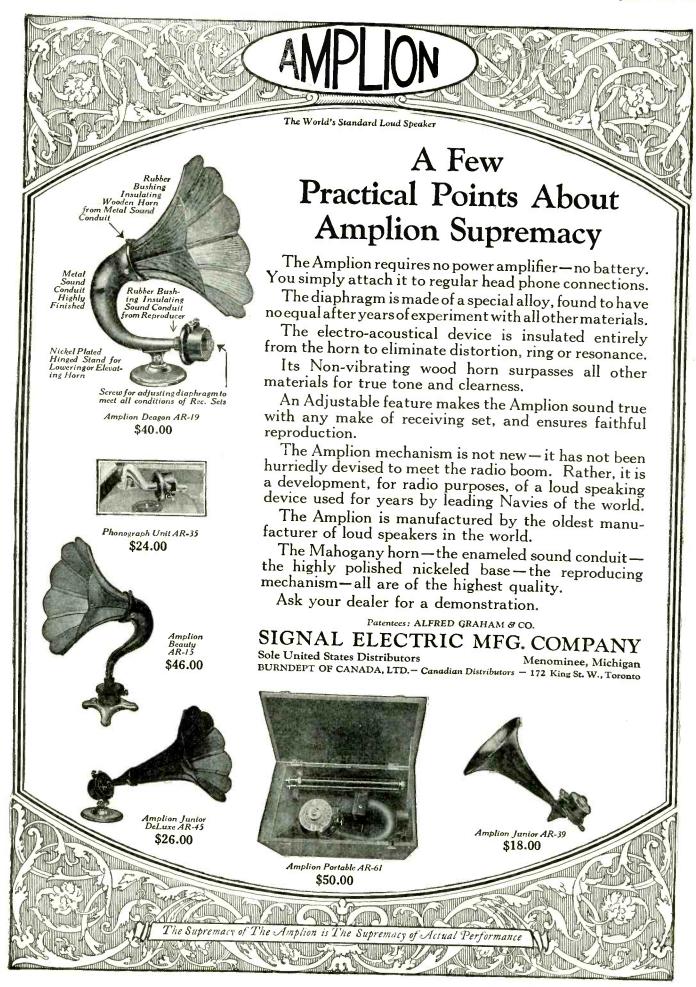
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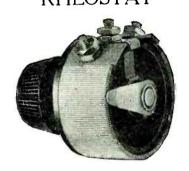


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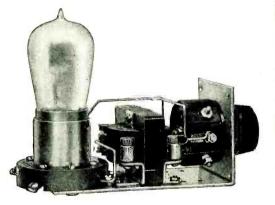




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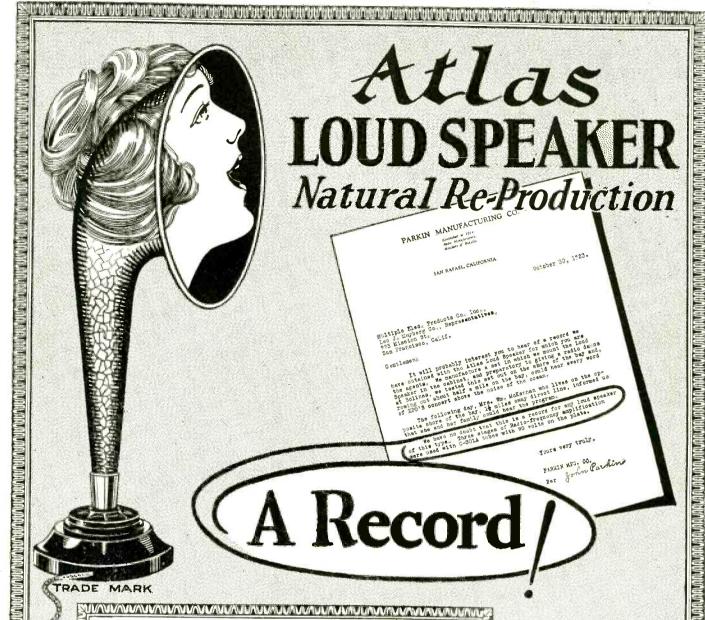
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planned to keep in touch with the outside world by amateur radio.
planned to keep in touch with the outside world by amateur radio.
This they were able to do until they got North of Disco Island,
Greenland. After going North of that point nothing was heard
of the expedition. And all interested became worried at the
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the "Bowdoin" as a prize to the first amateur to get into communication with the Arctic Expedition. This prize I have had
the honor to win with the aid of my PARAGON Type RA-10 Regenerthe honor to win with the Arctic Expedition.

Since first getting into communication with the "Bowdoin" expedition (who are in winter quarters frozen in at Refuge Harbour, which is ten miles North of Greenland Latitude 78.30 North, bour, which is ten miles North of Greenland Latitude 78.30 North, congitude 72.30 West) on September 7th. I have had a working Longitude 72.30 West) on September 7th. I have had a working Longitude 72.30 West) on September 7th. I have had a working Longitude With the operator and have copied one 600 word and one 181 word press message from them addressed to the New York World 181 word press message from the expedition and together with dozens of private messages from the expedition and together with dozens of private messages from the other latitude 1546 calls) by a complete list of amateur calls heard (a total of 546 calls) by a complete list of amateur calls heard (a total of 546 calls) by a complete list of amateur calls heard (a total of 546 calls) by a complete list of amateur calls heard (a total of 546 calls) by a complete list of amateur calls heard (a total of 546 calls) by a complete list of amateur calls heard (a total of 546 calls) by a complete list of amateur calls heard (a total of 546 calls) by a complete list of amateur calls heard (a total of 546 calls) by a complete list of amateur calls heard (a total of 546 calls) by a complete list of amateur calls heard (a total of 546 calls) by a complete list of amateur calls heard (a total of 546 calls) by a complete list of amateur calls heard (a total of 546 calls) by a complete list of amateur calls heard (a total of 546 calls) by a complete list of amateur calls heard (a total of 546 calls) by a complete list of amateur calls heard (a total of 546 calls) by a complete list of amateur calls heard (a total of 546 calls) by a complete list of amateur calls heard (a total of 546 calls) by a complete list of amateur calls heard (a total of 546 calls) by a complete list of amateur calls heard (a total of 546 calls) by a complete list of amateur calls heard (a total of 546

When you consider that the expedition has heard hundreds of amateur stations in the Arctic but that my station has been the only one with whom they have been able to communicate, I the only one with whom they have been able to communicate, I consider this quite a record for "PARAGON APPARATUS" and am glad consider this quite a record for "PARAGON apparatus, to be able to advise you how proud I am of my receiving apparatus.

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When industry takes a leap ahead of progress it is time to hot-foot for a telescope with its focus set on the future. An Akron company has purchased all rights and patents to manu-facture Zeppelin dirigibles. Back of this bold venture lies a confident belief in the future of the dirigible as a commercial practicality. Radio lends a two-fold factor of probability to the success of the enterprise. The safety of air travel will probably be largely dependent upon radio reports of prevailing weather conditions. Furthermore, regular travel by air is inconceivable without perfect control communication, which radio alone can furnish.

The lack of natural obstacles away from the surface of the globe, if only the difficulties represented by wind and weather can be overcome, gives possibilities of a mode of travel untrammeled by expensive installation. Compare the limitations of the highway, continually being worn away by the stream of traffic jammed uncomfortably within its narrow pavement—with the wide avenues of the air! Think of the advantage of traveling above the pounding waves through which the vessel must plow her way with the expenditure of tremendous power. Once we grant that air travel on regular schedules is assured-and we are promised by this Akron enterprise that it is-there is no limit to the evolution which will ensue—an evolution which will involve undreamed-of changes in human institutions and modes of life.

Railway systems are dependent upon their perfect and elaborate signal control. When the day shall come that will see trains of air-cars traveling at great speed on established routes and schedules, Radio, furnishing the control, will be called into a new task and a new opportunity.

HY continue to preach to a handful of people when by advertising and modern business method you can get a crowd?" So a divine is reported to have exclaimed in an address at the New York City Club recently. Why go to such length to col-lect a crowd in the name of religion and for the exercise of its various forms, when broadcasting will send into the homes of the land, where they will be received by the callous- and worldly-minded as well as by the bedridden and helpless, messages of faith and hope and charity straight

from the finest religious minds?

Many churches are broadcasting their services Many churches are broadcasting their services as a regular institution, and even a report has reached us of one small rural parish which has dispensed with the service of a preacher and gathers together in its church building to listen to the service of a metropolitan church. Only very recently a Bible Service bureau was incorporated at Columbus for the purpose of giving to the world a daily scriptural message by Radio.

dio.

Radio is no more commercial than the service in which it is employed. It is the newest hand-maiden of Civilization and its service will be spiritual as well as material.



READER of THE WIRELESS AGE writes that he concurs heartily in the hope recently expressed in our editorial columns that B. C.

L's would come across more generously and graciously with bouquets. He says, "I for one feel profoundly grateful for the joy and instruction that radio has brought to my home," and goes on to state that "rather to my home," and goes on to state that "rather than miss telling of my thankfulness I have placed near my set some personal postcards, on which is printed the form inclosed herewith, which can be mailed at once and their presence means that there is no delay or failure in attending to this duty."

Thank you very much for the privilege of hearing you on the radio from station at ......p. m. Eastern Standard Time.

We especially enjoyed.

#### Address.

Such a little thing to do! Yet how perfectly fine! Better get into line and get some post-

cards printed.

A couple of our readers have protested-and doubtless others have the same thought—that after mailing one's bit of enthusiastic appreciation to the broadcast station it comes rather as a freezing douche to receive in reply the for-mal and stereotyped: "We are glad to receive often, giving suggestions, etc." or perhaps no acknowledgment at all. We will ask such discouraged persons to try to picture the inside of a broadcast station with a very limited staff trying to bestow as much as possible of its trying to bestow as much as possible of its budget into effective service and better programs and trying to keep from closing down and the reason for lack of individual replies will be apparent.

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RANSCENDING in importance our large modern plant, unexcelled equipment and the finest kind of a working force, our relations with those who buy our goods are the very foundation of our business. And so on the threshold of 1924 we pause to wish you all

## A Most Happy and Prosperous New Year

1924 holds out wonderful promise to us all.

R ADIO is growing—it is estimated that there are between four and five million sets in this country already.

And the farm field is only scratched—when it really opens up—look out.

Be ready for sales—bigger than you have ever had.

THE manufacturer of today should be planning ahead. His sales and production should be all laid out. Raw materials should be purchased, new machinery—new dies ordered and installed. Peaks and valleys of production and sales must be flattened out. We earnestly urge the necessity of all these things so as to prevent a repetition of delayed production and the resultant loss of sales.

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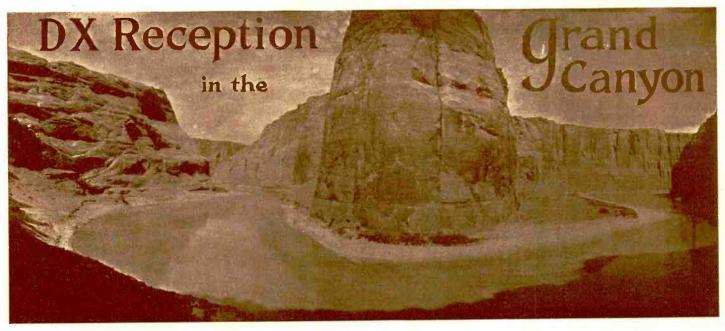
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# Colonel Birdseye's Exploring Party Keeps Radio Contact With the World While Thousands of Feet Down in the Canyon

By Max Abel

RADIO fans who sometimes complain of the difficulty of rigging an aerial on the top of a dwelling or even in the woods about camp by using tree tops as masts for the pleasure of picking up broadcasting, should listen to the story of DX reception in the Grand Canyon of the Colorado as told by Col. C. H. Birdseye, of the United States Geological Survey, who has just returned to Washington, D. C., after a trip of 300 miles through the roughest waters in that mighty chasm. The dominant purpose of the trip was to make an accurate survey of the canyon and to locate sites at which dams could be built to utilize the wasting waters for flood prevention, power development, and irrigation.

Colonel Birdseye tells a graphic story of the trip down the canyon, which was made in four wooden boats, supplemented by a canvas canoe. These boats carried all the supplies and instruments of the party and also, except at portages, the men themselves.

In addition to the usual instruments used by engineers and geologists the party had a radio-receiving outfit—Aeriola, Sr.—which was modified for the trip by R. L. Atkinson, the expert mechanician of the Geological Survey.

On July 18 the party left Flagstaff, Arizona, the railroad station nearest to the point of departure, for Lees Ferry, 140 miles away. Here they remained, under stress and distress of a temperature that reached 110 degrees in the shade nearly every day, putting the boats and equipment in order.

On August 1 the party left Lees Ferry and camped that night at the head of Badger Creek Rapids, 7½ miles below Lees Ferry. Here the radio set was tried out, and in spite of adverse prophecies, some of them widely circulated in print, that a radio set could get nothing in the depths of the canyon, KHJ, at Los Angeles, was heard plainly, although the canyon here is narrow and nearly a thousand feet deep. From this point down the



Codonel C. H. Birdseye, Chief of the U. S. Geological Survey Grand Canyon Exploration party



The Grand Canyon Survey Party. Colonel Birdseye in center of picture

canyon the radio outfit was set up from place to place and received messages from Los Angeles, Salt Lake City, San Francisco, and on one occasion from Colorado Springs.

The radio outfit which enabled the party to keep in touch with civilization consisted of an Aeriola Sr., with two steps of amplification, using U.V. 201-A tubes throughout, which had been modified in the instrument shop of the Geological Survey to meet conditions which were to be expected in the canyon. This set, together with A and B batteries, was placed in a waterproof box, so that in the event of the overturning of the craft in which it was carried, there would be no danger to the instrument. The antenna wire, 150 feet in length, was carried on a small reel to facilitate winding on moving camp. Prior to breaking camp arrangements had been made with the Los Angeles Times (KHJ) and Desert News (Salt Lake City) (KZN) to broadcast items of interest to the party.

At Soap Creek Rapids, about 11 miles below Lees Ferry, camp was made where the party learned by radio of the death of President Harding, three-quarters of an hour after it occurred—probably before the majority of people of the United States had learned of it. Here the rim of the canyon is 3,000 feet above the floor.

On August 8, the boats passed Vasey's Paradise, 31 miles below Lees Ferry, so named by Maj. J. W. Powell, the first explorer of the Canyon, in honor of George Vasey, a botanist, who would have found the numerous ferns, mosses, and other plants here a very interesting study. The party filled their canteens, explored a large cave, made surveys of a possible dam site, and camped on the limestone ledges at the head of another rapids, where radio messages were re-

ceived from KHJ at Los Angeles, though not without great static interference.

August 12, the party reached Nankoweap Creek and found a small stream of clear water—a decided lux-

FOR three months the intrepid Geological Survey Party, conducting their own 300-mile survey through the tortuous depths of the Grand Canyon, were able to keep continuously in touch with the civilized world through their radio apparatus. Three thousand feet below the canyon rim and hundreds of miles from the news centers, they learned of the death of President Harding three-quarters of an hour after the occurrence, probably before the majority of the people in the big cities knew of it. A mile deep in the great chasm they heard the news of the terrible earthquake in Japan. And finally, after months of trying adventures, they had the unique experience of hearing a broadcast announcement of the safety of their party.

ury to men who had been drinking the water of the ever muddy river for nearly two weeks. In camp that night at the mouth of Kwagunt Creek the men thus camped in the depths of the canyon heard and enjoyed the items of the daily news and the baseball scores, as well as the fine concerts broadcast from Los Angeles. At this point the top of the canyon is 5,000 feet high.

VISITORS CAUSE COOK TO WALK OUT On the evening of August 29, the party camped at the mouth of Hermit Creek where a good flow of drinking water was found, and was joined by Colonel Crosby, Superintendent of Grand Canyon National Park, and a large party that had been made up to see the boats run Hermit Creek Rapids, the roughest kind of a stretch of water. The influx of so many visitors threw the cook "up in the air" and he threatened to leave the party at Bass Trail, the next stop. The party had been receiving radio messages about the impending coal strike, a threatened industrial and domestic calamity, and some of its members had vivid recollections of domestic trouble about cooks, but here was a "labor situation" right in the canyon that looked bad, and culinary service at once assumed a high value. However, as he was evidently to be lost to the party, a new cook was sent for.

For a number of days the radio outfit was out of commission due to a broken "pig-tail" connection on one of the rotors, but on the evening of September 8 at the mouth of Tapeats Creek, the radio outfit was again in use and KHJ came in clear. The party then heard that a serious earthquake had occurred in Japan and that the Washington baseball club had won a game. Here, too, the walls are nearly a mile high.

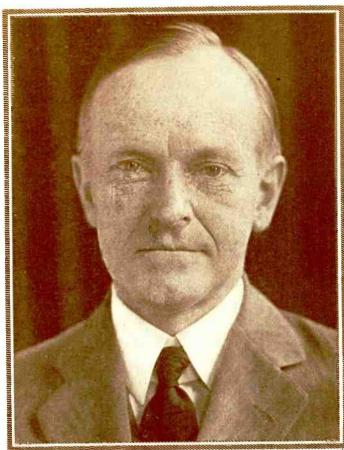
Newspapers Tell of Disaster to the Party

On October 2, after running many small rapids and escaping a 20-foot rise in the river, the party reached Diamond Creek, 164 miles below the (Continued on page 78)

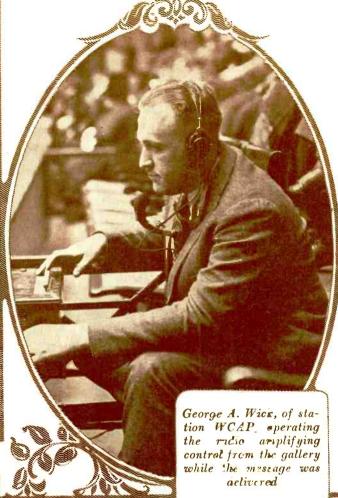


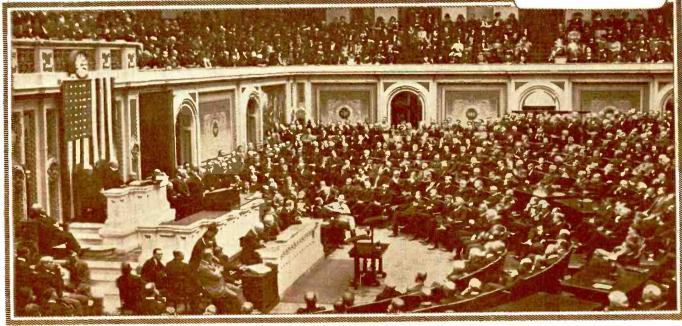
Trying out radio receiving set in the Grand Canyon

### President's Message Broadcast



President Coolidge's first message to Congress, a pronouncement of iremendous political importance, was delivered direct to the country by radio





While official Washington, including the representatives of foreign powers, crowded the galleries of the great chamber in which the Senate and House of Representatives were assembled at noon on December 6 to receive the President's message, radio fans all over the eastern half of the country listened to the address through their receivers



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## Some Interesting Broadcasters



## World's Leaders Use Radio



Mrs. Mary Roberts Rinehart, whose mystery stories, to say nothing of her lovable characters Tish and "K," are the delight of novel-readers over the English-speaking world, is shown here broadcasting her Glacier Park adventures from WJZ

Dr. Paul Kammerer, one of the foremost biologists, comes to America to explain his proof of Darwin's Theory of Heredity. Dr. Kammerer spends a few moments each day in radio diversion

# Broadcasting Congress

Shall the Nation Sit in the Congressional Galleries?

By Otto Wilson

7ITH Congress again holding forth in Washington the idea recurs, "Why not install a broadcasting device in the Senate and the House and let the people of the country listen in on the proceedings of their political servants?" The present session promises to be filled with fight and excitement. The Congressmen from the Northwest are up in arms, and since they have the balance of power in both houses they are not going to be steam-rollered into silence. Then the issues that will be fought back and forth will play a large part in determining the success or failure of many presidential booms, including that of President Coolidge himself. could be more interesting to the politically minded than to be able to pick up a receiver and hear Senator La Follette or Senator Magnus Johnson doing battle with Senator Watson or Senator Cummins on the question of guaranteeing the farmer a price for his wheat or of taking over the railroads of the country?

It could easily be done, but it probably will not be and for one very good reason—the country would be bored stiff in an hour. Usually we think of Congress as debating seriously the big questions that shape the country's destiny. Of course it does devote hours and days to the League of Nations, the revision of income taxes, and such broad subjects, and occasionally the visitor to the galleries is lucky enough to sit in on a tense and historic debate. But by far the greater part of



the time of Congress is spent in grinding laboriously along on plain government grist. Sometimes the proceedings are funny, once in a while highly dramatic, but most of the time they are just plain tedious. If, for instance, the eager political student in a back county

in Indiana or Missouri could have picked up his radio receiver one day toward the close of the last session and listened to the oratory of the House, he might have been prepared to hear a profound discussion of our foreign relations or a ringing appeal for help to the farmer. But this is what would actually have assailed his ears:

"I notice every afternoon and every evening when we have a night session that shortly after adjournment the corridors are filled with smoke. I am



told that the smoke is emitted by the burning of refuse paper in some of the fireplaces here. I do not think that is a very sanitary plan. I do not think the corridors of the House should be filled with smoke, because rarely is the air from the outside allowed to come in here. I think that practice should be discontinued."

"I think that situation has been cared for. I am so informed."

"Oh, no. Only the night before last, when we ran until 11 o'clock, when I came over here from the House Office Building at half past 11 there was smoke in the corridors."

"I am sure the gentleman is mistaken about that. I think that must have been because of the members smoking as they were going out."

"Oh, no. I know the difference between cigarette smoke and smoke from burning paper. It is an abuse that should be corrected."

"The situation the gentleman mentions is an abuse and should be corrected, and I think it will be."

"How many chief janitors have

"Just one as I understand it."

"They have one in the Senate drawing \$2,000 a year; and we have one for the House drawing \$1,800 a year. Is there one for the Supreme Court?"

"I was referring only to the House organization."

"This is just one Capitol building. Is

there one for the Supreme Court?"

"Not a chief janitor."

"But there is a separate janitor for the Supreme Court."



Not alone the President's message, but specially important debates might be broadcast

"There must be."

"Then in one building we have three separate janitor forces. Why could they not all be put under one head, so that we would have only one chief janitor?"

"I think the gentleman might make that recommendation."

"It will cut out at least two positions

as chief janitor."

"Does the gentleman think that the Senate would agree to do that? They want to control their own janitor force."

"If we called attention to it the people at home might persuade them to agree to it."

"Mr. Speaker, I ask for recognition in opposition to the resolution."

"The gentleman from Massachusetts."

And so on. We can imagine how absorbed the radio listeners would be in the question of smoke in the corridors of the Capitol and how quickly they would be aroused, as the worthy member of the House suggested, to rise up and demand that the Senate should stop immediately having a janitor all its own.

Of course there are occasions when the American people generally would give a good deal to hear what was going on upon the floor of the two houses of Congress. Thousands would have tuned in on that session in April, 1917, when war with Germany was declared, and there are many lesser occasions when the debate is tense, dramatic, and of the highest moment to the country. Probably after a while some arrangement will be made by which these special occasions will be provided for and the people will be enabled to hear history directly as it is being made. But for the present there apparently is no special demand for such arrangement and there is no plan to provide it.

One exception should be made to that statement. When Mr. Coolidge addressed Congress radio fans in the East were able to catch his words as he uttered them.

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A 100,000 attendance marks the Chicago Radio Show as a big stride forward in the development of real popular interest.

# The Chicago Radio Show A week of high pressure Radio

As related by one of its conspicuous participants,

R. H. G. Mathews

A S we look back on the five days of November 20th to the 25th spent in the Chicago Radio Show, we have a vivid pulsing picture of surging crowds, flashing color, polished exhibits, attractive displays and energetic salesmen. From this jumble of impressions many high lights stand out.

In the first place, some idea will be gained of the size of the show from the total attendance, which was in the neighborhood of 100,000. And this crowd was more than a mere crowd of onlookers. It will be recalled that at previous shows the great general public paraded around, walked through such booths as were handy, with vacant looks on their faces, stuffed their pockets full of literature and wandered on out, without asking questions or displaying any particular interest. This year's show was different! The crowd came, poked its pencils inside of things, tore them apart and nearly mobbed the salesmen in attempting to secure information. This fact is best

#### KNOWLEDGE AMAZES

As soon as the doors opened at 2 p. m. the radio curious began to pour in, and at 7:30 p. m. the lines seeking to gain entrance were backed up for a great distance north and south along Wabash Ave., approaching the entrance.

