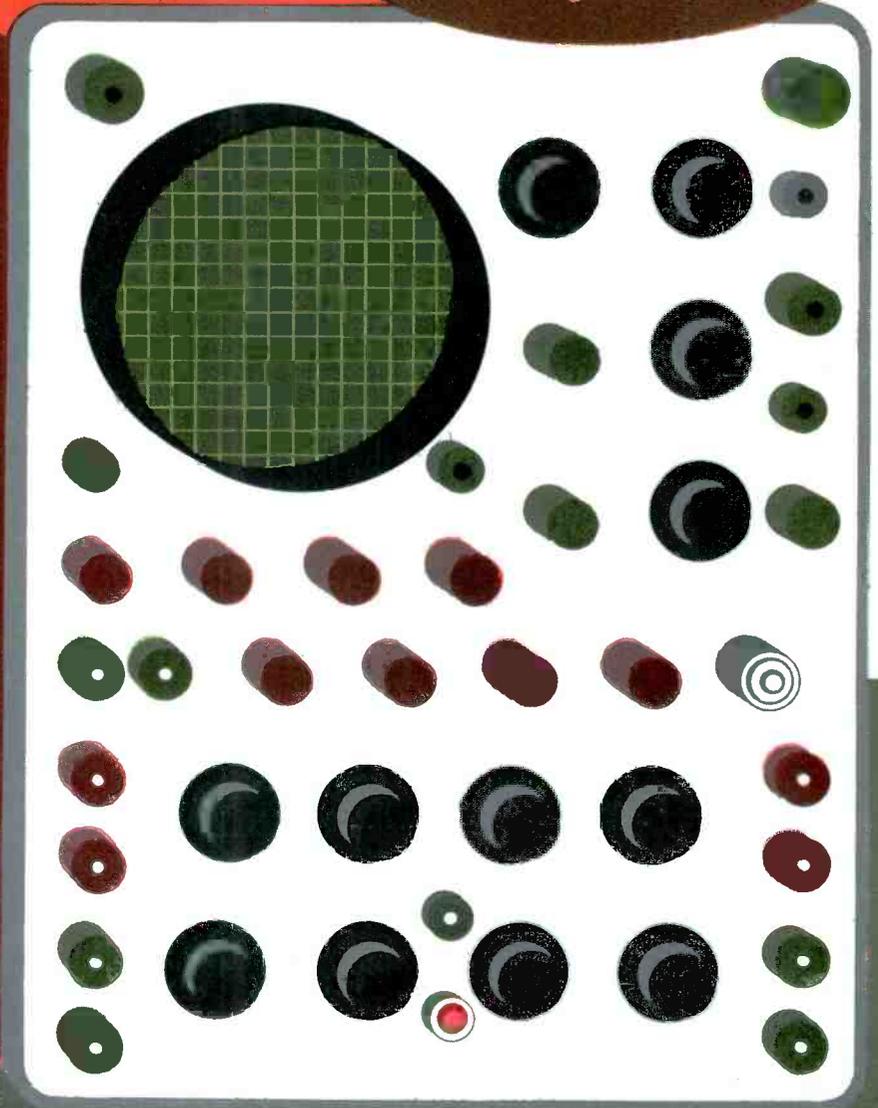


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the case of the stereo

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or MAGNETIC vs CERAMIC

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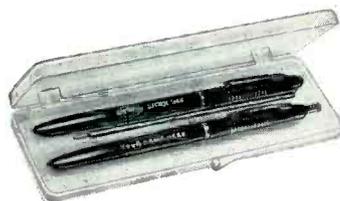
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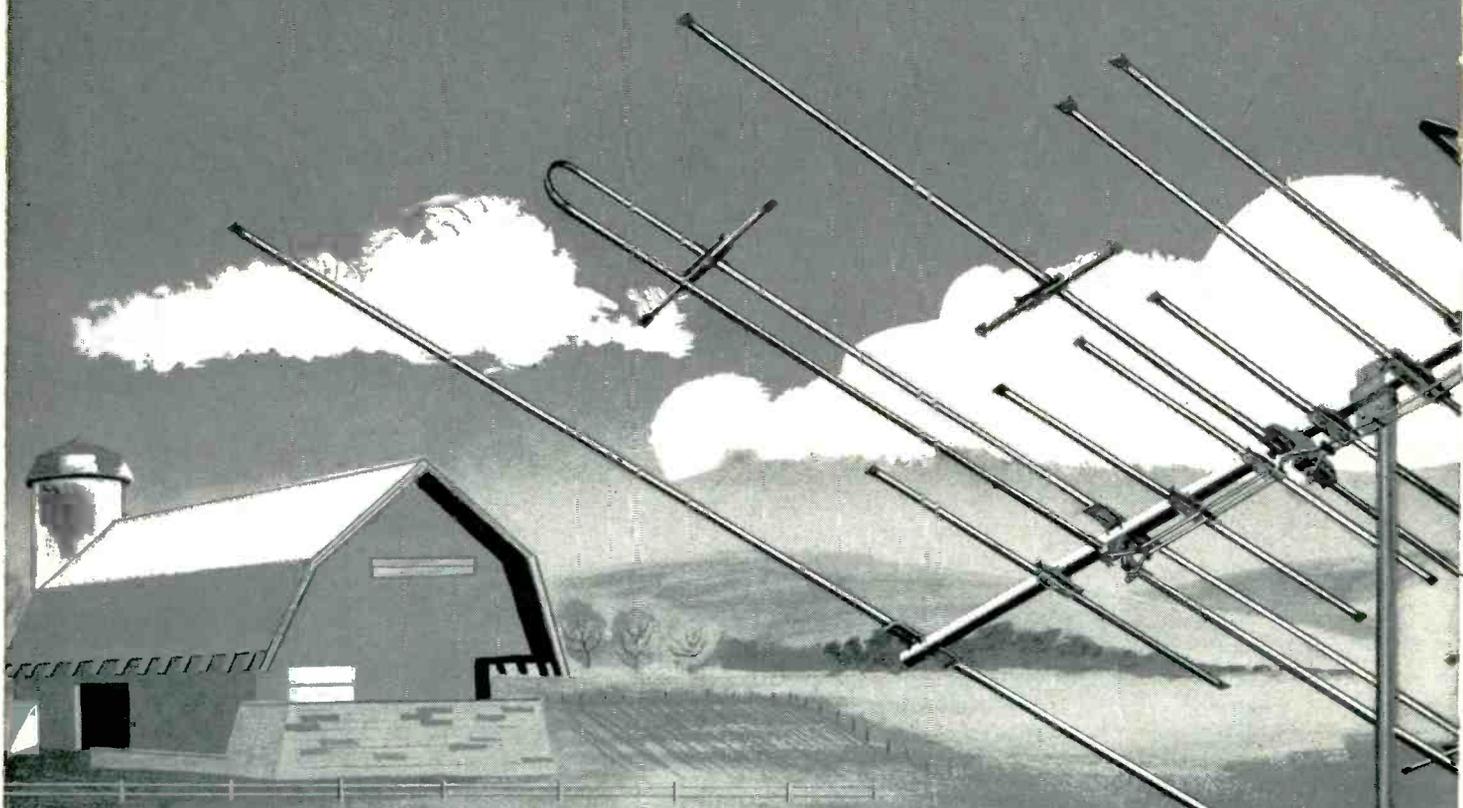
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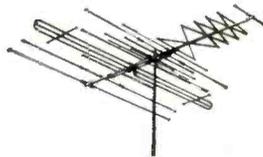


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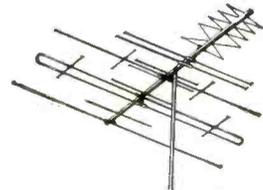
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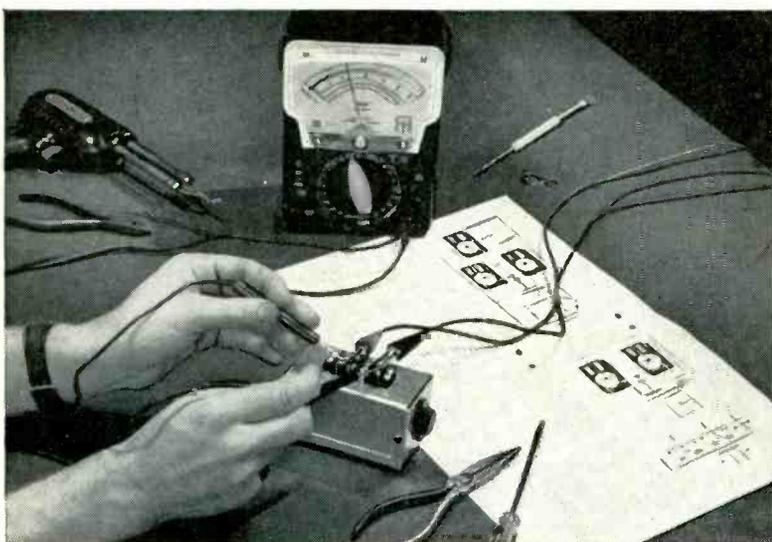


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Editor's Memo



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Naturally, these are average odds. Many individuals will never make the average, while others will live far beyond them. Furthermore, the older you are now, chances are you'll live to an older age. Businesses are like that too; infancy is the hazardous time.

So the next time your blood pressure rises, when you feel like blowing your top at the tough dog on your bench—or the tough dog customer, for that matter—count to ten and take it easy. Every emotional upset gives you worse odds on the mortality tables.

Besides, you can accomplish more with co-workers and customers by exercising a little patience. I think the technicians I've met are considerably more patient than most people . . . and more generous too. The spiteful variety is the exception, providing meat for slightly humorous recounting.

The story is told of two technicians, partners in a service business. They had been good friends for many years, but when one of them lost patience it was not unusual for him to cut off his proverbial nose to spite his face. One day the two got into an argument.

"Charlie," said the more hot tempered one, "I hope that one day you will be flat broke. Then you should come to me for money . . . and I should be so poor that I wouldn't have any to give you."

Fortunately, most partners work well together, striving to build a business that means something. And one good business is worth a lot more than several piddling ventures, though diversification can be an important part of building a strong operation.

So far as quantity and quality are concerned, the story is told of a meeting of animals. The dog boasted that she'd had 10 youngsters in the past year. The rabbit claimed to have given birth to 30 offspring. The hen proudly proclaimed 150 chicks as the record. The lion looked at all of them and announced that she had only one cub, but (r-o-a-r) it was a LION!

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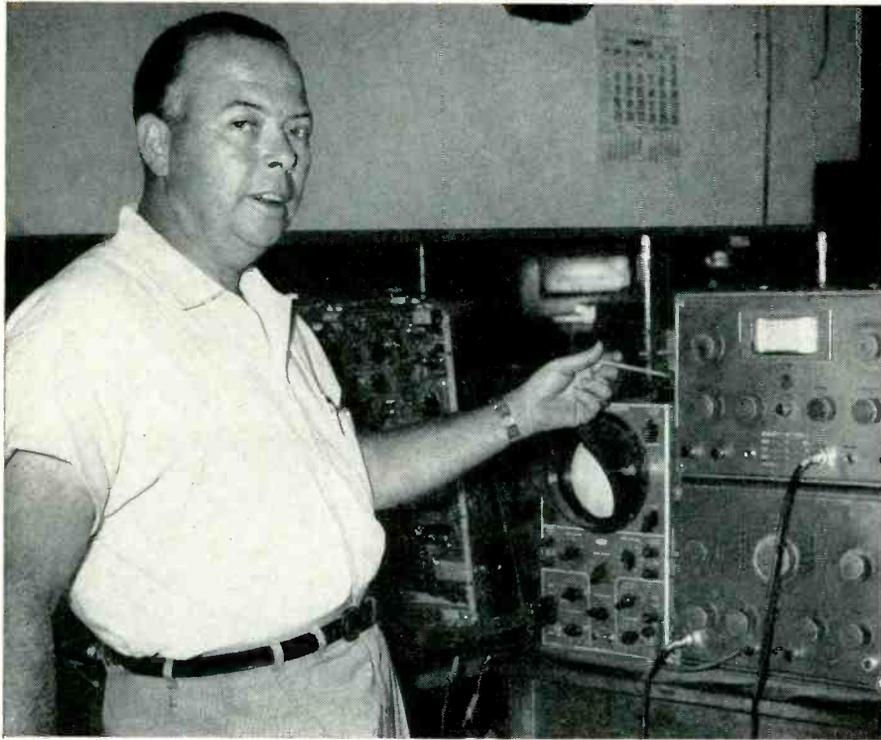


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I agree 100% with what you said in your December Editor's Memo. In most cases it is impossible to give any estimate of how much a repair will cost. The Attorney General is supposed to help smoke out servicemen who do unfair dealing, not make it more difficult for the honest one. In 99% of our service calls which resulted in a bench job, we could not tell what was wrong in the customer's home. That is the reason you usually take the chassis to the shop. In the home we explain our rates for shop work, but do not give an estimate on bench jobs. We do promise to telephone the customer as soon as we could give him a reasonably accurate estimate.

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Editor, ELECTRONIC TECHNICIAN:

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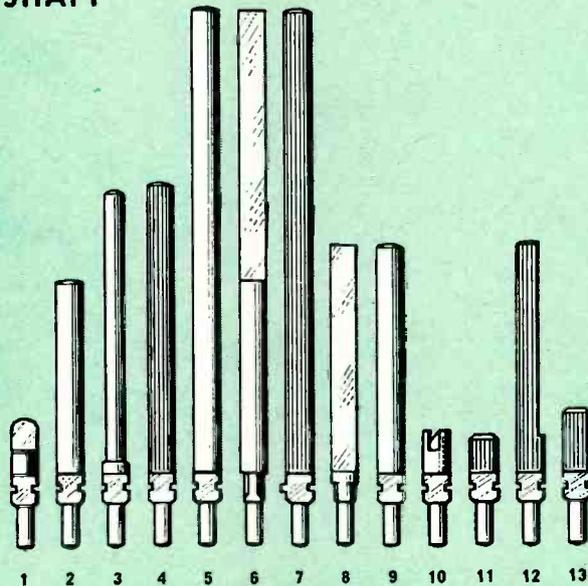
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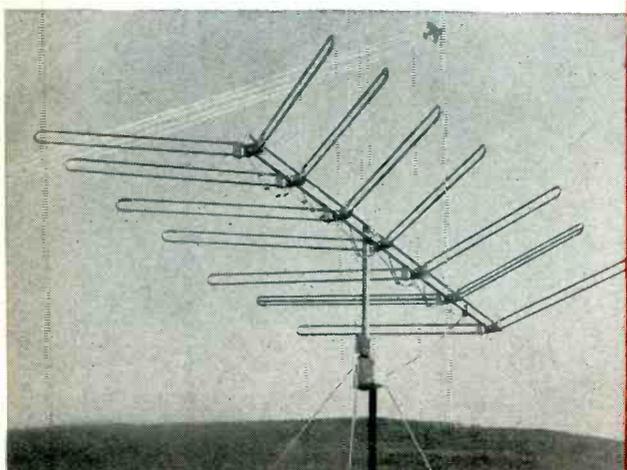
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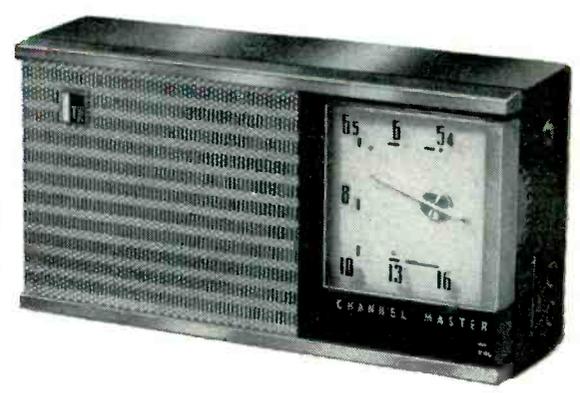
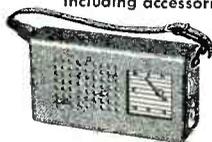


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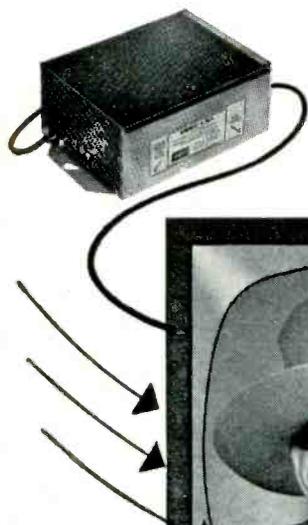
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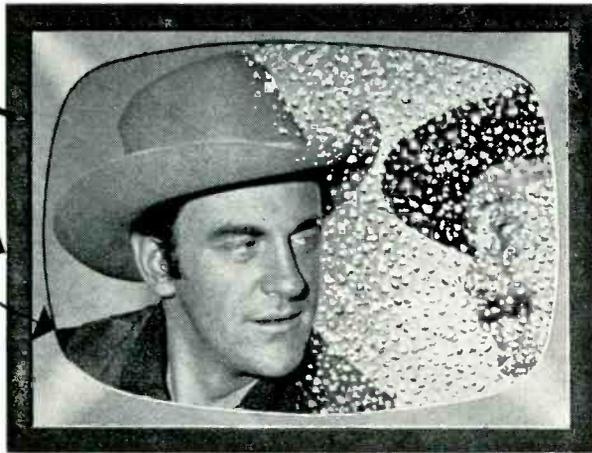
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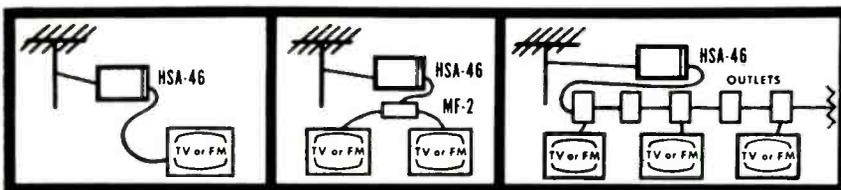
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(Letters, Continued from page 8)

(Nov. 1958). However, I am amazed at your stand on tube vending machines. I realize it would not be your intention to promote anything detrimental to the trade, but I wonder if all perspectives of the operation and its consequences have been studied thoroughly. This large business has been exploited in large by those who desire to make a fast buck. The patrons of these machines are out on a limb and do not realize it. Many tubes are bought needlessly before it is discovered that an under-chassis component is the cause of faulty operation. Many times it simply amounts to spending dollars in order to save pennies. I understand that California will investigate tube vending machines in the near future. Only through periodic inspection by qualified service personnel can these tube testing machines operate in the proper manner.

FLOYD N. STRONG

Strong's TV & Radio
Chardon, Ohio

• We agree with reader Strong that tube testing and trouble analysis by a technician is preferable to self-service tube testing. However, the fact is that millions of replacement tube sales have slipped away from service dealers and been grabbed by promoters, chain stores and other tube vending operators. We believe that for his own protection, to keep tube sales within the service industry, and to give the public recourse to capable technicians, it is in the service dealer's interest to set up his own self-service tester route.—Ed.

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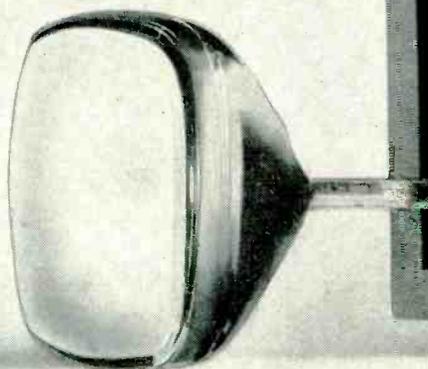
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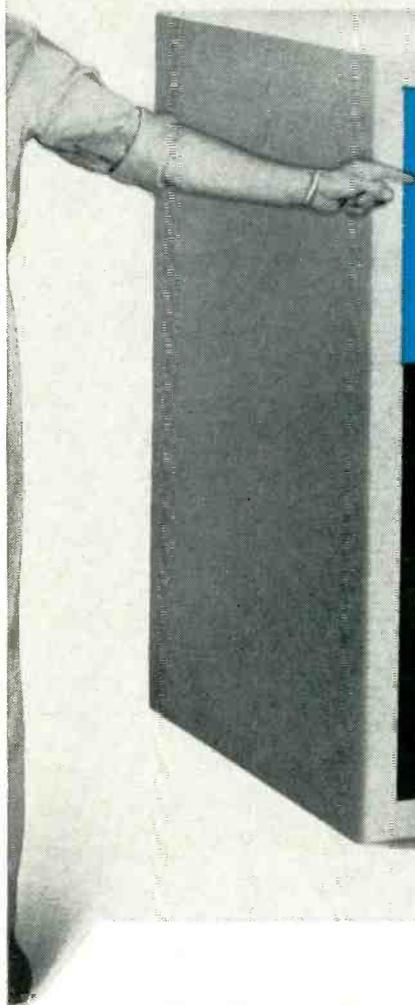


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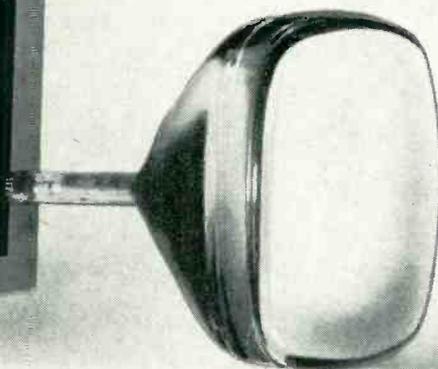
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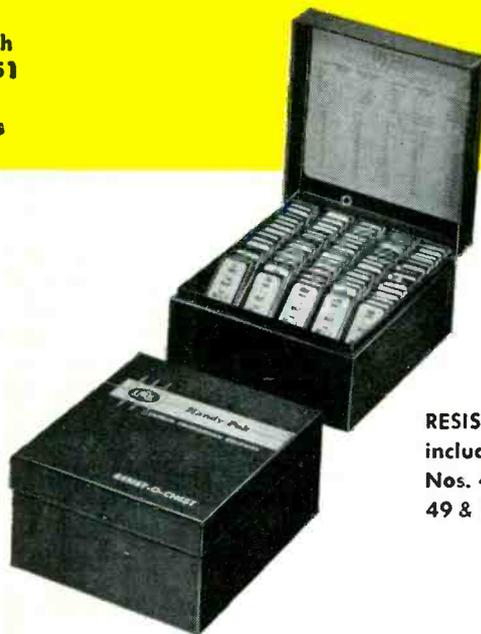
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- #46 136 1-watt resistors, 34 values **\$2448**
- #47 308 1-watt resistors, 77 values **\$5544**
- #49 102 2-watt resistors, 34 values **\$2448**
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- #45 80 1-watt resistors, 20 values **\$1440**

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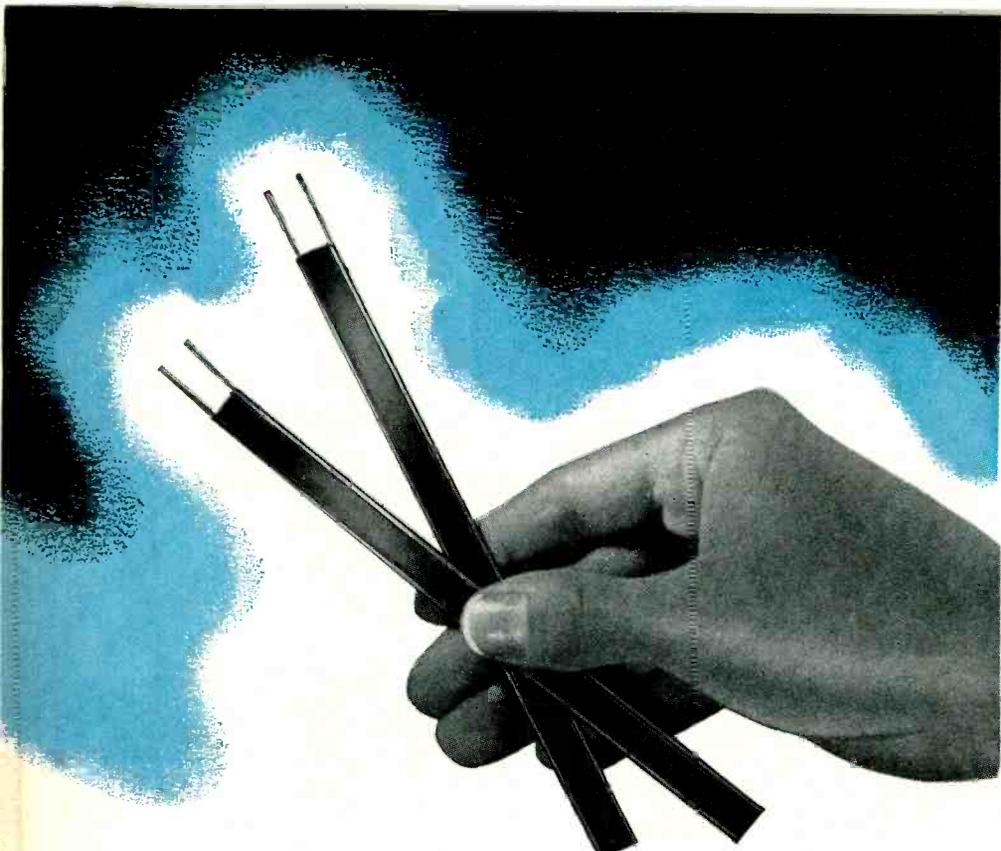


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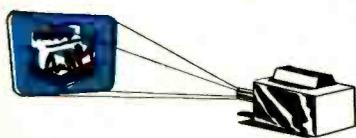
At a glance, all twin leads look alike. Why then should they sell at such widely different prices? What is the difference between Quality and "Price" twin leads?

