

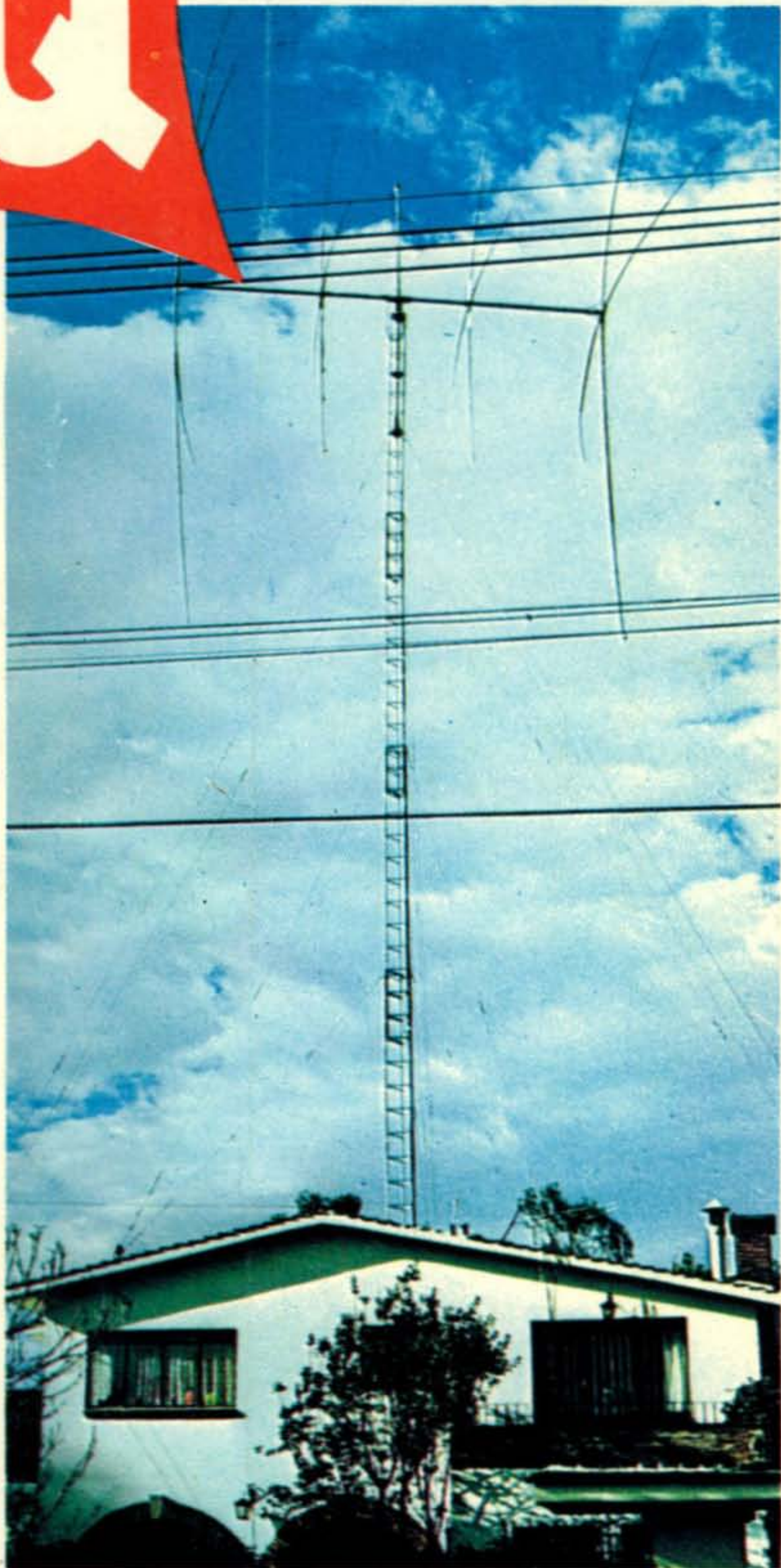
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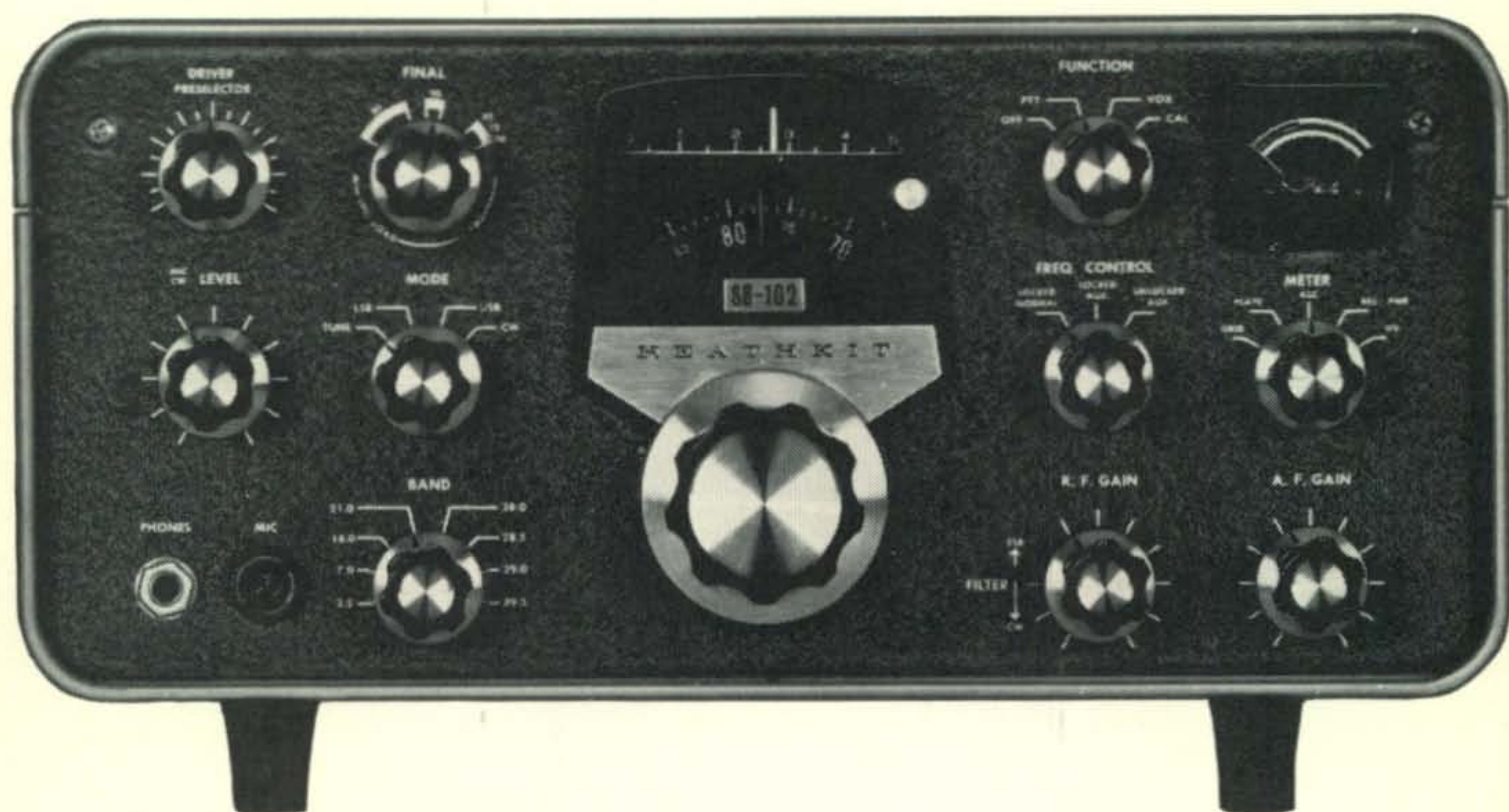
