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The sharp upsurge in FM broadcasting has in some instances developed unlooked for interference with local TV reception. In every instance this interference is in so-called fringe areas for TV reception and where the strength of the TV signal is weak enough that outside highly directional home TV antennas are necessary. --- When this condition develops, the TV viewer quickly learns from his service man that the local FM station is the offender. --- The FM broadcaster is immediately deluged with requests to eliminate the interference. In some instances CATV (Community Antenna Television) systems are also offended as they pick up weak distant TV stations. What is the FM broadcaster's responsibility? Answex: To meet FCC rules and regulations as related to harmonic radiation of his FM equipment but not to guarantee perfect TV reception.

Below is a chart showing the picture and sound frequencies of TV stations between Channels 7-13 inclusive. Channels 2-6 are not shown. FM harmonics do not fall in these Channels. In fact, commercial $F M$ station harmonics will affect only Channels 8 and above ..... look at the chart.


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| Picture Frequency Band | $--M c--$ Sound Frequency |
| :--- | :---: |
| 175.25 to 179.50 | 197.75 |
| 181.25 to 185.50 | 185.75 |
| 187.25 to 191.50 | 191.75 |
| 193.25 to 197.50 | 197.75 |
| 199.25 to 203.50 | 203.75 |
| 205.25 to 209.50 | 209.75 |
| 1211.25 to 215.50 | 215.75 |

The frequency range for commercial FM broadcasting is 92.1 Mc to 107.9 Mc : --. To determine the second harmonic of your F'M frequency, just multiply your frequency by 2. Example: If your frequency is 99.9 Mc , multiplied by 2 would make a second harmonic of 199.8 Mc . By consulting the above chart, you will note the second harmonic falls in the picture portion of the TV Channel ll.

## Correct FM Harmonic Radiation

The FCC stipulates that transmitters of 3000 watts power and over must have a harmonic attenuation of 80 db . For 1000 watts, 73 db ., and for 250 watts, 66.9 db . All reputable manufacturers design their FM transmitters to meet or exceed these specifications.

## Fringe Area TV Strength Versus FM Harmonics

Let's take a typical $F M$ station that radiates 70,000 microvolts per meter at 1 mile. At 80 db . harmonic attenuation (as called for by FCC), this station will radiate approximately 7 microvolts per meter at 1 mile on the second harmonic. In the case of our Channel 11 example, it is estimated that a fringe area TV station from 60 to 90 miles distance would have a signal strength of from 5 to 25 microvolts per meter. It can then be easily understood that a 7 microvolt signal, well within FCC specifications, would definitely interfere with the TV signal, yet with the FM broadcaster's equipment performing normally.

This is sometimes further aggravated by the FM station being located between the TV station and the TV receivers. In this instance the TV antennas are focussed not only on the TV station but your FM station as well. The home TV antennas are beamed at your legal second harmonic as well as the fringe TV station.

## What To Do

When interference occurs, it will develop ragged horizontal lines on the TV picture varying with the FM program content. If the TV sound portion is interfered with (usually not the case), then the FM signal will be heard in addition to the TV sound.

1. It is not up to the FM broadcaster to go on the defensive. He did not put the TV station 75 miles away nor did he select the TV Channel. ---- In most instances the condition is a natural phenomena that neither you, the TV station, nor the FCC can correct.
2. Do not adjust the FM harmonic or " T " notch filters supplied with the FM transmitter. These are factory adjusted and most FM stations do not have the expensive equipment necessary for correct adjustment. Tampering with this calibrated adjustment will probably make the condition worse.
3. Do not rely on TV service men's types of measuring equipment. They are not built to accurately measure harmonics and invariably give erroneous readings that invite the CATV or local service men's association to say "I told you so.". Remember it is difficult to radiate harmonics if the equipment is built to suppress the harmonics and it is.
4. In many instances interference may be caused by overloading on the front end of the TV receiver. This problem usually occurs when the receiver is located close to the EM transmitter. This problem can be overcome by installing a trap tuned to the frequency of the FM carrier. The TV service man can and must learn how to do this. In most cases it works, while in some instances, if not properly installed or tuned, it will not completely eliminate the interference. In one case where interference of this type existed, a TV station put traps for the fundamental FM frequency on nearly every TV set in town. Not the FM transmitter.

## Summary

The FCC is well acquainted with this nation-wide problem. If TV viewers write FCC, complaining about your FM station, remember the FCC has received a few thousand similar letters. --... It is not the obligation of the FM broadcaster to assure fringe area reception of a TV station any more than is the obligation of the TV station to assure the FM broadcaster perfect reception in his TV city.

Probably your installation will not have problems as outlined above. If they do exist, don't blame the equipment. Every transmitting device puts out a second harmonic, even the TV stations. The fact that these harmonics legally fall into the spectrum of a TV station many miles distant is coincidental, but not your fault.

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### 1.1 Warranty and Safety Jothoe

This equipment is guaranteed under the liberal Gates Warranty, terms and conditions of which are fully set forth in the standard Gates Wamanty, aveilable upon request.

Most Gates manufactured items are guaranteed for one year with the exception of tubes and moving parts. which are subject to specifje warranties based upon hours of usage. The Warranty does not extend to "yo charget service on the field.

Switch to Safety - This equipment employs voltages which are dangerous and may prove fatal if contacted by operatins personmel. Extreme caution should be exeroised when working with the equipmente Observe safety reguletions. Do not change tubes on make adjustments inside equipment with any voltages ON While your Gates transmitter is fully interm locked you should not rely on the intorlock switches fos removing htgh operating volteges. It is always begt to dis... connect the primary poter at the building raly stithoh and diechaxge all capacitors with the grounding stick providet.
J. 2 Purpose of Book

This inetruction book has been prepared to assist in the instalation, operation, and maintenance of the Gates mir.3m, 3 Kif, Fif transmitter。
2. 3 Purpose of Equipnent
 watts output delivenod to the transmission line. The oper. ating frequency is $88-108 \mathrm{MHz}$ with characteristics exceeding those requited by the fedored Communcations Conmission for atandaxd Hin broadcast service. the twangnither is designed for continmous broadeast operation and consists of the exeiters intexnediate power amplifier, and the power amplifiox; plus thejx ascociated power sugplies.
3.4 Desoription
only one cabinet is requined to honse the metre transmtter. This cabinet is $42^{4}$ wide $x 784$ high $x 323 / 47$ doep. AJL neoegm saxy metering is provided by tour moters locsted on a meter panel at the top of the cabinete Ready aceess to the complete tranmittox is acoomplished by removable rear door, hinged acoess panel, and hinged cowez of the exot ter unt to pront dooxs are provided to offer a pleasing and symetrical ficot
2. 6 Vacurm Tube Table

The following tubes are employed in the transmittex.

Symbol Designation
V2
VI

Tube Type
40 A 250 B
4085000 A

Function
Intermediate Power Amplifier
Power Amplifiex

## SECRION 2 - INSTALLATION

### 2.1 Inspection

The $\mathrm{FM}-3 H$ is carefully packed at the Gates plant to ensure safe arrival at its destination. The equipment is packed in a number of heavy cartons and wooden oxates. Open the crates and cartons carefully to avoid damering any of the contents. Remove the packing material and search for possible small items such as pilot lights, fuses, loose serews and bolts.

If damage should ocour during shipment, all claims should be filed promptly with the transpoxtation compeny. xt a clatia is to be siled, the ondginal packing oase and matorial mot be preserved. A damage repart must be filied to collect for ghipping damages. Gates Redio Conpany le not responsible Pos damage ocourring during shipment. Paxte or components shatpped to replace those damaged in transportation will be bjuled to the customer plus transportation expenses, the cost of wheh should torm a portion of your clajm to the transportation ompany.

A complete vigual inspection should be nade of the equatumt Determine that there are no loose comections 100 se conponmos. broken insulators, obco that may have been amested in shipment. Make sure all relay contacts are free and in good mechenical condition. Make sure all mechanical conneotions are tight. Check with a screw driver or a wrench, all mechenical and eleatrical connection that are mechanically bolted together. All tie down or bloctring used fox shiping proposes shontd be remover. A good orcxali visuat ingpontion nay sate time and tronble in placing the transuittea into operathag condition.

### 2.2 Packing Cheok List

Comain components of the transmitter have been removed fox shiprent and aro packed soperately to exsure safe honating. Shese perts on the Firmon have been kept to a bare runimwh and are plug-in units and heavy omponentse Tubenthat axe not olemped down for nomet operation are elso yemoved. The tollowing components have been removed from the transm mitter sox shipping puxposes:

Remount the two monitor coupling loops on the exterior vertical balun.

The lower end of the innermconductor of the balun connects to output loading capacitor C6.

Ioosen the Allen set scxews on the adjustable portion of the balun. The distanco that this component is posjtioned verti cally from the tube deck varies with operating frequency. Refex to your test data sheets for the proper moasurement on your assigned channel. inis adjustment must be accurate within 1/8" fow proper operation.

The $4 C X 250.8$, ceramic chimey, and exbaust tubing are installed in the driver cubicle, fimare 7.4. place the tube in its socket, slip on the ceramic chimer, and clamp on the anode connector. Drop the exhaust tube through the opening of the upper tube deck to the top of the 4CX250B. Hold the exheust tube in place with 0 rings above and below the deck surface.

Installing the $40 \times 5000 \mathrm{~A}$ is simple. Hendling of this tubs is covered in Section 2.4. The anode coneetor assembly secures with a clamp to the tube and rith a bolt to the plate line: Coaxse frequency tuning of the plate circuit is detemnined by the distance of the rotary portion of the place cixcuit from the $4 C x 5000 \mathrm{~A}$ tubo decke This measurement j.s recorded in the test data for youx transmither and should be cheoked belone operating the transmitter. Rolerance bere is approximately 1/16"。

Bolt the low pass filtex in the transmission line betwecn the dixectional coupler and anteme coax, and your basio installa. tion is complete. The weight of the low pass filtex should not be applied to the $1-5 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ coavial componentr dixectlyo provi." slons should be made at the trensmitter site to heve at least two supports for the fliter.
2.4 Tube Handling and Oparating Precautions, $40 \times 5000 \mathrm{~A}$

Avoid bumping this tube Due to its large mase, bumping thele tube will introdvce resultant stresses which may cause intemal. damage.

Befome operating this tube, please refer to the tunemus arid opoxating proceduxe given in soction 3 . I is recommonded procedure to adjust the oquipment for opesetion maer hervy plate loading conditions, and with only suffacient RF drive to provide the requirea power output and efficiency.

Exbreme caxe should be talen during tumeup as well as in regular service to avoid, even momentarily, operating of this tube under conditions of insufidcient plate loading on excosoivu RF drive. These operating emaditans, especially at the upper: end of the vin range will produoe excessively high seal abdon bulb temperature and will result in danege to this tube

### 2.5 Power Connection

After the transmitter is physically in place and the components removed for shipment have been reinstalled, AC power should be brought to the transmitter. Referring to the installation drawing, Figure 7.2 , the 240 V, 3 phase input enters the trans niter in the lower rident hand corner and connects to the 3 phase fuse block immediately to the left. A 115 V, single phase fuse block is located at the center and to the rear of. the tranmitton with the input terminals for the 115 volts. single phase towards the rear of the transmitter.

The audio input line enters the base of the trangrither at the center approximately $7 \%$ from the frost. the audio line connector directly to terminal board girl of the live 425 excites. terminals 1 and 3 are the audio inputs and terminal 2 is ground or shield connection. It stereo is used, the lines are concreted in as. cordance with the intimation in the IM-6535 stereo generator instructions.

The power leads for the transmitter should cone from a low
 3 phase, with appoztmately an 3 Kra capacity. A power soxecg
 The conduit. or wing of the porer leanne should be in agxomend with local elootrio codes and be able to cant the pow s regrarom meats of the trensinttuex. Pow lends and proven herds shown
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 shows up in ono of tho ways - reenact on rich noise, and th some cases bows Th should be pointed out bot even a shan amon of unshielded wire metes a very officiant antenna for
 to the grids of the and io equipment, it is rectified amen ow mi as noise or feedbeth. We strongly women a single com... mod ground polit trod the thanshittor base to e good growneng system such as a water pine or actual earthing ground.
2.6 coating blower permpes 400 CFM
 are developed and dissipated through the any outlet hat the top on tho tranmither. $x$ may be necessary to provide a nears of exhausting this air from the trangatiter room or enclosure. Heat is a major enemy to electamic component cotemomathom, A good system of removing the hated ats from the twanghtiten and the twancmitien mons and providing oo ch air for the ant inlet of the transmitter will greatly prolong the luff of the
 not provide any beck pressure to tho power empliftor achocura. At no point sloped the duet here less of e erose sathond
area than the opening at the top of the transmitter starp, right-angle bends are not permismible where itt is necessary to turn a right-angle, a radius tye bend should be used.

There are many installation possibilities. Fach and every installation is somewhat difierento Thererore, it is not possible to give complete detailed jnformation on the trensmmitter ducting. Only general information can be supplied. As a suggestion, contact a local heating and cooling conn tractor $\mathcal{P}$ or a detailed analysis of the problem.

After the transmitter has operated at full outrut a rumber of hours a bemperature rise inside the transmiter nust not exceed $a$ rise ot por cobove the ampient meosured at whe ait intake of the blower and musum wise above $60^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ under any oirctustancego

SEGTION $3 * O P A R A T O M$

### 3.1 Promperation

Before placing the Hitm into operation, check once again the points covered in Soction 2. Have you mounted ajl comm ponemts physically and nado these electateal comeotions:

1. Pximary power to the 3 phase fuse blocle?
2. 115 volts to the 1 phase ruse block?
3. Progran line comnectod to the exciter?
4. 115 volts for the erystal cuens?
5. Transmitter comected to anterna or a sudtable loed?

If everythjng appears to be in orders then gov may procowe

### 3.2 Test Jata

Your equingent has gone through meny diftexent kinds of tests at the Gates factory and has been operated foz sevoral hours on your assigned operating frequonoy. fhis is to ensure corm rect adjustment and proper setting of all controls. Refen to the test data supplied with your tranmitter. This deta is attached to the front of the bxemsmbter when shippeno

### 3.3 Adjustinent

Set the dial settings to those given on the teet date sheeta whm the ITA scren voubege control funy cownerotockisero Pribiaxy power may now be applied to tho twansmither by pushow jngthe filamemt on butbono the light benind the finamex on bution shuma lighto Next, the blowen should begin to run and cone up to mpeed. After the blower rotokos mamiman opero atimg speed, air pressuro in the PoA enclomwe will operate the aix switche frow run the PoA soxech voltage controz to the lower position (counteraloumaso) on the sereon rheostedt,

Check the PoA. bias volteige and adust as necessary to obtain the test data sheet measurenents. Daring the turem up procedure it may be necessamy to incaease the IPA voltege to prevent the P.A. from drawing excessive plate current. The gide bias voltage on the $F, A$. is a combigat. on of the
 bias suphy. The rias buphy his set at a compronise position to obtan the destrea power outpht and to reon the P.A. whthan its dissipation tatings in oase ox RF rainea.

Closing of the aix switch will turn ON the PA filament volto age which may be read with the multineter switch on the meter panel in the filameat voltage position, Sety the filament voltage for 7.5 rolta. Next, place the muthineter switoh on the metex panel to the drive? asthode cument postion. whia is the UP posithore) If the exthestis deltrexing power to the driver stage, a reading of aprovinately $10 \%$ with be road
 indjeation. As this mebex in readng oathode waraty jowill also read the grid currext. the bigh voltege may nov be applied by pushing tho high voltage of buttomo fhis oupplies phate and soreen voltege to the InA stage shmatemensly with the emplicotion of plate and screon vollage to thee pows mplifier ghage prus the socer ontyot fox the dater wh

 For a dip in the tra cothode meter reabre fry the dete ciroutt and loading are neaz their opewaing positions; porex output of the ampliflex will be noticed.




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The RF output neter js the farthest riehtomand netex on the
 located on the unper portho of the ecoss door. Yo may xead.

