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The transistor push-pull output stage. loudspeaker systems, miniature transmitters, parts of electronic computers, and other experimental devices.
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The experimental receiver has 37 transistors. its total power consumption is ouly 14 witts, less than $1 / 10$ th that of a standard table-model set.

An experimental push-button-tuning automobile radio with 11 transistor's provided comparable audio output to standard present-day types.

An important feature of this alltransistor set is the elimination of the B supply (vibrator, transformer. and rectifier). The transistors operato directly off the six-volt automobile battery. 'Total battery drain with the experimental receiver is only une amp (including two pilot lights).

An entirely new kind of audio power
amplifier was also shown. This consists of nothing but the four experimental junction transistors shown in the photograph.

These are pairs of $p-n-p$ and $n-p-n$ transistors in a bridge arrangement, acting as a push-pull amplifier and driving a speaker voice coil directly. Such a device can do the job that now requires two or more tubes, a phase inverter, an output transformer, and other components.

## MICROWAVES MAKE MEALS to

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## COMMUNITY ANTENNAS have

 reached the stage of big business. A plan under consideration for Vancouver, Canada, would call for an expenditure of $\$ 10$ million. It is being considered as a serious business proposition by Famous Players Canadian Corp., and would bring programs from Seattle and Bellingham, Washington, to residents of Vancouver. Coaxial cable distribution and a coin-meter service is included in the plan. The antenna would be 300 feet high, mounted on high ground near the city.In Corsicana, Texas, the city commission is considering an ordinance which would grant a 10 -year franchise to a local company for a city-wide TV master antenna system. Tentative charges as proposed would be $\$ 125$ for connection to the system and from $\$ 3.50$ to $\$ 4.50$ a month as rental fee. A central tower high enough to assure the subscribers excellent television reception would be erected.


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- The new trans-continental video network plus better and more interesting programs plus larger viewing screens and color TV will increase the installation of new receivers, will induce present owners of 12 -inch and smaller size viewing screens to buy newer model receivers.
- The power increases of many existing stations and improved reception range of current receivers will result in receivers being iastalled and serviced in the fringe areas of present stations.
- Under the FCC proposal, over 70 per cent of all communities will be served by UHF channels exclusively. This means TV servicemen must know UHF receivers before the new UHF stations in their area are opened.
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A SERIES OF SCIENCE FILMS will be shown this fall on national TV network programs sponsored by the American Telephone \& Telegraph Company. The 13 one-hour features will be made for AT\&T by Hollywood producer Frank Capra. First two films to be presented are titled "The Sun" and "The Moon", with cost of production estimated at $\$ 200,000$ each.
U.H.F.-TV SIGNALS give practically the same degree of coverage as v.h.f. signals with the same transmitter power, reports the RCA Victor Division of RCA. Surveys made on KPTV, Portland, Oregon-the nation's first comnercial u.h.f. station-show Class A coverage over a 20 -mile radius, assuring good reception to $95 \%$ of the city's residents. Outlying districts within 30 to 40 miles of the transmitter get Class B coverage over favorable terrain. These signals reach $88 \%$ of the surrounding population, only $6 \%$ less than the estimated coverage for v.h.f. transmission. (See ulso page 62.)

END OF RADIO LICENSE FEES and opening of television field to private broadcasters were demanded by Canada's Liberal Party Council. The 25;member Council, in session at Ottawa, voted the demands over the objections of Revenue Minister McCann, who defended the Government's policy of resting exclusive television rights in the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation.

## WEST GERMANY'S TV NETWORK

now stretches from Hamburg to Cologne, carries two hours of regular programs daily. The NWDR (Northwest German Radio) plans to extend the chain of u.h.f. relay links to southern Germany, and share programs with Intch and Belgian TV networks, which also use the continental 625-line standard.

THE "TELEPROMPTER," a device which unrolls a prepared script that can be seen only by the speaker, will he available to public speakers, nationally on a rental basis from the RCA Service Company, Inc. First brought to the public's attention at the national political conventions last July, the device feeds the manuscript, in letters an inch high, at a speed suited to the speaker's rate of delivery, and has been used for several years in TV studios. Synchronized multiple installations allow the speaker to move freely around the set or platform without losing sight of the written material.

PRIVATE RADIO-MESSAGE service, already established in New York, Cincinnati, and other U. S. cities, was inaugurated in Cleveland December 15. Subscribers hear personal code signals on vest-pocket receivers pre-tuned to 43.58 mc , then call service office for message. The system is similar to the Air-Call, operated in New York City by Telanserphone, and described in this magazine in October, 1951.

BLASTS AT TV PROGRAMS are no novelty, but Frank P. Walsh of West Hempstead, N. Y., hit the headiines (and the family TV receiver) on October 20 , when he made his with a 38 caliber revolver. Walsh, who works nights as a plant security guard, tried vainly to sleep while his wife, mother-in-law, and five children watched a coast-to-coast comedy broadcast. Finally, because "it was playing too loud," he put an end to the program with one well-aimed shot through the picture tube. His wife called police, but Walsh was not held.

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## BLACKMAILING TV-CHANNEL

 applicants is a new racket reported from Washington. The blackmailer threatens to file a competitive application for an unopposed channel assignment unless paid off in cash or with an interest in the station. This new variation on the old shake-down theme is blamed on the shortage of FCC examiners to handle contested applications without delay.END
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|  | Nr. of Manufacturers |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
|  | October | November |
| Increased prices | 13 | 16 |
| Hecreased prices | 11 | 7 |


|  | No. of Proxucts |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
|  | Octoher | November |
| Increased prices | 68 | 204 |
| Decreased prices | 49 | 136 |

For a summary of the most active product categories, see the following table:

| Product Group | Increased Prices |  | 1)ecreased Prices |  | New Products |  | Discontinued Products |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
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| Controls \& Resistors | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1** | 1 | 4* |
| Sound \& Audio Prod. | 2 | 10* | 2 | 2* | 6 | 61** | 7 | 113* |
| Test Equipment | 4 | 6* | 0 | 0 | 2 | 5* | 1 | 2** |
| Iransformers | 1 | 36* | 0 | 0 | 5 | 57* | 1 | $13{ }^{*}$ |
| Tubes | 5 | 49* | 1 | 5** | 11 | 44** | 4 | 14* |
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reported its recent Tele-Mirror promotion as one of the most successful yet undertaken by the Division, according to Edwin B. Hinck, sales manager for the Replacement Sales Department of the division. Based on the success of this campaign, similar promotions directed to the service technician will be forthcoming.

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RMS (Radio Merchandise Sales), New York City, conducted another in its series of forums for TV service technicians in Portland, Ore. The forum, which was co-sponsored by Pacific Stationery and Central Distributors, TV parts distributors, and arranged by the Burt Porter Co., RMS representative in the Pacific Northwest, emphasized u.h.f. antenna problems.

## Production and Sales

The RTMA reported that $3,670,591$ TV sets and $6,689,535$ radios were produced during the first nine months of 1952. The association pointed out that September, 1952, production of 755,665 TV sets was $124 \%$ over industry output for September, 1951.

Shipments of receiving tubes by members of the RTMA totaled $34,196,286$, valued at $\$ 24,432,747$, a substantial increase over shipments for the previous month and for September, 1951. During the first nine months of $1952,245,689$,629 tubes were shipped, compared to

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Westinghouse Television-Radio Division plant at Sunbury, Pa., reported an unprecedented high in employment and production figures. Employment figures were running $28 \%$ over the similar period of 1951; production topped last year's figures by $35 \%$.

## New Plants and Expansions

CBS-Hytron, Danvers, Mass., is constructing an addition to its TV picture tube plant and large warehouse for TV picture tubes at Newburyport, Mass. The additions will enable the company to handle the production of 24 - and 27 inch picture tubes in volume. The company expects that the construction of the new buildings will be completed by the middle of 1953.

Clarostat Manufacturing Co., Ine., Dover, N. H., opened an additional plant in the Chicago area. The new plant, now in operation, was purchased so that the company would be in a better position to serve its Midwest and Western customers.

Raytheon Manufacturing Co., Waltham, Mass., is constructing a new $\$ 2,000,000$ electronics laboratory in Bedford, Mass., designed to be one of the most modern and efficient of its kind. The new building is being constructed by Raytheon for the Navy and will be used by the company as a research and development center.

General Electric is now producing u.h.f tuners for its TV sets at its Receiver Department plant, Auburn, N. Y. One hundred and fifty employees were added to the payroll to handle this new production.

General Cement Manufacturing Co., Rockford, Ill., opened new warehouse facilities in Los Angeles to provide West Coast parts distributors and service technicians with better service and faster deliveries.

Synthane Corp., manufacturer and fabricator of laminated plastics for industry, added a two-story brick wing to its plant at Oaks, Pa. The new wing marks the eleventh plant expansion since the company's original factory was built.

Hammarlund Manufacturing Co., New York City, leased an additional 12,000 square feet of space at 541 W .34 th Street.

Radio City Products Co., New York City, moved all its test equipment production facilities to its Easton, Pa., plant. The Engineering, Sales, and Purchasing Departments and the general offices will remain in New York City. Walter Jonas, production manager, will direct operations at both plants. Burt Levy was appointed sales manager of the Jobber and Industrial Division. end


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With television, broadcasting no longer is blind. The promoters of sports, Broadway shows, operas, and similar events are convinced that television would be a far-toopowerful competitor if such entertainment were broadcast free of charge.

I foresaw this situation 20 years ago in an article entitled "The Tele-Theater" in the January-February 1932 issue of my former publication, Television News. This situation was amplified in an editorial entitled "The TeleTheater" in the January 1951 issue of Radio-Electronics. It is now no longer news that recently important sports events have been televised exclusively to theater chains in various parts of the country, where admission is charged to view the event.

As this issue of Radio-Electronics goes to press, the first closed circuit telecast of Metropolitan opera is about to be shown in a number of theaters in the U.S. (December 11th.)

To expand its activities, as well as its income, the Metropolitan Opera Association, Inc. arranged to have the entire opera "Carmen" broadcast in conjunction with the Theatre Network Television, Inc. This particular telecast runs for more than three hours, and takes in the entire opera from beginning to end. Over 30 theaters in the principal cities from coast to coast signed up as participants in this trial event. The price scale in each theater was determined by local management, but it was stressed that the tickets were sold at reasonable prices. The Metropolian Opera Association, Inc. shares in the returns from the theaters on a percentage basis.

It appears certain that important Broadway plays will soon follow this innovation. The trend is bound to follow this particular pattern, and it looks as if the teletheater is with us to stay, for a long time to come.

At present it would probably not pay sponsors to offer free broadcasts to the televiewing public of Broadway plays, grand opera, and other important entertainment events. It will be possible, however, in the future, when there are as many television sets as radio receivers in the country.

The question has been frequently asked: "Where does the private television set owner fit in this type of arrangement?", At the moment he simply is not being considered at all, for the simple reason that the new trend is away from broadeast television. It is a private endeavor of a group of entrepreneurs bent on filling their theaters which have been more or less emptied by the terrific competition of broadcast television.

Fortunately, the television owner may not always be barred from seeing a Metropolitan Opera broadcast, or a

Broadway play broadcast, in his own home. Once more science is coming to the rescue. Indeed, it may be quite possible that in a few years a television owner may not have to go to his local theater to see an important Metropolitan Opera. My editorial, "Magnetic Tape TV Recording," in the November 1952 issue of Radio-Electronics, pointed out that it will soon be possible to record television programs on a magnetic tape. When the final bugs have been eliminated, the way will be open for a central distributing agency to sell magnetic television recordings or rent reels of important productions-the Metropolitan Opera included-to everybody in the land. All that the home television owner will need is a special television tape reproducer which can be put on top of or near the television receiver and connected to its circuits without disturbing it. Then by merely pressing the switch the recording will reel off and the action will appear on the screen.
It should be possible to mass-produce the magnetic tapes at a reasonable price so that play or opera performances can be sold or rented at a reasonable rate. Quite possibly Broadway producers and opera companies will realize even more money thus than from theater television. If only $25 \%$ of the television set owners would subscribe to the tape service, it would work out to a very substantial figure, exceeding the amount paid by the theaters many times. At this moment it is anyone's guess how much the magnetic tape reels will be sold or rented for.

Naturally, the television set owner still would have to pay a fee to participate in such an entertainment setup, but it is quite probable that most people would not object to this.

In the meanwhile, new owners of television sets will have little to complain about because the price of television receivers is continuously going down. This is also a welldefined trend. Already several of the large television manufacturers are selling high-grade 21 -inch-screen sets below $\$ 200$, which is an important reduction from former price levels for similar sets.

Indeed, the lower prices will probably continue for quite a while. With new engineering techniques, such as transistors, appliqued-the so-called plated-circuits, it will be possible in the future to make still greater price concessions. The reason is that in television sets the labor cost is a very appreciable portion of the total manufacturing cost of the receiver. With the appliqued circuits, the cost can be reduced still more. It therefore would appear that $21^{\prime \prime}$ screen and larger sets selling around $\$ 150$ and less are not at all impossible within the next few years.

This trend is in the right direction because it paves the way for color television. At one time it was thought that a good color television receiver would cost between $\$ 400$ and $\$ 500$, but in the light of new techniques it would appear that when and if color television sets are marketed, they will probably sell for between $\$ 200$ and $\$ 250$, and perhaps even lower.

Most likely these sets will also include magnetic tape equipment to view-at a cost-Broadway shows, operas and other closed circuit features not normally broadcast.

# UHF OPENS UP 

By RAYMOND F. GUY*



The author, left, congratulates Victor Bary on the record Portland installation.

MOMENTOUS events, of deep significance to the readers of Radio-Electronics, are taking place in television. In the May, 1952, issue, an article by this author outlined the "TV Pattern for the Future", based upon events, developments, and trends immediately prior to the lifting of the television freeze. That lon awaited event is now history, and already the Federal Communications Commission is well advanced on its program of authorizing television station construction permits. Initiation of TV service in scores of communities is now imminent, millions of new receiver installations will be necessary, and the readers of these pages will be vitally concerned with the installation and servicing of these receivers. It is again timely to look to the present and future responsibilities and opportunities placed before you.

Following a number of years of basic research and investigation of u.h.f. wave propagation and the development of tubes and circuitry, the Radio Corporation of America and the National Broadcasting Company on December 29, 1949, placed in operation in the Bridgeport-Stratford (Connecticut) area their historic experimental station KC2XAK, the u.h.f. pathfinde: for the industry. On August 23, 1952, this station signed off for the last time. Within four days, the antenna, tower, and apparatus had been completely dismantled and were on the way to Portland, Oregon.

Within 60 hours of its arrival at Portland, it had been installed on a hilltop site recommended by this writer and was ready to render the first TV broadcast to Portland. Within a few days the FCC granted special temporary authorization for the service to start and thus the Bridgeport veteran transmitter embarked on a new career in virgin territory as the world's first commercial u.h.f. TV station, bringing TV for the first time to nearly 1,000 ,

[^0]000 people. Only about three weeks from the time the apparatus was signed off at Bridgeport, it began commercial operation in a city 3,000 miles away.

The excitement and impact of this momentous event- in Portland and throughout the industry beggars description. Transcending all other topics of local conversation and news, it established a precedent which others will strive to equal, perhaps in your community. Coming unexpectedly soon, the rush to acquire receivers and converters sparked off crash programs among the manufacturers, distributors, dealers, and service companies to rush equipment to the area and meet the demand. During the first three months of TV service in Portland, it was anticipated that at least 60,000 receivers would be purchased and installed without substantially blunting the sharp edge of the feverish demand. In one large store alone, a million dollars worth of receivers were sold in 10 days and list prices are the order of the day.
What happened in Portland may happen in your community. The press and radio gave almost hourly bulletins on the activities at Council Crest Park where the new TV station was being built. Local columnists speculated with every new edition as to the probable opening date for the station. A cor.test was held-with a new TV set as a prize-for the citizen who most closely guessed the day, hour, and minute that the station would officially open. People from all over the area flocked by the thousands to the transmitter site to see their first TV station being built. All available parking space was filled and workmen engaged in the project in some cases had to park a quarter of a mile from the site. During the early afternoon hours a police detail was assigned to the area to regulate traffic and at times had to conduct sightseers in large groups on 20 -minute cycles to give all of the sidewalk superintendents a view of the proceedings.

TV's debut in Denver was equally exciting. Eleven days after the FCC
started on July 1 to make post-freeze grants, a construction permit was issued to KFEL-TV. Only one week later special temporary authority was granted by the FCC to begin telecasting, which was inaugurated within three days with an immediately available v.h.f. 500 -watt RCA transmitter.

Television service thus has come with startling rapidity to the two largest markets heretofore without it. The imagination and enterprise which accomplished it will also bring it to many other communities in like manner. It is to your interest to keep informed and be prepared to take advantage of the opportunities it may present to you.

## FCC processing procedure

When will your commurity reccive TV service or an extension of your presert service? Unfortunately it is not possible to publish an explicit timetable. But it is possible to inform you of trends and possibilities.

When preparing its Sixth Report and Order (the TV thaw-out) of April 14,1952 , the Commission was faced with a truly monumental task in processing the hundreds of applications for station grants. Having adopted voluminous standards and rules as the framework for the great nation-wide service of the future, how could they best proceed with the granting of applications with promptness, fairness, and efficiency? In hundreds of cases a:i individual channel in a given community would be applied for by not only one but many different applicants. Ur-der our democratic processes in such cases, public hearings are indicated to enable the FCC to determine which of the applicants is best qualified to serve the public interest, convenience, and necessity. Some of these cases apply to cities with existing service and others do not. In some instances, there would be but one applicant for a channel. In other cases, existing stations require only a change of frequency to conform with the new allocation plans.
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POSSIBLE V.H.F.and U.H.F. TV COVERAGE AS EStimated last year


Extent of possible tv coverage according to present standards


Complex and difficult legal problems and lengthy procedures were involved.

The objective was to make television service available to the greatest number of people in the shortest possible time. Obviously it could not be done by processing applications in the order in which they were received, because uncontested applications from unserved areas would have had to await the completion of time-consuming hearings involving competitive applications (in many instances from large cities already well served). For many weeks prior to the April thaw, the Commission roughed out tentative processing procedures and priorities, with co-operation from the FCC Bar Association and the Society of Federal Communications Consulting Engineers. When the $31 / 2$-year freeze ended on April 14, 1952 , the plan was ready.

Applicants were given until July 1 to submit new applications and amend old ones before any grants would be made. A number of procedural simpli. fications were adopted to save time and speed up the processing, and the following temporary priority system was established:

## Priority A 1

The 30 existing stations which, under the new allocations plan, will be required to change their channel frequencies to reduce interference. These stations were listed in "TV Pattern for the Future" in the May issue of Radio-Electronics. WKY-TV, Oklahoma City, is omitted in the new list.

## Priority A 2

New stations in cities 40 miles or more from any existing TV transmitter. In other words the Commission will concentrate on providing service to unserved areas. (Portland, Ore., and Denver, Colo., are examples.)

## Priority B 1

Stations for communities where only u.h.f. channels are allocated and where the separation may be less than 40 miles from an existing transmitter (excluding educational stations).

## Priority B 2

U.h.f. stations for communities where all possible v.h.f. channels are in operation.

## Priority $B$

Stations for cities having no service and which may be less than 40 miles from not more than one existing station.

## Priority B 4

Stations for cities having only one existing station and which are 40 miles from any other TV transmitter.

## Priority B 5

Stations for cities less than 40 miles from any two or more existing transmitters.
With 491 new applications on file on

July 1, 1952, the Commission commenced the processing of the "postfreeze" applications for new television broadcast stations. Scores of competitive applications were designated for hearing and nearly 200 additional applicants were advised that their applications were competitive with others. In September the Commission announced, that, because of the limited number of examiners and other staff members engaged in hearing work, it would not have been possible to try such cases until the existine backlog was removed, and no useful purpose would have been served by designating additional applications for hearing them.

For this reason the interest of parties who had filed or who would file competitive applications would not have been adversely affected by the processing of only noncompetitive applications, for a time. It is likely that the hearings in the cases now designated for hearing and those additional competitive applications already processed by the Commission will not be concluded for a considerable period.

The Commission will continue to process noncompetitive applications in the order of priorities set forth. If mutually exclusive applications are amended so as to remove the conflict, the Commission will consider such applications at that time. The Commission will re-examine its hacklog of hearing cases from time to time. When it appears that Commission personnel will be available for handling additional cases, the Commission will resume the processing of competitive applications. With the elimination, for the time, of competitive applications in favor of noncompetitive ones, many cities will receive grants much more quickly.

## Small communities

Can small communities have TV stations? 835 cities, about 60 percent of the total list of 1,430 in the FCC assignment plan, have populations of 25,000 or less. Already, over 60 applications for stations in these communities are on file. The existing list of such grants will grow quickly.

The interests of the small communitics have been well protected by channel assignments. Nearly 500 communities of less than 10,000 population are allocated one or more channels. Over 300 communities of less than 25,000 but more than 10,000 population are provided for.

## Grades of service

U.h.f. is new to practically all service technicians. Terrain irregularities create greater losses and much more severe shadow areas in the ultra-highfrequency band than in the very-highfrequency channels. These effects do not occur abruptly. There is a gradual change as the frequency increases, starting with the lower frequencies of channel 2 and continuing on up to the top of the u.h.f. band. The FCC has attempted to take account of this
change by authorizing higher power at the higher frequencies. Channels 2 through 6 will be limited to 100 kw effective radiated power, 7 through 13 to 316 kw , and all u.h.f. to $1,000 \mathrm{kw}$. These power differentials are intended to equalize the service radii of the various stations, and take into account the increased signal intensities needed at the higher frequencies to provide equivalent picture quality and freedom from noise and interference.

In standard broadcasting at 540 to 1600 kc , the primary service range of a station may be expressed with relative simplicity because the field intensity falls off at a fairly uniform rate, with large fill-in behind hills and obstacles. But with increasing frequency, fill-in diminishes and local scattering effects increase. These random effects are far more noticeable at v.h.f. and are severe at u.h.f. Therefore the local field intensities vary widely, depending on terrain conditions. For this reason the service ranges for television stations are expressed in statistical terms to more nearly reflect actual conditions.

Two grades of television service are recognized in the new rules and standards:

## Grade A service

Grade A service is so specified that a quality acceptable to half the people (the median observer) is expected to be available for at least $90 \%$ of the time at the best $70 \%$ of receiver locations at the outer limit of this service. Expressed in terms of inicrovolts per meter Grade A service requires:

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\begin{gathered}
\frac{\text { Channels 2-6 }}{2,500} \quad \frac{\text { Channels } 7-13}{3,850} \\
\frac{\text { Channels } 14-83 \text { (u.h.f.) }}{5,000}
\end{gathered}
$$

## Grade B service

Grade B service differs from Grade A in that the acceptable quality would be obtainable at only $50 \%$ of the locations instead of $70 \%$. The field intensities in microvolts per meter are shown below for Grade B:

$$
\begin{gathered}
\frac{\text { Channels } 2-6}{224} \quad \frac{\text { Channels } 7-13}{630} \\
\frac{\text { Channels }}{14-83 \text { (u.h.f.) }} \\
1,585
\end{gathered}
$$

## Service ranges

When these grades of service are expressed in miles distance it becomes possible for the service technician to evaluate roughly the service he may expect in his area. Judging by the many and continuing requests received by this author from service organizations, dealers, and others for information on TV service ranges, this information may be of value. The tables at the right represent average values based upon FCC's methods of interpretation. The actual radii may vary widely downward, particularly in the u.h.f. channels, if terrain conditions are poor.

## Antenna installations

Locating the u.h.f. receiving antenna will require more care tian for v.h.f. in the marginal areas. In v.h.f. an increase in antenna height will normally produce higher field intensity and improve the margin of signal over noise levels. But, while the same relationship applies on the average over a large number of u.h.f. installations, the voltage picked up may vary widsly and at random in individual cases. An increase in height may actually reduce the signal level. And large variations may occur with horizontal movement.
During the Bridgeport investigations, careful studies were made at 91 typical residential locations to determine the average variation of signal intensity as the antenna was moved horizontally at a 30 -foot height. The mo ement was over a range of only about 5 feet in most cases, to cover several wavelengths. The maximum and minimum values of intensity were recorded and analyzed. At $2.0 \%$ of the locations the displacement over these few feet produced variations of more than 2 to 1 . At $10 \%$ of the locations it produced variations of 3 to 1 . At $5 \%$ of the locations it produced variations of 4 to 1 . And in one location it was 7 to 1!
The optimum antenna locations for u.h.f. are relatively unpredictable and the service technician who is thorough and conscientious may find it necessary to explore for them while communicating with an observer at the receiver.

Flat or tubular plastic transmission line has very low losses when properly routed and dry. But it should be isolated from nearby metallic objects such as pipes, which change its characteristics markedly at u.h.f. It should be sheltered from rain and sleet if losses are of importance.

## Frequency shifts

The frequency shifts which are scheduled for 30 stations previously referred to have in many cases been covered by applications and grants. The Commission proposes to permit the stations to work out the time schedules for the shifts at their own convenience, if possible. The schedules will be determined by procurement problems and most will take place early in 1953. Several were made in 1952.

## New station grants

At the time of writinc the number of applications for station construction permits on file was rapidly approaching 1,000 . Of these, about $60 \%$ are for v.h.f. and the other $40 \%$ for u.h.f. grants. The total number of grants made since the Commission started processing is well over 100 , of which about $80 \%$ are for u.h.f. stations.

Prior to revising its processing routine, the Commission granted an average of 1 construction permit per week for v.h.f. stations, and 5 per week for u.h.f. stations. If this rate were continued through 1952, the year-end total of new station grants would be 25

| TransmittingAntenna Height in Feet |  | Grade A Service Radii(in miles) for Powers Shown (Effective Radiated Power) |  |  |  |  | Grade B Service Radii (in miles) for Powers Shown Effective Radiated Power) |  |  |  |  |
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|  |  | $\underset{\mathrm{kw}}{1}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 10 \\ & \mathrm{kw} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \\ & k w \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 316 \\ \mathrm{kw} \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1,000 \\ \mathrm{kw} \end{gathered}$ | $\underset{\text { kw }}{1}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 10 \\ & \mathrm{kw} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \\ & \mathrm{kw} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 316 \\ & \mathrm{kw} \end{aligned}$ | 1,000 |
| 300 |  | $\begin{aligned} & 7 \\ & 7 \\ & 5 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 12 \\ & \hline 12 \\ & 9 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 21 \\ & 21 \\ & 15 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r}28 \\ 20 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | 26 | $\begin{gathered} 22 \\ 17 \\ 9 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 35 \\ & 28 \\ & 15 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 50 \\ & \begin{array}{l} 40 \\ 26 \end{array} \end{aligned}$ | 45 <br> 31 | 40 |
| 500 | $\begin{array}{lc} \hline \begin{array}{ll} \text { Ch } & 2-6 \\ \text { Ch } & 7-13 \\ \mathrm{Ch} & 14-83 \end{array} \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 9 \\ & 9.5 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 16 \\ & 16 \\ & 16.5 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 27 \\ & 28 \\ & 20 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r}35 \\ 25 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | 23 | $\begin{aligned} & 28 \\ & 22 \\ & 11.5 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 43 \\ & 35 \\ & 20 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 57 \\ & 46 \\ & 32 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \mathbf{5 2} \\ & 40 \end{aligned}$ | 47 |
| 700 |  | $\begin{gathered} 11 \\ 11 \\ 8 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 19 \\ & 20 \\ & 13.5 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 31 \\ & 34 \\ & 23 \end{aligned}$ | ${ }_{30}^{40}$ | 37 |  | $\begin{aligned} & 47 \\ & 40 \\ & 23 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 63 \\ & 50 \\ & 37 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 57 \\ & 45 \end{aligned}$ | 52 |
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| 2,000 | $\begin{array}{ll} \hline \mathrm{Ch} & 2-6 \\ \mathrm{Ch} & 7-13 \\ \mathrm{Ch} & 14-83 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 19 \\ & 21 \\ & 13 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 34 \\ & 40 \\ & 24 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 50 \\ & 54 \\ & 41 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 61 \\ & 49 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | 57 | $\begin{aligned} & 52 \\ & 47 \\ & 24 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 69 \\ & 61 \\ & 41 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 86 \\ & 74 \\ & 57 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 80 \\ & 65 \end{aligned}$ | 74 |

v.h.f. and 125 u.h.f. granis, or a total of 150. This auihor expects this total to be met and possibly exceeded because of the revised processing schedule. The accelerated processing may result in a large increase in the number of v.h.f. grants, if there are included power increases for existing v.h.f. stations in the lower priority categories.

## New stations

Using temporary equipment, station owners in Denver and Portland have created brilliant examples of what can be done to establish service quickly. But transmitting equipment is not available to permit wide-scale duplication of these feats. On the tasis of plans which many grantees have disclosed, we may expect to see about 12 more stations before the end of 1952 , most of them in new television areas. Based upon similar information, 35 may be added in the first half of 1953, many of these also in new TV cities. From that point on, plans now being made will come to fruition with more rapid increases in the rate of new starts. Barring critical material complications it is estimated that 150 new stations may be added in 1953, frequency changes will be completed at the 30 stations slated to switch channels, and power will be increased by most of the existing 109 v.h.f. stations, if permitted.

Your writer believes that by the end of 1954 there may be 400 new stations; by the end of 1955 over 600, perhaps half in presently unserved cities; by 1956750 ; and by 1957 possibly 1,000 or more.

## Possible national service

In "TV Pattern for the Future" in the May issue a map was published showing the extent of possible national TV service from the combined u.h.f. and v.h.f. stations, with powers and standards originally proposed by the FCC. But those actually adopted went further than had been contemplated. The accompanying map shows the extent of the total possible service areas of all TV stations listed in the FCC allocation plan, utilizing the maximum powers now permitted and judging by the Commission's criteria for gauging the service areas. If these criteria are sound, the entire United States, ex-
cepting only the areas shown in color, could be given TV service.
Because of economic problems such a degree of service cannot be realized for a long time. The very small communities cannot support a television station, and particularly a station of maximum power. But when and if the time comes that a service can be supported, the spectrum space and the channels will be available. TV will not be handicapped by the saturation and lack of channels which have through the years prevented so many small communities from having standard broadcasting primary service.

There has been much discussion and speculation concerning the minimum size of a community necessary to support its own TV station. Estimates of 25,000 to 100,000 population frequently have been mentioned. There is evidence that it can be accomplished successfully at 25,000 . It is this writer's opinion that the demand for TV is so great that people would pay almost any amount within reason to have it, and that the figure of 25,000 will shrink considerably as the ingenuity and resourcefulness of our industry is applied to the solution of this problem, which is altogether one of economics.

## Installation and servicing

Denver and Portland were unprepared for the demand for receivers and technical service. Both receivers and service technicians were rushed inthe technicians to help with tha overflow with which the local service companies were swamped. In all probability it will happen again elsewhere because the avalanche of demand in new TV cities comes almost overnight. Interest in and desire for TV have been whipped to a sharp edge and an overwhelming ready-made demand exists in all unserved communities.

TV receivers are relatively complicated instruments. Few owners attempt to build or maintain them, fortunately. But they are an essential, indispensable part of the TV system which starts in the camera tube and terminates in the home kinescope. You, Mr. Service Technician, have the responsibility for your part of the system! Its proper discharge will keep you on your toes and pay you well when "T day" comes to your community.
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# TV DISTRIBUTION SYSTEMS 

"Master antenna systems" are increasing in both

importance and use

By ERIC LESLIE

FROM the earliest days of television, owners, dealers, and service technicians have needed some way of connecting two or more sets to an antenna. Two-set and larger distribution systems were soon worked cut. These were originally rather crude and wasteful of the precious signal, but have so developed that today almost any number of receivers can be operated as part of a distribution system, and a signal of any desirable level can be applied to their inputs.

Earliest and simplest of all distribution systems is a simple resistor network. It matches the input impedance of the receiver to the line and isolates one receiver from another by the attenuation of the resistors. Fig. 1 is a. diagram of a typical system. If signals are sfrong enough, more than two receivers may be connected by choosing the resistors so that the parallel


Fig. 1-Simplest distribution system.


Fig. 2-An efficient two-set coupler.


The Electro-Voice 3100 has outputs for four receivers and a second unit.
resistance of all the branches is 300 ohms. Thus for three receivers, the resistors on each side of the receiver iuputs would be 300 ohms each, giving us three 900 -ohm branches which have a parallel resistance of 300 rhms.

Such systems work reasonably well in strong-signal areas, where some signal attenuation may be a good thing rather than the contrary. But energy is wasted. Even in a two-rcceiver setup half the signal is dissipated in resistors, and the proportion is increased with the number of receivers. A less wasieful method is needed even for moderate-signal areas.

A number of systems using methods similar to r.f.-transformer or impedance coupling were next to appear. Of these, possibly the Brach two-set MulTel coupler is the best known. The antenna is divided into two artificial lines, as shown in Fig. 2. The correct


Fig. 3-A system made up of boosters.
impedances are approximated by bifilar windirgs, which also act as a highpass filter, shorting out interference below about 50 mc .

Interaction between receivers is reduced by impedance mismatch. The antenna looks into a matched 300 -ohm impedance, but each receiver looks into a circuit of considerably higher impedance, formed by the line and the other receiver in series. So, while energy is transferred efficiently from the line to the receivers, any signal fed back from the receivers is greatly attenuated.

The Mid-Tel couplers may have two or four outputs, and where there is enough signal, a four-output unit may be fed to four other couplers rather than direct to receivers, making a 16set distribution system.

A distribution system which will work where there is not enough signal for the types just described is often needed. A system that would pep the signal up a little to make up for the losses along transmission lines, rather than attenuate it, would be valuable in many installations. Ordinary TV bousters were first used to make up such a system. The simplest form appears in Fig. 3. Units marked IT-75A are home type boosters, the IT-77A's are conmercial types. The isolating resistors prevent one TV set from radiating to another, and also cut down possibility of oscillation in the boosters themselves.

More than one television manufacturer modified his home type boosters for 24-hour operation, operating the tubes and parts at conservative ratings. Thus the IT (Industrial Television, Ine.) 77A's are comneecial types, and 75A's honie versions of the


Left-The Amplitel uses channel strips with several tubes each. Right-The junction boxes show ingenious design.
same booster, and some BlonderTongue boosters carry the same model number with the prefix CA for commercial and HA for home types. The next and obvious step was to put two outputs on a single booster.

The earliest two-output boosters were designed by coupling the coil in the r.f. amplifier's piate circuit to two output eoils instead of one. More refined systems were developed to isolate the outputs from each other, and mul-tiple-output distribution amplifiers were born. These may have two, four, or eight outlets in practical equipment. Amplification may be slight; in same cases there may be a slight loss through each unit. A typical system is that of Electro-Voice, using the model 3100 unit (Sea photo). This unit has four outputs for receivers and another line output to which a second distribution unit may be attached.

Where stations are weak, a booster may be added at the antenna, and where the signal is weakened in long runs of transmission line, an ordinary one-output line booster can bring it up to original (or greater) strength.

Another approach to the mister antenna problem suggested itselí-or rather was remembered, for it is an elaboration of the amplified master radio antenna system introduced by PCA in the 1920's. In this system there is a large central amplifier, with other amplifiers fior receivers or groups of receivers if necessary. In its television form, the central amplifier is actually a number of single-channel amplifiers whose outruts are connected through a mixer and fed through coaxial lines to the various receivers.

The largest units of this type-made by RCA, Jerrold, G-E, and otherswill be discussed in a separate article, on community antennas. A typical intermediate type is the Amplitcl. made by Transvision for the company of that name. As shown, it consists of $\approx$ number of channel units, or' "strips." Each of these is a multitube amplifier, with the stages staggered to give fu: 6-mc
bandwidth. Separate antennas are used for each strip. Since each antenna receives from a single station, high-gain Yagis are generally used, and a strong signal can be put into the amplifier. In the Amplitel system, the low-channel strip amplifiers have five tubes and have a voltage sain of about 7,000. The higher v.h.f. channel amplifiers have six tubes, but the gain is not as great -about 4,000.

The signals from the various strips are mixed in an ingenious way. Each amplifier is connected to the mixer by a section of 72 -chm line a quarterwavelength long at its channel frequency. A quarter-wave lin: acts as an impedance transformer. In this case its 72-ohm impedance ( $\mathrm{Z}_{\mathrm{m}}=$ $\sqrt{\left.Z_{\text {n }} \times Z_{\text {out }}\right)}$ transforms the approximately $350-0 h m$ output of the strip amplifier down to 15 ohms, the impedance of the mixing box, where $Z_{m r}$ is the impedance of the matching section, $Z_{\text {uи }}$ is the output impedance of the strip,
and $Z_{1 n}$ is the mixer input inipedance. Although the ends of the matching sections are simply paralleled, the impedance remains at 15 ohms. Each line is a matching transformer at its own frequcucy, but presents a much higher impedance at any other frequency. Thus there is very little interaction between the various sections.

