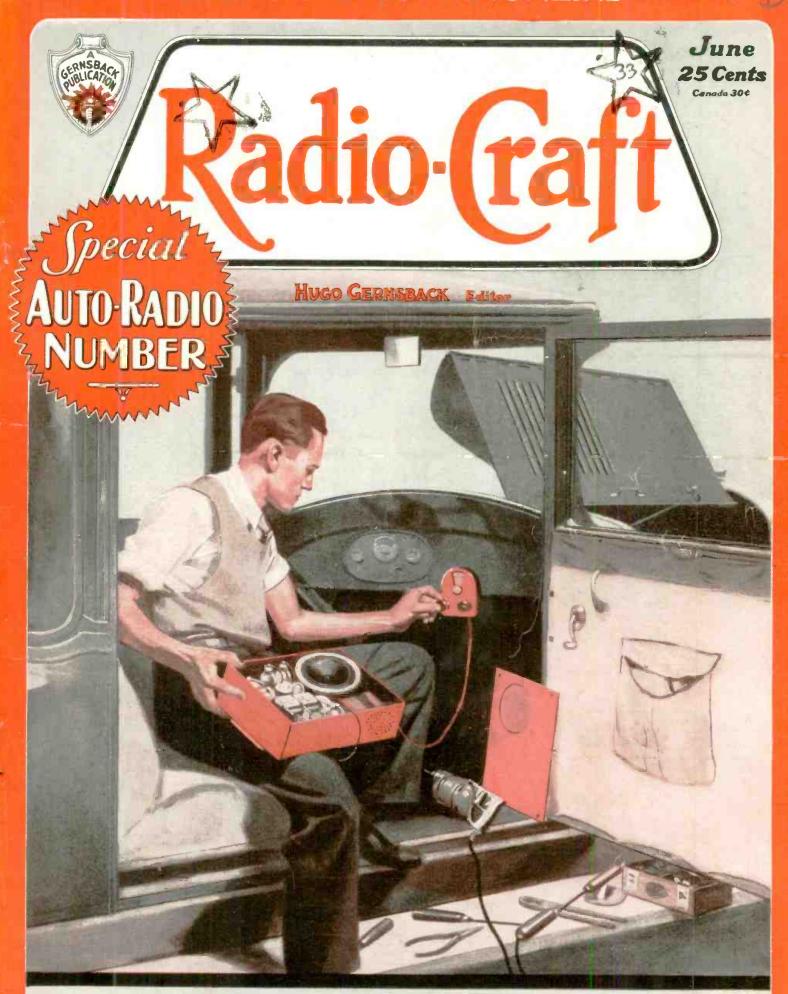
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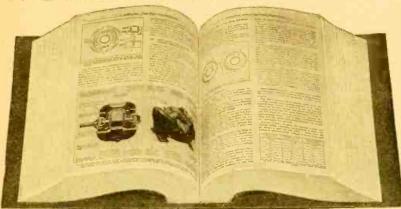
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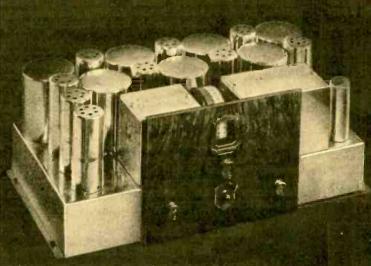
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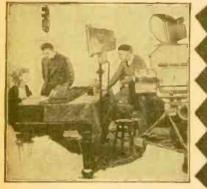
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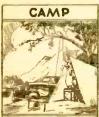
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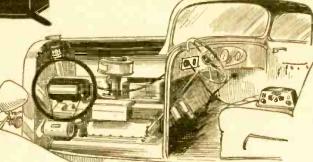


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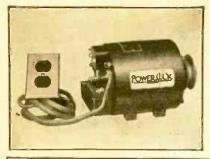








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An Editorial by HUGO GERNSBACK

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But conditions have changed for the better, and the sets now being put out have been engineered in a manner satisfactory to all. A number of car manufacturers have cooperated with the radio industry so that practically all the new cars coming through now have aerials installed. While such aerials help a great deal, they are no longer absolutely necessary because with the high gain sets, which we now have, a small, compact aerial hung underneath the chassis is all that is needed to give excellent results.

The more up-to-date automobile radio sets for 1933 are engineered along the "unit idea" where everything is contained in one block, or box. A complete radio set with all its tubes, tuning controls, loudspeaker, "B" eliminator, etc., are all placed in the self-same container. Some of these sets do not require any remote control cable, but may be tuned directly by means of control knobs which extend from the box. This may be said to be the ultimate, and no doubt such sets will become increasingly popular as time goes on because they are so easy to install and because very little extra wiring is needed.

Of course, the usual spark plug suppressors must still be used in order to get noiseless reception, and wire connections still have to be made to the "A" battery; but these are minor considerations.

Of interest to the radio industry is the fact that there are still many millions of automobiles in this country which are not equipped with radio, and which are excellent prospects for automobile sets.

Service Men, particularly, have a young gold mine in automobiles not radio-equipped in their neighborhood and communities; and, very frequently, a demonstration is all

that is needed to make a sale. People who use their cars a great deal when traveling between cities and in the country are always impressed by an automobile radio set because it keeps them in touch with the news and gives them radio programs to while away their time.

Those Service Men who own cars should not forego the opportunity to install a set in their own car for demonstration purposes. Once a car owner gets the radio automobile bug, he will not rest until he has a set installed.

Automobile sets today are made in a wide variety of price ranges to fit almost any pocketbook. There are, however, certain things to be said about price. Remember, an automobile set is not a set such as is used in the home. The auto set undergoes terrific punishment due to the constant jarring it receives. Only a well engineered set will stand up indefinitely under such punishment. Usually, the very low priced sets do not stand up, as the parts are apt to jar loose, making the set inoperative. These are self-evident considerations which are frequently overlooked, and there is nothing that will give the radio trade a worse black eye than to install one of these cheap sets; then, when its owner denounces the radio, he will perhaps be the direct cause of killing a dozen sales which would have been made if the right set had been sold in the first place.

With the new and improved radio tubes which are far more sensitive and give greater amplification, it is possible to build a set with fewer tubes and still get better reception than you could get even a few months ago with almost twice as many tubes; the trend this year is distinctly for less tubes.

There are more good automobile sets being put out at the present time than at any other time in the past. Indeed, automobile radio threatens to become an industry by itself, simply because the essential requirements are different.

Already, we have the phenomena of special automobile radio installation men and Service Men who devote themselves entirely to this type of work.

Thousands of Service Men this year will cash in on the demand by the general public for automobile radio sets, and this demand is now increasing and will continue to do so for some years. Alert Service Men will know what to do to cash in on this lucrative business.

# **AUTOMOTIVE RADIO--**A BOON TO SUMMER RADIO

UTO radio, for the past several years a more or less neglected orphan, promises to come into its own this summer. Radio manufacturers and automobile manufacturers have gotten together and both intend to promote sales as never before. This is good news for Service Men everywhere, as it means installation and service work during the hot summer months, when the radio business otherwise is usually pretty weak.

This merchandising effort is being directed along two paths. Several of the larger auto firms are having auto radio sets built for them by radio manufacturers, and will handle them as accessories, just as they now handle trunk racks, heaters, and the like. The nationally known radio companies will exploit their own trade-marked sets through their regular jobber and dealer channels. Considerable money has been appropriated for advertising, publicity, and general ballyhoo to arouse the auto-owning public to the desirability of auto radio receivers.

In order that Service Men may acquaint them selves with the new receivers that will be featured this season, RADIO-CRAFT presenting herewith a compila-tion of valuable data supplied by representative m a n u facturers. At the time this went to press a number of firms had not yet completed their new sets and could not our dead however, their products will be

A combination of fortunate circumstances seems to assure a highly successful season.

described in sub-

sequent issues.

First and foremost, we now have technically perfected receivers that can be demonstrated, sold and installed with complete confidence—sets that will stay sold without making the dealer lose his profit in needless service work. Their sensitivity, selectivity, tone quality, and economy, no longer call for apologies or explanations, as, sadly enough, previous sets did call for.

Auto radio has benefited by the recent avalanche of new tubes to a greater extent than any other phase of the radio business. While there is no excuse whatsoever for some of the latest A.C. tubes, the new battery types fill a very pressing need. No longer do set designers find it necessary to use heavy drain A.C. tubes that run down the car's battery and overwork the charging generator; now they can and do produce sets that draw a total of only six amperes or so. The advances made in economical audio output tubes are particularly noteworthy; the output of many 1933 auto sets is fully as good, and in some cases

even better, than the output of many A.C. house sets. Full, rounded tones and perfectly understandable speech are now obtainable; gone are the tinny music and muffled announcements that characterized auto sets of only a year or two ago.

The limitations of small, partially shielded car aerials have been overcome to a considerable degree by the almost universal use of extremely high-gain superheterodyne circuits, with stable oscillators that stay put and don't wander off tune every time the car hits a bump. This increased sensitivity is of particular importance in remote districts, where the nearest stations are likely to be hundreds of miles away. Previously T.R.F. receivers have proved very unsatisfactory in these areas, where the pleasures of auto radio are most desired.

Improved methods of automatic volume control, borrowed from large-set practice, also contribute much toward customer satisfaction.

Recent Trends

Probably the greatest single improvement in auto radio installation is represented by the many new "B" power units on the market. In the early auto sets "B" batteries were a constant source of aggravation, simply because dry cells could not stand the temperature extremes of auto service. The new units, of both the vibrator and dynamotor types, are not affected by heat or cold and are thoroughly reliable. They work on the car's storage battery and suffer no de-



The Queens automotive-radio shop of Joe Kiss of New York. It is interesting to note that this store is for the exclusive installation and service of auto-radio equipment, is it a paying business? If you should ask Mr. Kiss, he would say, "Decidedly, yes!"

terioration of any kind when not in use.

The general trend in overall auto radio design is toward unification. The mechanical difficulties of installing three or four separate units, such as control panel, receiver proper, loudspeaker, and "B" unit, have made engineers lean toward the single-box idea, or at least an approximation of it. A good many sets have at least the "B" unit in the same container as the chassis; others include the loudspeaker, and still others the controls as well. With some single-case sets, the user has the option of steering column control, which is by far the most popular type.

The receiver units themselves are intended in most cases for mounting under the instrument board, or, in the absence of sufficient space there, on the engine bulkhead. In many cars a convenient place is under the front or rear floorboards. With a set in either of the last two positions, the loudspeaker is, of course, a separate unit, and is invariably placed under the dash. With a large variety of sets to choose from, it is now possible to equip any car, from an Austin to a 16-cylinder Cadillac.

Built-in aerials in many new cars greatly simplify the installation job. For cars not so equipped, there are numerous roof top and under-car antennas, usually sold as an accessory to the set itself.

#### Auto Radio and the Service Man

When the possibilities of auto radio first became evident, about four years ago, radio executives were very much concerned about the best method of handling sales and service. Should radio dealers and their Service Men be trained in auto technique, or auto dealers and their shop men trained in radio practices? It was felt at first that the me-chanical facilities of the auto shop or service station would be necessary for proper installation and servicing, but with the disappearance of the early makeshift sets and the development of compact units this situation has changed. Today, auto radio is being handled mostly by radio people, because the sales and service problems are decidedly more radio than automotive in nature. After all, the ignition and lighting system of an automobile is kindergarten stuff compared to the intricacies of radio circuits, and any intelligent radio Service Man can read up all he has to know about ignition in about three evenings. His main problem is to develop a monkey-like double jointedness, so that he can wrap himself around a steering column and work upside down!

In the larger cities, auto radio has already become enough of a business to support auto radio specialists—men who handle auto radio and nothing else. As a matter of cold fact, auto radio is a much cleaner and more profitable business than

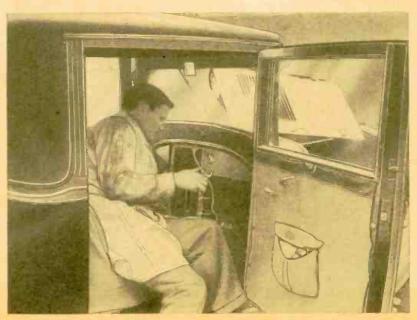


Joe Kiss and his test bench. Our photographer caught Mr. Kiss with this characteristic smile which, no doubt, indicates that "business is good."

Amid the silence pervading the present radio conditions there looms an opportunity for business rivaled only by the radio boom of '22-'28—Automotive Radio.

This statement is not pure philosophical speculation; but is based on the campaign at present being initiated by the leading manufacturers of radio receivers. Large firms that heretofore produced only "home" receivers are now entering this lucrative field with full force.

Mr. Service Man, here is THE opportunity to make money this summer.



"One of the boys" at the Queens store of Joe Kiss. We actually caught this boy Installing the set as we came along. How about you pushing automotive radio, Mr. Service Man?

ordinary home radio for two excellent reasons: first, the average selling price of an auto set, installed, is in the neighborhood of fifty dollars, or fully twice as much as the cigarbox midgets that represent most of the across-the-c o u n t e r sales these lean days; and second, owners of automobiles are rated as much more generous spenders than non-owners. Then again, auto radio has not yet been afflicted with the blight of suicidal price cutting and lowering of production standards, and is not likely to be so affected for some time to come. The point is, that a manufacturer can get away with an extremely cheap house set because it receives little abuse, but cannot possibly succeed with a cheap auto set because of the terrific mechanical punishment it must endure.

The auto radio specialists usually maintain a store on a heavily traveled street, and either have an inside workroom of their own or make use of a nearby garage. The idea is to get away from street curb installations, as much better work can be done indoors, and an inside shop looks more impressive to the customer anyway.

The photographs on this page illustrate a typical auto-radio business in New York City. Mr. Kiss, owner of the firm, has specialized in auto-radio for years, and now operates two stores: one in the heart of the business district of New York, and the other in Queens, a suburb of New York.

The Queens store is a recent addition, made possible by good business. He specializes in Philco, but services all makes. His test bench is simple—it is not complicated by extensive measuring apparatus.

As stated in another section, as emphasized again and again, auto radio is the salvation of Service Men.

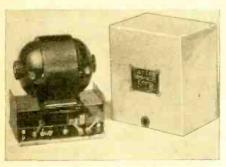
# **AUTO-RADIO ACCESSORIES**

#### CARTER AUTO GENEMOTOR

THE Carter Genemotor Corporation has now available a dynamotor suitable for use in automobiles for the elimination of "B" batteries for the operation of auto sets. It operates under the well-known dynamotor principle and delivers 180 volts D.C. with a tap at 90 volts; on Genemotors for 135 volts maximum, the tap is usually taken at 671/2 volts. This tap voltage may be varied in cases where the required intermediate voltage is different from those given previously.

In view of the fact that this machine requires no oiling and no adjustments of any kind, very little, if any, servicing will be required. Space required: 4½x6 ins.; weight, 13 pounds, available for use from 6, 12, 32, or 110 volts D.C. They are also made in a wide variety

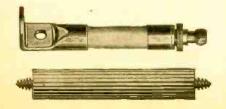
of power ratings.



#### CENTRALAB SUPPRESSOR KIT

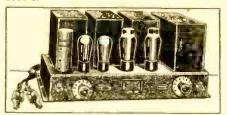
THE Central Radio Laboratories now have available a kit of ignition noise suppressor resistors suitable for all types of cars. These suppressors are specially designed for low internal capacitance, thereby insuring constant resistance over a very wide frequency band. The resistance material and ceramic jacket are baked together as one solid rod at 2,700 degrees. At high frequencies the resistance of these units increase considerably so that Centralab suppressors usually have lower values than are generally used: Suppressors are rated at their D.C. value.

These units are pictured here and are made in 8,000, 15,000, 25,000, and 50,-000 ohms each.

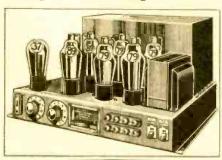


#### COAST-TO-COAST AMPLIFIERS

THE Coast-To-Coast Radio Corporation announces two new amplifiers suitable for auto use. That illustrated below is of the class A type and is designed for use with the new type 2A3 tubes, and delivers an undistorted output of 20 watts. A feature is the fact that it operates directly from the storage battery of the cara generator being mounted directly on the amplifier base as an integral part of the equipment. A.C. operation is also provided. The battery drain is 14 amps. Uses one 37 feeding two 37's in push-pull, which feeds two



The class B series of amplifiers is also illustrated here. This unit is designed for use with either two or four type 79 tubes, at will; the changeover being affected by means of a switching arrangement. Thus, either 11 or 22 watts output may be obtained. When the output is 11 watts, the current drain from the storage battery-the MG is also included in the amplifieris 5.8 amperes; with 22 watts output, the drain is 11.5 amps. Uses one 37 feeding two 89's feeding the 79's.



#### EMERSON "B" UNIT

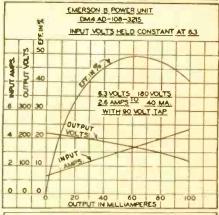
THE Emerson "B" power unit of a dynamotor type, having a sealed filter pack mounted on steel end-plates, measuring 6%x4%x7% inches, has been made available through the Emerson Electric Mfg. Co., Inc. This unit may be used on sets which obtain their "C" bias from "B-" to ground or on sets which have the "B-" grounded. The machine is rated at 180 volts, 40 milliamperes, and draws 21/2 amperes

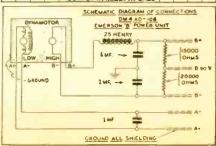
at 6.3 volts. This unit has two armature windings which rotate in a common field. The field coil, of course, is connected across the low-voltage wind-

A 90-volt tap is provided for receivers requiring this voltage. This tap is secured by connecting 15,000- and 20,000-ohm resistors in series across the output of the unit; the 90-volt tap connects to the junction of these two resistors. A 6 mf. condenser is used across the high voltage terminals, as shown in the schematic here. A 2 mf. condenser isconnected from "B—" to ground and a 1 mf. condenser from "A+" to "A-." The unit should be lubricated but once a year using a medium weight mineral oil, such as a light automobile engine oil .

Efficiency, output voltage, and current drain curves are also shown.







#### EVEREADY AUTO "B" BATTERY

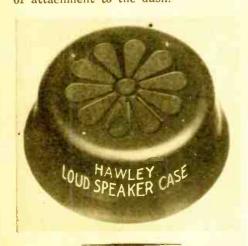
NATIONAL Carbon Company's special auto radio battery (No. 796) embodies many features which have been built into it to meet the hard service that auto batteries are required to withstand. The use of the special resilient compound for filling the space between cells, as well as a special cell and a paraffin exterior, results in a battery sufficiently shock proof and moisture resisting to withstand the extreme conditions which will probably be encountered in automobile use.



#### HAWLEY LOUDSPEAKER CASE

SINCE the advent of auto radio, a demand has arisen for a suitable housing for loudspeakers used in auto receivers. The usual type of wood or metal cases either have mechanical or acoustical disadvantages which limit their application.

The Hawley loudspeaker case is of special molded material, having excellent acoustical advantages. It is of one piece construction, and the front is provided with a metal grille and a dust proof grille cloth. It is designed for the mounting of standard speakers, using the single stud or similar method of attachment to the dash.



#### IRC SUPPRESSORS

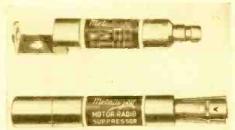
IGNITION noise suppressors suitable for all types of cars have been made available through the International Resistance Company. They are specially valuable in that they are able to withstand severe cold, intense heat,

grease deposits, steam, and severe vibration, without having their characteristics altered appreciably.

Suppressor terminals are of onepiece construction, locked and keyed into position by casting them into metal; there is no riveting, no cement or solder, no loose springs to vibrate. They are also moisture proof. Electrical contact is made directly from the one-piece terminal to the resistor element. A change of temperature from 25 to 125 degrees will cause a maximum change of resistance of 4%; its capacity between terminals is .5-mmf.

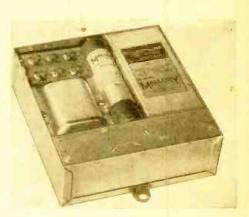
Three types are available: the type MD spark plug suppressor; type MD distributor suppressor; and type MC cable suppressor.

Kits are available for 4-, 6-, and 8-cylinder cars.



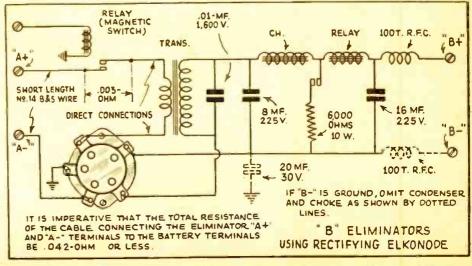
#### MALLORY ELKONODE

THE Mallory self-rectifying Elkonode is a device which, within itself, sets up the essentially alternating current and rectifies it at the same time, thus eliminating the cost of the rectifying tube and other parts usually required with the more conventional D.C. to A.C. converters. The construction is such that it permits a design which is silent and which greatly reduces the over-all dimensions of the unit. A complete filter system is incorporated, as shown in the schematic diagram here. There are five different types of Elkonodes in different ratings: A chart showing the use to which each may be put is also shown.



Elkonode and	Volts Output	LOWING CURRENT I	REQUIRING THE FOL- N MILLIAMPERES IN EAD AT 200 V. ON NAL	Elkonode Rated	Storage Battery Drain in Amps.	
Type	vons Output	Without Voltage Divider in Elim.	With 2 ma. (100,- 000 Ohm) Voltage Divider in Elim.			
10	200	40-45	38-43	8.4	2.1	
11	200	35-40	33-38	7.4	1.9	
12	200	30-35	28-33	6.4	1.6	
13	200	25-30	23-28	5.4	1.4	
14	200	20-25	18-23	4.4	1.2	

A chart indicating the use to which the five different models of Elkonodes may be put. Of particular importance is the storage battery drain, shown in the right-hand column.

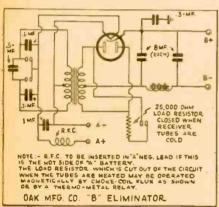


Schematic circuit of the Elkonode described in the text. This unit is self-rectifying—no rectifier tube is used. This method accounts for the high efficiency of this unit.

#### OAK "B" ELIMINATOR

A PHOTOGRAPH and a schematic diagram of the new "B" eliminator produced by the Oak Manufacturing Company are shown. The type 180 eliminator has an output of 180 volts at 40 ma. when excited from a 6-volt D.C. source; under these conditions, it draws 2.3 amperes. The eliminator is provided with intermediate taps. The eliminator is equipped with a dual vibrator, feeding a push-pull primary circuit, giving a true alternating current input to an 84 rectifier. The efficiency of this unit is approximately 60% and secures its excitation from the leakage flux.





#### OHIOHM SUPPRESSORS

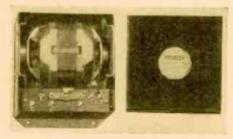
THE Ohio Carbon Company has available a set of ignition noise suppressor kits designed specifically for autoradio use. The results of an interesting test conducted by Ohiohm show that suppressors installed in cars and run for over 100,000 miles have stayed within 5% of their original resistance when installed. These units are avail-



able, of course, in kit form as follows: Set No. 74 for 4 cylinder cars; set No. 74F, specially designed for Ford model A cars; set No. 76 for 6 cylinder cars; set No. 78, for 8 cylinder cars; and set No. 78F for 8 cylinder, model V-8 Fords. An illustration of one of these units is shown here.

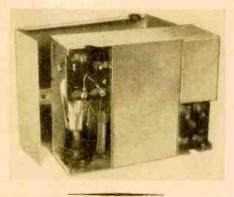
#### PIONEER GEN-E-MOTOR

THE Pioneer Gen-E-Motor Corporation has available various dynamotors suitable for use in auto receivers. The "B" unit, shown here, is 3% inches high, 5% inches wide, and 5% inches long. A filter system is included as part of the equipment. This unit is similar to the previous Pioneer Gen-E-Motor described in RADIO-CRAFT, except that the casing has been redesigned, resulting in an efficiency of better than 50%.



