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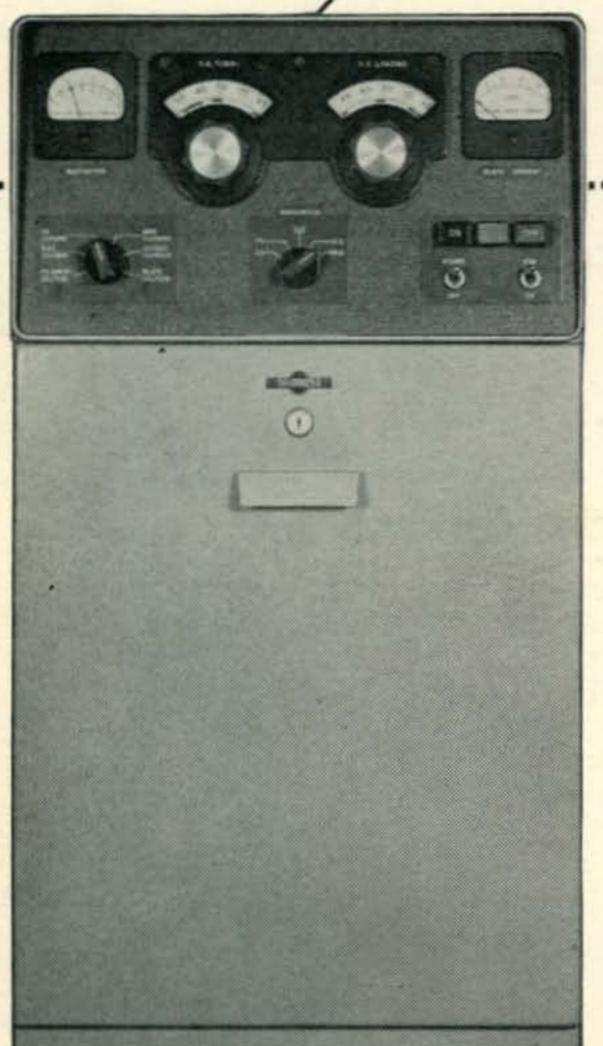
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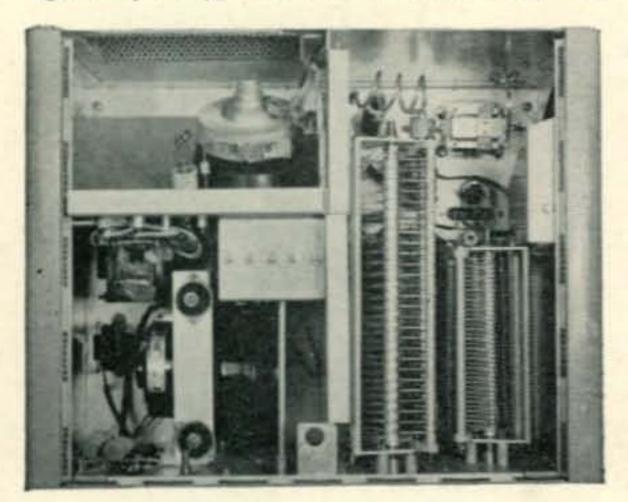
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# COLLINS 30S-1 LINEAR AMPLIFIER GIVES YOU:

# MAXIMUM POWER AUTOMATIC LOAD CONTROL LOW DISTORTION



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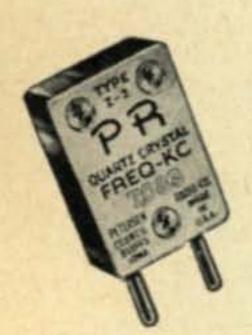
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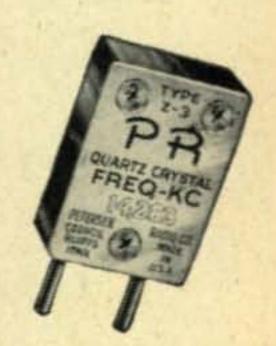


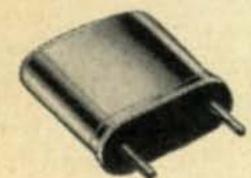
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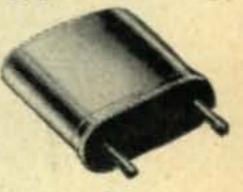
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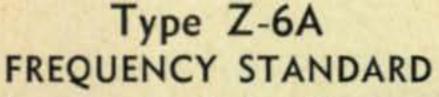
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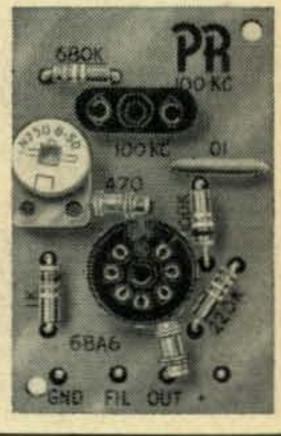
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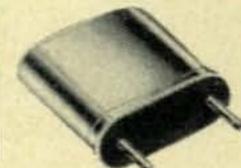
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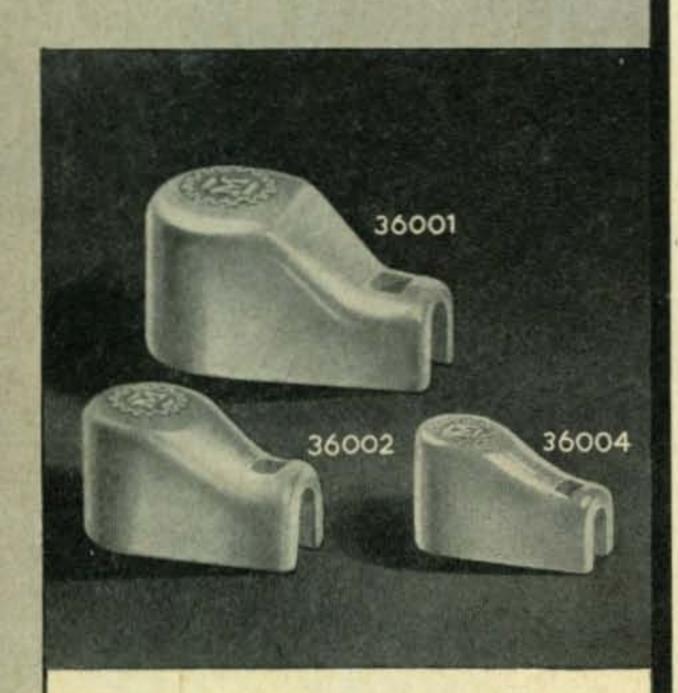
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#### "SENECA" VHF HAM TRANSMITTER KIT

Beautifully styled and a top performer of highest quality throughout. The "Seneca" is a completely self-contained 6 and 2 meter transmitter featuring a built-in VFO for both 6 and 2 meters, and 4 switch-selected crystal positions, 2 power supplies, 5 radio frequency stages, and 2 dual-triode audio stages. Panel controls allow VFO or crystal control, phone or CW operation on both amateur bands. An auxiliary socket provides for receiver muting, remote operation of antenna relay and remote control of the transmitter such as with the Heathkit VX-1 Voice Control. Features up to 120 watts input on phone and 140 watts on CW in the 6 meter band. Ratings slightly reduced in the 2 meter band. Ideal for ham operators wishing to extend transmission into the VHF region. Shpg. Wt. 56 lbs.





DX-20 CW TRANSMITTER KIT Designed exclusively for CW work, the DX-20 provides the novice as well as the advanced-class CW operator with a low cost transmitter featuring high operating efficiency. Single-knob bandswitching covers 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 meters using crystals or an external VFO. Pi network output circuit matches antenna impedances between 50 and 1,000 ohms. Employs a single 6DQ6A tube in the final amplifier stage for plate power input of 50 watts. A 6CL6 serves as the crystal oscillator. The husky power supply uses a heavy duty 5U4GB rectifier and top-quality "potted" transformer for long service life. Easy-to-read panel meter indicates final grid or plate current selected by the panel switch. Complete RF shielding to minimize TVI interference. Easy-to-build with complete instructions provided. Shpg. Wt. 19 lbs.



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#### "CHEYENNE" MOBILE HAM TRANSMITTER KIT

All the fun and excitement . . . plus the convenience of mobile operation are yours in the all-new Heathkit "Cheyenne" transmitter. The neat, compact, and efficient circuitry provides you with high power capability in mobile operation, with low battery drain using carrier controlled modulation. All necessary power is supplied by the model MP-1 described below. Covers 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 meters with up to 90 watts input on phone. Features built-in VFO, modulator, 4 RF stages, with a 6146 final amplifier and pi network (coaxial) output coupling. High quality components are used for long service life and reliable operation, along with rugged chassis construction to withstand mobile vibrations and shock. Thoughtful circuit layout provides for ease of assembly with complete instructions and detailed pictorial diagrams to insure success. A spotting switch is also provided. A specially designed ceramic microphone is included to insure effective modulation with plenty of "punch". Plan now to enjoy the fun of mobile operation by building this superb transmitter. Shpg. Wt. 19 lbs.

#### "COMANCHE" MOBILE HAM RECEIVER KIT

Everything you could ask for in modern design mobile gear is provided in the "Comanche" . . . handsome styling, rugged construction, top quality components . . . and, best of all, a price you can afford. The "Comanche" is an 8-tube superheterodyne ham band receiver operating AM, CW and SSB on the 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 meter amateur bands. A 3 mc crystal lattice-type IF filter permits the receiver to use single conversion without image interference, and at the same time creates a steep sided 3 kc flat top IF bandpass characteristic comparable to mechanical type filters. The neat, compact and easy-to-assemble circuitry features outstanding sensitivity, stability and selectivity on all bands. Circuit includes an RF stage, converter, 2 IF stages, 2 detectors, noise limiter, 2 audio stages and a voltage regulator. Sensitivity is better than 1 microvolt on all bands and signal-to-noise ratio is better than 10 db down at 1 microvolt input. One of the finest investments you can make in mobile gear. Shpg. Wt. 19 lbs.

#### MOBILE SPEAKER KIT

A matching companion speaker for the "Comanche" mobile receiver. Housed in a rugged steel case with brackets provided for easy installation on fire wall or under dashboard, etc. Uses 5 PM speaker with 8 ohm voice coil. Measures 5" H. x 5" W. x 2½" D. Shpg. Wt. 4 lbs.



#### MOBILE POWER SUPPLY KIT

This heavy duty transistor power supply furnishes all the power required to operate both the MT-1 Transmitter and MR-1 Receiver. It features two 2N442 transistors in a 400 cycle switching circuit, supplying a full 120 watts of DC power. Under intermittent operation it will deliver up to 150 watts. Kit contains everything required for complete installation, including 12' of heavy battery cable, tap-in studs for battery posts, power plug and 15' of connecting cable. Chassis size is 9½6" L. x 4¾4" W. x 2" H. Operates from 12-14 volt battery source. Circuit convenience provided by self-contained relay which allows push-to-talk mobile operation. Shpg. Wt. 8 lbs.







#### MOBILE BASE MOUNT KIT

The AK-6 Base Mount is designed to hold both transmitter and receiver conveniently at driver's side. Universal mounting bracket has adjustable legs to fit most automobiles. Shpg. Wt. 5 lbs.

#### POWER METER KIT

This handy unit picks up energy from your mobile antenna and indicates when your transmitter is tuned for maximum output. A variable sensitivity control is provided. Features a strong magnet on a swivel-mount for holding it on a car dashboard or other suitable spot. Has its own antenna or may be connected to existing antenna. Sensitive 200 ua meter. Shpg. Wt. 2 lbs.





# COMPANION UNITS





#### "APACHE" HAM TRANSMITTER KIT

The many features and modern styling of the "Apache" will provide you with just about everything you could ask for in transmitting facilities. Emphasizing high quality the "Apache" operates with a 150 watt phone input and 180 watt CW input. In addition to CW and phone operation, built-in switch selected circuitry provides for single-sideband transmission using the SB-10 External adapter. The newly designed, compact and stable VFO provides low drift frequency control necessary for SSB transmission. A slide rule type illuminated rotating VFO dial with full gear drive vernier tuning provides ample bandspread and precise frequency settings. The bandswitch allows quick selection of the amateur bands on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 meters. This unit also has adjustable low-level speech clipping and a low distortion modulator stage employing two of the new 6CA7/EL34 tubes in push-pull class AB operation. Time sequence keying is provided for "chirpless" break-in CW operation. The final amplifier is completely shielded for TVI protection and neutralized for greater stability. A cooling fan is also provided. The formed one-piece cabinet with convenient access hatch provides accessibility to tubes and crystal sockets. Die-cast aluminum knobs and control panel escutcheons add to the attractive styling of the transmitter. Pi network output coupling matches antenna impedances between 50 and 72 ohms. A "spotting" push button enables the operator to "zero beat" an incoming frequency without putting the transmitter on the air. Equip your ham shack now for top transmitting enjoyment with this outstanding unit. Shpg. Wt. 110 lbs. Shipped motor freight unless otherwise specified.

#### HEATHKIT SB-10

#### SINGLE SIDEBAND ADAPTER KIT



Designed as a compatible plug-in adapter unit for the TX-1 "Apache" transmitter, this unit lets you operate on SSB at a minimum of cost, yet does not affect the normal AM and CW functions of the transmitter. By making a few simple circuit modifications, the DX-100 and DX-100-B transmitters can be used, utilizing all existing RF circuitry. Extremely easy to operate and tune, the adapter employs the phasing method for generating a single-sideband signal, thus allowing operation entirely on fundamental frequencies. The critical audio phase shift network is supplied completely preassembled and wired in a sealed plug-in unit. Produces either a USB, LSB or DSB signal, with or without carrier insertion. Covers 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 meter bands. An easy-to-read panel meter indicates power output to aid in tuning. A built-in electronic voice control with anti-trip circuit is also provided. 10 watts PEP output. Unwanted sideband suppression is in excess of 30 db and carrier suppression is in excess of 40 db. An EL84/6BQ5 tube is used for linear RF output. Shpg. Wt. 12 lbs.

MODIFICATION KIT: Modifies DX-100 and DX-100-B for use with the SB-10 Adapter. Model MK-1. Shpg. Wt. 1 lb. \$8.95-



#### ALL-BAND RECEIVER KIT

A fine receiver for the beginning ham or short wave listener, designed for high circuit efficiency and easy construction. Covers 550 kc to 30 mc in four bands clearly marked on a slide-rule dial. Transformer operated power supply. Features include: bandswitch, bandspread tuning, phone-standby-CW switch, phone jack, antenna trimmer, noise eliminator, RF gain control and AF control. Shpg. Wt. 12 lbs.

CABINET: Opt. extra. No. 91-15A. Shpg. Wt. 5 lbs. \$4.95.



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#### "Q" MULTIPLIER KIT

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# OF DISTINCTIVE QUALITY

#### ACCESSORY SPEAKER KIT

Handsomely designed and color styled to match the "Mohawk" receiver this heavy duty 8" speaker with 4.7 ounce magnet provides excellent tone quality. Housed in attractive 3%" plywood cabinet with perforated metal grille. Speaker impedance is 8 ohms. Shpg. Wt. 7 lbs.

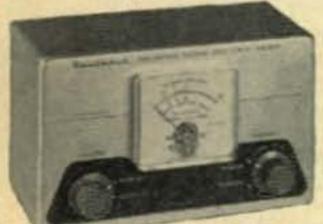


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#### "MOHAWK" HAM RECEIVER KIT

Styled to match the "Apache" transmitter the "Mohawk" ham band receiver provides all the functions required for clear, rock-steady reception. Designed especially for ham band operation this 15-tube receiver features double conversion with IF's at 1682 kc and 50 kc and covers all the amateur frequencies from 160 through 10 meters on 7 bands with an extra band calibrated to cover 6 and 2 meters using a converter. Specially designed for single sideband reception with crystal controlled oscillators for upper and lower sideband selection. A completely preassembled wired and aligned front end coil bandswitch assembly assures ease of construction and top performance of the finished unit. Other features include 5 selectivity positions from 5 kc to 500 CPS, bridge T-notch filter for excellent heterodyne rejection, and a built-in 100 kc crystal calibrator. The set provides a 10 db signal-to-noise ratio at less than 1 microvolt input. Each ham band is separately calibrated on a rotating slide rule dial to provide clear frequency settings with more than ample bandspread. Front panel features S-meter, separate RF, IF and AF gain controls, T-notch tuning, T-notch depth, ANL, AVC, BFO, Bandswitch tuning, antenna trimmer, calibrate set, calibrate on, CW-SSB-AM, receive-standby, upper-lower sideband, selectivity, phone jack and illuminated gear driven vernier slide rule tuning dial. Attractively styled with die-cast aluminum control knobs and escutcheons. No external alignment equipment is required for precise calibration of the "Mohawk". All adjustments are easily accomplished using the unique method described in the manual. An outstanding buy in a communications receiver. Shpg. Wt. 66 lbs. Shipped motor freight unless otherwise specified.



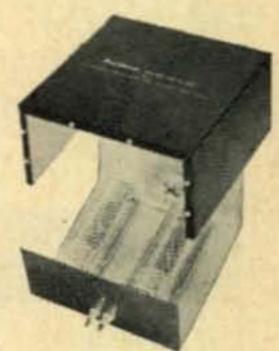
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#### REFLECTED POWER METER KIT

The AM-2 measures forward and reflected power or standing wave ratio. Handles a peak power of well over 1 kilowatt of energy and covers 160 through 6 meters. Input and output impedance provided for 50 or 75 ohm lines. No external power required for operation. Use it also to match impedances between exciters or RF sources and grounded grid amplifiers. Shpg. Wt. 3 lbs.

#### BALUN COIL KIT

Match unbalanced coaxial lines, found on most modern transmitters, to balanced lines of either 75 or 300 ohms impedance with this handy transmitter accessory. Capable of handling power input up to 200 watts, the B-1 may be used with transmitters and receivers covering 80 through 10 meters. No adjustment required. Shpg. Wt. 4 lbs.



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Eliminate hand switching with this convenient kit. Switch from receiver to transmitter by merely talking into your microphone. Sensitivity controls allow adjustment to all conditions. Power supply is built in and terminal strip on the rear of the chassis accommodates receiver and speaker connections and also a 117 volt antenna relay. Shpg. Wt. 5 lbs.



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#### VFO KIT

Far below the cost of crystals to obtain the same frequency coverage this variable frequency oscillator covers 160, 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 meters with three basic oscillator frequencies. Providing better than 10 volt average RF output on fundamentals, the VF-1 is capable of driving the most modern transmitters. Requires only 250 volts DC at 15 to 20 ma, and 6.3 VAC at 0.45 a. Illuminated dial reads direct. Shpg. Wt. 7 lbs.

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#### DX-100-B PHONE AND CW TRANSMITTER KIT

A long standing favorite in the Heathkit line, the DX-100-B combines modern styling and circuit ingenuity to bring you an exceptionally fine transmitter at an economical price. Panel controls allow VFO or crystal control, phone or CW operation on all amateur bands up to 30 mc. The rugged one-piece formed cabinet features a convenient top-access hatch for changing crystals and making other adjustments. The chassis is punched to accept sideband adapter modifications. Featured are a built-in VFO, modulator, and power supply, complete shielding to minimize TVI, and a pi network output coupling to match impedances from 50 to 72 ohms. RF output is in excess of 100 watts on phone and 120 watts on CW. Band coverage is from 160 through 10 meters. For operating convenience singleknob bandswitching and illuminated VFO dial on meter face are provided. A pair of 6146 tubes in parallel are employed in the output stage modulated by a pair of 1625's. Shpg. Wt. 107 lbs. Shipped motor freight unless otherwise specified.

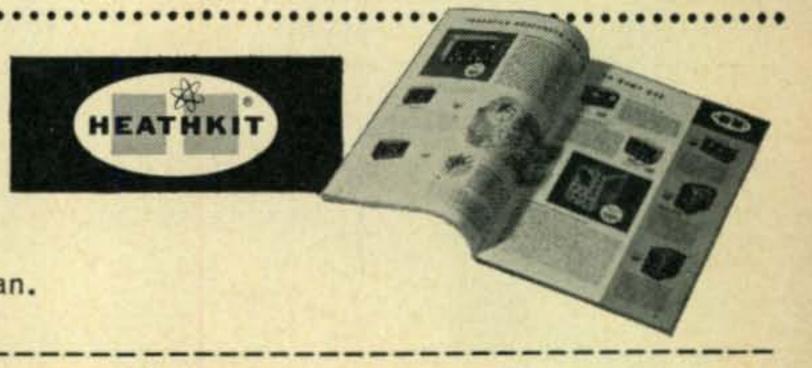


HEATHKIT DX-40 \$6495

#### DX-40 PHONE AND CW TRANSMITTER KIT

An outstanding buy in its power class the DX-40 provides both phone and CW operation on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 meters. A single 6146 tube is used in the final amplifier stage to provide full 75 watt plate power input on CW or controlled carrier modulation peaks up to 60 watts for phone operation. Modulator and power supplies are built in and single-knob bandswitching is combined with the pi network output circuit for complete operating convenience. Features a D'Arsonval movement panel meter. A line filter and liberal shielding provides for high stability and minimum TVI. Provision is made for three crystals easily accessible through a "trap door" in the back of the cabinet. A 4-position switch selects any of the three crystals or jack for external VFO. Power for the VFO is available on the rear apron of the chassis. Easy-to-follow step-by-step instructions let assembly proceed smoothly from start to finish even for an individual who has never built electronic equipment before. Shpg. Wt. 25 lbs.

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#### Operation World Wide . . . Our Cover

Ralph Charbeneau, W8OLJ, of Detroit, has worked out one of the best ideas for promoting amateur radio on a nation-wide scale that has come up in a long, long time. His Operation Worldwide could have long range effects which would be of benefit to the hobby for years. He is flying ham radio around the world on a Military Air Transport System C-54 and is scheduled to stop at 24 different countries. Installed aboard the plane is one of the new Hallicrafters FPM-200 transistorized single sideband transceivers, driving a HT-33A Linear Amplifier, which will be used during most of the flight, except over a few countries, where permission for this was not given.

The round-the-world flight was set up by Ex-Cello-O Corporation's Pure-Pak Division to produce a documentary film of the Military Air Transport Service (MATS). Ex-Cell-O pays for the film and crew, MATS provides the plane, and MATS gets a film of it's operations out of the deal. One aspect of the film will be the milk reconstituting plants in many parts of the world which manufacture milk from powder . . . the milk is then distributed in Pure-Pak containers. Ralph is director of Public Relations for Ex-Cell-O and, like any other ham, jumped at the chance to take a rig along

on the trip.

A base station has been set up in Detroit to keep in touch with the flight. This station, W8USA, is at the WWJ-TV transmitter site and is being manned by volunteer NBC Hams.

Tapes will be made on the plane of all contacts and mailed back at each stop to NBC in New York. There, the material will be checked over and the more interesting segments put together for weekend broadcasts on NBC's Monitor program. Naturally permission will be requested from all for re-broadcasting. Some of the contacts which should be of particular interest to the general public will be with hams in rare spots and phone patches to many of the state Governors.

Permission has already been received for airborne operation over several of the countries on the trip. Operation on the ground will also be carried on wherever possible. The license for FL8OLJ (Fr. Somaliland) has been received through the kind cooperation of Mr. Bernard Malandain, F9MH, the French Consul in New York.

Operation Worldwide is extremely well

phasis on ham radio just before the Geneva conference . . . this just when we need all of

the good publicity we can get.

Most of the operating will be sideband on ten and fifteen meters. While in Zone 2, there will be some twenty meter operation . . . 14,295 kc if you would like to get a few more rare ones, or just say hello. If the pileups get too high, there may be some QSY'ing. Every effort will be made to contact all the amateurs who call in. The MARS frequency will be 14,405 kc.

Some of the unusual countries on the itinerary of the flight are: Egypt, Turkey, French Somaliland, Ceylon, Thailand, Korea, Formosa, Okinawa, Guam, Wake Island and Japan. Special QSL cards are being printed for the trip. QSL via W8OLJ, Operation World-Wide,

Franklin, Michigan.

The net result of this trip will be to put ham radio in the public eye, not only in this country, but all over the world. Many governors of states will have the excitement of talking to a plane that is half way around the world via ham radio . . . an experience they are not likely

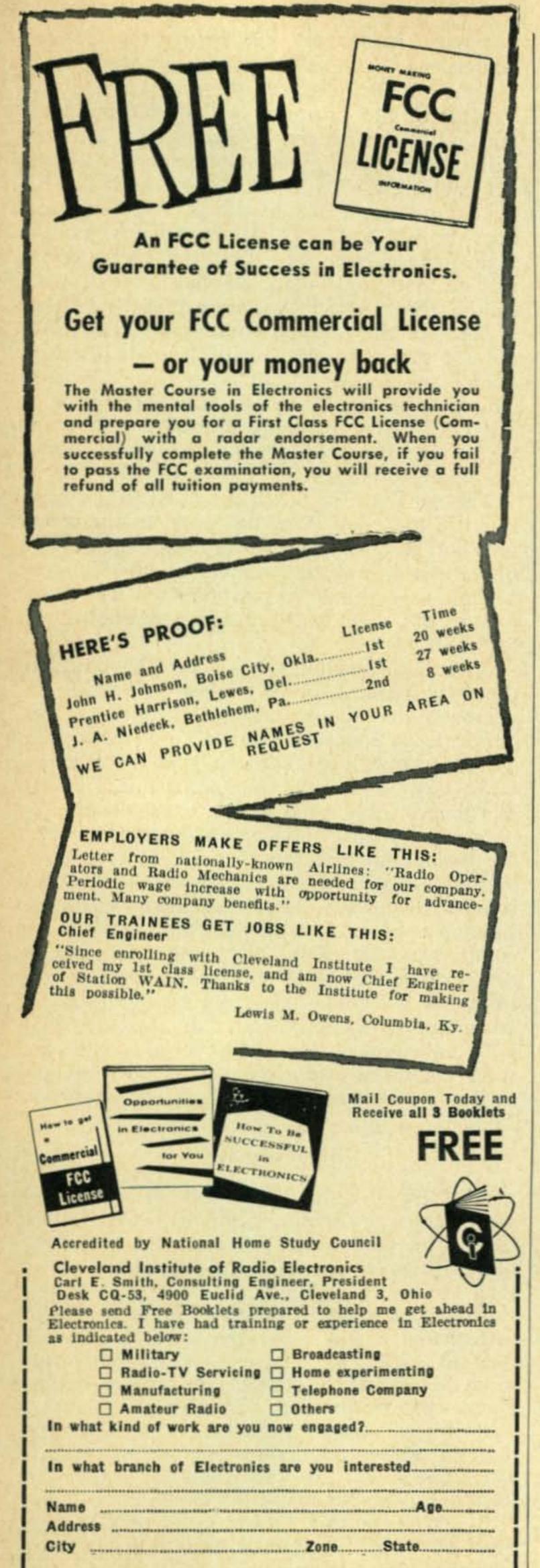
to forget.

Several of the countries involved have turned down the request for permission to operate on the basis that the United States does not reciprocate. It is unfortunate that a country such as ours which has taken the lead in so many other ways should be so much behind almost all others in this respect. The U.S. will modify its stand on this when enough amateurs take the trouble to write to the ARRL, the FCC and their Congressmen and tell them that this is what they want. Just imagine the effect on foreign amateurs if they were able to visit our country and get on the air for local rag chews rather than the usual short DX contact. I'm sure that we could see a lot of them taking advantage of the privilege. I'm also sure that U.S. amateurs would flock to many of the rarer countries where they must now remain as just a visitor and bring along a transceiver.

#### **Big Publicity**

As I travel around and talk to more and more hams personally, I am distressed by the lack of interest so many have in the perpetuation of their hobby. The attitude seems to be that, "I like to rag chew . . . or work DX, but I'm not interested in politics." So many seem to feel that with the payment of a few dollars dues to ARRL they have done all that needs to be done. "Let the ARRL take care of things, that's what we pay 'em for, isn't it?"

If you will take a good look at some of the material we've rounded up for you in the editorial this month, maybe you'll agree that the job to be done is beyond the capabilities of the few paid staffers of ARRL, good men though most of them are. The former reluctance of placed in time, for it will put world wide em- commercial (and even military) users of fre-



quencies to consider expropriating amateur frequencies has been rapidly dissolving under the increased desperation of necessity. The amateur has had to continuously move over and make more room for other services in spite of the fact that his own bands were filling to unprecedented signal densities with more and more stations.

Loran has almost extinguished one of our best amateur bands . . . 160 meters. Eighty is alive with foreign commercial stations. All but the low end of forty is nightly reduced to a shambles by foreign broadcast stations and jamming. Even twenty meters is periodically invaded by commercial RTTY and other nonamateur signals . . . and shall we say a short prayer for our dearly beloved but departed 14,350 to 14,400 kc? That used to be an amateur band you know. You ask about eleven meters? Ah yes, that's gone too. And don't forget the high end of ten meters . . . 29,700 to 30,000 kc . . . that used to be ours. Shall we include our 220 mc, 420 mc, and up bands, which are scheduled for high power radar occupancy? Why not!

And, as we have watched the attrition of our frequencies we have watched our ranks grow from about 50,000 to the present almost 200,000! Something is wrong! We are getting more and more stations on fewer and fewer frequencies. This year there is an internationally concerted effort to lop off the top half of 80 meters, the top 200 kc of forty, and the 29,000 to 29,700 kc band. Thus by 1961 we might possibly see 350,000 hams (250,000 in the U.S.) gamely trying to survive in a 25 kc wide 160M band, a 250 kc wide 80M band, a 100 kc wide 40M band, our presently overcrowded twenty and fifteen meter bands, and a one half size ten meter band . . . and, oh yes, six and two meters, should they be still with us.

Or would you rather do something about it? All of this can only happen if the majority of us don't care enough to pitch in and spend some effort, other than our time on the air.

Perhaps we have an inferiority complex about the Amateur Service. Perhaps we have a nagging feeling that Short Wave broadcasting or commercial RTTY communications are more important than our usual drivel. After listening to a few fellows carrying on low grade contacts on Twenty phone I'll admit that it strains the credulity a bit to justify this sort of thing as Necessary. But before we break our back bending over to apologize for our use of these precious frequencies, perhaps we should take a fast look at the commercial. military and government propaganda services. They have even less justification for the fantastic wastage of channels that our present allocation system produces. All you have to do is tune up and down the commercial bands and you will see that the great bulk of channels are being held down with code wheels. Each



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branch of the military (and several other government agencies) in our country have long lists of frequencies for their use. If these lie idle for long there are other agencies that are after them . . . so they put on test tapes, code wheels, tones, etc. Ditto this procedure for all the commercial users of frequencies and all of the foreign governments and you get a fantastically complicated net work of channel being held for possible use, for use during certain hours of the day, etc., and an overall efficiency that approaches zero.

Is the answer to this problem to take more channels from the only unorganized user of frequencies: the amateur? Or would it be better to try to work out some sane system of using the radio spectrum. After all, we only have a few frequencies left for them to expropriate, what are they going to do when these are fitted into the same 99% waste pattern and are filled to the brim with RY's, Quick Brown Dogs, and the everpresent buzz saws of the Soviets trying to bollix what is left?

Actually we have plenty of justification for using our share of the radio spectrum. Commercial and government radio services cannot possibly render the emergency service of ham radio. The Navy found this out when they were called upon to provide morale communications for men wintering over in Antarctica. Extensive as Naval communications were they couldn't possibly hope to even touch the problem of providing such a service. They had to use ham radio. With every flood, hurricane, and other natural disaster we find that ham radio is the only service that is 100% effective. We serve in thousands of other ways too. We are valuable, for all of the babble that we gush forth. But we have to keep mentioning it lest they forget how valuable we are. We have to jump at every chance for publicity. We have to beat our drum.

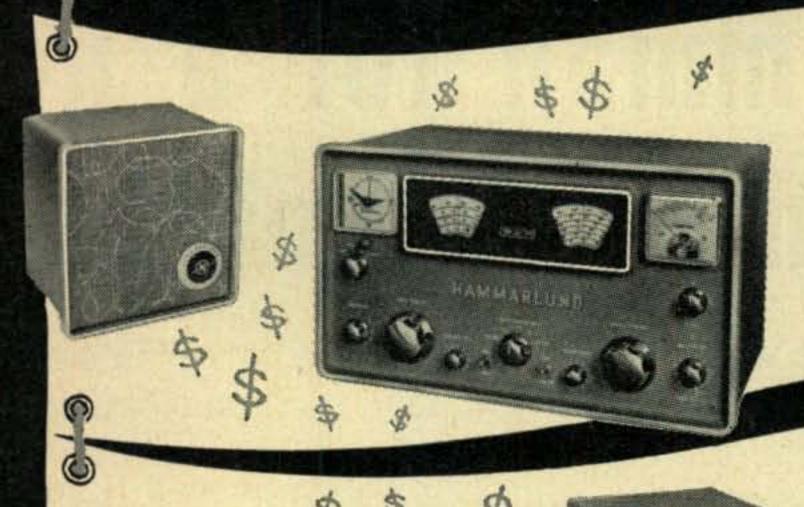
What can you do? Well for one, you can keep yourself up to date on what is going on. Then you can try to find out who your Congressman is and let him know that you know who he is and that you are an amateur and are interested in his doing all he can to get the U.S. to correct the non-reciprocal licensing problem. You can bring up for discussion the latest problems facing our hobby at your club meetings. You can discuss ways of getting ham radio known in your community or your state. You might even have someone in a position to do a world-wide publicity job such as W8-OLJ's Operation World-Wide. You can set up a ham radio exhibit at local fairs. You can organize your club to make a documentary movie of some facet of the hobby or some service that it renders. CQ will be glad to assist in the distribution of these films to other ham clubs if you will let us know about them. You see, there are a lot of things you can do if you are really interested in hamming. You can probably come up with a lot longer and better list

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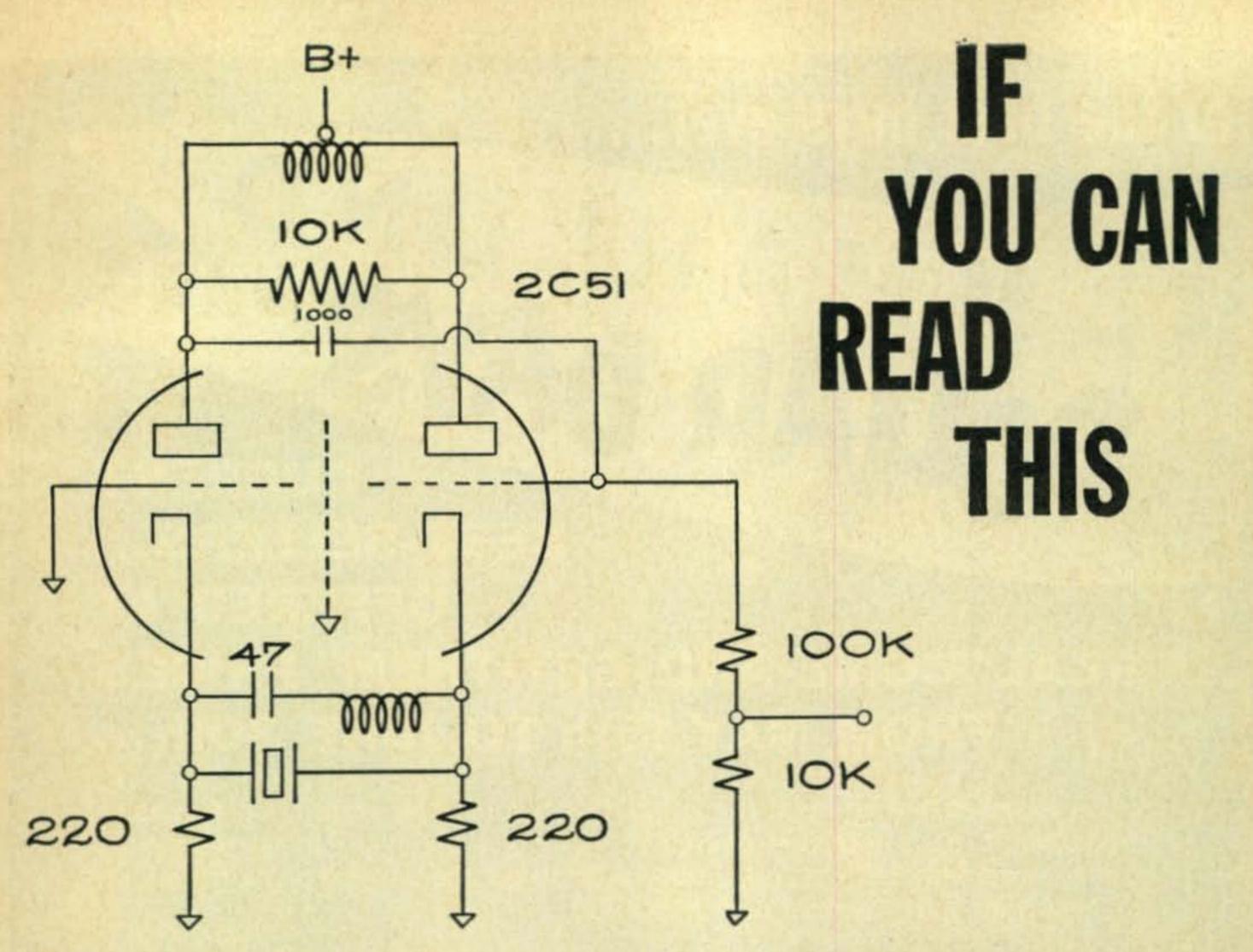


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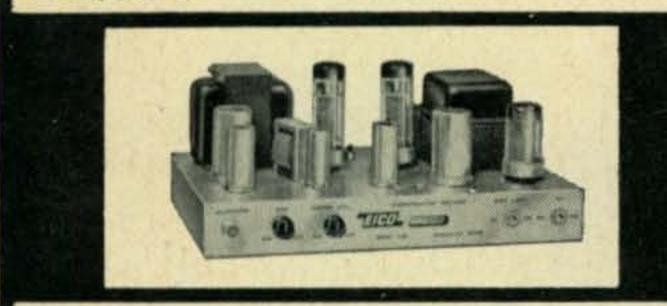


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than I did . . . I just wanted to get the thought across.

Keep in mind that few countries will go out on a limb to support the elimination of ham frequencies if they believe that there will be a violent reaction from the U.S. hams. We might mention on the air when talking to hams in European countries (and others) that we certainly hope that their delegation will not support the proposed reductions of our bands . . . and urge them to put whatever pressure they can on their friends to also pass along the word. If, say, the Italian delegation were to find out that 200,000 Americans were going to do everything in their power to keep their families and friends from touring Italy or buying Italian products as a result of their vote on the forty meter allocation, they certainly would have some serious second thoughts before going ahead. Such organized retaliation would be a fearsome weapon. It might even be that they could manage to find some other frequency for one of their short wave transmitters.

#### The Amateur's Rights

In the March 27, 1959 issue of ELECTRON-ICS, an article, "Politics clouds Spectrum Issue," very cogently explains the VHF-UHF allocations situation in the United States. The amateur and his bands were not mentioned. But reading between the lines there is a lot of food for thought—for all of us.

The old amateur 27 mc band is now gone and there is a rush by some manufacturers for the "old band wagon" to get equipment into the hands of the new occupants of this portion of the radio frequency spectrum. The question (after reading the article mentioned above) is this: were politics involved in taking this band away from the hams? We will reserve our own opinions.

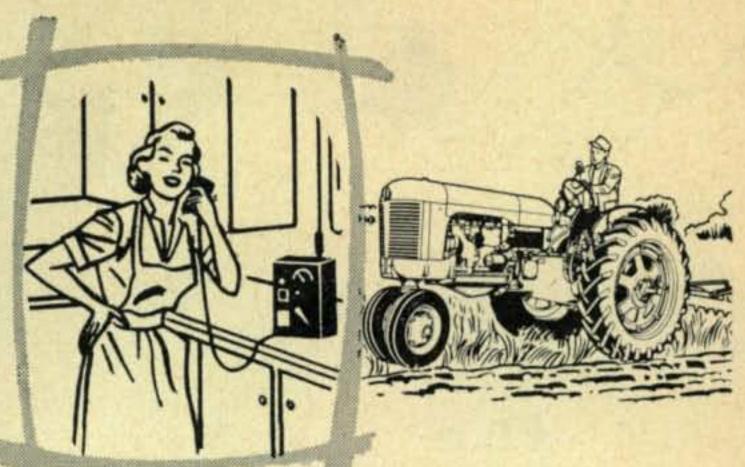
The radio amateur realizes (we hope) that in order to hold on to any band, the band must be used and used wisely. There can be no doubt that the bands now allocated in the United States to the radio amateur service are being used to the "hilt". What with more amateurs coming on the air every year, it looks like the hams will need more, not less

spectrum space.

The FCC in its opinions refers to its recogniiton of the ARRL as the "representative body of the American radio amateur"-now. However, do not get the idea just because you do not belong to the ARRL and are a licensed ham that you do not have representation. Remember this and remember it well: your congressman represents you as well as thousands of other constituents; your vote helped to put him in office. He was not elected by a "board of directors", but by your direct vote.

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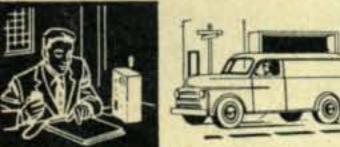
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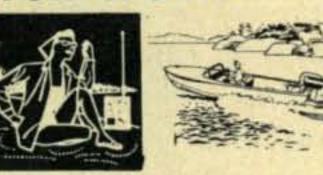
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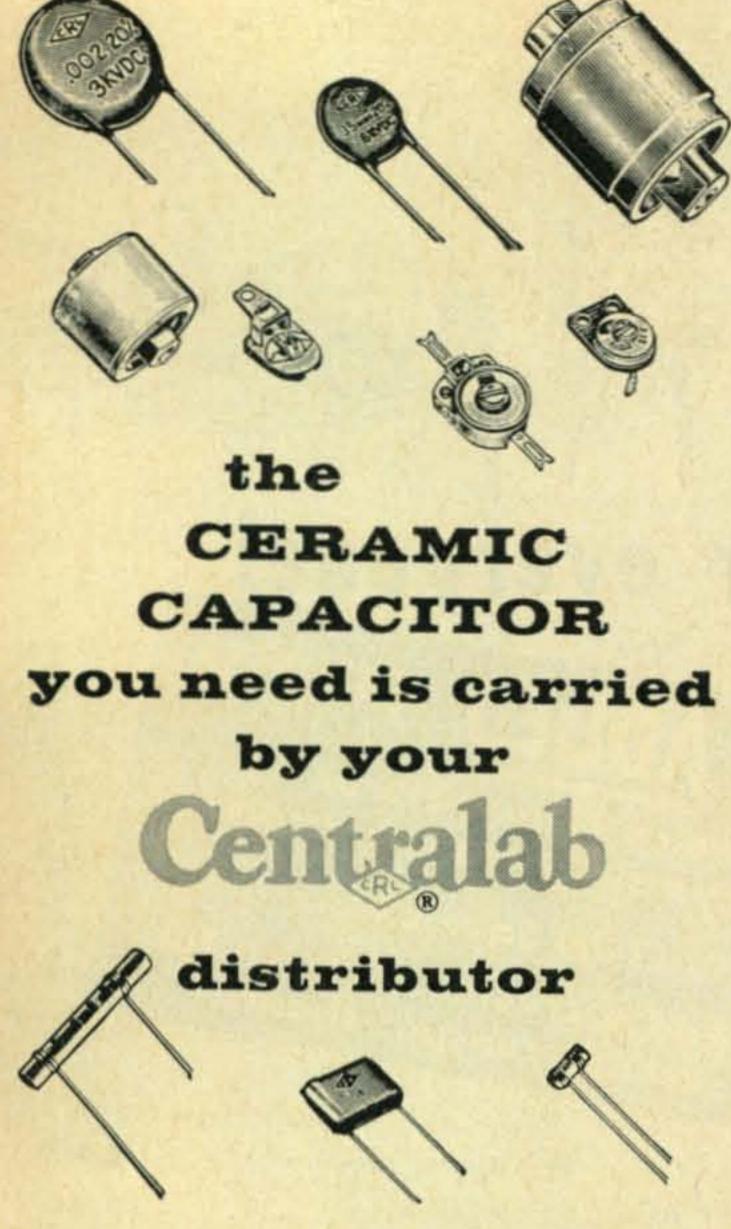
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report directly to the President), we hams would like to have qualified radio amateur representation on that board or commission Such representation to be chosen by majority vote of ALL RADIO AMATEURS through ballots distributed through the FCC. Industry, the military etc., would also be represented and their representatives selected by vote or by authorized appointment.

We do not wish to see the ARRL abolished—far from it. But until EVERY amateur is a member of the League and has a DIRECT vote not only for the Directors but the Secretary, Business Manager, etc. it cannot possibly

do the job it is supposed to do.

The American Radio Amateur needs and MUST have DIRECT representation at conferences on an International scale—and not merely advisors standing by waiting to be called on for an opinion which does not always

represent majority desires.

If the new frequency commission "jells"—contact your congressman and let him know how you feel and ask him for his assistance. Those who represent the American Radio Amateur should occupy office by direct majority vote and only retained if their record of achievement warrants retention. Corporational regulations do not have the "teeth" in them that a directly elected Federal commission would be governed by.

The howls will go up—but make sure who the "howlers" really are before you do any opinionating. You can be sure they will be the ones who are worrying about their jobs and the good money they are getting instead of the rights of the American Radio Amateur.

## The Wireless Institute of Australia on Geneva!

We've had some interesting comments from G. Maxwell Hull, VK3ZS, president of the Wireless Institute of Australia with reference to the up and coming Geneva Convention. Seems that there are quite a few people that are interested in the position of Amateur Radio at the close of the convention. Briefly, he says:

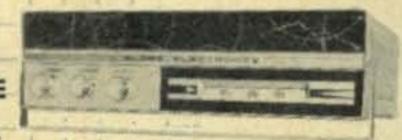
"We have been concious for many years that the pressure for frequencies by the commercials would be solid at the next ITU convention, and in this regard we have written editorials, sent out memos and generally pursued a policy of telling the Australian amateur that he must 'use them or lose them' to quote an oft heard phrase; that he must contribute more to his hobby than just playing around on the bands; that he must organize himself into something of public worth such as Civil Defense Networks and the like as well as continuing his general activity of rag-chewing and experimenting."