Cutput of the matching section is a group of five 75 -chm cables, paralleled to have a total impedance of 15 ohms. Each of these goes to a distribution box which feeds 15 receivers. As can be seen from the photo, each of the branches consists of two resistors, 1,000 ohms in series with the hot antenna lead, and 100 ohms between that and ground. The 100 -ohm input is effectively shunted by the $1,000-$ ohm resistor and cable capacitances, giving an impedance of about 70 ohms, which can be transformed up to 300 ohms with a matching transformer whenever necessary.


Fig. 4-High- and low-band strips of the Blonder-Tongue MA4-1. Constants vary slightly with frequency; these two are typical for channels $7-8$ and 4 .

A link between the simple distribution systems (which are in effect wideband boosters with some means of splitting the output and reducing interaction between sets), and the larger community type systems is the BlonderTongue mixer-amplifier system. The MA4-1 unit which is the heart of this system accommodates four plug-in strips plus one wide-band input which can be used for strong signals (any signals that can tolerate 10 db attenuation). The output is distributed through 2- or 8-receiver (DA2-1 or DA8-1) distribution amplifiers, which add a little gain of their own. If long runs have to be made, a commercial type booster (CA-1) can step the signal up 28 db over the whole spectrum.

A system of this type parmits using sensitive Yagis for the weaker signals, while putting stronger ones through the system without amplification, thus economizing on amplifier strips in areas where there is one strong station and others are desired, or where there is a local FM station, but TV stations are remote. Each of the strips has a gain of between 16 and 18 db . Two tubes are used, a 6AB4 and a 6CB6. Circuit is slightly different for high and low bands, as indicated in Fig. 4. Two of the units can be used in tandem, for more than four channels.
Lowest-priced of all the multipleantenna systems, the MA4-1 is economically practical even for single TV receivers in had areas, and can be
used by stores, small apartments, groups of neighbors in fringe-area districts, and others who would find the simpler systems unsatisfactory and the large community systems expensive.

Some antenna systems resemble in their equipment the larger community types, though they may be intended chiefly for apartment-house application. A typical example is Tacoplere, which (though not normally sold as a community antenna system) includes a number of features not found in the simpler distribution systems. Fir. 5 shows a simplified diagiam of a system using Taco units. Basic unit is a chassis-power supply, on which a number of strips and a mixer unit can he mounted. The mixer may or may not


Brach two-set coupler shown in Fig. 2.


Hlonder'Tongue MA4-1 mixer-amplifier, described as usable "for I set or 2,000 ."


Fig. 5-Simplified drawing showing Taco components in a versatile system.
be electronic, depending on the signal level desired and the number of trunk lines to be fed.

An installation may have a number of other refinements. For example, a weak signal from a high-band v.h.f. station (channel 18 in the diagram) may be received on an antenna cut to its frequency, boosted by an antennatop amplifier, then fed to a converter which changes its frequency to that of an unused low-band channel (channel 2). This reduces attenuation in long runs of coaxial cable.

Where there are long runs of cable between the original mixer and the receivers, the cable may be terminated in a signal separator, a unit with one input for the composite signal, and separate outputs for each frequency being handled by the system. These single-channel signals are again amplified through strip amplifiers, mixed, and sent on to the various outlet boxes, which may also be either electronic or nonelectronic.

## eUROPEAN TV METWORK

Microwave-relay or coaxial-cable runs thousands of miles long are impossible in Europe. In a scant 750 miles, the engineer has to contend with problems of national boundaries and differences in definition standards and systems of transmission, and even different national tastes in prograns! This international network was therefore considered a mild triumph in the European television world. Problems of changing standards and systems were solved optically at one blow, by simply rephotographing the programs from a television receiver screen. Thus at Paris, a 441 -line TV camera was focused on an 819line receiver kinescope screen to change the 819 -line picture to 441 lines for the older Paris transmitter, and again at Cassel, where the program changed over to the British 405 -line standard. Besides being picked up by televiewers in France, England, and Scotland, the frograms were received on numbers of Belgian TV sets direet from the Lille Transmitter.


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| 16 | 482－488 | 483.25 | 24.4236 | 487.75 | 24.1983 | 51 | 692－698 | 693.25 | 17.0252 | 697.75 | 16.9154 |
| 17 | 488－494 | 489.25 | 24.1241 | 493.75 | 23.9043 | 52 | 698－704 | 699.25 | 16.8791 | 703.75 | 16.7712 |
| 18 | 494－500 | 495.25 | 23，8318 | 499.75 | 23.6173 | 53 | 704－710． | 705.25 | 16.7355 | 709.75 | 16.6294 |
| 19 | 500－506 | 501.25 | 23.5466 | 505.75 | 23.3371 | 54 | 710.716 | 711.25 | 16.5943 | 715.75 | 16.4900 |
| 20 | 506－512 | 507.25 | 23.2681 | 511.75 | 23.0635 | 55 | 716.722 | 717.25 | 16.4555 | 721.75 | 16.3529 |
| 21 | 512－518 | 513.25 | 22.996 | 517.75 | 22.7962 | 56 | 722－728 | 723.25 | 16.3190 | 727.75 | 16.2181 |
| 22 | 518－524 | 519.25 | 22.7303 | 523.75 | 22.5350 | 57 | 728.734 | 729.25 | 16.1847 | 733.75 | 16.0855 |
| 23 | 524－530 | 525.25 | 22.4707 | 529.75 | 22.2798 | 58 | 734.740 | 735.25 | 16.0527 | 739.75 | 15.9550 |
| 24 | 530－536 | 531.25 | 22.2169 | 535.75 | 22.0303 | 59 | 740－746 | 741.25 | 15.9227 | 745.75 | 15.8266 |
| 25 | 536－542 | 537.25 | 21.9688 | 541.75 | 21.7863 | 60 | $746-752$ | 747.25 | 15.7949 | 751.75 | 15.7003 |
| 26 | 542－548 | 543.25 | 21.7261 | 547.75 | 21.5476 | 61 | 752－758 | 753.25 | 15.6691 | 757.75 | 15.5760 |
| 27 | 548－554 | 549.25 | 21.4888 | 553.75 | 21.3142 | 62. | 758．764 | 759.25 | 15.5452 | 763.75 | 15.4536 |
| 28 | 554－560 | 555.25 | 21.2566 | 559.75 | 21.0857 | 63 | 764－770 | 765.25 | 15.4233 | 769.75 | 15.3332 |
| 29 | 560－566 | 561.25 | 21.0293 | 565.75 | 20.8621 | 64 | 770－776 | 771.25 | 15.3034 | 775.75 | 15.2146 |
| 30 | 566.572 | 567.25 | 20.8069 | 571.75 | 20.6432 | 65 | $776-782$ | 777.25 | 15.1852 | 781.75 | 15.0978 |
| 31 | 572－578 | 573.25 | 20.5891 | 577.75 | 20.4288 | 66 | 782－788 | 783.25 | 15.0689 | 787.75 | 14.9829 |
| 32 | 578－584 | 579.25 | 20.3759 | 583.75 | 20.2188 | 67 | 788.794 | 789.25 | 14.9543 | 793.75 | 14.8696 |
| 33 | 584－590 | 585.25 | 20.1670 | 589.75 | 20.0131 | 68 | ．794．800 | 795.25 | 14.8415 | 799.75 | 14.7580 |
| 34 | 590－596 | 591.25 | 19.9623 | 595.75 | 19.8115 | 69 | 800－806 | 801.25 | 14.7303 | 805.75 | 14.6481 |
| 35 | 596－602 | 697.25 | 19.7617 | 601.75 | 19.6140 | 70 | 806－812 | 807.25 | 14.6209 | 811.75 | 14.5399 |
| 36 | 602－608 | 603.25 | 19.5652 | 607.75 | 19.4204 | 71 | 812.818 | 813.25 | 14.5130 | 817.75 | 14.4332 |
| 37 | 608－614 | 609.25 | 19.3725 | 613.75 | 19.2305 | 72 | 818.824 | 819.25 | 14.4067 | 823.75 | 14.3280 |
| 38 | 614.620 | 615.25 | 19.1836 | 619.75 | 19.0443 | 73 | 824－830 | 825.25 | 14.3020 | 829.75 | 14.2244 |
| 39 | 620.626 | 621.25 | 18.9983 | 625.75 | 18.8617 | 74 | 830.836 | 831.25 | 14.1988 | 835.75 | 14.1223 |
| 40 | 626－632 | 627.25 | 18.8166 | 631.75 | 18.6826 | 75 | 836.842 | 837.25 | 14.0970 | 841.75 | 14.0217 |
| 41 | 632.638 | 633.25 | 18.6383 | 637.75 | 18.5068 | 76 | 842－848 | 843.25 | 13.9967 | 847.75 | 13.9224 |
| 42 | 638.644 | 639.25 | 18.4634 | 643.75 | 18.3343 | 77 | 848－854 | 849.25 | 12.8978 | 853.75 | 13.8246 |
| 43 | 644.650 | 645.25 | 18.2917 | 649.75 | 18.1650 | 78 | 854－860 | 855.25 | 13.8003 | 859.75 | 13.7281 |
| 44 | 650－656 | 651.25 | 18.1232 | 655.75 | 17.9988 | 79 | 860－866 | 861.25 | 13.7042 | 865.75 | 13.6329 |
| 45 | 856－662 | 657.25 | 17.9577 | 661.75 | 17.8350 | 80 | 866.872 | 867.25 | 13.6094 | 871.75 | 13.5391 |
| 46 | 662.668 | 663.25 | 17.7953 | 667.75 | 17.6754 | 81 | 872－878 | 873.25 | 13.5159 | 877.75 | 13.4466 |
| 47 | 668－674 | 669.25 | 17.6357 | 673.75 | 17.5180 | 82 | 878－884 | 879.25 | 13.4236 | 883.75 | 13.3553 |
| 48 | ．674－680 | 675.25 | 17.4790 | 679.75 | 17.3633 | 83 | 884－890 | 885.25 | 13.3326 | 889.75 | 13.2652 |

MAN sections of the United States will receive television for the first time in the near future. Will the servicing personnel in these new areas make the same mistakes as those who have worked in TV areas for several yearsor will they learn from the experiences of others? That's the big question.

The public has not been too happy with the TV technician. It is debatable where the fault lies. Experience has shown that certain acts of commission and omission by the TV service technician have irritated the public, and these operations have certainly been to the technicians' disadvantage. We are going to give a capsule review of a few of these malpractices in the hope that it will benefit service technicians in new TV areas, and those yet to be developed.

## The solemm promise

Failure to inspect a defective television receiver, or to retırn a repaired television receiver on the date promised has irked the public very much. It has been, and still is a deplarably common practice. It can be explained in many ways, but no amount of apology satisfies a disappointed customer. The housewife who waits all day for the service technician who never shows up, is not interested in explanations. Especially if she had something important to do, and changed her plans to keep the appointment.

It may be unfair to place the entire burden on the servicing industry. Where extenuating circumstances prevent keeping a promised date the courtesy of a phone call requesting a change of appointment is imperative. Regardless of how busy you are, or how difficult it may have been to procure a certain replacement part-both common excuses for broken promises-the customer is always right. It's an axiom of good public relations, and there is no way around it. The TV service technician or small shop is hurt badly if lakeled unreliable. It reflects on his competence, too.

[^1]In the TV servicing business word-ofmouth advertising by the public can do much good or harm. The smaller the community, the more important this is. Even in large metropolitan centers, experience has shown that goad publicity over the canasta or bridge table can help a small service shop grow, or drive it out of business and make the large service facility even larger.
The small service-shop owner cannot wage an advertising or sales-promotion war with the large facility: He does not have the necessary funds; therefore, he must do everything that will make his customers speak in his favor. One of these is to keep the promise to call or to deliver. Since the service facility rather than the customer sets the time and day, it is a solemn responsibility on the part of the facility to see that it is kept. We know one TV set owner who was so angry because of a broken promise that he asked all of his friends in the neighborhood not ta patronize the local service shop. in order to teach him a lesson.

## The repeat call

The repeat call is treated as a nuisance by many service organizations. It is handled as if the service shop were doing the set owner a favor. It's considered a profitless call, but whose fault was it in the first place? On second thought is it really profitless? Not only does it create good customer relations, but every service facility takes into account a certain number of repeat calls when it figures the costs on which it bases its service charges. (If it doesn't do this, it should.)

Making customers wait for you to correct an unsatisfactory lepair is a sure way to make them angry. People let off steam by talking; panning the daylights out of a TV service fauility always finds ready listeners and sympathetic ears.

Some service outfits wilfully ignore repeat calls. They know that it means the loss of a customer, but they feel that there are others. They forget that a dissatisfied customer-particularly one whose complaint is justified-can do more harm to an outfit's reputation
than the praise of a dozen satisfied customers can possibly overcome.

We're not going to be so foolish as to say that there should be no repeat calls to hegin with. Sometimes they can't be helped, but we do say they can be redueed substantially. Every wellconducted and well-managed service facility considers repeat calls a reflection on the technician who did the work. In some organizations he is not paid for. making the repeat call. If tro many occur' he's out of a job.

The fact that repeat calls are not asked for is no sign that every repair job was done properly. As self-pratection, TV service shops should determine the custoner's reaction to the repair a week ar more after the receiver is restored to service.

Giving the public the benefit of the fact that they do not understand the workings of a television receiver, rather than condemning them for it, will reduce the widespread demands for legislation and licensing. The customer will respect a firm stand when a charge is warranted and the case is properly pre-sented- that is, without arrogance or insolence, But it is equally important to arlmit it when the shop is at faultnot necessarily by merely saying so, but by doing whatever is required to produce a properly functioning receiver. Servicing is a technical business, but it is not without its selling aspects, Poditeness and understanding are essential.

## Using service dere properly

Repeat calls are costly on several counts. Not only in the time involved, but also because they imply technical incompetence. This has been the loudest cry on the lips of the TV-receiverownirg public. It has to be anticipated in each new area, because fully trained and experienced personnel cannot be made available concurrent with the initial sale of TV receivers. But this is the industry's problem and not the public"s. If receivers are sold, service should be available. If the servicing industry does not want competition from factory-service organizations, it must be ready for action when a new area opens up.

The set-buying public has the right to expect that the individuals who offer their services and facilities as TV service technicians have some sort of technical background. As a rule, these men are experienced radio service technicians. The main fault lies in the fact that many of them, in areas where TV is anticipated, wait until demand for TV service arrives before they make any move to acquire the necessary background. This has been the pattern time and again, and each time it has harmed not only the men themselves but the industry of which they are a part.

With radio servicing as a background, a knowledge of TV can be developed by reading-that is, if it is impossible to attend a school. Admittedly, a reading knowledge alone is of limited usefulness when work must be done-at least in the beginning -but it is better than no background at all. As time passes, more and more experience is gathered and the endproduct improves. In the meantime a definite mental attitude for selfimprovement must prevail. This has been lacking in many instances. Its consequences have been costly.

Every individual knows the extent of his capabilities. The more limited his experience, the more imperative it is for the TV service technician to use every device which will help compensate for this shortcoming. The most valuable of these are the service notes. There are many important reasons why TV-set-manufacturers' service manuals must be read and used. Not only for the schematics and circuit voltages, but for the circuit descriptions, installation and disassembly notes, manufacturers' production changes, and the trouble-shooting charts. Cures for troubles which may have appeared in a particular receiver, and which the set manufacturer has incorporated in subsequent production runs of that model, are also contained in these notes.

The less experienced the individual, the more vital this information is. It is paradoxical, but the more-experienced TV service technician makes greater use of the set-manufacturer's service manuals than the inexperienced man. The reverse should be true. Trial-and-error methods of servicing are costly to the beginner and to the public. The inexperienced technician spends hours doing what might be done in a fraction of the time.

How much repair time can a technician afford to spend on a TV receiver, and how much repair time can he charge for? How high can the labor charge be without arousing the ire of the public? How can the public be pacified when the so-called repaired receiver is not functioning properly?

The answers to these questions lie in the full and proper use of the setmanufacturer's service manuals, in taking full advantage of the guidance which they offer, and in following the instructions which they contain. In addition, the proper use of service in-
formation increases your technical background. It compensates for limited experience or lack of school training.

## The uncompleted repuir job

When the public raises the cry of incompetence against the TV service technician, they group many things under one name. They hang the same label on the man who is careless as on the man who doesn't know. For example, tube failures are common faults in TV receivers. Simple tube replacements frequently correct a fault, but many times it is only a temporary repair. While time is of the essence in repair operations, the need for speed (and minimum cost) does not warrant a total disregard of other operations which may be necessary when a tube has to be replaced.

Tube failure may occur because of a defect in the circuit-the kind of a defect which eventually wears out the tube, but does not become evident immediately when a new tube is put into the socket. Perhaps thoughtlessness or carelessness on the part of the service technician accounts for his failure to make the necessary circuit tests. Or it may be that the service shop sets a time schedule for the field man which prohibits such tests. It is not uncommon for set manufacturers to recom-
 mend a circuit change in order to prevent frequent tube failures at one position in the receiver. The last item gets us back to the service manual again. Putting a new tube in this position will restore operation, but unless the circuit change also is mace, the new tube will fail in a relatively short time.

Many tube replacements involve fre-quency-sensitive circuits. Not all brands of tubes may function equally well in a particular circuit nor does the first few minutes of operation of a new tube in a circuit indicate the performance an hour later.

In frequency-sensitive circuits, mere tube replacement may not always be the complete answer. The circuit may call for readjustment in order that the receiver perform correctly, not just "good enough." A complete readjustment may not be required, but the need for it should be checked. This increases the time spent on the job, and must be recognized in any field-service program which a service shop puts into effect. The lack of it accounts for some of the complaints that "After the service technician was here, the receiver did not function as well as before."

In any case operators in new TV areas should do everything they can to avoid such occurrences.

## Replacement parts

Some service shops (not many, for-
tunately) have committed the unforgivable sin of using surplus parts as replacements in TV receiver repairs This is too big a risk to take without knowing the history of the part, its age or its electrical condition. The public and the set manufacturer have the right to expect better treatment. Using a part of this kind even occasionally because it may not be convenient to get the exact replacement part, is no excuse. It just is not fit for this type of duty! It may work perfectly at first, but even this is no justification, because such a part cannot be guaranteed. If a service technician attaches any sort of a guarantee to a surplus part used for replacement purposes he should have his head examined.

We must stress one more point on the subject of replacement parts. This is the use of a compromise part as a replacement. By compromise we mean one that is not the exact equivalent of the part being replaced. This does not imply that every replacenent part must be an exact duplicate. It is not always practical to procure exact duplicates and still satisfy the time requirements on repairs. But it should be standard practice to make certain that the replacement part you use fits the needs of the receiver to which it is applied; and that it does this without requiring major alterations on the chassis to accommodate the replacement part. The customer should not have to be charged for time spent in this manner.

Many replacement parts available on the open market from parts jobbers satisfy the physical and electrical performance requirements of the receiver. If they do not, get exact duplicates from the set manufacturers' distributor even if it means waiting for delivery. For its own protection, the servicing industry must pay closer attention to the replacement-parts situation There is no such thing as "good enough" in this case. The public has every right to expect you to use the proper parts, and that they will perform perfectly.

A nother point of deep concern to all service technicians and service shopsespecially those just beginning their activities in new TV areas-is the charge for replacement parts. Although there is no apparent reason why the TV servicing business should be seasonal, it has its ups and downs. It has its seasons of great activity and slow periods.

Active periods must provide operating funds for the bad times. This can not be done unless service charges are high enough to return a profit, and the parts used in repairs are sold to the set owner at list price, so that the full margin of profit is realized. This is an absolute must. Service facilities can juggle the labor costs if they wish, in accordance with the level of efficiency developed in the shop, but the full profit must be made on the parts.

Some TV service technicians base their selection of replacement parts on
price alone. This is wrong. Price must be considered secondary to performance. The replacement part is paid for by the customer, and the technician should not lose sight of the difference in profit when the higher-priced item is sold. You are not taking advantage of the public if price reflects quality. Always bear in mind, whether buying or selling, that the best is the cheapest in the long run. If this approach requires greater selling pressure on the part of the service facility, then use it.

## Improved techniques

Let's consider a few items that relate to servicing or trouble-shooting techniques. We say that these are native to old TV areas only because that is where TV now exists. The suggestion to improve techniques in TV areas yet to be opened fits the old areas too, because we think that many represent improvements that many old TV areas have yet to put into effect.

First there is the matter of capacitor testing. Leaky capacitors are a major item in TV receiver troubles. The standard procedure has been to check for low insulation resistance with an ohmmeter. This is not an adequate test. It can be misleading because the test conditions do not conform with the conditions of use.

The test voltage available in an ohmmeter is about 1 to 3 volts. In a few cases it may run as high as 30 volts. Even this highest voltage is not sufficient to show up capacitor leakage on an ohmmeter test, unless the insulation resistance has fallen to a very low level. The result is that many ohmmeter tests indicate a good capacitor, but when the part is reinstalled in the receiver its operation is faulty because its insulation resistance may have fallen below the value permitted by the circuit voltage.

The answer is to test for capacitor leakage by applying the same voltage as in the receiver, using a voltmeter and milliammeter as the indicators. With this test the findings are conclusive, and much time is saved.

Another prominent trouble-shooting weakness which has demonstrated itself in old TV areas is in placing too much dependence on d.c.-resistance values of certain components-especially coils and transformers. This is especially true when low values of resistance are involved. The problens associated with the measurement of very low ohmic values-crowded meter scales, contact resistance, and tolerance in the parts-have caused many substitutions which were never necessary.
D.c.-resistance ratings of windings are average values, and can vary by $10 \%$ or more in many instances and not indicate a fault. On the other hand, when the correct values are less than 1 ohm , a defect may not show up on a resistance test because an imperfect contact at a clip connection can add enough circuit resistance to offset the result of the fault.

An alternative, which will find increased application as suitable test equipment becomes available, is to measure an a.c. characteristic of the part. Many of the specifications for inductor. type components are in a.c. values. In the meantime, determine the condition of the component by measurement under signal conditions with a scope and vacuum-tube voltmeter. Unfortunately, these pieces of equipment do not see as much use as they should. Properly used, they save much time because they lead to positive conclusions. This, in turn, saves much more time that would ordinarily be wasted in removing and substituting components unnecessarily.

Another item which should interest service technicians in new TV areas is the limited utility of tube checkers as guides to the condition of tubes used in TV receivers. This comment does not deny the general utility of a tube checker; it is still an important item, but no test equals the simple substitution.
Many tubes will show O.K. on a tube checker, yet will not perform well in a multivibrator stage of the television receiver. The same tube will more than likely work perfectly in some other socket.


Another interesting item is the measurement of grid waveforms and peak-to-peak voltages in stages which depend on the drive for the bias.
As far as test equipment is concerned, the greatest weakness has been the failure to use the scope for these measurements. Although a great many scopes have been sold to the servicing industry, they are not used as much as they should be. The scope has tremendous capabilities, and anyone who is active in television servicing, yet who is not familiar with scope applications, is not taking advantage of the greatest timesaving device available.

It must be admitted that the trace on the scope screen requires interpretation, but unlimited reference information is available for guidance in service manuals. A cardinal requirement for TV service technicians is to gather data from experience-that is, to associate changes in waveforms with certain types of defects. This is not too difficult. Even if it requires spending some time in supplementary study, it is more than worth while, because it leads to faster, more economical servicing.

## The bill for service

The usual form of invoice for service submitted to the set owner by a TV service shop can be improved to make the life of the shop owner much easier. Making out a simple bill which lumps all the services into one sum and then shows the total price of the
parts replaced as another sum, places the shop at a disadvantage. This is especially true where there is a substantial charge for labor and time, and a relatively small bill for parts.


The ratio between these two amounts is generally high-anywhere from 10 to perhaps 20 to 1 in favor of labor and time. The public just does not understand that the time and labor charge may not be any greater for replacing a $\$ 20$ part than for a part that cost only $\$ 1$. They cannot be expected to understand because no one has taken the trouble to tell them.
Recognizing the difficulty of educating the public, the best thing is to use the service bill for educational purposes. Make the bill show everything involved in completing the repair. Itemize the different operations sep-arately-travel time, removing the chassis from the cabinet (if necessary), inspection, pickup and delivery, etc. Virtually every service job involves at least six or eight operations of this type. Show them all. Then list the charges for the parts replaced.
Making out bills in this fashion is the psychological approach. A $\$ 10$ time and labor charge doesn't look so bad with respect to a $\$ 1$ part, when handled in this fashion. It is a perfectly honest presentation. The additional time spent making out an invoice of this kind will save much explaining.

The points we have raised in this article are known to every person who has sold his services to the TV-set-owning public. Service facilities may have viewed some of them as relatively unimportant. This is completely wrong. Drops of water falling on a stone will eventually wear it away. Snall things have irritated the TV set owner time and again. Patience will wear out in time.

The service technician views his activity as a profession. That is fine as far as it relates to ethics and pride in his work. But it is still a business, and the fundamentals of operation which are axiomatic in sound business must be practiced.

A number of actions of TV service facilities over the years have bothered the public. Men opening shops in new TV areas should learn from these. Public complaints have not always been just, but many of them are wellfounded. They are not beyond correction; it does not make good sense for new shops to follow in the footsteps of some of the old ones and repeat their failings. Every one should learn from -and profit by-the experiences of others!

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AYEAR or so ago anyone who expressed a preference for a particular color-TV system ${ }^{1}$ was likely to find himself in the center of a heated argument. Now, at last, time and technical progress are clearing the air, and a new system-NTSC-has emerged out of the confusion.

Named after its sponsor, the National Television System Committee, the new system is the joint development of a broad cross-section of the radio-television industry.

## NTSC background

NTSC was created in 1940 by the Radio-Television Manufacturers Association (then called the RMA) to assist the FCC in developing and formulating a set of standards for black-and-white television. These standards are now the hasis of our present TV system.

The committee was reactivated in the late 40 's when the FCC was holding hearings to establish standards for U.S. color television. Its new purpose was to gather background information on the general problem.

In 1950 the famous "Ad Hoc" (singlepurpose) Committee was set up under Dr. W, R. G. Baker for a concentrated study of the state of the art. It examined the work of several laboratories working on various systems of color transmission with the idea of deciding if one or more of their methods offered promise as a compatible color system. On the basis of the ad hoc report, the RTMA reorganized NTSC into nine panels made up of prominent engineers. In the spring of 1951 these panels launched an intensive and extensive program of organizing, selecting, and testing the best features of all color television systems. The panels will set

[^2]up system standards based on the results of these tests, and NTSC is expected to embody these in a formal proposal to the FCC in the near future. The work being done by NTSC has become an outstanding example of engineering co-operation and achievement.

Before going into the wondrous complexity of NTSC transmission let us first review the current status of color TV in the United States.

## Field-sequential color TV

The present U.S. standard systemthe only one permitted for commercial color-TV transmissions-is the nowcompatible field-sequential system sponsored by CBS'. A program transmitted by this method cannot be displayed either in monochrome or in color on a standard television receiver without extensive circuit modifications (especially in the horizontal and vertical sweep sections). There is practically no audience for these color programs. This lack of a large audience discourages sponsors. Lack of sponsors discourages station construction. Without stations, there will be no audience, and without a prospective audience there will be no receiver procluction. As yet, no way has been found to break this vicious circle.

Engineeringwise the field-sequential system suffers fundamental handicaps. Briefly, it transmits three complete pictures in sequence: representing first the red, then the green, then the blue light picked up by the camer'a televising a color scene. However, the $6-m \mathrm{c}$ bandwidth of a regular television channel is just enough to carry only ome such picture in full detail. The necessity for trimming all three color signals to crowd them into this meager channel space results in degraded picture detail, objectionable flicker, and color instability with fast motion.

The field-sequential method does have
excellent color rendition and very desirable simplicity. Belaboring it here for its weaknesses is done only to indicate the room for improvement.

## NTSC Color TV

NTSC transmission was born in the same ideas that inspired RCA's dotsequential system, but the NTSC system is not sequential. It is a simultaneous system, since the three primary colors in the picture are encoded electrically, not one after the other, but all three contimuously. Many independent laboratories have contributed to its development.

It is a high-efficiency system, in which the equivalent of a 12 -megacyclewide picture ( 4 mc for each color) is transmitted within a G-megacycle-wide channel", the same bandwidth used for conventional television.

In a nutshell, the new system transmits an ordinary black-and-white television picture, to which is added a modulated subcarrier signal conveying information about the coloring in the picture. From that viewpoint it could be called "colored" television. Although a color receiver is needed to display the colored picture, the system is compatible; that is, it will reproduce the picture on an ordinary television set in black-and-white (monochrome) without altering the set in any way.

Most of us have been taught that for a circuit to carry more information in a unit time the bandwidth of the circuit must be increased (provided the information is sent strictly in its original form, as in standard AM broadcasting ).

How does the NTSC overcome this rule? Theoretical analysis provides the answer. It shows that any conventional television scene, when translated into a video signal occupying a given channel, does not fill that channel space completely. In fact, there is a regular

Developmental model of color-television receiver designed to the NTSC proposals. Chassis at right is a power supply.


Pig. 1—Black-and-white TV signal sidebands form clusters separated by 15,750cycle gaps. NTSC color-TV system uses these blank spots to send color signals.
series of vacant intervals in the transmitted frequency hand. If the same theoretical analysis is applied to the color information of the televised scene, it, too, is revealed as a regular series of discrete frequency components sepalated by uniform gaps.

Obviously the gaps in the black-andwhice picture signal can be utilized for transmitting some other kind of information. Why not the frequency components of the color signal? The monochrome signal and the color signal are then said to be "interleaved." Fig. 1 shows a small slice of the frequency band of the channel, indicating how frequency components of the picture signal and of the color signal are spaced over the same channel bandwidth.

To utilize this method it is necessary only to select a color subcarrier frequency which is calculated by multiplying half the horizontal line frequency by any odd number. At this writing the NTSC subcarrier frequency is: 15,750
$\frac{2}{2} \times 495 .=3,898.125$ cycles.

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Fig. 2-Block diagram of the NTSC non-sequential color-TV transmitter.

On paper the idea may look fine, but does it woris in practice? The answer is that it does-not perfectly, but quite acceptably. A fine-grain crawling checkerboard-like pattern is noticeable to anyone standing close to the picture tube and looking for it. The usual viewer does not see it, hence this interference is described as "low-visibility".

There is nothing quite as good as a block diagram: for examining a complicated system. Fig. 2 is a simplified outline of the transmitter half of the system.

## Color encoding

In Fig. 2. the camera supplies electrical signa:s $G, R$, and $B$, which correspond to the green, red, and blue components of the light in the televised scene. These separate colar-signal voltages are combined in the proportions shown, to make up the luminance signal Y. The proportions of $G, R$, and $\mathbf{B}$ are based on the relative sensitivity of the human eye to light of those colors.

All information about variations in
brightness-that is, the detorl in the televised scene-is wrapped up in the luminanre signal. All information concerning the color in the scene is restricted to the chrominanco signal.

Now for the encoding of the color'. [1] The R, G, and B voltages are fed through low-pass filters which cut down the bandwidth. passing the equivalent of three degraded single-color pictures. [2] Two of these, $I$ and $B$, are added electrically to the lumimance signal $Y$, whose polarity has been inver'ted to -Y, thereby creating color-difference signals $\mathrm{R}-\mathrm{Y}$ and $\mathrm{B}-\mathrm{Y}$. A similar manipulation to obtain G-Y turns out to be superfluous, for the following reasons: $G$ information already exists in the $Y$ signal. We transmit $R-Y$ and $B-Y$, and can easily extract $G-Y$ from these signals at the receiving end. Therefore there is no point in handling $G-Y$ since it is already present (although not apparent) in the transmitted intelligence.
[3] Continuing with Fig. 2, R-Y and $\mathrm{B}-\mathrm{Y}$ modulate two sinc-wave volt-
ages which have exactly the same frequency but are $90^{\circ}$ out of phase. The combined result, the chrominance signal, becomes a two-phase subcarrier, with each phase amplitude-modulated by picture-coloring information.

Our video signal is now complete, the liminance and chromimance signals providing all the information needed to reconstruct the color scene. A station transmitter handles it substantially as it would any normal black-and-white picture. Fig. 3 shows the makeup of the transmitted frequency spectrum.

The synchronizing signal is the same as the one used for monochrome television, except that a color-sync signal is inserted on the "back porch" of each horizontal sync pulse (Fig. 4). In the receiver this burst synchronizes the local "color oscillator" which is used to demodulate the color signals.

## The receiver

At the receiver, Fig. 5, all circuitry up to the output of the picture detector is conventional.

Let us start with the band-pass tilter. This rejects all frequency components of the signal except the region containing the chrominance signal (see Fig. 3). The output of the band-pass filter feeds separate red and blue chrominance demodulators. The color-difference signals $R-Y$ and $B-Y$ are extracted by reversing the process of subcarrier modulation at the transmitter. The local color oscillator supplies two sine-wave signals having exactly the same frequency and phase as the subcarrier which was used for encoding at the transmitter. (These oscillators are synchronized with the color subcarrier by the bursts mentioned above.) The demodulation is a zero-beat form of heterodyning sometimes called "synchronous detection".

In the matrix-circuit block the $\mathrm{R}-\mathrm{Y}$ and $B-Y$ signals are mixed in predetermined polarities and proportions to produce the $G-Y$ signal.

Finally, the three decoded color-difference signals are combined with the main luminunce signal to reproduce the G, R, and B color signals which originally left the camera of Fig. 1. For example, adding $\mathrm{R}-\mathrm{Y}$ to Y leaves R alone. The $R, G$, and $B$ voltages are applied separately to the tricolor picture tube to re-create the scene.

## Color reproduction

The great advantage of the NTSC system lies in its economical handling of color information. In Fig. 1 we noted that the $R, G$, and $B$ signals were each limited to a bandwidth of about 1 me implying the transmission of a limited amount of coloring information. The luminance information (picture detail) occupies the full 4 -me bandwidth.

This bandwidth relation makes sense when you understand how the eye sees.


Fig. 3, top-Relative positions of the picture carrier and the color subcarrier in the upper sideband of transmitted signal. The vestigial lower sideband and the sound carrier have been omitted. Fig. 4, next to top-Color-syne bursts consisting of nine cycles of the 3.898125 me color subcarrier are sent on the unused "back porch" of each regular horizontal sync pulse. Fig. 5, above-Block diagram of the receiver color circuits. All sections of the receiver ahead of the color unit are conventional. Fig. 6, right-Color combinations produced by blending colored lights (additive mixing).


Visible light produces three separate and distinct sensations: brightuess (relative intensity or luminance), hue (recognition of red, orange, yellow, etc.) and purity ar saturation (the degree to which the color is off-white, ranging from zero saturation, or white, to $100 \%$ saturation, meaning a deep, vivid color, a pure hue). The human eye is extremely sensitive to brightness variations but surprisingly insensitive to changes in hue. The NTSC transmit. picture information only to the extent that the human eye is capable of appreciating it.

One more puzzling question, color mixing, deserves attention. The tricolor picture tube operates on the principle of additive color mixtures. A good example of this is a cluster of partially overlapping colored lights, as in Fig. 6. The overlapped areas show some examples of additive mixing. Mixing colored paints, or looking through superimposed color filters are examples of subtractive color mixing.

The phenomenon of color sensation is in direct contrast to the sense of hearing. Most of us can identify the instruments being played from the general character of the sound, and a trained musician can even recognize the individual notes which make up complex musical tones. The eye has no corresponding ability to recognize the individual components of a color mixture. The eye perceives only the overall result of the mixing. With the proper set of primary colors, such as the red, green, and blue used in NTSC, we are able to reproduce practically the entire range of colors.

A word about the color picture tube, without which the NTSC system would be almost entirely useless. The shadowmask type three-gun tricolor tube has received much attention. Rapid progress has been made toward one or more color-tube designs suitable for mass production at reasonable prices.

Receivers for the tricolor tube are being developed by several companies. The big problem is to simplify the circuitry.

Test transmissiors with the NTSC system have been made in New York, Chicago, Philadelphia, and Syracuse. Assuming that transmission standards are successfully formulated and the FCC adopts the system, it would probably take at least two years before the NTSC system could become a commercial reality.

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## Propagation

# students <br> and $d x$ hounds <br> had an <br> TV DX in <br> 1952 

## interesting

year
By XPERIENCED TV dx observers and amateurs who watch the 50 mc band for signs of dx all agree that 1952 was definitely subnormal in incidence of sporadic-E skip. For readers who may be just getting into this business of TV dx, sporadic-E skip is the means by which TV signals are bounced back to earth from the ionospherie E-layer, some 50 miles aoove the earth's surface, providing reception at distances ranging from 400 to 1,200 miles and more.

Ionospheric dx wasn't supposed to happen in the v.h.f. region, and the truth is that it occurs only a very small percentage of the time, but when it does develop it causes low-band TV signals to do amazing things. The reflection qualities oi the sporadically ionized patches of the E layer become well-nigh perfect at times, with the result that signals from hundreds of miles away may come in with unbelievable strength, knocking out or seriously interfering with local stations.