1. Forward porex.
 VEWR neasuremand.
2. VSHR on the transmission line.




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Sor the maximum output and the most overall efficient conditiono Po reduce the RP output, the amount of drive to the PA cen be docrepsed by howering, the whennupgaphat bhe IPA AIso the output can be reducod by decreasine the PA screen voltace.

The multimeter switch (SLO) located on the meter panel will give an indication of the amown of drive to the grid of the PA tube. This is a relative indiaation and is read with the metcr swith in the DOWN position. It will be noticed that faximur drive oondition will be rexy ctose to the same point of bhe drisef nhage current dimo whe driver plete tuntug may, at some frequencies and powex levels, be different for meximun output and for minimun driver plate ourrent. A eofe promise ghould be mede on the plete tuaing of the deiver fox a drupr cathode curpeng of apgraximatery $7 \%$ BGde peading Hith m minue or dy $1 n$ tunine the whaty gh either gide


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- are located unden a sman cover pjato located on the front access door. they may be retexwed to by symol mumer on the
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The output of the exodten is adjusten with outrut control of the 10 W anplifiex in the exciten ang ia covered in the ercitex menual.

The trensmitbex can easily bo remotejy combollec. berovigum tion of the connections is covered in gection 5 .

Two controls for setting the remote plate voltage and plate current for external metering axe located wader the cover on the hinged access door and are show by symbol number on tho schematic.

The screen voltage of the power amplifier is motion coridrolled end is also corrected to timon remote control. Raise/Lowez funcm dion for power output.

### 3.4 Maintenance

Maintenance of the prim should combat of the following:

1. Keeping the transmitter clean.
2. Changing tubes when emission falls off.
3. Checking mechanical connections and fastenings.
4. Juhriesting the blower motor.

Keeping the trariguitber olen from the accumulation of dot will reduce failure resulting from arcing, dirty relay contacts, and overheating of chokes wesigtory and transformers Elem trosbatio fields axe "dust oatohersto support insulators ja the PA enclosure and other locetrows are the wore oftertexs. They mort be kept clean and free of all foreign netrexal at et t ties. If not g arcing may result and the insulator shatrecedn

The ain filters should be clean at ald times perdobestyy, it should be discarded and replaced with e new one pho titan is a disposable type and may be obtained at a hardware ar heating supply store.
 The inside ot the power amplifier should be thorothmy wiped
 can bo used veiny effectively in keeping the equipment loan

A11 convectors and relays should be incpectoc regularity tow pitting and dib the contacts should be bownemod sha bleed if required. The overload relay are talophono types with seated contrets axe should require little attention o

 for approximately 20,000 hours of oparetione After this premed of operation the grease jus these bearings should be chamade This as done by teeing the drain plug wite of the bow of the bearing and a grease fitting athenobe to the upper plug on tho bearing. Now grease should be aphid until qionen grease axum out of the drain plus at the bottom. Ti is sugsentes the blower be removed for this medntenmens

[^0]This transmitter is a preeision electrioal device, and as such, should be kept clean at all times and free of dust and forejgh material. Dust and moisture condensation will lead to possible arc overs and short conductive paths.

A good proventive maintenance schedule is always the begt assurm ance for trouble free transmitter operation.

## SECTION 4 - CIRCUTT DESCRIETTOM

The FM-3H edrcuits will be desoribed in the following sections:

Power Amplificer Intermediate Powex Amplifiex (IPA) Exojter

Power Supply
Control Gincuits Metering

See Tllustiation 7.7.

### 4.1 Power Anplifitex

The power amplisier of the man 3 H enploys a single $40 \times 5000 \mathrm{~A}$ tetrode ju a comon cathode amplifiec cirouit. the plata ciroujt is inductively tuned by varying a length of imerm conductor of a trammission line within the reetanglat onten conduntore the plate Jine is approximately onemblt watem length long, belng fioreshortened by the output oapeatty or the tube the lange variable portion of the line iss usce for rourih or approximate frequenoy setting and the end of the hajtmeve
 trolled from the tront ponel. The fine frequonoy controi ocrems
 imately 6 IMrz at the highor end of the barid.

Output coupling is accomplished by cepacity tuning a belumo The balun inductively eouples RR powey fron the amplifesx enclosure.

The PA grid airoutt ie common with the IPA plate circovto The IPA plete inductence TrG, IPA plate tuming eapacitor, Gmé, and the input omacitor of the PA tube rom a modifted pi eirouto

Bypsentig of the PA screer and filaments is acconpldshed by ustre a number of high voltege cexamio oapecitong with load lenghat kept as short as poesjble.

In some tranmituems ecpeojaly at the higher operatimg frem qhemotes, there is a capaciton conneotod betwean grid and cathode of the Pho This capactor is usually 25 p . : or 60 pis. ifhe purpose of adding this component is to improve the overall perfomanoe of the power amplifice.

### 4.2 IPA

The intermediate power amplifjer employs a $40 \times 250 \mathrm{~B}$ tetrode in a common cathode circuit. The grid circuit is capacity tuned. The plate cirouit is common with the PA grid as previously explained. Sereen bypassing js effectod with the built.in bypass of the $40 X 2508$ air system socket. The IPA cethode is bypassed with four ceramic button capacitors.

### 4.3 Exclter

The Fhexejter is desoribed in detail in the exciter instruction book.
4.4 Power Supply

Only one high voltage power supply is nesa in the min.3F. It gupplies 4.3 KV for the PA plate and 2 KV for the PA eorotw voltage, and the IPA plate The baslo configuration of the supply is a three phase full wave bridge. 2 KV is obtadned from the center tap of the tranafomen to supply the IpA plate and also supply the gouxce fox the variable voltage of between 300 V . and 1500 V . for the PA sereen grid. Series limytaty reaistor, R-47, prevents the PA scxeen grid from overodissipatiag in caso the PA has a $l o s s$ of plate volbegs.

The 0 to 270 Volt variable supply for the ted sereen voatece is also derived from the 2 Ky center tep sowroe. R2G is the control.

The rectifiers fox the supply are moldod silicon colums mounted on a panel ettached to the side of the tranentiter. The aix colums are wired to foma thee phase doublex otrent.

The fa bias supply is a single phese fuld wave bondec sirout using silicon reotifiens. Gide bias betwoen 90 to 175 volts is supplied to the PA control grid. The bleeder reasistox across the supply, R-4l, will ajso provido additional bias voltage th the PA grid ourrent due to PF drive causes grid current to flow about 40 ma with 160 volts filyed biase 130 is the blas adiust control.
4.5 Control Ciroute

The contiol ofreutta of the rim-3H oonsist of the folloring:

- Kl Primary Contaotor - appliea voltage to the filaments, exciter: and energizes the blover.
- K2 Filate Contactor -r applies manary voltage to the plate transfomer (ke is merginec after y3 olosefo)
- K3 Step/staxt Contactox - closes. Then K2 is energiged, shorting out the contacts of $K 3$ and the 1 ohan resistors. Step/Starting of the high voltage supply is accomplished by $K 3$ olosing finst and applying voltege to the trensfomer prinamy through 1 ohm resistors, R22; R23, and R24.
- K4 Auriliaxy Relay m applies holding voltage to the Step/Start contactox K3, if the air awitoh and door interloclas ene closed.
- K5 Recyole Rolay - enexgizes when either the PA overioan or IPA overlad relay is encrigized a number of tjros. The number of times is detemined by control R25. The two overload relay contaots are in series across the
 and the conteots opon, 036 starts to charge. It the combets are open fox a sufficient lengti of time fon 036 to charge to the point that the voltage will enemw gitae K5, the contacts of 55 wjll breal: the hold oiroutt of 14 and the plate voltage will be switehed onfo In K5 does not operate, the overload contacts will cibeg after en overload and tho plate ontacton K2 whe gean chorgize.
- K9 The Underdive Enday on whl prevont sppideation of plate and soreen voltage to the IFA and Pohn until the gria ourrent of the TPA remchos 8 me or mome. x 9 is looated



 load will operate the recyche cirendito
- S9 Air Switch - closes eftex tio adir piosauxe lu the phemm xeaches perpen pressume, closing the taterbook ojncut
 formex.


### 4.6 Meterixg

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The thitd meter reads plate voltage and is loocted on the hou potential side of the meter multiplier resistox.

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5.1. Remote Control

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|  |  |
| B1 | 4320010000 |
| B2 | 4360013000 |
| CI， 035 | 5160043000 |
| 02，03 | 5160054000 |
| C6 | 9141912001 |
| C7 | 5160233000 |
| C8 thru 016 | 5150205000 |
| C18 thru C 23 | 5160205000 |
| 024 | 5220071000 |
| C25，049 | 5160227000 |
| C26 | 5200228 COO |
| C31 thru 0305160250000 |  |
|  |  |
| C32 | 5200158000 |
| 033，034，048 | 5160054000 |
|  | 5220133000 |
| C37，038，047 | 5160082000 |
| 039 | 5160200000 |
| 042 | 5240013000 |
| C45，046 | 510051.0000 |
| C51，C52，053 | 5160389000 |
| C54． | 5160233000 |
| C56 | 5160210000 |

CRI．
CR2，CRS
CR3，CR4，CR7
CR5
DC1
H1，F2
23， $\mathrm{PH}, \mathrm{B5}$
PG
F 7
FLJ
FJs 2
J1
12， 33
J4．
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3980319000
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6130237000
6120233000
5700120000
5700119000
5740099000

## Descriotion

Neon Lamp． 25 W （part of $\mathrm{St}_{4}$ ） Neon Lemp． 25 wi（part of S5）

Blower， $1 / 3 \mathrm{H} . \mathrm{P} .3500 \mathrm{REF}$ ， 11．5／230 V．
Motor，I．RPPi，Ratio 3210－1， 210 Who
Cap．， 470 pfo，l $K V$ ，Ceramic disc
Cap．，．OOl uf．， 1 kV，Ceramic diss Var．Cap． 6 － 12 pf．（modir．） HV Cap．， 500 pr ．， 30 KV ，ceramic HV Cep．， $500 \mathrm{pI},. 5 \mathrm{KV}$ ，ceramic

Cap．， 1000 pi．， 5 KV ，ceramic
Cap．， 50 uf．， 25 V．electrolytic Feedthru Cap．， 500 pr．， 500 V ． Plate Tune Cap．， 0 ． 50 pr．Vas． Cap．． 500 pr． 500 V．button type Cap．（part of tube socket）
Grid Tuning Cap．，5－30 nf．Ver． Cap．，．001 uf．， 1 KV ，cenamio disc Cap．， 16 uf．， 450 V ．elactrolytic Cap． 01 uf．， 1 KV，ceranic dise Cap．， $25 \mathrm{pr}, 7.5 \mathrm{kV}$ ，cexamic
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Cep．， 8 rit．， 3 KV ．
Cap．， 9600 pr． 10 KV ．
Cap． $500 \mathrm{pt}, 30 \mathrm{KV}$ ．
Cap． 200 pI .27 .5 KV ．

Diode，Gormaniun， 11954 A
Diode Zener， 10 V． 10 W． 1 w2974
Rectificer，Silicon， 600 PIV ，Mrey Diode， 3 Mgis

Dixectional Complen， 4 KH．
Fuse，Caxtridge， 10 aup． 250 V.
Fuse，Cartrides， 35 amp． 250 V ．
Fuse，Cartridge， 8 amp． 250 \％． puse，Cartidese， 1 amp． 250 V

Iow Pass Filter
Notch riliter
Receptecie，＂usp＂
Recoptacke，＂BBC＂（part of FIC） Receptacle＂丹＂

Pri．Contactor，f pole，llov．． $50 / 60 \mathrm{~Hz}$ 。
Plate／Stcpmstart Contactox， 4 wole．
208／220 V．


| \% 5 | 574 | 0054 | 000 | Recyole Reley, SPDT, 6 K ohm |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| K6. K 7 | 572 | 0125 | 000 | O.In Relay $1 \times 3,2 \mathrm{~b}, 6 \mathrm{VDO}$ |
| K8 | 572 | 0066 | 000 | Screer Volinge Control Relay, 20. |
| K9 | 572 | 0052 | 000 | Grid Draerdxive Relay |
| If | 913 | 8288 | 001 | Variable Coupling Section |
| I2 | 942 | 3910 | 001 | Plate Line \& Coupling Assembly |
| I3 | 826 | 9569 | 001 | Plate Choke |
| I4 | 494 | 0004 | 000 | Pode Grid Ep Choke, 7 un. |
| I5 | 913 | 9335 | 002 | Drive plate Choke Assembly |
| 16 | 913 | 9343 | 001 | Drive Plate Coil (Low Band) |
| T6 | 923 | 9346 | 001 | Drive Plato goil (High Bend) |
| I7 | 813 | 9379 | 001 | Draver Grid Coil |
| I8 | 813 | 9380 | 001 | Driver Input Coupling Coil |
| L13 | 476 | 0014. | 000 | Reaotor, Bjass 6 Hy. |
| 1.34 | 476 | 0186 | 000 | Reactox. PoA. 2 Hy . |
| L2 25 | 476 | 0035 | 000 | Reactory Driver, 10 Hy . |
| ML | 632 | 0547 | 002 | Fultimetor, $0 \mathrm{~m} 300 \mathrm{NA}, 0 \mathrm{~m} 10 \mathrm{~V}$ and 0.100 seate |
| M2) | 632 | 0610 | 002 | Metere Plate Curront, $0=3$ Amp. |
| M3 | 632 | 0546 | 002 | Elate Polbage reter, 0 m 5 KV Soele |
| M 4 | 632 | 0582 | 002 | Meber, PWR, VSWR 0-200 VA . |
| R1, $\mathrm{R2} 2 \mathrm{B3}, \mathrm{R} 4$ | 540 | 0594. | 000 | Reas, 200 ohm, $2 \mathrm{~W}, 5 \%$ |
| R5, R1\% | 540 | 0058 | 000 | Sesp 2400 ohing $1 / 2 \mathrm{~W}$, $5 \%$ |
| R6, $29,1213,125$ | 550 | 0067 | 000 | Conbxohy 10 K ohm. |
| R7 | 540 | 0070 | 000 | Eeseg 7500 ohm, $1 / 2 \mathrm{~W}, \mathrm{St}$ |
| R8 | 550 | 0023 | 000 | Vshe controt, 20 K ohas 2 Ho |
| RI. 0 | 542 | 0204 | 000 | Resos 5 chat 50 W |
| R12,R28, R51 | 550 | 0061 | 000 | Control, 7 K ohm, 2 Ho |
| M1.2. | 540 | 0580 | 000 | Reses. 51 ohm, $2 \mathrm{~W}, 5 \%$ |
| R14 | 540 | 0746 | 000 | Ress 3300 obns $2 \mathrm{~W}, 10 \%$ |
| R25 | 540 | 0068 | 000 | Reses 6200 ohm, $1 / 2 \mathrm{~m}, 5 \%$ |
| R16 | 540 | 0073 | 000 | nenop 30 x cm, I/2 W, $5 \%$ |
| 21.3 | 550 | 0054 | 000 |  |
| R22, $\mathrm{PC3}, \mathrm{Br} 24$ | 542 | 0164 | 000 | Resey 7 oma, 25 W |
| 126 | 552 | 0807 | 000 | Oontrol, CO is olan, 50 W |
| R27 | 542 | 0095 | 000 | Eese 10 K ohm, 10 W |
| R29 | 550 | 0055 | 000 | OoTre Adjust Control, 100 om, 2 W |
| 830 | 542 | 0058 | 000 | Rese, 50 ohn, 20 Mo |
| R31 | 542 | 0166 | 000 | Reas 5 olen, 25 W |
| 832 | 548 | 0167 | 000 | Refiv 0 16 okmp 2 W, If |
| P33 | 552 | 0380 | 000 | Foha fil, Ajuab mhoostat. 10 oinn 100 W |
| 1399 | 552 | 0324 | 000 | Biss mincostat, 5 K ohm, 25 W . |
| E4.0 | 540 | 0579 | 000 | Rese: $47 \mathrm{obm}, 2 \mathrm{~W}$ |
| R47 | 542 | 0278 | 000 | Resos 4 K ohm, 50 W |
| P45 | 542 | 0224 | 000 | Resos 10 K ohm, 50 W |
| R46 | 552 | 0423 | 000 | Sorech mbeoetet; 1.0 K ohat 150 Wm |