The widest range of radio equipment was represented. The simplest bit of apparatus was on display, and at the other extreme were beautifully consoled and cabinetted sets running in price to \$1,000 and more.

The crowd was made up of all sorts and ages of boys and girls, men and women. Exhibitors who were demonstrating expressed surprise at the knowledge of radio which the general public possesses. Young men and old men who admitted that they knew nothing of radio a year and a half ago were able to discuss sets and devices with fluent intelligence.

-From the Chicago American.

illustrated through the story of one of the larger exhibitors at the show, who started out with four salesmen in his



BIRD'S EYE VIEW OF SOUTH HALF OF THE CHICAGO RADIO SHOW

The arrangement and preparation of the booths was attractive and well adapted to the purposes of the show. All the exhibitors felt well rewarded

booth the first night. The second night this same exhibitor had fifteen salesmen working in his booth and could have used more. This year's crowd did more than "look"; it wanted information. It was going to buy sets and wanted to know why it should buy any particular set, and it was there to find out.

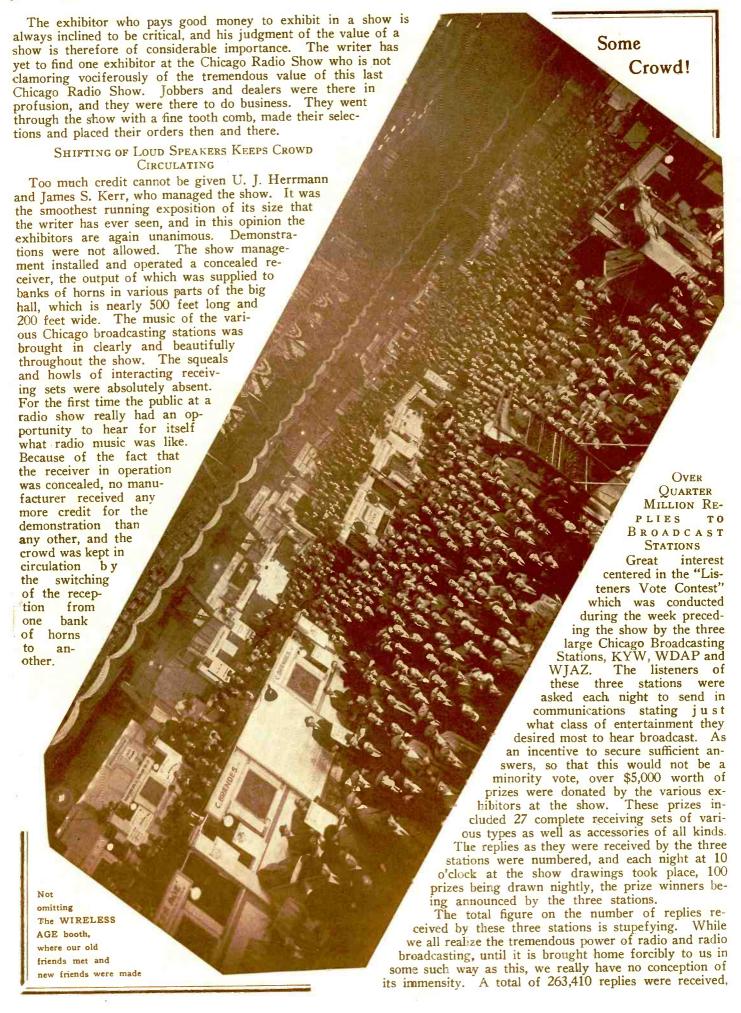
Last year's attendance at the Chicago Radio Show was approximately 60 per cent. youngsters. An analysis of this year's attendance shows that less than one per cent. of the attendance was composed of children. Mr. Charles Hall, President of the Coliseum Company, in whose building the show was held, states that a greater number of automobiles were parked on the streets surrounding the Coliseum than have ever been so parked at any show ever held at the Coliseum, and in this connection it will be remembered that the Coliseum is the home of the annual Chicago Automobile Show, as well as many other great expositions.

From these facts it is very evident that radio has come to stay; that its appeal is now to the business man and his wife, that it has passed the "fad"

stage, and has become a great settled industry, one of the greatest in the world.



Letters received by three Chicago broadcasting stations





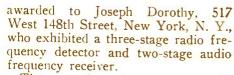
Entries in the amateur builders contest

of which 170,699 were received by WJAZ, 37,800 by KYW and 55,711 by WDAP. Assuming not over one person in fifty will take the trouble to send in a telegram or letter in a contest of this kind, apparently the three stations mentioned had a total audience during the week of 12,253,250. Ponder this figure for a moment and try to realize how many people it really represents, and then try and realize the power that such an audience will have along the lines of political and other efforts, if its power is ever consolidated and brought to bear on any one issue.

Another drawing card at the show was the hourly performance of Francill, the radio wizard, who demonstrated the most complete radiocontrolled model ship that can be imagined. His thorough control of the ship was demonstrated by the fact that he could at will sound its horn, move it in various directions, right, left, front or back, light various lights all over the ship, ring its bell, release toy balloons imprisoned within it, fire its cannon, play a phonograph concealed within, imitating a ship's band, or do all of these things or any of them simultaneously.

In the theater at the south end of the exhibit hall were displayed continually various "Radio Movies," illustrating the principles of radio communication in sugar-coated form with a little comedy mixed in to make them palatable. Here also various well known radio engineers gave talks each night. Among the speakers were E. T. Flewelling of well known Flewelling "Flivver" circuit, Dr. Lee DeForest, Channing Pollock, well known author and playwright, William Schnell, Chief Engineer of the Electrical Research Laboratory of Chicago and others.

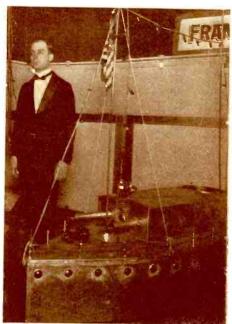
Near the theater were exhibited the various entries in the three amateur building contests. The first of these contests was unlimited, as to conditions, the prizes being \$75.00, \$50.00 and \$25.00, respectively. The second contest was restricted to school children only, the prizes being five in number, \$30.00, \$25.00, \$20.00, \$10.00, and \$5.00. The third contest was for sets of trick or novel construction, the three prizes being \$20.00, \$10.00 and \$5.00. The judges, E. T. Flewelling, William H. Schnell of the Electrical Research Laboratory and R. H. G. Mathews of the Chicago Radio Laboratory, spent a great deal of time in carefully comparing the various exhibits. The first contest was won by a 12-tube Superheterodyne exhibited by Harry P. Kanuf, 718 Grace Street, Chicago, Ill. The second prize was



The second contest was won by Ulysses Coates, 11733 Vincennes Ave., Chicago, Ill., and the third contest by John Neis, 1533 Wolfram Street, Chicago, Ill. No attention was paid to the type of circuit used in awarding

these prizes.

The displays offered by the various manufacturers and dealers showed great originality, and many interesting and novel features. Our old friend Grebe drew tremendous crowds with a projecting machine which ran a film of his factory showing the processes of construction. The Chicago Evening American booth was built up in the form of a broadcasting studio, and in fact considerable broadcasting was done from the booth through the Westinghouse Station KYW, with



Francill and his ship

which the American has a broadcasting agreement. Other Chicago newspapers were also represented by booths and exhibits.

In the Commonwealth Edison booth was found a beautifully built white and gold Sleeper Monotrol Set, and near it was found the Tuska-Miner Superdyne Set which is attracting so much attention.

The honors for beautiful and expensive construction unquestionably go to Federal, who sent to the show under heavy guard a Sterling silver receiving set, the cabinet being beautifully hand chased and engraved, with solid silver knobs and controls throughout. This set occupied a glass case in the center of the exhibit hall and attracted much attention.

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One of the demonstrations demonstrating

# WHOOPS of Wild Rodeo Warriors Radioed From WJZ

#### As told by STUART HYDE HAWKINS

POR the first time in a century or more the peaceful urbanity of thousands of homes throughout the eastern part of the country was rudely shattered by the gutteral gibberish and woeful wails of frenzied American Indians, for station WJZ broadcast the radio debut of the tribe of Flathead Indians who had arrived in New York for the Madison Square Rodeo, on Tuesday afternoon, November 13.

Under the guidance of Grey Scott, who escorted the tribe all the way East, the warriors arrived at the broadcasting station, and for once the soulful solemnity of the richly furnished studio seemed totally unsuited as the background of a radio concertif concert it may be called—for the feather-filled head-dress and wampum-wound moccasins of the Chief of the Flathead Tribe and his chosen braves needed a far less civilized setting than is customary in Manhattan studios.

From the moment of arrival Scott's entire energies were directed towards keeping the descendants of the original Americans from either bolting outright or destroying whatever apparatus they could see, for the radio was to them a terrifying manifestation of the awful power of the Great Spirit. After considerable coaxing and coaching, Chief Michele Crawler, summoning by a visible effort his total reserve of chiefly courage, approached the microphone and hurled a short series of unintelligible grunts and growls into the ether, and Sam Vincent, who has mastered the lesser intricacies of American as it is spoken, was forcibly held by the redoubtable Scott while he murmured a weak-"Chief he say he glad be New York; like big totempole" (which Scott later assured us meant "skyscraper"); very pleased be here; don't like little box-on-stick-that-





Chief Crawler (right) heaves a sigh of relief at having safely talked into the little box-on-stick, while Sam Vincent shows his bravery by touching the stand; Sam Nose looks longingly at the corner from which he has been dragged

make-shout-you-hear-he - don't." By which we surmised that the Chief was not as enthusiastic about broadcasting as we might have hoped. "Chief he say—he say—"—here Scott gave him a forceful swift and silent reminder that he was addressing a half-million people and should realize the dignity of his position and cease stammering—"Chief he say damn lot more, he like New York, G'bye."

From the farthest corner of the studio emerged the corpulent form of Sam Nose, who had taken no chances while his comrades were addressing the "box-on-the-stick," and had retired to the most distant spot possible; and by the combined efforts of Eddie Paul, the Publicity Manager of the Rodeo—who was very evidently being cursed in every variation of the Flathead language for having conceived

the broadcasting plan - and Grey Scott, he was shepherded to the side of his two brothers-in-misery at the microphone. From the announcer's station came the words "the Flatheads will now sing one of their war-songs—," and Sam Nose commenced a furtive pounding upon an immense tom-tom. After what seemed like hours, the Chief broke the vocal silence with a long-drawn, quavering wail which had more of the funereal than of the martial nature; a moment later Sam Vincent joined in-sounding for all the world like an uncertain "wandering saxophone" in a jazz or-chestra—and gradually the volume swelled, the spirit changed, until under the stimulus of the tribal war-song their fear of the "box-on-the-stick" became a deep and abiding hatred for (Continued on page 82)

### Radio de Luxe

Messmore Kendall, Owner of the Capitol Theater, Prizes His Radio Sets and Places Them in Beautiful Surroundings

Interview by William A. Hurd



MR. MESSMORE KENDALL

TWENTY-thousand-dollar radio set! And in a moment I was actually going to behold such a treasure!

After I waited, however, for well over two hours in the second room of the richly appointed suite which serves as an office for Messmore Kendall, proprietor of the Capitol Theater, while his secretary guarded the private sactum in a capable, pleasant manner, she arose quickly, motioning for me to follow. Walking through the third, and larger room, down a hallway and through another, still larger room, I was abruptly ushered into Mr. Kendall's private office.

A hasty glance revealed a spacious, well lighted room, luxuriously furnished, but in good taste.

Seated comfortably in an overstuffed chair I studied Mr. Kendall's features while he finished signing some papers. A strong, kindly face suggesting a keen sense of humor hardly betrayed the man of finance and power I had expected to meet. This was a man of vast capacity for the finer grasp of art and tradition.

I rather sensed that direct reference to the dollar value of his possessions would hardly gain his confidence.

"You have a very fine radio and I would like to know more about it," was my opening suggestion.

"Yes," he replied, becoming interested, "I have a set in my home at the top of this building, one at my Dobbs Ferry residence and another on my farm.'

Here was a real fan! I asked him to tell me about them.

To begin with, his apartment, which comprises the entire upper floor of the Capitol Theater building, and is only accessible by means of complete identification, is distinguished by the most sumptuous furnishings. Rare period pieces, antiques and Oriental rugs decorate its high-ceiled rooms and establish an example of what can be done in the successful combination of luxury and comfort.

The radio cabinet, massive as it is, does not seem out of proportion with the other large pieces, all hand carved and individual. In fact, a grand piano, seeming at rest in one corner, is nearly

Mr. Kendall had hesitated for a moment, seeming to weigh the importance of details, but decided, he warmed completely to the subject.

"Upstairs," he began, "I have the set mounted in a fine old cabinet. In the evening I can tune-in on WEAF and hear the Capitol Orchestra playing. At the same time I can hear the music in a dictaphone which is connected to the orchestra pit by direct wire. Then, if I wish, I can open a window situated just above the theater through which the music comes direct from the instruments.'

Messmore Kendall is a New York lawyer who conceived a beautiful idea. Recognizing the important place which the moving picture had come to take in all of our lives, he yearned to give the movies a setting worthy of the splendid productions which mark a continual progress in this art-a setting that would enhance their value. From this conception came the Capitol Theater, a grand home of the film-play, where thousands of people every day enjoy the unspoken drama in perfect comfort, surrounded by decorations of extraordinary beauty, and thrilled by a great orchestra of unusual quality.

As our interviewer has intimated, Mr. Kendall has some interesting hobbies which mark him as a man of broad and useful activities. His homes contain his considerable collections of rare paintings and antiques, which latter include a number of valuable Duncan Phyfe pieces. He is an ardent bibliophile and one of the illustrations with this article shows part of his library of 6,000 volumes, most of them first edi-

THE WIRELESS AGE identifies Mr. Kendall with the undeveloped future of radio as an agency of culture and entertainment. It is to men such as he in his Capitol Theater project has shown himself to be that we must look for many of the great ideas yet to be born that shall popularize radio and multiply its benefits. Radio needs the interest, enthusiasm and vision of big men and women.



A \$20,000 KADIO CABINET

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A corner of the living room in Mr. Kendall's home located at the top of the Capitol Theater building. The massive cabinet in the foreground to the right contains the wireless set on which he listens-in to the orchestral music that is transmitted by direct wire to WEAF, New York, and from there, broadcast to millions. The cabinet is a rare, hand-carved antique. In the background, between the fireplace and the clock, the paneling is actually a door opening on a private stairway leading to the theater



IN THE PRIVACY OF MR. KENDALL'S LIBRARY IN THE DOBBS FERRY HOME.
The radio set, shown at the lower right hand corner, is kept in a closet located at one end of
the room from where it may be enjoyed by opening the door. The circular walnut table,
today occupying its original position, was used by Washington during his stay there

The Capitol, one of the largest theaters in the world, has a seating capacity of 5,000. The magnificent decorations mark it as a veritable palace for photo-plays. No introduction is needed here to the Capitol Orchestra, nor Rothafel, the radio impresario of the Capitol Theater, as both are well known to countless thousands throughout the country.

"The sensation of hearing the same music simultaneously," Mr. Kendall continued, "through three different mediums is certainly worth while."

And small wonder that he should be so enthusiastic over this, the child of his imagination.

I asked Mr. Kendall about the farm. "On the farm," he answered, "I have a Radiola cabinet set that is easy for the folks to operate, but I have so little time to get away from New York I have to confine myself for the most part to listening-in upstairs or at Dobbs Ferry.

"At my home in Dobbs Ferry." he continued, "I keep the set, which is a Grebe, in a closet located at one end of my library. There I can enjoy radio in the home to the utmost."

Mr. Kendall was reluctant in answering questions concerning the history of this old Tory house in which George Washington planned the Yorktown campaign that brought to an end the American Revolution.

It was to this house, also, in 1783 that Washington again came to arrange for the evacuation of New York. and from which Washington and Governor Clinton, with their escort of troops under General Knox, took up the march down the old Post Road to re-enter the City of New York.

Originally a farmhouse of the picturesque Dutch Colonial type, its character has been faithfully preserved in the restoration. It illustrates two distinct phases of Colonial architecture and contains a rare collection of early American furniture and antiques.

Mr. Kendall, though a true fan, is less concerned with the technique of radio than the entertainment it offers



THE STAIRWAY IN THE DOBBS FERRY HOME

FERRY HOME

The original hand rail and spindles have been used in the restoration of this stairway. It leads to the upper hall, which has become a part of Mr. Kendall's library, where his radio set and the choicest of his six thousand volumes, most of them first editions, are kept. The Dutch chime hall clock, on the left, is dated 1685

when consummated by the influence of home surroundings. He has certainly placed the two together in perfect harmony. And probably because he recognizes in radio a permanent contribution to culture rather than a laboratory novelty.

#### Broadcasting Congress

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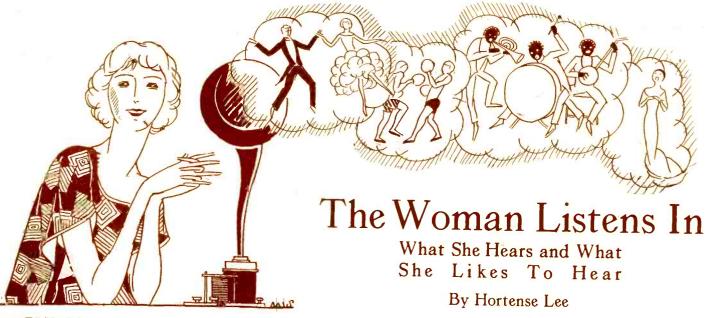
A device has been installed in the House of Representatives chamber for broadcasting the President's message. Anyone who has ever attended a session of the House knows that the chamber is so large and the confusion so great that it is hard for those in the galleries to keep track of what is going on, and the Speaker is constantly rapping for order so that the members themselves can hear. To help out this situation the Western Electric Co. a year or two ago volunteered to install an amplifying device similar to that used at big public gatherings. A cluster of horns was suspended from the ceiling, and they were connected with microphones on the Speaker's desk, the desk of the reading clerk, and the stands from which members make their longer speeches. These microphones can easily be connected with telephone wires running to sending stations in Washington or New York, from which the words of Congress can be sent flying out over all the Eastern states. It is of course mechanically possible also to link up sending stations all over the country by using the wires of the Bell Telephone Co., but that would require special arrangements between that company and the broadcasting stations as the company itself has stations as yet only in Washington and New York.

On December 6 the radio fans of the Eastern states were able to listen to the important pronouncements of President Coolidge, which may make history. But if they want to hear what Congress thinks of these and other weighty matters, as well as some which are not so weighty, they will have to come on to Washington and take a place in the galleries as heretofore.

### Honoring a Forerunner of Radio

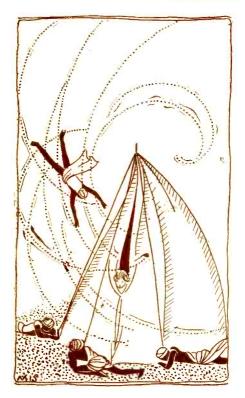
BRIDGING almost a century, the tinkle of a tiny bell, the first in the world that ever rang in response to an electro-magnet, was heard from coast to coast and across the Atlantic Ocean when programs in memory of Prof. Joseph Henry were broadcast December 17 from WGY. the General Electric radio station at Schenectady, N. Y., and WHAZ, the Rensselaer Polytechnic radio station at Troy, N.Y.

In 1831 Professor Henry discovered an electro-magnet by which he was able to transmit signals to a distance.



PERHAPS you think an Egyptian woman is a veiled, suppressed, secluded creature, still a century or two behind your modern suffragette. But if you listened in to WJZ, one evening in December, you heard of the famous "Ladies Wafd" of Egypt; of charming Egyptian ladies using the methods of western politics and suffragism; of street parades; of street harangues from a motor car; of boycotts. These are things the ordinary traveler misses in the Egypt of hotels and tourists' places. But they are part of the life Mrs. Grace Thompson Seton sees in her thrilling trips straight into the heart of the country.

Mrs. Seton told, in her radio lecture, of the political and social activities of the woman of Egypt. Told of her own adventures in a fierce simoon



of the desert, when all the tents were blown away but hers. Of how her tent was held fast to the sand by a man lying at each peg, tamping, tamping, tamping, all the night through.

The talk was a treat. But it had another interest quite outside itself. For it all grew out of an idea. It was the idea of Miss Anita Browne, Chairman of the Radio Committee of the League of American Penwomen. The League has a big, definite purpose, which it carries out in a big, efficient way. Part of that way, now, is by radio.

The League of American Penwomen, in case you do not know it, is a league of successful professional women. It has branches in twenty cities all over the United States. An important part of its purpose is to extend to young students the encouragement and help that will develop their abilities and show them the way to professional advancement.

Members who have gained fame as writers, lecturers, artists, musicians, give talks and conduct study groups for student members. There are poetry groups and short story groups, drama, scenario writing, music and art. All under well known women who generously give their time.

Now, through radio, the delightful entertainment of some of these groups, and the message of practical help and scholarships offered, will reach thousands who never before heard of the League of American Penwomen.

For the League's first radio evening Mrs. Grace Thompson Seton stepped out of a most impressive page of "Who's Who" to give her talk from WJZ. Mrs. Seton is vice-president of the National League and finds time in a busy life to serve generously in its activities

That was the first talk. Then later in December, Mrs. Alice McKay Kel-

ley spoke on "Christmas in the Philippines." Soon there will be more talks, from other stations, too, in different parts of the country, as the radio committee enlarges its range.

The idea of this radio committee, as an effective way to spread the impulse to creative inspiration among young writers and artists presupposes, of course, a large audience of women listeners everywhere.

When you cannot see beyond the microphone—when you cannot sense your audience—how can you know that women are listening-in the country over?

The question was put to WJZ. And the answer was in the letter files. There were hundreds of letters from women—perhaps thousands, if you counted them. Some of them are responses to talks specially planned for women—intelligent inquiries on the subjects discussed. Some of them are bits of enthusiasm or criticism.

The letters give real glimpses of home fun everywhere, and gradually shape, by the force of public opinion, the trend of broadcasting. Remember, there is no box office to indicate what the public wants—only the letters you send. And the woman's vote is as weighty as the man's.

What does the woman like, when she listens in? So far, you can only throw up your hands in despair at the puzzle. Read some of the letters that come to a single station—and you say, "Everything!"

One woman likes jazz music. Another wants less jazz and more classical music. One thinks prize fights are "just too brutal for words." Another writes to suggest that Major White be surrounded by a sort of telephone booth from which to talk, so that the cheers of the crowd can't drown a word of the broadcasting of the big fights.

A list of the things that "I especially

liked," copied from letters of women everywhere, includes the Hotel Commodore Orchestra, an organ recital, the Coast Artillery Band, a negro quintette, a sermon, a prize fight, bedtime stories, dinner speeches, stories of travels in Africa, violin solos, interior decoration talks. Almost everything on the broadcasting program.

One woman writes:

"My mother-in-law wants to know if you'll kindly try and play 'Beautiful Isle of Somewhere' on your wonderful organ." And another:

"Please have just lots of dance music and please have the Blue Ribbon Syncopators again. "Dorothy."

But the most universal picture is a home picture, with all the family listening-in—everybody applauding. Letters are signed "Mr. and Mrs. So-and-So." Or "The So-and-So Family." All together, they listen-in to the games. Mother acquires an eager interest in the sports her boys are following and soon becomes a baseball or a football fan. Sometimes she notes down the market reports and weather reports, for her farmer husband, to guide in his day's work, or the marketing of his products.

Here is a lefter that gives a glimpse of the way radio quickly takes its place in the family circle. It came in response to the broadcasting of a Boy

Scouts' program:

"You know I am a great friend of the Scouts. I have a boy, he belongs to the Scouts, and I never let him miss a meeting. It took two years for me to decide to have a radio set, but I certainly am not sorry; it passes our evenings away, the only trouble is we stay up too late. My husband always says just this one, but it's never the last one until late, but never mind, it's all right."

Many and many a letter comes in to tell of the helpfulness of lecture and sermon to women everywhere. One woman who never heard a lecture in her life found her comparative deafness overcome by the close-fitting headphones, and no longer misses the big news and the interesting speakers. The letters of listeners to the sermons are too many to quote. Here is one written to WGY that tells a story that is universal:

"Please accept our thanks for the privilege of listening to the church service this morning. Especially thankful is one member of our family—Mother Forrester, 73 and blind for the past ten years, weak from afflictions and unable to go out of the house to a service on Sunday for the past five years. She was an ardent Episcopal Church member in the past and sincerely hopes many other shut-ins have had the same good fortune to have listened-in this day."

And here's another letter:

"I drove 34 miles on Sunday to get a set working so the lady of the house could hear the afternoon sermon. After we got the set working, I wish you could have seen the expression on her face. This party is paralyzed and can't leave the house."

