# INSTRUCTION BOOK

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FOR

M-6035 CUE-INTERCOM AMPLIFIER

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# INSTALLATION AND OPERATING INSTRUCTION FOR M-6035 CUE-INTERCOM AMPLIFIER

# GAIN:

#### TECHNICAL DATA

86 DB ±2 DB @ 1 KC Variable - Requires 10K variable resistor, (Part of Console)

FREQUENCY RESPONSE: Peaked for maximum intelligibility.

HARMONIC DISTORTION: Under 4% at +28 DBM (.6 W) at mid-band frequencies.

NOISE:

~105 DBM equivalent input noise.

45 Ohms.

-40 DBM.

SOURCE IMPEDANCE:

OUTPUT LOAD IMPEDANCE: 45

45 Ohms. (High Impedance Speaker)

MAXIMUM INPUT LEVEL:

MAXIMUM OUTPUT LEVEL: +30 DBM.

MAXIMUM OPERA-TING AMBIENT TEMPERATURE: 55° C. (131° F.)

MAXIMUM STORAGE AMBIENT TEMPERATURE: 85° C. (185° F.)

POWER REQUIRE-MENTS: -37 V. D

-37 V. DC (unregulated) 10 - 75 ma.

TRANSISTORS:

SIZE:

1 - 2N214 2 - 2N1183 3 - 2N1414 1 - 2N5088 1 - 2N5087 3-1/4"Wide x 7-1/2"Long x 1" Thick.

#### DESCRIPTION

The Gates M-6035 Transistor Cue-Intercom Amplifier is designed to be used in transistor consoles for cueing and talkback purposes. The amplifier utilizes a gain control for adjusting to different input levels. The amplifier is designed to be fed from a 45 ohm source and to operate into a 45 ohm speaker or resistive load.

The amplifier is designed to be used with the M-6039 mounting frame, which carries a mating receptacle for the printed card type connection. The connections on the printed wiring board are gold flashed for positive connection with the gold contacts on the mating receptacle.

The amplifier requires a -37 V. DC unregulated power source and requires from 10 ma. (at average power output) to a maximum of 75 ma. (at +28 DBM output).

#### THEORY OF OPERATION

For the purpose of explanation, the Cue-Intercom Amplifier can be considered to be made up of two distinct parts: The preamplifier, and the power amplifier.

#### THE PREAMPLIFIER

The two stage preamplifier is driven by an input transformer which is somewhat loaded by the input resistor. This resistor prevents excessive signals from being developed by the speaker at its resonance frequency, which would over-drive the input stage. Both stages are of the common emitter configuration, with direct coupling utilized between the stages. On the schematic, 837 9345 001, it should be noted that Q1 is a NPN type transistor and has its emitter returned to B- for biasing purposes.

Biasing is accomplished by a combination of voltage divider and emitter resistance as with R1, R2 and R5. This method of biasing also insures a high degree of temperature stability. Signal degeneration is also for Q2 by R7.

The volume control, (located on the console) situated between the preamplifier and power amplifier, is connected in reverse, to maintain the high source impedance at all settings that the power amplifier requires.

### THE POWER AMPLIFIER

The output stages of the power amplifier operate Class B, and are arranged in the circuit configuration known as "single ended push-pull", or "followed emitter follower". The upper and lower units are in series across the power supply, and the load is connected at their junction when the signal at the collector of Q4 goes negative Q6 and Q8 conduct, since they are all PNP types. When the signal goes positive Q5 and Q7 conduct since Q5 is a NPN type. Thus, the full signal appears at the junction point.

Note that Q4 is the only stage in the power amplifier with this voltage gain. A high frequency transistor is used at this point to improve stability. Several feedback loops are employed in this circuit, including R10, C7, C10, and C9, C7 and C10 provide high frequency stability, C12 supplies positive feedback from the output to the collector circuit of Q4 to increase the signal handling capability of this stage.

#### MAINTENANCE

#### PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE

The M-6035 Cue-Intercom Amplifier is designed for long, trouble-free service. However, as with all high quality electronic equipment, a regular program of inspection should be followed.

It is recommended that when the amplifier is first received, part of the console, D.C. voltage be measured with the same voltmeter that will be used for maintenance and troubleshooting, and these





readings be recorded on the amplifier schematic above the typical voltages shown.

### SERVICING

When servicing the amplifier, the following points should be observed.

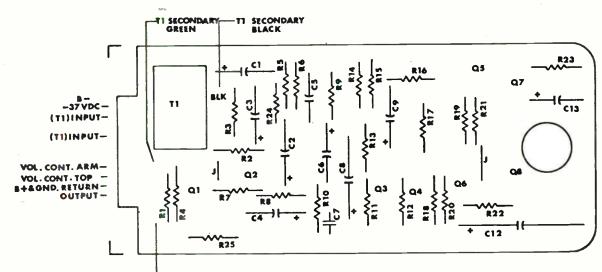
- 1. The condition of the output stage measuring the speaker bus voltage at the junction of R21 and the collector of Q8.
- 2. Circuit resistances should be measured only after removing the associated transistor or transistors, to prevent damage due to ohmmeter battery voltage.
- 3. DO NOT remove or insert transistors with the power ON.
- 4. DO NOT probe the printed board with a metal probe with the power ON.
- 5. Circuit voltages are reversed from standard vacuum tube practice, as is the polarity of all electrolytic capacitors.
- 6. The location of the positive end of each electrolytic capacitor is indicated by the white dot marked on the top of the circuit board.

#### PARTS LIST

Symbol No.	Gates Stock N	o. Description
C1, C2, C3, C4, C9 C5 C6	506 0005 000	Cap., 25 mfd, 25 V. Cap., 1 mfd., 200 V. Cap., 25 mfd., 6 V.

Symbol No.	Gates Stock No.	Description
C7,		Cap., .001 mfd., 1 KV, 10%
C8	522 0256 000	Cap., 20 mfd., 50 V.
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C12	522 0246 000	Cap., 100 mfd., 25 V.
Č13	506 0006 000	Cap., .25 mfd., 200 V.
Č14	506 0004 000	Cap., .05 mfd., 200 V.
QÎ	380 0115 000	Transistor, 2N5088
Q6	380 0011 000	Transistor, 2N214
Q2,	380 0112 000	Transistor, 2N5087
Q3, Q4, Q5	380 0014 000	Transistor, 2N1414
Q7, Q8	380 0012 000	Transistor, 2N1183
R1	540 0081 000	Res., 22K ohm, 1/2 W., 5%
R2, R3	540 0071 000	Res., 8200 ohm, 1/2 W., 5%
R4	540 0076 000	Res., 13K ohm, 1/2W., 5%
R5	540 0075 000	Res., 12K ohm, 1/2W., 5%
R6	540 0057 000	Res., 2200 ohm, 1/2 W., 5%
R7,	540 0036 000	Res., 300 ohm, 1/2 W., 5%
<b>R8</b>	540 0045 000	Res., 680 ohm, 1/2W., 5%
	540 0041 000	Res., 470 ohm, 1/2W., 5%
R10, R14	540 0073 000	Res., 10K ohm, 1/2W., 10%
R11	540 0085 000	Res., 33K ohm, 1/2W., 5%
R12, R18	540 0039 000	Res., 390 ohm, 1/2W., 5%
R13	540 0098 000	Res., 110K ohm, 1/2W., 5%
R15	540 0049 000	Res., 1K ohm, 1/2W., 5%
R16	540 0070 000	Res., 7500 ohm, 1/2 W., 5%
R23	540 0017 000	Res., 47 ohm, 1/2W., 5%
R24	540 0023 000	Res., 82 ohm, 1/2W., 5%
R21, R22	540 0005 000	Res., 15 ohm, 1/2W., 5% Res., 6.8 ohm, 1/2W., 5%
R25 R17	$\begin{array}{c} 540 & 0845 & 000 \\ 540 & 0025 & 000 \end{array}$	Res., 100 ohm, 1/2W., 5%
		Transformer, Input
-` T1	478 0285 000	Transformer, input
XD1, XD2	404 0227 000	Dissipator
110 1, 110 0		-
XQ1, XQ2,		
XQ3, XQ4,		
XQ5, XQ6	404 0066 000	
XQ7, XQ8	404 0149 000	Socket

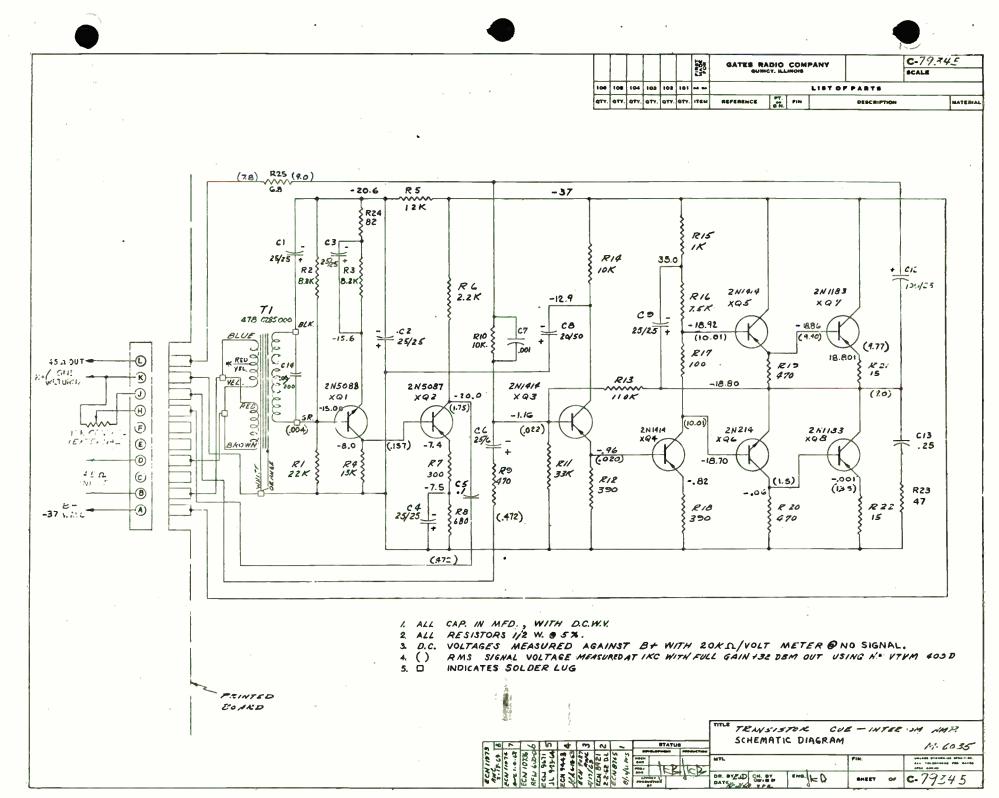
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# INSTALLATION AND OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS FOR M-6034 TRANSISTOR PREAMPLIFIER

**TECHNICAL DATA** GAIN: 45 DB ±1 DB operated into a 600 ohm load. FREQUENCY **RESPONSE:** ±1 DB, 30 cps to 15,000 cps. HARMONIC DISTORTION: Under 0.5% from 50 cps to 15 KC at +5 DBM output. Under 0.5% from 30 cps to 15 KC at -50 DBM output. **INTERMODULATION** DISTORTION: Under 0.5% at -5 DBM output level, and under 1.0% at +5 DBM output level. Distortion measured at equivalent sine wave output using 40 cps and 7 KC mixed 4 to 1. NOISE LEVEL: -122 DBM equivalent input noise. SOURCE IMPEDANCE: 30/50 and 150/250 ohms. INPUT IMPEDANCE: Input transformer unloaded, resulting in input impedance being substantially higher than source impedance. OUTPUT LOAD **IMPEDANCE:** 600 ohms ±10%. MAXIMUM INPUT LEVEL: -40 DBM. MAXIMUM OUTPUT LEVEL: +5 DBM. MAXIMUM OPERATING AMBIENT **TEMPERATURE:** 55° C. (131° F.) MAXIMUM STORAGE AMBIENT **TEMPERATURE:** 85° C. (185° F.) POWER REQUIRE-**MENTS:** -30 V. DC at 15 ma with less than .1 MV ripple.