To answer this question, AMPHENOL has prepared an informative slide film. It compares "Price" versus Quality twin lead in nine important ways:

- | <i>Quality Twin Lead</i> | <i>vs</i> | <i>"Price" Twin Lead</i> |
|-----------------------------|-----------|--|
| 1. Virgin Polyethylene | | 1. Reclaimed, reground Polyethylene |
| 2. Pure Polyethylene | | 2. Wax extenders |
| 3. Exact mil thickness | | 3. Up to 10% less than marked |
| 4. Strong copper conductors | | 4. Small strands, less copper |
| 5. Properly annealed wire | | 5. Brittle, rejected wire |
| 6. 3/4" "lay" of wire | | 6. 1 1/2" "lay"—less copper, less strength |
| 7. Proper conductor spacing | | 7. Conductors close—wrong impedance |
| 8. Full lengths on spools | | 8. Undershup as much as 50 ft. |
| 9. Quality manufacturing | | 9. Extrusion speedup, no inspection |

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News of the Industry

CBS-HYTRON announces the appointment of LEO G. RAPPOLI as Controller of semiconductor operations.

CALVIDEO TUBE CORP. has moved into their newly constructed plant at Santa Fe & Artesia, in Los Angeles' newly developed industrial tract.

ZENITH RADIO CORP. reports that consolidated sales for the first quarter of 1959 will be approximately \$53,000,000, a 25% increase over 1958's record breaking first quarter of \$42,173,732.

MICROTRAN CO. INC. announces the opening of its West Coast warehouse, at 1485 Bayshore Blvd., San Francisco, Calif., where the full transformer line will be stocked.

HOFFMAN ELECTRONICS CORP. announces the appointment of GEORGE W. DESOUSA as Vice Pres. in charge of marketing for the semiconductor division.

PHILCO CORP. Consumer Products Division, has named JOHN A. RISHEL, Jr. General Manager of Merchandising, replacing JAMES J. SHALLOW who resigned.

KESTER SOLDER CO. will, this month, complete its 60th year in business. It started in 1899, as the first manufacturer of fluxcore solder for the infant electrical industry. Also reported is the death of EDNYFED H. WILLIAMS at the age of 76 years. He had long been associated with the Company in the capacity of Vice Pres. and Corp. Counsel.

ALLEN B. DU MONT LABS. announces the appointment of BERNARD MENKES as field applications engineer, for industrial tubes, in the southern New York State area including Metropolitan New York and Long Island.

RAYTHEON MFG. CO. announces the creation of two new commercial product divisions from the former Commercial Equipment Division. JOHN H. BEEDLE, manager of the former division, will head the new Equipment & Systems Division. J. PENN RUTHERFOORD, assistant manager of the former division, has been appointed Manager of the new Industrial Apparatus Division. Another appointment is that of RICHARD E. SEIFERT as sales planning manager for the semiconductor division.

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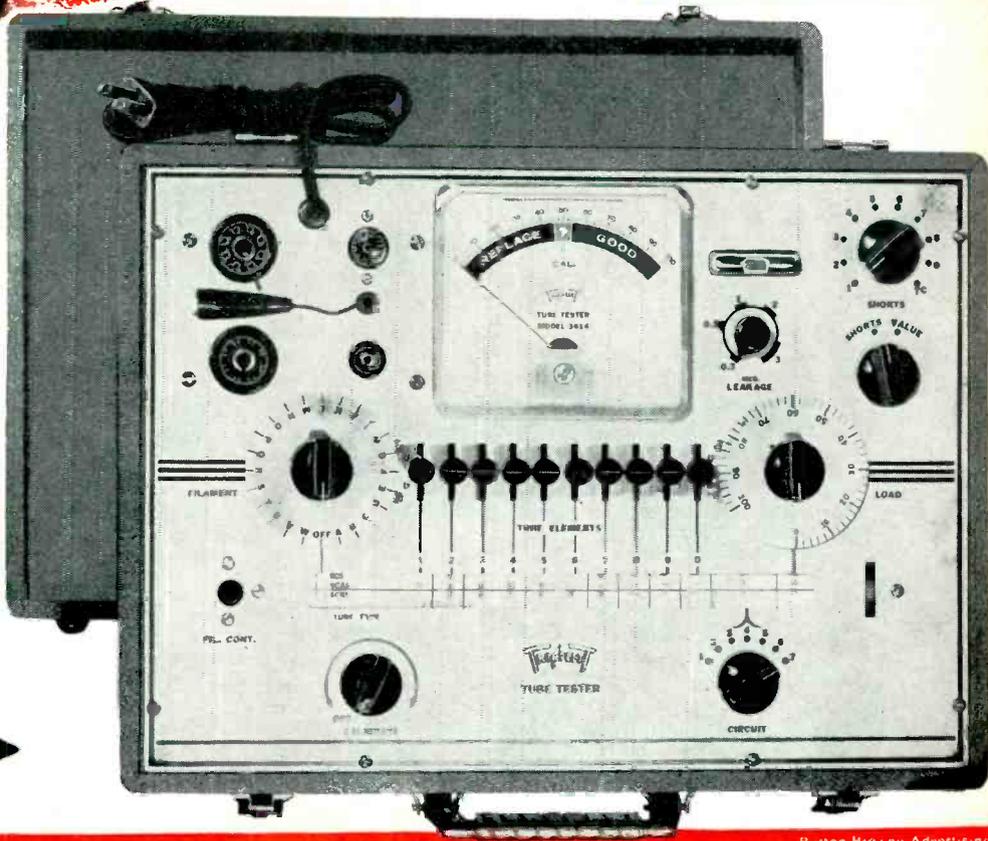
Now, in New Triplett Model 3414 you will recognize another answer to a long standing need—a FASTER, more versatile tube tester.

- * All switch settings can be made before the tube warms up; you are ready to test as soon as the filaments reach proper temperature.
- * Rejects burned-out tubes instantly without waiting for the filament to heat.
- * Complete flexibility for new tube setups; plus the non-obsolence factor.
- * A few simple switch settings give the complete and accurate story of tube capabilities.
- * Modified plate conductance circuit—for closer correlation to tube characteristics.

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 Checks all today's and tomorrow's tubes (including new series filament tubes). With BV adapter TV picture tubes can be tested in the set.



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Two other Triplett testers—



To the left for the ultimate in laboratory quality testing Model 3423 a \$199.50 Mutual Conductance Tube Tester.

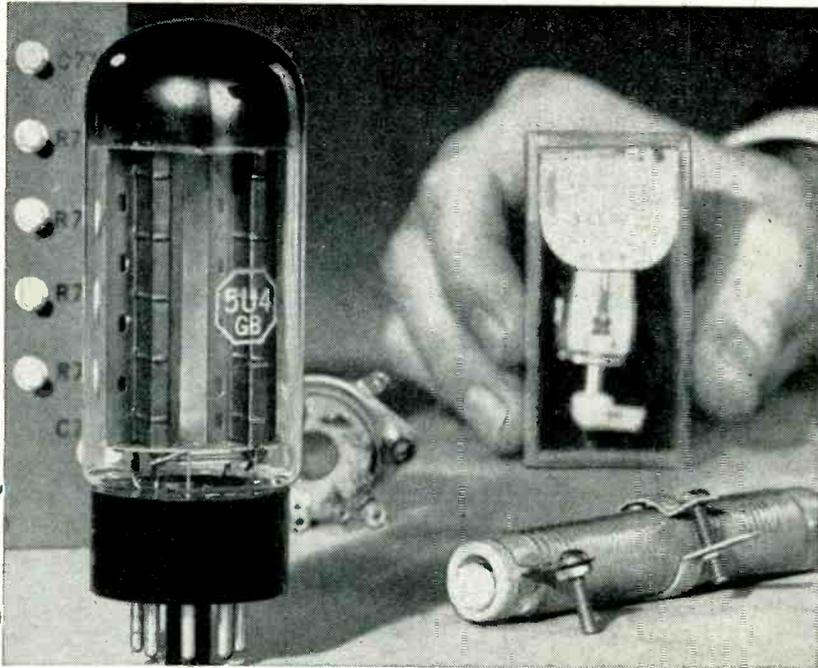
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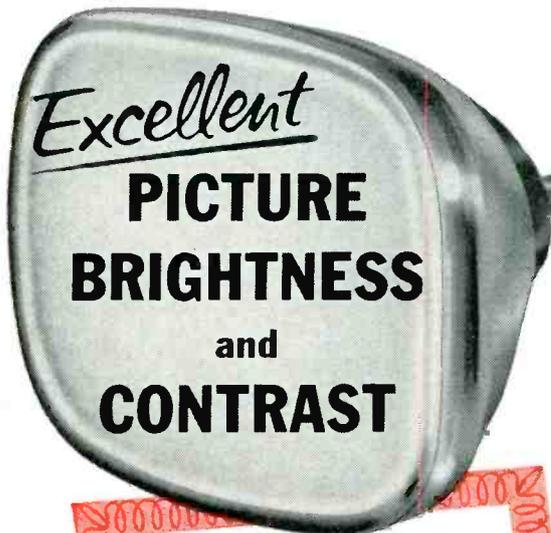
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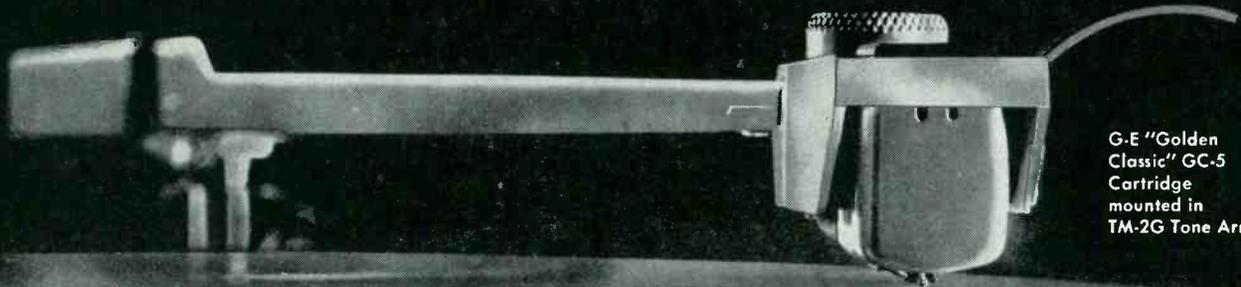
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- Output 8 mv
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Model GC-5 (shown) with .5 mil diamond stylus, **\$26.95**. Model GC-7 with .7 mil diamond stylus, **\$23.95**. Model CL-7 with .7 mil synthetic sapphire stylus, **\$16.95** (Manufacturer's suggested resale prices).

New Dual Stereo Preamp

Model MF-1



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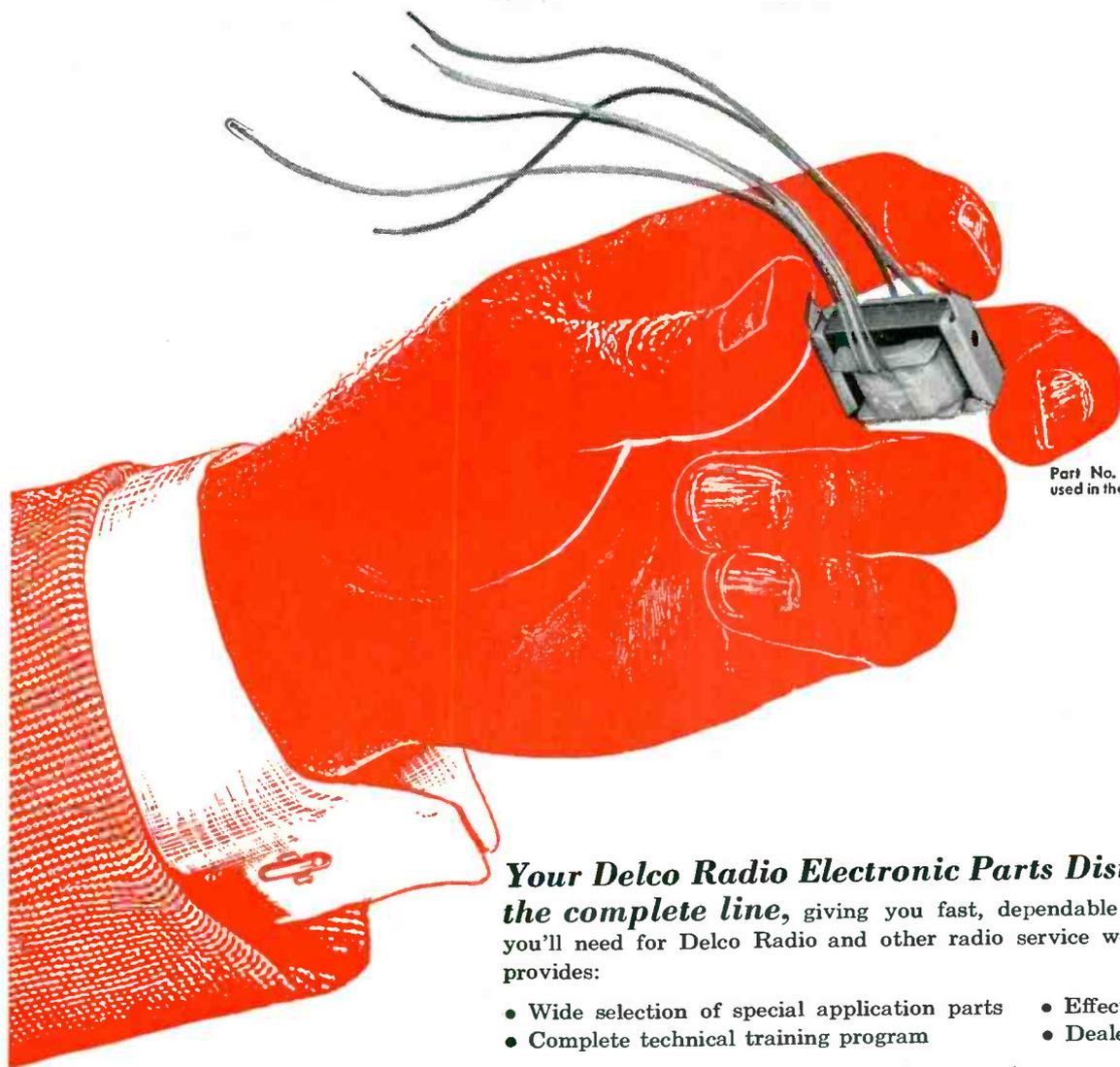
Start your customers on stereo *the right way*—with General Electric's new "Golden Classic" stereo-magnetic cartridges. They provide the high compliance, low distortion and excellent channel separation required by the new stereo discs. Just as important, General Electric is the name *all* your customers know and trust.

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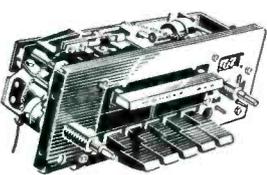
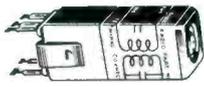
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SERVICE CAPACITORS

News of the Industry

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ALPHA WIRE CORP. reports that custom cable facilities and highly specialized equipment have been added. There is now an inventory of 4,000 basic wire constructions.

MOTOROLA INC. has appointed **DON C. LIVINGSTON** as Manager of Two-Way Radio Sales in the area bounded by New Mexico, Okla., Ark., Tenn., and Ga., with headquarters at 7138 Envoy Court, Dallas, Texas.

ASTRON CORP. announces the purchase of **MINITRONICS CORP.**, and the appointment of **MATTHEW KATZ**, formerly Vice Pres. and Chief Engineer of **MINITRONICS CORP.**, to head their new tantalum operation.

GENERAL ELECTRIC CO. Receiving Tube Dept. has a new, 10-minute, color slide film, available for electronic parts distributors. The film highlights significant points in the "Service Designed" program.

CHANNEL MASTER CORP. states that 1958 is the seventh year the firm has made a maximum contribution to its employees' Profit Sharing Retirement Plan of \$468,842.57, which equals 15% of each participant's earnings. Employees make no contribution to the Fund.

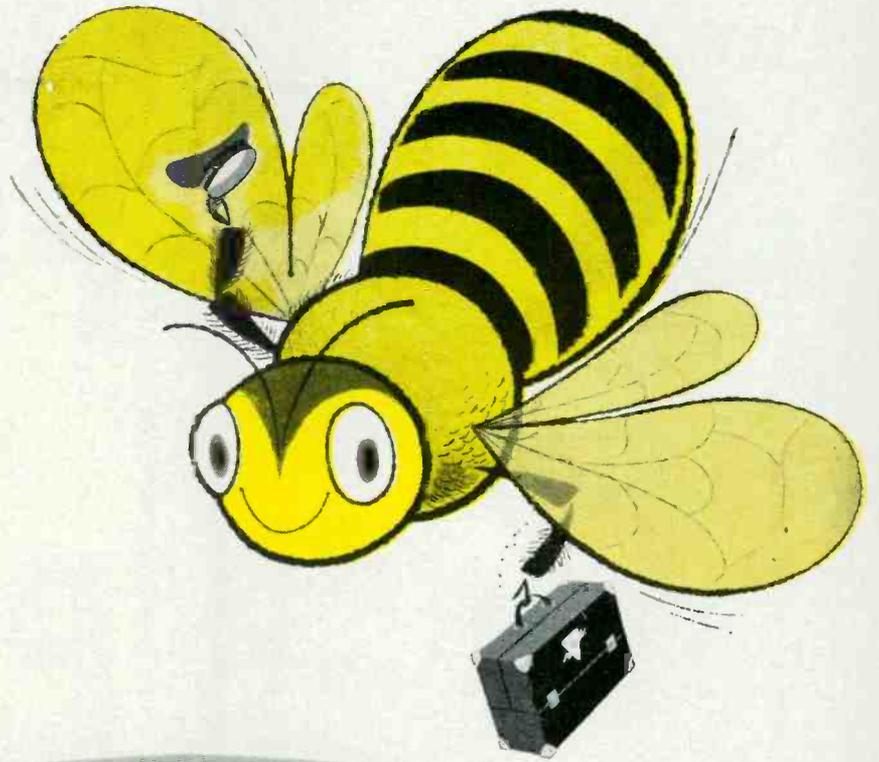
BELDEN MFG. CO. reports that legal action, to prevent **REGO MFG. CO.** from manufacturing and selling transmission line which infringed **BELDEN's** patents, has been settled in the issuance of a consent decree in preliminary action in a federal court. **REGO** will continue to manufacture foam polyethylene transmission line but under a license agreement with **BELDEN**.

RADIO CORP. OF AMERICA has awarded 63 undergraduate scholarships to college and university students. Thirty of the **RCA** Scholarships, valued at \$800 each, were made to students in the fields related directly to the electronics and broadcasting industries, and the Nation's security. Three other \$800 **RCA** Scholarships went to honor graduates of **RCA** Institutes. The remaining thirty, designated as **RCA** Science Teacher Scholarships, went to students preparing for careers as teachers.

PYRAMID ELECTRIC CO. reports that the sale of their new "Gold Standard" Mylar Capacitor has reached 3½ million units since it was launched last Sept. Also reported is the sale of their North Bergen, N. J. plant for \$610,000. Leased space, in the same general vicinity, will be occupied by the jobber division. Manufacturing activities will be conducted at Gastonia, N. C., and at Darlington, S. C. Executive offices will be at the latter location.

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News of the Industry

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PRECISION APPARATUS CO. announces the following appointments: SOL SPARER, sales manager of the distributor division; HARRY BRASSEN, comptroller; ALAN D. MENTZER, production manager of the PACO division.

STROMBERG-CARLSON has opened a new sales office, at 6589 Main St., Buffalo, N. Y., to handle direct factory-to-user sales of intercommunication equipment. WILLARD C. KOEF, newly appointed District Sales Manager, is in charge.

SYLVANIA ELECTRIC PRODUCTS, INC. announces that ROBERT E. LEWIS, formerly a Director and Senior Vice President, has been elected President. Reported also is the upcoming eighth annual Television Award presentations to be made for the Outstanding Telecasts and Actors of the Year.

RADIO CORP. OF AMERICA Industrial Electronic Products Div. announces the following appointments: CHARLES H. COLLEDGE, Gen'l Mgr., Broadcast & Television Equipment Div.; and JOHN J. GRAHAM, Gen'l Mgr., Communications & Industrial Electronic Products Operations Div.

TEXAS INSTRUMENTS INC. reports that CHARLES K. FENNEL has joined the company as Manager of Marketing Techniques. Also that a new district sales office of the semiconductor components division has been opened at 600 Old Country Rd., Garden City, L. I., N. Y. J. F. HEGARTY, District Manager, is head.

WESTINGHOUSE ELECTRIC CORP. reports that a free lecture program on the latest advances in television is now being offered to service associations, and to trade and vocational schools. The program of three lectures, all of which can be presented at a single 3-hour session, include technical discussions on printed circuitry, transformerless supplies, automatic fine tuning, customer relations, etc. Scheduling arrangements are being handled through the television-radio division at Metuchen, N. J., and the electronic tube division at Elmira, N. Y.



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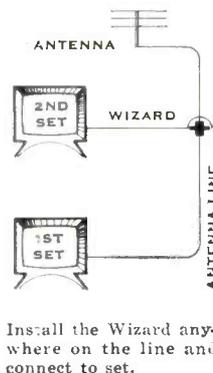


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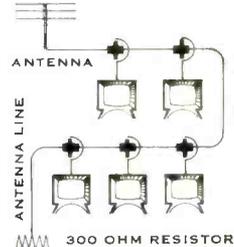


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Reps & Distributors

RADIO SHACK STORES has named **MYRON S. FRIEDMAN** manager of all stores.

F. A. DAUGHERTY CO., Cleveland rep firm, has moved to 6025 Mayfield Rd.

UNGAR ELECTRIC TOOLS, INC. has named **R. G. BOWEN CO.**, Denver, Colo., as area rep.

ORRADIO INDUSTRIES INC.'s first prize in the **IRISH** sweepstake rep sales contest was awarded to **PEYSER & CO.**, Colorado Springs, Colo.

CBS-HYTRON announces a controlled inventory service available to the firm's franchised distributors of receiving tubes.

SERVICE INSTRUMENTS CORP.'s 1959 promotion program was outlined at a recent meeting of reps. It is reported that promotion will be twice as large as previously.

PEERLESS PRODUCTS INDUSTRIES announces that **CHARLES SCHEFFLER CO.**, Indianapolis, has been appointed as the firm's rep in Ky. and parts of Ind.