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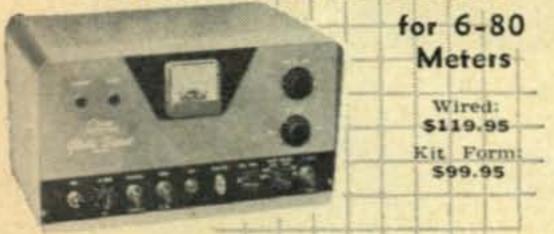


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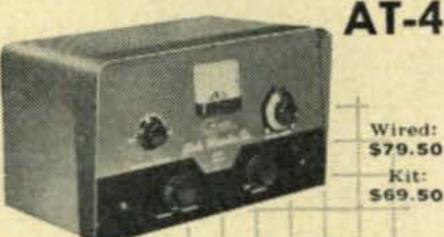
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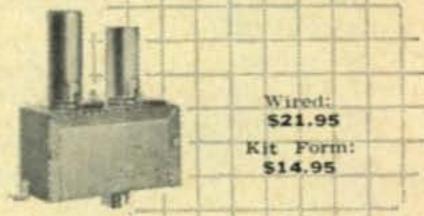
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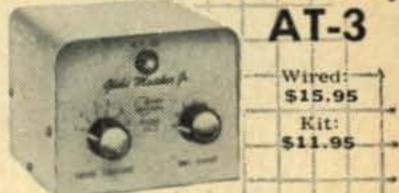
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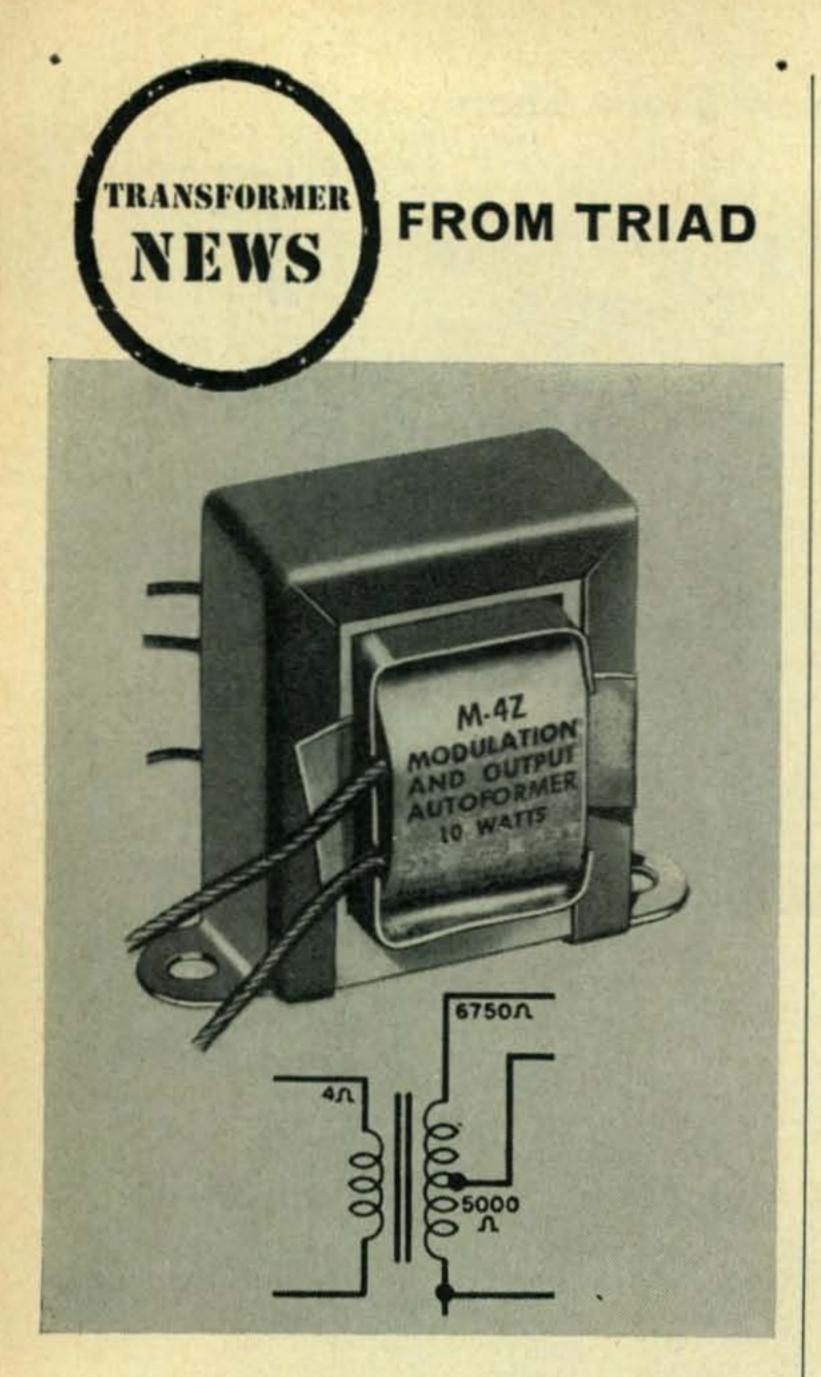
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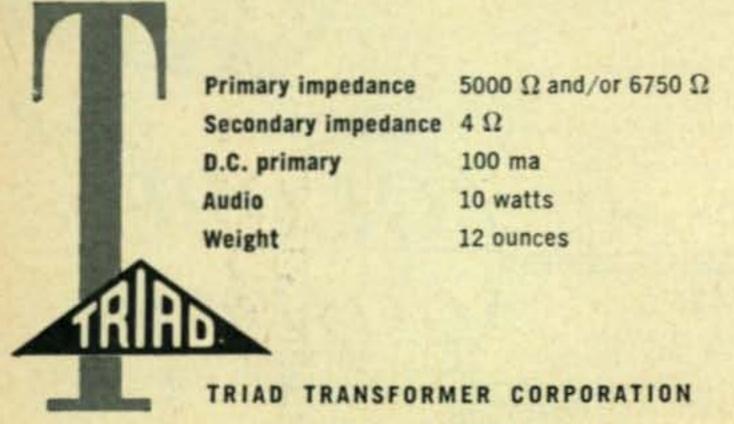
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mittee was formed. These are the people who make the decisions with respect to frequency users. We (The WIA) are the only group in this country representing the amateurs. While we have gained a seat on this committee, we hav done so without any voting power. We attended meetings dealing with discussions on those parts of the frequency spectrum of concern to amateurs, and, as anticipated, found that certain representatives tabled motions for frequency cuts on some of the amateur bands. As far as we know, the remainder of the bands will stay as they are. We put up powerful arguments against these proposals but in the end the chairman put the motions to a vote from the committee and we lost out on each count. That's briefly it! These proposals have been forwarded to Geneva, but as we are led to believe, they are ONLY PROPOSALS and may never get through the Geneva Conference.

"I am afraid, Wayne, that the commercials have little interest in the future of Amateur Radio. Especially when frequencies are involved. Like your country, Australia derives the benefit of the amateur in employment, but such important things as 'where the future engineers and technicians will come from' are quickly forgotten when the commercial interests are after more frequencies. It gets right under my skin to listen to the 'miles' of frequencies either with no audible signals or all cluttered up with shortwave broadcasting (to which a minority of the world's population listens), useless jamming stations, and all sorts of other noise producing and seemingly worthless transmissions. And yet they want more frequencies! . . . frequencies to be taken from our bands, which already carry a channel density and perkilocycle density which the commercials wouldn't tolerate, let alone be able to operate. It's a shame, if you'll excuse my saying so, and it's time the whole world of amateur radio was made aware of the facts as they really stand. It's certainly worth every single cent to send representatives to Geneva. Even if they cannot officially speak, their very presence must be a deterrent to governments who might otherwise just forget the amateur service ever existed. I tell them over here that we are officially listed in the minutes of the ITU as a service, and as such we have every right to have a say . . . and a powerful say at that . . . in our own affairs."

"To this end the Federal Executive of this Institute, of which I am currently president, made a firm decision way back that we should send a representative to the next conference, with or without official accreditation from our government. We set about the task and were successful in having our representative officially accredited as a member of the Australian Delegation, although we are told he cannot speak at the conference. However, our man is going, and under the regulations of the Atlantic City minutes, we are of the opinion that our man can speak at the conference with the permission

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MONITORING: A 2" scope provides an instantaneous visual check on non-linearity resulting from improper loading. Also indicates proper setting of carrier injection for 100% AM modulation. Scope presents trapezoid pattern.

OTHER INDICATORS: Below the meter a neon indicator provides a check on the operation of the NEW AUDIO LIMITER CIRCUIT. Below the scope a second neon indicator starts operating if you have the antenna or load mis-matched. NEW AUDIO FILTER-LIMITER: The new filter is composed entirely of R-C components, yet has the steep side response and rejection characteristics of a four toroid tuned filter but without the usual harsh, ringing effects. Bandpass is 200 to 3700 cycles. This filter precedes the phase shift system and will maintain 50 DB SUPPRESSION OF THE UNWANTED SIDEBAND. The new audio limiter maintains audio drive to the balanced modulator WITHIN 1 DB, REGARDLESS OF HOW HARD THE MIKE IS HIT. IT'S IMPOSSIBLE TO OVER-DRIVE THE 100V BALANCED MODULATOR! Inverse feedback circuits allow 10 DB OF CLIPPING with negligible distortion.

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#### Motorola VHF Proposals

The FCC, these days, is listening to opinions from all interested parties about re-allocating the VHF's (Docket 11997) from 25 mc to 890 mc. Just to let you know that the commercial users of frequencies are not relaxing quite the way we are, here is the proposed allocation plan put forth by Motorola before the FCC. Notice that six meters and 220 mc are eliminated, while two meters is moved and cut back by the space communications systems that would share the frequencies. Also remember that there is every possibility that all amateur frequencies above 220 mc will probably have to operate under the present non-interference basis with extremely high power radar installations.

25-50 mc would be unchanged. (Ten Meter Band)

50-72 mc recommended for land Mobile (Eliminates 6 meter band)

72-76 mc for Amateur on non-interference basis to 75 mc marker beacon

76-88 mc for Government

88-108 mc for FM Broadcasting

108-136 mc for aeronautical

136-138 mc for Space Communications and amateur radio on non-interference basis.

138-140 mc for amateur (In place of present 2 mtr band 144-148 mc.)

140-166 mc for land mobile (Currently 150-174 mc.)

166-174 mc for Government

174-354 mc for Television (Eliminates 220 mc AMATEUR band)

354-394 mc for Government

390-392 mc for Space Communications

392-400 mc for Glide Path

400-406 mc for Radio Sonde

406-420 mc for Non-Government Telemetering

420-450 mc for AMATEUR

450-489 mc for Land Mobile

489-490 mc for Non-Government Telemetering

490-790 mc for Government

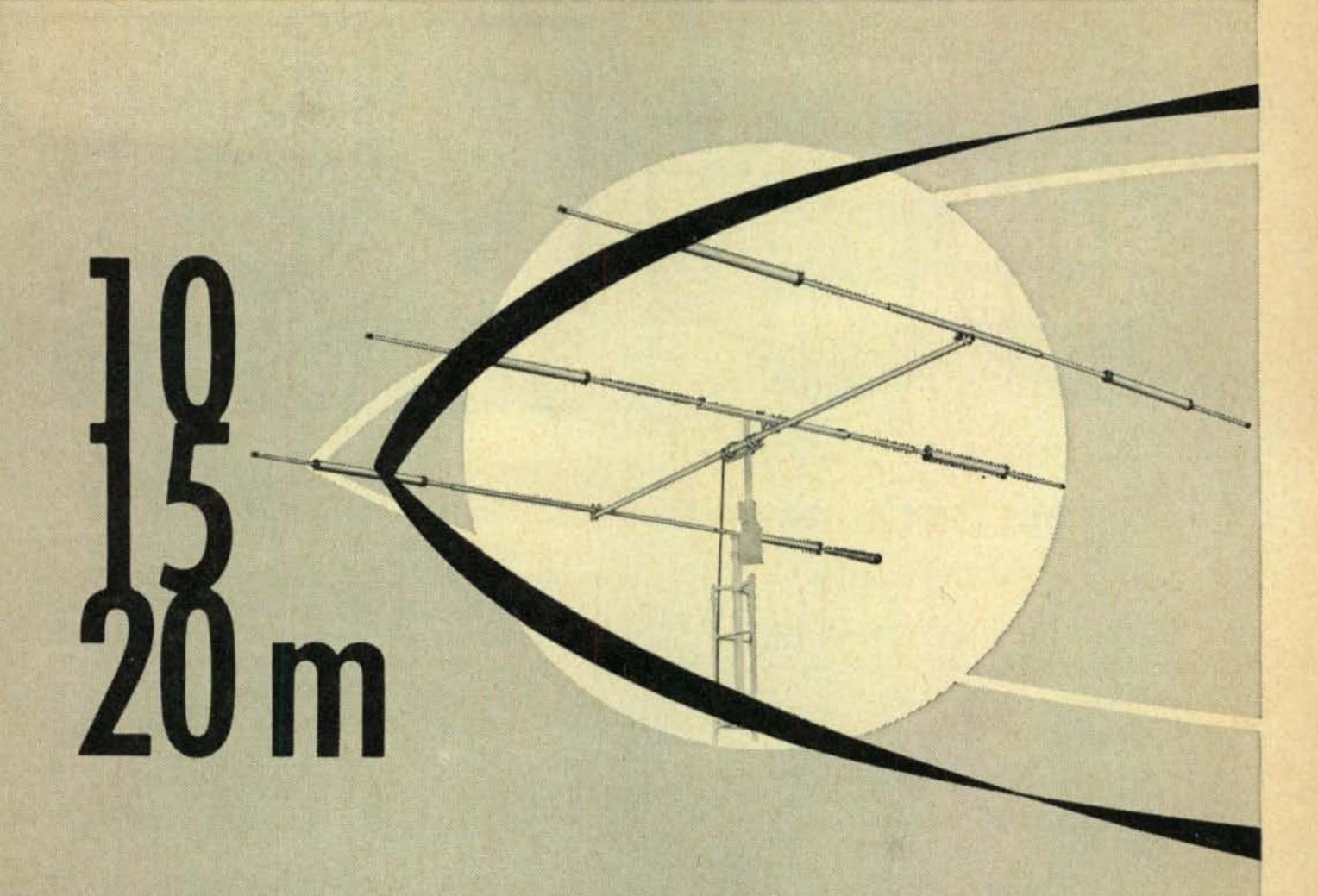
790-800 mc for Space Communications

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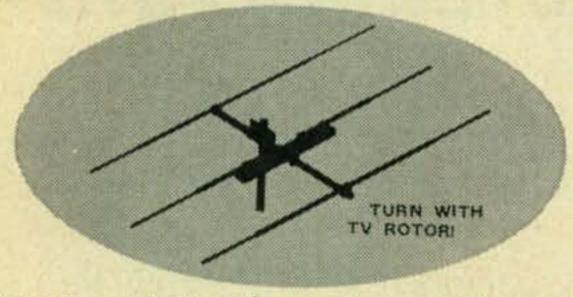
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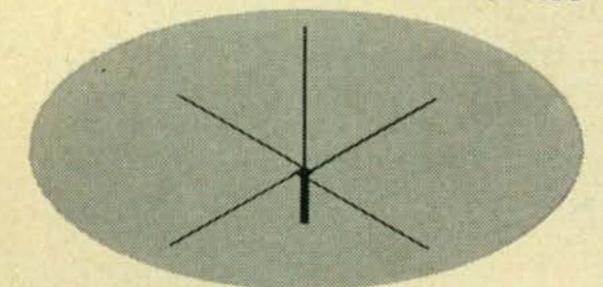
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getting first cupple thousand bux.

In fackly, that are what giving me the idea—I are broke. Being broke, figyouring that better getting idea for making some bux. Also figyouring that most other amchoors being broke also, and if going to selling something to other amchoors, better having something that not costing much monies.

Also needing to selling something that all amchoors are wanting or are needing. It also being reel slicky if amchoors not having what they needing or wanting, if you are following me, Hon. Ed. If you are following me, Hon. Ed., then I thinking you thinking that Scratchi can't thinking of anything that all amchoors are needing but not having and which costing practically nothing.

Well, Hon. Ed., you can unfurrow your brow. Scratchi will reveel all. Giving up? It are reel

1/c Conelrad monitor.

Are all amchoors needing it? Yes indeedy, unless Hon. F.C.C. are just riting rules for Hon. Fun of it. Okay on point one.

Are all amchoors not having one? Let's putting it another way. How many amchoors you knowing that having one? Okay? Okay on

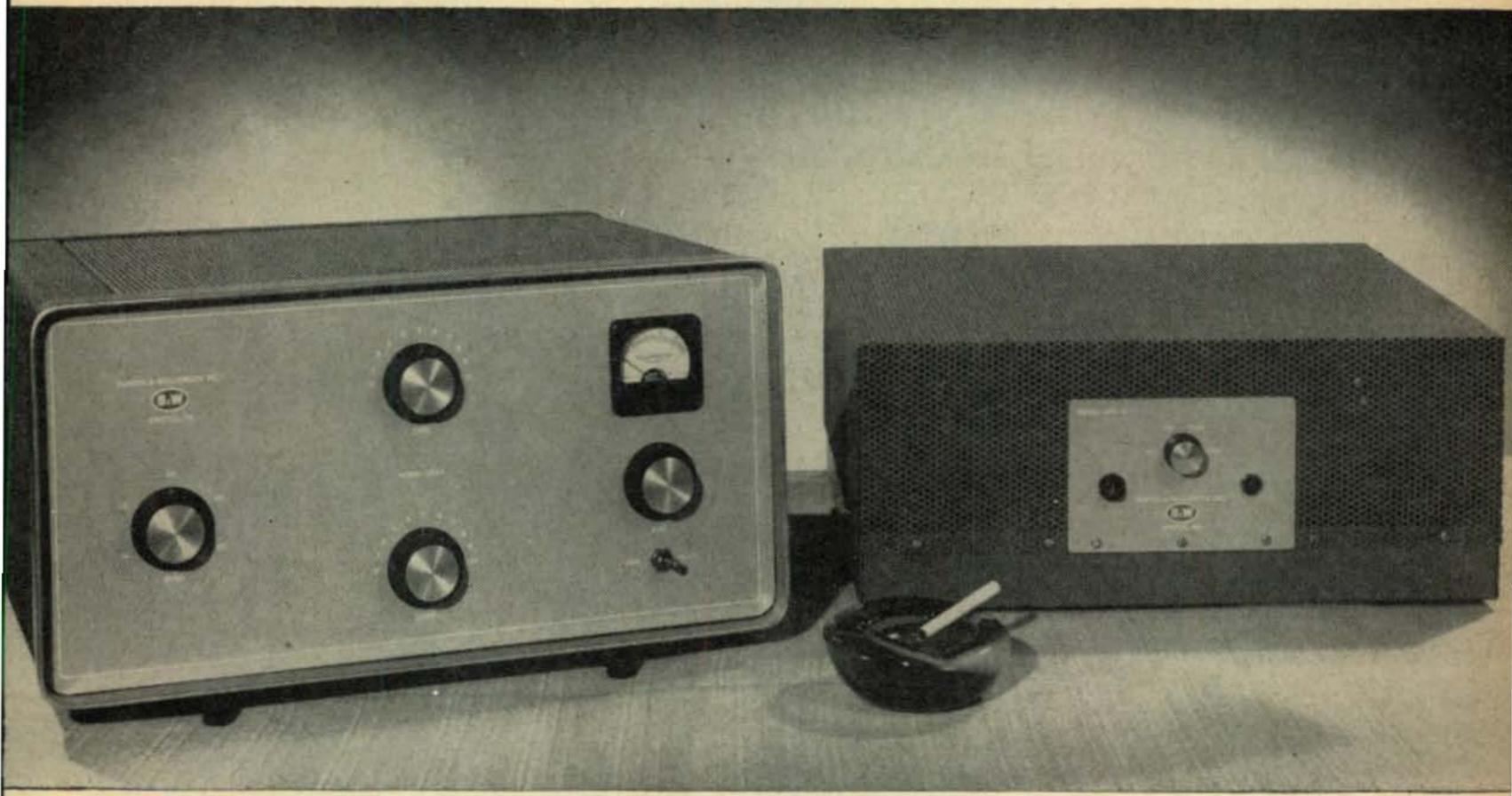
point to.

How about not costing much monies? The S.C.M. (Scratchi's Conelrad Monitor) are costing for-bits PP. (That PP meening that Scratchi getting stuck for Hon. Postage). You thinking I selling many at for-bits? Natchyourally. Okay on point three.

In fackly, if can selling to one-hundred thousand amchoors, taking in fifty thousand bux, and if S.C.M. are costing me to-bits, then I netting twenty-five thousand bux. Hon. Ed.,

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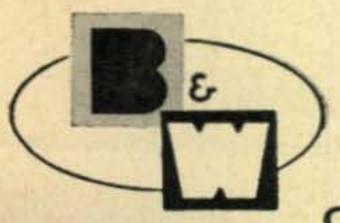
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# @SIL contest

The panoramic presentation of Dan Pierce, KØQCT takes the honors for June. Dan's efforts on this striking example of printing mischief also earn twelve more issues of CQ. The card is glossy black, call letters, lettering and scope signal in bright green and scope graduations in sharp white. Oh! for full color reproduction. Runners up may have to renew their subscriptions but still win heaps of fame: W7PFW, XEOAU, (W2WK), 9GICF and K50DN.

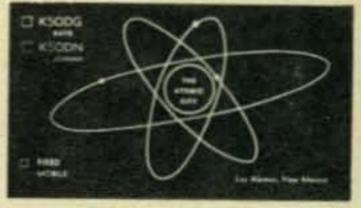
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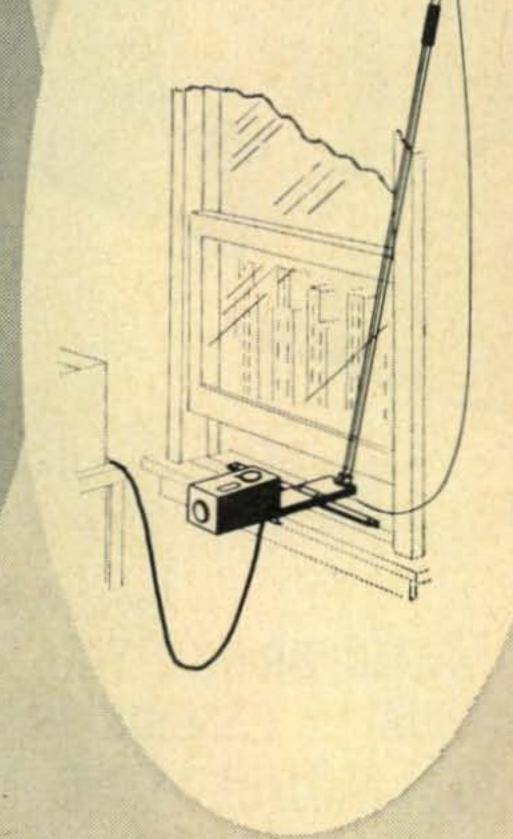
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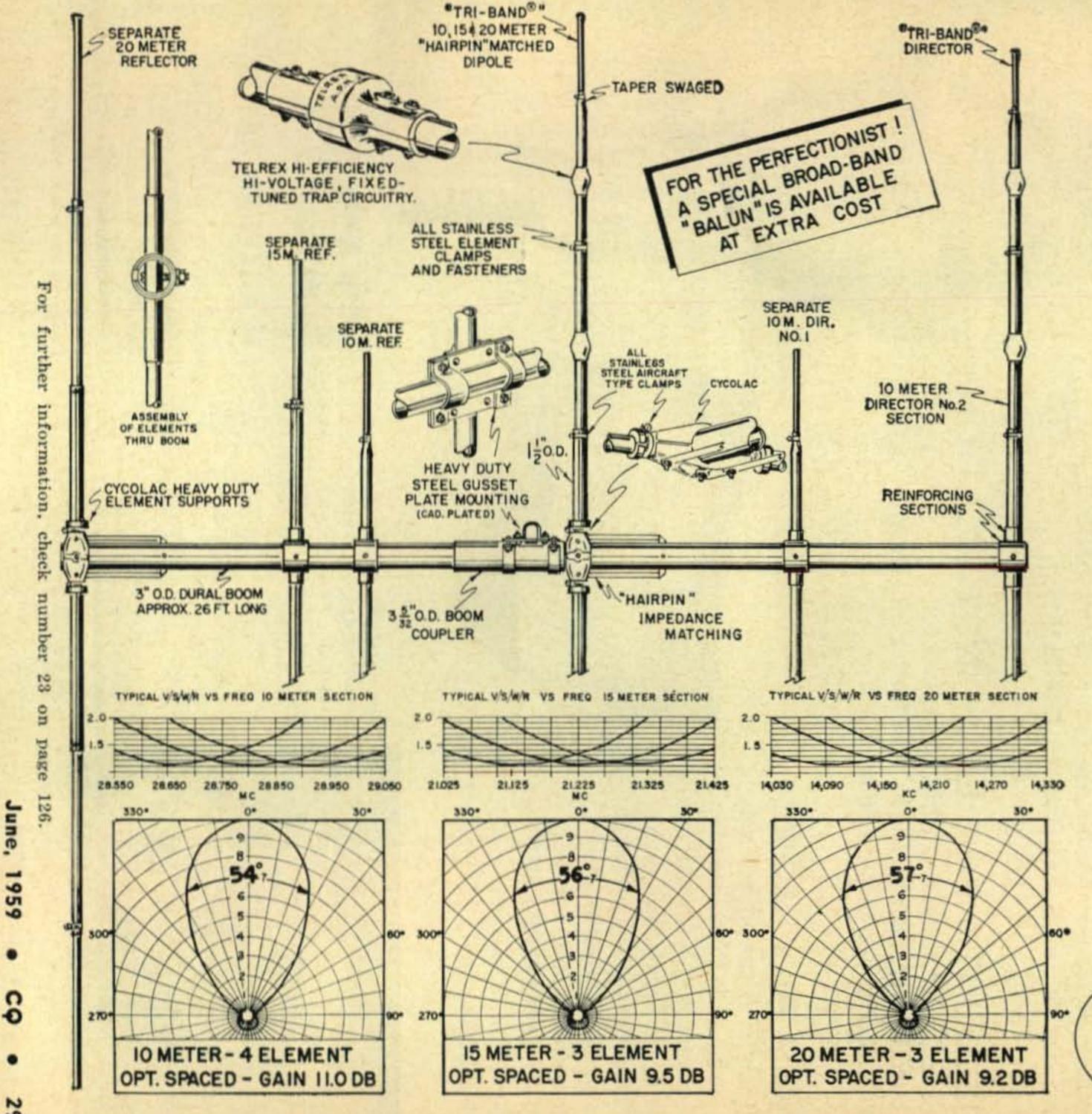
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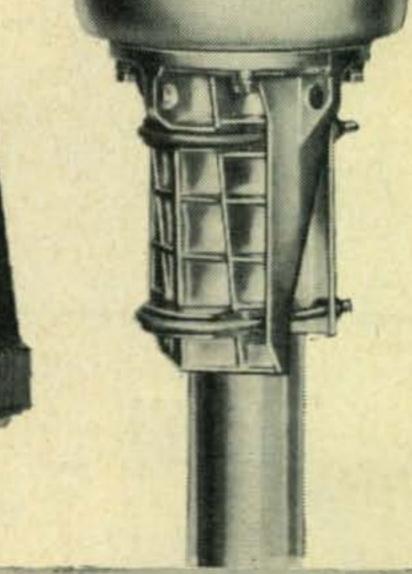
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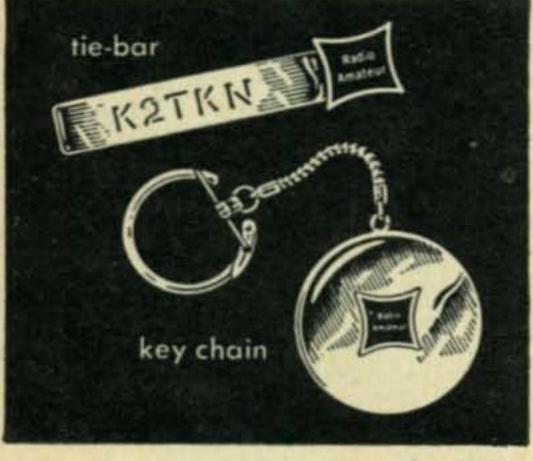
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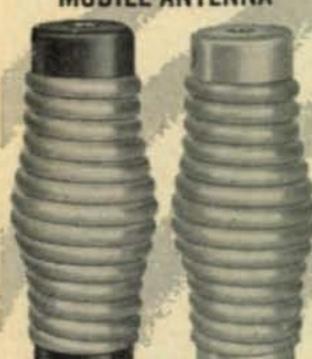
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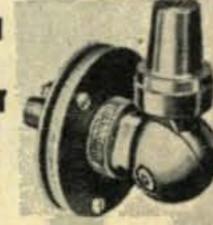
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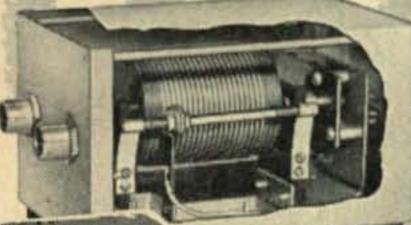
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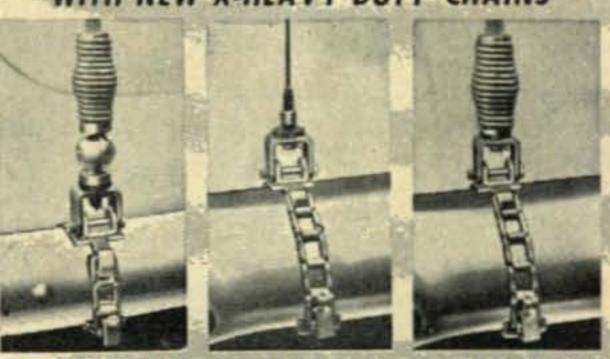
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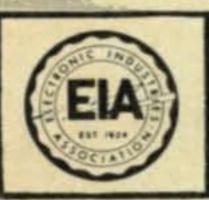
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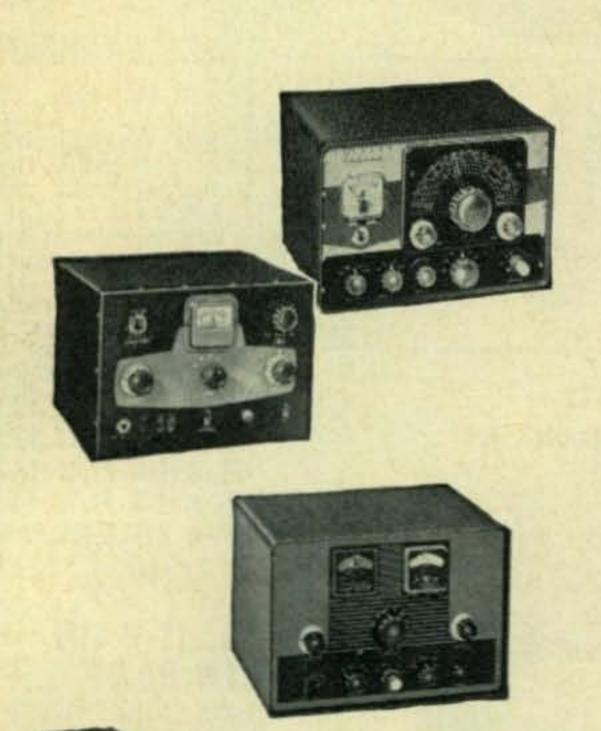
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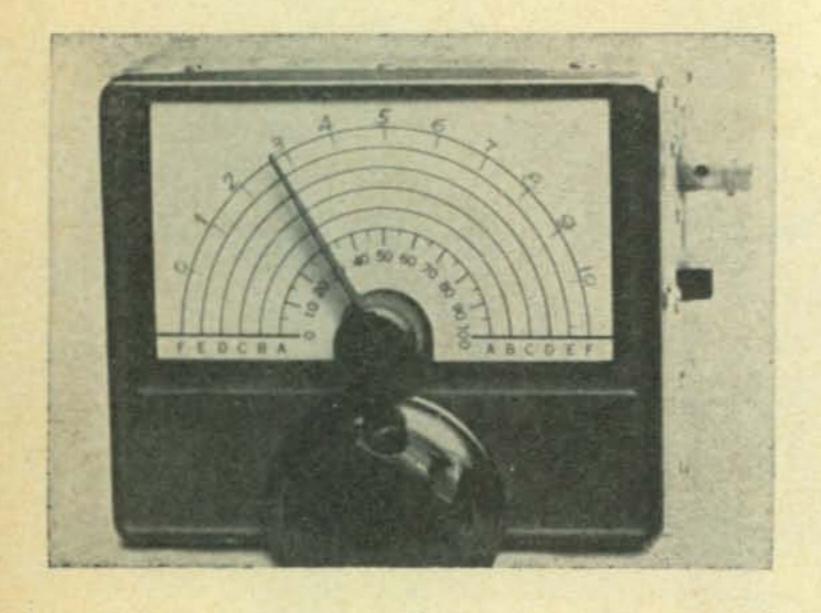


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# Transistorized VFO



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During the past two years a transistorized vfo has been used for single sideband mobile operation by W2AEF/M. Its performance has been exemplary, especially in regards to stability, a factor of prime importance in connection with ssb operation.

Since a trend is developing towards transistorized equipment, it is needless to say that the excellent performance of this transistorized vfo has aroused much interest, and many requests have been received for information about it.

Although this model was designed for mobile work, it can, with a few modifications, be used to advantage for fixed-station operation, and the data set forth herein, should be helpful in the development of units for this and other applications.

The main attribute of the transistorized vfo is its superb stability. This is due to the absence of large thermal variations normally experienced with vacuum tubes, and is also due to the use of a steady potential source consisting of dry batteries (4 pen-lite cells). In addition, it can be made small for use as an outboard unit mounted near the steering wheel for ease of tuning. The transmitter itself then can be mounted at a more remote location out of the way. An outboard arrangement is also desirable for fixed-station use, since this will separate the vfo from the transmitter box containing heat-producing components.

One thing which must be tolerated with the transistorized vfo is its very low output level. This may be brought up to a useful amount by means of an additional amplifier, data on which is also given herein.

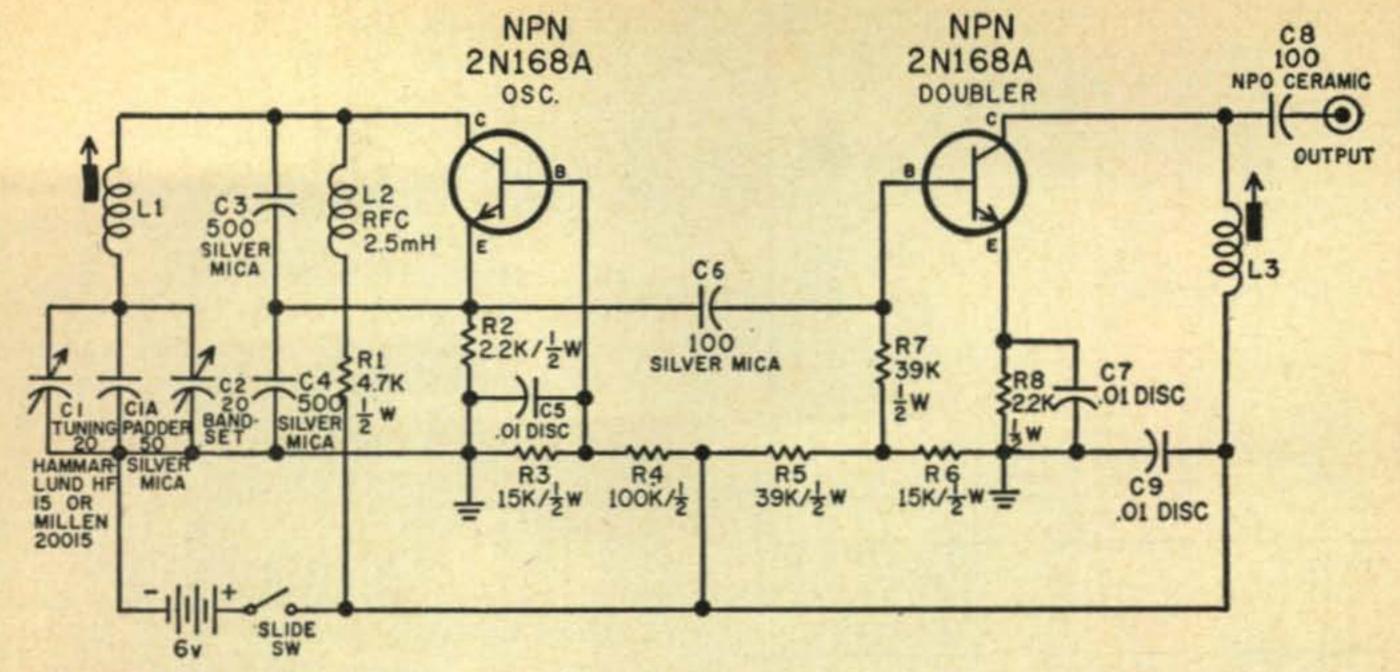
The vfo circuit is shown in fig. 1. A seriestuned oscillator circuit is employed, with the frequency-determining tank tuned in the 2 mc region. The second transistor, shown in the output section, doubles to 4 mc. The oscillator frequency is half that of the output stage because it is the best practice, for the sake of stability, never to use a self-excited oscillator at a frequency to which any other stage is tuned.

A 4 mc output is used with this particular vfo. because ssb generation is produced at this frequency in the author's transmitter; however other frequency ranges may be used instead. For instance, the output frequency may be at another portion of the 3.5 mc band for working straight through, or for frequency multiplication into other bands. Another choice may be made around 5 mc for mixing with 9 mc ssb generators.

The circuit of the companion amplifier is shown in fig. 2. The first stage, a 6CB6 or 6BH6, is fix-tuned near 4 mc by L1 and the tube capacitances. The second stage is the power amplifier which is also tuned to 4 mc. It may also be used as a doubler tuned to twice the frequency. The output tube may be a 6CB6, 6BH6, 6AK6, 6AQ5 or 6CL6, depending on the output power requirements. The latter two tubes will deliver the highest output, while the 6AK6 will produce about the same amount as do most of the commercially available vfo's.

Construction

A consideration which must be taken into account is the size and type of box in which the vfo is to be installed. This is of importance



L1-120 turns #34 enamel wire c lose wound on 1/2" ceramic slug tuned form, Millen #69046. Adjust slug and cut off excess length.

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Fig. 1—Schematic of a transistorized vfo employing a series tuned oscillator.

in relation to frequency stability versus mechanical stability. With the *vfo* shown here, a compromise was necessary to keep the physical dimensions as small as practicable for mobile use. For fixed-station operation, this compromise is neither necessary nor desirable.

First, the box must be of such a size as to permit the oscillator coil, L1, to be mounted in a manner which will insure that the sides of the box are no closer to the coil than by an amount equal to two or three times the coil diameter. This will minimize deterioration of the coil Q, and external thermal changes, which might cause the sides of the box to expand or contract near the coil, will have less effect on the coil inductance. Internal components should also be kept away from the coil.

Material of at least 1/16" thickness should be used for the box, and plenty of screws should be employed to secure its sides on all edges. The partition shelf should also be secured along all edges. One inch spacing between screws should be sufficient. The Bud Miniboxes are quite satisfactory if additional right-angle brackets are installed along the edges where no lip is located for fastening screws. These boxes may be obtained in a variety of sizes, the minimum suggested size being 4" x 5" x 6" for fixed-station use. With the mobile unit shown here, a compromise was made to the use of a 3" x 4" x 5" box cut down to 3" x 4" x 2½".

The layout and wiring arrangement for the mobile unit may be seen at fig. 3. For a fixed-station model where the box dimensions may be made larger, the same general pattern still can be followed. As may be seen in the photographs, most of the wiring and the components

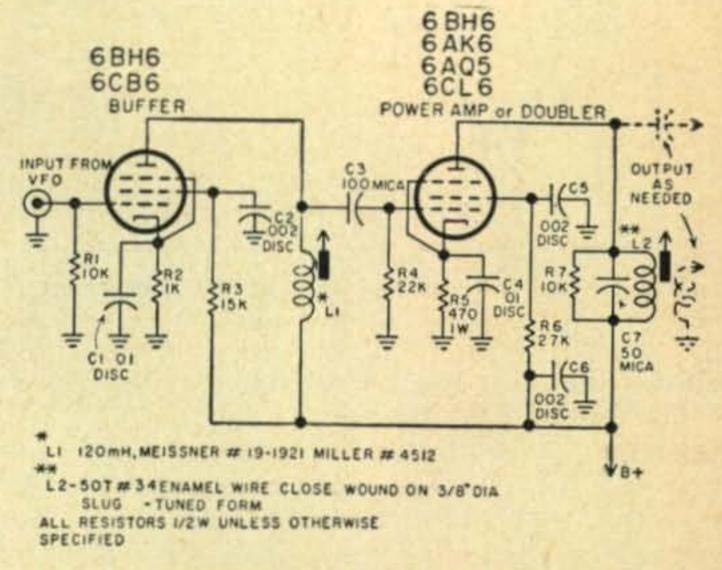
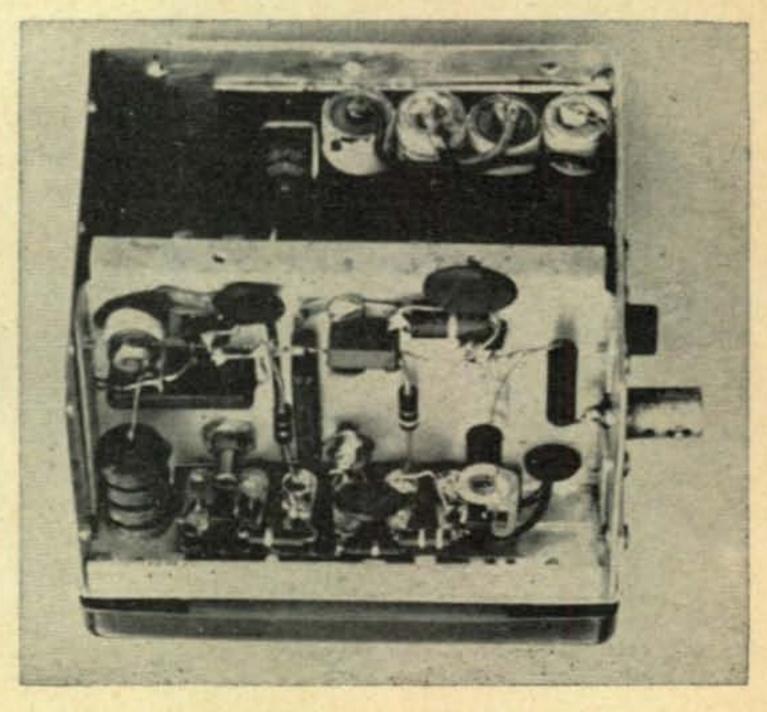
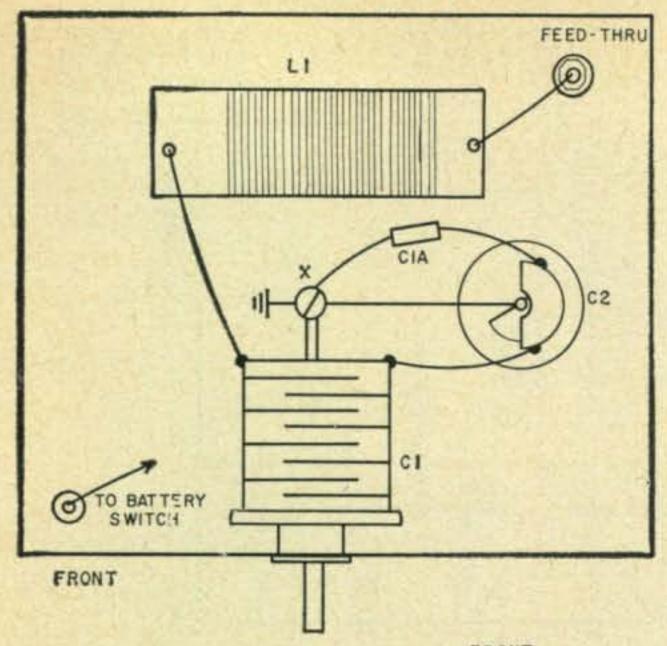


Fig. 2—Companion amplifier fixed tuned near 4 mc is used to increase the low output of the vfo and may also be used as a doubler.





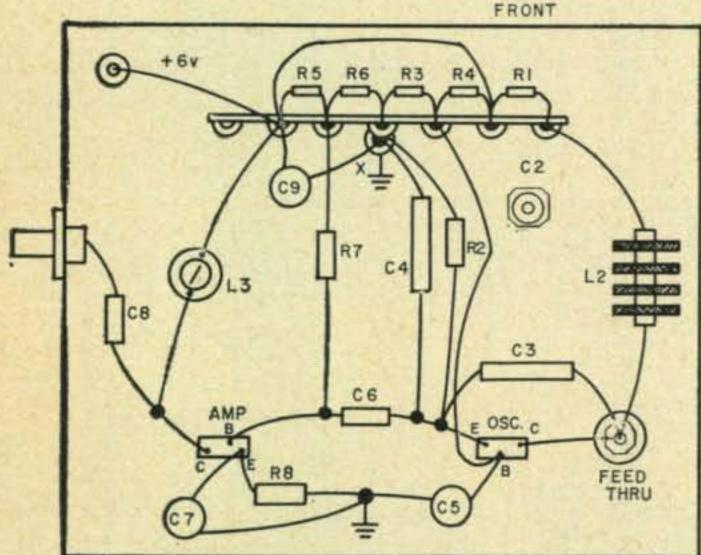


Fig. 3—Top and bottom view of the component layout on the shelf.

will be found at the top of the partition shelf. The tuning and band-set capacitors, C1, C2, padder C1A, and the oscillator coil, L1, are mounted below the shelf. The sockets are mounted with their terminals on the upper side of the shelf, and the transistors are therefore inserted from below. The transistor at the right is the oscillator. At the right of its socket is a ceramic feed-through bushing for

A common ground is made at point X where the tie strip is fastened to the shelf. The common ground point is used for the components

the lead between the transistor's collector ter-

of the frequency determining circuit. These are C1, C1A, C2 and C4.

The output coil is mounted with its winding above the partition shelf to isolate it from the oscillator coil below. A BNC type coax output connector is mounted on one side of the upper section, and the power switch is mounted on the same side of the lower section. The four pen-lite cells, which are required to power the unit, are mounted in the lower part. These, or any other 6 volt dry battery source, may be placed outside of the box instead, without the necessity of additional leads, by the use of the scheme shown at fig. 4.

A Millen dial, #10039, with an 8 to 1 drive-

ratio is used for easy tuning. It requires only a small hole for coupling through to the tuning capacitor shaft, so no extra space is required behind the panel. This dial is designed to be fastened to the panel with two screws, but two extra ones were installed near the bottom to give it better rigidity.

The transistor sockets are Jones type 2H3. These require a small oblong-shaped hole which may be filed to size. After the sockets are mounted and secured by their clip-rings, an application of Duco Cement around the mountings will improve their mechanical stability.

The oscillator coil is mounted firmly on a 1/4" thick piece of Lucite, and it is positioned so direct and short connections may be made to C1 and the collector feed-through bushing. Contrary to usual practice, the leads between the coil and other frequency-determining elements are made with small wire instead of with large heavy wire. It has been the author's experience to find that the use of heavy rigid conductors can be a detriment in this application, particularly when a series-tuned oscillator is involved. This is because extremely rigid connections are prone to transmit vibrations from components and parts of the box. These tend to produce microphonics and frequency modulation when the box is subject to handling or shock. In this respect, it has been found best to use soft copper wire, size #28 or #30, connected between the terminals with a very slight slack in tension.

The Q and mechanical stability of the oscillator coil are two factors of paramount importance if the best performance is to be realized. A coil wound on a ceramic form will exhibit these desirable characteristics. Since a compromise had to be tolerated with the mobile model of the *vfo*, a small coil with a marginal Q of 110 had to be employed. This was wound on an iron slug-tuned ceramic form of ½" diameter (Millen \$69046). A slight improvement of Q is realized with the iron core of this specified component, but other forms with different powdered iron cores were found to cause a reduction in Q.

Other coils with high Q Ferrite cores were initially tried, but were quickly discarded, because of instability resulting from the poor temperature coefficient of the core material, and due to the fact that they were highly sensitive to changes in permeability when placed near certain magnetic fields. During the development work two interesting situations appeared in this regard. In one case, the presence of a slightly magnetic screw driver near the outside of the box shifted the vfo frequency. In another case, the magnetic field from a Weller electric soldering iron shifted and modulated the vfo frequency, and when this field was removed, the core permeability did not return to normal until after several minutes had elapsed.

Where a large box can be utilized, coils hav-

Ing a Q of between 200 and 300 may be used. These should be wound on ceramic forms 1" to 2" in diameter, with a coil winding length-to-diameter ratio of between 1 to 1 and 1.5 to 1, and with as large a size wire as space will permit for the required inductance. Spacewinding the wire will also improve the Q. Use of double cotton-covered wire, close wound, will provide good Q, because the insulation gives a degree of copper-to-copper spacing between the turns. It is also easier to make a space-wound coil using this method. After the coil is wound, a coat of low-loss cement will insure its mechanical stability.

A slug-tuned coil provides a convenient means for adjusting the inductance for a given frequency range, and it also facilitates band-spreading and calibrating. National type XR-62 is a larger slug-tuned form which is good for this purpose.

Ceramic pillar type insulators make good forms for fix-tuned coils. Still higher Q may be realized with air-wound coils, but they usually require more space, and sometimes they are difficult to mount with sufficient mechanical rigidity.

The maximum permissible size of C3 and C4 will depend on the coil Q. As this is raised, the capacitance values may also be increased, and better overall stability will thereby be realized. Also, the best ratios of C3 to C4 will lie between 1 to 2 and 1 to 1. The values shown in fig. 1 are for a coil Q of 110 at 2 mc.

In cases where the circuit will not oscillate freely with a coil of a given Q, either C3 or C4 may be too large, or the coupling may not be sufficient, because the total capacitance of C1, C1A and C2 is too small.

The present model of the Transistorized VFO has a bandspread range of only 50 kc for an output range of 100 kc (from 3900 to 4000 kc). For other degrees of bandspread, the ratio between the tuning capacitor C1 and the band-set padders C1A and C2 must be changed. To increase the bandspread, C1 should be made larger, and L1 should be made smaller for a given frequency range. This also may be done with a reduction of C1A and C2, with an increase in L1; however, the coupling may then be too low to permit oscillation.

If the compact arrangement shown here is to be used for other output frequencies, the circuit constants will have to be changed accordingly. For 3.5 mc output (oscillator on 1.75 mc) turns may be added to L1, or C1. C1A and C2 may be increased as needed. For an output frequency near 5 mc (oscillator at 2.5 mc) turns may be removed from L1. The resonant frequency of the output circuit will also have to be changed. This depends on the inductance of L3 shunted by the total capacitance of C8 in series with that of the output cable (21 mmfd per foot for RG 59/U). Resonant circuits may be checked with a griddipper after the associated transistor is re-

moved from its socket. With the series-tuned oscillator, the output tends to drop as the frequency is raised, so, in order to even the output level of the entire unit, L3 should be peaked near the high frequency end of the range.

Construction and layout of the companion amplifier is non-critical. Any arrangement, which is suitable for a particular situation, may be used. No external tuning control for its output will be needed over a limited frequency range, as this circuit is broadened by the loading of R7.

### Operation

Difficulties which might be encountered in getting the *vfo* to oscillate properly already have been partly covered. In addition, better performance may be experienced with different transistors among any one type. A good idea is to check them in a tester at the time of purchase. Select those with the highest gain and minimum leakage. G.E. 2N170 NPN type transistors were originally used; however, G.E. 2N168A's (NPN) were found to be more uniform in their characteristics. Others which may be used are G.E. 2N167 (NPN), or PNP types 2N136 and 2N137. PNP types necessitate a reversal of battery polarity.