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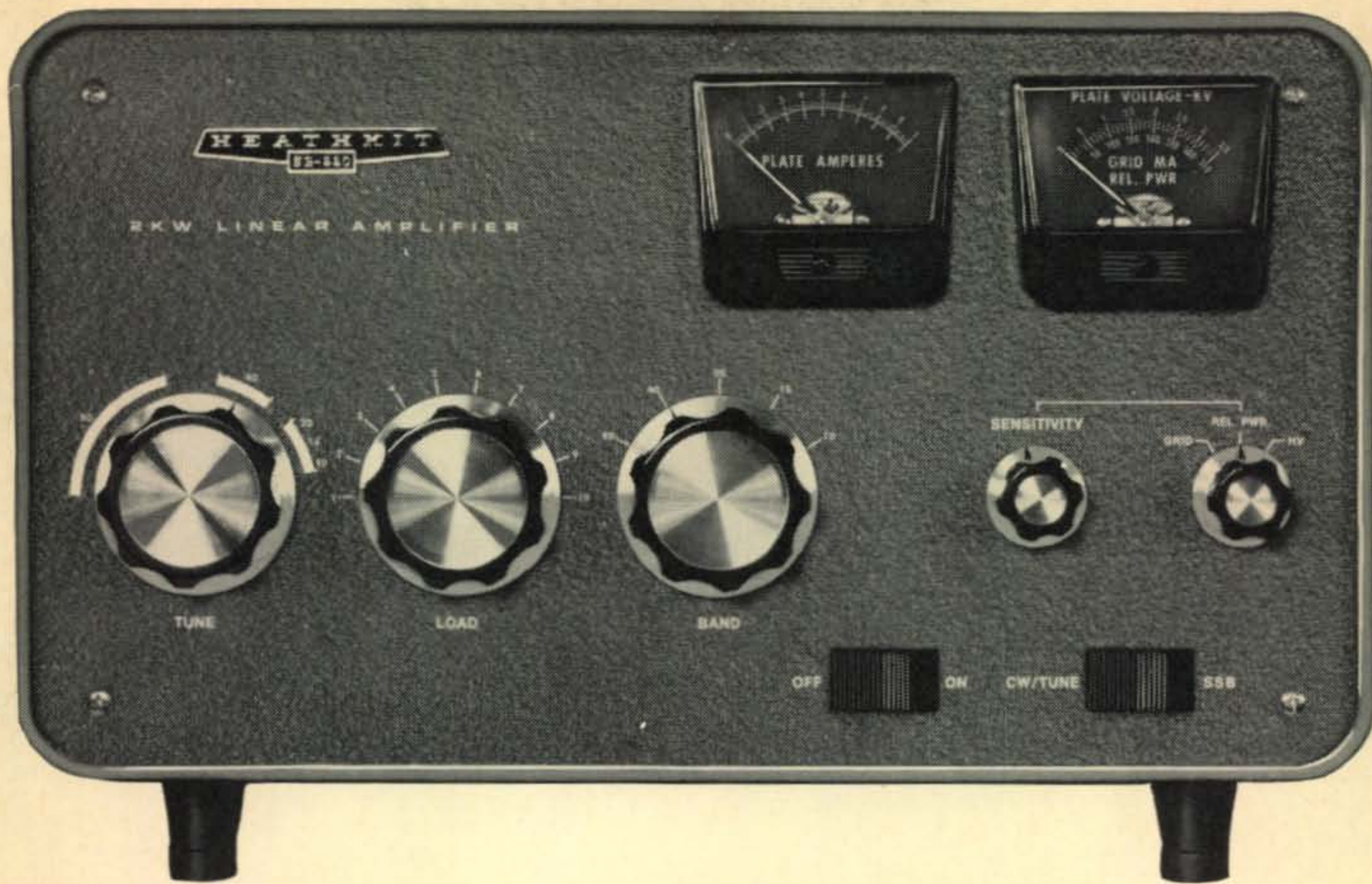
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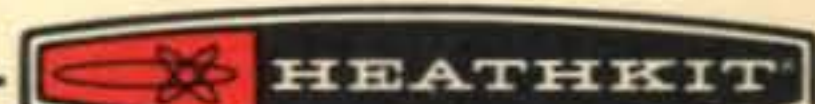