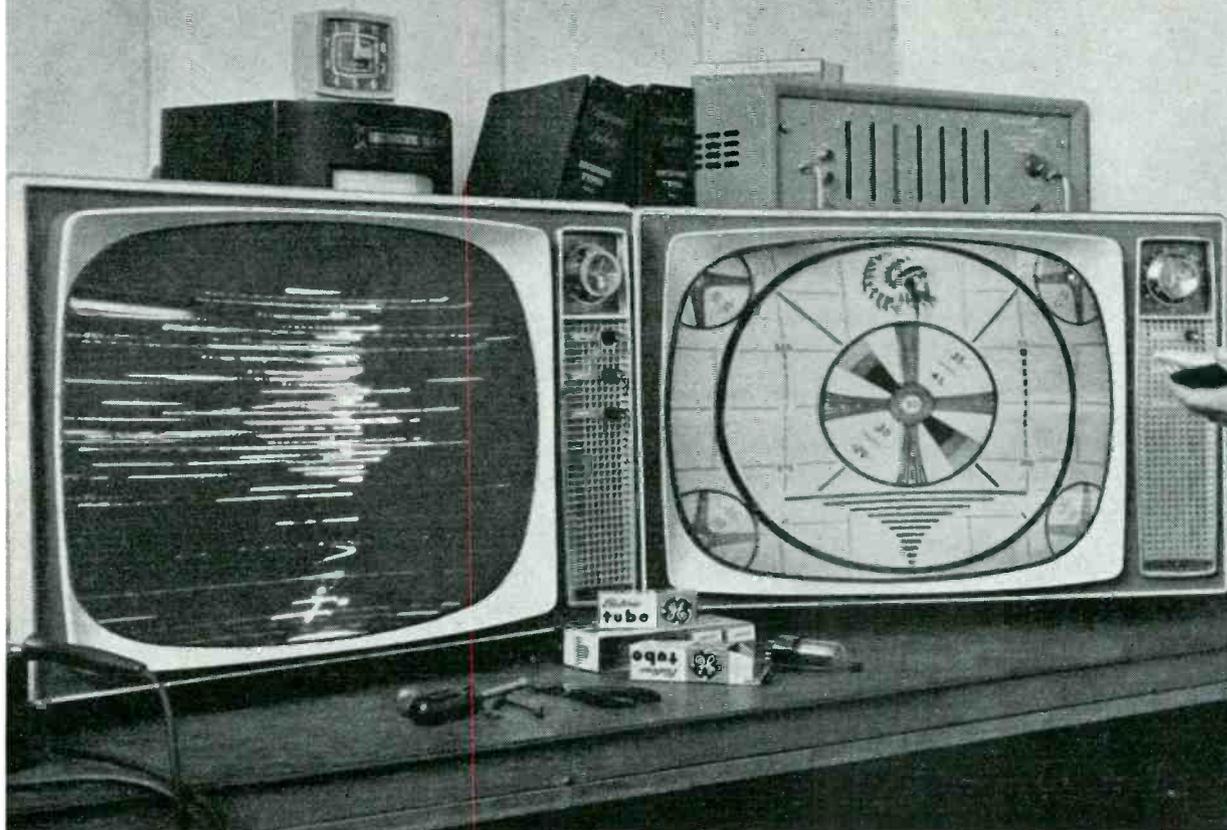
ZENITH RADIO CORP. has appointed **LEE WHOLESALE CO.**, Kansas City, Mo., as distributor of TV, radio, phonograph and stereophonic hi-fi products.

CORNELL-DUBILIER ELECTRIC CORP., Newport Antenna Div. reports that reps have already been appointed for almost the entire country to handle this new division.

ART CERF & CO., rep firm of Newark, N. J., has appointed **WILLIAM J. CROFUT**, Fayetteville, N. Y., and **PETER A. MESSINA**, Kenmore, N.Y. to cover eastern and western up-state New York respectively.

D. R. BITTAN, N. Y. Rep., has added three men to his sales staff, which now numbers ten salesmen. **ALAN BORKEN** and **R. B. CAINE** to call on OEM accounts in northern New Jersey, and in Queens and Long Island respectively; and **IRA DORNSTEIN** for distributor sales and merchandising.

ALLEN B. DU MONT LABS. reports that **DUTREX INDUSTRIES, INC.**, 250 4th Ave., New York, N. Y., has been granted sole and exclusive U. S. Sales rights to the firm's radio receiving type tubes. This new national sales agency will sell to distributors throughout the U.S. and for export.



CUT DAMPER-TUBE ARCING!

Have steady, dependable pictures with the new Service-Designed General Electric 6AX4-GTA (right)!

Side-by-side receiver tests show how prototype horizontal-damper tube occasionally will arc, cathode-to-plate (screen at left), whereas the new General Electric 6AX4-GTA continues to do its job reliably. The reason: a new, 15% larger cathode, with more emission area, consequently a lower operating temperature requirement.

New 6AX4-GTA also has faster warm-up, tapered pins, other improvements. Install this advanced tube to promote customer satisfaction, reduce callbacks. Service-Designed quality through and through! See your G-E tube distributor! *Distributor Sales, Electronic Components Division, General Electric Co., Owensboro, Ky.*

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For ease of installation, handsome Rek-O-Kut bases and pre-drilled motor boards are available. Bases from \$10.95; Mounting Boards from \$4.95. Rek-O-Kut Tonearms from \$27.95. *Hysteresis motors are essential for the professional quality required by broadcast and recording studios.

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Needed: A Professional Business Approach

Too many electronic technicians are notoriously unprofessional in the business end of their operations. Give them a technical troubleshooting job and they tackle it efficiently. But business troubleshooting? They're babes in the woods.

If you think we're exaggerating, consider these shortcomings:

Most service dealers do not have a detailed accounting analysis of their operations (turnover, cost per operating function, overhead per call, etc.).

Most service dealers do not belong to associations.

Most service dealers do not carry adequate inventory, wasting time on too many small shopping trips.

Most service dealers do not charge enough for their work.

Most service dealers do not take advantage of easily handled and profitable equipment sales opportunities.

Most service dealers do not have group insurance, health or pension plans now available to many small businesses.

Most service dealers do not have a continuing promotion program for procuring new business.

Most service dealers do not have an effective series of late collection letters.

We could go on, but we've made our point. Service technicians must stop short-changing themselves. Cut out the lax attitude toward your operations. Apply to business more of the same no-nonsense objective approach you rightfully lavish on technical activities, and you'll act and feel professional. Run your business; don't let it run you.

Professionals reap the profits.

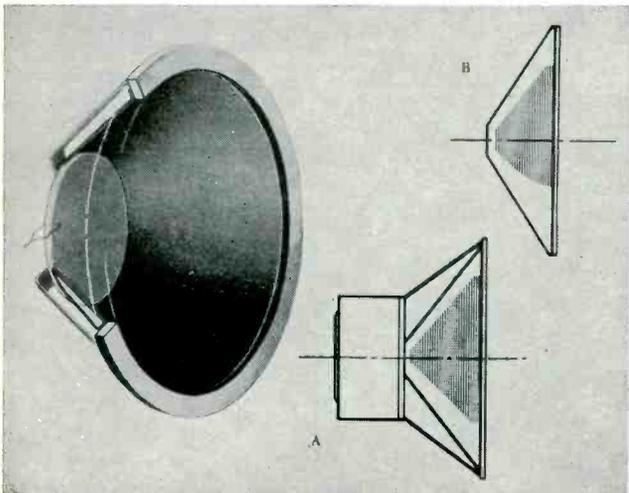
Tuning In the

TV SET DESIGN TRENDS: Zenith is adding a power transformer to each of the company's portable sets in the '59 line with no price increase. The transformers are of the fin-cooled type. Packard-Bell is introducing the "Control Master" complete color TV remote control. All four of the primary picture controls are continuously variable.

FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION is continuing to take action against misleading "bargain" tube sales, based on the results of an investigation conducted by Electronic Technician. ET found that receiving tubes promoted as "top quality" were in fact used, reprocessed, rejects or totally defective. Since most electronic publications neglect to name names when the FTC takes action against deceptive practices, here is a summary of the three latest FTC actions: Electron Tube Corp. of America and Sky-View Electronics Co., New York City, have signed a stipulation of the facts and agree to "cease and desist from representing directly or by implication that said tubes are first quality tubes, when such is not the case"; Concord Radio Corp. and Fay-Bill Distributing Co., New York City, similarly ordered to desist; B & C Distributors Co., Paterson, N.J. also ordered to stop selling used tubes without clearly disclosing their true nature.

LEGISLATION to limit pay-TV has been introduced by Rep. Oren Harris. It would permit technical tests of one system in one market, but neither the wired or aired variety would be allowed until and unless Congress specifically says so.

MAGNET-LESS SPEAKER



Lightweight speaker uses ceramic driving element (left & B) in place of magnet and coils (A). Electrostrictive ceramic (barium titanate) discs a few thousandths of an inch thick are bonded to a larger titanium disc. Fluctuation of 200-volt supply, as in push-pull plate circuit, provides signal which causes disc to "cup," causing cone to move. Developed by Mullenbach.



"No. . . . 76.50 is the part number, . . . 17034632 is the price. . . ."

POLICIES which will govern future product service have been presented by General Electric. Its distributors are urged to supplement existing distributor and dealer service facilities by appointing independent service organizations as authorized GE repair outlets. TV service manager S. R. Mihalic notes: "Our customers will continue to depend upon the independent service dealer for the vast majority of service rendered on GE TV receivers." He states that GE has an obligation to service its products to the extent required to obtain customer satisfaction. Its service operations must be self-sufficient, and an unimpeded flow of parts and service data must be assured.

POLARITY METHOD of grounding TV sets to reduce a serious shock hazard has been described as preferable to the three-conductor approach, according to engineers of GE and Underwriters' Labs. The polarity method, which connects the chassis to the ground side of the ac line, calls for a floating or non-grounded cabinet. Two failures would be required to produce a hazardous condition—polarity reversal and insulation or spacer failures. They note that at some future date when the three-blade receptacle comes into common usage, this method may be preferred over the two-blade polarity method.

NARDA, the National Appliance & Radio-TV Dealers Association, is demanding that manufacturers stop their extended warranty competition, and that warranties be reduced to something that makes economic sense for dealers, distributors and manufacturers alike. Set producers should start orienting the public to recognize that their merchandise represents a splendid value, but that a reasonable amount of service expense is to be expected.

Picture



NATIONAL TELEVISION TECHNICIAN'S WEEK, March 23 to 28, celebrates its fifth anniversary this year. It is designed to honor and gain greater recognition for the nation's service dealers and technicians. Sponsor **RCA** is promoting the week with national advertising, making available a statuette in tribute to technicians, as well as dealer display material. A handy bank is available as a free consumer give-away. Details of the promotion program are available from **RCA** tube distributors.

FULL YEAR WARRANTY by **Motorola** on all tubes has proved good economics as well as good marketing, says **Executive Vice President Edward Taylor**. He reports that TV warranty parts costs have dropped during the program. Regarding labor warranty, Taylor says that contracts are offered through distributors as a matter of convenience at the option of both the distributor and retailer.

ATTORNEY GENERAL of New York has moved to dissolve 13 companies in the New York City area who are alleged to have sold defective tubes or forged new identification code by rebranding to receive improper warranty credit from tube manufacturers. They are:

Cavalier Electronics Corp., 1775 Broadway; Concord Radio Corp., 45 Warren Street; Credda, Inc., 3 West Sixty-first Street; Edward L. Mayer Corp., 16 Court Street, Brooklyn; Liberty Electronics, Inc., 119 Prince Street; National Radio Distributors Corp., 1165 Southern Boulevard, Bronx.
Also: National Radio Distributors-Manhattan, Inc., 1779 First Avenue; North American Electronics Corp., 129 Fifth Avenue, New York; S. & R. Electronics, Inc., 297 Central Avenue, Bethpage, L. I.; State Labs, Inc., 649 Broadway; Teleparts Distributing Corp., 2504 Amsterdam Avenue, New York; Television Maintenance Corp., 2090 Crotona Parkway, and Wescon Electronics, Inc., 580 East Fordham Road, Bronx.

CALENDAR OF COMING EVENTS

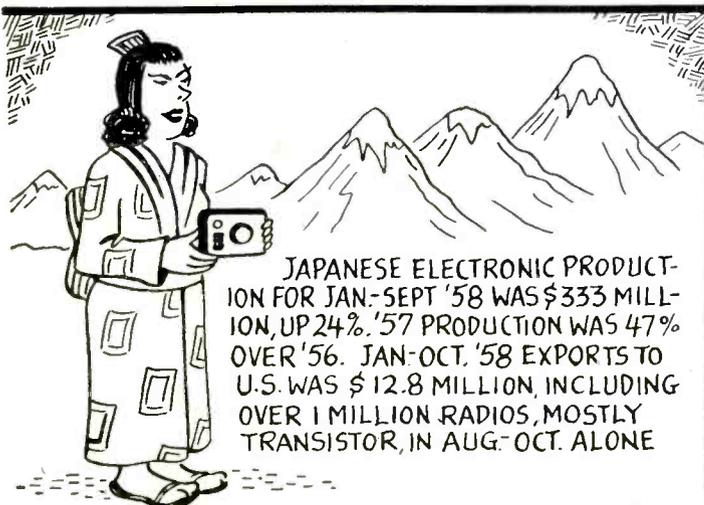
- Mar. 3-5: Western Joint Computer Conference, Fairmont Hotel, San Francisco, Calif.
- Mar. 23-26: IRE National Convention, Coliseum & Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, New York, N. Y.
- May 6-7: 7th Regional Technical Conference & Trade Show, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, N. Mex.
- May 6-8: Electronic Components Conference, Ben Franklin Hotel, Philadelphia, Pa.
- May 11-13: Joint Conference on Automatic Techniques, Pick-Congress Hotel, Chicago, Ill.
- May 18-20: 1959 Electronic Parts Distributors Show, Conrad Hilton Hotel, Chicago, Ill.
- Aug. 18-21: Western Electronic Show & Convention (WESCON), San Francisco, Calif.

HI-FI SHOWS

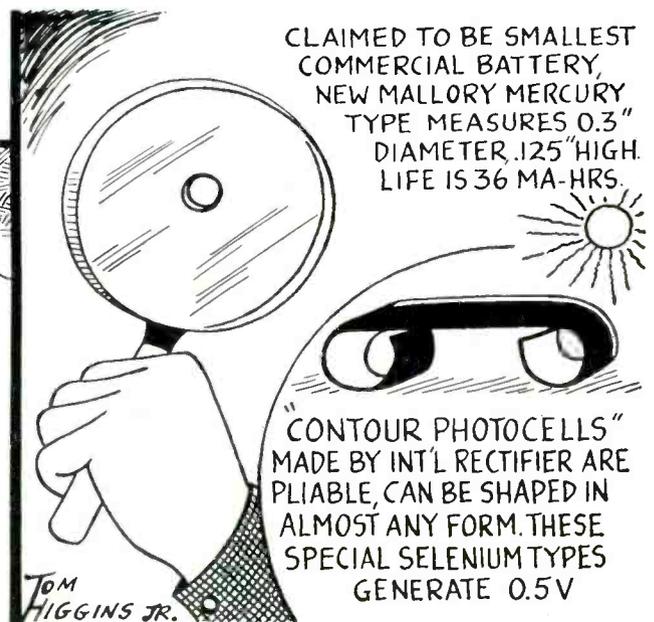
- Feb. 7-10: Cow Palace, San Francisco, Calif.
- Feb. 16-23: Biltmore Hotel, Los Angeles, Calif.

FACTORY REBUILT TV picture tube line is being offered by **RCA**, in addition to its all-new "Silverama" line. **RCA** is the first major producer to merchandise such a dual line on a national basis. The rebuilds, marketed under the "Monogram" name, have optional list prices approximately 35% under the new tubes, and are based upon the return of an acceptable old picture tube. A new electron gun and any other required new parts will be used with the rebuilds. Both "Silverama" and "Monogram" lines contain aluminized and non-aluminized versions, and a one-year warranty card is provided with each new or rebuilt tube.

RANDOM NOISE

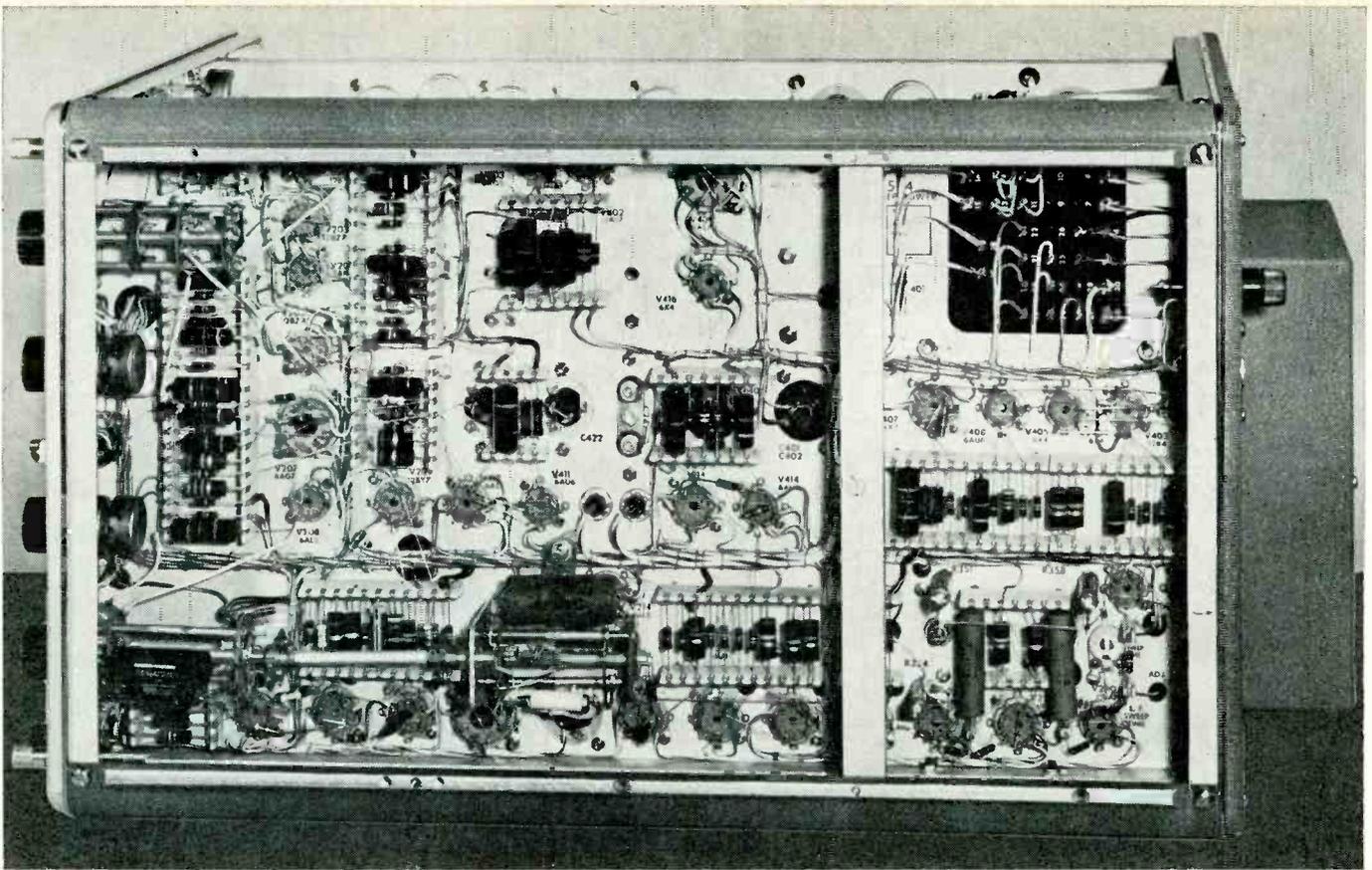


JAPANESE ELECTRONIC PRODUCTION FOR JAN.-SEPT '58 WAS \$333 MILLION, UP 24%. '57 PRODUCTION WAS 47% OVER '56. JAN.-OCT. '58 EXPORTS TO U.S. WAS \$12.8 MILLION, INCLUDING OVER 1 MILLION RADIOS, MOSTLY TRANSISTOR, IN AUG.-OCT. ALONE



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Service & Lab Oscilloscopes

Features, Advantages, And Price Are Considered, But Too Often A Basis For Comparison And Evaluation Is Not Available

CHARACTERISTICS

Bandwidth
Frequency Response
Brightness
Focus
Sensitivity
Linearity
Sweep
Triggered
Calibrated
Magnified

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• Service technicians at one time or another inquire about the difference in laboratory and service type scopes. Those that have never used both types really have no basis for

comparison. But it is well to be aware of the difference when using or purchasing a scope. Conscientious thought and proper shop instruments can make routine work of tough jobs. There are many differences in functions and characteristics as well as price. Bandwidth, frequency response, brightness, focus, triggered sweep, calibrated sweep, magnified sweep, sensitivity, and linearity are just a few of the test equipment designer's considerations affected by the intended application of a particular scope. Prices range from about \$100 to \$300 for the service scope. Most of them hover around the \$200 mark. Generally, lab scopes range from about \$450 to over \$1,500.

Many lab scopes have a bandwidth of 10 mc or more, as compared to a 4 or 5 mc bandwidth for a wide-band service scope. Increased bandwidth permits viewing narrow pulses and waveform detail which may be lost

in a narrow-band instrument. Because TV receiver circuits usually do not exceed a bandwidth of 4 mc, a lab scope would offer little advantage in this regard. Many lab scopes have less bandwidth than modern service scopes. Narrow-band lab scopes are often used in industrial electronics and audio applications. Though they have less bandwidth, they do have other features not usually found in service scopes. Narrow-band scopes are particularly not suitable for color TV servicing.

Service scopes usually employ peaking coils to obtain flat frequency response out to 4 or 5 mc. On the other hand, wide-band lab scopes generally have elaborate distributed amplifiers. A distributed amplifier, shown in Fig. 1, consists of an artificial line, with tubes provided at frequent and regular intervals along the line to boost the signal. The advantage of a distributed amplifier is

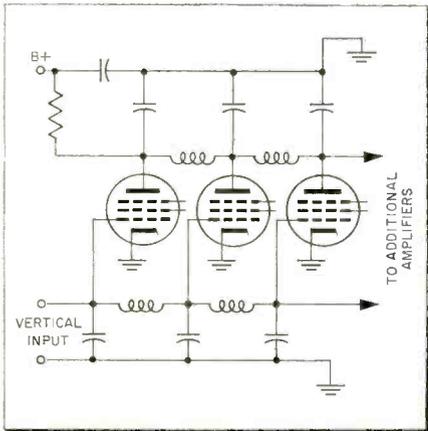
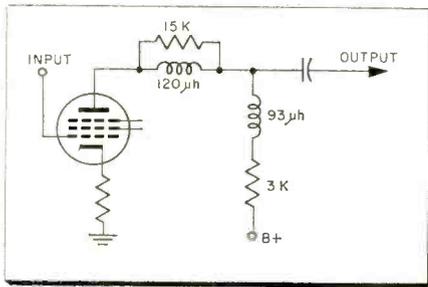


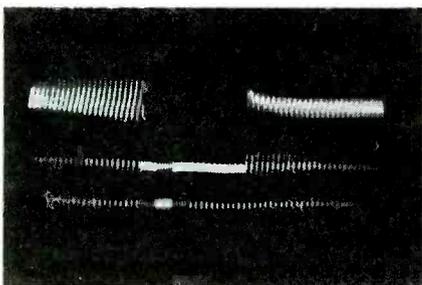
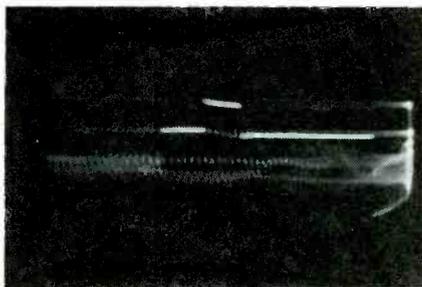
Fig. 1 Top—Peaking coils increase frequency response in service scopes. Bottom—distributed amplifiers are used in lab scopes.

that a square or pulse waveform with a fast rise time will not ring or overshoot. However, considering that TV receiver waveforms have relatively slow rise times that do not ring an amplifier equipped with peaking coils, the distributed amplifier is a luxury for service work.

Brightness & Focus

The CRT in a lab scope is operated with a much higher accelerating voltage than the CRT in the service

Fig. 2—Focus on a service scope, top, as compared with a lab type, bottom.



scope, in order to obtain sharper focus. The higher voltage also reduces scope sensitivity. Added input and sweep amplification is then required to regain this sensitivity. Comparison of sharpness-of-focus is shown in Fig. 2. Again, it may be concluded that the increased sharpness is not too essential for service work. It may be a bit of a surprise to learn that many lab scopes are usually about 1/10 as sensitive as the familiar service scopes. Sensitivity is often required in practical service work, particularly for front-end alignment. Sensitivities of from 10 to 20 mv RMS per inch are not uncommon in service instruments.