Many observers, both in television

and amateur radio, have tried their hands at predicting the occurrence of sporadie-E skip in advance. They have met with a measure of success, and more is being learned about this amazing phenomenon all the time, but it is still very much a horse race. Perhaps that's just as well, for if we were able to turn on our TV sets or our $50-\mathrm{mc}$ ham rigs at an appointed time to receive dx signals or work 50 me stations halfway across the country on schedule, both pursuits would soon lose their appeal.

Meanwhile, we have a fascinating hobby, and one that is being put to good use. By careful observation and recording, v.h.f. amateurs and TV dxers have made available great masses of data for scientific study. During 1952 the people listed at the end of this article have contributed several hundred individual observations of TV dx , summaries of which appear in graph form herewith. A number of interesting facts are apparent from a study of these graphs.

A plot of the observations by months appears in Fig. 1. The upper portion shows the number of days that $d x$ was observed; the lower shows the number of reports each month. Look back at a similar presentation ${ }^{1}$ for 1951 and see how symmetrically these graphs rise and fall, showing the now wellestablished rhythm of the sporadic-E dx seasons. The major period is the months of May, June, and July, but another well-defined peak develops around Chyistmas time. Both periods are spread equally either side of the longest and shortest days of the year. Despite this cyclic effect, dx never quite runs out; there is rarely a month when no dx at all is reporied by the sharper observers.
The effect of frequency sh ws clearly in Fig. 2. Breaking the observations down by cnannels, we see that the lowest, channel 2, accounted for $38 \%$ of the reports, with only $14 \%$ of the sta-
${ }^{1}$ TV DX in 1951-Radio-Electronics, January. 1952, page 40.


Fig. 1, left-A year of sporadic-E dx by months. The November and December figures are for 1951. Fig. 2, right-Dx reports by channels compared to the number of stations per channel. Black lines are stations, colored ones reports.
tions in North America. Percentages of reports and stations are just about equal for channel 3. The most heavily populated channel, 4 , with $38 \%$ of the stations brought in only $33 \%$ of the reports. Channels 5 and 6 together having the same number of stations as channel 4 , accounted for only $18 \%$ of the reports between them. There were no reports of high-band $d x$ that could be positively identified with ionospheric effects.

Geographical location of the transmitting station is an important factor. Stations in the South and Middle West monopolize the top spots in the tahulation of reports by stations. As in 1951, KPRC, Houston, Texas, leads the pack by a 3 -to- 1 margin. The four Cuban stations, though their dx field is confined to little more than a 90 . degree segment, are nrentioned in $12 \%$ of the reports. Nearly half of the TV stations now using the low channels are above Latitude 40, but they accounted for less than $53 \%$ of the $d x$ reported.

## Some outstanding reports

TV dx observations come from some surprising places, some of them localities where there is no regular TV service. Observer Canning, Halifax, Nova Scotia, is 400 miles from the nearest TV station, yet his log includes 44 stations in 36 cities. He is the holder of the Western Hemisphere dx record, having logged PRF-;3, Sao Faulo, Brazil, in the summer of 1951.

A growing group of dx-ers in the Halifax area keep in touch with each other by telephone. During the height of an aurora borealis display on September 29, several of them noted that the signal of WJAR, Providence, R.I., channel 11, was strong on both sound and video, but the two could not be received simultaneously. This condition had been noted previously when selective boosters were used, but this time removal of the boosters made only a slight implovement. If this was the result of auroral conditions it is the first time that aurora effects have been noted above 200 mc .

Strong but fading signals were received on channels ; and 5 the same evening. On September 5, a coastal inversion brought in signals from WBZ, Boston, 4; WNBT, New Ycrk, 4 ; WAHD, New York. 5; W FII, Philadelphia, 6; and WJAR, 11. Audio only was heard from WCBS, New York, 2, bearing, out the observation that tropospheric effects increase with frequency.

Several multiple-hop dx observations (in excess of 1,500 miles or so) were reported during the summer peak. Leader in this department was Observer Royal, of Red Bay, Ala. Bob caught KRON, San Francisco, 4; KING, Seattle, 5; KSL, Salt Lake City, 5 ; KOB, Albumuerque, 4 ; KPHO , Phoenix, 5; and KTLA, Los Angeles, 5 , in a single evening. In a 24 -hour period, June 13-14, Royal identified 26 dx stations. Another Florida observer, Simkin, of Orlando, reports 48 stations
logged there, and another 11 picked up from a location in Arlington, Cal.

Florida Observers Hali of Miani and Sloan of Braden Castle, report fine tropospheric reception of the Ctiban stations. Hall qets them more or less satisfactorily the year around, and Sloan pulls them through beginning in May. He also sees the Jacksonville station, WMPR, 4, most of the time over a 200 -mile hop,

To the average home viewer who looks at one or two stations for his TV entertainment, the totals of stations logged by the more avid dx enthusiasts seem almost incredible. Observer Lowther, Alexandria, Ind., lists 55 stations identified over a $\$ 1 / 2-$ year period, including such choice high-band tropospheric dx as WJAC, Johnstown, Pa., 13, 350 miles, WNBF, Binghanton, N. Y., 12,520 miles; and WJZ, 7, WOR, 9 , and WPIX, 11, all of New York City, more than 600 miles!

In three weeks ending june $15, \mathrm{Ob}$ server Merkel of Detroit logged 31 stations, 14 of them in the high band. Observer Dull, Washington, D. C., had 31 calls on his list. Then he took his equipment on a vacation in southwestern Pennsylvania in July and August, running up a total of 49 stations in two months. Patrick of Abilene, Texas, has 40 stations in 18 states, Cuba. and Mexico. DeGroat, Salamanca, N. Y., has 26 low-band dx stations. Whitfield, Altoona, Pa., identified dx on 25 days between April 29 and August 13.

One of our northernmost observers, A. E. Wilson of Port Arthur, Ontario, logged a total of 25 low-band stations, all sporadic-E dx with the possible exception of Chicago and the Twin Cities, which might be just in the tronospheric range under the best conditions. His most consistent dx reception was WSB, Atlanta, (ia., 2, wit' KPRC, Houston. Tex., 2, came second. Practically all of Wilson's $d x$ came from the area represented by the amateur W4 and Wう call areas, as does a large part of the $50-\mathrm{me}$ dx worked by our friends north of the border. Only toward the end of July was any eastern dx recorded.

Vilson noted interesting coincidence with weather conditions as indicated or. weather maps telecast by several stations he received. On consecutive openings in June, weathor maps showed pronounced cold fronts at right angles to the transmission path, just ahout midway between transmitting and receiving locations. On July 7, When WFMY, Greensboro, N. C., 2, was in solidiy from $10: 30 \mathrm{pm}$ to midnight, a cold front extended along the line to the transmitting location. On July 27, when a cold front swung around to the midpoint of the path, New York, Boston, Philadelphia, and Washington appeared. Both amateur and TV dx-ers have noticed that spo-radic-E skip is predominantly across areas of low barometic pressure; almost never in or across pronounced highs.

Unquestionably the most prodigious job of observation and reporting in 1952 was turned in by Louis M. Matullo, of Washington, Pa. He is able to do a phenomenal job of logging dx on both high and low channels from his 2,956-foot elevation in Southwestern Pennsylvania. I'ndor normal conditions Mike receives 20 or more stations over a radius of nearly 300 miles, around three-fourths of his horizon. He has kept a daily record of stations received for more than a year. They include 53 calls, 37 of which have been received without the aid of spo-radic-E skip. At least 18 different highband stations have been logged, including WENR, 7, and WGN, 9, both of Chicago, nearly 500 miles away.

## New receivers a factor

Much more high-bard $d x$ was reported in 1952 than in previous years, largely as a result of the improved righ-band performance of the newer receivers. Increased awareness of the possibility of high-band dx was also a contributing factor. Observer Gehrlein, Erje, I’a., reports frequent reception of WSI'I), Toledo, 13, 185 miles, and WXYZ, Detroit, 7, 165 miles. Runnells and Holmes of Ottunwa, Iowa, report WENR and $W G N, 250$ miles. McGough of Milwankee staggers us with $\mathrm{KL} \Lambda \mathrm{C}$, Los Angeles, 13, on June 12. We'd like to know more about this one, as it exceeds by several hundred miles the best amateur or TV dx ever reported on frequencies above 100 mc . It can happen, though-sol-me radar sets have picked up targets 1,700 miles distant:

The period September $\mathrm{i}-10$ provided an unprecedented opportunity for highband dx of a tropospheric neture. During that time amateurs using the $144,2 \cdot 2$, and $420-\mathrm{mc}$ bands worked dx bevond their wildest dreams.: Thn 9th was the jiggest date, Matullo logging 3. stations at Washington, Pa., between 4:30 pm and 1:55 am the following morning: These included just about every high-band station to the sonth, west and northwest, within a radius of 500 miles. Landek, W9WOK, Bensenville, Ill., took time out from a big night of 144 -me amatenr d: to log $2^{\circ}$ stations on 11 channels in 10 states: ll!inois, Inciana, Wisconsin, Michigan, Ohio, lowa. Missouri, Minnesota, Penns!lvania. and Tennossee. The best dx was WICU, Erie, Pa., 12, 450 miles.

This all came about as a stable highpressure center moved slowiy across the Great Lakes and over to the Atlantic Seaboard, a stabl: air-mass boundary forming along its trailing edge.

TV dx was not without its hunorous sidelights. One unintentior.al joker was a publicity blurb writer for one of the leading TV manufacturers. In a release sent to magazine editors he credited a Colorado owner of one of his client's new consoles with the "world's record for long-distance television reception."

[^3]The viewer in question had reported picking up stations as much as 1,200 miles away! The staff at Radio-Electronics concludes that there is at least one person who doesn't read our TV dx reports!

And Observer Samuels, Mount Vernon, N. Y., says that the way of the TV dx-er is hard. Most people just don't appreciate it. When Dan called in his next-door neighbor to show off his reception of a Washington, D.C., station, over 200 miles to the south, the only comment was, "Lot of snow on it, isn't there?"

## LIST OF OBSERVERS, 1952

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Redrosian, Peter, Newburyport, Mass.
Rente, Waldemar, Dennison, Ohio.
Billings, R. A., Shiro, Tex.
Canning, L. A., Halifax, N. S.
Cantwell, William, Denver, Col.
Carnes, P. C., Orangeburg, S. C.
Collier, J. W., Arlington, Va.
Conover, R., Stone Ridge, N. Y.
Croy, John E., Dayton, Ohio
DeGroat, F. E., Salamanca, N. Y.
Dochak, Mike, Sudbury, Ont.
DeGeer, M. W., Tulsa, Okla.
Dempster, M. K., Tyndall, S. Dak.
Dull, R. E., Washington, D.C.
Edens, L., San Antonio, Tex.
Elberburg, Columbus, Miss.
Evans, L. M., Gaylord, Mich.
Ferguson, G. A., San Antonio, Tex.
Foyer, Joe, Westville, Ill.
Gandol, Jose, Preston Orierte, Cuba.
Garcia, Albor Otero, Varadero Beach, Cuba.
Gehrlein, James, Erie, Pa.
Glenn, Quentin D., Carlisle, Pa.
Golden, S. J., Oak Bluffs, Mass.
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Groves, A. L., Brooke, Va.
Hall, E. R., Miami, Fla.
Hammond, Clarence and Nina, Malin, Ore.
Hansen, Floyd, Waukegan, Ill.
Hart, Wm. C., Washington, Pa.
Hogan, Marvin H., Atlanta, Tex.
Huckert, Mrs. Joe, Hereford, Tex.
Henderson, Wayne, Sebring, Ohio.
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Lowther, G. W., Alexandiia, Ind.
McGough, Robert, Milwaukee, Wis.
McKinney, J. J., Indianapolis, Ind.
McLaughlin, C. F., Birmingham, Ala.
McPherson, Ross, Woodstock, Ont.
Markle, Leonard, Greenfield, Ill.
Mayernick, Joseph, Monessen, Pa
Mays, A. J., Devol, Okla.
Manning, Walter, Milwaukie, Ore.
Matullo, Louis, Washington, Pa.
Merkle, Bob, Detroit, Mich.
Meyer, Sgt. Danile, San Marcos, Tex.

## Dx Reports by Station and Channel

Channel 2, 54-60 me; 11 stations, 301 reports
KPRC, Houston, Texas ............ 114
CMQ, Havana, Cuba
CMQ, Havana, Cuba ..... 32 ..... 32
WCBS, New York City ..... 24
WSB, Atlanta, Ga.
WSB, Atlanta, Ga. ..... 22 ..... 22
WMAR, Baltimore, Md. ..... 28
XeW, Mexico City ..... 25
WFMY, Greensboro, N. C. ..... 25
WJBK, Detroit, Mich. ..... 21
KNXT, Los Angeles, Calif. ..... 7
KS2XBS, Chicago, Ill.KTSL, Hollywood, Calif.2(
Channel 3, 60-66 mc; 7 stations, 84 reports
KMTV, Omaha, Neb. ..... 23
WBTV, Charlotte, N. C. ..... 13
WPTZ, Philadelphia, Pa. WDTV, Pittsburgh, Pa. ..... 5
WLWC, Columibus, Ohio4 ,
Channel $4,66-72 \mathrm{mc} ; 30$ stations, 258 reports
CMUR, Havana, Cuba ..... 35
KRLD, Dallas, Texas
Rock Island, Ill. ..... 7
WKY, Oklahoma City, Okla. ..... 30
WTVJ, Miami, Fla. ..... 17
WTCN, Minneapolis, Minn. ..... 15
XHTV, Mexico City ..... 14
WTAR, Norfolk, Va. ..... 13
WOI, Ames, Iowa ..... 13
WMCT, Memphis, Tenn. ..... 13
WDAF, Kansas City, Mo. ..... 12
WNBT, New York City ..... 12
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8
WBRC, Birmingham, Ala. 8 WGAL, Lancaster, Pa. ..... 7
WLWT, Cincinnati, Ohio ..... 6
WRGB, Schenectady, N. Y ..... 6
WBKB, Chicago, Ill. ..... 6
KOB, Albuquerque, N. Mex. ..... 5
WBEN, Buffalo, N. Y. ..... 4
WNBK, Cleveland, Ohio ..... 4
KRON, San Francisco, Calif. ..... 4
WWJ, Detroit, Mich. ..... 4
KNBH, Los Angeles, Calif. ..... 3
WAVE, Louisville, Ky. ..... 1
XELD, Matamoras, Me
WGAL, Lancaster, Pa. ..... 1
Channel $5,76-82 \mathrm{mc} ; 19$ stations, 80 reports
WBAP, Ft. Worth, Texas ....... 23 ..... 2
CMQ, Havana, Cuba ..... 10
WOC, Davenport, Iowa.
WSAZ, Huntington, W. Va. ..... 2
KTSP, St. Paul, Minn. ............ 7 WABD, New York City ..... 2WTTG, Washington, D. C. ...... 5 WAGA, Atlanta, Ga.
KFYL, San Antonio, Texas WAVE, Louisville, Ky. ..... 12
WNBQ, Chicago, IIl. WEWS, Cleveland, Ohio
KTLA, Los Angeles, Calif. KING, Seattle, Wash. ..... 1
KSL, Salt Lake City, Utah ...... 1 KPHO, Phoenix, Ariz.
KPIX, San Francisco, Calif. ..... 1
Channel 6, 82-88 mc; 11 stations, 57 reports
CMQ, Havana, Cuba ..... 20
WDSU, New Orleans, La. ..... 10
KOTV, Tulsa, Okla. ..... 7
WTVN, Columbus, Ohio ..... 5
3Millot, Dan, Louisville, Ky.
Mulligan, Eldon, Ottawa, OntNichols, Dan, Mason, Mich.Oberto, G. P., Richmond, Va.
Patrick, M. C., Abilene, Tex.
Penc, Stanley, Utica, N. Y.
Randall, John W., Hanover, Mass.
Rees, Mackworth G., Naples, Fla.
Richards, Warsaw, Ind
Robins, Howard L., Tampa, Fla.
Royal, Robert, Red Bay, Ala.
Runnells, R. J., Ottumwa, Iowa.
Sagel, Leslie, Wildwood, N. J.
Samuels, Dan, Mt. Vernon, N. Y.
Schmidt, Harry, Markham, Ont.
Seay, J. Chester, Dothan, Ala.
Simkin, Gordon, Orlando, Fla. and
Arlington, Calif.
Sloan, S. W., Braden Castle, Fla.
Stanek, John A., New Kensington, Pa.
WTVR, Richmond, Va. ..... 3
WHAM, Rochester, N. Y. ..... 3
WOW, Omaha, Neb. ..... 3
WFIL, Philadelphia, Pa. ..... 2
WNHC, New Haven, Conn. ..... 1

Storie, Clarence A., Tulsa, Okla.
Storch, Clarence L., San Antonio, Tex.
Smith, B. L., Sundown, Tex.
Tisdale, J. W., Tulsa, Okla.
r:=dale, J. W., N. Little Rock, Ark.
Van Sandt, R. L., Ft. Worth, Tex.
Vanderstelt, Paul, Muskegon Heights, Mich.
Wallace, William, Santa Anna, Tex.
Warren, Bud, Cocoa, Fla.
Waterhouse, F. T., Springfield, Mass.
Whitfield, Lawrence A., Altoona, Pa.
Wilcox, W. W., Richmond, Va.
Wilkerson, S. W., Vancouver, B. C.
Wilson, A. E., Port Arthur, Ont.
Walker, John L., Albion, Pa.
Yeager, Claude C., Wichita, Kan.
96 observers, representing 29 States, plus Ontario, Nova Scot:a, British Columbia and Cuba.

# TWO MORE U.H.F. CONVERTERS 

The Zenith v.h.f.-u.h.f. turret tuner and Mallory

"Inductuner" preselector

By FRED KING*

ZENITH sets now have a new turret tuner designed for top performance on both u.h.f, and v.h.f. channels. The over-all size has been reduced considerably, the channel strips are easier to replace, and special shielding and parts placement minimize oscillator radiation.

Fig. 1 shows the new tuner with all shields in place. The a.g.c., B plus, and heater leads terminate in a plug and the i.f. output terminates in a coaxial connector so that the entire unit can be removed from the chassis for repair or replacing channel strips without removing the chassis from the cabinet.

Fig. 2 is the tuner with external shields removed. Two sets of the removable channel strips are shown in the foreground. Those nearest the tuner are u.h.f. strips. The oscillator and interstage circuits are on the right-hand segments and the antenna-r.f.-input circuits are at the left.

Fig. 3-a is a block diagram of the tuner circuit with a pair of v.h.f. channel strips in position. The triode section of the 6U8 is the local oscillator; the pentode section functions as the mixer. The twin-triode 6BK7 is a cascode i.f. amplifier. Fig. 3 -b is a block diagram of the tuner with a pair of u.h.f. strips in position. All the circuit changes indicated in going from Fig. 3-a to Fig. 3-b are made by simply turning the turret from a v.h.f. to a u.h.f. channe!.

Fig. 4 is a simplified schematic of the tuner on u.h.f. channels. There are two tuned circuits in the preselector and a tuned multiplier circuit. These three resonant circuits and the two crystals are mounted in a casting.

To cover all 70 u.h.f. channels the oscillator tunes from 172 mc to 234 mc . The germanium multiplier crystal acts as a harmonic generator to provide u.h.f. oscillator power for the mixer.

The germanium multiplier crystal is capacitance-coupled to the oscillator and conducts only on the extreme peaks of the oscillator sine wave. The

[^4]resultant straight-sided pulses in the multiplier circuit are rich in ascillator harmonics. The tuned output circuit of the multiplier selects the clesired harmonic and applies it to the crystal mixer to beat with the incoming signal. The oscillator's third harmonic (516702 mc ) is used for the low u.h.f. channels and the fourth harmonic $(688-936 \mathrm{mc})$ for the high u.h.f. channels. The mixer crystal is biased to operate at its point of maximum sensitivity, so that minimum oscillator power is required. The output of the mixer is at the $41-\mathrm{mc}$ i.f. of the receiver. The GBK7 and the pentorle section of the gU8 become additional 41me i.f. amplifiers to make up for the conversion loss in the crystal mixer.

The u.h.f. tuned circuits are very tiny. They are mounted in cylindrical holes in the casting about $1 / 4$-inch in diameter and $1 / 2$-inch deep. The antenna and multiplier coils are less than $1 / 2$ inch long and $1 / 8$ inch in diameter. Series-tuning capacitance for the preselector and nultiplier circuits is provided by 1-72 machine screws which enter one end of each coil through an insulating bushing. The inductive coupling between the two preselector circuits is provided by a small pin pressed into a recessed hole in the casting between the two coils. The junction between the coils is returned to the casting through this pin, which is an inductance common to both circuits. The
casting shields the preselector and multiplier circuits from each other and from external influences.

The oscillator-interstage strip holds the oscillator coil with its disc ceramic capacitor, the cascode plate coil, and the mixer grid coil. The oscillator coil is adjusted to frequency by a small screw which enters the coil and changes its inductance. Each set of u.h.f. strips tunes over $1 / 3$ of the band, so three sets cover all 70 channels.

Performance data supplied by the manufacturer is as follows:

| Frec. (me) | Chornel | Noise Figure (db) | Image Rejection (db) | $\begin{gathered} \text { i.f. } \\ \text { Reiection } \end{gathered}$ (db) | Relative Gain (\%) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 57 | 2 | 4.5 | 87 | 50 | 100 |
| 85 | 6 | 6.0 | 80 | 55 | 67 |
| 177 | 7 | 8.5 | 70 | 70 | 63 |
| 213 | 13 | 9.0 | 68 | 72 | 63 |
| 535 | 24 | 14.0 | 5 C | 60 | 81 |
| 670 | 47 | 14.0 | 50 | 59 | 72 |
| 820 | 72 | 17.0 | 45 | 58 | 65 |

## Mallory u.h.f. inductuner

As a result of considerable experience in the design and construction of variable-inductance tuning mechanisnıs, Mallory developed a special Inductuner for continuous coverage of the $470-890-\mathrm{mc}$ u.h.f. TV band. These u.h.f. Inductuners are available as one-, two- three-, and four-section ganged units. The three-circuit mocel is shown in Fig. 5. Some manufacturers use these as the tuning systems in their converters.


Fig. 2-The Zenith separate coil strip tuner with shielding removed.
ferent type sections. When used as preselectors with an external tank capacitance of $1 \mu \mu \mathrm{f}$, these units will tune the u.h.f. TV band with 10 mc to spare on each end. When used with a 6AF4 oscillator working on the low side of the signal, an external tank capacitance of 1.5 muf is required.

## TV-101 u.h.f. converter

Figs. 7 and 8 show front and rear views of the Mallory TV-101 u.h.f. converter chassis. The schematic is shown in Figure 9. The converterdesigned around a three-section Induc-tuner-covers channels 14 through 83. The antenna input impedance is 300 ohms, and the output imperlance can be either 75 or 300 ohms. The popular line-up of preselector, crystal mixer, oscillator, and cascode i.f. amplifier is used. The gain is approximately 2 when used with the 300 -ohm input and output. The converter i.f. is 82 mc so that either channel 5 or 6 may be used.

## Preselector

The preselector uses two sections ( 2 and 3) of the Inductuner to provide double-tuned selectivity and an impedance match ahead of the mixer. The preselector elements are shaped to track with the oscillator. The antenna coupling method is a compromise between energy transfer (from different types of antennas or lines), alignment problems, oscillator radiation, and noise figure. The r.f. chokes across the antenna terminals to ground act as static drains. They also act as capacitors in the u.h.f. band. Their capaci-

Each Inductuner section employs a parallel-lines tuning system with the lines consisting of edge-mounted strips pressed into grooves in a mica-filled, phenolic-base material which provides mechanical strength and excellent electrical properties. They are arranged in a noninductive concentric path pioviding the required inductance range in $270^{\prime \prime}$ rotation of the shaft controlling the shorting bar. There are three different types of sections: wide-strip; narrow-strip; and shaped-strip tuning sections, to provide proper tracking in the preselector, mixer, and oscillator resonant circuits. Shaping of the elements provides more accurate tracking for various converter intermediate frequencies at approximately 40, 80 , and 130 mc . The rotor arm which holds the dual contactor (shorting bar'l is fastened securely so a phenolic shaft. Two-, three-. or four-section units may then be used without interaction.

Fig. 6 shows typical frequency versus dial-retation curves for an 82 -me conver'ter i.f. (channel 5 or 6). Measurements by the manufacturer show circuit parameters of individual Irductuner sections approximately as follows:

Distrïbuted capacitance at maximunt intluctance .............. $2 \mu \mu \mathrm{f}$
Maximum inductance . . . . . . . $04 \mu \mathrm{~h}$
Q at $100 \mathrm{mc} . . . . . . .$.
These values vary slightly with dif-


Fig. 3-(a) Block diagram of the Zenith tuner on v.h.f. channels. (b) Block diagram of the tuner circuit in one of the u.h.f. positions. Three sets of oscillator and preselector cwil strips are required to cover all 70 u.h.f. channels.


Fig. 4-Simplified schematic of the tuner circuit in one of the u.h.f. positions.
 converter.
Fig. 8 (Right)-Rear view of the Mallory TV-101.


Fig. 9-Schematic of the TV-101 u.h.f. converter using the spiral Inductuner.

## Local-distance switching plus

 more anti-noise sync circuitryBy ROBERT F. SCOTT

i.f.-amplifier stages and through a $1.5-$ negohnl isolating resistor (R1) to the r.f.-amplifier and mixer grids in the tuner. In the suburban position (that shown in Fig. 1) a.g.c. voltage is removed from the tuner, and the r.f.amplifier and mixer grids are returned to ground. The FRINGE position is used when the incoming signals are weak, and the set must operate with maximum sensitivity. This grounds R1 and lowers the a.g.c. voltage on the i.f.amplifier tubes to one-half the value applied in the local and suburban positions. In this position the video amplifier grid resistor is returned to grourd to improve noise limiting ahead of the sync take-off point. The area selector control should be adjusted to the position which gives the clearest and most stable picture on all active chanuels.

## Olympic local-fringe control

The Olympic model 762 receiver has the local-fringe circuit shown in Fig. 2, When the switch is set to Local (in strong-signal areas), the r. f. amplifier and firsi, second, and third videoi.f. amplifiess are supplied with the full a.g.c. voltage across the 8,200 -ohm video-detector load resistor. In this position the a.g.c. line is connected through a 1 -megohm resistor to the junction of a $100.000 \cdot \mathrm{ohm}$ resistor and the contrast control. The arm of the control is grounded and the $100,000-$ ohm resistor connects to plus 220 volts.

When the signal is strong, the contrast control is usually adjusted for maximum resistance in the cathode circuit of the video amplifier. This

Fig, 2-Local-Distance switching used in Olympic TV models 762,783 , and 967 .

MANY modern television sets have auxiliary controls on the thack for adjusting the sensitivity for optimum performance in weak-, medium-, and strong-signal areas. Fig. 1 shows the area-control circuit used in the Motorola TS-395A and TS-400A chassis. Slightly different versions are used in other late Motorola receivers. The local, suburban, and fringe settings adjust the sensitivity of the receiver for strong, medium, and weak signals, respectively.

In the local position, iull a.g.c.taken from the video detector outputis applied to the first and second video


Fig. 3-Noise-canceller sync eircuits of G-E 21 T 4 and 21 T television receivers.
grounds the a.g.c. line through the 1 -megohm resistor, and maximum a.g.c. voltage is used to reduce sensitivity and prevent overloading.

When the set is tuned to a weaker channel, the contrast control is moved up to reduce the bias on the video amplifier. A positive voltage now appears at the junction of the $1-m e g o h m$ resistor and the lower leg of the contrast control. This positive voltage charges the 0.22 -uf a.g.c. filter capacitor and bucks the negative a.g.c. Foltage across the detector load. This positive voltage (a.g.c. delay bias) prevents the a.g.c. voltage from reducing the circuit gain until the incoming signal is strong enough to overcome it.

Advancing the contrast control to compensate for weaker signals brings more of its resistance into the voltage divider circuit and increases the delay bias applied to the line. The bias varies from 0 to about 4 volts as the contrast control is varied from maximum to minimum setting. Thus, varying the control automatically sets the a.g.c. delay bias to the proper point for best operation. In weak-signal areas the switch is set in DISTANCE position, disconnecting the a.g.c. bus from the contrast control circuit.

## Noise-immune sync circuits

In past issues, we have discussed some of the various systems which manufacturers are using to insure maximum sync stability in the presence of severe noise.*

Now let's look at Fig. 3 which shows the G-F moise-canceller circuit used in the 21 T 4 and 21 T 5 models. The circuit is designed to prevent noise from entering the sync-clipper circuit and causing loss of sync through premature triggering of the sweep oscillators.

The composite video signal from the video detector is fed through a cascaded two-stage video amplifier into the grid of the picture tube along with any noise pulses which may be picked up with the signal. The negative-going sync pulses and noise (e) are tapped off the grid of the picture tube and fed to the grid of the sync amplifier ( $1 / 2$ 6SL 7 -GT). This combination of noise and sync pulses is amplified and appears with positive polarity at the plate of the 6SL. 7 .

At the same time that the amplified noise and sync pulses appear at the grid of the sync amplifier, the umamplified negative-going noise and syre pulses (a) from the video detector output are applied to the cathode of the 6AQ7 noise-canceller tube through a 1-uf coupling capacitor. The grid of the 6AQ7 is biased negatively from the a.g.c. line. The cathode is biased positive by returning it to a point on a voltage divider composed of R1, R2, and the picture stabilizer R3. Control R3 is set so the 6AQ7 is biased to cutoff until the negative-going noise pulse

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Fig. 5-Stromberg-Carlson receivers use this keyed noise-clipper sync circuit.
on the cathode exceeds the amplitude of the sync pulses. R4 is a load resistor common to the 6SL7 and 6AQ7. The GAQ7 operates as a grounded-grid amplifier with input and output signals in phase. Since the two output signals arc of opposite polarity, the waveform across R 4 at any tim2 will be the algebraic sum of the two signals. When the GAQ7 conducts, it shunts the output of the sync amplifier and prevents any signal from being fed through to the sync clipper.

Waveforms $a, b, c$, $c$, and $e$ show the operation of the circuit. Waveform $a$ is the unamplified composite video with a superimposed noise burst. The waveform at the plate of the 6AQ7 during conduction is shown in waveform $b$. The pattern at $c$ would appear at the plate of the 6SL7-GT if the 6AQ7 were heavily biased or removed from the circuit. The pattern at $d$ shows the result of combining the waveforms at $b$ and $c$ in the common load resistor R4.

When the noise-pulse duration is
longer than the time of several horizontal lines, all sync information is wiped out, but sync is not lost because of the flywheel characteristics of the sweep generator.

## RCA noise-suicide circuit

A number of recent RCA TV receivers employ a moise-suicide circuit which prevents noise from causing vertical jitter in weak-signal areas. The video i.f. amplifier strip is designed so the grid of the fourth vides i.f. tube (Fig. 4) does not draw grid current with normal signal levels. However, strong noise pulses drive the grid positive.

Each time a noise pulse arrives, grid current flows, and negative pulses appear in the plate and screen-grid circuits. The negative pulse across the 47,000 -ohm screen resistor (R1) is tapped off and fed to the grid of the vertical sync separator ( $1 / 2$ 6SN7-GT) through an R-C network consisting of a $.033-\mu \mathrm{f}$ capacitor and 100,000 - and

47,000 -ohm resistors in series.
The negative noise pulse in the plate circuit of the 6 CB 6 is rectified by the video detector. The noise pulse next appears as an amplified positive pulse in the plate circuit of the 6AG7 video amplifier. This positive pulse is also fed to the grid of the vertical sync separator. The amplitudes of the positive and negative noise pulses are such that they cancel in the grid circuit of the vertical sync separator. Thus, noise is suppressed before it can reach the vertical oscillator and cause instability.

Another interesting feature of these sets is the use of separate vertical and horizontal sync separators. These provide better sync stability than do simpler systems in which vertical and horizontal sync signals are passed through a common separator-amplifier system.

## Keyed noise clipper

To minimize the effects of noise bursts on the stability of the sweep oscillators, Stromberg-Carlson uses a keyed noise clipper in a number of its receivers. A typical circuit is shown in Fig. 5. The composite video signal is applied to the grid of V1 so the positivegoing sync pulses arrive at the same instant that positive pulses (from the horizontal output circuit) are applied to its plate. This combination of positive pulses on plate and grid causes V1 to conduct. C1 charges rapidly to the peak of the sync pulses through the output resistance ( $1 / \mathrm{gm}$ ) of the cathode follower noise reference tube V1. In the absence of pulses on the plateabout $90 \%$ of the total time-C1 tends to discharge through R1 in series with the internal resistance of the video amplifier. However, the time-constant of the discharge circuit is so long that the next sync pulse arrives on the grid before the charge on C1 can drop appreciably from the level of the sync tips.

The cathode of the 6AL5 diode noise clipper is biased positive to the level of the sync tips by the charge on C1. Noise pulses which exceed the sync level cause the diode to conduct and short-circuit the excess noise voltage to ground through C1 so it cannot appear at the input of the sync separator. The clipped portion of the noise pulse does not contribute substantially to the


Fig. 6-Automatic width-control circuit in some recent Philco television models. JANUARY, 1953
charge on C1 because R3 gives the charging circuit-a time-constant which is long compared to the duration of the noise. Besides, any noise voltage which may be added to C 1 will leak off through R1 and the video amplifier, so the charge on C 1 is about normal when the next sync pulse arrives from the video circuits.

The noise pulse sees the grid-cathode circuit of V1 as a diode whose operation and characteristics are similar to those of the clipper diode. R2 in series with the grid of V1 gives the gridcathode charging path a time-constant which is too long to permit noise to cause a substantial increase in the voltage across C1.
The ability of the noise clipper to distinguish between noise and sync pulses depends on maintaining the charge on C 1 equal to the peak of the sync pulses. Its effectiveness in this operation is determined by the ratio of R2 to $1 / \mathrm{gm}$.

## Automatic width confrol

Adjusting the brightness control on a TV set varies the bias on the picture tube and causes the beam current to change. If the second anode is supplied from a source which has poor regulation, the changing beam current shifts the load on the supply and causes the second-anode voltage to rise or fall. Increasing the bias on the picture tube-for a darker picture-lightens the load on the supply and the high voltage rises. This causes the picture to shrink. Decreasing the bias to give a bright picture increases the load on the supply, the high voltage drops, and the picture tends to expand since the reduced velocity of the electron bean makes it easy to sweep over a large area.

Philco TV receivers using the type 71 or 42 r.f. chassis and G-1 or G-2 deflection chassis incorporate a circuit whi h tends to keep the picture width constant regardless of the setting of the brightness control. The simplified circuit is shown in Fig. 6.
The grid and cathode of the picture tube and the screen grid of the 6BQ6GT are supplied with voltages from two voltage dividers connected in parallel across the 240 -volt B plus line. Both dividers return to ground through the arm of the brightness control. When the control is set for minimum brightness (maxinum bias on the picture tube) the grid of the picture tube is at ground potential and its cathode is approximately 90 volts positive. This lightens the load on the high-voltage supply and the picture would expand if it were not for the fact that at this setting the 6BQ6 screen voltage is reduced to 120 . This lowers the high voltage just enough to compensate for the increase brought about by the higher picture-tube grid bias.

Setting the control for maximum brightness raises the 6BQ6 screen voltage to 140 to compensate for the drop in high voltage when the bias on the picture tube is reduced.

## EQUIPMENT INVESTMENT

RADIO-TV service terhnicianlike the biggest industria: corpora-tions-has a large part of his money tied up in tools and test equipment that either wear out in normal use or become obsolete as new methods or better devices come on the market. One of the vital dollars-and-cents factors that Big Business knows-but that the average technician doesn't even drea.n aboutis that it doesn't pay to use your equipment past a certain point in its life, even though it may still be quite serviceable. Industrial engineers get fat fees for figuring out the point where it actually costs less to buy brand-new equipment than to continue using the old. You can do your own engineering with just a little simple arithmetic.
The Gawler-Knoop Co... of Caldwell, N. J., Wyncote, Pa., and Silver Spring, Md., have condensed the whole procedure into a few simple steps. Figures are based on an expected life of 10 years for electronic test equipment, an $8 \%$ return on your original investment, and a maintenance cost of $5 \%$ per year, with no salvage value at any time. (While these conditions apply more to laboratory instruments that get the best of care than to service-type equipment, the shorter life in service work is offset by the fact that your used equipment usually has some resale or trade-in value.)