TRANSISTORS: 3 - 2N5087 1 - 40319

MOUNTING: Requires M-6039 mounting frame.

SIZE:

3-1/4" Wide x 6-3/8" Long x 1" Thick.

#### DESCRIPTION

The Gates M-6034 Transistor Preamplifier is a premium quality low noise unit for use in consoles, and is completely temperature compensated using the latest techniques. The amplifier has a gain of 45 DB with a maximum output is unbalanced and transformerless, which is designed to operate into a 600 ohm variable attenuator.

The input is balanced, and is connected for 150/250 ohm source impedance at the factory but may be reconnected for 30/50 ohms.

### THEORY OF OPERATION

This amplifier is designed to provide a fixed gain of 45 DB. It is a four-stage amplifier and utilizes a transformerless output. It features negative feedback to reduce distortion to a very low level and minimizes specification changes with transistor changes.

Signal is applied to pins C and E and is fed through transformer, T1, to the base of Q1 (2N1307). Q1 is a low noise transistor operated at ideal collector current for minimum noise. It will be noted that the first stage is series fed through T1 to provide the maximum input gain from T1. C1 and R1 are connected across the secondary of T1 to stabilize the amplifier. The value of R1 and C1 were picked to provide a roll off above the audio range to prevent amplification of very high frequency noise.

The signal is then direct coupled from the collector of Q1 to the base of Q2. Q2 is a very high gain stage because the emitter is completely by-passed. The signal is then coupled from the collector of Q2 (thru C8) to Q3. The collector of Q3 is direct coupled to the base of Q4. Q4 is an emitter follower. Emitter followers are very stable and are virtually distortionless. This also provides the low output impedance required to feed a 600 ohm fader. Feedback is applied from R17 through R13 and C9, R7 and C5 to the emitter resistor (R6) of the first stage. R13 and C9 provide a boost of 1 DB at 30 cps to make the response flat in the audio range.

#### MAINTENANCE

Transistor amplifiers are designed for a long troublefree life, however, dust and dirt can cause trouble. A monthly dusting with a soft brush should be adequate.

#### SHOULD TROUBLE OCCUR -

- Step 1 First check all DC voltages. The DC voltages determine the bias points of the transistors and any departure of 20% or more should be considered a defect. NOTE: Use of the resistance chart will help detect faulty components.
- Step 2 Before any signal measurements are made, replace any defective parts to make DC voltages correct.
- Step 3 After all DC voltages are correct, signal tests may be performed. The correct (RMS) voltages are shown on the schematic diagram. Voltages shown are for -40 DBM input @ 150 ohms not terminated.

DO NOT remove or insert transistors with the power ON.

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**REMEMBER** - In this transistor circuitry B+ is ground, therefore, capacitors have the positive side connected to ground.

NOT probe the printed board with the power ON with a metal screwdriver, etc., that could short out wiring.

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Gates Stock N	o. Description
522 0178 000	Cap., .0075 uf, 100 V. Cap., 25 uf, 6 V. Cap., 100 uf, 3 V.
522 0242 000 500 0759 000 522 0187 000 522 0158 000	Cap., 25 uf, 25 V. Cap. 100 PF, 500V. Cap., 200 uf, 6 V. Cap., 50 uf, 3 V.
$\begin{array}{c} 380 \ 0112 \ 000 \\ 380 \ 0171 \ 000 \\ 540 \ 0035 \ 000 \\ 548 \ 0050 \ 000 \\ 540 \ 0062 \ 000 \\ 540 \ 0066 \ 000 \\ 540 \ 0038 \ 000 \\ 540 \ 0077 \ 000 \\ 540 \ 0068 \ 000 \\ 540 \ 0064 \ 000 \\ 540 \ 0062 \ 000 \\ 540 \ 0062 \ 000 \\ 540 \ 0025 \ 000 \\ 540 \ 0084 \ 000 \\ 540 \ 0084 \ 000 \\ 540 \ 0084 \ 000 \\ 540 \ 0063 \ 000 \\ 540 \ 0036 \ 000 \\ 540 \ 0058 \ 000 \\ 540 \ 0058 \ 000 \\ 540 \ 0076 \ 000 \end{array}$	Transistor 2N5087 Transistor 40.319 (Selected) Res., 270 ohm, 1/2W., 5% Res., 20K ohm, 1/2W., 5% Res., 3600 ohm, 1/2W., 5% Res., 5100 ohm, 1/2W., 5% Res., 100 ohm, 1/2W., 5% Res., 100 ohm, 1/2W., 5% Res., 360 ohm, 1/2W., 5% Res., 6200 ohm, 1/2W., 5% Res., 6200 ohm, 1/2W., 5% Res., 22K ohm, 1/2W., 5% Res., 3600 ohm, 1/2W., 5% Res., 3600 ohm, 1/2W., 5% Res., 30K ohm, 1/2W., 5% Res., 30K ohm, 1/2W., 5% Res., 300 ohm, 1/2W., 5% Res., 300 ohm, 1/2W., 5% Res., 2400 ohm, 1/2W., 5% Res., 13K ohm, 1/2W., 5%
478 0285 000	Transformer, Input
	508 0349 000 522 0178 000 522 0160 000 522 0160 000 522 0160 000 522 0187 000 522 0187 000 522 0188 000 522 0158 000 540 0035 000 540 0062 000 540 0062 000 540 0064 000 540 0068 000 540 0064 000 540 0064 000 540 0062 000 540 0064 000 540 0063 000 540 0084 000 540 0085 000

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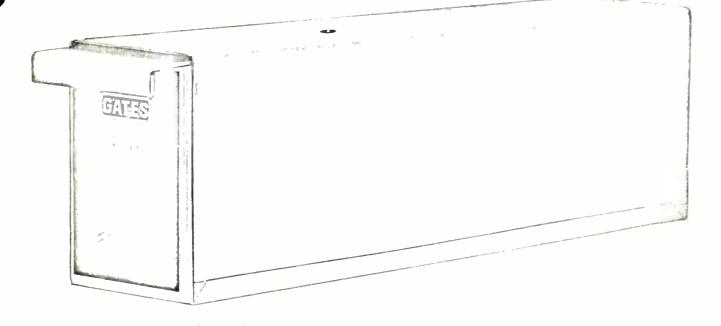


Fig. 1 - M5700 Transistor Program Amplifier

The Gates Transistor Program Amplifier is available in two versions:

1. The M5700 is designed specifically for use in Gates Transistor Consoles. It is supplied less the interstage level control, and with the input unterminated. The control is mounted externally on the Console panel. 2. The M5700B is designed for rack mounting in system installations with the level control mounted internally. The input of the amplifier is unterminated to facilitate application. Terminate the input connect ions on the amplifier mounting tray in the proper resistance (150 or 600 ohms). The gain of the M5700B will then be approximately 70 db maximum.

# TECHNICAL DATA

Gain:

M5700: 80 DB, M5700B: 76 DB, may be reduced as required with internal volume control. Frequency Response: + 1 db from 30 to 15,000 cps.

Harmonic Distortion: Under 0.75% at 30 cps., 0.5% from 50 to 15,000 cps., at +24 dbm output.

Intermodulation Distortion: Under 0.3% at +14 dbm equivalent sine

wave power output, using 40 and 7000 cps., mixed 4:1. Under 1.5% at +24 dbm.

Noise Level:

-122 dbm equivalent input noise.

Source Impedance:

150/250 ohms, or 500/600 ohms.

# Input Impedance:

Factory connected for 150 ohms. May also be connected for 600 ohms.



Load Impedance: Factory connected for 600 ohms. May also be connected for 150 ohms. Maximum Input Level: -35 dbm. Maximum Output Level: +24 dbm. Maximum Operating Ambient Temperature: 55° C. (13·1° F.) Maximum Storage Ambient Temperature: 85° C. (185° F.) Power Requirements: 30 volts D.C., 90 ma., 0.1 mv. maximum ripple. Transistors: 4 - 2N14142 - 2N50871 - 2N1183

# Finish:

Satin-silver cover, black escutcheon plate.

Mounting:

M6031 Mounting Tray required to mount in M6029 ShelfAssembly. Shelf assembly accommodates seven Program Amplifiers and requires panel space of 3-1/2" X 19".

# Size:

2-7/32" wide, 3-1/8" high, 10-3/4" long, overall.

Weight:

4-1/4 lbs. net. 8-1/4 lbs. packed. Cubage:

0.8 cu. ft. domestic pack.

# DESCRIPTION

The M5700 Program Amplifier is completely transistorized, and is designed for use as a line or isolation amplifier in broadcasting and recording applications. Special techniques have been employed to obtain low noise, low distortion, and good temperature stability.

The amplifier is used with the M6031 Mounting Tray which carries a mating receptacle and is supplied with mounting hardware. Up to seven trays may be installed on the M6029 Shelf Assembly, which mounts in a standard Gates rack cabinet, and occupies 3-1/2" of panel space. A keying pin is provided with the mounting tray to prevent accidental interchange of non-similar plug-in units in the system.

The interstage level control is located on the front panel of the M5700B model. The output transformer and receptacle are attached to the frame, and all other components are mounted on the printed wiring boards.

Typical frequency response and distortion curves are shown in Fig. 2. These measurements were taken with all transistors selected at random.