Output at either the fundamental or the second harmonic may be obtained with the use of a 10,000 ohm resistor in place of L3, but the output will be lower. Another arrangement, [Continued on page 125]

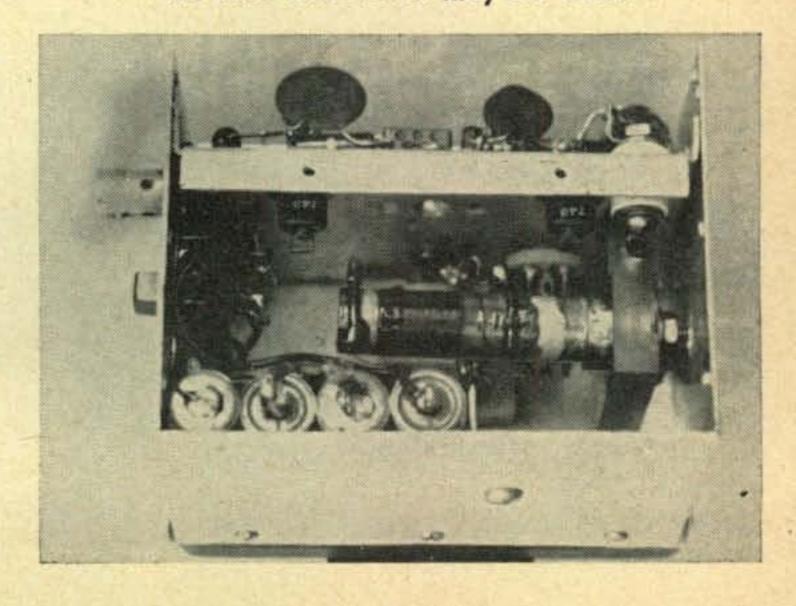
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Fig. 4—If the batteries are to be located outside the case this circuit may be used.

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## Russian Hams Pick Up Lunik Signals Easily

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When the Russions fired their Lunik last January 3rd, the radio signals were apparently picked up in Russia without any trouble. Even radio amateurs beyond the Iron Curtain at once tuned in the three frequencies given out by Moscow Radio. This success was in sharp contrast to the Western World, where no tracking station was able to identify the Lunik signals positively.

One of the first to receive the radio signals in Moscow from the space craft was N. Kazanskey, UA3AF. For ten minutes he picked up telegraph transmissions at 0040 MST on two frequencies, 19.993 and 19.997 mc with a strength of S6-7.

Several others in Moscow heard the voice of the rocket. R. Hauckman, UA3CH, heard it at 0830 MST. A little later B. Mashkov, a young operator at the Pioneers' Home station heard it. V. Kozlov and T. Shcheglov, radio operators of the Central Radio Club, UA3KAA, even succeeded in recording the signals on tape.

In Stalingrad, U. Byertyayev, UJ8AG, copied the signal for ten minutes at 0930 MST. In Gomyel, UC2KAB monitored the transmitters clearly from 1145 to 1155 MST, when the Lunik was some 125,000 miles away (200,-000km.). UB5KCA reported 19.995 mc signals S6 at about 1500 hours MST, when the Soviet cosmic rocket following its charted course, had passed more than half the distance to the moon.

Ten radio amateurs in Chita, standing radio watch, likewise heard the signals. Grigoryev, an instructor of their DOSAAF Radio Club, recorded the signals on tape. At the collective radio station, UA1KMC of the Borovichi Radio Club, operators made a fix on the 19.997 mc frequency at 0813 MST, January 3rd. Estonian radio hams were successful too, as reported by Radio Station UP2KAA of Tallin. In Kursk, UA3WZ, O. Kolozin, was successful in tuning in the rocket signals several times.

Radio Station U05KPM of Kuibishyev reported many Moldavian radio amateurs had heard the cosmic rocket radio signals. Among these hams was veteran shortwaver, A. originated 68,000 miles away. Kamalyagin, UA4IF.

Later, signals were reported from Batumi. At 2036 MST, January 3rd, the scientific observation station located in the eastern part of the Soviet Union picked up the signals early. Unlike the unsuccessful early attempt at Jodrell Bank, Batumi reported hearing signals considerably down below the horizon on the following re-pickup of rocket signals. Soviet radio amateurs in the area stood radio watch along with the station. From 2100 to 2130 hours, Radio Amateur G. Sidoryenko, UF6PB, heard the signals very loudly.

On January 4th at 0543 by Moscow Time, the Soviet rocket reached the closest point to the moon, according to Soviet scientists. At that time, M. Livonsky, UA1BG, of Leningrad, monitored the rocket radio for about an hour, with signal strength reported at RST 578.

The most surprising report came from Lower Tagil, by the operator of Radio Station UA9KCC of Smolin. The signal was picked up at 1557 MST on January 4th. At 1725 the signals were still very loud. At that time, the Soviet rocket was located about 280,000 miles (450,000 km) from the center of the earth.

All these reports from radio hams were of a preliminary nature. They were included in the January issue of Radio the official organ of Russian amateurs, DOSAAF. Just how many of these reports are questionable is hard to determine.

Conversely, no professional tracking and observing stations in the Western World reported hearing the Lunik signals. No United Kingdom tracking stations had any success, including Prof. A.C.B. Lovell's huge radio-telescope at Jodrell Bank. In America, three non-professional listening stations compared signals recorded on tape, but all three were different. Moreover, none of the three taped sounds agreed with the Lunik sounds officially broadcast by Radio Moscow on January 3rd.

The writer himself monitored the three listed frequencies, 19.993, 19.995, and 19.997 mc and heard signals. However, these were highly questionable as they were far too loud and too commercial in sound to be considered to have

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## A Positive Peak Expander or More Modulation for Everyone

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strate a method by which you can increase your modulation percentage to the maximum the modulator can deliver without regard to the power input to the final amplifier. This same method is equally applicable to either a flea power rig or a California (multi-) kilowatt.

The circuit is not a limiter or compressor but merely a method of adjusting the ratio of positive to negative peaks at a low level. It is installed at a low level in the speech amplifier so that the modulator does not have to deliver extra power as is necessary in other systems

designed to accomplish the same end.

This circuit is based on the principle that germanium diodes conduct only in one direction, so if one is connected for forward conduction and the other is connected for reverse conduction one may be tapped down on a resistance and that side of the audio frequency wave sup-

pressed.

Two different circuits are shown (figs 1 and 2) for different situations in your transmitter. The first step in applying this circuit is to find the number of phase inversions from the stage where you will incorporate this circuit to the output transformer in the modulator stage. (It might be well to note that this circuit should be installed at a level of about 3-30 volts peak in the speech amplifier as it does not work well at levels below about one volt.) This tells you whether you want to suppress the positive or negative side of the audio signal in order to come out with the negative suppressed after a number of stages.

This circuit does not spell the end for clippers and compressors because they may be used with

The purpose of this article is to demon- this circuit to even greater advantage by setting the adaptor for an optimum value of positive versus negative peak and setting the clipper or compressor to maintain this level.

This circuit has been successfully included in a mobile rig using a reference shift modulator. The reports received from this rig were that with the audio gain all the way open (30 watts of audio on a 30 watt carrier) they noticed no overmodulation, but when the adaptor was cut out splattering made the signal almost unintelligible. When the gain was cut down to the point where it was not overmodulating, a decided drop in strength of modulation was noticed even though the signal was clean. I think this is a pretty good argument for those who believe in getting the most out of their rigs.

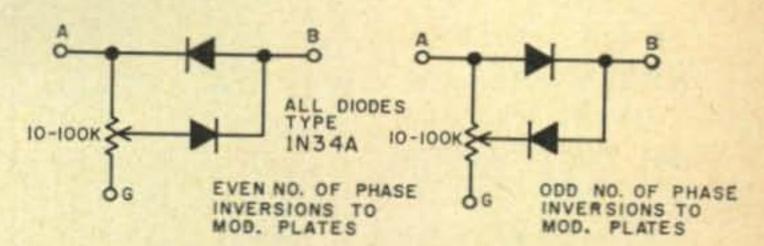


Fig. 1-Rectifier circuit arrangements for even and odd inversions in the speech amp.

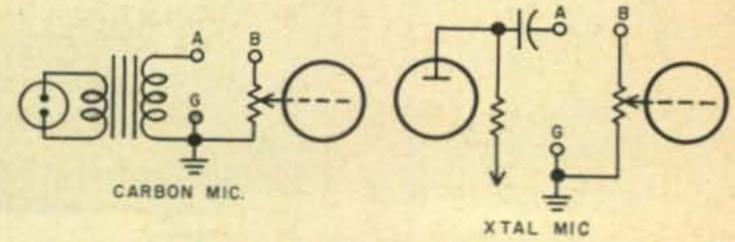


Fig. 2-The insertion points for the diodes in either a crystal or carbon microphone circuit.

## 1958 CQ World Wide DX Contest

**Results CW Section** 

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### SINGLE OPERATOR

All Band

### HALF A MILLION CLUB

CN8JX - 973,912

SVØWP-878,853	W8JIN-586,767
KH6IJ-767,856	W3GRF-580,425
CE3AG-738,465	OK1FF-573,352
UA9DN-718,270	UB5WF-565,701
CX2CO-668,388	HB9QR-562,565
PAØLZ-598,023	JA1VX-546,410
PAØRE-593,424	W2BXA-536,352

### **MULTI-OPERATOR**

All Band

### TOP TEN

K2GL - 2,009,280

W6YMD—1,376,725 UB5KBB— 675,840 DJ3JZ—1,003,101 CX3BH— 668,964 W3AOH— 946,854 UB5KAB— 542,828 OH1AA— 816,794 K6EVR— 501,767 W3WV—474,048

### CONTINENTAL LEADERS

21 mc

KX6AF— 1,720

K8AEK—166,270	W4YHD—180,340
JA3IS— 87,685	OK1LM—105,800
SP2DX— 85,936	VS9AS— 69,040
FA8RJ— 43,740	KH6CJJ— 51,000
KH6DS— 11,985	ZS6APQ— 43,550
14 mc	7 mc
W2AIW—201,253	W8FGX— 82,677
IT1TAI—196,911	G4CP— 60,310
HS1C—155,610	VK3XB— 9,604
ZS5DE—113,025	3.5 mc
KH6KC—105,336	OK1MG—10,710
PY4AO— 51,148	W1BU— 7,380

Those calls at the top of the heap might be of a foreign origin but the men behind the key certainly are not.

The King of the CW men this year is Glenn Luse, CN8JX, on a tour of duty in Morocco. And runner-up is none other than Larry Eisler, SVØWP, who is W3JTC stateside, also on overseas duty for Uncle, in Greece.

Both boys made an all out effort since this might be their last year in a choice DX location. Glenn had a good thing going, with a fertile field of 3 pointers just north of him, while Larry had the misfortune of being on the wrong side of the Mediterranean, and those same contacts only counted one point. Even with a record 1,384 QSOs Larry could not overcome this handicap.

Congratulations Glenn, where do we send the Larry LeKashman, W9IOP Trophy, overseas or to your stateside QTH?

There were so many fine scores in the top brackets that in all fairness we had to enlarge the box and create a new listing, "The Half Million Club."

All continents are well represented in the Club, with most of the calls well known in DX contest circles. Prominent as usual is KH6IJ. This might be Nosey's last World Wide contest for a while as he is coming east soon for advanced studies at Harvard. We'll sure miss that staccato KH6IJ, but I'll bet he will show up as a W1 (Woe is me.)

However among all those familiar calls you will note a couple of newcomers, UA9DN and UB5WF, and a splendid job they did too. You might recall that last year I predicted "things to come." Too bad more of the USSR boys did not send us their logs, as they were sure in there knocking 'em off.

Stateside only a few of the boys passed the half million mark. Jim Ringland, W8JIN was the leader with Lenny Chertok, W3GRF close on his tail.

The big mystery, which I'm still trying to figure out, was the absence of logs from the 4x4 contingent. Their calls show up on all the logs we checked but not a single entry was received. It doesn't figure.

Those that made more than a 1000 contacts are SVØWP, KH6IJ, VP7BT, CN8JX, CX2CO and KH6AYG. That my friend is a lot of brass-pounding in one week end.

W3GRF came up with the highest Zone mul-

28 mc

tiplier, 106, and also the biggest overall multiplier, 327. PAØLZ with 229 had the highest

Country multiplier.

The Single Band division, now by far the most popular category of our contest, had so many outstanding scores that here again it was necessary to change the listing and give deserving credit to the continental leaders.

Activity on the three top bands was pretty evenly divided, but the highest scores were on 14 mc. It was on this band that Charley Rogers, W2AIW made his winning score of 201,253 points. He wins the new John Ryan, W7KVU Trophy for the highest Single Band score by a single operator. He was closely pressed by IT1-TAI but Dom didn't have the multiplier to back up his greater number of contacts.

Outstanding scores were also turned in by K8AEK and W4YHD on 28 and 21 mc respectively. But to my mind the outstanding single band score is the 82,677 points made on 7 mc by W8FGX. Jake made 311 QSOs and more than doubled his last year's score. Mention must also be made of G4CP's 404 contacts on this band but those one pointers from Europe held

down his score.

Once again 80 was a European party, with OK1MG leading the pack with 10,710 points and 230 contacts. The outstanding contender stateside was W1BU who did right well for that band.

And wonders of wonders, we finally got some



KH6IJ—The fabulous Katashi Nose and the ex-YL. No, she's not a ham, her interest is painting.

CE3AG—Luis Desmaras, at right the regular station equipment. At the left the equipment he used on his recent CEØZA trip.





W8UPN-John Grievson, 21 mc winner for his section.

CN8JX—Glenn Luse in a happy mood when he heard that he was Top Man for 1958.



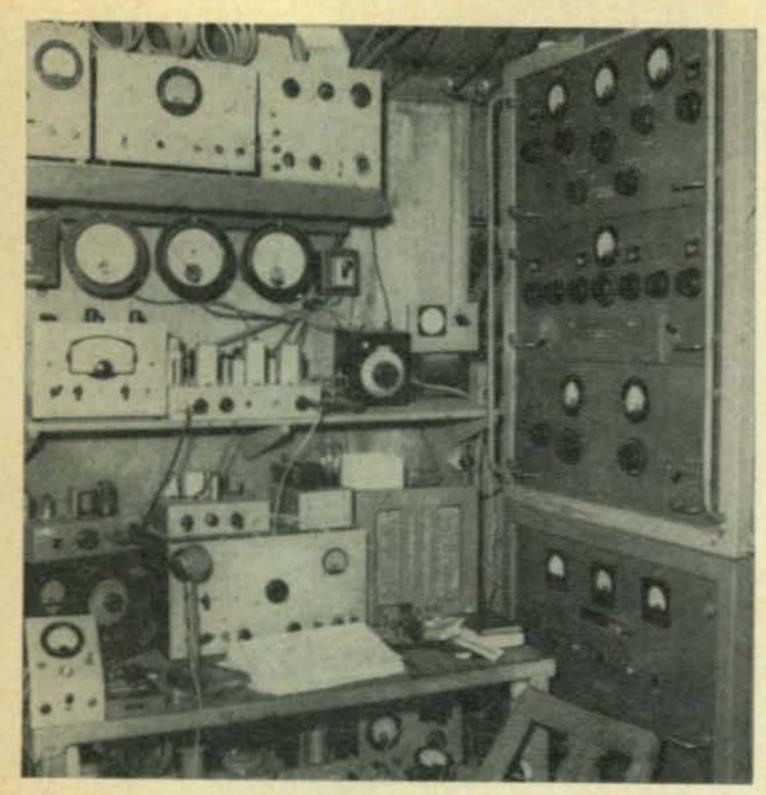
entries on the Top Band, four to be exact and each one a certificate winner. True, the scores were ridiculously low but the boys put in the time and deserve a reward for their effort. OK2NR with 33 QSOs was the leader and W7ZVY was the lone W entry. Working KH6IJ was the big thrill of the contest for him. Remember, this was on 160.

Only a handful of single banders worked 100 different countries, W1HZ, W1JYH and W9IU to be exact, and W4KFC in the multi-operator group. This was on 20 only. In the all band multi-operator group quite a few worked more than 100 different countries but this was with a combination of all bands. No one worked all 40 zones.

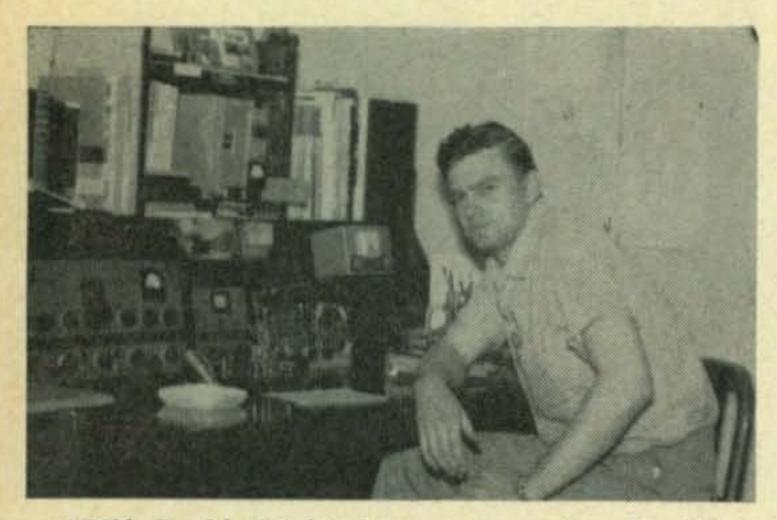
The most contacts on one band, 807, was made on 21 mc by KL7PIV. Ed probably made an all out effort since this was his swan song from Alaska. He and Sheila, KL7BHE are both back in the States now.

This was also the swan song for Ludvik and Milada of JT1AA and JT1YL fame. Said Mila, "contesting is a bit difficult if you have a husband who wants to be provisioned or to use the rig on his own account." Now that you are back home Mila, get a rig of your own and come contest time tell Ludvik to rustle up his grub or go hungry.

The scores turned in by the multi-operator stations is more in keeping with what one would



JAIVX—Operating position of the leading Japanese station in this year's contest.



F7CV—David Knight, 14 mc winner for the US contingent in France.



W2AIW—Charles Rogers and the rig that delivered high single band score for him.

expect from a group of operators with 4 or 5 complete transmitters and separate antennae at their disposal.

K2GL had as many as four transmitters going at the same time and with the score on each band equal to the leading single band stations, it's small wonder that they broke the 2 million mark. "Is it true, Buzz, next year you are installing an electronic computer to keep score?" That means that the Hazard Reeves, K2GL Trophy goes to —— K2GL, I guess This year the West Coast giant W6YMD also broke the million mark as did the gang at DJ3JZ.

It has been suggested that we re-classify the multi-operator Section. Perhaps divide it into two divisions, single transmitter and multi-transmitter.

Last year's winner of the All Band division, Vic Clark, W4KFC decided to take it easy this year and go Single Band, and with the help of his son K4OKZ worked the highest number of different countries.

We wonder if a change here would also be in order. Eliminate the single band competition in the multi-operator section.

The appearance of DL7AH and his crew from Luxembourg, created plenty of excitement and they gave many boys a new country.

The novice didn't take advantage of the opportunity we have been offering so that division will be scratched in the next contest.

And now the Clubs. It was no contest, the North Jersey gang almost doubling the score of their nearest competitor, the Potomac Valley boys. This was really an organized effort as practically every member of the club contributed to the club score. So that means that they will add a second CQ Plaque to their collection. Looks like I'll be making another trip to Jersey.

Once again it becomes necessary for us to make clear the fact that competition is limited to affiliated clubs only. All the DARC stations in the contest requested their scores be credited to that organization, as did members of the RCU for the Radio Club of Uruguay. However these are national organizations and in all fairness cannot be considered as clubs. Incidentally the RCU boys were the only bright spot in the returns from South America. However the Central Radio Club of Praha, which is a club within the C.A.V. and the Japan DX Radio Club, an organization within the J.A.R.L., are different stories. Have we made ourselves clear?

Returns in the CW Section of the contest were a bit better than last year, 964 logs as compared to 932 in 1957. And 92 countries against 90 last year. The overall score, Phone and CW, is 1493 reports from 116 countries, a decided gain in country total.

Mere reference to the members of the Contest Committee seems small thanks for the wonderful job they did, for without their help these contests would just be impossible. Once

again it was the untiring efforts of the old reliables W2BO, "Mac" McIntire, W2JB, "Ben" Lazarus and the addition of W1GYE, "Andy" Malashuk that made these returns possible. We also want to acknowledge a helping hand from W1DHO, W1MDO, K1IOX and W6LER/1.

Most of the certificates should be on their way by the time you read this, so allow a reasonable length of time before you start griping that you have not received it.

Number groups after call letters denote the following: Band, final score, number of QSOs, zones, and countries. Letters designate power used. A-Up to 35 watts. B-Up to 150 watts. C-Up to 500 watts. D-500 watts and over. Winners are in bold face type.

### Single Operator

Single Operator						
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# In The Beginning

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### Part IV

Coherers finally disappeared in favor of the electrolytic detector but it soon became evident that they needed something better for receiving than the single coil with one slider.

### Loose Couplers

Claims for the loose coupler caught BG's eye, and this time he decided to go all the way. Besides primary and secondary coils with variable coupling, each circuit was to have a variable condenser. Again, the loose coupler job would be homebrew. The circuit is shown in fig. 14.

This time they kept their coil winding on safer ground; neither coil required a rolling-pin core.

Winding of the primary coil started with a large tomato can. Over the can they wrapped string and applied a coat of shellac. When dry, they wrapped several layers of brown paper over it again applying shellac. Next came the wire and another treatment of shellac. The can remained in until the coil dried, then it was forced out.

For the smaller secondary coil that was to slide inside the primary, they started off with a corn can. They followed the same technique that was so successful for the first coil. This time, however, a slight incident crept in. Up

Fig. 14-Loose coupler receiving circuit with tuned primary and secondary.

to the point of winding the coil, everything went well. But working with #24 wire proved more delicate than handling #18.

It being cold weather, the coil winding took place in the kitchen where a coal range kept it warm. Walt sat in a chair turned backward holding the spool of wire. The wire passed across the chair back and over to another chair where his father sat turning the coil form.

At the halfway point the coil looked fine. The winding was even and without overturns. Only forehead perspiration indicated the strain this delicate task imposed on them. Tiring hands and aching fingers made each turn a little harder. As each became aware of tiring, his tension increased. Suddenly, the coil slipped out of his father's hands and do it yourself enthusiasim dropped a couple of decibels.

No further incidents marred construction of the loose coupler. It remained the best receiver in the shack seeing action until World War I.

### Wireless Inventions and Developments

During the next two years this one inch spark created plenty of interference in the local atmosphere. It never conquered great distances, but it did provide much fun and learning for the local gang.

Though spending considerable time on the air, Walt and his brother Hal also kept their ears tuned to the times noting the progress and trend in wireless. They watched the upand-down struggle of numerous inventors seeking supremacy or an edge over the others through their latest invention.

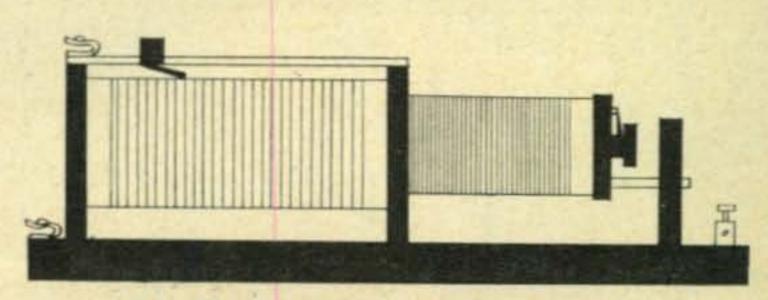


Fig. 15-Construction of loose coupler

Fessenden, the inventor of the electrolytic detector concentrated on wireless telephony. His experiments with the high frequency mechanical alternator produced good results. Ultimate perfection of the alternator came with Alexanderson's design using metal in place of Fessenden's wooden rotor construction. In 1907 Alexanderson's design, producing undamped waves of 100,000 cycles at 2 kw power, experienced great success in conquering distance.

Fessenden next produced an innovation in spark transmitters with his invention of the rotary spark. Its clean high note penetrated static many times better than the fixed gap

sparks.

Fessenden produced another great invention in 1905. At that time he invented the heterodyne receiving system. However, the invention came before he had suitable equipment to exploit it. It took discovery of the oscillating tube to provide the principal means for proving it the best of reception methods. Major Armstrong constructed his superheterodyne system upon it six or seven years later when the audion tube of deForest became available to the general public.

DeForest, after losing litigation to Fessenden over the electrolytic detector, turned his attention to Fleming's two element tube based on the "Edison effect." He added a third element, the grid, and produced enormous amplifications of radio currents. This invention occurred in 1906. Sued again, he lost this suit to Fleming. He retained, however, amplifying rights which he later sold to the American Telephone

Company for \$50,000.

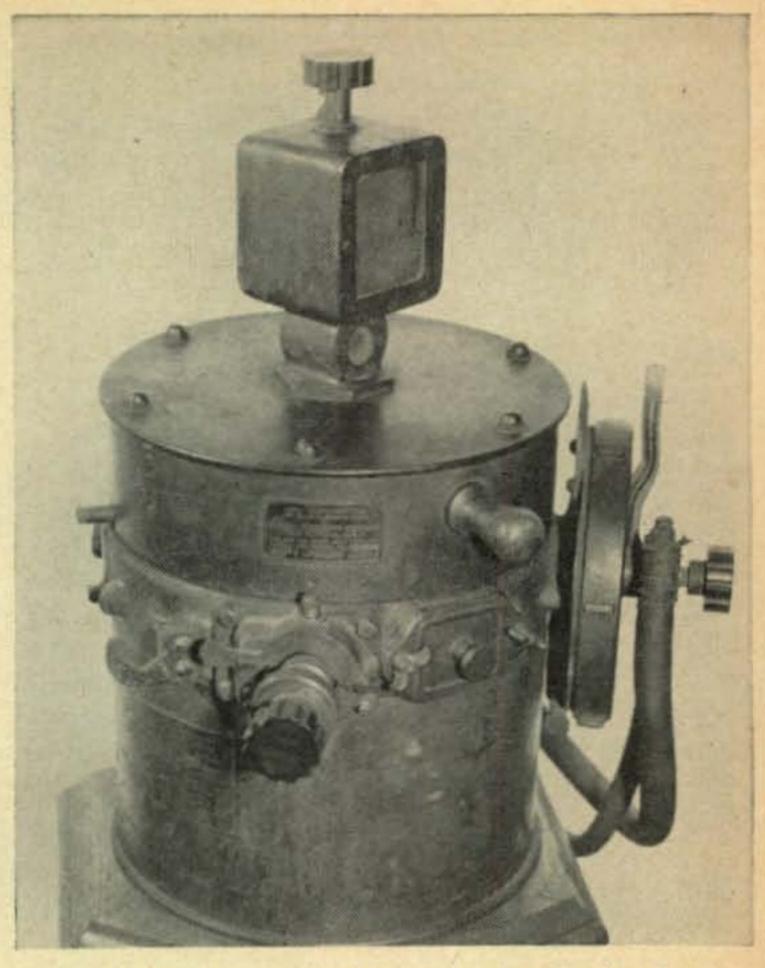
In 1907 deForest conducted extensive experimental telephony broadcasting in New York between buildings three blocks apart. These broadcasts had a good amateur following. Later that year he installed wireless telephone on a private yacht cruising in Lake Erie. The U. S. Navy promptly installed two sets. Though voice transmission reduced distance to a few miles, when the U. S. Fleet cruised around the world in 1907, over twenty vessels were equipped with deForest radiotelephone.

DeForest broadcast telephony from the Eiffel tower in 1908. The signals reached Marseilles five hundred miles away. Back in America in 1910, he broadcast the Metropolitan opera performance of Cavalleria Rusticana and

Pagliacci.

Fessenden conducted telephony experiments using his mechanical altenator at frequencies from 50,000 to 100,000 cycles. DeForest's equipment for music and voice transmission used an arc transmitter to supply the continuous wave carrier.

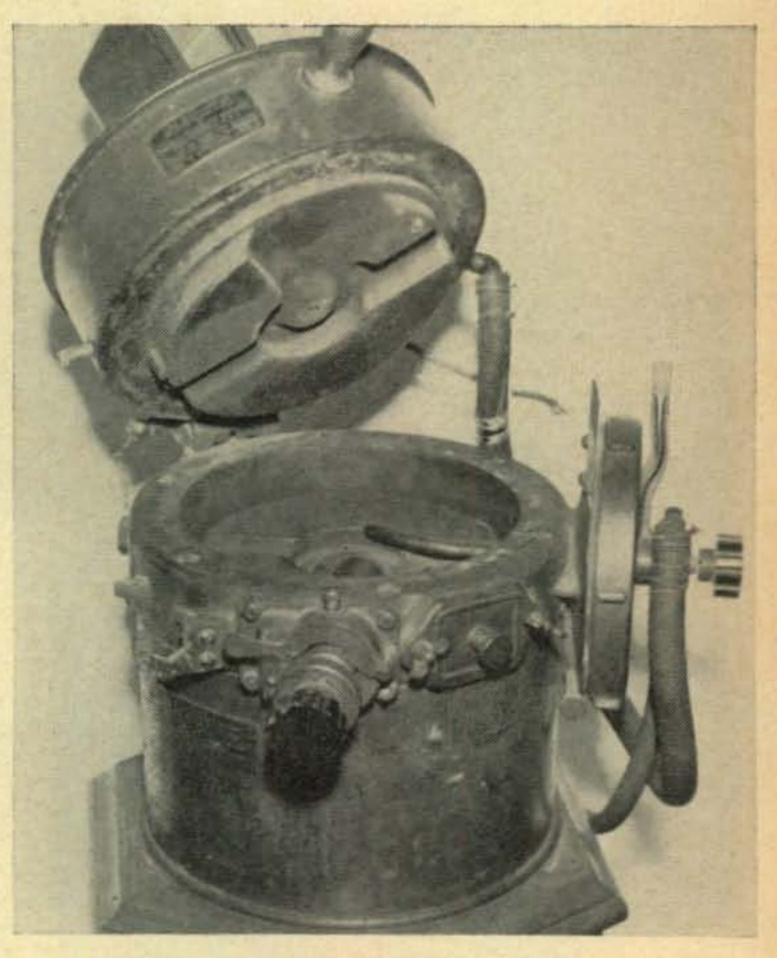
An Englishman, William D. Duddell, found that an electric arc would generate continuous frequency electric energy. The tone from the 10,000 cycle oscillations he produced earned it the nickname "singing arc."



US Navy arc converter with closed chamber.

Courtesy of Henry Ford Museum, Dearborn,

Michigan.



US Navy arc converter with chamber opened showing the electrodes. Courtesy of Ford Museum, Dearborn, Michigan.

Valdemar Poulsen of Denmark applied the "singing arc" to wireless transmission. His improvements raised the possible frequency of an arc up to several million cycles per second with great amplitude. He transmitted voice over appreciable distances with it in 1904.

The successful radiotelephony arc burned in hydrogen or gas containing hydrogen. A cup on top of the arc chamber held a supply of alcohol which dripped into the arc chamber and vap-

orized.

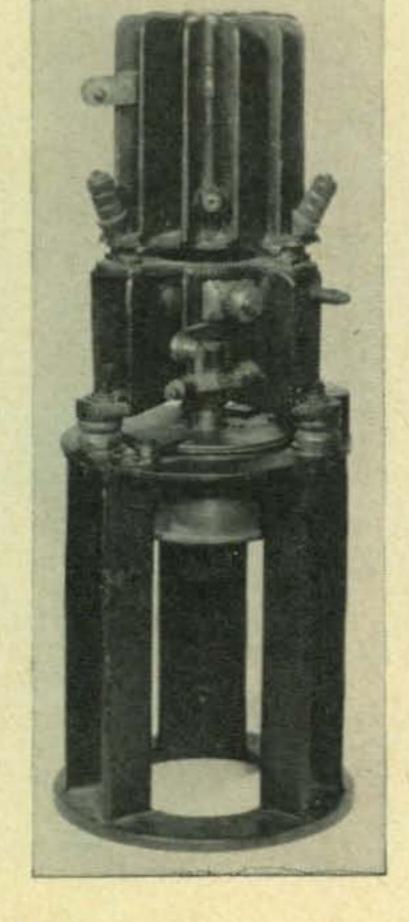
Copper formed the positive electrode. Water circulated in its hollow area to cool it. The negative electrode was carbon. To improve the regularity of oscillations, the carbon electrode slowly revolved about its axis.

The arc burned in a transverse magnetic field. Two iron cores with direct current flowing through their windings provided the magnetic blow-out of the arc. A means for momentarily pushing one electrode against the other, (striking the arc) started the arc burning.

A direct current flowed through the magnetic coils and the electrodes (See fig. 18) and formed the arc. A circuit containing inductance and capacitance shunted the electrodes and caused the undamped oscillations. A choke coil kept the radio frequency current out of the dc circuit.

The voltage across the arc reached the condenser through the coil causing it to start charging. All the dc current didn't go through the arc — some of it flowed in the LC circuit. Since the dc supply was a constant source of energy, current used to charge the condenser decreased current flowing through the arc. A decrease in current through the arc caused a rise in voltage difference between the electrodes and therefore across the LC circuit. The in-

Poulsen arc converter.
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creased voltage further increased the charging rate of the condenser.

When the condenser was fully charged, the current flow in the circuit stopped and the arc current increased since the supply current no longer divided between the two circuits. Increased arc current resulted in a decrease in the potential at the arc electrodes, and therefore also across the LC circuit. Now the condenser began discharging through the arc increasing the arc current and further reducing the voltage across the electrodes. When the condenser was fully discharged, the condenser charging cycle repeated.

By placing a choke coil in the dc field and shunting it with a microphone, sound waves were superimposed on the radio frequency oscillations. These feeble current variations had their influence and modulated the heavy arc currents. The same result occurred if the microphone was placed in the antenna circuit.

Arcs were not limited to telephony; they could work in telegraphy too. For the latter purpose a small inductance placed in the antenna circuit made the frequency slightly higher than wanted. A telegraph key shorted out a few turns on the coil thus slightly altering the transmitted wave to the desired frequency.

Along with the professional experimenters, some amateurs experimented with arcs too. In the period 1909 and 1910, detailed instructions appeared in current periodicals for constructing amateur voice transmitters using arcs.

### Crystals Detectors

During the period of telegraphy and telephony progress, one of the biggest boons to amateur radio occurred. General Henry C. Dunwoody of the U. S. Army invented the crystal detector. He discovered in 1906 that carborundum (carbide of silicon) would detect electric currents. At about the same time, G. W. Pickard found that silicon worked very well too. Lead ore (galena) and iron pyrites also became popular.

Crystal detectors were simple and inexpensive. No amateur's finances suffered by acquiring one. In a flash these detectors invaded the amateur fraternity. They were almost as sensi-

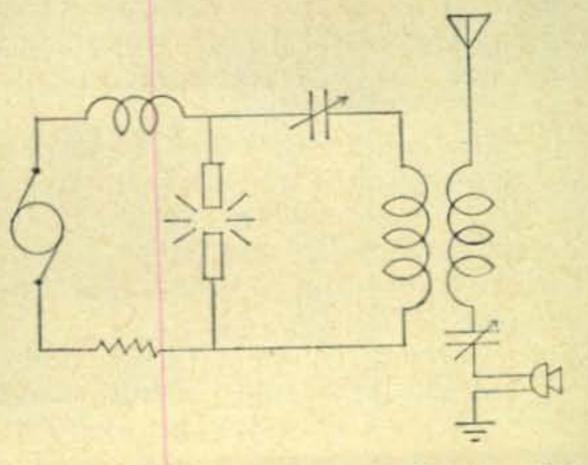


Fig. 16—Schematic of arc transmitter used for telephony.

tive as liquid detectors and had ease of manipu-

lation and cheapness in their favor.

Wireless boomed. This simple device brought either voice or code into the home. Those not quite able to master Morse code had another choice — music and voice. These interested a far greater audience than code alone. Amateur ranks swelled. Capturing these thrilling sounds from the air enthralled parents as well as boys. Both fiddled with tuning gadgets far into the wee morning hours.

### Walt Goes to Sea

In 1910 Walt became a neighborhood hero.

He was going to sea.

Announcement of the wireless operating assignment brought various reactions at home. His younger brothers looked at him with awe. His father's delight gushed forth for hours with tales of his own sea experiences. Walt himself was walking on air: One moment he envisioned himself receiving the SOS that changed his ship's course and sent her dashing ahead full speed to the rescue; again, his ship was floundering while he desperately signalled for help; always, only he possessed the miraculous touch to bring or seek aid.

Walt got this job through an agency. Though only a relief run for a sick operator, this trip from Philadelphia to the Sabine for Texas oil meant as much to Walt as an Orient run to a

"regular."

Amid intimate goodbyes and best wishes, Walt slung a leg over the side. Using the antenna lead-in for a bearing, he headed with his

suitcase for the wireless shack.

When he reappeared on deck, lines had been cast off and sailors were hauling them aboard. Between Walt and the pier, where his family stood waving, spread an ever widening expanse of water. All at once Walt's hero dreams vanished. He felt alone and scared. A feeble wave to those on shore was the best he could manage.

The first shock of being alone passed, and Walt re-entered his cabin to explore the wire-less gear while the SS Sun put distance between itself and Marcus Hook, Pa.

He found both his bunk and the rig in the

Fig. 17—Schematic of arc transmitter used for telegraphy.

small cabin. A shelf over his bed held part of the equipment. The remainder consisting of the key and receiver glistened attractively from the operator's table.

The open spark transmitter seemed like a giant after his one inch spark coil. This one would throw a spark ten inches. Walt gradually realized the distance possibility such power represented. As this realization sank in, his feeling of loneliness diminished. Soon, an eager desire to try out this power replaced the homesick twinge. Walt was passing his first test.

He would be all right.

The "Old Man" (captain) issued one order to all his wireless operators: "Don't fail to get the baseball scores." This proved easy for Walt because the ship had a loose coupler receiver much like he used at home. Only the detector was different. This set used a crystal detector with carbonundum. At home, Walt still used an electrolytic. A few tests with this different detector and he was enthused. When he completed the voyage, a crystal detector replaced his electrolytic.

The next day Walt basked in sunshine on a sea that barely lapped the vessel's hull. As he gazed over the quiet water, he felt equal to any distress emergency that might arise. That night, he retired happy and conflident that the

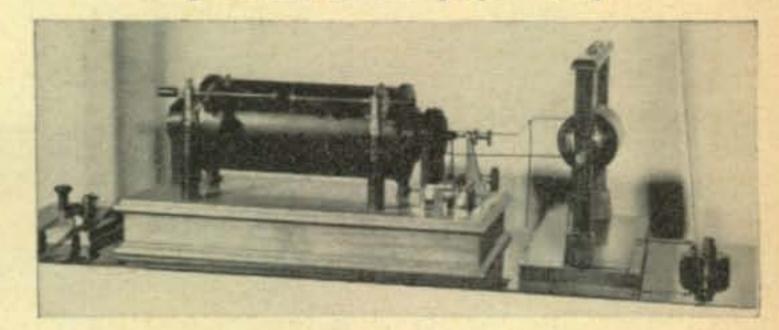
sea provided the only career for him.

Over night a change in wind roughened the sea somewhat. Riding high with only enough water ballast to hold the bow down, the ship

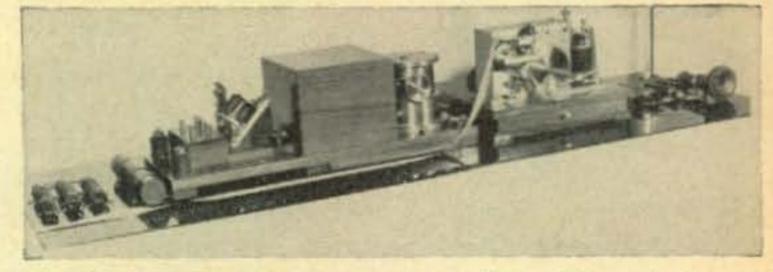
responded with a constant lazy roll.

At seven o'clock Walt bounded out of the bunk and reached for his clothes. Somehow the clothes kept moving a little beyond his reach while he staggered to keep his balance. With concentrated effort he dressed and headed for the dining salon and breakfast.

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Open-spark inductance coil used about 1900 on early ship installations. Courtesy of Ford Museum.



Coherer receiver set-up as used by Marconi for first transatlantic messages. Courtesy of Ford Museum.

## New Life For That Old Receiver

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If I had a dollar for every time that I have heard the statement, "I'd like to get on ssb but I don't have the receiver for it and I can't afford to get a new receiver and also afford the ssb equipment," I would be a rich man. Having been on ssb for two and one-half years using an old surplus Super-Pro without any adaptors, product detectors, etc; in other words using the receiver in its original form, I feel that most people do not know how to get all out of a receiver that they could. As manufactured. most 'communications' receivers worthy of the name are very flexible and are capable of eliminating a lot of the QRM normally heard on the amateur bands. For instance, proper use of the crystal filter and if selectivity will enable the copying of a sideband QSO on one sideband with another QSO on the other sideband without difficulty. Most sideband transmitters do not have suppression in excess of 30 db and the measured suppression in my receiver using the method of tuning to be described shortly is in excess of 25 db, therefore guite adequate. I have had a toroidal filter in my receiver and removed it as it did not improve my ability to copy signals and was an extra 'gadget' to adjust.

For those of you then that are interested in receiving only one sideband at a time, or on cw elimination of the audio image, so-called 'single signal' reception, please sit down at your receiver and follow the following step-by-step procedure. Although you may not understand why something is done, follow the step-by-step procedure to its conclusion and an ex-

planation will be given later.

### Now at your receiver:

1. Turn the avc off, the audio gain full on, the rf gain down, and the cw oscillator on. (Otherwise known as the cw settings)

2. Now tune your receiver to some frequency on which there is only noise. This might be on the ten meter band when the skip is out, or perhaps you may have to disconnect the antenna. Advance the rf gain (sensitivity) till the noise is a comfortable volume.

3. Turn your crystal filter, or if selectivity,

to its most selective position.

4. Vary the bfo pitch control back and forth throughout its entire range. As you do you should hear a peculiar variation in the pitch of the noise, from a low pitch to a high pitch and back to low pitch with an effect somewhat similar to 'zerobeating' but there will be no definite audio tone. The point that we are interested in is that point at which the pitch of the noise is lowest, which is the true zero point on the bfo pitch control. Perhaps the true zero thus determined will correspond with the marked zero on your receiver but more likely not. If not you may adjust the knob or the internal adjustment so that true zero corresponds with marked zero, or merely jot down the true zero point on a piece of paper.

of the controls set as they were, tune the receiver to a steady unmodulated carrier. This may come from your frequency standard, a signal generator, the exciter stages of your transmitter, or any such source. Make sure that it does not overload the receiver. Tune your receiver zerobeat with this carrier using the band-

spread dial.

6. Turn the bfo pitch control until a beat note of approximately 750 cycles is heard. You may tune the bfo in either direction from zero, but make a note of this new

setting.

7. Using the bandspread tuning dial, tune the frequency of the receiver back and forth through zero beat with the carrier. As you do so you should find that the the beat note on one side of zero beat is stronger. Also you should find a narrow range of frequencies on the 'strong' side that sound peaked. These should be around 750 cycles.

8. Move the bandspread dial to the weak side of zero beat to a tone of about 200 cycles. Now rotate the crystal phasing control slowly to minimize or 'null' this 200 cycle note. it should almost disappear.

9. Mark on the receiver or write down the settings for the bfo pitch control and phasing control. You now have arrived at

the correct settings for these controls for reception of one sideband, either the

upper or lower.

You may now determine which of the two sidebands you are set up for by either of two methods. Sideband stations on 20 meters normally use the upper sideband and on 75 meters they use the lower sideband; therefore you may determine which sideband you are set up for by listening on these two bands. You may also determine which sideband you are set up for by which side of zero beat is stronger. If the low frequency side (as read on the receiver dial) of zerobeat is stronger the receiver is set up for uppersideband. Sounds backwards doesn't it, but that is the way it works.

To set up the receiver for the other sideband go back to step six and turn the *bfo* pitch control an equal amount from true zero in the opposite direction. Then repeat steps six thru

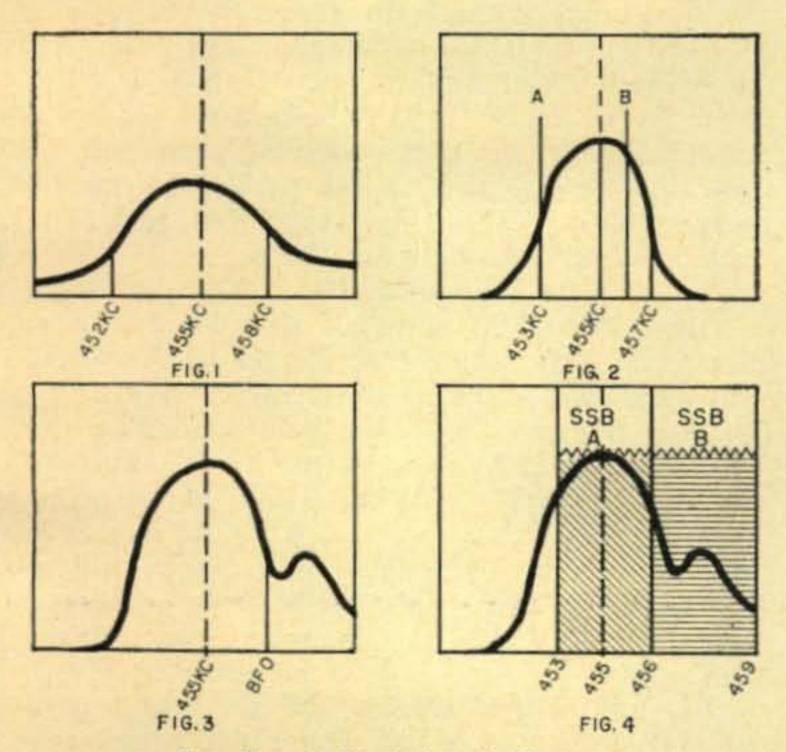
nine.

To get good sideband reception without tinniness you will have to turn the crystal filter to a position of intermediate selectivity. There is a compromise between good selectivity and good quality in the sound of the signal received. This point will have to be determined experimentally. With an average receiver a minimum of 15 to 20 db rejection of the unwanted sideband is easily obtainable without undue restriction of the audio bandpass received which results in tinniness.

If your receiver has a sharp if system but no crystal filter you may use the above procedure excepting step eight. If you have a Q-multiplier in addition to the sharp if system the Q-multiplier can be used in the null position to per-

form step eight.

If your receiver has a Q-multiplier only, set it in the broad peak condition and follow steps one to nine leaving out step eight. Some mea-



Figs. 1 to 4-Variations in if curve.

sure of sideband selectivity may be obtained.

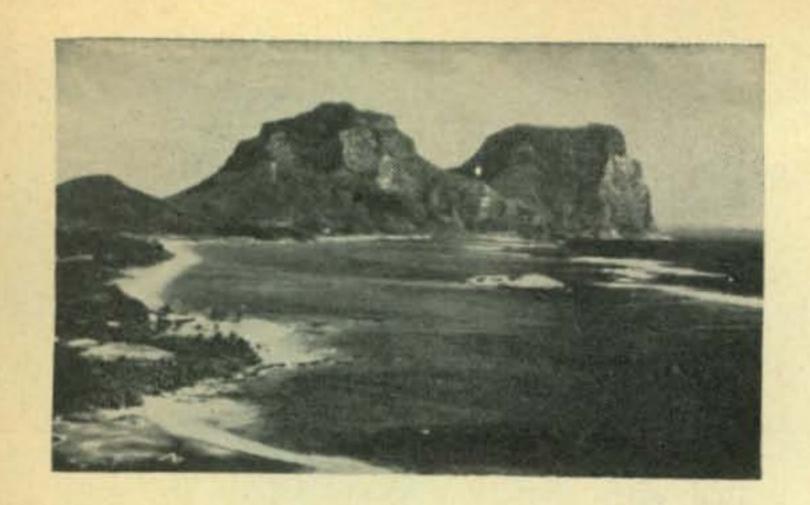
Two notes of warning. First, the bfo frequency cannot be varied without upsetting our carefully worked out alignment. Therefore, do not use the bfo as a vernier adjustment. Secondly, when you move the postion of the bfo in order to set up for the other sideband you are moving the carrier injection frequency. therefore you must retune the bandspread tuning dial in order to return the carrier insertion to its proper frequency. What this means is that when switching sidebands on the same frequency it is necessary to reset the bfo pitch control and phasing control to their predetermined settings and then retune the bandspread dial to bring the station on the other sideband back in. In this respect a slicer or sideband receiver with built in selectable sideband has an advantage, but what a price to pay for the advantage of having one control take the place of three.

### What's Happening?

For a semi-technical explanation of what we are doing in the above procedure, let us first examine the normal if curve of a receiver in fig. 1. The bfo is placed at 455 kc and the pass band is seen to extend an equal amount in each direction. Remembering that the bfo is used to supply the carrier for the ssb station, we see that either an upper or lower sideband station may be received equally well. (Maybe at the same time). Now let us sharpen up the if bandwidth by use of the crystal filter and we see that although we have restricted somewhat the bandwidth received we will hear equally well, signals on either sideband. This is shown in fig. 2. Also in fig. 2 we can see that if we move the bfo to one side of center (position B) on the slope of the curve or about 1 kc from the center frequency of the if bandpass we see that on the left or low frequency side of the carrier insertion (bfo) frequency we have the hump of the curve and the signal is passed with little or no attenuation. This would correspond to the lower sideband being passed. On the right or higher frequency side the signal is down the slope of the curve and is considerably attenuated. We can further this attenuation as in fig. 3 by use of the phasing notch or anti-resonant frequency of the crystal filter. We place the phasing notch just on the high side of the bfo frequency by adjustment of the crystal phasing control which varies the frequency of the notch.

In fig. 4 we have two ssb stations, station A on the lower sideband and station B on the upper sideband, with their carrier frequencies, transmitted or not, being the same. Placing our if curve from fig. 3 over this situation so that the bfo is supplying the missing carriers we see that while we hear station A with little or no attenuation station B will be attenuated at least 20 db. This figure will vary somewhat

receiver to receiver.