Women are critical—critical of the quality of the music, whether it is quality of jazz, or quality of classical music. They are critical, too, of the talks and lectures. There is always an audience for every type of program, but gradually the popular interest appears, shown in the type of criticism, and the number of letters of appreciation received.

A good example of the radio talk especially planned for women—a series with, presumably, a large audience—is the group of talks by Miss Harford, of "Harper's Bazaar." No man can quite appreciate the interest in the first news from the front—the front being Paris. "Harper's Bazaar" prints the fashion news "almost as soon as Paris knows it." And the radio talks

(above). Black shaved lamb jacket worn over plaid froch shown at left.

Fresh Paris fashions are radioed from "Harper's Bazaar"

tell that news often before the magazines are on the stand. What a scoop!

Take the three-piece suit, for example, with the three-quarter length coat. First news of its coming fashion importance was the sketch here reproduced from "Harper's Bazaar." But the news was permitted to leak

out, first, by radio.

It is difficult to know who is listening-in, for there is no occasion for letter-writing, when the questions are answered in the talk. But sometimes a designer will stop in to ask Miss Harford to tell more than her brief lecture can reveal. Or a busy dressmaker, whose receiving set was not functioning clearly, comes to the magazine office to ask the names of the Paris-sponsored fabrics broadcast that week. Miss Harford welcomes these questions—and welcomes all letters—for they quickly show what sort of talks are most useful. And that is what she wants to know.

The future of broadcasting programs will be determined by the audience—and a large part of it by the feminine audience. "Give the woman what she wants," is the slogan. It's a hard enough task at best, as any man will tell you. How much harder, if you don't write, write, write!

Lucky Mayors!

T is too bad that it is such a job to incorporate a city, otherwise probably about 99.44% of the American people would endeavor to become mayors. The reason is that the mayors of San Francisco on the Pacific Coast and New York City on the Atlantic Coast, have each been given a radio set. During their visit to San Francisco, last spring, Major General James G. Harbord and David Sarnoff, president and vice president of the Radio Corporation of America, discovered that Mayor Rolph of San Francisco had to use headphones when he listened in, using a set in his office. The Mayor now uses a Radiola Grand presented to the city by General Harbord. In New York City, Mayor Hylan also has been given a similar receiver.

#### From the Skies

M R. RIDOUX, an amateur of Garches, France, had the luck recently to find a meteorite weighing a number of pounds. In breaking it he noticed a number of sparkling particles, resembling the appearance of galena. A small piece of the visitor from the heavens was forthwith inserted in the crystal holder, the cat whisker adjusted—and signals heard. The material proved to be only slightly inferior to regular galena, but seemed to contain fewer sensitive points.

### The Navy's Radio Net

135 Land Stations
More than 400 Ship Stations
\$25,000,000 of Installation and Equipment
100,000,000 Words Transmitted Annually

# "All's Well: Radio is at the Helm"

By J. Farrell

"DLEASE send destroyers, Yokohama. Americans in great distress—Bell." It was one of the early messages of the Japanese disaster, sent by Commander Bell in charge of the Naval Hospital at Yokohama from a Japanese warship, and received at San Francisco via Shanghai, the Philippines, Guam and Honolulu. The Asiatic fleet was at once dispatched to the scene to render aid to the sufferers. When Smyrna was burning, it was an American naval vessel that told the world by radio of the disaster. Help was summoned from all over the seas, and the American Navy saved thousands of Christian lives.

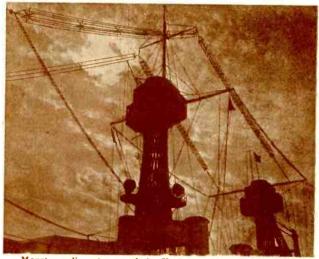
Visualize 135 radio stations dotting the Atlantic, Gulf and Pacific Coasts, and the island possessions of the United States. Add to the system more than 400 floating stations on as many naval vessels on the high seas. The result is a picture of Uncle Sam's vital nerve force without which in time of war the American Navy would be an unwieldly mass, and in time of peace ineffectual in protecting America's foreign commerce, in preventing maritime disaster, and in bringing succor to the distressed in shipwreck, earthquake, plague and famine. The navy's radio net covers practically the entire

In protecting America's commer-

cial interests abroad, radio has played a large part in directing the movements of naval vessels that patrol foreign waters. In the West Indies, for example, the navy has frequently landed men to protect the hemp, oil and fruit trade; in Cuba similar protection is afforded American sugar plantations; in the Near East the tobacco and petroleum trade on occasion have needed protection from local uprisings. The powerful radio station at Peking enables the Ad-

miral of the Asiatic Fleet to keep in close touch with the American Legation, and to render prompt aid in protecting life and property from bandit hordes. Similar assistance is rendered at Constantinople.

Every navy station is required by official order to listen for a period of three minutes every fifteen minutes for signals of distress on the high seas. When such a signal is heard the call, together with the position of the vessel, is broadcast on high power. Every naval unit in the vicinity of the disaster is rushed to the scene, directed

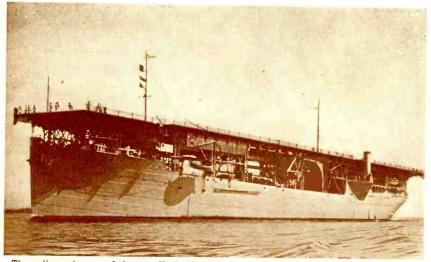


Monster radio antennae of the U. S. S. Colorado, the world's greatest battleship

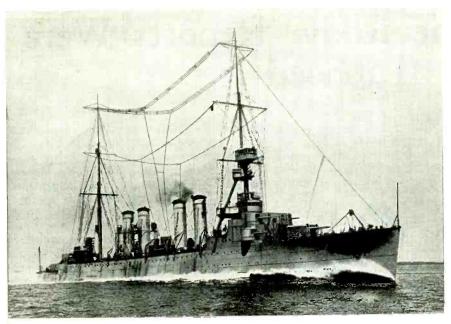
from shore and ship by radio. Storm warnings are regularly flashed from the high powered shore stations covering a range up to 6,000 miles. The radio compass stations, of which there are more than 50 located at strategic points along the American coasts, have been the means of preventing heavy loss of ships and life in time of fogs, and other maritime emergencies.

The navy radio system is generally conceded to be the most comprehensive anywhere in the world. Along the coastal boundaries of the United States and island possessions there are 40 high power stations that work distances from 800 to 6,000 miles. These stations are supplemented by 95 intermediate stations with ranges up to 800 miles. Combined with the 400 or more ship stations and airplane radio equipment, the complete land, sea and air radio system represents an investment of approximately \$25,000,000. The interplay of messages between stations aggregates 100,000,000 words annually. Most of the business is of a government or public nature, but 68 stations are also permitted to be used for commercial business by ships at sea. These stations handle an annual volume of 5,000,000 words.

The complete system is primarily organized as part of the nation's naval defense. "But in time of peace," declares Rear Admiral H. J. Ziegemeier,



The radio equipment of the new U. S. Navy airplane carriers includes the novel feature of two collapsible radio masts



Scout Cruiser "Detroit" hitting out for sea with all antennas spread

"the service has many ramifications. By extending a liberal use of the system to the press and business where it does not interfere with commercial companies, peoples all over the world are brought into closer contact and human understanding. Another important activity is to assist mariners by flashing out time signals, weather reports, storm warnings, hydrographic reports, and in transmitting S O S and signals of distress."

During the winter months the Alaska cable is frequently broken. In these emergencies naval radio provides the only means of rapid communication between Alaska and Continental United States. To handle the messages, stations are located at Sitka, Ketchikan, Seward, Kodiak, Cordova, Dutch Harbor and St. Paul in Bering Sea. Similarly, only one cable connects the United States with the Far East and is frequently out of commission months at a time due to coral formations on the bottom of the sea between Guam and Manila. To make up this lack the navy has several radio circuits across the Pacific, the giant of which is from San Francisco to the Philippines.

Navy stations are located at Honolulu, Guam and Cavite, and Tutuila in the Samoan Islands. The Cavite station is in sonstant communication with French Indo-China and the Dutch East Indies. Northward from Cavite are the circuits to Peking and Shanghair. Eastbound traffic is sent direct from Cavite to San Francisco. During the Limitation of Armament Conference two special circuits for government and press dispatches were set up between the United States and Japan. The northern circuit was between the Japanese radio station at Sapporo and the navy station at St. Paul. The

southern circuit was used for one way traffic, Honolulu to Iwaki, and is still used for westbound messages. The Samoan circuit is made available for traffic to the Society and Fiji Islands, as well as to New Zealand and Australia.

In the Pacific the navy is permitted by law to handle press reports to practically any point, provided that one end of the deal is connected with American newspaper interests. This authority expires June, 1925. Under it news services in the Pacific are handled by the navy, the Associated Press sending an average of 1,000 words daily from San Francisco to Honolulu and about 800 words to Manila. The navy press rate to Honolulu is three cents a word and six cents a word to

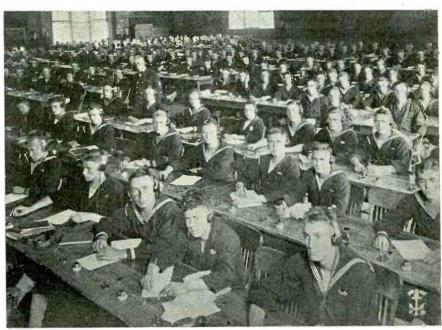
Manila. The navy handles all radio communications with the Philippines. Privately owned stations are not permitted to operate on the Islands.

On the eastern coast of the United States the main navy stations are at Bar Harbor, Maine; Sayville, L. I.; Annapolis, Md.; Arlington, Va.; Cayey, P. R.; Guantanamo, C. Z. and Panama. Bar Harbor is a receiving station for messages from Europe, the fleet in the West Indies and from the Pacific. Sayville is used as a transmitting station to the fleet and as a standby for Annapolis, both stations being operated by remote control from Washington.

During the troubles in the Near East, communication with the Admiral at Constantinople was had through Annapolis to Paris, leased land line to Coblenz, Germany, thence to Vienna, from Vienna by radio to a naval vessel in the Mediterranean, thence relayed by radio to Constantinople where the navy has a receiving station at the American Embassy and also a ship station. The return messages were similarly handled, being received at Bar Harbor, and then telegraphed by land line to the Navy Department at Washington. In later experiments, messages have been copied direct from Annapolis by the ship station at Constantinople.

The radio compass developed by the navy is regarded as the navy's outstanding contribution to the safety of navigation. A compass station is located within 100 miles of every important seaport in the United States. Storms frequently drive mariners 50 to 100 miles off their course, and in the ensuing cloudy or overcast weather

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NAVAL RADIO SCHOOL AT GREAT LAKES

Here the raw "gobs" are made into radio technicians who hold the key to the Navy's nerve system

# When Marine Radio Reports Were Tabooed

By Old Timer



TRETCHING northward towards New York City from the New Jersey coast which is dotted with merry and populous seashore resorts, there is a

bleak, barren, sandy, narrow and generally unattractive neck of land known as Sandy Hook. At first glance one would say that this bit of land, several miles in length and but a fraction of a mile wide, is of no use whatsoever. Yet, jutting out into the ocean and embracing in its wide sweep a sheltered body of water which forms part of Lower New York Bay, Sandy Hook could not have been better designed for two purposes. It is ideal as an observation post for keeping tabs on incoming and outgoing shipping clearing the Port of New York.

Back in 1909, when radio communication had not been developed to its present high state of efficiency, there stood on the very tip of Sandy Hook a pair of tall towers. From some distance away, they seemed twins in architecture as well as in purpose; but when viewed at close range they were quite different. One tower was built of steel, while the other was built of wood: however, both towers were surmounted by small balconies and a complete circle of windows for facilitating observation out to sea. A keen observer could not fail to notice one or more long barrels protruding from the windows and balconies, which, in view of the military surroundings, might well be mistaken for machine guns or young cannons. But as a matter of fact they were merely telescopes of high power

Now these towers were maintained by two rival telegraph companies for the purpose of reporting the ships passing Sandy Hook. The rivalry was of the keenest sort, for the telegraph companies secured patronage for their marine news service largely on the basis of their "scoops." In each tower there were several men on duty, ever on the lookout for signs of smoke on the horizon and ever ready with their powerful telescopes to identify the incoming ships by their funnels and superstructure. The instant a ship was identified, a report would be flashed by telegraph to the marine news bureau in New York City. For that purpose a battery of keys and sounders surrounded the observers in each tower.

The way the writer happened to come across the story which he is about

to narrate was through a series of radio telephone tests then being conducted between Fort Hancock, Sandy Hook and Fort Wood, Bedloes Island, in the very shadow of the Statue of



Liberty and the very station from which the WVP radiophone programs have been broadcasted. The small Army boats plying between New York City and Fort Hancock are few and far between, and since the radio telephone experiments at that time never lasted longer than a few hours at a time-it was an ordeal at that period, rather than a pleasure—the writer found himself with plenty of time on his hands and not much to do. Hence in the course of his walks about the narrow strip of land, in which every feature of the military post had become quite commonplace and without further interest except for the big guns, and these had to be viewed from a distance because of the snappy sentries. the author quite naturally discovered the two towers and spent much of his time in one of them. And that is how he obtained the data for this little story.

Now it appears that the keen rivalry between the two observation towers led to more and more guesswork as regards the reporting of shipping, as might well be expected. At first the observers waited until a ship was well above the horizon, so that she could be viewed in her entirety without chance for mistaken identity. But with the ever-increasing urge for "scoops" the observers began to identify ships by means of their superstructure and funnels, the latter being generally of a characteristic color or design.

Then one of the observers hit upon the novel and bold scheme of utilizing radio. He installed a radio receiving set in his tower and was able to hear the ships reporting to Fire Island, some forty miles distant. Once the ships reported to Fire Island, it was a simple enough matter to compute the time required for the ship to come to the horizon of Sandy Hook. So in a short time the observer in question began to identify and report his ships as soon as a bit of smoke appeared on the horizon, while his rivals, in the other tower, had to wait several minutes longer until the funnel and superstructure of the ship came into plain view of the powerful telescopes. Obviously, our observer scored one "scoop" after another until the rival telegraph company must have been on the verge of panic; for how could the super-vision of the rival observers be accounted for?

Then one day the unexpected happened. After scoring one "scoop" after another until it became an established fact and no longer created wonder, our observer friend reported a ship by means of its smoke in the usual way. He had told the rival observers that he had developed a new method of identification by means of the smoke of the various ships, much to their incredulity yet leaving them very mystified as to the peculiar powers of our observer.



A bit of smoke marred the horizon, whereupon our observer friend telegraphed the report in the usual manner. He had heard the ship reporting to Fire Island an hour or more ago, and it was just a matter of routine. But when the ship came closer, our observer discovered, to his horror, that he had made a mistake. The ship, instead of being the ocean liner which he had reported, was a coastwise steamer which was swinging in from a course far out to sea. He had to telegraph a correction—a fatal thing in this line of reporting. The officials of his company, now aroused to the fact that some peculiar and quite fallible method must be at work in identifying ships by means of their smoke, investigated and discovered the radio receiving set.

# 4,500,000 Miles, Some Record!

Radio Signals Make Automatic Return

ENGINEERS of the Radio Corporation of America achieved a scientific feat recently, when by an arrangement of the controlling circuit of the longest commercial radio service in the world—New York to Warsaw, Poland—they were enabled to make automatic signaling a substitute for operators. Radio was made to control radio, and thus over an 8,500-mile circuit continuous signaling was produced without human assistance.

The experiments were conducted before General J. G. Harbord, President of the corporation, at 66 Broad Street. W. A. Winterbottom, traffic manager, was in direct charge, while at the Warsaw terminal a special squad of engineers of the company was present.

At noon, when the experiment was begun, telegraph signals looped the loop around the circuit of the two radio stations with the speed of light. Unassisted by operators, relays of radio waves continued for twenty-five seconds and covered a total distance of 4,500,000 miles (twenty times the distance to the moon) under automatic control that was initiated by the original impulse.

One can visualize this performance as a gigantic radio lasso, set in motion by a short impulse which entered the transmitting control apparatus and shot forward the first wave, successive waves automatically being released to loop repeatedly about the Warsaw station and Broad Street.

Again and again this original dot raced around the circuit without interference from man. After making forty laps around the course, passing through twenty-five vacuum tubes, ten relays, changing its wavelength eighty times—first a feeble line current, then a mighty electrical wave—the auto-

matic sequence set in operation by the initial impulse became completely exhausted and the dot withdrew from the race. And all this happened in twenty-five seconds.

In other words, the original radio impluse unaided by man caused a signal to travel back and forth around the loop made up of wire telegraph lines and radio circuits at the rate of 186,000 miles per second, and since it continued this process for twenty-five seconds, it actually covered the astounding distance of about 4,500,000 miles.

Explaining the commercial significance of this scientific achievement, General Harbord said:

"We have thus achieved a double check in communicating by radio over our Warsaw circuit. Today's experiment makes it possible for us to know in an instant the condition of our circuits. The accomplishment means that messages can be checked as to proof of their receipt and accuracy almost instantaneously with their sending. In fact, we are able to know as much about the condition of the Warsaw circuit as the engineer there."

#### That Radio Jag

SOME English clergymen think that radio is enough to drive a man to drink. At least, that's the natural conclusion to draw from the fact that in Nottingham the ministers have protested to the authorities against the installation of radio receiving sets in the "public houses," or saloons. The saloon keepers are hurt and indignant, saying that they are trying to elevate the tone of their establishments by means of the radio programs, but the ministers insist that it is but an insidious and evil scheme to get the workingmen to drink more and more.



E HAVE A SPECIA ANNOUNCEMENT.

"A young man has been granted the privilege of broadcasting for ten minutes on a subject distinct-

ly personal. It is not our custom to give permission for such a talk requested by a private individual, whose identity we cannot reveal. There are special circumstances in this case, and we hope you will bear with us, and listen to what Mr. I. W. A. J. as he prefers to be known, has to say. Mr. I. W. A. J."

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Eric H. Palmer contributes to the February issue an unusual dramatic story of what I. W. A. J. broadcasted. The reader will stay with it to the end to find out what three leading men of Gotham did about I. W. A. J.

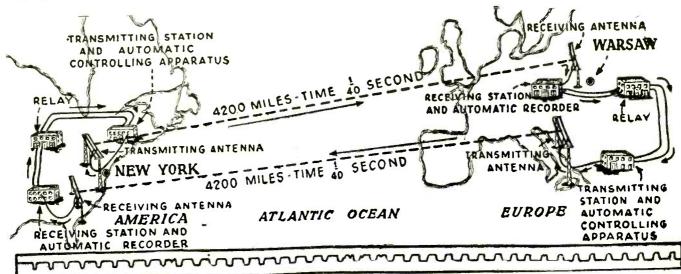
Our women readers and lots of other folk will welcome some information on how to house their radio sets in appropriate and artistic manner. Mr. William A. Hurd writes in the February number an illustrated article about the various styles of radio furniture.

#### THE WIRELESS AGE REFLEX

Mr. John R. Meagher gives the readers of our February number an easy-to-make tuned R. F. reflex receiver that will be a worthy addition to the series of Wireless Age sets which include the "Push Button" receiver of this number and the "Uni-Control" of December. It costs about \$10.00 to make this one-tube set which will operate a loud speaker at a range of 20 miles and has been proved for DX up to 1,500 miles.

Every radio fan wants to know about vacuum tubes—the different makes and their characteristics, what uses the different tubes are best adapted to and how to use them properly. The editor of THE WIRELESS AGE presents this information in a clearly understood article entitled "ALADDIN'S MAGIC LAMP" in the February number.

FOR THE BEGINNER IN RADIO
In February THE WIRELESS
AGE commences Radio Engineering,
an experimental home laboratory
course in which the elements of radio
will be presented in scientific but readily comprehended talks.





#### KYW Again Broadcasting Grand Opera Productions

RADIO fans who are music lovers will welcome the broadcasting by KYW, Chicago, of grand opera productions which began November 10th, when "Lucia Di Lammermoor" was sung.

The principals who sang Donizetti's beautiful score are: Giacomo Rimini, baritone; Florence Macbeth, soprano and Giulio Crimi, tenor, with Jose Mojica, Virgilio Lazzari, Elizabeth Kerrand Lodovico Oliviero, singing in the lesser rôles.

The broadcasting of grand opera from KYW, Chicago, last year when

such brilliant voices of internationally famous stars such as Galli-Curci, Rosa Raisa and Mary Garden were heard over a goodly portion of the world, was a great accomplishment. The grand opera season last year was broadcast twice weekly during the ten weeks' engagement of the Chicago Civic Opera Association and the concerts were enjoyed by audiences which numbered more than a million.

The delight with which radio fans hailed this innovation was proved by a deluge of letters which came from every part of the country. These letters, many of which came from distant points, indicate that this development has served to bring residents of

out-of-the-way and remote sections into close touch with culture, education and music, so that soon there will be little to differentiate the city dweller from those who live in the rural districts.

The grand opera productions were broadcast by means of a special sealed telephone wire connecting the stage of the auditorium with station KYW, which is located on top of the Edison Building, twenty stories above the busy Loop district.

#### Reconstruction of CFCN

C OMPLETE reconstruction of CFCN, the radio broadcasting station of the W. W. Grant Radio, Ltd., at Calgary, Alberta, Canada, has now been completed and CFCN is now listed as one of the most powerful stations on the American continent and the most powerful in Canada, having a modulating output power of 1,600 watts. It is now an eight and one-half kilowatt station.

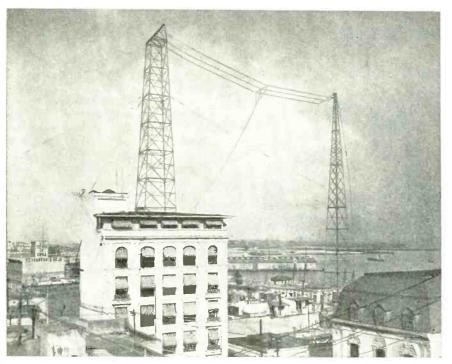
"The Voice of the Prairies" was silent for two weeks while new equipment was being put in place, but when it resumed activities the added power and clarity of its signals startled radio fans throughout the United States and Canada, according to telegrams and postal communications of congratulation which commenced to pour in two days after the reopening. President Grant has stated that on the rejuvenated set he hopes to shatter some of the long-distance records he has established in the two years which CFCN has been in operation.

Twelve especially manufactured tubes of 500 watts each, made in Montreal, are now being used, while a new amplification unit designed and constructed by Mr. Grant is also being utilized to advantage.

The building from which emanates the "Voice of the Prairies" also has been made more capacious, so that now there is an abundance of room for artists, and it has been announced that programs from CFCN in the future will be supplied only by artists engaged by it.



PRINCIPALS OF "GO-GO" AT WGY
One reason it is worth while to Peep Into a Broadcast Station



IN THE TRADE-WINDS' CLIME
West Indies

#### This Is WKAQ, San Juan, Porto Rico

BROADCASTING Station WKAQ is located in the center of the city of San Juan, Porto Rico. Its owner The Radio Corporation of Porto Rico is affiliated with the International Telephone and Telegraph Corporation of New York, as is its sister station PWX at Havana, Cuba. The first broadcasting of WKAQ was done on August 26, 1922. The entire plant is installed on the top floor of the Porto Rico Telephone Co.'s seven-story building. The view from the towers, overtopping all the buildings of the city, gives a good impression of the progress of this island in every phase of civilization. On the roof of the telephone building a steel tower 87 feet high supports one side of the three-wire antenna that runs 90 feet horizontally to another tower 187 feet above the street level. The lead-in comes from the center giving a "T" type aerial.

The announcer in this particular station is the program manager and the general manager of the corporation. The announcer gives a few suggestions to the artist and moves the microphone to the proper place, opens the switch and announces: "This is WKAQ, Radio Corporation of Porto Rico, San Juan, Porto Rico, the Switzerland of America, where the best coffee grows. The next number on our program for tonight will be . . . One second please." This is repeated again in the Spanish language.

WKAQ has been heard in every

state of the Union, Canada, West Indies, Mexico, Central and South America. Although the station broadcasts twice a week (Tuesday and Friday, from 9:00 to 10:30 p. m.) Porto Rico time, which is one hour later than 75 meridian time and four hours later than Pacific time, many letters have been received from California, Oregon and Washington, reporting reception of WKAQ during daylight.

#### Late Concerts From WBZ

PURSUING its policy of innovation in broadcasting and of service, station WBZ has arranged "late hour" programs. The purpose of these programs is to entertain the radio fans who are not at home in the earlier part of the evening, and to give fans located far away, particularly in the Middle West, a chance to listen to the Springfield station.