## OLD EQUIPMENT

A-Present book value $=$ (original cost)
(original cost $\times$ years in service)
B-Depreciation cont $=$ original cost
up to l0th year, "0" thereafter
C-Average interest cost =
(present book value $\times 0.08$ )
$\times \frac{(11-y e a r s ~ i n ~ s e r v i c e)}{10}$
D-Taxes and insurance $=$ present value $\times 0.025$
E-Maintenance and repair = original
cont $\times 0.05$ (may be higher for old
equipment)
$\mathbf{F}-\mathbf{B} \underset{\text { equipment }}{+(\mathbb{I}}+\mathbf{E}=$ annual cost of old

## NEW EQUIPMENT



If $L$ is larger than $K$ minus $F$, the new equipment will pay for itself in less than one year. $L-(K-F)=$ annual savings from use of new equipment.
Note: As an example, a $\$ 1,000$ purchase of new equipment is worth while to replace equipment 5 years old which originally cost $\$ 500$, if the new gear will save 24 minutes per day with labor at $\$ 1.50$ per hour.

End

# TELEVISION? it's a cinch! <br> By E. Aisberg 

Translated from

La Télévision? . . . Mais c'est très simple!
by Fred Shunaman


## First conversation: Frequencies, v.h.f., and video.

Will-Ken, I need some advice for my Uncle Jack.
KEN-O.K.-something about his radio, I suppose?
Will-Not exactly. He's interested in television now. He's had a bad attack of arthritis, so he hasn't been able to get out of the house for a couple of months. You know what a movie fan he's always been. So now that he can't get out to see five pictures a week, he wants to get a TV set to bring the movies to him.
Ken-Good idea! I'll be glad to lend a hand. Let's drop over to your uncle's right now, and see where we can put up the antenna.
Will-That's not going to be so easy. Didn't you know my uncle has been living in northern Maine for almost a year now?
KEN-Why didn't you tell me? You'd better just get your uncle a case of aspirin. He won't get television in northern Maine-at least not till we get a few more stations.
Will-Why not? What about the programs from the Empire State Building?
Ken-He can't even get programs from Massachusetts stations. Sixty miles is about as far as you can be sure of getting dependable TV reception. Sometimes you may pick up programs a lot farther away. But your uncle in northern Maine hasn't much chance of getting entertainment out of a TV set.

## The earth is round

Wili-If TV stations don't get out any better than that, why don't they increase their power?
Ken-Because it wouldn't help-much. Most television is transmitted between 54 and 216 megacycles, in what they call the very-high-frequency band-between 30 and 300 megacycles; or on ultra-high frequencies, which means in the spectrum between 300 and 3,000 megacycles. The u.h.f. TV band runs from 470 to 890. Now, the higher you go in frequency-or the shorter the waves get, if you like to put it that way-the more they act like light waves. Longer radio waves -like those in the broadcast band-can bend and follow the curve of the earth, but v.h.f. waves travel in straight lines and can't get around the bend in the earth's surface.

Will-Does that mean that the receiving antenna must be in sight of the transmitting antenna to pick up TV signals?

KEN-Well, not quite. Of course, what the engineers call "optical visibility" is best for reliable reception. But v.h.f. waves are a lot longer than light waves and are not quite so set on following a straight line. V.h.f. waves do reach a little beyond the visible horizon, and can curve around small obstacles.

Will-Wait a minute! I think I get it. Because the earth is round, its curvature hides the transmitting antenna after a certain distance. The waves travel in straight lines, so they just keep on going over our heads and out into space?
Ken-You've just described in one sentence what has been called "The Tragedy of Television."

Will-Why "tragedy"?
KEN-Because that's what makes it tough or impossible for large areas of

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the country to get good TV service. The transmitting range is so short that it would be too costly to put up enough stations to cover the whole country.

## Getting up in the air

Will-Isn't there any way of getting around this "tragedy"? Maybe people who live too far from TV stations could find some way of hooking onto those waves that are going by way over their heads. Why couldn't they use kites or captive balloons to hold up their antennas?
KEN-I don't think any TV set owner has gone that far, but some communications companies use antennas on captive balloons (Kytoons) to test sites for antenna towers. Most TV stations try to get their antennas as high as they can, though. That's why you see television antennas on the Empire State Building, on Mount Wilson, and on other such high points.
Will-So you see there is a way out! Why do they make such a good start and then stop short?
Ken-I don't get you.
Will-Why don't they put the transmitter in an airplane, and get up even higher? A plane flying around in the stratosphere could cover a quarter of the country, and my uncle Jack could see his flickers!

Ken-Congratulations, Will! You've just invented stratovision. That's what Westinghouse called just such a system some years ago. But they don't seem to have got it on a practical basis yet.

## Shedding a little light

Will-Then why in blazes do they have to keep television on such short waves? Just because it's so new is no reason for putting it in the third subbasement. Can't we reallocate or shut down three or four broadcast stations or commercial transmitters and put TV on the short or medium waves-where it really ought to be? Just think, if we only had one wavelength in the broadcast band we could put up three or four stations strong enough to cover the whole country. . .

Ken-You're off the deep end that time, chum! Getting TV into the broadcast band would be about as easy as getting an elephant into a snailshell.

Will-What's the connection between an elephant and television?
KEN-Easy, boy. Sit back and relax. Now think about the signals you get on your AM receiver. You have a carrier that sort of takes an audio signal along on its back. How wide a band does that need?

Will-Well, the lowest audio notes are around 30 cycles and the highest about 15,000 cycles. I know for a fact, though, that most AM stations don't modulate much above 7,500 cycles.
KEN-In other words, when you remember that you have the audio signal on both sides of the carrier, most AM stations have a bandwidth of 15 kilocycles. Did you ever stop to figure out why an AM station should be limited
to 15 kc ? to 15 kc ?



Will-I may not know all the reasons, but the most important one is to cut down interference on adjacent channels. You couldn't get much above 5,000 cycles with the equipment they had when broadcasting started, and frequency allocations were made on that basis. Now the official signpost is 7,500 cycles for each sideband. Lots of stations go beyond that today, if they can do it without causing too much interference on neighboring channels. What's all this got to do with TV?

KEN-Plenty! But first, have you any idea of how television images are transmitted?

Will_Of course! You can't transmit a whole picture at one time, so it's broken down into very tiny elements and then these elements are transmitted successively . . . KEN-Whoa! You lost me there, chum! W
Will-Ever look real close at a picture in a newspaper?
Ken-Yes.
Will-And it looked like what?
KEN-Like a bunch of dots-some light, some dark.
Will-It's the same in TV. We take a picture and break it down into little bits, some light, some dark. Only we don't call 'em dots, we say elements (or sometimes points).
KEN-And this business about "transmitted successively"?
Will_That's just the way the engineers say "one after another." The television transmitter changes each element into a voltage. Transmission is negative . . .

KEN_Hold it again! Just what is "negative transmission"?
Will-It just means that the dark part of a picture produces mcre voltage than a light part. A black element produces the strongest voltage.

KEN-And a point that isn't so black?
Will-Just that much less.
KEN-And what if you have just a white space?
Will-You can't catch me on that one. A white space gives zero voltage.
Ken-Or at least a very low one. But how do we manage to pick out all the points of a picture and then transmit them one after another?

Will-Easy. A scene is scanned exactly like you'd read the lines on the page of a book. You could think of each letter as an image element. All the lines on a page are scanned one after the other to form an image. When we've finished one page, we start scanning the next one ...

KEN-Correct! And how fast is this "reading" done?
WILL-Well, the pictures have to follow each other fast enough so the eye Wees one continuous moving picture. The movies use 24 pictares a second. In television they follow each other at the rate of 30 a second.
KEN-Or about half a minute to read "Gone with the Wind"! But we're getting away from why we don't have a TV station in the broadcast band.
Will_Go ahead. I'm listening.
KEN-We've agreed that the voltage produced by any picture element depends on how dark it is. So when we transmit a signal that describes all the elements of a television scene, we're going to jump around from a very large voltage for a dark element to a very weak voltage for a bright one. And we're going to transmit all the elements of a complete picture in $1 / 30$ th of a second. Does that mean that the sidebands will be very wide?

## Will-Does it?

Ken-It certainly does! This signal that expresses the brightness of each element in a TV picture is called a video-frequency signal. It's really a wide band of frequencies-something like the audio frequencies in an AM receiver.

Will-I suppose it can even be zero frequency sometimes. If you televise an all-white or all-black surface, all the little elements will be the same, and will produce the same voltage while the whole surface is being scanned.

Ken-That's true. But if the elements along the line being scanned are not all of the same brightness, the signal voltage varies. Now, when is that variation fastest, or in other words, when will we get the highest video frequency? Will-Probably when a lot of adjoining elements in a line differ in brightness.
KEN-Exactly. The frequency is maximum when we scan a line composed of elements which are black, white, black, white, successively. The highest frequency you could get would be with an image made of black vertical lines one element wide, separated by white intervals, also one element wide.
Will_Then each element would give us one cycle of signal, and . . .
Ken-Easy, boy, easy! A white bar produces a very weak voltage and a black bar a very strong one. So scanning two adjoining elements-one black and the other white-produces a weak and a strong voltage. As we scan, the voltage alternates from weak to strong, back to weak, and so on. It takes the two bars, one black and one white, to make one cycle. And since one cycle can Will-Is half the number of image elements!
Will-Is half the number of
KEN-This time you're right.

# UHF circuitry 

 between them is the newer Standard Coil u.h.f. strip. Some of its components are electrical rather than physical. C2, C3, and C4 are capacitances between the brass screw and silver tab on the ceramic coil form. C6 may be 5 兜f or $2.2 \mu \mu \mathrm{f}$ depending on the channel. L4, C4, and C1 form a circuit tuned to the 2nd, 3 rd, or 4 th harmonic of the local oscillator.



The circuit at the top of the page is the RCA u.h.f. selector U70. It covers the whole u.h.f. spectrum from channel 14 to 83. Its output may be on either channel 5 or 6 , at 300 ohms, while the u.h.f. input may be either 75 or 300 ohms. (V.h.f. input is specified as 300 ohms balanced.) The TV receiver may be plugged into a receptacle on the selector, so that both v.h.f. receiver and selector can be operated by the selector's "on-off" switch. To receive v.h.f. programs, the switch is turned to V.H.F., which turns the selector on and puts it in stand-by condition. For u.h.f. signals, the switch is turned to U.H.F. and the v.h.f. receiver set to channel 5 or 6 .
The schematic in the center is that of the G-E UHF-103 Translator described briefly in last month's issue ("More u.h.f. Converters", page 52).

Circuit at lower left is the RCA U1 (U1A, U1B), an adapter which permits receiving any single u.h.f. TV station when employed with a v.h.f. receiver. Its output is also on channel 5 or 6 . U1A has a 7 -pin miniature adapter socket for use with sets having a 6AQ5 audio output stage; U1B has an octal socket for use with a 6 K 6 or 6 V 6 output socket.

Diagram at lower right is the tuner used with the Sylvania chassis 1-510-2 and labelled in their schematic "Sarkes Tarzian u.h.f. tuner."

 of any two u.h.f. TV stations (within range) when used with a v.h.f. recejver. lt has four switch positions: UHF, UHF, VHF, and off. Either channel 5 or 6 may be used as the first i.f. The oscillator operates in the $200-300-\mathrm{mc}$ range, and the second or third harmonic of the ascillator is applied to the crystal mixer. Normally the second harmonic is used for channels 14 to 46 and the third for 47 to 83.

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3628 N. Lincoln Ave.
Chicago, III
Folded dipole arrays. 5- and 8 element Yagi antennas; 6-, 8-, 10- and 12- element conical arrays; single and stacked V's; u.h.f. corner-reflector, Yagi, V and parabolic antennas. Thirtytwo antenna models. Masts, fittings, mounts, wire, accessories.

## Baker Mfg. Co.

Evansville, Wisc.
Forty-foot tower; 20-, 30- and 40 -foot telescopic masts ; double rock-up foot mount and peak roof mount.

## Beacon Corp.

2846 Milwaukee Ave.
Chicago 18, 111.
Spiral-type horizontal-element indoor antenna. One model, in aluminum or gold anodized finish.
Bell Television, Inc.
552 W. 53 rd St.
New York 19, N. Y
Amplified master antenna systems, individually engineered for each installation.

## Birnbach Radio Cc., Inc.

145 Hudson St.
New York 13, N. Y
Indoor flexible folded dipoles, u.h.f. antennas, aluminum ground wire, rotator cable, RG. 59/U coaxial cable, ground rods, loom, standoffs, guy wire, guywire kits, lightning arresters. filters, anchor bolts, mounting straps, clamps, couplers, switches.

## Blaco Mfg. Co.

6541 Euclid Ave.
Cleveland 3, Ohio
Adjustable ground clamps and standoff straps.

Blonder-Tongue Laboratories 526-536 North Ave.
Westfield, N. J.
Line-amplifiers, mixer amplifiers, distribution units, line splitters matching transformers, line-loss equalizers, weatherproof housinys, remote-control units.

## C'amburn. Inc.

32-40 37th St., W oodside 77, N. Y. Super-X conicals and biconicals. -, 8-, and 10 -element Yagis, window antennas, masts, indoor dipoles, Zoom-mp antennas, traight-line and $V$ antennas. Installation accessories. Eighteen models.
Cass Machine Co.
691 Antoinette St.
Detroit 2, Michigan
Conical, single, stackerl and double-stacked antennas; hi-low, in-line, and indoor antennas. Less mast or kit form, Side mounts, roof mounts, hardware. Thirty antenna models,

## Channel Master Corp.

Ellenville, N. Y
V.h.f. antennas includink Yagis, broad-band Yagis, fan antennas, high-low combinations, and 10 element Yagis. U.h.f. triangular dipoles with or without screen. stacked V's, comer reflectors and Yagis. Combination u.h.f.v.h.f. antennas. Telescoping masts, triangular towers, and other accessories.

## Copperweld Steel Co.

Gilassport, Pa.
Ground rods, stranded guy wire, rrounding wire, and single conductor antenna wire.

## Davis Electronics

4313 W. Magnolia Blvd.
Burbank, Calif.
Special type all-channel v.h.f. "Super-Vision" antenna. One model. U.h.f antenna.

## Easy-Up Tower Co.

## 427 Romayne Ave.

Racine, Wis.
TV towers, three models ; roof mounts, twelve models ; antenna accessories.

## Energy Farm Equipment Co.

## Monticello, Lowa

Hydraulic sectional TV mast, compressed height 22 feet, extended height about 60 feet.

## The Finney Co.

4612 St. Clair Ave., Cleveland, Ohio U.h.f. and v.h.f. ultra-high-gain fringe-area TV antennas. Communication and special purpose antennas.

## Fretco, Inc.

1041 Forbes St
Pittsburgh 19, Pa.
Yagis, conicals, v.h.f., u.h.f., broad-band, collinear arrays, "Fretarays," corner reflectors, dipoles, special arrays, slot antennas. Sixty models.

## Giadgets, Inc.

3629 N. Dixie Dr.
Dayton, Ohio
"Circlatron" indoor circular adjustable dipole.
Gee-Lar Mfg. Co.
1330 10th Ave
Rock ford, 111.
Single-, 2-, and 4-bay all-channel conical antennas. Three models.

General Cement Mfg. Co.
919 Taylor Ave.
Rockford, III.
Single-, 2-, and 4-bay all-channel conical antennas. U.h.f. double-
$X$ and special bow-tie conical.

## (ileam Mig. Co.

740 N. Leavitt st
('hicago 13, III.
Model-boat type indoor antenna. One model.

## Gonset Co.

801 S. Main St.
Burbank, Calif
U.h.f. and v.h.f. fringe-area high-gain arrays. 375 -ohm and $450-\mathrm{ohm}$ open-wire line.

## Don Good, Inc.

1014 Fair Oaks Ave.
South Pasadena, Calif.
U.h.f. and v.h.f. lead-in, openline and sheathed against unfavorable atmospheric conditions. Two models (two colors each model). Interference trans and filters.
Hamilton Electronics Corporation

## 2726 Pratt Avenue

Chicago 45, Ill.
lmpedance-matching, isolating couplers for operating two to six TV receivers from a common antenna. Three models.

## Haydon Iroducts Corp.

1801 8th Ave.
Brooklyn 15, N. Y.
Stationary and adjustable chimney, wall, roof, eave, and pipe mounts; yalvanized and stainmounts, (alvanin. mast-stand ess-steel and screw-eye insulators; off and screw-eye insulators: hardware. Forty model.
Hi-Lo TV Antenna Corp.
3540 N. Ravenswood Ave.
Chicago 13, Ill.
Indoor, outdoor spiral antennas, v.h.f., high-low bands inductively coupled Two models with stand coupled. Two models, with stand
or window mount.

## Hi-Par Products Co.

347 Lunenburg St.
Fitchburg, Mass.
Dipole-reflector antennas, single and stacked: conicals; double diamonds ; 4-, 5-, and 8-element Yagis; in-line antennas; Twen-ty-four models.

## Holub Industries. Inc.

413 DeKalb Avenue
Sycamore, III Installation tools and hardware: masonry drills, lead-in clamps, screw anchors, wire stripners.

## Hy-Lite Antennae. Inc.

Hy-Lite Antenn
242 E. 137th St.
242 E. ${ }^{137 t h}$ St. N . York 51, Wide-band-V, conical-V and conical antennas; low- and highband folded and straight dipoles single-channel 4-. 5-. 8-, and lo-element Yagis. Twenty-two models.

## I E Mfg.

325 N. Hoyne Ave
Chicago, Ill.
Wide- and narrow-band antennas, u.h.f. antennas, straigh conicals, fringe-area clover-les? antennas.
Imperial Radar \& Wire Corp.
4342 Bronx Blyd.
Bronx 66, New York
Open-line lead-in wire, openwire matching transformers, feed-through insulators; antenna and mast accessories.

Insuline Corp. of America
3603 35th Ave.
Long Island C'ity, N. Y.
Yagi, stacked-Yagi, biconical, stacked-biconical, conical. stacked-conical, folded-dipole, stacked-folded-dipole, simple-dipole, stacked-simple-dipole, flex-ible-indoor, indoor-dipole, and window antennas. Masts, acces sories, kits and preassembled units. Sixty-five mordels.
Javex
P. O. Box 646, Redlands, Calif. Custon-molded wall-plate antenna outlets in single-, double-, triple-, switching and dualcoupler types for flush mounting: sntenna couplings, con nectors, polarized plugs and sockets, combination plugs, sockets, terminals and junc tions feed-throurhs and an tenna weatherheads.

## Jerrold Electronics Corp.

26th and Dickinson Sts.
Philadelphia 46, Pa.
Master antenna systems for apartment houses, dealers, and communities ; single-channel and wide-band amplifiers ; distribution amplifiers; solderless co-axial-line connectors; antennaand line-matching transformers: all TV distribution-system accessories.
JFI) Mfg. Corp.
6101 16th Ave.
Brooklyn 2̄̄, N. Y.
"Jet 283"' u.h.f.-v.h.f. all-channel conical, bow ties with straight reflectors, corner reflectors, and 6-element Yagis. ultrs-V beams, rhombics, double and stacked V's. All-aluminum and part-aluminum conicals. single-stacked and 4-bay. Alland part-aluminum Yagis, sin-gle-channel, dual-channel and broad-band, single-stacked and 4-bay (in 5-. 10 -element wide spaced Kaline models). 151 an tenna models. Antenna kits jumper bars, aluminum and stee telescoping masts, lock-joint and fitted-joint masts. Lightning arresters, single-channel boosters, two- and four-set couplers, pre amplifying couplers, three- and four-way antenna switches. Mast mounts. Installation accessories. Wave trans. "NUT" universel Standoffs Over 600 TV products.
Jontz Mfg. Co.
1101 E. McKinley
Mishawaka, Ind.
Towers masts, and roof mounts. Kay-Townes Antenna Co.

## Box 586

Rome, Ga
Broadside arrays, end-fire conicals, double-reflector conicals, V's, and special types ; five models. Masts, two types-24-foot and 34 -foot. Chimney mounts,
roof mounts, installation acces-

## eries

## enwood Eng. Co., Inc

## 65 Colfax Ave.

Kenilworth, N. J mounts. Antenna accessories and hardware.
LaPointe Plascomold Corp
155 W. Main St.

## Rockville, Conn.

Q-Tee, broad-band, v.h.f. (three
models-single, double, (uuad) heavy-duty $Q$-Tee (three mod els-single, double, quad) ; Ultr Q-Tee, all v.h.f.-u.h.f. channels (2-83), (three models-single double, quad). Ultra Q-Tce Sub urban, broad-band v.h.f. fringe area u.h.f. (three models-single, double, quad)
V.h.f. antennas: singlechannel 4-. 5-, 12 element Yagis; broadband collinear arrays; dipole-and-reflector models, conicals Eighteen models. U.h.f anten nas: single-channel, 8 -and 12 element Yagis; collinear, broad band arrays; side-by-side-stack collinear broad-band arrays broad-band primary-area $V$ an tenna and reffectors

## Louis Kros.

343 E. 16 th St
Los Angeles 23, Calif.
Conical, folded-dipole, Yagi, dou-ble-V, and all-channel u.h.f. and v.h.f. antennas. Masts and antenna kits. Sixty-five models.

## Mechanical Steel Tubing Corp.

1801 8th Ave
Brooklyn 15, N. Y
Dualcote and Alumacote steel TV masts, 5 - and 10 -foot sections, 15-, 18-, and 20-gauge. Twenty-four models.

## Mosley Electronies

## 125 Lackland Rd.

Overland 14, Mo.
Weatherproof lead-in entrances ; lead-in flush sockets; TV-antenna switches; 2-set TV couplers; open-wire accessories; $300-\mathrm{ohm}$ transmission line plugs, sockets, connectcrs, and splicers: rotator-cable connectors.

## Neal Electronics Co.

505 Seminole

## Huntsville, Alabama

Five- and 10 -element extra-highgain Yagis; all-channel Yagi. U.h.f. Yagim, conicals, V's, and quare-corner antennas now in process.
Thio Aerial Co.
4553 Lewis Ave
Conical antenna (triple fronthorizontal reflector bars) and stacked arrays. No distribution mutside Michigan and Ohio.
Peerless Products Industries
812 N. Pulaski Road
Chicago 51, Ill.
Indoor adjustable dipoles. Three models.
Penn Boiler Barner Mfg. Corp.
Fruitville Road
Lancaster, Pa.
Sectional towers, 10 -foot sec tions, guy supported, to 100 feet gnd more; telescopic towers (with detachable hoist), 3 sec tions, guy supported, with maximum height of 29 feet plus pole height. Two models.

## Philson Mfe. Co., Inc.

## 60-66 Sackett St.

Brooklyn 31, N. Y
Straight and folded dipoles, coni cals, Yagis, double-V's, in-line antennas, and mounting brack. ets. Six different antenna types.
Plymouth Electronics Corp.

## 50 Kingsbury St.

Worcester 10, Mass
Roof, wall, und chimney mounts ; guy wire; channel-transfer switches; couplers; interference filters. Fourteen models.

## Kadelco Mfg. Co.

7580 Garfield Blvd.
Cleveland 25, Ohio
"Bar-X" all-channel, v.h.f. antennas, six models; hi-low allchannel, v.h.f. antennas, six models; in-line, all-channel, v.h.f. antennas, three models: all-channel u.h.f., one model;
indoor antenna, one model ; sin-yle-channel Yagis ; masts, wall and chimney mounts, ground rods, lightning arresters, other accessories.

## he radiart Corp

3455 Vega Ave., Cleveland 13, Ohio lsoad-band and cut-to-channel antennas in all popular types. Thirty-eight models for v.h.f. U.h.f. models to be released soon. Indoor antennas, stacking kits, chimney mounts, lightning arresters.
Radio Corporation of America
415 S. 5th Street, Harrison, N. J.
Twelve-channel TV antennas, folded dipoles with reflectors, $V$ attachments, reversible-beam arrays. Arresters, mounting brackets, guy rings, other accessories.
Radio Merchandise Sales, Inc.
2016 Bronxdale Ave.
Bronx, N. Y.
Five-, 8-, and 10 -element arrays, conicals (quick-rig and preassembled), end-fire-V arrays assembled), end-fire-V arrays
and conical $V$ 's; corner arrays, and conical $V$ 's; corner arrays,
folded hi-low, straight hi-low, folded hi-low, straight hi-low,
for v.h.f. and u.h.f.; window antennas, indoor antennas, masts, kits. Antenna switches, set couplers, chimney mounts, and all accessory hardware Over twenty-six antenna models.
The Radion Corp.
1130 W. Wisconsin Ave.
Chicago, III.
Porcelain and phenolic lightning arresters; indoor TV antennas, V-type straight dipoles for v.h.f. and u.h.f.; printed circuit antennas for v.h.f. and u.h.f.; conical and folded dipole outdoor antennas; masts, mounts, and related accessories.

## Ramsey Radio \& Television Co

Box 297. Ramsey, III.
Welded tubular-steel towers for roof or ground mounting, in 10 . foot sections, five models; telescoping steel masts, two models.

## Ray Co.

441 Summit St., Toledo, Ohio Four-way, motorless, nondirectional ; diamond stacked dipole array. Six models.

## Kohn Mfg. Co.

2108-10 Main St., Peoria 5, Ill. Self-supporting steel towers, foldover towers and kits, drivein tower bases, tower accessories. Six models.

## Walter L. Schott Co.

## 3225 Exposition Place

Los Angeles 18, Calif
Directional, conical, and double$V$ wide-band arrays in various models: antenna kits; u.h.f. broad-band, corner-reflector, fan and double-V antennas. Fifteen models.
S/C Laboratories, Inc
37 George St., Newark 5, N. J.
Six- and 8-element standard conicals; 6- and 8-element deluxe conicals; folded v.h.f. highband adapter; dual=V.

## Snyder Mfg. Co.

22nd and Ontario Sts
Philadelphia 40, Pa.
"Directronic" antennas, outdoor and indoor, for v.h.f. and u.h.f.; Yagis, biconicals; fringe-area high-xain "Directronics"; u.h.f corner-reflector, Yagi, and bowtie types; end-fire V's; kits; preassembled units; 300 -ohm flat and Tri-A transmission lines masts ; antenna-mounting acces sories. Thirty models.

## South River Metal Products Co., Inc

 377-379 TurnpikeSouth River, N. J.
Mounting brackets, chimney mounts, wall brackets, snap-in
mounts, vent-pipe mounts, ad justable wall brackets, peak and flat-roof mounts, eave mounts Guy rings and clamps, banding. banding replacement kits, ground rods, screw-type insula tors, standoffs, mast tubing.

## Spirling Products Co., Inc.

62 Grand St.. New York 13, N. Y. Indoor antennas. Four models.
Tabet ilfg. Co., Inc.
254 W. Tazewell St.
Norfolk 10, Va
Sectional aluminum towers
Three models (Economy, 24 feet
Standard, 30 feet: Reinforced,
90 feet maximum height). Tower sections and equipment.
Technical Appliance Corp.
1 Taco St.
Sherburne, N. Y
Broad-band, all-channel anten. nas, conical and high-low types for v.h.f.; u.h.f.-v.h.f. fan and reflector types; twin-driven 5 element and 10 -element Yagis ; indoor, simple-dipole and foldeddipole antennas. Seventy-three models. Accessories, mast mounts, lightning arresters, antenna amplifiers. Master anten-na-distribution systems.
Tel-A-Ray Enterprises, Inc.
Box 332, Henderson, Ky.
U.h.f.-v.h.f. 3-, 5-, and 8-element Yagis. Broad-band butterfly antennas, window, attic, and 1 -, 2-, and 4-bay arrays, Broad-band u.h.f. antennas. Fifty-six models. Steel towers.
Television Laboratories, Inc.
5045 W. Lake St., Chicago 44, III. Printed-circuit antennas, builtin u.h.f. and v.h.f. antennas, un-der-rug antennas. Eleven models.
Television Radio Electronics
Route No. 1, Box 291
Merced, Calif
V.h.f. 10-element in-line Yagi u.h.f. 5-element Yagi with screen or reflector: corner-reflector u.h.f. bow-tie antennas; 5 -element cut-to-channel v.h.f. antennas.
Telrex, Inc.
Asbury Park, N. J.
V.h.f. conical-V-beams, Yagis, window antennas, indoor "Hat Wings" ; n.h.f. conical-V-beams duplex Yagis, double-V-beams, duplex Yagis, double-V-beams, corner reflectors; masts
cessories. Sixty models.

## Tempo TV Products

2450 Ramona Blvd.
Los Angeles 3:, Calif.
Fourteen sizes of steel telescopic
masts, from 20 to 80 feet.

## Tennalab

Quincy, III.
V.h.f. multichannel Yagis; v.h.f. and u.h.f. single-channel Yagis; V.h.f. all-channel array. Fortynine models.
Tenna-Trailer Co
321 N. Plum St., Pontiac, III. Portable two-wheeled unit with telesconing 50 -foot mast for demonstrating TV in fringe areas. Lightweight 50 -foot mast for permanent installations. Three models.
Thomas Mold \& Die Co
Box 126, Wooster. Ohio
Hydraulic-telescoping, 40-, 60-, 80 , and 100 -foot steel or aluminum masts. Masts to 200 feet and mobile units to specifications.

## Tricraft Products Co. <br> Ave

Chicago 22, III.
Loaded dipoles, hi-low folded dipole and reflector, single and stacked conical types, cut-tochannel Yagi, all-wave Yagi, electrically loaded and covered spiral indour types, window an-
tennas. u.h.f. antennas, masts:
kits and preassembled units Twenty-nine models.

## Trio Mfg. Co

Griggsville, Ill
Wide-band high-gain Zig-Zag an-
tennas for all v.h.f. channels. Eight models.
TV Development Corp.
2024 McDonald Ave.
Brooklyn 23, N. Y.
All-band conicals, V's, folded and straight dipoles with reflectors, indoor antennas, and ntasts. Six models.
T-V Products Co.

## 152 Sandford St.

Brooklyn 5. N. Y
Wide- and narrow-band arrays 5 - and 10 -element Yagis, single and twin-driven-, preassembledand plug-in type conicals, hi-low folded and straight dipoles, in line antennas, V-type end-fir arrays, u.h.f. broad-band and single-channel types. Chimney wall, and peak roof mounts mast-joiners, antenna hardware. 132 models.

## Unimac Division

Marvin Radio-Television
8906 Buckeye Rd.
Cleveland, Ohio
Chimney mounts. 6*, 12- and 18 . inch wall mounts.

## Universai Products

$\$ 1100$ Taylor Ave., Racine, Wis. Conical antenna, one model : roof mounts, four models; steel towers, three models; masts, four models.
Video Electronic Laboratory
304 Ridgers Road
Des Moines, Iows
Broad-band antennas; $90^{\circ}$ cor ner reflectors, and V-type dipole and reflectors for v.h.f. band. U.h.f. corner reflectors and horizontally polarized helicals. Ten models.
Walnut Machine Co., Inc.
1525 S. Walnut St.
South Bend 14, Ind.
Aluminum all-channel v.h.f. antenna. One model.
Ward Products Corp.
Div. of the Gabriel Co

1523 E. 45 th St.

## Cleveland 3, Ohio

Combination u.h.f.-v.h.f. antennas, folded dipoles, in-lines, conicals, Yagis, in kit form and as preassembled units. Twenty-five models.
Wells \& Winegard
1511 Mt. Pleasant St.
Burlington, lowa
Wide- and narrow-band arrays. combination-channel Yagis, and high-gain all-channel primary-high-gain all-channel primary-
and fringe-area arrays. Six and fr
models.
Western Coil \& Electrical Co
215 State St., Racine, Wis.

# TV comes to PORTLAND 

## Record installation speed

gives "City of Roses" first

commercial u.h.f. station

By VICTOR BARY*

THE FCC's announcement last April of the v.h.f.-u.h.f. allocations plan for new television stations ended the work of various experimental u.h.f. television stations throughout the country.

One of these, RCA-NBC station KC2XAK in Stratford (near Bridgeport), Connecticut (Radio-Electronics, August, 1950), played a major part in speeding up the "thaw" by broadcasting continuously for two years and eight months according to strict commercial standards, and by making its facilities and test data available to the entire TV industry and to the public. During the 32 months of its career, KC2XAK broadcast u.h.f. TV programs 14 hours a day, 5 days a week, and served as the experimental guinea pig for the TV industry.

Aside from its routine program operations this pioneer station furnished answers to vital problems of tube and component performance at u.h.f., circuit stability data, and transmittingantenna design information. It also helped TV-receiver manufacturers design and field-test u.h.f. receivers, antennas, and converters, and aided testequipment manufacturers in designing and testing frequency- and modulationmonitoring equipment for future commercial service. The final sign-off took place on August 23. Bill McAlister and myself, who had started with KC2XAK as the two-man operational staff and had lived with it through its more than two-and-a-half years' existence, were assigned to go along with the station and get it going again in its new home.

Just 26 days later, on September 18 , 1952, the KC2XAK transmitter came on the air again as a television station in Portland, Oregon. Under new call letters, it then became the world's first commercial u.h.f. TV station two days afterward when it signed on the air officially as KPTV, channel 27, ending the television famine for a city of over half a million people. In transmitting a test pattern exactly 10 days after the first piece of electronic equipment was moved into the still-uncompleted transmitter building, KPTV not only surprised the broadcast industry, but

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'Ihis survey crew checked Klolv's first broadcast. The corner-reflector antenna can be raised 70 feet above the street.
set off the frantic rush of receiver sales and installations which will keep Portland's radio and TV technicians redeyed and sleepless for many a month.

Operation on TV channel 27,548-554 mc , instead of the original $529-535 \mathrm{mc}$ meant that a new antenna and filterplexer had to be-built, the transmitter retuned, and a new control crystal ground. In a brief 26 days we tagged,
dismantled, and packed the complete transmitter and tower, anxiously followed their progress on the 3,000 -mile haul from the East to the West Coast, and reassembled it at its new location.

After the transmitter was retuned to the new frequency at Bridgeport, it was broken down into paired frames and racks; heavy or fragile components were removed, packed, and crated in-

dividually, and loaded immediately aboard a transcontinental motor van. The tower and antenna were disassem bled, marked, and loaded aboard a fastfreight railroad car-the tower destined for Portland, and the antenna to be returned to RCA in Camden, New Jersey, as it was unsuitable for operation at the higher frequency. The transmitter reached Portland September 8, and the tower and new antenna arrived three days later.

We went to work immediately, keeping the same floor plan and general layout used in Bridgeport. In this way, we were able to use the original interconnecting cables, so that work proceeded rapidly. An Indian-head monoscupe and synchronization generator were added to the original video equipment, along with additional amplifiers for the temporary studio. When the $60-\mathrm{kva}$ service line was finally brought in five days later we were able to fire up and deliver full power to the dummy load the same day.

Meanwhile, the tower had been erected, the $31 / 8$-inch transmission line installed, and the new transmitting antenua checkefl. KPTV's owner was kept informed of our daily progress, and made immediate application for temporary authorization to broadcast. Work went on without interruption and in the next five days, a film camera chain was set up ard checked, and a sound-isolated studio was constructed-complete with video- and audio-monitoring equipment and program lines. Construction work on the building itself was still going on, and we were forced to compete for work space with bricklayers, carpenters, plembers, and electricians. The complex co-ordinated effort-including authorization from the FCC, and the Portland City Commission, and planning, manufacturing, and construction by RCA, NBC, and the Empire Cail Com-pany-culminated in the station's official signton on September 20. KPTV's ground-breaking ceremony in August had set off a flood of local rumors and speculation as to the opening day. Daily construction pregress was reported in print and picture.

Needless to say, KPTV's early arrival JANUARY, 1953

Right-Victor Bary checks Kl'TV's "filterplexer," which feeds sound and video signals to a single transmitting antenna. Above-K PTV's chief station engineer Russ Olsen (seated)
 and Bill McAlister of NBC.
surprised even the most optimistic prognosticator: Portland was able to see its first televised World Series.

A rapid, but extensive reception survey was undertaken by RCA as soon as the channel 27 test pattern hit the air, and the coverage proved immensely gratifying, with good clear pictures being received 25 to 30 miles away. Usable-picture reports also came from Salem ( 45 miles away) and other localities, with one report of good reception (the furthermost one at that time) at 90 miles distance.
Dominating the city from a height of over 1,000 feet, the 17 -kilowatt effective radiated power developed from the basic 1-kilowatt transmitter output by the RCA TFU-24 antenna, is beamed downward over a service area which is topographically a virtual plain, an ideal situation for good u.h.f. reception. Terrain and foliage-shadow problems, though minimized by the exceptional transmitting height, were nevertheless present and accounted for poor pictures in some areas. A rough estimate based on this early survey showed $10 \%$ of the locations checked were getting poor signals or none at all. Many of these locations, behind high hills, tall buildings, or shadowed by high trees, were able later to get acceptable pictures with highergain antennas, with elevated antennas, or by reorienting so that they worked from a strong reflection; and by using more sensitive u.h.f. converters. From the installer's viewpoint, each of these cases was a "special," as the time required to search for a signal, and substitute higher-efficiency components meant losing valuable time at a period when the technician could least afford it.