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## ONE MAN DXPEDITION

A casual remark to VK3CX, about three weeks vacation due in November, involved VK3ARX in more concentrated activity than had been experienced since being first licensed as 3RX in 1928. When I mentioned Lord Howe Island as a possible destination he said "You could go on the air from there and make a lot of dx stations happy—"I'll tee it up." "Oh no, not me," said I, "I've heard how hard these expeditions have to work. This is going to be a holiday on a coral island—my ears need a holiday as well!"

The next thing forthcoming was a letter on October 27, from Alan (who was on vacation in VK2) saying that the necessary rumors had been planted; VK2AIR who operated as VK2AYY/LH last July had agreed to lend me his equipment which was already there. A portable permit could be obtained from the R.I. who happens to be Jack DeCure, ex VK5KO, well known for DX work on 3.5 mc. All I needed to take was antenna wire.

I began to get an idea that someone somewhere was being high-pressured into something and maybe it was me. This lurking suspicion was strengthened by the receipt of the "DX Bulletin" from W4KVX, dated Nov. 4 giving operating schedules and frequencies for VK3-ARX/LH. As I had been inactive for 10 years, I had doubts that my operating was up to handling the dogpiles that would develop. I subsequently found that I need not have worried—it wasn't!—but I learned!

Somewhat dubiously I told VK3CX to set things rolling, dragged out a key and did 2 hours code practice.

The following day I had the finest set of sprained wrist muscles that ever graced a one-armed banjo player. While waiting for the arm to improve I managed to recover a bug that I had loaned to VK3CX twenty years before, and tried again. Result: a different set of sore muscles. Now I really was sore—I wasn't game spread that a visitor was looking for VK2FR and he was finally located up a steep hill in the center of the island re-erecting a twenty metre dipole which had snapped from old age and metal fatigue. The transmitter was p.p. 807's, but to my sorrow the receiver was a BC-348M instead of the Super Pro previously

to bring out a microphone!

In any event I reckoned that I could maybe persuade Trevor Donald, VK2FR to increase his activity if we got together on the idea. He has been on Lord Howe Island for ten years as weather man so I wrote to tell him what was being cooked up. He sent a warm invitation to visit him and promised to arrange some ham activity when off duty.

As I was due to set off on November 15 this would ensure that some signals would be forthcoming even if I myself did not get on. On arrival in Sydney the first blow fell, news came that VK2AIR had not left his receiver on the Island. The only way to get to Lord Howe is by the twice-weekly Flying Boat Service but the baggage allowance was only 35 pounds and I did not have a receiver with me. During the remaining two hours I dashed from shop to shop looking for copper wire to try out some antenna ideas on arrival. Finally I found four 50 foot coils of the right gauge.

Lord Howe Island is situated 420 miles NE of Sydney about half way to Norfolk Is. (Remember VK9AD). It is a crescent shaped coral island 7 miles long bounded at each end by volcanic peaks, the tallest being the nearly perpendicular Mount Gower, 2840 feet. The rich lowland area between the peaks is mostly about 1 mile in width. The 200 inhabitants occupy about 300 acres of this wooded portion. The southernmost coral reef in the world joins the two horns of the crescent to form a shallow lagoon. The flying boat landed in the lagoon watched by most of the inhabitants and all of the visitors. Within two hours word spread that a visitor was looking for VK2FR and he was finally located up a steep hill in the center of the island re-erecting a twenty metre dipole which had snapped from old age and metal fatigue. The transmitter was p.p. used. After the usual gabfest VK2FR very kindly offered me the use of his station and permission to rebuild anything unsuitable. How many of your neighborhood hams would be prepared to allow that?

Inspection of the site showed power lines on three sides of the house, high hiss level in the receiver and a power leak. Right now I should mention that there are only three or four automobiles on the island, no telephones, no taxis, and transport is by ancient bicycle.

As I was living about 2 miles away from VK2FR, this entailed a considerable pedalling.

The YLs may be interested to know that it took 2 inches off the waistline and my weight went down by eight pounds in two weeks, rid-

ing about 7 miles a day.

The first call from VK3ARX/LH on the evening of Nov. 19. brought 599 from FK8AS. No W stations were heard as conditions were poor and I was using the dipole. The following day W4BPD was the first to score; next day contact was made with W5BUK, W2TP, VK3CX and W1AW. This didn't seem to line up with the popular idea of a Dxpedition, so obviously the signals were not reaching out. Sundry antennas up to 70 feet long were tried without much change in results. Meanwhile I used a box of Bandaids on vine scratches and practised falling off the bicycle gracefully, while exploring the island. Fortunately the war in the South Pacific did not involve Lord Howe Is., although the ubiquitous Seabees left a plywood barge rotting on the lagoon beach. Only the carved letters "U.S. ARMY C.B. 37." indicate its origin.

Despite the distractions of the island scenery, three full days were spent in making changes. The aid of VK2FR's fellow technicians at the WX station was enlisted to throw rocks carrying a light line over the tops of two 60 foot trees and 138 feet of antenna was put up, fed at the 3/4 wave point, for 14 mc operation. This sounds easy until you try measuring the wire with only a 12 inch rule and have to string the supporting line across two sets of power lines and three houses in tropical heat. The following day the receiver was tackled. Only the strongest W stations were audible above the hiss. The bfo coupling was reduced, the first rf stage replaced by a 6J6 used as a cathode follower into a grounded grid. A BC221 and cro was then used to re-align all stages. By this time the hiss was considerably lower but little could be done about the noise from nearby home power tools with sparking brushes.

A radio blackout for the first few days allowed only the strongest signals through. An occasional European was heard but G2DC was the only qso with Europe during 10 days operation. As this was a vacation rather than a full time Dxpedition, fishing trips, barbeques and swimming took up some of the time. One Sunday morning not a single station was heard on either 7 or 14 mc, between 10am and noon.

The "CQ" W/W DX contest was another thing—either the BC348 just could not separate them well enough to read the calls of the stations replying, or due to inadequate advance publicity, the DX said "just another VK3" and went looking for rare ones. A number of stations asked "where is L.H." Whatever the reason, over twelve hours operation yielded only about one log page full. Of course VK2FR was around from time to time to work a new one under his own call.

On the first afternoon of the contest he arrived home from the weather station after a ten hour shift which had started at 2 am and was sleeping when one W asked me "where was VK2FR." When told, he said—"what—asleep with the whole world waiting to work him?"

Congratulations are due to the W/K stations who respected the occasional CQ VK/ZL by holding off until the "locals" had been cleared. The next CQ would bring a dozen replies. Only one W busted up a QSO. He got told about it at length before I relented and gave him a signal report. Maybe I should not have replied but no one else was calling and I thought the lecture would stop him repeating his tactics with others. Apart from the contest period it was found that after working a dozen stations on one frequency I could call CQ several times without getting a reply unless I shifted elsewhere in the band. Do these new crystal controlled receivers and converters only work on one frequency like transmitters?

Incidentally we got a true report from a SWL later who said "I couldn't notice any difference between signal strengths of VK2FR and VK3ARX/LH" which of course was not surprising as we were using the same transmitter and antenna for both stations. The superiority of the new antenna, four half waves, compared with the dipole was apparent to VK4YP who said he had not been able to hear us before although we were only 400 miles apart. The additional height allowed the signal

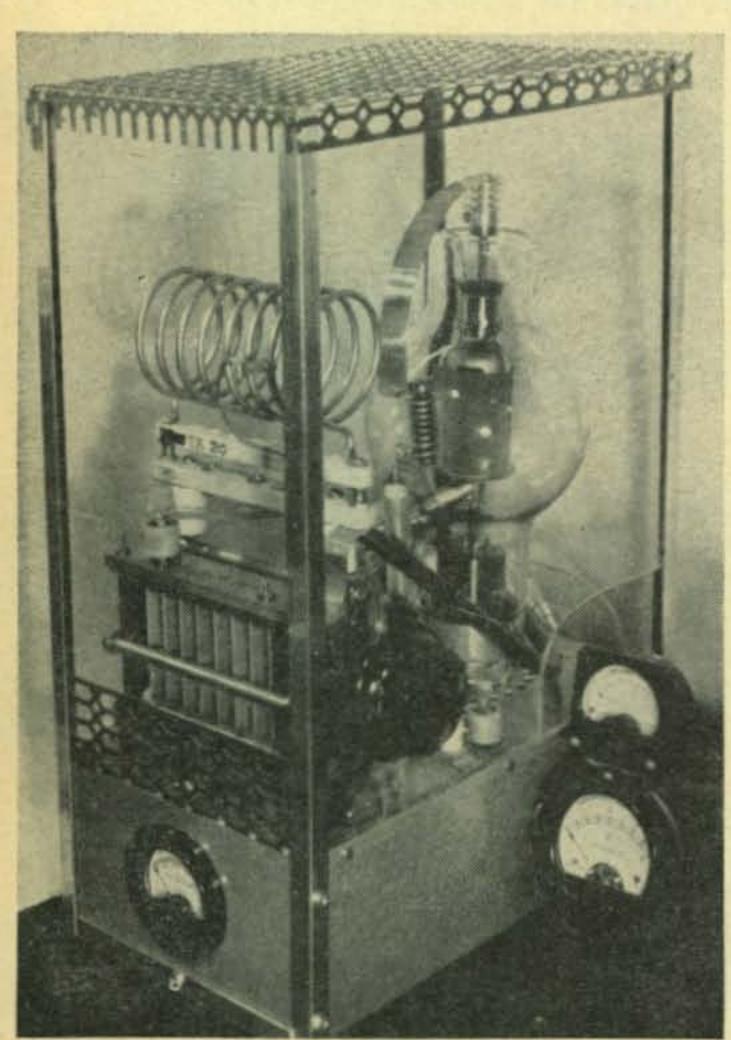
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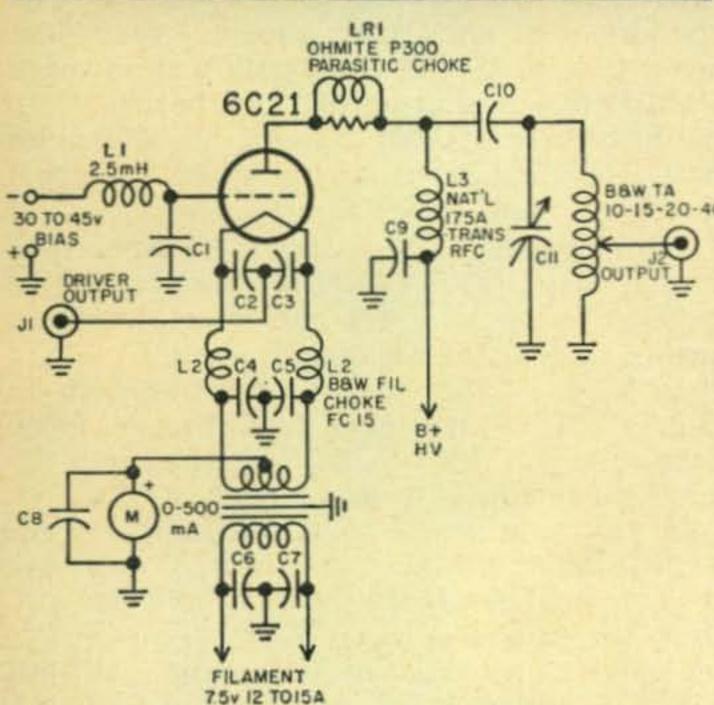
Approximately 200 stations were worked in the ten days VK3ARX/LH was on which seemed a poor total for the effort involved. Further activity has been promised from another VK3 in the near future followed by VK2AYY/LH once more in February 1959. Meanwhile VK2FR has been sparked into activity and threatens to go on with a DSB-100, if the Collector of Customs can unharden his heart. If nothing should come of it, Trevor says the am modulator still works, and he still knows the code.

VK3ARX is back in Melbourne and has quite a collection of I.R. coupons but no dollar bills! If only I had remembered to ask for a dollar per QSL I could have paid for the trip, and maybe even rebuilt at home. Does anyone know the exchange rate on VK3 cards from their home QTH?

165 Dudley St. Lakewood, Colo.

## THE \$100.00 KW FINAL





C1 thru C8-.01-600 volt ceramic wafer. C9-C10-.001 5 kv, Centralab #858S C11-Cardwell Transmitter Type 50-100 mmf.

Later communication with Mace indicated that improved results were obtained when a parasitic suppressor, identical to LR1, was inserted between the junction of L1—C1 and the control grid of the 6C21.

A bunch of the boys were whooping it up in the bargain basement of the local ham emporium, one PM a month or so ago, when WØSOB (you don't believe it? Look in your call book), tripped over a monstrous box and came up with some remark about this must be an old Indian burial ground, brushed off the dust and read the faded lettering "6C21" made by Machlett, 1944.

After ripping open the crate, he discovered what appeared to be a good start toward a super power Voice of America station. After searching through numerous spec books the possibilities, according to Eimac's figures, of using this bottle for a grounded-grid linear final were unlimited and he proceeded to lash up in the most typical haywire fashion, a KW on the tail end of a KWMs 1 that has been the talk of the SSB fraternity since.

About this time, WØJRQ bought an HT32 and with his XYL out of town decided to see how much sleep he could lose and still operate the vox. He built the described final with the technical assistance of WØAJL, in two nights.

It was purposely agreed that, with the exception of the 6C21, which was surplus, that all new standard components would be used. The total cost is slightly under \$100.00 and the results are amazing.

### **Power Supply**

The power supply is conventional. In this case 2600 volts at 300 mils is ample on SSB. Input on DSB and CW about 600 watts with the plate of the 6C21 hardly showing color. No forced air cooling is necessary, however, ample ventilation should be provided for circulation around the tube.

The reports and results from this final have been wonderful. The tube, an old radar pulse modulator, is running so far under its ratings and capabilities, that we will be in business with it for a long, long time.

Just use good layout principles, use copper strap for rf leads, use an rf meter for maximum output tuning and drive it direct with the HT-32, KWM-1, or similar driver.

We'll be listening for another SOB signal on the air.

## Putting The ARC5 On Two-Meter SB

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Under the auspices of the Central Technical Net of Air Force Mars whose NCS is AF5LHX the author worked out a conversion of the T23 ARC-5 for two-meter sideband.

The two 1625's are replaced with two RK34's to gain an extra stage and to reduce the cur-

rent drawn from the power supply.

One half of the first RK34 (see fig. 1) is a 32.5 mc xtal controlled oscillator. This tube is installed in the original oscillator socket. The tuned circuit for this oscillator is mounted just in front of the oscillator socket. The 25 mmf APC capacitor is fastened to the side of the chassis. The coil is suspended between the stator of this capacitor and a tie point.

The second half of this tube is a doubler to 65 mc. The channel D oscillator coil is rewound to resonate at 65 mc with the output

capacity of the tube.

The second RK34 is installed in the original 1625 multiplier socket. Only one half of this tube is used. It functions as a doubler to 130 mc. The channel D plate coil is rewound to resonate at 130 mc with the output capacity of the tube.

The 832A that was used as a multiplier is now used as a mixer. The channel D grid coil which is on the same form as the second RK34 plate coil is rewound to resonate at 130 mc with the input capacity of the mixer. The screen of the mixer has no dc voltage applied to it. A 14 mc tuned circuit is connected between the screen and the chassis. The coil form

for this tuned circuit is mounted inside of the box that holds the 832A tube socket. It is mounted horizontally below the tube. The screen bypass must be removed from the socket. The lead from the cathode to the plug in the bottom of the box is removed and the cathode is grounded to the box with the shortest possible lead. The pin thus released is used to bring the inner conductor of a piece of coax to the link on the screen tank. The other end of this coax goes to a chassis fitting mounted on the side of the chassis. The plate circuit of the mixer is left intact as it is in the original unit.

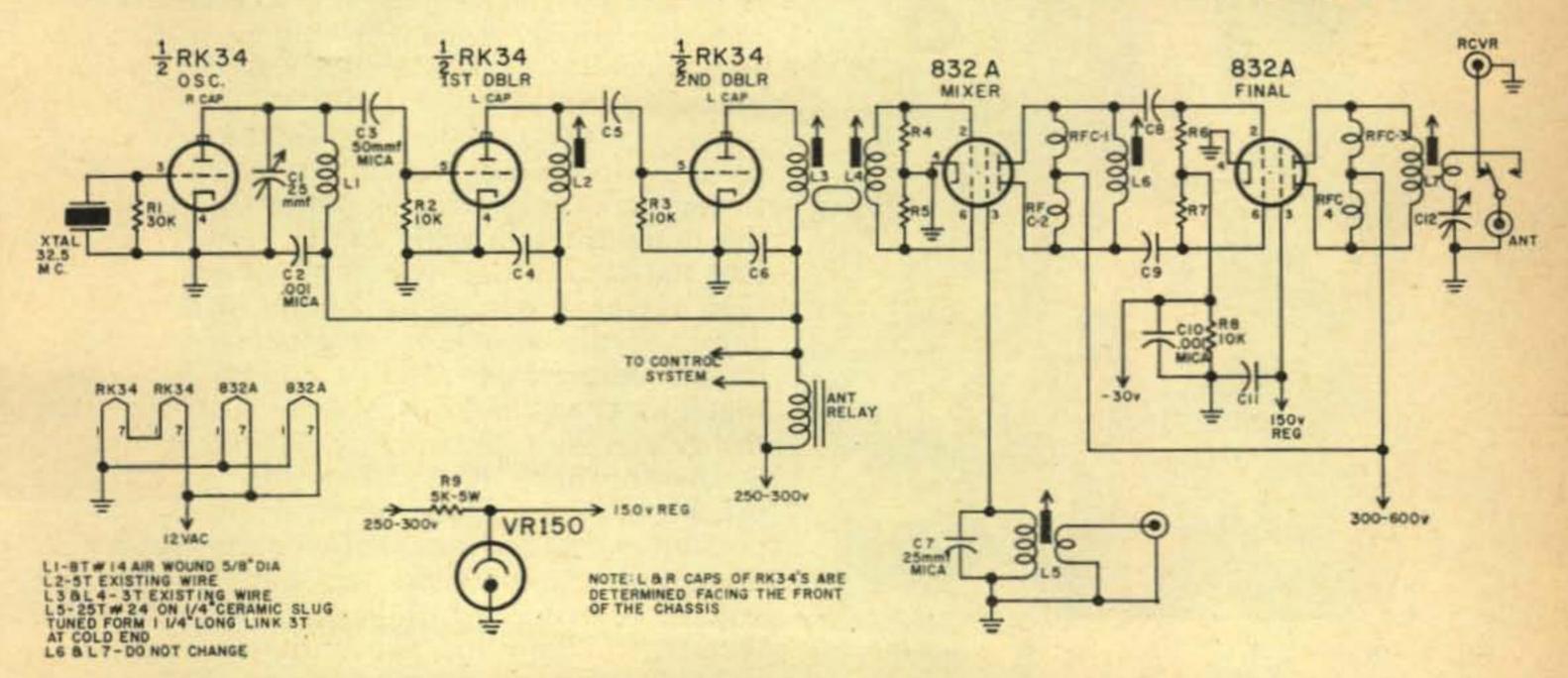
The channel D coils for the mixer plate, the final grid, and the final plate are used with-

out any modification.

A few changes must be made to convert the 832A final from class C to linear operation. These consist of changing the grid resistor to 10K, applying -30 volts of bias, and operating the screen at 150 volts regulated. The VR150 that regulates the final screen voltage is mounted in front of the oscillator socket. Some ARC5's already have a hole here with a plug in it. The dropping resistor for the VR is mounted under the chassis.

The antenna relay is retained and is operated by putting it in series with the B plus feeding the RK34's. To allow this relay to be de-energized while receiving its coil is shunted by the control system.

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### SMALL TALK ON THE LANDLINE

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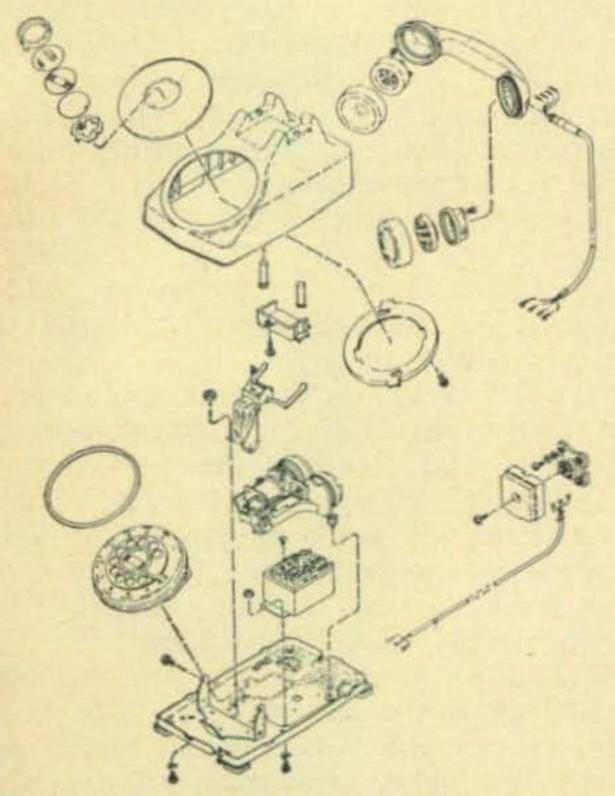


Fig. 1—An exploded view of a modern tele-

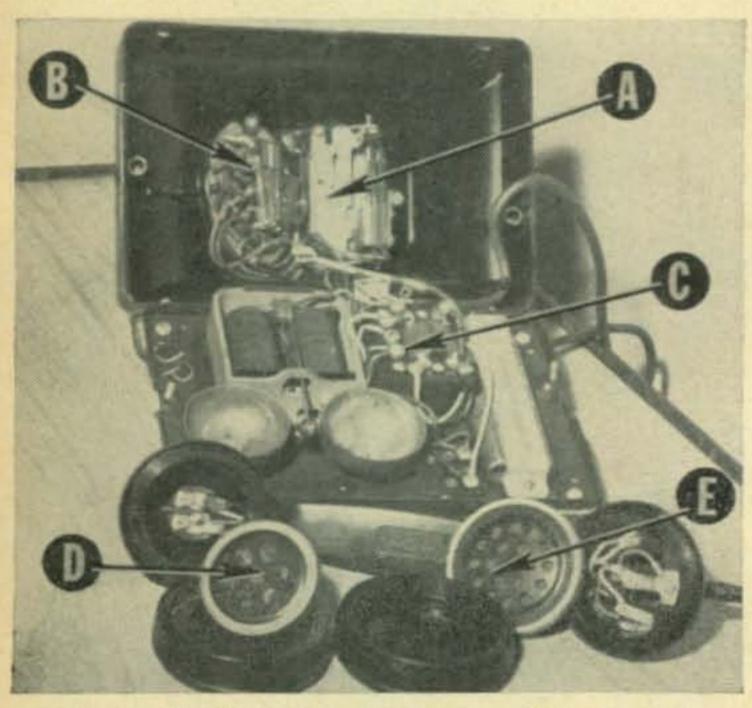


Fig. 2— 'Inside" view identifying, A-Hookswitch,
Dial switch, C-Induction Coil, D-Earphone,
E-Microphone.

Although the truth may come as a shock to some of you OM's, it must be told: that telephone in your shack has uses other than phone patching! As a matter of fact it is a very common item occuping a prominent place in millions of households. In all fairness, however, it should be pointed out that the interest of the average ham (whatever that means) probably doesn't cease with picking up the handset to stop the infernal ringing. There is always that curiosity as to what goes on inside the "black box" and it will be the purpose of this article to satisfy some of that curiosity.

Modern telephones, considered as a unit, are complicated both from the mechanical side (as illustrated in the exploded view of fig. 1) and the electrical side. The latter, however, becomes rather simple when one considers only those circuit elements that are in use at any given instant. While there are many styles of phones currently used, the basic principles are the same, so a typical unit, that seen in fig. 2, will be described. For identification purposes, notice the "hookswitch," upper center; the "dial switch," to the left of the hookswitch; the induction coil, middle center; the earphone (lower left) and the microphone. (The T-1 mike button, incidentally is an FB ham item. See CQ, September 1958, "Modernizing the T-17 Micro-

phone," p. 35.)

An easy way to understand any piece of equipment is to check the circuit diagram before further confusion sets in. A quick glance at the complete schematic of fig. 3 will indicate that the wiring itself is not so complicated, but that tracing it out on the phone is difficult because of the switching arrangement that sets up the different operational conditions. Notice that the Y and B leads are not used and that the ringer with its series capacitor is directly across the line (R and G); this is a typical private hook-up. Many other arrangements are possible, as in one type of two party line which utilizes the ground. In this case the ringing voltage is between Ground and R or G, with the ringer connected appropriately, depending on which party you happen to be. Talking and dialing connections will still be across R and G.

Now for the simplifications in which only those parts of the circuit actually in use for a particular condition will be shown. When the phone is in the "hung-up" condition it consists, for all practical purposes, of a ringer circuit and nothing else. In fig. 4a the heavy lines show this fact. Verification may be had by tracing the other wiring; you will notice that everything else is disconnected. An equivalent circuit for the hung-up condition is given in fig. 4b. Thus when a ringing voltage is impressed on the line, generally on the order of 65 volts ac, the phone acts as a load consisting, of a capacitor and a ringer coil in series. More variation of connections is found regarding ringers than in any other part of the circuit. There is an open circuit voltage of 48 dc on the line, but the capacitor, of course, prevents completion of the dc loop.

As soon as the handpiece is lifted the circuit assumes what shall be called the "talk-listen" condition for which the schematic is given in fig. 6a. This is the most complicated phase of operation and may best be appreciated by considering the equivalent circuit of fig 6b. The whole idea of this phase is to couple the earphone and microphone to the line in such a manner that simultaneous transmission and reception may occur. You may wonder where the ringer circuit went as this is not removed by any switching. From an electrical standpoint it does not exist at normal voice frequencies. The ringing frequencies are low (between 20 and 66 cycles) compared to frequencies present in conversation, thus at these audio frequencies the RLC ringer presents a very high impedance across the line which can

be ignored in the talk-listen condition. Network  $Z_1$ , consisting of  $C_2$  (about 2.0) mf) and an induction coil, is the heart of the system. The particular coil illustrated, one of the more popular of several types used, is a Western Electric 101A anti-side tone coil. Besides permitting coupling to the line the antiside tone feature is probably the most important aspect of network Z<sub>1</sub>. Without this, coupling between the earphone and the mike would be great enough to interfere with conversation. This network reduces the side tone so that a person hears his own voice at a normal level. He, therefore, does not tend to talk softer which would make reception difficult. The arrangement of the coil windings is such that the current through them creates opposing fields under talk conditions which reduces greatly the voltage induced in the earphone. The most modern phones use a Varister in this circuit for improved performance.

Under talk conditions the telephone is effectively a series device in the line, the line current varying according to the impressed voltages. The dc resistance of the mike varies over a range of approximately 50-200 ohms which swings the voltage across the phone input terminals (R and G) in a 2.5 to 5.0 vdc range. A further circuit simplification is sug-

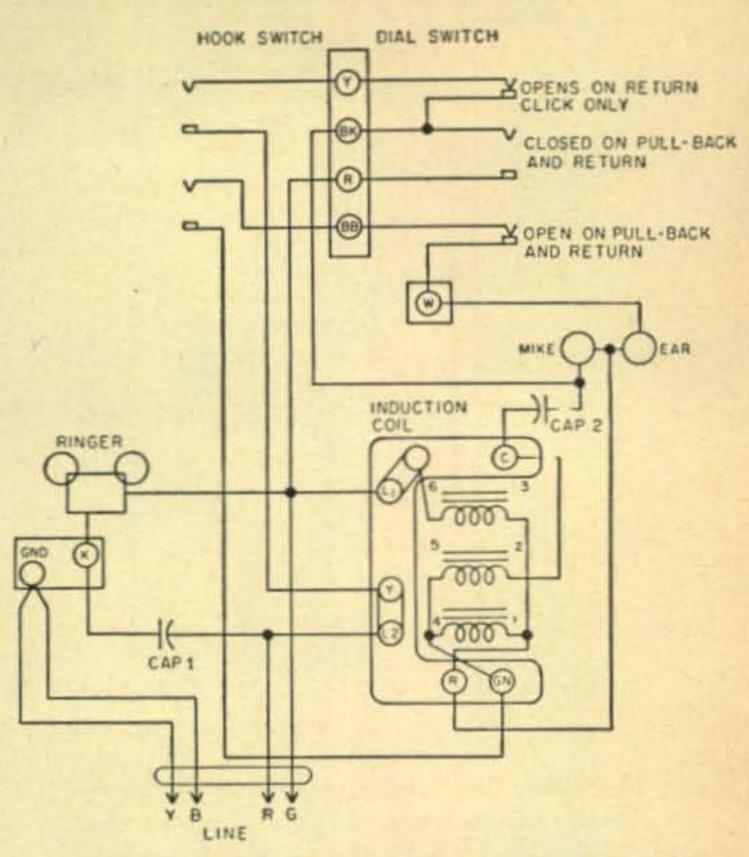


Fig. 3—Complete schematic of the telephone unit.

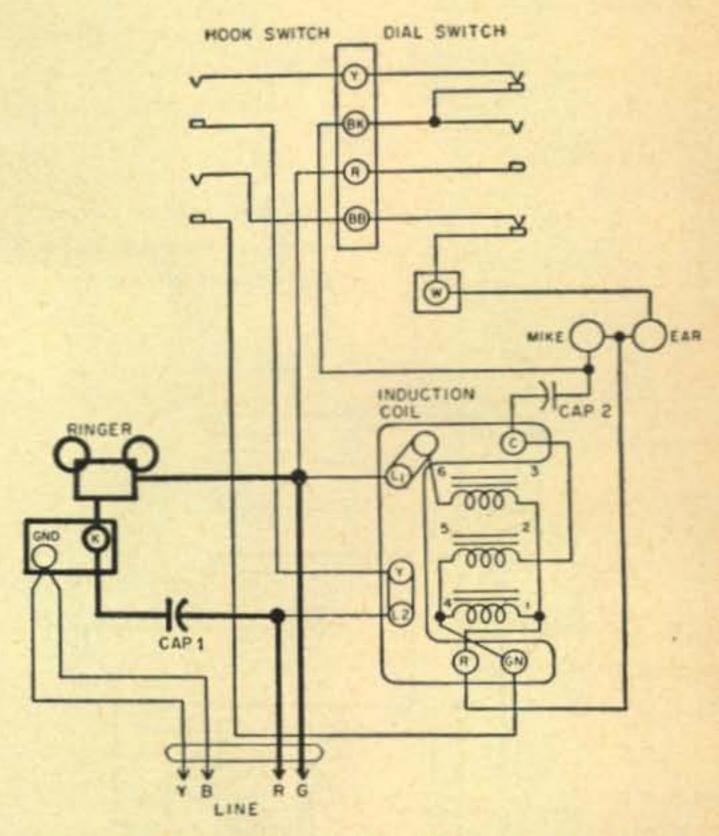


Fig. 4A—The portion of the phone in the circuit when in the "hung up" position. Note that only the ringer is in the circuit.

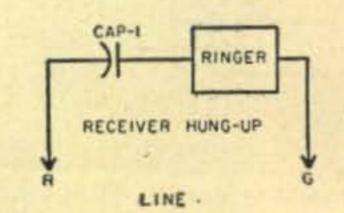


Fig. 4B—An equivalent circuit for the hung-up condition.

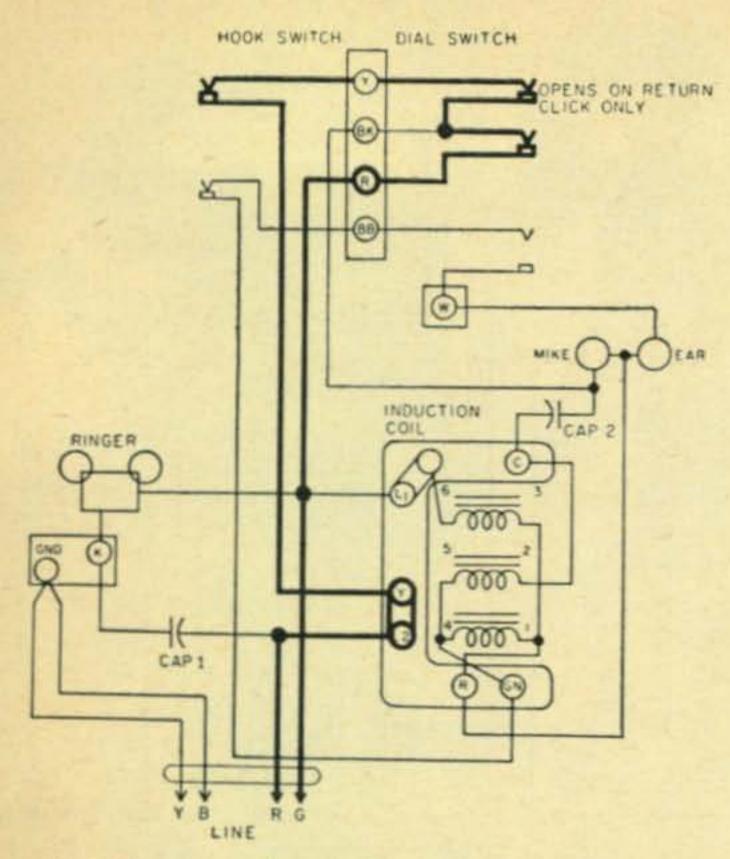
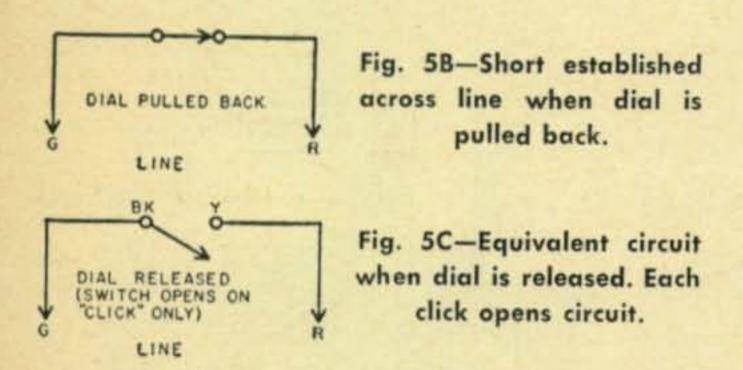


Fig. 5A—Heavy lines indicate portion of the circuit actually in use when the dial is pulled back (with receiver off hook). When dial is released to switch between terminals Y and BK opens at each click.



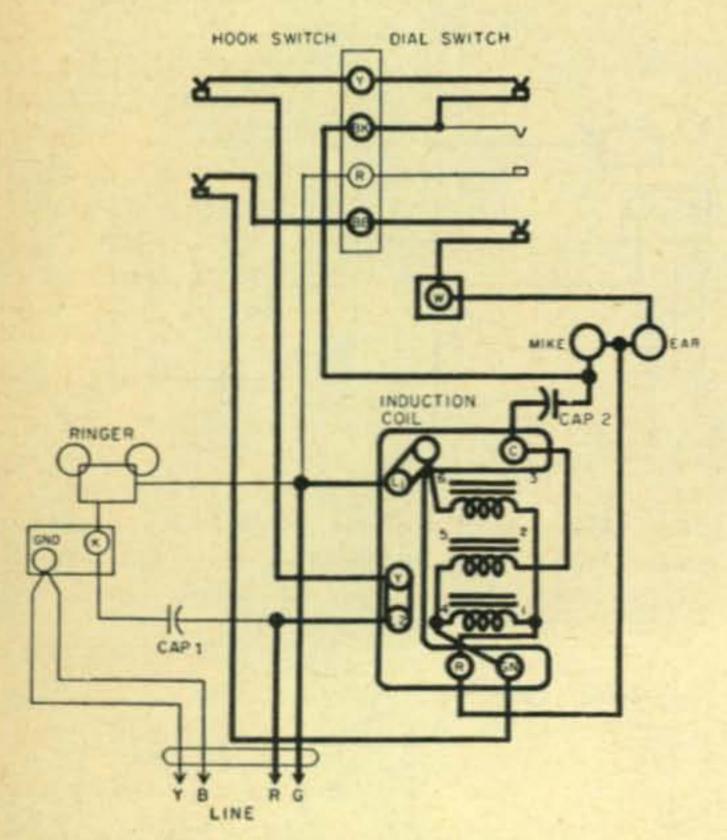


Fig. 6A—Heavy lines indicate the portion of the circuit in use under talk listen conditions.

gested in fig 6c where the  $Z_1$  network, the earphone and the mike are lumped together and called  $Z_2$ . The whole talk-listen arrangement may then be reduced to fig. 7 which illustrates a condition occurring for three different purposes.

Before you pull back the dial the equivalent circuit is as just mentioned. As soon as the dial is rotated from its rest position the circuit looks like fig. 5a and if you trace this through you arrive at the equivalent circuit of fig. 5b which is nothing more or less than one great big short. Heretofore the phone put a series resistance in the line, due to the mike of about 60 ohms resistance; now even this is shorted out, indicating to the central office equipment that dialing is about to begin. (If you are not on the dial system, merely picking up the phone gives this short condition which signals the operator that you wish to make a call.)

When the dial is released a new condition occurs each time the dial passes a number or "clicks." This clicking is accompanied by a switching action which breaks the short established by pulling back the dial (fig. 5b) and causes the circuit to look like fig. 5c. It's just an open. The phone isn't even there; you could do the same thing by taking a pair of dikes to the line! This open is very brief and as soon as the dial stops the circuit returns to the condition shown in fig. 7 and remains there until you dial the next number at which time the sequence repeats. After sufficient numbers have been dialed the central office equipment automatically connects you to the distant phone or busy-signal equipment; your own phone has no control over this operation.

From a mechanical standpoint the dial itself is worth mentioning as its operation is also critical from an electrical standpoint. Examination of the reverse side of the dial will show a spring loaded flywheel (visible in fig. 2 as a small round device with two vertical slots). The spring is wound when the dial is pulled back and thus supplies the energy for returning the dial to the rest position. A small mechanically coupled cam provides the switching action required to open the line on the clicks. The important point is that the dial must return very close to a predetermined speed as proper timing of the dialing pulses is necessary for good operation of the central office equipment.

Now that the various phases of operation have been explained individually the entire sequence may be tied together by tracing a complete cycle of dc line current conditions from the hung-up to call-completed stage. An idealized graph of the line current is presented in fig. 8. Maximum current is obtained when the line is shorted as this is a series device; for the same reason zero current exists on the line when there is an open circuit. The minimum current is that caused by the series resistance when the phone is in the stage indicated

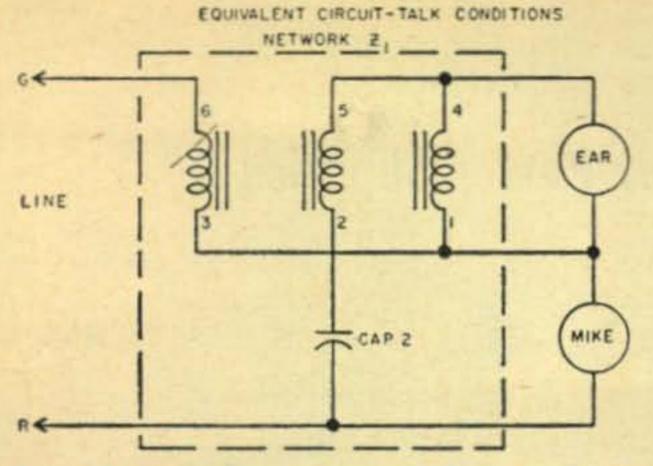
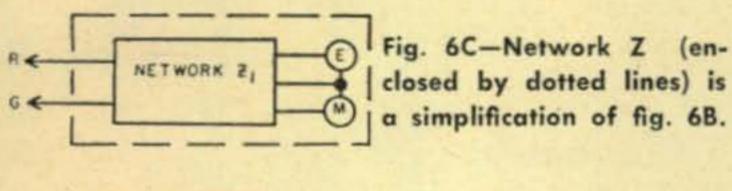


Fig. 6B-Equivalent circuit-"Talk Listen" condition.



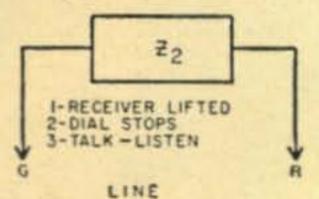
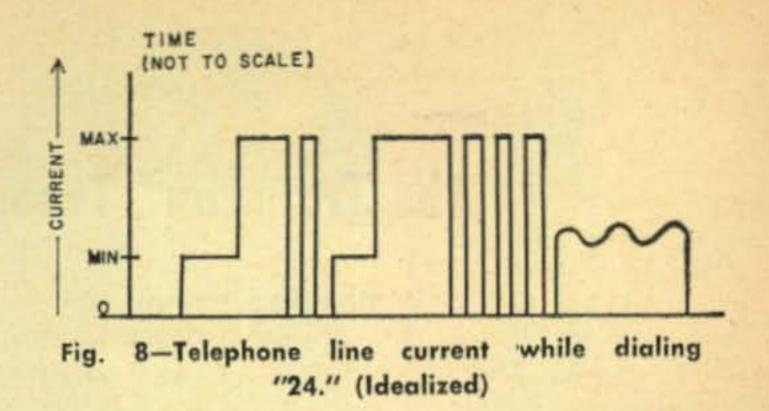


Fig. 7—Equivalent circuit when the receiver is lifted and the dial is at rest.

by fig. 7, i.e., talk, etc.

When the handset is hung-up the line is open dc-wise so there is zero current. (See fig.



4b.) As soon as the handset is lifted (fig. 7) the minimum current condition occurs and continues until the dial is pulled back, shorting the line (fig. 5b) causing the current to rise sharply. The graph illustrates dialing phone number 24, therefore the current remains at a maximum while the dial moves from the 2 position to the finger stop. Upon release there is a click (fig. 5c) and the current drops to zero for the instant that the line is open. The line closes and the current rises to maximum until the second click when it again drops sharply, rising to the minimum value as the dial stops. You are now ready to dial the 4 which is also illustrated. Sufficient dialing pulse information has now been transmitted to allow the central office equipment to make a connection. After this the current varies depending upon the ringing or talking on the line. About this point the XYL gives you a QRRR

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### IVT on 50 MC

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As is probably true in most other Channel 2 cities, Baton Rouge, La., has not only its share of Tennessee Valley Indians, but, on six meters, more than its share of Indian Tennessee Valleyans.

Even crosstown talk on 50.25 mc by the Capital Area Emergency net, for instance, has often been QRMed by "They went thattaway, podnuh," especially with beams aimed at WBRZ's 1000-foot tower.

But, with such stuff pouring out on 55.25 mc at an ERP of some 30 very full gallons, what could we expect? And what, if anything, could be done about it?

At a ham club lecture one night, Bill Owen, W5WG, professor in EE at Louisiana State University, had mentioned that an open quarter-wave section would act like a sharp-tuning but definite short circuit.

So, let's see: WBRZ audio was 55.25 mc. Divide that into 2770 and you get almost exactly 50 inches for a quarter-wave. But whoahow about the velocity factor?

Well, for the chunk of RG59U lying around, that turned out to be 0.66. That times 50 is 33. So we clipped a piece exactly 33 inches long, trimmed the insulation and soldered it in a coax plug.

Mounting a T-connector atop the elderly old man?"

Gonset Communicator, we plugged in the beam and tuned to what turned out to be a cooking program on TV, strong enough to half-close the tuning eye.

Holding our breath, we plugged in the stub—and it worked! The announcer's voice dropped several db. We tried clipping a quarter-inch off the far end of the stub, then another, and at 32½ inches the IVT was down to R ½.

But what, if anything, did the "short" do to the 50 mc band? A quick check showed no appreciable effect on incoming signals. But what about outgoing?

A flip of the TR switch showed the tuning eye far off the nearly-closed position it had been adjusted to for the beam alone. Attempts to adjust "load" and "tune" again to that nearly-closed position brought a surprise and some apprehension: The eye not only closed—it overlapped!

Something, obviously, was wrong.

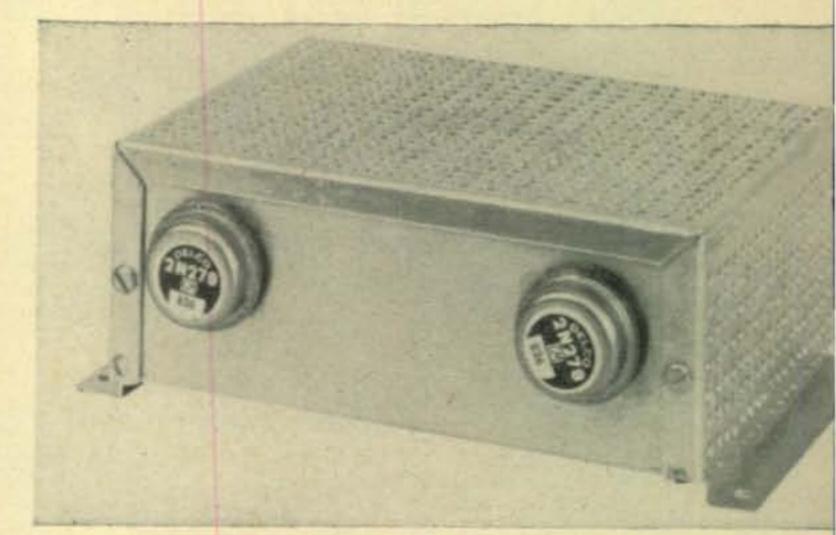
Just for the heck of it, we flipped the switch, gave a short CQ and watched the overlap wiggle with modulation. And just as a matter of habit, we listened:

"K5KRE, K5KRE," we heard, "this is KØREE, in Topeka, Kansas, reading you loud and clear. The handle here is Irene. What say, old man?"

### The Transcon\* Transistor Power Supplies

When we are contemplating mobile operation, one of the more serious problems confronting us is that of supplying power for the equipment. The classical solution is, of course, apparent. Merely install a Vibropack to supply the low voltage required for the receiver or converter and then include a dynamotor to provide a voltage source for the transmitter. Unfortunately, it doesn't end here. With a conventional system such as described, there exists a pitfall or two; the most likely being finding yourself stranded on some lonely road in the wee hours with a dead battery. One way to prevent such a misfortune is to install a Leece-Neville alternator to replace the standard car generator. This will provide a substantial charge even while the engine is idling. Excellent as the solution may be, it is a rather costly insurance plan, the premium being in the order of \$100.00 for a used 12 volt model, not to mention the added difficulty of installation.

With the advent of the transistorized power supply, all this has been eliminated. Not only is a transistorized unit smaller, quieter and far more efficient, it is also considerably less demanding on the battery. The actual efficiency figures are startling. There is no fabulous surge drawn by the transistorized supply and it operates at continuous duty at about one half the battery drain of an equivalent dynamotor. When a dynamotor fails, there is a strong possibility of a short circuit resulting in severe battery damage. The dynamotor is often impossible to repair. About the only failure a transistorized supply can suffer is the loss of a power transistor which is easily replaced at a nominal cost. When this does occur, the supply draws no current and delivers no output. An additional factor of interest is that in the event of a short circuit in the



MODEL NO.	H250	H311	H325	H375	H600
CENTER TAP CONN.	250 VDC # 65 MA.	300 VDC #	325 VDC # 150 MA.	375 VDC #	600 VDC =
SIMULTANEOUS OUTPUT WITH C.T.					
COMMON TO PLUS	250 VDC # 37.5 MA.	300 VDC # 50 MA.	325 VDC # 75 MA.	375 VDC # 100 MA.	600 VDC #
COMMON TO C.T.	125 VDC #	150 VDC # 100 MA.	162.5 VDC # 150 MA	187.5 VDC +	300 VDC #

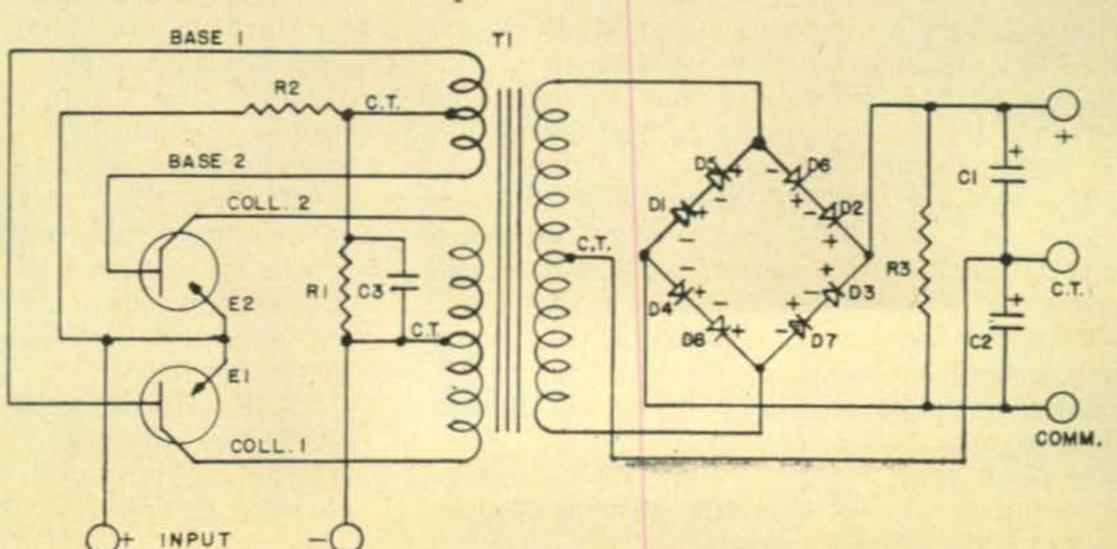
Fig. 2—Output voltage and current capabilities.

transmitter, i.e. should the voltage output of the supply become shorted, the transistors will stop oscillating and no output will be delivered. Safety factor: 100 per cent.