These late programs take place each week, on Wednesdays and Fridays, beginning at 11:00 P. M. On those evenings, WBZ is silent from 8:00 until 9:00 P. M. This arrangement is of course tentative, but will be continued if it receives the approval of the radio audience. The first late hour program was broadcast October 31.

The popular WBZ Trio, whose concerts have been enjoyed by thousands for the past few months will be augmented on "late hour" broadcasts with a clarinet and a flute, thus composing what will be known as the WBZ Quintette.

As will be remembered, the original trio consisted of a cello, violin and piano. It will retain its original form on Monday nights, but it will play compositions of its own on the nights when the additional instruments will reinforce the group of players.

In addition to the quintette, a soloist will take part in the evening's entertainment of the Wednesday and Friday late hour chamber music programs. This will afford a pleasing variety of music and will be well worth while staving up to listen to.

These late hour concerts are booked in response to requests from distant listeners, located especially throughout the middle west. As the station ordinarily completes its programs at about 9 o'clock, distant fans who begin listening at about this time, cannot hear it. Many local fans do not turn to their sets for radio entertainment until late in the evening. Giving programs at the period of from 11:00 to 12:00 P. M. eastern standard time should please both near and far away listeners.

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RAYMOND HITCHCOCK
In Person

Doing his stuff at WGY. And the best part of it is, it looks just like him

# Up-E-Nuf

WOC, Palmer School of Chiropractic

HOUSED in specially fitted rooms located on Up-E-Nuf, the roof auditorium of the school, the broadcasting apparatus and the studio equipment of WOC constitute the last word in modernity.

This station has been heard in Hilo, Hawaii, and officially reported as having been heard in Stockholm, Sweden.



Val McLaughlin brings the sandman to the kiddies each evening. The "Sandman's Visits" are chosen to please children from two years up to ninety, and include every kind of story, rhythmic poetry, nature, realistic and fairy tales. The fairy stories particularly appeal to the children between twenty-five and eighty-five or ninety years old, judging by the letters received.

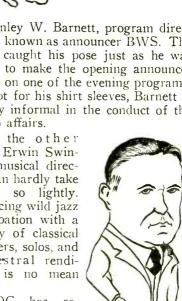


Stanley W. Barnett, program director, is known as announcer BWS. The artist caught his pose just as he was about to make the opening announcements on one of the evening programs. Except for his shirt sleeves, Barnett is wholly informal in the conduct of the studio affairs.

On the other hand, Erwin Swindell, musical director, can hardly take things so lightly. Balancing wild jazz syncopation with a variety of classical numbers, solos, and orchestral renditions is no mean

WOC has received in one week as many as 12,000 communications from listeners-in within a radius of 4,000 miles. A tele-

gram was received that read: "Radio broadcasting is the symbol of unself-ishness."



teristics which permits one to identify it instantly from among hundreds of others.

Then, I feel as though this station had grown very dear to me. Every evening, I "tune it in," certain to find some kind of entertainment which will provide me with an evening's recreation. It is just what I need after a hard day's work. And in a peculiar uncanny way, the station seems to guess the sort of program which I would like to have, and it fits my peculiar moods and feelings that evening. What a wonderful and sympathetic pal it has grown to be!

Of course, there are many other stations to which I like to listen. Some evening, I miss one of the many voices, those voices from the ether, more ghostly than the most realistic of spirits. Another station has been discontinued. Another voice has been stilled. It seems that, as with a living thing, something has died. I have heard stations pass out of the brilliant ether firmament, quietly, mysteriously, almost noiselessly. Whither have they

gone?

And I have been wondering what this quality or sentiment can be, that something which attaches us to these voices, which are, after all nothing more than a mass of wire, batteries, and coils. What impels us, night after night, to turn the dial of the receiving apparatus to the same point, and to listen attentively for whatever station our desire has chosen for entertainment that evening? What makes us turn to that favorite station, when we have listened to dozens of others. East and West, and North and South? It is indeed a difficult thing to determine. But it must be something very akin to the instinct which prompts us to seek a particular friend from among many in a desire to share our joy, or to impart a secret.

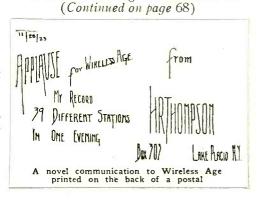
I have been thinking also, as I turn the dial of my receiving set to further explore the wide expanse of the ether that I have not been treating this favorite station of mine right. I know that every human being likes to be encouraged, and wants to be told when something has caused much pleasure. I have been listening to this station for

# The Personality of a Broadcasting Station

By Lloyd Jacquet

A S I sit at my faithful radio receiving set at this moment, listening to the whisperings of a continent, a twist of the dial brings to me the delightful concert from a favorite station. I have listened several minutes to a flute solo, and as the selection ends, I find myself applauding. I have enjoyed the music thoroughly.

It occurs to me suddenly, as I await the next number on the program, that I have known that station a long time. It is like an old friend, which beckons to me, and which responds willingly to my nightly call. It is a living thing, with a voice, and a personality. It has a name, it sings, it talks, it plays. It has a very definite entity, and charac-



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# Afloat and Ashore With the Operator

As Reported by W. S. Fitzpatrick

HE radio section of the New York Police Department has received many well deserved press notices of its activities and attained results, but it appears that commercial radio operators as a whole, much less thegeneral public, are not as well informed as they should be regarding the service rendered and the achievement of KUVS and its subsidiary stations on the police boats about the harbor.

The section was organized in 1917 by Sergeant Charles E. Pearce

and a short time later was placed under Inspector M. R. Brennan, Superintendent of Telegraph of the Police Department. With Sergeant Pearce as the practical radio head and as Inspector Brennan's chief adviser, the organization was developed into a high state of efficiency. Two years ago Sergeant Pearce retired from the Police Department to enter the service of the Radio Corporation of America, in which he is now an executive.

There is an efficient corps of operators, all with first class government licenses and all members of the Police



Sergeant Charles E. Pearce, who built and operated the first successful Police Radio Station in the world



Department, who alternate duty between the headquarters station and the police boats. These boats frequently go out into the open sea, so the men might well be termed seagoing operators.

In addition to the assistant operators, the repair and apparatus men, the personnel of New York's police radio experts consists of John F. Ward, Charles E. Gaul, Charles E. Francis, Russell McKee, George Wolfe and Louis J. Michaels. During several years before joining the Police Department, Mr. Michaels was an operator on passenger ships and is well known among commercial radio men.

Quite a number of communications pass between big passenger liners and the headquarters station and boats and there have been occasions when cargo ships were well served by the alertness of the police operators.

An example of the opportunity for travel afforded radio men can be cited by Paul S. Barnard, who lives in San Francisco and who was running on ships out of that port. He wanted to see England. When he told the chief operator at San Francisco of his desires that very accommodating gentleman, having no ships running direct to England to place him on, gave him an assignment to the Isthmian liner Steelage, bound for New York, then passed the word by mail to the chief operator at New York, requesting that Barnard's wish be respected, if possible. Upon the operator's arrival in New York, he was without loss of time transferred to the Eastern Tempest, on which he was enabled to spend a

pleasant fortnight in England. Returning to New York he was transferred to the *Sutermoo*, which brought him back to San Francisco, ending a quick, pleasant and profitable journey and fulfilling his wish.

A well known radio operator told this as an original story the other day. An old lady making her first sea voyage noticed the radio operators lounging easily and having a general pleasant time, while the captain and chief mate were for-

ever hurrying about the ship, looking at this and that and always busy. Evidently she had made a comparison between the two lines of endeavor and when the opportunity afforded hailed the captain and inquired very sweetly:

"Oh, captain, how long do you have to serve in your present position before you become a radio operator?"

A comparison is often made between the present day marine radio working with that of a few years ago before the vacuum tubes came into use. The radio fan of today imagines that long distance receiving was unheard of and that broadcasting is not more than three years old.

Mr. C. D. Guthrie, now radio supervisor of the New York district office of the Shipping Board, used to listen to music being broadcast from a naval ship during the Jamestown Exposition in 1907. The writer heard an opera broadcast in 1910. Ships running to South America used to maintain direct communication with New York up to two and three thousand miles around 1909. San Francisco, with a five kilowatt transmitter and crystal detector, exchanged weather reports and names with Japan, a distance of 5,800 miles, in 1910.

Charles A. Hahne, now traffic manager of a radio company, was instrumental in saving the life of William Jennings Bryan and other passengers on a ship over two thousand miles away from New York, where he was a coast station operator, in 1911.



#### RADIO NEWS FROM ALL OVER THE WORLD

# Government's Preparation for Mexico City Conference

W ORK on the agenda of the United States for the forthcoming Inter-American Electrical Communications Commission, scheduled for January or February in Mexico City, is progressing rapidly. The Inter-Departmental Committee on Electrical Communications under the direction of Leland Harrison, Assistant Secretary of State, has organized a special sub-committee which is attacking the practical and operating problems having to do with international radio communications.

Judge S. B. Davis, Solicitor of the Department of Commerce, and representative of that department on the Communication Committee, has been designated as head of the radio subcommittee and has appointed two sections, one on technical problems and another on mobile radio questions.

Dr. J. H. Dellinger, of the Bureau of Standards, is chairman of the section on technical radio problems. This section is considering such problems as frequency, or wave length, allocation, means of preventing radio interference, and standards of technical operation, as well as the gathering of technical data relative to radio transmitting stations.

The section studying questions affecting mobile radio operation is headed by Commander D. C. Bingham, Asst. Director of Naval Communications. Questions affecting international rules regarding the operation of radio on board ships, aircraft, etc., will be studied by this committee. Among the subjects to be covered are: distress calls and matters pertaining to safety of life at sea, time signals, hydrographic and meteorological information of international interest.

Advice and suggestions from representatives of commercial companies will be sought on the matters under consideration, including standardization of practice and operation, in which agreements with other American Republics are desired.

Upon the completion of the two surveys by the United States Government Radio Committee, a comprehensive report to the full communication com-

mittee will be made, and in event of approval, it will form the basis of the "U. S." agenda to be carried to the Pan-American conference early in 1924 in Mexico. Later on, the agreements arrived at there may be presented to the World Conference on Electrical Communications in Paris, by accredited representatives of the New World.

#### Los Angeles to Hold Show

THE Second Annual Western Radio and Electrical Exposition will be held at the Biltmore Hotel from February 5 to 10. J. C. Johnson, of New York radio fame, will manage the show.

#### Progress of Radio on the Farm

AGENTS of the Department of Agriculture have estimated after a careful survey that there is a total of more than 145,000 radio sets on farms throughout the country. In New York it is estimated that there are 5,502 sets on farms. Two thousand five hundred

sets are reported from the farms of Saratoga County alone. There are about 3,085 sets on Texas farms. Farms in other states are reported as follows: In Illinois, 2,814; in Ohio, 2,620; in Missouri, 2,861; in Iowa, 2,463, and in Kansas, 2,054. New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Michigan and Minnesota have between 1,000 and 2,000 sets each.

#### Owen D. Young for Reparation Commission

THE selection of Owen D. Young, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Radio Corporation of America to be one of the two American experts serving on the committee which will investigate Germany's ability to pay is one that illustrates President Coolidge's shrewd evaluation of men and one that wins the hearty commendation of business men and men of affairs to whom Mr. Young's outstanding qualifications and accomplishments are well known.

#### Army Radio at Panama Canal Post



A detachment of the 10th Signal Company with radio tractor on the beach of Belle Vista,
Republic of Panama

# International Development of Radio Week

NATIONAL RADIO WEEK, November 25th to December 1st, was a week of memorable events.

In order to live up to the splendid co-operation from the press of the country to make that event the biggest, recent celebration on the air, programs were arranged to present the breadth of possibilities in home radio entertainment and to promote the social spirit that is possible by means of this universal as well as informal mode of communication.

Among the notable achievements of the week was the trans-oceanic broadcast station tests, organized and conducted by Radio Broadcast, the British Broadcasting Company and the Wireless World and Radio Review (London).

Of the most prominent speakers in this country were Owen D. Young, Chairman of the Boards of Directors of the General Electric Company and the Radio Corporation of America, General James G. Harbord, President of the Radio Corporation, Henry Ford and Charles Evans Hughes.

Co-operation of amateurs, ship and shore operators, broadcasters and radio executives undoubtedly made the tests a success. Because of the difference in time between England and America extreme care was necessary to assure "open air" and as well a convenient period when darkness prevailed simultaneously in both countries.

The British stations were received as far north as Nova Scotia, as far south as Texas and as far west as Davenport, Iowa, and scattered points in North Dakota. Altogether, 18 states in this country and two provinces in Canada are represented in the reports of successful reception.

In England the reception of American broadcast stations was generally more successful than the British stations heard on this side because our stations used more power for transmitting.

General James G. Harbord's address, an incident of National Radio Week and the concluding speech of the international broadcast tests, contained America's message to the British broadcast listeners.

General Harbord opened his address with a comment on the marvel of talking to people of the Old and New Worlds without having to raise his voice above conversational tones.

Continuing, he said, "Leaders of political thought, culture, science and the arts are enabled to address millions of their countrymen in all walks of life, in city and country, with an ease rivaling the intimacy of the telephone.

"From those across the sea — our kinsmen by blood and tongue—have come your own statesmen in recent months, and served by this same genii, Radio, their voices have reached millions of our people.

"And now, scarcely before we have been able to grasp and assimilate the tremendous import of it all, we are invited to speak to our British cousins across the weary stretches of three thousand miles of the intervening

Atlantic.

". As my voice reaches the people of England tonight, my memory pictures the great service and unfailing hospitality that our American soldiers



HIRAM PERCY MAXIM
President of the American Radio Relay
League, caught England's "Hello, America"

received at your hands, while on their way to France

"Our nations are closely cemented by the unity of a democratic purpose, by the same high ideals and by a common language. Let us hope that this first change of thought by voice across the broad Atlantic will serve to strengthen our existing friendship in permanent bonds of understanding.

"The programs of this National Radio Week have constituted the first attempt to reach you through organized broadcasting, and to receive your acknowledgments through your own broadcasting stations. Surely radio is the harbinger of a closer tie and more thorough understanding among the nations of the earth."

International broadcasting is now no longer an idle dream, but a fact.

#### MacMillan Arctic Expedition

THROUGH the station of Jack Barnsley, amateur operator, at Prince Rupert, B. C., messages have

been received from the *Bowdoin*, ice-bound for the long Arctic winter, which inform that this adventurous party are keeping in the best of spirits very largely through the agency of radio. They report that they are hearing stations in England, Germany, Holland, Mexico, France, Norway, Italy, Japan and Spain, that they are getting each evening the news of the world from stations in Oxford, England and Nauen, Germany, and that the operator on the MacMillan ship has actually talked with 6CEU in Hawaii, over a distance of 5,000 miles.

# Germans Radio to Moving Trains

ERMANY recently had a demonstration of wireless telephonic communication between a moving train and ordinary receiving and transmitting stations, according to U. S. Consul Richardson, at Berlin. Messages were exchanged between the President and officials of the government in Berlin and other officials on a train, moving at 30 miles an hour, half way between Berlin and Hamburg. The "Huth" system, which is a combination of wireless and wire transmission, was used. The sending apparatus was installed in a compartment on the train and the antenna rigged over the tops of two cars. The line telegraph wires along the track are said to have picked up the messages and transmitted them to Berlin, where the line was connected with a receiving set.

#### Radio Traffic Illustrated

DURING the course of his interesting address at the Boston City Club recently, dealing with the application of radio communication to ships at sea, Mr. David Sarnoff gave a practical demonstration of how effective radio has become in signaling to distant vessels.

For this experiment, the telegraphic controls of the high power marine radio station at Chatham, Mass., were linked by land wires to telegraph instruments on the speaker's platform. Thus Mr. Sarnoff was able by the operation of the instruments before him to reach out to the extremities of the North Atlantic and communicate with all vessels within radio range of the Chatham Station.

Mr. Sarnoff stepped to the sending key on the table before him and by the mere tapping of the key, he literally swept the ocean with radio waves laden with this message:

"Two thousand members and guests of Boston City Club now assembled in Boston intensely interested in special marine radio demonstratiton and would greatly appreciate courtesy of your advising quickly approximate distance from Boston and present weather conditions, thanks,

#### DAVID SARNOFF,

Vice-President and General Manager, Radio Corp. of America."

Replies to the message were received from vessels almost instantly and as replies were received the position of these vessels on the high seas was indicated on a chart of the world which had been provided on the platform, with the radio station at Chatham plainly indicated.

#### Radio in French Trains

SOME time ago experiments with radio on moving trains gave little hope of ultimate success, but only recently new attempts have shown the entire feasibility of the idea. After long and patient research new trials were conducted recently on the Bordeaux to Paris train, while it was between Tours and Paris, with encouraging results. The travelers were able to hear with ease and clarity both the concerts from the Radiola station and the news announcements of the Eiffel Tower.

The receiving set used four stages of radio frequency and one of audio, and was contained in a cabinet provided with rubber shock absorbers. Four loud speakers were used, two in each end of the car.

The antenna problem was solved by the use of three wires, each 20 meters (66 feet) long stretched inside the car. This meant that the antenna necessarily was low, but the line of the railroad is generally high and seemed to compensate for the lowness of the antenna. The ground consisted of an insulated wire stretched under the wooden steps that run the entire length of the car. In earlier tests an attempt was made to ground the receiver directly on the trucks of the car, but in the latest test this was not tried, the wire just described giving complete satisfaction.

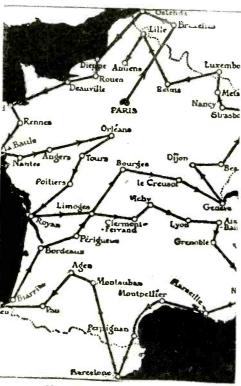
#### Cuban Broadcasting Stations

CUBA boasts of twenty-seven radiophone broadcasting stations, of which six are rated at 500 watts. Four other stations have an output of 100 watts. The principal stations are PWX, the Cuban Telephone Company; 6KW, Frank H. Jones; 2CX, Frederick W. Borton, and 6DW, Eduardo Terry.

#### Radio Autos Touring France

THE magazine "Je Sais Tout" (I Know Everything) of Paris has started a radio-equipped automobile caravan on a tour of France. The expedition consists of three automobiles, under the direction of the engineer Guineau of the Ministry of Public Instruction, two of which carry a complete transmitter while the third is equipped with receiving apparatus. At each town at which a stop is made, the transmitter broadcasts a concert of speeches and music, which is reproduced through the loud speakers of the receiving automobile, which also on occasion picks up concerts from Paris.

Each automobile from the exterior seems like any ordinary limousine, but



Map showing route of radio autos

its equipment is anything but ordinary. The transmitter has 250 watts power, and works on 400 meters. An itinerary covering 8,000 kilometers (4,800 miles) in three and a half months has been laid out, taking the expedition not only throughout France, but also touching Belgium, Luxembourg, Switzerland and Spain.

This is the first effort of the kind in Europe, and is expected to add greatly to the popularity of the radio telephone in France and neighboring countries. Collections taken up at each stop will be added to those realized during the celebration at the Trocadero, Paris, several months ago, for the establishment of a foundation for rewarding inventors of important radio improvements.

#### An Uncanny Coincidence

RADIO is credited with many strange and weird performances and many are the tales that have been told of strange happenings in radio operation that could not be readily accounted for, but it is doubtful if anything more strange, in fact uncanny, has ever occurred than was true during the time all radio traffic and seacoast broadcasting was stopped on the night of November 29th because of an SOS from the SS. Henry Farnum, Call KQA ashore off the Florida coast.

The Farnum first broadcasted an SOS about 9:00 P. M. which was first picked up by two other steamships, the KDCB and the WAX. These ships immediately rebroadcasted the SOS of the Farnum and the navy yard stations along the coast immediately ordered complete cessation of all ship-shore traffic. Broadcasting stations along the coast were also ordered to stop transmission.

Through this blanket of practically absolute silence could be heard the spark signals of the WAX as communication was carried on with the Farnum. The WAX was evidently not hearing the KQA well and could be heard repeating back parts of a long received message for verification, one section of which was to the effect that the Farnum "was aground five miles from —"

A few minutes afterward the voice of the announcer of broadcasting station KSD at St. Louis on 546 meters and close to the wave length of the WAX boomed out of the loud speaker to the effect that "The ship ran aground and was destroyed."

It was only part of the announcement of the next number to be broadcasted, a descriptive one, by a symphony orchestra at the Odeon, St. Louis, but it caused many a gasp of wonder and surprise from those listening to this Thanksgiving night tragedy of the sea. It was just another of the strange happenings which sometimes occur in radio operation and certainly was uncanny although understandable.

#### Amundsen's Ship Heard From by Radio

ARLY in December, Captain Raold Amundsen's exploration ship. Maud established radio communication with Spitzbergen. The ship's position was given as 75.10 latitude north. 159.30 longitude east. This is north of Siberia near the route taken by De Long in 1881. The Maud left Seattle in June, 1922, carrying Capt. Amundsen and an exploration party, but Amundsen later left the vessel to make preparations for his airplane flight across the North Pole, which he subsequently postponed until next summer.

#### Broadcasting in Sweden

RESPONDING to the request of numerous industrial firms, the Swedish government has just authorized the formation of a broadcasting company, the Rundradiobolaget, the owners of which are representatives of Swedish newspapers and metallurgical Ten broadcasting stations are to be erected, to cover the entire king-The principal stations will be at Stockholm, Göteborg, Malmo and Orebro. Each will have a power of 1 kw. The Swedish government will have full control of the stations, and authorized the program of construction only after investigating the possibilities, and concluding that broadcasting would combat the tendency of the people to flock into the large cities, and also would strengthen the family by making the home more attractive.

Broadcasting in Panama

PERMISSION for broadcasting entertainment programs has been given by the U. S. Navy to the radio stations in the Panama Canal Zone, and that part of tropical America soon will hear its share of radio telephone programs. For the time being it is likely that all such programs will be transmitted by the Navy stations, as the United States is in complete control of all radio work not only in the Canal Zone, but in the Republic of Panama, by agreement with the latter. Leading Panamanians are understood to have appealed for a loosening of the restrictions to permit broadcasting.

#### Broadcasting in Chile

N Santiago, Valparaiso, and several smaller Chilean cities, interest in radio telephony is growing steadily and its fuller development only awaits the establishment of a broadcasting station within the country such as those now in operation on the east coast of South America, says Assistant U. S. Trade Commissioner W. E. Embry in a report to the Department of Commerce. It is reported that the broadcasting stations recently erected in Buenos Aires, Montevideo, and Rio de Janeiro have given very satisfactory results and large numbers of amateur receiving sets have been sold in these coun-This is especially true of the tries. Argentine where conditions for broadcasting programs are almost ideal as the land generally is flat and radio transmission carries all over the River Plate district, Uruguay, and into southern Brazil on the north and as far as the Andes on the east. For this reason, the sale of radio equipment has met with the greatest success in the country and it is now estimated that



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there are approximately 25,000 sets in the Argentine Republic, in comparison with approximately 100, less than one vear ago.

#### Denmark Listens In Before Cock-Crow

E NTHUSIASTIC radio amateurs in Denmark are always endeavoring to catch broadcasting from the United States, even though this country lies in a somewhat more unfavorable position to receive American radio messages than other European coun-

#### Canada Plans Radio Beacon

THE Canadian Government is about to install a powerful direction-finding wireless station at Pachena, on the west coast of Vancouver Island, British Columbia, to protect ships of all nations entering the Straits of Juan de Fuca en route to American and Canadian ports. Numerous shipwrecks have occurred in this district, and it is expected that the new radio beacon will enable vessels to determine their exact positions in foggy weather, avoiding many dangerous reefs thereabouts.

#### Further about Radio Beacons

By OSCAR C. Roos, M. E. Editor, THE WIRELESS AGE.

N. Y. City. Dear Sir:

May I intrude on your valuable space in order to present to the readers of my article on "Radio Beacons' (page 47, October Wireless Age), some criticism thereof and my reply

I submit this matter to your attention because in spite of the fact that Dr. G. W. Pickard was-with John

Stone—among the first to use the loop for direction finding in this country, there is a general impression that the Navy is the pioneer and authority on this branch of radio research and practice.

It is only common justice to call attention to the fact that the Radio Beacon System has been the subject of attack and its development has been hindered by widespread propaganda, such as meets all successful rivals of well-established conventionalized systems.

correspondent among other things, makes this point: "The problem you treat of is one of the fundamentals of piloting. It is known as the 'three point problem' and can be plotted with a three-arm protractor with a great deal less expenditure of time and energy than by the method you describe." To this I would remark that I am quite well aware of the method, which I used in 1897, but find that the use of a double protractorcompass arrangement-which was not described-is just as quick, and the arrangement costs about one-third of the price asked for the standard "three-arm" arrangement. It is also lighter

The use of scale and compass work was recommended for those whose knowledge of geometry would bring out the principles more clearly. takes less than 30 seconds to locate the ship when the base angles are known.