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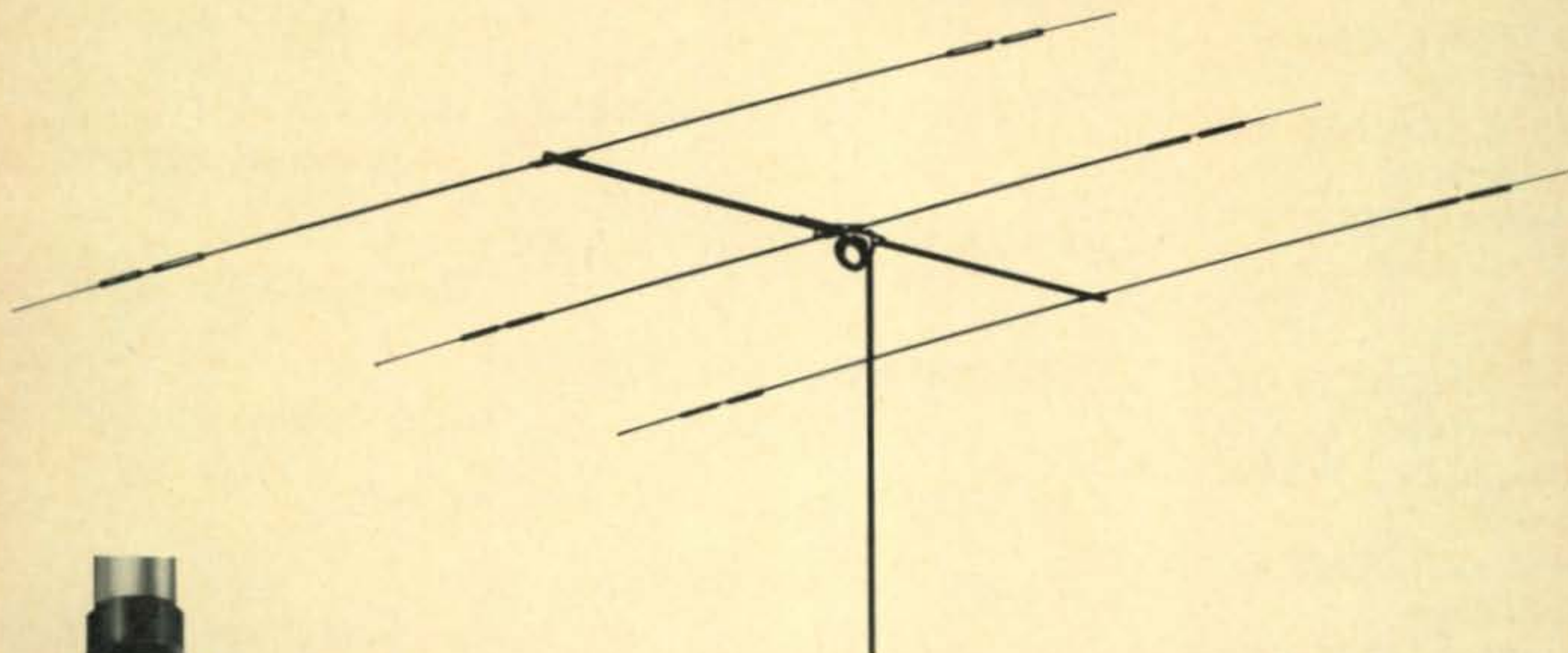
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# ZERO BIAS