Performance reports on various makes of converters and antennas showed that good results were ontained with both built-in (turret-strip) and external converters; with dipole anten-
nas (single and stacked "bow-ties") ; as well as with Yagis, corner reflectors, parabolas, and vees. Performance of dual-purpose antennas could not be evaluated fairly as no v.h.f. signal was available but the dual's performance on u.h.f. did not always match the ones designed strictly for u.h.f. reception. Three days after KPTV's test signals appeared on the air, not a turnbuckle, stand-off insulator, spool of lead-in or guy wire or other equipment needed for antenna installation could be bought from local suppliers. Receivers and converters were arriving hourly by truck, railroad, and air freight. These were rushed immediately to hastily-set-up test points in warehouses, where they were checked over by crews working round-the-clock. The larger service organizations imported experienced crew chiefs to train and instruct local teams in the techniques of handling u.h.f. TV, and to assist independent service technicians in getting started.
Two days after the first test pattern transmission, KPTV signed on officially, with a program originating in the temporary studio in the cransmitter building. The opening program included an address by Herbert Mayer, head of KPTV and the Empire Coil Co.; a documentary film on the history of u.h.f. TV; the NBC network's All-Star Review, and the Show of Shows. Later, the 1952 World Series played to standing-roomonly audiences in automobile showrooms, furniture stores, and appliance stores throughout town.
After a hectic three weeks I left KC2XAK-KPTV and Portland to return East. Bill McAlister stayed on to help put on the finishing touches, wrap up loose ends, and train a technical staff, as well as to help plan and construct KPTV's proposed studios in the heart of the city.

Television had come to Portland at last.

## KINESCOPE REPLACEMENT CHART

By E. W. SCOTT

This chart simplifies comparisons of the principal characteristics of most television picture tubes

fig. 4

Tube type


10 oinch glass round, 50 degrees


121/2-inch glass mand, 40 degreesr elcctrostatic focus

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$14 E P 4$
$14 C P 4$
$14 D P 4$
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| 16 | $13 / 16$ |
| $163 / 4$ |  |
| 16 | $3 / 4$ |

Double
Single
Cavity Cavity
Cavity
Cavity
14-inch glass rectangular, 70 degrees, h.v. electrostatic focus



The modern TV service technician has found that many of the big-screen picture tubes of a few years ago are either practically extinct or-like the 20 AP 4 -now cost several times as much as newer tube types of equal size or larger. Converting the set to use one of the new tube types is often the most practical and economical solution to the problem.
At this point, the technician has the problem of selecting the most suitable replacement tube. The logical solution is to select a tube which can be installed with the fewest possible changes in the circuit and the receiver cabinet. This tabulation of magnetic-deflection tubes has been prepared to help the technician select the logical tube for any conversion or replacement.

Tubes are listed accordirg to size, shape, diagonal deflection angle, and method of focusing. Types with angles of 50 to 60 degrees can usually be interchanged without modifying the receiver circuits. The flyback transformer and yoke should be replaced when the replacement tube is a round type with a 66- to 70 -degree deflection angle or a rectangular type having a 70 -degree diagonal deflection angle.

Sweep and operating voltages to give adequate picture size and brightness with the new tube can be obtained by selecting suitable horizontal-output and deflection components, and applying conversion techniques described in the many conversion articles which have been published in Radio-Electronics. A complete tabulation of yokes, hori-zontal-output and flyback transformers, and other conversion components is included on page 66 of this issue.
Note: Recently-made RCA 10BP4, 12LP4, and 16AP4 tubes have a new type gun. Although they operate satisfactorily with double-field beam-benders used with earlier types they are designed to work with single field beam-bender. If trouble develops, substitute a singlefield PM type ion-trap magnet designed for the 16 GP 4 .

## FOOTNOTES

a-Tube has na exteriar canductive caating. Add $500-\mu \mu \mathrm{f}$, high-valtage filter capacitor when using tube as replacement far type having exterior caating. When this type is replaced by tube having autsile coating, ground the coating to the chassis.
refer to diagrams of sets using 2 grid. Far circuitry. types. Alter receiver circuits where necessary to suit ube being used for replacement necessary to suit $c$-This tube has 2.5 -volt 2 l-omp.
have 6 . 3 -volt 600 2.5-volt, 2.1 -amp heater: all others d-Faceplate curvature has 20 .
in this group have 40 -inch radius 20 -inch radius; all others - Requires JETEC.RTMA type 106
in this group use type 109 focus coil 106 focus coil; others
f-Faceplate curvature hos 56 -inch radius; others in this group have 27 -inch radius.
g-Deflection angle is 50 degrees. The deflection ongle for other tubes in this group is 60 degrees. $h$-Rodius of faceplate curvature is 56 inches. i-Rodius of faceplate curvature is 40 inches: all others in this group hove 27 -inch radius
ing5: 17BP4-A and $B$ hove outside conductive caot ings: 17BP4 has not.
ond covity to 15DP4 except it hos gray faceplote m-Cylindrical foce contact.
n-Tube with suffix " $A$ " has external conductive coating.
p-Identical sutix has cyindrical foce
is recessed-cavity type.
r-Tubehas low-voltage etectrostatic focus electrode s-Tube has high-voltoge electro trode. END

# television Components 

THE SUCCESS of any TV conversion or repair job in terms of customer satisfaction depends on high-quality materials and highgrade workmanship. From the technician's viewpoint, there's also the question of profit. The technici has the ability and equipment to do the job profitably, so he needs only to supply high-quality, long-lasting components to win and hold a satisfied customer. This tabulation will enable him to select the desired components for any job quickly and accurately.

Before beginning any service job that requires the replacement of the horizontal output transformer or deflection yoke, it is advisable-whenever possible-to check the tubes and all operating voltages to insure that the balance of the set is working with maximum efficiency. Do not operate a television receiver with the deflection yoke disconnected or the plate cap removed from the horizontal output tube. The first is likely to cause damage to the focus control potentiometer and the latter will quickly damage the output tube.

After installing the now components, carefully readjust the horizontal frequency and drive controls and the setting of the ion trap in accord with the set manufacturers' service instructions. Failure to do this may result in abnormal or subnormal sweep, high and boosted $B$ plus voltages, and a damaged picture tube.

When yoke and output transformer are to be replaced, manufacturers' matched sets are desirable whenever possible. When using unmatched units, try connecting the width coil and deflection yoke across the various taps on the secondary of the transformer to determine which gives the best performance.

Corona and arc-over often occur after a new high-voltage transformer has been installed. Higher operating voltages, changes in lead dress, grimeencrusted insulation materials, and poor placement of parts cften combine to cause these troubles.
Corona which occurs from a highvcitage point close to the chassis, highvoltage cage, or other grounded body will often cause a shiny spot to appear on the grounded body directl:" opposite th.e spot where corona occurs. A pitted or burned spot will be seen at the point of an arc. These troubles can be eliminated by rounding off all sharp edges and by increasing separation between ground and the high-voltage component. One quick method of eliminating these troubles is to coat the highvoltage point with anti-coron. dope or lacquer and use a large ball-peen hammer to make a concave dimple in the cage cover directly opposite the point where the corona or arc occurred.


## LINEARITY COLLS

| Mr. and <br> Type No. | RCA-G-E <br> Equiv. | Inductance <br> $(\mathrm{mh})$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| DU MONT LIA1 |  |  |
| G-E RLD-016 |  |  |
| MERIT MWC-1 |  | $0.3-27$ |
| MERIT MWC-2 |  | $0.1-4.0$ |
| MERIT MWC-3 |  | $20-60$ |
| RAM 201R3 |  | $15.0-20.0$ |
| RAM 201R522 |  | $0.55-2.3$ |
| RAM 201R10 |  | $3.5-29.5$ |


| Mif. and <br> Type No. | RCA-G-E <br> Equiv. | Inductance <br> $(\mathrm{mh})$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| RCA 201R3 |  | $5.5-20.0$ |
| RCA 201R5 |  | $0.55-2.3$ |
| RCA 207R1 |  | $1.3-4.3$ |
| RCA 209R1 |  | $1.3-4.1$ |
| RCA 213R1 |  | $1.5-8.3$ |
| STAN S-958 | 201R3 |  |
| STAN S-980 | 77J4 |  |
| TECH 1R3 | 201R3 |  |
| TECH 1R522 | 201R5 |  |
| TECH 9R1 | 209R1 |  |

# FOR CONVERSION OR REPAIR 

HORIZONTAL OUTPUT AND H.V. TRANSFORMERS (continued)

| Mir. and Type No. | Mar. ky | Det. <br> Angle <br> (deg.) | Core | Typical Oatput Tuber | H.V. Rect. | Mir. ${ }^{\text {s }}$ Matching Yoke | Equiv. IG.E-RCA Transformer |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| RAM XO6528 ${ }^{21}$ <br> RAM X066 ${ }^{3}$ <br> RAM X06828 <br> RAM X069 ${ }^{28}$ <br> RAM X070 <br> RAM X071 <br> RAM X072 | $\begin{gathered} 14-15 \\ 14 \\ 11-13.5 \\ 16-17.5 \\ 13 \\ 15 \\ 15 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 70 \\ & 70 \\ & 70 \\ & 70 \\ & 70 \\ & 70 \\ & 70 \end{aligned}$ | Air <br> Ferrite <br> Ferrite Ferrite | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 6BQ6.GT } \\ & \text { Same as XO32 } \\ & \text { 6BG6.G } \\ & \text { 6AV5.GT } \\ & \text { Same as Xo32 } \\ & \text { 6CD6. } \\ & \text { 6BQ6.GT } \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |
| RCA 211 TI | 9 | 50-57 | Pow. iron | 6BG6-G | 183-GT | 201 D1? |  |
| RCA 211 T3 <br> RCA 223TI <br> RCA 224Ti | $\begin{aligned} & 8.75 \\ & 14 \\ & 14 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 50-57 \\ 70 \\ 66-70 \end{gathered}$ | Pow, inon Ferite Ferrite | 68G66-G 6AU5-GT 6BQ6-GT | 183-GT 183 CT $183-6 T$ | 201D1 209D1 209D1 |  |
| RCA 225 TI | 16 | 66-70 | Ferrite | 6B06-GT | 183-GT | 211 Dz 209 DI |  |
| RCA 230 Tl | 18 | 66-70 | Ferrite | ${ }_{6}^{\text {6ACDG6-G }}$ | 183-GT | 211D1 |  |
| RCA 231T12 ${ }^{32}$ | 15 | 50-70 | Ferrito | All types | 183-GT | ${ }_{\text {Ali }} 21102$ |  |
| RCA 23ET13 28 a2 | 16 | 50-70 | Ferrite | All types | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 1V2, } 1 \times 2-A \\ & 1 \times 2,-A,{ }_{2} \\ & 1 B 3-G T \end{aligned}$ |  |  |
| ROOT SRJI ROOT SR-2533 | 14 21 | 70 90 | Ferrite | 6BG6-G 6BQ6-GT 6CD6-G <br> (2) 6BQ6-GT | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 183-GT } \\ & 1 \times 2 \end{aligned}$ <br> (2) 183-GT |  | 77J1 |
| STAN S-948 <br> STAN S-968 <br> STAN S-978 <br> STAN S-988 <br> STAN S-999 | $\begin{gathered} 9 \\ 12 \\ 13.5 \\ 14.3 \\ 14.5 \end{gathered}$ | $50-57$ $50-57$ $50-57$ $50-57$ 70 | Pow. iren <br> Pow. iren <br> Pow. iron <br> Pow. iron <br> Ferrite | 6BG6-G 6BG6-G 6B66.C 6B66-G 6BQ6-GT | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 183-GT } \\ & 183 .-\mathrm{GT} \\ & 183-G T \\ & 12183-G T \\ & 1 \times 2 \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & 211 \mathrm{T1} \\ & 21 \mathrm{~T} 3 \\ & 211 \mathrm{~T} 5 \\ & 211 \mathrm{~T} 5 \\ & 77 \mathrm{Ji} \end{aligned}$ |
| STAND A-8119 <br> STAND A-8127 <br> STAND A-8128 <br> STAND A-8129 <br> STAND Ar8130 <br> STAND A-813117 <br> STAND A-8133 | $\begin{gathered} 13 \\ 10 \\ 11 \\ 13 \\ 14 \\ 13 \\ 12.5-15 \end{gathered}$ | 53 53 53 70 70 70 70 | Pow. iron <br> Pow. iran <br> Pow. iron <br> Ferrite <br> Ferrite <br> Air <br> Ferrite |  | (2) 183-GT 183-GT 183 CT 183-GT 183-6T | $\begin{aligned} & \text { DY-1 } \\ & \text { DY-1 } \\ & \text { DY-1 } \\ & \text { DY-7 } \\ & \text { DY-7 } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 21115 \\ & 211 \mathrm{~T} 3 \end{aligned}$ |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { TECH 15T1 } \\ & \text { TECH } 11 \mathrm{~T} 5 \\ & \text { TECH 23T1 } \\ & \text { TECH } 7 \mathrm{JI} \end{aligned}$ | 10 13.5 14 15 | $\begin{aligned} & 53 \\ & 60 \\ & 70 \\ & 70 \end{aligned}$ | Ferrite <br> Ferrite Ferrite | 6BG6-G <br> 6AU5-GT <br> Most types | $\begin{aligned} & 1 \mathrm{B3}-\mathrm{GT} \\ & 1 \mathrm{B3}-\mathrm{GT} \\ & 1 \times 2-\mathrm{A} \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & 215 \mathrm{TI} \\ & 211 \mathrm{~T} 5 \\ & 223 \mathrm{T1} \\ & \text { 77J1 } \end{aligned}$ |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { TODD CS21 } \\ & \text { TODD CS24 } \\ & \text { TODD CS24-AGC } \\ & \text { TODD CS2-AGC } \\ & \text { TODD CS } \\ & \text { TODD CS- } 30 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 15 \\ 15 \\ 16 \\ 16 \\ 10-14 \\ 23 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 50-70 \\ 70 \\ 70 \\ 70 \\ 50-70 \\ 70-90 \end{gathered}$ | Ferrite <br> Ferrite <br> Ferrite <br> Ferrite <br> Ferrite <br> Ferrite |  |  |  |  |
| TRIAD D-1 | 14 | 70 | Ferrite | 6BG6-G | 1×2-A |  | 77.J1 |
| TRIAD D-2 | 14 | 70 | Ferrite | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 6BO6.GT } \\ & 68 G 6-G \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 1B3-GT } \\ & \text { 1B3-GT } \end{aligned}$ |  |  |
| TRIAD D-11 | 10 | 70 | Iron | 68G6-G |  | Y-11 |  |
| TRIAD D-14 | 14 | 70 | Fersite | 6BG6-G <br> 6BO6.CT | 133-GT | Y-12 | 77.11 |
| TRIAD D-15 | 14 | 70 | Ferrite | 6BG6-G | 183-GT | Y-12 |  |
| TRIAD D.19\% | 16 | 70 | Ferrite | 6AV6.GT | 183-GT | Y-17 | 225 Tl |
| TRIAD DA-20 | 14 | 70 | Air | 6BQ6.GT <br> 6AV6-GT <br> 6BQ6-GT | 183-GT | Y. $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{Y} \\ & \mathrm{Y}-20\end{aligned}$ | 74951 |

## FOCUS DEVICES

| Mir. and Type $\mathbf{N o}_{0}$. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { JETEC } \\ & \text {-RTMA } \\ & \text { Equir. } \end{aligned}$ | C-R <br> Tube High Volts (k v) | D.e. Res. (ohms) | Current <br> (ma) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| G-E RLF-038 |  |  | 1,400 | 30 |
| HALL EM700 HALL EM 701 | $\begin{aligned} & 106 \\ & 109 \end{aligned}$ | to 10 to 16 | $\begin{aligned} & 247 \\ & 470 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 75-200 \\ 75-140 \end{array}$ |
| MERIT MF-1 <br> MERIT MF-2 <br> MERIT MF-3 ${ }^{15}$ <br> MERIT MF-4 <br> MERIT MF- 5 | 106 | 10 14 14 15 15 | 247 470 360 1,000 1,500 | 200 150 150 75 75 |
| QUAM Q: $L^{16}$ QUAM QF2 ${ }^{1 \text {. }}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 106 \\ & 109 \end{aligned}$ | to 12 abore 12 | Permanent Magnet Type, |  |
| RCA 202DI | 106 | 8-12 | 247 | 75-200 |


| Mir. and Type No. | $\begin{gathered} \text { JETEC } \\ - \text { RTMA } \\ \text { Equiv. } \end{gathered}$ | C-R <br> Tube <br> High <br> Volis <br> (kv) | D.e. Res. (ohms) | Current <br> (man) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| RCA 202D2 | 109 | 9-14 | 470 | 75-140 |
| STAND FC-10 STAND FC-11 STAND FC. 12 |  |  | 247 470 370 | 200 140 165 |
| TECH 2DI <br> TECH 2D2 <br> TECH 2D1PM ${ }^{16} 20$ <br> TECH 2D2PM ${ }^{11} 2137$ | $\begin{aligned} & 106 \\ & 109 \\ & 106 \\ & 10943 \end{aligned}$ | 10-12 | 247 470 | 115 95 |
| TRIAD B. 160 <br> TRIAD B-247 <br> TRIAD B-470 <br> TRIAD B-1000 | 23 24 25 25 |  | 160 247 470 1,000 | 210 170 125 85 |

## WIDTH COILS

| Mfr. and Type No | No. Matching Horiz. Output Transformer | Inductance (mh) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| DUMONT W1A1 ${ }^{39}$ | HiAl |  |
| G-E RLD-019 | RT0-085 |  |
| MERIT MWC-1 $1^{14.39}$ <br> MERIT MWC-2 MERIT MWC-3 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { HVO-6, }-7 \\ & \text { HVO-8., } \\ & \text { HVO-5, } \\ & \text { HVO-8, }-9 \end{aligned}$ |  |
| RAM 201R1 RAM 201 R4 RAM 201R10. RAM 201R1139 | X032 XO35 XO45 XO32, X035 X053 | $\begin{aligned} & .05-0.25 \\ & 0.17-0.61 \\ & 3.5-29.5 \\ & (\text { Pri.) } \\ & 0.160 .7 \\ & (\text { Sec. } .7 \\ & 3.2-9.0 \end{aligned}$ |
| RCA 201R1 <br> RCA 201 R2 <br> RCA 201 R4 <br> RCA 206R1 <br> RCA 211R1 <br> RCA 212R1 |  | $\begin{array}{\|l\|} \hline .05-0.25 \\ 85-240 \\ 0.17-0.61 \\ 0.47-1.7 \\ 1.65-9.2 \\ 2.9-16.0 \end{array}$ |
| STAN S-957 <br> STAN S-98139 <br> STAN S-984 | $\begin{array}{\|l} \hline \text { S-998 } \\ \text { S-999 } \end{array}$ | .05-0.25 |
| STAND WC-51 | All Stancor | 4.0-39 A.g.c. $\underset{2.7-7.6}{\substack{\text { winding }}}$ |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { TECH 1R1 } \\ & \text { TECH 1R4 } \\ & \text { TECH 1R4-AG } 39 \\ & \text { TECH 1R4-J } \\ & \text { TECH 1R4-E } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 11T1, 15T1 } \\ & 11 T 5 \\ & 11 \mathrm{TI}, 11 \mathrm{~T} 5 \\ & \mathrm{TJI} \\ & \mathrm{TJ} 1 \end{aligned}$ |  |



## TV-TUBE MASKS

|  <br> Type No. | Size Tube (inches) | Color | Material |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| CRON CK-14 | $14^{\prime \prime}$ rect. | Gold | Glass |
| CRON CK-16 | $16^{\prime \prime}$ rect. | Gold |  |
| CRON CK-17 | $17^{\prime \prime}$ rect. | Gold | Glass |
| CRON CK-20 | $20^{\prime \prime}$ rect. | Gold | Glas |
| CRON CK-21 | $21^{\prime \prime}$ rect. | Gold | Glass |
| JFD BR63-14 | $14^{\prime \prime}$ rect. |  | ic |
| JFD BR63-16 | $16^{\prime \prime}$ rect. |  | stic |
| JFD BR63-17 | $17^{\prime \prime}$ rect. |  | stic |
| JFD BR63-19 | $19^{\prime \prime}$ rect. |  | Plastic |
| JFD BR63-20 | $20^{\prime \prime}$ rect. |  | Plastic |
| JFD BR63-16R | $16^{\prime \prime}$ round |  | astic |
| JFD BR63-19R | $19^{\prime \prime}$ round |  | Plastic |
| TELE 712W | $121 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ round | Gold | Lucite |
| TELE 714R | $14^{\prime \prime}$ rect. | Gold | Lucite |
| TELE 716R | $16^{\prime \prime}$ rect. | Gold | Lucite |
| TELE 716W | $16^{\prime \prime}$ round | Gold | Lucite |
| TELE 717R | $17^{\prime \prime}$ rect. | Gold | Lucite |
| TELE 719W | 19" round | Gold | Lucite |
| TELE 720R | $20^{\prime \prime}$ rect. | Gold | Lucite |
| TELE 721R | $21^{\prime \prime}$ rect. | Gold | Lucite |
| TELE 724W | $24^{\prime \prime}$ round | Green | Lucite |
| TELE 227R | $27^{\prime \prime}$ rect. | Gree | Lucite |

Note: Croname mask and esculcheon assemblies listed above consist of a heavy green-sprayed aluminum mask, $1 / 4$-inch tempered safety glass and a gold-finished escutcheon.

Tele Plastics masks listed above mount from rear of the cabinet. Masks which mount from the front of the cabinet have suffix "S." For example: 720W-S, and 727R-S.

## MOUNTING SLEEVES

| Mir. and <br> Type No. | Tube Types |
| :--- | :--- |
| TECH PL-4 | Long-neck $16^{\prime \prime}$ metal round |
| TECH PL-4S | Short-neck $16^{\prime \prime}$ metal round |
| TECH PL-17R | 17" metal rectangular |
| TECH PL-19 | $19^{\prime \prime}$ metal round |

Note: Set consists of polyethylene sleeve, retainer ring, and rubber band. Insulated for more than 30,000 volts.

Faatnates for TV campanents tables:

1. Has a.g.c. winding which can be left open if no*
2. Tapped secondary ta match vakes fram 8 to 30 mh
and provide up to 15 kv output ( 16 kv with 232 Tl ).
For type 630 circuits.
Damping resistors built-in. R-C network supplied.
3. Camplete with built in R.C netwark.
4. Especially for 19 -inch round and 20 -inch rectan-
gular fubes.
5. Designed far autatransfarmer type flyback transformer.
6. Has facus-coil mounting bracket

Casine yoke.
Equivalent to 201 DI.
Same as 201D1 with different terminal cannections.
Same as 201 D , with malded care.
Equivalent to 20IDI, 203D3 and 201 DI 2
5. Far 10 -or 12 -inch tubes.
16. PM facus magnets witt adiustable centering cantrals.
Any 70 -degree yake.
Equivalent of 209DI, 20601, and Y2A.
Same as 2111 DI except for clamping netwarks
Any valtages suitable far 10. ar 12 -inch tubes.
Any voltages suitable for any 70 -degree tubes.
Tapped linearity cail.
3. Cail and terminal assembly anly. Care pieces ta
be taken fram transformer being replaced.
Admiral part number.
5. Hos separate a.g.c. ar width-cail winding.
6. Has separate a.g.c. winding.

Similar ta XO45, but operates an lawer valtage.
Autotransfarmer.
Used in CBS sets.
31. Used in late Emersan sets.
32. Universal type.

DEFLECTION YOKES

| Mir. \& Type No. | Defl. Angle (deg.) | Max. <br> Tube Size (inches) | Induct. Horiz. Winding (mh) | Induct. Vert. <br> Winding (mh) | Core |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| DUMONT Y2A15 | 70 | Any | 10.5 | 42.0 | Ferrite |
| DUMONT Y2A2 | 70 | Any | 10.5 | 42.0 | Ferrite |
| DUMONT Y2A3 ${ }^{\text {² }}$ | 70 | Any | 10.5 | 42.0 | Ferrite |
| DUMONT Y2A55 | 70 | Any | 10.5 | 42.0 | Ferrite |
| G-E RLD-024 ${ }^{58}$ | 70 | 24 | 15.0 | 30.0 | Ferrite |
| G-E RLD-025 | 70 | 24 | 15.0 | 30.0 | Ferrite |
| HALL DF600 | 53 | 16 | 8.3 | 50.0 | Iron |
| HALL DF601 | 70 | 24 | 8.5 | 50.0 | Ferrite |
| HALL DF602 | 70 | 24 | 13.5 | 50.0 | Ferrite |
| HALL DF603 | 70 | 24 | 30.0 | 3.5 | Ferrite |
| HALL DF604 | 70 | 24 | 30.0 | 50.0 | Ferrite |
| MERIT MD-12 ${ }^{18}$ | 53 | 16 round | 8.3 | 50.0 |  |
| MERIT MD-13 | 53 | 16 round | 30.0 | 50.0 |  |
| MERIT MDF-3018 | 70 | 24 | 30.0 | 3.0 | Ferrite |
| MERIT MDF-7018 | 70 | 24 | 10.3 | 45.0 50.0 |  |
| MERIT MDF-71 | 70 | 24 | 30.0 |  |  |
| RAM Y701085 | 70 | 16 | 8.3 | 50.0 | Iron wire |
| RAM Y70F08 ${ }^{5}$ | 70 | 17 | 8.3 | 50.0 | Ferrite |
| RAM Y70F10 ${ }^{5}$ | 70 | 24 | 10.3 | 50.0 | Ferrite |
| RAM Y70F14 ${ }^{5}$ | 70 | 20 | 14.0 | 50.0 | Ferrite |
| RAM Y70F175 | 70 |  | 17.0 | 50.0 | Ferrite |
| RAM Y70F20 ${ }^{5}$ | 70 |  | 20.0 | 50.0 | Ferrite |
| RAM Y70F30 ${ }^{5}$ | 70 |  | 30.0 | 50.0 | Ferrite |
| RAM Y70F30/3 ${ }^{\text {\% }}$ | 70 | 24 | 30.0 | 3.3 | Ferrite |
| RCA 201D1211 | 50-57 | 16 | 8.3 | 50.0 | Iron wire |
| RCA 205D111 | 50-57 | 12 | 12.5 | 50.0 | Molded iron |
| RCA 206D19 | 66-70 | 17 | 10.3 | 41.5 | Ferrite |
| RCA 207D1 ${ }^{12}$ | 50-57 | 16 | 8.4 | 55.0 | Molded iron |
| RCA 209D1 ${ }^{9}$ | 66-70 | 17 | 13.3 | 41.0 | Ferrite |
| RCA 211D19 | 66-70 | 21 | 13.3 | 41.0 | Ferrite |
| RCA 211D24 ${ }^{32}$ | 66-70 | 21 | 13.3 | 41.0 | Ferrite |
| STAND DY-110 ${ }^{18}$ | 53 |  | 8.3 | 50.0 | Molded iron |
| STAND DY-89 ${ }^{3 \times}$ | 70 |  | 8.5 | 50.0 | Ferrite |
| STAND DY-99 3* | 70 |  | 13.5 | 50.0 | Ferrite |
| STAND DY-10938 | 70 |  | 30.0 | 3.5 | Ferrite |
| TECH 11D1 | 70 | Any $70{ }^{\circ}$ | 13.3 | 41.5 | Ferrite |
| TODD CF303 | 70 | 24 | 30.0 | 3.0 | Ferrite |
| TODD CF850 | 50-66 | 16 | 8.3 | 50.0 | Ferrite |
| TODD CF1041 | 70 | 24 | 10.0 | 41.0 | Ferrite |
| TODD CF1050 | 70 | 24 | 10.0 | 50.0 | Ferrite |
| TODD CF1156 | 90 | 30 | 11.0 | 56.0 | Ferrite |
| TODD CF1441 | 70 | 24 | 14.0 | 41.0 | Ferrite |
| TODD CF1450 | 70 | 24 | 14.0 | 50.0 | Ferrite |
| TODD CF1850 | 70 | 24 | 18.0 | 500 | Ferrite |
| TODD CF2056 | 90 | 30 | 20.0 | 56.0 | Ferrite |
| TODD CF3050 | 70 | 24 | 30.0 | 50.0 | Ferrite |
| TRIAD Y-115 | 50 | 12 | 8.3 | 50.0 |  |
| TRIAD Y-12-9 | 70 | 12 | 8.3 | 50.0 | Ferrite |
| TRIAD Y-179 | 70 | 17 | 13.5 | 41.5 | Ferrite |
| TRIAD Y-19 ${ }^{9}$ | 70 | 17 | 23.0 | 41.5 | Ferrite |
| TRIAD Y-20 ${ }^{9}$ | 70 | 24 | 30.0 | 3.3 | Ferrite |

Composite 90 -degree deflectian and high-voltage MERIT-Merit Transformer Carp., $4427 \mathrm{~N} . \mathrm{Clark}$ St. Composite 90 -degree dellecticaga 40, 1
SuplV. Universal trap. May be used as single.field PERF-_Perfectian Electric Ca., 2535 S . Wabash Ave type by removing small ring-shaped magnet.

Chicago 16. 111
QUAM-Quam-Nichols Co., 33 rd Place and Cottage
Grave Ave., Chicago is, 11'. South 8uekhout st
RAM—Ram Electronic Sales Co.. Sauth 8uekhout St.,
RCA-Radia Corp. af America, Tube Dept.. Marrison. N. J. Roat Mfg. Corp. 391 Saw Mill River ROOT-Square Roat Mig. Carp.. 3 , Saw Mill River
STAN-'Stanwyek Winding Ca., Inc., P. O. Box 70. Newburgh. N. Y. Ave. Chicago 18, 11 . TECH-T'ech Master Praducts Ca. 443 Broadway.
New York, N. Y. Ca., Divisian af Willmax Mfg. Ca., 202 Broadway. Braaklyn 11. N. Y.
TODD-Todd-Tran Carp., IS8 Gramatan Ave., Mt.
TODD-Todd-Tran Carp., IS8 Gramatan Ave., Mt. Vernon. N. Y.
IAD-Triad Transfarmer Mig. Ca., 405S Redwaod
Ave., Venice, Calif.


Appearance of screen when cosine yoke is used without the corrector magnets.

MANY queries regarding the features and insta'lation factors of the Standard cascode tuner have been received by the Clinic. When old tuners are replaced with the cascode type a $2-1$ improvement in gain can be realized. Besides this, there is a reduction of 35 tes $50 \%$ in noise (snow effect) over a pentode tuner. These advantages are due to the cascode principle, plus use of the 5 BQ 7 , 6 BK 7 , or the newer $6 \mathrm{BZ7}$ tubes. (A detailed discussion of the cascode type front end is given in RadioElectronigs, April, 1952, page 4ti.)

The cascode tuner made by the Standard Coil Products Co. is model TV-2000, 2:300 series and is designed to replace most of the older tuners of conventional size. The Standard tuner is $418 / 32$ inches deep and $31 / 4$ inches wide. Another model, the TV-2032, is electrically identical to the TV-2000 except that both the fine tuning and station selector shafts are extra long so that they may be cut as desired.

The tuner is for use with intercarrier or other receivers where sound take-off is not within the tuner eircuit (at mixer output). For receivers requiring a $21.25-\mathrm{mc}$ sound take-off coil, part No. XM-752 must be used, as shown in Fig. 1. This cail can be mounted on the chassis near the tuner. The capacitor designated $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{r}}$ is not supplied with the tuner or coil and shouli he approximately 2 to $4 \mu \mu f$. If grea. udio output is required, the circu.
swn in Fig. 2 can be used.

The output intermediate frequency is set at $22.3-\mathrm{mc}$ at the factory, but the output is adjustathle between 19 and 26 megacycles to suit the particular i.f. input system of the receiver. A screw set at an angle on top of coil L9 permits changing the output frequency within the range provided. The tuner tracking is preset at the factory and no other adjustments are normally necessary. If required, the oscillator coils can be adjusted individually for the different channels by centering the fine tuning control and using a noninductive screwdriver through the

- Author: Mandl's Telerision Servicing.
hole adjacent to the selector shaft.
In fringe areas best results are obtained by using the maximum plate voltage of 250. An a.g.c. (or manually controlled) bias of -0.8 to -1.1 volts applied to the white a.g.c. lead gives best sensitivity. The hlack lead goes to the 6.3 -volt a.c. source for the heater, while the red lead requires 135 volts plus and the blue 250 volts.

For u.h.f. reception. individual channel strips are available. These can replace any unused channel plug-in coils at the v.h.f. frequencies (channels 2 to 13). A separate u.h.f. strip must be used for every u.h.f. channel desired. Once the oscillator and antenna coil strips have been inserted, the selector shaft is rotated to the u.h.f. channel strip's operating position.

If the fine tuning doesn't produce the best picture at the mid-point of its range, the u.h.f. oscillator slug can be adjusted as previously mentioned for the v.h.f. stations. The u.h.f. strips contain an r.f. preselector, a crystal mixer, and a crystal harmonic generator to convert the ultra-high frequency carrier to the receiver i.f.

## Conversion to 21 inches

I would like to convert a 630 type receiver to a 21-inch tube. The receiver alrendy uses a $16 \mathrm{HF}_{4} 4$ tube with a highwoltage doubling system. What wiring changes and tube types do you recommend? W. H., Astoria, L. I.

The 16 HP 4 has a 60 -degree deflection angle. This means the present horizontal output transformer and yoke will not give satisfactory results for the 21 -inch tubes, which have 70 degrees of deflection. Thus, a wide-angle transformer and yoke are necessary.

You could use a 91 EP 4 A , which is a rectangular tube with a cavity highvoltage contact, single-magnet ion trap, and a 70 -degree deflection angle. This is the curved-face tube which minimizes room glare. If a cosine yoke (widefocus) is used, corrector magnets will have to be installed (see a discussion of this in the June, 1952, issue of RadioElectronics, Television Service Clinic). Without the corrector magnets, pin-


Fig. 1-How a sound take-off and trap can be installed in the cascode tuner.


Fig. 2-Circuit for more sound output.
cushioning and nonlinearity will be difficult to correct. The photograph shows a test pattern on a 21 EP 4 A tube without the use of corrector magnets. Despite the best adjustments of linearity contros, the inner circle shows defects in linearity.

A self-focus tube such as the 21 KP 4 A tube can also be used. The existing focus-coil assernbly must be removed from the tube neck because focus is correct when the ion trap is placed at maximum brilliancy. The focus coil can be replaced with a resistor of the same d.c. resistance value.

## 16GP4 to 17BP4

What electrical changes would be necessury to change a receiver's 16GP4 to a $16 \mathrm{RP}_{4}$ or a 17 BP 4 ? E. C., New Orleans, La.

As the 16GP4 is a 70-degree deflection tube, no changes should be necessary. If a $16 R P 4$ is used, a doublemagnet ion trap is necessary and the high voltage must be applied to the cavity contact receptacle of the glass tube. The 17BP4A has an external conductive coating and the 17BP4 does not. Both tubes use a single-magnet ion trap and a cavity-type high-voltage contact.