#### POSTAL ELIMINATOR

THE Electronic Laboratories, Inc., announce a new auto "B" eliminator—distributed by Postal Radio Corp.—of the vibrator type using a self-contained mercury-vapor rectifier. Features of the unit include the following: a full-wave interrupter and rectifier arrangement; good regulation, better than 80 per cent; more than 50 per cent efficiency; automatic load-delay relay; is independent of battery polarity; adjustable voltage; is noise-less in use.

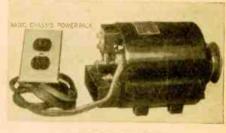


#### RADIO CHASSIS "POWER PACK"

"POWER PACK" is a unit measuring 6x6½x6½ ins. which, when coupled to the engine of the car, delivers 110 volts A.C. It is usually mounted at the head of the motor in such a position where a grooved wheel (see photograph) mounted on the power pack, is rotated by the same belt which turns over the armature of the charging generator of the car. This belt is rotated

from the fly-wheel of the motor. The field excitation of this unit is taken directly from the low side of the charging generator of the car. Thus, it does not draw any current from the car storage battery. A two-way outlet appears on the dash-board to facilitate tapping the output of the power pack. Of course, this unit is not confined to automobile use, but it may also be used with the gasoline motor on yacht or motor-boat and may be wind-driven for use on airplanes. By means of a special motor, also available, this unit may operate from 32-volt Delco systems.

The unit is available in various sizes, depending upon the use to which it is to be put.



#### UNITED SCIENTIFIC CONTROL BOX

THE United Scientific Laboratories, Inc., have available a steering post remote control box suitable for tuning receivers from the driver's seat when the receiver is located elsewhere in the car. The features of this receiver are: a key lock switch and volume control which prevents tampering with battery; an accurately calibrated tuning scale, permitting "hair line" adjustment through a system of gears; an illuminated dial; a drive shaft—an ingeniously designed cable, having a minimum of slack or back lash; a coin embossed old bronze escutcheon; and, of course, a control housing. Two



units are available: the type L control is a single cable drive control for tuning variable condensers. A volume control functions as a combination key lock switch and volume control. Type R unit has one cable for tuning adjustment and another cable operates by means of the key switch attached to the combination switch and volume control which is an integral part of the receiver.

A photograph is shown.

#### UNIVERSAL BATTERY CONVERTER

TWO models of battery converters have been announced by the Universal Microphone Company for operation by storage batteries and designed to supply 110 volts A.C. The model 60 will operate from 6 volts D.C., has a 60-watt output, and a battery consumption of 90 watts (6 volts at 15 amperes). This unit is recommended for operation of a 3-stage push-pull amplifier using type 45 or 47 tubes, or a smaller amplifier with a turntable. The model 150 device is designed to operate from 12 volts D.C. and is capable of delivering 150 watts at a battery consumption of 216 watts.

This device consists essentially of a D.C. motor, operating an interrupter which is connected in series with the storage battery line. The interrupter voltage is applied to a transformer which in turn delivers 110 volts A.C.

output.



## WARD AUTO-RADIO EQUIPMENT

THE Harry Ward Company is producing several auto-radio accessories. Ignition noise suppressor units include the conventional resistors and condensers. There are four types of suppressors: the model C, which fastens to the spark plug in either a verticle or horizontal position; the Model L, for use on the distributor and coil of all cars; the Model R, suitable for Buick and Willys-Knights; and the Model K, which screws onto the head of spark plugs. The condenser in the kit is specially designed for auto-radio

Seven types of car antennas are made to suit either the car or the pocketbook: the Groundpick, Companion, Rooftenna, Splitenna, Axletenna, and the Comptenna. A complete line of resistors suitable for construction or replacement purposes are also manufactured, as are volume controls.

#### LOCATION OF CONTROL BOX AND SPEAKER \*\*

	Control Unit			Speaker Unit		
	Steering Column		Antenna	Steering		
I	'arallel	Across	Equipped	Column	Right	Left
Pierce-Arrow.	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Ford		Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes
Dodge	Yes	Yes	Yes	*	Yes	Yes
Plymouth	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
Stutz	. Yes	Yes .	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
Hudson		Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Essex		Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
DeSoto.		Yes	Yes	*	Yes	No
Auburn	. Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No
Pontiac		Yes	No	No	Yes	No
Oldsmobile		Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Chevrolet		Yes	No	*	Yes	Yes
Buick		Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Graham		Yes	No	No	Yes	No
Franklin		Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
Willys		Yes	No	No	Yes	No
Studebaker (Commander).		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Studebaker (President)	.Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Nash		Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes
Packard	*		No	No	Yes	No

\*The list assumes that nothing is to be moved in the car. However, in the Chevrolet, the speaker chassis may be mounted on the steering column by lengthening the free wheeling adjustment. In most cases this adjustment will probably be made. In the Dodge and DeSoto, steering column mounting of the speaker chassis may be accomplished, providing the left hand cowel ventilator is not to be used. The following cars have glove compartments available which may be used to house the control unit, if desired: Franklin, Buick, Cadillac, LaSalle, Marmon, Stutz, and Nash.

\*\* Courtesy, Zenith Radio Corp.

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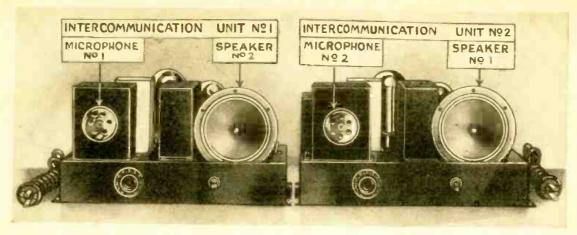


Fig. A
A view of the inter-office communication system, complete. Station No. 1 is at the left and station No. 2 is shown to the right.

# A NEW DUPLEX CALL SYSTEM

A description of an inter-office communication system permitting uninterrupted two-way communication. It is completely self-contained, permits immediate operation, and is A.C. operated. A novel development in communication service.

LEON J. LITTMANN, E.E.\*

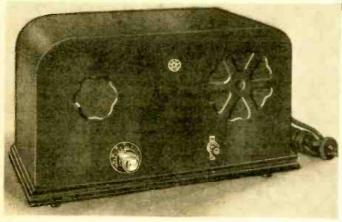


Fig. B
A panel view of the system installed in a cabinet. Note the controls.

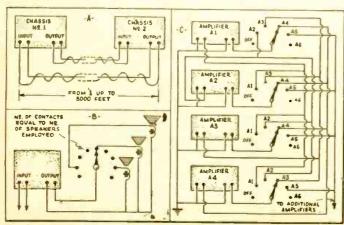


Fig. 1
A schematic showing the inter-connections of the system.

HE system herein described opens an interesting and remunerative field for the enterprising radio and public-address man, Service Man, dealer, or for any novice or salesman. It is a complete two-way intercommunication system intended primarily for 110 volt, A.C. operation, but it may be easily adapted for D.C., battery, or motor-generator operation. This system has many new and outstanding features, and it is described in detail to enable anyone to build it.

Within every large apartment building, office or factory floor, store, warehouse, school, hotel, hospital, restaurant, beer garden, etc., etc., one of these systems may be advantageously employed. It is an absolute necessity wherever "two-way conversation communication" is desired and wherever sound is to emanate from a loudspeaker, instead of an old-fashioned drummy earpiece or headphone. Its compactness permits the convenient placement of this device on any executive's desk.

Many business institutions, such as those enumerated above, cannot afford to purchase and maintain a separate inter-office telephone board requiring a trained operator for an intercommunication service. The installation of one of these systems solves the problem economically: first, any novice can completely install it in less than five minutes, without having to take precautions of any kind; second, the use of this system saves a lot of valuable time, it being more expedient than the ordinary telephone system, as your conversation may be carried on directly without the usual delays caused by a telephone operator intermediary; third, but not least, it is so flexible in its applications that an almost unlimited number of uses may be found for it.

#### Description of System

The system referred to in this article has been developed in answer to repeated demands from busy executives for whom the ordinary inter-office telephone system was much too slow and time-robbing, besides being expensive in up-

<sup>\*</sup>Chief Engineer, Coast-to-Coast Radio Corp.

keep. This two-way system consists essentially of two individual, but identical, completely self-contained amplifiers that are provided with individual speakers and microphones, as illustrated in Fig. A. The first amplifier, No. 1, supplies the necessary microphone current to its microphone, M1, which is mounted into the same cabinet as the first amplifier, A1. This amplifier, A1, feeds into the loudspeaker, Sp.1, which is mounted in the small cabinet (illustrated in Fig. B) housing the second amplifier A2. The amplifier A2, in turn, supplies the necessary microphone current to its own microphone M2, and its output is fed into the corresponding loudspeaker Sp.2 mounted into the cabinet that houses the first amplifier. The connections from one amplifier to the other may be made with ordinary dual conductor lamp-cord, or bell or hook-up wire (see the schematic, Fig. 1A). At the same time the two units may be placed as far as 5,000 feet apart without introducing any appreciable losses or distortion, and without the required aid of line transformers or booster units.

Because of the fact that the amplifiers employ quick-heating tubes (1 type 30, 1 type 47, and 1 type 82), they are ready for use the precise moment their switch or switches are thrown on. Should Mr. Jones want Mr. Brown to perform a certain duty for him, all he is required to do is to throw a switch and start talking. The sensitive microphone would carry his message immediately to Mr. Brown's speaker with sufficient volume to be audible in one or several average size rooms. Much time would be lost if an ordinary inter-office telephone system were employed instead, because the telephone operator may only communicate with Mr. Brown after being told to do so by Mr. Jones the operator must then wait until somebody near Mr. Brown's telephone answers if he is not at his desk at the moment. Only after all these costly delays can Mr. Jones talk to Mr. Brown.

As an instance of its many varied uses, it might be well to cite that in a RADIO-CRAFT editorial the editor stated that if the Lindberghs had one of these units stationed in their son's bedroom, the famous kidnaping would in all probability have been foiled, since all sounds in that bedroom would have been heard by the parents in another part of the house. The system is so sensitive that any extraneous noise, however slight, would be immediately transmitted to the microphone and thence to the loudspeaker. Another field of application is whenever it is desired to be in one location and at the same time hear what is going on in another location without actually being there. For instance, a store keeper can go to the rear of his shop and hear anybody enter. Both the microphone and the speaker are separately removable and thus these units may be used as a complete conventional public address system, in the usual manner.

The power consumption of each amplifier is so low—about 25 watts—that it may be left on continuously without appreciably increasing the lighting bill. The undistorted output of each amplifier is 3 watts and, therefore, at least three speakers may be employed simultaneously in three different rooms, each providing comfortable volume.

However, by employing a switching arrangement such as that shown in Fig. 1B, any number of speakers may be individually connected to either amplifier, an application of great value to any hotel, camp, school, hospital, etc. If it is desired to employ more than two complete units, such as one central unit located on the chief executive's desk, and to permit inter-communication between that point and say three other stations, refer to the diagram, Fig. 1C, showing the switching arrangement required. Inter-communication can be carried on between any two or more stations in the system, or simultaneously among them all!

#### Theory and Circuit Constants

A close-up of the top view of one of the two intercommunication units is shown in Fig. C, and its bottom view in Fig. D. A complete schematic diagram is given in Fig. 2. During the quest for an amplifier that could be made to operate instantaneously and still possess the high amplification necessary for microphone work, it was found necessary to use a D.C. operated tube in the first audio stage: the type 30 tube was chosen. The filament current is ob-

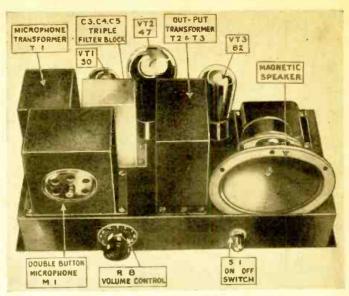


Fig. C

Top view of the amplifier showing the location of all parts.

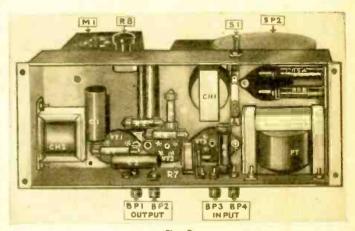


Fig. D

Under-view of the chassis of the Coast-To-Coast communication system.

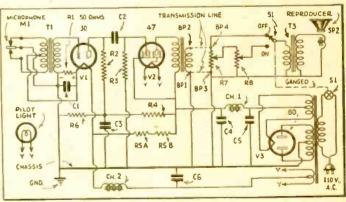


Fig. 2
Schematic circuit of one station of the system. Two are required.

tained partly from the D.C. plate and screen currents of the 47 output tube, V2, which currents total 37 ma. These currents flow through the center tap of the filament winding of V2, through a filter choke CH2, through the filament circuit of V1, and finally through the biasing circuit. The filter choke CH.2 and the bypass condenser C6 keep the audio-frequency currents out of this circuit to prevent regeneration. However, as the 30 tube requires 60 ma. for the lighting of its filament, the remaining 23 milliamperes required are obtained through the use of two 5,000-ohm resistors, R5A and R5B, connected to the rectifier circuit. Another interesting feature of this amplifier (Continued on page 752)

# THE ANALYSIS OF RADIO RECEIVER SYMPTOMS OPERATING NOTES

#### MONROE M. FREEDMAN

ERVICE problems, in spite of the occasional "corkers" we run into, are not usually so complicated as, at first thought they appear to be. If Service Men would merely stop and thoroughly "look over" the set they would find that, in most cases, the difficulty could be located easily.

#### Stromberg Carlson 25, 26

We have run into many complaints of starting and stopping which have been traced to their source by visual inspection.

(A) Many of these troubles have been found due to loose wires in the variable condenser compartment, which are usually in place, but unsoldered. This has been such a common occurrence that it is one of the first steps taken in locating this type of trouble. The remedy, of course, is simply soldering.

(B) It has been found that stopping and starting is also due to the 100,000-ohm fixed resistor which is in series with the center lug of the volume control shorting to the chassis intermittently. This resistor is black with a blue end, and is supported by a brown bakelite casing. A small hexagon nut holds this assembly together; on loosening, the resistor which is located just below the volume control starts its

mischievous work. (Fig.

1A.)

(C) Again, starting and stopping has been found to be caused by the coil shields cutting the leads going to the coils.

(D) Another frequent cause of this trouble has been traced to the lug on the oscillator coil which receives the two wires from the center of the secondary coil. These wires have quite often been have quite often found unsoldered. (Fig. 1B.)

Cases have been found where the volume increases gradually to a point where the volume cannot be controlled at all. This trouble has been traced to:

(A) Gassy 24 tubes.

Some Service Men, in checking a 24 tube, find that the tube draws 10 milliamperes of plate current; they merely pass it on as being a perfect tube, and attribute the high plate current to a high voltage. They do not stop to consider the fact that the tube has an appreciable amount of gas in it causing this high plate current.

(B) This same trouble is also caused by defective biresonator condensers, which have been previously discussed. Any leak in the volume control circuit to the

chassis will cause the same trouble.

(C) It has been found, on numerous occasions, that due to a 24 tube in the demodulator stage having a short from cathode to heater, the control of volume is poor, although the set works.

Many cases of microphonic howls have been received. It has been found that Service Men had previously removed practically all the bolts holding the chassis to the cabinet. But this did not cure the trouble. It was found that by taking four rubber washers (those located beneath

the Philco chassis which Service Men never replace) and placing them between the four corners of the speaker and the cabinet the howl was eliminated at once. This kink has been tried in every case where the set was found in a microphonic condition, and has never failed to eliminate the howl.

On numerous occasions it was found that these set models were very weak, and that quite a hiss could be heard in the background of the station. This condition was traced to either an open coil in the pre-selector stage or to the lack of an antenna. (Fig. 1C.)

We recently came across a case which baffled a few men. The set was very weak and distorted. A low plate voltage was found on the demodulator tube, and one 45 output push-pull tube was operating hot while the other was cold, though both plate voltages appeared normal. This trouble was traced to a shorted input push-pull transformer; the short was internal, from the primary to the secondary. (Fig. 1D.)

Another common complaint on these sets is that of a peculiar noise which seems to drive owners frantic. noise is due to a defective .0001-mf, fixed condenser located in a choke-condenser assembly in series with the plate of the demodulator tube. It is easier to replace the entire as-

sembly rather than to dig into the casing containing these units. This noise sounded like the sputtering of a defective tube. (Fig. 2A.)

In another recent case, a set was inoperative due to the series grid resistor of the oscillator changing in value. This resistor is located between the center tap of the secondary of the oscillator coil and the grid of the 27 tube. The value of the resistor is 500 ohms. It is located in the same can with the oscillator coil. (Fig. 1B.)

Distortion at low volume has continually been traced to a rapid-heating tube in the demodulator stage. Replacement of the 24A tube by the 24 slow-heater tube

CHASSIS BASE .3-м RF. AMPLIFIER OR PRE-SELECTOR STAGE COIL

Details of Stromberg Carlson 25, 26 receivers discussed in the text.

clears up this trouble immediately.

#### Stromberg Carlson 29

The outstanding troubles with this receiver will be listed in order.

Complaints of fading have been traced, in many cases, to faulty volume controls. Because of the poor contact between the slider and the resistor, the volume control becomes "noisy." Replacement of the volume control is then essential.

"Noisy" tone controls have been found almost as often as noisy volume controls and also require replacement.

In many cases the tubes in a receiver will not light up because of a defective line switch in the tone control. In order to save the cost of a new tone control switch combination, it is advisable to interchange the tone control with the volume control. They are both of the same value, 10,000 ohms. The switch in the volume control is connected into the phonograph circuit and is hardly ever used.

After the change has been made, the unit previously acting as the tone control will now act as the volume control; the switch in this latter unit, which has been found defective, will not be used. The unit previously acting as the volume control will then be connected in the tone-control circuit, and its switch will be connected into the line circuit. This may involve a little more work, but will save the expense of a new unit.

At other times, we have found that all the tubes light up, and yet the set was inoperative. This condition has been traced to either a shorted trimmer condenser, usually located across the pre-selector tuning condenser, or to an open choke in series with the plate leads of the intermediate-frequency stages. This choke is located in the rear of the chasis.

Quite often complaints of hum have been encountered. The simplest remedy in this case is to merely connect an

8 microfarad condenser between the "high side" of the field of the speaker and the chassis. It has been tried in several cases, and invariably eliminated the hum.

#### Stromberg Carlson 38, 39, 40

In these particular models there are three outstanding service problems.

When the set is very weak with a pronounced hiss in the background of the station, the trouble may invariably be traced to either an open pre-selector coil or to the shield of the antenna lead between the binding post and the primary of the pre-selector coil being shorted to the primary of the coil.

On many complaints where reception was found very weak and distorted, the trouble has been traced to a defective 600-ohm cathode resistor in

the first radio-frequency stage (58 tube). This resistor changes in value. It has been found that by shorting this resistor entirely the volume and ease of operation of the set was increased greatly. (Fig. 2B.)

Resonant hums, fading, and steady hums can usually be traced to cathode-to-heater shorts in type 56 tubes. We have found that the 56 tube has given us trouble continually, and whenever a hum is found, the type 56 tubes should be checked very carefully.

#### Stromberg Carlson 19, 20

One consistent complaint on this particular model is recorded. This complaint was fading, and was due to

a .001-mf. fixed condenser in the grid return of the demodulator stage. This condenser is shunted with a 10 megohm resistor; it also has a tendency to open, causing fading and slight distortion. Replacing this condenser in every case has eliminated the fading. (Fig. 2C.)

#### Stromberg Carlson 846

These sets are now in the field approximately two years. Practically every set of this model either motorboats or oscillates. The usual trouble in this case is due to dirty rotor condenser contacts. Once cleaned, by simply running a nail file several times over the contact surfaces, the set performs perfectly again.

#### Brunswick 17 Series

The most common complaint received from owners of

these sets is that the set has become inoperative. The tubes light up and yet it does not work. This trouble has been traced to several causes: (a) A short circuit to the speaker frame of the high voltage; (b) the grounding of of a screen-grid resistor of 14,000 ohms located in the right half of the chassis between two coil shields. Usually after the set has been operating in the home for several months the heat forces the resistor toward one side until it shorts against one of these shields.

It is always found that it is necessary to change two 5,000-ohm resistors in the oscillator stage, because these

resistors also change in value.

This model set has been found inoperative numerous times because of a shorted .5-mf. condenser in the plate circuit of the oscillator stage.

Service calls have been exceedingly numerous where the customer complains of intermittent reception. Many

times, by merely walking across the floor, the set would become inoperative. Many Service Men spent hours looking for loose connections which did not exist. This condition has been traced to a defective turret condition. Burrs would be found between variable condenser plates. These were eliminated simply by "flashing" the variable condenser (a high voltage connected across the unit). This would actually "burn" these burrs away.

On several occasions these sets were found to operate very weakly. This condition was traced to either open R. F. and I. F. control-grid return circuits or open bypass condensers in various positions.

Very recently we had occasion to service one of these sets which had "stumped" several good

"stumped" several good men in the radio field. Reception was very weak and distorted. This was traced to an intermittent cathode to heater short in a 51 tube in the second detector stage. Simply replacing the tube made the set perform perfectly.

A case came to our attention not very long ago where the complaint was that when the set was turned on, the intensity of the signal rose to a high level within several seconds, then it would fade away to a mere whisper and within a few more seconds the set operated normally. This always happened while the set was heating up. This condi-

heater in the automatic volume control stage and fast heaters throughout the rest of the set. A fast heater in the automatic volume control stage eliminated this condition.

# At A, detail of Stromberg Carlson 75, 26 receiver; at B, detail of Stromberg Carlson models 38, 39, and 40 receivers; detail of Stromberg Carlson models 19 and 20 at C; detail of the RCA 78 at D. This always happened while the set was heating up. This condition was traced to a slow the grid return of the deheater in the automatic volume control stage and fast the enser is shunted with a 10 heaters throughout the rest of the set. A fast heater in

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#### RCA 21 Series

The outstanding fault found with this set has been with the volume control. They become "noisy" after a short while. Most Service Men simply replace this unit and call the job finished. I simply wish to make it known that these volume controls can be repaired satisfactorily. Of course, it means more time, but saves the price of a new unit.

The bakelite back must be removed by lifting three small lugs holding it to the casing. When this is removed, you will find a spring in the center of the unit which has a coat of grease and grime. By merely wiping this off (Continued on page 754)

#### RCA VICTOR MODEL RO-23 11-TUBE ALL-WAVE SUPERHETERODYNE

(A broadcast superheterodyne-with A.V.C., tone control, and band selection-and a short-wave converter; range, 13.8 to 550 meters.)

Two chasses complete this receiver. One is the broadcast receiver, service data on which is covered by the RCA Victor Service Notes issued in connection with the models R-8. R-10 and R-12 sets; the short-wave converter, however, is described in the Service Notes in connection with RCA Victor Universal Radiola RO-23. The model RO-23 set is rated at 105-125 V., and 200-250 V., 50-60 cycles and 25-40 cycles; power consumption 120 W.; undistorted power output, 2.25 W. (Power consumption, broadcast set only, 100 W.) S.W. set tunes in 7 steps.

Tube operating voltages for the broadcast

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Tube	Cath. **		SG.*	Plate*	Plate	SG.
Туре	Volts	Volts	Volts	Volts	Ma.	Ma.
V 1	4.0	0.5	70	260	4.0	0.5
V 2	7.0	6.0	70	260	0.75	0.1
V3	4.0			65	6.0	4
V4	4.0	4.0	70	260	4.0	0.5
$V_5$	28.0	10.0	****	250	1.0	-4000
V6	*****	10.0	290	280	35.0	411744
V7				25		

(\*Measured to filament or cathode;

(\*Measured to filament or cathode; \*\*measured to heater.) Filament potential, all tubes, 2.66 V., at 120 v., line.