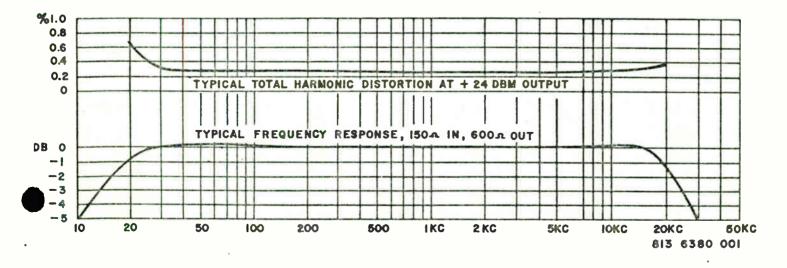


Fig. 2 - Response and Distortion.



# INSTALLATION

# MOUNTING TRAY AND SHELF ASSEMBLY

Mounting holes have been spaced in the shelf assembly to allow it to be completely filled with trays of any one type for the Gates transistorized units. It is possible, where maximum use of shelf space is not required, to mix trays of different sizes. Thus a program amplifier and preamplifier could be placed at the left and a power supply at the extreme right. Proceed as follows:

1. Locate the first tray at the extreme left or right of the shelf assembly, with the receptacle at the rear. The countersunk holes of the tray will fit into the matching holes in the shelf, when properly located. Leave a 1/16" space between trays.

2. Secure the tray to the shelf with the two  $#4-40 \times 1/4"$  flat head screws with the two #6 internal-external shakeproof washers under two #4 hex nuts.

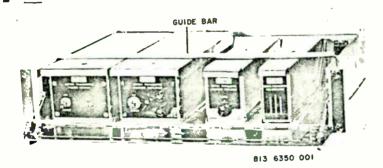


Fig. 3 - Shelf Assembly With Guide Bar

3. Determine whether or not the guide bar, shown in Fig. 3, will be required. The purpose of this bar is to prevent possible damage to the mating connectors when upward pressure is inadvertently applied to the amplifier during withdrawal. The bar will be required only where no other protecting obstruction is present in the rack, or where the shelf is used at a location such as a work bench.

It will not be required where another M6029 Shelf Assembly is mounted directly above, or where overhead equipment interferes with mounting of the shelf due to the presence of the bar. The mounting screws are located so that they may be removed from within the shelf.

4. Mount the shelf in the rack using hardware supplied with the rack. The two end strips mount under the screw heads, and are to be flush with the drop panel.

# INPUT AND OUTPUT TRANSFORMERS

The input transformer is factory connected for 150 ohms primary impedance, as shown on the schematic diagram and on Fig. 4. If a terminated input is desired, a 150 ohm resistor should be connected to terminals 9 and 10 on the amplifier mounting tray, since the amplifier input is unterminated.

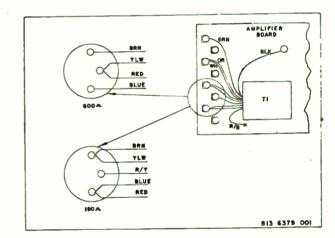


Fig. 4 - Input Transformer Connections

Refer to Fig. 4 for connection to 600 ohms impedance. If a terminated input is required, connecta 620 ohm resistor across terminals 9 and 10 on the amplifier mounting tray.

If 6db more gain is desired in some applications, the input terminating resistor may be deleted. In this case, however, the system component preceeding the amplifier will not be properly terminated.

The output transformer is factory connected



for 600 ohms secondary impedance. To reconnect for 150 ohms refer to the schematic diagram. Remove the green/white and black wires from terminal #7. Connect the black wire to terminal #5 and the green/white wire to terminal #6.

# EXTERNAL CONNECTIONS

External connections are made to the mounting tray receptacle as follows:

Circuit	Terminals
External Control (Optional) +30 V. Circuit Ground Output Connections Output Center-Tap (600 ohms) Input Connections Input Center-Rap -30 V. Chasis Ground No Connection	1,2,3 4 5,6 7 9,10 11 12 13 8,14,15,16

Jumper together all #13 terminals on the shelf, whether program amplifiers or other types, and connect to the rack ground bus. Connection from rack ground to the circuit ground in the program amplifier (B+) should be made at the amplifier (not at the power supply). Make a connection from the rack ground bus to each amplifier terminal #14, <u>SEPARATELY</u>, with at least 18 guage wire. These circuit grounds must be carried separately to prevent the possibility of interac-

For the purpose of explanation, the program amplifier can be considered to be made up of two parts: the preamplifier, and the high level amplifier.

# THE PREAMPLIFIER

The four stage preamplifier has a transformer coupled input and emitter follower output, with direct coupling utilized between Q1 and Q2, and between Q3 and Q4. Q1 and Q2 transistors are low noise types detion (due to mixing of return currents in a common wire). Where other types of amplifiers are mounted on the same shelf, consult their respective Instruction Book for grounding information. Where many amplifiers and power supplies are mounted in a rack, it is preferable to run a vertical rack ground bus-bar, to pick up grounds at each shelf.

Run the D. C. supply leads, output pair, and chassis and circuit ground leads along therear edge of the shelf. The D.C. supply leads should be at least 18 gauge, and must be run <u>SEPARATELY</u> from each program amplifier to its respective power supply, to prevent the possibility of common coupling in the power wiring. See the power supply Instruction Book for further information.

Run input pairs and external control leads along the shelf brace, above the receptacles.

# EXTERNAL VOLUME CONTROL

Reference to the schematic diagram will indicate that the program amplifier is wired to accommodate an external volume control. This feature makes it possible to locate the volume control on an adjacent rack panel, or on a console control panel, when the amplifier is mounted internally. The internal control, R30, must be disconnected when the amplifier is to be used in this way. The (R30) control may be ordered as part number 550 0218 000.

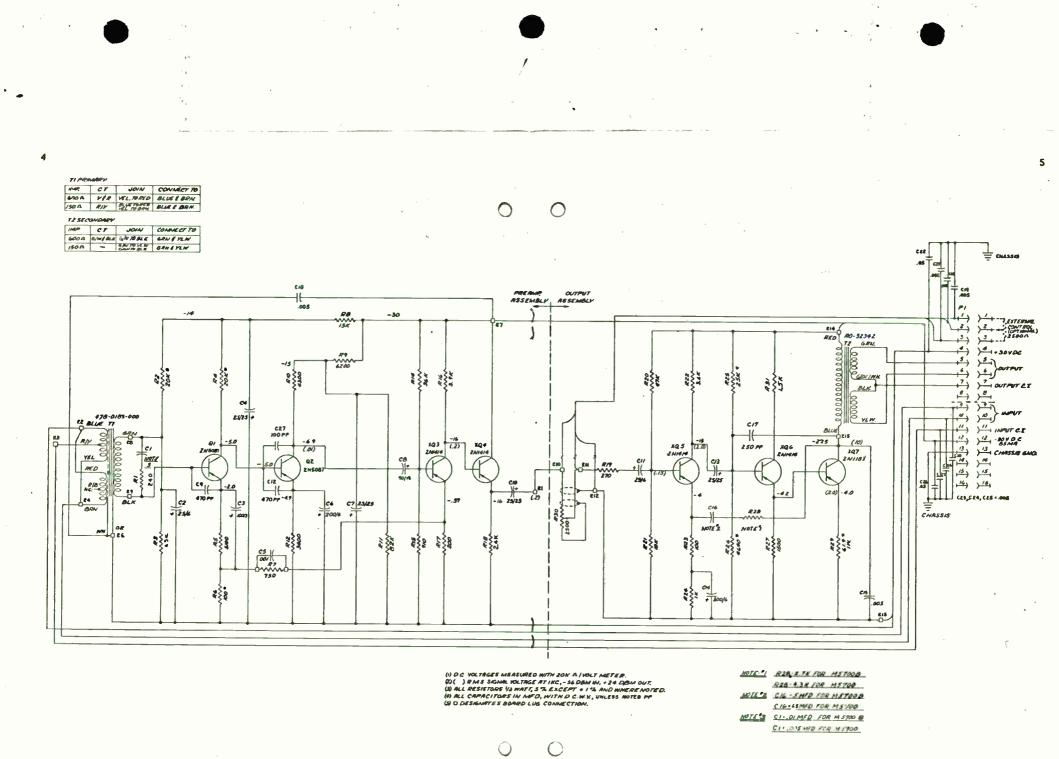
#### THEORY OF OPERATION

signed for use in critical low noise applications.

Biasing is accomplished by a combination of voltage divider and emitter resistance, as with R2, R3, and R5. This method of biasing also insures a high degree of temperature stability. Signal degeneration is provided for Q1 by R6, and for Q3 by R17. A loop feedback network connects from Q3, thru R7 and C5, to Q1. The large amount of feedback and degeneration obtained by these

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Fig. 5 - Schematic Diagram

methods reduces distortion in the preamplifier to an extremely low value, and makes the operation almost completely independent of variations in transistor parameters.

# THE HIGH LEVEL AMPLIFIER

The output stage, Q7, is connected in the common emitter configuration, with a series fed output transformer, T2, in the collector circuit. Emitter resistor R29 provides a large amount of degeneration, to reduce

large-signal distortion to a low value.

The low driving impedance required by a stage of this type is obtained from the emitter follower, Q6. The stages are direct coupled, with R25 and R26 establishing the bias on both Q6 and Q7. Q5 provides additional gain for the high level amplifier.

The feedback network, R28 and C16, is used primarily for low frequency response compensation.

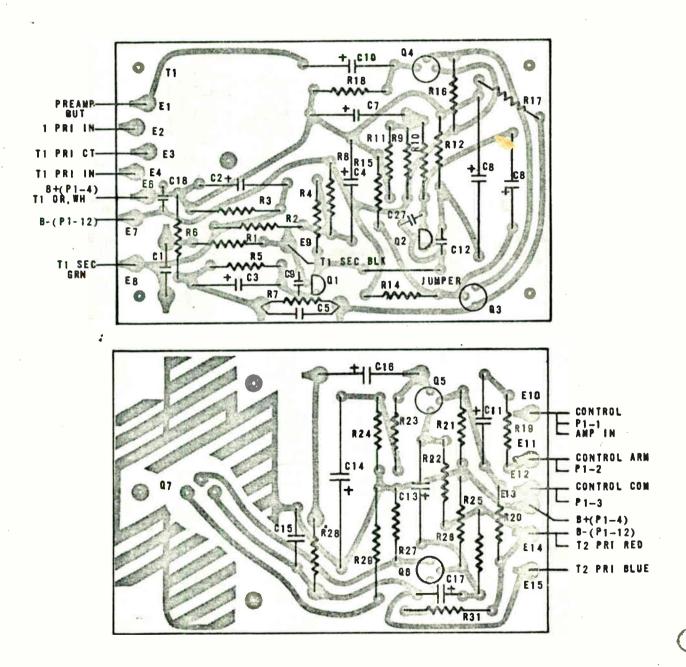


Fig. 6 - Printed Board Component Location, Viewed from Wiring Side.