| Symbol No. | Gates Paxt No. | Description |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| R47 | 5420370000 | Res., 15 K ohm, 200 W |
| R48 | 9133424001 | Meter Multiplier, 5 megomm |
| R49, R 50 | 5420312000 | Res. 100 K ohm, 100 W |
| R52 | 5400628000 | Res. 5100 ohin, 2 \% $5 \%$ |
| R53 | 5400301000 | Resos 51 ohny 1 W, $5 \%$ |
| R60,R61,R62. | 5420090000 | Resog 7000 onms 10 Wo |
| R63, R64 | 5420309000 | Fesog 50 K ohm, 100 W. |
| R65 | 5420327000 | Rese, 2000 ohm, 160 W |
| Sl | 6000162000 | VSWR/CAL, Rotary Switch |
| S2, 88 | 6040196000 | Door Interlock Switch |
| S3 | 6040284000 | Fil. Onm Pushbutton Switch NeCe |
| S4 | 6040283000 | Fil. ON Pushbutton Svitch N.O. |
| \$5 | 6040286000 | HV OEF Push Switoh, H .0. |
| (56) | 6040285000 | HV ON Push Swtech, $\mathrm{N}, \mathrm{O}$ |
| S7 | 6040032000 | Remote Tocal Toggle Switoh DPMa |
| S9 | 6040258000 | Air Svitch, 3 to $\mathrm{l}^{14} \mathrm{WeC}$. |
| 510 | 6020055000 | Fultimeter Selector Switoh, 2 pole. 3 Pos. |
| S11 | 6020056000 | Bias Low/High Voltage Iever Sustoh. 2 pole |
| S12, S15 | 6040052000 | Low/Jigh Voltage Limit Switoh |
| 21 | 4720409000 |  |
| T2 | 4720090000 | Driver fild transiormex |
| T3 | 4720208000 | PoAn Bias Transfornem |
| T4 | 4720535000 | HV Pwr Txamsformex |
| TB1 | 614.0059000 | Parminal Boerd, 2 temninal. |
| S 13 | 6140073.000 | Bias Supply texminal Board, t texminet |
| TB4 | $61 / 50052000$ | Fotor Control Terminal Board, 8 temital |
| TB5 | 6140114000 | Tarminal Eoard, 6 terminal. |
| T136 | 61.401 .04000 | Ratit Cth Texainal Board |
| VI | 3740016000 | ToA. Tube, $40 \times 5000 \mathrm{~A}$ |
| V2 | 3740087000 | Dritven Tubes 40X250B |
| XCH 2 | 4040016000 | Socket, Octal |
|  | 4020015000 | Fuse Block. 3 pole |
| (XF') 445 ) | 4020037000 | Tuse Rlock: 3 pote |
| XP7. | 4020021000 | Fuseholdor |
| XH | 4040069000 | Pat Prae socket |
| XV2 | 404.0082000 | Drivex Tube Soeket |
| 21. 7 Him 26 | 3840235000 | Reoticior, 30 LV . |
| 27 | 3840121000 | Bias Supriy Rectifiem |

Gates Radio Company is supplying a 3 aB isolation pad, ATl (992-2241-001) with the TE-1 FN Exciter. This should be installed between the RF output of the exciter and the input of following amplifier stages.

The TH-1 exciter is capable of supplying RF drive in excess of the amount needed for most transmitters. The pad provides additional isolation and de-coupling between the excitex and following amplifier stages.

When the TP-1 exciter is supplied in a Gates transmitter, the pad is already installed. If the exciter is supplied alone, the pad can be installed at any convenient point in the transmission line between the exciter output and following amplifier stage. Coaxial RE fittings are mounted on the pad for ease of installation.

## PABTS. LIST

ATI Isolation Pad, $3 \mathrm{~dB}-992-2241001$

Symbol No.

R35,R36
R37,R38,
R39, R40

Gates Stock No.
Deseription
6120233000
6120237000
5400598000
5400584000

Receptacle, Type "N"
Receptacle, Type "BNC"
Res., 300 ohm, 2 W.
Res., 75 ohm, 2 W.
INSTRUCTION MANUAL
FOR
M-6425 FM EXCITER
AS USED WITH
M-6533 STEREO GENERATOR AND
M-6507 SCA GENERATOR (S)

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## SPECIFICATIONS <br> 11-6425 EXCITER AS USED WITH <br> $11-6507$ SCA AND M-6533 STEREO GENERATOR

- MECHANICAL:

| Width: | $19 "$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| Height: | $14 "$ |
| Depth: | $12-1 / 4 "$ |
| Weight: |  |
| (Uncrated) | 52 lbs. (monaural only). |
|  | 3 lbs. (SCA generator). |
|  | 6 lbs. (sterco generator) |

Finish: Beige
Semiconductors used throughout.
All sections of exciter shipped in proper position ready to use. Remote Control Facilities Included: (see explanation on page 3 ).

ELECTRICAL: (Monaural Operation).
Frequency Range: $\quad 88$ to 108 MHz .
Power Output: $\quad 10$ Watts (min.).
RF Harmonics: Suppression meets or exceeds all FCC requirements.
RF Output Impedance: Oscillator: 50 ohms (BNC connector). AFC controlled.
Frequency Stability: $.001 \%$ or better.
Modulation Capability:
Capable of $\pm 100 \mathrm{kHz}( \pm 75$
$\mathrm{kHz}=100 \%$ modulation).
Audio Input
Impedance: $\quad 600$ ohms balanced.
Audio Input Level:
$+10 \mathrm{dBm} \pm 2 \mathrm{~dB}$ for $100 \%$ modulation at 400 Hz .
Audio Frequency
Response:

Distortion:
FM Noise:
AM .Noise:
Temperature:
Altitude:
Power Requirenents:

Standard 75 microsecond FCC pre-emphasis curve $\pm 1 \mathrm{~dB}, 30-15,000 \mathrm{~Hz}$. $.5 \%, 30$ to $15,000 \mathrm{~Hz}$. 65 dB below $100 \%$ modulation (ref. 400 Hz ). 70 db below reference carrier A.M modulated $100 \%$
$-20^{\circ}$ to $+50^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$.
$7,500 \mathrm{ft}$.
117 VAC , single phase, $60 \mathrm{~Hz}, 85$ watts.

EIEC(TRICAL: (Stereophonic Operation).

| Pilot Oscillator: | Crystal controlled. |
| :---: | :---: |
| Pilot Stability:Audio Input |  |
|  |  |
| Impedance (lft \& rgt): | 600 ohms balance |
| Audio Input Level |  |
| (lft \& rgt): | $+10 \mathrm{dBm} \pm 1 \mathrm{~dB}$ for $100^{\circ}$ |
|  | modulation at 400 Hz . |
| Audio Frequency |  |
| Resp. (lft \& rgt): | Standard 75 microsecond, FCC pre-emphases curve |
|  | FCC pre-emphases curve <br> $+1 \mathrm{~dB}, 30-15,000 \mathrm{~Hz}$ |
| Distortion (lft or rgt): | $1{ }^{1 \%} \%$ or less, $30-15.000 \mathrm{~Hz}$. |
| FM Noise (lft or rgt): | $60 \mathrm{~dB}(\mathrm{~min})$ below $100^{\circ}$ |
|  | Stereo Separation (lft to rgt or rgt to lft |  |
|  |  |  |
|  |  |  |

Distortion:
FM Noise (nain chamel
not modulated): $\quad 55 \mathrm{~dB}$ min. (raf. $100 \%$ modu-
Crosstalk (sub-channel to main channel and stereophonic sub-channel):
**Crosstalk (main channel to sub-channel):

ELECTRICAL:
Frequency:
Frequency Stability:
Oscillator Type:

Modulation:
Modulation Capability:

Audio Input
Impedance:
Audio Input Level:
Audio Frequency
Response:
(SCA Operation).
Any SCA chamel between 25 and 75 kHz .
$\pm 500 \mathrm{~Hz}$.
Two Colpitts heterodyned to produce desired output frequency.
Direct FM.
Capable of $\pm 7.5 \mathrm{kHz}$ ( $\pm 5$ kHz considered $100 \%$. modulation).

600 ohms balanced. $+8 \mathrm{dBm}, \pm 3 \mathrm{~dB}$ for $100 \%$ modulation at 400 Hz .

41 kHz and $67 \mathrm{kHz}, 50$ microsecond, modified preemphasis. 67 kIIz response modified for proper operation when used with stereo to conform to FCC specs. $1.5 \%$ (or better) $30-15,000 \mathrm{~Hz}$. lation 400 Hz .
-60 db or better.
50 db below $100^{\circ}{ }^{\prime \prime}$ modula-
$42 \mathrm{~dB}(\mathrm{~min})$ below $90^{\circ} \mathrm{c}$ modulation, $30-15,000 \mathrm{~Hz}$.

60 dB or better below $100 \%$ modulation. 24 V DC at 50 ma . ( 1.2 watts).

NOTE: Stereophonic measurements to be made from an FCC approved monitor or an equally dependable method used such as waveform measurements from a wideband, Iinear discriminator. A spectrum analyzer may be used in conjunction with a wideband discriminator to ineasure crosstalk and distortion.

| channel): | 42 dB (min) below $90^{\circ \prime}:$ modulation $30-15,000 \mathrm{~Hz}$ |
| :---: | :---: |
| Sub-Carrier 2nd Harmonic Suppression |  |
| (76 kHz) : | 60 dB or better below $100{ }^{\%} \%$ modulation. |
| Power Input: | 24 V DC at 50 ma . (1.2 watts) | tion (ref. 400 Hz ) with main channel modulated $70 \%$ by frequencies $30-15,000 \mathrm{~Hz}$.

*measurement to be made using an $L=R$ signal for sub-channel crosstalk and an $L=-R$ signal for main chamel crosstalk.

[^1]If FCC model not available, an equally dependable method or instrument to be used.
Power Input:
24 V DC at 40 ma . (. 96 watt).
Variable from 0 to -40 dB below $100 \%$ modulation. Remote Control: Exciter is internally equipped to manually or remotely switch from monaural to stereo operation. On monaural operation, normal right audio input connections are switched to the 41 kIz SCA position, if used. Remote functions are accomplished by a single set of external relay contacts (closure required for stereo operation. External relay should provide a holding function.)

## EQUIPMENT DESCRIPTION

The M -6425 exciter unit is completely self-contained. Attach it to the 117 V . AC line, connect audio input wires, and you have a complete 10 Watt FM Transmitter.

These same features are also very desirable in building up power level to the kilowatt(s) level. The exciter easily connects into the control circuitry of high power transmitters.

Silicon transistors and diodes are used throughout all circuitry, (oxception Q7 and CRI, CR2 in the SCA unit only). These are greatly superior to the older germanium types because they are less sensitive to heat. Considerable transistorized equipment placed in service 15 years ago, is still running. It is felt that silicon dovices will greatly increase life expectancy of transistorized equipment. This exciter is air cooled and after several hours of operation, it is difficult to detect any heat whatsoever on any part of the exciter enclosure.

## INSPECTION

All portions of the exciter are shipped in place and ready to turn on. When the unit is received, immediately inspect it for damage that may have occurred in transit. Look for loose screws and tighten them. If real damage, either concealed or obvious is determined, immediately call the transportation company that delivered the material to you and go over the damages with them. They will either note the shipping waybill which you have or give you a damage repori, indicating that you may proceed with repairs. Order the necessary parts from Gates. Gates will bill these parts to you, and you in turn can bill the parts to the transportation company under the damage claim.

Remember most transportation companies like to tell you that the equipment was damaged beyond their control. All Gates equipment is shipped in approved packing containers and you are not obliged to pay for anything broken in transit, but the transportation company is.

## INSTALLATION

You will receive this equipment on one oif two ways: Already mounted in a high power transmitter, or as a separate unit which may be mounted separately in a rack cabinet or as a replacement in a transmitter for an older type of ex-
citer. If the unit is already in a transmitter, intcrconnections to the exciter have already been made. If you receive the unit separateiy, rofer to interconnecting diagram 8882064001 for proper connection to the unit. Be sure the audio input wires are shielded. Connect 50 ohm coax from J1 (RF output) on the rear of the exciter enclosure to whatever type load is to be used.

Do not physically mount the unit in a place of excessive heat or dirt. While this will probably not really damage it, you wouldn't lay a precision watch on the top of a hot and dirty amplifier.

## OPERATION

Capabilities of this equipment are far in excess of minimum FCC specifications. In addition, each exciter unit is tested on customer frequency. This insures that the unit was operating properly when it left the Gates plant. Unless the unit has been shaken up considerably in transit you should be operational by merely applying 117 volts to the proper terminals as shown on the interconnecting diagram.

Output of the exciter should be connected into either a dummy load, antenna, or a following amplifier stage. After connecting $117 \mathrm{~V} . \mathrm{AC}$ to proper terminals on the exciter, power switch located on the power supply may be turned on. Observe the output frequency on a standard FM frequency monitor or by using a frequency counter. Make sure that the AFC ON-OFF switch (S1) is in the ON position.

CAUTION - Do not attempt to fine adjust the output frequency unless the oven heaters have been on for approximately 30 minutes. The overall exciter unit should be on for at least ten minutes bofore attempting to fine adjust the fine or center frequency control.

If the exciter has been tumed on for the prescribed length of time the center frequency may be adjusted by conter frequency adjust controi R59. This should be done with no modulation applied.

Setting to obtain the proper output frequency should correspond very closely to the figure recorded by the Gates test iab when the unit was tested on customer frequency.

Output frequency should stay well within FCC specifications over long periods of time without any readjustment.

Reset drive control (R11) on the 10 watt amplifier section for the desired output level if this is necessary. A large change in this setting may affect the center frequency setting.

Apply sine wave signals to the audio input terminals for initial observation of programming if so desired. Set the proper audio input levels by observing modulation per. centage on a standard FCC approved monitor. Proof of performance data using sine wave signals may then be made by proper connections of a distortion analyzer to the FM monitor.

The unit is now ready to be used as an FM transmitter or as a driver for higher power stages. Fidelity may be checked on any high quality FM receiver by listening checks.

## SCA OPERATION

Each exciter unit has provisions for two SCA units (M-6507). The exciter may come equipped with them or these may be added at a later date without changing any cabling or wiring whatsoever. Normally the SCA generators will be on either 41 or 67 kHz . The units should be placed in the slots shown on the interconnecting diagram 8382064001 . Audio input terminals on the rear of the exciter unit will then correspond to the proper SCA unit.

With no main channel modulation on the carrier turn on the SCA time constant switch (S1) to the defeat (D) position. This will turn the SCA generator ON. Set the output level of the SCA generator (R30) to modulate the main carrier as desired. Usually 10 to $15 \%$ modulation of the main carrier is sufficient. Do not exceed $30 \%$ modulation of the main carrier by the SCA generators. This figure is the total of all SCA generators that may be employed.

Check frequency of the SCA on FCC approved monitor or by a frequency standard. If frequency needs to be re-adjusted retune L3 or L4 slightly with non-metallic tool provided. Use narrow screwdriver blade. SCA unit must be removed from cabinet to do this. SCA unit may be recomnected to proper cable plug while setting outside of cabinet.

Program the SCA generator to the proper level as read on a multiplex monitor. Set the mute switch to the desired time constant. This determines how soon after the programming stops that the sub-carrier will turn off.

Set the mute level control (R32) to the muting or quieting level as desired. This will generally be at a level approximately 30 dB below the normal $100 \%$ modulation point.

## STEREO OPERATION

This exciter has provisions for using an M-6533 composite stereo generator. This may be received with the generator mounted in position or added at a later date without changing any cabling or wiring whatsoever.

The stereo generator may be used in conjunction with either one or two SCA generators. Automatic switching is provided that allows the normal right sterco program to be changed to the second SCA generator when not in a stereo transmission mode.