The peace and sanctitude of our amateur bands was disrupted a short while ago by happenings on the air which, I believe, have no precedent. I don't claim to have an extraordinary memory, nor am I old enough to have intelligently witnessed much more than post-World War II History, but, I think it's safe to say that the recent Student Information Network episode was unique in amateur history.

With the killing of four Kent State University students by Ohio National Guardsmen, and the almost simultaneous US-South Vietnamese excursion into Cambodia in May of this year, emotions ran deep and both pro and counter demonstrations erupted both on and off the college campuses. Student protest strikes were the order of the day. We respect the right of students to so voice their opinions. We feel, however, that it is vital to the existence of amateur radio that our amateur bands remain beyond the reach of campus and/or civil unrest.

This, unfortunately, was not the case last May. At the height of campus tensions, the Student Information Net was formed, originating on the West Coast, on 7269 kc and slowly growing to national proportions on 14,295 kc. The net was intended to coordinate campus strikes on a regional and then a national basis.

We received a flood of radiograms and phone calls regarding the Net's activities, but despite the personal feelings of the callers, the Net's operations were apparently legal, if not popular among amateurs. The callers seemed to feel that the mere on-the-air mention of a student strike was counter to FCC rules and regulations, but that's just not the case. On the other hand, the widespread intentional jamming of the Net's transmissions was in direct and obvious violation of FCC rules and regulations.

Our feelings are that amateur radio should not be used as a sounding board for politics, although no such limitation is legally imposed on us. It is also our feeling that intentional jamming of any legal transmission is to be abhorred, although the person doing the jamming may sincerely feel he is doing his part to defend the American Way of Life. And we remind both factions that the way to any valid goal is not through disregard for law, history, and morals, but through constructive, reasoned change.

## New Publishing Schedule

As too many amateur magazine readers are painfully aware, the U. S. Postal Service has been wreaking havoc with magazine deliveries to the extent that the June issue of one of the ham magazines may not arrive until well into the month of June when it may be partly outdated. *CQ* has suffered as much as or perhaps more than the other ham publications because of our out-of-the-way Florida printing and mailing point, which causes additional distribution delays.

We've tried diligently over the past two years to rectify the situation from our end by putting *CQ* on the press earlier than ever before, but the time we gained was quickly devoured by the Post Office.

Therefore, *CQ* is making a major change in its publishing schedule which will hopefully hold the line on magazine deliveries for several years. Perhaps those years will see sufficient Postal reform to preclude any further schedule adjustments.

What are we doing? We're adjusting this month's time-critical material so that it is as suitable for the next two months as we can make it. This issue is dated "July/August," and will be in the mail at its usual time of June 20. The next issue will be dated September, and will be in the mail on July 20, and so forth. So, in reality, all we've done is change the date on the magazine, and adjust the content accordingly. You'll receive a magazine at the same time each month, but it will be a magazine for a later month. You *will not* receive any fewer magazines nor will you receive any less useful material.

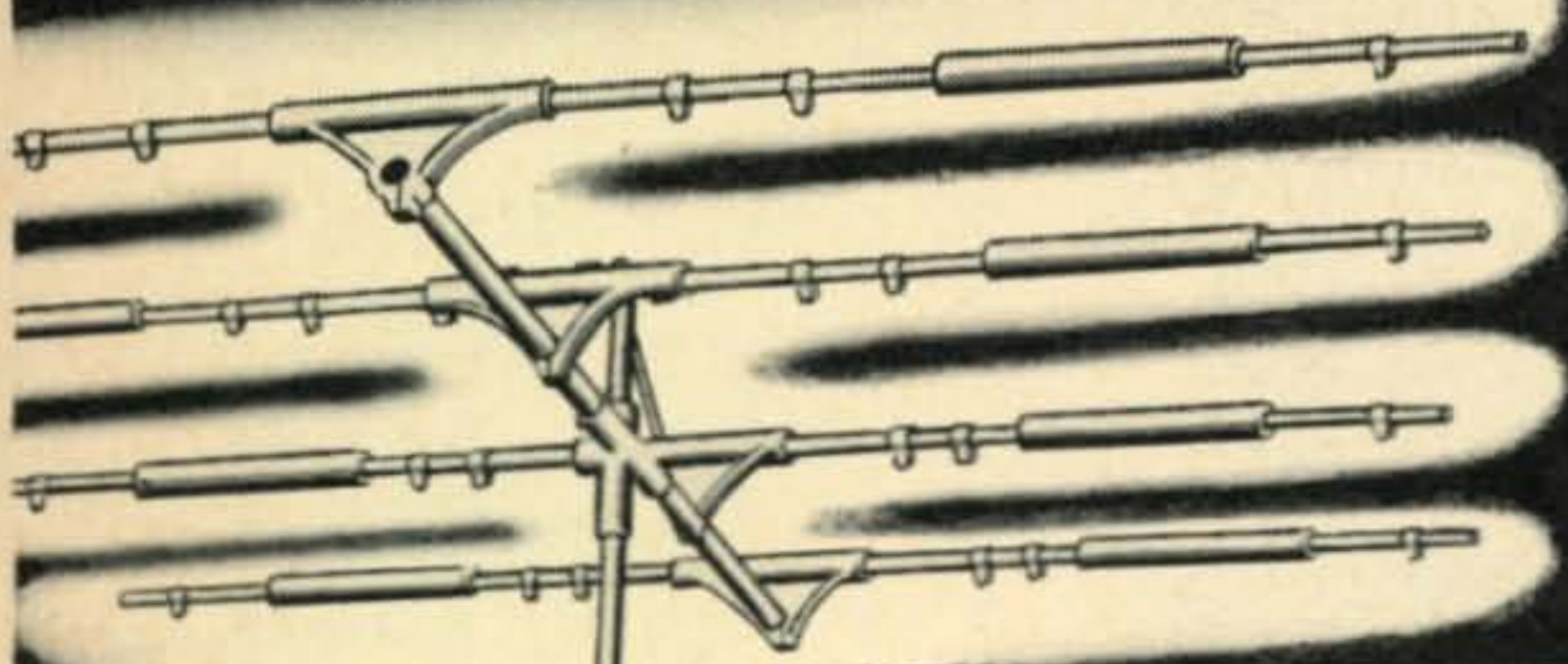
Subscriptions now in effect have all been extended by one calendar month to ensure that subscribers receive as many issues as they have paid for. New subscriptions will be automatically corrected.