Again my correspondent says: "The shore compass stations are used by the Navy indeed, but you did not mention that every Naval vessel is equipped with a compass, too. After years of experiment with both systems, the Navy believes the shore stations to be the more accurate. It almost stands to reason." To this I would say, the latest technique of the Radio Beacon System requires no compass whatever It is superfluous to mention a compass in this connection and I purposely refrained from doing so.

In spite of some opinions to the contrary, the undeniable advantage of permitting continuous readings is peculiar to the Radio Beacon System. Any fairminded observer who has noted the relatively slow process used—for example—at the N. Y. City charting rooms, will have no doubt whatever on this point.

What hard-headed business managers think of the Radio Beacon System is indicated by its adoption en Standard Oil tankers. It was developed by engineers who demonstrated radio direction finding to the Navy in 1908.

To deprecate it is to call public attion to its merits.

Very truly yours,

O. C. Roos.

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#### The Milwaukee Radio Amateurs' Club, Inc.

THE M. R. A. C.'s technical committee investigating and reporting at meetings is now the largest and most active in the society. Mr. Doll is chairman.

Reports such as, "The Relative Efficiencies of Battery-Charger Rectifiers," and, "The Remotely Controlled System of Station 9AAP," are typical of this committee's work.

A notable example of the addresses given before the society is, "Magnetism and Some Original Experiments in its Manifestation," by Rev. John B. Kremer, professor of physics and director of station WJAZ, Marquette University. In conjunction with this a contest in defining technical terms was also popular.

A recent membership drive under the leadership of F. W. Catel, 9DTK, was very successful. A large number of Milwaukee County non-member amateurs were induced to join the club and the American Radio Relay League of which this society is a local section.

The traffic committee solicits reports of QRM for investigation. All communications to the club should be addressed to its general office, 601 Enterprise Bldg., Milwaukee, Wis., or its officers may be interviewed at the weekly meetings which are open to the public.

#### Romance for Editors

LETTERS from distant lands come in sounding the far-away call of the inevitable amateur, and lack of space, alone, prevents our publishing them in full.

From Grahamstown, Africa, S. W. Watson reports his reception of American broadcasting, saying that amateurs in Cape Town have recently heard music and speeches in a foreign lan-

J. Bishop of Norfolk, England, writes that he has heard WGY and other American stations with only four tubes and an indoor aerial, two stages of radio frequency and one audio.

#### Amateurs In Continental Europe to Be Our Playmates

THE American Radio Relay League expects co-operation from the American amateurs during the Trans-Atlantic tests, December 22, 1923, to January 10, 1924, in an effort to promote better amateur communication between America and Europe.

To facilitate receiving at this end the French and British amateurs will transmit on alternate nights, the transmission hours from 8:00 P. M. until 1:00 A. M., Eastern Standard Time, the French starting the tests on December 22. Since Since the efficiency of our amateur transmitters was adequately proved last winter there is no reason why our fans, however enthusiastic, should "break-in" during the twenty days of testing.

By way of special inducement to insure "quiet air," \$3,500 worth of prizes are to be awarded for the best reception reports turned into American Radio Relay League Head-quarters, 1045 Main Street, Hartford,

#### Hears Across Continent on One Tube

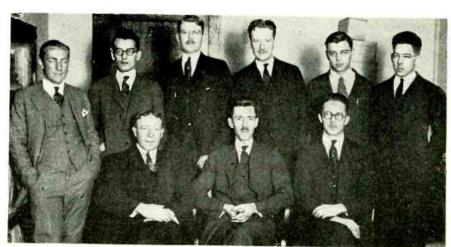
DONALD S. REINHARDT, a fifteenyear-old fan who lives in Llanerch, Pa., recently tuned in KFI, Los Angeles, Cal., while using only a detector tube.

"Shortly after the storm had let up," he said, "I started to tune in on two tubes, but that made the static too loud, so I cut down to the detector tube. I tuned in about eleven stations, including Chicago, Davenport and Kansas City, and then I decided to begin all. over again.

"I turned the condenser dial to zero and gradually advanced it toward the 100-degree mark. The first station that came in was one at Knoxville, Tenn., which was signing off. I moved the condenser a trifle more and caught a faint carrier wave I tuned it in and increased the volume by means of the plate variometer and heard orchestra

music.
"In a few moments the music stopped and I waited for the announcer. He said The next and final selection will be Bebe." The orchestra played it with a man singing the words of the chorus. Again the announcer spoke and this time he said, 'This is Station KFI, Los Angeles, Calif., signing off. Good evening, every one."

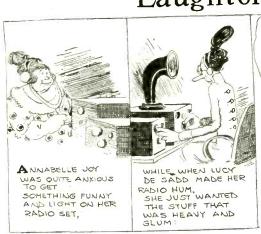
"I had the station between 11:30 and 12 o'clock and there can be no mistake about it as the words were plainly heard.



OFFICIALS OF THE AMERICAN RADIO RELAY LEAGUE Seated, left to right: A. A. Herbert, K. B. Warner, F. H. Schnell. Standing: C. A. Service, Jr., J. K. Bolles, E. C. Adams, F. C. Beekley, S. Kruse and F. H. Mason



Laughter on the Radio Wave

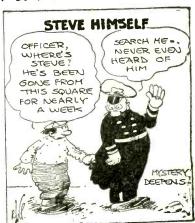




BUT ANNABELLE AND HERE IS THE THING THAT SHE FINALLY GOT,



WHEN AT LAST SHE TUNED IN, GOT THE SORT OF A NUMBER THAT'S BUILT FOR A.GRIN.



N. Y. Evening Mail

#### Ain't It Grand?

By JACK BRONT "Come, dear, dinner is getting cold and it's Nora's night out.

"<mark>Mm-</mark>m."

"John! Are you coming?"

"Just a min—" turning the knobs.

"Oh, that old radio set

Silence.

"JOHN! Do you hear me?"

Abstractedly— "Just as plain—WJZ!—er WHAT, dear?"
"I suppose you think more of that old radio set than you do of me.'

"Yes! Yes!-It IS KDKA! -Com-

ing, dear."

I'm going to leave this Brute! house forever. You want me to go?" "Of course!—It is KDKA

right!"

'I'm going to pack this minute!" "Hooray!-Here's WEAF!-Sure,

Jane. Er-er What were you saying Sobbing from above as the trunk lid slams shut, ready for departure.

"Oh, Jane! I've got Wanamaker's, WANAMAKER'S! Where are you? Jane!"

Silence and sobs from above.

"Oh, Jane! Wanamaker's got the greatest style show of the store! Styles just in from Paris!"

Tremulously—"Y-y-yes?"

"YEAH! Let's go down and pick

out that wrap you wanted."
"Well—" reluctantly.
"Just fine, eh, old girl?"

"Uh-um! You're a dear John, and isn't that radio just grand?" "I'LL say so. (Gr-r-r-r)."

#### **Switches**

SWITCHES may be made of metal, green wood, and hair. The use of each is different, but fundamentally all deal with electricity. Metal switches decide in which wires electricity shall flow, if any. Green wood switches generate a sensation of electricity in the hide of the small boy to which they are applied. Hair switches are almost obsolete but their theory is based on the production of electric impulses in the eye, spinal column and other parts of the beholder, generating an irresistible attraction, possibly of a magnetic character. Metal switches are frequently found in the home, while green wood switches flourish in the woodshed. Hair switches wave in beauty and other parlors, and are worn by the owner during her public appearances. They sleep on the bureau at night. Only the wood switches give pain, though sometimes the after effects of hair switches may not be pleasant. Metal switches are progressive citizens, illuminating the home, lighting the dark places of earth, turning the wheels of industry and commerce, and, when used in radio apparatus, entertaining and educating millions. When a switch of this kind is used it is customarily said to be "thrown," but there is no "bull" about this.

One of the advantages of radio oratory is that the speaker never knows when he is hissed.

#### Bulbs

BULBS may be made of glass, rubber, or vegetable matter. The bulbs of vegetable matter are subjects of deep interest to commuters and florists. They are planted in the ground and produce beautiful flowers in due course of nature, the weather, insects, herbivorous animals and visiting dogs, cats and chickens permitting.

Rubber bulbs are attached to various instruments of torture such as atomizers for dispensing perfume and other medicine for body and soul. In former times, rubber bulbs were also essential to a certain type of horn which was supposed to make more noise than the automobile to which it was attached, or than the pedestrian at which it was honked.

Glass bulbs have much less in them than other kinds, but much more comes out of them. Some glass bulbs produce light to shine upon the pathway. Others are more dim but possess the marvelous ability of transmitting or receiving man's speech and music across untold miles of space without the aid of wires. These are the most expensive and important bulbs of all.

The radio storm created by WGY, in the production of "Peg o' My Heart" as a radio drama, was so realistic, according to Martin L. Wyman, Jr., of Gaysville, Vt., that his father took off his headphones, saying that he didn't care to listen in during a thunderstorm.

# The Wireless Age Push-Button Receiver

By John R. Meagher

To Mr. Lee Galvin of the RCA belongs all credit for originating the "Push Button Receiver." Mr. Galvin wished to give as a present to a friend a radio receiving set that would be simple and positive in operation. So he set about to devise such a receiver—and he succeeded! The photographs and text describe one adaptation of his system.—J. R. M.

MAGINE a three-circuit regenerative receiver without variable controls!

Imagine a three-circuit regenerative receiver that doesn't re-radiate!

Imagine a complicated three-circuit receiver that a child can operate!

Imagine a receiver so designed that pushing one button lights the filaments, selects the proper wave-length and the proper regenerative adjustment for a certain station; another button for a second station and a third button for still another station!

That's what THE WIRELESS AGE "Push-Button" receiver does!

It's a standard three-circuit regenerative receiver modified as shown in the circuit diagram, figure 1.

Coupling between the plate, grid and antenna inductances is fixed. Three sliders on a portion of the secondary find the proper value of inductance to "tune in" any three stations. Three variable resistances in series with the sliders serve to adjust the degree of regeneration and the output volume. Three simple switches are used to select any one of the three slider-resistance circuits and at the same time complete the filament battery circuit.

That's all there is to it!

#### THE CIRCUIT

Figure 1 shows the complete tuning circuit and figure 6 represents the special home-made inductance. All coils are wound on one form; the



Figure 6. The complete tuning unit is shown here. Coupling between the three circuits is fixed and sliders are used to vary the inductance of the secondary

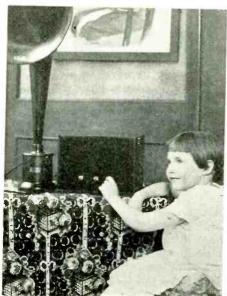
HERE is a receiver that is
'way ahead of the game!
With it, it is possible to
select any one of three stations by
merely pushing a button—that's
all!

It is an ideal set for real enjoyable entertainment—no mechanical or electrical skill whatsocver is required in its operation.

And it's easy to make—and cheap, too.

We see the time when receivers like this, in locked cabinets will be rented to subscribers or equipped with nickel-in-the-slot devices for public use.

THE EDITORS.



A child can operate it

tickler of 40 turns at one end, then a portion of the secondary—40 turns, next the untuned antenna coil—15 turns and finally a spaced winding forming the remainder of the secondary. Three sliders are arranged over this section which is wound with bare wire, No. 22, spaced with thin fishing cord.

The dectector and amplifier are of standard design; in order to simplify the construction, no rheostats or jacks are used.

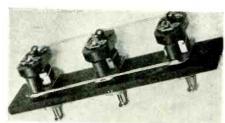
THE TUNING UNIT
The winding form of bakelite, 3"

diameter, 6" long and 1/16" thick must be drilled for mounting screw holes (No. 27 drill), slider supporting screw holes (No. 27 drill) and wire fastening holes (No. 60 drill). All of these are shown in the sketches, figures 3 and 4.

Note that a space of ½" is provided between the coils in order that the separate leads may be distinguished more readily: Because of the slider rod supports, ½" is allowed between the antenna inductance and the spaced portion of the secondary.

In winding, leave about 6" for leads and secure the ends of the coils by threading the wire in its fastening holes. Wind the tickler first and then (in the same direction) the untapped section of the secondary and the antenna inductance. The spaced portion of the secondary is very easy to wind: secure the end of the cord and wire in the fastening holes, and make sure that both the cord and wire are free to unwind (either by arranging the spools on an axle or by laying both cord and wire full length along the floor). Lay them on the form side by side and turn the form with one hand, guiding the wire and supplying the necessary tension with the other hand. When the entire winding space of 3" has been utilized, cut the wire and cord and fasten the ends in the holes. No connection is made to this end of the wire.

The ends of the secondary that are separated by the antenna coil should be soldered and after the three sliders and rods have been arranged in place there should remain eight connections; two for the "tickler"; one for the grid; one for the ground; one for the antenna and the three sliders for the filament. And take care in arranging the sliders that the contact makes connection with but one turn at a time and that it has sufficient "spring" to insure positive connection.



The nerve center of the entire receiver: this is the push-button strip

After "drying out" the unit in an open oven a light coat of collodion may be applied to the cotton covered windings, but not to the spaced section of the secondary as the fishing cord is already water-proofed.

Put the form away until the detector and amplifier and push-button sections have been made.

#### THE PUSH-BUTTON STRIP

This is the "nerve center" of the entire receiver for it is the only vis-ible means of "wavelength" selection and also automatically selects the regenerative adjustment and opens and closes the filament battery circuit. In addition, it is the easiest part to make!

The strip is of bakelite (though hard wood would be satisfactory) ½" wide, 6" long and ½" thick. It is drilled (figure 5) for three Cutler-Hammer battery switches which are arranged with the long sides parallel. The dust-proof fibre casings on the switches are removed and the three bridging "U" shaped shorts are connected to each other and to the metal frames with flexible leads. (This is connection 5 in figure 1.) The three lower terminals of the switches are connected together with a bus bar. (This is connection 4 in figure 1.) There remain three separate contacts, one on each switch to which the sliders and potentiometers are connected (figure 1).

#### THE DETECTOR AND AMPLIFIER

If it is desirable the detector and amplifier may be mounted in a separate cabinet; any detector and twostage amplifier may be used if connections for a "tickler" are provided.

However, in order to make the entire receiver compact, both the tuning unit and tube section should be laid out on a base of hard rubber or wood in the manner of the receiver illustrated. This panel is only 7 by 10 inches, but a larger one is specified in order that plenty of room will be avail-

> Tickler .00025 1 megohm 400 Ohms

able for fully mounted audio frequency transformers.

Gather together all the parts and arrange them on the panel in the best Then mark and drill the manner. holes.

Note that connections to the sockets are brought through the panel and in this way wiring is restricted to the under surface. This is done by reunder surface. placing the terminals with longer brass screws (5/8", 6/32) which will extend through the socket and panel. Small 6/32 hexagon brass nuts are used to clamp the contact springs in place and the spring, nut and screw

#### MATERIAL

The trade name of the parts used in the "Push Button" receiver are given in parentheses; however, one should not hesitate to choose other makes if they are of equal merit. 3 standard sockets. (Paragon).

(Cutler-Ham-3 battery switches. mer)

frequency transformers. 2 audio (General Radio)

400-ohm potentiometers. (Tilman)

binding posts. (Eby) sub panel, 7"x14"x3/16". (Radion) switch strip, 1½"x6"x¼". (Bake-

1 .00025 mfd. grid condenser. (Dubilier)

1 1-megohm grid leak. (Radio Cor-

poration)
1 .0005 mfd. fixed condenser. (Dubilier)

1 inductance, form 3"x6", ¼ lb. No. 30 D. C. C. wire, ¼ lb. No. 22 bare soft drawn copper, spool of thin fishing cord, 3 sliders and three 4" slider rods.

4 strips of bus bar. 2 strips of black cambric tubing.

are soldered together to prevent loosening and to insure a perfect connection.

Four holes, identical with those in the socket are drilled in the panel and the projecting screws go through them and are clamped with other hexagon brass nuts. These serve not only for connections, but also as a means of fastening.

Seven connectors, consisting of brass machine screws and nuts are arranged in the panel near the tuning unit. Flexible connections from the unit are soldered to them and they are wired underneath to the rest of the circuit.

Screw the push-button strip in place and wire the entire receiver, using bus bar and soft drawn copper covered with small black cambric tubing.

Finally, attach the tuning unit to the panel with small brass machine screws and nuts and solder the leads to the proper terminals.

The receiver should be placed in a cabinet which may have a polished wood front-only the three push buttons will show. Small card holders should be arranged above each button and an appropriate card containing the name or call letters of the station inserted in each one. Incidentally, the cabinet should be provided with a hinged top as it is necessary to get at the "works" when the receiver is installed.

#### OPERATION

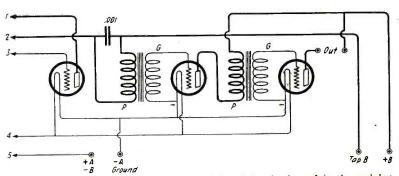
(C301-A) tubes are UV-201A used throughout so a storage battery of 6 volts with a six-ohm rheostat in one lead should be connected to the A battery binding posts on the receiver.

Connect the B battery, loud-speaker. antenna and ground to the proper binding post.

Set all three levers so no resistance is in series with the sliders and the filament.

Then, with one Cutler-Hammer switch "out" vary the slider connected to that switch until the "carrier wave" of a station is heard. Leave the slider there and increase the resistance of the "potentiometer" connected to that slider until the whistle ceases and the broadcasting is audible. Further increase of the resistance will decrease the signal strength so the desired volume may be secured by manipulating that control. Try readjusting the slider a turn or so and leave it in the best position.

Push in that button and the filaments will "go out." Pull out one of



Figures 1 and 2. Note the remarkable simplicity of the circuit used in the push-button receiver. As may be noted in Figure 1, three switches are so arranged that they may cut in separately a certain amount of resistance and a certain value of inductance for a certain wavelength. In addition the filament circuit is made or broken by the action of the switches. Complete details about this unique system are given in the text

the other buttons; the filaments will again light; and proceed to tune in some other station—preferably a local. Adjust the volume as before. In a similar manner, select a third sta-

tion and adjust the signal volume. In other words, all we do is to adjust one slider and one resistance at a time, the slider determining the wavelength and the resistance the

amount of regeneration desired. Having calibrated all three "buttons" so as to receive the three best stations, shut up the cabinet, lock it if necessary, and that's all!

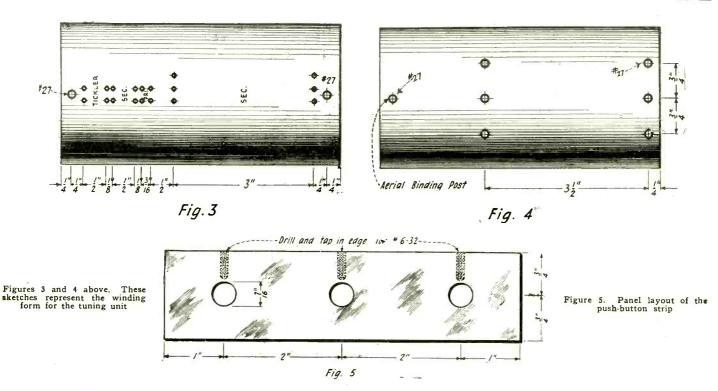
The Push-Button Receiver is the second of a series of sets made in The Wireless Age workshop and described in detail in The Wireless Age.

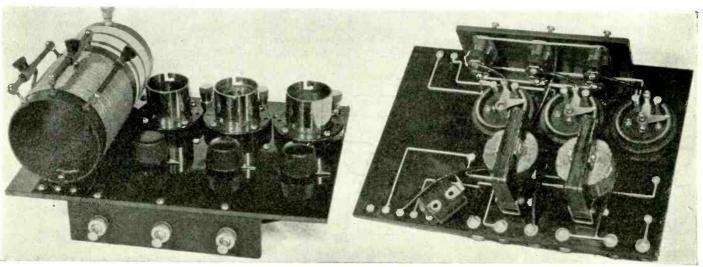
We have many splendid receivers in the process of construction; all of them are of the latest type; some have unique features which make them not only efficient but also new and interesting. To mention a few: One is a one-tube reflex that is just about the best one-tube set that has as yet been described; another is a more complicated tuned radio frequency amplifying receiver that is capable of exceptionally long distance reception; there is a splendid superheterodyne, too, that is cheap and easy to make.

All of these and a wealth of technical constructional articles are planned for near issues of The Wireless Age.

The Push-Button Receiver is on display in The Wireless Age office at 326 Broadway, New York City.

Come in and examine it when you are in the city.





The inside works of The Wireless Age push-button receiver; the left hand view shows the sub-panel with the tuned unit and push-button strip in place. The knobs control the amount of resistance in the circuit. A bottom view is shown on the right-hand side and one may note the simplicity of the wiring

# Radio Frequency Amplification, Regeneration, and the Single Circuit Receiver

By Donald Gordon Ward

Associate Member Institute of Radio Engineers

ROM some unknown point the idea has been gradually seeping into the amateur fraternity that it is impossible to employ radio frequency amplification with regeneration and especially impossible to employ radio frequency amplification with the single circuit receiver. Just where this idea originated, no one seems to know, but it is to be supposed that it was because some experimenter who had very little experience with radio frequency amplification tried to apply one of the original type of radio frequency circuits to his regenerative receiver, and not being able to accomplish anything in the way of results, he immediately drew the conclusion that it was impossible to employ radio frequency amplification with any type of regenerative receiver.

The first statement to be made in connection with this article is that this idea is false and one which should be immediately dispensed with before it does any more harm to the radio game.

Another false impression which has been held by many radio experimenters, is that it is impossible to use radio frequency with the single circuit receiver. The time and place of birth of this idea is also rather vague, but it probably also came from the same source that was responsible for the first erroneous idea concerning regeneration and the radio frequency amplifier.

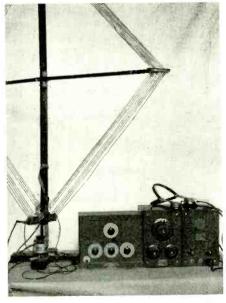


Figure 1. Some of the apparatus used in the first experiment which the author conducted to learn if radio frequency amplification could be used to advantage with a regenerative receiver

During the process of the unfolding of this article we will not only show how to employ regeneration with the radio frequency amplifier and how to use radio frequency amplification with the single circuit receiver, but we will also demonstrate the use of radio frequency amplification, regeneration and the single circuit receiver, at one and the same time.

This article is the result of a number of experiments with standard apparatus at the Radio Institute of America, which extended over a considerable length of time and is very convincing as to the results which were produced. Various types of signal energy were received, such as the radio frequency from a buzzer driven wavemeter, signals from a distant spark transmitter, signals from a distant C.W. transmitter, and signals from a small C.W. calibrated oscillator using both A.C. and D.C. as the source of supply of the plate potential.

The following apparatus was employed in making the tests.

One standard RCA short wave loop type AG-1380 with variable condenser. One 3-stage radio frequency amplifier, General Electric Co., AA-1520. One Westinghouse RC receiver, complete with tuner, detector and 2 stages of audio frequency amplification. One General Electric single circuit tuner, type AA-1300. One General Electric detector and 2-stage audio frequency amplifier, type AR-1400. One single-circuit Armstrong regenerative receiver employing the Reinartz circuit.

The first set-up used is illustrated in the figure 1. The apparatus used was as follows, Radio Corporation loop with variable condenser, type AG-1380, General Electric, 3-stage radio frequency amplifier, type AA-1520 and Westinghouse RC receiver.

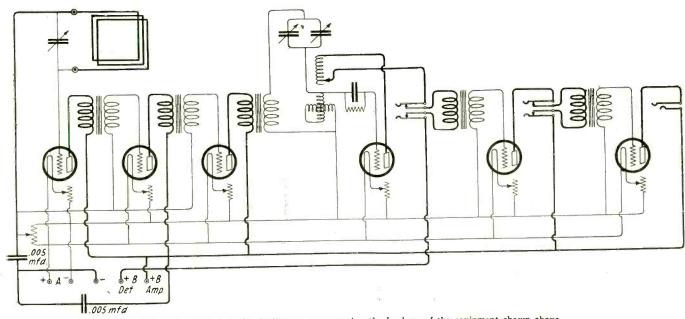


Figure 2. This is a circuit diagram representing the hook-up of the equipment shown above

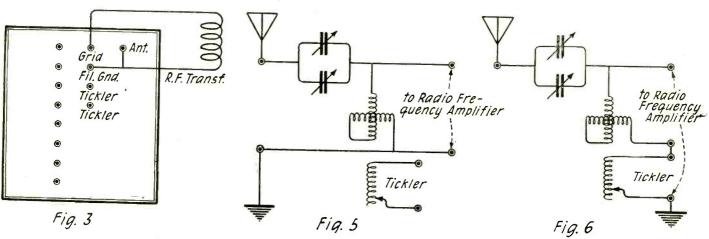
The radio frequency waves were picked up by the loop and converted into radio frequency currents in the loop and condenser which formed the first oscillating circuit. The output of this circuit was fed through the three stages of radio frequency amplification and thence to the tuner of the RC receiver and from there to the detector, where it was rectified in the usual manner and then passed on to the audio frequency amplifiers. The circuit figure 2, gives the complete wiring diagram of this connection.