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| Nliance Manufacturing Co. Lake Park Blvd.. Alliance, Ohio | Tenna scope <br> Al3 <br> - ascamat ic <br> 1313 | Sep. amps switching . Automatic wide-hand | Slug Slug | $\begin{aligned} & 2-6 . \mathrm{Ji} \\ & 2-6 \mathrm{j} / \mathrm{f} \\ & 1-\mathrm{BBH} 7 \mathrm{~A} \end{aligned}$ | T.p.t.g. Cascode | st. st. | Aito. Auto. |
| Anchor Radio Corporation 2215 So. St. Louis Ave. ( hicago 23, 111. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { ARC-101-75 } \\ & \text { ARC-101-100 } \end{aligned}$ | All-channel switching All-chammel switchinı | Sug Shys | $\begin{aligned} & 1-6.1 \mathrm{k} 5 \\ & 2-6.1 \mathrm{k} 5 \end{aligned}$ | 1.p.t.g. 2-stage | st. st. | Gain control Gain control |
| Approved Electronic Inst. Corp. 928 Broadway, New York 10, N. Y'. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { ATVH } \\ & \text { A-TH } \\ & \text { lS-VHF } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Chan } 1 \geqslant-13 \\ & \text { Yh.f. } \\ & \text { Vh.f. } \end{aligned}$ | Intuned Intuner! I ntumed |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 2-stage } \\ & \text { 2-stage } \\ & \text { 2-stage } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { st. } \\ & \text { st. } \\ & \text { si. } \end{aligned}$ | A.c. operation <br> A.c. operation |
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| Electro-Voice, Inc. Buchaman, Mich. | Sth | Sep. amps wide-band | Intuned | 1-6.Jti | 2-stage broad-band | st. | Aito. 1 -ar s-ant. input |
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|  | KC 5 ＊ | All－channel broad－band |  | $2-6 \mathrm{~B}^{2} 77$ | 2－stage | Rear | 4 outputs |
| The La Pointe－Plascomold Corp． Rockville，Conn． | Vee－I）－X <br> Ontboard <br> Vee－I）－X <br> Rocket | Single chanuel <br> Single channel | Slug <br> Adjust． <br> Slug <br> Adjust． | $\begin{aligned} & 1-6.56 \\ & 1-6,4 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { T.p.t.g. } \\ & \text { T.p.t.g. } \end{aligned}$ | Rear | Auto． |
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| Mark Simpson Mfg．Co．，Inc． 32－28 49th St．， <br> Long Island City 3，N．Y． | Sky Chief <br> Super Sky Chief | All－channel switching All－channel switching | Slug | 2 － ti （ 6 | T．p．t．g． | St． |  |
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| National Co．，Inc． <br> 61 Sherman St．，Malden，Mass． | TVB＋2BX | ．Il－channel turret | Capacitor | 1－6．AKi | T．p．t．g． | St | Separate output tuming control |
| The Radiart Corporation 3455 Vega Ave．，Cleveland 13，Ohio | TVE－1 | All－channel switching | Slug | 1－60 | T．p．t．g． | st． |  |
| Radio Merchandise Sales，Inc． 2016 Bronxdale Ave． <br> New York 60，N．Y． | SP－6 | Ali－channel －watching All－channel switching | Slug <br> Slug | 1－6i．\K5 | T．p．t．g． | st． | Gain control |
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| Regency－See I．D．E．A． |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sutton Electric Co． 426 West Short St． Lexington，Ky． | 1613 | All－channel －witching <br> single chammel | Slug | 1－6．5\％ | T．p．t．g． | st． |  |
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|  | SEC | Bonster－ converter | Slug | $\begin{aligned} & 1-6.1 F 4 \\ & 1-6.16 \end{aligned}$ | T．p．t．g． | st． |  |
| Tech－Master Products Company， 443－445 Broadway，N．Y．13，N．Y． | ＇TVI | All－channel switching | Capscitor | 1－1ヵさバ5 | Tuncd plate | st． | Kit form |
| ＇Technical Appliance Co． Sherburne，N．Y． | ＇Taew 1688 | Single chammel | Factory preset | 1－4AK5 | T．p．t．g． | Ant． | Auto． |
| The Turner Company Cedar Rapids，Iowa | TV－z | （Bntinnons $54-216 \mathrm{mc}$ | Induc－ thiner | $1-12117$ | Cascode | St． | Aito． |
| Videon Electronic Corp． 222 East Obio St． Indianapolis 4，Ind． | $\begin{aligned} & \text { B-192 } \\ & \text { 13-138 } \\ & \text { B-2 } \end{aligned}$ | All－channel －witching AII－clammel switching | SlugSlug | 1－6．16 | ＇T．p．t．g． | St． | A．c．outlet for TV |
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TERMS AND ABBREVIATIONS
Wide－band－Uperoting aver one or both v．h．f．
bonds without turing．
－Switching－Using seporate omplifiers for each band．
All－chonnel－Refers to v．h．f．channels only：a baoster which funes channels 2－13．
T．p．t．g．－Tined－plote tuned－grid．
JANUARY， 1953 St．－Standard mounting．（In separate cabinet） Rear－Mounted at rear of set．Does not need tuning for each stotion．
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| Industrial Television, Inc. 369 Lexington Ave., Clifton, N. J. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { IT-76R } \\ & \text { IT-89R } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1376 \\ & \text { No } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No } \\ & \text { No } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 20 \\ & 20 \\ & 20 \end{aligned} .$ | $\begin{aligned} & 14 \\ & 16 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 20 \\ & 20 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Yes } \\ & \text { No } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Ord } \\ & \text { Ord }^{2} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{\|l} 3 \\ 3 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 21.85 \\ & 21.9 \end{aligned}$ | Strip Strip | $\begin{array}{r} 8 \\ 18 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Tur } \\ & \text { Tur } \end{aligned}$ | No RC, Com |
| Jackson Industries Inc. 500 E. 40 th Street Chicago 15, 111. | $\begin{aligned} & 17 \mathrm{XC}, 917 \mathrm{C} \\ & 17 \mathrm{XT}, 217 \mathrm{~T}, 977 \mathrm{~T} \\ & \text { z0XC, } 280 \mathrm{C} \\ & \text { zUXT, 377T } \\ & 221 \mathrm{~T}, 477 \mathrm{~T} \\ & 317 \mathrm{C} \\ & 320 \mathrm{C} \\ & 321 \mathrm{C} \\ & 621 \mathrm{C} \end{aligned}$ | 317 A 317 A 320 A 320 A 321 A 317 A 320 A 321 321 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No } \\ & \text { No } \\ & \text { No } \\ & \text { No } \\ & \text { No } \\ & \text { AM } \\ & \text { AM } \\ & \text { AM } \\ & \text { AM.FM } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 17 \\ & 17 \\ & 211 \\ & 20 \\ & 21 \\ & 21 \\ & 27 \\ & 20 \\ & 21 \\ & 21 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 13.5 \\ & 13.5 \\ & 13.5 \\ & 13.5 \\ & 13.5 \\ & 13.5 \\ & 13.5 \\ & 13.5 \\ & 13.5 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 20 \\ & 20 \\ & 20 \\ & 20 \\ & 20 \\ & 20 \\ & 20 \\ & 20 \\ & 20 \\ & 20 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { les } \\ & \text { les } \\ & \text { les } \\ & \text { les } \\ & \text { les } \\ & \text { les } \\ & \text { les } \\ & \text { les } \\ & \text { les } \end{aligned}$ | Key <br> Key <br> Key <br> Kes <br> Key <br> Key <br> Key <br> Kеу <br> Kеу | $\begin{aligned} & 3 \\ & 3 \\ & 3 \\ & 3 \\ & 3 \\ & 3 \\ & 3 \\ & 3 \\ & 3 \\ & 3 \\ & 3 \end{aligned}$ | 25.75 45.75 25.75 25.5 2.5 .5 25.75 25.75 25.75 25.75 | Strip <br> Atrip <br> Strip <br> Strip <br> Strip <br> Strip <br> Atrip <br> Strip <br> Strip |  |  | No No No No No No No No No |
| Jewel Radio Corp. 900 Passaic Ave. E. Newark, N. J. | 17TW7 <br> q0CW7, q0TW73 ${ }^{3}$ 21CW7, 21TW7 ${ }^{3}$ 680CW7, 621 CW 7 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { TV7 } \\ & \text { TV7 } \\ & \text { TV7 } \\ & \text { TV7 } \end{aligned}$ | No No No No No | $\begin{aligned} & 17 \\ & 20 \\ & 21 \\ & 21 \\ & 21 \\ & 21 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 15.5 \\ & 15.5 \\ & 15.5 \\ & 15.5 \\ & 15.5 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & z 1 \\ & z 1 \\ & z 1 \\ & z 1 \\ & z 1 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Yes. } \\ & \text { les } \\ & \text { lies } \\ & \text { lies } \\ & \text { Yes } \end{aligned}$ | $\mathrm{O}_{\mathrm{rd}}$ <br> $\mathrm{O}_{\mathrm{rd}}$ <br> ()rd <br> (Ord <br> Ord | $\begin{aligned} & 3 \\ & 3 \\ & 3 \\ & 3 \\ & 3 \\ & 3 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 26.0 \\ & 26.0 \\ & 26.0 \\ & 26.0 \\ & 26.0 \end{aligned}$ | Strip <br> strip <br> Strip <br> Strip <br> Strip | $\begin{array}{r} 5 \\ 10 \\ 10 \\ 6 \\ 6 \end{array}$ | Tur, (" <br> Tur. $\mathrm{C}^{7}$ <br> 'Tur, ('it <br> 'Mur, $\mathrm{C}^{7}$ <br> Tur. ${ }^{\text {T }}$ | IPJ, V1113 <br> I'J, VIIB <br> IPJ, V1113 <br> IDJ, V'H1B <br> I.J. VIII3 |
| Kaye-Halbert Corp. 3623 Easthams Dr. Culver City, Calif. | None None | $\begin{aligned} & 25310 X \\ & 243 \end{aligned}$ |  | $\left\lvert\, \begin{aligned} & 20-24 \\ & 20-24 \end{aligned}\right.$ | $\begin{aligned} & 16 \\ & 16 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 24 \\ & 24 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No } \\ & \text { Yes } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Key } \\ & \text { Kеу } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 3 \\ & 3 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 25 \\ & 25 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Strip } \\ & \text { Strip } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 18 \\ & 12 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 'Tur, C } \\ & \text { 'lur, } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{RC} \\ & \mathrm{RC} \end{aligned}$ |
| J. H. Keeney \& Co., Inc. 2600 West 50th St. Chicago 32, Ill. | 2RF17TMX zRFQ1TMX <br> C-17TM14 <br> (-.21TM14 <br> C. $21 \mathrm{CM}^{14}$ <br> K-17TM <br> K-17CM <br> K-21TM <br> K-21CM | No No No No No No No No No | No No No No No No No No No | $\begin{aligned} & 17 \\ & 21 \\ & 17 \\ & 21 \\ & 21 \\ & 17 \\ & 17 \\ & 21 \\ & 21 \end{aligned}$ | 11.5-13.5 <br> 11.5-13.5 <br> 11.5-13.5 <br> 11.5-13 . 5 <br> 11.5-13.5 <br> 11.5-13.5 <br> $11.5-135$ <br> 11.5-13.5 <br> 11.5-13.5 | $\begin{aligned} & 20 \\ & 20 \\ & 18 \\ & 18 \\ & 18 \\ & 18 \\ & 18 \\ & 18 \\ & 18 \end{aligned}$ | Y'es <br> Yes <br> Yes <br> l'es <br> Yes <br> Yes <br> Yes <br> les <br> Yes | K"ey <br> Key <br> Ord <br> Ord <br> Ord <br> ()rd <br> Ord <br> Ord <br> $\mathrm{Ord}_{\mathrm{rd}}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 3 \\ & 3 \\ & 3 \\ & 3 \\ & 3 \\ & 3 \\ & 3 \\ & 3 \\ & 3 \\ & 3 \\ & 3 \\ & 3 \end{aligned}$ | 26.75 26.75 26.75 26.75 46.75 26.75 26.75 20.75 26.75 | Strip <br> Strip <br> strip <br> Strip <br> strip <br> Strip <br> Strip <br> Strip <br> Atrip | $\begin{aligned} & 5 \\ & 8 \\ & 5 \\ & 5 \\ & 5 \\ & 8 \\ & 5 \\ & 8 \\ & 5 \\ & 5 \end{aligned}$ | Tur, <br> Tur, <br> Tur <br> Tur <br> Tur <br> Tur <br> Tur <br> 'Tur <br> 'Tur | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No } \\ & \text { No } \\ & \text { No } \\ & \text { No } \\ & \text { No } \\ & \text { No } \\ & \text { No } \\ & \text { No } \end{aligned}$ |
| Lion Manufacturing Corp. 2640 Belmont Ave., Chicago 18, Ill. | $\begin{aligned} & 21537 \\ & 21638,21739.21840 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 537 \\ & 537 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No } \\ & \text { No } \end{aligned}$ | $\left\lvert\, \begin{aligned} & 21 \\ & 21 \\ & 21 \end{aligned}\right.$ | $\begin{aligned} & 14 \\ & 14 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 21 \\ & 21 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Yes } \\ & \text { Yes } \end{aligned}$ | Ord Ord | $\begin{aligned} & 3 \\ & 3 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 26.4 \\ & 46.4 \end{aligned}$ | Strip | $\begin{array}{r} 6 \\ 10 \end{array}$ | Tur, C <br> 'lur, C | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{RC} \\ & \mathrm{RC} \end{aligned}$ |
| The Magnavox Co. Fort Wayne, Indiana | MV45L (Normandy) <br> M V68L (French Provincial) <br> MV90L (Wedgewood) <br> MV91L (Wedgewood) <br> MV92L (Belvedere) <br> MV93L (Belvedere) <br> M V94L (French Provincial) <br> MV100L (Contemporary) <br> MV109L (Empire) <br> MV゙103L (IIoliday) <br> MV104H (Envoy) <br> MV106L (Constellation) |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No } \\ & \text { AM-FM } \\ & \text { AM-FM } \\ & \text { AM-FM } \\ & \text { AM-FM } \\ & \text { AM-FM } \\ & \text { AM-FM } \\ & \text { No- } \\ & \text { No } \\ & \text { No } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & q 1 \\ & 21 \\ & 21 \\ & 21 \\ & 21 \\ & 21 \\ & 21 \\ & z 1 \\ & 21 \\ & 21 \\ & 21 \\ & 21 \\ & 20 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 14 \\ & 14 \\ & 14 \\ & 14 \\ & 14 \\ & 14 \\ & 14 \\ & 14 \\ & 14 \\ & 14 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 21 \\ & 31 \\ & 31 \\ & 24 \\ & 24 \\ & 31 \\ & 31 \\ & 31 \\ & 31 \\ & 21 \\ & 21 \\ & 21 \\ & 21 \end{aligned}$ | Yes Yes les Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes | Key Key Key Key Key Key <br> Key Key <br> Key Key | $\begin{aligned} & 3 \\ & 3 \\ & 3 \\ & 3 \\ & 3 \\ & 3 \\ & 3 \\ & 3 \\ & 3 \\ & 3 \\ & 3 \\ & 4 \\ & 4 \\ & 3 \end{aligned}$ | 2.5 .75 25.75 25.75 25.75 25.75 45.75 25.75 25.75 25.75 25.75 | Int Conv Int Conv lint Conv lut Conv Int Conv Int Conv <br> Int Conv Int Cons <br> Int Conv lut Conv $^{\circ}$ | 12 <br> (2) 12 <br> 12 <br> 18 <br> (2) 10 <br> (2) 12 <br> (2) 12 <br> 12 <br> 12 8 | $\begin{aligned} & S_{w} \\ & S_{w} \\ & S w \\ & S w \\ & S w \\ & S w \\ & S_{w} \\ & S_{w}, C \\ & S w \\ & S w \\ & S w \end{aligned}$ | No <br> 1'h <br> Ph <br> Ph <br> Plı <br> Ph <br> $\mathrm{Pl}_{1}$ <br> No <br> No <br> No |




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| RCA Victor Division（Continued） | 21T175DE Benton 21T176DE Suffoik 21T177DF Donley 21T178DE Rockingham 21T179DE Clarendon z1Tetz Westland 21 T24 Penfield 21＇T197DE Sunderland | KCs68I <br> K（ 688 <br> KCs 68 F <br> KCs68F <br> KCN68 <br> $\mathrm{KCs} \% \mathrm{D} 1$ <br> KC 78 D 2 <br> $\mathrm{KCS68H}$ | No No No No No AM AM－FM AMFM | 21A1＇t 21Al＇t 21AP＇t 21AP＇t 21AP＇t 21AP＇ 21AP＇t 21AP＇ | 17.5 17.5 17.5 17.5 17.5 13.6 13.6 17.5 | 45 25 05 25 05 0.5 20 33 34 | les <br> Yes <br> Yes <br> Yes <br> Yes <br> Yes <br> les <br> Yes | Key Key Key Rey Rey Key Key Key | 1 4 4 4 1 1 1 3 3 1 4 | +1 +1 +1 +1 +1 21 21 +1 | F，Conv，X <br> lis Conv，X <br> Fid Conv，$X$ <br> Fix Conv，X <br> Ex Conv， X <br> Ex Conv <br> Ex Conv <br> Ex Conv，X | 12 18 12 12 12 12 12 12 12 | $\begin{aligned} & S w, C \\ & S w, C \\ & S w, C \\ & S w, C \\ & S w, C \\ & S w \\ & S w \\ & S w \\ & S w, C \end{aligned}$ |  |
| Regal Electronics Corp． 603 West 130th St． New York 27，N．Y． | $\begin{aligned} & 17 \mathrm{C}^{11}, 17 \mathrm{H}^{11}, 17 \mathrm{~T}^{3}, 11 \\ & 20 \mathrm{C}^{11}, 20 \mathrm{~T}^{3}, 11 \\ & 21 \mathrm{C}^{1}, 21 \mathrm{H}^{11}, 21 \mathrm{~T}^{3}, 11 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{CH}-20-98 \\ & \mathrm{CH}-20-98 \\ & \mathrm{CH}-20.98 \end{aligned}$ | No $\begin{aligned} & \text { No } \\ & \text { No } \\ & \text { No }\end{aligned}$ | 17 20 21 | 12．5 |  | Yes Yes Yes | Ord Ord Ord | 201 | 26.1 26.1 20.1 | Strip Strip Strip | $\begin{array}{\|l} 8 \\ 8 \\ 8 \end{array}$ | Tur，C Tur， Tur， C | No No No |
| Scott Radio Labs． Plymouth，Ind． | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 817'TU-817CU } \\ & 820^{\prime} \mathrm{TU}-820 \mathrm{CU} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 9030 \\ & 9030 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{No} \\ & \mathrm{No} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 17 \mathrm{HP} 4 \\ & \text { gOHI' or } \end{aligned}$ | 12.5 | 20 | les | Ord | 4 | 26.1 | Strip | 10 | ＇Tur，C | No |
|  | 1510TA | 9089 | AM－FM | 21Fl＇t 2011 | 12.5 | 20 | les | Ord | $t$ | 26.1 | Strip | 10 | ＇Tur，C | No |
|  |  |  |  | $215{ }^{\text {P1 }}$ | 12.5 | 21 | Yes | Ord | $t$ | 26.1 | Strip | $12^{12}$ | Tur， C | 1 h |
|  | 924 ${ }^{\text {NW }}$ | $9031$ | No | 24．1P4 | 16.5 | 20 20 20 | Yes | Ord | 4 | 26.1 | Strip | 10 | Ture ${ }^{\text {The }}$ | No |
|  | 1000 ${ }^{\text {NTC }}$ | $9031$ | AM-FM | 24．AP＇ | 16.5 | 20 | Yes | Ord | $t$ | 26.1 | Strip | $15^{12}$ | Tur，C | Ph |
| Sentinel Radio Corporation 2100 Dempster Street | $1 \mathrm{U} 45+\mathrm{TM}$ |  | No No | 171P4 21FP4 | 15 | $\begin{aligned} & 18 \\ & 18 \end{aligned}$ | Yes | Ord | 3 3 | 26.4 26.4 | Strip | 6 | Tur，C | No No |
| Evanston，Illinois | 11＇456CM，－CB， 1 L 457 CM ，－CB |  | No | 21FP4 | 15 | 18 | Yes | Ord | 3 | 26.4 | Strip | 6 10 | Tur，C | No |
|  | 11058 TM |  |  | 171194 | 15 | 26 | Yes | Key | 4 | 26.4 | Strip | 6 | Tur，C | No |
|  | 1 L ＋59TM，－TB |  |  | 21P1＇A | 15 | 26 | Yes | Key | 4 | 26.4 | Strip | 6 | Tur，C | No |
|  | $1 \mathrm{~L} 460 \mathrm{CM},-\mathrm{CB}, 1 \mathrm{~L}+61 \mathrm{CM},-\mathrm{CB},-\mathrm{FP}$ |  |  | 21 FP 4 A | 15 | 26 | Yes | Key | 4 | 26.4 | Strip | 10 | ＇Tur，C | No |
|  |  |  |  | 27 EP 4 |  |  | Yes | Ord | 3 | 26.4 | Strip | 12 | ＇Tur，C | No |
| Setchell－Carlson，Inc． New Brighton，Minn． | $53,531$ <br> －31以R， 531 WR 5301， 5309 | $152$ | No | $211 P 4 A$ | $15$ | $\begin{aligned} & 24 \\ & 25 \\ & 20 \end{aligned}$ | Yes | Key Key | $4$ | $25.6$ | Strip | $10$ | Tur, C | HSIIV，IC |
| New Brighton，Minn． | j3WR，531WR，5301， 5302 | $152$ | AM | 21F1＇4 | $15$ | $125$ | Yes | Key | 4 | $25.6$ | Strip | $10$ | Tur. C | $11 \mathrm{BHV}, 1 \mathrm{C}$ |
| Shaw Television Corp． 195 Front St．， | 221，1521，2021，2221，2321， 2421，2021，3021，3221， |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Brooklyn 1，N，Y． | 3421，3521，3621， 3721 <br> 路1，1521，2021，䖪思1，2321， | $22+1$ | No | 21MP4 | 15 | 23 | No | Ord | 3 | $\begin{gathered} 26.75 \\ * \end{gathered}$ | Strip | 12\＆（2） 5 | Tur，C | 13 |
|  | 2491，2621，3021，3221， $3421,3521,3621,3721$ | 224． 2 R5 | AM－FM | 21MP4 |  | 28 | No | Ord | 3 | 26.75 | Strip | 12\＆（2） 5 | Tur，C | Ph |
|  | $2724,2824$ | 224 X | No | 24．AP4 | 15 | 23 | No | Ord | 3 | 26.75 | Strip | 12\＆（z） 5 | Tur，${ }^{\text {C }}$ | PJ |
|  | 2724， 2824 | 224．NR5 | AM．FM | 24．AP4 | 15 | 28 | No | Ord | 3 | 26.75 | Strip | 128（2） 5 | Tur，C | Ph |
| Sheraton Television Corp． | 17MT80 | 530－DX | No | 17 | 14 | 23 | Yes | Key | 4 | 26.75 | Strip | 6 | Tur，C | PJ |
| 370 7th Ave． | 21BT10，21MT10 | 530－DX | No | 21 | 14 | 23 | Yes | Key | 4 | 26.75 | Strip | 6 | Tur，${ }^{\text {c }}$ | 1．${ }^{\text {d }}$ |
| New York 1，N．Y． | $21 \mathrm{BC10}, 21 \mathrm{BD} 10,21 \mathrm{MC10}, 21 \mathrm{MD} 10$ | $530-\mathrm{DX}$ | No | $21$ | $14$ | \|x | Yes | Key | $4$ | $20.75$ | Strip | $12$ | Tur. C | $1{ }^{1} \mathrm{~J}$ |
|  | 27MC10， $27 \mathrm{MD10}$ | $530-\mathrm{DX}$ | No | $27$ | $18$ | $3 \%$ | Yes | Key | $\pm$ | $26.75$ | Strip | 12 | $\text { Tur, } \mathbf{C}$ | 1．J |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 6 in <br> Table |  |  |
| Harold Shevers，Inc． |  | B2178 |  | 17－21 | 18－14 | 17 | les | Ord | 8 | 25 |  | Console | Tur |  |
| 123 W． 64 th St． |  | P217 |  | 8AP4 | 8 | 17 | Yes | Ord | 3 | 25 | Strip | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Cor } \\ & 4 \times 6 \end{aligned}$ | Tur |  |
| New York City 23，N．Y． |  | 2278 |  | 17 | 9 | 27 | Yes | Ord | $+$ | 83.75 | Strip | （\％ | Tur | A．（＇．－1）．C． |
|  |  | 3188 |  | 21 | 14 | 18 | Yes | Ord | 3 | 25 | －trip | （i） | Inur |  |
|  |  | $319{ }^{\circ}$ |  | 21 | 12 | 19 | Y＇es | Ord | 3 | 25 | Strip | （i） | Tur | 1．${ }^{\text {c－－1）}} \mathrm{C}$ |
|  |  | $323^{8}$ |  | 21 | 14 | 23 | les | Ord | 3 |  | Strip |  | Tur |  |


| $>$ Sonora Radio \＆＇lelev．Corp． <br> $z 2023$ W．Carroll，Chicago 12，Ill． | $\begin{aligned} & 421,422 \\ & 423,424.42 .5,426 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 131 \mathrm{R}^{\prime} \\ & 1 \mathrm{SN} T \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No } \\ & \text { No } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 17^{\prime} \mathrm{Tl}^{4} \\ & 21 \mathrm{Ml}{ }^{2} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 14 \\ & 14 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 19 \\ & 19 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Yes } \\ & \text { les } \end{aligned}$ | （0）d Ord | 3 | $\begin{aligned} & \because 6.4 \\ & 26.4 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Arip } \\ & \text { strip } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & x \\ & 8 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & T u r \\ & T ı r \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \lambda_{0} \\ & ڭ_{0} \end{aligned}$ |
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| ```> Sparton Radio-Television < 2400 E. Ganson St. < Jackson, Mich. - w``` | ```5301 （1）anbury） \\ 5325 （Devonshire） \\ 5340 （Glenhurst） \\ 5342 （Gilmore） \\ 5362 （Radford） \\ 5380 （Courtland） \\ 5382 （Carrington），5384（Crestwood）， \\ 5386 （Courtney） \\ 5392 （Cambridge）``` | 215173 <br> 25D173．1 <br> 215213 <br> 25D 213 <br> 25D173A <br> 215213 <br> 45D 213 <br> 25D213 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No } \\ & N_{0} \\ & N_{0} \\ & N_{0} \\ & N_{0} \\ & N_{0} \\ & N_{0} \\ & \text { AM-FXI }{ }^{9} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 17 \\ & 17 \\ & 21 \\ & 21 \\ & 21 \\ & 17 \\ & 21 \\ & 21 \\ & 21 \\ & 21 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 14 \\ & 14 \\ & 14 \\ & 16 \\ & 14 \\ & 14 \\ & 16 \\ & 16 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 21 \\ & 2 . \\ & 21 \\ & 21 \\ & 25 \\ & 25 \\ & 21 \\ & 2 . \\ & 25 \\ & 2.5 \end{aligned}$ | Yes； <br> Yes <br> Yes <br> Yes <br> Yes <br> lies <br> Yes <br> les | Ord <br> Key <br> Ord <br> Key <br> Key <br> Ord <br> Key <br> Key | 3 4 3 4 4 3 4 4 4 | 26 25 <br> 26.25 <br> 26.25 <br> 26.25 <br>  <br> 26.25 <br> 26.25 <br> 26.25 | strip Strip Strip Strip Strip Strip Strip Strip | $\begin{gathered} 6 \\ 6 \\ 6 \\ 6 \\ 10 \\ 10 \\ 10 \\ 10 \\ 10 \end{gathered}$ | Tur， 1 <br> ＇Iur， 1 <br> Tur，${ }^{\circ}$ <br> ＇Tur，C <br> Tur，${ }^{\circ}$ <br> ＇Tur，C＇ <br> Tur，C <br> Tur，${ }^{C}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No } \\ & \text { No } \\ & \text { No } \\ & \text { No } \\ & \text { No } \\ & \text { No } \\ & \text { No } \\ & \text { No } \end{aligned}$ |
| Starrett Television 601 W．26th St． <br> New York 1，N．Y． | $\begin{aligned} & 17 \mathrm{CG} \\ & 17^{\prime} \mathrm{TG}, 1 \pi^{\prime} \mathrm{TW} \\ & 20^{\prime} \mathrm{TG}, 20 \mathrm{TW} \\ & 80 \mathrm{CD}, 80 \mathrm{C} 8 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 17 \mathrm{~S} 1 \\ & 17 \mathrm{~S} 1 \\ & 18 \mathrm{~S} 1 \\ & 18 \mathrm{~S} 1 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No } \\ & \text { No } \\ & \text { No } \\ & \text { No } \end{aligned}$ | 17 <br> 17 <br> 20 <br> 20 | $\begin{aligned} & 13.3 \\ & 13.3 \\ & 13.3 \\ & 13.3 \end{aligned}$ | 20 <br> 20 <br> 20 <br> 20 | Yes <br> Yes <br> Yes <br> Y＇es | Ord <br> （）rd <br> Ord <br> （）Md | 3 3 3 3 3 | 25.7 <br> 25.75 <br> 25.75 <br> 25 ． 75 | $\begin{aligned} & \therefore(\text { rip })^{19} \\ & \text { Strip }{ }^{19} \\ & \therefore \text { trip }{ }^{19} \\ & \text { Srip }{ }^{19} \end{aligned}$ | $\left\{\begin{array}{l} 8 \\ 5 \\ z \\ 8 \end{array}\right.$ |  | $N_{01}$ $N_{11}$ $N_{01}$ $N_{01}$ $N_{11}$ $N_{01}$ $N_{01}$ |
| Stewart－Warner Electric 1300 N．Kostner Ave． Chicago 51，III． | $\begin{aligned} & 20 \mathrm{C}-9124-\mathrm{A} \\ & 21 \mathrm{~T}-9132-\mathrm{A} \\ & 21 \mathrm{~T}-9210-\mathrm{A}, 21 \mathrm{~T}-9211-\mathrm{B},-\mathrm{C} \\ & 21 \mathrm{C}-9211-\mathrm{D},-\mathrm{F},-\mathrm{F} \\ & 27 \mathrm{C}-9212-\mathrm{A} \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { AM-FM } \\ & \text { No } \\ & \text { No } \\ & \text { No } \\ & \text { No } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 20CP'4 } \\ & \text { 21A1'4 } \\ & \text { 21A1'4 } \\ & \text { Q1A1'4 } \\ & \text { R7NP'4 } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 12.5 \\ & 12.5 \\ & 12.5 \\ & 12.5 \\ & 18 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 31 \\ & 26 \\ & 19 \\ & 19 \\ & 21 \end{aligned}$ | les <br> Yes <br> Yes <br> Yes <br> Yes | Key Key Ord Ord $\mathrm{O}_{\mathrm{rd}}$ | 4 1 3 3 3 3 | $2(6.7 .5$ 26.75 26.75 26.75 $2(6.75$ | Arip <br> Strip <br> Strip <br> strip <br> Strip | $\begin{gathered} 19 \\ 6 \\ 6 \\ 6 \times 9 \\ 6 \times 9 \end{gathered}$ | Tur <br> Tur， 1 <br> Tur．C <br> ＇Tur，C <br> ＇Tur，（＇ |  |
| Stromberg－Carlson Co． Rochester 3，N．Y． | Classic 21 （521C5I）ee．） <br> Classic 21 （521C50） <br> Classic 21 （521（ 5 M ） <br> Yorkshire（581（＇I）N） <br> Invader II（521（M） <br> Panavue（521＇T） | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No } \\ & \text { No } \\ & \text { No } \\ & \text { No } \\ & \text { No } \\ & \text { No } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No } \\ & \text { No } \\ & \text { No } \\ & \text { No } \\ & \text { No } \\ & \text { No } \\ & \text { No } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 21 \\ & 21 \\ & 21 \\ & 21 \\ & 21 \\ & 21 \\ & 21 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 17 \\ & 17 \\ & 17 \\ & 17 \\ & 17 \\ & 17 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 24 \\ & 24 \\ & 24 \\ & 24 \\ & 24 \\ & 24 \\ & 24 \end{aligned}$ | Yes <br> les <br> Yes <br> Yes <br> Yes <br> Yes | Key <br> Key <br> Key <br> Key <br> Key <br> Key | 4 4 4 4 4 4 | 26.4 <br> 26.4 <br> 20.4 <br> 264 <br> 264 <br> $2(6.4$ | $\therefore$ itrip <br> Strip <br> Strip <br> Strip <br> strip <br> Strip | $\begin{aligned} & 8 \\ & 8 \\ & 8 \\ & 8 \\ & 8 \\ & 8 \\ & 81 / 2 \\ & 512 \end{aligned}$ | Tur，C <br> Tur．${ }^{(1)}$ <br> Tur，C <br> Tur．${ }^{\circ}$ <br> ＇Tur．（＂ <br> Tur．（＂ |  |
| Sylvania Electric Corp． Radio \＆Tel．Division 254 Rano St． Buffalo，N．Y． | $\begin{aligned} & 105 \\ & 180 \\ & 126 \\ & 150 \\ & 155 \\ & 174,176,177 \\ & 175 \\ & 178 \\ & 187 \end{aligned}$ | 504－1 <br> 510－1 <br> 510－1 <br> 4．37－3 <br> 437－3 <br> 508－1 <br> 508－1 <br> 508－1 TV <br> 603－1 Radio <br> 509－1 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No } \\ & \text { No } \\ & \text { No } \\ & \text { No } \\ & \text { No } \\ & \text { No } \\ & \text { No } \\ & \text { AM-FM } \\ & \text { No } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 17 \\ & 21 \\ & 21 \\ & 17 \\ & 17 \\ & 21 \\ & 21 \\ & 21 \\ & z 1 \\ & 27 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 16 \\ & 16 \\ & 16 \\ & 16 \\ & 16 \\ & 17 \\ & 17 \\ & 17 \\ & 29 \\ & 29 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 24 \\ & 23 \\ & 24 \\ & 24 \\ & 24 \\ & 48 \\ & 28 \\ & 28 \\ & 38 \\ & 35 \end{aligned}$ | Yes <br> les <br> Yes <br> les <br> les <br> les <br> les <br> les <br> Yes | Key <br> Key <br> Key <br> Key <br> Key <br> Key <br> Key <br> Key <br> Key | 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 | 26.8 <br> 15.75 <br> 45.75 <br> 264 <br> 264 <br> 45.35 <br> 45.75 <br> 45.75 <br> 4.5 .75 | 「HF＂ <br> 1H1＂「 <br> IIIDT <br> bix Conv Ex conv ITIFT ［111＂ <br> HINT <br> Int Tune | $\begin{aligned} & 612 \\ & 61 / 2 \\ & 8 \\ & 81 \\ & 61,2 \\ & 61 / 2 \\ & 110 \\ & 61,2 \\ & 12 \\ & 10 \end{aligned}$ |  | No <br> No <br> No <br> No <br> No <br> Halo <br> Halo <br> lato，lht <br> Halo， RC |
| Tech－Master Products Co． 443 Broadway， <br> New York 13，N．Y． |  | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{C} 30 \\ & 630 \mathrm{D} 24 \\ & \\ & 630 \mathrm{~S} 24 \\ & \\ & 1930 \mathrm{RC} \\ & 2430 \\ & 2431 \\ & 2431 \mathrm{C} \\ & 5219 \\ & 5321 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & N_{0} \\ & N_{0} \\ & N_{0} \\ & N_{0} \\ & \mathrm{No}_{0} \\ & \mathrm{No} \\ & \mathrm{No} \\ & \mathrm{No}_{0} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 24 \\ & 1 \text { lp to } 24 \\ & 1 \text { P to } 24 \\ & 21 \\ & 21 \\ & 1 p \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 15.5 \\ & 16 \\ & 16 \\ & 16 \\ & 16 \\ & 16 \\ & 16 \\ & 16 \\ & 16 \\ & 16 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 30 \\ & 30 \\ & 30 \\ & 30 \\ & 30 \\ & 30 \\ & 31 \\ & 31 \\ & 19 \\ & 21 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & N_{0} \\ & N o \\ & N o \\ & N o \\ & N o \\ & N o \\ & N_{0} \\ & N_{0} \\ & N_{0} e s \\ & \text { Nes } \end{aligned}$ | Ord Key Ke： Key Key Key Key （）ril Ord | 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 3 3 | 26.4 45 $-204$ 25.75 $-264$ 264 26 26.4 264 244 $24!$ | $\therefore$ trip <br> strip <br> Strip <br> Strip <br> Strip <br> Strip <br> Strip <br> Strip <br> Stip | $\begin{gathered} 12 \\ 12 \\ 12 \\ 12 \\ 12 \\ 12 \\ 12 \\ 8 \\ 8 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Tur, ( } \\ & \text { 'lur, ( } \\ & \text { Tur, C } \\ & \text { Tur, ( } \\ & \text { Tur, ( } \\ & \text { Tur, C } \\ & \text { Con } \\ & \text { Tur } \\ & \text { Tur } \end{aligned}$ |  |