In the broadcast chassis the following component values are used: Condensers C1.
C2, C3, tuning condenser gang. 16 to 325 mmf.: C4, C5, C6, trimmers, 4 to 50 mmf.: C7, C12, C18, C20, 0.1-mf.: C8, C22, C26, C31, 0.5-mf.; C9, padding condenser trimmer. 5 to 75 mmf.: C10, padding condenser, 745 mmf.; C11, 745 mmf.: C13, C27, 0.5-mf.: C14, C15, 4 mf.: C16, C24, 15 to 75 mmf.: C17, C23, 140 to 220 mmf.; C19, 9 mf.: C21, C25, 0024-mf.; C29, 01-mf.: .0024-mf.; C28, .025-mf.; C29, .01-mf.; C30, 10 mf.

Resistors R1, R4, R10, R11, R21, 0.5-meg.; R2, 8,000 ohms; R3, 150 ohms; R5, 16,000 ohms; R6, 6,000 ohms; R7, R16, 40,000 ohms; R8, R15, R20, 10,000 ohms; R9, 2 megs.; R12, 30,000 ohms; R13, 1. meg.; R14, tone control, 50,000 ohms; R17, R22, 0.1meg.; R18, 0.3-meg.; R19, manual volume control, 3.000 ohms.

The short-wave section of the receiver incorporates the following component values: Condensers C1, C3, tuning condensers, 60 mmf.: C2, C4, tuning condensers. 160 mmf.: C5, .001-mf.: C6. C10, C12, .01-mf.: C7, oscillator padding condenser, .001-mf.: C8, oscillator padding condensers. eillator trimmer condenser, 501-m1.; Co, os-eillator trimmer condenser, 51.3-98.5 meter band, 60 mmf.; C9, oscillator trimmer con-denser, 38-51.3 meter band, 60 mmf.; C11, tuning condenser trimmer, 50 mmf.; C13,

Resistor R1, 0.1-meg.; R2, 1,500 ohms; R3, 80,000 ohms; R4, 40,000 ohms; R5, 800

Operating characteristics for V9, V10, V11: (\*Measured to cathode.) Line, 120 V.

Tube Type	Fil. Volts	CG.* Volts		Plate* Volts	Plate Ma.
V 9	2.66	3	50	260	1
V10	2.66	3	50	180	1
V11	2.66	5		5.0	5

Looking at the converter chassis with the binding posts at the rear, oscillator trimmer condenser C9 is located in front of the type 27 tube, V11; oscillator trimmer condenser C8. at the rear, almost directly in back of C9; and C7. oscillator padding condenser, at rear and just to the right of C8.

To align the circuits of the converter so

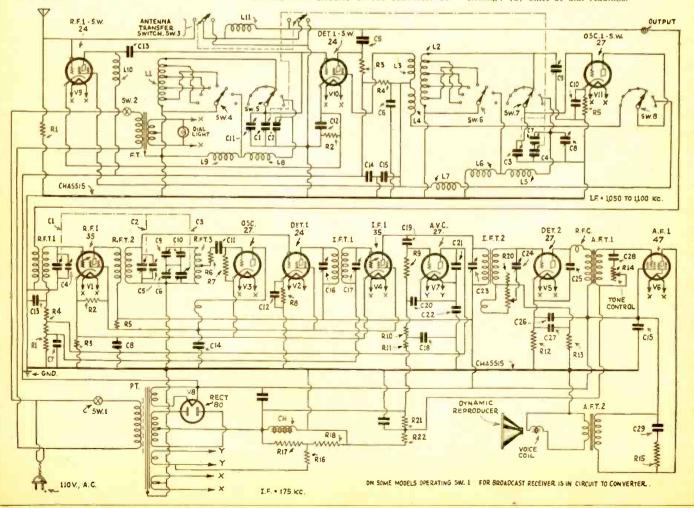
that this unit covers each tuning band, adjust the broadcast receiver so that it is accurately set at 1.075 kc.; this becomes the I.F. for the short-wave converter. Set the "Range" switch at the 51.3-98.5 meter position. Set the tuning condenser at its maximum position (plates fully out of mesh), and place the service oscillator in operation at 5,960 kc. Adjust C8 so that the service oscillator signal will be heard in the reproducer, or noted on an output meter.

Now shift the tuning condenser of the converter to its maximum position, adjust the service oscillator to 3.055 kc., and align C7 for maximum output from the broadcast receiver (tuned to an I.F. of 1,075 kc.).

After checking each end of the 51.3-98.5 meter band, shift the range switch to the 38-51.3 meter position, and set the tuning con-denser of the converter at its maximum posi-tion (plates fully out of mesh). With the same I.F., 1.075 kc., adjust C9 until maximum output is obtained from the broadcast receiver. with a service oscillator signal of 8,025 kc. When these allignments are correctly made, using an I.F. of 1.050 to 1,100 kc., the "Resonator" control will function correctly and the various short-wave broadcast services will fall within the bands indicated on the dial.

Adjust the indicator on the dial lamp to read 100 when the tuning condenser is at its maximum capacity position. before any alignment adjustments are made.

A defective "Range" switch may cause any of the following conditions: (a) noise, due to a corroded or lose wire or contact; (b) lack of "Resonator" control; (c) oscillator not functioning; (d) shift of dial readings.



#### CLARION MODELS 300 DE LUXE AND 460 (2 PIECE) LEISURETTE 14-TUBE SUPERHETERODYNE

(Incorporating delayed A.V.C.; adjustable S.T.C.; dual reproducers; push-pull A.F. driver stage; push-push power output stage; visual tuning meter; automatic selectivity; tone control; twin diode second-detector.)

Exceptionally fine tone quality is probably the outstanding feature of this interesting, Transformer Corporation of America superheterodyne receiver. Operating voltages for the tubes are given in the tabulation below. These figures are obtained with the volume control, R1, full one, with the silent tuning control, R1, full open and at a line potential of 115 V.; a Weston model 565 analyzer was used.

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Tu	Vo	Pla	C.G.	Cath	S	Sup(	Plate Ma.
V1	2.2	180	0.5	7	85	7	0.7
V2	2.2	180	1.0	7	85	7	1.2
V3	2.2	100					10.0
V4	2.1	190	0.4	4	90	4	3.0
V5	2.1	190	0.2	4	90	4	2.0
V6	2.1			4	****		*****
V7	2.1		****	4	****	**	
V8	2.2	180		10		**	2.0
V9	2.3	185	1040	8	-	**	3.0
V10	2.3	185	E-1004	8	-0.00		3.5
V11	2.2	400	0.00	****			5.0
V12	2.2	400	****	****	****		5.0
V13	2.0	M(1.1.1.1	g = 10)	4		-4	*****
V14	2.3	300	4000		****	**	

To further speed service on this receiver model, the manufacturers furnish the following tabulation of socket-to-ground resistance figures. Readings of 1 meg. and over are given as "Inf." Only the first three significant figures are interpreted from the ohmmeter in each reading; the value of individual resistors in the circuit can be readily checked upon removal of chassis. The readings are taken with R1 and R3 full on, and with all tubes, including the pilot light, removed.

This set has four controls: the right-hand lower knob switches the set off and on and controls the tone; the left-hand lower knob controls the volume; the upper-center knob is the station selector, and the lower-center knob is the silent tuning control.

This receiver may be tuned in two distinct ways as suits the user; first the volume control, R3, may be turned back to the minimum position and S.T.C., R1, advanced to its maximum position. Absolute silent tuning may be accomplished by merely watching the indicating meter, M, and R3 may be advanced when the peak swing is recorded and the program brought in. The second method employed is to adjust R1 for local noise conditions by advancing R3 and tuning between stations, then retarding R1 until local interference noises are reduced to a comfortable minimum. Control R1 may then be left in this position permanently, and stations then tuned in either by audibility alone or by audibility and indicator readings. Adjust R3 to suit.

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Component values are as follows: Condensers C1, C2, C3, tuning condensers; C1A, C2A, C3A, trimmers; C4 to C8, I.F. trimmers; C9, C10, C11, C12, 01-mf.; C13, C14, C19, C26, C29, 0.1-mf.; C15, 500 mmf.; C16, C25, 250 mmf.; C17, 05-mf.; C18, 005-mf.; C20, padding condenser; C21, 50 C22, 1. mf.; C23, .35-mf.; C24, .2-mf.; C27, 8 mf.; C28, 6mf.

Resistor R1, manual silent tuning control

Resistor Rl, manual silent tuning control S.T.C., 10,000 ohms: R2, tone control, 0.1-meg.; R3, manual volume control, 0.5-meg.; R4, R14, 1,500 ohms: R5, R6, R7, R8, R9, R10, R17, 0.1-meg.; R15, 10,000 ohms; R16, 5,000

ohms; R18, 500 ohms; R19, 350 ohms; R20, 3.060 ohms; R21, 2,700 ohms; R22, 1 meg.; R23, 0.5-meg.

Fading may be due to a defect in the delayed A.V.C. circuit or a defective tube as V13.

Rived A.V.C. circuit or a defective tube as V13. Since the tuning meter, M, indicates plate current for V2 and V4, lack of sensitivity in the circuits of V1, V2 or V4 will cause the meter pointer to have a restricted swing; whereas, if lack of sensitivity has developed in a circuit subsequent to those mentioned, the needle will swing freely, although the output of the set is weak.

To adjust the I.F. circuits, connect the service oscillator to the control-grid of V2 and adjust C4, C5, C6, C7 and C8 in this order, for maximum output at 175 kc. Next, connect the service oscillator to the antenna and ground posts and adjust C2A and C1A for maximum output at 1,400 kc.

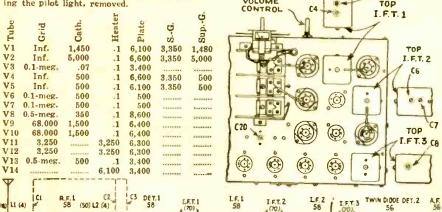
To check the calibration of the receiver, adjust C3A until a station of known high frequency, about 1,400 kc., is brought in at the correct dial marking with peak volume.

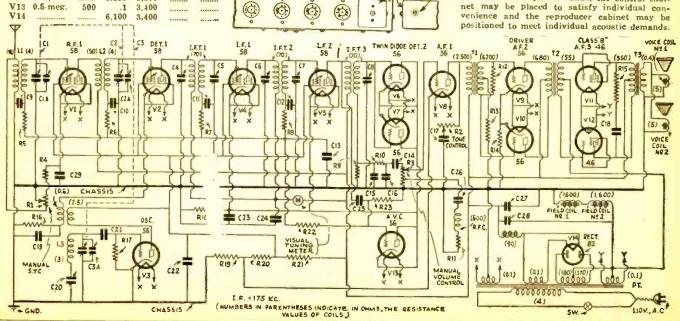
Now, to balance the oscillator circuit to the R.F. and first-detector circuits, the procedure is as follows. With the service oscillator and the set tuned to 600 kc. slowly increase or decrease the value of padding condenser C20, while oscillating the tuning condenser gang back and forth. Readjust C20 until the needle of the output service meter reaches its peak. Finally, retune the receiver and the broad-

Finally, retune the receiver and the broadcast service oscillator to 1,400 kc., and recheck trimmer C3A to make sure that the adjustment of C20 has not thrown the receiver out of calibration. If it has, then readjust C3A until the calibration is correct, as previously explained, and check trimmers C1A and C2A to make sure that the adjustment of condenser C20 has not reduced the sensitivity.

C20 has not reduced the sensitivity.

The effect of C26, R.F.C. and R11 is to bypass the major portion of the second-harmonic frequencies generated by diodes V6, V7. It is important that a good ground be used with this set. The power consumption of this set is 129 watts. The Clarion model 460 Leisurette receiver is distinguished from the Clarion model 300, 14 tube DeLuxe, by the reproducers which in the Leisurette are contained in a remote, Queen Anne-period occasional table; the receiver chassis is housed in a special, Queen Anne-period end table, with all controls on a horizontal panel. Thus, the control cabinet may be placed to satisfy individual convenience and the reproducer cabinet may be positioned to meet individual accounts described to meet account described to account described





# HOW TO MAKE THE BEGINNERS' POWER CRYSTAL SET

Believe it or not, but we have received more inquiries from beginners for crystal receivers than for any other type of set. In nearly every case, after the set was constructed, the readers have written in asking how an amplifier may be attached for greater volume. In this interesting article, the author kills two birds with one stone and describes a simple, crystal-tube receiver.

F. R. HARRIS

S IT possible to "work a loudspeaker" with a crystal set; can a set capable of good power output be built at little cost—for experimental purposes? The answer is "yes—and how"; details of the "how" part of the answer will follow. Incidentally, we will provide for picking up police calls and for phonograph.

The average beginner in radio starts off with a crystal set, and wisely so, since he has then but two variables to deal with: the signal or radio frequency; and the sound or audio frequency. All considerations of filament voltage, plate voltages, screen-grid voltages, and the multitude of other complicating factors present in tube sets are absent. However, there is one serious defect of standard crystal sets—their lack of power. They are strictly limited to headphone use, and while that may satisfy the beginner

for a while, he soon grows tired of his isolation and wants to build a set that he can "show off" to his family and friends. Of course, there have been rumors, and rumors of rumors, concerning loudspeaker crystal sets; but, in the writer's experience, these sets are a great deal like ghosts. One often meets a person who knows some one who has seen a ghost, but never a person who will say that he, personally, saw one. So we have in favor of the crystal set its simplicity and perfect tone qual-

ity; and against it, its extremely low power capabilities which make it a strictly headphone device. Are we, therefore, to say that if we wish power, we must give up the crystal with its superb tone and go in for tube sets altogether? No, there is another possibility. We can combine these two types of receivers, using tubes to build up the signal, or amplify (since that is the thing they do best) and leave the job of detection, or changing the radio frequency to audio frequency so that our ears may hear it, to the crystal. Therefore, we will set about to design a set along these lines.

Theory

Any radio set, from the simplest to the most complicated consists of six basic parts: a collector, or aerial, of some

sort to pick up the radio energy emitted from the broadcast stations in operation at the time; a selector, or tuning system, to select the particular station wanted and reject all others; a radio frequency amplifier, to build up the minute energy picked up by the collector to the level necessary to reproduce at the receiver exactly what occurred in the studio at the transmitter; a detector, or demodulator, which serves to select the audio frequency variations from the radio-frequency carrier wave; an audio-frequency amplifier to build up the audio frequency output of the detector; and a transducer, or device to transform the electrical energy into sound energy which may be heard by our ears the loudspeaker or headphones. The collector is always the first of the chain and the transducer the last.

Now, the vacuum tube is such a marvelous and versatile

device that it can be made to amplify anything from direct-cur-rent signals to signals that vary, or oscillate, at a rate of twenty million times a second, and in a properly designed amplifier the current variations that appear in the plate circuit of the last tube are exact duplications, within a very small per-centage, of the voltage variations that are applied to the grid of the first. However, there are other factors besides the selection of tubes to be considered in the design of our

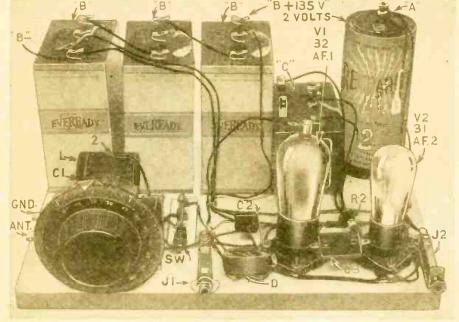


Fig. A

An excellent photograph showing the location of all parts of the simple beginners' power crystal receiver. Refer to the List of Parts and the schematic circuit of Fig. 1 for values.

"power crystal set" and these, too, will be discussed in due course.

#### Design

Now, let us see just what data we have so far accumulated on which to base our design. Since it is to be a beginner's set it must be simple; and since the late, lamented depression is not yet altogether a memory, it, also, must be low in cost. It must incorporate a crystal detector for simplicity and tone quality, and it must incorporate vacuum tube amplification so that we can use a loudspeaker and "show it off" to admiring (?) friends and the family.

Right here we must choose between amplifying the signal at radio frequency, at audio frequency, or both. Radio-

#### -THE RADIO BEGINNER-

In this department we shall print every month simple, but effective radio sets and circuits. and other information for radio beginners, or those just starting in radio. There are thousands of radio fans and experimenters who are still interested in building their own, and in experimenting with home-made sets. The new instruments, as well as the new tubes, make this endeavor of particular importance.

If you build the sets described in these pages, won't you be good enough to advise us what results you are getting?

frequency amplification has several advantages; it is efficient and can be made to have a much higher gain per stage than audio amplification. If properly designed, it does not distort the audio modulation carried by the signal as audio amplifiers nearly always do; hence, we can use more stages (up to four or five, in a well shielded and filtered design), and build up the signal to a high level without paying for it in poor tone quality. But, for our purpose, it also has

several major disadvantages. The power handling capabilities of a crystal are strictly limited; and, if too great a signal voltage is applied, there will be minute arcs at the catwhisker's contact point and the crystal will be destroyed. Also for loudspeaker operation it is necessary to use audio amplification in addition to whatever radio amplification is used. Furthermore, each stage of radio-frequency amplification requires a tuned circuit which is difficult to line up. Taken all in all, a multi-stage R.F. amplifier is not a good job for a novice to attempt to build.

This leaves a remaining choice of A.F. amplification which has all of the necessary gain to achieve loudspeaker operation from a crystal output on local stations and is

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PHONO PICKUP

JACK, J1

considerably easier to handle than R.F.

We still have a choice of either transformer resistance coupling between the audio stages; but, in view of the fact that resistance is considerably cheaper and with the use of a screen-grid tube is practically as efficient as transformer coupling, we have selected resistance coupling for our receiver.

The output tube, a triode, has been selected in place of the more generally-used pentode, a high-er-gain tube, because of the more

reliable results which may be obtained by the inexperienced experimenter. (A later design may incorporate a pentode.-

GND.

A reference to the picture illustration of the parts arrangement, Fig. A, very clearly shows the position of each component. The space at the rear of the "breadboard" is just sufficient for the battery power supply. The set is so simple that very little need be said along the line of instructions for the assembly beyond the general advice to keep all leads carrying high frequency, the grid leads in particular, as short and as direct as possible; although, in a simple, low-gain set of this type, trouble from feed-back is hardly likely to be encountered. Jack J1 in the grid circuit of the type 32 tube allows the use of a phonograph pickup and is very useful in testing at the time of assembly; since, if satisfactory results are attained when a phonograph pickup is plugged in, whatever other trouble may be encountered is at once automatically localized in the R.F. or detector section.

Be sure that all soldered joints are really soldered, and are not simply the "rosin" joint that results from the use of a cold iron or a poorly-cleaned surface.

The only trouble that the novice is likely to encounter is tapping coil L for police-band reception; but, if care is used in pushing the wire out from the inside and scraping it clean before soldering the lead to the knife switch, it can be done successfully. This tap is made 35 turns back from the grid end of the coil; this is the end opposite to the antenna coil. Thus, close coupling between primary and secondary is maintained.

Operating Hints

When the set is all wired and ready for operation connect the "A" battery and place the tubes in their sockets; if the tubes light, the chances are that the filament circuit is correctly wired. Then plug in the headphones or speaker and connect the "C" battery in place; then the "B" batteries.

LOUDSPEAKER

JACK . J2

If everything is O.K. there will be a loud click when the 135-volt wire is touched to the "B" battery, and a loud hum or buzz when the grid cap of the type 32 tube is touched with the finger. Then, if you have one, plug in the phonograph pickup and start the record. If you have done your work correctly, you will be rewarded with music. If you have no phono. pickup, you will just have to trust to luck that the audio is O.K.

aerial and ground wires, see that the wave-change

Next attach the

A F AMP A.F.AMP RI 22 32 . 2-MEG. .S.MEG CAP (2 14 4 MF 500 C5, 1 MF. **R3** C7 1 MF. 221/2V CHASSIS 1 MF 135 V

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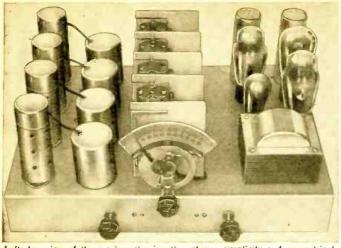
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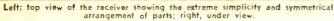
Schematic circuit of the receiver completely described by the author in this real beginners' article.

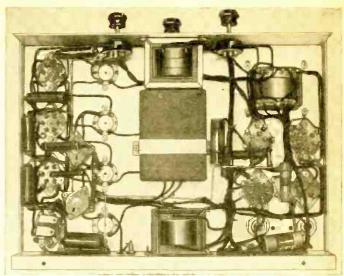
switch, Sw., is in the broadcast position, 1 (all the coil in use), and start to "fish." And here your patience will probably be tested. On the detector you will find a little lever. A very light pressure of this lever will be found best; if the wire is not making contact, this fact will be indicated by a loud buzz from the phones, which, by the way, you had better use for the first adjustment. this point on it is just a question of juggling the tuning condenser and the detector adjustment until a signal is heard, then you can work for best response.

The three 1. mf. bypass condensers, C5, C6, C7, and one 4 mf. unit, C4, shown in Fig. 1, are not absolutely necessary, but operation of the set, especially with old batteries which are not quite "up to snuff," but which work, will be some-

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# A MODERN BROADCAST RECEIVER

Here is a simple, reliable T. R. F. receiver that the Service Man or sound specialist can assemble in his spare time and sell as a custom-built outfit in cabinets of the customer's own choice.

HUBERT L. SHORTT and FRANK LESTER\*

HE very nature of the business gives Service Men and sound specialists a considerable amount of unwelcome but unavoidable free time. Service calls, particularly in smaller cities, are likely to come in batches, and may especially be anticipated before important broadcasts, such as prize fights, ball games, presidential speeches, etc. Between times it is a wise and industrious Service Man who keeps himself occupied with things that relate directly to his own business.

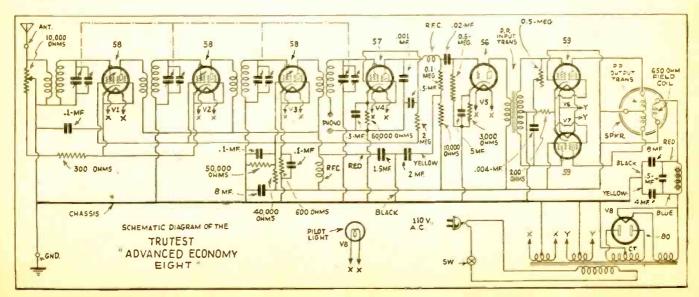
One of the enterprises that many Service Men are finding profitable is the building of broadcast receivers for use in cabinets that their customers may already possess or new cabinets selected from mail order catalogs. In spite of the present vogue of the cigar-box midgets, there are

still many people who want full-size receivers with a reasonable safety factor, receivers that have the tone response made possible only by the use of good sized baffles in the form of console cabinets. The cost of parts has come down so much that it is possible for the custom builder to compete with some factory-built products even on a price basis. Properly presented, the custom-built idea can readily be "sold" if the Service Man is willing to spend his spare time selling it.

Since most of the labor in home made sets is represented by the metal chassis, the custom builder should select a "kit" with a properly prepared base. The electrical circuit also requires consideration, of course, as the customer is interested in results, not in the builder's mechanical

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<sup>\*</sup>Wholesale Radio Service Co., Inc.



# MODERN COMMERCIAL **AUTO-RADIO RECEIVERS**

A survey of the files of the leading radio set manufacturers would show, no doubt, that nearly every one of them have, or will have soon, a 1933 auto-radio receiver. Manufacturers who have never produced auto sets are now making them. Manufacturers who previously saw no profits in this outlet, have changed their minds and are now entering this field to the blare of trumpets and heavy advertising.

The material presented in the following pages is the result of many months of painstaking work by RADIO-CRAFT. It does not represent all the auto-radio receivers now on the market; it does represent, though, the most complete technical discussion of modern autoradio receivers that has appeared in any magazine in any one issue at any time. Each description is accompanied by the circuit diagram with all values marked; photographs appear in every case where they were available; and many sketches of installation or servicing assistance appear.