## MAINTENANCE



# PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE

The M5700 Program Amplifier is designed for long, trouble-free service. However, as with all high quality electronic equipment, a regular program of inspection should be followed.

It is recommended that when the amplifier is first placed in operation, D.C. voltage be measured with the same voltmeter that will be used for maintenance and trouble shooting, and that these readings be recorded on the amplifier schematic above the typical voltage shown.

Dust and dirt should be periodically removed with a soft brush.

# SERVICING

When servicing the amplifier, the following points should be observed:

1. The condition of the output stages, Q7

and Q6, can be most readily checked by measuring the D.C. voltages associated with these stages.

2. Circuit resistances should be measured only after removing the associated transistor or transistors, to prevent damage due to ohm-meter battery voltage.

3. Do not remove or insert transistors with the power on.

4. Do not probe the printed board with a metal probe with the power on.

5. Circuit voltages are reversed from standard vacuum tube practice, as is the polarity of all the electrolytic capacitors.

6. The location of the positive end of each electrolytic capacitor is indicated by the white dot marked on the top of the circuit board.

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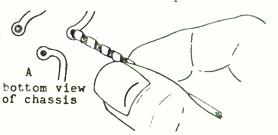
# CHECKING COMPONENTS

1. The components should be carefully checked by measuring circuit voltages and resistances before attempting to remove one of the leads from the printed chassis. Extreme care must be exercised in removing the lead to prevent damage to the board or conductors. This operation should not be considered unless it is the only way the component can be checked. If one lead must be removed without damage to the component, apply a well cleaned and tinned 25 to 60 watt iron to the fillet adjacent to the lead. With small long nose pliers or thin screwdriver, pry the folded portion of the lead in line with the holes. Applying the iron for more than four seconds at a time may damage the chassis base material.

possible. Remove all the kinks in the wire. With heat applied, gently pull the wire through the hole.

# RESOLDERING THE COMPONENT

2. If the component is good, replace as follows: Use a metal twist drill (1/8" dia. or less) to clear the hole only in the fillet of solder. Turn with the fingers only remove solder slowly to prevent the drill from tearing the fillet.



Remove as much solder from the lead as

. Fig. 7 - Cleaning Holes

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Be sure the component lead is straight and free of solder. Push it gently back through the hole until some of it shows on the other side. Solder carefully but rapidly to prevent chassis damage.

# REPLACING COMPONENTS

3. Components can be replaced with less chance of damage to the chassis than the removal and rewiring of one of the leads. Remove as follows: Clip the leads close to the body of the component. Heat the fillet and gently push the wire through until the hook may be clipped off. Clip the hook off (on the soldered side) with sharp cutters.

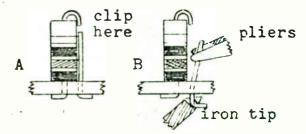


Fig. 9 - Removing Components

With the iron applied to the fillet, pull the wire gently out of the component side of the chassis:

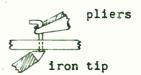


Fig 8 Fig. 8 - Removing Lead

After removing the leads, prepare the chassis for the new component as explained in Fig. 7, paragraph 2.

To replace the component, fold the leads on the new part to the same spacing as the mounting holes. Insert the part and fold the leads under the chassis to hold the component firmly against it.

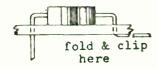


Fig. 10 - Installing New Component

Clip off the excess wire. Place the iron on both the component lead and fillet. Solder carefully and rapidly to prevent damage to the chassis base. If one of the conductors is damaged, it is seldom necessary to scrap the printed chassis. Lay a small piece of wire (#18 to 24 ga.) across the break and solder each end to the conductor.

If a fillet is pulled loose, break it off to get rid of the loose end. Fold the new component lead to lay on the conductor and solder. If the component lead is too short, solder in another piece of wire to bridge the gap. Printed chassis construction places no strain on repairs of this nature, thus, soldering alone will provide sufficient mechanical strength even with heavy shock and vibration in almost every case.

The base material used on the printed chas sis is the best available for this service The two oz. copper is twice as heavy as us ed in average applications of this type o equipment. This assures reliable service and repair, if and when required. If replacement parts are ordered from the Gates Radio Company, please list the Gates stock number given in the parts list, as well as the description of the part. This will assure receipt of the right part immediately.

#### PARTS LIST

Symbol No.	Gates Stock No.	Description
C1 (M5700) C1 (M5700B) C2, C11 C3	5080076000508021500052201780005220160000	Cap., .005 uf., 100 V. Cap., .01 uf., 100 V. Cap., 25 uf., 6 V. D.C. Cap., 100 uf., 3 V. D.C.



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Symbol No. **C**8 C4, C7, C10, C13 **C5** C6 C9, C12 C14 C15 C16 (M5700) C16 (M5700B) C17 C18, C19, C20, C21,C23, C24, C25 C22,C26 C 27 **P1** Q1, Q2 Q3, Q4, Q5, Q6, Q7 R1 (M5700A) R1 (M5700,B) R2, R4 R12, R22 **R5 R6 R7 R8 R9** R3, R10 R11 **R14** R15 R16 **R17** R18 R19 R20 R21 R23 R24 R25 R26 R27, R31 R28 (M5700) R28 (M5700B) R29 R30 (M5700A/B) **T1** T2

XQ3, XQ4, XQ5, XQ6

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Description Cap., 50 uf., 15 V. D.C. Cap., 25 uf., 25 V. D.C. Cap., .001 uf., 1KV Cap., 200 uf., 6V D.C. Cap., 470 pf., IKV Cap., 300 uf., 6V. D.C. Cap., .005 uf., 1 KV Cap., 1.5 uf., 50 V. D.C. Cap., 5 uf., 50 V. D.C. Cap., 250 uuf., 1 KV Cap., .005 uf., 500V Cap., .05 uf., 100V Cap., 100pf., 500 V. Plug Transistor, 2N5087 Transistor, 2N1414 Transistor, 2N1183 Res., 620 ohm, 1/2 W., 5% Res., 240 ohm, 1/2 W., 5% Res., 20K ohm, 1/2 W., 1% Res., 3600 ohm, 1/2 W., 5% Res., 5100 ohm, 1/2 W., 5% Res., 100 ohm, 1/2 W., 1% Res., 750 ohm, 1/2 W., 5% Res., 15K ohm, 1/2 W., 5% Res., 6200 ohm, 1/2 W., 5% Res., 4300 ohm, 1/2 W., 5% Res., 82K ohm, 1/2 W., 5% Res., 36K ohm, 1/2 W., 5% Res., 910 ohm, 1/2 W., 5% Res., 3900 ohm, 1/2 W., 5% Res., 200 ohm, 1/2 W., 5% Res., 2400 ohm, 1/2 W., 5% Res., 270 ohm, 1/2 W., 5% Res., 47K ohm, 1/2 W., 5% Res., 10K ohm, 1/2 W., 5% Res., 100 ohm, 1/2 W., 5% Res., 1000 ohm, 1/2 W., 5% Res., 25K ohm, 1/2 W., 1% Res., 4640 ohm, 1/2 W., 1% Res., 1500 ohm, 1/2W., 5% Res., 4.3K ohm, 1/2 W., 5% Res., 2.7K ohm, 1/2 W., 5% Res., 61.9 ohm, 1 W., 1% Potentiometer, 2500 ohm Transformer, Input Transformer, Output

Socket

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INSTRUCTION BOOK

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THE DIPLOMAT

GATES 994 6377 002 TEN CHANNEL TRANSISTOR CONSOLE

IB #888-0938-001 9/13/63 Gates Radio Company Quincy, Illinois

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# MAINTENANCE SUPPLEMENT

# Attenuator Cleaning Instructions

- 1. Use lint free cloth or Kem-Wipes when cleaning or lubricating attenuators. Use each cloth once and discard.
- 2. Use denatured alcohol as a cleaning agent.

# WARNING: DO NOT use carbon tetrachloride. It causes noise and the fumes may cause injury to personnel.

3. Use a soft clean pencil eraser to remove spots or noisy areas not cleaned in Step 2.

4. Lubricate with a pure, high grade vaseline.

 Clean and lubricate each control on a regular schedule. This function should be performed every 50,000 cycles of operation or every three months, whichever occurs first.



# ADDENDUM

**CAUTION** — To prevent severe ground loops, all wiring connected to this console must be free from ground connections in the source and load equipment (microphones, turntables, tape players, recorders, speakers, etc.). An ohmmeter check is necessary to be certain that each wire is <u>not</u> grounded before connecting it to the console. If any source or load equipment has a grounded connection wire, an isolating transformer must be used between that equipment and the console.

A final ohmmeter check is recommended: After all system connections are made, temporarily disconnect the station ground from the console and measure the resistance (ohms) from the <u>console ground stud</u> to the <u>station ground</u>. A very high resistance is normal – a low reading indicates a ground loop. All ground loops must be eliminated before operating the console. Be sure to re-attach the station ground to the console after testing.

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# ADDENDA SHEET

Anbassador, Diplonat, Executive & President Consoles

Power Supply Wiring - (Renoval from Console)

Should it be necessary to renove the power supply assembly from the Console for test or repair, reconnect as shown with <u>correct</u> numbered wires replaced in the proper location.

<u>CAUTION:</u> Recheck the wiring before applying power because a wiring error may destroy the power supply and void its Guarantee.

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See Drawings:

Anbassador Console	#814 2811 001
Diplonat Console	#814 2813 001
Executive Console	#814 2812 <b>001</b>
President Console	#814 2814 001

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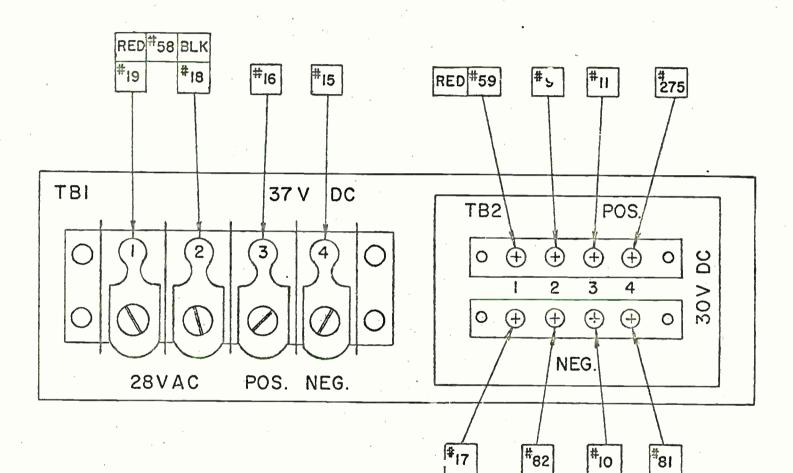
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#### SPECIFICATIONS

# GAIN:

Remote/Network to Line Out: Remote/Network to Speaker: Microphone Input to Line Output: Turntable Input to Line Output: Microphone Input to Speaker Output: Turntable Input to Speaker Output: 56 DB +2 DB 58 DB minimum 104 DB +2 DB 56 DB +2 DB 106 DB minimum. 58 DB minimum.