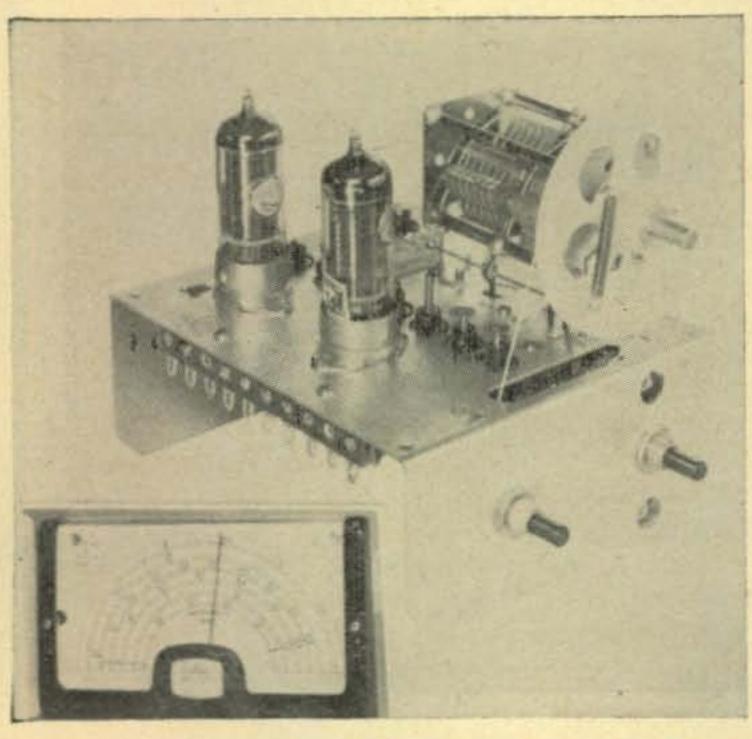
The gang at Transcon had all these factors in mind at the onset, and they have developed a complete line of transistorized mobile power supplies for the amateur market which fill just about any normal requirements. These are extremely compact, well engineered units which will operate on either 6 or 12 volts dc. Units are available with 24v inputs on special order. Figure one shows a typical schematic for a Transcon supply. All the units in the line fit this schematic with only values of components differing between units. Figure two is a chart which shows the various stock models available. Note the flexibility in the output circuit. Either full or half voltage can be obtained merely by selecting the proper output terminals.

\* Creative Electronics-94 Lincoln Ave., Stamford, Conn.

Fig. 1—Schematic for the Transcon power supplies. The various models vary in component value only.



### The Geloso VFO



Among the many exotic electronic treasures found in the home cellar division of the CQ Lab (QTH of W2NSD), was the Geloso N.4/104 vfo. This little package looked sufficiently interesting for me to over rule my staunch belief in the old axiom "Never Volunteer," and after twisting Wayne's arm through 180 degrees, he consented to let me take it home and put it through it's paces.

The Geloso Company of Milano, Italy is extremely popular in the European area as a manufacturer of high quality electronics equipment for the amateur. As of late, they have been producing quite a bit of their equipment

for export; such is the N.4/104 vfo.

Upon opening the package, I was immediately impressed by the construction of the Geloso. The mechanical layout and wiring are about as high quality as I've seen to date in any amateur gear. Along with the vfo proper, they also supply a beautiful dial, plastic bezel and pointer assembly plus all necessary hardware for mounting the unit in a transmitter of one's own design and construction. This handsome dial is the same as is found on the Geloso receiver and transmitter also currently available in the USA.

Technically, the circuit of the N.4/104 VFO presents nothing radically new in design. It does, however, embody obviously superior application of the currently popular Clapp Oscillator Circuit. The unit begins with a 6CL6 Oscillator tube employing switchable LC networks designed for high stability. This in turn feeds a single 5763 which operates either as a straight amplifier or a frequency multiplier, depending on the band of operation. The unit uses low loss slug-tuned coil forms throughout, and has a 10:1 reduction tuning system built in. One interesting feature of this unit is that it has rf output on all amateur bands, 10 through 80 meters which is quite adequate to drive an 807 or 6146. All control and power leads are brought to a 10 terminal strip on the left underside corner of the chassis. There is provision for cathode keying and external voltage regulation as well. Power requirements are 6.3 volts ac at 1.4 amps, and 275 to 350 volts dc at 60 ma. A single external OA2 or VR-150 provides the voltage regulation.

Perhaps the most significant feature of the N.4/104 vfo is the amazing stability that the unit possesses. I was able to zero it in the home station receiver and give the table several healthy swats with my fist without altering the frequency more than a few cycles; this being done with the unit just sitting on the table less any type of cabinet or mounting to give rigid mechanical support. Checking on all bands showed the note to be clean and the bandspread quite adequate. All in all, I'd say that the Geloso vfo is the most outstanding dollar for dollar value that I have had the privilege of

testing to date.

Barry A. Briskman, K2IEG

### SCRATCHI [from page 24]

better reserving me cupple pages of ads, instead of one!

Before you rushing to sending me for-bits to getting yours, Hon. Ed., holding on to your Hon. Hat. Scratchi's Conelrad Monitor are doing something no other monitor can doing. Yes indeedy. With the S.C.M. you will never having to go off the air for Conelrad test.

Whenever you being on air, monitor are reeding safe. So the S.C.M. are also F.C.C. (Foolpruf Continyous Conelrad). Scratchi can making dubble-your-money-back-absolutely

garantee on S.C.M.

You thinking I talking thru hat? Not at all.

Here are what Scratchi going to sell for for-bits PP. You getting one neon bulb, one socket, to feets twisted pair wire, ate feets single wire.

To using, you hooking wire to socket, and connecking wires across speeker of BC set. Taking single wire and wrapping one end around antenna coil on BC set and other end leeving loose in vicinity of final tank coil.

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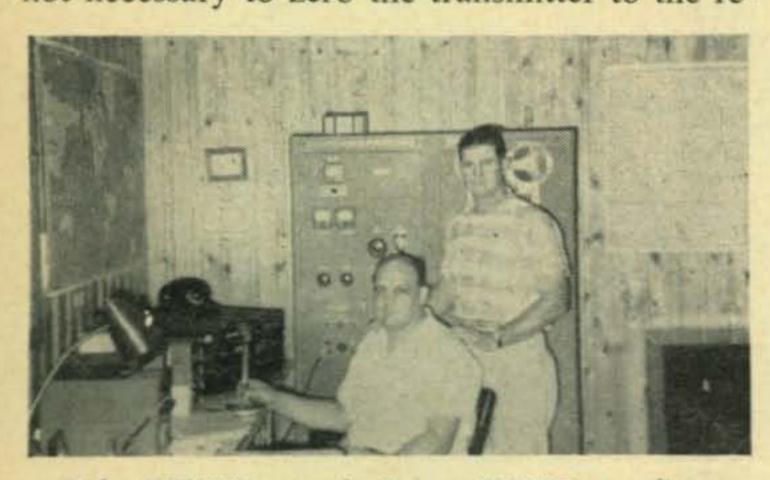
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## WORKED 100 COUNTRIES Two-way SSB (in order of award)

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F7AF	W8YBZ	WIADM	W6PXH	W7IAA			
K6GMA	WØQVZ	TI2RC	WØCVU	VQ4ERR			
W3SW	WØFUH	W2CFT	W4INL	W8MPW			
W4IYC	W8PQQ	KØABH	W8YIN	W3MAC			
TI2HP	ZL3PJ	ZL3IA	TG9AD	WIGR			
WBQNF	K2MGE	W6BAF	W3NKM	W8JXM			
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At exactly 1800 GMT on April 18th, 'bedlam' broke loose on all of the popular spots for sideband operation. A few moments before the magic hour the bands were so quiet you would think we were having blackouts from sun spot activity. A minute after 1800 GMT it was impossible to find a clear spot. In ten, fifteen and twenty meters, CQ's Third Annual SSB World Wide Contest had started. Fifteen was the most popular band for the US sidebanders because they could call on the DX station's frequency. The new transceivers really showed to advantage in this contest and resulted in many higher scores because it was not necessary to zero the transmitter to the re-



Bob, WØHXX seated, Harry, W5HFQ standing.

ceive frequency. If we obtain the addition fifty kc at the top of twenty, as is indicated, next year's contest will see some amazing scores, with the increasing numbers of transceivers becoming available.

The rules of this Contest permitted W/K stations to work other W/K stations which contributed considerably to its success. In other years American amateurs quickly worked most of the DX stations which participated, and therefore interest waned early. Not so this year! It is believed that the new scoring method will result in a much fairer competition to all countries than the earlier Contests. While conditions were not the best, reports from all corners of the earth, indicate excellent results. Fifteen meters stayed open nearly the entire period, and was probably the most active band.

HB9IE who operated the entire twenty-four period seems to have made the most contacts with an unofficial 616. No information is now available at this time on Pete's prefix multiplier. He went right to bed after the final contact for some much needed sleep.

I contacted Ami, 4X4DK at 1802 GMT at the close of the Contest and was informed that he had 461 QSO's and without any time out for rest. In spite of his apparent weariness, Ami reported a wonderful time and is already looking ahead to next year's shindig.

Robbie, VQ4ERR was heard throughout the entire period giving out numbers like mad. He is getting some practice for his next dx/pedition to Seychelles in August when he will sign VQ1ERR. I am happy to have been instru-



At SSB dinner; I to r-W8BP, K1JTB/VO1, K2TEX, K8IGG, K2MGE, K8JTB, W2ZG.

mental in obtaining, with CQ's help, a portable power-plant for Robbie so that he can operate continuously without depending on the hotel's generator which operates only four hours a day.

SP3PL in Poland, a newcomer to sideband, was very active and made many contacts. George, UA1DZ was another station from behind the "iron curtain" to participate in the Contest.

SVØWB had an unusually strong signal on twenty meters all through the night and by some very expert operating, was able to run up a high total. By constantly indicating the exact frequency he would listen on, prevented much useless calling, and this procedure was used successfully by many smart DX stations including, 4X4DK, ON4DM, VK3AAE, ZL3DX, VQ3DX, VK3AHR, DL41VR, HB9IE, EA7JH, VQ4ERR, DJ1BZ, HB9TL, HZ1AB, GW5TJ, GC3LXK, VE8NH, PAØRE and VK6RU etc.

VU2RX reported to your Editor that he was enjoying the Contest very much. VS4JT, XZ2SY, KB6BL, KL7CDF, BV1US and KC4USB were all active and helped consider-

ably to make things interesting.

Humberto, TI2HP and Martin, VE3MR arranged their dx/pedition to TI9SB so as to be active during the Contest. Although they encountered heartbreaking experiences with power-plant failures etc, they made over 200 Contest contacts. QSL's will be sent to all stations who contacted them.

HC1ET operated all of the twenty-four hours and made over 400 QSO's. He will send QSL's as soon as the cards have been obtained from

the printers.

Among the high scorers in this country are W2SKE (as usual), W6VSS/6, K4SUK, K6LAS, W4MS, W4BJ, WØFUH, W3ADT, K6NCG, K6MMW, W4GOG, W6DON, K7GIE, K3GNQ, K5PJF, W9EWC, and K5LZO. (From the way he was going K5LZO will not be last.)

W3SW made 283 contacts in 49 countries, but has grown too old to stay up all night, even

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in a sideband contest. I found the transceiver a wonderful way to make fast contacts and QSYs in the band.

Some other DX stations who were active in this Third World Wide CQ SSB Contest were ZS5JY, TG9PF, YS1CD, YS10, DJ1BZ, XE1ZM, KZ5WZ, EA2CA, DL4ML, DL4WX, DL4YB, G2CWL, DL7BA, G2SUC, G3AWD, PAØIE, OA4GM, SVØWE, YN1BS, VE5PU, SM5AQV, VK6TH, DJØBT.

Ted, W6UOU was represented by his "secret weapon", W6WNE, his XYL Meredith. Many XYLs were heard calling "CQ-Contest".

ZL3DX, Wynn who is planning an expedition soon to VR5, Tonga Group; ZM6, British Samoa and ZK2, Niue, when last contacted was over 300 contacts. VK3AAE gave me number 59346 at 1300 GMT, with six hours

still to operate.

The ten meter segment of the sideband fraternity lost one of its staunch pioneers when Dave, ZL3AR joined the ranks of the Silent Keys. His cheery personality and ready wit was something to look forward to when the Zed Els were coming thru. Monty, W6MMB who sent us this information believes ZL3AR has gone ahead to prepare the new QTH's we all have to move to someday.

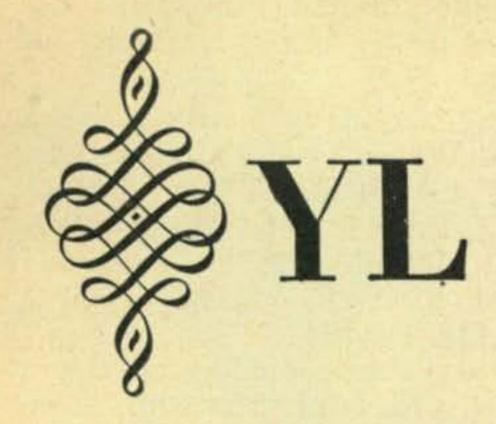
Dave, W9KON sends us a tip for those who may be experiencing arcing in their 6AG7 tubes when running high voltage on the plates in a grounded-grid linear. Dave found that the 6AG7 has an internal shield which is connected to pin \$1, and that the arcing occurred between the plate lead and the shield. He cured the trouble by not grounding this shield with the grids, and letting it float. Now Dave runs 1000 volts on his 6AG7's.

We should have some scores in the next column, but the official standings will not be known until the September issue. in the meantime I am looking forward to some long hours of checking all the logs anticipated.

73, Bob, W3SW



Dorothy, K2MGE with Bob, W3SW at SSB dinner.



by Louisa B. Sando, W5RZJ

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### Results 10th YL-OM Contest

Congratulations to these top scorers in YLRL's 10th Annual YL-OM Contest held Feb. 28-Mar. 1 (phone) and Mar. 14-15 (cw):

YL PHONE C	ontacts	Sections	Score
1st-W5DRI, Dena Morgan	801	70	70,088*
2nd-K5BNQ, Doris Anderson	660	64	52,800*
3rd-W5ERH, Betty Sutton	568	67	47,570*
OM PHONE			
1st-K9ALP, Lester Arndt	125	45	7,031*
2nd-K6SXA, Lowell Fink	103	43	5,536*
3rd-W8AJW, Jack Siringer	108	. 37	4,995*
YL CW			
1st-W2MWY, Ann Weinstock	411	74	38,018*
2nd—KL7ALZ,			
Geraldine Nichols	464	81	37,584
3rd-W1RLQ, Grace Swenson	389	72	35,010*
OM CW			
1st-K6SXA, Lowell Fink	67	35	2,931*
2nd-K9ALP, Lester Arndt	59	29	2,138*
3rd-W5DQK, Shelton Morgar	58	29	2,103*
(*Low power multiplier)			

This is the second win for Dena, W5DRI, in the phone section. Dena placed first last year also, and second in '57. For photo and write-up, see p. 90, CQ June 1958. Doris, K5BNQ, who made second high YL phone score, placed third last year and second in '57. For photo and write-up see p. 91, CQ June '58. Betty, W5ERH, with third high YL phone score, has placed in the top three for the first time. Betty is active in GAYLARK and TYLRUN, has YLCC and WAS.

In the cw section, top YL scorer, W2MWY, Ann, has long been a cw operator, though she spends time on phone as well. She became a member of YLRL the first year it was founded. KL7ALZ, Geri, licensed since 1951, is a past president of PARKA, and holds DXCC, WAS/YL, WAS & WAC. W1RLQ, Chata, who made third high YL score, placed second in last year's contest and third in '57.

Among the OMs, note that K9ALP and K6SXA reverse first and second place high scores in the phone and cw sections. K6SXA placed third on cw in last year's contest. Third place phone, W8AJW, Jack, made first place in '58, '57 and '55. Third place on cw, W5DQK, Shelton, is the OM of W5DRI, Dena, top YL phone scorer. Now there's family cooperation—one work the phone section and the other the cw!

W6DXI, Gladys, YLRL's vice president, who handled the contest, reported receipt of 140 YL logs and 259 from the OMs, though far more than these numbers participated. Among the comments we liked these: "Most of the gals are mighty fine operators. . . . not many points but had a lot of fun-gals, gals, gals —hi!"

YL-OM	Contest	Scores

		YL PH	ONE		
KIDGZ	26,633	KØLGW	275	W6JVA	3,506
WIRLQ	25,294	KA2HA	675	W6PVD	1,918
WIICV	10,400	KA2YL	1,768	K6QY0	1,827
KIADY	5,160	KZ5VR	44,336	KEEIE	1,625
WIUKR	1,060	K6QPG/K		W6011	672
WIMDB	938	VE3DDA	700	K6GLS	570
K2JYZ	4.763	KX6CM	11,907	K61CS	225
W2EW0	4,200	ZL2J0 ZS50B	1,650	K6CJF	138
W20WL WA2AKM	423	ZS6APG	3,975	W6SXX	96
W3TNP	20,295	Confirmatio	1/0/02/7/01/05	W5GVP/7 W7UGQ	1,365
W3UTR/3	4,988		WEEHA,	WTYKQ	1,040
W3JST	2,106		2YL	WIBCE	926
W3GTC	1,520			K7CLS	908
K4IFF	27,540	OM PH	IONE	W7ESN	810
K4TGA	21,717	WIBAB	1,680	W7EVU	675
W4QNI	19,345	KIHTK	1,540	W7K0I	500
W4BIL	17,325	KIEFI	1,259	K7BSR	300
W4WYR	17,039	WILKG	1,680	K7GQM	143
K4ANY	15,435	WILQ	1,050 900	WEASW	4,995
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W5HWK	32,330	W2GBX	2,059	W9LNQ	2,400
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KEEXQ	46,967	W2GIX	130	KØLRS	1.750
WEQGX	33,880	K2UUT	114	WØLLU	1,234
K6TQ0	18,420	W2ME0	83	WØZSZ	950
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W7GGV	6,471	K4DLC	1,705	HPIAC	225
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KOHEU	12,773	K5BQS	420	K2ULP	7,944
KØIKL	10,402	KSINK	400	K2UTS	3,844
KØGIC	9,100	W5AWT	130	W3CUL	24,010
WØWIE	7,215	K6SXA	5,536	W3JWM	18,400
WØLYV	5,063	K6TXR	4,070	W3TSC	11,813

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K3CRE	10,499	W2EMW	1,260	W8APN	1,128
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K4SAF	5,348	W2NIY	840	WSKKV	510
K4TFL	3,671	K2PFC	680	WEDEZ	195
W6QYL/4	1,250	W2LHL	552	W8LSJ	156
WSEGD	19,208	W2DUN	489	K8JLF	60
K5LIU	15,468	K2MJM	261	K9ALP	2,138
W5WXY	4,165	K2PTU	168	W9DYG	1,938
K5PFF	2,438	W2DTL	125	W9BZW	1,924
W6WDL	9,713	W2CJM	90	W9LNQ	1,924
K60WQ	5,510	K2EB0	44	W9RKP	1,440
W6PCA	5,206	K20EG	44	K9PJN	1,275
K6KUP	2,126	W2LGK	25	K9BLY	1,265
W6EHA	900	K2UZJ	5	W9NLF	1,208
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W8KLZ	288	WSADE	500	K9ICG	79
W9MLE	8,405	KSAHT	469	KOPIE	1,274
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K9BRJ)	3,400	W3CDG	403	KØQLY	64
W9MYC	2,406	W3UIU	40	G3WP	11
W90MZ	266	W4JUJ	1,236	HB9TT	31
KOIKL	21,209	K4IEX	1,100	ITIAGA	165
KØEDH	19,750	K4RJM	1,050	HER	11
KØGIC	9,116	W4CHK	971	KP4KD	309
KØLYV	4,125	W4ZQK	765	DH3TH	11
G2YL KL7ALZ	2,936 37,584	K4PHY W4CN7	648	OH2RD	5
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SP5YL	1,410	W4GOJ	350	ON4EG	11
VE2A0B	1,188	W4SOT	220	PAGIU	1
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WISAD	518	KEELE	562	VESCWE	146
WIFO	500	K6CJF K6BFZ	500 187	VESDDU	553
WILQ	468 368	KEGLS	63	VE3DLS	193
WILQQ	358	W7ECX	665	VE3DYJ	270
WINLM	322	W7VIU	540	VE5NI	44
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W2MTA	1,625	W8UMP	1,380	K2ZYR,	W3MGP,
W2FLD	1,430	M8JIN	1,350	W3YLL, WØTVI	K6ITZ,
K2UUT	1,300	K8GHG	1,294		

#### With the Clubs

Officers of the Loaded Clothes Line YL Net for 1959 are: Pres. & NCS, KØMNI, Linna; V.P., WØZWL, Martha; S-T, K5ECP, Helen; Pub. Chm., W5RZJ; certificate custodian, K5GYZ, Lucille. The LCL, which meets Mon. at 0900 MST on 7235, now has 40 members.

The FLORIDORA YLs celebrated their 2nd anniversary Apr. 4 with a party at the Flamingo Motel given by the Orlando Radio Club, KN4UIZ, hostess. The following day, during the Orlando Hamfest held at Sanlando Springs, the FLORIDORAs held their business meeting. Election of officers resulted in: Pres., W4UF-W4KZD, Dot; V.P., K4RNS, Marge; S-T, K4LOD, Margaret. New chairmen include: Publicity, K4RNS; membership, W4BIL; W4HRC; certificate custodian, historian, W4WPD; cw Novice net mgr., KN4ANR; phone net mgr., K4LPV. Their cw net has been changed from Wed. to Fri. at 1330, 7185 kc. The FLORIDORAS now number 77 YLs.

The Texas YL Round-Up Net offers a certificate for contacts with 25 full members. QSLs must have members' TYLRUN certificate no. and date of issuance. Send QSLs to Bertha, W5JCY, 316 E. Hurd, Edmond, Okla. with an



W6WDL, Babs (left), president of the San Diego YLRC, and K6YGJ, Marcia, were two of the YLs participating in operating the Ham station at Balboa Park during National Engineers' Week. Other YLs working with the OMs were K6UHI, K6UTO, K6QKE, W6GGX, W6MWU, W6VSL. Twenty-seven cities across the country were picked as representing a center of engineering activity with the net control center in San Diego. Three rigs were operated simultaneously on Feb. 26-28 & Mar. 1 covering 10, 15, 20, 40 and 75 meters, with SSB on 20.



These members of PARKA celebrated the club's
4th anniversary with a dinner party on Feb. 24,
1959. L. to r., seated: KL7CCP, treas.; KL7BVQ,
pres.; KL7BLL, V.P.; Bonnie, XYL of AVF, secy.
Second row: KL7CHV; WL7DAP; Fay, XYL of
APV; Lillian, XYL of SFN; KL7ZR; WL7CZU;
KL7BJD; KL7CVJ. Back row: KL7ALZ; Mary, XYL
of BES; KL7CWF; Ruth, XYL of CHO; KL7ANG;
KL7CSR. KL7ALZ, Geri, made 2nd high YLCW
score in the YL-OM Contest. PARKA now has over
40 members. Photo by KL7BES.

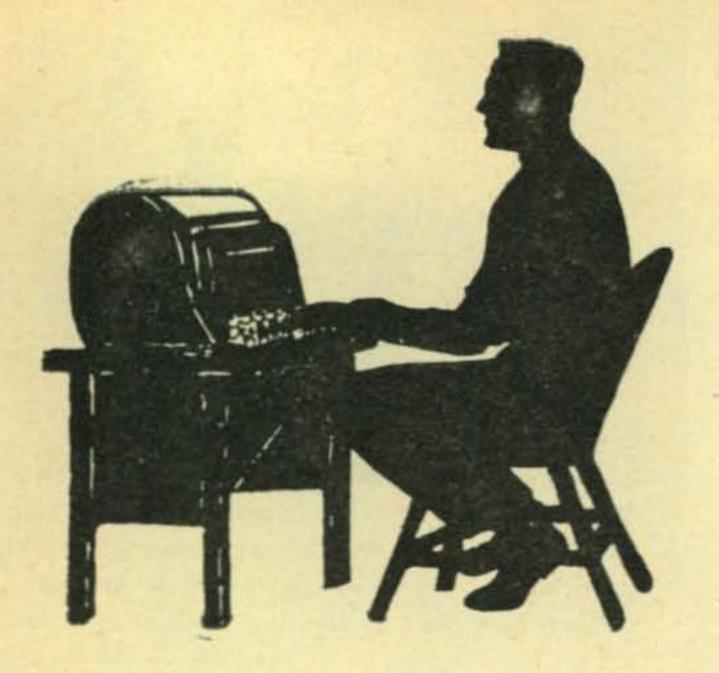
alphabetical list of claimed contacts, full name, cert. no., date of issuance, date, time and band of contact. Include postage to return cards by 1st class mail plus 10¢ for certificate. TYLRUN now has 122 members.

YLs of the Los Angeles YLRC participated in operating K6USA in the lobby of the Biltmore Hotel during the month of April while the Consulting Committee of International Radio was holding forth there. . . . Club member W6UHA, Maxine, is up to 268 countries confirmed.

Congrats to W2KQL, Claire, and K5JGC, Burnette, and their OMs on new baby girls in their families.

#### "CQ YL"

The one and only book about the YLs, "CQ [Continued on page 90]



# RTTY

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Surplus has always been a boon to ham activity. We all know how the SCR-522 sparked activity on 2 meters. Not too many machines have appeared on the surplus market, however. RTTYers have been fortunate, though, in finding the Navy surplus FRA, FRC, FRE, etc., converters. Most of these are quite useful, if found in good condition, but make sure you have a strong back or a helper when you go shopping!

Lately the AN/FGC-1 and the AN/FGC-1X have become available. (The "X" version is for 25 to 60 cycles.) This little Western Electric gem is built into a 7-foot rack cabinet with front and rear doors. When you go to Surplus Sam's to pick this up, take along a fork lift as

well as three helpers.

The AN/FGC-1(X) is designed to work with the dual diversity receiver bay AN/FRR-3 designed by *Press Wireless*, also in a 7-foot rack cabinet. The AN/FGC-1(X) works from the standard 2125 and 2975 cycle tones and an AFC panel, for use with the AN/FRR-3, is supplied in *some* units. Polar output is provided, as these units were usually installed at a remote receiving station with the machines located at a "signal center" a few miles away. This means that a polar relay must be used to key a local loop for operating your machine.

Several ingenious modifications have been made to adapt the AN/FGC-1(X) to amateur RTTY. As two AEC RELAY circuits are provided (one as a spare), some fellows have disconnected the diversity combining feature and have connected the A-CHAN to one of the REC RELAY circuits and the B-CHAN to the other. This effectively gives you two converters for the price of one. (!) One is then used to monitor an autostart AFSK channel on vhf while the other is used to copy on the hf bands, connected to your SX-101 or what have you.

Since polar operation is not necessary for ham operation, unless you have a remote receiving station, a fairly simple modification dreamed up by George Mellon, WØHFU, will permit you to key your local loop with the contacts of the polar relay on the REC RELAY panel.

Figure 1 is the schematic diagram of one of the RECeive RELAY circuits as modified. Of course, it is suggested that both circuits be modified. Note that there no longer is a connection from the polar relay space coil (3) to relay A and that resistors J and K are disconnected. The very effective 88D FILTER is left in the contact circuit, as are the other RC contact noise suppression components A, B, D, E, and H. The TST switch, 552A, has been rewired to serve as a normal-reverse switch should a turn-over be necessary for some obscure reason, therefore the polar mark-hold circuit using relays A, B, and C, is no longer operable. This greatly simplifies operation.

### Chicago

The CATS will be holding their annual National CHI-RTTY Meeting this coming fall as usual. No date has as yet been announced, but it will probably coincide with the annual

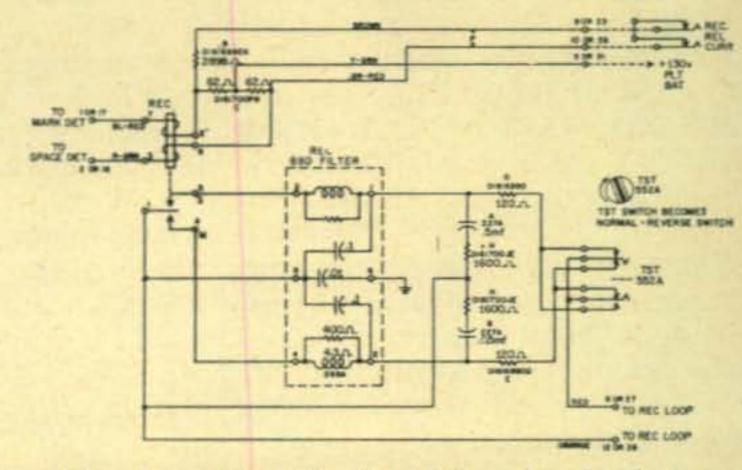


Fig. 1—Modified Receive Relay Panel of the AN/FGC-1(X).

National Electronics Conference. This will be the 5th National CHI-RTTY Meeting, and we can expect the customary bang-up technical meeting, exhibits, and awards. (Your RTTY Editor speaks from experience as he has missed only one of these affairs.)

Last year the attendance award was a Model 15 machine. This year, the attendance award is a Model 28!!! This is only one reason why RTTYers travel from east, west, and south, and from Canada, just to attend this great gettogether of all active RTTYers. Watch for further details; date, time, and place, etc. Mark it on your calendar, and if you can't find out where and when in a month or so, write George Boyd, W9SPT, 3540 N. Seeley, Chicago 18, Illinois.

### Narrow Shift Party

WØBP reports great experience in NFSK during the informal Narrow Shift Party the week-end of March 14-15. BeeP very easily



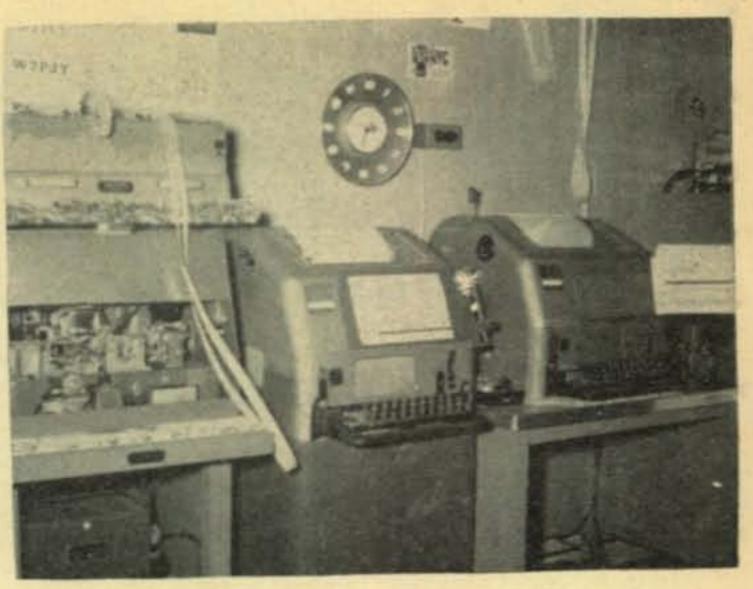
W8HYG, RTTY Machine Positions. Printers: Two
Model 15 Page Printers; Tape Gear: Model
FRXD-3 Reperforator-Transmitter, Model MXD-13
Multiple Tape Transmitter

adapted his AN/FGC-1 to NFSK by building up a set of simple over-coupled-pair filters with mark centered at 2465-cycles and space centered at 2635-cycles. No changes in AN/FGC-1 circuitry were needed due to the excellent patching facilities in this 7-foot TU. Input to the 170-cycle filter went to jack CUR LIM OUT, the mark output to the M DET IN jack, and the space output to the S DET IN jack. Easy, huh?

Stations worked using narrow shift were W8-LEX, W5BJO, WØGK, W1OUG, KR6AK, and W6CQI/6. A good time was had by all, with many things learned; most of all things were learned about stability, in both receivers and transmitters.

### Across the Nation

W1WIN has two Model 14 strip printers, an SX-101 with a W2JTP TU, an HT-32, and a 600-L linear. K2DFP "regrettably" sold his RTTY gear in 1957 and is now on the way



W8HYG, Receiver and Operating Position. Operator: Allan Amster. Location: Shaker Heights, Ohio. Receivers: 75-A4, SX-24. Transmitter: 32V3. Antennas: 40-meter dipole, coax fed, 20-meter 2-element mini-beam, 10-meter 3-element beam. Converter: CV-57, if type.

back back. (They all never left home!)

John Riley, 914 N. Cordova Street, Burbank, California, would like to trade *Teletype* bulletins 126, 167, 1077, and 1093 for TM 11-680 and for data on the Model 12 and on the Model 19.

W7OQY now has a Model 14 typing reperforator. W7GLJ, Box 266, Athena, Oregon, wants to buy an AN/FRR-3 receiver bay real bad. W7HRC is a reliable source of parts in Seattle, Washington. (Machines, too, when available.)

W9GRW, 8029 Keeler Avenue, Skokie, Illinois, has for sale various Model 28's (yes, I said 28's) and Model 14's, including tape gear.

KØKAX, 8720 N. DeSota Street, Denver 29, Colorado, has several TG-7's (Military Model 15's) for sale. WØWTP has a Model 15 with holding magnets for sale. WØIFS got his TG-7. WØIBZ uses a Model 26, a Viking I/II, an NC-300 with a W2JAV (CQ, April '58) converter on 40. WØAJU in Denver knows where some Model 26's are, and they are still available, according to WØBP.

### Comments

In case you fellows haven't noticed, your RTTY column is now on a bi-monthly basis. (Not enough of you RTTYers filled out that readers poll form in the January issue.)

As originally stated when the RTTY column began in 1955, the purpose of the column is to bring you small bits of technical information as well as news and views of RTTYers across the nation. The mail bag tells me that you still like this format. In fact, many letters ask for even more diagrams. These come from you, the active RTTYers. Keep 'em coming, and throw in a picture of your shack occasionally. Give the "unwashed multitude" a chance to see how the other half lives. See you all in August.

73, Byron, W2JTP/Ø



### 50mc. 144mc. 220mc. 420mc. and above

Some winters just seem to be tougher than others. I feel safe in saying that the antenna mortality in the last six months has been the highest in recorded ham history. From Maine to California come reports of high winds and heavy ice loads wreaking havoc among the faithful. Even poor Helen has been reduced to one measly 16 element six meter beam. Be not disenheartened however, because at long last spring is here and with it comes a revival of the annual spring antenna raising parties.

How High?

The first problem to be overcome is the old boogie antenna height. In vhf work it is safe to say the higher the better, but it doesn't answer the question. If you can support a 4 element beam at a hundred feet will it work better than 8 elements at 50 feet? Or should

you have 16 elements at 35 feet?

Of course there is no simple answer. If you want a top notch ground wave signal your antenna must be high (and so should your location). If you want to work beyond the normal ground wave distances using aurora or other such types of propagation, the antenna should have the maximum gain and height shoulid be considered as secondary. If your antenna is high enough to clear all the buildings and trees in the immediate vicinity, you will gain very little by going higher.

### How Big?

There is no question that the most return per dollar is obtained from your antenna investment. It is also true that the art of building your own is a thing of the past. I can remember being ashamed to admit that I bought my antenna elements pre-cut and mounted. Now-adays the tendency is to apologize for having a home made antenna. The truth of the matter is that you can buy an antenna all built and ready to feed for less than the price of an equivalent amount of material. (To say nothing of the work involved in designing and assembling your own.) Your only problem is to decide how much you have to invest to make your station perform satisfactorily. There is a tendency to measure antenna performance in terms of the number of elements it has. This is a measure of an antenna's capability providing the elements are properly used. However, if you are considering a yagi type antenna, reof boom length. The number of elements on the boom are important but having twice the elements on the same boom doesn't give twice the gain. In some cases the gain might be less. A good rule of thumb is an element every 0.2 wavelengths. Closer spacing than this is not going to give you any more useable gain and the decreased frequency range is not desirable for vhf work. The gain you can expect from a yagi is best estimated in terms of boom length. A good figure is 10 db for the first wavelength of boom and 3 db for each additional wavelength. This rule is consistent with any reliable handbook on antennas. (Makes you wonder where they get these 12 db gain figures for some of the commercial 20 meter beams, 65 feet per wavelength.) Now if you have one antenna with some gain and you want to get more gain, you can use rule number 3 which says you must double the size to get 3 db more gain. How you double it is not important. If it is a yagi, you can for instance make the boom twice as long, or you can stack another one of the same size above it. If it is a colinear array, you can either put another one over (or alongside) it or you can double the length of the boom (adding the appropriate elements of course).

One thing to remember when you are increasing the gain of your antenna: Longer booms result in narrower horizontal beam widths (as well as vertical), while stacking beams only effects the vertical beam-width. If you want to have maximum coverage the stacked arrays are to be preferred. If you don't want people to hear you unless you are pointing at them, increasing the boom-length is

the answer.

Please Note: Your antenna is the only piece of equipment in your shack which gives gain on both transmitting and receiving.

#### Announcements

ICN VHF QSO Party 220 MC

The Inter County Net of Southern California is sponsoring it's first VHF QSO party at 1300 PST on June 13th and will continue until 1600 PST on June 14th. Suggested frequencies for contacts are from 221.2 to 221.6 mc. On the air call 'CQ ICN QSO Party." Both horizontal and vertical beam polarity will be used. Schedules are invited with stations who are dx for this area and expect to operate on 220 mc this date. For further information member that the gain is going to be a function write to Ralph Steinberg, K6GKX, Net Manager, 110 Argonne Ave., Long Beach 3, California.

#### **New Certificates**

#### From Texas

Rules for receiving the "COWTOWN 6 METER DX CLUB" certificate from Ft. Worth, Texas, are as follows: Any DX or skip stations must work 10 members of the net. Any locals (defined as being anyone living within 100 miles of the courthouse in Forth Worth) must work 15 members of the net. Application for certificate should go to Betty Becker, K5MJW, secretary of the club. Other officers are J. L. Pickle, K5BBG, President and H. E. "Doc" Becker, W5GNK, Vice President.

#### Phoenix VHF Certificate

"The Phoenix VHF Radio Club Incorporated" is now issuing Phoenix VHF Certificates to any person who has ten (10) confirmed contacts with members of the Phoenix VHF Club since January 1, 1959. There are 50 members in the club at the present time.

A list of stations worked, date and the time of contact is required for the certificate. Send this information to Booth G. Bazzill, W7GGJ, Sec'y Phoenix VHF Club, P. O. Box 6602, Phoenix, Arizona.

### Mail

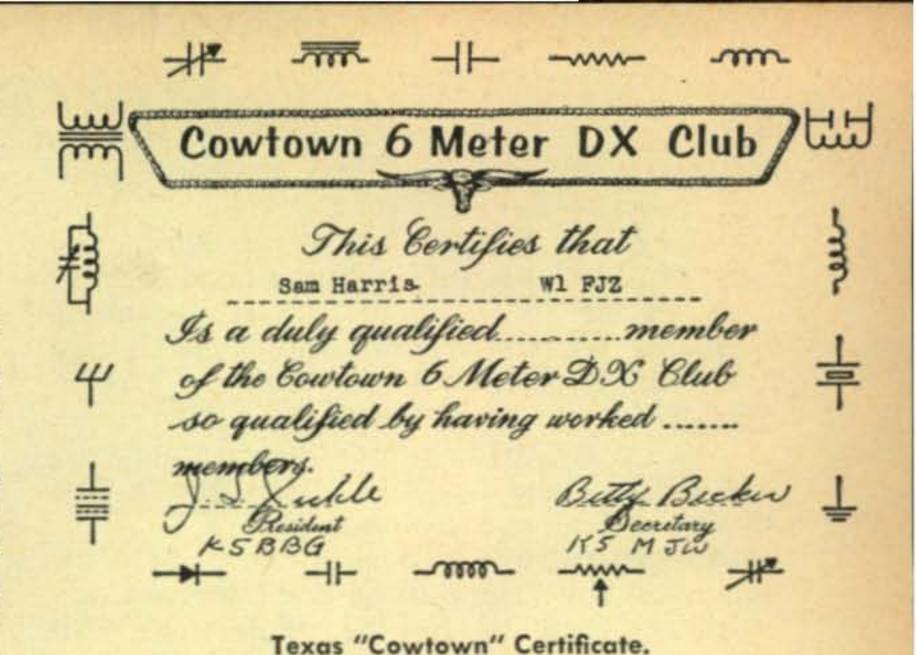
### Windsor Central School—Code Practice

The "Windsor Central School Amateur Radio Club" holds straight text code practice sessions every Saturday evening at 2000-2030 EST. Speed begins at 5 wpm and is increased one word every week until 13 wpm are reached. When 13 wpm are completed the cycle is repeated, beginning the following week again with 5 wpm. Frequency is 50.178 mc and the emission is modulated CW. If enough response is received, a 2 meter frequency will also be used simultaneously.

The Badger VHF Club—Milwaukee, Wisconsin A new club formed to maintain the monthly "VHF News" edited and published by George Boehler, K9IQO. Officers are: George Boehler, K9IQO, Pres.; John Considine, W9MMA, Vice Pres.; Patsy Nikodem, K9LMW, Secretary; Billy Weisbrodt, W9JCI, Program Director.

Anchorage, Alaska Our truant report (?) Jack Reich, KL7AUV comes through again with: "I've really fallen down on my reporting this year." "How true! And we've missed you too.

"Last good signals on F2 were again February 1st and they weren't good. Am still holding schedules with W7RT (March 8, '59) in Seattle on week-ends, but don't hold much hope for them unless we can go to the weesmall hours of the morning. Our Channel 2 has been heard in the Pacific Northwest during the 2 to 4 AM period several times during the



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"Channel A" Certificate, referred to by K2ZSQ in his letter.

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past two summers." Now let's see, your summer is-

"Will be in Towson, Maryland, during the week of March 16th to 20th and hope to meet a few of the 50 mc enthusiasts. Am planning on seeing KL7CDG, Jim, who is in College Park, Maryland, but is due back up here in

April."

"Margie, KL7BLL, is in Northern California with the kids and I will join them March 21st to start a vacation of several weeks in Southern California. We will be back up here about the middle of May. Hope to have a 6 meter Communicator with me for the whole trip. We'll drive back up the highway about May 7th to 15th."

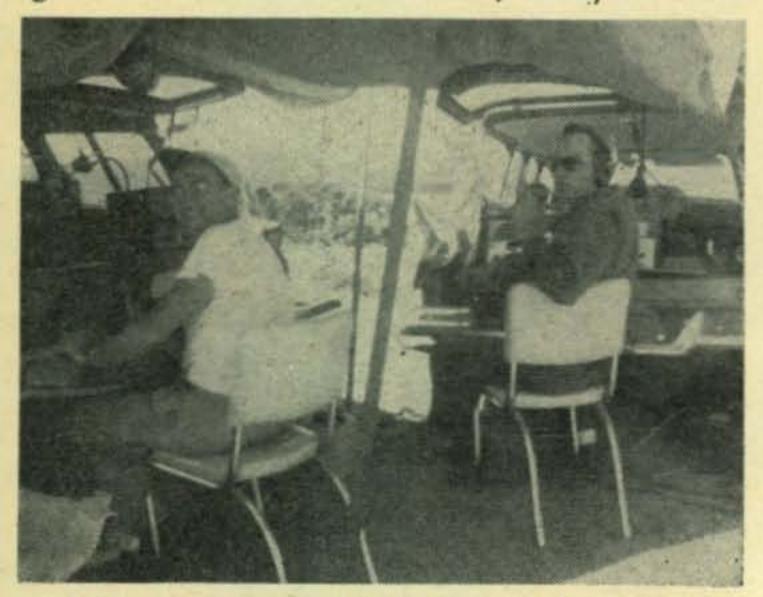
"Have worked only W1AEP, W3RUE, W3APR, since Statehood (in that part of the country), am still wondering what happened to W4IKK. Know I would have heard him if he had been on." Thanks very much for your nice informative letters, Jack. We all enjoy your comments.

Territory of Hawaii Dave Germeyer (W3BJG/ KH6) comes through from a distance also. Dave sez: "I've been in Uncle Sam's Navy for almost three years now and haven't been too active on the vhf bands except when home on leave. However, on the 15th of March I finally got on 50 mc and during the first three hours of operating on the new rig I worked some of the local hams here in Hawaii and hit an opening into VK4 and VK9 land." Beginner's luck!!

"The present set-up here is: Heathkit Seneca, Tapetone XC-50 into a Hallicrafters SX-100. and a five element beam up about sixty feet. Am planning to get on 144 mc also in the near

future."

"Due to work skeds, I'll be unable to make skeds but will be looking for the whole gang when the Mainland stations come through again this Fall." Nice to hear from you at the



Avid contesters at work. To the right Joe Wingen (K6GPG) operating and winning on 220 mc. To the left Carl (K6DWX), operating six meters and rounding up with a good score. Location—top of Sierra Peak, Cleveland National Forest, Calif.

new (temporary) location, Dave and hope your good luck continues.

Sointula, British Columbia Since the MUF has gone down we're forced to hear from Ike (VE7AQQ) via the post-office and here is his news. "The band has been dead here since January 17, 1959. Things would be very dull if it were not for John, VE4OB, who is now on six meters. On February 22nd I was calling John on schedule with no luck, but about a week ago I contacted VK2ADE on ten meters and he told me that he heard me in Australia at that previous sked date and gave me a report of 5 by 7."

"Since then we have been maintaining daily skeds on six meters at 2:30 GMT, have heard carriers but nothing that can be identified."

"Charlie, VK2ADE, has also read VE7AEL in QSO with someone else, and said that KR6AK has also reported hearing my calls."

"One more bit of news, the VK's are working Japan every day, sometimes from 1000 until midnight, Australian time." The above letter was dated March 17th, the following was dated April 8, 1959: "Thought you might like to know that after nearly a month of skeds, VK2ADE and I, VE7AQQ, finally made contact on six meters last night at 2105 PST. The initial contact was on ten meters and then we went to six. The signals came in bursts, a few words at a time, something like meteor scatter, with signals about S8 at the peak of the burst. VK2ADE gave me about the same report. We are going to continue our skeds in the hope that sooner or later will be able to carry on a long QSO on six meters."

"I am running 150 watts of carrier and 300 watts of audio now, whereas Charlie, VK2-ADE, is only running 12 watts on a frequency

of 50.400 mc."

"I had a similar contact with TI2CV on March 28th, but signals were only about \$3." Congratulations Ike! Some more firsts for you. VK to VE7 and TI to VE7. Sometimes I wonder if this is such a good location.

Korea Howard Ragan (K7ATU) emits via Uncle Sam's carrier: "Here I sit on a Remote site with a legal ham ticket that I can't use; but in spite of that I would like a little information."

"What would be the best transmitter for six meters? Also, what would be a good (if not better) receiver? The transmitter I want would be a kit of \$mall co\$t, but reasonable power, 10 to 50 watts. The receiver should be sensitive enough to do a good job for 6, I was thinking of an HQ 170." I've given Howie my ideas, now how about some of you other fellows?

"Here in Korea I hear now and then a HL9KA but can't get permission for ham radio here." What luck! But that seems to be the way the ball bounces.

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# Announcements

### Biloxi, Mississippi

The Biloxi Amateur Radio Club, Inc. will hold its annual Hamfest on 6-7 June at the Biloxi Community House. There will be contests, prizes and a Shrimp Boil on Sunday, 7 June. Tickets are \$1.00 each. For more info write BARC, Box 1574, Irish Hill Station, Biloxi, Miss.

### Van Nuys, California

The San Fernando Valley Radio Club, Inc. will hold its 3rd Annual Hamfest and Picnic on Sunday, June 7, 1959 at the Victory-Van Owen Park, North Hollywood, California. For further information contact Arnold Dahlman—W6UEI, 14940 Hartland Street, Van Nuys, California.

#### Mexico City

Former U. S. radio amateurs now living and working in Mexico City meet with Mexican amateurs every second Wednesday of each month at 1 p.m. in the University Club there at an informal luncheon to promote interest in their hobby. This picture was taken at the February



luncheon. Seated, left to right, Francisco Castro Herrera, XE1AX; Clyde A. Warne, XE1IG, and David R. George, XE1RE. Standing, Donald E. Stoner, XE1DE; Louis Couttolenc, XE1XE; Kirt E. McCleary, XE1ZE; Edward J. Rudishule, XE1ZM; Vernon T. Dickins, XE1FE; Eugene McAuliffe, First Secretary of the U. S. Embassy, and Louis E. De la Fleur, XE1YF. Visiting hams from the States and other countries are always welcome to attend the luncheon, and should telephone Clyde Warne at 46-07-14 or Dave George at 46-18-96. The Mexico City gang is active on all bands with CW, AM, SSB and RTTY. All are members of the LMRE (Liga Mexicana de Radio Experimentadores).

### Barnstable, Mass.

The quarterly meeting of the Cape Cod and Island Radio Association was held in Barnstable, Mass., with more than fifty amateurs in attendance. It was reported that there are now 180 members and 16 associate members in the group, from the Cape, Martha's Vineyard and Nantucket.

Robert E. J. West, W1MKW, of Dennisport, newly elected president of the Association, presided at the meeting.

Other officers present: vice-president Robert Mill, W1DVS, of Falmouth; secretary-treasurer Charles Goff, W1EGZ, of Pleasant Lake.