The receivers described are modern—obsolete receivers either are not described or have been published in past issues of this magazine. If a modern auto receiver is not described here, it is because the manufacturer failed to supply us with the necessary technical information. Mr. Service Man, make the most of this information.

The following information was compiled by RADIO-CRAFT in response to special requests. information should be of invaluable assistance to Service Men contemplating the installation of automotive receivers and will be enlarged upon from time to time as additional data are secured.

AUBURN—Closed types on models 8-105 and 12-165 are wired for radio. In Cabriolet and Phaeton sedans, in above models, antenna is optional.

AUSTIN-Radio aerials in Austin cars standard but are optional equipment. However, they are factory-installed, under the roof covering of all models, at a slight additional charge,

BUICK-1933 series 50: Business, Sport, Convertible Sedan, and Victoria Coupes are equipped with aerials. 1933 series 60: Sport, Convertible, and Vic-toria Coupes, Convertible Phaeton, and Sedans aerials. 1933 series 60: Sport, Convertible, and Vic-toria Coupes, Convertible Phaeton, and Sedans are equipped with aerials. 1933 series 80: Sport, Convertible, and Victoria Coupes, Convertible Phaeton, and Sedans are equipped with aerial. 1933 series 90: Sedan model 7-P, Limousine, Club Sedan, Victoria Coupe, and Sedan model 5-P are equipped with aerial.

CADILLAC\*—In 1933 closed models: galvanized screen in top; closed models, tinsel tape or braid in top. Lead-in, closed cars, down front; open cars, rear.

CHEVROLET-All 1933 models have aerials built into the headlining. The lead-in is located in the left side front windshield post.

CHRYSLER-Aerials installed at factory in closed models of 1932 and 1933 Sixes and Eights.

CORD\*—No antenna system in 1933 models.

CUNNINGHAM-Antennas installed on special order only.

DE SOTO®—1933 closed models: poultry screen in roof; open models, a stranded wire is woven in false headliner on special order only. Lead-in, closed cars, down side; open cars, rear.

DE VAUX\*—In 1933 closed models: although there is a poultry screen in roof, an antenna will be furnished on special orders. Lead-in, down front.

DODGE—1933, 8 cylinder: 4-door Sedan, 5-passenger Coupe, Rumble Seat Coupe are equipped with aerial. 6 cylinder: 4-door Sedan, 2-door Sedan, Business Coupe, Rumble Seat Coupe are equipped with aerials. An opening in the floor is provided for the installation of a radio set manufactured for Dodge cars by Philco Transitone. DURANT\*-No antenna system in 1933 models.

DUESENBERG-Aerials installed on special order

ESSEX\*\*-1933 models: stranded wire antenna in top only on special order.

FORD—The following 1933 cars are installed with an aerial: Tudor, Fordor, and Victoria. The fol-lowing 1933 models have running board aerials: Roadster, Phaeton, Cabriolet, 3-window Coupe, and 5-window Coupe.

FRANKLIN-1932-1933 series 16 and 17 have insulated chicken wire in roof which may be used as an antenna. The series 18, of the same years, have grounded chicken wire.

GRAHAM-PAIGE-Aerials installed on special order

HUDSON-1933 Terraplane "6" and "8" and Hudson "6" and "8"; all closed cars equipped with

HUPMOBILE-1933 models 321, 322, and 326 are equipped with antennas; antenna lead-in under cowl.

LA SALLE'-1933 closed models: galvanized screen in top; open models, tinsel tape or braid in top. Lead-in, closed cars, down front; open cars, rear.

LINCOLN-All closed models are equipped with

MARMON-Standard equipment in 1930 models 69, and Big Eight; 1931, models 88. The 1932 and 1933 16-cylinder cars are not equipped with an aerial but there is a wire mesh, in the head-lining, to which a lead-in may be attached and run down the left side front windshield post.

NASH-1932-1933, series 1000; first batch of cars equipped with antenna, with no lead-in. Later models, lead-in down left center post; present model, lead-in down right front corner post. Sixteen spark plug suppressors and two distributor suppressors, standard equipment in twin-ignition models, series 1080, 1090, 1180 and 1190.

OLDSMOBILE—1933, 6 cylinder models: Business, Sport, 5-passenger, Touring Coupes, 4-door Sedan, 4-door Touring Sedan, and 5-passenger models are 4-door fouring sedan, and 5-passenger models are equipped with aerials. 1933, 8 cylinder models: Business, Sport, 5-passenger Coupes, 5-passenger Touring Coupe, 4-door Sedan, and 4-door Touring Sedan are equipped with aerials. PACKARD-1933 models: All closed cars equipped with aerials.

PEERLESS\*-1933 closed models: poultry screen in roof. Shielded lead-in, closed cars, down front.

PIERCE-ARROW-1930 models A, B, and C equipped with aerials. 1931 models 41, 42, and 43 equipped with aerials. 1932 models 51, 52, 53, and 54 equipped with aerials. 1933 models 836, 1236, 1242, and 1247 equipped with aerials.

PLYMOUTH-Antennas are factory-installed in 1933 models.

PONTIAC-1933, 8 cylinder models are equipped with roof antennas with the lead-in behind the right cowl trim pad. No other models are equipped with aerials.

REO\*-Flying Cloud model 52: equipped with antenna, only on special order. Royale N-2 for 1933, equipped with antenna. Open and convertible Reo's will be supplied with antenna system on order.

ROCKNE-1932 models: Sedan and Coupe are equipped with aerials. The Convertible Sedan and Convertible Roadster are not equipped with aerials. 1933 models: Sedan and Coupe are equipped with aerials. The Convertible Sedan and Convertible Roadster are not equipped with aerials.

ROLLS ROYCE\*-Special bodies. Antenna can be

STUDEBAKER—The following Studebaker cars are equipped with aerials: 1930 starting July, models 70, 80, and 90; starting June, 1931, models 61 and 54; 1932 models, 91, 71, 62, and 55; 1933 models, 56, 73, 82 and 92. In 1933 Convertible Sedans and Roadsters aerial is installed at factory as optional equipment, at slight extra cost.

STUTZ-Aerials installed on special order only.

TERRAPLANE\*\*-1933 models: stranded wire antenna in top, only on special order.

WILLYS KNIGHT\*-1933 closed models: stranded wire in top; open models, none. Lead-in, closed cars, down front.

WILLYS OVERLAND-1933 model 99 is equipped with aerial.

(\*Courtesy, Philco Transitone. \*\*Courtesy, Zenith

## ATWATER KENT MODELS 636 AND 756

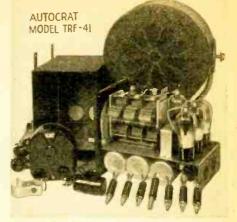
MODELS 636 and 756 are similar six-tube superheterodynes equipped with all-electric power supply, eliminating the use of dry batteries. Model 636 is designed for attachment to and operation from the instrument panel of the car, the dynamotor power unit being in a separate metal container mounted under the floor, the front seat, or in any other convenient place. Model 756 is intended for cars on which the 636 can-

ATWATER KENT MODEL 756

not be mounted by reason of car design. In this type a special steering post control is provided and the radio chassis (complete with power supply in a single case) may be mounted under the floor board. With both models the loudspeaker is a separate unit.

Ignition suppressors included with set.

The tubes used are: two 41's, two 39's, one 36, and one 85. Among circuit features are automatic volume control, push-pull output, two-point tone control. Tuning range 1500-540 kc. Tuning dial calibrated in kilocycles. Total battery consumption, including dynamic speaker, 5% amperes. I. F., 262½ kc.



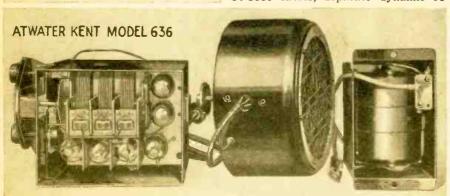
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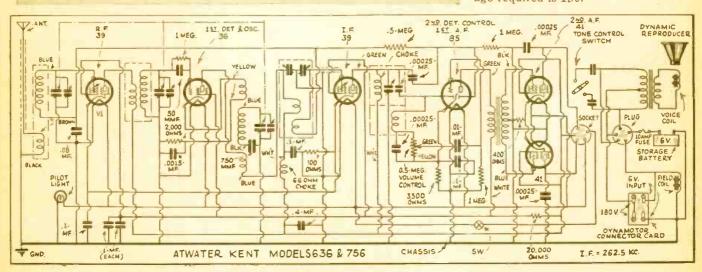
A feature of this set is the small dimensions of the chassis which measures only 5¼ x 6½ x 8¼ ins. Police calls may be received on this set. Complete equipment, illustrated, at the list price includes: one shielded T.R.F. chassis with tubes, remote control unit, 30-foot cables, separate dynamic re-

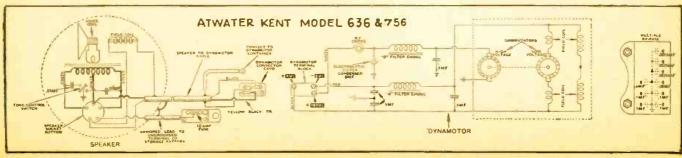
producer, sub-car antenna, six spark plug suppressors, distributor suppressor, distributor filter condenser, and miscellaneous hardware. The "B" supply, which may be batteries or an eliminator, is an accessory to be bought separately.

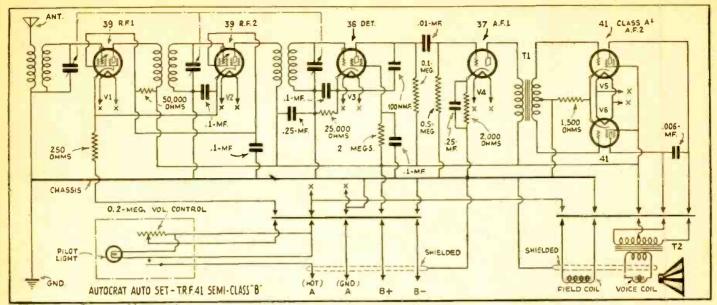
The reproducer is of one-hole mounting type; the set, 3-hole. These two units are electrically connected by means of plugs. The receiver is designed for bulkhead mounting—as far as possible from the ignition coil. The remote-control unit clamps to the steering column. The sub-car antenna is to be slung between the front and rear axles, toward the rear. Place the "B" supply wherever convenient.

This T.R.F. receiver incorporates: two type 39 R.F. tubes; one 36, detector; one 37, first A.F.; and 41's in push-pull A', second A.F.; sensitivity, less than 1 microvolt-per-meter; power output, 3 watts. The total "B" voltage required is 180.









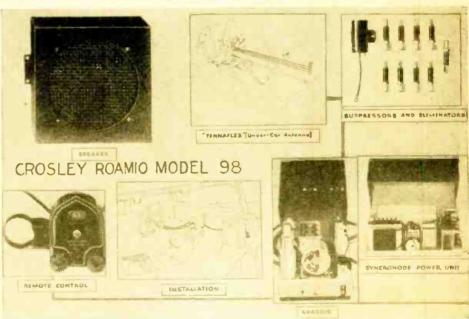
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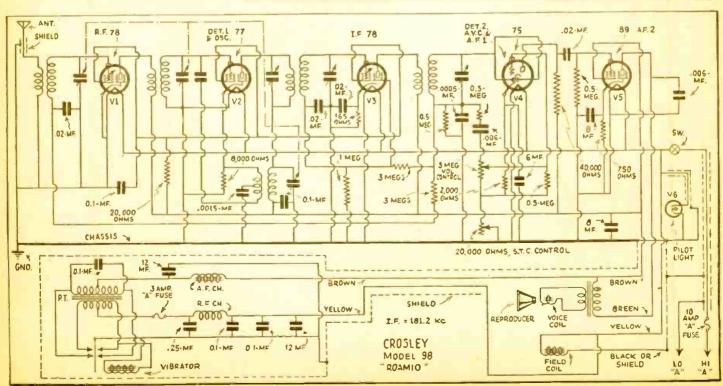
This receiver is the United Motors Service set described in this issue.

#### **CROSLEY ROAMIO MODEL 98**

REMOTE control unit, receiver chassis, plate power unit, and loud-speaker are separate units comprising the Crosley Roamio Model 98. Control clamps to the steering column, while the other units are placed under the instrument board in the most convenient manner. The chassis measures 6% by 7% by 7% inches, the power unit 2% by 7% by 4% inches, the dynamic speaker 8% square by 5% inches deep. Ignition suppressors included.

Five tube superheterodyne circuit uses one 77, two 78's, one 75, and one





89. I.F. is 181.2 kc., current drain 4.6 amperes at 6.3 volts. Quiet automatic volume control, full floating moving coil dynamic speaker. The "B" unit is of the vibrating type, with the sparking at the contact points entirely eliminated by a new method claimed to be exclusive with Crosley. The "B" called "Synchronode." No rectifier tube used.

The following chart gives the tubes, their functions, and voltages, measured with the receiver in operating condition but with no signal to the antenna circuit. Use a high resistance D. C. voltmeter (1000 ohms per volt, or more) for all measurements. The voltage limits are + or - 10% of the values given.

All voltages are measured from tube contact to chassis with 6.3 volts at battery and 180 volts from the Syncronode.

The "I" control should be entirely off.

78 77 78 75 89	R. F. Amp. Osc. detector. I. F. Amp. Diode A. F. Amp. Output (Class A Pentode)	180 180 130	85 85 85 85	Volt. 0 4.5 2.0 1.5	Grid Volt. 0 4.5 0	Fil. Volt 6-0 6.0 6.0 6.0

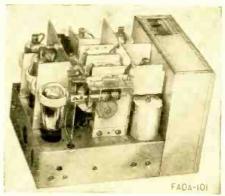
#### FADA MODEL 101 "MOTOSET"

Comprises three units: a control head that clamps to the steering column, a fully enclosed receiver unit including plate supply device, and a separate dynamic loudspeaker. A flexible shaft connects the first two units. The receiver box measures 10% inches long, 7% inches high and 7% inches deep; the speaker, circular in shape, is 9½ inches in diameter, 4½ inches deep. Noise suppression equipment is furnished. Automatic lock closes when volume control is

turned to minimum setting; a key releases it. Antenna not included.

Backlash in the remote control has been eliminated by a worm gear drive on the condenser shaft, with constant tension maintained by a strong spring.

Eight tube superheterodyne circuit, with automatic volume control. Tubes used: three type 39, one 37, one 85, two 89, one 98. Current drain from car's storage battery, 61/4 amperes. I. F., 175 kc. Sensitivity 1 m.p.m.



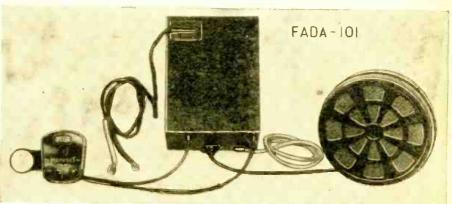
Output 3 watts. Plate power unit is of the vibrator type with a full-wave mercury-vapor rectifier tube. Mechanical hum eliminated by sealed lead housing, % inch thick.

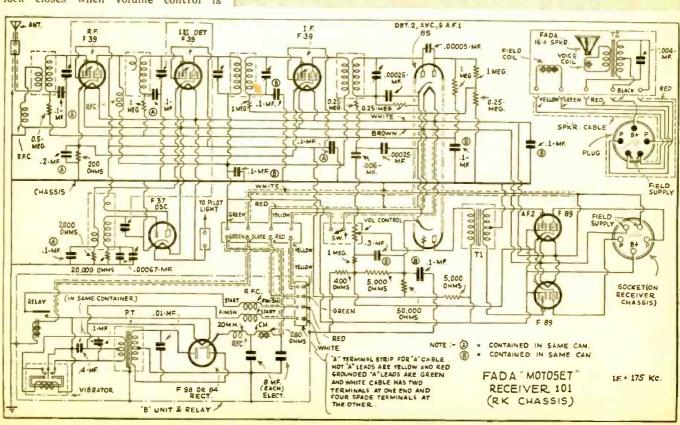
An automatic relay is incorporated in the chassis to prevent operation of the set on a low storage battery.

#### FORD-MAJESTIC MODEL 114 AUTO-RADIO SET

"A FLOOR board installation," characterizes the Ford-Majestic 6-tube car radio receiver. The set chassis and the motor generator drop into water-tight, drawn-sheet-steel pans recessed in the floor; both containers measure 6-1/32 x 9-7/32 long, inside dimensions. The arrangement is illustrated.

A complete Ford-Majestic installation includes the receiver chassis and tubes, 180 volt motor-generator "B" supply, steering-column control head, separate 6-in. dynamic reproducer, generator and distributor filter condensers, spark plug suppressors, fuses, running-board antenna, necessary





shielded power and control cables, and shielding and miscellaneous hardware. The output transformer is incorporated in the set.

There is no "fiddling" with leads; polarized-plug connections are provided on the four major units: set, "B" supply, reproducer and control head. As shown in one of the illustrations, the "B" and set units mount just in front of the rear seat in page recessed into the floor-boards. (Complete servicing may be accomplished inside the car, witnin one hour.) The control head is designed for adjustment by an operator wearing gloves. The reproducer, which acts as a terminal board for the set and control cables, is supported on a bracket which mounts under the cowl directly above the steering column—this permits the car heater to be retained.

A superheterodyne circuit is used; the I.F. is 175 kc. The chassis is the Majestic model 114; the diagram is shown here. Tubes used: one G-39, first R.F.; one G-38, first detector and escillator; one G-39, first I.F.; one G-85, second-detector and first A.F.; two G-38's, push-pull second A.F. The

total "A" drain is 5 amperes; "B," 36 milliamperes supplied by a motorgenerator. This set has a sensitivity minimum of 3 microvolts and selectivity of 30 kc. at 10,000 times; maximum noise level (antenna disconnected), 1 volt.

The reproducer is not designed for very low-note reproduction, since the car noises completely obliterate reproduction in the lower register. Half-wave detection is obtained in the 85. Automatic volume control and silent tuning control are features of the Ford-Majestic Model 114 automotive radio set. The cable shielding functions as the ground, common return

RECEIVER IN ITS
WATER-TIGHT PAN

KNURLED
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MODEL 114

for the "A" and "B" voltage, and reproducer voice currents.

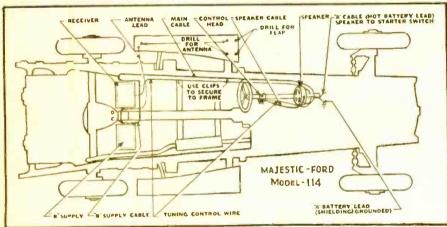
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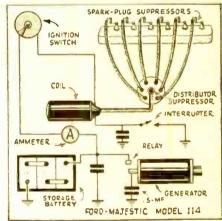
	Plate	Screen	Cathode
Tube	Voltage	Voltage	Voltage
V1	180	85	0
V2	180	85	15
V3		85	1.1
V4	A.F. Plate		
	50		2
V5	170	180	17
V6	170	180	17

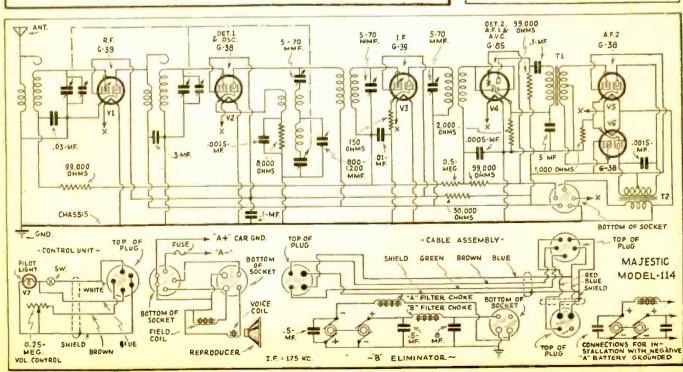
Note: Measurements made with 1000-ohm-per-volt meter with 300 volt range, all tubes in their sockets and receiver connected to a storage battery supply delivering 6 volts at the cable terminals, under load.

Readings to be taken from designated points to ground.









#### FRANKLIN MODEL 100

THE Franklin Model 100 auto-radio receiver is a six tube set using a dynamic speaker, equipped with an under-car antenna and all accessories required to operate the set. The accessories include all spark-plug and distributor suppressors, generator condenser, antenna, loudspeaker of the dynamic type, batteries, battery box,

GND.

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VELLOW
BLACK

BOTTOM OF SPEAKER

GREEN

SHEATH

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+22

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tubes, remote-control tuning unit, and brackets for same.

The receiver is designed for an under-car antenna which preferably should be placed under the car as low as possible and extending from the front to the rear axle. The receiver proper is so designed as to mount either on the steering column (as shown in the illustration) or on the dash in either the driver or engine side of the bulkhead. If possible, the set should be mounted on the righthand side of the dashboard when not mounted on the steering column.

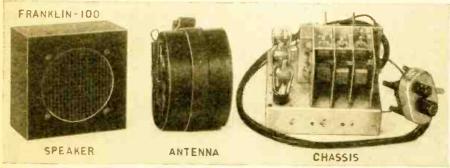
The "B" battery box should be mounted on the floor boards, if possible. When mounting the battery box, be sure that the location is such as not to interfere with the normal operation of brake rods, etc.

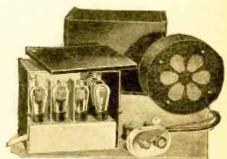
The circuit reproduced here, is of the superheterodyne type and consists of a combination detector-oscillator tube with a band-pass input stage using a 36 tube; an I.F. amplifier using a 36 tube and tuned to 175 kc.; a second detector using a 36; a first audio stage using a 37; and a push-pull output stage incorporating two type 38 pentodes in push pull. When first operated, the antenna stage must be resonated to the particular antenna used, by rotating a small screw located on the left hand side of the set.

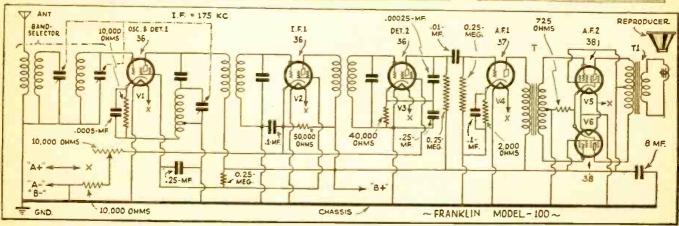
The "B" source consists of three 45volt batteries housed in a box, as previously described. The color code of the wiring to both the speaker and the batteries are illustrated here.

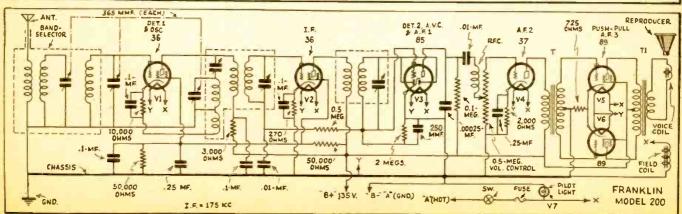
#### FRANKLIN MODEL 200

THIS is a six-tube superheterodyne, with steering column remote control. The receiver, minus plate supply, and the loudspeaker are separate units. No plate power device is furnished, but a metal container for "B" batteries is included, as are ignition suppressors. The set may be mounted on the steering column or under the dashboard. The speaker is of the dynamic type. Tubes used are two 36's, one 37, one 85 and two 89's. Requires 135 volts of "B" from either batteries or any auto-radio power unit of proper capacity.









#### GENERAL ELECTRIC MODEL B-40

THIS 4-tube superheterodyne follows the same design as the RCA Victor model M-34 receiver described in this issue.

#### MAJESTIC MODEL 116

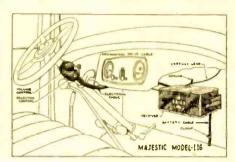
THE Majestic model 116 auto-radio is a six-tube receiver. It is of the single unit construction: the speaker, "B" source, and set are all in a single housing. Majestic calls this "B" unit the "Duro-Mute." This unit is of the vibrator type and receives its magnetism from the core of the power transformer, thus eliminating the necessity of separate excitation for this unit. The receiver is equipped with a remote-control tuning unit.