Items which have been adjusted this month are the Propagation column and Announcements. Next month's issue (dated September) will carry slightly adjusted DX and Contest Calendar columns. This month's Propagation column contains text and Last Minute Forecast good for July *and* August, while the Short Skip propagation charts are good from July 15 through September 15. This month's Announcements are for all of July and most of August; the remainder of August Announcements as well as September's will appear in the September issue.

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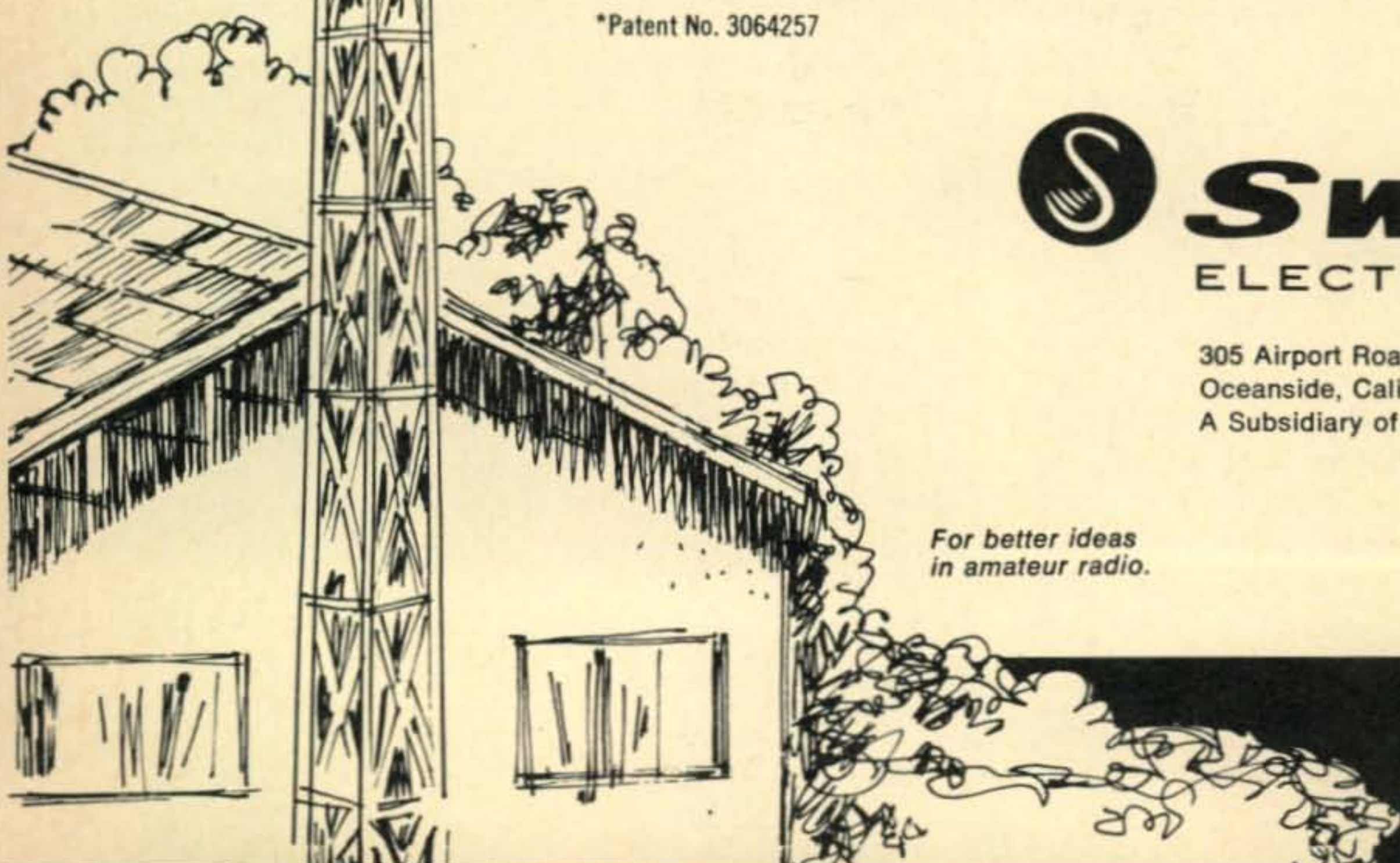
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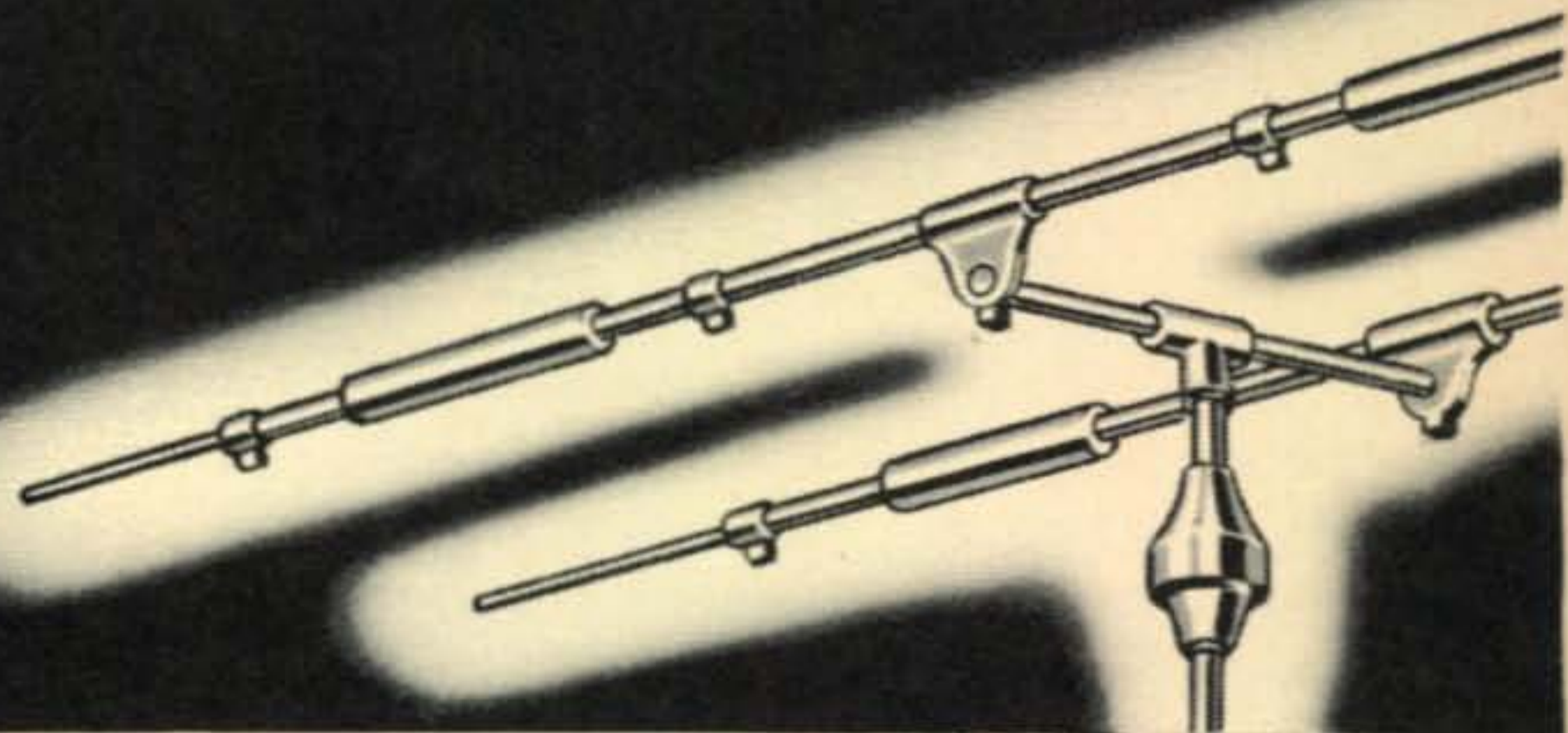
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- Weight: 64 lbs.
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- Weight: 44 lbs.
- Wind Load at 80 mph: 110 lbs.