Linearity

Sometimes vertical linearity is not good when a pattern is displayed at full-screen deflection in both types of scopes. Many lab scopes provide very good linearity up to about 2/3 or 3/4 full-screen deflection. Linear amplifiers capable of providing linear sweep over the entire face of the CRT could be used, but many of the less expensive CRTs used in service scopes have a face which is somewhat curved at the edge. Under this circumstance inaccurate full-screen peak-to-peak voltage measurements would be obtained even if perfectly linear amplifiers were provided.

Triggered Sweep

Some service scopes have triggered sweeps, but the majority do not. Some have sweep magnifiers, which are capable of doing some of the jobs accomplished by triggered

Fig. 3 Bottom—Tip of sync pulse expanded on a lab scope. Top—Normal view.

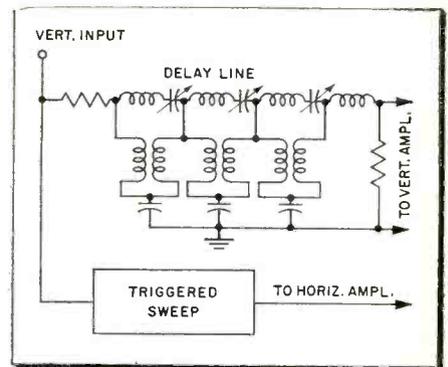
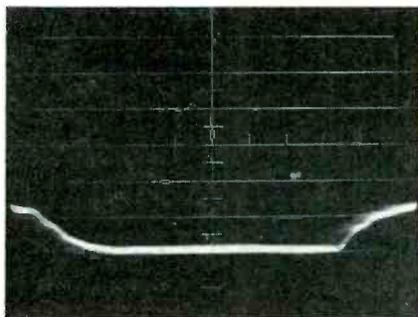
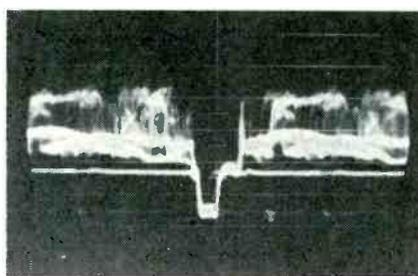
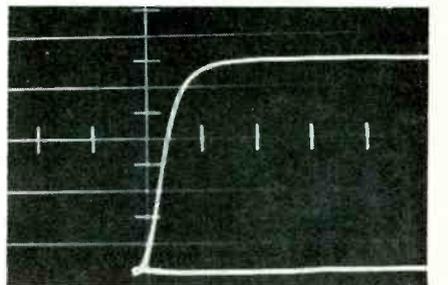
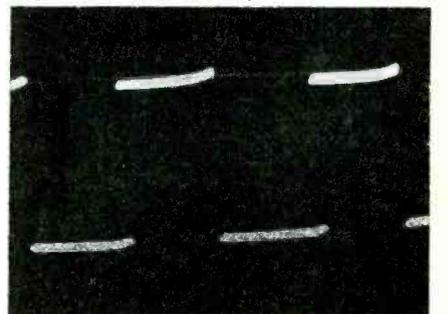


Fig. 4.—As many as 24 sections are used to delay the signal to the vertical amplifier to prevent losing the leading edge of some very fast traces.

sweeps. Most lab scopes do have triggered sweeps. Triggered sweep makes it possible to expand a portion of a waveform for close-up inspection. Fig. 3 shows just the tip of a horizontal sync pulse expanded to occupy almost full screen width. If triggered sweep were not used to expand the sync tip, the pattern would overlap and appear confused. High CRT voltage is required, otherwise the rapidly moving beam, needed to expand the pattern, would become dim or invisible. While many service scopes do not have the necessary high voltage, expanding waveforms in most service work serves no useful purpose. Because the leading edge is used to trigger the sweep, and because it takes a fraction of time for the sweep to get started, part or all of the leading edge would be lost if a delay line were not used. The delay line is connected in series with the vertical amplifier, but not in series with the
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Fig. 5. Bottom—Lab scope with calibrated horizontal sweep. Top—View of the leading edge lost on a service scope.



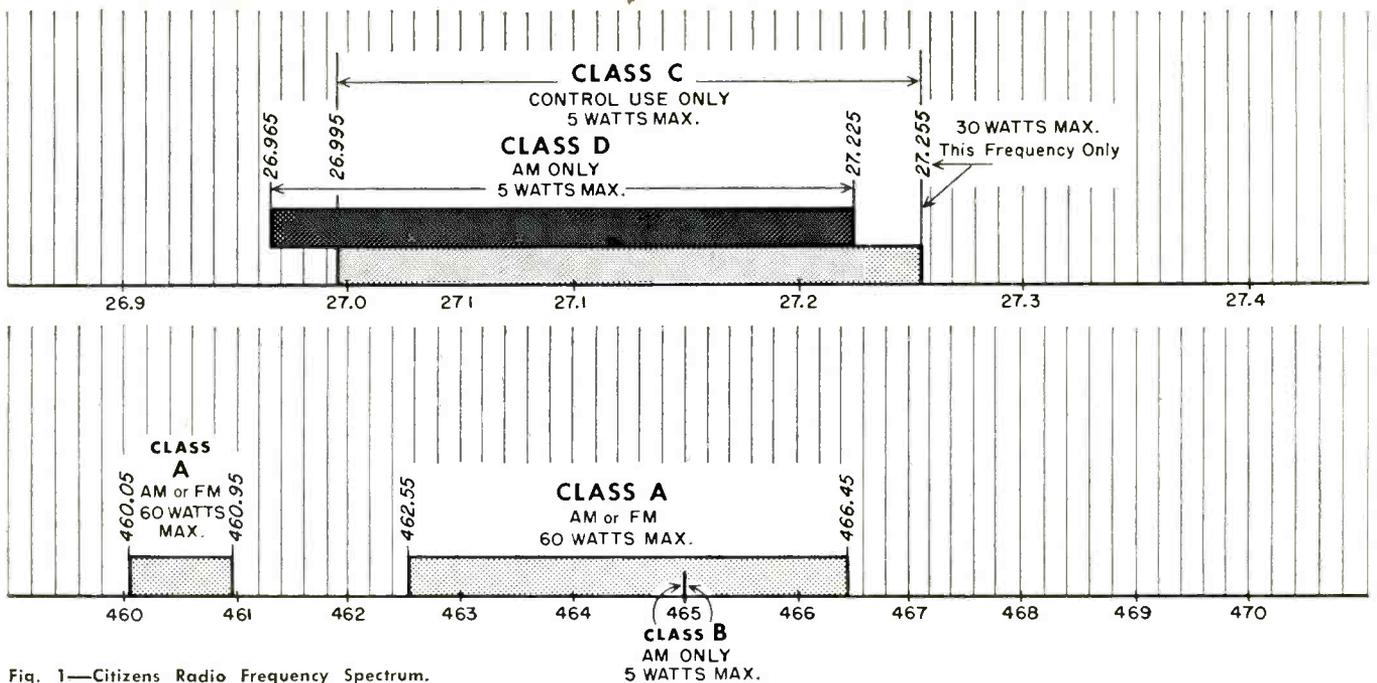


Fig. 1—Citizens Radio Frequency Spectrum.

Citizens Radio Service

New Opportunities For Sales And Service In 2-Way Radio

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• Citizens Radio Service is intended for personal or business, short-distance radio communication, signalling, and radio control of objects and devices such as model airplanes, and boats. Any citizen of the United States who is 18 years of age or older may obtain a station license in this service if his application meets the requirements of the revised Part 19 of the FCC Rules governing the Citizens Radio Service. Applicants for a Class C station may be 12 years of age or older.

Frequencies available to stations in this service are shared among licensees. During periods of normal operation no protection can be afforded to the communications of any station in this service from inter-

ference which may be caused by the proper operation of other authorized Citizens Radio stations, or from stations in other radio services properly operating on frequencies shared with the Citizens Radio Service, even when involving the safety of life or property.

Citizens Radio stations may not be used for any purpose contrary to any law or for broadcasting to the public in any way. They likewise may not be used as links in the physical circuits of other radio services, but they may be used for the mechanical con-

trol or turning on or off of stations in other services. No charge may be made for messages carried over Citizens Radio stations, or for the use of licensed equipment by persons other than the licensee. The licensee is responsible at all times for the operation of stations licensed to him.

In order to avoid interference by shifting frequencies, Class A stations must apply for a new authorization.

Fig. 2—Class B, 2-way radio operates at 456 mc, range varies from a few hundred yards to as much as 10 miles over land.



Fig. 3—Roof-top antenna for cars if properly selected and installed increases signal.

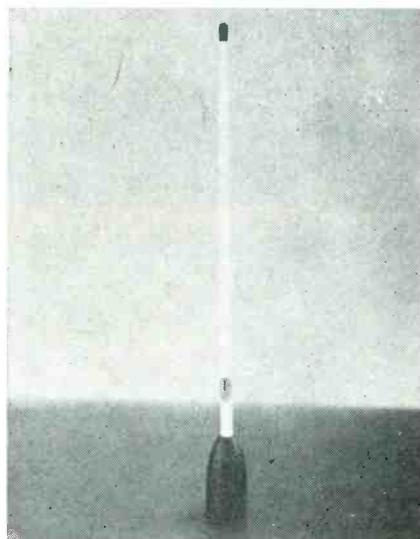
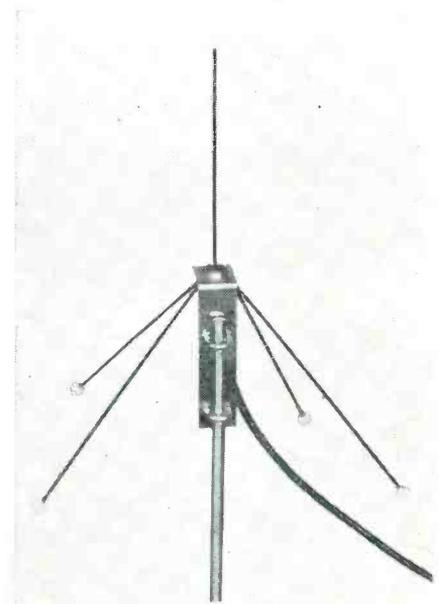


Fig. 4—High-gain ground-plane antenna for locations capable of supporting a mast.



CITIZENS RADIO

Classes of Stations

Emission
Frequency
Power

License Required

Age Limitations
Citizenship

Interference

Antenna Structures
Servicing
Class B Transceivers

Class B, C, and D stations may shift to any of the frequencies available to stations in their respective classes without further authorization.

A station license must be obtained direct from the FCC at Washington 25, D. C., for operation of a Citizens Radio station. Field offices no longer issue any class of Citizens Radio license. A commercial radio operator's license of the proper grade is also required for manually operated telegraphy and for any adjustments to the transmitter during installation, testing, or servicing which may cause the transmitter to operate off-frequency, or otherwise in a manner which would violate the rules. FCC Form 505 is used to apply for a new or modified license, change of address, change in the number of transmitters, etc. The station license, or a photocopy of it, must be in the personal possession of the operator, or attached to the transmitter, or kept at the control position when using remote control. Forms may be obtained without charge from any of the Commission's Field Offices. Renewals should be filed at least 30 days prior to the expiration of an old license.

New FCC rule changes for the Citizens Radio Service are now in



Tug boat maintaining communications with barges and shore points via Citizens Radio.

effect. These changes created a new 27-mc citizens band, and took away 6.06 mc of the former 10 mc band between 460 and 470 mc leaving 460.05 to 460.95 mc and 462.55 to 466.45 mc. The frequency spectrum chart in Fig. 1 shows the distribution of the different classes of operation in the citizens bands.

Antenna structures for Class A stations are not limited to height unless they are hazardous to air navigation. However, to avoid unnecessary interference antennas should be kept as low as possible.

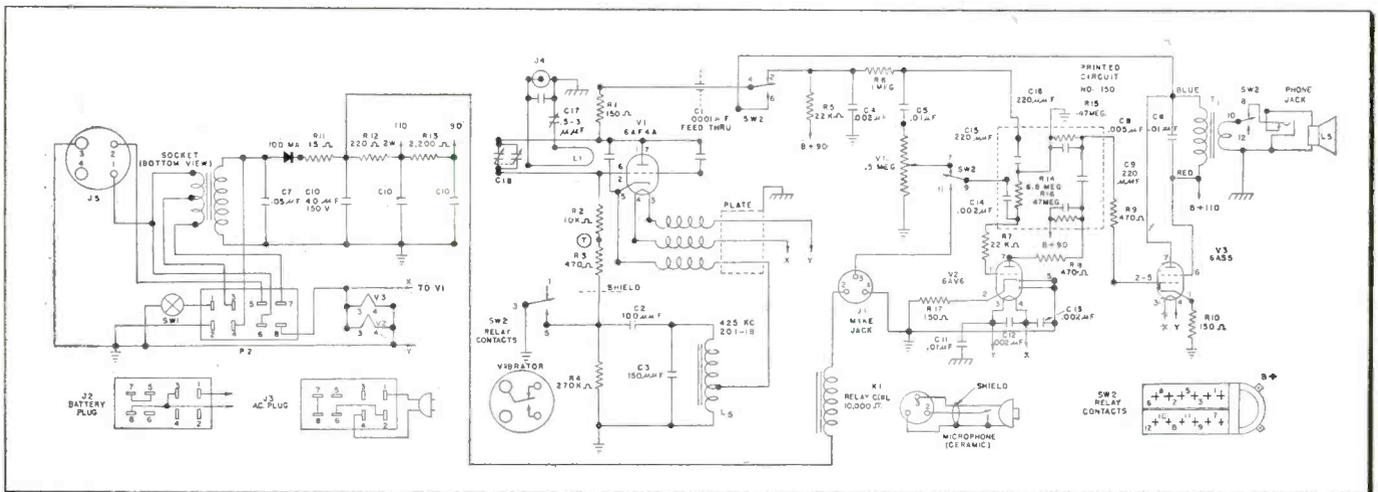
Antennas for Class B, C, and D stations may not extend more than 20 feet above the building roof, or ground, depending on which the antenna supporting structure is mounted.

The approach to Citizens Radio, as in any communication systems planning procedure depends upon local conditions, communication requirements and budget.

Most Class A mobile equipment operates on FM, some on AM. Both transmitter and receiver are crystal

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Fig. 5—Schematic of Class B transceiver shown in Fig. 2 has only 3 tubes. The 6AF4 serves as a super-regenerative detector when receiving, and as an AM power oscillator when transmitting. The 6AV6 and 6AS5 double as an audio amplifier and modulator.



Diagnosing And Trouble-

Symptomatic Approach Isolates Defects. Above-The-Chassis

SUMMARY

Sync circuitry is usually not tricky. In most instances a fault can be traced to a breakdown of one tube or one component, but with new sophisticated engineering developments, interaction and side effects do create misleading symptoms.

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• Loss of sync does not necessarily mean trouble in the sync circuits. If, for example, the horizontal oscillator is functioning too far off frequency, and even if the sync pulses were present and normal in every respect the picture would still be quite mixed up. The same conditions could also prevail with the vertical oscillator section. While these symptoms seem to be about the same as those encountered when the sync pulse is absent or abnormal, it should be obvious in this case, that the trouble lies with the particular oscillator, and not the sync circuits.

Above-The-Chassis Approach

How then can the technician diagnose the symptoms, pin down the trouble, and not waste time? Several techniques are available, however, most of them by themselves are not conclusive. If the picture is out-of-sync both horizontally and vertically, the chances are that there is a sync problem. On the other hand, if by coincidence both of the

oscillator circuits are harboring defects, and there is nothing wrong with the sync circuits, the conclusion would be wrong again. Still another misleading situation presents itself when there is a defect in the AGC system. If the sync pulses are clipped, compressed or missing the picture is most likely to be out of sync in both directions. Any time spent in troubleshooting the sync circuits would have to be chalked up to experience, and not as time spent in finding the trouble. Even if it is determined that sync compression is at the root of the complaint, it does not necessarily mean that there is something wrong with the AGC circuit, because AGC voltages depend upon signal conditions in the receiver. A defect in the front end, i-f amplifiers, or video detector can upset the AGC voltages. A poor signal due to a defective antenna can often lead to a complaint of loss of sync, particularly loss of vertical sync. Another unique situation which may upset AGC and sync pulse is a defect in the horizontal output circuit or pulse feedback loop when keyed AGC is used. This could be quite misleading if the defect causes an upset in the vertical section only.

As a general rule horizontal hold will stay locked in over a wider range of operating conditions, and it is possible for an overall sync problem to be reported only as a loss of vertical hold. Under these circumstances it may be noticed that the horizontal hold is a little critical. It is well to acknowledge

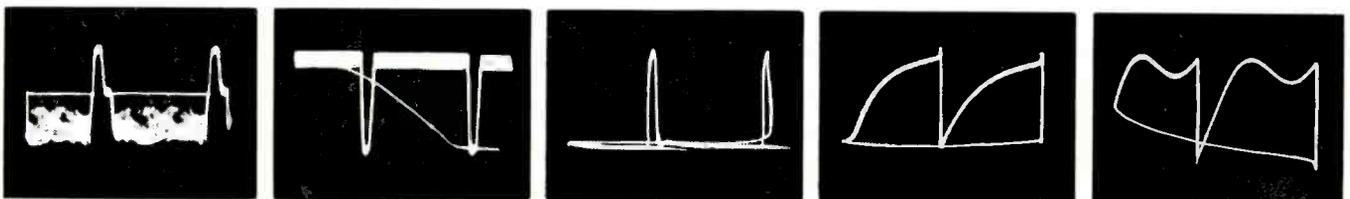
that it isn't always possible to predict AGC defects by just observing the picture. Depending upon the severity and nature of the AGC upset, indications in the picture may show up as varying amounts of distortion, pulling or bending, negative picture, and sometimes without any noticeable defects.

There are several quick ways to predict the general area of trouble, and in a few cases, isolate the cause without using any test instruments. If the defect in the sync circuits does not affect the horizontal or vertical oscillators by making them run too fast, or too slow, or not at all, the oscillators can usually be exonerated if it is possible to make them run faster, slower and almost normal by varying the hold controls.

Assuming that it is possible to momentarily bring the picture into full view, it is then possible to observe the vertical blanking bar for presence of sync pulse by turning up the brightness a bit, turning down the contrast a little and adjusting the vertical hold control so that the vertical blanking bar is brought into view. If the sync pulse is present as evidenced by a "blacker-than-black" bar, as shown in Fig. 2, it is then possible to assume that all is well from the antenna through the video detector to the CRT, including the AGC circuit. If the vertical sync pulse region is gray and not much darker than the black elements in the picture, the chances are that the sync pulse is clipped and not getting through the receiver.

Assuming that the sync pulse can

Fig. 1—Sync pulse, center photo, after separation from the composite video signal, left. Some video information is still present in second trace. Fourth and fifth photos show normal properly synced vertical and horizontal oscillator waveforms respectively.



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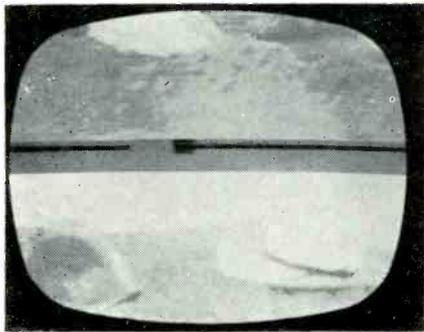


Fig. 2—Blacker-than-black region in vertical blanking area generally indicates presence of sync pulse at sync take-off point.

be observed on the CRT, it then becomes a fairly simple matter to further isolate the cause of the sync problem. If both horizontal and vertical sync is lost, the odds are that the trouble lies somewhere between the sync take off point, and the place where horizontal and vertical sync pulses are separated. If loss of sync is experienced in only the vertical direction, then it is possible to concentrate on the section between the vertical oscillator and vertical sync separation point. The same logic also applies to loss of horizontal sync only, in this case, the area of interest lies between the horizontal oscillator and the sync separation point.

Modern TV circuitry takes advantage of several different types of sophisticated circuits, and when trouble sets in, logical and time-proven troubleshooting procedures may in some cases seem to be of no value. Absence of or defective sync pulses in some circuits may cause an AGC problem and complete loss of video and sound. In other circuits it may cause loss of raster due to very little or no high voltage. An awareness of these side effects can save many hours on the bench, and even prevent a trip to the shop.

The basic sync circuits, starting from the sync take-off point, may consist of a sync amplifier, which often also serves as a separation or

limiting device to clip off the video information and leave only the sync pulses; additional amplifiers may be further employed to amplify shape, or phase invert the sync pulses before passing them on to the vertical and horizontal oscillators.

A block diagram of a typical TV receiver is shown in Fig. 3. While many sets have a sync take-off point just past the detector, this particular receiver takes advantage of an extra stage of amplification, by moving the take-off point just beyond the video amplifier. The typical waveforms shown are representative of the action which takes place in most receivers. The composite video signal present at the sync take-off point is amplified and trimmed of most of the video information. The center photo, Fig. 1, shows almost complete sync separation from the video signal. The fourth and fifth photos show normal, properly synced vertical and

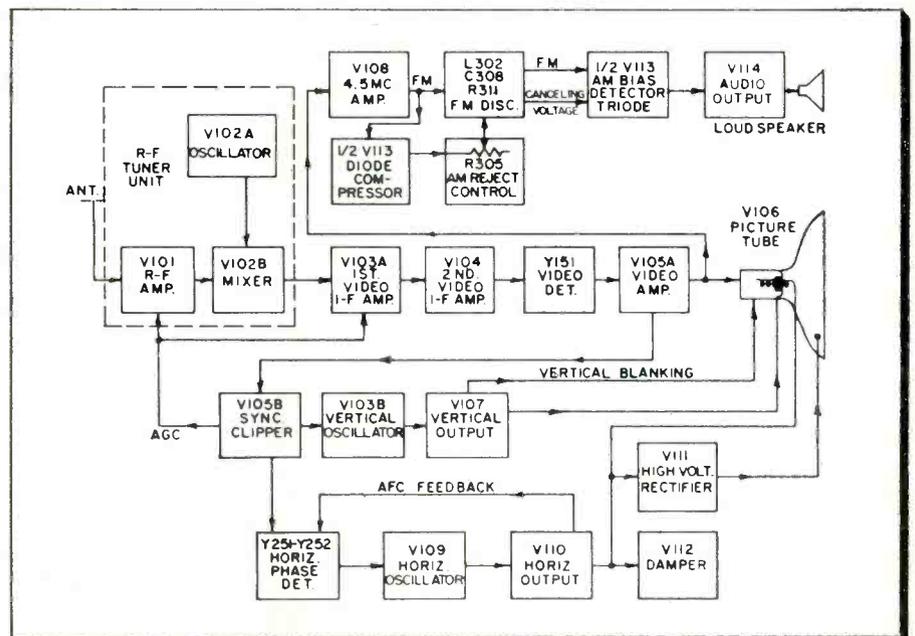
horizontal oscillator waveforms respectively.

In order to avoid line pairing and maintain proper sync action it is important to avoid interaction between the horizontal and vertical sync pulses. Essentially the differentiator and integrator network respond only to proper pulses or portions of the pulse, shape them, and pass them on to the horizontal and vertical oscillators respectively. An additional automatic frequency control circuit is almost universally used between the horizontal oscillator and incoming sync pulse to improve stability and noise immunity.

Troubles in the sync amplifier and separator stages may range from the absence of sync pulse, to permitting some of the video information being passed through with the pulse. Hum voltages which may exist in these or prior stages will play havoc

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Fig. 3—Defective sync-clipper can upset AGC as well as horizontal and vertical hold. Sync take-off beyond the video amplifier provides a larger sync pulse.



Overcoming Pitfalls In

How To Recognize Harmonic Content, Interpret Audio Waveform

SUMMARY

How to avoid misleading interpretation of harmonic distortion measurements due to hum, phase changes within the equipment under test, instability and clipping distortion. Technique makes fractional percentage readings possible without the use of filters, even when the distortion in the signal source is higher than the expected readings. For basic arrangement of equipment and test procedure see page 32 in the January 1959 issue of Electronic Technician.

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• A fact not often appreciated is that some forms of harmonic distortion can reach relatively high percentage figures and not be audible, while other forms of distortion can be audible even when the meter reads

Fig. 1—Bouncing waveform, top, is hum. R-F oscillation may appear as a form of modulation, bottom.