The set should be mounted on the fire wall (bulkhead) behind the instrument panel in either a verticle or

horizontal position. Either a roof or capacity-plate antenna may be used.

The kit of accessories includes six spark-plug suppressors, one distributor suppressor, and two .5-mf. condensers. A photograph of the receiver with all accessories is shown. A sketch of the single-unit assembly and a sketch of the chassis and control unit are also shown.

The circuit is a superheterodyne us-

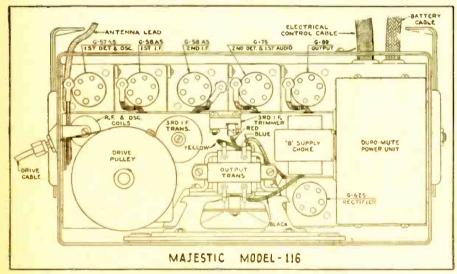


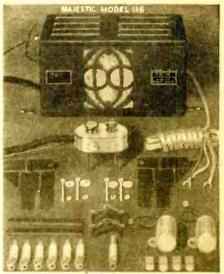
ing the following tubes: G-57A-S, first detector and oscillator; G-58A-S, first I.F.; G-58A-S, second I.F.; G-75, second-detector and first A.F.; G-89, output amplifier; G-6Z5, rectifier. For protection, the primary circuit of the "B" supply and the tube filaments and the field coil of the speaker are supplied with 10-ampere fuses. The receiver is equipped with A.V.C.

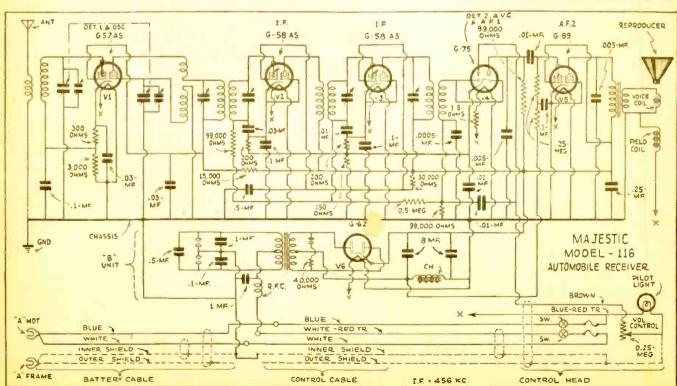
The operating voltages of this re-

Tube	Plate	Screen-	Cathode	Sup.	Con. Grid
Tupe	Volta.	Volt.	Volt.	Volt.	Volt.
V1	110	110	15		1.4
V2	180	90	3.5	3.5	
V3	180	90	3.5	3.5	
V4	135	7.10	2.25		
V5		180			
VA			190		

The above measurements are made from the designated points to ground with a 1000-ohm-per-volt meter, 300 volt range. The "A" battery voltage at the battery should be six volts under load. No signals should be received.







#### PHILCO TRANSITONE MODEL 6

THE Philco Transitone Model 6 auto radio is a five-tube receiver of the superheterodyne type. Either a roof or capacity-plate aerial may be used, although the manufacturer advises the roof type.

The accessories in this receiver include the type EB dynamotor and kit of suppressors and condensers standard equipment. No specific mounting locations have been furnished by the manufacturer, although it is recommended that the receiver be installed on the driver's side of the engine compartment on the bulkhead; as far to the right as possible; it may also be mounted on the dash. In the model A Ford, due to the location of the gas tank, the receiver must be mounted on the left side of the bulkhead in the engine compartment. The speaker should be mounted on the inside of the dash over the steering column or toward the center. In the model A Ford, the speaker should be mounted on brackets against the right kick pad.

The circuit of the Model 6 is of the superheterodyne type and uses the following tubes: One 36 as R.F. amplifier; one 36 as combination first-detector and oscillator; one 36 as I.F. amplifier (I.F. is 260 kc.); one 85 as second detector, A.V.C. and audio

amplifier; and one 41 as an output tube.

The Philco Transitone Model B6, made expressly for the Chrysler Corporation for installation in the 1933 Plymouth cars, is essentially the same in circuit design and base layout as the Model 6.

The difference between these models is in the assembly and the manner in which they are installed. In the B6, the receiver and dynamotor are located in a metal box (similar to a battery box) and the complete unit is installed in the floor of the car. The control unit is mounted in its usual place and the speaker is on the dash.

#### PHILCO TRANSITONE MODEL 6F

THIS set, which incorporates the fundamental circuit of the model 6 chassis described below, is distinguished by its power supply; a vibratortype "B" unit supplants the dynamotor and is incorporated in the receiver chassis. The model NF set is optional equipment, through United Motors Service, on the following makes of cars: Auburn, Chrysler, Cord, DeSoto, Dodge, Essex, Franklin, Hudson, Hupmobile, Nash, Rockne and Studebaker. (A special set is available for Pack-The installation time for a ards.) model 6F job is only about 1 hour.

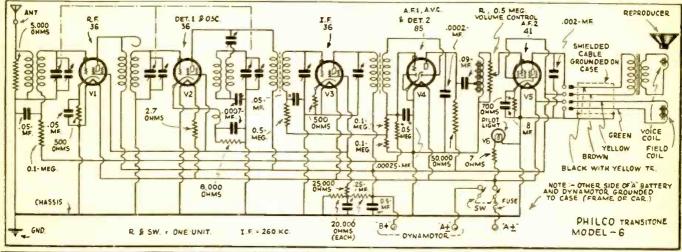
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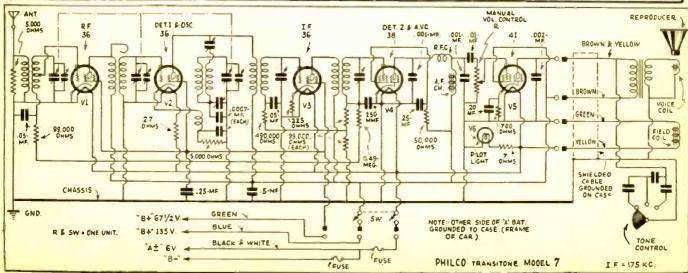
THE Transitone Model 7 receiver is a five-tube auto-radio receiver. The accessories in this set include ignition noise suppression equipment and the type EA dynamotor.

Installation of this receiver is made on the inside of the dash, as high and far to the right as possible. Clinch-on nuts are provided so that the receiver may be mounted on the dash in either position. In the model A Ford, the set should be placed on the left side of the dash on the engine side of the bulkhead because of the location of the gas tank. The speaker should be mounted on the inside of the dash either over the steering column or near the center. In the model A Ford, the speaker should be mounted on brackets against the right kick pad. The control unit is mounted on the steering column.

The circuit of the Model 7 is of the superheterodyne type and uses the following tubes: One 36 as an R.F. amplifier; one 36 as a combination first detector and oscillator; one 36 as an I.F. amplifier (I.F. is 175 kc.); one 38 as a second detector and A.V.C.; and one 41 in the output stage.

The model EA dynamotor, or batteries, (180 volts) may be used with this receiver. Terminal connections and a diagram of the EA dynamotor are shown here.





## PHILCO TRANSITONE MODELS 8 AND 12

THESE two receivers are identical except for the fact that the Model 12 is designed for operation from a 12-volt storage battery. The filament connections of the Model 12 are shown here.

The installation data for these receivers are the same as for the Model 7 receiver except for the cable connections: in the Models 8 and 12, the speaker and battery cables and the antenna lead are all formed in a one-piece cable which is totally shielded. The Model EA dynamotor is supplied

R.F. DET.-OSC. I.F. 210 DET 155.AUDIO OUTPUT
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21 OHMS 30 OHMS "A"

FOND. PHILCO TRANSITONE MODEL-12

as standard equipment on the Model 8 set, and the Model EC dynamotor is supplied as standard equipment with the model 12 receiver. The size of these dynamotors is approximately 6½ x 8-7/16 inches.

These receivers are six-tube superheterodynes using the following tubes: one 36 as an R.F. amplifier; one 36 as a combination detector-oscillator; one 36 as an I.F. amplifier (I.F. is 175 kc.); one 38 as a second detector and A. V. C.; two type 41 tubes in the push-pull output stage. The "B" supply is 180 volts. A dynamic speaker is employed. As in other Philco Transitone auto receivers, ignition-noise sup-

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pression equipment is supplied as an accessory.

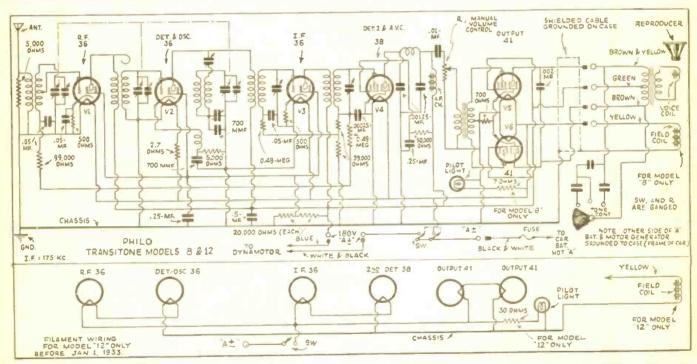
All Philco Transitone Model 12's manufactured after January 1, 1933, are similar to the Model 9, except that they are designed for operation on 12-volt bus and boat batteries.

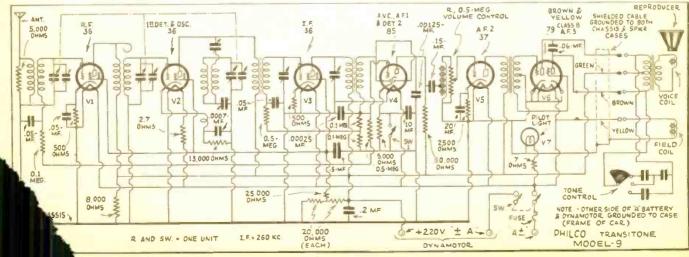
#### PHILCO TRANSITONE MODEL 9

THE Model 9 receiver is a six-tube superheterodyne receiver. The mechanical details are essentially the same as for the Models 7, 8, and 12. The electrical characteristics of this receiver are the same for the Model 6 discussed previously, and, therefore, reference should be made to that description. The tubes used are as follows: One 36 as an R.F. amplifier; one 36 as a combination first-detector and oscillator; one 36 as I.F. amplifier (I.F. is 260 kc.); one 85 as second-detector, A.V.C., and audio amplifier; one 37 in an audio stage; and one 79 in the output stage.

The "B" supply is furnished by a type ED dynamotor which supplies 220

volts.





#### PIERCE AIRO DEWALD MODEL 52

AN interesting design feature of the Pierce Airo DeWald model 52 Motortone receiver is the inclusion of the receiver chassis, dynamic reproducer, and the "B" eliminator in one complete assembly, as shown in the illustration. An interference suppression kit is furnished with the equipment. The type and arrangement of the antenna is optional with the Service Man. Since most modern cars are factory-equipped with an antenna, this very necessary signal pick-up unit is not included in the standard Motortone offered by Pierce Airo.

The receiver assembly is designed to be mounted on the rear dash under the cowl; just run two leads for the "A," and a third for the antenna, and the job is done. There is supplied with the equipment a template of the four

mounting-stud holes. The illuminated remote control unit clamps to the steering post. When inserting the tubes in the set, the type 37 tube must be inserted before the type 89 tube.

The superheterodyne circuit used in



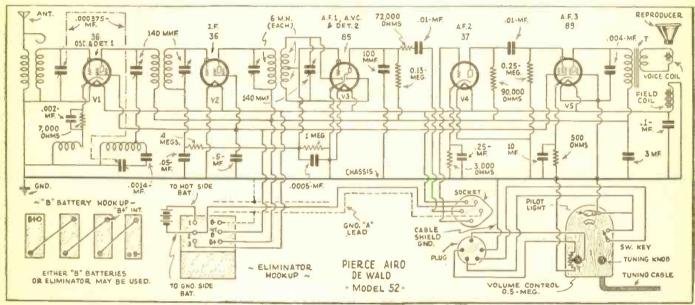
this set has an I.F. of 175 kc. An A.V.C. connection is incorporated. Tubes utilized: One type 36 tube as combined oscillator and first-detector; one 36, I.F. amplifier; one 85, A.V.C. and second-detector; one 37, first A.F.; and one 89, second A.F.

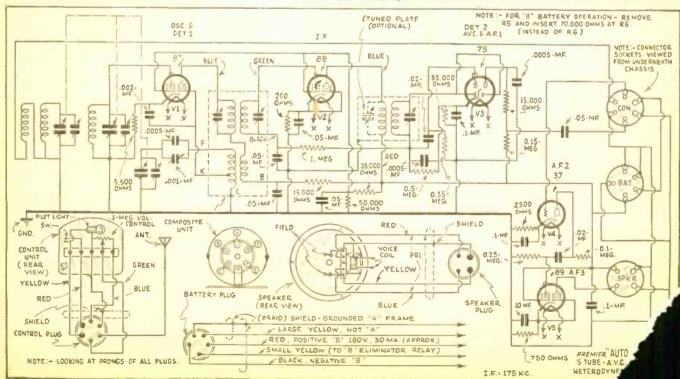
The "B" unit built into the assembly is of the interrupter type; therefore, do not remove the tubes or the cable plug while the set is on. The "B" rec-

tifier is a type P861.

#### PREMIER "AUTO PAL" RECEIVER

A STANDARD kit of parts, illustrated, for the "Auto Pal" set includes the following items: a 5-tube superheterodyne receiver, tubes, separate dynamic reproducer, steering-column control unit, flexible antenna pad, kit of interference suppressors, distrib-







utor filter condenser, and miscellaneous hardware. Individual car designs determine the most suitable place to install this equipment. Provision must be made for the "B" supply, which is not included in the standard kit of parts; the "B" voltage may be obtained from batteries or an available Premier "B" eliminator accessory rated at 30 milliamperes and 180 volts.

In this superheterodyne chassis an I.F. of 175 kc. is used. The following tubes are supplied by the manufacturer: One type 87, oscillator-first-detector; one 88, I.F. amplifier; one 75, second-detector and A.V.C.; one 37, first A.F.; one 89, second A.F. The total power consumption at 6.3 volts battery voltage is 33.5 watts. The sensitivity is 2 microvolts-per-meter; the power output, 1.5 watts.

Test voltages for this set are given in the following table; all values are to ground (chassis) and at zero signal input; filament potential, 6.2 volts:

	Tube	Cath.	89.	Plate
	Position	Volta	Volts	Volts
87	OscDet. 1	7	70	150
88	I.F	1	70	165
75	A.V.CDet. 2	3		130
37	A.F. 1	15		180
89	A.F. 2	17	180	180

#### RCA VICTOR MODEL M-34

A VERY ingenious receiver of advanced design is the new 4-tube RCA Victor model M-34 automotive receiver, which is of the "one-hole mounting" type. The set chassis measures only 8 ½ x 8 ¾ x 7 ¾ ins. A complete kit of components at the list price includes the following: one receiver chassis, four tubes, remote control unit and cables, six spark plug suppressors, one distributor suppressor, one generator bypass condenser, one ammeter bypass condenser, hard-

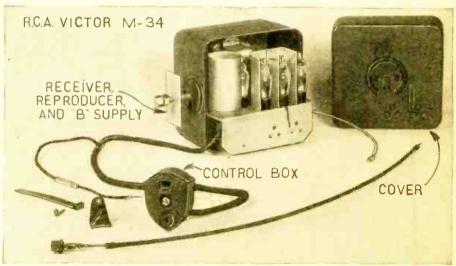
ware. Although there is available a special, low-priced, interior-type antenna which may be pinned or otherwise fastened to the roof fabric, it is preferable to operate this set on the built-in antenna with which most modern cars are equipped.

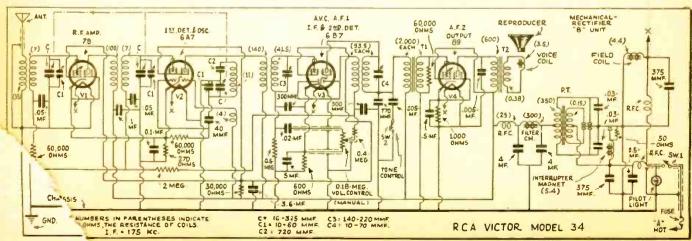
The shield case which houses all the equipment except the control unit is equipped with two spot welded brackets, or mounting plates, one on the back and one on the right side; a heavy bolt with a round head fits into a slot in the brackets, permitting installation of the set on the firewall of the car by the mere drilling of only one small hole. The only operation necessary to let the entire receiver case down to the floor of the car is to lift the hood and loosen two nuts on the bolt. This is an exceptionally easy and quick installation method and should be a powerful sales feature. The side bracket is used in those rare cases where a heater or other obstruction requires a smaller space and when this type of installation is necessary, the firewall space occupied by the set is only 7% ins. wide and 8% ins. high. The reproducer is then directed to the right side of the car. However, the small space required for mounting the set with the reproducer directed to the back of the car (toward passengers) is only 8% ins. high by 8% ins. wide and this permits of installation to the left of the steering post in many cars. Additional details of installation are shown in a photograph.

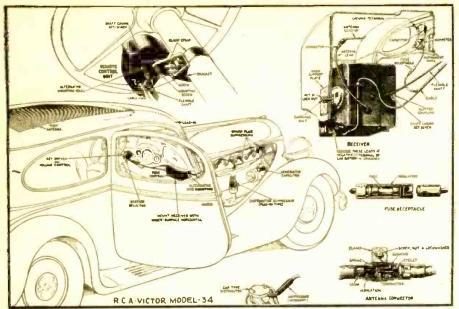
One mechanical connection, the flexible shaft to the control box, and two electrical connections, the antenna and the cable to the control box, are made in this installation. The flexible shaft controls the tuning condenser and is the only mechanical connection between the receiver case and the control box. This shaft is of special, multiple, reverse-twisted-wire type, made up of 43 small wires encased in a flexible tube. This form of control is so positive in action that it enables the dial to be accurately calibrated in kilo-cycles. The shaft is 30 ins. long and by cutting it 9, 15, or 21 ins. from the receiver it is thus most conveniently shortened to suit the individual installation, since at these points the shaft is swaged to square cross-section. Three set screws connect the shaft to the control box and receiver case.

The antenna connection is a shielded cable out of the left side of the case and is fitted with a bayonet type of connector, thus eliminating the necessity of soldering and further adding to ease of mounting and demounting.

The only other connection to the case is the electric cable; an eyeletted branch lead connects to the ammeter. Note especially that soldering, and under-floorboard work to reach the battery, are unnecessary. Conse-







quently, there is no danger of a poor connection or corrosion at the battery terminals, the installation looks neater, and the job is thus made much more easy. (Even the fuse is contained in a special receptacle on the cable to the ammeter, making it particularly accessible for inspection or replacement.)

Removal of six special, slotted hexhead screws permits opening of the receiver case for changing tubes or other service; two each of these screws are located on the bottom and sides of the case. Either a wrench, screwdriver, or a pair of pliers may be used to remove these screws.

The control box is small and new in construction. The dial is illuminated, non-glare, and calibrated in kilocycles—adding a cipher to the (large) dialnumeral indicates the frequency. A small knob controls the tuning; a key, so fitted that it will not fall out in any position, combines the off-on switch

and volume control.

A new type of circular clamp permits installation of the control box on either side, or the front, of the steering column; a low-priced mounting is available as an accessory for mounting the control box on the dash (it is unnecessary to drill holes).

A superheterodyne circuit is utilized in this set; the I.F. is 175 kc. As indicated in the schematic circuit, the following tube combination is used: one type 78 tube as an R.F. amplifier; one 6A7, oscillator and first-detector (also, assists A.V.C. action); one 6B7, second-detector, I.F. amplifier, A.V.C. and first A.F. amplifier; one 89, second A.F. amplifier. The total "B" current drain of this set is 53 milliamperes; the total "A" drain is 5.6 amperes. The reproducer field current is 1.35 amperes. The undistorted power output is 2 watts; sensitivity, 3 microvolts-per-meter. The maximum D.C.

output from the mechanical rectifier is 250 volts. Tube operating voltage and current figures as follows:

Tube	Cath. **	S,-G. *	Plate*	Plate
Type	Volta	Volts.	Volta	Ma.
78	3.7	92	253	7
6A71	3.7	92	257	12
6A711			253	total
6B7	3.2		236	6
89	26.5	257	244	27.5

(Filament terminal voltage, all tubes, 6.06 volts. \*Measured to cathode; \*\*to ground. 1First-detector; 11oscillator.)

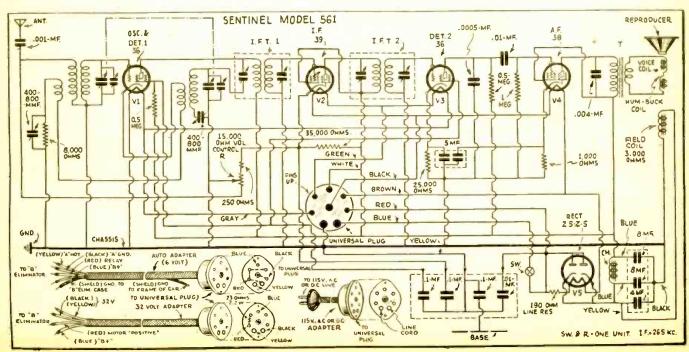
Much of the efficiency obtained in this receiver design is due to the use of two new tubes known as the pentagrid converter (the 6A7), and the duodiode-pentode amplifier (the 6B7). Automatic volume control is incorporated in this set. Also, there is a two-position tone control mounted on the front of the receiver case; this control adapts the set reproduction to the acoustic characteristic of individual car installations; the frequency range is 150 to 3,500 kc.

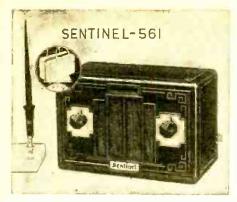
As previously stated, the reproducer and "B" sections of the receiver are contained in the receiver chassis; this "B" supply is best described as a "mechanically self-rectified interrupter-type" unit; it does not require a tube rectifier. The design necessitates double shielding, both mechanically and electrically; two heavy screw-covers telescope one over the other, and inside shield-partitions further segregate the circuits. This type of interrupter-"B" has a very low current drain and, in fact, even will function when the "A" voltage is considerably below normal.

#### SENTINEL "A.C.-D.C." MODEL 561

PERHAPS the most interesting feature of this ultra-midget 5 tube set, illustrated, is its adaptability to the current supply, whether the available power is a 110 volt, A.C. or D.C. light line, a 32 volt farm lighting system, or the 6 volt storage battery in an automobile.

Included with the set are only the





tubes, dynamic reproducer integral with the set, and a 25-foot reel of antenna wire. However, the following accessories are available: a special Sentinel 125 volt, 60 milliampere interrupter-type "B" unit, car antenna, 6-volt adapter cable and plug, spark plug and generator suppressors, generator filter condenser, and mounting bracket assembly, web strap and buckle.

The receiver may be mounted in any convenient place in the automobile such as the robe rail in back of the front seat, between the dashboard and windshield pane, or on the underside of the dashboard head. Mounting accessories are available for this purpose.

In this receiver we find a superheterodyne circuit designed for A.C.-D.C. operation; the I.F. is 265 kc. Tubes used: One type 36 oscillator-first-detector; one 39, I.F. amplifier; one 36, second-detector; one 38, A.F. amplifier; and one 25Z5, rectifier. Total "B" requirement, about 60 milliamperes at 125 volts; a 90-volt block of "B" batteries may be used. The reproducer has a 3,000 ohm field.

Tube	Tube	Plate	SG.	CG.
Type	Position	Volis	Volta	Volts
36	OscDet. 1	112	25	2.5
39	I.F	112	112	2.9
36	Det. 2	28*	25*	2.0
38	A.F	108	112	1.5*
2525	Rect	20/2004		

\*Approximate. \*\*Total current output, 52.5 milliamperes.