A total of 16 variable adjustments are provided on the stereo generator. Eleven of these are located internally on the printed wiring board. These twelve adjustments are considered to be one time factory adjustments requiring special equipment. They should not be re-adjusted except in cases of severe trouble. Contact the Gates Scrvice Department first.

Four controls are provided on the front panel of the stereo generator. Pilot gain, pilot phase, output level and $L+R$ gain. Those adjustments located internally on the printed wiring board have a double underline underneath the description of control on the stereo generator schematic. Front Panel adiustments have a box drawn around them on the schematic.

In addition, a pilot defeat switch is provided on the front panel of the stereo generator for test purposes only. This must be placed in the "composite" position for normal programming.

Adjustments located on the front panel of the stereo generator will rarely, if ever, need adjusting. Adjustment should generally not be attempted unless an FCC type approved stereo monitor is available.

All of these controls were properly adjusted at the factory and do not normally drift. Set pilot gain control for 8 to $10 \%$ modulation of main carrier with no audio input applied and without any SCA modulation of main carrier.

Sel output level so normal programming modulates main channei at prescribed level, $90 \%$ ( $+10 \%$ pilot) or if a 67 kHz SCA is being transmitted, $80 \%(+10 \%$ pilot $+10 \%$ SCA). These are maximum figures allowed.

Set $L+R$ gain control for equal $L+R$ and $L-R$ amplitude. This may be done by observing the output of the generator. The zero axis of the composite signal should have a straight line dividing the upper and lower half.

Set pilot phase control for best separation as read on stereo monitoring equipment. If none is available, connect an $L=-R$ signal to the audio inputs on rear of exciter. Set the signal generator to about 50 Hz and observe waveform on an oscilloscope connected to stereo generator output. Set pilot phase so that the corners of the "eyes" of the pattern are pointing directly at one another.

A "mono", "stereo", "remote" switch located on the audio unit picks the mode of transmission. The right stereo audio input connections are swilched to the 41 kHz SCA input when not in the stereo mode. The stereo generator is then completely removed from the circuit.

Remote control equipment may be connected to appropriate terminals on back of the exciter enclosure and the stereo-mono functions performed remotely.

## MAINTENANCE

General maintenance should consist of merely keeping excessive dust out of the exciter unit. This applies particularly to the perforated metal screen over the exhaust fan. Make certain that this does not become clogged with dust and dirt.

It is not deemed necessary or advisable to remove covers from individual modules to clean them. They are well shielded and protected.

Exhaust fan (B1) should be lubricated annually. This may be done by removing plug button on ventilation screen.

## TROUBLESHOOTING

Since each individual unit is checked on customer frequency before shipment, the exciter should operate properly with a minimum amount of effort. If unit fails to operate properly, re-check to see that all plugs fit tightly into the receptacles on each individual module.

The fincst of oquipment will, of course, occasionally fail as there is no such thing as $100 \%$ infallibility,

If problems develop they can usually be isolated by referring to the appropriate block diagrams. Once the problem has been isolated to an individual module. That module may be checked by referring to the appropriate schematic for that particular module. Each schematic has a series of voltage or waveform measurements made on it to assist in troubleshooting.

A word of caution though, the voltage and waveform measurements are subject to some normal variation. Also, if different types of instruments are used to measure the voltages and waveforms a slightly different reading can be expected.

Complete circuit description and adjustment procedure has been included in this manual to assist in troubleshooting. A complete tune-up should not be attempted unless proper test equipment is available.

A "Cause-and-Effect" table is included in pages following to speed up the isolation of problems.

## NO CARRIER OUTPUT

Check that power supply is providing 24 Volts DC. If pilot lamp of power supply does not light check that S1 on power supply is "ON". Check that 117 V AC is supplied to proper terminals on rear of exciter. Check 117 $V$ fuse, $F 3$, on power supply. Check F1 of cabinet intercabling. This is located on shield box behind power supply. (Refer to interconnecting diagram).

If pilut lamp on power supply lights, check 24 V . and 150 V. fuse.

If power supply is providing proper voltages, check output coax of exciter for short or open circuit.
Determine if modulated oscillator is providing output by listening to FM receiver tuned to operating frequency. Measure output level of modulated oscillator if equipment is available. This should be on the order of .5 to 1 V. RMS open circuit.

If modulated oscillator is providing power output to the 10 watt amplifier, trace the RF signal through the amplifier stages and compare AC and DC voltages with those values given on the schematic.

## CARRIER OFF FREQUENCY

Check "locked" and "unlocked" frequency. If frequency is further away from the correct value when AFC defeat switch is on than off, fault probably lies in AFC unit. Check if fine frequency control knob has been misadjusted. Check power supply voltages.
Check that modulated oscillator oven is warm and if
crystal over of AFC unit is warm. If only the crystal
oven becomes cold, total drift will only amount to a few
kHz and is easily compensated for by re-adiustment of
the fine frequency control. Loss of heat on the modu-
lated oscillator circuit will cause a considerable drift
of frequency. If the cause of loss of heat can not be
immediately determined, modulated oscillator may be
retumed to carrier frequency and operated temporarily without an oven heater. Center frequency drift must then be observed more often and the problem should be solved swiftly.

Some types of frequency monitors will provide a nearly "on frequency" reading even though the carrier is actually several hundred kHz off frequency. The right frequency is the one where the AFC unit locks instead of kicking the frequency monitor off scale. In particular, care should be taken not to tune the modulated oscillator very far below the correct frequency or the AFC unit may lock the carrier to its image frequency which is 400 kHz below the proper frequency.

## EXCESSIVE CARRIER SHIFT WHEN MODULATION IS APPLIED

This problem is usually caused by a defect in the AFC unit but is generally of a minor nature if the carrier stays on frequency without modulation. Check that a sufficient amount of RF sample is being fed to the input of the AFC unit. A few hundred Hz of drift is really not objectionable and may be considered normal. Also, some frequency monitors will show a carrier shift when none is present.

## HIGH DISTORTION

Most apt to occur in the consoles or audio lines connected to the exciter. No active elements such as transistors are present in the exciter at audio frequencies. Unless there are other symptoms of improper operation, the fault, will usually be somewhere else than the excitor itself.

## HIGH NOISE

Attempt to identify noise as to type. If 120 Hz ripple, check power supply. If 60 Hz , momentarily disconnect power from oven heaters to see if it is coming from that source. Disconnect audio input wires. If noise is coming from that source, see that center tap of audio output transformer of audio console is not grounded. Check for problems with any type of isolation devices that may be present in a remote controlled system.

Disconnect plug from audio unit and any SCA generators that are used. This should isolate problem as to whether it is in the modulated oscillator or not.

## EXCESSIVE CROSSTALK - MAIN \& STEREO CHANNEL TO SCA CHANNEL

This most often is the fault of the detector and IF strip of the SCA monitor or SCA receiver. Determine if high crosstalk is present on more than one receiver. Check that crosstalk is not actually present on audio input wires.

Crosstalk may occur in improperly tuned states of either transmitter or receiver. The tuned stages of the exciter amplifier are very broad and not apt to cause trouble.

## POOR STEREO SEPARATION

Check for proper waveform appearance at output of stereo generator and at output of monitor or receiver detector. Check if pilot is on and is modulating main carrier 8 to $10 \%$. Check pilot phase.

## COMPLETE CIRCUIT DESCRIPTION AND ADJUSTMENT FOR EACH MODULE

(Refer to block diagram and appropriate schematic).

## POWER SUPPLY

The power supply consists of a two section unit which supplies a regulated 24 DC volts and a regulated 150 DC volts. Both sections of this supply receive AC voltage from a common power transformer. With regard to the 150 volt supply, diodes CR 1 through CR4 rectify the AC voltage and the pulsating DC voltage is then applied to a filter section consisting of $\mathrm{C} 1, \mathrm{C} 2, \mathrm{R} 1$ and R 2 .

Q1 is the series regulator for this supply. A portion of the output of Q1 is sampled by reference diodes CR5 and CR13 which are temperature compensated. Transistor Q3 compares the output voltage with that supplied by reference diodes CR5 and CR13 and adjusts the gain of Q1 by means of amplifier Q2 so that the output voltage remains at a constant value as determined by voltage control R4.

With respect to the 24 volt supply, diodes CR6 through CR9 rectify the AC voltage supplied by transformer Tl. This rectified voltage is applicd to filter section $\mathrm{C} 3, \mathrm{C} 4$ and $\mathrm{R} 7 . \mathrm{Q} 4$ is the series control transistor that actually regulates the 24 volt supply. A sample of the output voltage is compared in Q7 with a reference voltage supplied by temperature compensated diodes CR10 and CR11.

Any change in the output voltage is amplified by Q 6 and Q5 which then causes series control Q4 to return the output voltage to the value set by control R 11 .

The output voltages will remain relatively constant over a temperature range of from -20 to $+70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. The output voltages will also remain constant as the line voltage is varied from 85 to $115 \%$ of normal 117 volt AC supply. Normal load variations will also cause no voltage change in these supplies.

For a normal AC input voltage of 110 to 125 volts, the AC input should be connected to the black and the green/blk primary leads of T1. If normal AC line voltage is very low, say 105 volts or less, the black and the white/blk primary leads of T1 should be used. If normal AC line voltage is 125 volts or more, use the black and the white primary leads.

An AC line voltage change of from 85 to $115 \%$ of normal should cause a change of no more than .05 volts on the 24 volt section. The 150 volt section should change no more than .5 volts with this same line voltage change.

Normal adjustment of this power supply is to set R4 for an output voltage of 150 volts and R11 for an output voltage of 24 volts. Power supply is then checked to see that line voltage variations or load variations do not cause a voltage variation beyond normal limits.

## MODULATED OSCTLLATOR

Carrier frequency of exciter unit is generated by an emitter coupled oscillator circuit. This consists of transistors Q1 and Q2 in the modulated oscillator unit. This
circuit will oscillate anywhere in the standard FM broadcast band by adjustment of tuned transformer T 1 .

Transistor Q3 isolates the oscillator circuit proper from any output variations occurring in the load that may be connected to J 13 .

Normal monaural modulation or signals from a composite stereo generator will modulate the oscillator circuit when connected to pin 2 of J 10 . Modulation is accomplished by varying base bias voltages of transistors Q1 and Q2.

Frequency drift of the modulated oscillator is controlled to well within FCC specifications by first placing the entire circuit in a chamber held at a temperature of $70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. Secondly, any drift from assigned frequency is corrected by error voltages from an automatic frequency control unit. These error signals are applied to diodes CR1 and CR2 in such a manner that they return the output frequency of the modulated oscillator to the correct frequency. CR1 and CR2 are silicon diodes biased in the reverse direction. As such, they appear as voltage variable capacitors and are directly connected into the tuned tank circuit of Q1 and Q2.

If SCA modulation is being used, it is applied to the opposite side of the voltage variable capacitors CR1 and CR2 in such a manner that it does not interfere with the frequency control characteristics or with audio or stereo modulation being applied to Q1 and Q2. By isolating the three modulation inputs as explained above, crosstalk is held to a minimum.

Power output at J 13 of the modulated oscillator circuit is on the order of 15 to 20 milliwatts.

Normal adjustment of the modul ated oscillator is to set it exactly on frequency with the oven warmed up and AFC defeat switch on AFC unit off. AFC defeat switch is then turned on. T1 is the only variable adjustment of the modulated oscillator and when "freerunning" will tune the modulated oscillator from 88 to 108 MHz . $5 E E$ PAEE /3A

Normal "pull in" range of the AFC /modulated oscillator combination is about 1 kHz for every 50 to 75 kHz drift of the modulated oscillator. In other words, assume that both the "free-running" and "locked" frequency are exactly the same and no deviation from correct center frequency exists. If the "free-running" frequency of the modulated oscillator ch.nnges 50 to 75 kHz , the AFC control should return the locked frequency to within about 1 kHz .

Normal pull in is somewhat better when the modulated oscillator has drifted below normal center frequency.

## 10 WATT AMPLIFIER

The 10 watt amplifier consists of a four stage amplifier. Transistors Q1, Q2 and Q3 are single stage amplifiers while Q4 and Q5 are paralleled to obtain the desired output level.

Maximum power output of this amplifier is 10 to 15 watts. Actual power output is determined by the setting of R11 an input drive control.

Transformers TI, T2 along with associated capacitor C4 and C7 match the output impedance of these stages to the input impedance of the following stages which is very low. Inductor L1, L2 and capacitor C14 and C15 match the output impedance of Q3 to the low impedance of transistors Q4 and Q5.

The output circuit of Q4 and Q5 is a modified Pi type of circuit consisting of L5, L6 and C19 and C20.

An RF' sample for the AFC unit is obtained from JI2 through capacitor C22 which sets the level of the desired RF sample. This sample appears at J4 on the 10 Watt amp.

Normal adjustment of the 10 watt amplifier is to tune all adjustments for maximum power output. R11 the drive control is then set for the desired power output. ExMcT / C22 is adjusted for 4 volts RMS across a 50 ohm load (located in AFC unit). This should be done with the amplifier supplying the desired power output. If the power output of the amplifier is substantially changed, C22 must be re-adjusted.

## AFC UNIT

Output frequency of the exciter is maintained exactly on frequency by the AFC unit. A sample of the RF output is fed into J9 of the AFC unit and compared to another RF sample 200 kHz lower in frequency.

An internal RF sample is generated by a crystal controlled oscillator Q1 operating at approximately $1 / 3$ the output frequency. Crystal Y1 is mounted in a $70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. oven for maximum stability. Q2 triples the oscillator frequency so that the RF sample obtained from L2 is 200 kHz below the operating frequency.

These two RF samples are then mixed by diodes CR1 and CR2. Low pass filter L5 and C14 and C15 filters out all but the difference of the two RF samples. Transistors Q3, Q4 and Q 5 successively clip and amplify the 200 kHz signal applied to the base of Q3. This signal is further limited by transistor circuitry Q6 and Q7.

Width of the pulses obtained from limiter circuit Q6 and Q7 will vary as the 200 kHz intermediate frequency drifts upward and downward. It is the purpose of the gate circuit Q8 and Q9 to limit the width of these pulses to a pre-determined value regardless of the frequency.

The AC-DC converter circuit Q10 obtains its operating voltage from an isolated 150 volt regulated supply. Neither output terminal of the 150 volt supply is at chassis ground potential. As the duty cycle (conduction time) of Q10 is varied the average voltage appearing at the collector of Q10 will vary accoxdingly. This transistor is driven into conduction and saturation by the constant width pulses applied to the base of Q10 from the gate circuit. The duty cycle of Q10 is thus solely determined by the number of pulses arriving at the base of Q10. The number of pulses per second is, of course, determined by the intermediate frequency as one pulse is generated for every complete cycle of the intermediate frequency.

A reference point for the error voltage is set with respect to chassis ground by center frequency adjust control R59. The filtered DC error voltage appears at terminal 4 of J8 after being filtered by resistor R54, and capacitor C38. This DC error voltage will be exactly zero when the intermediate frequency is 200 kHz .

When the output frequency of the exciter drifts upward, the intermediate frequency will drift upward and change the duty cycle of Q10 so that a positive DC error voltage is obtained for application to the voltage variable capacitors in the modulated oscillator circuit. This error voltage causes the capacity of these diodes to increase thereby lowering the output frequency to its assigned value.

If the output frequency of the exciter attempts to drift lower in frequency the opposite action occurs.

The purpose of CR13 is to prevent a positive error voltage of over approximately 1 volt from appearing at the AFC output terminal J8 terminal 4. If this were not done a sudden positive surge such as when the exciter is initially turned on, would cause the modulated oscillator circuit to seek its image frequency because of the sudden application of a positive voltage.

Adjustment of the AFC unit consists of tuning $L 1$ to the crystal frequency. L2 is adjusted to three times the crystal frequency. Approximately 4 VRMS is then sampled from the output of the exciter at $J 9$ and mixed with the internally generated standard frequency to produce a 200 kHz IF frequency.

R59 is finally set in comparison with a frequency standard so that the output frequency of the exciter is correct.

R62 is sometimes varied in value to compensate for an average shift of carrier frequency when modulation is applied.