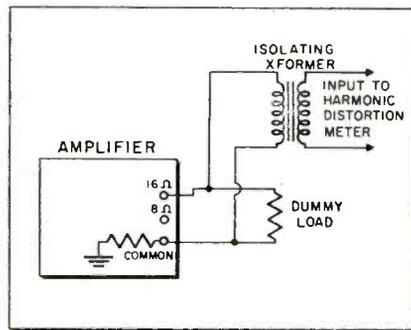
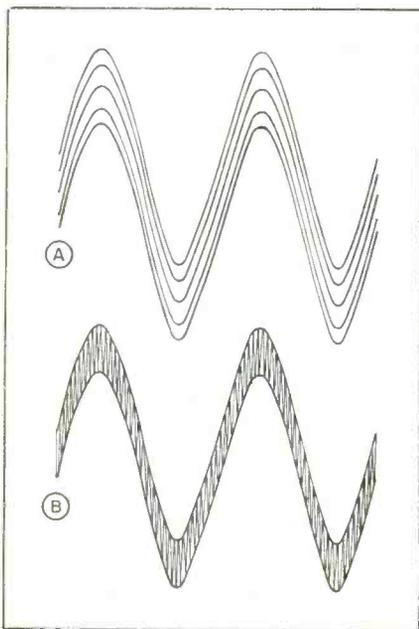
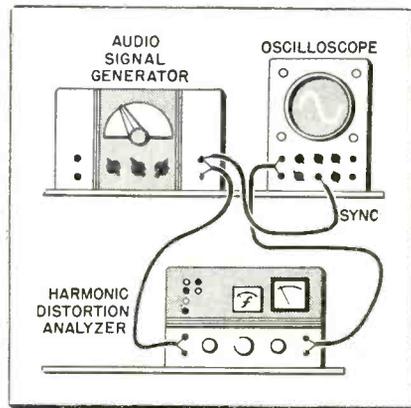


Fig. 2—Isolation transformer may be required to eliminate parasitic oscillation.

only 0.1%. An unqualified statement of distortion content means virtually nothing. Of course, if there is 50% of any kind of distortion, it is a lot in any language. But when it comes to a fraction of 1% or even a few percent, the answer to the question, "Is it audible?" unfortunately, is not simple.

There are times when an oscilloscope display will show a nice looking waveform, relatively free of distortion, while the harmonic distortion meter reads as much as 10%. This could be quite puzzling because it is doubtful that there is 10% of any kind of distortion that would not be seen on a scope trace. A beginner may have difficulty seeing 3% of some kinds of distortion, but 10% would certainly be obvious. What

Fig. 3—Set scope on external sync and hook up to signal generator to compare phase of amplifier's input and output waveforms

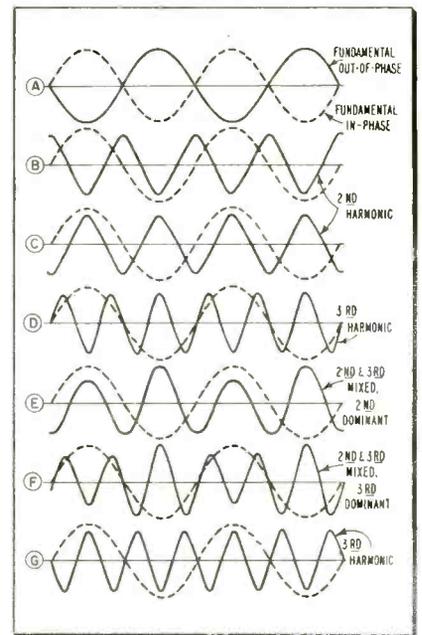


then is the cause of such a high reading?

This can be due to hum, or r-f oscillation, or a combination of both. Hum may appear on the scope as a multiple image, the trace may seem to be jumping, as shown in Fig. 1A. On the other hand, r-f oscillation as shown in Fig. 1B may escape being noticed. The amplifier may be oscillating quite gently at a megacycle or more; and if the scope is only intended for low frequency work, the high frequency component may be severely attenuated. The result might appear as an almost imperceptible thickening of the trace which could be mistakenly attributed to poor focus.

The foregoing is based on the assumption that the scope and distortion meter are simultaneously connected to the amplifier. It is desirable to leave the scope connected when hooking up the distortion meter. The scope connections may be trans-

Fig. 4—Fundamental input waveform, dotted line, is shown for reference purposes. It may be temporarily marked on the CRT with a crayon. See text for explanation



Audio Measurements

Phasing Characteristics, And Obtain Meaningful Meter Readings

ferred from the input to the output terminals of the distortion meter, as needed. Sometimes the quantity measured was not there before the meter was connected. The distortion meter contains a high-gain amplifier and other circuits which could, under certain circumstances, create instability or hum which is not normally present.

The first thing to find out is what is happening, then try to stop it. If the scope is connected to the output of the meter it is possible to see what the meter is reading. If a fault were to develop in the harmonic distortion meter's amplifier or switching circuit which permitted the fundamental to leak through, even when the bridge is balanced, it would be seen on the scope. It is the same signal, or a portion of the signal seen when the meter's set level adjustment is made. But, more often the scope will show evidence of either hum or r-f oscillation as the cause of the abnormal reading. To check the effect of connecting the harmonic

	Fundamental	Harmonic	Distortion Readings
1	In-phase	In-phase	Subtract
2	Out-of-phase	Out-of-phase	Subtract
3	In-phase	Out-of-phase	Add
4	Out-of-phase	In-phase	Add

Table 1—In the presence of 2nd harmonic distortion, the phase of the amplifier's output signal should be determined and compared to the phase of the generator's signal, to determine if the distortion meter readings of the generator and amplifier should be added or subtracted.

meter, leave the scope connected across the output of the amplifier under test and watch what happens when the meter is connected and then disconnected. If connecting the meter causes hum or r-f oscillation to appear at the amplifier output, it will be necessary to modify the hookup and clean up the signals before any valid measurements can be made.

A good electrical ground is essential. Even though all the grounds on the equipment are tied together—with all the gain associated with the measurements—a floating ground can cause trouble. Anchoring the

ground to a good electrical return to terra firma may be necessary. High-frequency oscillation can sometimes be induced through the supply transformers and the com-
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Fig. 5—Test equipment setup. Note sync take-off point is before the attenuator. A decade type of calibrated attenuator is optional equipment, but is highly desirable.

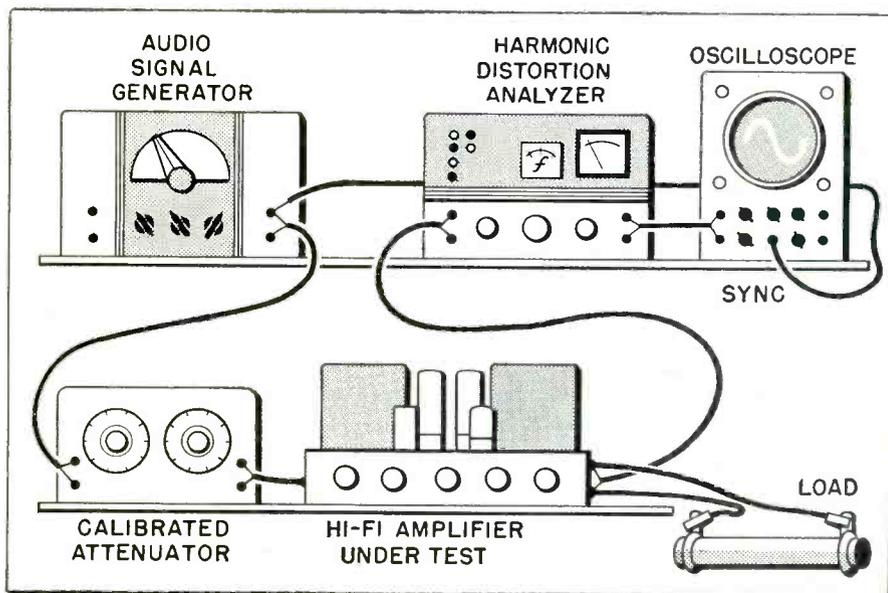
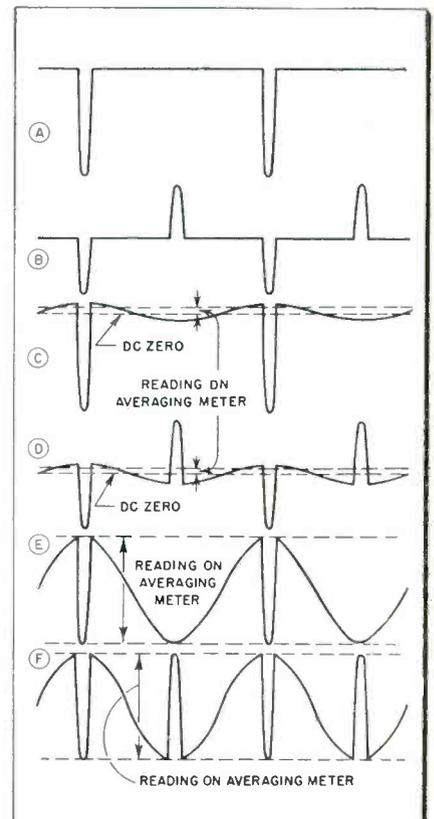
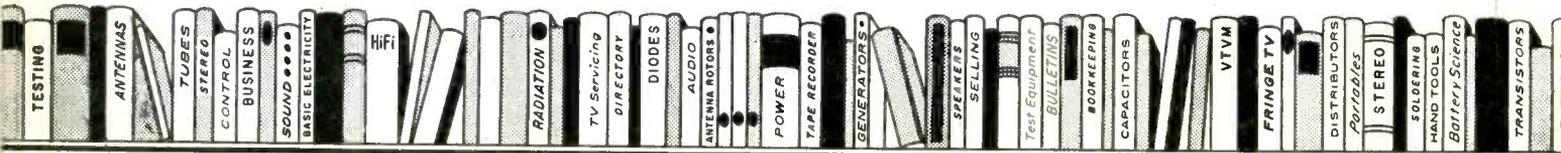


Fig. 6—More significant readings of distortion at clipping levels are obtained by readjusting the analyzer's balance control until the waveform looks like Curves E or F.



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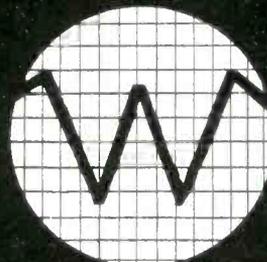
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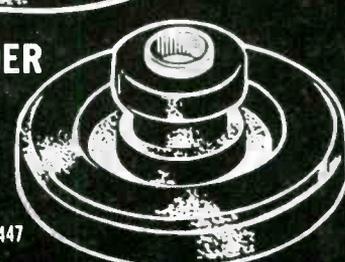
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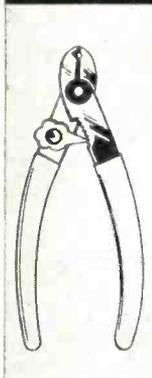
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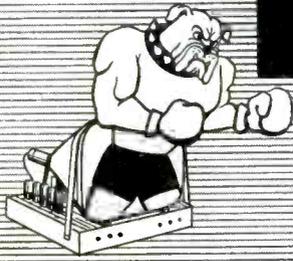


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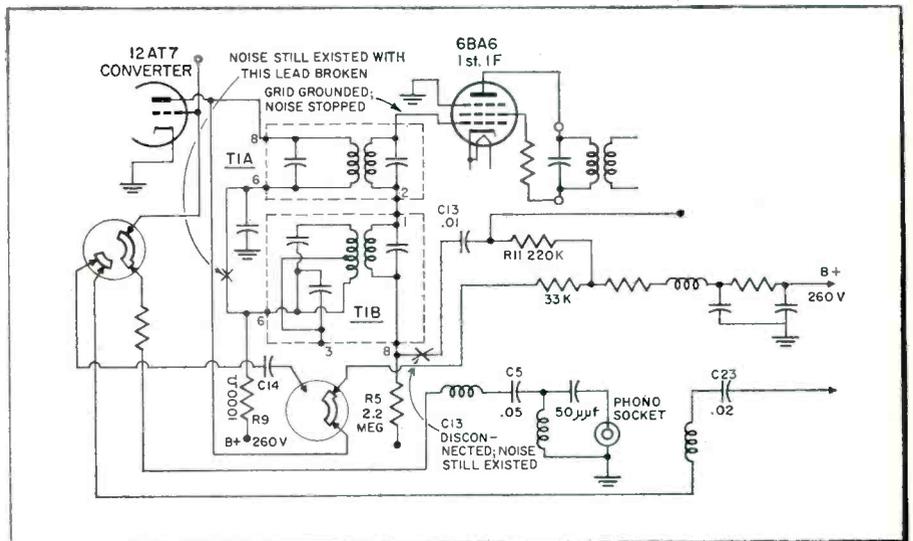
The noise stopped when the first i-f amplifier tube was pulled out. Next the 12AT7 converter was pulled, but the noise was still there. Now I knew the noise had to be originating somewhere between the phono input and the 6BA6. I checked the capacitors not common

to the radio. Capacitors C5 and C14 showed leakage so they were replaced but still no improvement. The chassis was set aside for a break, and a fresh start. The next day I again started to trace down the noise by disconnecting capacitor C13. The noise was still present. Grounding the grid of the 6BA6, first i-f tube, caused the noise to stop. This localized the trouble to the first i-f transformers but if they were noisy why didn't it show up on AM or FM radio? The next step was disconnecting resistor R9 from Pin #6 of transformer T1B which removed B+ from both transformers. The set was turned on and no noise was heard. A quick check of the phono function with the crystal applied to a record, produced music without noise, and plenty of volume, with only a quarter turn of the volume control. I still had to find out which transformer was defective.

Resistor R9 was soldered back in place and the lead from Pin #6 of transformer T1B to Pin #6 of T1A was disconnected; this removed B+ from transformer T1A.

The set was turned on. The same weak sound and noise were present. I knew it had to be transformer T1B. When it was checked a 5 to 8 megohm leakage path was found between windings with my capacitor tester. An ohm meter check showed no leakage. The transformer was replaced and everything worked fine. Why wasn't this defective transformer causing trouble on radio? Well, the only difference measured was a voltage of 260 volts on Pin #6 of transformer T1B when the selector was in phono position. On radio positions this voltage was 225 volts. The higher voltage on phono position was probably enough to cause the transformer to act up.—
Elmer T. Roming, Philadelphia, Pa.

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Tips for Home and Bench Service

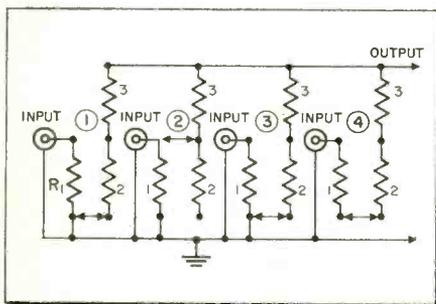
Power Transformer Damper Winding Breakdown

Breakdown of insulation in the damper heater winding in a TV set's power transformer causes frequent shorts to chassis and sometimes to other windings, particularly when 6W4 tubes are used. For many years I have modified sets to eliminate this trouble. The 6AX4 is the key to these modifications. For example on the RCA KCS47 receiver, remove the jumper between pin 3 and pin 7 on the 6W4 socket. Disconnect damper heater leads from the defective transformer winding, tube pins 7 and 8, connect one side to ground and the other to the nearest 6.3 volt heater. Connect a cathode by-pass capacitor on the order of 80 to 100 μf at 6,000 volts. Replace the 6W4 with a 6AX4.—*Frank M. Dickinson, Stony Point, N. Y.*

Fader-Mixer

Not really a high fidelity set up, but it is a simple and handy circuit for multi-switching and mixing several program sources without the use of tubes, compensated controls, and capacitors. Varying load effects are reduced, and the bass response is not compromised as in a single potentiometer arrangement. I used this device recently with phonos, a tape recorder, and a radio for a public affair. The usual switching arrangement was inconvenient. Clicks and sudden application of the following

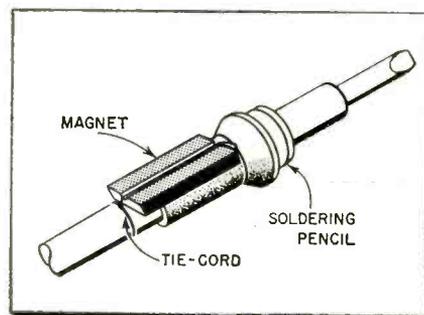
Use of dual pots for fading and mixing programs offers compensations for varying loads. Additional resistors enhance isolation between channels.



program was annoying. In the diagram, only Channel 2 is shown in the circuit, the 1 megohm stacked controls tend to maintain the same isolation between the input signal, and the stray capacitance of the output cable and amplifier input circuit. As the control is lowered, some loss of high notes may be experienced depending upon the amount of this stray capacitance. The addition of a 47,000 ohm resistor is desirable to improve isolation between channels being mixed. The loss in signal due to these resistors is negligible.—*J. J. Rouleau, Senneterre, Quebec, Canada.*

Magnetic Soldering Iron

We use a number of pencil type soldering irons in our shop. To keep them handy when needed, and yet out of the way, I have attached a small magnet to each handle. The iron sticks to the metal chassis. This makes it especially handy on cabi-



Magnets holds soldering iron to chassis, metal cabinet, etc., for safety and convenience.

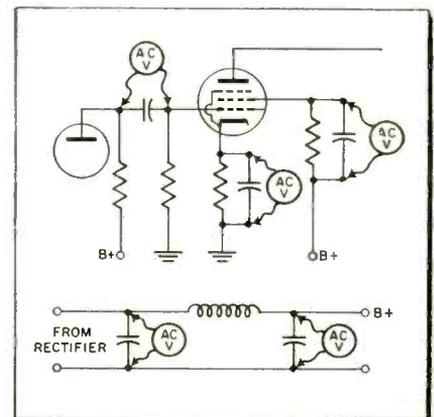
net and rack equipment. The magnets were taken from magnetic door catches and held in place by #16 copper wire.—*Paul R. Foster, Ogden, Utah.*

Since most of these pencil type soldering irons can accommodate a 6 or 7 watt intermediate base light bulb in place of the iron tip this ar-

angement is also convenient on home service calls to light up the inside of a TV cabinet.—*Ed.*

Capacitor In-Circuit Test

Most applications, of bypass, coupling and filter capacitors, for practical purposes, present a short circuit, or very low impedance path to ac. Therefore, the voltage drop across them should be zero or very



Measuring A-C voltage drop across capacitor to predict condition, while in circuit.

low. Measuring the a-c voltage drop across the capacitors will usually indicate whether or not they are open or have decreased in value appreciably. There is one notable exception—a low a-c voltage reading of about 10 to 15 volts is normal across the input-filter capacitor in a B+ capacitor input filter circuit. Most filters of this type have a high ripple content at this point.—*Louis C. Maly, Iron Mountain, Mich.*

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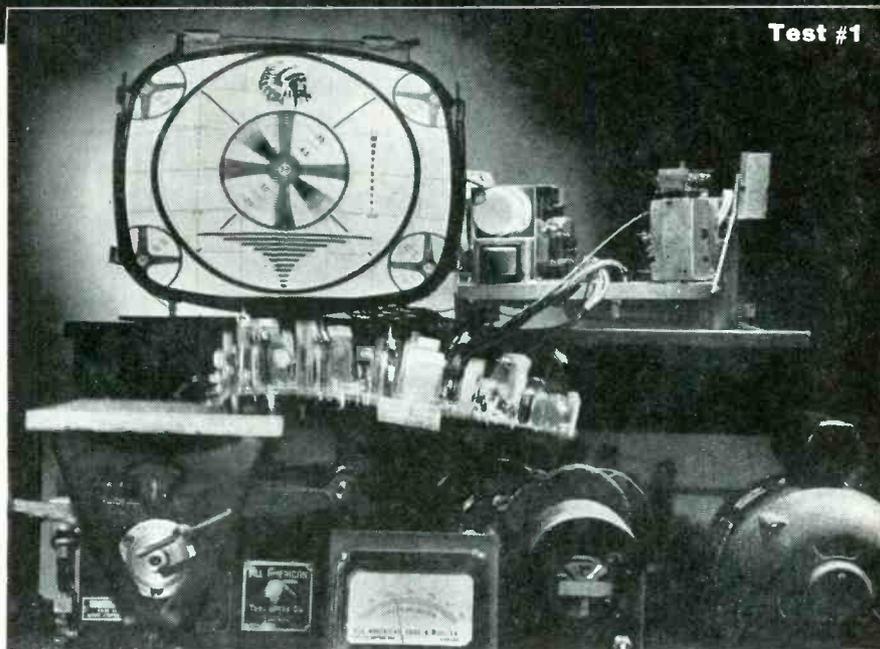
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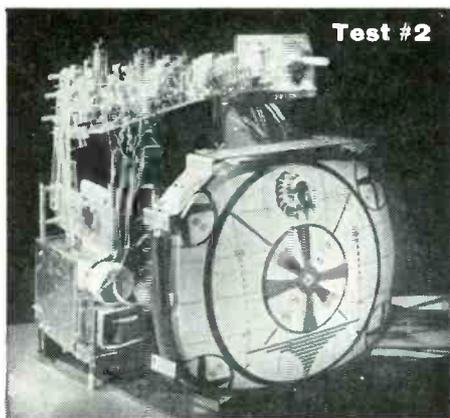
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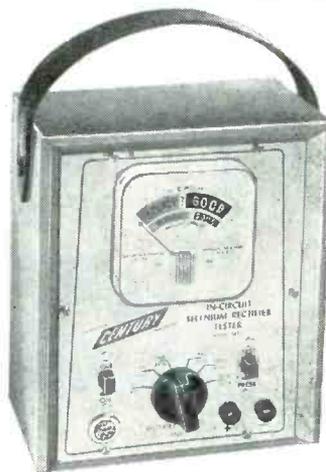
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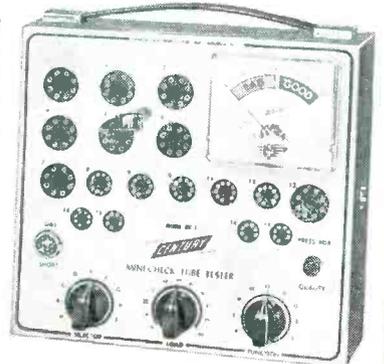
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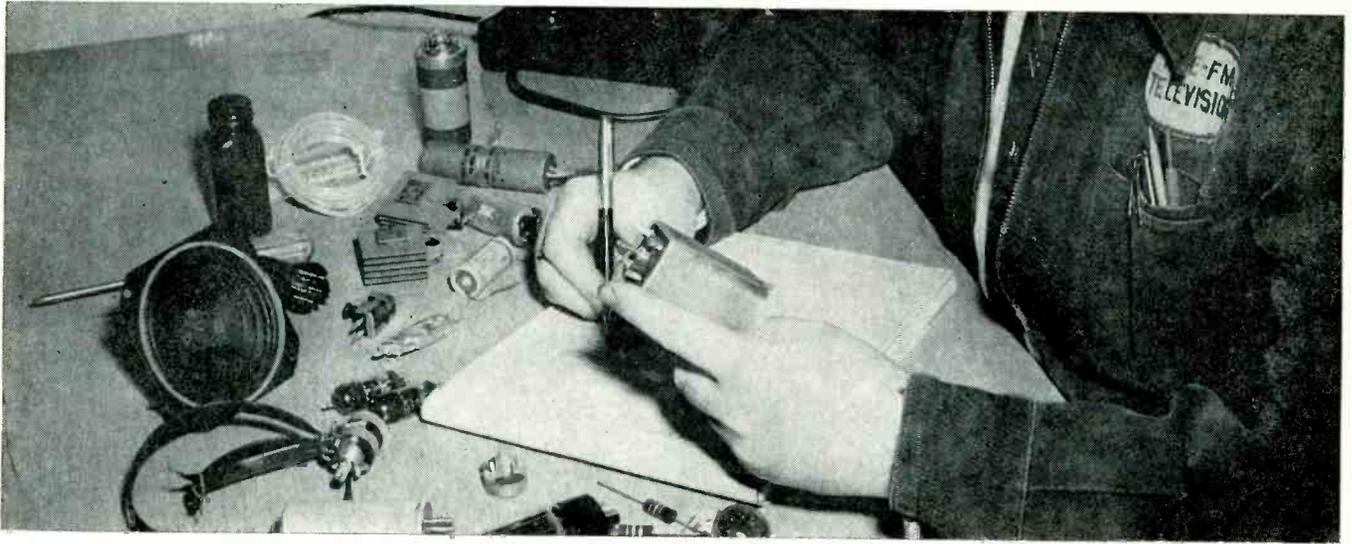
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Parts Procurement Problems

*Electronically Controlled Equipment May Grind To A Halt
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JACK DARR

• The technician who attempts to diversify by going into industrial electronic maintenance work often finds himself confronted with a very serious problem. How to obtain special and other custom-built parts for the equipment? Purely electronic parts present no great difficulty. Tubes, resistors and capacitors may be obtained from any radio-TV parts supply house. Perhaps not exactly of the same physical size and shape, but surely of the required electrical values. Minor physical differences can be easily handled.