Price: \$139

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Of somewhat lighter construction and shorter boom length, the TB-3 is adequate for many installations. Wind survival rating is 80 mph compared to the 100 mph rating of the TB-3H. Its lighter weight permits easier erection, a lighter weight tower, and lighter duty rotator, all resulting in lower overall cost. The same precision tuned, weather proofed traps are used, so power rating and reliability are the same as in heavier duty models. Boom length is 14 feet.

- Forward Gain: 7.5 db average.
- Front-to-Back Ratio: 18-20 db
- Power Rating: 2000 watts P.E.P.
- Weight: 37 lbs.
- Wind Load at 80 mph: 92 lbs.

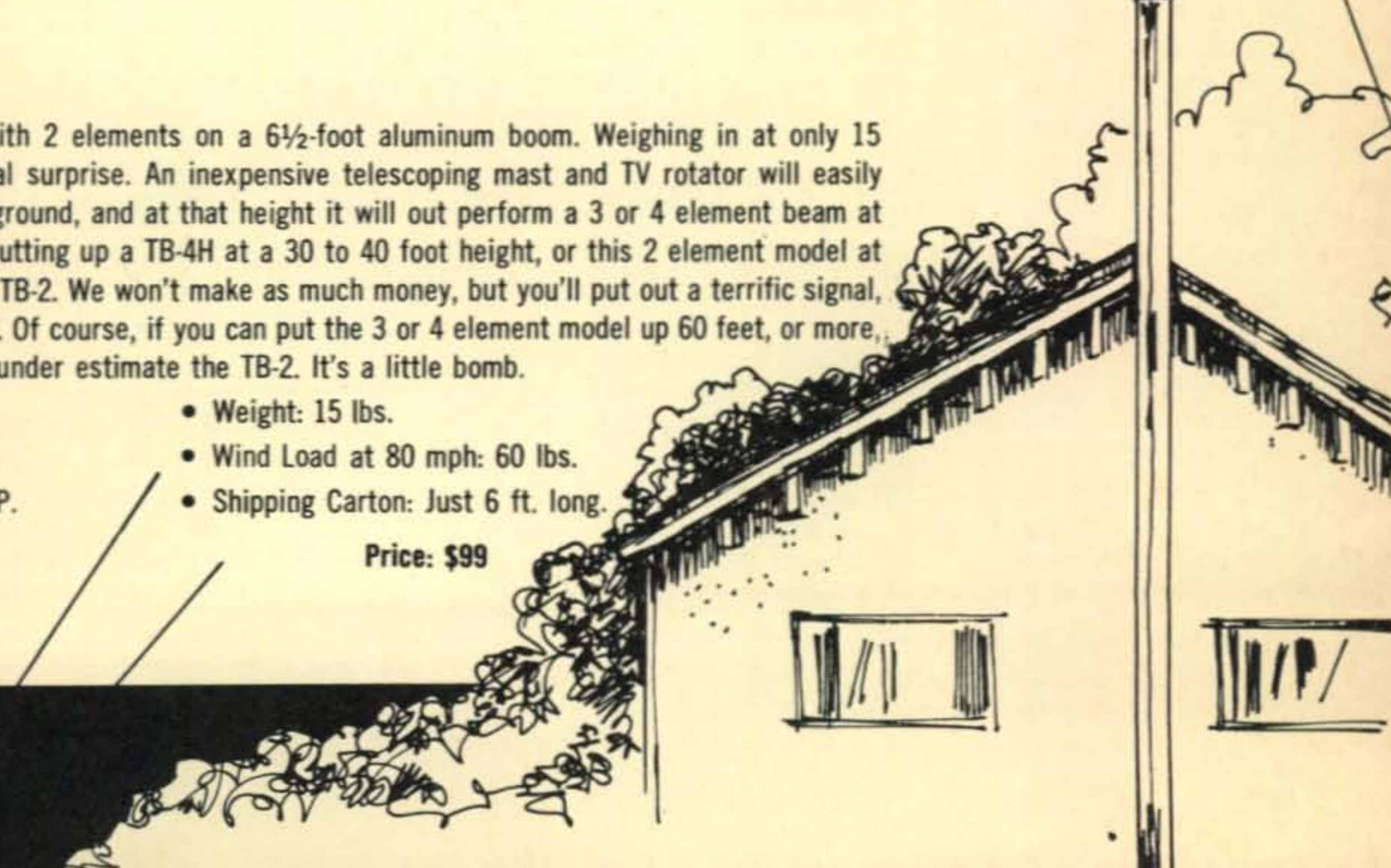
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Same design as the TB-3 but with 2 elements on a 6½-foot aluminum boom. Weighing in at only 15 pounds, this model can be a real surprise. An inexpensive telescoping mast and TV rotator will easily get it 60 feet or higher off the ground, and at that height it will out perform a 3 or 4 element beam at lesser height. If your choice is putting up a TB-4H at a 30 to 40 foot height, or this 2 element model at 60 feet, by all means put up the TB-2. We won't make as much money, but you'll put out a terrific signal, and maybe we'll sell more TB-2's. Of course, if you can put the 3 or 4 element model up 60 feet, or more, there's no argument. Just don't under estimate the TB-2. It's a little bomb.

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Most of us tend to treat these happenings lightly, until it closely touches us. I hope *CQ* magazine will be able to use this horrible happening in some way that will again remind us all, if only for a short while, of the potential dangers of our hobby.

Alex F. Dolgosh, K8EUR  
Ashtabula, Ohio

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Harvard, Mass.

### West Coast Novice Net

Editor, *CQ*:

I am trying to organize a West Coast Novice net on 40 meters. Any help would be appreciated. For all details, please write to me at the address below. A certificate will be issued.

Clair Bruce, WN7ONC  
1474 Court St., N.E.  
Salem, Oregon 97301

### Outdated C.W.

Editor, *CQ*:

I am getting awfully sick and tired of hearing and/or reading about c.w. being "on the way out," "outdated," etc. I have bad news for these people.

Having just returned from a two week swing through Central America (mainly Nicaragua and Corn Island where I was fortunate to obtain an HT license) and I can assure one and all that c.w. is far from dead.

I had occasion to visit three military, one commercial and one aeronautical radio installation and you had better believe it, c.w. is the order of the day. The one exception to any degree was the aeronautical station where the personnel leaned more on a.m. for a number of reasons. The most modern receiver I saw was the HQ-100!

Incidentally, all the knobs on the bugs or speed keys were missing—"paddles only" and the size of it being about three or four times that of the standard equipped bug. Most traffic was handled in the area of 40 w.p.m.—c.w. at its best.

An isolated case you say? Hardly! If such modes are still being used exclusively so close to home—consider what type of communications are in use in say JT, TA, 5T5, 9N1, AP, HZ, etc.?

Granted that more sophisticated modes are coming into acceptable useage here in "Gringoland" as a result of economical growth. But to say in broad terms (which is universal in effect and scope) that c.w. is "going by the boards" or old fashioned in not being very realistic.

Due to innumerable variables I would venture to say that universal discontinuance of c.w. will never occur in our life time—if ever!

G. L. Baker, HT4IM/W5QPX  
Dalhart, Texas

### 24-Hour Clock

Editor, CQ:

I have read with interest the article by Douglas L. Jones, K3AAY, entitled, "A 24-Hour Clock for the Shack."