FREQUENCY RESPONSE: (1 KC Reference)

+1.0 DB from 30 to 15,000 cps in all regular program circuits.

+2 DB from 30 to 15,000 cps in all emergency program circuits.

+1.5 DB from 30 to 15,000 cps in all monitoring speaker circuits.

# HARMONIC DISTORTION:

0.5% maximum, 30 to 15,000 cps @ +8 DBM output on all program lines.

0.5% maximum, 50 to 15,000 cps  $\odot$  +18 DBM output on all program lines.

1.0% maximum, 50 to 15,000 cps  $\odot$  +39 DBM (8 watts) output on all monitoring speaker outputs.

## I.M. DISTORTION:

0.5% maximum (40/7000 cps © 4:1) @ +8 DBM equivalent sine wave output on all regular program circuits, 1.5% maximum © +18 DBM out.

1.0% maximum @ +39 DBM equivalent sine wave output on all monitoring speaker outputs.

## NOISE:

-122 DBM relative input noise on microphone channels.

-75 DBM relative input noise on turntable channels.

CROSSTALK:

Below noise level in all program channels.

CHANNELS:

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may be easily found. The engineering staff is urged to become acquainted with all sections so that they can advise other groups in the best performance, as well as being able to keep the console in top operating condition.

## INSTALLATION

All the packing material, including any shipping frames and platforms, should be carefully removed prior to the installation of the M6377Å Control Console. The removable items include:

3 - 994 6034 001 Transistor Preamplifiers. 2 - 994 5700 001 Transistor Program Amplifiers. 1 - 994 6035 001 Transistor Cue-Intercom Amplifier. 1 - 826 9445 001 Phone Jack Plate. 1 - 472 0429 000 Power Transformer. 1 - 646 0379 000 Group of Knob Decals. 1 - 888 0938 001 Instruction Manual.

If any of the items listed above are missing, search all of the packing material again to determine if they have been overlooked. If still missing, contact the Gates Radio Company for instructions.

SIZE: The M6377A Console is 53-1/2" long, 11-3/8" high and 17-3/8" deep.

With the plug-in amplifiers removed, place the console on the control desk in the final operating position. Determine the routing of the interconnecting cables into the cabinet and the method of connecting the cables to the control desk. The conduit and/or duct layout should also be considered in the planning of the interconnecting cable runs. If the cables are to come up through the surface of the desk, mark the cable access holes (in the console base) on the desk top so they may be accurately drilled after removal of the cabinet.

In some cases, it is preferred to elevate the console cabinet sufficiently to permit the cables to lay between the desk top and the console base, making a right angle turn with the cables to enter the cabinet. The cables are then dressed off the rear of the desk and generally a protective cover is installed down the rear of the desk.

In either type of installation, the console should be fastened securely to the control desk after the wiring is complete. This is facilitated by the holes in the center of several of the large dimples in the cabinet base. The wiring adjacent to the mounting holes should be fully protected during the securing operation.

#### AMBIENT TEMPERATURES

The transistor amplifiers and the power supply used in the console have been designed for reliable operation at temperatures up to

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## INTRODUCTION

The Gates "Diplomat" ten channel control console is a monophonic companion to the popular "Executive" stereo control console. Performance, features and styling are identical except that all mixing channels are monophonic. The well planned control functions insure maximum versatility and performance for those requiring the best in monophonic operation.

This console provides for the mixing, cueing and monitoring of a variety of program sources including microphones, turntables, tape recorders, remote pickups and networks. Separate "Program" and "Audition" outputs are provided to allow two channel operation. Separate programs may be carried on AM and FM, or recording may be done through the audition channel while normal programming is continued on the program channel. Provisions are included for the addition of a third program output channel if desired. This output can be fed from either the program or audition channels and would provide even greater versatility.

Complete details on the operation of this console may be found in the section of this book entitled OPERATION.

The console is completely transistorized and self-contained except for the earphone jack panel and the power transformer which has been placed externally to minimize hum pickup in the console.

Breaking and jumpering of all major circuits allows full use of normalling jack fields, with all connections brought out to terminal blocks for ease of installation and future circuit checking. Three speaker muting and warning light relays are wired with provisions included for the use of a fourth relay.

Compensation of signal levels by the use of fixed pads throughout the console minimizes the necessity of readjusting gain controls when switching from one circuit to another.

The cue-intercom system provides cueing of turntable and tape sources as well as intercom facilities between the control room and each of the studios as well as the remote lines. The cueintercom system is interlocked with the speaker muting relays so that cueing and intercom signals cannot inadvertently get on the air.

This introduction has touched on some of the more important points of the console to give general information without excessive details. Those concerned with the daily operation should study the section labeled OPERATION. The installation crew should study their section before actually starting the work. Each section is broken down to cover different phases so that unnecessary confusion may be eliminated and the answer to any particular question

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INPUTS:

6 mics, 4 turntables, 4 tapes, 4 remotes, 1 network and 1 high level auxiliary input.

OUTPUTS:

Program 1, program 3, 3 speaker lines with muting (plus one optional), 1 speaker line without muting 2 studio intercom speaker lines and 2 phone jacks.

TOTAL TRANSIST	ORS:
2N1307	2
<b>2N422</b>	5
2N1414	26
2N214	4
2N1183	6
2N1225	1
2N1539	4
Total	48

SIZE:

53½" long, 11-3/8" high, 17-3/8" deep. Net weight 96 lbs.

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55°C. or 131°F. No special ventilation is required. However, prolonged sine wave testing (especially in the monitor amplifier) should be avoided to allow heat, built up in the power output transistors, to be dissipated. See the instruction books provided at the end of this manual for more information.

#### CABLE AND CONDUIT LAYOUT

Cable and conduit layout is of utmost importance in the studio installation. Good results, with a minimum of noise and crosstalk, require careful planning and construction. A system hastily installed, without thorough planning, invariably results in continuous trouble until rebuilt.

First, the matter of signal levels: Cables should generally be divided into three groups, low level cables may include levels from -60 DBM to -20 DBM. Medium level cables may include levels from -20 DBH to +14 DBM. The high level cable may include levels from +14 DBM to +40 DBM. AC power wiring should be run in separate cables.

Whenever possible, do not run any of the four cables listed in a conduit along with cables of different level classification. If two or more cables must be run in a common conduit, never exceed a difference of 40 db in level between the highest and the lowest level in either cable. Use high quality shielded twisted pair for all audio wiring, such as Gates catalog number 1261. For all microphone wiring and long medium level cable and conduit runs the use of rubber, plastic or cloth covered shielded pairs eliminates multiple ground loops and the resultant noise problems. Gates catalog number 8440 microphone cable is recommended.

In parallel cable runs of different levels, the most important aid is physical isolation. Up to six inch spacing is preferred. If there is not room for this isolation, do not lace all of the wires in the same cables. Keep the cables laced separately for the different level classifications even if two or more must lay together. This will give much better isolation than when formed into one cable. The deviations from the preferred methods must not be taken lightly. Use them only as a last resort, not just for convenience.

Terminal layout is arranged in the console to allow adequate separation of cables up to the point of connecting to the terminal blocks. Low level microphone cables connect on the left to TBL. Medium level cables connect in the center to TB3. High level cables connect to TB4 and (in the rear) to TB6. Intercom wiring connections are brought out to TB6 since these are auxiliary circuits which may vary in level from -50 DB to +28 DBM. The speaker output cables are high level and should not be run with low level cables.

Conduit generally affords enough shielding so that different levels in separate conduit presents no isolation problem even

without spacing them apart. Microphone level conduit and speaker level conduit can probably run along together with no crosstalk. However, if practical, it is advisable to maintain physical separation and add to the safety of the installation. Power circuits, especially those with high current, should not be in close proximity with program carrying conduit; electro-magnetic shielding is poor in most conduit.

#### GROUNDING CIRCUITS

Grounding circuits, like cable layout and most systems work methods, are unpredictable to a certain extent. Therefore, no hard and fast rules apply 100% of the time. In this section it is attempted to cover the things to avoid and to present generally accepted practices that always give good results, or allow good results to be obtained with minor modification. Entirely different approaches have been used, some with good results, but unless you are an expert on the subject, most are risky.

The console grounding system is based on the one point ground. Different circuit grounds are insulated from the chassis and other grounds except at one point, where they all join together and go to earth ground. This system prevents multiple ground loops with the resulting hum pickup from circulating currents and RF pickup and regeneration.

External circuits connected in the console should not destroy this system. Microphone circuits are not grounded in the console. The shields should not be grounded externally except after noise checks. They may then be grounded if better results are obtained. Turntable and tape inputs are unbalanced and the common side is grounded. If the inputs are unbalanced, the common side should connect to the back row of the terminal blocks (1B, 2B, 3B, etc.). If the input circuit is grounded external to the console, the ground should be lifted if possible to prevent ground loops. If the ground cannot be removed, or if the circuit impedance will not match the 600 ohm input, a matching transformer should be used. Order Gates A-21 line matching and isolation transformer.

Thus, a safe rule to follow is: Do not ground either side of external circuits. Generally, the shields of the cables should ground at the console only. They may be connected to the ground terminals in the console. There may be exceptions to this rule, especially on microphone input circuits, so the shield grounds should be wired in such a manner that they can be lifted in the console and grounded at the other end. Again, this is part of the test procedure to obtain lowest noise.

If patch panel facilities arc used, special consideration of circuit grounding is necessary. Look in the section marked MODIFICATION FOR EXTRA FACILITIES for instructions.

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# BALANCED AND UNBALANCED LINES

If a circuit is ungrounded, it is considered balanced to ground. If one side is grounded it is unbalanced. If the circuit is center-tap grounded with a pad or coil it is balanced to ground. Refer to the third paragraph under GROUNDING CIRCUITS for determining proper classification. Twisted shielded pairs should be used for all circuits whether they are balanced or unbalanced. Cancellation of noise and crosstalk pickup is approximately the same for either when the one point ground system is used.