## AUDIO UNIT

The audio unit supplies the modulated oscillator with all main channel modulation (excluding SCA). When the function switch is in the "mono" position, left audio input is filtered and pre-emphasized and applied directly to the modulated oscillator unit. The composite stereo signal including the pilot is completely removed from the modulation input of the modulated oscill ator.

If the function switch is in the "stereo" position, left and right audio inputs are filtered, pre-emphasized and applied to a resistive matrix. They then connect to the stereo generator. The composite stereo signal including pilot returns through the audio unit for application to the modulation input of the modulated oscillator.

Left audio input circuitry consists of three fundamental types of circuits. First, is a 1.9 kHz notch filter consisting of L 1 and Cl .

Resistors R1 through R5 and capacitors C2, C3, C4 along with inductor $L 2$ is a 75 microsecond pre-emphasis section.
The primary and secondary impedance of T 1 is 600 ohms.

Right audio input circuitry is exactly indential to left audio input circuitry.

When selector switch S1 is in the stereo position, output of the left pre-emphasis section is connected to the primary of T1. The secondary of T1 connects into the matrix consisting of R13 through R18. At the same time, right audio input signals are routed through the right 19 kHz filter, pre-emphasis network and T2. The secondary of T 2 is also connected into the resistive matrix.

Output of the matrix then produces the $L-R$ and $L+R$ signals for application to the signal unit of the stereo generator. At the same time the composite signal along with the 19 kHz pilot is connected through the relay to the input terminals of the modulated oscillator. The 41 kHz SCA (if used) is muted when audio is not applied.

When S1 is placed in the mono position, audio input signals connected to the left audio input, again pass through a 19 kHz notch filter and the left pre-emphasis network. There the signal terminates in R11. R11 may be adjusted to produce the desired modulation level for a given level of audio input.

Also, with S 1 in the mono position the nomal right stereo input terminals are connected through relay contacts K 1 for application to the input of a 41 kHz subcarrier generator unit if it is used.

The stereo generator is completely bypassed when S1 is in the mono position and no stereo signals (or pilot) can modulate the main carrier.

When $S 1$ is in the remote position the mono to stereo functions may be performed by the contacts of a remote control relay. This relay must perform a holding function.

To adjust the audio unit, $S 1$ is placed in the mono position. A 400 Hz signal at a level of +10 dBm is connected to the left audio input. R11 is then adjusted so the carrier is modulated $100 \%$.

A "Left=Right" signal of 400 Hz is then connected into the left and right audio inputs and SI is placed in the stereo mode. R18 is then adjusted for minimum 400 Hz signal level at J11-10 (L-R out).

A "Left $=$ minus Right" signal of 400 Hz is then connected into the left and right audio inputs. With S1 in the stereo mode, R17 is adjusted for minimum 400 Hz signal level at J11-6 ( $\mathrm{L}+\mathrm{R}$ out).

A 19 kHz audio signal is fed into the exciter left audio input terminals and L1 is set for minimum output of 19 kHz signal at J11-6 (L+R out). The 19 kHz is then fed into the right audio input terminals and L3 is adjusted for minimum 19 kHz signal at J11-6 (L+R out).

L 2 and L4 are adjusted for a 16.8 dB rise in output level at 15 kHz as compared to a 400 Hz signal. This is also measured at d11-6 (L+R out).

Finally, coils L1 through L4 are retouched slightly for minimum $L+R$ to $L-R$ crosstalk at 15 kHz . This is accomplished by connecting $\mathrm{L}=\mathrm{R}$ and $\mathrm{L}=-\mathrm{R}$ signals into the exciter input terminals and measuring output levels at the $L-R$ and $L+R$ terminals of the matrix.

## SUB-CARRIER GENERATOR

This unit generates the desired sub-carrier frequencies (usually 41 or 67 kHz ) by utilizing two separate selfexcited oscillators operating in the vicinity of 900 to 975 kHz .

Q1 and Q2 are the individual oscillators and are of a type normally known as Colpitts oscillators. Q1 is set to oscillate at 900 kHz and Q 2 is set to oscillate -at 941 or 967 kHz .

- These two outputs are then mixed by diodes CR1 and CR2 and all but the difference frequency is filtered out by L5 and C13 and C14.

The sub-carrier frequency is then amplified by Q3 and applied to a tunable low pass filter consisting of L6, L7, L8 and C19, C20, C21 and C22. This filter removes all harmonics of the sub-carrier frequency.

Audio modulation is applied to the individual oscillators Q1 and Q2 by push-pull audio transformer T 1. The audio is modulated onto the oscillators by variation of base bias voltage.

An audio shaping network is connected ahead of the primary of Th. When connected as shown the audio response will rise up several dB at 5000 cycles with respect to 400 cycles reference. Above 5000 cycles the response will then tend to roll off.

When this generator is used as a 67 kHz sub-carrier unit for use with stereo capacitor C 1 and C 2 are disconnected. This then functions as a sort of de-em- . phasis circuit rolling off frequencies above 3000 cycles so that sidebands are not generated which would interfere with the stereo signal.

A portion of the audio input is applied to a muting circuit consisting of transistor Q4, Q5, Q6 and Q7. Transistors Q4 and Q5 amplify the input audio to practically a square wave. This is then rectified by diodes CR3 and CR4 for application to transistor Q6.

When audio is applied, the DC level at the base of Q6 is such that Q6 is not conductingl This holds the bias at the base of Q7 in such a manner that Q7 is also not conducting.

When audio is removed from the input, bias from the base of Q6 disappears causing Q6 to conduct. This changes the bias at the base of Q7 causing it to conduct heavily. When this happens, the impedance from the junction of C17 and C18 to chassis ground drops to a level on the order of a few ohms. This causes the sub-carrier output to be attenuated approximately 50 or 60 dB .

The base of Q6 is connected to various capacitors through mute time constant switch S1. The value of the capacitor connected determines how long after audio disappears from the input of Q4 that the sub-carrier will shut off.

Mute level control R32 determines what level the audio must drop to before the sub-carrier is turned off.

Adjustment of the SCA generator consists first of setting the output filter properly so that there are essentially no harmonics of the sub-carrier present in the output of the SCA generator.

L6 and L8 are adjusted for maximum attenuation at the second harmonic of the SCA frequency. L7 is adjusted so that minimum attenuation or ripple exists over the subcarrier passband. This passband is considered to be subcarrier f requency $\pm 15 \mathrm{kHz}$.

L3 is adjusted for an approximate output frequency of 900 kHz and L 4 is adjusted to approximately 900 kHz plus the sub-carrier frequency. This is generally 941 or 967 kHz . L3 or L4 is then "fine" tuned for the exact proper SCA frequency in comparison with a frequency standard. A non-metallic tool with narrow screwdriver type blade is necessary for this adjustment.

Output level control R30 is set to modulate the main carrier the required level.

Mute level control R32 is adjusted so the sub-carrier output turns off if the audio input signal disappears. Optimum setting is about 30 to 40 dB below $100 \%$ modulation of the sub-carrier. This is done by connecting an audio signal at 400 Hz to the proper SCA input terminals of the exciter and modulating the sub-carrier $100 \%$. The level of audio input is then reduced 30 or 40 dB and mute level is then adjusted so that the sub-carrier output disappears.

S1 the mute delay is adjusted to whatever muting speed is desired after audio disappears from the input.

## STEREO GENERATOR

A 19 kHz pilot signal for the composite stereo signal is generated by crystal controlled oscillator Q1. Q2 isolates this signal and from the rotor of R79 a 19 kHz signal is applied to 19 kHz tuned amplifier stage Q3. The secondary of T1 is connected to a push-push doubler circuit consisting of transistors Q4 and Q5.

This stage in conjunction with transformer T2 generates a very clean 38 kHz signal.
The 38 kHz signal is applied to the bal anced subcarrier modulator circuit consisting of transformers T3, T4 and diodes CRI through CR4.

An $L-R$ input signal from the audio unit is also applied to the balanced sub-carrier modulator.

An L-R double sideband suppressed carrier signal appears at the output of T4. Harmonics of this signal are reduced by forwarding biasing of diodes CR1 through CR4 and by adjustment of harmonic null control R37. Sub-carrier null control R48 balances out the residual 38 kHz sub-carrier to a level of approximately -45 dB .

The $L+R$ input signal coming from the audio unit is combined with the $I-R$ double sideband signal at the junction of C22, R53 and R60.

The time delay of the $\mathrm{L}+\mathrm{R}$ input is adjusted to agree with that experienced by the L-R circuitry. This is
accomplished by a time delay consisting of L3 through L 6 and capacitor C29 and C30.

Thus a composite stereo signal appears at the junction of C22, R53 and R60 and is applied to emitter follower circuit Q12 from the rotor of R53 which is the output level control.

This signal is then amplified in transistor Q13 and applied to the base of emitter follower circuit Q14. The total composite signal along with $10 \% 19 \mathrm{kHz}$ pilot signal appears at the emitter of Q14.

A pilot signal is obtained from terminal 4 of transformer T1 and is applied to emitter follower Q6. A phase control connected between Q6 and emitter follower Q7 allows adjustment of pilot phase for maximum separation. A pilot gain control is connected into the emitter of transistor Q7 and the pilot signal is added to the composite output by connecting the rotor of R27 to the emitter resistor of transistor Q14.

Second harmonics of the double sideband signal fall into the pass band of a normal 67 kHz SCA signal. If these second harmonic signals are not severely attenuated, crosstalk from the stereo signal will interfere or get into the sub-carrier channel.

Second harmonic signal is then amplified and inverted $180^{\circ}$ by transistor Q9, this is obtained from R53 via Q8.

From the collector of Q9 the signal is applied to emitter follower Q10 and then back into the base circuit of amplifier Q13.

Cancellation causes any remaining crosstalk at the base of Q13 to be removed. This can be set precisely by crosstalk null control R33.

Adiustment of the stereo generator consists of setting C2 so the pilot signal is within specifications. This must be done in comparison with a frequency standard.

T 1 and T 2 are tuned for maximum output. Doubler balance control R20 is adjusted for minimum 19 kHz ripple on the composite output signal without a pilot signal. R79 the 19 kHz gain control is set for the desired amount of 38 kHz level to drive the bal anced modulator properly. R65, $L-R$ gain control is adjusted for the desired level of audio to drive the balanced modulator circuit.

Harmonic null control R37 is adjusted for minimum second harmonic output from the balanced modulator with R33 (crosstalk null) turned for minimum output of second harmonic signal.

Sub-carrier null control R48 is adjusted for minimum 38 kHz output. This may be observed on a type approved stereo monitor, wave analyzer or ultrasonic display. Adjustment of harmonic null control R37 is also best accomplished by observing an ultrasonic display.
$\mathrm{L}+\mathrm{R}$ gain control is adjusted for correct gain relationship between the $L+R$ and $L-R$ portions of the composite stereo signal. L4 and L5 are adjusted for best phase relationship between the $L+R$ and $L-R$ portions. This is best accomplished at 15 kHz .

R53, output level control, is adjusted to modulate the main carrier $90 \%$ with a 400 Hz left or right audio input signal of +10 dBm . This level excludes the pilot.

L1 is tuned to the second harmonic of the 38 kHz
double sideband signal and R33 the crosstalk null
control is then turned up so it cancels out any remain-
ing 76 kHz component remaining at the output of the
stereo generator.
Pilot gain R27 is adjusted to modulate the main car-
Tier 10\%. Pilot phase R24 is adjusted for best separa-
tion as read on a stereo monitor provided ail other
aspects of the composite signal are proper. An alter-
nate method involves using an L=-R composite wave-
form and is described on page 8 .

## PARTS LIST

CABINET ASSEMBLY - 992-1773-001
Symbol No. Gates Part No. Description
B1 $\quad 4300030000$ Fan, $115 \mathrm{~V} ., \mathrm{AC}, 115 \mathrm{CFM}$

| C1 thru C20 | 5160319000 Cap., . 001 uF, 500 V. |
| :--- | :--- |
|  | Feedthru |
| F1 | 398002100 Fuse, $4 \mathrm{AA},. 250 \mathrm{~V}$. |
| F2 | 3980015000 |
| Fuse, $5 \mathrm{~A}, 250 \mathrm{~V}$. |  |
| J1 | 6120418000 Panel Jack, BNC, UG291/U |

L1 thru L6,
L7 thru L10 8144837001 Gates Assembly
${ }_{P} 3$, P4, P9, P13 6200379000 Plug, Female
P12
6100238000 Plug, BNC, UG88/U
P1, P2,
P5 thru P8,
P10, P11
TB1
TS1
XF1, XF2 6140148000 Tie Strip

4020024000 Fuseholder
POWER SUPPLY - 992-1726-001

| A1 | 3960163000 | Lamp, $3 \mathrm{~W}, 120 \mathrm{~V}$. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| C1, C2 | 5240125000 | Cap., 200 uF, 250 V . |
| C3, C4 | 5240104000 | Cap., 1000 uF, 50 V . |
| C5 | 5240094000 | Capl, $500 \mathrm{uF}, 50 \mathrm{~V}$. |
| C6, C7 | 5160043000 | Cap., $470 \mathrm{pF}, 1 \mathrm{kV}, 10 \%$ |
| C8, $\mathrm{C}, \mathrm{C10,C11}$, |  |  |
| C12, C13, C14 | 5160375000 | Cap., $01 \mathrm{uF}, 50 \mathrm{~V}$. |
| C15 | 5060085000 | Cap., 2 uF, 200 V. |

CR1, CR2,
CR3, CR4
CR5
CR6, CR7,
CR8, CR9

3840019000 Diode 1N2070 3860043000 Zener Diode, 1N2767

3840165000 Diode 1N4720

| Symbol No. | Gates Part No. | Description |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| CR10 | 3860047000 | Zener Diode IN3582 |
| CR11, CR13 | 3840134000 | Diode, 1N914 |
| CR12 | 3860034000 | Zener Diode, 1N3031B |
| F1 | 3980012000 | Fuse, 3/10 A, 250 V . |
| F2 | 3980021000 | Fuse, 4A., 250 V . |
| F3 | 3980019000 | Fuse, 2A, 250 V . |
| J1 | 6100419000 | Panel Connector |
| Q1, Q5 | 3800041000 | Transistor, 2N3054 |
| Q2 | 3800045000 | Transistor, 2N4036 |
| Q3 | 3800058000 | Transistor, 2N3440 |
| Q4 | 3800043000 | Transistor, 2N3055 |
| Q6 | 3800044000 | Transistor, 40319 |
| Q7 | 3800042000 | Transistor, 2N697 |
| R1 | 5400284000 | Res., 10 ohm, $1 \mathrm{~W}, 1 \%$ |
| R2 | 5400574000 | Res., $30 \mathrm{ohm}, 2 \mathrm{~W}, 5 \%$ |
| R3 | 5480189000 | Res., 2200 ohm, $3 \mathrm{~W}, 1 \%$ |
| R4, R11 | 5520775000 | Pot., 1000 ohm, $1 / 2 \mathrm{~W}$. |
| R5, R6 | 5480190000 | Res., 17.5K ohm, 3W, 1\% |
| R7 | 5420438000 | Res., 2 ohm, 25 W. |
| R8, R15 | 5480192000 | Res., 1000 ohm, 3W, $1 \%$ |
| R9 | 5400583000 | Res., $680 \mathrm{hm}, 2 \mathrm{~W}, 5 \%$ |
| R13 | 5400049000 | Res., $1000 \mathrm{ohm}, 1 / 2 \mathrm{~W}, 5 \%$ |
| R14 | 5480197000 | Res., 1600 ohm, $3 \mathrm{~W}, 1 \%$ |
| S1 | 6040005000 | Toggle Switch, SPST |
| T1 | 4720536000 | Power Transformer |
| XA1 | 4060367000 | Lamp Socket |
| $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{XQ2}, \mathrm{XQ3} \\ & \mathrm{XQ6}, \mathrm{XQ7} \end{aligned}$ | 4040198000 | Transipad for TO -5 Case |
| XF1, XF2, XF3 | 4020013000 | Fuseholder |
| 10 WATT | T AMPLIFIER | -992-1715-001 |
| $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{C} 1, \mathrm{C} 2, \mathrm{C} 3, \mathrm{C} 5, \\ & \mathrm{C}, \mathrm{C}, \mathrm{C} 10 \\ & \mathrm{C} 18, \mathrm{C} 21 \end{aligned}$ | 5160054000 | Cap., . $001 \mathrm{uF}, 1 \mathrm{kV}, 10 \%$ |
| $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{C} 4, \mathrm{C} 7, \\ & \mathrm{C} 14, \mathrm{C} 15 \end{aligned}$ | 5200116000 | Cap., Variable, 3.9-50 pF. |
| C8, C12, C 17 | 5160082000 | Cap., $01 \mathrm{uF}, 1 \mathrm{kV}$, GMV |
| C11 | 5060085000 | Cap., $2 \mathrm{uF}, 200 \mathrm{~V}$. |
| C13, C16 | 5000809000 | Cap., 22 pF, $500 \mathrm{~V}, 5 \%$ |
| C19 | 5000823000 | Cap., $82 \mathrm{pF}, 500 \mathrm{~V} ., 5 \%$ |
| C20 | 5000812000 | Cap., $30 \mathrm{pF}, 500 \mathrm{~V}, 5 \%$ |
| C22 | 5200341000 | Cap., Variable, $1.5-9.1 \mathrm{pF}$. |
| C23, C24 | 5160043000 | Cap., 470 pF, $1 \mathrm{kV}, 10 \%$ |
| J2 | 6100419000 | Panel Connector |
| J3, J4 | 6200355000 | Panel Receptacle |
| J12 | 6120403000 | Right Angle Receptacle UG1098/U |
| L1 | 8143242001 | Inductor |
| L2 | 9143243001 | Inductor |
| L3, L4 | 4940164000 | RF Choke, . 68 uH |
| L5, L6 | 8143244001 | Inductor |
| L7 | 8144837001 | Coil |