When it comes to other, more highly specialized parts, such as relays, timing motors, gears, and special mechanical parts of the assembly, procurement troubles begin to mount for the independent technician, especially for those located in small towns, remote from major sources of supplies. The largest headache is the complete refusal of some manufacturers to sell them parts. Letters inquiring about parts are answered by a curt note advising the technician to return the unit to the nearest factory-service depot

where it will be repaired by factory-trained mechanics.

The basic reasoning behind this attitude is sometimes hard to determine. With the presence of electronic gear in practically every field of endeavor in the American scene, even in the smaller towns, this ceases to be a minor annoyance and assumes serious proportions. Delays, troubles, and financial losses result from this short-sighted maintenance policy. It could conceivably be that the manufacturers wish to retain the service business for themselves. One manufacturer's authorized service station charged \$68.00 just for replacing a relay; \$24.00 for parts and \$44.00 for labor. Is it any wonder that some of them refuse to sell parts?

Here is an actual experience. A control unit in a gas-fired boiler, in the local hospital broke down. Water overflowed into the unit and caused a relay to short and burn out. It was used in the plate circuit of a 12SN7 tube, and closed whenever a photocell saw fire in the firebox. An exact replacement was desired. An urgent telegram was dispatched to the manufacturer giving part numbers, and requesting that the replacement be shipped air express. In the meantime, the hospital was getting along the best it could on only one boiler.

They happened to have two, one of which could carry the load alone. Even so, it was forced to run continuously because of the cold weather.

A week went by and pressure mounted on the technician. No reply. Another week passed. Finally a brief note from the company, by mail! This billet-doux advised that the unit be sent to the nearest factory branch, some 400 miles away, since the company did not make it a practice to sell repair parts to anyone and everyone, and the factory-trained mechanics were the only ones capable of repairing and adjusting the delicate circuits and complicated equipment. The unit in question comprised a timer motor, which drove a cam-shaft, with about 8 contacts, and a two-stage amplifier, for the photocell, which closed the relay. This, of course, is extremely complicated! They should see some of the sync-separator or tuner circuitry in an ordinary TV set. Adding fuel to the technician's rage was the fact that he had made five or six overhauls of the complete unit, and had been in complete charge of the equipment ever since its installation over five years ago. He wondered if the manufacturer

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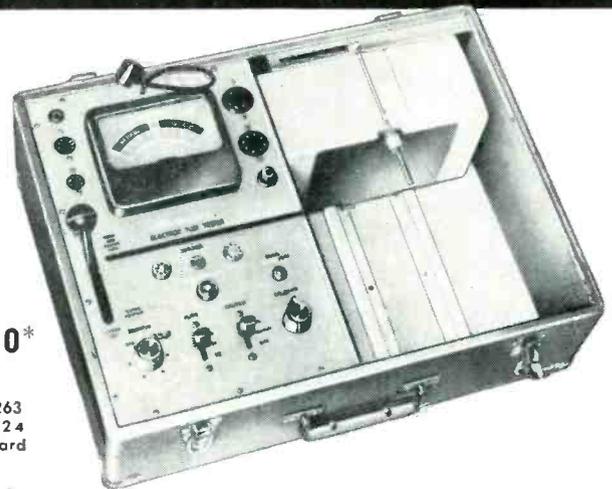
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The new device glows blue instead of red and uses less than one-tenth the power of a standard tube. Developed jointly by the U. S. Army Signal Corps and Tung-Sol Electric Inc., it could have as great an impact on electronics as the discovery of the transistor.

The new "cold cathode" vacuum (not gas) tube operates on an entirely new principle discovered by Dr. Dietrich Dobischek of the U. S. Army Signal Research and Development Laboratory, Fort Monmouth, N. J. It could be the forerunner of a new line of general-purpose tubes for broad military and civilian use.

Early reliability tests indicate the tube may well outlast any equipment in which it is used. This means it is possible future radios and TV sets equipped with cold cathode tubes may rarely require tube replacement. Time will tell.

This experimental tube is not a direct replacement for current types. Tube replacement will be with us for a long time.

The cold cathode principle is believed adaptable to almost all types of electron tubes, including TV screens, giant radar and transmitting

tubes, as well as nearly all general-purpose radio tubes. Miniature and subminiature tubes, which could rival the transistor in size, are also feasible.

It could also create a revolution in tube design by making possible the first reliable "secondary emission multiplier"—potentially the world's highest gain amplifier tube. The device would allow design of simplified miniature circuits, more efficient than today's bulkier units. Until now, though, this type of tube has always failed because the hot cathode contaminated other elements in the glass envelope. By eliminating the hot cathode, the new tube solves this problem.

Ordinary tubes, ever since their invention, have required a hot cathode element to generate needed electrons. But this heating takes a large percent of the power and forces the use of more complicated circuits or extra batteries. In the new tube, the hot element is replaced by a cold cathode—a tiny nickel cylinder specially coated with porous magnesium oxide (MgO, chemically identical to dried milk of magnesia). Instead of heat, high voltage field causes the electron flow, which in turn produces the tube's characteristic phosphorescent blue glow.

This reaction requires a barely

perceptible amount of electricity. A cold cathode tube can idle on 5 millionths of a watt, a tremendous saving over standard tubes. And future designs should be even more efficient.

The new tube also springs to life almost as soon as it is turned on, while an ordinary tube requires several seconds for warm-up, or 18 to 20 times as long.

Like the discovery of vulcanization and the X-ray, the new tube principle was uncovered by accident. While experimenting on field-enhanced secondary emission, Dr. Dobischek noticed that one of his experimental tubes kept running even though he turned off the primary current. After years of research at the Army Signal Corps Laboratory's Techniques Branch, he perfected a surface that would continue to emit electrons indefinitely.

Cold cathodes require only 0.75 watt cathode power, compared to 7.56 watts for a similar power output tube. It is not necessary to have a separate filament transformer or battery to run the cold cathode. It can run on a small portion of the dc used for total tube operation. This applies also to the filament used momentarily for starting emission.

Since most of the cold cathode tube parts are the same as for hot cathode types, price will eventually be about the same. At the present stage of development, there are some limitations. For example, the cold cathode vacuum type requires about 300 volts on the plate, considerably higher than present hot types.

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The MgO cold cathode is based upon a unique electron emission phenomenon discovered in the course of a study of the field-enhanced secondary emission from MgO. In these experiments, thin MgO layers were deposited on a nickel base and bombarded with electrons possessing sufficient energy to produce secondary electron emission from the MgO. The secondary electrons were collected at a nearby collector elec-

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Dr. A. Melvin Skellet, Dir. of Research, Tung-Sol Electric Inc. (left), and Dr. Dietrich Dobischek, scientist, U. S. Army Signal R & D Lab., who discovered the cold cathode principle, discuss fast-starting feature of the new tube.



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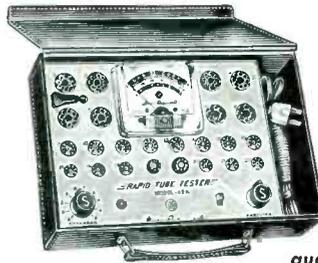
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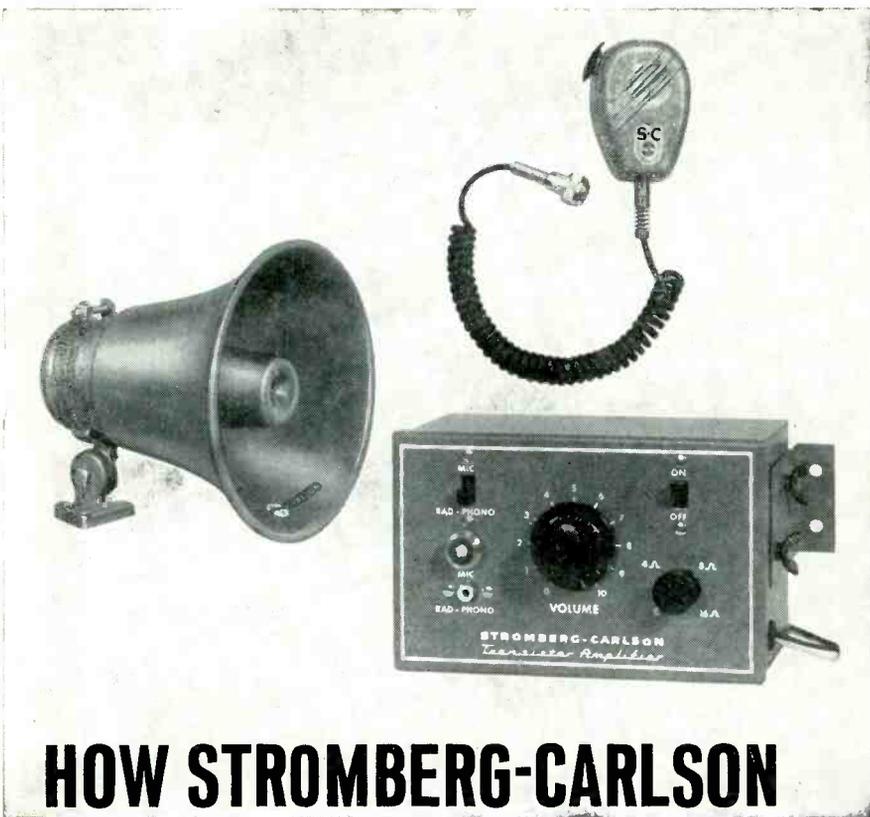
Cold Tube

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trode, as commonly practiced in secondary emission studies. Once when the primary electron beam bombarding the MgO surface was turned off with the voltage still applied to the collector electrode, the surprising observation was made that the MgO layer continued to emit electrons without any external stimulus. Neither heat, as required for the operation of a standard thermionic cathode, nor external light, as required for the functioning of a photocathode, was necessary to keep alive the emission current from the MgO. By varying the voltage at the collector electrode, this self-sustained current could be controlled easily for many hours from a few microamps to several tens of milliamperes. It was natural that the discovery of this novel and interesting electron emission effect stimulated further exploration of the phenomenon for both theoretical and practical reasons.

Preparation

It was soon discovered that the ability of the MgO to render self-sustained electron emission was extremely dependent upon the methods of preparing the MgO layers. Therefore, the prime effort was directed towards the development of suitable preparation techniques. The early methods, using vacuum techniques primarily, yielded highly emissive MgO coatings, thus strengthening the desire for practical use of these coatings as useful cathodes. However, the methods were inconvenient for large-scale production of the cathodes. Furthermore, the reproducibility of the results was unsatisfactory. Yet, during this phase of the work, much was learned about the basic requirements for obtaining layers with good emission qualities. For instance, it was recognized that a certain type of porous structure of the cathode coatings was very important for obtaining maximum emission yields. Heat treatment of the MgO coatings in O₂ was found to be an essential factor for the development of the self-sustained emission phenomenon. The damaging effects of moisture were detected, and many other pieces of helpful information were



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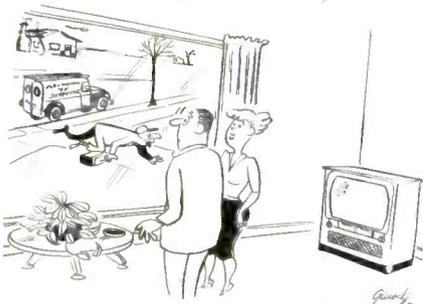
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gradually accumulated. With all this knowledge attained, a simple technique was finally developed which was suitable for large scale production of efficient and reproducible MgO cathodes.

From experiments done thus far, it is known that when the emission is started from a MgO cold cathode, a positive charge is developed at the surface of the MgO layer. Since the cathode coatings are very thin, a high electrical field is created across the coatings. It is assumed that under the influence of this high electrical field, electrons liberated within the MgO are multiplied by an avalanche process, and gain sufficient energy to leave the MgO and enter the vacuum. The liberation of the electrons which initiates the avalanche, is tentatively assumed to be the result of a photoelectric effect in which photons are ejected during the recombination of positive ions with electrons. This concept of the self-sustained emission can be considered at present only as a first approximation in explaining the self-sustained emission phenomenon. Further proof of the validity of the basic theory is needed, and many details have to be clarified in future work. Experiments in this direction are under way, and it is felt quite strongly that the further exploration of the more fundamental problems will be rewarding in many respects. Not only will each piece of information on the mechanism of the self-sustained emission greatly aid in making the best use of the MgO cold cathode, but a better insight into the fundamentals might also lead the way to materials even more suitable for displaying the self-sustained emission effect than MgO. •

NEWS NOTE: As we go to press, unofficial reports state that RCA will bring out its version of a cold cathode vacuum tube, and will display it at the IRE Show in New York City in March 1959.



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The tube is the "eye" of a new simple attachment for a microscope, which reportedly for the first time allows direct visual focusing of an image under ultraviolet light. It converts invisible ultraviolet images of specimens into visible pictures that can be interpreted quickly by medical research workers. The accessory replaces the regular eyepiece of a microscope adapted for ultraviolet viewing.

A commercial model of the ultraviolet image-converter unit, equipped for direct viewing and photography, will be made available in the near future by Bausch & Lomb Optical Co.

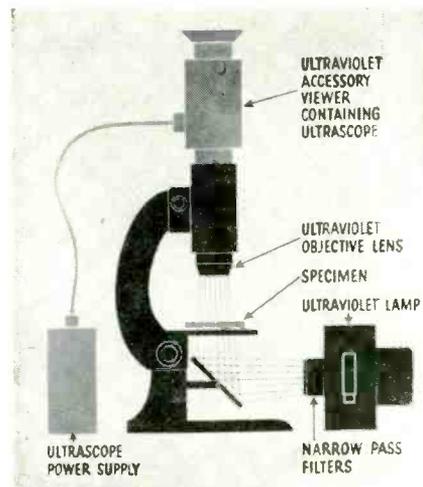
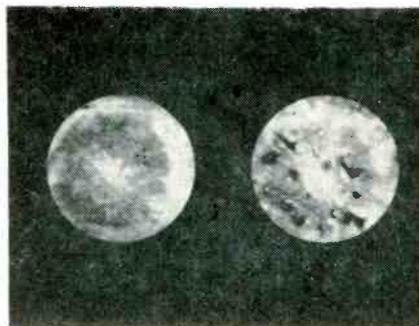
Cylindrical in shape, the new tube, No. 7404, is 2 1/4 inches long and 1 3/8 inches in diameter.

All methods of ultraviolet microscopy take advantage of the fact that specimens absorb ultraviolet rays in various degrees depending on the ultraviolet wavelength.

Evaluation tests of a prototype of this accessory at the National Institutes of Health reveal that this new device has a very satisfactory degree of resolution—the ability to reproduce detail in small areas of a specimen.

Image-converter tubes, sensitive

Photomicrograph of human brain at left, as seen in visible white light, shows no cell structure. Identical specimen at right viewed in ultraviolet converted to visible light by "ultrascope" shows nerve cells as black spots.



Ultraviolet accessory viewer as used in microscopy includes 12 kv power supply.

to infrared rays, were used in the famous "Sniperscope" of World War II and the Korean War. Mounted on gun sights, this device enabled soldiers to see enemy troops and vehicles in total darkness. Until recently, the development and production of image-converter tubes by RCA had been confined to military purposes.

The ultraviolet accessory viewer consists of two units. One unit, which fits onto the barrel of a microscope, contains the ultrascope and an eyepiece; the other unit is a compact (Continued on page 86)

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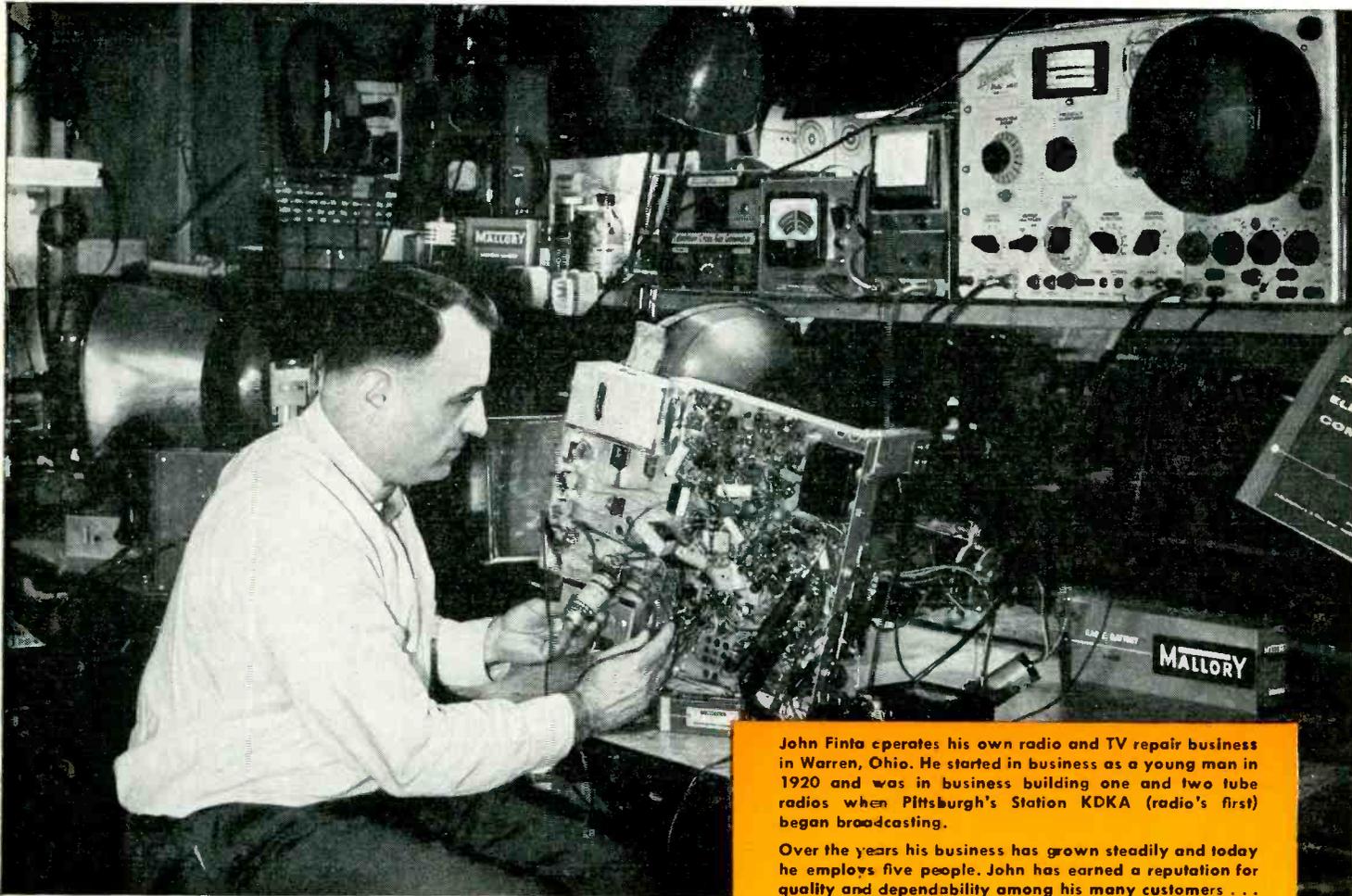


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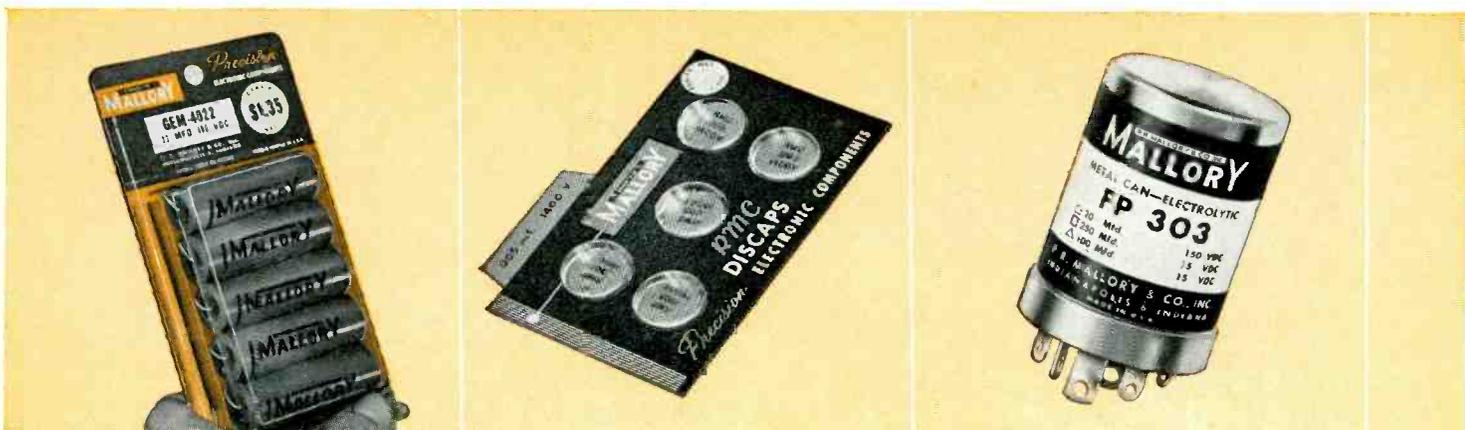
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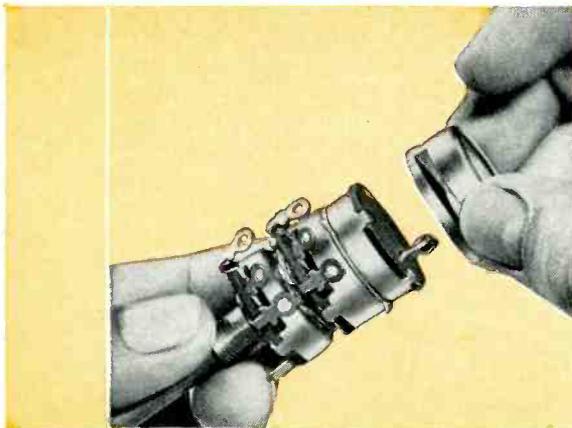
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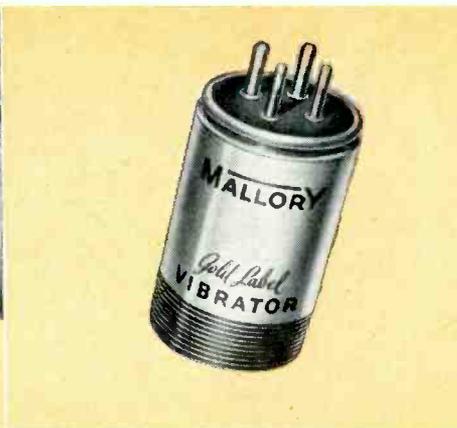
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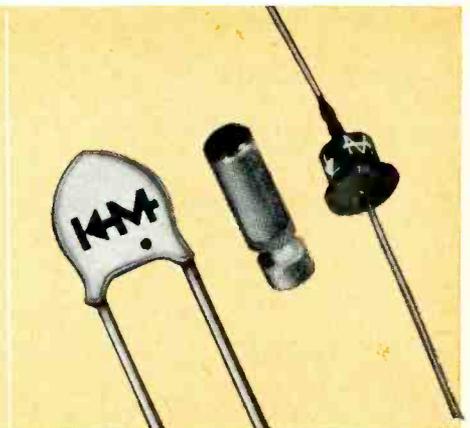