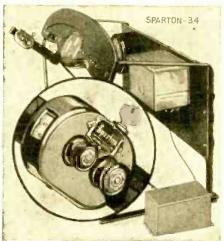
#### SPARTON MODEL 34

THE Sparton model 34 automotive receiver is a seven tube superheterodyne employing the Lafoy system of automatic volume control, pentode pushpull power output, and is equipped with finger tip remote-control tuning; the tuning control box is located on the steering column.

The receiver comes equipped with tubes but without accessories: the accessories include batteries and ignition suppressors. Either a wire mesh or a capacity-plate antenna may be used.

The mechanical arrangement of the set is such that it may be mounted either on the dash or under the floor-boards. The dynamic speaker, aside from the more conventional arrangement, may be mounted under the floor boards so that the grille is flush with the floor, like a heater.

Reference to the schematic circuit will show that a 39 is used as the first R.F.; a 36 as a combination detector-oscillator; a 39 as the I.F. amplifier tuned to 172.5 kc.; a type 70 second-detector and A.V.C. tube; a 37 in the first A.F. stage; and two type 38 pentodes in the output.

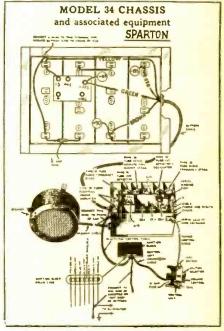


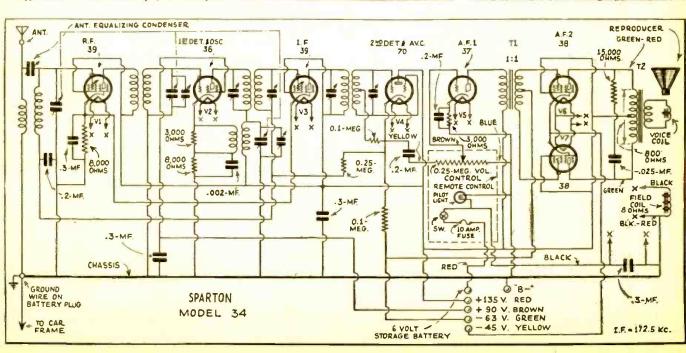
The battery equipment necessary, aside from the storage unit, is four 45 volt "B" batteries and a small "C" battery. The operating voltages and currents are as follows:

Tube Type	Plate Volts	Cont. Grid Voltage	Screen- Grid Voltage	Plate Curr.
V1 V2	90 120	3.0 15.0	90 90	4.0
V3	90 180	3.0	90	1.0
V6. V7	125 180 180	10.0 19.5 19.5	180 180	4.0 8.0-10 8.0-10

The above data are valid only when the condition of the batteries is good and the volume control is set to maximum with no signal.

A photograph of the equipment and a pictorial view of the receiver showing the location of all parts are appended.





#### STEWART "ARISTOCRAT"

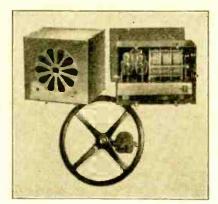
THE Stewart "Aristocrat" is similar to the Stewart "Companion," here described, in many respects: the mechanical considerations are the same; but the electrical characteristics are different.

The sensitivity of this model is, also, 1 microvolt, measured by R.M.A. standards; the tubes used are as follows: a 39 as an R.F. amplifier; a 36 as a combination detector-oscillator; a 39 as an I.F. amplifier; an 85 as a combination second detector and A.V.C.; a 41, class A audio driver; a 79, class B power output tube; and an 84 rectifier. The "A" battery consumption of the set is 5.5 amperes at low signal levels, and 6 amperes at maximum power output. The components of the "Aristocrat"

The components of the "Aristocrat" and the "Companion" are completely interchangeable with the exception of the audio system and the "B" supply transformers.

#### STEWART "COMPANION"

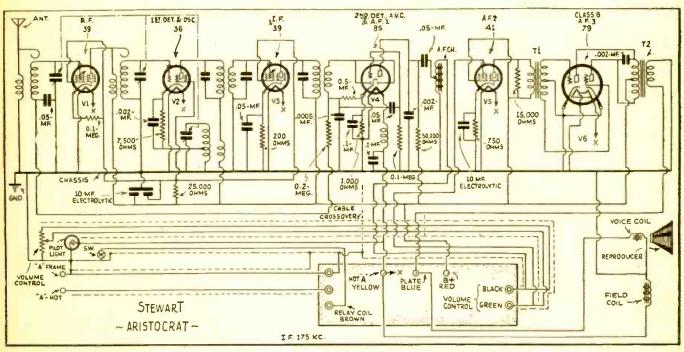
THE Stewart Companion is a sixtube receiver of the superheterodyne type. It is 9% inches wide, 6% inches high, and 5% inches deep. It is equipped with a remote tuning-control box, a combination "B" unit and

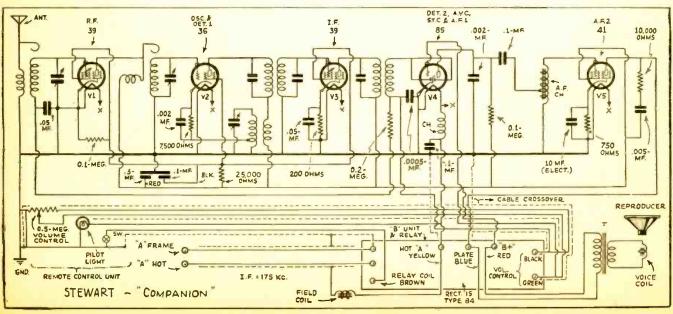


speaker, and a receiver. The accessories are part of the car: they consist of all suppressors, condensers, bolts, washers, etc. The more conventional antennas may be used.

The receiver is designed to mount on the bulkhead, on either the engine or driver's side. The combination speaker and "B" unit mounts with a single bolt. The speaker should be so mounted that it may be adjusted, by means of the provisions provided, to suit the acoustic characteristics of the car, depending upon whether the car is crowded or not. Stewart Radio & Television Co. calls this feature "floating control."

As previously stated, the "Companion" is a six-tube superheterodyne using one 39 as an R.F. amplifier; a 36 as a composite detector-oscillator; a 39 as an I.F. amplifier; an 85 as a combination second-detector and A.V.C.; a 41 output pentode; and an 84 rectifier. The I.F. is 175 kc. The total current





consumption of the set is five amperes at 6.3 volts; the sensitivity is 1 microvolt per meter, maximum, measured by R.M.A. standards; and the power output is 1.5 watts.

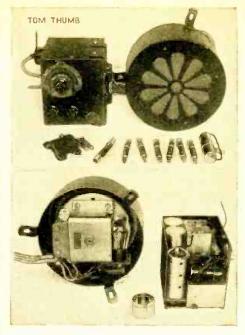
The receiver is equipped with manual quiet A.V.C., which the manufacturer calls "QAVC."

#### "TOM THUMB" STEERING POST SET

TO MEET the demand for a quickly installed automotive radio set the Automatic Radio Mfg. Co. has added to their "Tom Thumb" line a Steering Post Auto Radio Set; this instrument and the accessories which are supplied to complete the ensemble are illustrated. Although the operating system includes four tubes, only three—the two R.F. amplifiers and the detector-are incorporated in the unit which mounts on the steering column (holes in the tuner case permit either left- or right-side mounting). The case of this "tuner" measures about 5x5 1/2 x5 1/2 ins. deep. The remaining tube, the A.F. amplifier, is contained in the dynamic reproducer chassis, as shown in one of the views; the case of this component measures 41/2x8 ins. diameter (about 10 ins., over all). These two units connect together by means of a cable which plugs into the tuner.

A complete installation at the list price includes: a steering-column tuner (with illuminated, full-vision dial, volume control, and off-on switch), an amplifier-reproducer, shielded junction cable and plug, shielded power cable, steering-column clamp, tubes, spark plug suppressors, distributor suppressor, generator bypass condenser, and hardware. Not included in the factory kit are the antenna and the "B" unit; either batteries, or any of the conventional "B" units with a voltage output within the range of 135 to 180 volts, may be used as power supply.

Clamping the tuner to the steering post eliminates the necessity for running-control wires to a remote-control unit. By removing from the tuner chassis the L-shaped cover-plate, or from the reproducer chassis the coverdisc, the interior of these two units is available for replacing tubes—without the necessity of removing either of these chasses. The amplifier-reproducer chassis brackets may be bent to conform with irregular bulkheads or floorboards.



Referring to the diagram it is seen that this diminutive set, a literal "Tom Thumb" in automotive radio receivers, incorporates the following tube arrangement: one type 78 tube as an untuned R.F. amplifier; one 78 tuned R.F. amplifier; one 77, detector; one 41, A.F. amplifier. The total "B" current consumption is 28 milliamperes at 180 volts, or 18 at 135; the "A" drain (tube heaters and reproducer field) is 2.7 amperes; the total storage battery drain for "A" and "B" (using a good, standard "B" unit) is less than 4 amperes.

The Ton Thumb set has a sensitivity of about 4.5 microvolts at 1400 kc., about 40 at 750 kc., and about 20 at 600 kc.

The power cable has three main leads: hot, or ungrounded "A" (HA, in diagram), a "B" positive lead which taps to a 135 to 180 volt current source (the higher voltage will result in improved volume and tone quality), and a shield lead GA for the "B" negative and grounded "A." The leads from the dynamic reproducer are shielded. A special terminal, X, is provided in the reproducer and is connected to the "live" side of the heaters. This wire is required for controlling the "B" supply or motor-generator unit which is not equipped with relays. A shielded lead run from this terminal to the supply device, and grounded at each end, will enable the "B" unit to be turned on

or off with the switch on the front of the set.

Many Service Men prefer to use a dynamotor rather than batteries or an "eliminator" to supply the required "B" voltage.

The dynamotor shaft must be placed in a horizontal position.

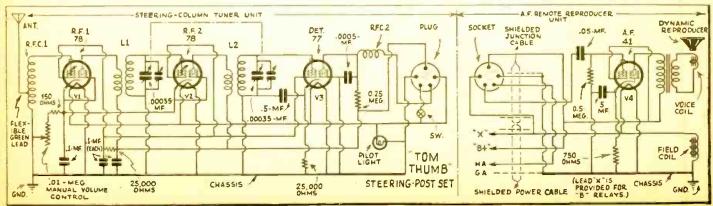
Check the polarity of the dynamotor leads by means of a voltmeter. If the precaution of pre-determining the polarity of the dynamotor leads is not followed, the shielding of the hot "B" lead, being grounded, will short the output circuit of the dynamotor and perhaps permanently damage it; or, the set will not operate. If the leads to the storage battery are reversed, the storage battery will be shorted, due to the hot "A" lead shield being grounded, and the car battery thus may be permanently damaged.

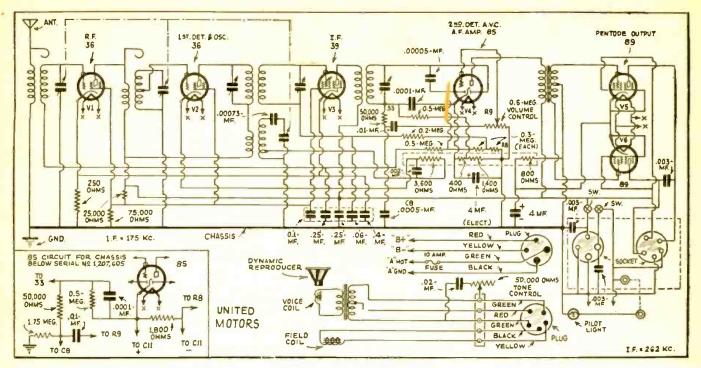
To determine whether interference is due to noise pick-up by the flat-top or lead-in sections of the antenna system, remove the lead-in from the antenna, or substitute for the lead-in a short length of wire running in the same direction as, and the same length as, the regular lead-in. If the noise stops, it indicates that the flat-top portion of the antenna is picking up the interference.

#### UNITED MOTORS SERVICE (GEN-ERAL MOTORS) MODEL 2035 (U. S. RADIO & TELEVISION)

CONTROL panel, receiver chassis, dynamic loudspeaker, and power supply are all individual units. The control box is designed for mounting under the edge of the instrument board rather than on the steering column. The other parts fit most conveniently behind the instrument board. Plug connections between the units facilitate installation.







Circuit is of the superheterodyne type, with automatic volume control. Uses two 36's, one 39, one 85 and two 89's. I.F., 262 kc. Purchaser has choice of "B" batteries or two types of eliminators for plate supply.

	_	VOLT.	AGE CI	TART		
Tube	Screen Grid.	Plate	Hiter.	Hter.	Cathode	Sup. Grid.
V1	80	170	0	6	2.4	
V2	80	170	0	6	5.5	
V3	80	170	0	6	2.4	
V4	0	160	0	6	10.5	0.15
V5	170	170	6	0	20.5	20.5
Vb	170	170	0	6	20.5	20.5
Spkr. Skt	170	170	0	6	0	

#### U. S. RADIO & TELEVISION

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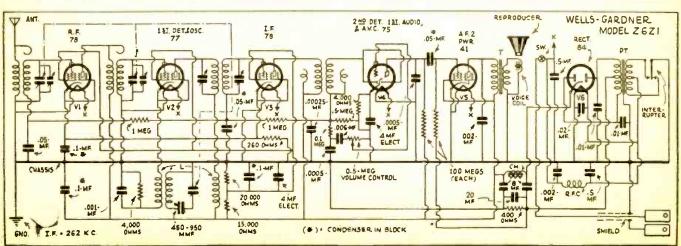
#### WELLS-GARDNER MODEL Z6Z1

IN THIS new single-unit receiver design we find the 6-tube set chassis, interrupter-type "B" supply, 5 in. dynamic reproducer, relay switch, and the controls all housed in a single container which measures  $6\frac{14}{4} \times 5\frac{14}{2} \times 12$  ins. The equipment illustrated includes this receiver unit, the receiver unit dashmounting bracket, one distributor suppressor and one generator bypass condenser; the type W remote control unit shown is available as an accessory.

This control includes a lighted fan dial with tuning and volume control knobs. Two flexible drive shafts are used to connect the control unit with the chassis and, except for a pilot-light supply, there are no electrical connections. The net weight of the complete receiver is 18 lbs.

This instrument is adapted to, first, floor board installation; second, undercowl installation with controls flush with instrument panel; and third, bulkhead installation with a type W steering column control accessory.





An I.F. of 262 kc. is used in this superheterodyne. The diode A.V.C. circuit tends to equalize the intensity of all carrier signals to a point predetermined by the setting of the manual volume control, at the same time automatically compensating for any variation in the carrier signal strength such as is usually experienced when driving past large steel buildings or under viaducts. This feature further eliminates the blasting effect when tuning from weak to strong local signals and adds materially to the life of the pentode tube by reducing the likelihood of overloading the A.F. circuit.

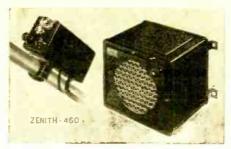
The tube arrangement is as follows: one type 78 tube as R.F. amplifier; one 77, oscillator and first-detector; one 78, I.F. amplifier; one 75, A.V.C. and second-detector; one 41, A.F. amplifier; one 84, rectifier.

The "A" consumption is 4.85 amperes. The sensitivity is 0.5-microvoltper-meter; selectivity, 20 kc.; power output, 1 watt. The tone quality has been adjusted to a fixed value by means of a bypass condenser in the plate circuit of the A.F. pentode.

All components may be examined and serviced by removing the two bottom screws of the container and the bottom The circuit of the interruptertype "B" unit is not shown in its entirety in the schematic diagram.

#### ZENITH MODEL 460

CONSISTS of two units: a small one containing the directly connected tuning controls and the first tube (a combined oscillator and first detector), intended for mounting on the steering column; and a larger one containing six tubes, the loudspeaker and the plate power unit, for either steering column or bulkhead mounting. Lock switch, ignition suppressors and all mounting hardware supplied; antenna not included.



Seven-tube superheterodyne circuit with automatic volume control. Tubes: one 85, two 89's, two 6D6's, one 6C6, and one 6Z4. Autodyne first detector. two stages of 485 kc. I.F., duo-diode second detector, push-pull output, dynamic speaker with tone control. Current drain 6, amperes; fused battery lead. Sensitivity 1.5 m.p.m. Plate supply device of interrupter type, with step-up transformer and full-wave rectifier tube.

#### Tube Operating Voltages

Position	Tube	$E_f$	$E_k$	E.1	Eo2	Eo3	$E_{\mathcal{P}}$
1st Detector	6C6	4.8	6.5	0	6.5	120	150
1st I. F	6D6	5.3	10.5	alic	10.5	103.5	165
2nd I. F	6D6	5.3	10.5	*	10.5	103.5	165
2nd Detector	85	5.3	8.0	0			156
Push-Pull Audio	89	5.3	17.0	0	17.0	165.0	165
1 001 1 011 110 010	89	5.3	17.0	0	17.0	165.0	165

f=filament. k=cathode. g<sub>1</sub>=suppressor grid. g<sub>3</sub>=screen id. p=plate. g<sub>2</sub>=suppressor grid. \*This voltage depends on the applied signal strength. All voltages are measured from indicated points to ground.

#### APRIL FOOL!

The revolutionary (?) seven-tube Superhetero-Ultradyne

It is too bad that the several hundred readers, who had written in hastily for additional information as to where they could buy this now famous set, did not take the trouble to read the entire article. They probably just glanced at it and jumped to the conclusion that this was a real set.

Inasmuch as the May issue usually makes its appearance about the 1st of April, the veteran Ulysses Fips, the perpetrator of many radio jokes during the past twenty years, had thought it appropriate to play one of his customary jokes on his radio readers. He was more than successful in this one. because all too many readers took him seriously and either wanted to know where the Westing-Mouse set could be purchased, or where the parts and tubes, at least, could be obtained.

Needless to say, the set only exists in a single model built by Fips himself, from various junk parts. The miniature "vacuum tube" some readers may have recognized as an ordinary 6-volt pilot lamp such as is used in radio sets.

#### PHILCO TRANSITONE DYNA-MOTORS

In all there are five dynamotor models with characteristic differences. Model EA 6.3V. primary, 40 milliam-peres at 180 V. (67½ V. tap.)

Model EB 6.3V. primary, 40 milliamperes at 180 V.

Model EC 12.6V. primary, 40 milliamperes at 180 V.

Model ED 6.3V. primary, 40 milliam-peres at 220 V.

Model EE 12.6V. primary, 40 milliam-peres at 220 V.

#### Standard Equipment

Philco Transitone Model 6-Dynamotor EB.

Philco Transitone Model B6-Dynamotor EB.

Philco Transitone Model 7-Dynamotor EA. Philco Transitone Model 8-Dyna-

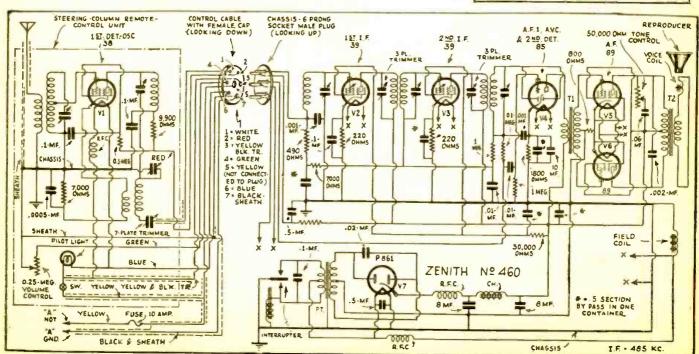
motor EA.

Philco Transitone Model 9-Dynamotor ED.

Philco Transitone Model B9-Dynamotor ED. Philco Transitone Model 12 (121)-

Dynamotor EC. Philco Transitone Model 12 (122)-

Dynamotor EE. Packard Car Radio-Dynamotor ED.



## THE DX LISTENER'S FORUM

This department is devoted exclusively to the DX radio listener of the broadcast band. In this department are letters from those listeners who achieve unusual results in long-distant reception. We invite all readers of this magazine to forward their list to us for publication. Only the best lists will be published.

#### OUR PENTODE PORTABLE

Editor. RADIO-CRAFT

I wrote to you telling of the results obtained with my "Pentode Portable" described in your September, 1931 issue. Here is a list of stations received on the dynamic speaker during July and received on the dynamic speaker during July and August; all city stations: WJZ, WABC, WEAF, WOR, WPG, WGY, WLW, WCAM, WEEU, WBZ, WRC, CFAC, CKCL, WAPI. WJAX, WHAS, WTIC, WTAM, WLS. WENR, KDKA, WBAL, WBT, WRVA, WDEL, WRUF.

JOHN FOSTER.
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#### NOT BAD, EH?

Editor, RADIO-CRAFT:

My first experience with broadcast receivers dates back a few years ago when I was using a one tube, regenerative receiver. The tube used was a type 201A. The "B" source was a 45-voit Eveready unit. The "A" battery was a 6 voit "hot shot." With a pair of Baldwin headphones, an aerial approximately 100 feet long and a pump price for a ground I managed to pull in codless.

an aerial approximately 100 feet long and a pump pipe for a ground, I managed to pull in oodles of stations from various parts of the country. Here is a list of some of the stations received: WAPI, WBAL, WBT, KTHS, WFLA, WSUN, WRUF, WJAX, WQAM, WIOD, WDBO, WDAE, WSB, WENR, KDKA, WLS, WCCO, WOWO, WHAS, WLS, WCCO, WOWO, WHAS, WWL, KWKH, WPG, WOR, WEAF, WJZ, WLWL, WGY, KRLD, WLW, WEAN, KVOO, WSM, WRVA; and last, but not least, KFI, in Los Angeles. I consider that a record as it geles. I consider that a record as it is approximately 2,000 miles airline from my location (Ocala) to that city. I also received WLW in July at noontime on this same outfit.

Later in the afternoon, I picked up
WCCO and WEAN. Both signals
came in with fair volume. In these
last two instances I was eleven miles from Ocala, west of Summer-field, Fla. This is in the country away from all man-made electrical interference. At this same location I received CMK in Havana, Cuba, and another unidentified station somewhere in Hawaii.

SIMON H. SASSER.

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CPRY, Toronto: KWKH. Schreveport. La.; WABC, New York: WENR, Chicago; WLS, Chicago; WGBI, Scranton. Pa.; WILL. Urbana. Ill.; WJAR, Providence, R. L.; WMMN, Fairmont, W. Va.; WBEN, Buffalo; WJAX, Jacksonville, Fla.; WKY. Oklahoma City. Okla.; XEW. 5,000 watts. Mexico City; KPRC, Houston. Tex.; WWJ. Detroit; WDBJ, Roanoke, Va.; WAAT. Jersey City, N. J.; WCSH. Portland, Me.; WFIW, Hopkinsville, Ky.; KMBC, Kansas City, Mo.; WRC. Washington. D. C.; XED. Reynosa, Mexico; WCFL. Chicago; KDKA, Pittsburgh. Pa.; WBZ-WBZA. Boston; WHO. Reynosa, Mexico; WCFL. Chicago: KDKA, Pittsburgh. Pa.; WBZ-WBZA. Boston; WHO. Des Moines; WOC, Davenport; WORK, York. Pa.; WHN and WRNY. New York; WIS. Columbia, S. C.; KYW, Chicago; WRAX, Phitadelphia; CFCF, Montreal; KRLD. Dallas, Tex.; KTHS, Hot Springs, Ark.; WESG, Elmira, N. Y.; KNX. Hollywood; WTIC, Hartford. Conn.: WTAM, Cleveland; WBT, Charlotte, N. C.; WMBI. Chicago; KMOX, St. Louis; WLWL, New York; WPG, Atlantic City, N. J.; WRVA, Richmond, Va.; WDEL. Wilmington, Del.; KSL. Salt Lake City, Utah; WJJD, Chicago; WOV, New York; WAPI, Birmingham, Ala.; WHAM, Rochester, N. Y.; WOWO, Fort Wayne, Ind.; WWVA, Wheeling, W. Va.;

In our issue of November, 1932, we asked our readers to contribute letters giving the results of their DX experiments. This new department is to further efforts in this direction.