### Farmington, New Mexico

The Totah Amateur Radio Club of Farmington, New Mexico will holds its annual Hamfest and Picnic on July 4 and 5th at Pine River Dam, Vallecito Res., which is about twenty miles northeast of Durango, Colorado. This is a wonderful place for an outing, plenty of free campsites, boating, water skiing, horseback riding and cabins at nominal fees. Besides bringing along some extra gear to swap off, bring that fishing rod and reel; they promise us good fishing. Just follow the CQ markers to the campsite. Further details may be secured from W5CIN.

### Oglesby, Ill.

The Starved Rock Radio Club Hamfest, June 7th at the La Salle County 4-H Home and picnic area southwest of Ottawa, Illinois. Same place as last year. Follow Route 23 to south end of the Illinois River Bridge at Ottawa, turn West on Route 71, follow big yellow hamfest signs. Plenty of parking area and adequate facilities for all. Free swap section run on the same basis as last several years. Registration \$1.50. Hamfest site is a short drive from Starved Rock State Park and recreation areas. Food available on the grounds. Free coffee and doughnuts for all present at 10 A.M. A nice all-day affair for midwest hams and their families sponsored by the Starved Rock Radio Club, W9MKS, RFD #1, Box 171, Oglesby, Illinois.

#### Elkland, Pa.

The (PENN) York HAMFEST ASSOCIATION will hold their first hamfest June 20th Sat. beginning at 1 PM. It will be held at the Elkland Legion Hall in Elkland, Pa. A beautiful spot for a hamfest. A terrace overlooking a public swim pool and picnic area. Large parking lot with room for all. There will be speakers, mobile contest, prizes and a chicken dinner. A free bus trip to the Corning Glass Works will be available to the ladies. The price is \$3.50 pre-registration and \$4.00 at the door. Tickets may be obtained by writing to Bob Schmarder, 4 Pinewood Circle, Corning, New York. Limited number of reservations

### Dickinson, North Dakota

The T. R. (Teddy Roosevelt) Amateur Radio Club of Dickinson will be host at the state convention and hamfest to be held at the Theodore Roosevelt National Memorial Park, Medora, North Dakota on July eleventh and twelfth. The "western" theme of the convention will be highlighted by tours through the badlands and Chateau De Mores. Persons in attendance will be given the opportunity to see the famed out-door drama "Old-Four Eyes". To add to the festivities, there will be outstanding speakers and a large number of valuable prizes. Preregistration has been set at five dollars which will make the individual eligible for the pre-registration prize. For further information, contact Quain Jahrman, KØMEF, Box 1101, Dickinson, North Dakota.

### Rockville Centre, New York

"The South Side Radio Club will hold its Second Annual Teenage Hamfest on June 6 at the South Side Senior High School, Rockville Centre, L.I., New York. The activities for the "pre-voting age" gathering will commence at 10 A.M. and will include films, contests, an equipment exchange, 2 & 6 meter hidden transmitter hunts, demonstrations, and W2DEC, DX editor of CQ, as speaker. Tickets can be bought for 75 cents at the door. Information is available through John Cunitz—K2TBU, 10 Buckingham Road, Rockville Centre, New York.

### San Jose, California

Prizes, fun, something for everyone, will be featured at the Pacific Division A.R.R.L. Convention in San Jose, California July 3, 4 and 5. Pre-registration prize will be a Hallicrafters HT-32 and a special feature will be a lady's pre-registration prize, a major appliance.

Main speaker at the affair will be Goodwin L. Dosland, WØTSN, who will talk on amateur radio and the A.R.R.L. Technical talks will cover many areas of amateur interest, including SSB, RTTY, DX, VHF, traffic, emergency communications, receiver design, antennas, transistors, mobile, and many others. A new feature will be a "ham" golf tournament with prizes for the winning ham golfer. Those persons interested in this event should contact the Golf Committee, P.O. Box 6, San Jose, Calif., before June 15. On July 5 the convention finale will be a steak BBQ complete with all the trimmings, following the San Jose tradition.

Finest hotel and motel facilities are available in the San Jose area, and the St. Claire Hotel will be convention headquarters. For further information write Associated Radio Clubs of Greater San Jose, P.O. Box 6, San Jose, California.

### Webster City, Iowa

promise us good fishing. Just follow the CQ markers to
the campsite. Further details may be secured from held in Webster City, Iowa, Sunday, June 28. About 1000 works.

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# SURPLUS

by KENNETH B. GRAYSON, W2HDM

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On a rainy Saturday, in New York, when there is little else to do (ha!), it is usually most profitable to stray around Radio Row as we call the Cortlandt Street area. Today it is raining, as it usually does the day after the car is washed (47 weeks in a row) and the visit to Radio Row proved to be most profitable. For instance we stopped in to see Sy Denby at Metro Electronics, 172 Washington St., New York City. Last time we were there he showed us the carrier operated panel we converted back in January 1959. He showed me another worthwhile conversion of the same piece of gear so it can be used as a VOX . . . voice operated break-in. He got this from Fullerton Webster W2BA, down in Boonton, N. J. Figure 1 shows the corrected circuit and it works like a charm. The basic panel still sells for five dollars plus postage and is brand new too.

The primary of the transformer, T-1, is connected across the primary of the speaker

transformer for anti-trip voltage. The input to VT-1 is connected at some point in your speech amplifier where there is at least one volt of audio (with respect to ground) present. Incidentally, that becomes point 1 on the terminal board. Point 2 is grounded and a 4 meg resistor (a 4.7 meg will do fine) is connected across the grid. The grid is also disconnected from point 1 and is reconnected to cathode of VT-2. A second potentiometer is also added across the secondary of T-1 to allow the antitrip voltage to be adjusted as necessary. C-7 should be changed to 20 mfd at 250 VDC, observing the polarity as shown. The relay contacts may be used in any manner necessary to key your transmitter.

# **Phone Patch**

Sy managed to pull a second little gem out of the hat. Seems that he was successful bidder

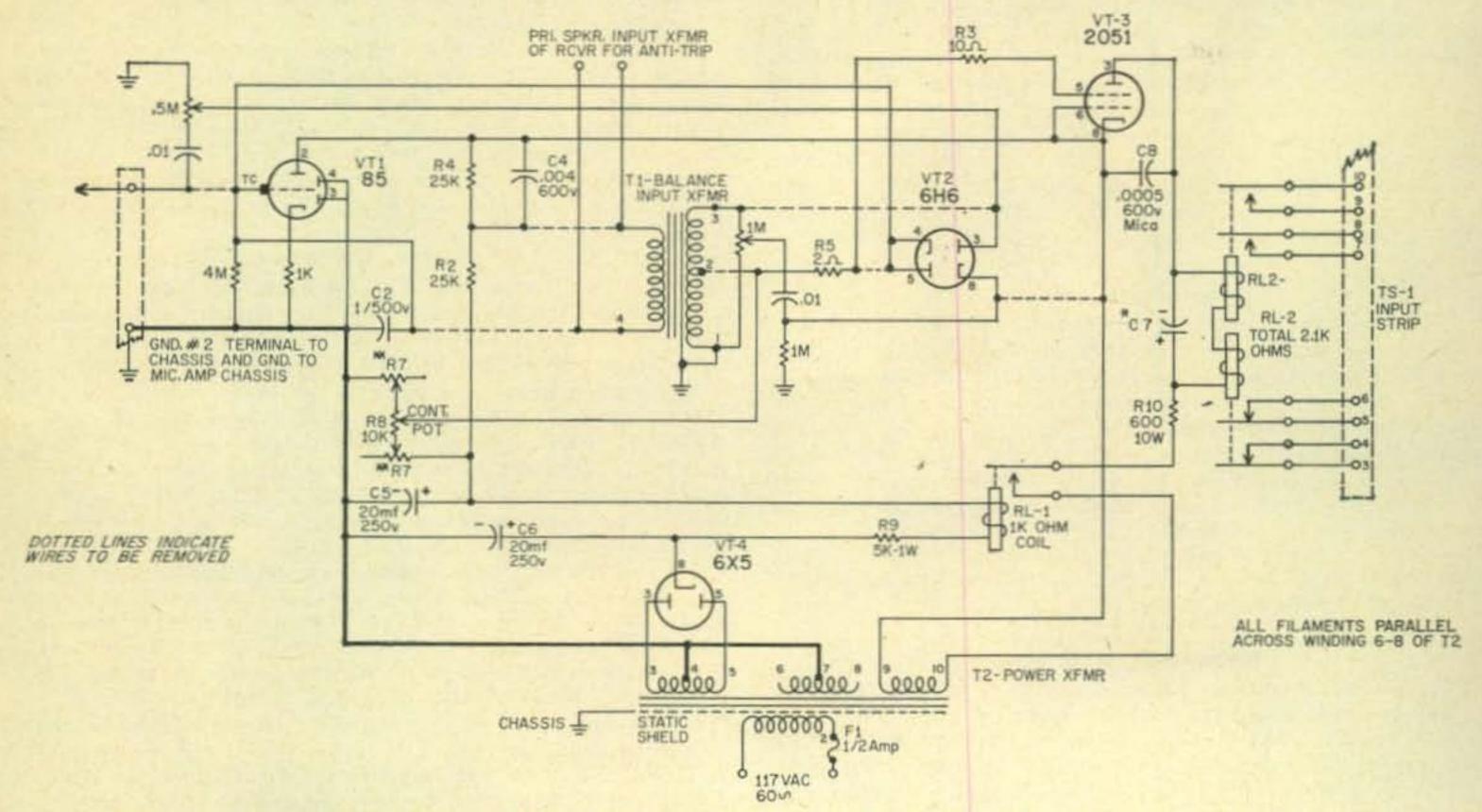


Fig. 1—Circuit of the Type 3-A Carrier Operated Speaker Control Panel modified to operate as a VOX. It was designed by W2BA, Fullerton Webster. The input to the .5 meg pot (in the upper left corner) is taken from some point in the speech amp that can supply 1 volt of audio. Capacitor C7, in the plate of VT-3 must be replaced by a 20 mf at 250 volts.

on a batch of amplifiers for use with telephone equipment. As if this wasn't good enough he showed one to W2AQA who realized what it really was and devised a terrific phone patch out of it. Referring back to the CQ 1957 Annual (November 57 issue) W2TBZ wrote an article called "Hybrid Husbandry". In this article a complete phone patch is described, and lo and behold the amplifier Sy came up with seems to be almost identical. The amplifier is officially known as the EE-89A, and requires only the addition of a 1 henry choke, and a couple of minor parts which will probably come right out of the scrap box. No doubt the choke will also be around the shack in the form of a 6V6 output transformer with the voice coil connection unused. The wiring of the new parts into the circuit will take a few minutes and are completely self explanatory once you look at the schematic after conversion (fig. 2). Figure 3 is the original EE-89A. The tube (3Q5) is unused, and the socket and connections to the tube can be deleted or the tube can be removed as you see fit. Oh yes, we forgot to mention that the price of this little gem is only two dollars, plus postage which is a pretty cheap way of getting a class A phone patch, and one that will work with VOX units, no-less.

# Surplus on the Citizens Band

We have had many requests for information regarding the conversion of various equipment to the Class D Citizens Band service. Specifically, this band is the old eleven meter band, with power output limited to five watts input to the final stage. The transmitter is required to be crystal controlled and amplitude modulated. A complete set of laws governing this new service are available from the FCC for a dime, under the title of Part 19, Citizens Radio Service.

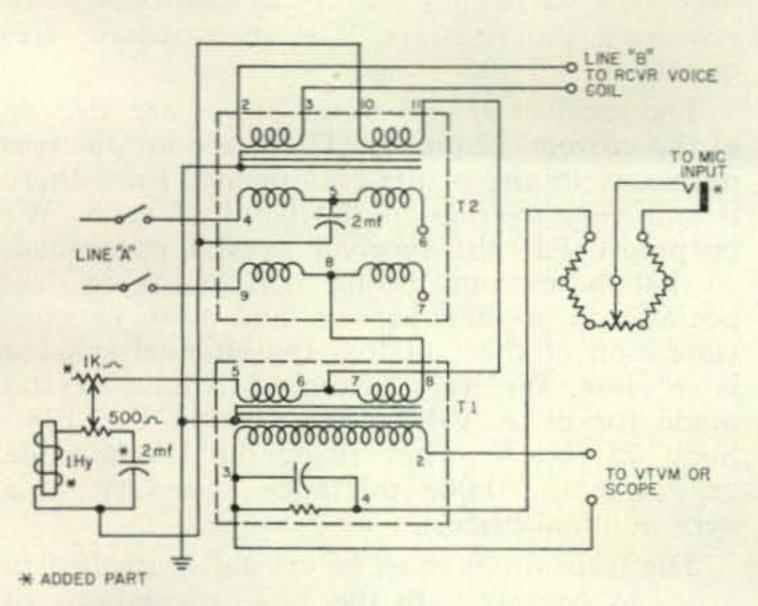


Fig. 2—Modified circuit of the EE-89A Telephone-Amplifier. (Original wiring shown in fig. 3.) With the removal of the 3Q5 and the addition of several parts an excellent phone patch may be had.

Several equipments seem to be made just for this application after a very minor modification, while other equipments would require substantial modifications. The BC-620 and its slightly higher frequency counterpart, the BC-659, as well as the BC-1335 are excellent mobile units, while the BC-603 receiver, when converted to AM is a fine tunable receiver for a base station. The BC-604 has drawbacks of size and power output for worthwhile conversions. In almost every case the services saw fit to make use of FM as a transmission method. This poses the problem of having to change limiters to if's suitable for AM and to alter reactance tube modulators to prevent unwanted frequency changes. Likewise, many of the equipments, such as the 659, 620, 1335, etc. made use of oscillators kept on frequency by the reactance tube across the oscillator. This tube was in turn fed a signal derived from the output signal and converted to the if by a crystal converter If the signal base frequency shifted, the if frequency shifted accordingly, and the dc from the discriminator operated to bring the signal back to where it belongs by means of the reactance tube. Since the law requires crystal control, these free running oscillators must be altered to a crystal controlled type. To make matters even simpler, we have decided that since most of the installations of this equipment in Class D service will be used on one frequency only, there is little need for a tunable receiver. Perhaps later on we will experiment a little further and get the tunable receiver type going.

Since all of the equipments are to be operated in 27 mc class D service, and these equipments all have the same type of 4.3 mc if, Table I lists all of the data needed to compute the crystal frequencies. Since these equipments each have provision for operation on two separate frequencies, they may be tuned up on any frequencies shown as being assigned. Joint use

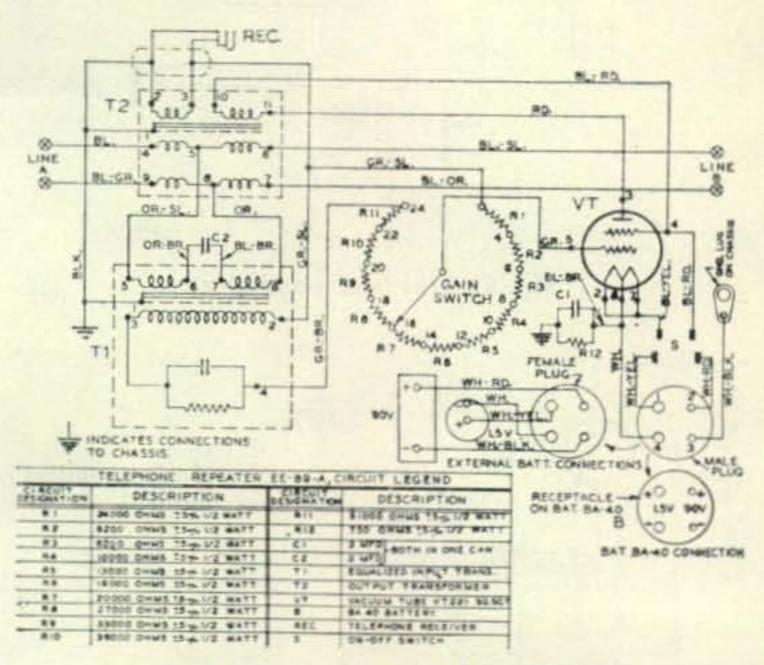


Fig. 3—Original circuit of the EE-89A.

# Table 1 Frequency of Transmission (MC.)

26.965	27.055	27.155
26.975	27.075	27.165
26.985	27.085	27.175
27.005	27.105	27.185
27.015	27.115	27.205
27.025	27.125	27.215
27.035	27.135	27.225*

\*(Used on a shared basis with control equipment)

To determine crystal frequencies:

Xmitter Freq: Divide output frequency by 4.

Recvr Freq: Subtract 4.3 mc from output frequency and divide by 4.

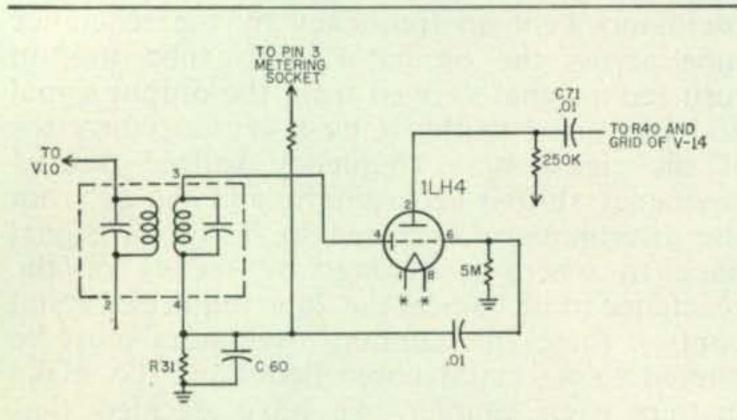


Fig. 4—AM detector and audio stage.

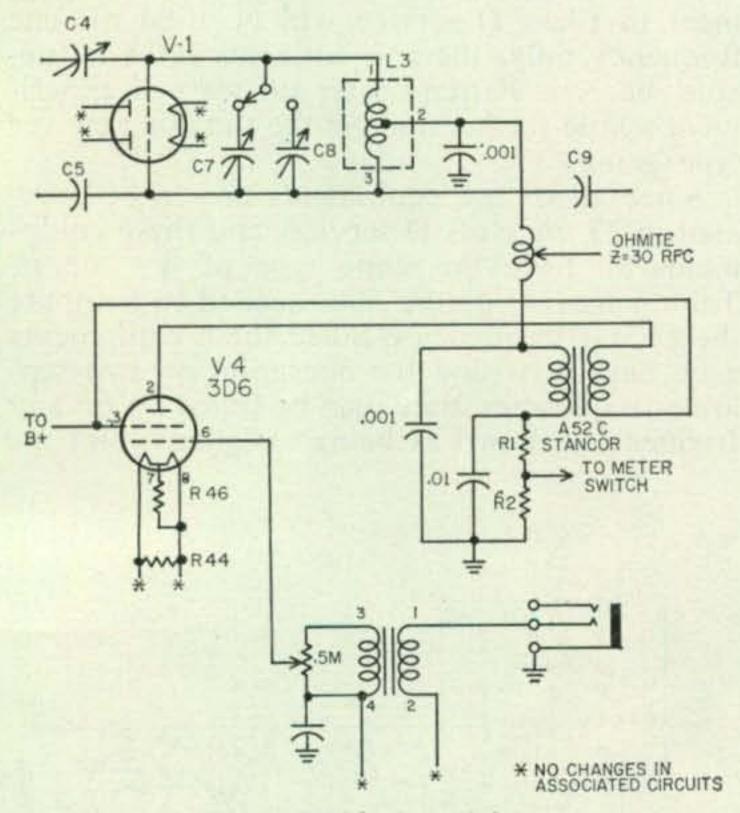
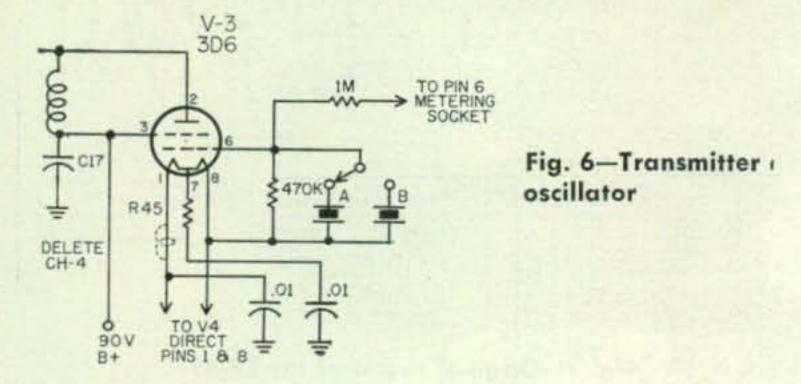


Fig. 5-Grid leak modulator.



of any frequency make this a worthwhile feature because in any area where the number of users is great, the possibility is always present that someone will be on your favorite frequency when you want to use it. The FCC will allow operation only on these frequencies and none others. Each equipment must be licensed and full information about licensing requirements are in the set of laws previously mentioned. Remember, that just as with amateur equipment, you must be licensed, or you will be subjected to such action as the FCC may deem necessary.

Now, the conversion of the BC-659. Last month we discussed the general tune up and operating characteristics of this equipment, so we won't go over the details again. We also included a circuit diagram as well, of the entire equipment. The receiver *rf* sections and the transmitter final stage will remain untouched except for modulation.

The audio, detector and limiter stage must be revamped in order to allow the receiver to detect AM. The 1LH4 in the set (V-13) should be removed and placed in the socket V-11. V-11 (1LN5) is not used. Instead the circuit shown in fig. 4 is wired in, replacing the original circuitry. This means the removal of R-34, C-62, C-63, R-35 and R-36. Likewise, T-5 could be removed, except that it would leave a chassis hole that would be unsightly. V-12 (1R4) serves no purpose and could also be removed. Likewise, remove R-37, R-38, R-39, C-69 and C-70. C-71 is used for coupling, and the side going to the junction of C-70, R-37 and pin 7 V-12 should be connected to pin 2 of the ILH4 we are now using as our detector and first audio stages. If reception is too broad, as it may well be, you can improve the sensitivity and the selectivity simultaneously by removing the resistors R-27 and R-30. These are located within the if transformers T-2 and T-4 and will require removal of the shield-can in order to accomplish this. It may also be necessary to realign the if transformers after removing the resistors. The intermediate frequency is 4.3 mc.

The receiver *rf* and mixer stages are already at the correct frequency. There are no changes necessary in any of the equipments, since there is sufficient overlap in the band of each. We purposely left the receiver crystal controlled, so that there would be no drift of tuning—especially in mobile service and also in consideration of the fact that the channel spacing is so close. We were fortunate to have crystal made for us at V-Precision Crystal Co. Elmhurst 73, N. Y. They made the shunt mode crystal to the 0.005 tolerance necessary, at a very nominal price.

The transmitter must be crystal controlled in order to comply with the FCC regulations of the Class D service. To make the oscillator comply with regulations it will be necessary to rewire it. This involves removing the reactance circuits, such as C-22, CH-5, and R-9 so as to

allow the reactance tube to be used as an audio amplifier. The emphasis network in the grid must also be deleted. This means removing R-12, R-13 and C-27. A one-half megohm potentiometer should be mounted on the front panel and wired in across the mike transformer, T-1, to allow for modulation control. The potentiometer arm should be connected to pin 6 of V-4. Mount a small transformer on the chassis near the rear where there is sufficient room. This is used to grid-modulate the transmitter. This type of modulation was chosen so as to prevent having to add a more expensive modulator of the transistor or tube type for full plate modulation. The efficiency of grid modulation is not as great as you would find in a plate modulated set, but the power output is not reduced appreciably. The transformer is a Stancor type A-52C, although any small single plate to single grid or push pull grids may be used. Electrically it is connected in the grid of the rf power amplifier as shown in fig. 5. No noticeable effect of modulation distortion was noted in spite of the fact that it is not a good idea to grid modulate a stage which obtains its bias by grid-leak methods.

In order to use crystal control on the transmitter it will be necessary to remove C-19, C-21 and the oscillator coil L-5. It is not necessary to physically remove L-5, although we will have to mount our crystal socket somewhere. We chose to mount it where C-19 and C-20 were previously located. The socket is a dual crystal socket made by Cinch-Jones under part number 2K4. The oscillator is wired in as in fig. 6. Basically it is a Pierce type, with a tank circuit tuned to the second harmonic in the plate circuit. The screen of the tube is actually the plate of the oscillator. By using a dual crystal socket it is possible to use two crystals and make full use of the two channel feature of the equipment. Figure 6 shows the new oscillator wiring.

# **Tuning the Equipment**

The receiver should be tuned first. Insert the proper crystals into the desired channels and set SW-1 and SW-2 to the OFF position. Set the OFF-ALIGN switch to the ALIGN position and turn the equipment on, making sure that the volume control is full on. When the probe is not in use it should be in its Fahnestock clip, but now insert it into pin 1 of the metering socket. Set the panel meter switch to CHECK. Adjust the receiver oscillator trimmer to make a maximum reading on the meter. Make sure that you are adjusting the one corresponding to the channel that you are setting. You should be able to get a reading of about 5 divisions. Now put the probe into the pin number 2. Adjust the mixer grid control for a maximum reading on the meter and then peak the rf grid control for maximum noise with the probe in pin 3 of the metering socket. Maximum noise in the loudspeaker of the

equipment or in the headset should now be obtained by again peaking the mixer and rf controls. No attempt should be made to try to get maximum output by adjusting the if amplifiers unless you have suitable alignment equipment (see CQ May 1959). If you have a station to listen to, or if you have a suitable signal generator, grid dipper or other signal source, you may tune up on that, trying to obtain maximum signal output. A reduction in noise and improvement in signal may also be obtained on some sets by a careful re-adjustment of the

receiver oscillator tuning.

Tuning the transmitter is a little more tricky. It involves the use of a microphone with a press to talk button (carbon microphone) and only when the adjustment is actually going to be made should the button be depressed so as not to overload any tubes with excess current. With the probe in pin 6 press the mike button and check the transmit crystal oscillator for voltage. This should be several divisions on the meter. Now, insert the probe into pin 5 of the metering socket and again press the mike button long enough to adjust the BUFFER- GRID for minimum meter dip. Now replace the meter probe into its holder and set the OFF-ALIGN switch to OFF. The remaining adjustments are made using the panel switch. Set the SW-1 switch to ON and when ready to make the adjustment, press the mike switch and tune the P.A. GRID for minimum, releasing the button as soon as the adjustment is made. Next, set SW-2 to ON and set the meter switch to OPER. Press the mike switch when you are ready to adjust the P.A. PLATE and do it quickly. The P.A. PLATE should be adjusted to minimum.

You should not have any trouble with the equipment, since the conversion is fairly straight forward, however, several models of the equipment were made, some with and some without the metering feature. In the event that your BC-659 is without the meter, you can always make use of the metering techniques used on standard transmitters, and of the alignment techniques described in CQ, May 1959. It is advisable to load up the final stage (P.A. PLATE) by means of a field strength indicator of some type, since that way would allow you to verify your actual transmitter operation. A grid dip oscillator with the B-plus turned off would serve quite well in this application.

# **Handbook Requests**

The handbook requests are coming in thick and fast and strangely enough, many of the requests could be answered by looking back in CQ conversions. The eleven year index is still available to readers. It lists all articles in CQ up to and including 1955. Most of the mail is about the ART-13 and where to get conversion information. This has been covered in several issues, specifically November '46, February and December 1947, and again in Janu-[Continued on page 94]

# DX DX DX DX DX DX DX

The WAZ and WPX records were received just a few days before the column deadline date, and I couldn't quite get the WPX box score into shape in time. It will definitely be in next month's column. The following WAZ and WPX numbers have been assigned to those who have been listed without numbers:

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894	K2GMO	912	G3IMV	929	K2UPD
895	F9IL	913	PAØLOU	930	CN8DJ
896	F3CB	914	PY3QX	931	OD5LX
897	K2FC	915	OH3RS	932	WØFNN
898	ОНЗТН	916	WIOTX	933	K2OEA
899	G3HFJ	917	OE5JK	934	WØMLY
900	W6GMC	918	PAØPN	935	W2KED
901	DU7SV	919	F9RS	936	K4BVQ
902	VE8PB	920	DL7CW	937	W2BOK
903	G3JHZ	921	KL7PI	938	W8QFR
904	ON4MN	922	WØFUH	939	W6WTH
905	W2TXB	923	W2HO	940	W2AEB
906	VK7CH	924	W9RKP	941	OH5RH
907	W3BQA	925	W3LMM	942	WIAZY
908	DL3LL	926	W2FBS	943	K6RWO
909	W8DLZ	927	W2RSR	944	VE7SB
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26	W2BXA			27	W2DEC
		C	W WPX		
31	W2PTD			32	K4JVE
		SS	B WPX		
3	W8YBZ				

The following certificates were issued this month:

		WAZ
946	ZL3DX	Wyn H. McGee
947	SM5ARR	Olle Lindquist
948	KØDMY	James W. Atkins
949	VE5TK	R. H. Smith
950	G3ESY	Peter W. F. Jones
951	DJ3JZ	Eberhard Ludwig
952	W6WJM	Art McDole
953	SM7TQ	Gustav Georg Johansson
954	KH6BTX	Gladys T. Sickle
955	KH6BLX	Clyde E. Stickle
956	SM2BCS	Eskil Gustafsson
957	KH6AUJ	Dotty James

958	W3WU	M. W. Downs
959	DL1MF	Georg Kirner
960	LA7Z	Jan Arvesen
961	LA8LF	Anders M. Thorrud
962	SM5CXF	Bo Hellstrom
963	JA9AA	Kiichi Emma
964	G3CQE	Bill Brennan
965	HA5BI	Istvan Biro
966	XZ2TH	Tun Hai U
967	W8KZT	Len Clift
968	W9WFS	Howard V. Lindh
969	G3KKP	Jack Burgess
970	UA1CB	Michael S. Majburoff
971	ZLIRD	Thomas Keith Stewart
972	G3DQC	J. L. Salter
973	VE2YU	E. A. Welling
974	JA3DY	Masahiko Hasimoto
975	VE3BWY	Rev. H. A. M. Whyte
976	W2SHZ	H. E. Eddy
977	JA2AT	Hitoshi Tsuchiya
978	WØZYB	Cecil E. Brittenham
979	WØCDP	H. A. Miller
980	ОН2МВ	Antti Silander
		CW WPX

980	ОН2МВ	Antti Silander
		CW WPX
33	DL7CS	Bruno Stangnowski
34	W3LMA	Edward Dillmeier
35	W6YY	John Knight
36	UA9DN	Vladimir Semenov
37	W5DA	J. L. Young, Jr.
38	W3BCY	John A. Springer
39	DJ3BB	Herbert Machlitt
40	PAØVO	J. van Oord
41	SM5BCE	Erik Soderberg
42	VK6WT	David Couch
43	VE3BWY	Rev. H. A. M. Whyte

# SSB WPX Charles W. Boegel, Jr.

4 WØCVU Charles W. Boegel, Jr. 5 W2TP H. G. Mustermann

WAZ and WPX applications which had to be temporarily rejected have been running very high this month. WAZ rejections have been over one third. Most of these errors are due to misunderstanding. The Russian zones are the chief culprits with the WAZ applications. So let's take a look at them.

Zone 17 includes all UH8, UI8, UJ8, UL7 and UM8. The following provinces are also in Zone 17: Chelyabinsk, Sverdlovsk, Molotov, Tyumen, Omsk, and Kurgan. All are UA9's.

Zone 18 includes the following UA9 provinces: Novosibirsk, Tomsk, Kemerove, and Altai. The following are UAØ provinces: Krasnoyarsk, Buryat-Mongolia, Irkutsk, and Chita.

Zone 19 includes the following provinces: All UAØ, Khabarovsk, Amur, Primorsky, and Yakutsk. The northern half (above the 50th parallel) of Sakhalin Island is also Zone 19.

The following will serve as a guide: Zone 17—UA9A, UA9KA, UA9C, UA9D, UA9KC, UA9KD, UA9F, UA9KE, UA9J, UA9KJ,

UA9M, UA9KM, UA9Q and UA9KQ.

Zone 18—UA9H, UA9KH, UA9O, UA9KO, UA9V, UA9KU, UA9Y, UA9KY, UAØA, UAØB, UAØC, UAØO, UAØP, UAØKO, UAØS, UAØKS, UAØU, UAØV, andUAØKU.

Zone 19—UAØKC, UAØF, UAØG, UAØKF, UAØKG, UAØK, UAØKJ, UAØL,

UAØKK, UAØR, and UAØKQ.

Please note that UA9S, UA9KS, UA9W, and UA9KW are located in Bashkir Province, which is Zone 16.

Another confusing zone is Zone 2. Only those VO's which are in Labrador are Zone 2 and only those VE8's in Northeast and North Central Canada are in Zone 2.

If you are in doubt, send several cards.

For WPX, ALL cards must be submitted directly to me. Postage for the return of the cards must also be included. WPX application forms and WAZ zone maps are available from me upon receipt of a self-addressed, stamped envelope. WPX Record Books are available for \$.15 in stamps or coin. WPX is available only on an all phone or all CW basis. There is NO CW/Phone WPX. The Phone WAZ is issued only for all two-way phone QSO's and a statement must be included to the effect that all QSO's were two-way phone QSO's.

# **DX-Peditions**

The main news this month seems to be expe-

ditions or lack of expeditions.

XE4 SOCORRO ISLAND—XE1CV's trip to Socorro was cancelled at the last minute when the Mexican Navy informed him he would not be allowed to land due to maneuvers in the area. All the food, gas, etc., had already been purchased and put aboard the boat. He will try again in the near future if landing permission can be obtained.

DANNY—True to promise, Danny finished his rounds of the new VP2 countries, operating as VP2GDW from Granada. He is going to VP4, Trinidad, to look at a new boat. The boat is quite a bit larger than the last one, and Danny will be sailing with a crew of at least two from now on, so that no undue chances will have to be taken and insurance can be obtained. While speaking to Danny on the air, he appeared to be in good spirits and quite determined to carry on with the expedition. If a new boat is obtained, Hallicrafters will replace the gear that was destroyed and give some financial aid.

TI9-COCOS ISLAND and others-By the

time you read this, Martin, VE3MR, and Humberto, TI2HP, should have completed their TI9 expedition, but Martin will be going to several places in South America that have had no SSB activity.

ET2—The proposed trip to FL8 by the ET2US gang was called off when transportation could not be arranged. (Tnx W2HQL)

KS4-SARANA BANK—W4KVX, W3PZW, and W9EVI made it to KS4 and did a bangup job on all bands, CW, AM fone, and SSB. They had some trouble finding the island but made it while everyone was holding his breath. For a while it looked as though it was going to have as much suspense as the FO8AJ expedition. QSL for CW QSO's to W4KVX, fone OSO's via W9JUV.

w80LF TRIP. W80LF will be starting his operation world wide very soon. The trip will last 45 days and will go to W2-VO-CT2-CN8-GM-DL-F-I1-5A-SVØ-TA-OD5-HZ-HS-DU-BV-HL-KA-KR-KW6 and KH6. Bill, W2SKE, will take in part of the trip. Operation will be

on CW and SSB on twenty meters.

FP8-ST. PIERRE—Tom, K2JGG, will be returning to FP8 again this year during the first two weeks in July. He will use his old call, FP8AB. His home station SSB gear is very heavy and he'd like to borrow or rent a small

SSB rig. Can anyone help Tommy out?

GD-ISLE OF MAN—G3CQE, G3IOR, G3LDI, and G3MPN are going to the Isle of Man for a week. They will use the call GB3GD. This is the first GB3 call issued and will be a good one for WPX hunters. Equipment will include a KWM-1 and a Mosley Tribander. Stateside QSL's via K9ELT, others via G3CQE. (Tnx K9ELT)

3A2-MONACO—Bob, ON4QX ex ON4QX/LUX, ON4QX/OE, ex DJØBG will be operating as 3A2CZ for two weeks this year. He will operate on 14.020, 14.050, 14.090, and 14.200 fone. QSL via Box 331, Antwerp, Belgium, c/o ONL744. However, he will not QSL to stations that owe ON4QX a card. If Bob is missing your card, you'd better hurry up. . . .

CR1Ø-PORTUGUESE TIMOR—The expedition mentioned last month is on and two VK's have obtained the license to operate there. I'm

not sure of the exact date.

PELAGICS ISLANDS—IT1ZGY will operate from this spot for three days. He is trying to have a special call assigned, either IP1AA or ITØAA. If this permission is not obtained, the call IT1ZGY/IP will be used. This one is separate for WAE, and one never knows. QRG will be 14.100 CW.

VE1-PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND—Do you need P. E. I. for WAVE? W1QMS will be active from there from July 6 thru 15th on 15 and 20 meter phone, AM only. Call will be W1QMS/VE1. (Tnx W1QMS) As I mentioned previously, there is quite a bit of expedition

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# Novice



Carl Haywood, KN7EAB, Claypool, Arizona, has some pretty impressive wall paper. He still needs skeds with the 4th call area and will sked anyone needing Arizona. WAS total is 24 with 22 and VE3DAN confirmed.



Frank Weinberg, KN3GMP, 419 Paper Mill Rd., Newark, Delaware, operates from this shack with his Knight 50 Watter and S-53. He would like to join a radio club and wonders if there is any in his area.



It occurred to me, the other day, that although I have been warning my readers about harmonics, I have never explained what happens if they are cited. A Novice friend of mine received one recently (for out of the band operation—more about this later) and I borrowed it until he recovered.

If you receive an envelope from the FCC (and you are not expecting a new license), chances are you have troubles! In addition to a very complete explanation of the violation conditions, the citation will read something like this:

"The facts set forth below indicate that you have violated the requirements of law and treaty. Response to this Notice must be in accordance with the procedures set forth for answering Official Notices of Violation in Section 1.61 of the Commission's Rules Relating to Practice and Procedure."

"Briefly, within 10 days from the receipt of this Notice, a written answer in DUPLICATE shall be addressed to 'Federal Communications Commission' and sent to the address above. DO NOT address your reply to an individual. The answer shall be complete in itself, shall not be abbreviated by reference to other Notices, shall contain a full explanation of the incident involved, and shall set forth the action taken to prevent a continuation of recurrence thereof." You must admit that answering such a citation is a lot of bother (in addition to having a black mark on your record) when by comparison it is so simple to have a friend check your signal frequency and its harmonics.

My Novice friend is back in the good graces of the FCC now, but he had troubles for a while. Ironically, the citation was for his last contact as a Novice! He received his General Class ticket two days before the citation arrived!

It seems he purchased a few 40 meter Novice rocks from a "famous" surplus crystal company. One of the crystals was marked 7152 kc, just inside of the low end of the band. Actually the crystal oscillated on 7149.96 kc as evidenced by the measurement listed on the ci-

Jimmy Kalasky, K8LDD, 738 Truesdale Rd., Youngstown 11, Ohio is only nine years old but is already an ole timer, having graduated from the Novice ranks along with the OM-K8LDC. His younger brothers (5 and 6) already are showing an interest in ham radio! Jimmy built the DX-40, shown behind him, when he was a Novice!

tation. Moral of the story: don't believe the crystal frequency, have someone check your transmitted frequency!

# **DX News**

Ken Bale, W7VCB, Letournea, Liberia, West Africa, writes to say that he will be on the lookout for Novices. No call assigned at this writing. QSL cards go to W7PHO with S.A.S.E.

The following stations were heard calling Novices. Did you snag them? GM3FRI called WV2BWV, SM5UU called KN3EVR, and G3HRA called KN1IVQ.

Tima Popovic, YU1RS-357, reports receiving the following stations in Banat Novo Selo, Yugoslavia: March 8, 1630-2130:

KN1GCX, GYT, HEF, HEY, HRM, HTQ, HZM, HZR, HZV, IFJ, IID, IKN, IVP, IVQ, JCJ, JDP, JGX, JVM, WA2AFX, APZ, AXN, BIM, BLK, BLP, BLZ, BPU, BWV, CAN, CAW, CBB, CJC, COW, CPT, DEF, DFJ, DML, EAL, EAQ, KN2OJJ, OXO, RDU, RIS, TZR, UMU, KN3BRK, DLI, DPT, EGE, EHN, EPJ, EVR, GBC, GBY, GED, GFF, GIQ, GVK, GWC, HBZ, HFF, HFW, HGG, HJC, HPG, HPU, KN4ACI, ACJ, AWM, CGM, DPL, DRF, DZJ, EFZ, FGZ, GEO, UMT, VAH, VCG, VUZ, YGS, YRH, YSQ, YWZ, YYC, ZLO, ZYS, KN5RIP, SGD, STA, TFH, TOB, WV6AIM, KN7GGY, KN8DRR, DWK, JRL, KTZ, LFY, LQA, LVB, LVH, MMM, MPR, MYF, NBP, NDI, NGR, NWK, ODJ, KN9LBB, LSB, MGC, OAZ, ODJ, OSK, OUY, PGA, PWU, PYL, QJP, QJV, QXY, KNØGRA, HXV, QMY, REV, RFE, SKK, SVW. March 15, 1915-2220 GMT: KN1GOQ, HFL, HHN, HRL, HZQ, IAL, IBJ, IKD, IRI, IVY, IWD, JAI, JIR, KAV, WV2AMM, APQ, AXN, AXR, BQO, CHK, CII, CRG, KN2SMC, SNA, SOA, SQH, KN3EGR, GIA GIT, GOC/3, GSA, GXW, HGN, HJO, HLG, HLU, HLX, KN4AVR, BBN, CRY, DCI, DKU, DYK, ESN, FHZ, VCN, VDK, VTJ, YCL, YMU, YOA, YYG, YZR ZEO, ZZI, KN5RHZ, SWR, TMX, KN8KDL, KPK, LDF, LQW, MJL, MUU, MWU, NDV, NHC, NXI, OJB, KN9LVG, LXW, MKP, MSY, MTK, MYA, OYP, PMP, QFB, QKZ, QVH, KNØPDE, PKK, REV, RSN, RXT, SBX, SKK.

The following stations were reported as received in Dhahran, Saudi Arabia at HZ1AB. Date March 12, 2000-2200 GMT: KN1HBM, IAL, JVB, KN2UVU, WV2BDK, DRW, KN3DTA, GIT, KN4DLJ, KN8KTZ, KN9-MWK.

Rolf Stromberg, Box 514, Vindeln, Sweden, says he will have his SM6 license in May and will be looking for Novices on the 15 meter band. Rolf reports receiving the following stations during the first part of 1959 on 15 meters: Jan 18, 1700-1900 GMT:

WV2BLK, KN3GLW, GWC. Jan 21, 1600-1855 GMT: KN1GMS, IBL, GYT, KN2TEI, MMU, OMQ, WV2AUI/2 CRG, AUH, KN3CWC, HEO, HNE, GIT, GIQ, GJH, KN4DLJ, ZNK, KN8KMB, KTZ. Feb. 24, 2100-2215 GMT: KN1GXC, HZQ, WV2AED, AXR, DTV, EAL, KN3DIE, EGO, EXM, GIT, GRL, KN4VOX, VTJ, YAG, YFB, KN8JWS, KCC/8, KRL, LGX, MTC, NNG. Feb. 27, 1200-1555 GMT: KN1GYK, HSM, HTV, IEO, III, IKN, IVS, JKA, JIU, KN2RGF, TZM, KN4AWM, AVI, VHT, VTJ, VUR, ZVC, KN8LJM, Feb. 28, 1230-1600 GMT: WV2AWR, BFF, KN8KIX, KTZ, MXZ, KN4YPZ, March 1, 1400-1535 GMT: KN1HJN, HVU, IIK, IOG, IQM, IYS, JBU, JDP, KN2RBH, SIQ, UVB, WV2AAI, ARJ, AXG, AXR, BSQ, CJO, EAL, KN3EGH, ESS, HPS, KN4AWM, CXS, DXD, YWZ, YXC, YYZR, ZEQ, KN9QRA, KNØPDE, PIF, PPO, PPX, RJM.

Rolf says that he will supply QSL's to confirm reception upon receipt of your QSL card.

# **Help Wanted**

Jack Olson, K9PZZ, advises us that the hams at Valparaiso Tech, Valparaiso, Ind. are conducting code and theory classes. Contact Jack, K8ASX, or K9JDF.

John Champa, KN8OCL, 1542 Wyandotte Rd., Columbus 12, Ohio, writes to say that the RTCO Amateur Radio Club is anxious to help prospective Novices get their license. They teach both code and theory. Interested persons can contact John or phone him at HU 8-1698.

The following persons have expressed a de-

sire to obtain a ham license:

W2—Joseph Kaplan, 6 Southridge Drive, Glen Cove, N. Y.

W5—Walter Martin, Georgetown, Texas. W8—Bill Klima, 2984 E. 116 St., Cleveland 20, Ohio, Telephone GA 1-2385

W9—Tom Tollefson, 308 Shabbona, Park

Forest, Illinois. Phone PI 8-3123.

# Letters

Mike Lynch, KN5SEK, 5102 Tawney St., Amarillo, Texas, has taken his conditional and should be a General by now. He writes to say that he contacted an ELWH/MM, a Liberian ship operating off the coast of Saudi Arabia. Mike has also worked my old friend Volta, DU7SV, who is always on the lookout for Novices.

Rolf Stromberg, Box 514, Vindel, Sweden, will soon have his ham license, but would like to correspond with Novices, particularly on the West Coast. He enjoys music, travel, and learning about foreign countries.

Paul Botluk, KN3EBH, Rising Sun, Maryland, would like skeds with the west and midwest on 80 and 40 meters. He uses a DX-35 and NC-125 and operates between 0400 and 0530 EST. Paul will be glad to sked anyone needing MD.

Steven Starkes, WV2DXV, 1024 E. 12th St., Brooklyn, 30, N. Y. is a brand new Novice at age 16. He uses a DB-23 preselector in front of his NC-125 and plans on putting up a Hy-Gain 14AV vertical.

Sgt. Calvin J. Sprayberry 1399639, Hq. Btry. 12 Marines, 3rd Marine Div. FMF, FPO, San Francisco, Calif. is currently "vacationing" on Okinawa and would like to join a SWL club. He reports hearing many Hams in KR6 land.

Bill Troop, 435 Patten St., Sonoma, Calif., would like to know if there is any code practice sessions on the air, from the West Coast. He would appreciate learning the frequency, date, and time.

Randy Seybold, KN5TTE, 2041 Claremont, Houston 19, Texas, has been on the air for only a month but has racked up 12 states plus Chile. Randy uses a Johnson Adventurer along

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# semiconductors

Ordinarily, batteries would be somewhat out of place in a column devoted to semiconductors. But then, how many transistors are powered from battery supplies? Certainly there are a lot less operating from dc "power-packs".

Experimenters will be very interested in a new minature nickel-cadmium rechargable battery. These cells pack a terrific punch in a very small package and at low cost. Naturally they are more expensive initially, but after 20 recharges (or so), they will pay for themselves. The rest of the power is "for free", so to speak.

Nickel-cadmium batteries were invented in France by the Societe des Accumulateurs Fixes et de Traction (SAFT—Paris). The CG Elec-

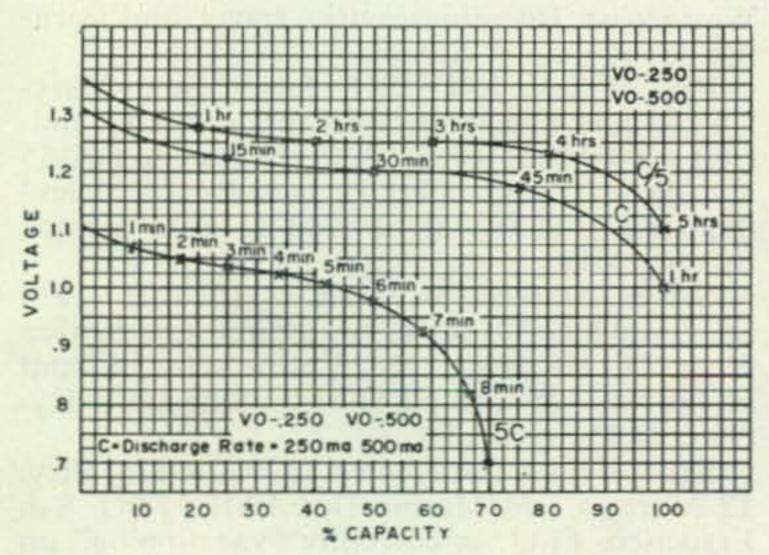


Fig. 1—A typical discharge curve for the VO series of batteries.

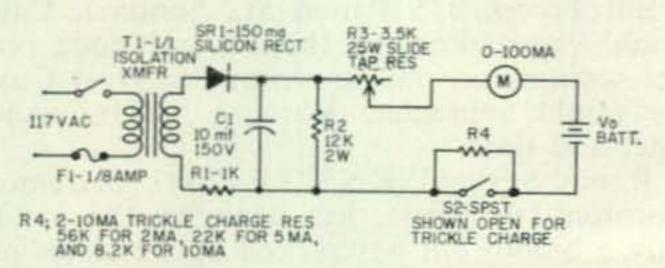


Fig. 2—Charger suitable for Nickel-Cadmium batteries.

tronics Corporation of Albuquerque, N. M., is the exclusive licensee for their manufacture in this country. The following cells are currenty available: VO-100, VO-180, VO-250, VO-500, VO-800, and VO-1750 (the number indicates the milliampere-hour rating). The battery nominal is 1.2 volts as shown in the typical discharge curve, fig. 1. Note that there is a severe reduction in voltage when overloaded, and yet they continue to deliver power for an amazing length of time.

Recharging can be accomplished in excess of 500 times using the circuit shown in fig. 2. The recommended charging current can be applied for periods in excess of 90 days and can be trickle charged indefinitely. Typical charging currents vary from 8 ma for the VO-100 to 150 ma for the VO-1750.