In operating this circuit it must be very carefully adjusted so that the radio frequency amplifier does not oscillate, for if two radio frequency signals are locally generated, one by the far as signal reception and freedom from extraneous noises are concerned. The circuit should be adjusted by means of the stabilizing potentiometer, until, with the tickler coil adjusted to the minimum position, it does not oscillate

The best test for oscillation is to tap the antenna post of the radio frequency amplifier, which under the conditions of this test is the input post of the radio frequency amplifier, marked G, or in some cases the unmarked terminal. If a click is heard in the telephones when this test is made, the circuit is in an oscillating condition and the stabilizing potentiometer should be adjusted until this is no longer heard. If it is found impossible to so adjust the potenti-

circuit around the tickler coil, if one was put on, and adjust the tickler coil until the circuit again oscillates as will be shown by making the same test for oscillation as was made before. The circuit is now ready to be tuned.

If it is found that the signals from the local stations come into the loop with such an intensity that it is difficult to separate the stations one from another, the number of stages of radio frequency which are being used may be reduced by simply turning out the filaments of the radio frequency amplifiers. If only two stages of radio frequency are desired simply turn out the filament of the third stage radio frequency amplifier. If only one stage is desired, turn out the filaments of the



Various tuning systems may be used in conjunction with the radio frequency amplifier

radio frequency amplifier, and the other by the regenerative receiver, and a third radio frequency is picked up by the aerial, a very curious conglomeration of sounds in the receivers will be the result. This is taken care of by means of the stabilizing potentiometer which is mounted in the radio frequency amplifier, and a small amount of experience will show just the proper adjustment for the best results in so

ometer to prevent this oscillating condition, it is due to the fact that the tickler coil is causing the oscillation, so it should be temporarily short-circuited. The adjustment of the stabilizing potentiometer is quite critical, but after it has been once adjusted it is not necessary to move it unless new tubes are put into the radio frequency amplifier.

The next move is to remove the short

second and third stages, but do not under any conditions remove the tubes from the sockets as this will cut out the signals entirely. With the filaments turned out and the tubes in the sockets the radio frequency energy is fed through the tubes, through the condensers formed by the plate-grid capacity of the elements of the tubes themselves.

One supreme advantage of the use

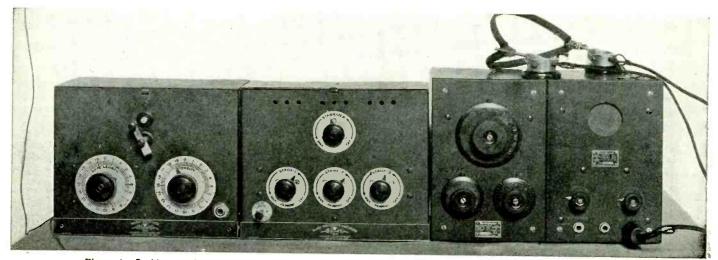


Figure 4. In his second experiment the author used a single circuit tuner instead of the loop-and the set worked well

of the radio frequency amplifier, outside of the fact of the increase in receptive range, is the action of the radio frequency amplifier in preventing any radio frequency which might be generated in the receiver itself from passing out to the antenna and interfering with all of the receivers in the immediate vicinity.

It might be mentioned in passing that very few of the receivers which are in use at the present time are handled with any consideration of our neighbors' feelings. If we wish to receive signals, we simply turn up the tickler coil to a point that throws the receiver into an oscillating condition which gives the neighbors who are listening in on the same program around

out transformers, burned out receivers, connections which open and close, giving rattles in the ear phones and many other troubles.

When it is appreciated that the receiver and amplifier tubes are meant for a certain service, and that any attempt to seriously overload them will not benefit the listener anything, but on the contrary will only damage his apparatus and produce the most horrible form of reproduction, then at last will the broadcast public begin to get real enjoyment from its reception of broadcast programs.

To return to our circuits, the General Electric receiver may be used with its accompanying detector and audio-frequency unit in place of the Westing-

nected in shunt with the primary. This may be accomplished by making the input and output connections to the receiver as illustrated in figure 3, which gives a view of the RC set taken from the back and shows the location of the binding posts.

If it is not desired to use the loop aerial as a pick-up device it is possible to use another tuning element with an aerial and a ground instead of the loop and tuning condenser. Figure 4 illustrates this set-up.

The diagrams, figures 5 and 6 show the connections necessary to use this tuning element. It is unnecessary to include the radio frequency amplifier or the regenerative receiver with the detector and audio frequency amplifier

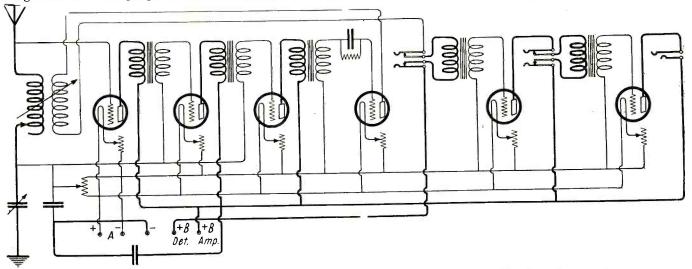


Figure 8. Hook-up of a single circuit receiver with three stages of radio frequency amplification and regeneration

us the "benefit" of our radiated energy. The entire basis of this trouble lies in our wishing to push our receivers to the maximum limit without any consideration of the fact that the overloading of our receivers and amplifiers results in deterioration of our outfit, which, though it is not immediately apparent, finally shows up in the form of various breakdowns, such as burned

house RC receiver. The diagram of this connection is not given as it is almost exactly the same as that of the Westinghouse unit.

A second method of using the same units as were referred to in the first set of tests, includes the Westinghouse RC set with the primary tuning condensers—which are normally connected in series with the antenna circuit—con-

as the connections of these pieces of apparatus remain unchanged. In the diagram figure 5, the tuner is used with its normal connections, that is, with the aerial and ground connected to the aerial and ground posts of the tuner while the output of this tuner is connected to the input of the radio frequency amplifier unit.

In the diagram figure 6 another con-

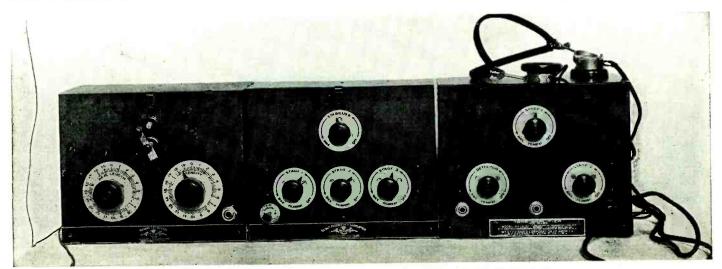


Figure 7. This is the equipment represented in the circuit diagram of Figure 8

nection is shown in which the tickler coil is made use of as an additional inductance for increasing the wavelength of the antenna circuit in case we have a very short aerial and wish to receive on higher wavelengths than would otherwise be possible.

In case it is desired to still further increase the range of the receiver, the tuner may be connected as illustrated in the sketch figure 3, and the aerial and ground must then be connected to the grid and ground terminals respectively. A small aerial must be used with these connections, because if a large aerial is used, it picks up so much radio frequency energy that it is difficult to separate one station from another, while if a small aerial is used it

sible to use the Reinartz receiver in place of either one of these receivers in the above tests and there is no reason to presume that it would not be possible to use any single circuit receiver though it is not considered in this article because no other type of single circuit was available for the tests and it was felt that it would be safer to stick to circuits that had been actually tested and not to include those circuits which, though according to all theory they should work in these setups, had not actually been tried and the results noted.

In a further set of tests the radio frequency amplifier unit was connected between the tuner, which is employed regeneratively and the detector and resonance relationship one with the other, one of them will be fed through as efficiently as the other. As the radio frequency amplifier will not pass any audio frequency currents, even if the audio beat note is present in the tuning elements it will not pass through the radio frequency amplifier and the beat note that will result must come from the beating together of these two radio frequencies after they reach the detector circuit.

As shown in figure 7 the apparatus used was the General Electric units throughout.

The diagram figure 8 gives the scheme of connections of this receiving equipment and in connection with this receiver it is well to mention some of

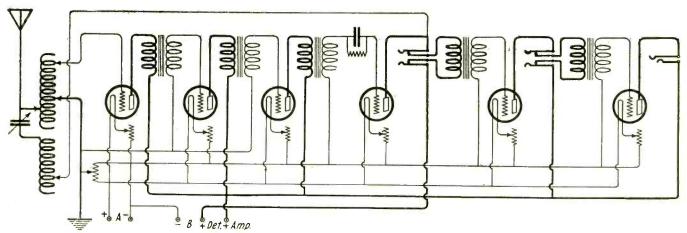


Figure 10. The Reinartz circuit with three stages of radio frequency amplification

may not be possible to go up to the higher wavelengths because we have not enough inductance and capacity. Therefore it is best to use the tuning elements with the maximum amount of inductance and capacity which they possess and connect them in a circuit where they have the real control of the tuning instead of having the maximum of the inductance and capacity in the aerial where it cannot be controlled.

It might be mentioned that it is pos-

audio frequency amplifier unit. Under these conditions, instead of having only one radio frequency impulse, fed through the radio frequency amplifier, namely; the incoming radio frequency energy from the aerial, there are two:—first, the incoming radio frequency energy, and second, the radio frequency component of the plate current of the detector tube, when the tube is oscillating. As these two radio frequency impulses are only slightly off

the points to be observed in its operation. The first step is to tune in the station desired with the tickler coil adjusted in minimum position so that it does not oscillate. Next adjust the radio frequency amplifier until it does not oscillate as in the manner previously mentioned; now readjust for oscillating condition with the tickler coil. The least amount of regeneration that can be used while obtaining desired (Continued on page 72)

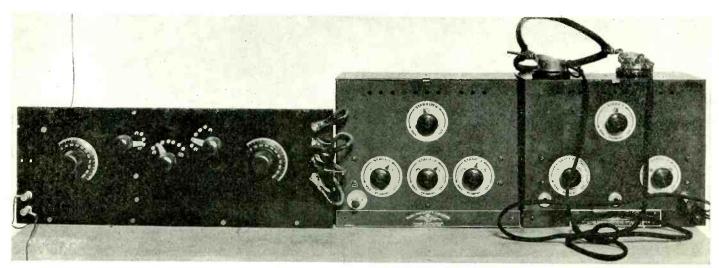


Figure 9. A Reinartz set connected to a General Electric three-stage radio frequency amplifier and a detector and audio-frequency amplifier

# An Efficient Speech Amplifier and Its Application for Phone, ICW and CW Transmission

By K. M. McIlwain

THE popular theory in the past that it was absolutely necessary to have a D.C. generator or a bank of "B" batteries to supply the plate potential for the speech amplifier tube in radiophone work is fast dying out and the understanding and adoption of the circuit that I have here drawn out and am going to explain in detail will prove that the above mentioned popular theory is a fallacy.

I am under the impression that a great many amateurs are using 500-cycle A.C. as a source of power for their radio transmitters so I will carry on the following discussion assuming a 500-cycle source of energy, and explain how it can be used for the filaments and the plates of the tubes in the speech amplifier unit and then show how, after installing this system, it is possible to shift from phone to I.C.W. and then to C.W. by a simple switching arrangement.

Figure 1 is a schematic diagram of the speech amplifier unit, and after completing the discussion on this circuit, another schematic diagram will be shown of the oscillatory circuit and the method of coupling it to an antenna for greatest efficiency and stability of operation.

#### THE POWER TRANSFORMER

The Radio Corporation UP-1368 power transformer is perfectly alright for use in this circuit even though we have a 500-cycle source of supply. At first glance there may be a question in your mind as to the adaptability of this transformer to 500-cycle energy since it was designed for operation on a 60-cycle circuit. It will work efficiently on 500 cycles and I'll tell you why. To begin with I'll make the following statement: You can use a 60-cycle transformer on 500 cycles but you can't use a 500-cycle transformer on 60 cycles without overheating the core.

The magnetic flux threading the core of any transformer is equal to the product of the impressed voltage and a constant (100,000,000) divided by the product of the frequency and the number of turns in the primary of the transformer and another constant (4.44). Writing it out, the formula looks like this:

Total flux =  $\frac{\text{Ei} \times 10^8}{\text{f} \times \text{t} \times 4.44}$ where: Ei=the impressed voltage
f = the frequency of the impressed voltage
t = the number turns in the primary winding.

In the design of transformers, a safe allowable flux density (number of lines

SOME real, authoritative "dope" on amateur C.W. transmitters is given in this article by Mr. K. M. McIlwain, a noted expert on the subject. The information will be of much interest to 200-meter experimenters.

of force per square inch of core area) is about 65000, therefore, the number of square inches necessary to carry the total amount of flux as determined by the above formula, is equal to that value obtained, divided by 65000. Writing this formula out we have:

Sq. inches =  $\frac{\text{Total flux}}{65000}$ 

Going back to the first formula. The only value that we are interested in in this discussion is the frequency f, all the other values remain constant. If we were designing a transformer for duty on a 60-cycle source we would have the value 60 substituted for f in the first formula and if we were designing it for a 500-cycle source, we would have the value 500 substituted in place of f. Now, by comparison, it can be readily seen that by having 60 in the denominator of the formula under consideration we are going to have a value for the total flux that will be more than eight times the value we would get if we had 500 in the denominator instead of 60. Now, considering

the second formula, we can see that with 60 cycles we would need more than eight times the core area that would be necessary for 500 cycles, so it can be readily seen that a transformer designed for 60 cycles will have more than enough core area for 500 cycles, while a transformer designed for 500 cycles will not have near enough iron to carry the flux that would thread the core if 60-cycle energy were applied to the primary. So you will be perfectly safe in using the 60-cycle transformer mentioned on your 500-cycle source of power.

The beauty of using this transformer is that you really have three transformers in one. One secondary winding supplies the plate voltage for the two kenotron tubes, a second winding supplies the filaments of the two kenotrons with current (this winding being insulated for 1100 volts), and the third winding supplies the filament current for the 5-watt speech amplifier tube.

#### RECTIFIER

The rectifier tubes used are UV-216's and they are rated at 20 watts output. Two are used to give full wave rectification. A PR-535 filament rheostat is put in series with the filament lead of each of these tubes to get the proper control. This, of course, is necessary so that you will be able to prolong the life of the tube by cutting down the filament supply to get normal efficiency of operation with minimum amount of filament current. These rheostats should be connected into the circuit so that they each have their two resistance coils in parallel. In this way they each will offer a resistance of 1.5 ohms and will each carry a current of 2.5 amperes. No other way of connecting in this rheostat will do since any other combination is only rated at 1.2 amperes and as these tubes each draw 2.35 amperes there would be an unnecessary heat loss in the rheostat windings.

#### FILTER

The wire to supply the plate voltage for the speech amplifier tube is tapped off the mid-point of the kenotron filament winding, but before it gets to the plate it passes through a refining or filtering process that irons out the

1000-cycle ripple that predominates at the start. If only one rectifier tube were used only one side of the 500cycle wave would be rectified and we would only have one ripple per cycle, but when two kenotrons are used we have double or full wave rectification and consequently get two ripples per cycle which means in this case a 1000 cycles. The first series circuit that it comes to is a 1000-cycle trap which is no more nor less than an application of the much discussed anti-resonant circuit (wave trap) used in the antenna leads of receiving sets to eliminate undesirable transmitting stations while listening to some desired signal on another wave length. It is composed of a UP-415, 1. henry reactor in parallel with a .025 mfd. condenser. By substitution in the following formulas it will be seen that 1000 cycles is the frequency of a 300,000 meter wave

the two kenotrons. It is to be noted that this negative side is kept off of ground as far as D.C. and speech frequencies are concerned, the only ground connection being a radio frequency ground through a UC-488, 1. mfd. condenser. The reason for this will be explained later.

A radio frequency choke coil is added between the 1000-cycle trap and the plate of the speech amplifier tube. This is simply another UP-415, 1. henry reactor.

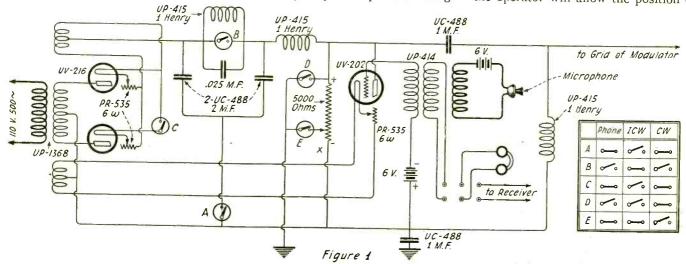
#### SPEECH AMPLIFIER TUBE

This tube is a UV-202, 5-watt radiotron, one of the most popular tubes for amateur transmission. We now have, after the filtering that it has gone through, a pure supply for the plate of this tube. It is so far from 1000 cycles that we will call it D.C. This D.C. voltage depends upon the voltage

the grid of the modulator tube through a UP-414, 1. henry reactor.

#### MICROPHONE CIRCUIT

This circuit is composed of a standard microphone and 6-volt battery in series with the primary of the UP-414 microphone transformer mentioned above. The battery may be either a 6volt storage battery or one made up of four 1.5 dry cells in series. The storage battery of course is preferable although not absolutely essential. There is a side tone winding on this transformer which may be connected to the telephone receivers by means of a double-pole double-throw switch as shown in figure 1; this is desirable during transmission as it allows the operator a means of checking up on the operation of his microphone. This is really a very essential point because often in the course of conversation the operator will allow the position of



Complete circuit diagram of a splendid speech amplifier for amateur transmitters

and that 1. henry and .025 mfd. tune to this wave length.

 $\lambda = \frac{3 \times 10^8}{f} = \frac{3 \times 10^8}{10^3} = \frac{300,000}{\text{meters}}$   $\lambda = 59600 \text{ VLC} = 59600 \text{ V1000} \times -0.025 = 300,000 \text{ approx.}$ where:  $\lambda = \text{wavelength}$ 

L = inductance in milli-henries
(1. henry 1000 mh.)
C = capacity in micro-farads.

It is the property of a parallel circuit tuned to a given frequency to offer an extremely high impedance to that frequency when connected in series in the circuit containing energy of that frequency. Thus the trap offers a high impedance to the 1000-cycle ripple.

On either side of the trap, connections are made to two UC-488 condensers (1. mfd. each), the other side of these condensers being connected to the negative side of the rectified supply from the kenotrons, which is the mid-point of the secondary winding which supplies the plate voltage for

that is applied to the plates of the kenotrons and the per cent. of rectified voltage to 500-cycle voltage to be expected is about 55 per cent. Therefore, if there is a potential of 550 volts on the plates of the kenotrons we would expect to get about 55 per cent. of that value or 300 volts on the D.C. side. A connection is run from the plate of this tube through a blocking condenser to the grid of the modulator.

The filament of this tube is supplied with current from the secondary winding of the power transformer set aside for this purpose. The mid-point of this winding is connected to the common negative. The grid is connected to one side of the secondary winding of a UP-414 microphone transformer. From the other side of this winding a connection is made to the negative bias battery which for this tube functioning under these conditions you will find to be best at some voltage between 6 and 9. The positive side of the bias battery is connected to the common negative, which in turn, is connected to

the microphone, relative to the voice waves emitted from his mouth, to change so that he will be speaking into it at an angle. This will cause the microphone to function inefficiently and it will be noticeable immediately if the telephone receivers are connected to the side-tone winding.

The only way to talk into any kind of microphone whether it be in a radio phone transmitter or an ordinary land line telephone, is to hold the microphone in such a position relative to the voice waves coming from your mouth as to cause these waves to strike the diaphragm perpendicularly. The common practice so prevalent in many offices of carrying on a telephone conversation with the microphone up around the side of the face somewhere is mighty poor practice. If we are going to use a certain kind of apparatus we might as well use it to produce highest efficiency.

Before going on to describe the oscillatory circuit it might be well to add (Continued on page 64) 0

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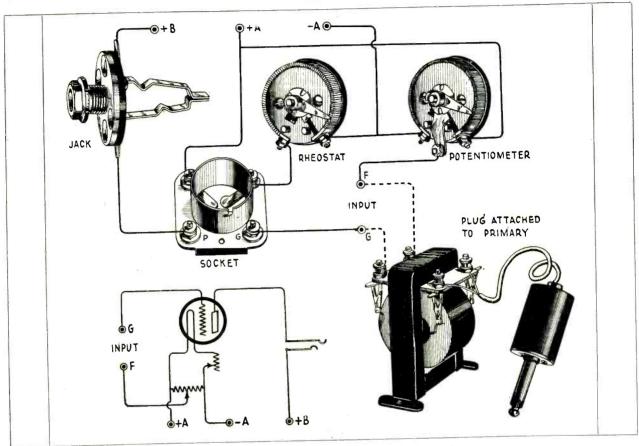
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RADIO DATA SHEETS



#### A UNIVERSAL TEST ASSEMBLY

Just a socket, a rheostat, a potentiometer, and a jack! These form a universal test assembly when connected together as shown in the picture hook-up and repeated in the diagram. From the plus and minus A binding posts, leads go to the A battery of your regular set. If you have less than about 80 volts of B battery, connect another block of B battery to the present amount. The minus of the new block will connect to the last plus of the old and the free plus end of the new block will go to the binding post marked plus B. the binding post marked plus B.

the binding post marked plus B.

With a hard tube, an additional step of A. F. may be tried out. Connect the secondary of any A. F. transformer to the input of your test assembly, connect a regular phone plug to the primary and plug in where you usually plug in your receivers. You may have to reverse the connections of the plug to the primary so that the tip and sleeve of the plug will connect up right to the contacts in the jack. Put the potentiometer arm over against the minus post. The effect of various transformers may be tried and the correct one chosen. against the minus post. The effect of various formers may be tried and the correct one chosen.

The same hook-up makes a step of R. F. Just substitute an R. F. transformer for the A. F. Connect the secondary to the input. Connect the plug to the primary. Short circut the grid condenser and leak on your detector with a piece of wire. Put a grid condenser and leak on the test set between the input terminal G and the socket. But the detector tube in the test set socket and the Put the detector tube in the test set socket and the amplifying tube in your regular detector socket. Change the detector B battery lead to the binding post on the test set and the test set B battery lead to the detector post on the regular set. Turn the potentiometer arm over against the plus terminal, plug the transformer in on your detector jack and your head phones in on the test set jack and there you are. The plate variometer or tickler will also require short circuiting.

#### A VERSATILE HOOK-UP

With the test assembly, an amplifying tube and one each of R. F. and A. F. transformers, you can amplify the local programs by using the A. F. as shown. Then later in the evening, switch to the R. F. transformer as described and go for distance. Take care that the leads from the R. F. transformer are kept short.

Every once in a while some old idea pops up as a new hook-up. You can try any of them with the test assembly.

Every once in a while some old idea pops up as a new hook-up. You can try any of them with the test assembly shown. It has all the elements of any detector or any amplifier. Across the battery is a potentiometer so that the input lead from F may be carried either to plus or minus filament or to any intermediate point, thereby regulating the orid bias. When used independently, minus B battery will connect with plus A and Plus B goes as indicated goes as indicated.

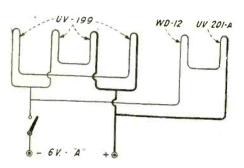
goes as indicated.

To try out reflex, for example. Plug in on the test jack the primary of an R. F. transformer, connect its secondary, a crystal and the primary of an A. F. transformer in series, as usual, and connect the secondary of the A. F. transformer across from the input terminal G to the socket. Shunt this secondary with a .001 condenser connect the input terminals to your tuner and put denser, connect the input terminals to your tuner, and put your phones in between the B battery and the plus B binding post. Another .001 or .002 condenser across between the binding posts plus B and plus A will be of advantage. Use a hard tube.