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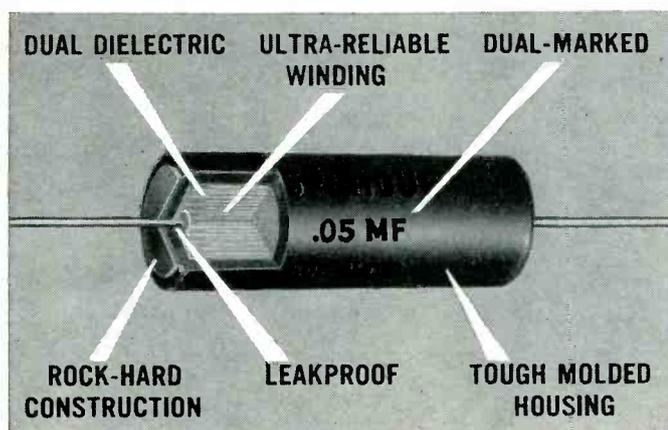
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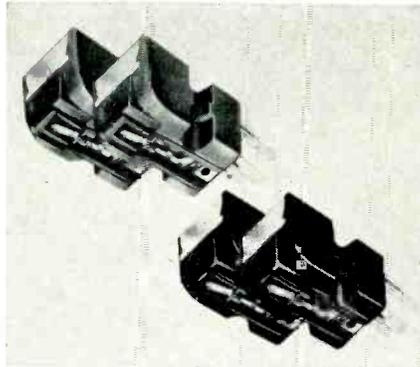
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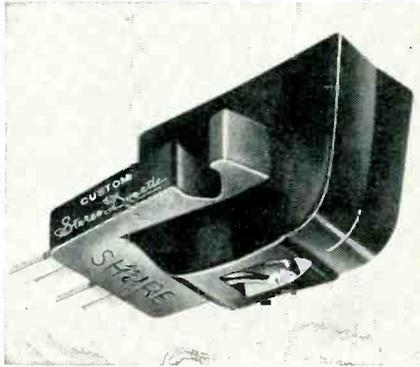
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Four versions of the Constant Displacement (CD) stereo cartridge include the basic twin-ceramic with either a diamond or sapphire stylus, and in either "in-phase" or "out-of-phase" connection. In-phase cartridges provide conventional phasing. Certain stereo amplifiers—notably the unit designed by CBS Labs.—require opposite or out-of-phase polarity at the cartridge terminals. In-phase cartridges are: diamond, SC-1D; sapphire, SC-1S; out-of-phase are: diamond, SC-2D; sapphire, SC-2S. CBS-Hytron, Danvers, Mass. (ELECTRONIC TECHNICIAN 2-6)



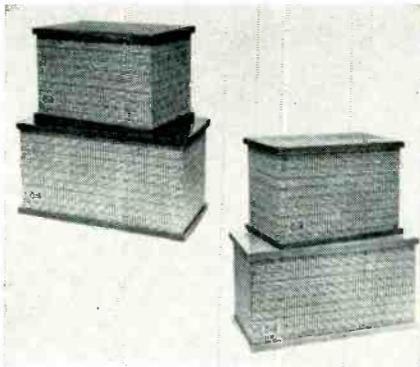
Shure STEREO CARTRIDGE →

A magnetic stereo phonograph cartridge selling for \$24 audiophile net, including 0.7 diamond stylus, is the M7D Custom Stereo Dynetic. It utilizes the principle of a moving magnet in a stationary coil. The M7D has the following specifications: Channel separation, more than 20 db; frequency response, 20 to 15,000 cps; output voltage, 5 mv per channel; vertical and lateral compliance, 3.5×10^{-6} cm/dyne. Tracking force is 4 to 7 grams. There are four terminals. Shure Brothers, Inc., 222 Hartrey Ave., Evanston, Ill. (ELECTRONIC TECHNICIAN 2-4)



JFD SPEAKER SYSTEMS →

A new line of high fidelity speaker systems is called the Mardi Gras. It will be sold on a 2-step sales plan to service dealers. Response is from 50 to 15,000 cps. Enclosure is 18" wide, 10" deep and 10" high. A single driver is used. Power handling capacity is 10 to 15 watts continuous. Includes 4, 8 and 16 ohm impedance taps. Model ALC1, is \$45 audiophile net; model ALC2, measuring 14" x 10" x 10", is \$30.00. JFD Electronics Corp., 6101 Sixteenth Ave., Brooklyn 4, N. Y. (ELECTRONIC TECHNICIAN 2-3)



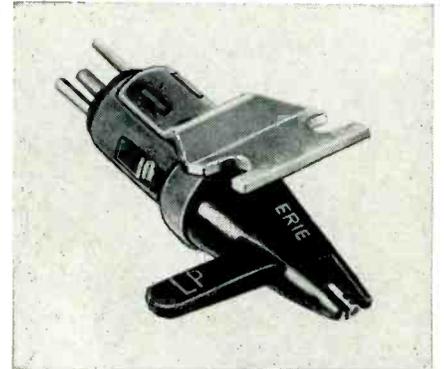
Pilot STEREO PREAMP →

Model 216 is a two channel stereo preamp featuring two illuminated VU meters. In one position, a lever switch measures tape output level as adjusted by the recording level controls; in the other, audio output as adjusted by balance and volume controls. It features 12 inputs. Frequency response is ± 1 db from 20 to 20,000 cycles. Harmonic distortion for 1 volt output is 0.2%. Hum and noise is 80 db below 1 volt. \$189.50 Pilot Radio Corp., Long Island City 1, N. Y. (ELECTRONIC TECHNICIAN 2-5)



Erie STEREO CARTRIDGE

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20 db. Response is 20 to 16,000 cps with output voltage 0.5 at 1 kc each channel. Compliance is 3×10^{-6} cm/dyne, vertical and lateral. Recommended load is 2 megohms, tracking 5 to 6 grams, Erie Resistor Corp., 644 W. 12 St., Erie, Penna. (ELECTRONIC TECHNICIAN 2-1)

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Sync Circuits

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with the picture. They could cause horizontal pulling and false vertical sync, a condition wherein the picture will lock half or part way up or down on the screen, exposing the vertical blanking bar.

Bench Procedure

It is possible to signal trace the sync pulse using a capacitor in series with a lead connected to the top of volume control and listening for a 60 cycle buzz. It is also possible to use the output function of a VOM to trace the pulse, but the best instrument is the scope. Not only will it enable the servicing technician to trace the signal, but it shows the shape and amplitude. The presence of hum, video, or other undesirable noise pulses can be spotted at a glance. When looking for sync pulses at the input of some oscillator circuits it may be desirable to disconnect the lead going to the oscillator to avoid reading the oscillator signal and mistaking it for the sync pulse. Many horizontal oscillator tubes operate at or near zero grid voltage, with respect to ground. If a defective AFC circuit or other sync problem should cause the oscillator tube to become inoperative, merely shorting the grid-to-ground will usually cause the oscillator to come to life, thus giving the oscillator a clean bill-of-health. Picture bending, pulling, piecrust, and other defects can be isolated by opening up the sync lead to the oscillator. When the circuits are separated in this manner, it is possible to predict if the trouble exists before or after the point of separation.

The capacitor probe and shorting technique are perhaps more suitable as a quick check when on a service call, but it does work in many cases. There is no substitute for the scope. Once the trouble has been more or less localized, it should be a fairly simple matter to use the VOM or VTVM to measure voltage, resistance, and spot defective capacitors. Servicing sync circuits is usually not difficult. However, there are times when it could be a challenge even to the best of the old timers. Remember when feedback loops and queer interactions are taking place, the secret to success lies in isolating the defective circuit. •

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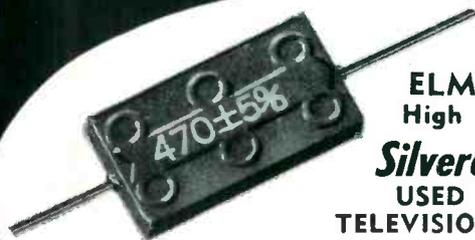
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Association News

ANNUAL ASSOCIATION ROSTER

ELECTRONIC TECHNICIAN's annual Service Association Roster, published every May, is being prepared.

A questionnaire has been sent to every association on last year's list. To be included in the 1959 Roster, be sure to complete the form and return it promptly.

Association officials not receiving the questionnaire are urged to write on association letterhead to the Association Editor, **ELECTRONIC TECHNICIAN**, 480 Lexington Ave., New York 17, N.Y. Please give address and names of president and secretary.

California

Radio TV Association, Santa Clara Valley, reports the four-year RTASCV-sponsored apprentice training curriculum has been approved, in cooperation with school officials.

Connecticut

Television Service Association takes NATESA to task for the latter's opposition to IDEA. TELSAs questions whether it wouldn't have been better for NATESA's Frank Moch to go along with the IDEA program, instead of attacking it.

Florida

Radio-TV Technicians Guild, Miami, states that the enemies of independent service are opposing licensing. RTTG maintains that there is no other solution to protect ethical businesses and the public, that the licensing cost per technician will be less than 8¢ per call, and that it has been working well in Madison, Wis., St. Paul, Minn., and Detroit.

Illinois

National Alliance of Television & Electronic Service Associations questions the value of IDEA, stating the latter group is not attempting to do anything NATESA has not been doing for years. NATESA has also come out in favor of three or more regional electronic parts shows each year, as proposed by the Electronic Representatives Association.

TESA-Chicagoland Chairman Frank Moch has asked to be re-

lieved of this post due to the press of work as NATESA executive director. New officers elected Jan. 14 are: Chairman John Cahill, Pres. Sam Maksimuk, VP William Franz, VP William Hamada, VP Marshall Ruehrdanz, Sec. Angelo Chrysogelos, Treas. Joseph Issak, Sgt. at Arms Frank Spearman, NATESA Director Joseph Blink.

Independent Dealers Electronic Activities Committee meeting Jan. 11 was attended by technicians from 13 states, representing 84 associations speaking for 3240 shop owners. Various set manufacturers explained their service policies. IDEA officers elected are: Pres. Karl Heinzman, VP Al Neihaus, Sec. John Perez, Treas. Don Wilson.

Indiana

Indianapolis Television Technicians Association reports the findings of its survey of charges. Averages are: TV service call, \$4.21; minor labor for TV set brought to shop, \$2.70; major labor for set brought to shop, \$8.97; labor for table radio brought to shop, \$2.29; service car radio brought to shop, \$2.99; charge to pull and reinstall car radio, \$3.18; labor to repair and adjust 3-speed record changer, \$4.29.

Michigan

TSA, Detroit, backs IDEA, stating that big business is attempting to eliminate small business. The solution can be attained, says editor Harold Chase, by straight talk with set manufacturers, legislative action and public relations.

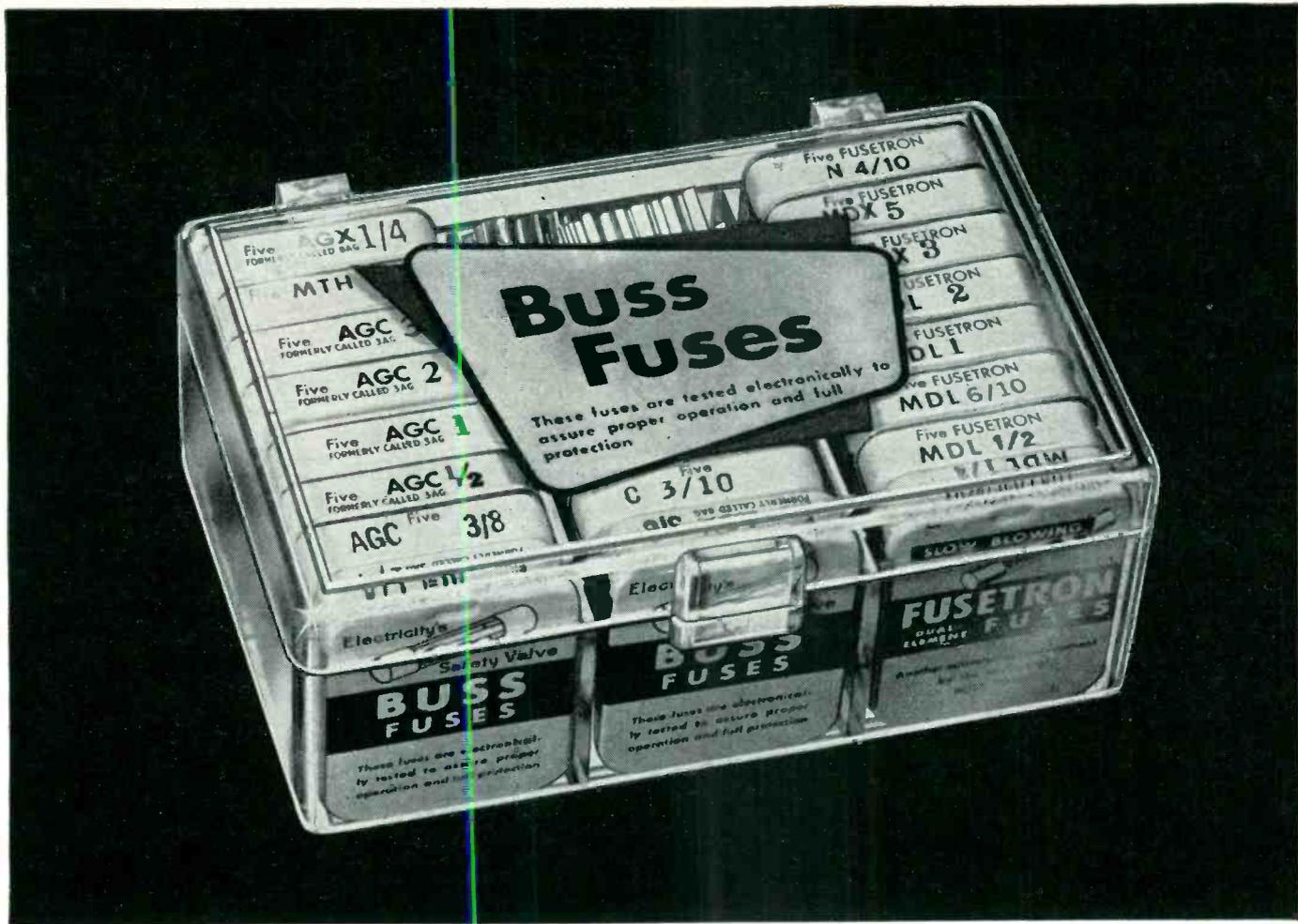
Missouri

Electronic Service Council of the Ozarks calls NATESA a working champion of independent service, and takes anti-NATESA people to task for their opposition.

Ohio

Associated Radio-Television Service Dealers, Columbus, celebrates its 15th birthday. It calls on members to use the power of their public opinions to influence set manufacturers to stay out of retail service.

Electronic Technicians Association, Toledo, urges members to continue to honor standard 90-day parts warranties only. Customers will think twice about a brand when they find out independents do not recognize extended warranties.



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RECTIFIERS: Bulletin DL-S 1006 gives tentative specifications for three new diffused silicon rectifiers. Texas Instruments Inc., Semiconductor-Components Div., P. O. Box 312, Dallas, Texas. (ELECTRONIC TECHNICIAN B2-7)

TRANSFORMERS: A 24-page catalog on pulse transformers contains tables, charts, schematics, measurements, specifications, applications and other data. PCA Electronics, Inc., 16799 Schoenborn St., Sepulveda, Calif. (ELECTRONIC TECHNICIAN B2-4)

PLUG SYSTEMS: An 8-page, two-color, illustrated catalog covers custom harnessed connector assemblies. Information on factors, facilities and testing is included. Cannon Electric Co., 3208 Humboldt St., Los Angeles 31, Calif. (ELECTRONIC TECHNICIAN B2-1)

TUBES: A 16-page consumer booklet of cartoons, with text, tells the TV technician's story and explains tube manufacturing procedures. Space is provided for the technician's imprint. Westinghouse Electric Corp., Electronic Tube Div., P. O. Box 284, Elmira, N. Y. (ELECTRONIC TECHNICIAN B2-8)

ANTENNAS, ETC.: New, redesigned, catalog sheets are available which introduce 1959 lines of: auto and indoor TV antennas; extensions; hand trucks; etc. The multi-colored sheets are die cut for filing. Snyder Mfg. Co., 22nd & Ontario Sts., Philadelphia 40, Pa. (ELECTRONIC TECHNICIAN B2-6)

VOLTMETERS: Data Sheet 19-27 provides two pages of information on model 501 digital voltmeter, which measures voltages in four automatic ranges. Kin Tel Div., Cohu Electronics, 5725 Kearny Villa Rd., San Diego 12, Calif. (ELECTRONIC TECHNICIAN B2-3)

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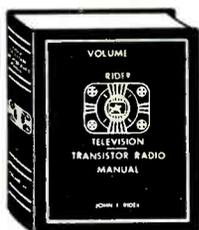
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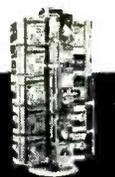
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UNDERSTANDING HIGH FIDELITY, 4th Ed. Prepared and published by Bogen-Presto, Box 500, Paramus, N.J. 64 pages. Soft cover. 25¢.

This is the stereo edition, recently revised and brought up to date, of a popular little book which sold 250,000 copies in earlier editions. Though essentially intended for the hi-fi enthusiast, there is a great deal of useful data for service dealers who sell, recommend or install hi-fi equipment. Topics include records, players, recorders, tuners, amplifiers, speakers, enclosures and listening tests. A good number of equipment photos, curves and a glossary round out an interesting text.

1959 RADIO-ELECTRONIC MASTER, 23rd Ed. Prepared and published by United Catalog Publishers, 60 Madison Ave., Hempstead, N.Y. 1356 pages. Hard cover. From U.S. parts distributors, \$3.50; Canada, \$4.50.

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Audio Measurements

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mon a-c power line. This can be stopped by isolating either the signal generator or harmonic meter from r-f coupling to the line, either with a simple line-interference filter or a shielded-isolating transformer. Sometimes this type of trouble can be due to the fact that the low side of the amplifier's output is not at true ground because it has a small resistance provided for current feedback in the variable damping circuit. In this case the remedy is to use an audio isolating transformer, which should be able to handle the output voltage without distortion, between the output load and the distortion meter input, as shown in Fig. 2.

Once the bugs in the equipment setup are removed, the real problem of measuring very small amounts of distortion can be tackled. This difficulty arises because the oscillator may have more, or not much less distortion in its output than the amplifier under test. Of course, filters could be used to clean up the generator's output, but after spending a lot of time and money getting some very good filters, the readings may not be appreciably more satisfactory. The following technique will provide more significant interpretation. While an explanation may sound complex, it is really quite simple. It is based on finding the exact relationship between the harmonics at the input and those at the output.

Time Base

Establish a time reference on the scope by connecting the meter and scope's sync input to the signal generator's output, as shown in Fig. 3. The scope's input is connected to the distortion meter in the conventional manner. Adjust the sync and horizontal controls for the particular test frequency to obtain a steady display of two cycles. The trace should be stable enough not to jump or drift if the oscillator level is varied a little. The signal generator's output waveform is shown as a dashed line superimposed on all the traces in Fig. 4. These do not actually appear on the screen, but are shown here to illustrate relative phase and to aid identification. An electronic switch could be used to display both waveforms at one time, but is not essential. A grease pencil sketch of the fundamental waveform on the

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scope's graph will facilitate phase comparison.

When the harmonic meter is set to read distortion and the bridge is balanced, waveforms similar to curves B, C, and D in Fig. 4 may be seen. If the amplifier has a single ended output stage, the second harmonic either in or out of phase, curve B or C, is more likely to dominate. If the amplifier output stage is of the push-pull type, it is more likely that the third harmonic, curve D, will be dominant. A combination of 2nd and 3rd harmonics, if present, would look like curve E if the 2nd harmonic dominates, or curve F if the 3rd harmonic dominates.

Now transfer the harmonic meter to the output of the amplifier under test as in Fig. 5. The phase of the fundamental at the amplifier output is an important consideration in the presence of the second harmonic but of no consequence in the presence

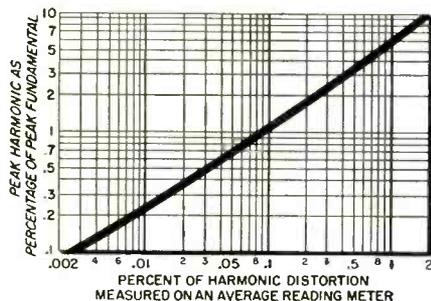


Fig. 7—Relationship of readings on a distortion meter adjusted for minimum, and re-adjusted to indicate average value of peaks.

of the third. If the second harmonic is dominant the distortion readings of the generator should be added to or subtracted from the distortion readings of the amplifier. There are four phase conditions, two of them require adding the distortion readings, and the other two indicate that the actual distortion present is the difference between the readings.

It is possible for both the fundamental and the harmonic signal or either one alone to change phase while passing through the amplifier. The four conditions are shown in Table 1. If both the fundamental and harmonic signals at the output are either in-phase, or out-of-phase, then the distortion meter readings should be subtracted. If, for example, the amplifier input reading is 0.5% and the output is 0.8%, the amplifier is producing the 0.3%. Even if the readings were the other way around, a lower reading on the output than on the input, the difference between the two would still indicate the amount of distortion in the amplifier. On the other hand, if either the fundamental or the harmonic,

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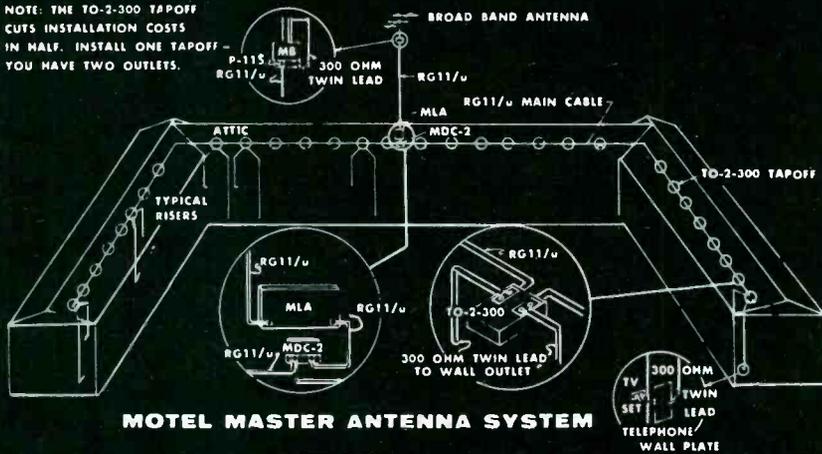
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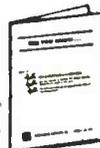
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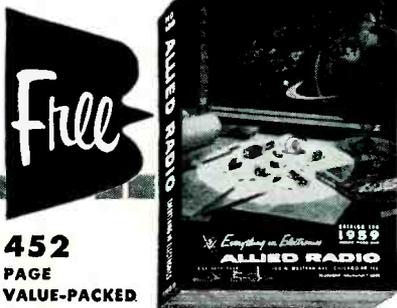
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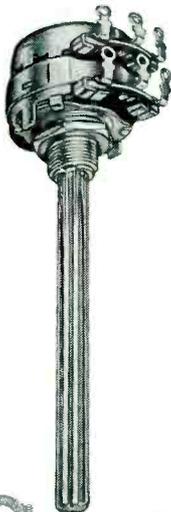
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Parts Procurement

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thought that this was the first time the thing had given any trouble since its installation.

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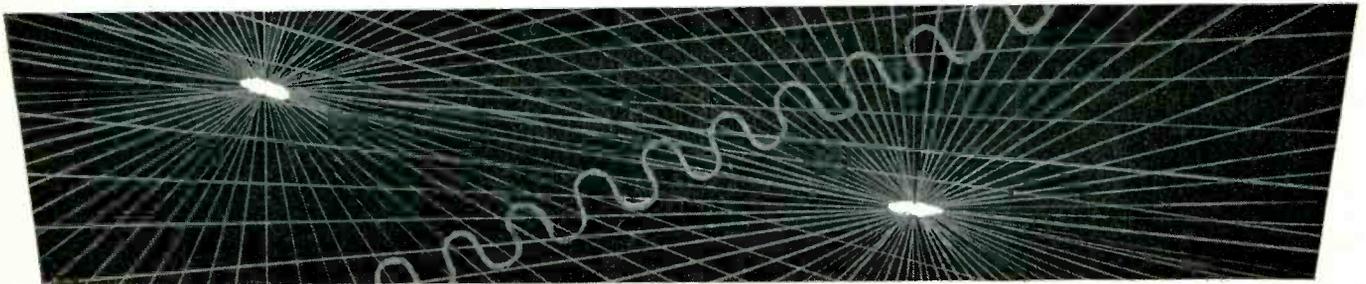
Dilemmas such as these are ever present. To avoid these difficulties it is well to get in touch with the manufacturer and obtain positive assurance that an adequate supply of specialized replacement parts will be available at all times, even before equipment is purchased. Incidentally, a lawyer assures us that any company, upon making a sale of equipment, automatically assumes an obligation to make available a supply of replacement parts, and that they cannot legally deny these to anyone. Their only recourse would be to void the warranty on such equipment. It wouldn't have

mattered in this case, because the warranty period had already expired. Also ask for service information and schematic diagrams. These are seldom shipped with the original equipment. If the maker proves to be uncooperative, and if there is no chance to select another manufacturer's product, steps should be taken to ensure an adequate supply of replacement parts from other sources. Check the units thoroughly, note which parts are out of the ordinary, and look up equivalent items in parts catalogs. As to schematic and other service information, the technician can do what we were forced to do with the control unit just mentioned. Diagrams sent with the equipment showed the electrical connections for overload switches and protective relays, blowers, etc., with several wires terminating in a rectangular space, perfectly blank, labelled "Electronic Circuit." During a periodic overhaul, this "extremely complicated" two-stage amplifier, with its power supply, was traced, a schematic was made and filed in the shop.