There has been an increasing interest of late in long distance reception, particularly in the broadcast field, and there seems to be a race at the present time between owners of broadcast sets and short wave sets to outdo each other in DX performance.

Many people probably do not realize that thousands of broadcast listeners are making records almost daily, and even

broadcast reception from Australian stations received in the United States is not impossible today.

In this department, we will publish monthly letters from DX listeners relating to their experiences and all letters for publication must be sworn to by a Notary Public to make sure that our readers get only such data as are authentic, so far as this can be done.

We shall try to publish as many of the letters as we can; but it may be impossible to publish all of them.

We would be cad to have your comment on this new department.

N. Y.: WGES, Chicago; WJKS, Gary, Ind.; WGLC, 50 w., Hudson Falls, N. Y.; WSVS, 50 w., Buffalo; KQV, Pittsburgh; KLRA, Little Rock, Ark.; WHK, Cleveland; WBBC, WCGU, and WLTH, Brooklyn, N. Y.; WAAB, Boston; WRBX, Roanoke, Va.; KFIZ, Fond du Lac, Wis.; WAGM, Presque Isle, Me.; WAZL, Hazle-Wis.; WAGM, Presque Isle, Me.; WAZL, Hazletown, Pa.; WHFC. Cicero, Ill.; KECA. 1000 w., Los Angeles: WCAH. Columbus, Ohio; WHEC. Rochester; WHP. Harrisburg. Pa.; WOKO, Albany. N. Y.; WCBA. Allentown, Pa.; WMBD, Peoria, Ill.; WHOM, Jersey City, N. J.; WNJ, Newark, N. J.; KSTP, St. Paul. Minn.; WJSV, Washington, D. C.; KGA, Spokane, Wash.; WLAC, Nashville, Tenn.; KOMA. Oklahoma City, Okla.; WKBW. Buffalo; WCKY. Covington, Ky.; WMIL, Brooklyn, N. Y.; WPEN, Philadelphia; WRDW, Augusta, Ga.; WSYB, Rutland, Vt.; WWRL, Woodside, N. Y.

As you can see from this list I have received several stations from California and the Pacific Coast as well as four Mexican stations. There are also 50 watters from as far as Michigan and a 100 watter in Alabama. Considering that

and a 100 watter in Alabama. Considering that I use only an indoor aerial, I think I am justified in being proud of my set's performance. It was originally designed by me for listening to programs when my D. C. set was humming badly, as it does at times, and I was surprised at the number of stations pulled in. New ones came in every night; four yesterday. If you would be interested in a diagram of this set, which is more or less of accepted two-stage R.F. grid leak detector, and twostage audio design, I would be glad to send you a copy, but I cannot promise to answer too many letters as I would rather tune than write. as I would rather tune than write. I used standard parts, similar to those in small A.C. sets, and have completely shielded the set and tubes. My next experiment will be to substitute a 32 detector for the 30 I am now using.

GEORGE H. BALDWIN, JR.

3439 Yale Station, New Haven, Conn.

#### AND FROM FRANCE

Editor, RADIO-CRAFT:

I am reading with much pleasure RADIO-CRAFT, in France, which is the best radio magazine I have ever seen. I have received a lot of American stations with my set (11 tubes): four

58's, three 56's, one 57, two 47's, and one 80; with "Flashograph Automatic." The following 58's, three 56's, one 57, two 47's, and one 80; with "Flashograph Automatic." The following is a list of stations received in France: WJR. Detroit. Mich.; WRR. Dallas. Tex.; WTAM, Cleveland, Ohio; KFI, Los Angeles, Calif.; KGB, Los Angeles, Calif.; WAAT, Jersey City, N. J.; WACO, Texas; WBAL, Baltimore, Md.; WBBM, Chicago, Ill.; WBIS, Boston, Mass.; WBOQ, New York; WBOW, Terre Haute, Ind.; WBT. Charlotte, N. C.; WBZ, Boston, Mass.; WCAE, Pittsburgh, Pa.; WCAU, Philadelphia, Pa.; WCBD, Zion, Ill.; WCMA, Culver, Ind.; WEAF, New York; WEAO, Columbus, Ohio; WEAF, Buffalo, N. Y.; WENR. Chicago, Ill.; WEVD, New York; Akron, Ohio; WFOX, Brooklyn, N. Y.; WLAC, Nashville, Tenn.; WLBL, Stevens, Wis.; WMSG, New York, WNBX, Springfield, Vt.; WOAI, San Antonio, Tex.; KFPY, Spokane, Wash.; KFRC, San Francisco, Calif.; KGFW, Kearney, Nebr.; HHK, Port au Prince, Haiti; HRB, Tequeigalpa, Honduras; Canadian Wave, CFCN, Calgary, Alberta, CFRB, Majestic Corp., CHRC, Quebec, Que.; CHNS, Halifax, N. S.; CJBC, Toronto, Ont., only on Sunday; CKAC, Montreal; CKCI, Quebec; CKGW, Toronto; VECA, Western Broadcasting, Calgary.

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#### OH BOY!

Editor, RADIO-CRAFT:

I have just seen your new DX section in RADIO-CRAFT, and as I have been getting what I consider very good results with a 5-tube T.R.F. consider very good results with a 5-tube T.R.F. set I constructed two months ago, I decided to let you know what two 34s, two 30s. and one 33 have done for me. Using an indoor aerial and this battery set I have received the following stations, hearing the call letters of each one clearly: CKOK, Windsor: WGR, Buffalo: WKRC, Cincinnati; WLIT, Philadelphia; one clearly: CKOK, Windsor: WGR, Bullato; WKRC, Cincinnati; WLIT, Philadelphia; WQAM, Miami; WMCA and WNYC, New York; WEEI, Boston WC; AC, Storrs, Conn.; WCAO, Baltimore; WICC, Bridgeport, Conn.; WIP, Philadelphia; WTMJ, Milwaukee; CKOC, Hamilton, Ont.; WMAL, Washington, D. C.; KFI, Los Angeles; WSM, Nashville: WEAF, New York; WMAQ, Chicago; KPO, San Francisco; WPTF, Raleigh, N. C.; CFRB, Toronto; WLW, Cincinnati; WOR, Newark; WGN, Chicago; CKAC, Montreal; XER, Villa Acuna, Mexico; WSB, Atlanta; WJR, Detroit; WBAL, Baltimore; WJZ, New York; WBBM, Chicago; WEAN, Providence, R. I.; WTAR, Norfolk, Va.; WGY, Schenectady; WBAP, Fort Worth, Tex.; WFAA, Dallas, Tex.; WCCO, Minneapolis; WPCH, New York; WHAS, Louisville, Ky.; KOA, Denver; WHDH, Boston; CKGW and

WCAU, Philadelphia; WINS, New York; WOAI, San Antonio, Tex.; VONA, 500 watts, St. Johns, N. F.; WFBE, Cincinnati; WJBL, Decatur, Ill.; WNBO, Washington, Pa.; WORC, Worcester, Mass.; WFAS, White Plains, N. Y.; WGBB, Freeport, N. Y.; WGNY, 50 watts. Chester Township, N. Y.; WHBF, Rock Island. WGBB, Freeport, N. Y.; WGNY. 50 watts. Chester Township. N. Y.; WHBF. Rock Island. Ill.; WJBY, 100 watts, Gadsden, Ala.; WPRO. Providence, R. I.; WSEN, Columbus, Ohio; WCAE, Pittsburgh; WREN. Lawrence, Kans.; WFBM, Indianapolis; WNAC, Boston; KTFI. Twin Falls, Idaho; WXYZ, Detroit; KFOX. 1000 watts, Long Beach. Calif.; WAAM, Newark, N. J.; WLB, Minneapolis; WODA, Paterson, N. J.; KOLL, Council Bluffs, Iowa; WLBW, Erie, Pa.; WFBR, Baltimore; WCAM, Camden, N. J.; WCAP, Asbury Park, N. J.; WDOD, Chattanooga; WIBA, Madison, Wis.; WTNJ, Trenton, N. J.; KDYL, Salt Lake City; WEBC, Superior, Wis.; WJAS, Pittsburgh; WBBR, Brooklyn, N. Y.; WEVD, New York City; WHAZ, Troy, N. Y.; WIOD, Miami, Fla.; WEBR, Buffalo; WEXL, 50 watts, Royal Oak, Mich.; WNBH, New Bedford, Mass.; WOL, Washington, D. C.; WTRC, 50 watts, Elkhart, Ind.; WADC, Tallmadge, Ohio; WDRC, Hartford, Conn.; WSAI, Cincinnati; WTAQ, Eau Claire, Wis.; WSPD, Toledo, Ohio; KWK, St. Louis, Mo.; WBNX, and WCDA, New York; KGER, 1000 watts, Long Beach, Calif.; KGIR, 500 watts, Butte, Mont.; WFBL, Syracuse,

## READERS' DEPARTMENT

A department in which the reader may convey his thoughts to other readers. Included in this department are letters, kinks, short cuts, and experiments. Send in your ideas.

THE CAR PLATE-TYPE ANTENNA

Editor, RADIO CRAFT:

I am a regular reader of RADIO CRAFT, and note, in checking through my back copies, an article on page 29, in the November, 1932, issue, regarding automobile radio installation. This article is under the heading of "A Convenient Car Antenna" (second paragraph), in which the author suggests the use of a plate, underneath the car, to be used instead of a direct ground to the frame of the car.

We have tried this antenna circuit with a model 96 Crosley Roamio on a late model Dodge 8 sedan, and wish to advise you and anyone else who is associated with radio service work on automobiles that the idea is well worth Before using this circuit we connected to the regular antenna of the car (factory installed) with the conventional ground to the frame. The results were not at all satisfactory due to the low sensitivity of the average sedan antenna. However, by disconnecting the ground from the antenna coil and bringing it direct to an insulated plate placed midway under the car frame, the pick-up and volume of the set were increased at least 100 per cent. It is now possible to get good daylight reception from several stations which could not possibly be heard before, this being a rather remote sec-

We do not hesitate to recommend this method to anyone who is having trouble in getting sufficient volume on an auto radio. They will be well repaid by the results.

tion for auto reception.

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#### REDUCING CAR-RADIO INTER-FERENCE

#### FRANK N. MAYER

Did you know that oftentimes the ignition system of a car may be so "tuned" as to greatly reduce car-radio interference? Perhaps "de-tuned" would more aptly express the idea, which is to resonate the car's ignition system to a wavelength outside the range of the automotive radio receiver.

The following data concerning an "ignition tuner" for this purpose, supplements the writer's previous discussion concerning the electrolock cable; the story appeared in the February, 1933, issue of RADIO CRAFT, and is entitled, "Interference Elimination in Car-Radio Installations."

Before building the "tuner," try

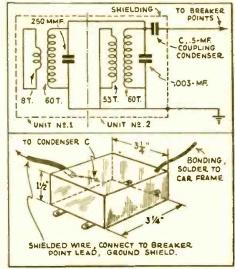


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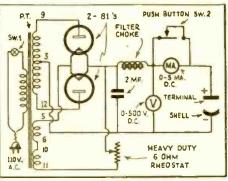


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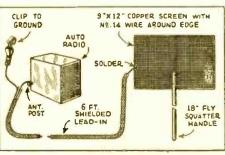


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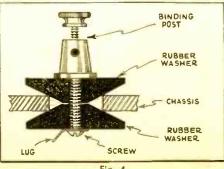


Fig. 4

some of the ordinary tricks, such as reversing and shielding the ignition coil leads, shielding the heavy, or "A" hot wire from the storage battery, "building up" the distributor contact arm, and also rebuilding the electrolock cable (as previously described). In case the car in question does not use an electrolock system, run a shielded wire to the breaker point housing.

The ignition tuner is made up of two respective units, Nos. 1 and 2 in Fig. 1, connected in parallel. The completed tuner is connected to the breaker point lead by a .5-mf. coupling condenser, C.

Unit No. 1 is composed of a basket-wound coil of 60 turns, 2% in. in diameter, with an 8-turn coil interwoven into the 60-turn coil. The 8-turn coil is insulated from the 60-turn coil and short-circuited upon itself. The 60-turn coil has a 250 mmf. fixed condenser connected in parallel with it. One end of the 60-turn coil and condenser combination goes to the .5-mf. coupling condenser, and the other end goes to ground.

Unit No. 2 is also made up of a 60-turn basket-wound coil, 2% in. in dia. with a 53 turn coil wound directly over it. A .003-mf. fixed condenser is connected across the 60 turn coil; one end of this coil is connected to the same .5-mf. coupling condenser as unit No. 1, and the other end of the coil and condenser combination is connected to ground. The 53 turn coil is short-circuited upon itself and connected to ground. (The frame of the car is to be used as ground.)

After the units have been correctly connected, tape the two coils together, with the .003-mf. and 250 mmf. fixed condensers placed inside the coils. Solder the .5-mf. condenser to the inside of the can and place the coils in there, also; the can details are shown in Fig. 1. Solder the two coil leads of units 1 and 2 to the condenser; the ground leads of the units may be soldered to the can. By drilling a small hole in the can, a shielded lead may be brought in, the shield connected to the can, and the wire connected to the blank side of the coupling condenser. This shielded lead is for connecting the tuner to the breaker This shielded lead is for points. After all connections have been made run the can full of sealing compound to complete the tuner.

Ground connections to the coils and shielding should be made by a piece of bonding soldered to the can in which

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## for MEMBERS

## Important Message to Radio Service Men

EVER SINCE the manufactured radio broadcast receiver became an accepted necessity in the household, the Radio Service Man has been an essential factor in the radio trade; and, as the complexity of electrical and mechanical design increases, a higher and higher standard of qualifications in the Service Man becomes necessary.

Service Man becomes necessary.

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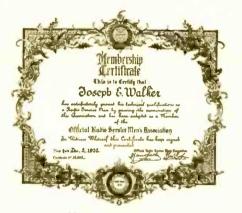
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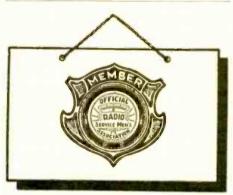
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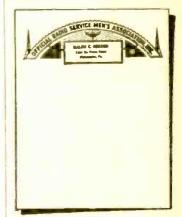
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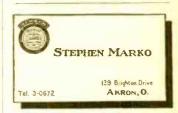
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#### SERVICE BOOKS—WINDSOR MODEL 70 SET

Joseph Baron, 545 Quincy Street, (198)

Brooklyn, N. Y.

(Q.1) As a Service Man who is breaking into the radio game. I would appreciate any kind of help you can give me by letting me know how I should go about adjusting the trimming condensers of a set with an oscillator. As I happen to be one of those who sleep and eat radio, I would be very thankful for any help you can give me. Do you has a book on how to peutralize and helpoce radio.

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Most of these books contain information pertaining to your questions but since the answer varies with the particular type of receiver and its individual manufacturer, it is not possible to give specific information. It is recommended that the RADIO-CRAFT Data Sheets be consulted for detailed procedure con-

cerning the individual set models.

(Q.2) What is the schematic circuit of the Windsor Model 70 receiver? This set is made by National Transformer & Radio Mfg. Co.

(A.2) The diagram of the Model 70 receiver is shown in Fig. Q.198A. We call your attention to the detailed comments on this receiver which appeared in the May, 1933, issue of Radio-Craft in the article cntitled, "Trouble in a Windsor 70 S. G. Set," on page

#### INTERMITTENT OPERATION-OHMITE "DETER-OHM"

(199) Paul V. Brown, South Main Street, Oberlin, Ohio.
(Q.1) I an

I am a student and a Service Man. Being in the business for four years I've hit upon a lot of trouble—your magazine kinks quite often help, but in one case, I have as yet to find a solution.

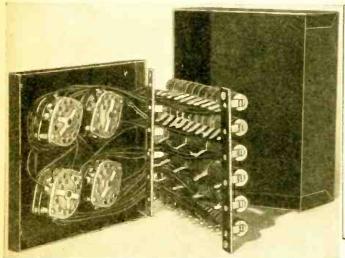
l have a Radiola 46. The tubes being new the set starts out to work like a new one. But, after a while, it "pops" and goes off dead. If one waits a minute, or sometimes two or three minutes, it will come back; also, snapping an electric light switch will make it go on or off. At first I thought of a broken aerial, but that was checked. The snapping of the electric switch raises a new snapping of the electric switch raises a new question. Could you help me in getting a

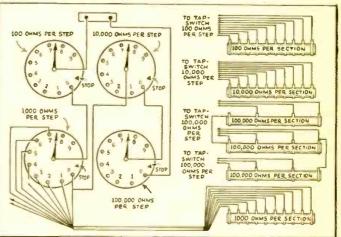
question. Could you help me in getting a solution to the trouble.

(A.1) The trouble you describe is not an unusual one, but that doesn't make it easier for you to locate the cause and eliminate the trouble. The first thing to do is to try to localize the fault to some portion of the chassis by connecting milliammeters in the tube plate circuits to determine whether the current flow through these elements in the R. F., detector or A. F. stages is interrupted. If there does not appear to be any disturbance in the current flow to any of the tube elements. in the current flow to any of the tube elements, then perhaps an intermittent short circuit is occuring in an R. F. circuit. It is possible that by the substitution method the fault may be localized to one section. It then remains to closely examine, or else apply other tests to, this portion of the chasis.

tests to, this portion of the chasis.

If a minute inspection, and a mechanical test by means of a prod, of every wire and unit in this section of the chassis does not (Continued on page 755)





Figs. Q.199A and 199B

Above: Schematic circuit of the decade box; and left, a photograph of same.

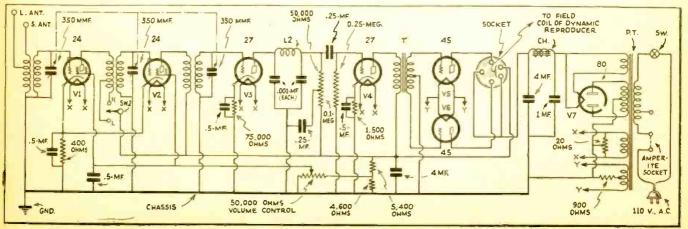


Fig. Q.198A

Schematic circuit of the Windsor model 70 receiver. The values of all parts are shown

#### CONSTRUCTING THE POWER CRYSTAL SET

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what improved if they are included.

The writer used "shop" equipment in putting this set together, hence the "seedy" appearance of some of the units—but the set works swell. The tuning coil is extremely efficient, being wound on a celluloid form; how-ever, the beginner may wish to try his hand ever, the beginner may wish to try his hand at making the inductance. The primary has 13 turns of wire (about No. 22, any covering will do) on a form 2 1/4 ins. in dia.: the secondary has a total of 75 turns, spaced 2 turns from the primary. To prevent the soldering iron charring the insulation of adjacent turns (thus making the coil useless), when soldering that a track the correct the primary as a scale lines of this hake. to the 35th turn, a small piece of thin bakelite or fiber must be placed underneath the raised turn.

Notice that each battery lead is identified by a little tag which is hung on the respec-tive connection wire. The "A" supply intive connection wire. The "A" supply indicated in the illustrations is a 2-volt storage cell which is comparable to a No. 6 (the standard size) dry cell. However, it differs from the dry cell in that it may be recharged from a D.C. source of higher voltage. For the experimenter this is a great help in cutting down the cost of "A" current. At the same time, the voltage of the primary cell more closely approaches the voltage required by the tubber. Since this primary cell has a voltage tubes. Since this primary cell has a voltage of 2.55 at full charge and only 1.7 at disof 2.55 at full charge and only 1.7 at discharge, it is necessary to compensate in some manner for this variation, otherwise the tube life would be very short. The Amperite in the List of Parts "absorbs" this excess voltage. Of course, a rheostat could be used but this would necessitate the use of a meter to indicate when the correct voltage was being applied to the tube filaments. Also, the rheostat, unlike the Amperite, does not automatically change in value as the applied voltage

(This primary cell may be recharged in about 12 hours: the charging rate should not exceed 2 amperes. The center terminal of the cell is the positive connection.)

If the experimenter wishes to use two dry cells (total voltage when connected in series, 3 V.) instead of the single storage cell, a fixed resistor of 5 ohms, or a 10-ohm rheostat, will be required in place of the Amperite, R3.

Now, let's see what luck you have in building up the Power Crystal Set. Let's have your reports of stations heard and distances covered. Incidentally, isn't there some "pet" idea which you would like to see made into an actual set for other beginners to experiment with? Let us have your ideas on the sub-ject—maybe we can work up a construction article along the lines you suggest.

#### List of Parts

One Gen-Win type 302A two-circuit tuner, L; One U-S-L 350 mmf. tuning condenser, C1; One mica-dielectric fixed condenser, 500 mmf.,

One mica-dielectric fixed condenser, .01-mf.,

One paper-dielectric condenser, 4 mf., 200 V.,

Three Paper-dielectric condensers, 1 mf., 200 V., C5, C6, C7;

One fixed resistor, 0.2-meg., 0.5-watt, R1;
One fixed resistor, 0.5-meg., 0.5-watt, R2;
One Amperite No. 18, (for use with storage cell; otherwise, see text), R3;
One Puretone crystal detector, D;
One porcelain base, single-pole, double-throw

knife switch, Sw.;

One open-circuit jack, J1;

One single-closed-circuit jack. J2;

One full-vision dial and pointer; One type 32, 2 V. screen-grid tube; V1; One type 31, 2 V. triode power amplifier, V2;

Two base-mounting UX-type sockets, for VI, V2:

Two Fahnestock clips, ANT., GND.; One roll push-back hookup wire; One baseboard (a breadboard), 10x14x% in.

One Sturges "Rechargit" type No. 6, 2 V. storage cell, "A";
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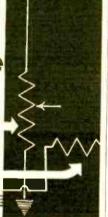
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#### READERS' DEPARTMENT

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the units are sealed. This bonding may then be connected to the car frame after the tuner is mounted in the car.

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and Ford cars. Some slight changes may be required to secure correct results because of changes in the capacity, inductance, and resistance of different car ignition circuits.

#### TESTING ELECTROLYTIC CONDENSERS

HENRY T. PAISTE, Jr.\*

Electrolytic condensers can be tested by measuring the leakage current when high voltage, direct current is applied to the terminals. The higher the leakage current, the more likely the condenser to break down after a period of operation

A convenient test circuit is illustrated in Fig. 2. A power transformer, such as used in the Philco model 111 receiver, with the 24 and 80 filament windings connected in series supplies all voltages for the type 81 tubes. Reference all voltages for the type 81 tubes. Reference numbers in the diagram are for connections to the terminals illustrated in the service bulletin on the model 111 set. If the 81 filament voltage is less than five volts, connect 6 and 11 together instead of 6 and 10.

A heavy duty, 6-ohm rheostat is connected in

the filament circuit to control the D. C. output voltage. The control knob must be well insulated because of the high potential. The switch 6, used as a protection for the milliammeter is a specially constructed push-button type which closes the circuit at all times except when the button is pressed. This can be made by attaching a strip of phosphor bronze or other spring material to a piece of bakelite in such a manner that the spring will contact a terminal on the

that the spring will contact a terminal on the bakelite except when pushed away by the button. The positive terminal for connecting the electrolytic condenser should be a rubber insulated battery clip. The negative terminal can be a metal plate on which the condenser will be placed for test. This plate must also be protected be-cause of the high voltage.

Adjust the rheostat until the D. C. output voltage with the condenser in the circuit is exactly 430 volts. After one minute, re-adjust the rheostat until the output voltage is 400 volts. Now read the current on the milliammeter.

condensers will average 0.2-ma, per micro-farad. Electrolytic condensers whose leakage current is in excess of one milliampere per microfarad should be replaced.