## Filament Circuit for the Uni-Control

ANY amateurs wish to secure greater volume than the small UV-199 tubes in the Uni-Control afford. By the use of the circuit shown here, the second and third stages of audio-frequency amplification are used



in conjunction with a WD-12 and a UV-201-A tube, respectively. The total current consumption with this arrangement is approximately 37 amperes. This system will give louder reproduction than would be had if UV-199's are used throughout. The rest of the circuit may be exactly as shown in the description of The Wireless Age Uni-Control published in the December issue of The Wireless Age.



Mounting radio frequency transformers in tuned RF amplifiers at all sorts of peculiar angles seems to be quite a popular practice. Just why the special arrangement shown above was used is not clear, however, as the windings are in the same plane

#### Uses Leaded Glass Window for Lead-in

A CHICAGO radio fan whose receiving set is placed on a buffet close to a row of windows containing leaded glass panels has found that by soldering the aerial wire to the outside of the leaded glass frame, and soldering the connection to the receiving set antenna binding post to the inside of the leaded glass, a perfectly good insulated lead-in wire was secured without having to drill any holes in the sash, or utilize any porcelain tubes or other means of bringing in the aerial connection from the outdoors.

Such an idea will work on almost any kind of leaded glass window where the leaded portions do not connect with a wooden frame, and in many ways the arrangement has been found superior to pasting two sheets of tinfoil on the opposite sides of the glass, as the condenser effect to a certain extent throws the tuning out of adjustment with the latter procedure.

In experimenting with this leaded glass idea, the Chicago fan found that an adjoining casement window could be utilized as a counterpoise with directional effect obtained by swinging the window in and out. The combination of leaded glass, lead-in and counterpoise is something that fans might experiment with to their advantage, preferably during the summer months, when the pneumonia germ is not so prevalent as in the winter.

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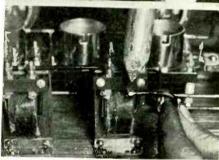
# In the February Wireless Age Watch For . . .

RADIO ENGINEERING, by John R. Meagher. The start of an experimental home-laboratory course in simple and advanced radio design. All easy stuff and lots of real dope. THE WIRELESS AGE REFLEX. Complete constructional details of what is doubtless the best one-tube set yet developed. DESIGN OF LOOP ANTENNA, by Ralph Batcher. Reliable data and information on how to design the most efficient loop for all types of receivers.

#### Soldering

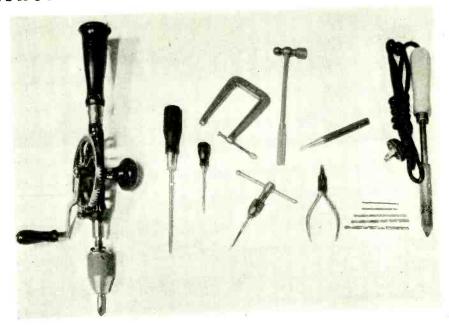
ALTHOUGH soldering is one of the most important points in the construction of a set, many amateurs do not know how to do it properly. We should first make certain that the iron is hot enough; some fans do this by holding the iron a few inches from the face; if the heat can be felt, the iron is





O. K. With an electric iron this is not necessary as they very seldom become too hot but maintain a fairly constant temperature after the initial heat-The iron should be cleaned and tinned; similarly the joint to be soldered should also be cleaned and tinned. Only a small amount of solder need be flowed on the joint. Do not leave an irregularly shaped bunch of solder on the connection; that isn't a good joint. Use clean flux, as much as necessary to make the solder flow-but clean off the excess by rubbing vigorously with a clean cloth—make the joint shine. 50-50 bar solder, a good hot and clean iron and a good flux means success in soldering.

N The Wireless Age Workshop there aren't any expensive or precision instruments. Only tools that nearly every amateur possesses are used in the construction of Wireless Age sets. The accompanying cut shows the entire outfit, costing about \$7.00; if you want to equip a workshop to make a W. A. set, take this picture to the local hardware dealer and have him duplicate the parts.



# Crystal Receiver

A long distance regenerative receiver may be made with the parts used in the crystal set described on this page. Complete information on how to make the necessary changes will be published in the next issue of The Wireless Age.—Look for it!

NAVY type loose coupler for a A crystal set was the first piece of radio apparatus we ever constructed; it was a monstrous affair. The primary was about one foot long and six inches in diameter wound with miles and miles of fine enameled wire: the secondary was only slightly smaller.

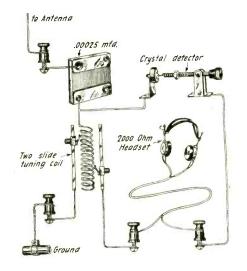
Nearly a month was taken in its construction, but even aching fingers served not to dampen our expectations of wonderful results. For were we not going to hear Arlington time signals, Key West, Panama and even Nauen, Germany? Sure we were, but did we? guess not! We had a hard time hearing our own New York naval station only twenty miles away! Oh, and what interminable hours we hung over that set-adjusting the coupling, the sliders, and the "cat whisker"—coaxing,

cajoling, threatening—but to no avail.

So it was little wonder that the thought crept upon us perhaps this "wonderfully - efficient - long - distance-navy-type-loose-coupler" wasn't all that it was cracked up to be!

So we junked it and made instead a single-slide tuning coil of bell wire wound on a ten-cent rolling pin form, and we had results with it that demonstrated the frightful inefficiency of that bulky loose coupler.

But even at that time, as at present. the single slide tuning coil was looked down upon as a sort of prehistoric and degraded relic. For in the best radio circles loose couplers were the thing for preventing interference and for Range: about 30 miles Cost: from \$5 to \$10



#### MATERIAL

2,000-ohm headset.

Crystal detector stand.

Binding posts.

Winding form, 3"x6". Lb. of number 20 bare copper wire.

Sliders.

2 Slider rods, 6" long. 1 Base 7"x10". 200 feet of number 14 aerial wire.

long distance reception; according to those in the "B.R.C." single slide

tuners were out of the question.

But that's the "bunk," because on our single slide tuner we heard more stations and with much greater volume than we had with the loose coupler.

And even with improved couplers we have never surpassed the results that we had with the single slide tuning coil.

Therefore we would earnestly advise the beginner—the amateur who wants to start from the ground upto build a good single or double slide crystal receiver rather that the ever so much more complicated loose coupled

A circuit hookup of a simple twoslide tuner is shown on this page.

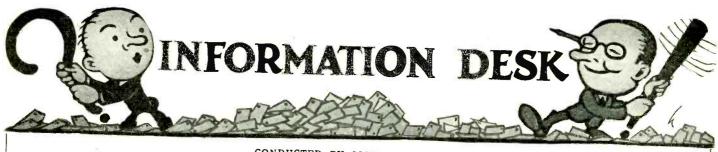
The coil may be wound on a thin cardboard or bakelite form three inches in diameter and six inches long, with number 20 bare copper wire spaced with thin fishing cord. About 100 turns of wire can be wound in the five inches of available space.

The coil, fixed condenser, crystal stand and binding posts may be mounted on a board about 7" x 10" or they may be spread about on a table. Connections should be made with the No. 20 wire in exact accordance with the circuit diagram.

Tuning is very simple: The slider connected to the ground varies the wavelength of the antenna circuit; the other slider adjusts the secondary Both sliders may be wavelength. moved together for rough tuning or "pickup" work and final adjustments may be made with the secondary slider.

The antenna and ground are of much importance: The former may be a twowire aerial between 100 and 200 feet in length and erected as high as possible above surrounding objects.

The range with a receiver of this type is of course dependent upon many variable factors, but reliable reception of broadcasting stations up to 30 miles may be expected. However, much greater distances have been covered and numerous reports of real DX work of 100 miles and more have been received.—J. R. M.



CONDUCTED BY JOHN R. MEAGHER
A self-addressed stamped envelope will insure a prompt reply to any queries on radio

#### Negative Grid Voltage

Mr. R. C. Panziger of Chicago, Ill., inquires: "In looking over some text book diagrams of resistance-coupled amplifiers I am struck by what is to me an evidently wrong connection. It is this: They say that in a resistance-coupled amplifier the B battery voltage must be nearly doubled because the coupling resistance reduces the voltage on the plate. This appears reasonable, but then they say that to make the grid negative by 3 volts a 3-volt C or grid battery should be inserted between the grid leak and the negative side of the filament.

"Now the grid leak has a resistance ten times are high as the plate resistance, so why shouldn't the grid battery be of a much higher value in view of the fact that there is so much resistance between it and the grid?"

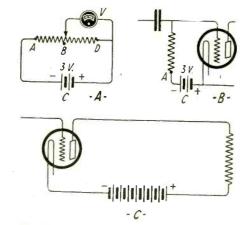
Gosh, Mr. Panziger, you almost found the text books to be wrong—didn't you? But fortunately, they aren't. The explanation may be given in a simple battery circuit.

Take (A) which shows a battery C of 3 volts connected across a resistance. If a voltmeter is connected from the slider to the positive side of the filament as shown and the slider is moved across to (A) the meter will read 3V. If the slider is moved to the midpoint (B) a reading of 1.5 volts will be secured. The percentage of resistance between (D) and the slider to the total resistance is the same as the voltmeter reading to the battery voltage.

Now suppose the slider is at a point near (A) where the value of resistance between the slider and the positive terminal is almost 100 per cent. of the total resistance; then the voltmeter will register almost 3V.

Look now at (B). Here our C battery is connected to a resistance comprising the grid leak and the grid-filament resistance. The latter has an infinitely high value (when the grid is negative) so the percentage of the resistance between the grid and filament to the total resistance (grid-filament resistance plus grid leak resistance) is nearly 100 per cent. Therefore there is a difference of practically 3 volts negative between the negative filament terminal and the grid.

The point which you overlooked and which accounts for your query is the difference in resistance values of the filament-grid path and the filament-plate path. The former is infinitely high (when the grid is negative with respect to the filament) while the latter is comparatively low.



Method of determining negative grid voltage

#### Best Tube?

Mr. C. Smith of San Francisco, California, asks for information about the "best" tube and which one we would recommend for all-round use.

There really is no tube to which we can point and say that it is superior to all others. But we can state which tubes we prefer for certain purposes.

For instance, as a detector if the proper battery voltages are applied, the UV-200 (C-300) is more "sensitive" than the majority of other types. But the UV-200 requires a storage battery for filament supply whereas the WD-11 and -12 and UV-199 (C-299) tubes may be operated with dry cells and are capable of giving results almost equal to the UV-200.

For radio frequency amplification with fixed semi-tuned (transformer-choke coilresistance) inter tube coupling the UV-199 usually gives better results-not because it is a better tube, but because of the lower inter-electrodic capacity and consequent lower capacity across the terminals of the coupling device-making for a "broader" adjustment and corresponding amplification over the effective ranges. With tuned transformers or tuned impedance coupling a tube such as the UV-201-A will generally give better results than the UV-199. However, advantage may be taken of the low plate-grid capacity of the UV-199 in tuned transformer-coupled amplifiers by placing more turns on the primaries of the transformers; although the average, for short wave reception, is from 8 to 16 turns we have used about 50 with excellent results and with no difficulty in the control of self oscillation.

For audio frequency amplification we are heartily in favor of the UV-201-A (C-301-A) because it is a splendid amplifier; it is quiet; and it consumes so little filament current.

#### DX Regenerative Receiver

Mr. Charles J. Fitzgerald of Savannah, Ga., wants "—some dope on a really good long distance one-tube regenerative set for amateur and broadcast reception."

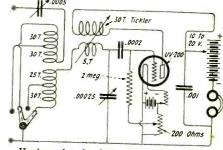
We are printing in these columns a circuit diagram of a very good one-tube regenerative receiver.

No. 28 or 30 double cotton covered wire may be used on all the coils and the winding forms should be very thin hard rubber or bakelite. The primary and all of the secondary, except 5 turns, are wound on a 3-inch tube about 6 inches in length; a space of 1.5" is left between the coils. The tickler of 30 turns and the five-turn grid coupling coil may be wound on a lightly constructed variocoupler form from which all other windings have been removed.

The variable condensers must be of the very highest quality and contact to the rotary plates should be through flexible leads. Verniers are not necessary, but if they are used they should be of the mechanical type.

The filament rheostat should be of the carbon compression type as the UV-200 tube requires a delicate filament adjustment for best results. The grid leak potentiometer is not absolutely necessary; if it is not used the grid leak should be connected to the positive side of the A battery.

The two-lever switch (shown in the diagram) affords a simple and quick method of switching from amateur to broadcasting wavelengths.

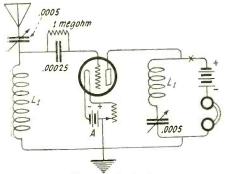


Hook-up for the DX regenerative receiver

#### Simple X Circuit

"Please publish a diagram and detail of a simple Weagant X circuit," writes Mr O. T. Brown of Phoenix, Arizona.

The diagram on this page shows the proper connections for a Weagant X circuit receiver. If the filament rheostat is eliminated through use of a fixed resistance, an "Amperite" or the proper filament battery voltage, there will be but two controls; the antenna series condenser for tuning and the plate condenser for regeneration. If the Weagant circuit doesn't oscillate insert a radio frequency choke at the point marked



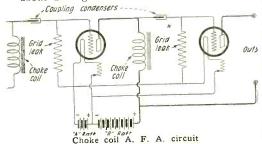
Weagant X circuit

The coils, L<sub>1</sub>, may be of any form—single layer, honeycomb, spider web, curkoids, etc. Each should have an inductance of about 25 mh. Suitable coils may be wound on thin 3" forms with 50 turns of No. 30 double cotton covered wire. A small 7 x 10-inch panel will serve to hold the entire equipment.

#### Choke Coil A. F. A.

Mr. Ralph Elliott of Boston, Mass., writes for "a diagram of a choke coil audio frequency amplifier using two tubes."

A choke-coil a. f. amp. hook-up is shown on this page. The coupling condensers may be of 2 mfd. capacity and the grid leaks of about 2 megohms resistance. The chokes



should have an impedance at speech frequencies equal or greater than the internal impedance of the tube. The secondaries of Ford spark coils have been used quite successfully.

#### Quality A. F. A.

Mr. R. Wittington of Astoria, L. 1., is "perplexed over the choice of an amplifier. I understand that the transformer-coupled type affords the most amplification per stage, but that considerable distortion is inherent in them. Would you kindly publish details of an amplifier that will give good undistorted amplification?"

A diagram of a "Distortion Free" amplifier is shown on this page. This system will give excellent reproduction and though the amplification per stage is not as great as in a transformer-coupled amplifier, still the quality is vastly superior. One disadvantage of this type is the necessity for a high plate battery voltage. However, if storage B batteries (as described in the December Wireless Age by Mr. J. Brooks) are used this disadvantage will not be a severe drawback.

For further information about the design, construction and operation of resistance-coupled amplifiers we suggest that you read the article by Mr. Ringle in the December Wireless Age.

#### B Battery Voltage

"What voltage B battery would you recommend for use with all types of amplifying tubes?" writes Mr. B. Slocum of Denver, Colorado.

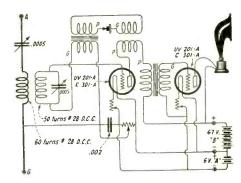
This is a question we settled with ourselves some time ago while using a sixtube receiver and dry cell B batteries with UV-201-A tubes. Usually we used 90 volts consisting of four 22.5-volt blocks. Experiments showed that there was no decided decrease in signal strength when only 67 volts were used. And as our detector plate was operated on 67 volts, we were able to eliminate one battery lead by making the plate voltage of all tubes 67. Furthermore, with this value of plate voltage there was no necessity for special grid batteries. And in addition, replacement of the three blocks is cheaper than four.

We always use separate blocks to make up the complete battery in order that if one cell goes dead, only one block will have to be discarded, whereas if one cell in a unit block of 67 volts is defective the whole battery might have to be "junked."

So we would suggest the use of three blocks of either storage or dry cells.

#### Reflex Amplifier

Mr. K. Merz of New York writes: "I have stried numerous two-tube reflex hookups but have had very little success with this system. It seems that my reflex receivers just won't percolate. I imagine it is the fault of the circuit, as I have followed them out exactly and have seested all the equipment. I would be most obliged if you will publish a good, reliable hookup for a reflex receiver that will operate a loud speaker with two tubes."



Circuit diagram for reflex amplifier

Surely; we are showing on this page a reliable circuit diagram for a one-tube reflex with an extra stage of audio frequency amplification. A crystal is used for rectification.

If good amplifying tubes, like the UV-201-A (C-301-A) are used with a plate battery of 60 to 90 volts you should obtain satisfactory loud speaker operation.

You can use the material you have or make up the set as follows:

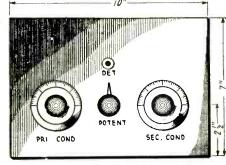
Fixed coupler—3" tube, 1/16" wall and 4" long. Primary, 60 turns of No. 28 or 30 D. C. C. wire. Secondary, 50 turns of No. 28 or 30 D. C. C. wire. Separation of 4/" between coils.

Potentiometer—200 to 400 ohms with a .002 mfd. fixed condenser shunted across the slider and negative A battery terminals.

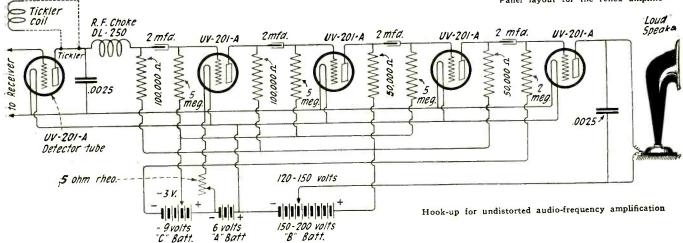
Audio frequency transformers—Both 4 to 1 ratio connected exactly as shown.

Filament controls may be 10-ohm rheostats or "amperites" of the proper type.

A standard 7" x 10" hard rubber or bakelite panel may be used if the parts are arranged as suggested in the layout sketch. The fixed coupler is mounted on the panel above the two variable condensers and the vacuum tubes, transformers, etc., are fastened to the wooden base.



Panel layout for the reflex amplifier



# NEW APPLIANCES AND DEVICES

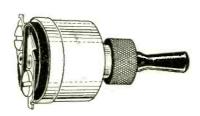
#### The New Valley Charger

THE Valley Electric Company of St. Louis is now in full production on the new Valley Type ABC Battery Charger, the improved model which the company has put out this year.

The type ABC charger has been designed to charge all radio batteries. It is built on the same principle as the other successful Valley rectifiers, but it is made for use on all types of radio storage batteries, including the 2-volt peanut tube batteries, 6-volt A batteries, and one two, three and four 24-volt B batteries. It has a tap for 12-volt batteries and may be used on 6- or 12-volt automobile batteries.



In order to make this new and complete radio battery charger harmonize with the home radio receiving set, the Valley Company has adopted a bakelite panel for the face of the charger with fittings and other parts in keeping with the use to which the instrument is to be put.



#### The Bradleyswitch

THE Allen-Bradley Co., Milwaukee, Wisconsin, have added a fourth item to their list of radio products, known as the Bradleyswitch. This is a very compact, completely enclosed, single-pole switch for opening battery circuits. It is mounted by drilling a hole in the radio panel and securing the switch by means of a knurled nut. The switch is operated by pulling or pushing the switch button.

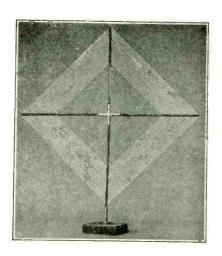
The Bradleyswitch is nickel-plated and the button is polished black, thus conforming with the standard finish used for radio equipment.

#### Hartman Loop

THE Hartman Loop Aerial is well adapted for use with standard sets. Using a .00025 mfd. variable condenser across the loop, the wave length range will approximate 200-550 meters.

The Hartman Loop is small but highly efficient and directional. A detachable wood base, with a 4-inch moulded dial is provided. All castings are made of aluminum.

The combination of carefully selected wood cross arms, and the arrangement of the windings equalizing the strain, minimizes the possibility of warping.



#### New Non-Inductance Potentiometer

R ADIO fans who are using wire wound potentiometers and have had trouble with inductance in their receiving circuits will be interested in the new non-inductive potentiometer, shown in the accompanying illustration, which has been recently perfected by the Central Radio Laboratories.

The new instrument has a thin resistance element made of pure graphite and is not only non-inductive but also free from "skin effect." This feature of the design eliminates the choke-coil effect found in wire wound potentiometers and also insures the same resistance to radio frequency as to direct current.

Smooth, noiseless operation is made possible by a circular disc of brass placed between the resistor and the pressure shoe and mounted in such a way that it can be made to engage the resistor at any one of the infinite number of points. As the resistor is not touched by the sliding shoe there can be no wear. The moulded base is provided with a transparent cover which pro-

tects the parts from dust and moisture and allows a clear view of the interior.

Type No. 110 has a resistance of 400 ohms which is the best value for accurate adjustment of plate potential and grid bias in vacuum tubes. A 2,000-ohm type, No. 111 is also made for special applications.

#### Radeco Safety Fuse

THIS device is a fuse which fits over one of the filament terminals of a vacuum tube and absolutely prevents "blowing out" from any excess current such as "B" battery, etc.

A fuse of this sort is a necessary article as we all know that many tubes are need-

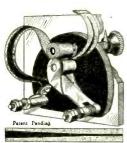


lessly destroyed by the accidental crossing of wires.

The fuse is attached in an instant and does not interfere with the efficiency of the set or the fitting of the tube in the socket.

#### Monroe Ribbon Grid Leak

A RATHER novel panel mounting variable grid leak has been developed by the Monroe Manufacturing Co. of Chicago.



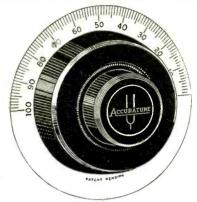
The resistance element is arranged on a flexible ribbon which passes through rollers—somewhat on the style of a clothes wringer. By manipulating a knob connected to one roller the length of ribbon between contacts may be varied. Thus the value of resistance may be increased or decreased at will.

This variable grid leak will prove of value in the operation of critical vacuum tube detectors, in the Flewelling circuit, in resistance coupled amplifiers and as distortion smoothers when connected across the secondaries of audio frequency transformers in an audio frequency amplifier.

#### The Accuratune

THE Accuratune is an actual micrometer control. For coarse adjustment the larger knob is used like any ordinary dial. The smaller knob operates the vernier mechanism for fine tuning. By rotating the dial from 0° to 100° by means of the vernier knob you can pick up station after station.

The Accuratune is made of genuine bakelite (highly polished, black or brown) with beautiful silvered dial and neatly engraved graduations. Fits either 3/16 or 1/4-inch instrument shafts. Dial 4-inch diameter.



#### A Particular Plug for Particular Radio People

IN order to meet the requirements of that group of radio amateurs and radio broadcast listeners who insist on something better

than the usual run of radio equipment, there has been developed a special plug which is shown in the accompanying illustration.

The Pacent 100 Duoplug accommodates two pairs of phones in parallel. No tools are required in making connections. The special type thumb nut connectors may be tightened with fingers, the nut being slotted so that with a dime or other thin coin a parmanent, secure connection can be made. The special toggle structure of the connector screw, which is an exclusive Pacent feature, is important in that it permits two different sized cord tips to be connected at the same



time. The connectors also accommodate stranded or solid conductors, spade tips or practically any other type of terminal. Grooving on inside surface of connectors prevents connections from becoming loose. Bakelite insulation piece between the connections obviates any possibility of short circuiting and provides a means of attaching the cord. The engraving on this strip indicates the polarity of the connectors. The handle of the plug is of Bakelite, finely knurled, making for neat appearance and for a positive grip. Exposed metal parts

are heavily nickeled. No live metal parts are exposed. No parts can become lost.

## The Amsco Compensating Condenser

THIS unique device serves to eliminate the necessity of a potentiometer in radio frequency amplifying circuits, whether of the tuned, untuned or resistance coupled type. And because variation of its capacity is so readily accomplished the control is positive and effective.



The manufacturers of the Amsco condenser have used Radion insulation in the compensator in an endeavor to keep both the surface leakage and dielectric losses at a minimum.

# State College Receives Gift of Radio Plant

THROUGH the efforts of Dean Goddard, the New Mexico College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts is the recipient of the gift of a new radio station. This will include the equipment for constructing a 100-watt transmitter and the building to house it. The station will be utilized for experimental purposes and amateur relay work under the government license of 5XD. It will be separate and entirely distinct from the present radio house and its equipment, which will then be used solely for broadcasting service under its present call letters of KOB.

Plans for the new radio house call for a frame building 15x24 feet, with concrete floor. An operating room will occupy the east end of the building, while a club room for the College Radio Club will be at the west end. The center will contain a workshop and closets for the storage of miscellaneous equipment and batteries.