If it is necessary to connect a balanced line to an unbalanced line, or the opposite, an isolation transformer should be used between them. The transformer must have good balance, an electrostatic shield, and magnetic shielding sufficient to reduce the hum pickup at least 65 DB below the signal level. Impedance taps on primary and secondary are important to properly match both circuits. The Gates Radio Company's general catalog lists these transformers. Balanced lines require balanced pads and attenuators, unbalanced lines require unbalanced ones. Mixing them generally results in poor noise, frequency response or other poor operation.

### CIRCUIT IMPEDANCES

The microphone inputs are factory connected for 150 ohms. These are balanced inputs. The impedance can be changed to 50 ohms balanced by changing the connections of the input transformer on the preamp board. See the preamp instruction book included at the back of this book for more information on this change.

The turntable and tape inputs, net input to channel 9 and the high level input to channel 10 are 600 ohms unbalanced. These impedances cannot be changed in the console and if other impedances are desired, a matching pad or an isolation transformer must be used. If a matching pad is used it should be unbalanced and its common side connected to the common or grounded side of the inputs.

The remote input lines are 600 ohm balanced circuits. The impedance can be changed by changing taps on Tl, the matching transformer in this channel. As connected, to 1 and 3, the impedance is 600 ohms. Connect to 1 and 2 for 150/200 ohms and to 2 and 3 for 30/50 ohms.

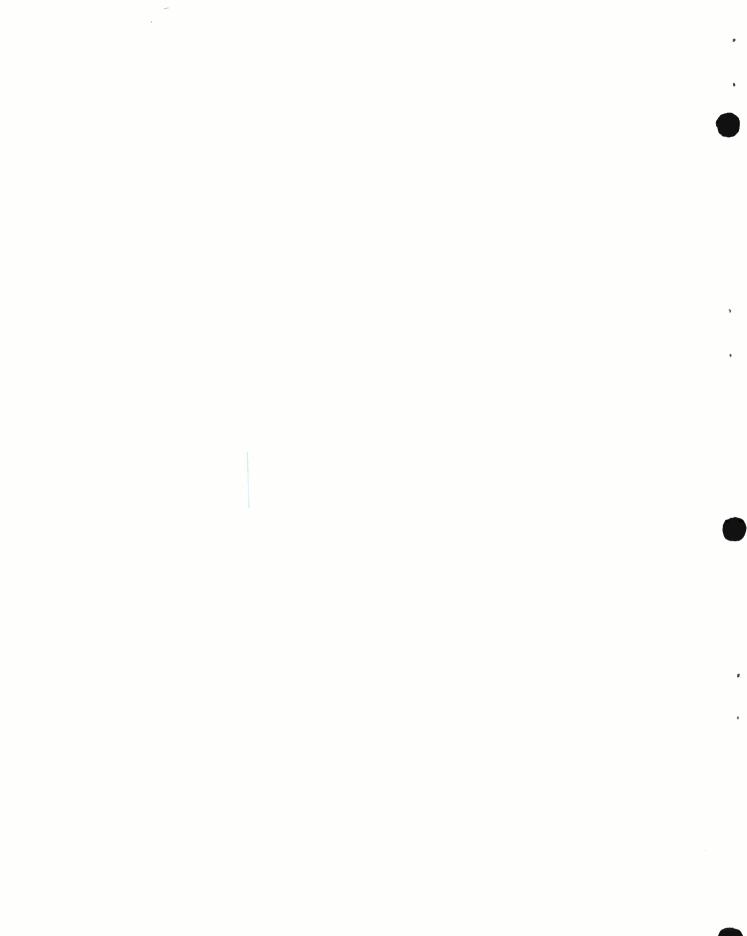
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## POWER CONNECTIONS

A 117 VAC circuit should be connected to terminals 1 and 3 on the power transformer. Terminals 1 and 2 should be used if local AC line voltage is low (105-110 V.) and terminals 1 and 4 should be used where the AC voltage is high (120 to 125 V.).

The three 28 V. secondary windings of the power transformer, terminals 5 and 6, 7 and 8, 9 and 10 should be connected to terminal block 8, terminals 1 and 2, 3 and 4, 5 and 6.

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117 VAC for the warning lights should be connected to terminals 1 and 2 of terminal block 7. Studio A warning lights connect to terminals 3 and 4 of terminal block 7. 117 VAC will appear at these terminals when channel one lever switch is placed in program or audition positions. Lights connected to these terminals should, therefore, be in the same studio as microphones connected to channel 1 inputs. Studio B warning lights should be connected to terminals 5 and 6. These lights will be on when channel 2 lever switch is in program or audition position and should be in the same studio as microphones connected to channel 2 inputs. Control room warning lights, activated by lever switch 3 should be connected to terminals 7 and 8 of terminal block 7. Terminals 9 and 10 are wired for use with a fourth relay. See the section on modifications for more information. Warning light circuits should not be grounded at any point and should not draw more than 2 amps of current. Drawing 813 7289 001 shows the above connections in detail.

#### STUDIO INTERCOM WIRING

When connecting the studio intercom units, the wiring should be kept separated from program circuits. Connect the Studio A unit to terminal block 6, terminals 5A and 5B. The Studio B unit should connect to terminals 7A and 7B on terminal block 6. These circuits should not be grounded.

#### MONITOR SPEAKERS

All speaker wiring is high level and must be run in separate conduit away from low level program circuits. Monitoring is provided to all studios as well as external lobby speakers. 45/50 to 6/8 ohm speaker matching transformers should be used. Gates 478 <u>0291</u> speaker transformers are satisfactory. The relay deck has 47 ohm back loading resistors across the lines when the speakers are muted. <u>Do not</u> parallel speakers across the monitor outputs without using the matching transformers just mentioned since serious damage to the monitor amplifiers will result if they are operated with a load of less than 4 ohms.

Speakers connect as follows to terminal block 6 -

Speaker	Ter	minal
Studio A Studio B Control Room · Lobby	10A 12A	- 8B - 10B - 12B - 18B

The Studio A speaker will mute when channel 1 lever switch is in program or audition position. The Studio B speaker will mute when channel 2 lever switch is operated and the control room speaker is muted when channel 3 lever switch is operated. SPEAKER CIRCUITS MUST NOT BE GROUNDED EXTERNALLY.

External monitor inputs, if used, should connect to TB5, 2A-2B.

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#### MICROPHONE INPUT CONVECTIONS

Each microphone channel has provisions for two microphone inputs. Switching between microphones is done on the front panel.

Channel 1: With S41 in"Mic 1" position, the console is set up for broadcasting from the microphone connected to the first input on terminal block 1. Moving S41 to"Mic 2" position, switches microphones connected to terminal 3 into the channel 1 preamp. S12, the mono-stereo switch is not used in this console and may be used as a utility switch. Reference to the functional block diagram, drawing 842-3695-001, will help clarify these functions. Channel 1 microphones should be located in the same studio as the speakers that are connected to mute when the channel 1 lever switch is operated.

Channel 1 microphone connections are made to terminal block 1 as follows -

Microphone	Terminal
1	1A - 1B
2	3A - 3B

The microphone inputs are balanced 150 ohm and the external circuit should not be grounded.

(See Instruction Book for the preamps for information on changing the impedance to 30/50 ohms.) (See section on GROUNDING CIRCUITS for installation techniques.)

Microphone arrangements for channel 2 are the same as for channel 1. The switching function of S42 is the same as S41, as explained above. S13 is not used. The functional diagram drawing 842 3695 001 shows these functions. Channel 2 microphones should be in the same studio as the speakers connected to mute when the channel 2 lever key is operated.

Microphone connections to channel 2 are as follows -

Microphone	Terminal Block 1
3	5a - 5b ·
4	7A - 7B

Switch Sll performs the same function as S41 & S42 as explained under Chan.l.Channel 3 microphones should be in the same studio as the speakers connected to mute when the channel 3 lever switch is operated. Sl4 is not used.

Connections should be made as follows -

Microphone	Terminal Block 1
5	9A - 9B
6	11A - 11B

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Drawing 813 9116 001 shows the above microphone connections.

#### TURNDABLE INPUTS

Provision is made for four turntable inputs, each of which can be switched to mixers 4 or 5. Turntable inputs are medium level (-20 DEM) 600 ohm unbalanced. If the output of turntable preamp is unbalanced, the common side should be connected to the common side of the input terminals (Row B) on terminal block 3. Inputs to the turntable channels should not be grounded externally. Isolation transformers may be used if necessary to isolate external grounds or to connect inputs that should not be grounded to the unbalanced turntable inputs.

Turntable inputs connect to terminal block 3 as follows -

Turntable	Terminals	
1	1A – 1B 3A – 3B	
3	5A - 5B	
4	7A – 7B	

See the section on OPERATION for details on switching functions.

#### TAPE INPUTS

Four tape inputs are provided, switchable between channels 6 and 7. These are "medium-level" 600 ohm balanced inputs.

Connections are made to terminal block 3 as follows -

Tape		Terminal
1 2 3 4	•	9A - 9B 11A - 11B 13A - 13B 15A - 15B

Although the console is intended to handle 4 turntables and 4 tapes, more than this number of turntables may be used by connecting to tape inputs and switching them into mixers 6 and 7. Of course, one or more of the tape inputs must be sacrificed. In the same manner, more than 4 tape inputs can be obtained by using turntable inputs and bringing the additional tapes into mixers 4 and 5. In this case, one or more turntable inputs will be sacrificed. Of course, not all the tape or turntable inputs need be used.

## REHOTE INPUTS

Provision is made for the connection of 4 remote lines to mixer 8. These are "medium-level" 600 ohm balanced monophonic inputs. Connections for these inputs are located on terminal block 3 as follows -

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## Terminals

17A		17B
18A	·	18B
19A		19B
20A	-	20B

It is suggested that, rather than connect the remote lines directly to the console, they be brought out to jacks in the station patch panel to allow a greater versatility in programming. External circuits should not be grounded. The input level of these lines should be about -20 DBM. This allows the use of isolation pads or equalizers and still have sufficient gain for proper operation.

#### NETWORK INPUT

A 600 ohm network input is provided with mixing accomplished through mixer 9. The network line should be connected to TB5, terminals 17A and 17B.

# NEMO INPUT

Channel 10 is a high level channel provided for auxiliary use. Input connection should be made to TB5, 19A and 19B.

#### LINE OUTPUT CONNECTIONS

The level of these lines will be +8 DBM and they should be routed carefully to prevent crosstalk back into low level input circuits. Connect output line 1 to TB4 terminals 13A-13B. Output line 3 connects to TB4 terminals 15A - 15B. These are 600 ohn balanced outputs.

#### EARPHONE CONNECTIONS

The earphone jacks for both the cue-intercom system and the line monitoring circuits are mounted externally on a jack panel. The panel should be mounted in a convenient location in the control room and shielded twisted pair should be used to connect to the console. Drawing 813 9114 001 shows the complete wiring details necessary for proper installation.