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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| C38 | 5060087000 | Cap., 1 uF, 200 V. | $\mathrm{n} 34$ | 5400587000 | Res., 100 ohm, 2 W, $5 \%$ |
| C40, C41 | 5060085000 | Cap., 2 uF, 200 WV. | R35, R36 | 5400053000 | Res., 1500 ohm, $1 / 2 \mathrm{~W}, 5 \%$ |
| C43, C44, C45, C46, C47, C48, C49, C50, C51 |  |  | R38, R47, R49 | 5400055000 | Res., 1600 ohm , $18 / 2 \mathrm{~W}, 5 \%$ |
|  |  |  | R39, R50 | 5400061000 | Res., 3300 ohm, $1 / 2 \mathrm{~W}, 5 \%$ |
|  | 5160319000 | Cap., Feedthru, 1000 pF , 500 V. | R40 | 5400059000 | Res., 2700 ohm, $1 / 2 \mathrm{~W}, 5 \%$ |
|  |  |  | R41, R44 | 5400052000 | Res., 1300 ohm, $1 / 2 \mathrm{~W}, 5 \%$ |
|  |  |  | R42 | 5400041000 | Res., 470 ohm, $1 / 2 \mathrm{~W}, 10 \%$ |
| C52, 053 | 5060088000 | Cap., 1 uF, 200 V . | R43 | 5400037000 | Res., 330 ohm, $1 / 2 \mathrm{~W}, 5 \%$ |
|  |  |  | R45,R46 | 5400048000 | Res., 910 ohm, $1 / 2 \mathrm{~W}, 5 \%$ |
| CR1, CR2 | 3840134000 | Diode, Silicon 1N914 | R48 | 5400064000 | Res., 4300 ohm, $1 / 2 \mathrm{~W}, 5 \%$ |
| CR3 | 3840134000 | Diode, Silicon 1N914 | R51 | 5400053000 | Res., 1500 ohm, $1 / 2 \mathrm{~W}, 5 \%$ |
| CR4 | 3860032000 | Diode, Zener 1N747A | R54 | 5400113000 5480195000 | Res., 470 K ohm, $1 / 2$ W, $5 \%$ Res, $2000 \mathrm{ohm}, 25 \mathrm{~W} 1 \%$ |
| CR5 | 3860046000 | Diode, 6082 | R57 | 5400646000 | Res., $30 \mathrm{Kohm} 2 \mathrm{~W},, 5 \%$ |
| CR6, CR7, CR8, CR9, CR12 |  | Diode, Silicon 1N914 | R58 | 5400655000 | Res., 68K ohm, 2W, $5 \%$ |
|  | 3840134000 |  | R59 | 5520781000 | Pot., 20K ohm, 1-1/2 W, Clock Face |
| CR10, CR11 | 3860045000 | de, | R60 | 5400635000 | Res., 10K ohm, $2 \mathrm{~W}, 5 \%$ |
| CR13 | 3860073000 | Diode, 6046 | R62 | $5400025000$ | Res., 100 ohm, $1 / 2 \mathrm{~W}, 5 \%$ |
| CR14 | 3840166000 | Diode, Silicon 1N643 | R6 |  |  |
| CR15 | 3860047000 | Diode, Zener 1N3582 | RT1 | 5590006000 | Thermistor, 1000 ohm |
| HR1 | 5580024000 | Oven, Printed Circuit, $115 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{RMS}, 70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. | S1 | 6040320000 | Switch, Toggle, DPDT |
| J8 | 6100419000 | Receptacle | XQ1, $\mathrm{XQ} 2, \mathrm{XQ6}$, $\mathrm{XQ7}, \mathrm{XQ8}, \mathrm{XQ9}$ | 4040197000 | ansipad for TO-18Case |
| J9 | 6200355000 | Panel Receptacle |  | 4040197000 | Sipad for 18 Case |
| L1 | 9143282001 | Osc. Coil Assy, (yel. dot) | XQ3, $\mathrm{XQ4}, \mathrm{XQ5}$ | 4040198000 | Transipad for TO-5 Case |
| L2 | 9143283001 | Trip Coil Assy, (green dot) |  | 4040066000 | Socket, Transistor |
| LS, L5 | 4940112000 | RF Choke, 812 uH | Y1 | 444 XXXX 000 |  |
| L4 | 4940151000 | RF' Choke, 2.7 uH | Y1 | 44 XXXX | Customer Order) |
| L6 | 4940165000 | Choke, 2.2 uH |  |  |  |
| L7, L8 | 4940153000 | RF Choke, 300 uH |  | A UNIT - 994-65 | 507-001 |
| $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{Q} 1, \mathrm{Q} 2, \mathrm{Q} 6, \\ & \mathrm{Q} 7, \mathrm{Q8}, \mathrm{Q} 9 \end{aligned}$ | 3800046000 | Transistor, 2N708 | C1, C2 | 5080286000 | Cap., . 15 uF,$\pm 10 \%$ |
|  |  |  | C1, ${ }^{2}$ | 5080286 | Mylar 100 WVDC |
|  |  |  | C3, C4, C5, C8 | 5000844000 | Cap., $1000 \mathrm{pF}, \pm 5 \%, 100 \mathrm{~V}$ |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Q3, Q4, Q5 } \\ & \text { Q10 } \end{aligned}$ | 3800042000 | Transistor, $2 \times 697$ | C6, C9 | 5000873000 | Cap., $220 \mathrm{pF}, \pm 5 \%, 500 \mathrm{~V}$ |
|  | 3800047000 | Transistor, 2N3500 | C7, C10 | 5000818000 | Cap., $50 \mathrm{pF}, \pm 5 \%, 500 \mathrm{~V}$ |
|  |  |  | C11, C12 | 5000759000 | Cap., $100 \mathrm{pF}, \pm 5 \%, 500 \mathrm{~V}$ |
| R1, R6 | 5400079000 | Res., 18 K ohm, $1 / 2 \mathrm{~W}, 5 \%$ | C13, C14 | 5000878000 | Cap*, $1500 \mathrm{pF}, \pm 5 \%, 500 \mathrm{~V}$ |
| R2, R7 | 5400071000 | Res., 8200 ohm, $1 / 2 \mathrm{~W}, 5 \%$ | C15 | 5080278000 | Cap., $1 \mathrm{LuF}, \pm 10 \% \mathrm{Mylar}$ |
| R3 | 5400045000 | Res., 680 ohm, 1/2W, $5 \%$ |  |  | 100 WVDC |
| R4 | 5400066000 | Res., $5100 \mathrm{ohm}, 1 / 2 \mathrm{~W}, 5 \%$ | C16, C27, C29 | 5220240000 | Cap., 15 uF, 25V |
| R5, R8 | 5400049000 | Res., 1000 ohm, 1/2W, $5 \%$ | C17, C18 | 5080298000 | Cap., $01 \mathrm{uF}, 100 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{Mylar}$ |
| R9, R11 | 5400025000 | Res., $100 \mathrm{ohm}, 1 / 2 \mathrm{~W}, 5 \%$ | C19, C22 | 5000831000 | Cap., $250 \mathrm{pF}, \pm 5 \%, 500 \mathrm{~V}$ |
| R10 | 5400301000 | Res., 51 ohm, 1 W, 5\% | C20, C21 | 5000874000 | Cap., $330 \mathrm{pF}, \pm 5 \%, 100 \mathrm{~V}$ |
| R12, R13 | 5400055000 | Res., 1800 ohm, 1/2W, $5 \%$ | C23 | 5080298000 | Cap., . 01 uF, 100 V , Mylar |
| R14 | 5400096000 | Res., 91 K ohm, $\mathrm{L} / 2 \mathrm{~W}, 5 \%$ | C24, C25 | 5220178000 | Cap., 25 uF, 6 VDC |
| R15 | 5400056000 | Res., $2000 \mathrm{hm}, 1 / 2 \mathrm{~W}, 5 \%$ | C26 | 5220210000 | Cap., $100 \mathrm{uF}, 12 \mathrm{VDC}$ |
| R16 | 5400058000 | Res., 2400 ohm, $1 / 2 \mathrm{~W}, 5 \%$ | C28 | 5220233000 | Cap., $2 \mathrm{uF}, 25 \mathrm{~V}$ |
| R17, R18, R22 | 5400071000 | Res., 8200 ohm, $1 / 2 \mathrm{~W}, 5 \%$ | C30 | 5220242000 | Cap., $25 \mathrm{uF}, 25 \mathrm{VDC}$ |
| R19 | 5400077000 | Res., 15 K ohm, $1 / 2 \mathrm{~W}, \pm 5 \%$ | C31, C32 | 5220244000 | Cap., $50 \mathrm{uF}, 25 \mathrm{~V}$ |
| R20 R24 | 5400049000 | Res., $1000 \mathrm{ohm}, 1 / 2 \mathrm{~W}, 5 \%$ | C33 | 5220256000 | Cap., 20 uF, 50 V |
| R21, R25 | 5400041000 | Res., 470 ohm, $1 / 2$ W, $5 \%$ |  |  |  |
| R23 | 5400079000 | Res., 18K ohm, 1/2 W, $5 \%$ | CR1, CR2 | 3840006000 D | Diode, Signal 1N54AS |
| R26 | 5400085000 | Res., 33K ohm, $1 / 2 \mathrm{~W}, 5 \%$ | CR3, CR4 | 3840018000 | Rectifier 1N2069 |
| R27 | 5400065000 | Res., 4700 ohm, 1/2W, 5\% |  |  |  |
| R28 | 5400322000 | Res., 390 ohm, $1 \mathrm{~W}, 5 \%$ | J5 | 6100419000 | Receptacle |
| R29 | 5400053000 | Res., 1500 ohm, $1 / 2 \mathrm{~W}, 5 \%$ |  |  |  |
| R30 | 5400462000 | Res., 330 ohm, 1 W, 10\% | L1, L2 | 4940175000 | Choke 4.7 uH |
| R31 | 5400050000 | Res., $1100 \mathrm{hm}, 1 / 2 \mathrm{~W}, 5 \%$ | L3, L4 | 4920321000 | Coil, Adj. . 28 to . 65 uH |
| R32 | 5400073000 | Res., 10 K ohm, $1 / 2 \mathrm{~W}, 5 \%$ | L5 | 4940165000 | Choke, 2.2 uH |
| R33 | 5400057000 | Res., 2200 ohm, 1/2 W, 5\% | L6, L. 8 | 4920322000 | Coil, Adj. 8-20 uH |