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| Tele King Corp. 601 W. 26th St. New York, N. Y. | K11, K1113 <br> K72, K7213, K74 <br> KC11, KC11B, KDı1. KDı1B, <br> KD12C, KD12M, KD13 <br> KC71, KC7213 <br> KD11X, KD11XB <br> KD27, KD28 <br> KD71X, KD71XB | TVJ <br> TVJ <br> TVJ <br> TVJ <br> TVJ <br> TVJ87 <br> TVJ | No <br> No <br> No <br> No <br> AM <br> No <br> AM | 21 <br> 17 <br> 21 <br> 17 <br> 21 <br> 27 <br> 17 | $14-15$ $14-15$ $14-15$ $14-15$ $14-15$ $17-18$ $14-15$ | 17 17 17 17 $17^{t}$ 17 17 | les lies Yes les Yes lies Yes | Ord <br> Ord <br> Ord <br> Ord <br> Ord <br> Ord <br> Oril | $\begin{aligned} & 3 \\ & 3 \\ & 3 \\ & 3 \\ & 3 \\ & 3 \\ & 3 \\ & 3 \end{aligned}$ | 25.1 25.1 25.1 25.1 25.1 25.1 25.1 | Int Conv Int Conv <br> Int Conv <br> Int Conv <br> Int Conv <br> Int Conv <br> Int Conv | 4 x 6 <br> $4 \times 6$ <br> 10 <br> 10 <br> 10 <br> 10 <br> 10 <br> 10 | Sw $S_{w} w$ Sw $S_{w}$ $S_{w}$ $S_{w}$ Sw | No No No No SPl No SPl |
| Trad Television Corp. 1001 1st Ave., Asbury Park, N. J. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { C2052 } \\ & \text { C2152 } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { T1853 } \\ & \text { T1853 } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No } \\ & \text { No } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 20 \mathrm{HP} 4 \\ & 21 \mathrm{Fl}^{2} 4 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 13.5 \\ 13.5 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 18 \\ 18 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Yes } \\ & \text { Yes } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{Ord} \\ & \mathrm{Ord} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 3 \\ & 3 \end{aligned}$ | $\left.\begin{aligned} & 26.75 \\ & 26.75 \end{aligned} \right\rvert\,$ | Strip | $\begin{array}{r} 8 \\ 10 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Tur } \\ & \text { Tur } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No } \\ & \text { No } \end{aligned}$ |
| Transvision, Inc. 460 North Ave., New Rochelle, N. Y. | A- 6 |  | FM ${ }^{7}$ | 17-21 | 12 | 25 | No | Ord | 4 | 26.25 | Ex Conv | 6x9 | Sw |  |
| Trav-Ler Radio Corp. 571 West Jackson Blvd. Chicago.6, Illinois |  | $217-31$ $217-32$ $217-33$ $217-37$ $220-34$ $290-35$ $291-36$ | No No No No No No No | $\begin{aligned} & 17 \\ & 17 \\ & 17 \\ & 17 \\ & 20 \\ & 20 \\ & 21 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 11.2 \\ & 11.2 \\ & 11.2 \\ & 11.2 \\ & 11.2 \\ & 11.2 \\ & 11.2 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | 21 21 21 21 21 21 21 21 21 | les les les les les les Yes Yes | Ord <br> Ord <br> Orol <br> Ord <br> Oril <br> ()rd <br> Ord | $\left[\begin{array}{l} 3 \\ 3 \\ 3 \\ 3 \\ 3 \\ 3 \\ 3 \\ 3 \end{array}\right.$ | $\begin{aligned} & 26.25 \\ & 26 \\ & 26 \\ & 20 \\ & 20 \\ & 20 \\ & 20 \\ & 20 . \\ & 20.25 \\ & 26 \\ & 26 \end{aligned}$ | Strip <br> Strip <br> Strip <br> Strip <br> Strip <br> Strip <br> Strip | $4 \times 6$ $4 \times 6$ $4 \times 6$ $4 \times 6$ $4 \times 6$ $4 \times 6$ $6 x 9$ | Tur, C Tur. C Tur, C Tur, C Tur, C Tur. Tur. C | No No No No No No No |
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| Westinghouse Electric Corp. Television-Radio Division Sunbury, Penna. | H-667T17, H-668T17 H-676T\&1 H-681T17 H-681T17 H-68K17, H-679K17 H-688K24 H-689T16 H-673K21, H-690K21, H-691K21 H-692T21 H-695K21 H-699K17, H-702K17, H-703K17, H-705K17 H-700T17, H-701TT17 H-704T17 H-706T16 H-708T20 H-710T21 H-711T21 H-713K21, H-714K21, H-720K21 H-721K21 | $V-2216-1$ $V-2217-1$ $V-2215-1$ $V-2215-2 \&-9$ $V-2216-1$ $V-2219-1$ $V-2214-1$ $V-2217-1$ $V-2217-2$ $V-2217-2$, $V-2217-3$ $V-2216-8$ $V-2216-2$ $V-2216-2$, $V-2216-4,-5$ $V-2207-1$ $V-2220-1$, $V-2220-3,-11$ $V-2217-2$ $V-2217-3,-4$ $V-2917-5$ $V-2217-2$ $V-2217-2$ $V-2217-3 \&$ | No No No No No No No No No No No No No No No No No No No No No No | $\begin{aligned} & 17 \\ & 21 \\ & 17 \\ & 17 \\ & 17 \\ & 24 \\ & 16 \\ & 21 \\ & 21 \\ & 21 \\ & 21 \\ & 17 \\ & 17 \\ & 17 \\ & 17 \\ & 16 \\ & 20 \\ & 20 \\ & 21 \\ & 21 \\ & 21 \\ & 21 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 18.5 \\ & 13.5 \\ & 13.5 \\ & 13.5 \\ & 13.5 \\ & 16 \\ & 13.5 \\ & 13.5 \\ & 13.5 \\ & 13.5 \\ & 13.5 \\ & 13.5 \\ & 13.5 \\ & 13.5 \\ & 13.5 \\ & 13.5 \\ & 13.5 \\ & 13.5 \\ & 13.5 \\ & 13.5 \\ & 13.5 \\ & 13.5 \end{aligned}$ |  | lies les Yes les Yes Yes les Yes lies Yes Yes <br> Y'es Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes <br> Yes <br> les <br> les <br> Yes | Key Key Key Key Key Key Key Key Key Key Key <br> Key Key Key Key Key <br> Key <br> Key Key Key Кеу | $\left[\begin{array}{l} 3 \\ 3 \\ 3 \\ 3 \\ 3 \\ 3 \\ 3 \\ 3 \\ 3 \\ 3 \\ 3 \\ 3 \\ 3 \\ 3 \\ 3 \\ 3 \\ 3 \end{array}, .\right.$ | 45.75 44 44 44 44 44 44 44 44 44 44 44 44 44 44 44 44 44 44 44 44 44 44 44 | Int Conv Int Conv Int Conv Int Conv Int Conv Int Conv Int Conv Int Conv Int Conv Int Conv Int Conv <br> Int Conv Int Conv Int Conv Int Conv Ex Conv Ex Conv Ex Conv Int Conv Int Conv Int Conv Int Conv Int Conv Int Conv | $51 / 4$ $51 / 4$ $51 / 4$ $51 / 4$ 10 10 $51 / 4$ 10 $51 / 4$ 10 10 10 $51 / 4$ $51 / 4$ $51 / 4$ $51 / 4$ $51 / 4$ 10 10 10 |  | No No No No No No No No No No No No No No No No No No No No No No No No |



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|  | K2987R | 21 K 20 or 21 K 202 <br> \＆81120Z | AM－FM | 21 | 18 | 29 | Yes | Key | 3 | 41.45 | Strip | 12 | Tur | Ph |
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T-HE previous article irdicated how important it was to preserve an accurate balance in the pash-pull stages of an amplifier and described some of the phase splitters which are used, but which fail to guarantee the needed permanent balance. There are two basic ways to solve the problem. One of these will te the subject of this article.
The best way to produce two equal voltages with opposite phases is to pass a current through two ecual resistors in series. If we use the simple equivalent for a tube we have the arrangement shown in Fig. 1. We can match the resistances as closely as we like, and obtain virtually perfect balance. Most of our problems will arise from the difficulty of achieving this ideal circuit when we must add the supply voltages and input for the tube. So long as we are concerned oally with the ideal case we can see that the tube load is 2 R , which should be equal to the optimum load given in the tube characteristics, and the gain of the stage to cach push-pull grid is:

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or half the gain for a single-ended load of $2 R$.

Now let us consider the practical applications of the circuit. Terminal G must be grounded. because that is what the push-pull stage demands. The practical circuit must therefore look something like Fig. 2-a. This, of course, is still a rather theoretical circuit, because the grid of the tube is floating about in mid-air: we proceed to fix the working point of the tube by adding the components $R_{k}, R_{k}$ and $C_{k}$ (Fig. 2-b). These are the standard components for the tube. $R_{k}$ sets the tube to its correct bias, $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{k}}$ eliminates the negative feedback caused by $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{k}}$ at all frequencies for which $2 \pi f C_{k} R_{k} \gg 1$ and $R_{k}$ is the usual grid resistor, which normally
must not exceed about 500 kilohns for tubes operated with cathode bias.
We can apply the input signal between $X$ and $Y$, provided that the source has no ground on it. For practical purposes this implies the use of an input transformer, giving the circuit shown in Fig. 3, which now includes a decoupling resistor $\mathrm{R}_{8}$ in the supply lead. We can draw the exact equivalent circuit for this arrangement in two clifferent ways, depending on whether we are interested in the lowfrequency or the high-frequency end of the response. For the low-frequency end we have Fig. 4.

## What happens in the circuit

The general form of Ohm's law$\mathrm{I}=\mathrm{E} / \mathrm{Z}$-can be applied to this circuit fairly easily, though the expressions are rather long because they contain nine variables. We can set by straightforward reasoning what will happen, however. At low frequencies $C_{k}$ will no longer act to decouple the cathode resistor $R_{n}$, so that the gain will fall in just the way I described in one of the early articles on Audio Feedback Design. As we usually take a cathode resistor approximately equal to $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{p}} / 4$ the gain will fall by about $4-6 \mathrm{db}$ if we use a triode, or 6 db if we use a pentode. This drop applies to the current round the loop, and affects both the push-pull outputs equally: it does not affect the balance of the outputs at all. Notice, however, that this is because we took output $B$ from the top of $\mathrm{R}_{1,2}$, not from the cathode of the tube. By taking output 13 from the cathode we will add a new effect, because as the current drops, due to the feedback, the impedance across which the voltage is taken rises, so that the output voltage at $B$ will not drop as much as it does at $A$.

In the other half of the push-pull drive, the current flows through $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}, \mathrm{I}}$ and the parallel combination of $R_{s}$ and
C. The impedance thus rises from $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}, 1}$ to ( $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{L}, 1}+\mathrm{R}_{n}$ ), giving, if the current were constant, a rise in response of $20 \times \log \left(1+R_{s} / R_{\mathrm{L}, 1}\right) \mathrm{db}$. This rise in response is not balanced by anything which happens in the $\mathrm{R}_{1,}$ circuit, so that at very low frequencies we have an unbalance of about $R_{s} / R_{1,1}$. This calculation applies fairly well to a pentode, but the unbalance is not so great with a triode, because of the effect of the finite tube impedance.

It is attractive to suggest that we should take $R_{s}=R_{x}$ and $C_{n}=C_{x}$, and derive output $B$ from the cathode. Then the circuit would stay balanced right down to the lowest frequencies. Can we do this? The answer is no. A typical value of $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{k}}$ will be 500 ohms (or 470 if you stick to preferred numbers, which make arithmetic so tedious), and Ca can be 100. This gives us ${ }^{11} \mathrm{C}_{k} \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{h}}=1$ if (1) $=20$ (using (1) to denote 2 if$)$. The characteristic frequency is about 3 cycles per second. We could use an electrolytic capacitor of 100 uf for $C_{n}$, but it is bulky and expensive: we are much more likely to use a 1 -॥f capacitor with $\mathrm{R},=5-10$ kilohms. Remember why we insert this decoupling circuit. We decouple tubes because the plate supply unit has a finite impedance, and the current drawn ly one tube affects the voltage supplied to another. This finite supply-unit imperlance, with its current fluctuations, is in series with $\mathrm{R}_{\text {. }}$, so our elegant calculations on this single stage are vitiated thy the external circumstances. We must just decoupie cathode and plate efficiently.

At high frequencies the circuit takes the form showr in Fig. 5, $\mathrm{C}_{1}$ and C , are the capacitances of the following push-pull stage, and will be equal; $\mathrm{C}_{1}$ is the capacitance from the bottom of the input-transformer secondary to ground, together with the cathodeheater capacitance of the tube. In addition to these there is the important


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Fig. 1-The best type of phase splitter, shown above, is simply two resistors with their junction grounded. The voltages have to be equal and opposite as long as the two resistors maintain their equal resistance. This circuit also has some practical applications.


Fig. 2-Two steps toward making a more practical circuit from the one shown in Fig. 1 above. A tube is inserted between the two resistors to supply the necessary current through them and to modulate that current as desired.


Fig. 3-A practical form of the circuit. Transformer input solves problems of providing a grid return path and of balancing the input to ground.


Fig. 4-How the circuit of Fig. 3 appears to low audio-frequency signals.


Fig. 5-This is the equivalent circuit of Fig. 3 for signals at the high end.


Fig. 6-By grounding one side of the input and using a blocking capacitor, we can abandon the unpopular transformer input. This reduces the gain because of degenerative cathode feedback.
plate-grid capacitance, which provides a "Miller" capacitance in parallel with that of the grid and cathode and affects the overall frequency response. It does not have any effect on the balance, however, so we need not discuss it here. We can concentrate our attention on the unbalance effect produced by the capacitor $C_{4}$.

We can get an idea of what this capacitance will do by putting in some numbers. Typical values of $R_{L, 1}$ and $R_{1,3}$ will be 50 kilohms, so that for a top frequency of 16,000 cycles, a capacitance of $200 \mu \mu \mathrm{f}$ will be tolerable, from the frequency-response point of view. If feedback is being applied round this stage, the phase shift will be an embarrassment, but in any event we shall be using a modification which eliminates some of this capacitance.

## The practical applications

We very rarely want to use an input transformer, and the reader may ask why we have spent so long considering this circuit, which in spite of its very good balance presents difficulties in connecting the input. The answer is that we can apply our analysis to other arrangements which have a grounded input. Knowing that we have a good arrangement so far as the push-pull character is concerned, we can press on to an examination of other input circuits, without having to worry about the output circuit.

Fig. 6 is a conventional arrangement, in which a blocking capacitor has been added in series with the grid circuit. So far as $B$ is concerned, this stage is just a cathode follower and since $R_{\mathrm{I}}$ is large there will be slightly less than unity gain from the input to output B. As we have already shown, the phase-splitter is well balanced, so that in this form we need to apply to the input just about the same voltage as each of our final push-pull tubes will require. We can omit $C_{h}$, because


Fig. 7-This more refined circuit overcomes the reduced gain by taking advantage of the cathode-follower circuit's high input impedance. By using a pentode in the first stage, the combined gain of the two stages is excellent.
we have already so much feedback from $R_{\mathrm{K}, 2}$ that a little extra will not make any differeace.

## Two important problems

Before adding some notes on the design of this circuit, two matters have to be discussed. The cathode of the tube is suspended, like Mahomet's coffin, between heaven and earth. Usually it will be at least 50 volts above ground, and we must take care not to let it exceed the maximum voltage given by the tube maker, which is often 90 volts. When a separate heater winding can be provided for this tube there is no problem at all, but I prefer to moor my heater center-point to a +20 -volt point obtained by tapping with high resistors across the plate supply. This not only helps to reduce the heater-cathode voltage in this phase-splitter stage, but also reduces the hum in earlier stages of the amplifier.

The second point becomes important only in advanced feedback circuits, or if the following tubes draw grid current. At B, the apparent generator impedance is that of a cathode follower, and is low: at $A$, the impedance is that of a tube with a great deal of current feedback, and is very high.

The design conditions are fairly easily studied. We take our selected tube, say one-half of a 12AT7, and choose the bias resistor, 500 ohms, and the plate load, say 50 kilohms. This 50 kilohms we split in two, giving 25,000 ohms for each of the resistors $\mathbf{R}_{\mathrm{L} 1}$ and $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}, 2}$.

Applying this load line to the tube characteristics with a supply of 250 volts we get a current of $3-4 \mathrm{ma}$, and a bias of $1.5-2$ volts. The cathode is then between +75 and +100 v , and the stage gain will be
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The input impedance (by virtue of the negative feedback caused by the cathode resistor') is very high indeed. This fact enables us to get adequate gain in a complete amplifier in spite of the wastage in the phase-splitter. Let us see why we have such a high input impedance. Suppose that we apply 1 volt positive to the input terminal: the cathode will rise to 0.98 volts, leaving only 0.02 volts across the grid leak. If this is 100 kilohms, the current through it will be $0.2 \mu \mathrm{a}$. At the input it will appear as though 1 volt has produced $0.2 \mu$ a current, so the apparent input impedance will be 5 megohms. We can use this very high resistance as the load for a pentode amplifier stage and obtain a correspondingly high increase in its voltage gain. This will make up the loss of gain in the triode phase splitter, because the two stages together would hardly have shown such a high gain normally, anyway.

## A more refined circuit

Fig. 7 shows the way in which the circuit is arranged. The supply to tul)e 1 passes through $R_{i}, R_{z}$ and $R_{t}$ in series, with $R_{1}$ as the useful part of the load. The load on tube 1 is $R_{1}$ in parallel with $R_{i}$ multiplied by the feedback effect in tube 2. The impedance in shunt across X and Y is of the order of megohms, so that tube 1 has a very high gain; so high indeed that we can use the simple $\mathrm{gmR}_{\mathrm{r}}$. expression for the gain of a pentode ( $\mathrm{R}_{1}=\mathrm{R} 1$ ). $R_{z}$ is needed to prevent $Y$ from being grounded by the decoupling capacitor $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{a}}$, and $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{n}}$ is, for a.c., in parallel with $R_{1}$, the cathode load resistor of tube 2. Since $R_{1}$ settles the voltage at which the cathode is set, and the steady current conditions in tube 2, it cannot be made too large. We must therefore reduce the value of the plate load of tube $2, \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{i}}$, and tube 2 will not be operating under ideal conditions. The values shown in Fig. 7 represent a reasonable compromise, however. (The values are all even numbers-the nearest preferred values will work in a practical circuit.)
Perhaps the most serious disadvantage of this circuit is the fact that the gain depends on the amplification factor of a pentode, a number which you never see in the hooks. Just how constant this quantity is I do not know.

We can, of course, stabilize the gain of the complete amplifier by using negative feedback. but here we meet another difficulty. The plate capacitance of tube 1. together with the capacitance of the unit to ground, will be in parallel with the very high pentode plate load. Perhaps with care these can be kept down to $20 \mu \mu \mathrm{f}$ but with a 5 -megohm effective load the characteristic frequency is 1,600 cycles. This means that the response will be 6 db down at 3,000 cycles, so that the feedback will only have half the expected effect on the third harmonic of 1,000 cycles, while as this stage alone is 18 db down at 12,000 cycles we shall need a relatively large feedback just to flatten the response.

This last analysis is over-developed, if you examine it critically. The average small pentorle has a plate impedance of about 1 megohm, which is in parallel with tne load, so that this alone shifts the characteristics frequency up to about 9 ke . Furthermore, there is no gain to be olstained by pushing up the load from say 2 megohms to 5 megohms. We shall probably do better, indeed, to drop $R$, to 33,000 , get more current through our tube and thus increase its amplification factor, at the same time widening the response slightly. We shall still get about 60 db from our two tubes, so that if the final stages need 20 volts drive we can operate with 20 mv input. But this is neglecting the gain reduction caused by the negative feedloack which I hone all my readers use lavishly.

The circuits shown in Figs. 6 and 7 are two of the most important phasesplitter circuits. They provide a very well balanced output, are almost independent of the characteristics of the phase-splitter tube over the range of commercial tolerances, and involve no trick circuitry. The only disadvantages are that the tube must have good heater-cathode insulation (both to prevent breakdown under the voltage stress and to prevent the leakage of 60 -cycle hum into the cathode resistor') and that one tube must provide sufficient swing to drive both the push-pull grids.

Thus if each grid requires 20 volts, the tube must be capable of giving 40 volts under normal amplifier conditions. When driving class-B amplifiers, such as the EL;34 stage I described some time ago, which needs 40 volts peak for each grid, this demand for 80 volts peak is too much for a small tube. Some designers have therefore followed a phase-splitter of this type with a push-pull intermediate driver. I am not enamored of this solution, which puts in an additional double triode to do work which could be done better by a single tube elsewhere in the circuit.

In the article which will follow this I propose to discuss the other main type of phase-splitter. As I said in the first article, this obtains its balance by using very large amounts of negative feedback. It must not be confused with the circuit discussed above, in which the negative feedback is an unwanted result of our desise to ground one side of the input. In the circuits which follow, the negative feedback is deliberately introduced to force the two outputs to halance. But that will be another story.

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Photo A (upper left)—Keyboard construction. Photo B (upper right)—Keyboard and chassis assembly. Large bulb is European neon lamp. Photo $C$ (lower left)-Complet ed Ondiovox. Photo $D$ (lower right)-Expression control.

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## This simple marker

 generator converts an inexpensive sweep generator into a precision instrument.

Photo A -'The calibrator before wiring.

SWEEP generators for aligning wide-band i.f. amplifiers in television and FM sets usually need highly accurate marker signals or pips for identifying frequency points along the response curve. Accurate markers are especially important for peaking individual coils and setting sound and adjacent-channel traps. Intercarrier receivers also require an accurate $4.5-\mathrm{mc}$ unmodulated signal for aligning sound-take-off windings and discriminators.

The two most common sources of marker signals for sweep alignment are the built-in marker (either a calihrated tunable oscillator, or a passive, ahsorption-type network), and the external marker oscillator or signal gencrator. The absorption-type marker is useful for locating points along the response curve but cannot serve as a single-frequency r.f. source for aligning individual stages. A variable marker oscillator, internal or external, not only will mark points on the curve but may be used to tune individual coils and traps.

Both types leave much to be desired with respect to accuracy of calibration. Most modern i.f. systems are staggertuned at various fractional frequencies like $25.3 \mathrm{mc}, 23.1 \mathrm{mc}$, and 21.7 mc . Even the best tunable marker oscil.ators and signal generators may he off calibration by as much as 0.5 mc , making it practically impossible to align a set
exactly at the specified frequencies. A few of the more expensive TV generators are equipped with crystal calihrators which give accurate marker pips every 2.5 me or 5 me along the curve.

The low-cost, easy-to-construct unit described here not only gives accurate merkers at 0.5 -me intervals, but provides a $4.5-\mathrm{mc}$, crystal-controlled, pure r.f. signal for intercarrier alignment. The wide range of marker pips is adequate for almost any servicing or design need, and all have the high accuracy and stability associatel with a well-designed crystal oscillator.
Although this marker oscillatormixer was constructed to fit a Heathkit model TS-2 sweep generator, it can be installed in almost any other make or model, or built as an independent unit. The choice of crystal frequencies and the use of either separate or mixed outputs gives the unit unusual versatility. It consists of separate $4.5-\mathrm{mc}$ and 5 -me erystal oscillators. Either crystal or both may be disabled by switching ofi the B supply to the appropriate oscillator, and each section has its own output-control potentiometer. A mixeramplitude control adjusts the combined outputs of the two crystals to any desired level, and a simple mixing network added to the sweep-generator combines the sweep signal and the crystal-marker frequencies at the sweep output terminals.

## Circuit details

Fig. 1 is the schematic diagram of the dual-marier unit. Each section of the 6 J 6 is connected as a Pierce crystal oscillator. Using r.f. chokes rather than resistors in the plate circuits increases the output on the higher harmonics essential in this application. Amplitude of oscillation is controlled by individual potentiometers which vary the B plus voltage to each plate. Switches on these controls tarn the individual oscillators off and on, by opening or closing the $B$ plus line. With a single crystal switched on, the cathode potentiometer (R1) functions as the load resistor of a conventional cathode follower, providing the correct low-impedance match for connecting the marker in parallel with the output of the sweep generator.
When both crystals are operating, the 6 J 6 functions as a mixer. since the two triodes have a common cathode resistor. The output contains the frequency difference between the two crystals ( 0.5 mc ) and harmonics of 0.5 mc extending to 50 mc and even higher. Sum frequencies also appear in th combined output ( 9.5 me and its harmonics), but they are superimposed on $0.5-\mathrm{me}$ pips. The 0.5 -me pips are given uniform amplitude by adjusting the relative outputs of the two crystal oscillators with potentiometers R2 and R3.
The height of the pips on the alignment curve itself is controlled by



Fig. 1 (left)-Schematic of the dualfrequency calibrator. Operating power may be obtained from the sweep generator or from the power supply in Fig. 2. Fig. 2 (right)-Dower-supply schematic.


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cathode-potentiometer R1. (Like all marker signals, they should be kept at the lowest possible level to avoid distorting the response curve. About oneeighth to one-quarter inch is right for
the average pattern on a 3-inch or 5 -inch oscilloscope.)

The $50-\mu \mu f$ ceramic capacitors across the grid resistors give added reliability of operation in the Pierce circuit. Plate-


Photo B - Underchassis view of the completed unit. Miniature capacitors and tube reduce the overall dimensions.


Photo C-A top view of the finished calibrator. The output controls and on-off switches are at the ends of flexible leads.

Photo D (below)The marker unit installed below the chassis on the panel of a Heathkit model TS-2 sweep generator.

supply decoupling is accomplished by resistors R4 and R5 and capacitors C1 and C2. Capacitors C3 and C4 isolate the crystals from the d.c. on the oscillator plates. C5 couples the output from R1 through a 100 -ohm isolating resistor, which reduces interaction between the marker circuit and the sweep gener sor. The supply voltages for the marker unit are taken from the sweep generator, or the small power supply shown in Fig. 2 may be added. The total drain with both crystals functioning is less than 5 ma.

## Construction

The photographs (A, B, and C) show the unit during and after construction, and $D$ and $E$ show the unit mounted on the front panel of the Heathkit TS-2. The small aluminum chassis $(13 / 4 \times 31 / 8 \times 1$ inch) is a standard commercial type and is supported firmly by the shaft bushing of control potentiometer R1. An aluminum bracket may be added if desired.

The photos show the layout of the tube socket, crystal holders, "outboard" tie-points for the r.f. chokes, and the triple-0.1- $\mu \mathrm{f}$ bathtub capacitor. Potentiometers R2 and R3 are mounted on the sweep-generator front panel, the $4.5-\mathrm{mc}$ control at the left and the 5 -me control at the right. The parts values in the output circuit should be followed closely, since they were chosen to reduce interaction between the crystal markers and the sweep generator to a minimum. The only moderately expensive items are the crystals. A wellknown mail-order house (Allied Radio) offers Bliley 5 -me crystals at $\$ 2.80$ and $4.5-\mathrm{mc}$ crystals for $\$ 3.25$, bringing the total cost of the unit to about $\$ 10.00$.

## Using the marker unit

Testing and using the complete unit involves straightforward procedures. It is assumed that the reader is already familiar with the technique of applying the sweep generator to the mixer or first i.f. grid; with connecting the oscilloscope across the video-detector load resistor (preferably through an isolating resistor of about 25,000 ohms); and with supplying the scope sweep with synchronized horizontal input from the sweep generator.

First, connect the sweep generator with the built-in marker unit to a television or other wide-band-i.f. amplifier known to be approximately in alignment, or at least capable of passing the i.f. signal. Phase the sweep response curve on the scope screen ol throw the blanking control-if one is provided-to the ON position for singletrace operation.

Adjust the curve to normal height with the sweep-generator attenuator, and switch on the 5 -me crystal. With cathode control R1 well advanced, rotate output control R3 until a 5 -me harmonic pip in the pass band of the i.f. strip appears on the curve. Most television-i.f. amplifiers include 25 mc somewhere near the flat top of the curve (see Fig. 3). Keep the pip ampli-

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Photo E-Panel of the modified sweep generator showing the added marker oscillator controls.
tude at a minimum; too much signal from the marker will distort the curve.

Now turn off the 5 -me crystal and switch on the $4.5-\mathrm{mc}$ section. The same amplitude-regulating procedure (this time with R2) will give a pip at any harmonic of 4.5 mc which lies in the i.f. pass band. In ordinary TV receivers, the 22.5 -me pip will be prominent on the curve. Well-designed wide-band i.f. amplifiers will also show the next harmonic pip at 27 mc (see Fig. 4).

If both harmonic pips of the $4.5-\mathrm{mc}$ crystal are visible, the bandwidth characteristics of the amplifier can be seen at a glance, since the separation of the two markers is the $4.5-\mathrm{mc}$ difference that separates video and sound carriers, and which is fundamental to the design of ideal i.f. circuits.
When each crystal is oscillating satisfactorily, as indicated by its harmonic pips, switch them both on. Adjust contrals R2 and R3, and the cathode control R1, to produce a line of uniform markers of convenient height, each of which is separated from the next by the crystal diference frequency of exactly 0.5 mc . The response pattern should then have the appearance of Fig. 5. Output control R1 should be used to adjust the amplitude of the $0.5-\mathrm{mc}$ pips with respect to the alignment curve.

The 0.5 -me pips may be identified by noting the nearest $r$-ference pip from either the $5-\mathrm{mc}$ or the $4.5-\mathrm{mc}$ crystal, and counting the order of the $0.5-\mathrm{mc}$ pip in question from that point. For example, the first pip above 25 mc would be 25.5 mc , the second, 26 mc ; the first pip below 25 mc is 24.5 mc , the second, 24 mc , and so on.
Some of the newer i.f. systems will need a $45-\mathrm{mc}$ pip as a refercnce point. Since any television-i.f. response curve must have a bandwidth of about 4.5 mc , there will always be a 4.5 - or 5 -mc reference point on the curve.
In the Heathkit and similar instruments the built-in absorption marker can be checked against the 4.5- and $5-\mathrm{mc}$ pips and then used to identify the value of a $0.5-\mathrm{mc}$ pip, although its
accuracy without the crystal-marker guide is insufficient for precise work. Of course, an external signal generator or other active marker device may also be included in the setup, especially when it is desired to set such a device to some fractional frequency, as discussed earlier. Since there are no tuned circuits to adjust in the crystal-marker unit, its accuracy is limited only by the precision of the crystals used (in this case $\pm .02 \%$ ).

In testing or aligning an i.f. amplifier, turn on the 0.5 -me pip series as soon as the response curve appears. Bandwidth between any two critical points can be determined almost instantly. The point at which the picturecarrier should appear, as shown in the service information for the set, is located by counting pips or running the tunable marker along the pips. If the picture carrier is not at its proper position (usually exactly halfway up on one side of the response curve) the i.f. stages must be adjusted to correct the misalignment. The vestigial-sideband transmission employed in television requires that modulating frequencies extending approximately 1 mc above and below the video carrier be amplified by the same amount as the higher-frequency villeo components for which only one side band is transmitted.

The sound i.f. carrier point, on the other hand, must be almost at the bottom at the opposite end of the curve to avoid sound interference in the picture, and to minimize 60-cycle sync buzz in intercarrier receivers. Many of the better intercarrisr sets have a "sound shelf" or flat portion near the bottom of the curve for the sound i.f. carrier. Ordinary marker systems cannot be relied on to identify this point without significant error, but the marker pips from the crystal unit will locate it exactly.

With the sweep generator on standby, the output of the 4.5 -me crystal can be used for intercarrier sound alignment. (The 5 -me crystal is turned off during this operation.) Service manuals explain the manner in which the


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By GEORGE KELLY*



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Fig. 1 shows the extremely simple circuit. The checker can be built breadboard style, or can be fitted into a plastic cigarette case (as above). If the case has a metal top the pin jacks can be mounted as shown, with the insulating shoulder washers usually supplied. If you like, a plastic top may be substituted. Mount the rectifier, capacitor, and tie lug on a small piece of bakelite or plastic, then wire in the neon lamp, resistors, and line cord. Make a small notch in the side of the case to pass the line cord.

The circuit can be checked after wiring by connecting a jumper between the red and black pin jacks, and plugging the unit into the line. The neon lamp should glow brightly. Slip the unit into the case and it is ready for use. Make two suitable test leads with insulated phone tips for the checker pin jacks at one end, and alligator clips at the other.

## Using the checker

To check paper, mica, or ceramic capacitors, disconnect one side of the capacitor completely from the circuit, connect the test leads to the red and black pin jacks, and plug the checker into the line. Good capacitors will show a single flash on the initial charge. (With small capacitance values the flash will be faint.) Intermittent or repeated flashing indicates leakage. If the neon lamp glows steadily the capacitor is shorted. There will be no flash or glow at all if the capacitor is open.

The output of the power supply is approximately 155 volts d.c. with 117 volt a.c. input. Do not use the checker
on any capacitor rated at less than 150 volts or ou any equipment that is groumded or connected to the power line.

When checking electrolytic capacitors, polarity as well as working voltage must be observed. The red jack is connected to the positive side of the capacitor. The bulb will glow brightly at first, and as the capacitor charges this glow will grow dimmer until the bulb goes out. If the lamp flashes more than once per second, the electrolytic is too leaky to trust in a circuit. Flashes at the rate of one per second or longer are normal, as all electrolytics have a small leakage current.

This unit can indicate a leakage of over 300 megohms, and can be used for many types of continuity checks where an accurate resistance measurement is not required.

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Fig. 1-The checker uses few parts.


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The checker also will test the electrical continuity of photoflash bulbs without discharging them. This will often save good flash bulbs which did not fire because of low battery voltage or defects in the flash-gun or shutter switch. A good flash bulb produces a steady glow.


The shecker set up in breadboard form.
The green and black pin are used for voltage checks. The unit should not be plugged into the line for these checks. When the glow surrounds both electrodes in the neon bulb, the circuit voltage is a.c. The lamp will ignite on 65 volts and operate up to 500 volts. Only one electrode glows on d.c., igniting at 90 volts and operating up to 500 volts.

The unit also will indicate the presence of r.f. voltage around a transmitter circuit by merely bringing a single lead near the circuit while holding the other lead in the hand. Caution: Do not make an actual connection to the circuit or to the a.c. line in this case.
(This little gadget was tried out by one of the editors of Radio-Electronics and shown to students at one of the largest radio and TV schools in New York. It made such a hit that over 500 were turned out in less than a month, and each new enrollee insists on building one as soon as he learns the difference between a resistor and a capacitor. Some handy modifications were worked out by the more ingenious students. One was to add a compact d.p.d.t. slide switch with one section in series with the a.c. line, and the other section across the red and black output terminals. With the line switch open, the other section shorts the output terminals and discharges both the internal filter capacitor and the capacitor being tested. This eliminates the danger of a shock from the test leads even with the line disconnected, since the electrolytic filter capacitor will retain its charge of 150 volts or more for a considerable time.

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I say his reply surprised me-it would not surprise me now, because, after questioning many friends and acquaintances and reading through a variety of electrical engineers' and electricians' handbooks, practical wiring manuals, fixture and appliance cata$\operatorname{logs}$, and all manner of related publications, I find that few people seem to know, and few publications mention the fact, that virtually all power receptacles and convenience outlets used on ordinary a.c. installations are polarized. If you're as skeptical of this statement as most of my friends were, look at the receptacles in the room you're in-they're polarized if one slot is longer than the other. The opening which gives access to the white metal (grounded) contact should be not less than 0.045 inch (about $3 / 64$ inch) longer than the slot to the dark metal (hot) contact. (Fig. 1.)


Fig. 1-Practically all modern outlets are polarized with the wider blade tied to the grounded side of the line.

Polarized plugs-plugs which will enter these receptacles only when correctly oriented-are obtainable from most electrical supply houses on special order, ard a few of the larger ones will have them in stock. An ordinary (nonpolarized) plug can be easily polarized, however, by soldering a U-shaped piece of wire around one of its blades to increase its width. The large loop of an ordinary paper clip (Fig. 2) serves well


Fig. 2-Paper clip soldered around the edge of one prong polarizes the plug.
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Fig. 3-How plug is held for soldering.
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Fig. 4-The completed polarized plug. be the hot one.

While you're doing this work it's not a bad idea to check all of the outlets in the house, reversing those you find improperly connected. With this done you can put polarized plugs on any hot frame or chassis devices you have and you'll be sure they're shockproof. This treatment will probably cure some of your humming audio gadgets-at least it will simplify the filtering necessary to eliminate the hum-and it will add stability to oscillators, v.t. voltmeters, and similar test gear that is not permanently wired into the 117 -volt supply.

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Schematic of the 1-tube converter.
The broadcast receiver-which has been set to 1500 kc -then acts as the i.f., detector, and audio sections to complete the receiver. To avoid r.f. and oscillator tracking problems, which can be very nasty for a novice at these frequencies, the r.f. and oscillator capacitors are adjusted separately for best reception.

For economy reasons, the converter was made a.c.-d.c. To avoid serious shock, no connection is made to the chassis from the power line. But because the rotor of a variable capacitor is automatically grounded to the chassis when mounted on a panel and because of hand capacitance effects, it is necessary to ground the chassis to the line for r.f. The . $005-\mu f$ capacitor between line and chassis and the .01- $\mu \mathrm{f}$ capacitors in series with the stators of the two variables isolate them from the line at 60 cycles while affecting them very little at frequencies between 5 and 15 mc . While it is still possible to get a "tickle" if the line plug is not polarized correctly, it will not be serious because of the high reactance of the capacitors at the power-line frequency of 60 cycles. The solution, of course, is simply to turn the plug over in the wall socket.

Another interesting feature is the use of a $3-\mu$ capacitor in series with the filament to drop the line voltage to 12 volts for the 12 BE 6 . This was actually made up of three $1-\mu \mathrm{f}, 200$-volt capacitors connected in parallel. These are seen in the left side of the photograph of the bottom wiring. If desired, a 697ohm, 20 -watt resistor can be substituted for the $3-\mu \mathrm{f}$ capacitor. Since a capacitor does not dissipate power, the whole converter will consume about 2

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While there is nothing tricky or critical in the wiring of the unit, it is well to remember to keep all r.f. leads short and as direct as possible. Leads in this category would include those from the coils and variable capacitors. Other wiring such as the power supply circuit, filament, and other a.c. wiring may be conveniently wired and then cabled if desired. This is what was done in the unit shown.

Since the converter covers a rather wide band of frequencies, it is well for the constructor to invest in some sort of vernier dial. This will make tuning much easier and smoother. The dial shown in the unit constructed has been calibrated with both a $0-100$ scale (for accurate logging) and a frequency scale. The dial can be calibrated by "on the air" observations and a radio log (available at most newsstands) .