#### OPERATION

The arrangement of panel controls gives maximum versatility to console operation while keeping actual operating as simple as possible. Control functions are explained in the following sections. In all cases, reference to the block diagram of the console, drawing 842 3695 001 will help clarify these functions.

#### MICROPHONE SELECTOR S./ITCHES

On the upper left side of the panel, above channel mixers 1, 2 and 3, are three pairs of switches. These switches perform

identical functions for each channel. The microphone selector switch is used to switch between two microphones in each studio. Whichever microphone is selected can be switched to either the program or audition bus by placing the mixer key to the right or left. See the section on LINE INPUT SWITCHING for correct setup of program and audition amplifiers. The mono-stereo switches in mixers 1, 2 and 3 are not used in this console and can be used for utility switches.

#### TURNTABLE SUITCHING

The four turntable switches, above mixers 4 and 5, select the desired input to each mixer. When the channel switches, above mixer 4, are in the "OFF" position, turntable inputs are normalled through to the mixer 5 switches. When any of the switches in channel 4 are switched "ON", the turntable input will appear at the output of mixer 4. Moving the channel 4 mixer key to the right will bring up the turntable input on the program bus, while moving the mixer key to the left will switch the signal to the audition bus. Moving the desired turntable input switch to the "ON" position, above mixer 5, will switch the desired turntable input into this mixer. Switching is arranged so that a turntable cannot be switched into mixer 5, if it is already switched into mixer 4. This prevents loading the turntable output by paralleling it into two console inputs. Cueing facilities are provided for by turning either turntable mixer fader fully counterclockwise. This connects the turntable inputs to the cueintercom amp. Cueing can be accomplished by using the panel mounted speaker or headphones (plugged into the cue phone jack). The operation of the cue-intercom system is covered in a later section.

#### TAPE INPUT SHITCHING

Mixers 6 and 7, located to the right of the VU meters are identical in operation to the turntable inputs discussed above. Four inputs can be switched to either mixers 6 or 7. Outputs of mixers 6 and 7 can be switched to "program" or "audition" busses. Cueing facilities are provided by turning mixer 6 or 7 fully counterclockwise, thus, connecting the mixer to the cue intercom system.

# REMOTE INPUT SMITCHING

Four lever switches, located above mixer 8, control four remote inputs. The remote switches provide talkback and cueing facilities to the remote operator. In the center position, they receive program cue signal from the monitoring amplifier. The level is adjusted to approximately +8 VU. This signal is fed back to the remote operator to allow him to start his program at the proper time. The lower position is the "mix" position and connects the remote program into the program or audition bus through mixer 8. The upper position of the switches have a terminating load for the remote lines and allow over-ride and talkback functions. See the section CUE-INTERCOM SYSTEM

for explanation of these functions. The remote lines are not tied together when any or all of the remote keys are in the talkback position. There is sufficient isolation between them even with the over-ride tie-in on all lines.

A typical sequence of operation for a remote line will be: Before air time, the studio operator would place the appropriate remote line switch in the "TB" position, and the cueintercom input selector switch to the "remote" position. When the remote operator arrives at the broadcast site, he would call in on the remote line. The studio operator would hear his call and be able to talk back via the cue-intercom system. After preliminary instructions, the remote input switch would be placed in the "cue" position. When the remote operator receives his cue the remote input switch is moved to the "mix" position and the remote signal is brought up on mixer 8. An alternate method of operation, before contact is established with remote operator, is to place the appropriate remote input switch in the "mix" position and the channel 8 mixer in the "cue" position. This allows the remote operator to call in and be heard regardless of the position of the cue-intercom input selector. After the call is heard, the remote switch is placed in the "TB" position and the cue-intercom input selector to the "remote" position and the above procedure is followed.

#### NETWORK INPUT

The network input is connected directly to mixer 9 and is put in use by placing the mixer key to the program or audition position and turning up the mixer gain control. Preview monitoring of the network is provided by turning the mixer control fully counterclockwise into the "cue" position. Network can then be monitored with the "cue input" switch in any position. If it is desired to monitor the network with the mixer turned up ready for use, the "cue" input" switch should be turned to the "net" position allowing the network to be heard in the cue-intercom system.

#### NEMO INPUT

Channel 10 is an auxiliary channel with the input connected directly into the mixer. Cueing is available by turning the mixer fully counterclockwise.

#### MONITOR INPUT SELECTOR AND LEVEL

The monitor input selector is located on the lower center of the panel. Input switching allows monitoring of program, audition or an external signal source. The gain of the monitor amplifier is controlled by the gain control located to the left of the monitor input selector.

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## LINE AMP INFUT SELECTORS

The inputs to line amplifier 3 are selected by the switch in the upper right corner of the panel. Line amp 1 is fed from the program bus at all times.

If it is desired to feed the same program to lines 1 and 3 simultaneously, the line amp 3 input switch should be placed in the upper or "PGM" position. In this position, the signal on the left program bus will appear at both line 1 and 3 outputs. Placing the line amp 3 input switch in the center or "Aud" position switches line amp 3 input to the audition bus. This enables the console to be operated as a dual channel console with line 1 being fed from the program bus and line 3 being fed from the audition bus.

## MASTER GAIN CONTROLS

The gain controls for line amps 1 and 3 are located on the upper right side of the panel.

Signal levels in the console are adjusted with the input channel mixers so that control should not need adjustment after being initially set to match the output levels of lines 1 and 3.

#### CUE-INTERCOM SYSTEM

Controls for the cue-intercom amplifier are located below the VU meter.

The top control is the gain control, and controls the level for both the "talk" and "listen" functions. Below the level control is the cue-intercom input selector switch, which has 6 positions. In the "net" position, the network line can be monitored. Talkback is not possible in the network position. The remote 1, 2, 3 and 4 positions tie the cue-intercom amp to the 1, 2, 3 or 4 remote lines. For talkback facilities, the intercom selector is switched to the desired remote line and the appropriate remote

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input switch is placed in the "TB" position. The incoming remote signal line will then be heard in the panel mounted speaker. When the control room operator desires to talk out on the remote line, he simply pushes the red "talk" button in the center of the panel and speaks into the panel speaker. "ST1" and "ST2" positions allow listening and talkback into studios 1 and 2 if intercom units have been installed in them.

Levels are adjusted so that normal listening volume will provide sufficient gain for talkback purposes. The system is quite sensitive and does not require shouting or placing your mouth near the speaker.

Turntable and tape cueing circuits are connected directly to the input of the cue-intercom amp and may be used regardless of the position of the cue-intercom input selector.

The intercom speaker on the console is set up to mute when the channel 3 lever key is operated. This muting does not disable the "cue phone" jack, so it is still possible to cue a record by monitoring the cue circuit with headphones. This jack is labeled "cue". The intercom speaker is interlocked with the headphone jack so that this speaker is muted whenever a phone plug is inserted in the "cue" jack.

The studio intercom speakers are muted with the regular speaker muting relays so that it is impossible to talkback to a studio when there is a live microphone in it. These relays operate when the microphone channel is switched to either the program bus or the audition bus. This interlocking feature makes it impossible to disturb the program and the console operator may use the intercom system without concern.

#### VU METER SWITCH

VU meter 1 is not switched but is connected permanently across the output of line 1. VU meter 2 is switched by the control directly beneath it. It may be used to monitor the level of output lines 1 or 3, 2s well as the incoming network liné. For monitoring, the network should be connected to TB4 terminals 16A - 16B, this should be a balanced input. A utility position is also furnished to allow the panel mounted meter to monitor an external circuit. Connect desired external circuit to TB4 -17A- 17B. The meters are set to read 0 VU with an input level of +14 DBM. With the 6 DB isolation pads in the output of each line this setting gives the standard +8 DBM level in the outgoing lines. This level can be changed by changing the pads on the rear of each meter. These pads are marked AT21 and AT23 on the schematic, drawing 852 5905 001.

#### HEADPHONE JACKS

The headphone jack labeled "line" is provided for headphone monitoring of all output program circuits. Phones can be switched to the desired circuit by the switch labeled "phones".

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The "Util." and AL2 position is not used. Switch positions marked "AL1" and "AL3" provide monitoring of the outputs of line amplifiers 1, and 3 respectively. The "network" position allows monitoring the incoming network line. The network should be tied to TB4, terminals 16A - 16B. The jack labeled "cue" allows monitoring the cue-intercom system with headphones if desired. See the section on the CUE-INTERCOM SYSTEM for more information.

#### PRINCIPLES AND THEORY OF OPERATION

This section is included to give the engineer a better understanding of some of the more unusual features of the console. The very obvious methods of operation will not be covered, since they are common knowledge, or have been covered in previous sections of this instruction book.

#### TRANSISTOR AMPLIFIER CIRCUITRY

Complete details on the various amplifiers used in the console will be found in the individual instruction books included in the back of this manual. However, a word here about the circuitry will aid in explaining overall console setup. The preamps, monitor booster amps, cue-intercom amp and the monitor amps, have transformerless output circuits. Grounding of external wiring is critical for best noise figures and to avoid crosstalk, especially in the high gain cue-intercom amp. If modifications are made on the console, care should be exercised to insure that unwanted grounds do not enter the picture. Under no circumstances should the monitor speaker wiring be grounded externally.

#### CUE-INTERCOM SYSTEM

Reference to the schematic, drawing 837 9345 001, of the cueintercom amplifier; and to drawing 852 5905 001, the overall console schematic for the wiring of this system; will aid in understanding the operation of the cue-intercom system.

An interstage volume control, remotely mounted on the front panel, helps reduce noise at normal operating levels.

The incoming remote lines normally operate with a signal level of up to +8 VU. This level is padded down, to a level sufficiently low to prevent overloading the cue amplifier, when listening to the remote lines. These pads consist of the 620 ohm resistor across the input of each remote line and the 5100 ohm resistors in series with each side of the line. These pads are built up on S38, the cue-intercom input selector switch, located on the front panel. These pads also give isolation between lines when more than one line is switched into the cue amp.

The maximum gain of this amplifier is approximately 90 db. Since the input and output of the amplifier comes in close

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proximity at the talk-listen relay (K5), wire dress is very important here. The grounding of the cue-intercon system is also very critical. Do not allow any part of the external speaker or other system to be grounded. They are grounded in the console. Shielding of all external speaker lines is necessary to prevent hum and possible regeneration.

The frequency response of the amplifier is rolled off severely on both ends of the spectrum to provide the best compromise of cueing and intercom functions. Do not attempt to alter it without taking all of the circuit requirements into consideration.