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| L7 | 4920323000 | Coil, Adj. 15-40 uH | C5 | 5000877000 | Cap., $100 \mathrm{pF}, 500 \mathrm{~V}, 5 \%$ |
|  |  |  | C7 | 5220251000 | Cap., 5 uF 50 V |
| $\mathrm{Q1}, \mathrm{Q2}, \mathrm{Q3},$ |  | Transistor 2N697 | C9 | 5000845000 | Cap., $2000 \mathrm{pF}, 500 \mathrm{~V}, 5 \%$ |
| $\mathrm{Q4}, \mathrm{Q}, \mathrm{Q} 6$ | 3800042000 | Transistor 2N696 | C14 | 5000879000 | Cap., $2500 \mathrm{pF}, 500 \mathrm{~V}, 5 \%$ |
| Q7 | 3800016000 | Transistor 2N1539 | C16, C23, C35, C36, C39, C40, C41, C44 | 5220240000 | Cap., 15 uF 25 V |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| R1 | 5400055000 | Resistor, 1.8 K ohm, 12 W , |  |  |  |
| R 2 | 5400053000 | Resistor, 1.5 K ohm, $1 / 2 \mathrm{~W}$, |  | 5220166000 | Cap., 400 uF 3V |
| R3, R4 | 5400085000 | Resistor, 270 ohm, $1 / 2 \mathrm{~W}$, $5 \%$ | $\mathrm{C} 19, \mathrm{C} 20^{\circ}$ |  |  |
|  |  |  | C 21 | 5220256000 | Cap., 20 uF 50 V |
|  |  |  | C 22 | 5220336000 | Cap., 250 uF 15V |
| R5, R6, <br> R7, R8 | 5400017000 | Resistor, 47 ohm, $1 / 2 \mathrm{~W}, 5 \%$ | C24, C42, C43 | 5220244000 | Cap., 50 uF 25 V |
|  |  |  | C 25 | 5220243000 | Cap., 35 uF 25 V |
|  |  |  | C 27 | 5060087000 | Cap., $1 \mathrm{uF}, 200 \mathrm{~V}$ |
| R9 | 5400092000 | Resistor, 62K ohm, 1/2W, 5\% | C29, C30 | 5000835000 | Cap., 470pF, 300V, 5\% |
| R10, R17 | 5400089000 | Res., 47 K ohm, $1 / 2 \mathrm{~W}, 5 \%$ | C32 | 5160054000 | Cap., 1000 uF 25 V (10\% |
| R11, R18 | 5400097000 | Res., 100K ohm, 1/2W, 5\% |  |  | Cap., $1000 \mathrm{pF}, 1 \mathrm{KV} 10 \%$ |
| R12, R19, R40 | 5400095000 | Res., 82 K ohm, $1 / 2 \mathrm{~W}, 5 \%$ | CR1, CR2. CR3, CR4 |  |  |
| R13, R20 | 5400065000 | Res., 4.7K ohm, 1/2 W, $5 \%$ |  | 9144201001 | Matched Setof'4 Diodes |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { R14, R21, R24, } \\ & \text { R25. R45 } \end{aligned}$ | 5400073000 | Res., 10 K ohm, $1 / 2 \mathrm{~W}, 5 \%$ | d7 | 6100419000 | Panel Commector |
| R15, R22 | 5400049000 | Res., 1000ohm, 1/2W, $5 \%$ | L1, L5 | 4920331000 | Adj. R.F. Coil, 1.3-3 uH |
| R16, R23 | 5400025000 | Res., 100 ohm, $1 / 2 \mathrm{~W}, 5 \%$ | L4 | 4920832000 | Adj. R.F. Coil, . $65-1.3 \mathrm{uH}$ |
| R26, R27, R41 | 5400085000 | Res., 33 K ohm, $1 / 2 \mathrm{~W}, 5 \%$ |  |  |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{R} 28, \mathrm{R} 29, \\ & \mathrm{R} 35, \mathrm{R} 43 \end{aligned}$ | 5400056000 | Res., 2000 ohm, 1/2 W, 5\% | Q2 thru Q16 | 38000600003800042000 | Transistor FET <br> Transistor, 2N697 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| R30, R | 5500007000 | Min, Pot., 10K ohm, 1/2 W, Linear Taper | R1 | 5401001000 | Res., 511 Megohm, 1/4W, 5\% |
|  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{R} 2, \mathrm{R} 10, \mathrm{R} 11, \\ & \mathrm{R} 61, \mathrm{R} 72 \end{aligned}$ | 5400936000 | Res., 10 K ohm, $1 / 4 \mathrm{~W}, 5 \%$ |
| R31 | 5400069000 | Res., 6.8 K ohm, $1 / 2 \mathrm{~W}, 5 \%$ |  |  |  |
| R33 | 5400099000 | Res., 120 K ohm, $1 / 2 \mathrm{~W}, 5 \%$ |  |  |  |
| R34 | 5400066000 | Res., 5.1 K ohm, $1 / 2 \mathrm{~W}, 5 \%$ | R3, R58 | 5400940000 | Res., 15 K ohm, 1/4W, $5 \%$ |
| R36 | 5400050000 | Res., 1.1K ohm, $1 / 2 \mathrm{~W}, 5 \%$ |  |  |  |
| R37 | 5400045000 | Res., 680 ohm, 1/2 W, $5 \%$ | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{R} 4, \mathrm{R} 30, \mathrm{R} 50, \\ & \mathrm{R} 67, \mathrm{R} 70, \mathrm{R} 73, \\ & \mathrm{R} 76 \end{aligned}$ | 5400976000 | Res., 470K ohm, 1/4W, 5\% |
| R38 | 5400042000 | Res., $510 \mathrm{ohm}, \mathrm{1/2} \mathrm{W} 5 \$, & & &  \hline R39 & 5400078000 & Res., 16 K ohm, $1 / 2 \mathrm{~W}, 5 \%$ |  |  |  |
| R42 | 5400075000 | Res., 12 K ohm, $1 / 2 \mathrm{~W}, 5 \%$ |  |  |  |
| S1 | 6000421000 | Res., 3.3 K ohm, $1 / 2 \mathrm{~W}, 5 \%$ <br> Switch, Type BA, 4 Pos., <br> 1 Sect. per Gates <br> 8142977001 |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | R6 | 5400907000 | Res., 620 ohm, $1 / 4 \mathrm{~W}, 5 \%$ |
|  |  |  | R7 | 5400934000 | Res., $8200 \mathrm{ohm}, 1 / 4 \mathrm{~W}, 5 \%$ |
|  |  |  | R8, R13, R21, R25, R28, R31, R34, R54, R64 | 5400960000 | Res., $100 \mathrm{Kohm} ,1 / 4 \mathrm{~W}, 5 \%$ |
| T1 | 4780145000 | Input Transformer AI-10426 |  |  |  |
| TJ1 | 6120312000 | Test Point Jack, White | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{R} 9, \mathrm{R} 49, \mathrm{R} 66, \\ & \mathrm{R} 69, \mathrm{R} 71 \end{aligned}$ |  | Res., 1000 ohm, 1/4W, $5 \%$ |
| TJ2 | 6120311000 | Test Point Jack, Black |  | 5400912000 |  |
| XQ1, XQ2 | 4040066000 Transistor Socket |  | R12, R75, R77 | 5400920000 | Res., 2200 ohm, $1 / 4 \mathrm{~W}, 5 \%$ |
| $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{XQ3}, \mathrm{XQ4}, \\ & \mathrm{XQ5}, \mathrm{XQ6} \end{aligned}$ | 4040198000GENERATOR | Transipad for TO-5 Case | $\begin{aligned} & \text { R14, R15 } \\ & \text { R16 } \end{aligned}$ | 54008880005400928000 | Res., 100 ohm, $1 / 4 \mathrm{~W}, 5 \%$ Res., 4700 ohm, $1 / 4 \mathrm{~W}, 5 \%$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| STEREO |  |  | R17 | 5480211000 | Res., 2400 ohm, $1 / 2 \mathrm{~W}, 1 \%$ |
|  | GENERATOR - 994-6533-001 |  | R18R19, R86, R87 | $\begin{aligned} & 5400953000 \\ & 5520795000 \end{aligned}$ | Res., 51 K ohm, $1 / 4 \mathrm{~W}, 5 \%$ Pot., 10 K ohm, 1 W |
| $\xrightarrow[\mathrm{C} 2]{\mathrm{C} 2, \mathrm{C} 37, \mathrm{C} 45}$ | 52003420005080291000 | Cap., 100 uF 50 V |  |  |  |
| C3 |  | Cap., Var, $2-27 \mathrm{pF}$ Cap., $008 \mathrm{uF}, 600 \mathrm{~V}, 10 \%$ | R22, R29, R35, R51, R57 | 5400919000 | Res., 2000 ohm, 1/4W, 5\% |
| C4, C6, C8 |  |  |  |  |  |
| C10, C11, C12, <br> C13, C28, C38 | 5060088000 | Cap., 1 uF 200 V | R23, R52, <br> R60, R69 | 5400905000 | Res.,510 ohm, 1/4W, $5 \%$ |


| R24 | 5500009000 | Pot., 50K ohm, $1 / 2 \mathrm{~W}$ | R82, R83, |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| R26, R39 | 5400924000 | Res., 3300 ohm, $1 / 4 \mathrm{~W}, 5 \%$ | R84, R85 |
| .R27, R53 | 5500006000 | Pot., 5000 ohm, $1 / 2 \mathrm{~W}$ |  |
| 'R32 | 5400944000 | Res., 22K ohm, 1/4W, $5 \%$ | RT1 |
| R33 | 5520796000 | Pot., 5K ohm, IW | RT1 |
| R36, R38 | 5400895000 | Res., 200 ohm, 1/4W, 5\% | S1 |
| R37, R48 | 5520797000 | Pot., $100 \mathrm{ohm}, 1 \mathrm{~W}$ | S1 |
| R40 | 5400935000 | Res., 9100 ohm, $1 / 4 \mathrm{~W}, 5 \%$ |  |
| R41, R42, |  |  | T1 |
| R43, R44 | 5480212000 | Res., 4700 ohm, $1 / 2 \mathrm{~W}, 1 \%$ | T2 |
| R46, R47 | 5400864000 | Res., 10 ohm, $1 / 4 \mathrm{~W}, 5 \%$ | T4 |
| R55, R63 | 5400916000 | Res., 1500 ohm, $1 / 4 \mathrm{~W}, 5 \%$ | T |
| R56 | 5400897000 | Res., 240 ohm, $1 / 4 \mathrm{~W}, 5 \%$ | TJ2 |
| R59, R74 | 5400962000 | Res., 120 K ohm, $1 / 4 \mathrm{~W}, 5 \%$ | 102 |
| R65 | 5520802000 | Trim Pot., 1K ohm, 1W |  |
| R68 | 5500004000 | Pot., 1K ohm, $1 / 2 \mathrm{~W}$ | XQ2 thru XQ16 |
| R78 | 5401008000 | Res., 10 megohm, 1/4W, 5\% | XQ2 thru XQ16 |
| R79 | 5520800000 | Pot., 500 ohm, 1W | XY1 |
| R80 | 5400909000 | Res., 750 ohm, $1 / 4 \mathrm{~W}, 5 \%$ |  |
| R81 | 5400936000 | Res., 10K ohm, 1/4W, $5 \%$ | Y1 |

AFC ADJUSTMENT 10 COMPENSATE FOR CIRCUIT AGING:

With AFC on, tune coarse frequency counter clockwise to raise frequency -- clockwise to lower frequency -- whichever is needed. When the right peak is noted, the "jerking" effect of the AFC unit will be obvious. There are many peaks and it is easy to get on the wrong one. When the "jerking" is seen, then tune coarse frequency control slightly counter clockwise. If frequency rises then you are in the ball park. If a counter clockwise turn lowers the frequency, then you are on the wrong side of the curve. Turn around the same peak to the other side and see if the effect of a counter clockwise turn is a rise in frequency -- if it is, then you're practically home free. Now, turn the AFC unit off and note the direction the frequency goes. If the frequency goes negative, then turn AFC back on and tune coarse frequency control counter clockwise about 500 cycles. Return to zero, with AFC vernier control; then switch off AFC again to note change. Repeat this process until frequency will remain on scale at least for a few seconds without AFC on.

## NOTE:

When modulated oscillator and its associated AFC unit are operating properly, a counter clockwise turn of the coarse control will raise frequency and a clockwise turn will lower frequency. This is contrary to what one might think, so don't let this confuse you. The AFC vernier control is turned clockwise to raise frequency and counter clockwise to lower frequency.





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Figure 7.1
Front View, Showing Operating Controls


Figure 7.2
Floor of Transmitter, (Rear View)

Figure 7.3



Figure 7.4
RF Cubicle


8380857001 Revised ECN-1
Figure 7.5
Installation Drawing


PA COARSE TUNING.
FM 3G/H 3 kW FM TRANSMITTER
FIG 7.6






EQUIVALENT CIRCUIT - LOW PASS FILTER
FIGURE 7.11


Adjustable shorting sleeve


At frequencies below resonance the "Stub" appears as an inductance.

At frequencies above resonance the "Stub" appears as a capacity.

At the second harmonic frequency, the "Stub" appears as a series resonant circuit or dead short.
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Bulletin No.
Date
May 14, 1969

Subject: 3 dB Isolation Network
A 3 dB pad is supplied with the Gates TEl exciter for isolation between the 10 watt RF amplifier and the following stage. Dissipation of this network has been found to be marginal. Failure of this pad may change the value of the load of the 10 watt RF amplifier and could cause failure of one of both of the output transistors.

A change in the 3 dB isolation network is recommended to prevent the possibility of such a failure. The present configuration of the 3 dB isolation network is as follows:

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The 3 dB isolation network is contained in a 1-5/8" x 2-1/4" $x$ 2-3/4" aluminum box mounted inside the transmitter cabinet directs. behind the TE-1 output connector.

The network should be modified as follows:


All resistors are 2 watt, $5 \%$.

# MAINTENANCE AND MODIFICATION DATA Gates Radio Co., Quincy, Illinois 



Gates TE-1 DCFM Exciter (M-6425)

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SUBJECT: Service Tips on Frequency Adjustment of the TE-I

The modulated oscillator in the Gates TE-l exciter is a freerunning, slug-tuned oscillator, capable of being tuned to any frequency between 88 and 108 MHz . The automatic frequency control (AFC) module provides a nominal 200 KHz IF output which generates a DC correction voltage to maintain the desired output frequency of the modulated oscillator. Normally, the AFC unit will compensate for modulated oscillator frequency deviations of as much as $\pm 75 \mathrm{KHz}$.

In addition to the modulated oscillator and AFC unit, the regulated power supply and RF amplifier may affect frequency stability.

Frequency correction required falls into one of three categories:
A. Minor Frequency Error--can be observed "on scale" on the frequency monitor, but approaches FCC limits.
B. Major Frequency Error--gives an "off scale" indication on the frequency monitor.
C. Extreme Frequency Error--results in loss of exciter output.

The direction and approximate magnitude of deviation from the desired frequency should be determined before making any frequency adjustment. The method of frequency adjustment depends on the amount of correction required.

## ADJUSTMENT PROCEDURES

A. Minor Frequency Error

1. Periodic frequency variations of several hundred Hertz can be considered normal, and no attempt should be made to adjust frequency unless FCC limits are approached. The meter scale on most frequency monitors is calibrated
$\pm 3 \mathrm{KHz}$. Frequency errors within this range should be corrected with the frequency vernier dial located on the front panel of the AFC module. The vernier dial should normally remain within one full turn of the recorded setting indicated in the factory test data. If the vernier dial does not fall within this range, proceed with Section B.
B. Major Frequency Error
2. Reset the AFC frequency vernier dial to the setting indicated in the test data supplied with the transmitter.
3. Adjust the coarse tuning control, located above Plug P-IO on the front panel of the modulated oscillator, very slightly. A tuning tool for this purpose is located inside the front drop-down panel of the TE-1 cabinet. This adjustment is made with the AFC function ON. Keep in mind that slight adjustment of this siug can vary the frequency several MHz.
4. If the frequency is above center frequency (high), the coarse tuning control should be turned clockwise. If the frequency is below center frequency (low), the coarse tuning control should be turned counterclockwise. Clockwise adjustment of the coarse frequency control should lower frequency and counterclockwise adjustment of this control should increase frequency. If not, see MOTE following Step 5.
5. Turn the AFC function OFF. For maximum stability, it is desirable that the observed frequency fall somewhere on the scale of the frequency monitor meter, with AFC function defeated. If the freerrunning frequency is not observed to be on scale, repeat Step 3 with the AFC $0 N$. It may be necessary to repeat this step until the free-running frequency is observed to be on scale. The free-running frequency of the T -l exciter may appear to fluctuate as observed on the frequency monitor. This is a normal condition.
6. Turn the AFC function ON. Frequency should return to near center scale as observed on the frequency monitor. The AFC frequency vernier dial can now be readusted for the exact frequency desired.

NOTE: The DC correction voltage supplied to the modulated oscillator is derived from mixer action in the AFC unit. It is possible to lock the modulated oscillator frequency with an "image" frequency of the AFC unit. If an "image" is affecting the output frequency, action of the coarse tuning control in the modulated oscillator will appear opposite that described in Step 3. If this situation
oceurs, further adjustment of the coarse frequency control is required to determine whether the image frequency is above or below fundamental frequency. It then becomes necessary to repeat the procedures outlined in this seciion.

## C. Extreme Frequency Error

1. Most Gates FM transmitters are protected with an "underdrive" relay in the interlock circuit. Therefore, it may be impossible to operate the transmitter, and observe frequency on the frequency monitor without output from the exciter. Frequency errors of this magnitude should be corrected as follows:

Return the oscillator to within the bandpass of the exciter RF amplifier by monitoring grid or cathode carent of the following stage. It may be impossible to determine whether the oscillator is above or below the desired operating frequency. Therefore, rotation of the coarse tuning adustment may be required in either direction. (An alternate method would be to feed the exciter output through a wattmeter (or other RF indicating device) into a nominal 50 ohm load and adjust the modulated oscillator coarse tuning control for maximum exciter RF output.) Output of the TE-1 must be terminated at all times in a 50 ohm resistive load is not connected to the input of the following stage.
2. The IPA or final stages of the transmitter should not be retuned at this time, even though full transmitter power output may not be indicated. If, for any reason, these controls have been changed, they should be returned to the normal operating positions, or to those settings indicated in the factory test data.
3. As sufficient output is obtained from the exciter to allow operation of the transmitter, the modulation monitor can be used to permit coarse frequency corxection because of its wide-band input. Observe the monitor RF input on the front panel meter and adjust the coarse tuning control of the modulated oscillator for maximum indication. This should return the frequency to within $\pm 500 \mathrm{KHz}$, or close enough to allow further adjustment as indicated in Section B.

This bulletin is intended as a "tuning procedure" only. Frequency deviation may be the result of component failure, in which case the methods outlined in the M-6425 instruction book, under the heading of "Troubleshooting," should be followed.
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GUES MODEL TE I FM EXCITER (TVPe 166425)


This information, of a general nature, will be recognized by many as standard fundamental electronic information. Frequently, when problems exist, one or more of the well known fundamentals may have been overlooked. The following information, therefore, is a check list and/or a suggestion list. You will quickly note it applies to many types of installations, the fundamentals for which are all basically the same.