In some cases the condenser will not form properly in one minute, and will show an excessive leakage current. Such condensers should remain on charge at 430 volts for ten minutes before the leakage current reading is taken at 400 volts

A shorted or partially shorted condenser will A shorted or partially shorted condenser will be indicated by a low voltmeter reading. Do not attempt to take a millianimeter reading with such a condenser in the circuit; the current is excessive and is likely to burn out the meter.

\*Service Dept., Philco Radio & Telev. Corp.

### AN AUTO-NOISE PICK-UP TOOL

F. E. PATTERSON
To find that noise maker in the auto, take about 6 feet of shielded lead-in wire and solder it to a piece of copper screen about 9 by 12 ins.; put a No. 14 wire around the edge to stiffen the screen, tack on a short wood handle and it's ready for business. The idea is illustrated in Fig. 3. This is a useful auto-radio tool.

### BINDING-POST INSULATION

LOUIS RALUS

Here is a "wrinkle" that may prove useful.

Often, in building sets using metal chasses, it is desired to mount binding posts on the chassis for antenna leads, speaker output, power supply connections, etc.

connections, etc.

To readily do this, we use this system: procure from the "dime store" a supply of plumber's washers. They sell 10 for 5c. They are about ½-in. in diameter and are somewhat cone-shaped, as shown in Fig. 4. Drill a hole in the chassis slightly smaller than the outside diameter of the public washer and place on washer. of the rubber washer and place one washer on each side of the hole, as shown. A washer may be required under the binding post to prevent it pulling through the chassis.



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By W. S. GILFOIL

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n-1 .00035 41-1 .001

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instance, leaving room for a shield.

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center plates (starting at the center as before) and twisting out with the pliers. They will pull out of the axis. This leaves you a common rotor with two sections of seven blades each. Scrape out any loose solder from between the blades of rotor or stator with a knife, and assemble. If necessary, loosen the screws holding the bakelite strips and adjust the clearance. If the screws were placed vertically and the proper size drill used on the bakelite this will not be necessary Purchase or make a pair of trimmers and attach in a convenient plate. Make a shield of sheet metal

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Editor, RADIO-CRAFT:

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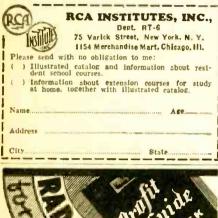
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#### DUPLEX CALL SYSTEM

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One Remington power transformer, type PT637: One Remington filter choke, 30 hy., 500 ohms, type 6167, CH1;

One Remington filter choke, 30 hy., 400 ohms. type Ch637, CH2;

One Remington double-button microphone transformer, type 6164, T1; Two Remington output transformers, type T637,

T2, T3; One Coast-to-Coast resistor, 50 ohms, 5 watts,

type 1748, R1: One Lynch resistor, 500,000 ohms, 1 watt, R2:

Two Lynch resistors, 250,000 ohms, 1 watt, R3, R6:

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Two Carter 40-ohm potentiometers, R7, R8; One Eikon 10 mf., 35 volt, electrolytic condenser, type 5224, C1;

One Solar tubular condenser, .02-mf., 400 volt. type 6713A, C2;

One Elkon three-section, 8 mf., 500-volt electrolytic condenser, type 5332A, C3, C4, C5; One Solar 10 mf., 35 volt, electrolytic condenser,

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Complaints too numerous to mention in which excessive hum and noise are reported on low volume have been traced each and every time to a poor ground, or no ground, connection to the yellow lead.

It has also been a continual complaint that the set's tubes would light up and yet would not function. And this has been found to be due to an "open" 1,100-ohm cathode resistor on the an "open" 1,100-ohm cathode resistor on the type 56 tubes which drive the 46 tubes in the output stages. (Fig. 2D.)

Hum has been traced to defective 56 tubes.

Oscillation was found, in many cases, to be due to various bypass condensers opening up. The simple method of bridging the various suspicious condensers will locate the defective unit in a very short time.

#### INFORMATION BUREAU

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show up a poor connection or a shorting lead, it may be necessary to make an ohmmeter test of each circuit in the receiver. Since the set cannot be connected to the power line during this procedure, it may be necessary to simulate operating conditions by heating

the chassis with an electric heater.

The "Operating Notes" department of past issues of Radio-Craft contains additional comments concerning this fault in various receiver models. Sure the trouble isn't in the tubes?

(Q.2) What is the circuit arrangement of the Ohmite "Determ-Ohm" Resistance Box? This device is used as a test replacement unit to determine the value of unknown resistors which have "gone west."

(A.2) The circuit of this unit is shown in Fig. Q.199A. Six tapped, wire-wound resistors are used as shown; each unit measures 6x\forall ins. in dia. This "decade" box may be used to determine the value required for a replacement resistor, or it may be used as a multiplifier for voltmeters in circuits where the applied voltage does not exceed 600. The manner in which the kit of parts is assembled is assembled is shown in the picture, Fig. Q.199B.

#### ECONOMY EIGHT

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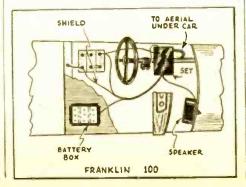
turned over every few minutes. You simply turn the set so that it rests on the tube shields and the gang condenser, with an additional prop under the power transformer, and you then do the whole job without moving the chassis. The dial light wires are fished up after the set is turned around and is ready to be hooked up to antenna and speaker.

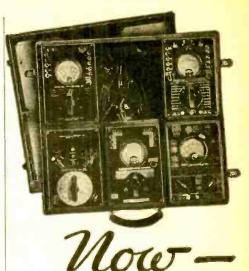
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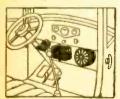


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## SERVICING A.C. HUM IN SETS AND AMPLIFIERS

By SIDNEY FISHBERG

THE servicing of A.C. hum is generally a difficult problem because this fault is one which is not generally indicated by meters or analyzers. It is a type of fault which can be best serviced by a systematic procedure which first traces down the fault to its source and then takes steps to eliminate it. We advisedly say "systematic" because random stabs at the problem will do nothing but waste time, and needlessly rip up the chassis.

The causes of excessive hum may be divided into two general classes: those caused by improper or defective filter or bypass condensers, and those caused by induction hum. The latter type of hum is caused by the field of the Power transformer or filter choke, which crosses the fields of the audio transformers or similar units and induces a 60 cycle voltage in them. Induction hum is not usually found in commercial sets or amplifiers except, perhaps, when an audio transformer has been replaced. It is more commonly found in home built apparatus. The instructions given below are useful both to the serviceman repairing commercial sets and the experimenter who has run into difficulty in building a set or amplifier.

The method of locating the faulty component in the set consists of shorting out one part of the set at a time in a logical sequence until the hum disappears. The stage at which the hum is stopped is obviously the one which is causing the trouble. Then, knowing the various causes of hum, it is a simple matter to pick out the defective unit and replace it.

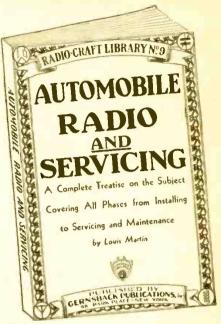
When servicing a set for hum, it should he turned to a point on the dial where no station comes in, and the volume control turned to maximum. The ground, of course, should be connected. The R.F. portion of the set may be checked as a unit, since A.C. hum rarely, if ever, originates in this portion of the set. This check is made by shorting the R.F. coil feeding the detector stage with a piece of copper wire. If there is no change in the intensity of the hum, it is safe to assume that the cause of the hum does not lie in the R.F. portion of the set. If the hum stops, how, ever, upon the application of this test, there is some fault—usually poor shielding or a defective filament bypass condenser (in sets using type 26 R.F. tubes). With modern high gain super-het receivers, there may be some induction hum in the I. F. transformers.

The set may have a peculiar fault in which hum appears only when a strong signal is tuned in, and makes the speech and music "gargly" or "buzzy" instead of remaining in the background like other types of hum. This fault is known as "modulation hum" and is due to defective tubes or improper grid-bias voltages. In order to cure it, the suspected tubes should be replaced by others known to be good (since this defect will not be shown by a tube checker), and the grid-bias voltage should he checked. The type 26 tube is especially critical in regard to correct bias.

should be cheeked. The type 26 tube is especially critical in regard to correct bias.

The next unit to be tested is the detector stage itself. The grid leak and condenser should be shorted out to see if any hum is being induced into the grid of the detector tube. This type of hum often occurs in shortwave sets, and may be cured by keeping the grid leak and condenser off the chassis, using a very short grid lead, and shielding the detector tube. If there is no change in hum level when the leak and condenser are shorted, this portion of the set is O.K. In plate circuit detectors, the grid-bias resistor should he shorted out to check up on hum at this point, which is usually due to an open bypass condenser. The plate circuit of the detector tube should then be checked for induction hum and insufficient bypassing by shorting out the primary of the audio transformer. If the hum ceases, it is an indication of either induction hum or an open or low capacity bypass condenser. This bypass condenser should first be checked up; and if it is O.K., then the fault is induction hum. This may be remedied by shifting or tilting the transformer until the hum is reduced or eliminated. If this is impossible, the hum may be greatly mitigated by shunting the secondary of the audio transformer with a resistor of 100,000 to 250,000 ohms. This will cut down the hum, while affecting the gain very little.

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Automobile radio is an art all of its own. It must be treated by radically new methods because the functioning of the automobile set is more difficult than other types. In such a set we have neither a real aerial nor ground. On the other hand, there is an electrical ignition system which makes it impossible to use an ordinary radio set due to the interference set up.

Automobile radio is up and coming. Millions of cars will have to be serviced. Someone has to service them. It is certain that your turn will come one of these days, whether you are an experimenter, a car owner or a Service Man.

The book is of course chock-full of illustrations, photographs, diagrams, hookups, etc., to make sure that nothing has been left out.

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The data tabulated on the following page is of particular interest to the engineer designing transformerless receivers of either the universal (A.C. or D.C.) or A-C type, and automobile-radio receivers.

Tabulated below are optimum operating conditions for the 6B7, 75, 77° and 85 as resistance-coupled audio-frequency amplifiers at each of three plate-supply voltages and with specified values of resistance in the grid circumstance with the couple of the conditions cuit of the output tube. The 2B7 and the 55 are not included in the tabulation since the same conditions, excepting for heater voltage, obtain for these types as the 6B7 and the 85, respectively.

The 100-volt plate-supply conditions are of especial interest to engineers designing universal (A.C. or D.C.) receivers, because this is about the maximum plate-supply voltage available due to voltage drop in the rectifier and filter.

The 135-volt plate-supply conditions are of The 135-volt plate-supply conditions are of especial interest to engineers designing transformerless A.C. receivers, using the 2525 in a voltage-doubler circuit. Although the 2525 will give approximately 220 volts output when used in a doubler circuit, the voltage drop in the filter and in the electro-dynamic speaker field plus the regulation drop in the power sup-ply circuit will reduce the voltage available for plate supply to about 135 volts.

\*The data in this note for the 77 is not to be confused with that given in Note No. 1 for the 77 as a biased detector.

The 180-volt plate-supply conditions are of especial interest to engineers designing automobile-radio receivers, since this is approximately the voltage from most auto "B" eliminators or dynamotors.

In the tabulation of optimum operating conditions for each tube type, the column headings have the following meanings:

PLATE SUPPLY VOLTS-The voltage applied to the plate through the plate-load resistor.

GRID RESISTOR—The grid resistor for the succeeding tube. The value of this resistor must not exceed the maximum value specified in our published data for the tube used.

BIAS VOLTS-The bias voltage on the control grid of the amplifier tube.

SELF-BIASING RESISTOR-The value of selfbiasing resistor required to give the bias voltage. In calculating this resistance for screen-grid tubes, the sum of the plate and screen current must be used.

SCREEN SUPPLY VOLTS-The supply voltage for the screen grid.

PLATE LOAD—The resistance in the plate circuit across which is developed the output voltage.

PLATE CURRENT—The plate current of the tube. In the case of duplex-diode types, this refers to the amplifying tube-unit.

this refers to the amplifying tube-unit.

PEAK OUT—The peak output voltage developed across the plate-load resistor. The first figure gives the maximum undistorted output voltage obtainable, and the second figure gives the maximum obtainable with some distortion. The output voltage measured across the plate-load resistor alone would be somewhat higher, were it not for the shunting effect of the grid resistor of the succeeding tube. the succeeding tube.

OLT. AMPLIF.—The voltage amplification obtainable with the tube under the conditions specified. It is to be noted that these data give the voltage amplification obtainable at the grid resistor of the succeeding tube; that is, the a-c load on the amplifier is the parallel combination of the plate-load resistor and the grid resistor of the succeeding tube.

NOTE: The coupling condenser between the NOTE: The coupling contents of the prid resistor of the succeeding tube should be of adequate capacity to insure good low-frequency response. A capacity of 0.1-mf, is usually the maximum which will be required.

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100	0.25	-2.50	12200	20	0.50	0.15	25-27	36				
100	0.50	-2.15	9350	20	0.25	0.23	36-38	47				
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135	0.25	-2.25	8300	20	0.50	0.20	32 - 35	38				
135	0.50	-1.95	4850	20	0.25	0.30	48-50	53				
135	0.50	-2.40	10900	20	0.50	0.16	42-44	56				
180	0.25	-2.10	3700	25	0.25	0.43	50-53	EO				
180	0.25	-2.60	7600	25	0.50	0.26		50				
180	0.50	-2.10	3500	25	0.25	0.45	45-48	53				
180	0.50	-2.60	7300	25	0.50		65-68	63				
100	0.00	-2.00	7300	20	0.00	0.26	64-66	70				
			RCA-7	5 and C	-75							
100	0.25	-1.05	10500		0.25	0.10	11-16	30				
100	0.25	-1.05	15400		0.50	0.07	10-14	29				
100	0.50	-1.1 <b>0</b>	11550	****	0.25	0.09	15-19	36				
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#### Report of Sub-Committee on Electrolytic Ca-pacitors and Engine Compartment Temperature

#### I Purpose.

The purpose of this Committee was to determine the safe operating temperatures for elec-trolytic capacitors; to determine the approximate temperatures encountered in various positions suitable for mounting radio receiving equipment containing such capacitors; and to make such recommendations as seemed desirable relative to such mountings. This report covers the above questions.

#### II Operating Temperature of Electrolytic Capacitors.

A. Two definite variables are introduced by temperature change. The capacity varies directly as a function of temperature. The expected life is not so directly related, as it bears a definite ratio to the leakage current expressed as coulombs. However, this leakage current becomes a function of temperature after a critical comes a function of temperature after a critical temperature value is reached.

#### B. Temperature effect upon capacity.

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It has been found possible to develop electrolytic capacitors capable of performance between the temperature limits of -10 degrees C. and 82 degrees C. A decrease in capacity to approximately 50% of that at 15 degrees C will be observed at the lower temperature limit.

No harmful effects may be expected if the temperature is still further decreased other than a further decrease in capacity, which ultimately perature is still further decreased, other than a further decrease in capacity, which ultimately will approach zero if the temperature be dropped sufficiently. The increase in capacity for temperatures higher than 15 degrees C will not be so marked. Receiver designs for cold operation should consider this capacity variation.

#### Temperature effect upon leakage.

Leakage current may be expected to increase Leakage current may be expected to increase rapidly after a temperature of 85 degrees C has been reached. The life of the capacitor will be very short, if this leakage current is permitted for any appreciable period of time. It, therefore, limits the upper operating temperature limit to aproximately 82 degrees C or 180 degrees F. This temperature may be considered as a safe maximum.

#### III Engine Compartment Temperature.

The temperatures encountered may be classified with respect to their source. They reach the receiver by means of conductor through the heated metal part upon which the receiver is mounted and through the air stream surrounding the motor. By far the highest temperatures are caused by conduction through metal parts, and care must be used to reduce the actual contact area between the receiver and the motor block or crankcase at an absolute minimum. The metallic path between these points and the reblock or crankcase at an absolute minum. The metallic path between these points and the receiver should be as long as possible. Temperatures of a high order, 70 degrees C (155 degrees F.) to 80 degrees C (175 degrees F.) have been observed in rare cases, and from 45 degrees C (110 degrees F) to 55 degrees C (130 degrees F). are generally encountered beneath the hood of a motor car, when it is exposed to the direct sun and there is little or no circulation of air. temperatures may exist for an extended period. temperatures may exist for an extended period.
It has been determined, however, that this source
of temperature rise has little or no influence
upon the operating temperature of the motor
compartment and drops the instant the motor
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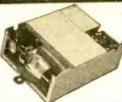
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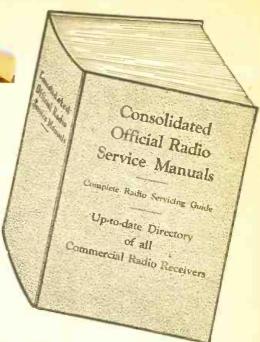
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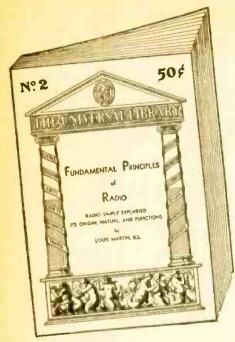
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Temperatures near the exhaust manifold, of course, reach excessively high values, and no equipment was available to measure these. In any event, the receiver should not be mounted near this manifold. IV Conclusion.

A. Electrolytic capacitors may be operated up to 82 degrees C or 180 degrees F. Short periods (several minutes possibly) at higher tempera-tures produce no permanent damage.

Temperature measurement shows it prac-B. tical to mount the radio receiver in the engine compartment. Temperature rise of 30 degrees plus or minus 5 degrees Centigrade (45 degrees to 55 degrees F.) above ambient may be expected. Peak temperatures of high value but short duration may be expected upon stopping the engine with poor circulation. This might become troublesome in southern locations.

C. It is recommended that the received be

installed upon the engine partition on the side opposite the exhaust manifold and as high as

Report of RMA-SAE Committee on Wiring for Installation of Auto Radio Receivers, at Meeting held at the Book-Cadillac Hotel, Detroit, January 19th, 1933

The members of the RMA Committee have not had an opportunity to meet as yet with the SAE Committee, and consequently, a joint report is not available.

However, the following recommendations will

However, the following recommendations will be taken up for consideration by the Members of this joint committee, and a report will be submitted at the next meeting:

(1) The lead from the ignition coil to the distributor breaker should be shielded, the shielding to be well grounded. In the event that it is inadvisable to shield this lead, it should not run through the conduit or manifold with the secondary or high tension wires. It should be secondary or high tension wires. It should be run or placed as far away from these leads as possible in order to cut down the induced surges as much as possible.
(2) The lead from the battery terminal to

the ammeter should be shielded and shielding grounded at the battery and at the dash. Also the lead from the ammeter to the ignition switch and from the ignition switch to the coil should

(3) The ignition switch should be entirely enclosed in a metal container where the switch

(4) In all cases it is recommended that those motors or engines which are supported by material which is in itself an insulator or poor con-

ductor, such as rubber, springs, etc., that the motor be bonded with a flexible copper braid or strap at at least two places, one being the frame of the car and the other being to the bulkhead or fire-wall.

(5) It is advisable wherever a dome light is installed in the body that the antenna be kept as far away from the dome light as is allowable with a minimum of 4" due to shunting effect which is present wherever the antenna is too close to the dome light or dome light leads.

(6) The dome light should be so constructed wherever possible as to entirely be enclosed in metal at the back and for best experience it should have a shielded wire leading from the dome light down to its switch with a wire also shielded from there to the ammeter as this wire is the closest one to the antenna and as it is also connected to a source of interference, it is important that the antenna be kept as far away from these dome lights and dome light lead wires as possible, and that its interference effect be even further minimized by shielding it, the shieldthe dome light. However, it is advisable to ground the shield to the body at the nearest point possible as well as at at least one other place beside the other end or ammeter side.

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(7) In the event a spark coil and switch are integral and mounted upon the dash or in the driver's compartment, it is advisable to use shielded secondary ignition cable for the secondary lead from the coil to the distributor head. ondary lead from the coil to the distributor head. The shielding on this lead should be grounded at the point where it goes through the bulkhead or fire-wall and if possible at each end.

(8) In the event the radio set is mounted in

the motor compartment adjacent to the coil, the

above recommendation is suggested also.
(9) It is recommended that the coil itself be placed as close to the distributor as possible and as far away from the bulkhead or fire-wall as permissible in so far as the magnetic field set-up by the coil's flux, many times is the cause of considerable interference.

#### REPORT OF RMA SUB-COMMITTEE ON ANTENNAS

Detroit, Mich., January 19th, 1933

At the time this Committee was appointed, the problem assigned to it, was to determine com-mercial means of standard and production tests of automobile antennas during the process of manufacturing.

Complete, reports have not been received from the Members of this Committee, but the following suggestions have been received, which will be covered in further detail in a later report.

A test should be made for capacity of itenna. This is mainly a design test, as the antenna. This is mainly a design test, as after a definite antenna is once specified, the capacity would vary only a small amount. The recommended minimum capacity for cars with rigid tops is 200 to 400 micro-microfarads, and

rigid tops is 200 to 400 micro-microfarads, and for cars with demountable tops, 100 micro-microfarads. This test would normally be made with a portable capacity bridge.

(2) A test should be made for resistance of the antenna. Due to the fact that in the manufacture of a car, this will probably vary over considerable limits, if a very close inspection is not maintained, it is desirable to make this a 100% production test, as this will, at the same time, indicate any grounds in the antenna system. This test should, of course, be made be-fore the top cover is attached to the car, in order that any defects found can be readily remedied at a minimum of expense. A 500-volt megger is suggested.

(3) It is possible to combine both the capacity and resistance test mentioned above into a single test, which would indicate the resistance of the antenna at radio frequency. A suggested circuit for this radio frequency test will be submitted in the next report.

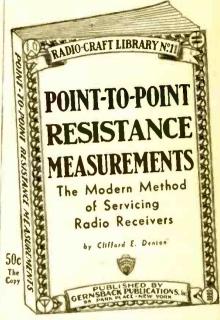
Inasmuch as the members of various organizations from whom communications have been received on antennas, have desired to make furreceived on antennas, nave desired to make Iurther comment on the points covered in Section VI, of the Minutes of our Meeting of September 16, 1932, a further report of this Committee will include comments on these items if it is the desire of the Members present.

Report of Sub-Committee on Automobile Radio Standardization as Outlined in Sections One B-C and Two A-B, of the RMA Meeting of July 28, 1932

The general opinion concerning the mounting locations and associated dimensions allocated by the motor car manufacturers for the installa-tion of automobile radio is that they cannot be definitely established at this time on account of the rapid changes of design at this stage of the industry. Consequently each manufacturer the industry. Consequently each manufacturer will have to work out his own arangements in order to have the most practical installation available for each particular body and chassis design. Therefore, we would recommend that the suggestions as outlined by the RMA Committee remain on record until more definite and permanent dimensions can be established by the RMA and SAE.

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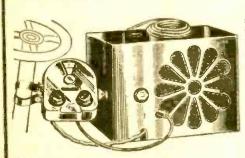
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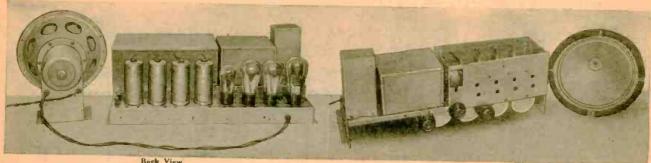
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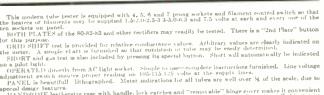
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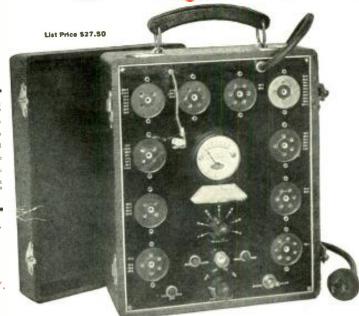
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