#### SIMULTANEOUS FEED TO LINE AMP 3

The line amplifier input switch allows switching the output of line amp 1 into line amp 3. Pads AT12 and AT14 adjust the signal level to a level comparable to those appearing at the other positions of the line input switches. The absolute output level of line amp 3 will depend upon the relative gain control settings of both line amps. For example, pads AT12 and AT14 have a total loss of 65 DB. If both line amps are set to have a gain of 65 DB, a -55 DBM signal applied to the input of ALL will appear at the output at a +10 DBM level. After passing through the pads it will appear at the input of AL3 at a -55 DB level. AL3 has the same gain as ALl so it will appear at output of AL3 at +10 DBM also. However, if the amplifiers are set for different amounts of gain, the signal will not be the same at both outputs. A signal amplified 70 DB for example, will be padded down only 65 DB and again amplified 70 DB, so the output of AL3 will be 10 DB higher than the output of AL1. Pads AT12 and AT14 are adjusted to give equal levels at the outputs of all line amps, when input switches are in "PGM" position, with normal operating levels. Fads AT12 and AT14 can be adjusted, if necessary, to better suit the local requirements.

#### MIXING SYSTEM

The mixing system consists of a ten channel mixer, utilizing ladder type controls connected in a parallel, minimum loss type, mixing circuit.

#### VU METER AND ISOLATION PADS

The two VU meters are set up to read "zero" when signal level of +8 VU is being fed into the program line. Isolation pads are placed in each output line to isolate the console circuits from the various telephone line reactances.

#### MUTING RELAYS

The relays are connected to mute the studio speakers and connect a 47 ohn load in place of the speakers. The relays also energize the proper warning light in the studio, and mute the

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intercom speaker to prevent intercom use in a studio with a live microphone.

Provision is included for the use of a fourth relay, if needed. Connections to this relay are made on TE6 and TE7. See section on MODIFICATIONS for complete details.

#### SPEAKER MATCHING TRANSFORMERS

All house monitor speakers should have matching transformers. These should be 45/50 ohms to voice coil. The output impedance of the monitor amplifiers is 4 to 16 ohms (8 ohms nominal). The <u>parallel combination</u> of the speakers should fall in this range. The 47 ohm back loading resistors, mounted on the relay deck, prevent the load from changing when the speakers are muted.

### REGULATED POWER SUFPLY AND POWER TRANSFORMER

The power supply has two DC outputs. A -37 V. unregulated output for the meter lamps, and a -30 V regulated supply for all other circuits. Transistors XQ4, XQ5 and XQ6 amplify any change in output voltage. This sensing signal is then fed to XQ2, which in turn controls the voltage drop across XQ1. XQl is in series with the output and maintains a constant voltage with varying load and power line. Zener diodes CR9, CR10 and CR11 provide reference levels for the voltage sensing amplifier.

Overload protection is provided by XQ3 and the associated circuitry. Maximum current out of the power supply is limited to approximately 600 ma. Rl2 provides for adjusting the output voltage over a small range, to allow for zener diode voltage tolerances. When installing the console, this voltage should be checked and if necessary, Rl2 readjusted to give -30 volts at the output + and - bus. The console power transformer is designed to mount externally. This prevents the high hum field, surrounding the power transformer, from inducing a high hum level into the low level console circuits. Independent 28 volt windings are necessary to provide complete isolation between the monitor amplifier and the main console power supply.

#### MAINTENANCE

One of the great advantages in the use of transistors is the long life expectancy of semiconductor devices. In this console, high quality components, conservatively rated, have been combined with the latest circuit techniques to give maximum dependability with a minimum of emergency maintenance. However, even the finest equipment may become erratic or inoperative if not properly cared for. We strongly recommend that the station engineer plan a routine preventive maintenance schedule and make every effort to faithfully follow it.

#### VOLTAGE MEASUREMENTS

Average voltage readings are given on the schematic diagrams of the various amplifiers. It is recommended that, after the console is installed and operating satisfactorily, these readings



be checked and recorded on the schematic. This will provide the station engineer with a record of the actual voltage readings in his installation, using his meter. If trouble later develops, he will then be better able to judge whether or not a particular circuit is operating properly since he will have available a record of the various readings of his particular equipment. DC readings were taken with a 20,000 ohm/volt meter as indicated on the schematic. RHS signal voltages are shown in parenthesis and must be measured with a vacuum tube voltmeter. If a VTVM is used to measure DC voltages, slightly higher readings may be obtained.

#### MECHANICAL COMPONENTS

The channel mixers are step type low impedance attenuators. If sealed types are used, they require no maintenance. If unsealed types are used, they require cleaning about four times a year in the average location. A well air conditioned room would allow longer periods between cleaning them. A very dusty location would require more frequent cleaning. The attenuator contacts should be cleaned and lubricated by using Davenol (sometimes called Daven Oil). A soft, lint-free cloth should be used to remove the dirty accumulation from the contact surfaces. Davenol is inexpensive and may be purchased from the Gates Radio Company.

The relays, and the channel lever keys, were selected for longlife and trouble-free service. The contacts are self-wiping and everyday use will keep these contacts burnished. The contacts on the keys and relays that receive infrequent use can be cleaned by operating the equipment several times; thus, periodic operation of unused equipment will keep the contacts clean. In case of stubborn trouble, use a contact burnishing tool (Gates TM-1). Abrasive papers, files and grease solvents should never be used on these contacts. Grease or oil should not be used on relay or key contacts. This would make them collect dust, get gummy and cause contact burning and possible failure.

The Centralab lever keys have excellent wiping action and will probably not require any cleaning. If one of these keys is damaged, it is better to replace it than to attempt to repair it. Use the parts list for the description, if it is necessary to order a new one.

#### MODIFICATIONS

In the design and construction of the equipment we have tried to provide a console which would give most installations adequate operating facilities. Realizing, however, that some users may require facilities that are not common, we have included in this section information about possible modifications which can be made on the console. Flan your modification carefully and allot sufficient time to complete it so that it will be well executed and will not be a source of trouble.

#### PATCH FANEL FACILITIES

All of the important internal circuits of the console are terminated and jumpered on the main terminal board. These jumpers may be removed and normalling jacks wired in place of them. This would permit patching around sections of the console, feeding the console signal to other equipment and feeding signals into selected sections of the console. Of course, any of the inputs or outputs may normal through patch panels before connecting to the external connections. The proper use of patch panels will make the difference between a very versatile and a rather restricted installation. On the other hand, if patch panel facilities are not required, their elimination will reduce the number of possible operational errors. The station engineer must weigh all of the factors carefully and act accordingly.

If patch panels are used, they must be wired correctly. They should be wired so that the polarity of the circuits are phased properly in normalling and patching operations. The patch panel should not introduce grounds in any of the circuits. Circuits that need ground will have them as explained in the section labeled GROUND CIRCUITS under INSTALLATION.

Circuits of more than 40 DB difference in level should be separated in the patch panels. It is recommended that the jacks be segregated into low level, medium level and high level groups and all wiring attached to the different groups be cabled separately. The cables must have sufficient physical separation to prevent crosstalk as explained in INSTALLATION. If the circuits on the patch panel were located in a progressive order, as located in the console or system, patching would be much easier.

#### MUTING RELAYS

The fourth muting relay may be wired to mute with the operation of channels 1, 2 or 3 when the lever key is actuated.

The "hot" side of the relay coil appears at terminal 4B on TB6. For operation with S1 (channel 1), connect 4B to 1B on TB6. For operation with S2, connect 4B to 2B on TB6. For operation with S3, connect 4B to 3B on TB6. With the fourth relay, warning light connections (1 amp max. load) can be made to terminals 9 and 10 on TB7. Monitor speaker connections may be made on TB6: "Left" spkr. - Terminals 14A-14B. The speaker will mute, and the warning lights will operate simultaneously with the other relay already connected to the channel key selected. The fourth relay (as well as the other three relays) may also be wired to operate with external switching, if desired.

Simply connect terminal 4B to one side of the switch and run a lead from the regulated "+30 volt bus" on the power supply to the other switch contact. Muting of relays 1, 2 and 3 may be changed, if desired. The "hot" side of relay coils 1, 2 and 3 appear on TB6, terminals 1A, 2A and 3A, respectively. Muting voltage from channel switches S1, S2 and S3 appear on TB6,

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terminals 1E, 2B and 3B respectively. To change relay operation, remove the factory installed jumpers and connect the desired relay coil terminal to the desired channel switch terminal. For example, if it is desired to operate relay 3 from channel 1 key switch, jumper TE6-3A to TE6-1B.

#### WARRANTY

The Gates Warranty, gladly supplied in detail on request, generously covers all materials when returned to the Gates factory for inspection, transportation paid. Certain moving parts and tubes are guaranteed usually on an hourly basis and that of the manufacturer's guarantee. This warranty does not extend to free service in the field, but this service is available at a modest cost, where required.

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## 994 6377 002 TEN CHANNEL TRANSISTOR CONSOLE

## PARTS LIST

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Symbol No.	Gates Stock No.	Description
Al, A2; A3, A4	396 0120 000	Lamp, 28 V.
AP1, AP3, AP5	994 6034 001	Booster Transistor, Printed Wiring Preamplifier, Plug-in
ALL, LL3	994 5700 001	Transistorized Program Amplifier, Plug-in
AM1	994 6108 002	Transistorized Monitor Amplifier
AQl	994 6035 001	Transistorized Cueing Amplifier, Plug-in
AT1, AT2, AT3	554 0012 000	Dual Attenuator, 600/600
AT4, AT5, AT6,		
AT7, AT8, AT9, AT10	554 0024 000	Dual Attenuator, 600/600 w/Cue
AT12	914 2272 001	"U" Pad Assy. 34 DB, 15K/300
<b>AT14</b>	913 5918 002	"U" Pad Assy. 5400/150, 35 DB
AT19, AT20	913 5922 001	"U" Pad Assy. 7200/600
.AT21	913 6031 002	VU Pad Assembly
AT23	913 6031 001	VU Pad Assembly, 600/600, 6 DB
`AT25	913 6033 001 ·	"H" Pad, 600/600, 6 DB
C1,C2,C3,C4	506 0005 000	Cap., .1 uf., 200 V.
CR1,CR2, CR3,CR4	384 0018 000	Diode Rectifier
J1 J2	612 0279 000 612 0279 000	Cue Jack Line Jack
K1,K2,K3,K4	572 0126 000	Relay, 24 V. DC
K5	574 0103 000	Relay
LSI	722 0009 000	Speaker, 45 ohm, 3"
M1,M2	915 2745 001	VU Meter, Model 1349 "B" Scale (Mod.)
PSI	994 6205 001	Console Power Supply
R2,R14,R26, R40,R53,R68, R81,R91,	•	
R146,R155	540 0042 000	Resistor, 510 ohm, 1/2 W. 5%
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