Parts may be adapted from other equipment which may be readily available. For instance, if a timing-motor has to be replaced, it can be obtained from an automatic wash-

ing-machine parts distributor and made to fit. In many instances this is a simple job.

It is sometimes possible to go over the head of the equipment manufacturer and go directly to his supplier. Many parts are interchangeable, with or without modification. Timer motors, escapements, switches, relays, gears, even complete electronic circuits may be available from the original source. As is the case with tuners in a TV set, most set makers buy them from one or more of the few companies in the tuner business. In many situations it is possible to repair a sub-assembly by taking similar parts from another unit which may be the same internally, but externally it just won't fit. Most subassemblies made by other than the manufacturer who assembled the final complete equipment are marked with the EIA source-code number. The Electronic Industries Association at 1721 De Sales St. N. W., Washington 6, D. C., maintains a complete listing of all its members, and many firms who are not members. A mixture of ingenuity and experience can make the few uncooperative manufacturers change their attitude toward independent service. •



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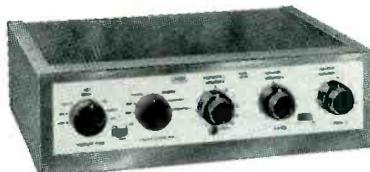
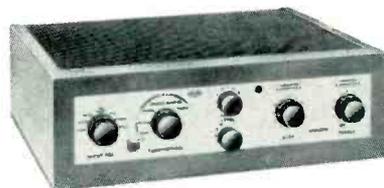
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Audio Measurements

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but not both at the same time, undergoes a phase change in the amplifier, the amplifier's distortion reading should be added to the generator's distortion reading. Using the same readings, the amplifier distortion would now be 1.3%. Quite a difference! Keep in mind that if the input harmonic is dominantly 2nd and the output is dominantly 3rd, or vice versa, the input reading will not materially affect the output reading.

However, 3rd harmonics can add or cancel each other, the same as 2nds can, but the phase of the fundamental is not a factor in this case. The most usual kind of 3rd is that shown in Fig. 4D. A phase shift of the 3rd could appear as in Fig. 4G. If the waveforms at the input and output of the amplifier are of the same phase, subtract the readings. If they are opposite, add the readings. Note that the phase comparisons of the above signals are between the fundamental at the input, and the fundamental at the output, and the harmonics at the input with the harmonics at the output, and not between the fundamental and the harmonics.

Maximum Rated Output

All these waveforms are associated with measuring the harmonic distortion of an amplifier below maximum rated output. When maximum output is reached, clipping commences and possibly some other forms of distortion may set in. The problem now is not one of ascertaining output-to-input phase relationship because this kind of distortion does not exist in the input, but rather one of interpreting the significance of the distortion read on the meter.

A good amplifier will show simple clipping at the overload point. Other forms of distortion should be corrected. One thing that may happen is that the frequency and balance controls on the distortion meter may need readjusting to obtain a null, although the input frequency has not been changed. This may have been encountered to a lesser degree with earlier measurements, but it can be quite noticeable when measuring distortion that includes clipping. Once again, the scope will help to explain why this is, and also to help interpret the significance of the dis-

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tortion. If the input signal level is increased to produce clipping, without readjusting the harmonic distortion meter balance, the trace will look like Fig. 6A or B, according to whether or not the clipping is symmetrical. Most likely it will be necessary to turn down the scope sensitivity controls, or use a higher distortion meter range because the spikes on the waveform will be quite large. Adjusting the balance controls on the distortion meter until a minimum reading is obtained, will change the scope trace changes to that of Fig. 6C or D. Actually what has happened is the deliberate introduction of a small amount of fundamental; the average deviation over the whole cycle is now slightly smaller. This is the reading usually obtained when plotting the distortion vs. output curve for an amplifier, and merely indicates if the amplifier meets spec.

Significant Readings

Is this really an indication of the significance of the reading on the audible effect of the distortion? The spikes are still very much bigger than the meter reading would indicate. The dotted lines in Fig. 6C and D represent the average value read by the meter. The audible effects are nearer to the actual magnitude of the "clip" than to its average value. A comparatively simple method to obtain a closer approximation of a reading related to the peaks without any special equipment, is to readjust the meter balance controls until all the ups and downs of the waveform are aligned between two parallel lines on the scope, as shown in Fig. 6E and F. In this manner the average readings more nearly indicate the true relationship between the waveform peaks in the distortion and the peaks in the fundamental. Although the measurements are still not peak indications, they are in proportion.

This adjustment will raise the reading from 5 to 10 times or more. In fact, Fig. 7 shows a plot of the relationship in a theoretical amplifier where the clipping is infinitely sharp. In actual amplifiers there is always a little rounding at the corners of the clip, but it does not make a great deal of difference to the relationship, if the rounding is small, as it is in amplifiers with a lot of feedback. Clipping distortion that would normally read 1% has a practical value of 6%. Even if the reading is as low as 0.1%, its practical value is more than 1%, and can be quite audible, as well as visible on the scope. •

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triggered sweep circuits, as shown in Fig. 4. This gives the sweep ample time to get started before the waveform voltage arrives at the CRT vertical deflecting plates. Carefully designed networks are used to set up a delay of about 0.25 microseconds. Fig. 4 also shows a typical filter network. Repeated sections are used and it is common to use as many as 24 sections. Good frequency and phase characteristics are essential to prevent ring and overshoot on waveforms having very fast rise times. Each section must be carefully tuned.

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Class B equipment is limited to 5 watts, can operate only at 465 mc, is used for voice and control, and is priced from about \$75.00 and up. A hotly contested provision in the new FCC rules that stipulated that the center of the radiating portion of the antenna and the transmitter must not be separated by more than 25 feet has been rescinded. The purpose of this limitation was to reduce the communicating range, allow more stations on the same frequency, and reduce interference between them.

Class C stations are also limited to 5 watts, except on 27.255 mc where 30 watts of power may be used. Crystal controlled coded tone signals may be transmitted for control purposes in this class.

Antennas

Class D stations are AM-voice operated similar to Class A stations, except that transmitter power is limited to 5 watts, 20-foot antenna-height limitations apply, and equipment is less costly. Where small size and price are of primary consideration, Class B operation may be an answer. It is simple, and when used intelligently, it is effective. Communicating range between a pair of Class B units, similar to that shown in Fig. 2, can vary from a few hundred yards to as much as 10 miles over land, 50 miles over water and 75 miles from air-to-ground. For short range or portable work, a 6-inch plug-in whip antenna is used. In an automobile, a 6-inch roof-top whip, or a double gain-type antenna which can increase the effective radiated power, may be installed. This larger antenna is shown in Fig. 3. At fixed locations, or on vehicles, or on boats where suitable mast supports can be provided, a ground plane antenna, such as the one shown in Fig. 4, may be employed. For point-to-point operation, a corner-reflector type of antenna can multiply effective radiated power as much as ten times.

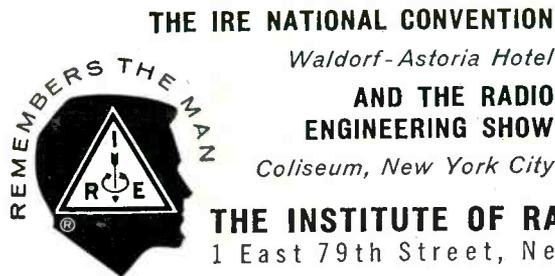
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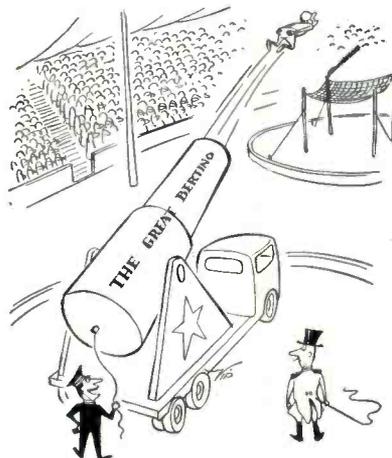
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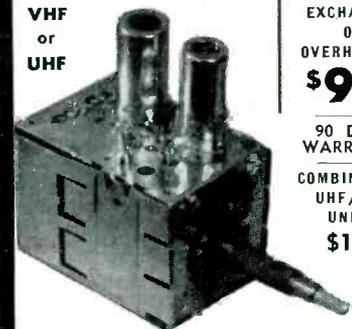


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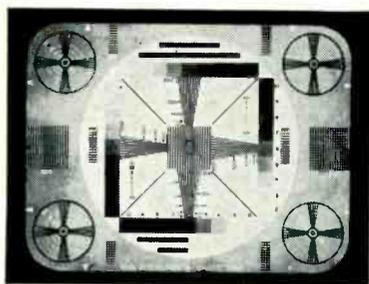
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While regular frequency checks are not required as in other mobile radio services, the FCC may require a class B licensee to make tests to determine whether or not the equipment is capable of meeting their standards. This, of course, is the job of a licensed FCC operator. Those engaged in mobile radio servicing ordinarily have a frequency meter available which can cover 465-mc. If not, an accurately calibrated signal generator can be used for checking the frequency. Frequency calibration must have an accuracy of 0.02% or better.

Servicing

Servicing is easy. If no background hiss is heard when the receiver is tuned on a new 6AF4A tube should be tried. If operation is not restored, the other two tubes, operating voltages and relay contacts should be checked, in that order.

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Modulation Test

Modulation can be checked roughly by noting the r-f power meter reading or brilliance of the test lamp which should increase when speaking loudly into the microphone. Failure to obtain normal performance for reasons other than too great a difference in frequency between the transmitter at one station and the receiver at another is generally due to a weak 6AF4A tube or inadequate input power. During a test it was found that the transmitter power as indicated on an r-f power meter, dropped about 50% when battery voltage was reduced from 6.3 volts to 4.2 volts. While the super-regenerative receiver has been known for a long time, its practical commercial application has not been often used. It is excellent for the Class B Citizens Radio units because of its simplicity, remarkable sensitivity and low cost. The use of a superheterodyne receiver at this frequency would increase cost. No receiver adjustments are required. When the transmitter tuning and antenna coupling adjustments are made these adjustments also affect receiver performance. Since the same tuned circuits function for both, there is no need for separate alignment of the receiver. Because of the small size of the sets, most servicing can be performed in the shop. Manufacturers service notes should be referred to, and observed. If spare sets are kept for use as loaners, customers won't have to do without radio communication while their units are being serviced. The beauty of the Class B service is that all sets are tuned to 465 mc and all use AM. Hence, one kind of set could serve as a loaner. •

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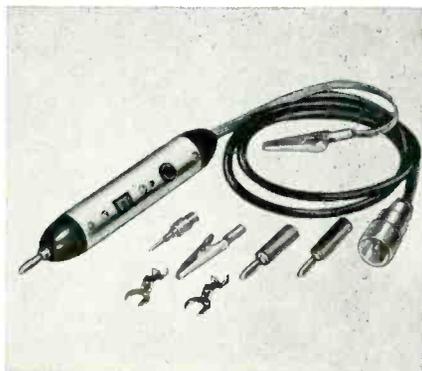
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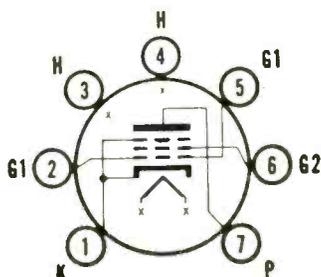
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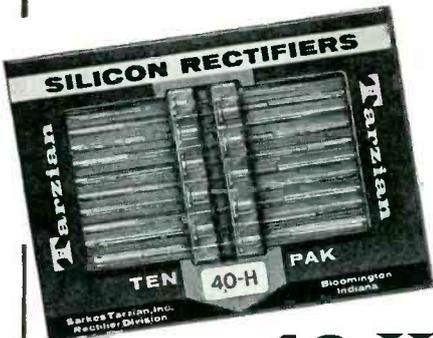
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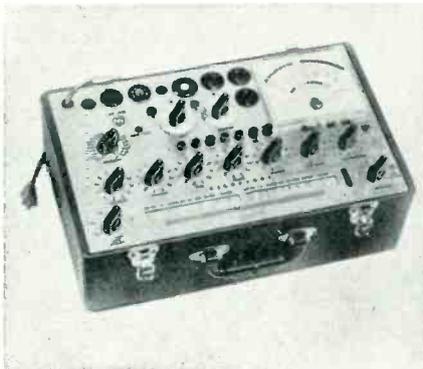
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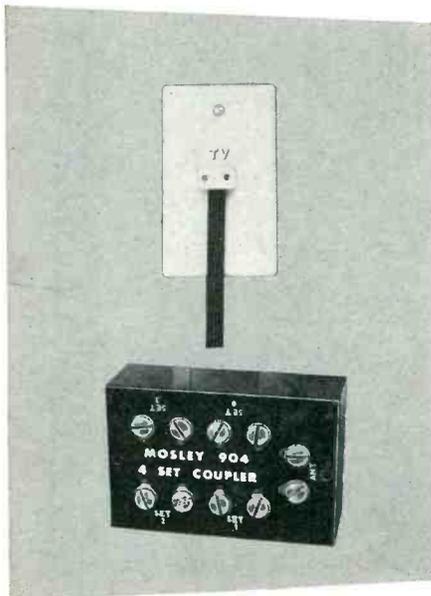
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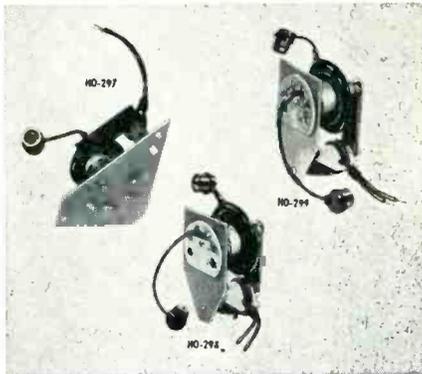
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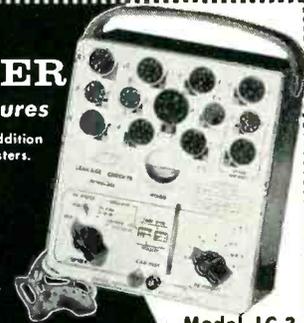
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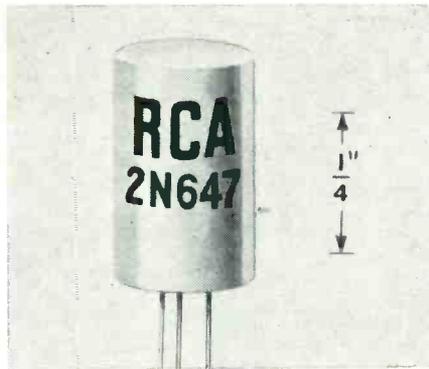
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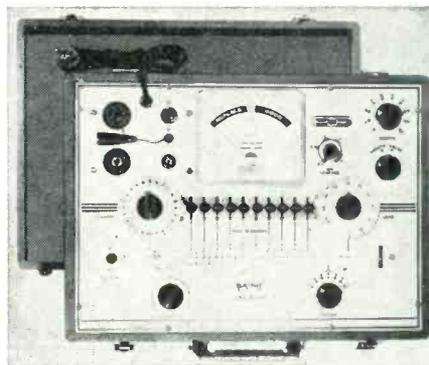
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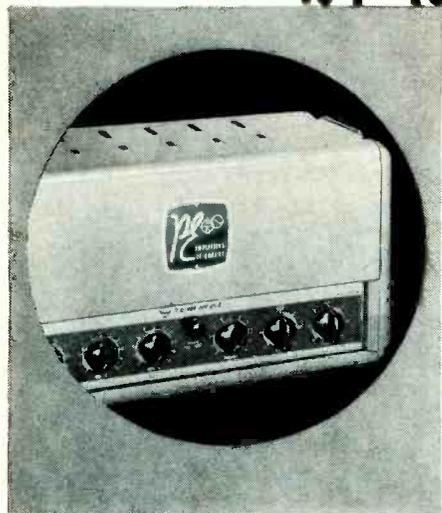
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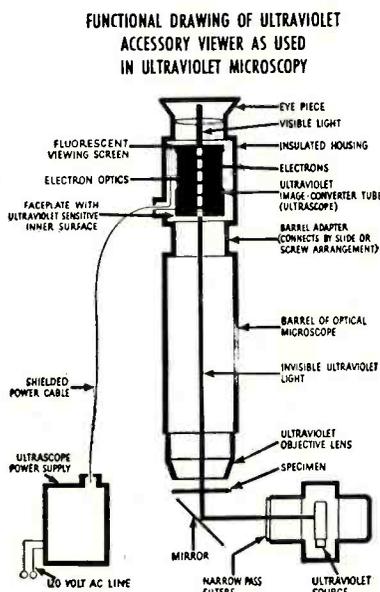
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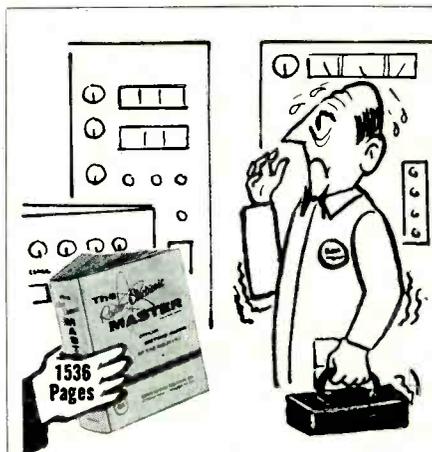
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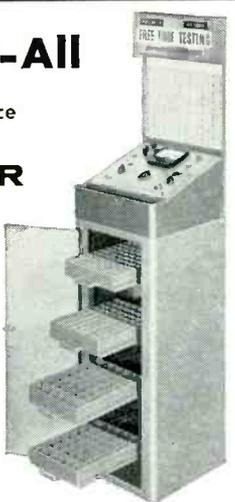
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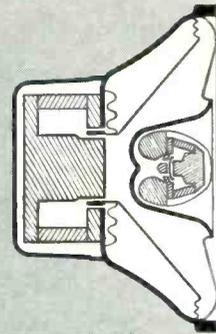
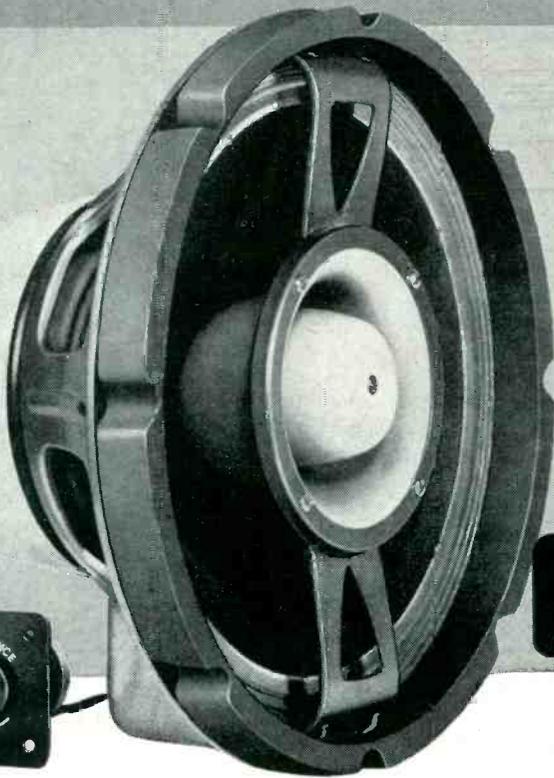
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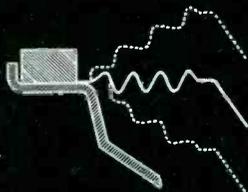
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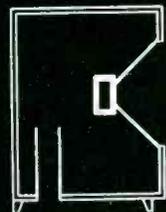
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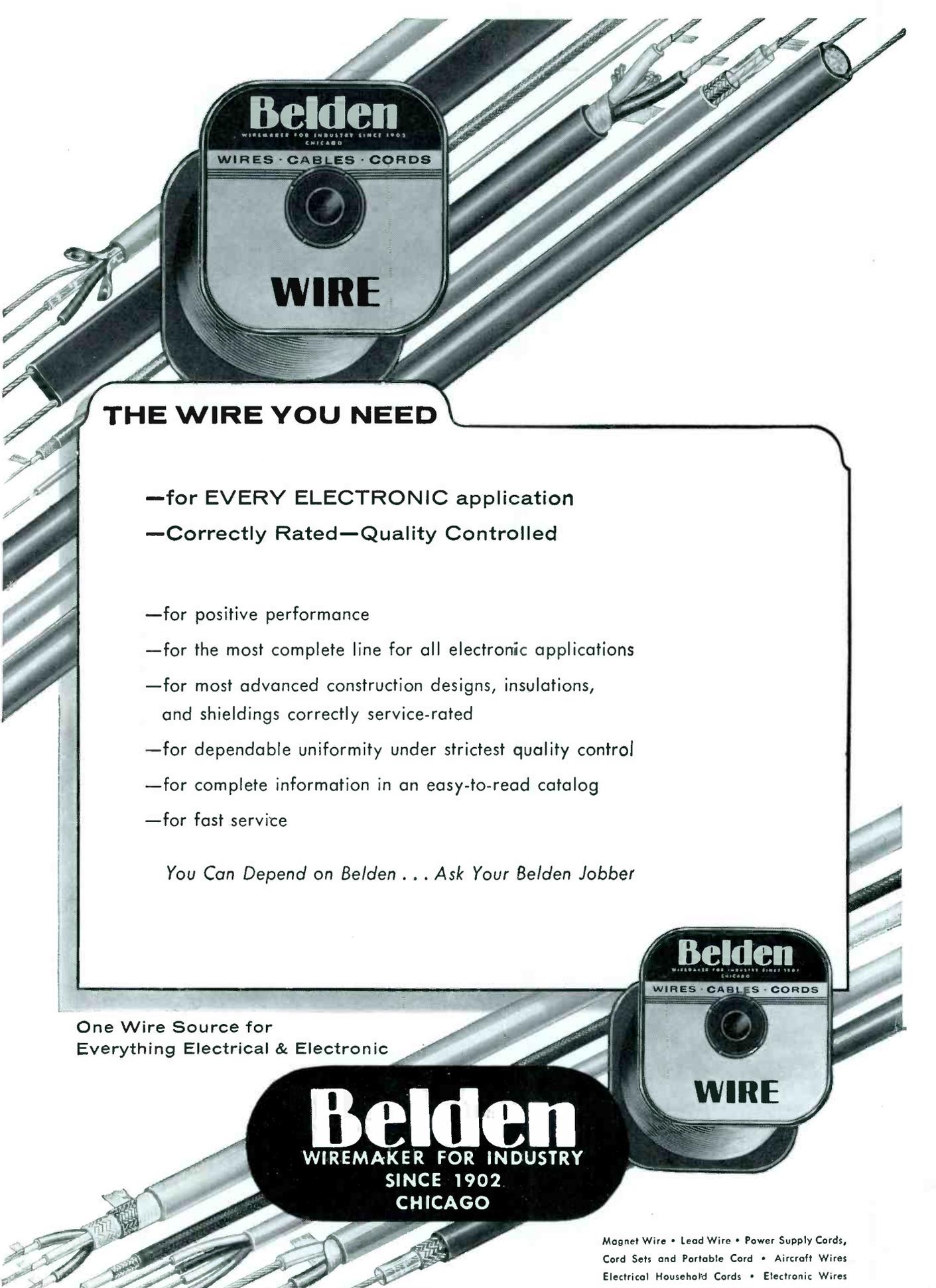
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