A site east of the Engineering Department's Forge Shop and south of the Commercial Building has been selected. This site gives plenty of open space about the building, where a new aerial of the T-cage type can be easily erected. It is planned to support the

new aerial from two 60-foot A frame towers, spaced 125 feet apart. A counterpoise system of 20 wires is planned. These wires will radiate from the roof of the building in all directions to steel post supports at their outer ends.

The transmitter planned is of the reversed feed back type, using two 50-watt radiotron tubes for oscillators. The plate current will be supplied by a kenotron rectifier and filter system. The materials for this have already been purchased, and the set will be constructed by the Radio Club members from designs furnished by Dean Goddard.

When completed, this new station will give the College radio experimental facilities, which, combined with its present extensive equipment, will be unsurpassed by any college in the west, if by any in the United States. The work of the present station has gained a national reputation for the college in this branch of engineering. A number of students are now attending this institution because of the exceptional facilities offered along these lines. With the wide spread of interest in and use of radio as a means of

communication, it is anticipated that the industry will require a large number of electrical engineers especially trained in this branch. Indeed, at the present time, the manufacturers of radio equipment cannot supply the demand, and much damage has resulted from the flooding of the market with cheap and worthless apparatus put out by incompetent and get-rich-quick dealers.

#### Radio Has Great Speed

F you are 186 miles from a broadcasting station, when you listen in you hear each sound one thousandth of a second after it is produced in the broadcasting studio. This is because radio waves travel at the rate of 186,-000 miles a second, so fast as to be instantaneous over all normal broadcasting ranges. If you were in a studio and with one ear heard a note struck on the piano, and at the other ear could hear the same note transmitted a thousand miles by radio, your ears would be unable to distinguish between the They would sound like a single note.

#### Speech Amplifier

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here that the function that each of the switches A, B, C, D, E, performs is in the course of changing from phone to CW and ICW and will be explained in detail later.

Figure 2 is a schematic diagram of the oscillatory circuit used by the writer in connection with the speech amplifier just described, and since it worked so well I think I will describe it here although some of you may be already familiar with this type of circuit. In general, it is a closed oscillatory circuit coupled loosely to the antenna system, and the inherent advantage of this kind of a circuit is that the frequency of the emitted wave is dependent upon the constants of the closed oscillatory circuit and the change in capacity that the antenna undergoes when swinging in the wind will not change the frequency of the

used in this circuit are the same and may be either of the following type of tubes: UV-203, 50-watt tubes; UV-204, 250-watt tubes; UV-206, 1. KW. tubes. The speech amplifier will supply enough energy for the grid of the modulator tube no matter which of the foregoing tubes mentioned are used. In this case, due to the popularity of 50-watt tubes, the circuit has been adapted to the use of these tubes. In the case of the writer the UV-206, 1. KW. type of tube was used and the results were very gratifying.

#### Power Transformer

The power transformer in this case is the UP-1016 which is rated at 750 watts output and is capable of delivering the plate supply for the two UV-217 kenotrons and the filament supply for the kenotrons and the UV-203 radiotrons used in this circuit.

#### RECTIFIER

We will use two UV-217 kenotrons

necessary in parallel with it to tune to 300,000 meters (1000 cycles).

The radio frequency choke used here is a UL-1655 which has an inductance of 3 mh.

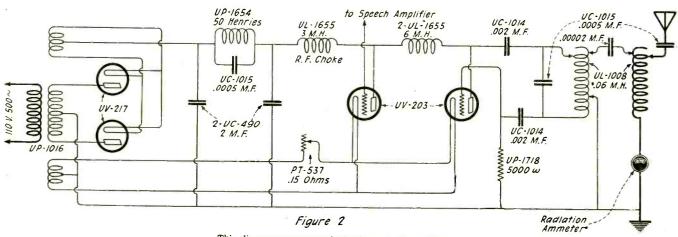
We now arrive at the modulator tube with a plate supply that is very nearly D.C.

#### Modulator

This tube is a UV-203, 50-watter, and its filament is supplied by the radiotron winding on the power transformer and is controlled by a PT-537 filament rheostat. The grid of this tube is supplied with excitation from the output of the speech amplifier—the point marked "to grid of modulator" on the diagram.

#### OSCILLATOR

Another UV-203, 50-watter is used! here as an oscillator and is connected! to the plate supply through the 6 mh. choke composed of two UL-1655 radio frequency chokes in series.



This diagram represents the hook-up of the oscillator

emitted wave; it will simply change the efficiency of transformation of energy from the closed oscillatory or tank circuit to the open oscillatory or antenna circuit as the antenna system swings in and out of tune with the tank circuit. There is of course only a slight capacity change during the swinging of an antenna so the relative drop in radiated energy due to this effect will be small. This type of circuit will radiate a constant frequency regardless of changes in the constants in the antenna system due to climatic conditions. There is one slight disadvantage to a circuit of this type because there is a slight loss of energy during the transfer from the tank circuit to the antenna circuit. Obviously it would be better if we could have a directly coupled type of circuit that would emit a constant frequency as we would be able to get more energy into the antenna. There is a circuit under development that will do just this very thing and later on I may write about this new circuit in detail.

The modulator and oscillator tubes

in this case for full wave rectification and will control their filaments by means of a PT-537 filament rheostat in series with the secondary winding that supplies these filaments. It will be necessary to connect this rheostat in the circuit with its resistance coils in parallel in order to handle the current for the two filaments. The A.C. supply to the plates of these tubes from the secondary winding of the power transformer is 1500 volts each and we can expect to get a rectified voltage of 66 per cent. of the A.C. or 1000 volts.

#### FILTERS

UC-490 filter condensers are used here instead of UC-488 as in the case of the speech amplifier because they will stand 1750 volts against 750 volts for the latter.

The 1000-cycle trap circuit in this case is made up of a UP-1654 filter reactor in parallel with a UC-1015, .0005 mfd. condenser. The inductance of the reactor is 50 henries or 50,000 milli-henries and therefore a UC-1015 condenser of .0005 mfd. capacity is

The filament is connected to the same winding of the power transformer and controlled by the same rheostat as the modulator tube.

#### OSCILLATORY CIRCUIT

The constants of this circuit depend upon the wave length it is desired to radiate and assuming an amateur wave length around 200 meters, the constants of the circuit would be as follows: The tank inductance should be-UL-1008 oscillation transformer which has an inductance of .06 mh. and the capacity shunted across this coil should be a UC-1015 which has taps for three different capacities, namely, .0003, .0004, .0005 mfd. The plate is connected to this coil through a UC-1014, .002 mfd. blocking condenser. The grid is connected to the other end of this coil through another UC-1014, .002 mfd. blocking condens-The grid is also connected to ground through a UP-1718, 5000-ohm grid leak. The ground tap is connected on the coil at a point about 1/3

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THE Burgess Battery Co., Madison, Wis., publishes a pamphlet containing an index of broadcasting stations, forms on which the stations heard may be recorded, maps illustrating the standard time divisions, a chart of comparative times in the principal cities, besides some general information on dry cell batteries in radio.

A COMBINATION catalogue and instruction booklet is published by Herbert H. Frost, Inc., Chicago, III. It contains several unique features desirable to radio fans.

THE Atlantic Radio Co., Boston, Mass., designed a novel window display for stimulating holiday sales, pushing the slogan, "Give him a new set of tubes for Christmas."

A large cone, supporting successive types, illustrated the progress made in the development of vacuum tubes.

M. HAYNES of Haynes-Griffin Radio Service Inc., New York City, has introduced a feature that marks another milestone in gaining public confidence. Every afternoon at 4:30 he gives an informal talk in the store on Super-Heterodyne circuits, and other current topics, to all who wish to attend. Questions from the audience are encouraged.

W. B. JOYCE, chairman of the National Surety Company, has acquired a substantial interest in the Dubilier Condenser & Radio Corporation and has been elected a member of the board of directors.

THE Willard Storage Battery Company has a monthly publication, "The Connector," issued in the interests of a still better Willard Service Organization.

Their November number has some lively window display stimulators.

BURT'S SUPPLY AGENCY, Atlantic City, N. J., went out after the business on an "installation service" basis. A truck carrying a ladder is featured in Mr. Burt's

advertising with the slogan, "This is the truck that will install your Christmas Radiolas free of charge."

THE Radio Bible Service Bureau, Cincinnati, Ohio, is organized to give the world daily, "a message from the Word of God by radio broadcasting."

THE appointment of E. W. Martin as Chicago District Manager has just been announced by the Valley Electric Company, St. Louis, manufacturers of Valley Radio Battery Chargers and other electrical products.

Mr. Martin comes to the Valley organization from the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Company with which he has been associated for a number of years in various capacities.

The appointment of C. L. Krentz in the sales department of the Chicago Office is also announced by the Valley Electric Company.

#### To the Philadelphia Show by Airplane



R. C. D. TUSKA, president of the C. D. Tuska Company, received a telephone S O S from his Philadelphia representative, Mr. L. B. Underwood, that the Superdynes had not arrived for the radio show which opened that day, November 13. Mr. P. K. Spencer, factory manager, loaded several in his private airplane and with Mr. Tuska reached Philadelphia by noon, a flight of less than two hours.

#### New Magnavox Catalogue for the Radio User

THERE has just been published by the Magnavox Company a very useful and attractive catalogue for the information of radio users.

In addition to very adequate illustrations and descriptions of the Magnavox Radio line, there is also an entire section devoted to correct hookups and general information, which even the very experienced radio enthusiast will find helpful.

There are also pages devoted to illustrating and explaining the fundamental principle involved in the Magnavox electro-dynamic and also the Magnavox semi-dynamic types of reproducer, the latter type having been evolved in order to meet the requirements of

dry battery receiving sets.

Copies of this Magnavox radio catalogue will be sent on request by the Magnavox Company, Oakland, Calif., or 370 Seventh Avenue, New York City; and are also obtainable from radio dealers who handle the Magnavox line.

#### Pushing Small Parts

I N one of the best radio trade catalogues we have yet seen, the H. H. Eby Manufacturing Company "tell the world" about the famous Eby binding posts.

The first text page contains six points of business policy worked out in a most clever and sincere manner. We wish every manufacturer and dealer would cut out that page, hang it over his desk and believe in it.

After this bit of super-salesmanship the different types of Eby binding posts, each with its distinguishing name, are described in detail; splendid photographs helping the reader to appreciate the numerous mechanical and electrical features of superiority. Then, having told why Eby posts are good, they back it up with a two-page half-tone which speaks for itself insofar as it pictures almost 57 varieties of manufactured radio receivers and instruments using Eby posts. Nothing could be more convincing!

The end of the catalogue is devoted to subjects most dear to the dealer's heartnational advertising to make Eby post move fast and attractive, snappy counter display to catch the eye and spare cash of the customer.

To really appreciate the 15th catalogue of the Eby Manufacturing Co., one has only to read it. We would like to see more of its kind.

#### America Exports Sets to 41 Countries

A MERICAN manufacturers of radio apparatus are leading the world in exports, the past eight months' total being valued at \$2,200,-000, according to Department of Commerce figures. In August, Argentina led other countries in the purchase of American-made radio equipment; our exports going there amounted to \$99,059. Uruguay stood second with \$40,984 worth of apparatus, while Canada imported \$27,648 worth of American equipment. The total American exports in August amounted to \$307.127, going to 41 countries.

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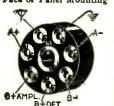
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#### The Personality of a Broadcasting Station

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to the program.

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So, as soon as I have finished this, I will begin a real letter of thanks to my favorite station. Perhaps my favorite station is yours also. It will appreciate a word from all of us.

#### The Navy's Radio Net

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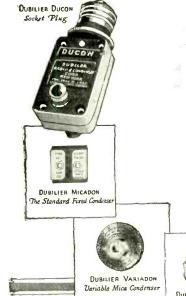
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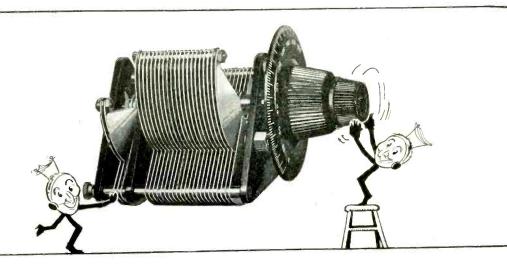
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lays in landing cargoes means in the course of a year millions of dollars to American commercial interests.

The Federal Poulsen arc, varying in sizes from 100 to 500 KW., is the type of transmitter in general use by the high power navy stations. Originally all stations used spark transmitters, but the continuous wave in the form of an arc was later standardized. With the development of the radiophone the navy was urged to replace the arc sets with alternators on account of the objectionable "mush," harmonics and compensation wave inherent with all arc transmitters, but subsequent experiments to overcome interference proved successful and it is expected that the arc will resume its position as a satisfactory single wave continuous wave transmitter. For low power stations the spark set is expected eventually to be replaced by the continuous wave or interrupted continuous wave, inasmuch as the spark uses too wide a band. The navy has developed an attachment to spark sets in which tubes can be used to give a satisfactory wave, thereby making it possible to remove the spark interference at much less cost than if complete new tube transmitters were installed.

Important contributions to radio art have come out of the navy's radio research laboratories. Much of this work is done in co-operation with the Bureau of Standards and with commercial radio equipment manufactur-The list of achievements includes, in general, improvements in spark and C.W. transmitters, development of steel and telescope antennas, vacuum tubes, receiving apparatus, radio mechanical relays, high speed transmitting and recording systems, depth sounding and submarine sound signal devices, and aviation radio. Duplex operation has been installed in each navy district whereby several transmitters are used in the sending station and messages are received by remote control. The Arlington station has six transmitters that operate simultaneously.

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## Radio Frequency Amplification

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signal strength is the ideal condition of tuning which should be striven for, but at the same time if we do so adjust the receiver as to throw it into oscillating condition the results will not be as serious in the production of external interference as it would be if we did not use any radio frequency amplification.

It must be remembered that the one who is using this receiver, or in fact, any receiver that is made, should not be disappointed if the receiver does not give its best results the first time it is used, because it may not necessarily be the fault of the receiver, and in fact, it very seldom is the receiver's fault. The first thing that the broadcast listener seems to think after he sits down at his receiver and it fails to function in what he considers to be a proper manner is that there is some trouble with the receiver. With a home-made affair it is quite posible that the trouble is in the receiver, but with an outfit constructed by a reliable manufacturer this is very seldom the case. The usual trouble lies in the lack of knowledge of the proper manner in which to operate the receiver. For example, let us look at some parallel cases in other mechanical lines. How does an autoist learn to successfully operate his automobile? It most certainly is not by merely learning how to shift gears and how to operate the selfstarter. It is only after months of experience with his automobile that he is immediately able to tell what is the trouble if there is some slight sound coming from its interior which he has never heard before. In other words it is experience which enables him to run his car with any degree of success. How is it that the railway engineer

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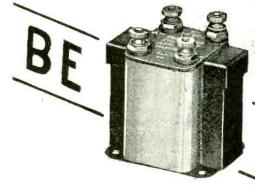
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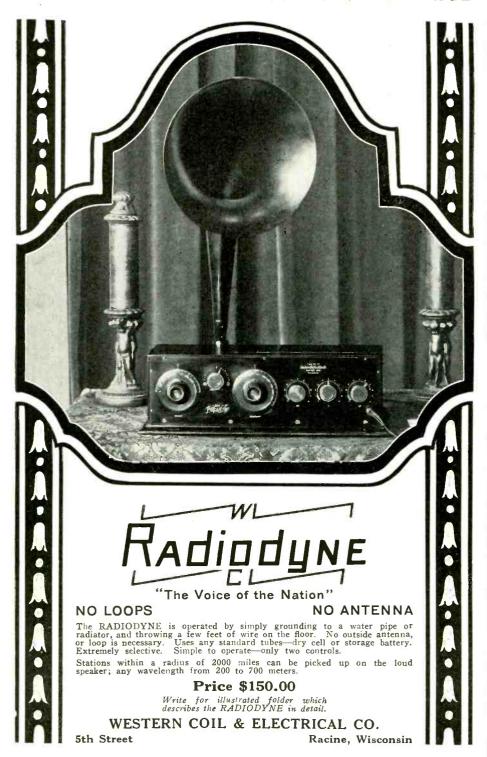


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In the final series of tests a regenerative receiver was used using the socalled Reinartz adaptation which had been constructed by two students at the Radio Institute of America. The set-up for this test is shown in figure 9. Figure 10 gives the diagram of connections of this set which was included because it has been stated so many times and in so many places that it was impossible to use this circuit with radio frequency amplification. It was considerably worth while to explode that bubble once for all by giving the circuit and photographs of the set-up as actually used. In this circuit as well as with all of the other circuits which were made use of in these tests it was found possible to have excellent control of the regeneration by the operation of the usual regenerative controls of the receivers and that the various tuning elements functioned as well when used with the radio frequency units as without it.

## Speech Amplifier

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the distance between the grid and the plate end and when the set is in operation the exact point for this ground tap can be found by adjusting it to give minimum plate current with maximum oscillatory current. This circuit is coupled, very loosely, from the high potential side to the high side of the UL-1008, .06 mh. antenna coil. The capacity of this coupling condenser should be approximately .00002 mfd. and can be made of two copper discs about 12 inches in diameter supported on adjustable insulated stands so that they can be moved closer together or farther apart to increase or decrease the capacity to get the proper amount of coupling.

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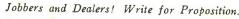
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FUNCTIONING OF THE CIRCUIT FOR PHONE WORK

Now we come to the question of the switches A, B, C, D and E. For phone work we have the following conditions as shown by the chart in figure 1: A closed; B open; C closed; D open; E closed.

This also seems to be the proper time to explain how the bias on the UV-203 modulator tube is adjusted by means of the 5000-ohm potentiometer. We already have good quality speech coming from the output of the speech amplifier and in order to put this good quality on the air it is necessary to have the modulator grid biased by the proper amount. If there is a D.C. potential of 300 volts on the plate of the speech amplifier then, since the potentiometer is directly across the D.C. supply, point x is negative and point y is at plus 300 volts. Now, since E is closed to ground as well as the filament of the modulator, these two points being at the same potential, electrically they are the same, so we will consider point E the modulator filament. Also, since point x is connected to the modulator grid we can call it the grip point. Therefore, if we had the pointer of the potentionieter E at point x, E and x would be at the same potential, thus, the filament and the grid of the modulator would be at the same potential. Now if we moved the pointer E toward y to a point at plus 10 volts, for instance, we would have the ground or filament at a point 10 volts higher than the grid; or saying the same thing in other words, we would have brought the grid to 10 volts negative with respect to the filament. We have biased the grid 10 volts and we could continue to still further bias the grid until we got it at a point 300 volts below the filament, but this would be unnecesary because the tube would have blocked with a negative bias far less than this. The beauty of this circuit is that we can adjust the negative bias of the modulator while the circuit is in operation and can consequently get the quality down to the finest point possible. It would be simply necessary to connect a pair of telephone receivers to a wavemeter or receiving set with the antenna disconnected—using the primary coil for a pick-up—and after

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#### C.W. OPERATION

For C.W. transmission all the switches are back to the position they had in phone transmission except D and E. D is closed and E is open, which throws the grid of the modulator 300 volts negative, so far negative in fact that it blocks and refuses to function, the result being that a pure unmodulated C.W. note is radiated.

All of this switching in the speech amplifier circuit can be taken care of by means of a single gang switch with five elements. An element for each one of the switches, there being three positions of this gang switch, namely, phone, C.W. and I.C.W. The use of the gang switch for the speech amplifier unit was the method employed by the writer.

### DX Reception in the Grand Canyon

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Little Colorado, and 225 miles below the starting point of the expedition, at Lees Ferry. Here they were met with supplies and mail and with newspapers containing wild accounts of possible disaster to the party in the big flood. One of the accounts stated that an overturned boat marked "U. S. G. S." had been seen below Boulder Canyon, and it is true that one of the Survey's boats at Bright Angel, used in hydrographic work, broke loose and was carried away, but the description of the boat seen does not tally with this boat, so perhaps the boat seen was one of those of the U.S. Reclamation Service, marked "U. S. R. S." Here the boats were overhauled, reports were prepared, the equipment was examined, and the radio outfit repaired and set up, where it received messages from Los Angeles and elsewhere, among them the broadcast telegrams announcing the safety of the party.

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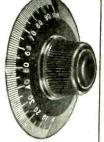
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it. Arms brandishing, bodies twisting and swaying, tom-tom beating a dull ferocious rhythm of concentrated passion, the three howled and wailed and howled again, until even the blase switchboard operator outside left her post to see what murder was under way.

The whole aspect of the affair was changed—no longer was the chief concern of Scott the enticing of the braves to the microphone; it was the much graver one of keeping them away from it, of removing them ere physical mutilation was performed upon the defenseless instrument.

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## The Chicago Radio Show

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The four center booths were occupied by Kennedy, Grebe, Crosley and Zenith. In the Kennedy booth were-found the handsome new Kennedy furniture models which show so well the present day trend of radio development. All these sets of course were-of the regenerative type. In the Grebe-booth were found all the latest regenerative sets brought out by this well-known old-timer.

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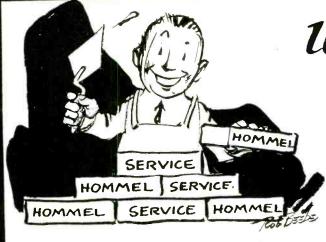
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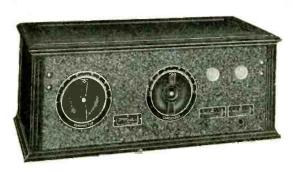
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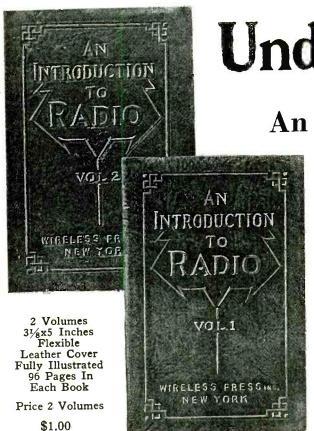
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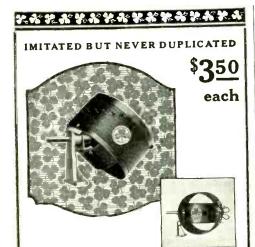
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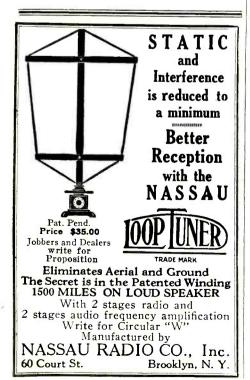
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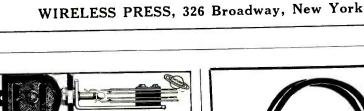
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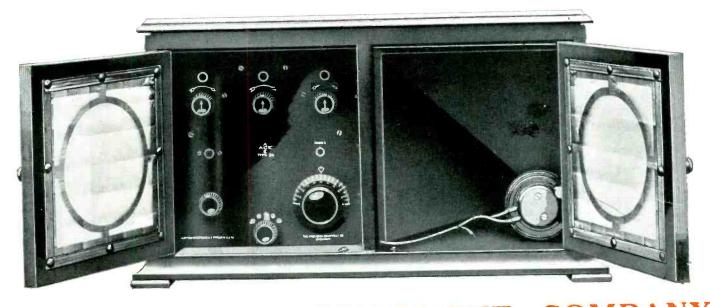
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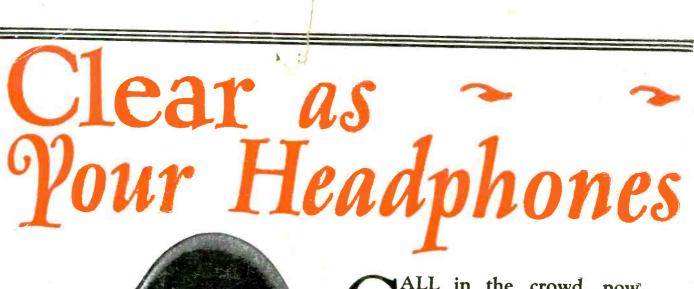
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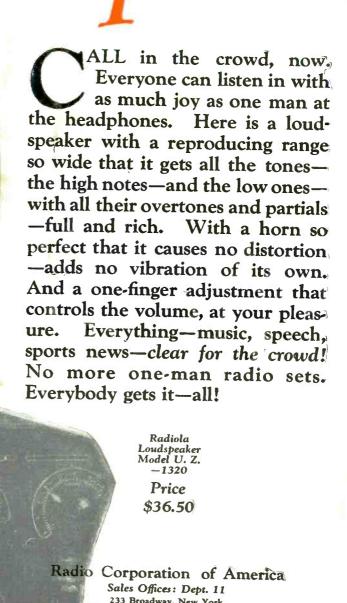
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