Diameters run from .88" to 2.0" for the VO-100 and VO-1750 respectively. The weight ranges from .25 ounces to 3.5 ounces for these two cells. The other sizes fall between these two limits. Prices for the nickel-cadmium batteries are quite reasonable, for example, the VO-100 is \$1.75 and the VO-800 is \$4.95. You can obtain data sheets and literature on these batteries by writing CG Electronics Corporation, 15000 Central, S.E., Albuquerque, New Mexico.

# **QRP** Corner

It appears that it isn't always power that makes the QSO. It may seem strange, but that tiny drop of radiation sent on its way by the transistors somehow can be very readable many thousands of miles away.

One major problem for many hams operating transistorized transmitters is the lack of others willing to listen. I have found it sometimes takes a fair knowledge and ability to tune a receiver if the low-power signal is to be read.

We are suggesting 29.2 mc as a monitoring frequency, to help those who want to get re-

sults with their low power rigs. You TR experimenters: let's have your suggestions for other monitoring frequencies or schedules.

The QRP section is for you who are on the air with semiconductors. Tell us what's new so that it can be passed on. With your help others will make better QSO's with their transistors and low power. Drop me a line, Richard S. Griffith, W7MPQ, P.O. Box 925, Tucson, Arizona.

# Literature

If you are interested in diode rectifiers, don't fail to buy a copy of International Rectifier Corporations' Rectifier Engineering Handbook. It's available for \$1.50 from International Rectifier Corp., El Segundo, California.

# Semiconductor News

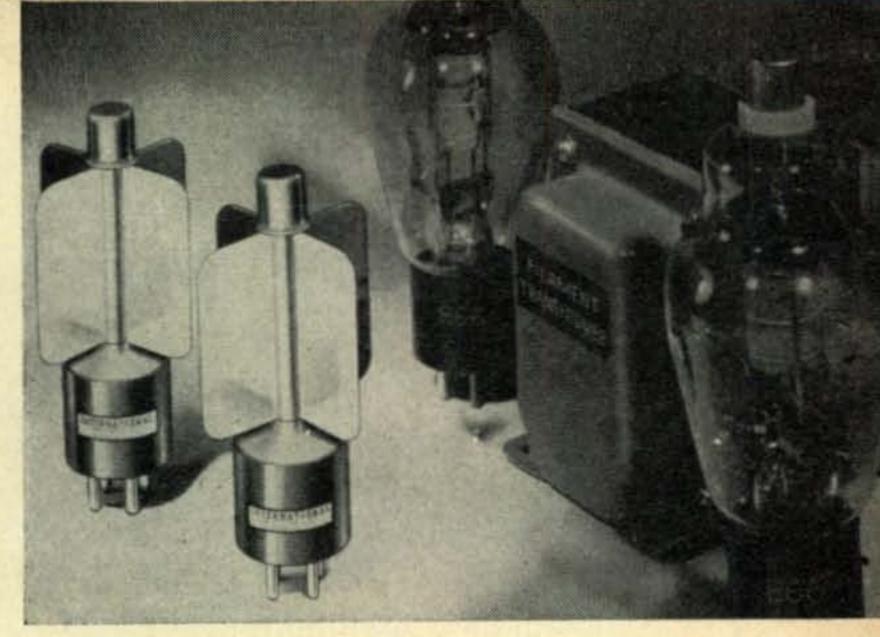
General Electric has reduced the prices on its silicon controlled rectifiers. The reduction amounts from six to forty-four percent. Accelerated life tests on the 45 volt silicon high-frequency transistors indicates they far exceed military specks. This transistor is the one using the fixed-bed mounting technique on a ceramic disc, types 2N332 through 2N338. GE has also just announced a new rectifier for PIV's up to 1000. The 1N561 is a "top-hat" type, while the 1N563 is a similar unit in a studmount case. Bulletins ECG-398 and 399 describe them. Bulletin ECG-388 recaps the entire GE line of rectifiers.

The big news from International Rectifier Corp. this month is their silicon 866 rectifiers. Rated at 6,400 PIV, these units will provide dc output currents of 250 ma at 75° ambient temperature. They provide a 2/3 reduction in space and weigh less than 1/16 of equivalent tube circuitry (see photo). Price—about 20 bux. Good by—866's! Write for bulletin SR-149A.

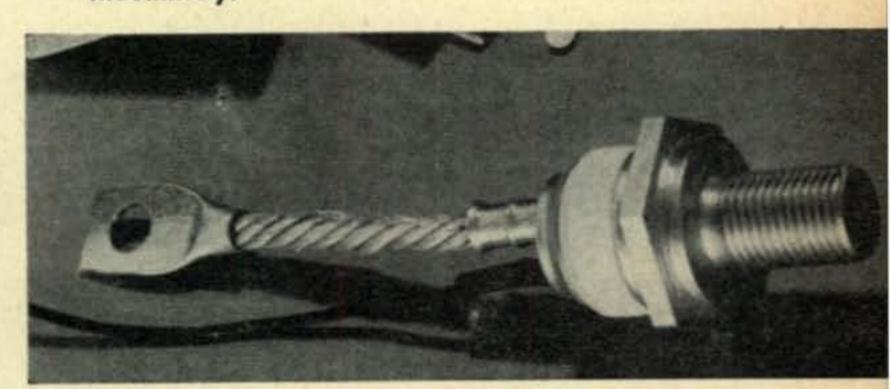
High efficiency solar silicon battery modules are also available from International. They provide the same power output, watt for watt, as dry cell and mercury cell units. The output voltage of the solar module is 1.5 volts dc at 65°C (typical operating) temperature in direct sunlight). They provide 35 ma in direct sunlight. Price—\$24.00 each. Bulletin SR-276 describes them in detail. Write International Rectifier Corp., El Segundo, Calif.

It's bad enough with tubes, but now they are starting it with transistors. RCA showed a multi-unit transistor at the IRE convention, which contains a triode transistor and a diode detector. Also shown was their new five transistor auto radio, which uses no tubes! The receiver can produce one watt of audio for a two microvolt rf signal input. The old faithful 2N301 is used in a single-ended class A circuit.

RCA has gone into the Micromodule business in a big way. They are producing packaged circuits, including dividers, gates, amplifiers, limiters, discriminators (on 4.3 mc), audio amplifiers, rf amplifiers (50 mc) etc. In



Space comparison between the new silicon 866's and the obsolete tubes they replace. With reasonable care these new rectifiers should last indefinitely!



The silicon controlled rectifier acts like both a power transistor and a rectifier. Like a rectifier it changes alternating current to direct current and like a transistor it controls the amount of current fed into a circuit.

fact, just about every circuit you need for a vest pocket computer. Prices run from \$46 to \$247 per! I'll wait! Silicon power transistors are a new item from RCA. Types 2N1067, 1068, 1069, and 1070 lead the line and are intended for switching, dc amplifiers, Class A or B amplifiers, and servo systems. New germanium types 2N456, 457, 561 and 1014 are designed for power converter applications and will deliver 106 watts with an efficiency of 97.4% at 28 volts input!

Texas Instruments announced, at the IRE show, a new line of 10 to 25 ampere germanium power transistors, available with collector ratings from 40 to 80 volts. Also shown was their new 30 and 50 amp. stud rectifiers, with PIV's between 50 and 600 volts!

Triad Transformer Corporation, 4055 Redwood Avenue, Venice, California, has expanded their transistor power converter transformer line to include 21 new epoxy molded toroidal types, including 6, 12, 28 volt and 60 cycle units. If interested, drop them a line and get their new brochure.

That does 'er for another month. If you have any news of a QRP nature, be sure of drop a line to Dick. If you have any new and interesting circuits, be sure to send them along to me.

73, Don, W6TNS

# PROPAGATION

# George Jacobs, W3ASK

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# June's Highlights

June is a month of typical summer-time radio propagation conditions. Night-time usable frequencies to most parts of the world are higher than at any other time of the year, with the 20 meter band optimum for long distance propagation during the hours of darkness, and until a few hours after daylight. The 15 meter band is expected to be best during the hours of daylight, peaking in the late afternoon and early evening. Ten meters is forecast to open fairly frequently on north-south circuits, but only occasionally on east-west paths. Atmospheric noise, or static is most intense during June and the summer months and will be most noticeable on 40, 80, and 160 meters. Sporadic-E propagation increases considerably during June, and this is expected to result in shortskip openings for at least 50% of the time on 10 meters, and on a number of days on 6 meters.

# **Project Argus**

On March 26th the President's Science Advisory Committee, and the National Academy of Sciences jointly announced the remarkable results of Project Argus, science's first successful attempt at producing a widespread manmade ionized region in the earth's upper atmosphere.

As part of Project Argus, three atomic blasts were set off secretly, above the earth's atmosphere, on August 27, 30 and September 6, 1958. Rocket-launched from U.S. Navy ships located in the South Atlantic, about mid-way between Cape Horn and the Cape of Good Hope, the atomic blasts injected electronic radiation into the earth's upper atmosphere at a reported level of approximately 300 miles. The initial burst of electrons, trapped by the everpresent magnetic field surrounding the earth, was carried along the lines of magnetic force in such a manner as to create, within an hour's time, a shell, or "skin" of radiation almost completely girdling the earth at high altitude. Elaborate preparations were made to observe the effects of the Argus firings from the ground, from airplanes and rockets, and from an earth satellite (Explorer IV). The effects of Argus were readily observable from the ground by recorded changes in the earth's magnetic field, and in radio soundings of the ionosphere. Bright auroral glows appeared overhead at the point of firing, and were also reported at the other end of the magnetic lines near the Azore Islands in the North Atlantic, and near Samoa in the South Pacific. Science's first attempt at forming an artificial ionosphere appears to have been successful, and the geophysical effects produced by Project Argus persisted for several days.

With the whole world now being used as one vast laboratory, the continued harnessing, and the eventual control of the ionization in the earth's upper atmosphere appears to be inevitable in the years ahead. From such fascinating developments will no doubt emerge many new techniques for more reliable and more efficient radio communications than is now imaginable.

# **Sunspot Cycle**

The sunspot cycle continues its slow decline from maximum. The Zurich Observatory reports a monthly mean sunspot number of 181 for March, 1959. This results in a 12-month running smoothed sunspot number of 183 centered on September, 1958. This month's CQ forecasts are based on a predicted smoothed number of 150 centered on June, 1959.

As part of my Master's Degree thesis at the University of Maryland I have prepared an appendix containing a complete list of all monthly mean, and 12-month smoothed sunspot numbers recorded since 1750. As far as I am aware this is the first up-to-date table of this sort published in the past 20 years. A limited number of copies of this appendix, containing more than 20 pages, and including a graph of the present cycle, and sunspot predictions for the next five years, are available directly from the author at one dollar a copy, postpaid.

# **Expanded Forecast**

Since June typifies summer-time propagation conidtions, this month's CQ Propagation Charts contain an analysis of nearly twice as many circuits as usual.

73, George, W3ASK

# Last Minute Report

Short wave propagation conditions are generally stable during the month of June and no significant disurbances are forecast. Exceptionally good conditions are likely to occur between June 12-18.

# MONTH: JUNE, 1959

		ALL TIMES	NE. S. T.			A	LL TIMES IN	2. S. T.	
EASTERN USA TO:					CENTRAL USA TO	0:			
	*6/10 Meters	15 Meters	20 Meters	40/80 ** Meters		+6/10 Meters	15 Meters	20 Meters	40/80** Meters
Western Europe	10A-12N (1) 12N-3P (2) 3P-5P (1)	6A-1P (2) 1P-7P (4) 7P-11P (2) 11P-6A (1)	5A-1P (1) 1P-4P (3) 4P-10P (4) 10P-5A (3)	8P-11P (3) 11P-1A (2) 9P-12M (2)**	Western Europe	11A-1P (1) 1P-3P (2) 3P-5P (1)	6A-12N (1) 12N-2P (3) 2P-6P (4) 6P-10P (2) 10P-6A (1)	12N-2P (1) 2P-4P (2) 4P-11P (4) 11P-3A (2)	8P-11P (2) 9P-10P (1)**
Scandinavia & North Europe	10A+3P (1)	7A-1P(1) 1P-5P(2) 5P-8P(3) 8P10P(1)	1P-5P (1) 5P-11P (3) 11P-7A (1)	9P-1A (1) 9P-11P (1)**	Northern & Central Europe	2P-5P (1)	7A-10A (1) 10A-2P (2) 2P-6P (3) 6P-10P (1)	1P-4P (1) 4P-11P (3) 11P-3A (1)	8P-11P (1)
Eastern Mediterranean	11A-3P (1)	5A-11A (1) 11A-3P (2) 3P-7P (3) 7P-10P (4) 10P-1A (1)	12N-4P (1) 4P-11P (3) 11P-3A (2) 3A-6A (1)	8P-11P (2) 9P-10P (1)**	Southern Europe & North Africa	9A-11A (1) 11A-3P (2) 3P-5P (I)	5A-11A (1) 11A-7P (3) 7P-10P (2) 10P-5A (1)	1P-4P (2) 4P-9P (4) 9P-1A (3) 1A-3A (2)	8P-12M (2) 9P-10P (1)**
Southern 1 urope & North Africa	10A-12N (1) 12N-3P (2) 3P-6P (1)	5A-8A (2) 8A-12N (1) 12N-8P (4) 8P-10P (3) 10P-5A (2)	1P-5P (2) 5P-1A (4) 1A-7A (2)	8P-1A (2) 9P-11P (1)**	Central & South Africa	8A-12N (1) 12N-4P (3) 4P-7P (2)	12M-3A (2) 3A-12N (1) 12N-6P (3) 6P-8P (2) 8P-12M (1)	1P-4P (2) 4P-9P (3) 9P-3A (2)	7P-12M (1)
West & Central Africa	9A-12N (1) 12N-6P (2) 6P-8P (1)	5A-11A (2) 11A-2P (3) 2P-8P (4) 8P-11P (2) 11P-5A (1)	1P-5P (2) 5P-1A (4) 1A-7A (2)	8P-2A (2) 9P-12M (1)**	Northern South America	12N-6P (1)* 7A-11A (3) 11A-5P (4) 5P-7P (3) 7P-10P (2)	6A-4P (4) 4P-7P (5) 7P-1A (4) 1A-6A (3)	8A-3P (3) 3P-8A (5)	7P-5A (3) 10P-3A (2)**
East Africa	3P-5P (1) 5P-8P (2)	9A-12N (1) 12N-2P (2) 2P-7P (3) 7P-11P (2)	2P-6P (2) 6P-10P (3) 10P-1A (2)	7P-9P (1)	Argentina, Brazil & Chile	3P-7P (1)* 7A-10A (2) 10A-5P (4) 5P-8P (2) 8P-11P (1)	4A-8A (3) 8A-2P (2) 2P-10P (4) 10P-4A (2)	2P-4P (2) 4P-1A (4) 1A-8A (3)	8P-1A (2) 1A-5A (3) 11P-4A (1)**
South Africa	8A-11A (2) 11A-3P (3) 3P-7P (2)	1A-5A (2) 5A-11A (1) 11A-7P (3) 7P-10P (2)	1P-5P (2) 5P-9P (3) 9P-1A (2) 1A-5A (3)	7P-2A (1)	Central Asia	Nil Nil	8A-3P (1) 3P-6P (2) 6P-10P (1)	6A-9A (2) 9A-11A (1) 5P-9P (1) 9P-11P (2)	Nil
Northern South America	12N-6P (1)* 7A-11A (3) 11A-5P (4) 5P-7P (3) 7P-10P (2)	7A-5P (4) 5P-7P (5) 7P-1A (4) 1A-7A (3)	9A-4P (3) 4P-9A (5)	7P-6A (3) 11P-5A (2)**	Hawaii	4P-6P (1) 6P-11P (2)	8A-3P (2) 3P-11P (4) 11P-1A (3) 1A-4A (2)	11P-6A (1) 8A-11A (3) 11A-6P (2) 6P-4A (4) 4A-8A (3)	10P-7A (3) 12M-5A (2)**
Argentina, Brazil & CHile	3P-7P (1)* 7A-11A (2) 11A-6P (3) 6P-9P (2) 9P-12M (1)	5A-9A (3) 9A-2P (2) 2P-11P (4) 11P-5A (2)	3P-5P (2) 5P-2A (4) 2A-8A (3)	8P-1A (2) 1A-6A (3) 1A-5A (1)**				ES IN C. S. T.	(cont'd)
Central Asia	Nil	9A-3P (1)	6A-9A (2)	Nil	CENTRAL USA T	0:			
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Japan & Far	Nil	1P-3P (1)	9P-11P (2) 11P-1A (1) 11P-2A (2)	Nil	Formosa, Hong Kong, etc.	6P-10P (1)	3P-7P (1) 7P-10P (2) 10P-12M (1)	7P-9P (1) 9P-12M (2) 12M-7A (1) 7A-9A (2)	Nil
East		3P-7P (2) 7P-9P (1)	2A-7A (1) 7A-10A (2)					9A-11A (1)	
Malaya & South- east Asia	Nil	8A-10A (1) 12N-2P (1) 2P-5P (2) 5P-7P (1) 6A-8A (1)	10A -6P (1) 6A -9A (2) 9A -2P (1) 2P -4P (2) 11P -1A (1)	Nil	Japan & Far East	7P-10P (1)	8A-10A (2) 10A-2P (1) 2P-5P (2) 5P-10P (3) 10P-12M (1)	7P-2A (2) 2A-6A (1) 6A-9A (3) 9A-11A (2) 11A-7P (1)	Nil
Hawati	6P-11P (1)	8A-10A (1) 10A-6P (2) 6P-11P (4) 11P-1A (2)	5P-10P (2) 10P-3A (4) 3A-7A (3) 7A-9A (4)	12M-7A (3) 1A-6A (1)**	Malaya & Southeast Asia	Nil	1P-4P (1) 4P-9P (2) 9P-11P (1) 6A-9A (1)	6A-9A (2) 9A-5P (1) 8P-11P (1)	Nil
Guam & Pacific	Nil	1A-3A (1) 5P-7P (1) 7P-11P (2)	9A-12N (2) 11P-2A (1) 6A-9A (2)	Nil	Philippines & East Indies	Nil	2P-5P (1) 5P-11P (2) 11P-1A (1)	2P-11P (2) 6A-8A (2) 8A-2P (1)	Nil
Philippines & East Indies	Nil	11P-1A (1) 11A-2P (1) 2P-6P (2) 6P-8P (1)	9A-12N (1) 6A-9A (2) 9A-2P (1) 11P-1A (1)	Nil	Australasia	6P-8P (1) 8P-10P (2) 10P-12M (1)	3P-7P <sub>(</sub> 2) 7P-11P <sub>(</sub> 3) 11P-2A <sub>(2)</sub> 2A-6A <sub>(1)</sub> 6A-9A <sub>(2)</sub>	7P-11P (2) 11P-4A (4) 4A-6A (2) 6A-10A (3) 10A-3P (1)	12M-6A (2) 1A-5A (1)**
Australasia	6P-8P (1) 8P-10P (2) 10P-11P (1)	5P-9P (1) 9P-1A (3) 1A-7A (1) 7A-10A (2)	6A-9A (3) 9A-12N (2) 12N-12M (1) 12M-3A (3) 3A-6A (2)	1A-6A (2) 2A-5A (1)**	McMurdo Sound, Antarctica	1P-5P (2)	12N-2P (1) 2P=4P (2) 4P-7P (3) 7P-9P (1) red on pag		7P-9P (1) 9P-2A (2) 2A-4A (1) 9P-2A (1)**

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	•6/10 Meters	15 Meters	20 Meters	40/80** Meters
West & Central Europe	NU	6A-8A (1) 10A-1P (2) 1P-5P (3) 5P-7P (2) 7P-10P (1)	3P-5P (1) 5P-10P (3) 10P-12M (2) 12M-4A (1)	7P-10P (1)
Southern Europe & North Africa	4P-7P (1)	6A-12N (1) 12N-4P (2) 4P-8P (3) 8P-10P (2)	7A-11A (1) 11A-5P (2) 5P-10P (3) 10P-7A (2)	7P-10P (1)
Central & South	10A-1P (1)	9P-11P (2) 5A-8A (1) 8A-10A (2) 10A-3P (3) 3P-6P (2)	6A-9A (2) 9A-2P (1) 2P-5P (2) 5P-9P (1) 9P-1A (2) 1A-6A (1)	6P-9P (1)
Northern South America	12N-6P (1)* 7A-11A (3) 11A-5P (4) 5P-8P (3)	5A-2P (3) 2P-7P (5) 7P-1A (4) 1A-5A (3)	8A-2P (2) 2P+8A (5)	7P-2A (3) 9P-1A (2)**
Argentina, Brazil	3P-7P (1)* 6A-10A (2) 10A-4P (4) 4P-8P (2) 8P-11P (1)	4A-7A (3) 7A-2P (2) 2P-7P (4) 7P-11P (3) 11P-4A (1)	1P-4P (2) 4P-12M (4) 12M-4A (2) 4A-6A (3)	7P-3A (2) 9P-12M (1)**
Tahiti & Oceania	10A-6P (2) 6P-11P (1) 11P-4A (3)	9A-6P (3) 6P-4A (4) 4A-9A (2)	5P-7P (2) 7P-7A (4) 7A-10A (3) 10A-12N (2)	10P-7A (2) 11P-6A (1)**
Guam & Mariana Islands	12N-4P (1) 4P-6P (2) 6P-8P (3) 8P-11P (2)	7A-1P (3) 1P-8P (1) 8P-12M (3) 12M-7A (1)	8P-12M (2) 12M-8A (4) 8A-10A (3) 10A-12N (2)	1A-5A (1) 2A-4A (1)**
Fiji & Paçific Islands	11A-1P (2) 1P-8P (3) 8P-2A (2)	8A-6P (2) 6P-3A (4) 3A-8A (3)	7P-11P (2) 11P-8A (4) 8A-11A (3)	12M-7A (2) 2A-6A (1)**
New Zealand	3P-5P (1)* 11A-1P (3) 1P-8P (4) 8P-10P (2)	9A-12N (2) 12N-5P (1) 5P-9P (3) 9P-12M (2)	6P-8P (2) 8P-12M (3) 12M-8A (2)	11P-6A (4) 1A-5A (1)**
Australia	3P-6P (1)* 10A-1P (2) '1P-4P (3) 4P-10P (4) 10P-12M (2)	11A-1P (2) 1P-8P (1) 8P-12M (3) 12M-3A (2)	7P-10P (2) 10P-4A (4) 4A-8A (3) 8A-10A (1)	9P-12M (1) 12M-4A (2) 4A-7A (1) 11P-2A (1)**
Philippines & East Indies	8A-11A (1) 11A-4P (3) 4P-10P (2)	12M-2A (2) 2A-8A (3) 8A-11A (2) 11A-3P (1)	11P-3A (1) 3A-9A (2) 9A-12N (1)	3A-5A (1)
Hong Kong, Formosu, etc.	12N-2P (1) 2P-8P (2) 8P-10P (1)	7A-12N (3) 12N-8P (2) 8P-2A (3) 2A-7A (2)	10P-2A (2) 2A-8A (3) 8A-1P (2)	2A-6A (1)
Japan, Okinawa & Far East	11A-4P(1) 4P-8P(2) 8P-10P(1)	8A-12N (3) 12N-7P (2) 7P-12M (3) 12M-8A (2)	9P-12M (2) 12M-9A (3) 9A-12N (2) 12N-9P (1)	2A-6A (2) 3A-5A (1)**
Malaya & South- east Asia	10A-4P (1) 4P-6P (2) 6P-8P (1)	10P-2A (1) 2A-6A (2) 6A-8A (3) 8A-12N (2) 12N-2P (1)	12M-2A (1) 2A-7A (2) 7A-12N (3) 12N-2P (1)	NII
Siberia	1P-4P (1) 10P-2A (1)	4A-10A (3) 10A-1P (4) 1P-8P (3) 8P-4A (4)	7P-10P (3) 10P-8A (4) 8A-12N (3) 12N-7P (2)	1A-6A (2) 2A-5A (1)**
Central Asta	8A-12N (1) 5P-7P (1) 7P-9P (2) 9P-11P (1)	6A-9A (3) 9A-11A (2) 11A-3P (1) 3P-8P (2) 8P-2A (1) 2A-6A (2)	5P-9P (1) 9P-12M (2) 12M-7A (3) 7A-10A (2) 10A-12N (1)	3A-6A (1)

### SYMBOLS FOR NUMBER OF DAYS CIRCUIT FORECAST TO OPEN;

(1) 1-4 days (2) 5-11 days (3) 12-18 days (4) 19-26 days

(5) over 26 days

Indicates possible aix-meter openings.
 Indicates possible eighty-meter openings.

Time Symbols: A - A. M. N - Noon
P - P. M. M - Midnight

The CQ DX Propagation Charts are based upon a CW radiated power of 150 watts at radiation angles less than thirty degrees and are centered on the Eastern, Central and Western areas of the United States. They are valid through July 15, 1959. These forecasts are based upon tonospheric data published by the Central Radio Propagation Laboratory of the National Bureau of Standards, Boulder, Colorado.

# **CLUB BULLETINS**

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About 10% of the publications in our News Service and Club Bulletin Department are sponsored by groups other than ham clubs. One such publication is a dandy little gem well worth mentioning.

The boys on the West Coast that operate regularly in the traffic nets will be familiar with the Pacific Area Net News. This monthly journal is crammed with valuable information for the traffic men. V. S. Gish, W7FIX, of Seattle, Washington, is the chap in the driver's seat and each month he prints news, net rosters, and ideas concerning the Army MARS, AF MARS, CD, and other nets in the Pacific Area. The bulletin is neatly stapled and usually runs about 26 pages. In addition to the regular editions, there is a supplement that is composed of net schedule timetables, pictures, operating announcements and pertinent data. Contributions to the paper are by no means limited to the U. S. crowd. The British Columbia Emergency Net is represented by its manager VE7AOT.

The duplicating process is used in the production of PANN and the subscription rate is \$2.00 per year (11 copies). Although there is no "free" or "exchange" list maintained by the editor, you might drop him a note at 511 East 71st St., Seattle 15, Washington, and request a single sample.

# Front Page News

The boys in the Lower Yakima Valley Amateur's Club Inc. read all their news on the front page of their news sheet, Radio Frequency. The entire paper is printed on one coarse sheet measuring 17" x 22". An outstanding feature of RF is the monthly cartoon which is drawn by Cormac Thompson, W7ACA. It's too bad that we have no way of reproducing and distributing the cartoons that appear from time to time in various bulletins.

# Photos

In the future, I intend to run an occasional photo in this column. If you have a small, clear picture and negative of your club tabloid send them and a brief history of the periodical.

# Changes

As result of a questionnaire that was sent to the editors in our News Service, there will be a few modifications in this column. I'll elaborate next month. In the meantime here is a list of the newest members in our midst: THE FARL BOLT, Ford A.R.C., QSA-5, Marin A.R.C. and the CRYSTAL PALACE NEWS-LETTER, Crystal Palace and Dist. R.C., London, England.

73, Marv, VE3DQX.

# CONTEST CALENDAR

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Since there is no contest activity for the next couple of months, this would be a good time to answer a request made by many readers. "How do you fellows go about judging a DX contest?"

Naturally right after a contest has taken place, the logs start rolling in, first from the nearby US districts and a little later from the

foreign countries.

Rather than wait for a supply to pile up, they are immediately sorted, first into continents and later into countries and districts. As this is being done, a tally sheet is also attached to each log and the claimed score and other pertinent information is noted.

As they are being filed we also check the scoring, tabulation and etc. An experienced contest checker can tell at a glance if everything is in order or if the log needs closer

checking.

If the score is way out of line it usually indicates that the guy has been multiplying everything in sight, instead of Zones PLUS Countries MULTIPLIED by the QSO points. However we don't get many of these as most everybody has been educated. They are also now familiar with the rule of a completed contact counting 3 points, but only 1 point when its from the same continent.

By this time we start to get a pretty good idea of who's at the top of the Totem Pole and the entries are filed according to band classifi-

cation.

Now comes the real work, cross-checking. Of necessity, because of the great number of logs, only spot checking in most cases. But if your score is in the top grouping you'll get more than that and if only one cross-check does not jibe, you're going to get a real going over. So if the percentages have been working for you, don't press your advantage too far, your luck might be running out and you and it could prove embarrassing.

Usually we deduct these phantom contacts, as well as duplicates and let it go at that, but

its becoming a bit irritating and we are strongly considering the creation of a disqual-ification list. Certain errors are understandable, and ignorance of the rules can be forgiven, but this is a contest for two way transmission not SWLs.

Each year we receive a certain number of unscored logs. "I do not understand the rules, please check my log," is the usual plea. If Ben happens to get his hands on it first its sure to end up in the check log folder. But I usually rescue it and Mac or Andy will do the scoring. Its no fun when there are 500 or more contacts and no separation is made from band to band. Unscored logs from distant points are understandable, but when the call is a W/K—well, Ben's right, next year our check log list is going to get bigger.

There are many other time consuming de-

tails; checking the operating time on borderline cases, making sure its properly classified as to single or multi-operator, compiling the Club scores and etc. and etc. Some contestants are still sending us their phone and CW logs in the same mailing and you have to see some of these foreign logs to appreciate the difficulty

Finally everything has been checked and the winners determined. Now there is still the big job ahead of us of preparing the material for the printer and when that's put to bed there is still a list of over 550 certificates we have to

we have in trying to decipher the information.

prepare.

Making out the certificates is Wayne's secretary's job, and does Kathie dread that tedious assignment, for its not only making out the certificates but the mailing labels as well and some of the foreign addresses are confusing.

I hope that in some small way this explanation will make you fellows realize the tremendous job we on the contest committee are confronted with each year. So before you send in that contest log next fall make sure everything is in order, it will be greatly appreciated.

73 for now, Frank, WIWY

# ham clinic

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The cathode ray oscilloscope (hereafter referred to as a "scope") is the one test instrument with which most radio amateurs are not technically familiar; nor does the average ham have one in his shack. Of course, most hams know what a scope is but they do not know exactly how it operates and the many tasks it is capable of performing.

With a good scope, one can measure modulation percentage; perform receiver alignment; check relay operation; check vibrator adjustment and operation; compare push-pull and parallel tube balance; examine all types of waveforms; measure af amplifier distortion; check SSB and DSB performance; check power supply ripple and hum; check individual parts such as potentiometers etc.; line up phasing circuitry; check crystals; operate as a null indicator in various types of electronic bridges; measure voltages in impedance-sensitive cirsuits; measure and "see" various types of in-

However, the scope is not always used alone. For example, in aligning a radio receiver a good signal generator is also needed. Most experienced hams can do a very creditable job of receiver alignment armed only with a good output meter and signal generator.

terference and many other tasks.

One of the reasons many amateurs shy away from the scope as a test instrument is because they realize that a scope does need supplemental equipment to perform the many test and measuring tasks it is capable of.

The "lab-ham" (one who does his own designing, construction, testing and so on) cannot do without a scope—to him, it is his "right arm."

One can buy scopes today for as little as \$25.00 and go as high as \$3500.00. But the scope needed by the average ham will seldom cost more than \$70.00 and often very much less.

The ham who owns a Tektronix, RCA, Dumont, Hickock, or Hewlett Packard is indeed fortunate. On the other hand, so is the guy who has a Heath or Knight.

There are major differences in the low and and output waveforms. high priced scopes. For one thing, extremely distortion measurement!

accurate calibration of all circuitry costs money; so do real wide-band amplifiers. Sensitivity does not come cheaply either.

What should a ham look for when buying a scope? Well, this question may be answered in a number of ways. But I would say that the following criteria should be applied by the average radio amateur when selecting a scope.

First of all, one must determine how much money they have to spend; the amount will "automatically" classify your choice. You cannot buy a scope that "does everything" for \$25.00, and this goes for some of the higher priced scopes too. The average ham can get by very well with a 3 or 5 inch CR tube. Scope kits are available from between \$35.00 to \$70.00 and are easy to wire because most of them use printed circuitry where it counts most for stability.

Scope sensitivity should be in the range of 25 to 30 millivolts per inch. Stable horizontal and vertical amplifiers with good bandwidth (roughly from about + or — 3db from 5 cycles per second to a megacycle or so for the vertical and + or — 2db from a few cycles per second to around 150 kc for the horizontal) are provided for in most low priced scopes.

Automatic sync circuits are fine but not mandatory. However, the sweep-circuits should have adequate range—this means from around 25 cycles to at least 150 kc. It is taken for granted that the scope will have the following controls in addition to vertical and horizontal sensitivity and sweep controls: brightness, centering, off-on switch and possibly, calibration. A scope having more than those mentioned will either be a special purpose or a "bargain" scope.

Special purpose scopes such as those used in TV stations, industrial plants, laboratories and so on, may contain circuitry peculiar to the requirements of the job to be done. For example, the *Tektronix* 502 scope employs a 2 gun cathode ray tube enabling dual beam presentation. It can simultaneously show input and output waveforms. Ideal for *af* amplifier distortion measurement!

In some applications like measuring AM modulation percentage, scope amplifiers are not needed. All that is necessary for this purpose is the CR tube plus power supply and a few controls (pots). RF and af are simply fed to the CR tube and the waveform obtained (usually a trapezoidal pattern) will indicate very accurately (by shape and size) modulation percentage. Sweep is supplied by the 60 cycles obtainable from the power line.

Learning how to make various measurements with a scope is not a difficult task but it takes experience to interpret the many waveforms

obtained.

Troubleshooting with a scope is a pleasure if one is wise enough to "pretest" equipment and either photograph or note down the correct waveforms for a properly functioning circuit. When the equipment becomes inoperative, quick probes will indicate the defective part or circuit in no time at all.

If you are interested in reading more about scopes and how to use them, drop HAM

CLINIC a line.

## Observation

This is the time of year when a large number of America's nearly 180,000 hams begin to acquire new mobile equipment or begin to operate in earnest the rigs already installed in

the family jalopy.

I can think of no greater pleasure than that derived from embarking on a long cross-country trip with an auto equipped with a good selective receiver and a transmitter capable of putting at least 20 watts into an antenna.

Pulling into a strange town, you're not a stranger for long if you're a mobile ham. By talking to the local gentry you can be guided to a refreshing swimming pool, a good restaurant or motel and get a wonderful guided

tour of scenic or historical spots.

So those of you who stay home and do no mobiling during the Summer months, why not keep your receivers on and listen for mobile visitors? Still better, have your radio club post signs at entrances to your town or city which tells the visiting mobileer what frequencies to operate on for a quick contact.

In some large cities of the US there are many bed-ridden hams who have offered their services to help mobileers on a 24 hour basis—this is what I call the real ham spirit!

This Summer the traffic will be thick on most highways and by-ways. Be careful and keep your eyes on the road. The guy who tries to operate his rig in heavy traffic using a handmike should have his head examined! STOP THE VEHICLE TO DO YOUR OPERATING IF YOU USE A HANDMIKE!

Let it not be said that "some crazy ham" operating his rig was responsible for an accident which snuffed out lives.

Remember: IF MORE OF US DRIVE

RIGHT, THERE WILL BE MORE OF US LEFT!

# Questions

# Industrial Electronics

HAM CLINIC is flattered that it has been receiving questions from various people who have on-the-job problems in the industrial electronics field. Some of the questions have been answered but most have not. This CQ service is exclusively for hams; no consulting work is done for anyone else. Again you are reminded that you should enclose a self-addressed airmail stamped envelope with your communication if you wish faster service. There is no fee, the service is free!

# DX-40 Power

"My buddy and I (both 15 years old) are both novices who have DX40s. He contends that his transmitter has more output than mine. Any accurate easy way to settle the

argument?"

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### TR Switch

"I have a homemade TR switch patterned after the one in the ARRL Handbook. The TR switch is connected directly to my transmitter's final. I notice that on frequencies to which both transmitter and receiver are tuned that there is a drop in received signal (when the TR switch is connected). I have some noise too. How come?"

The final tank circuit in your transmitter is no doubt acting as a "nice" absorption circuit. Don Stoner in his new SSB Handbook calls it "suck-out." Little you can do for this except to capacitively divide the rf path between transmitter and receiver or operate the transmitter on one frequency and the receiver on another.

Your noise is another problem. You can bias off your final or use diodes back to back to ground at the receiver (this helps a little). If you do the latter, receiver recovery time will be improved.

### SSB Power

"Why is it that a transmitter rated for [Continued on page 106]

# OVERSEAS ECHOES

Thomas K. Aalund, K2VBI Box 13 Roslyn, L. I., N. Y.

REVUE DES ONDES COURTES

We did not run this column in the last issue in order to make more room for other items in the special May issue. This month we are back again and the multitude of magazines that has built up on our desk makes one wonder where to start. We shall introduce to you, another one of our contemporaries from the continent, Radio REF, which is the official organ of the French amateurs. The name of their association is Reseau des Emetteurs Français, and their official club station is F8REF.

Overseas membership, which includes the magazine, is 2,400 francs. Correspondence should be directed to REF, Boite postale 42-01, Paris R.P., France. In as much as we frequently receive inquiries concerning subscription rates and availability of foreign magazines we shall include this information each month for the "feature of the month"

magazine.

The March issue, which incidentally is over 70 pages, has on its cover a picture of an overseas member of the REF, VE2AFC, and his shack. One of the first articles in this issue gives a report on FB8YY. In a continuation of an article started in the February issue ("Transistor Practices") F8ZV's interpretation of parameters and design techniques are covered. Each issue also has several pages written for the newcomer to our hobby. This time data is given for the addition of bands to a receiver for the beginner, described in previous issues.

This issue also introduces the beginner to design principles of transmitters. In future issues they will describe, in detail, the design and construction of three transmitters of increasing complexity. The first one will be a fifteen-watt rig for 80 and 40 meters, the second one will cover all bands with the same power rating. The third rig will be 50 watts on all bands. All rigs will include power supplies and modulators. While ready-made rigs are convenient and kits are a lifesaver for hams with limited shop facilities, building a station from the ground up is possibly one of the best ways to become familiar with our hobby and point man for this country is W8WT on phone to get "tuned up." Too frequently even hams

who have the facilities and the time overlook the fun and the sense of accomplishment that can be derived from building one's own equipment.

The next article is by F9ND and is entitled "Theoretical and practical considerations on the choice of a vhf antenna." Further articles on the same subject will appear in future issues. A more specific article on vhf antennas is written by CN8AC. Ever try a cubical on two meters??? This fellow has stacked four of them designed for 144 mc and the size of the complete array is less than six by six feet and less than two feet deep. The impedance of the system is 75 ohms. In as much as there are only four two-meter stations in Morocco at this time, extensive tests could not be performed but CN8AC wants to hear from anyone who is going to try this system. A self-addressed envelope will bring a sketch with exact dimensions if you send same to me.

More on two meters: F8ZW describes a two-meter transceiver. Input to the final is 12 watts phone or 15 watts cw. The receiver section has dual conversion and the complete unit measures only 8½ x 6 x 11 inches. All tubes used are either American types or have

American equivalents.

With a five-element beam eight countries

were worked during 1958.

The above rounds out the articles in this issue of Radio REF, the balance being taken up by regular monthly features. A detailed propagation chart covers 3½ pages. The vhf column covers five pages in addition to which there is a full-page ad for the REF national vhf convention on May 9 in Paris under the chairmanship of F8OL.

Another column, "Analyses de Revues," is the equivalent of this column, and we see our column mentioned in it. Merci beaucoups. "Le Reseau d'Urgence" is a column devoted to emergency communications. They have a network covering the whole French Union. The contest column lists several contests and gives the results for the 1958 REF contest. High-

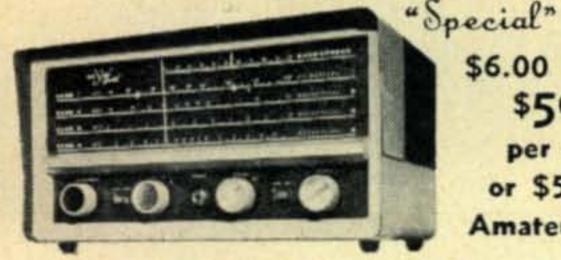
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# SCRATCHI [from page 61]

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# YL [from page 65]

YL" contains 169 pages, over 500 photographs, covering all phases of YL participation in Ham radio. Completely up to date with 1959 YLRL officers, new certificates available, recent awards issues, etc. (Anyone who has the book and would like the additional two pages, send a couple of 4¢ stamps to W5RZJ.) "CQ YL" is now \$3 per copy, postage paid. Order from W5RZJ (QTH at beginning of column); books autographed if you wish.

### **National Convention**

Last call for the 11th National Radio Convention to be held June 19-21 at the Moody Convention Center at Galveston, Tex. Check this column in May CQ for YL activities planned.

33, Louisa, W5RZJ

# VHF [from page 70]

New York, New York From a transplanted Ohioan, Phil Seldon (W8AXX) we receive a bit of two meter news for a change.

"I am now settled again in New York City after spending the last six years in Dayton, Ohio. (Home of the Hamvention.) I am set on two meters, low power at present but am planning to QRO/KW equipment is in the corner but since I am living in a large apartment house I must use reservations before putting more than 100 watts on the air. Antenna is an eleven element yagi, 85 feet above ground."

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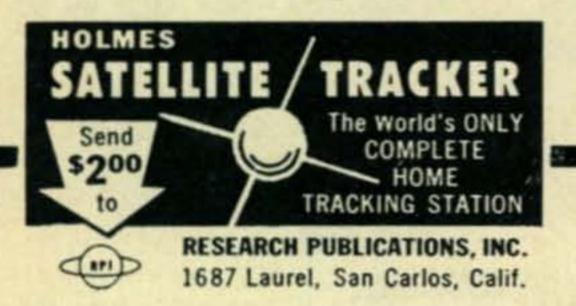
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frequency (isn't that annoying?); (2) not announcing the other stations frequency at the end of a QSO; (3) unstable vfos and ac carriers; (4) phone in the first 100 kc; (5) ver-

tical polarization."

"Am planning 80 elements at 850 feet and a kw for nightly transmissions to Europe. If all goes well with plans I will be set up by the summer and will need the help of about ten NYC area hams to operate the station. Interested persons should contact me at WI 7-5681, or write to me at the "Dayton Astronomical Instrument Co.", 152 West 42nd St., New York 36, New York." Sounds like a mighty interesting summer you have ahead of you Phil-Wish I was there.

Oakland, New Jersey Bruce Bouvier (W2RHE) sends a bit of information from his area:

"Thought I'd let you know some of the active stations on six meters in this area, K2VMT. John; K2OGW, Jim; W2GPX, Bob; and W2-RHE, Bruce. I've been on six since December 1, 1958 and am looking for a sked about 1600 any day, looking especially for Maryland, Delaware, Virginia and South Jersey. Wouldn't you know that south Jersey would be in that list?

"The rig is a Globe Scout 680, BC-348Q with three tube crystal converter. Antenna is a three element telerex and also a ten element two meter beam."

"We are in favor of giving the novice the upper portion of six and giving the technical two meters." But did you let the FCC hear

from you about same?

"Has anyone succeeded in using a Heath VF-1 with a Globe Scout 680? I just can't get enough drive with it using the 40 meter position. Any information from anyone gratefully accepted." Nice to hear from you Bruce, hope you keep up such good habits.

Hoschton, Georgia Ole contester Jay, (K4-KLD) advises us of an error made and also emits with a bit of 220 news: "Received my March 'CQ' and noticed that the printer had switched photos on W1LMZ and yours truly. Don't blame it entirely on the printer Jay, it may have been his fault but it is possible that it was my error. To be truthful I don't know who made the slip. "It was quite an honor for K4KLD to be listed under such a nice rig, but just wonder if Dave went into orbit after noting the poor excuse for a station under which he was listed. I'm sure he did not, Dave is also a very nice guy; however my apologies to both of you.

"The six meter band has not been so good lately, hope it improves soon. It will! However activity has been building up on 220 and here are a few of the stations in North Georgia that have (or are building) 220 mc equipment. W4FWH, W4UML, K4TFY, K4QAB, K4-KLD, and there are probably others of whom I

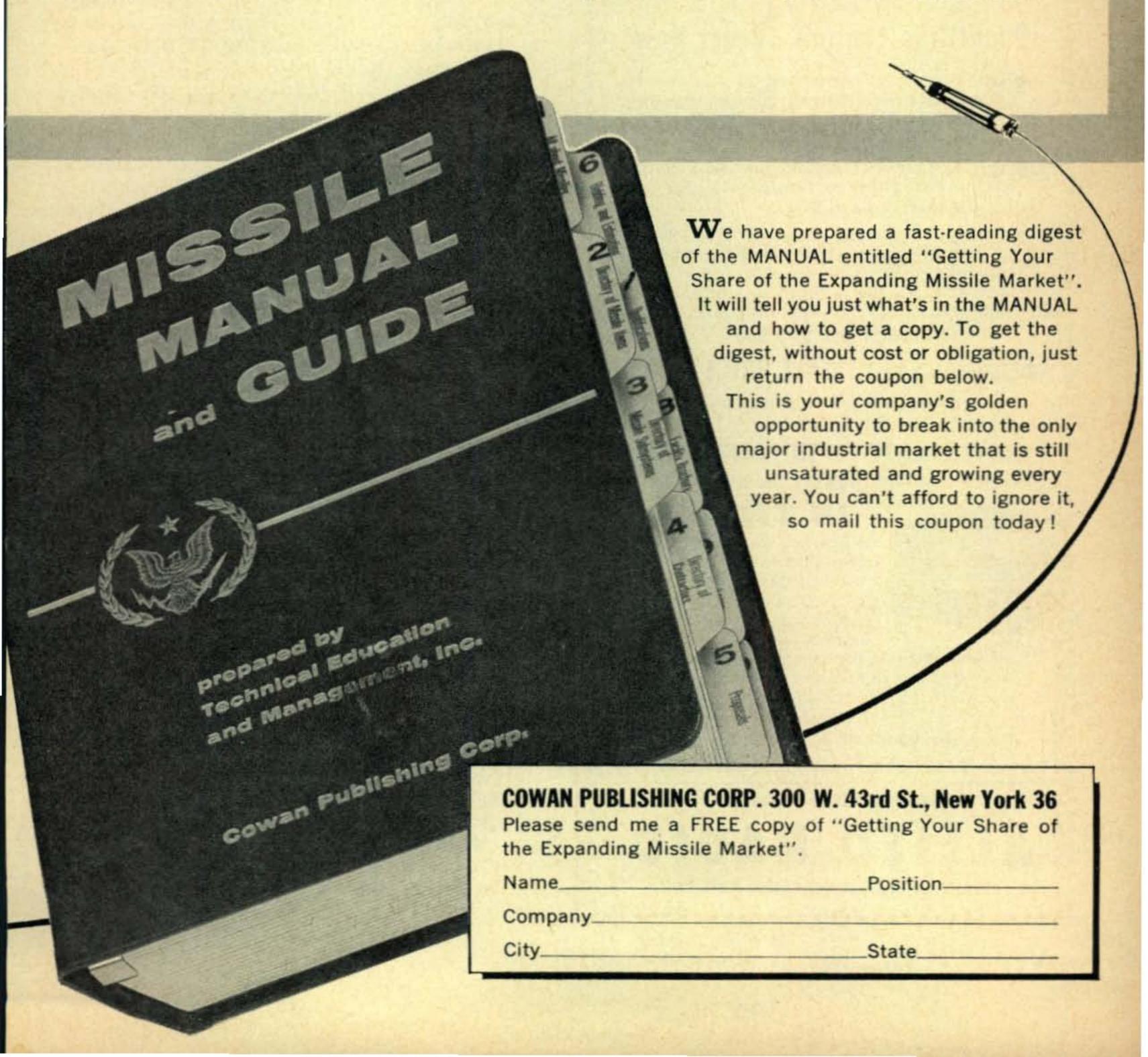
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don't know. Hope to get some good 220 mc contacts in the April VHF Contest." Hope you did, Jay.

Rahway, New Jersey Bob Brown, (K2ZSQ), Editor of "Channel A", says a few things from New Jersey way. "On the JA1's I hear a while back, no, I didn't work any. They were really weak and most in QSO at the time."

"It's been a long time since we've had any openings at all. They only occur on Sunday mornings down toward Ecuador. I haven't worked friend HC1FS but several locals have, including K2USW of Brooklyn, New York."

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73, Sam, WIFZJ

# **SURPLUS** [from page 75]

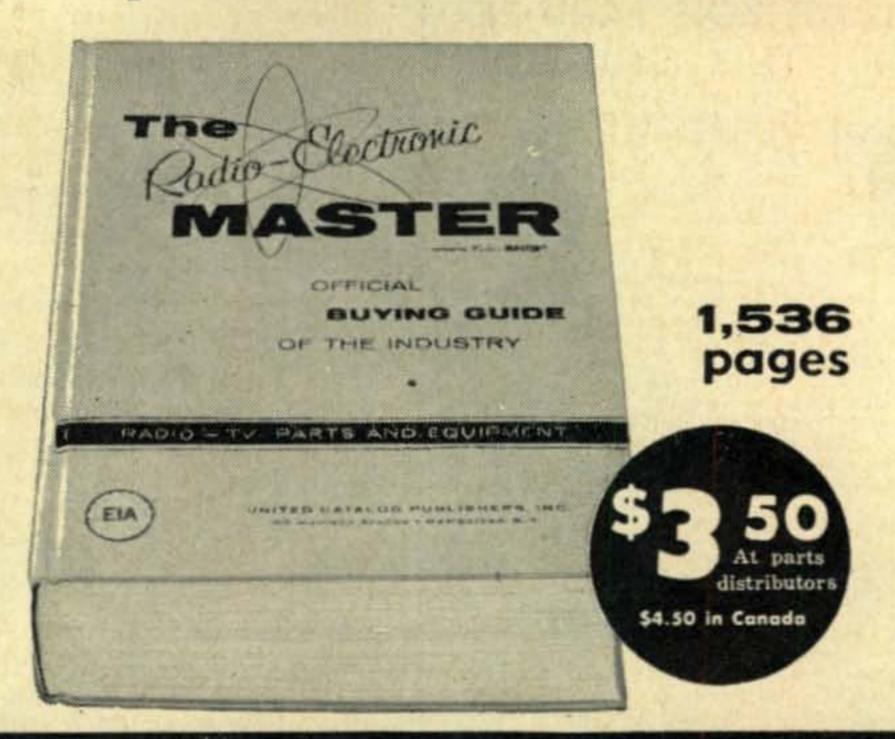
ary 1949. Volume II of the Surplus Radio Conversion Manual (\$2.50 from the Radio Bookshop, see ad in CQ) covers a lot on this equipment as does the Radio Handbook, Volume Eleven, now out of print. The ART-13 is a fine piece of gear that requires little conversion.