A word of caution concerning frequency calibration so the constructor may avoid a confusing pitfall. To make the unit simple, the r.f. and oscillator capacitors were tuned separately. Now, if an oscillator (for example) is set at 6 mc and the intermediate frequency is fixed at $1500 \mathrm{kc}(1.5 \mathrm{mc})$, the incoming signal can be either on $6+1.5$, which would be 7.5 mc , or 6-1.5, which would be 4.5 mc . The frequency that is selected is determined by the r.f. tuned circuit. In many instances the r.f. capacitor can be made to tune to either
frequency; as in the example above. Thus you can tune in two different signals at one dial setting of the oscillator capacitor. With the r.f. capacitor plates in furthest, the frequency will be the lower of the two possible received frequencies. This is the best way of operating the converter, and should cause no confusion.

A switen $\mathbb{S 1}$ has been provided to turn the a.c. to the converter on or off and, simultaneously, to switch the antenna from the converter to the broadcast set when the power to the converter is off,


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## Alignment and operation

After the unit is completed, it is necessary to align the converter by adjusting L1. All that is necessary is to hook up the unit to both the broadcast set and antenna as indicated in the schematic. Next turn the power on to both the converter and broadcast set. Then set the dial of the broadcast set to $15 * 0$ kc. If an interfering broadcast signal is heard, there is no harm in shifting the dial slightly either way to tune it out. Now adjust L1 for maximum background noise or-better yet-find a short-wave station and adjust L1 for maximum volume. A good point to remember is that when returning to shortwave from the broadcast band be sure to reset the broadcast set to exactly where it was when the converter was aligned. This setting determines the sensitivity as well as the accuracy of the frequency calibration.

There is little likelihood of image interference, since the $1500-\mathrm{kc}$ i.f. separates stations that might cause this trouble by a full 3 mc . Harmonics of the receiver oscillator may give spurious reception at some points.

Materials for converter
Resistors: 1-270, 1-22,000 ohms, 1/2 watt: 1-2,200 ohms. I watt. If desired (see text). 1-697 ohms, 20 watts.
Capecitors: (Mica) 1-50 $\mu \mu$ f; 2-. $005 \mu$ f. (paper) 2-. $01 \mu \mathrm{f}$ : $\mathrm{i}^{-3} \mu \mathrm{f}$ (or three $1-\mu \mathrm{f}$ units); (electrolytic) $2-40 \mu \mathrm{f}, 150$ volts: (variable) 2-140 $\mu \mu \mathrm{f}$ oir voriables.
Miscellaneous: $1-20-\mathrm{mo}$ selenium rectifier: $1-12 \mathrm{BE}$ tube: 1-3.pole, 2 -position switch.

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By JAMES SAREDA

N/HILE experimenting with all types of receivers over a period of years, I have worked out several ways of improving the performance of the loral oscillator and a.v.c. circuits in small superhets of the commercial and home-grown types.

Oscillator-pulling is one of the major problems in the design and construction of shortwave superhets. Any change in the tuning of the r.f. circuit affects the oscillator frequency whenever there is the slightest coupling between the two circuits. It is particularly bad with pentode mixers where the oscillator grid is coupled to the mixer grid through a small capacitor, but it is also noticeable in pentagrid mixers with separate oscillators when the oscillator grid and injector grid are tied together. Pulling can be reduced by taking the oscillator output from the plate, but this causes a serious reduction in the injection voltage fed to the mixer circuit from the oscillators.


Fig. 1-Oscillator-buffer arrangement.
My solution to the problem of oscillator pulling is to use the oscillator circuit shown in Fig. 1 as a replacement for the existing oscillator circuit. I use a double triode with one section connected as the oscillator and the other as a cathode follower which acts as a buffer coupling the oscillator signal to the mixer. Since the tube is a dual triode, no extra holes, sockets, or mounting brackets are required. Simply wire in the circuit and connect the point which formerly went to the oscillator plate or grid to the cathode of the cathode follower.
The circuit shown uses tickler feedback but any other type of oscillator may be used. Simply tie the grids of the oscillator and cathode follower together. You can use any double triode as long as it has separate cathode connections. The 6SN7-GT is good for broadcast and slightly higher frequencies. A 7 F 8 is recommended for use above about 14 megacycles.

Another advantage of this circuit is that it makes approximately $90 \%$ of the oscillator voltage available at the mixer. Since the cathode follower has a low-impedance output, the lead between it and the mixer can be made long without the ill effects encountered when using plate-output circuits.
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I find that the harmonic output of such oscillators can be markedly re－ duced by rewiring the circuit to use plate－circuit tuning instead of the usual tuned－grid circuit．The circuits in Fig． 2 show tuned－plate oscillators．The cir－ cuit at $a$ is used with two－winding coils and the circuit at $b$ uses tapped coils． The triode shown may be the oscillator section of a converter tube or a sepa－ rate oscillator．

## A．v．c．eircuits

The circuit in Fig．3－a shows the detector－a．v．c．arrangement used in most simple superhets．This system is satisfactory in most respects but it pro－


Fig．2－Two methods of reducing oscil－ lator harmonics by plate－circuit tuning． duces a lot of distortion with high per－ centages of modulation on the signal． The villain is the 1 －megohm a．v．c．filter resistor which shunts the 500,000 －ohm diode load resistor．With the values shown，the presence of the a．v．c．circuit can produce distortion as high as $23 \%$ on a $100 \%$ modulated signal．


Fig．3－（a）Standard a．v．c．circuit． （b）Modification for less distortion．
The remedy is to use one of the diodes of the usual duo－diode－triode used as a separate a．v．c．rectifier connected as shown in Fig．3－b．The change is easy to make．The $100-\mu \mu \mathrm{f}$ capacitor and the

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## Novel a.v.c. circuit

In almost all modern sets, a.v.c. voltage is applied to the control grids of remote-cutoff tubes in the r.f. or i.f. sections of the set. The circuit in Fig. 4 shows a system of applying the a.v.c. voltage to the screen grids of the controlled tubes. This circuit eliminates the elaborate a.v.c. network. Also, since the control-grid voltage does not change


Fig. 4-Circuit for supplying a.v.c. voltage to r.f.- and i.f.-a mplifier screen grids for improved control action.
nearly so much as it does when the a.v.c. voltage is applied to it, the amplifiers are being operated at all times over the most linear portions of the characteristic. This reduces distortion often caused by operating remotecutoff tubes over the curved portions of the characteristic on strong signals. In the later i.f. stages where cross-modulation is not a problem, sharp-cutoff tubes can be used.


Fig. 5-Suggested detector circuit for developing positive control voltage.

The control tube in Fig. 4 is a high transconductance, sharp-cutoff pentode. R2, R3, and R4 make up a voltage divider which supplies proper operating voltages to the screen and cathode of the control tube. The resistors are proportioned so the screen operates with maximum permissible voltage and the cathode is $3-4$ volts positive with respect to the grid. R1 is the dropping resistor supplying the screen grids of the r.f. and i.f. amplifiers controlled by a.v.c. It should be adjusted so the screen voltages are normal with no signal.
The grid of the control tube connects to a point which goes positive with increasing signal. The positive control voltage can be obtained by modifying the detector to conform with that in Fig. 5. However, if the set has a plate or infinite-impedance detector, take the control voltage from the detector cathode. In this case. bias the cathode of the control tube 3-4 volts highe. than the no-signal cathode bias of the detector.
When a signal is received, the grid of the control tube goes increasingly positive and the drop across R1 increases. This lowers the screen voltage and reduces the gain of the r.f. and i.f. stages Do not connect the circuit to the screen of a converter tube unless a separate oscillator tube is used because the changes in screen voltage cause frequency shift.


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V1 is the control tube which must be triggered by a negative pulse each time a sweep stroke is desired. This tube is normally conducting heavily, drawing its current through diode V3 and resistor R1. Because of the large voltage drop across R1, C2 charges to a voltage approximately equal to $\mathrm{E}_{1} . \mathrm{C} 1$ is substantially discharged while V1 is conducting


Fig. 1-The basic bootstrap generator.
A negative trigger pulse on the grid of V1 cuts it off and C1 begins to charge through V:3. If the cathode of V3 remained at a fixed voltage level, the charge on (:l would increase exponentially to produce a nonlinear sawtooth. In this circuit, the grid of V2 becomes more positive and the voltage drop across $R 2$ increases in proportion to the charge on Cl . The rising voltage across R 2 is applied to the cathode of $\mathrm{V}: 3$ so the voltage drop across R1 and the charging current of Cl are substantially constant so the output voltage is a linear sawtooth.

At the end of the sweep stroke, the trigger voltage drops to zero. V1 conducts and C1 discharges rapidly through it. C2 recharges through the resistance


Fig. 2-Modification for higher rates.
of V3 in series with R2. Since C2 is usually about 10 times as large as Cl , its recharging time will be considerably longer than the discharge time of C 1 . A new sweep stroke cannot be initiated until C2 has recharged to its original state. It is this recharging time that limits the repetitive rate of the trigger.

The circuit in Fig. 2 is a modified version of the bootstrap generator designed to provide a much higher repetition rate than the circuit in Fig. 1. The circuit is described in patent No. $2,606,287$ issued to David O. McCoy. In this circuit, the grid of the cathode follower V2 connects directly to the cathode of V3 and to the plate of V1 through a .001-uf capacitor. Another . $001-\mu \mathrm{f}$ capacitor is connected between the plate of V1 and ground.

Now, during the recovery or flyback period, the lower capacitor discharges rapidly through the resistarce of V1 while the upper capacitor recharges through V3 and V1 in series. Since the two capacitor values are equal and the resistances in series with the:n are approximately equal, the recovery time of this circuit is nearly equal to the flyback time so the trigger repetition rate is increased.
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It was not learned whether the Vancouver association intends to continue carrying on a local paper of its own.

## NEW PHILADELPHIA GROUP

A new organization to be known as the Television Servicing Dealers Association has been formed in Philadelphia. President of the new group is Dave Krantz, chairman of the Federation of Radio Servicemen's Associations of Pennsylvania, and its secretary is Ddward J. Strychowski. Louis J. Smith is vice-president, and Sam Brown treasurer.

Reasons for a new organization in Philadelphia, which already has the Philadelphia Radio Service Men's Association (PHSMA) and the Television Contractors Association (TCA), were not given.

## FRSAP TO HEAR EDITOR

The Pennsylvania Federation of Radio Servicemen's Associations (FRSAP) has tentatively arranged a series of lectures at Pittsburgh, York, Williamsport, Harrisburg, Wilkes Barre, Scranton, Reading, and Altoona. The proposed schedule at time of writing was:

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The lectures are to be delivered by Mort Bernstein, Associate Editor of Radio-Electronics, a radio engineer and professional television instructor as well as a radio-television editor.

## CHICAGO MOVES TO LICENSE

The Chicago City Council has requested the Illinois State Legislature to amend the Cities and Villages Act to permit the city of Chicago to license radio and television service technicians. The request, made at the end of October, cannot be acted upon until the Legislature meets this month (January), and could not be enacted into law until July 1.

If approved, the city will then hold the necessary hearings to determine what type of licensing, if any, is desirable, and how a license law should be enacted and enforced.

Sponsors of municipal licensing in Chicago include Frank Moch, president of the Television Installation Service Association, and E. T. Wood, business manager of Local 1639, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, a

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local of 700 television repairmen. Opposing it was Norman Brahmstedt, of the National Appliance and Radio-TV Dealers Association, who reported that his association would inake a formal statement of its views at a later date, probably before the State Legislature.

## BBB KNOCKS $\$ 1$ CALLS

The Better Business Bureau of New York City-in a special bulletin issued late last October-urged that advertising of specific prices for TV service be discontinued. The bulletin stated that the Bureau has been increasingly concerned with "apparently flat-rate lowprice offers, such as ' $\$ 1$ per call plus parts'" and that complaints about such service are increasing.

The Bureau recommended that in advertisements of television service:

1. No prices should be mertioned.
2. "Free estimate" offers shculd not be used.
3. "Guarantees" should be specific as to duration and actual terms.

## frSap to present plaque

The Pennsylvania Federation will present its plaque-awarded annually to the person or organization who has done most for the benefit of radio service technicians during the yearat Harrisburg on January 13.

Last year's plaque was awarded to John Rider, long-time champion of the service technician and publisher of servicing aids.

## TV GYP CHARGE HOLDS TWO

Charges of larceny have been preferred against two television service technicians whose firm levied a charge of $\$ 34.13$ for "repairing" a $s^{-t}$ whose only fault was a bad tube. The men were employed by Sibko Tclevision Service Corporations, of Queens, one of the boroughs of New York City. It is said to be one of the larges: " $\$ 1.00$ plus parts" concerns in that area.

The set was a "planted" one, with all parts marked invisibly, and one dead tube. The receiver was removed to the shop because "the high-voltage circuit was out" and allegedly returned later with a bill for $\$ 34.13$, which itemized a new flyback transformer, a capacitor, and two resistors. All the supposedly replaced parts still had their original code markings, however. A warrant was issued for the man who removed the set from the house and for the bench man who gave the estimate for replacing the non-replaced parts. END

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Two of these new-type $11 / 2$-volt alkaline dry cells connected in parallel balances the life of one $671 / 2$-volt type and enables a personal portable to play up to ten times longer without hattery change. One alkaline type $671 / 2$-volt battery and two alkaline type $1 / 2 / 2$-volt batteries in parallel have the equivalent playing life of two standard $671 \%-$ volt batteries and 10 to $1211 / 2$-volt $A$ batteries.

The crown type alkaline cell used


How the new battery compares in size with the popular RCA VS 016 model.


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in these new batteries measures only 0.9 inch in diameter and 0.23 inch high. The positive electrode can, the positive and negative electrodes, and the electrolyte pad are sandwiched together inside a protective plastic ring between twn "Jottle caps" which - rro as positive and negative terminals.

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Schematic view of the new B-battery.
The cells, which use zinc for the negative pole and manganese dioxide for the positive pole, and an alkaline electroIvte, are stacked together in paper tubes. The number of cells which go into a


Battery complement of a new portable. Ilaying time is enormously increased.
battery depends on its voltage and current ratings. The completed battery is enclosed in a steel shell which resists swelling and prevents it from wedging in the radio.

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## ELECTRONIC POSTMAN?

Electronic mail-sorting devices and supervisory TV systems are to be installed in Canadian Post Offices. The average human handler can reach only about 60 pigeonholes in sorting mail. Pushbutton electronic selectors will enable each man to reach 300 slots and climinate multiple handling. Closed circuit TV installations will permit postal inspectors to watch operations anywhere from a central point, instead of from the peephole galleries now used.


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SPECTACLE-TYPE HEARING AID
Patent No. 2,613,282
Alan M. Scaife, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Some hard-of-hearing persons object to wearing a hearing aid because it is conspicuous. This invention hides the hearing aid within a pair of spectacles. All components are located within the frames or the bridge. No external wiring is needed. The microphone is located in the Jridge. needer. The mond is picked when the an the person turns his hoad toward the shonker. The device and its circuit are shown below.


Assembly and circuit of hearing aid.
The amplifier is built into the left-hand bow of the spectacles as shown. 1t uses 3 transistors. transformer coupled. Reproducer $R$ may be of the bone conduction type. It presses against the bone just back of the ear. A tiny volume control is also included in this frame. together with a ring type switch which is operated by the fingers. The right-hand frame carries three batteries. A supplies 1.5 volts to energize the carbon microphone M. It also biases the emitter of the first transistor, T1. The battery $B$ provides a valtase is volts to bias the cmitters of the other transistors, T'2, T3. C is a 30 -volt battery for the collectors.

## TV MARKER GENERATOR

Patent No. 2,610,228 George F. Devine, Marcellus, N. Y. (assigned to General Electric Co.)

This invention reduces the number of crystals needed for correct $T V$ alignment. It uses one crystal to mark the desired picture earrier (i.f. or r.f.). A second crystal provides markers at or r.f.). A secund crystal provides markers at L.b-nic intervals on either side of the pix carrier.
Thus it automatically indicates the adjacent sound Thus it automatically indicates the adjacent sound rarrirr and the arcompanying sound carriar. Also.
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pip which indicates the picture carrier and smaller pins at intervals of 1.5 mc .

These pins identify picture and sound carriers for correct alignment. The third harmonic of the $1.5-\mathrm{me}$ crystal is used to align intercarrier sound.

## VOLTAGE LEVEL SELECTOR

## Patent No. 2,612,550

George T. Jacobi, Schenectady, N. Y. (ossigned to General Electric Co.)
This is a high-speed switch useful in quantizers and oscillograph recorders. It indicates signal amplitude by steps. For example, when the amplitude lies bet ween 0.1 unit, it energizes the "No. 1 " circuit. For a level between 1-2 units. "No. 2" eircuit is energized, and so on. This indication hy stens is called quantizing.
See Fig. a. B1 and B2, are 6-v. supplies. All divider resistors are equal, to provide the voltages shown. The upper values are given with respect to point A, the lower ones relative to B. With zero signal at $T$, these values are also correct with espect to ground.
Note the 5 pairs of rectifiers, X1Y1, X2Y2. If a rectifier passes current, it feeds one of the load resistors R1, R2. . . . Current through any load can flow in only one direction. In this circuit only one rectifier pair can remain non-conducting at any time. For example, assume zero signal at T. Then X3Y3 is the only non-conducting pair since these have no voltage across them. Line 3 is grounded but all others are negative.
Now assume an input signal. Let $A$ be 2 volts positive and B 2 volts negative. Now the original voltages (marked on the diagram) are changed. The upper values are increased 2 volts, the lower values decreased 2 volts. Therefore X1Y1, with no) voltage across them, are non-conducting. All other Y rectifiers are blocked, but the other X rectifiers have negative cathodes so they conduct Now Line 1 is at ground potential, but all others are negative. In this way, only one line is at ground potential at any time.
Fig. b shows how the level selector may be connected to a bank of triodes. At any time, only one tube has its grid grounded. All other tubes are blocked by the negative bias on their grids. The tubes may feed an oscillograph. END


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A pair of 1851 pentodes were used in the original model, but you will probsibly get better results with a 6AC7. The latter is electrically identical to the 1851 with a redesigned grid
structure for improved high-frequency performance. Gain is controlled by varying the 5,000 -ohm resistor in series with the cathodes of the tubes. Selectivity is varied by tuning the $100 \cdot \mu \mu \mathrm{f}$ capacitor across L2.

The coils are wound on standard $11 / 4$ inch plug-in forms. The antenna coils are on 6-prong forms. Four-prong forms are recommended for the r.f. (interstage) coils to insure that the coils are plugged in to the correct sockets.

Winding data is given in the table. On the antenna coils, L2 is interwound with L3, and L1 is spaced below the


|  | COIL TABLE |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Band <br> (Meters) | Coil | Turns | Wire |
| $200-80$ | L1 | 15 | 22 |
|  | L2 | 32 | 22 |
|  | L3-L5 | 50 | 20 |
|  | L4 | 20 | 22 |
| $80-40$ | LsL | 7 | 22 |
|  | L2 | 14 | 22 |
|  | L3-L5 | 24 | 28 |
|  | L4 | 10 | 22 |
| $40-20$ | L1 | 6 | 22 |
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|  | L4 | 8 | 22 |
| $20-10$ | L1 | 4 | 22 |
|  | L2 | 4 | 22 |
|  | L3-L5 | 5 | 16 |
|  | L4 | 3 | 22 |

ground end of L3. Spacing between L1 and L3 is $5 / 32$ inch for $200-80$ meters, $1 / 8$ inch for 80-40 meters, $1 / 4$ inch for 40-20 meters, and 1.8 inches for $20-10$
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## TVI REDUCTION KINK

Most articles on amateur TVI elimination stress the need for very low harmonic output and the elimination of v.h.f. parasitics in the transmitter. Various types of high-pass filters, harmonic traps, and parasitic suppressors have been described. Writing in The Radio Amoteur, G5JU, a British ham, described a simple device for reducing harmonic output, eliminating parasitics, and increasing the radiation for heat from transmitting tubes.

The device consists of a length of $1 / 2$-inch wide copper or brass strip cut to the approximate shape shown at $a$, and then bent to shape and bolted to the cap of the tube as shown in drawings $b$ and $c$. The $21 / 4 \times 1 / 2$-inch "plate" is located close to and parallel with the metal shield separating the power amplifier from the driver and other portions of the transmitter. The plate and interstage shield form a small capacitor between the tube plate (anode) and ground. This capacitor bypasses high-order harmonics which may be generated in the tank circuit or fed into the tube via the grid. The inductance of the capacitor lead is exceptionally small, thus minimizing the possibility that the inductance and capacitance of the unit may form a resonant circuit which will accentuate harmonics rather than suppress them.

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## TV LINEARITY CHECKER

Now that many TV stations are televising program material from early morning until late at night, it is becoming increasingly difficult to tune in a test pattern for checking the linearity of TV receiver sweep circuits. A simple circuit for generating a grid of vertical and horizontal bars on a TV screen is described in La Radio-TV Revue (Antwerp, Belgium).

The instrument uses two 6SL7-GT's as multivibrators, a 6SJ7 r.f. oscillator, and a $117 \mathrm{Z} 3-\mathrm{GT}$ rectifier. V1 is the multivibrator which generates the vertical lines. Varying the setting of the 50,000 ,ohm potentiometer in the grid circuit varies the frequency from approximately 20 to 200 kc to produce a maximum of approximately 18 bars. V2 is a

7 through 13 are covered by second harmonics. The suppressor grid is modulated by the signal from the vertical oscillator and the screen grid is modulated by the rectangular-wave output of the horizontal oscillator. The signal is radiated into the input of the receiver by a telescopic whip type antenna or a piece of bus bar 12-20 inches long.

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L1 is the oscillator, buffer, or doubler plate coil. L2 is a $2-5$-turn link coupled fairly closely to the cold end of L1. Adjust the coupling between L1 and L2 so the eye is almost fully closed when the signal source is tuned to the crystal frequency. Mount the tube so it projects through a hole in the panel close to the v.f.o. tuning dial, and in a position where it will not be obscured by the operator's hand while tuning.


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(If you are accustomed to operating close to both edges of any band, you can add suitable crystals to mark the upper edges. The crystal should he commected in parallel with the one shown in the circuit. We have used four 80 -meter crystals in parallel to mark the edges of the band and two net frequencies. The arystals do not oscillate continuously, so there is no danger of intelaction between them.

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## CORONA DISCHARGE

Corona discharge in some TV sets and oscilloscopes is annoying because its effects are often mistaken for other faults and its source is sometimes hard to localize. In a TV receiver, this trouble is likely to cause breaks in the line structure of the raster, variations in brightness, and sometimes irregular black bars on the screen. In a scope, it causes variations in intensity and erratic breaks in the trace. You may hear clicks or frying sounds from the high-voltage compartment or the base of the $C-R$ tube.

If corona discharge is suspected, sniff around the back of the set. If you smell ozone, turn out the lights and look over the power supply, the C-R tube and rectifier sockets, and the highvoltage leads. Watch for a bluish glow. Try blowing your breath on the highvoltage points. A soda straw or piece of spaghetti is handy for this.

When you locate the source of trouble, dress down all sharp corners and edges and smooth off rough solder joints with a hot iron.

If the discharge is on an insulator, replace it because it has probably broken down under the high potential. Discharge from a lead can be cured by replacing the lead with one designed for high-voltage operation. Keep the lead as much in the clear as possible. If this fails, try increasing the size of the offending conductor or connection. Keep everything as large and smooth as possible.-R. A. Cunningham

## WELLER SOLDERING GUNS

If your Weller soldering gun is slow in heating, look at the nuts that hold the tip in place. If they are the least bit loose, they will introduce enough resistance into the circuit to seriously reduce the tip current. Try tightening these nuts with a wrench and note how quickly the gun heats up.-Charles Erwin Cohn

## TV HIGH-VOLTAGE TROUBLES

Sometimes the 1 B3-GT/8016 rectifiers fail to light under load in sets having flyback power supplies. This may be caused by a poorly soldered connection in one of the filament pins. The resistance of the connection may be high enough to prodnce a serious drop in filament voltage. A remedy for this condition is to reheat the filament pins with a hot soldering iron.-Leonard Pfeiffer

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## RHOMBIC ANTENNA QUERY

? I am about 200 miles from TV stations on channels 2 and 5 in Atlanta, Ga. The receiving antenna is a rhombic with 55 -foot legs terminated with a 789-ohm resistor and fed with 300 -ohm ribbon line. The antenna is 45 feet wide at the center. I seldom get a picture, but when I do, reception is fair on channels 2 and 5. Is there any way in which $I$ can modify the antenna to improve reception on channel 2?-D. A. D., Knoxville, Tenn.
A. We assume that your rhombic is as large as you can conveniently make it, so we won't suggest making it larger. Its proportions are good and we would not suggest changing them. You may be able to improve reception by careful orientation of the antenna and by correctly matching the antenna to the transmission line.

A rhombic antenna for $d x$ reception is very critical and must be oriented in the vertical and horizontal planes so the main lobe points directly at the transmitting station and lines up with the angle of arrival of the incoming signal.
Horizontal orientation or alignment of a rhombic is an exacting task when the installation is beyond the line of sight from the transmitter. Buy (from a local airport or aviation supply house) a regional airways navigation map showing the receiving and transmitting locations. Mark these points on the map and draw a straight line between them. Use a protractor to measure the angle that this line makes with magnetic north. Use the bearing of this line in laying out the base line of the rhombic. A surveyor will probably stake out the antenna base line for about the same fee as would be charged by a local TV technician for a standard antenna installation. If you do not care to hire a surveyor for the job, a surplus military marching compass can be used to lay out the antenna location. When laying out the base line, be sure that the compass is not thrown off by magnetic-metal tools, keys, belt buckles, and the like. Keep such material as far as possible from the compass. Make several sightings from the same point and lay out the base line midway between the two extremes.

Since you do not know the angle of arrival (wave angle) of the incoming signal, you will have to adjust the antenna after it is erected. The supporting lines for the sides and the terminated end should run through pulleys fastened to the tops of the supporting masts. This enables you to tilt the plane of the antenna and adjust its wave angle to correspond with the angle of arrival of the TV signal. For your antenna, the terminated end should be about 18 feet lower than the end to which the lead-in is connected. You can adjust the plane of the antenna for best reception and least noise when receiving a signal. Keep the terminated end at least 10 feet above ground.


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A 300 -ohm transmission line does not provide a good match to a rhombic which has an impedance of approximately 800 ohms. Connect a 490 -ohm quarter-wavelength matching section between the antenna and lead-in. Use No. 12 wire spaced $21 / 2$ inches center-to-center or standard open-wire TV lead-in. The length of the matching section in inches equals 2,880 divided by the center frequency of the TV
channel in megacycles.
Since you are interested in reception on two channels, you should have a separate matching section and lead-in for each. Use 57 mc for channel 2 and 79 me for channel 5 when calculating the lengths of the matching sections.

Use a d.p.d.t. antenna change-over relay at the antenna to connect the antenna to the matching section and lead-in being used.

## FIELD-STRENGTH METER FOR TV MEASUREMENTS

, I would like to construct an inexpensive TV field-strength meter for use in antenna orientation and experiments. I have heard that one can be constructed from a TV booster or front-end. Please tell me how this is done.- L. McC., Schenectady, N. Y.
A. Such a meter usually resembles the video section of a TV receiver. The output of the tuner works into a conventional video i.f. strip. The output of the video detector is measured with a high-resistance voltmeter or the detector load current is read on a sensitive microammeter. A multiplier-resistor network is usually included to permit the unit to be used for a wide range of signal strengths. The i.f. strip is usually sharply tuned to the video carrier frequency for greater sensitivity. This calls for careful shielding and bypassing $t$, prevent oscillations. Sensitivity may be controlled by varying the bias on one or more of the i.f. tubes.

The circuit of a tuned r.f. field-
strength meter is shown here through courtesy of Cornell-Dubilier Electric Corporation. The output of the booster feeds a full-wave bridge detector circuit consisting of two resistors and two silicon diodes. A $100-\mu 3$ meter and a $5,000-\mathrm{ohm}$ wire-wound potentiometer

are connected in series across the output of the bridge. The reading of the meter is proportional to the strength of the signal fed into the booster. The $\overline{5}, 000$-ohm calibration control permits the meter to be set to a predetermined reference point. Silicon diodes are more efficient at TV frequencies than most germanium types.

## CONVERTING A G-E 260 PORTABLE FOR A.C. OPERATION

? I have a G-E model 260 portable receiver which I would like to convert for a.c. operation only. I want to retain the original tubes and eliminate the 2-volt storage battery. Please print a diagram of a suitable power supply and show how it can be connected to the re. ceiver.-R. W. O., Minneapolis, Minn.
A. The diagram shows the circuit of an a.c. operated power supply (battery eliminator) and the method of connecting it to the receiver.
Disconnect the low-voltage end of the $10,000-\mathrm{ohm}$ resistor in the original power supply from the lead going to pin 3 of the first i.f. amplifier and to the 82,000 -ohm screen dropping resistor for the 1LC6. Connect the lead to pin 3 of the 1LN5 to the 90 -volt lead from the power supply. Disconnect the lowvoltage end of the $1,500-\mathrm{ohm}$ resistor in the original supply from the $B$ plus
line supplying the $3 Q 5,1 \mathrm{LH} 4,1 \mathrm{LN} 5$ second i.f., 1 LC6 plate, and 1LN5 r.f. amplifier. Connect this B plus line to the 95 -volt point on the 5,000 -ohm voltage divider in the supply.

Connect a $5.6-\mathrm{ohm}$ resistor across the low-voltage (filament) supply output and adjust the 3 -ohm resistor for exactly 2 volts output. Remove the 5.6 -ohm resistor and connect the 2 -volt lead to the tap on the r.f. choke.
The low-voltage choke is made by winding as many turns of No. 22 enameled wire as possible on the core of an old a.c.-d.c. filter choke. The rectifier may be a Mallory 1B8R or equivalent, and the power transformer is a halfwave type designed for use with selenium rectifiers.


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To verify this as the cause of the trouble, place your hand across the loop antenna. If oscillations stop, replace the damping resistor and the peaking coila $475-\mu \mathrm{h}$ unit coded with a blue dotwith a new $120-\mu$ h coil (part No. 73A510) coded with a black dot.

If oscillations are present when the new peaking coil is used, look for trouble in the first AM i.f. transformer. In some cases, the silver mica capacitors in the transformer open up and cause the converter to oscillate. Replace the trans-former.-Admiral Service Lulletin

## BUZZ IN SENTINEL SETS

If station buzz is excessive and is not caused by the contrast control being advanced too far clockwise, adjust the discriminator secondary tuning slug for minimum buzz. Make sure that this position is between two maximum buzz peaks which will be noticed when the tuning slug is turned to the right and to the left of the minimum buzz position.

This adjustment screw is located on top of the discriminator coil shield and between the GAL5 sound detector tube and the 6AU6 sound i.f. amplifier tube. -Sentinel Service Notes

## MOTOROLA TS-174 CHASSIS

A vertical roll which cannot be stopped with the hold control may be caused by a change in the value of the fixed resistor in series with the vertical hold control. In one case, the value of the resistor had increased from 220,000 to 320,000 ohms.-Stephen A. Quering
(The vertical oscillator circuit varies with different production runs and versions of the chassis. In sets which use a $6 J 5-G T$ blocking-tube oscillator, the series resistance is 220,000 ohms. If the sweep generator is a $12 \mathrm{AU7}$ multivibrator, the series resistance should be 330,000 ohms. When checking voltages and component values, be sure to refer to the manufacturer's service data and notes on production changes.-Editor)

## RCA TV RECEIVERS

A light 2-3-inch horizontal band which drifts slowly across the face of the picture tube may be caused by oscillations in the 6BQ7 r.f. tube in the 17T150, 17T160, 17 T 170 (chassis KCS 66 ) and 21 T 160 (chassis KCS68) models. In most cases, this trouble can be cured by replacing the tube.-Gerald J. Macheak

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I have been shocked several times while reinstalling or orienting TV antennas. In most instances, the shock came when I touched the radiator connected to the lead-in. I don't believe that I got the full line voltage, but it was strong enough to be uncomfortable. In a nother case, I received a severe shock when I touched the mast while standing on a metal ladder. This time, the shock could have caused me to lose my balance and fall to the ground. Now, I pull the plug whenever possible and I wear heavy work gloves during antenna orientation.Alexander Kauders

## TV SERVICING TOOL

The gadget shown in the illustration is handy for adjusting the rear controls on large TV cabinets while watching the picture from the front. The tool is made from an auto radio flexible con-

trol shaft, a length of copper tubing, and a short piece of windshield-wiper hose. The copper tubing controls the degree of bend to prevent whipping and binding. The rubber hose slips over the shaft of the control to be adjusted.Motorola Service and Installation Bulletin

## CORONA TROUBLES

The cheaper fiberboard type highvoltage insulation materials tend to absorb moisture in coastal areas where humidity is high. This causes loss of high voltage and severe corona troubles. In one 16 -inch set, a faint blue was observed all over the insulation and high-voltage leads when a blanket was thrown over the high-voltage cage to darken it. The condition was cleared up by replacing the fiberboard with plastic and the socket with a porcelain type.

Severe corona will often cause a horizontal output tube to fail within a few weeks. Metal shielding which is too close to the plate cap of the output tube will show a polished or bright circle opposite the cap if corona exists at this point.

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Brigadier General David Sarnoff, Chairman of the Board of the Radio Corporation of America, was named by the U.S. Department of Defense to head the Citizens Advisory Commission on Manpower Utilization in the Armed Services.

Tom Cox, long associated with the electronics industry in sales and engineering positions, joined National Union Radio Corp. as district manager for the Renewal Sales Division in the New Jersey and Eastern Pennsylvania territory.

Harris D. Myers and Elmer G. Fiood joined the Sound Equipment Division of Stromberg-Carlson, Rochester, N. Y., as field engineers. At the same time, A. L. Sebastian and Henry A. McMichael joined the company as sales engineers in the Sound Equipment Division. All have had wide experience in the field.

Charles Maechling, Jr., was appointed government relations officer of the RTMA. He was formerly in the Office of the General Counsel of the Department of the Air Force. The association also named Stanley H. Manson of Stromberg-Carlson as vice-chairman of public relations on the RTMA Public Relations and Advertising Committee. He succeeds James M. Toney, who resigned after being assigned to a new position within RCA.

Dr. Allen B. Du Mont was re-elected president of Allen B. Du Mont laboratories. Other officers re-elected were Stanley F. Patten, vice-president; Paul Raibourn, treasurer; Bernard Goodwin, secretary, and Irving Singer, assistant treasurer.

Edward l’orter Robinson was promoted to plant manager of the ESPEY Manufacturing Co., New York City.

Dr. Francis M. Wiener joined SPEN-CER-Kennedy Laboratories, Cambridge Mass., as section head in the Engineering Department. He was formerly with Bell Telephone Laboratories.

Leon Marshall, who formerly oper-radio-electronics
ated his own art service, joined Insuline Corp. of America, Long Island City, N. Y., as assistant to Alfred S. Chambers, advertising manager.

Reinhold W. Schmidt was promoted to manager of Equipment Engineering and Maintenance of the Cathode-Ray Tube Division of Allen B, Du Mont laroratories.
F. Sumner Hall, of Audio Equipment Sales Co., was installed as fifth president of the Audio Enginfering Society. Other officers include: Jerry B. Minter, Measurements Corp., Executive vice-president; Walter S. Pritchard, Ohio Bell Telephone, Central vice-president; Richard L. Burgess, Allied Record Manufacturing Corp., Western vice-president; C. J. LeBel, Audio Instrument Co., secretary; and Ralph A. Schlegel, WOR Recording Studios, treasurer.

Dan D. Halpin, general sales manager of the Receiver Division, Allen B Du Mont Laboratories, was elected an Honorary Life Member of the Radio Änd Television Executives Society. He was so honored as a past president of ...the American Television Society which with the Radio Executives Club merged into the new organization.

Frank Toler joined the Hallicrafters Co., as district sales manager with headquarters in Nashville, Tenn. He was formerly with Tempco, Inc.

Abraham Hyman, formerly the supervisory electronic engineer for the Civil Aeronautics Administration in New York, joined JFD Manuractubing Co., as an electronic consultant.

Donald N. Kirkpatrick was appointed chief engineer of the National Co., Malden and Melrose, Mass., manufacturer of communication radio receivers, electronic equipment and components. He formerly held a similar position with Boonton Radio Corp.

Edward A. Malling, a former sales manager on the staff of the General Electric Receiver Department, was appointed manager of marketing for the Components Department.
R. Gordon lougherty, a veteran of the action in Korea, joined I.D.E.A., Indianapolis, as a field representative of the Regency Division. Before entering the service, Dougherty was a sales representative for I.D.E.A.
... Marshall A. Williams was appointed regional manager of the Government and Industrial Division of Philco Corp. with headquarters in the Beverly Hills office. He was formerly with Hughes Aircraft.
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