1. COMPU'TING EFFICIENCY. The transmitter efficiency determines its satisfactory operation. If it is under-efficient, it will consume excess primary power, will work all components harder and tube life will be shorter. If it is over-efficient, it probably indicates either an error in a computation such as tower resistance measurements or an error in a meter. To measure efficiency in an AM transmitter, multiply the plate voltage by the plate current of the final radio frequency power amplifier. For example, if plate voltage was 2500 volts and plate current was 550 MA , we have:

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The above means that 1375 watts are being placed into the radio frequency power amplifier. If this power amplifier is producing 1000 watts into the antenna, it would then indicate an efficiency of $73 \%$, or

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\frac{1000}{1375}=73 \%
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2. TRANSMITTER EFFICIENCIES. There are two types of radio frequency power amplifiers. (1) High level and (2) linear amplifiers. Normal efficiency of a high level transmitter ranges from 65 to $77 \%$ for trans mitters of powers up to and including 1000 watts and 72 to $82 \%$ for transmitters having powers of 5000 watts to 10,000 watts. -- For linear amplifiers with no modulation, the normal efficiency at any power is approximately $30 \%$. It is important to note that in a linear amplifier the efficiency increases under modulation, therefore when defining normal efficiency it must be defined without modulation.
NOTE: Variations in efficiency such as a range of 65 to $77 \%$ are expressed
for reasons of: (a) transmitter used with directional antenna, which
would reduce efficiency, (b) slight but not out of tolerance naeter error,
and (c) possible mismatch to trans mission line having slightly kigher
than normal standing wave ratio.

If the efficiencies are within the ranges expressed, however, the installation could be considered satis factory and of course the higher the efficiency, the better.
3. COMPUTING POWER OUTPUT. Power output is computed either into the radiating antenna or a known dummy antenna. In either case, the resistance measurements are known. Your consulting engineer will measure your antenna tower and give you the resistance measurement. In most Gates built AM trans mitters an inbuilt dummy antenna is provided, having a resistance measurement of 50 ohms. The formula $I^{2} \mathrm{R}$ is employed. I = The current reading of your antenna meter at the tower or the meter to the dummy antenna. $R=$ The resistance measurement of the tower or the dummy antenna. If the resistance measure ment is 50 ohms and your antenna current was 4.5 amperes, then $I^{2} R$ develops this result: $4.5 \times 4.5=$ 20.25 . $20.25 \times 50$ (the antenna resistance) $=1012.5$ watts. In the foregoing you have determined that you have a direct power output reading of 1012.5 watts if your antenna current is 4.5 amperes into a 50 ohm antenna.
4. CORRECTING LOW EFFICIENCY. Basically a broadcast transmitter by inherent design can not produce low efficiency unless, of course, it is incorrectly tuned, or the matching load to the transmitter, which is the transmission line and antenna, is incorrect. Here the use of the dummy antenna of known resistance is of great value. Light bulbs or improvised dummy antennas are of little value in computing efficiency. By using the formula in Paragraph 3 above, it is easy to determine how efficient the transmitter is operating when it is not connected to the antenna or transmission line. If the efficiency proves satisfactory into the dummy antenna, then any inefficiency is probably in the match of the transmitter to the radiating antenna and its associated tuning unit and transmission line.

If the efficiency of the transmitter is low into the dummy antenna, check the plate volt meter and power amplifier current meter to be sure they are accurate. In rare cases they are damaged in transit. This checking can be done with another known meter such as a good quality voltohmmeter, being very careful as the voltages are lethal.

Another cause of low efficiency is a defective RF ammeter. If you suspect this, the best way is to borrow one from a nearby station. It does not have to be the exact same range as you are only interested in a comparative reading. Here an error of only .2 of an ampere can make a large difference in the efficiency. Using Paragraph 3 above, again you will note a meter reading example of 4.5 amperes was used to give us
1012.5 watts output. If this meter had read 4.4 amperes, the output would have been 968 watts. By the meter being off only 0.1 amperes, 44 watts of error or loss was determined, which is nearly $5 \%$ of the 1000 watts desired power output. ----- Mostradio frequency ammeters are very carefully checked and should be accurate but here again on a sensitive item, transportation roughage can affect it and therefore be sure.
5. ARCING. The power developed in the transmitter must go somewhere and of course to the antenna. When it is sidetracked, frequently arcing develops. Low efficiency and arcing will often go together as all trans mitters are very well insulated against arcing. Its presence would indicate one of several things:
--- Improper tuning of antenna coupler.
--- Standing wave ratios on the transmission line, usually indicated by a different current reading at each end of the line.
--- Improper ground return from the ground radials to the transmitter.
--- Incorrect resistance measurements to the tower.
--. Improper neutralization where it is required.
--. An intermittent connection such as a loose connection in the tuning unit, a loose connection in the transmission line, poor brazing of the ground system and infrequently a grounded tower light wire.
6. TUNING ANTENNA COUPLER. Your consultant will be of invaluable assistance in tuning up your antenna couplex correctly with a radio frequency bridge at the same time he measures your tower. It will be money well spent. Where this is not possible and a bridge is not available, then the standard cut and try procedures must be followed. The desired result, of course, is the greatest antenna current without increasing the power input to the transmitter to obtain this increased antenna current.
7. STANDING WAVES. This is commonly called VSWR and high standing waves are caused by improper impedance match between the output of the transmitter to the transmission line and/or the output of the transmission line to the antenna coupler and its antenna. The result will nearly always be inefficiency as it reduces the power transfer between the transmitter and the antenna. High standing waves may also be caused by a poor or no ground to the outer shield of the transmission line. This line should be grounded to the ground radials at the tower and to the transmitter at the opposite end of the transmission line. The only exception to this might be with a directional system but in all instances the outer shield of the trans mission line must be grounded securely.
8. IMPROPER GROUND. In an AM transmitter we place at least 120 ground radials into the ground but sometimes fail to connect them securely to the transmitter. In the simplest form, the antenna and the ground can be likened to the two wires of an electric light circuit. One is as important as the other. Where the ground radials are bonded together at the tower, we suggest extending a 2 " copper strap directly to the ground of the broadcast trans mitter. DO NOT attach one of the outer radials closest to the trans mitter as your ground system. Don't forget to ground the cabinets of the antenna coupling unit and the tower lighting chokes, and again the outer shield of the transmission line.
9. INCORRECT TOWER MEASUREMENTS. Your consulting engineer is provided with expensive and accurate measuring equipment for tower resistance measurements. His measurements will be accurate. It would be extremely rare to find an incorrect tower measurement by a capable consulting engineer. It-has happened, however, and we include this paragraph only to point out that if all else fails for proper transmitter performance, rechecking of the tower measurements would not be amiss. Several years ago one of the world's leading consultants measured a tower incorrectly and quickly admitted it. The cause was simply one of his measuring instruments falling out of his car unbeknownst to him and upsetting the calibration of his equipment.
10. FUSE BLOWING. It seldom happens if. the fuses are of adequate size. If it does happen, the first thing is to determine that the fuses are not overloaded. Usually overloaded fuses caused by a long period of overload of an hour or more have blackened fuse clips. Remember a very hot day and borderline fuses are trouble-makers. Also don't forget to compute the window fan, the well pump, the air-conditioner, or other items that are foolers as to power consumption.

If fuses are of adequate size and continue to blow, here are a few helpful hints:

> If your transmitter has mercury vapor rectifiers, it is a cold morning and the heat in your building has goen down overnight, the mercury will likely cool at the bottorn of the rectifier tubes and when high voltage is applied, cause an arc back. In such a condition, you are fortunate in blowing the fuses as an arc back can often destroy a filter reactor or power trans former. You can correct this condition by keeping adequate heat in the transmitter building or at least adjacent to the mercury vapor rectifier tubes. A light bulb placed near the rectifier tubes, to operate in cold weather when the transmitter is off, is helpful.
> Dirt or scum is an evil with many results and fuse blowing caused by arcovers is one of them. A good maintenance program prevents this.
> On new transmitters, look for cable abrasions. Sometimes in transit it is possible for a wire to rub againsta metal support and wear off the insulation. This is unlikely but with such a serious problem as fuses blowing, you look for everything.

If by the time you have found the trouble you have blown a number of fuses, now investigate your fuse box to be sure the clips are clean and not charred. If they are charred, fuse blowing will continue anyway and it will be necessary to replace the clips that hold the fuses.
11. UNEXPLAINED OUTAGES. This one puzzles the best of them. A transmitter that goes off the air for no reason and can be turned back on by pushing the start button brings the query, "What caused that?" If this happens very infrequently, it is probably caused by a power line dip, a jump across the arc gap at the tower base, or other normal things that activate the protective relays in the transmitter as they should.

Your transmitter always looks like the offender. It is the device with meters and it is the device that complains or quits if there is a failure anywhere in the entire system. An open or short circuit in a transmission line only reacts at the transmitter. A faulty insulator in an antenna guy wire or a bad connection in the tuning unit or ground system reacts only at the transmitter. Here again the dummy antenna is of great value. If these unexplained outages do not appear in operating into a dummy antenna, then you must look elsewhere for the problem. It is always well to remermber that the transmission line tuning units and associated connections, including the tower chokes, are somewhat like the drive shaft between the automobile motor and the rear wheels. If the drive shaft fails, it does not mean that the motor is defective.
12. STEP BY STEP TROUBLE -SHOOTING. Never trouble-shoot on the basis of "it might be this or that". Instead, start from the beginning. If the transmitter was satisfactory on the dummy antenna, then the question becomes "Where is the trouble?", If a transmission line connects the transmitter to the antenna coupler, then disconnect the antenna coupler and provide a dummy antenna at the far end of the transmission line and repeat the test. If you noticed the outage at this point, then the trouble is in the transmission line. If not, reconnect it to the antenna coupler unit and put the dummy antenna at the output of the coupling unit. This is known as step by step checking to locate problems.

The same process is used in trouble-shooting the transmitter. In checking voltages, you start with the oscillator and go thr ough to the power ampliffier and with the first audio stage to the final audio stage. Other outage conditions not affecting the transmitter are listed below for your checking:

Under certain conditions, especially at higher altitudes, the guy insulators will arc, usually caused by static conditions. This will nearly always cause an outage as it changes the antenna characteristics. This is hard to find as it is hard to see. Use of field glasses at night is the best way. If it happens, the insulator should be shunted with a resistor. Write our Engineering Department for advice, giving full antenna detail when writing.

At times the arc gap at the base of the tower is set too close or has accumulated dirt. This causes an arc to ground under high modulation.

A crack in the tower base insulator is very unlikely but it should be inspected and keeping the base insulator clean is necessary. A low resistance path at this point is highly undesirable.

Look at the tower chokes. Though they are husky, they are in a vulnerable position for lightning. You might find a charred point that is causing the trouble.

Shunt fed towers or those with no base insulator are usually more sensitive to static bursts than series fed towers. The best method is to try and make the feed line to the tower equal the impedance of the transmission line. Talk to your consultant about this.

One side of the tower lighting circuit shorted to the tower itself, either permanentiy or intermittently, can cause trouble even though the lights may function perfectly.
13. OTHER OUTAGES. If the transmitter is the offender, such as acting improperly on a dummy antenna, the process of elimination by starting at the first and following through is preferred, unless of course the cause is actually known. The following may be helpful:
(FALL OUT) The transmitter turns off at high modulation. Possibly the overload relay is set too sensitive. The transmitter may not be properly neutralized where neutralization is required.
(HARD TO MODULATE) Cause can be either improper impedance match between transmitter and the transmission line or low grid drive to the final power amplifier. Consult the instruction book for correct grid drive. The correct match of the transmitter to load is covered in the instruction book. Usually an antenna current meter that does not move up freely with modulation indicates a mismatch between the transmitter and its loading equipment.
(BAD REGULATION) The size of the primary lines between the meter box and the transmitter is extremely important. If they are too small, bad regulation will exist. In some instances the power line has bad regulation too. This

Tube checking. Check tubes at least monthly and it is just as easy to do it each week during the periodic maintenance program. Certain tubes will become gaseous if left on the spare tube shelf too long. This type of tube should be rotated into the transmitter to prevent an emergency change to the spare tube, only to find it blowing out because of a gaseous condition.

Oiling. If the transmitter has blowers, oil them as required, but do not over -oil. Some types of turntables require oiling the motors.

Relay contacts. Burnish the contacts with an approved burnishing tool. This should be done about every six to eight weeks.

Other preventive ideas. Clean mixing attenuators if they are not the sealed type, with carbon tetrachloride, about once monthly, Every station should have a small suction type cleaner. Even your wife's Hoover with the suction attachments will do an excellent job of pulling dust from the inside of the hard to get corners of a transmitter. Take a leaf from the Navy book which says everything must at all times be sparkling clean or what is know as shipshape.
17. ADEQUATE TEST EQUIPMENT. To have a maintenance program, certain capital equipment is necessary. Do not be ashamed to tell your Manager about this because he will recognize that proper maintenance is saving money and not spending money. As a minimum, you should have this equipment:

Dummy anterina (frequently supplied in Gates transmitters).
Proof of performance equipment, which includes an audio oscillator, distortion meter, gain set; and RF pickup coil or rectifier, known as the Gates SA. 131 proof of performance package.

A good grade of voliohmmeter.
A spare antenna current meter.
An inexpensive oscillos cope.
All of the above will cost less than $\$ 1000.00$ and will pay for itself many times through the years.
18. THE CHIEF ENGINEER. He has the job of keeping everybody happy - listeners, Manager, and stockholders. When trouble comes, he is under pressure. He will do his best to correct the problem as fast as he can. It is well to remember that electronic equipment has many circuits and many avenues of travel. Where* problems are known, the solution is usually quick. Where the problem must be found, the solution will take time. It is well to remember that if equipment did not need maintenance, it would not need a Chief Engineer. The greatest service he renders is the insistence on a regular preventive maintenance program, which he knows will prevent most problems. If the unusual problem does arrive, causing an outage, everyone in the broadcasting should be understanding and tolerant as the problem can be solved quickest by not breathing over the Chief Engineer's shoulder.
19. GATES ASSISTANCE TO HELP. Gates sincerely believes that the best type of assistance it can render to the technical personnel in the radio broadcasting industry is in providing full cooperation, day or night, in solving any problem no matter how small. Gates technical people recognize that sometimes the biggest problem is solved in the most simple manner. This is part of electronics and never is fun poked at a simple solution because this is the happiest kind. It is only by asking questions of any calibre, simple or complex, of Gates people and mutually working together that the finest degree of broadcast programming is possible in your broadcasting station and the industry.

Service avenues. Unless the problem is of an emergency nature, Gates suggests that you write to the Gates Service Department about problems that you are experiencing. If you have a problem that can not wait, call the Gates Service Department during daylight hours at Area Code 217, 222-8202. Gates daylight hours are from 8 A.M. to 5 P.M., Monday thru Friday, Central Standard Time or Central Daylight Time, depending upon the period of the year. Gates nighttime service can be obtained by calling Area Code 217, 222-8202.

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CENTER FREQUENCY VERNIER SETTING $\qquad$ 862

I－DIAL READINGS
IPA Grid Tuning $\qquad$ 49

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IPL Cathode Current $\qquad$ 195标。

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IV - DISTORTION LAD RESPONSE


Frequency Response (With respect to standard 75 us premomphasis Curve)

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Fin noise with respect to $100 \%$ modulation at 400 Hz is -67 dB .

Input level. necessary to modulate $100 \%$ at 400 Hz is
$+10 \quad \mathrm{~dB}$.
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With respect to equivalent of $100 \%$ M Modulation.
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## STEREOPHONIC DATA

Operating Excquency is 98.5 inzo
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Pilot modulation of Mein Carrier frequency is 10 \%
Pilot frequency is 18.9997 Hzo
38 KHz suppression is $4 / 5 \mathrm{~dB}$ belov $100 \%$ modulationa
76 KHz suppression is 60 dB bolow $100 \%$ modulation.

Crosstalk ( $I / R$ into $I-R$ or $I-R$ into $I / R$ ) is -42 belon $100 \%$ Hodulation.

SEPARGTION AT $200 \%$ YODULITION:

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| 1000 | 37 | 36 |
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| 5000 | 36 | 3.5 |
| 8000 | 35 | 35 |
| 10,000 | 35 | 35 |
| 15,000 | 35 | 38 |

STEREOPHONIC DATA:
DISTORTION AT $100 \%$ MODUI/_TION:


FREQUENGY RESPONSE with Respect to Standard Pre-emphasis Curve:
$\frac{\text { Frequency }}{\mathrm{Hz}}$
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400
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8000
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[^1]:    ** crosstalk measurements to be made from an FC( approved monitor using 75 microsecond de-emphasis.