From down in Florida, W4FZV asks for any information on the conversion of the Bendix Radio Compass MN-26LB. Out in California Bill Ruiter, a teacher at the Ganesha High School needs information on the Lewyt 38TO-MC receiver. The Ganesha H. S. address is 1151 Bellevue Ave., Pomona, Cal. Up in Oregon, LaRay Armstrong, Rager Ranger Station in Paulina writes asking about information on the TS-34 Scope, the BC-669 and the I-176, especially instruction books. W7KOL needs the RAK-8 handbook, while Harry Todd, 4165 Holloway Drive, Salt Lake City, Utah needs books on the DAU direction finder equipment. W7MBV is trying to locate information concerning the MAR equipment, which was battery operated gear for 220 mc used by the Navy. K2BNS has some civilian surplus, namely the Motorola T43G-16A-SP-1 and wants to get it going.

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who is A/2c Richard Wilde, 11800 Davis Street, Sunnymead, California, and he needs help converting the BC-684, the BC-924 and an R-316/ARR-26. From down under we find that D. S. Pratt, 91 Paget Street, Hilton Park, South Fremantle, Western Australia needs anything in the way of BC-348 data he can get. W5TVG has a BC-447A and is looking for books and conversion data for putting it on the air as 40 meter RTTY gear. KØBNZ needs the manuals and conversion data for the BC-611 handie-talkies.

W1EKP has a TS-12/APT and an ID-340 /FPS-8 and is looking for any details on their use, as well as schematics of the TBX-2. K4GJC needs information on the Navy TCC-3 so he can convert it to civilian defense use. Both Ross Klinger of 1201 Shakespeare Avenue, Bronx 52, N. Y. and myself would like to get manuals on the ARR-2 receivers. Ward Thurber c/o Grundy, Schroeder & Co. Industrial Building, Detroit 26, Michigan is looking for a handbook on the Navy YG-1 homing equipment. K3EHM has need for the data on the ASB-4, ASB-8, BC-367 and the RT-10 /APS-3. W1AQS is looking for the LM-10 schematic. John Keenan, 1237 Upper Ridgeway Road, Charlestown 4, West Virginia wants to get his BC-224-E operating and needs its manual. K4TWS wants to get the B-19 MkII set conversion so he can get on the air. K2ZCO needs the RBM-4 receiver handbook.

Stan Cichy, RD-1, Burnt Hills, N. Y. needs a parts list and a schematic for the T-50/CPN-8 and the TS-121/CPN-8. George Maas, 241-22 85 Rd, Bellerose 26, N. Y. is getting his novice ticket and needs help with his SCR-AR-283 in converting it to 110 vac. W5VK needs information on improving the BC-348R crystal filters, as well as a handbook on the LM frequency meter. WØCLC needs information on the BC-191. George Miller, Forest Lake Academy, Maitland. Florida needs the schematic of the RA-1B receiver.

If you have written to this department and haven't received a reply it is usually for one reason, no address. It is amazing to see how many people write in for information without adding their QTH to the letter. I have a set of schematics from some poor chap who asked for help on a tuning unit. He no doubt spent much time drawing it up and is waiting patiently, but alas, I don't even know where to send the answer he desperately needs. So . . . if you have a request please put your call and name and address on it so I can help.

73 Ken

# OVERSEAS [from page 88]

and W3FYS on cw. In another column awards are listed. An additional sixteen pages are devoted to news from the various sections of the REF, listing of new members and qth changes. From the above it can be seen that this is a

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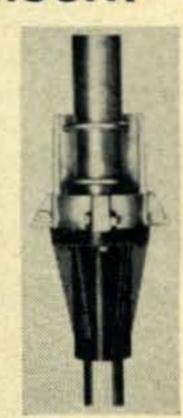
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Other publications this month include several interesting items and we shall start with the Short Wave Magazine, in the March issue of which we find the "Compressed ZL-Special." This is a ten-meter beam, inductance loaded and both elements are driven. Elements are only 134" long. The writer of the article, J. F. Vaux (G3KWH) gives all required details and is willing to answer any inquiries if return postage is provided.

The same issue also states that there has been formed the "Amateur Radio Mobile Society" to further the mutual interests of mobile operators in G. This self-supporting club grew out of the initiative of G2CDN.

The February issue of the same magazine has the SSB Topics column by DJØBX, ex DL4SV (also W9NTV). This apparent callsign confusion is caused by a new ruling affecting DL4 calls. Only U.S. military personnel may now hold DL4 calls. A re-licensing procedure has produced the new DJØ prefix for all non-DL nationals not elegible for DL2, DL4, or DL5 calls. The net result is a new prefix. The subjects of Jim's column this time are linear amplifiers, circuits by G2MA, ZL1AAX, and W6EDD. In all cases the final is an 813.

## **Novice Handbook**

Novice's Handbook, by CR7BN reached us recently. It is published in Portuguese and English. The items covered in the pamphlet are not new but the treatment is novel. The countries list e.g. gives an alphabetical listing which also contains the following items for each country: Continent, zone, prefix, and geographical latitude and longitude. This last item is an excellent idea and helpful in locating some of the small countries. Those interested contact CR7BN directly at Box 875, Beira, Mozambique.

QTH—LISTINGS. As in the past, we keep on file the latest QTH listings as they become available to us. We now have the complete listing of all OE stations except for a few who are not members of the Austrian club.

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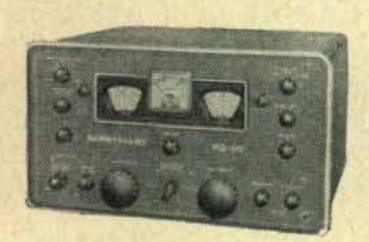


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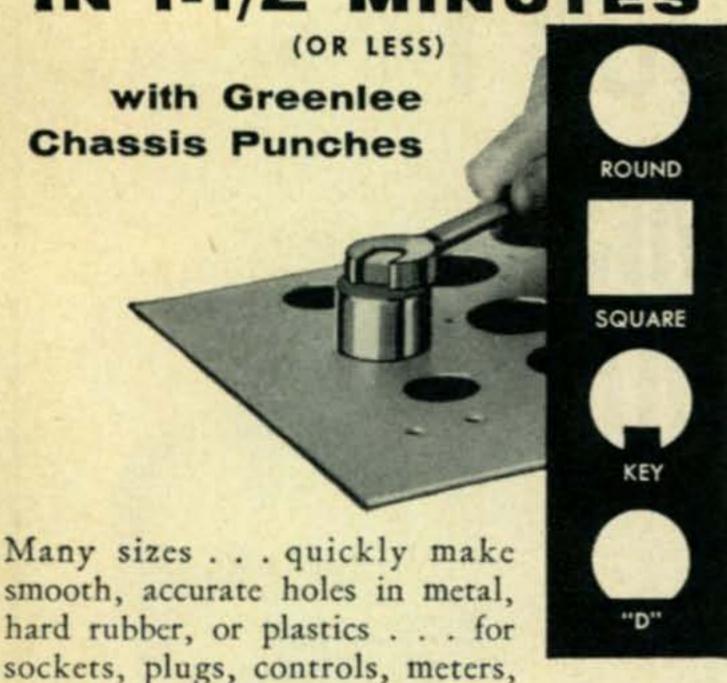


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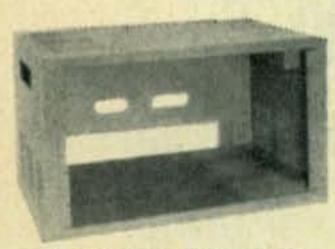


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# Letters

A letter from LU2AO advises us that the Centro Radioveteranos has been formed in Buenos Aires. It is an old timers club and has about 150 members, under the presidency of LU9AE. A picture sent to us shows the first meeting. The club has inaugurated the radic veterans' day in Argentina, May 21, 1959 commemorating the first contact between LU and ZL, 35 years ago.

73, Tom, K2VBI

DX [from page 77]

news and blues this month. It's too bad summer doesn't last a little longer.

# Bits and Pieces

AC3-SIKKIM — Several W6's recently worked AC3SQ on 14080.

AC4-TIBET—JA5AI advises that AC4AX is on 14050 as well as 14100. Hy-Gain has sent several beams to rare DX stations, including AC4AX. (Tnx NCDXC and WGDXC)

AC5-BHUTAN—UB5TV reports working

AC5PN on 14100 at 1030 GMT.

BV1-FORMOSA—The QTH given for BV1USB is apparently incorrect. W3JKO's card was sent to APO 140, San Francisco, and was returned with no such APO.

has been active on 21 mc. He has worked several VK's and is putting up a beam for 21 mc. He has not been heard in the states at this writing. (Tnx NCDXC)

EAØ-SPANISH GUINEA—EAØAF is now active with a 500 watt rig both phone and CW. He's putting up a beam and he is a good oper-

ator. (Tnx W7PHO)

FB8-COMORO ISLANDS—FB8CD continues intermittently active from this spot on 14065, around 1500 GMT.

kC6-EASTERN CAROLINES—A plane bound for Truk, Ponape, and Majuro Islands recently had to jettison all mail to save the passengers. Cav, KC6JC, was worried that a lot of cards bound for him for QSO's in the ARRL DX contest may have been among the mail. If you have not yet received your KC6JC card, please send Cav another one. (Tnx W3JKO) KC6TM is in Eastern Carolines and is active around 1000 GMT. He's a new ham. (Tnx K2QXG)

VS5-BRUNEI—Harry ex ZL4JA continues to be active from this spot on various frequencies, however, he is hampered by a poor receiver. QSL to Harry McQuillan, c/o B. S. P. Co. Seria, State of Brunei. (Tnx W6PHF)

4S7-CEYLON—The 4S7 ban is off and all

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# Correction

144 MC Broad Band Receiver, May '59, page 58. Capacitor C13 is 10 mmf. Wire for RFC 1 and 2 is \$18. Coil data is as follows:

L1-4t #20 space wound 1/4" long % o.d. Ceramic form. Tap 14" from top.

L2-21/2t #20 space wound 3/8" long 3/8 o.d. Ceramic form. L3-3t #20 space wound 3/8" long 3/8 o.d. Ceramic form. L4-3t #20 space wound %" long % o.d. Ceramic form. L5-31/2t #20 space wound 1/2" long % o.d. Ceramic form.

# CW CONTEST [from page 45]

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AAIHO 816,794 1120 78 193 B (OH1NK-OH1PI-OH1QE) OHIRT-OHIRX-OHIQE OHIST)

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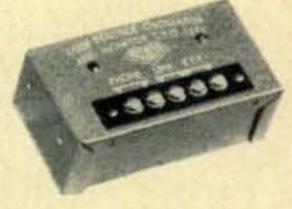
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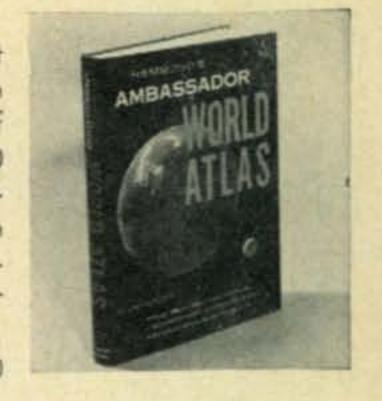


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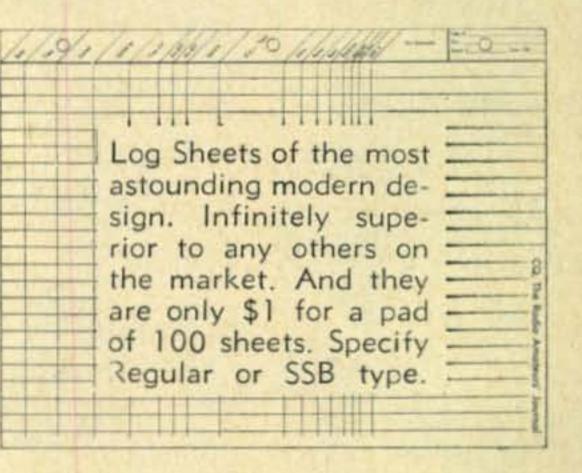
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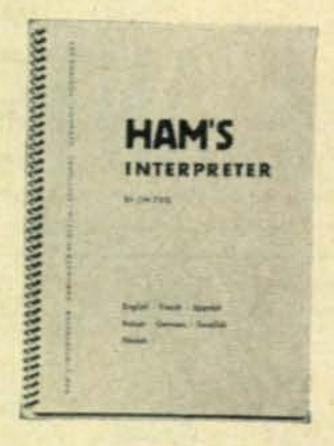
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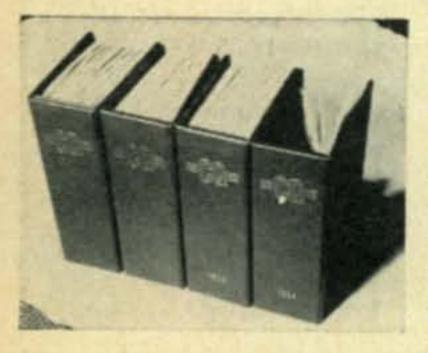
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# DX [from page 100]

gear has been returned. 4S7NG is very active on 21048 and Frank ex VS1FJ is now 4S7FJ. Don't know if Frank will continue as ZC3AC's QSL manager from this spot. (Tnx W2HTH)

9N1-NEPAL—The Cook Electric gang, installing SSB gear in Nepal, has been assigned the following calls: 9N1AA, 9N1AB, 9N1AC, and 9N1AD. STAND BACK!

CONTEST: We're moving into W1WY's ter-

ritory now, but here goes. . . .

The Astoria (Oregon) Amateur Radio Club, W7QXS is sponsoring a DX Contest to coincide with Oregon's 100th Anniversary of Statehood. Called the Oregon Centennial Club, membership will require 100 contacts with different Oregon hams during the Centennial Year, Calendar, 1959.

Figure score as follows: Multiply number of contacts by 222, add kilometers you are distant from Oregon's state line. Divide all by 222. If

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Send certified (by another ham) list of contacts only giving complete log information. We will check logs. Do not send QSLs. Send to Oregon Centennial Club Chairman-R. T. Carruthers, Jr., KN7HDB-P. O. Box 1231. Warrenton, Oregon.

Contacts with Clapsop County hams count

double.

No Stations count twice.

Any wireless communication counts and all are equal.

Nothing extra for additional bands, or emissions beyond 1 point per station.

SWLs North America 100 loggings SWLs Other

50 loggings (Tnx KN7HDB)

Well fellows, that's about it for this month. I'm still open to suggestions about the column. You know, I really can't write an interesting column unless I have your help, so please send me any information you might have and get it to me before the 15th of the month. CU next month.

73 es DX, Urb, W2DEC

# NOVICE [from page 79]

with his SX-99. He would like skeds on 15 meters.

Harold A. Smith, K4JCX, 121 Maple Lane, Oak Ridge, Tenn., had his Novice ticket back in 1956 but didn't get on the air with it. About a year ago he passed his General and is currently on 80 and 40 meters CW. Harold is using a S-53-A with a Q Multiplier.

Believe it or not, but that's about the extent of the letters for this month. Looks as if everyone is out fishing. Think that's where I'll go.

CU next month.

73, Don, W6TNS

# CW CONTEST [from page 101]

# Germany

A 1,003,101 1172 102 237 C (DJ3JZ—DL1CR—DL3AO) (DL9CI-DL6EW-DJ1BP) DL7YUA 383,853 821 59 130 C

(DL7YU—DJ2HC) DLOBH 228,123 542 57 132 B (DLØBH-DJ2HH)

(DL9CQ-DJ1FY) DJ4PK A 147,962 346 61 106 B (DJ4PK-DJ2BW)

DJ2XP30,780 283 22 68 C (DJ2XP—DJ1RZ)

DL4AAA 141,336 436 49 102 C (DL4DY-DL4HE) (DL4HI—DL4AE—DL4ACZ)

Hungary

HA5KFR A 170,240 678 37 96 B (2 Oprs-Club Station) HA5KDQ 24,570 215 22 56 C

(3 Oprs-Club Station) HA9KOB 13,120 170 24 58 C (Multi-Oprs-Club Station) HA8KCU

12,194 148 19 48 --(2 Oprs-Club Station) **HA6KNB** 4.020 116 10 20 B (Multi-Oprs-Club Station)

Luxembourg

DL7AH/LUX A 393,129 1010 51 120 B (DL7AK—DL9PF—DJ2KSA)

Poland

SP6KBE A 181,724 621 48 133 C (SP6-075—SP6-080—SP3-522) 50,820 292 22 44 C (3 Oprs-Club Station)

SPIKBT 39,471 320 16 43 C (3 Oprs-Club Station) SP9PNB

13,524 138 15 34 C (SP9TX—SP9EB)

SP8KAV 7.452 175 (SP8YA-SP8074) (SP8126—SP8031)

Sweden

SM6BSK 339.072 707 60 132 C (SM6BSK-SM6NN) (SM6VR—SM6ANC— SM6APH)

SM2CAA 90.114 331 38 100 B (SM2CAA-SM2BJS)

SM5CED 74,880 281 38 79 B (SM5CED—SM6BDS)

SM5AJR 39.399 281 19 (SM5AJ4—SM5BUR)

SM5AB 34,550 276 14 36 --(Signal Regemente)

SMTBAH 11,835 109 14 31 C (SM7BAH—SM7BBN— SM7BFK)

Yugoslavia

YU2RN 17,996 281 11 33 B (YU2RN-YU4UE/2)

U. S. S. R.

European

UAIKAQ 76,800 650 20 44 --(Club Station)

Estonia

UR2KAE 52,528 334 25 73 C (Club Station)

Ukraine

675,840 1203 85 235 C (Club Station) UB5KAB

A 542,828 829 93 245 C (Serge and Leo)

# SOUTH AMERICA

Uruguay

CX3BH

668,964 1,062 78 136 D (CX2AM—CX5CO—CX6AD) (CX7CO-CX9AJ)

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Northern Ohio Teenage DX Club	369,426
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(Alaska)	351,631
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Niles Michigan Amateur Radio Club	168,970
Maui Amateur Radio Club (Hawaii)	48,272
York Road Radio Club	19,963

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Turun Radioamatoorit (Finland)	1,156,495
JDXRC (Japan)	741,706
Stalino Radio Club (USSR)	592,301
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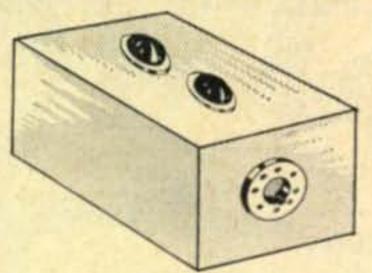
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# HAM CLINIC [from page 87]

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Power supply. SSB rig power supplies are not usually built for long "on cycle" operation. Class B type finals are invariably used in SSB and do not consume power without "interruption" unless a steady signal is provided i.e., two tone test. Plate dissipation must always be considered first in the design of class B amplifiers. Peak envelope power (PEP) is not the same as the average AM power.

# SX 28 Modifications

Thanks to Hallicrafters here are some more modifications to the old SX28 (A) receiver which will improve 10 meter operation and (existing) noise limiter action. These changes are quite easy to make but the receiver must be carefully realigned after they are made. Again, if you do not "feel up" to these modifications, it is suggested that you contact your nearest Hallicrafters Service Agency; they'll be

glad to help you.

Add a capacitor C116 (fixed 6-61/2 mmf ceramic) to top of the rf transformer T-18. A parasitic resistor R76 (10 ohm ½ watt) added in series with grid lead of tube V-2. Tube V2 changed to a 6AB7 (1853). Add a capacitor C114 (10mmf + - 10% 500 VDC ceramic Class D) across top of rf transformer T24. Screen grid lead from tube V2 is now connected to the 280 volt lead instead of the 100 volt lead. Resistor R75 added in series with noise limiter lead from tube V5 (3rd grid from plate of tube V5); 100 K ½ watt. Resistor R49 removed from junction of capacitor C111 and choke CH3. A capacitor C115 (27mmf +-10% 500 VDC mica) and resistor R49 (27K 1 watt) is connected in parallel from the injector grid of tube V5 to ground. The plate and cathode leads for tube V10 were reversed at the tube. The circuit concerned includes Switch SW5-1 which will now be connected in the plate lead of tube V10 rather than in the cathode lead as shown in the printed circuit. Capacitor C102 connection was moved from the top of rf transformer T-29 to the tap on the same transformer. A capacitor C117 (6-61/2 mmf ceramic fixed) was added across the top of rf transformer T17. The side of rf trimmer capacitors C88, C89 and C90 which is connected to ground is now connected to the junction of capacitor C17 and resistor C7. The side of rf trimmer capacitors C92, C93, C94, C95 and C96 which is connected to ground is now connected to the ungrounded side of capacitor C21. Finally, capacitor C60 is now connected between the control grid [Continued on page 110]

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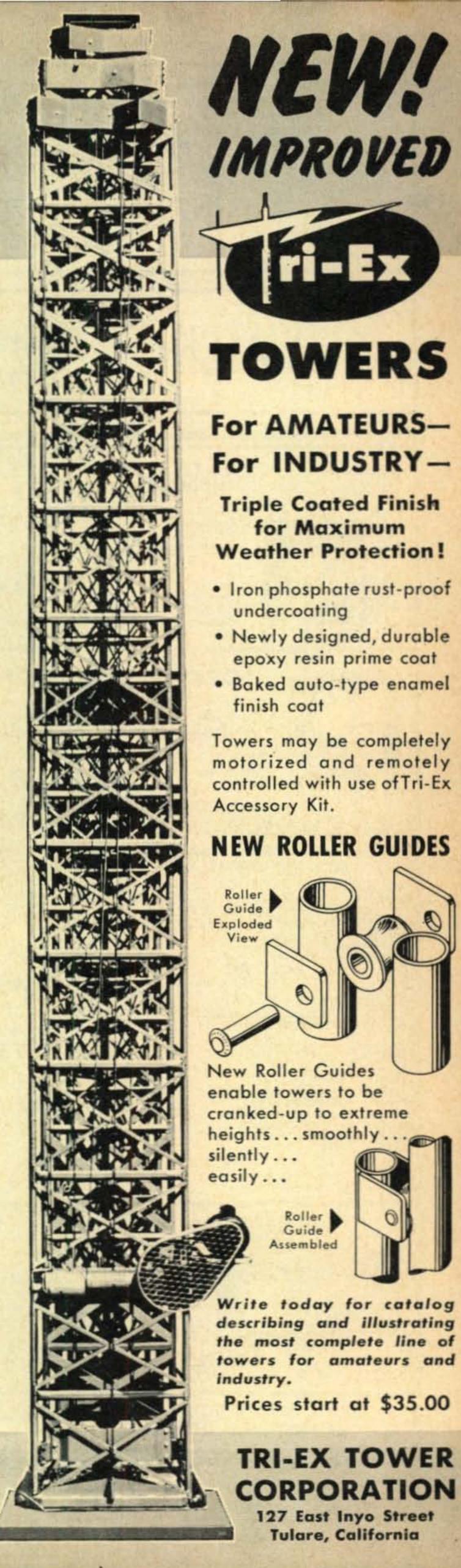
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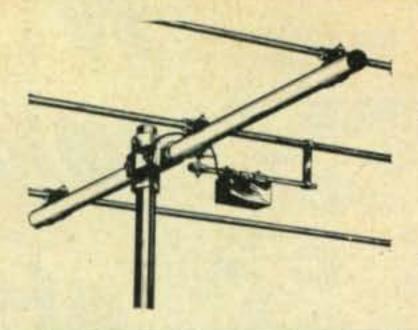
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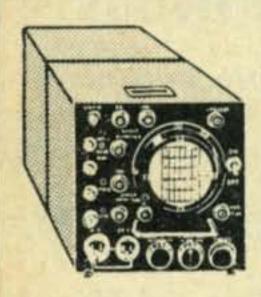
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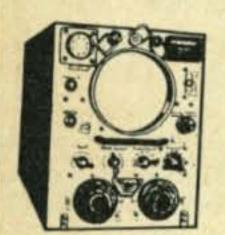
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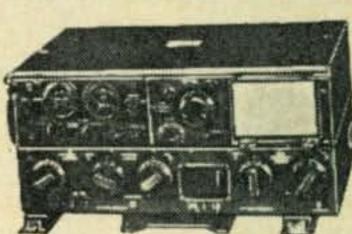
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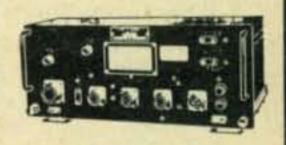
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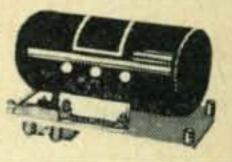
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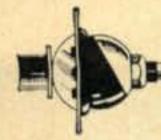
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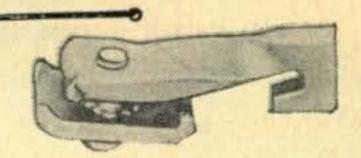
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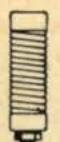


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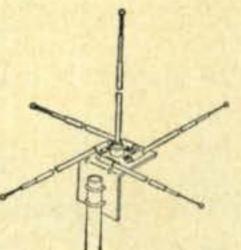


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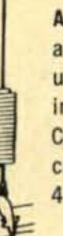
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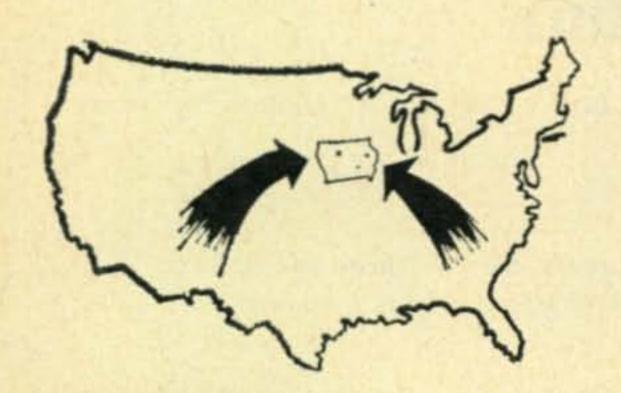


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HAM CLINIC [from page 106]

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Do the steps outlined in sequence. Most of these changes can be made in addition to those already published. Except when installing a new limiter circuit, there will be no need to worry about V10.

#### **Book Review**

Television Interference (Its Causes and Cures) by Phil Rand is still the top book on TVI. Loaded with 10 chapters of good solid information it covers everything that a ham needs to know. The chapter I enjoyed most deals with the design and use of low-pass filters. Too bad that this book is not published in Europe's many languages; many European hams just stay off the air during TV broadcast hours. I like the format of the book and the way many of the drawings are presented. It is understandable and does not take a professional engineer to decipher its contents. For \$1.75, the book is obtainable from the Radio Bookshop 1379 East 15th St., Brooklyn 30, N. Y. postpaid. I recommend it for the Novice as well as the Extra Class ham.

#### Thirty

Arthur Egendorf Jr. (KN3GCF) of Philadelphia receives the box of parts I promised. Hope that he can use what I have sent him.

We have a large number of people who wrote in relative to the need for parts and equipment, but few who volunteered to donate the stuff gathering dust in the garages and attics across the nation. Perhaps there is the usual "delayed action" effect (some hams read this month's CQ thoroughly during vacations and holidays). Let us hope that they will wake up and send in a list of what they have to give away to help out those in need.

For this month, 73 and lots of DX.

Chuck, W6QLV/F7FE

#### LAND LINE [from page 59]

from the kitchen and the hung-up condition with zero line current repeats. The remaining condition is the ac ringing case where the phone acts as a parallel load device on the line.

A word of caution should be mentioned. Telephone circuits are critical as to line impedance, operating voltages and switching sequences. In general it is not a good policy to attach fancy gimmicks to the line, nor to attempt modifications of your phone for some special purpose as it is surprisingly easy to upset the line balance in which case you will attract almost as much attention as could be gotten by dropping a kw signal on the BC band.

## Survey Time

CQ in recent years has stayed close to the needs of radio amateurs and the problems confronting hams in buying the equipment they want. We've made several market studies which give us a pretty good idea as to what hams expect from manufactured equipment. Now we'd like your help in determining the importance the local distributor plays in your buying as opposed to the mail-order dealer. Your cooperation in answering this survey will result in better ham-dealer relations.

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#### ARC 5 [from page 55]

The control system can take on many forms. Perhaps the simplest is a TPDT switch which operates the antenna relay, silences the receiver, and turns on the SB exciter. If the SB exciter has a VOX relay with enough spare contacts the antenna relay and the receiver can be controlled that way. Also an extra relay controlled by the VOX may be used.

The RK34's should be operated at 250 to 300 volts. The 832A's may be operated at plate voltages ranging from 300 to 600.

#### Tune Up

To make the initial tune-up remove the ground end of the grid resistor of the first RK34 doubler and insert a milliammeter with a range of about 10 ma. Apply plate voltage to the RK34's and adjust the oscillator tuning capacitor for a maximum reading on the meter. Disconnect the plate voltage, the meter, and reconnect the resistor. Always be sure to kill the plate voltage after each adjustment.

Put the meter in series with the ground end of the second RK34 doubler grid resistor and adjust the plate coil slug of the first doubler

for a maximum reading.

Move the meter to the ground end of the 832A mixer grid resistor and adjust the plate coil slug of the second doubler and the grid coil slug of the mixer for a maximum reading. Repeat all of these adjustments with the meter still in the mixer grid circuit.

Move the meter to the ground end of the final grid resistor. With no bias, screen, or plate voltage applied to the final, feed a 14 mc carrier from the SB exciter to the screen of the mixer and adjust the mixer plate coil slug for a maximum reading. Removing the 14 mc carrier should make the meter read zero. If it does not, the mixer plate is tuned to 130 mc. If this is the case re-insert the 14 mc carrier and tune the mixer plate higher to the next maximum. Now tune the final grid coil slug for a maximum reading.

Connect two # 47 dial bulbs across the antenna fitting and apply all voltages. Tune the final plate coil slug and adjust the loading capacitor alternately for the highest brilliancy of the bulbs. Reduce the carrier from the SB exciter to the minimum and talk into the mike. The bulbs should flash with modulation.

The filaments of the RK34's are hooked in series while the filaments of the 832A's are hooked in parallel. This is required because the RK34's are six volt tubes and the sockets of the 832A's do not have a connection for the filament center-tap.

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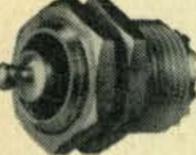
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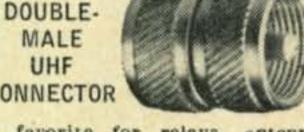
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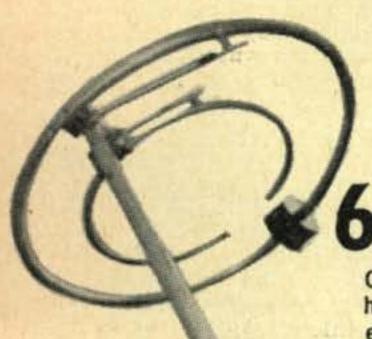
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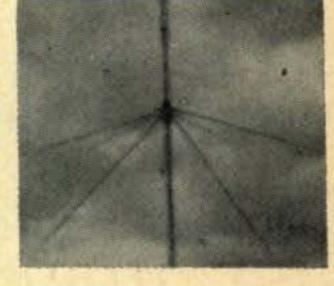


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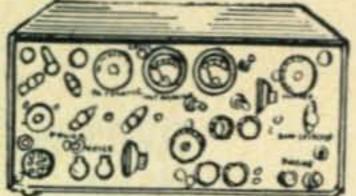
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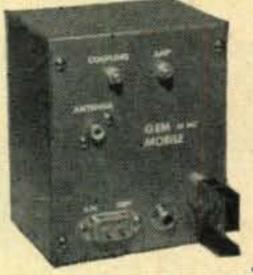
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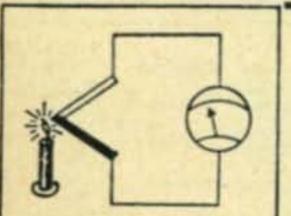
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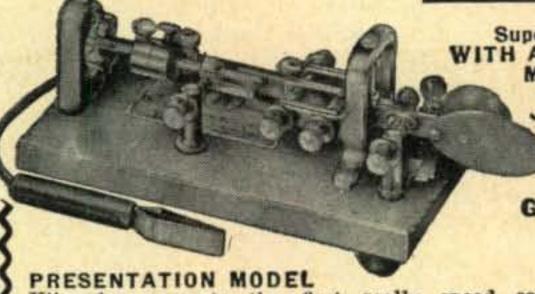
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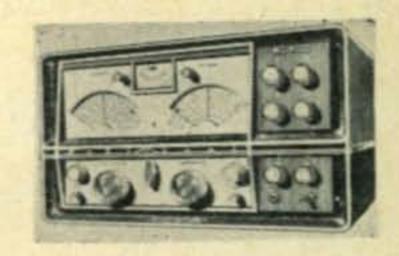


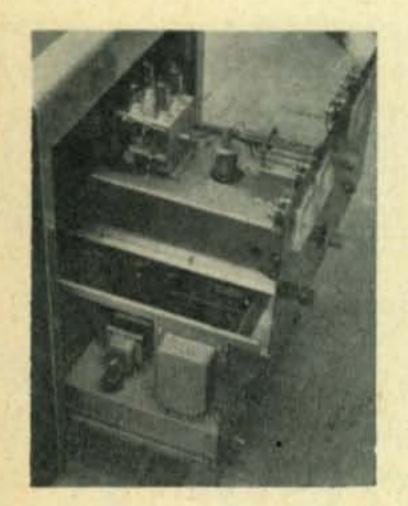
#### Johnson "Challenger"

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#### National NC-400

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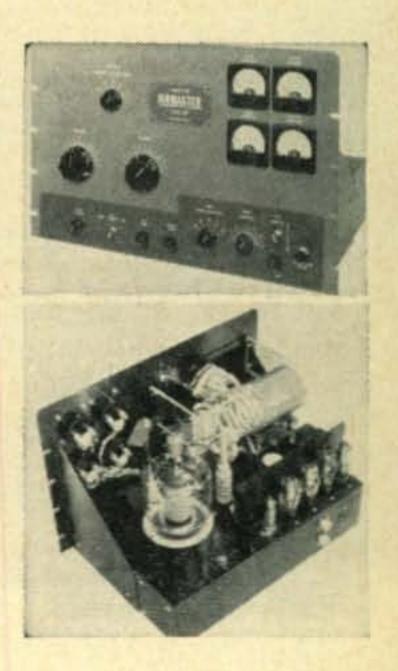
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Yes, you too can transmit weekly spectaculars. If your interest and curiosity are sufficiently aroused, obliterate C on page 126 for further dope.

#### Linear Amplifier

Creative Electronics, Stamford, Connecticut have come up with an interesting pair of shows for that low power ssb exciter; this called the "Airmaster H316" linear. That glassy eye-catching bottle is the new Amperex 6079/AX9908. . . . Endowedwith 500 watts of plate dissipation, this baby delivers a kool KW on all bands and affords the lowest tube replacement cost in any KW linear to date. The Creative "Airmaster" is literally loaded with interesting features. You owe it to yourself to investigate. Get started by mangling B on page 126 and we'll have them get the dope out to you, Pronto!





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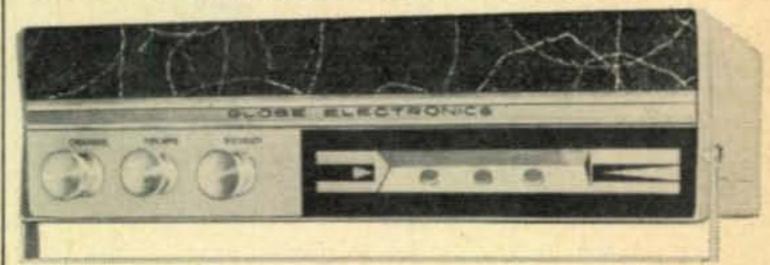
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#### IN THE BEGINNING

[from page 49]

But the deck wouldn't stay still. Each tilt sent his inexperienced land-lubber legs toward the rail. By now not only his legs were unsteady; so was his stomach. With expert timing, the rolling ship careened Walt to the rail where his unseeing eyes stared deeply into the sea. It would have been an awfully poor time for a ship to have sent an SOS. Walt wouldn't have been a hero. He was seasick.

#### The Tesla Coil

With Walt at sea, Hal and Sam felt free to experiment with some of his electrical gear located in the cellar. One Saturday morning they were in the basement rummaging around Walt's apparatus while their dog sniffed the delights of unexplored corners.

Eventually they came upon a very big coil with wires running to a make-shift key and batteries. They didn't recall seeing this before and wondered what is was for.

The gadget arousing their curiosity had a few primary turns inductively coupled to a long secondary coil. The primary circuit had a key, batteries, condenser and spark gap. Condenser discharge in the primary circuit created high frequency high voltage across the secondary coil.

It was the well known Tesla coil principle for obtaining high frequency charges for laboratory work or for amusing effects. In laboratories they had been made to withstand 20,000 volts across the primary condenser to produce thirty inch secondary sparks. Using forced air to extinguish the primary spark, voltages of 30,000 created sixty-four inch sparks.

Hal and Sam didn't know anything about Tesla coils before one of them touched the key. But immediately after pressing it they both got a quick nerve-shattering education.

Several things happened simultaneously. They were so engrossed they didn't hear their mother coming down the cellar steps. The dog heard her though. Just as she reached the bottom of the stairs, he raised up from the floor with tail wagging. That was the instant the key got pressed and a long spark leaped

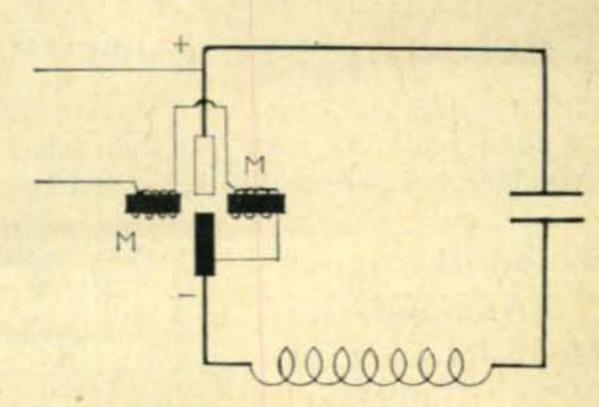


Fig. 18—Oscillating circuit of arc transmitter showing electromagnets (m) used to obtain more energy.

from the coil to the end of his tail.

For several weeks after that the word "wireless" was off limits in the house. And it was days before the brothers revived their interest in wireless. Their attention was absorbed in other matters; such as carefully adjusting sitting postures to relieve sensitivity bottom-side. The dog seemed the only happy one — his "wag" stayed as friendly as ever.

[to be continued]

#### LUNIK [from page 38]

One difficulty was the presence of WWV on 20.0 mc which came through fairly strong even late in the wintry evening. This situation excluded the 19.997 mc (probably the strongest signal) as well as 19.995 mc in its weak condition. The chances of 19.993 mc signal being continuously on the air was also questioned. The transmissions may have been occurring at widely scattered periods, for short intervals, which might also account for missing the signals.

The Russians have since made a request for additional reports and recordings of Lunik signals. They appealed to professional and amateur stations throughout the world.

Meanwhile concerted efforts were being made in the U. S. to determine the cause of our odd failure to pick up Lunik in outer space.

#### VFO [from page 37]

which can be used, is to short out L3, disconnect C7, disconnect C8 from the collector and connect it to the emitter. The output transistor will then function as an emitter follower (similar to cathode follower). The output will be slightly lower, but in some cases better stability with output circuit loading might be obtained, although with the companion amplifier shown here, loading stability was better with the output taken from the collector.

When the vfo is calibrated the amplifier should be connected, with power applied to it,

to maintain normal loading.

After the companion amplifier has been tuned up, turn off the *vfo* to find out if any *rf* output is still present. If so, self-oscillation may be taking place in the amplifier. In this case, either slightly detune L1 (in the amplifier), or load L1 or L2 down with a shunt resistor.

Although the four Pen-lite cells will hold up for many months, it is best to check them occasionally, and then replace them after their total potential has dropped below 5.6 volts. The car battery, or any other fluctuating 6 volt dc source, should not be used, because the frequency of the transistorized vfo is very sensitive to varying potentials.

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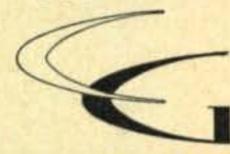
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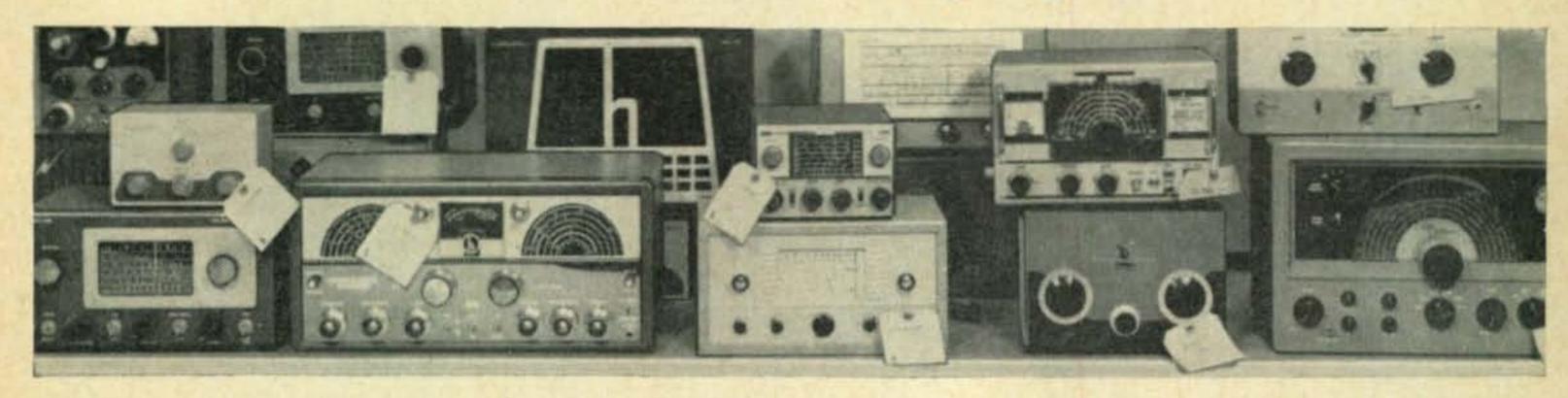
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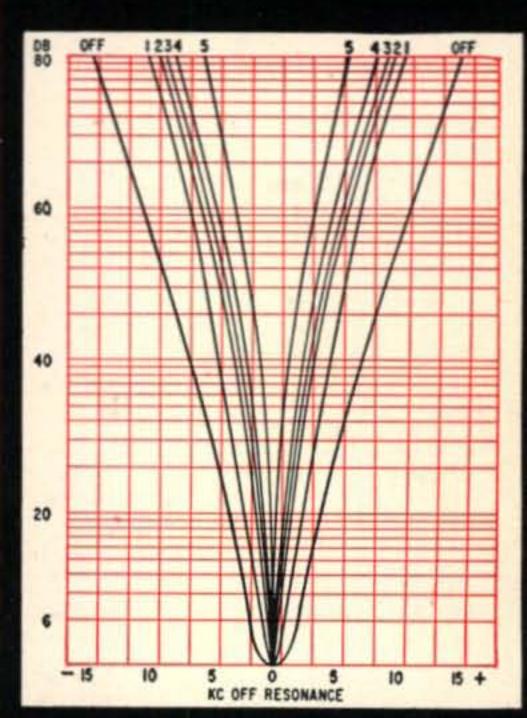


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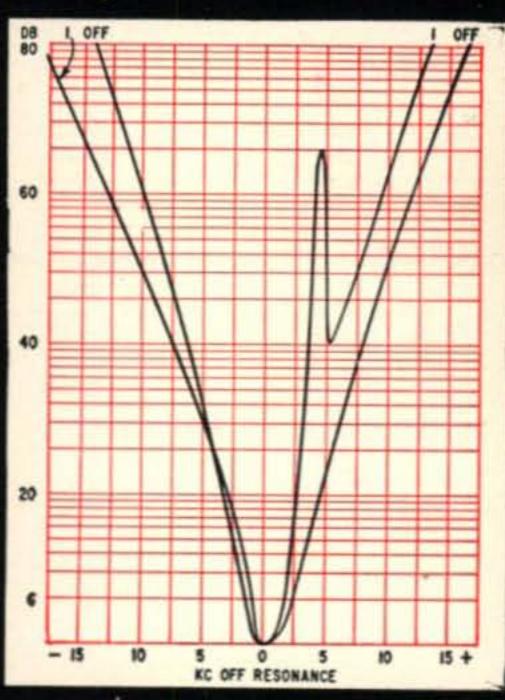
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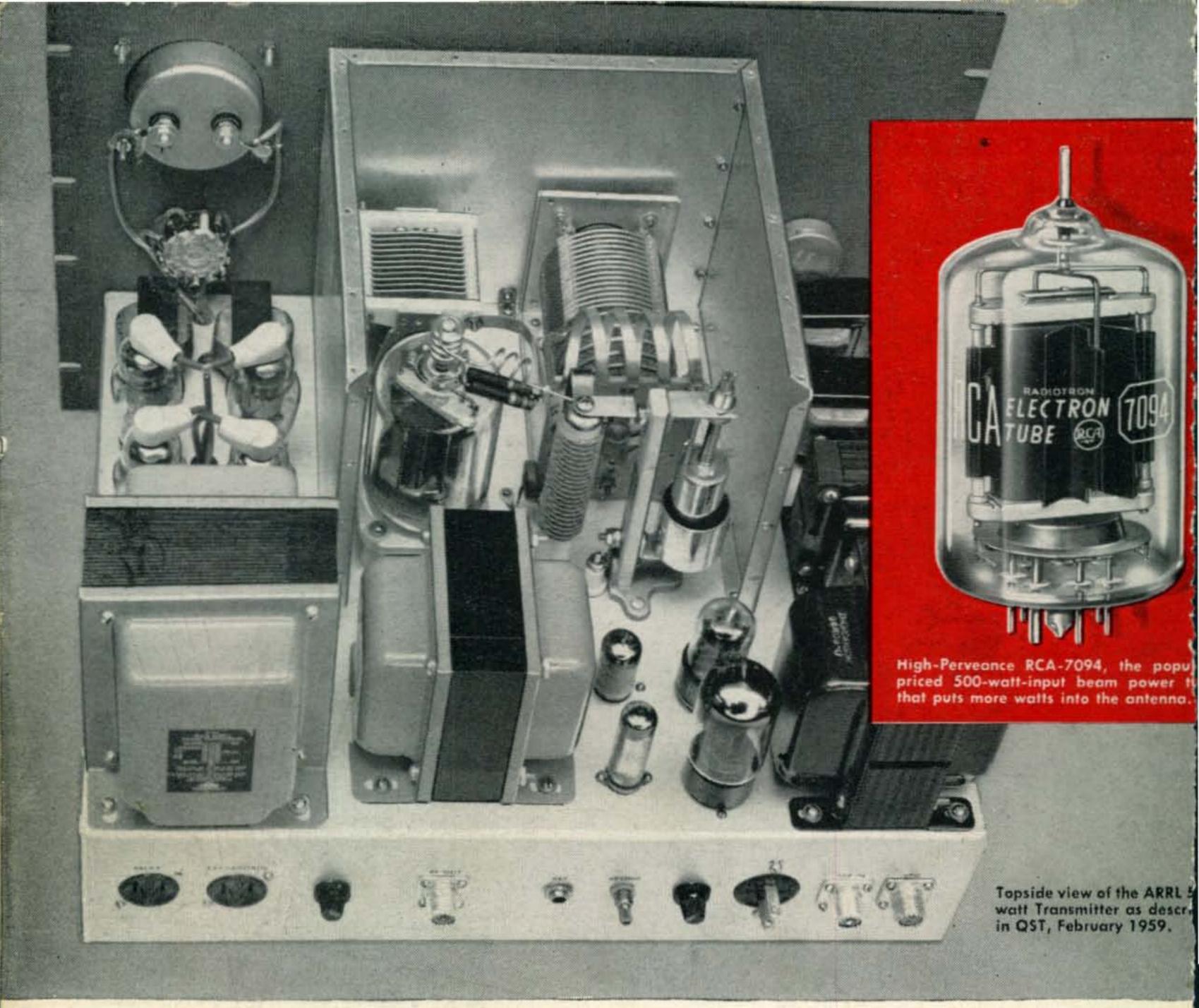


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DC Grid-No. 2 Volts	400	400	1
DC Grid-No. 1 Volts	-100	-130	
DC Plate Ma.	330	275	
DC Grid—No. 2 Ma. (approx.)	20	20	
Required Driver Power Output Watts (approx.)	4	5	-6
Useful Power Output Watts (approx.)**	340	240	
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