Eliminating a bit of experimentation and development with semi-conductors, a pleasant construction project and other factors, it seems a most unusual way to acquire a 24-hour clock.

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For those who might be interested the movement can be acquired for approximately \$7.25 plus a dollar or so for postage. I have no price on hands but I am sure they are not too expensive.

I pass this on for those who may not wish to build a frequency converter, but who wish to have a nice 24-hour clock.

F. Britt, WA9VVI  
Princeton, Ind. ...

### Japanese Reciprocity

Editor, CQ:

Re April 1970 CQ George Pataki, ex-YO2DO letter regarding reciprocal operating in Japan, a few misconceptions appeared that should be straightened out.

Military personnel residing in the Japanese community, lawyers, missionaries and businessmen cannot operate; only US military and Civil Service personnel residing on a US Military Reservation (my XYL, WB AGZ, could not

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# Announcements

## Correction

Several errors crept into the "Upgrading the Heathkit SB-10 Sideband Adaptor" article which appeared in the May issue on page 22. Starting on page 22, the values of coils  $L_3$ ,  $L_4$ , and  $L_5$  should read .56, .39, and .22 microhenries respectively. On page 23, paragraph 1, the part number for the Cambion tuning tool should be No. 2375-1. In step 4 on page 23, the numeral 1 should follow the word pin. On page 24, 1st sentence, 2nd column, the sentence should have read "It wastes a resistor but it certainly saves your patience by eliminating some work in very close quarters." In step 10, same page and column, the word "correction" should have read "connection." The photo caption on page 26 should have stated that it was the front panel that had been removed and that the paralled resistors were 100 ohms instead of 10 ohms. Page 23, has step F) starting with the word Operational, this should be Optional. The word "positions" was deleted from the second sentence of the Additional Modifications section, 1st column, page 26. On page 26, 2nd column, the 3rd paragraph should have started with the word "providing" rather than the word "previously."

The author, Hubert H. Wheeler, is now K3KWN, and can be reached at Box 26Y, RD1, Beech Creek, Pa. 16822.

## Linwood, Indiana

The Madison County Amateur Radio Club will hold its annual Hamboree on Sunday, July 12, 1970. Doors will open at 11 A.M. at the county Civil Defense Control Center located 4 miles north of Anderson at Linwood. Activities include a general get-together and flea market. Door prizes will be awarded thru the afternoon, and refreshments will be available. Talk-in frequencies: 50.4, 145.35, and 146.94.

## Baraboo, Wisconsin

The Wisconsin Amateur Radio Picnic, sponsored by the Wisconsin Nets Association will be held in Oscher Park in Baraboo, on July 12, 1970. Activities will include code receiving contest, softball game, ladies activities, and eye-ball QSOs. Refreshments are included with registration but bring your own lunch. Registration begins at 10 A.M. (\$1.50 single, \$2.50 family).

## Missoula, Montana

The 36th annual Glacier-Waterton International Peace Park Hamfest will take place in Glacier National Park, July 18th and 19th, 1970. Amateur radio operators from Montana, Idaho, and Washington as well as those from Alberta, Saskatchewan and B.C. Canada are expected to

attend. For complete details contact: Jerry Nelson, K7IMZ, 1324 Sherwood Street, Missoula, Montana 59801.

## Canterbury, England

A special amateur radio station, GB2CF, has been set up for the Becket Festival (Thomas Becket) being held in Canterbury, England from July 19th through the 26th, 1970. Amateurs are urged to make contact with GB2CF and other amateurs in local towns and villages which surround Canterbury. They are: Ash, Aylsham, Bekesbourne, Bridge, Chilham, Chartham, Faversham, Herne Bay, Herne, Ickham, Kingston, Littlebourne, Patricxbourne, Sturry, Selling, Stelling, Wye, Wingham, and Wickhambreux. For further information contact: D. L. Smith, G8CUC, 7, Old Fold, Chestfield, Whitstable, Kent, England.

## Niagara Falls, New York

The annual combined convention of The International Certificate Hunter's Club, The International Flying Ham's Club, The International Shortwave Listeners Club and The International Amateur Radio Journalistic Society will be held the three days of July 30-31 and August 1st at the Parkway Inn, 401 Buffalo Ave., Niagara Falls, N.Y. Write to Valerie V. Ortega, K2KQC, 187 Main St., Hamburg, N.Y. 14075 for further information.

## Frankfort, Illinois

The 13th annual hamfest of the Six Meter Club of Chicago Inc. will be held Sunday, Aug. 2, at the Picnic Grove on U.S. 45, 1 mile north of U.S. 30, 5 miles south of U.S. 6, Frankfort, Illinois. Food and drinks will be available, Prizes awarded, and a swap & shop section. Advance registration \$1.50, admission at the gate \$2.00. For tickets and further information contact Mike Corbett, K9ENZ, 5215 West 73rd Court, Argo P.O., Illinois 60501.

## Bangor, Michigan

The 17th annual South Western Michigan VHF Picnic will be at the Allegan County Park, August 2nd, sponsored by the Van Buren County Amateur Radio Club, W8JUU, Bangor, Mich.

## Fort Wayne, Indiana

In the interest of acquainting amateurs with f.m. techniques, the Fort Wayne Repeater Association is sponsoring an annual F.M. Picnic. The event will take place at Crooked Lake near

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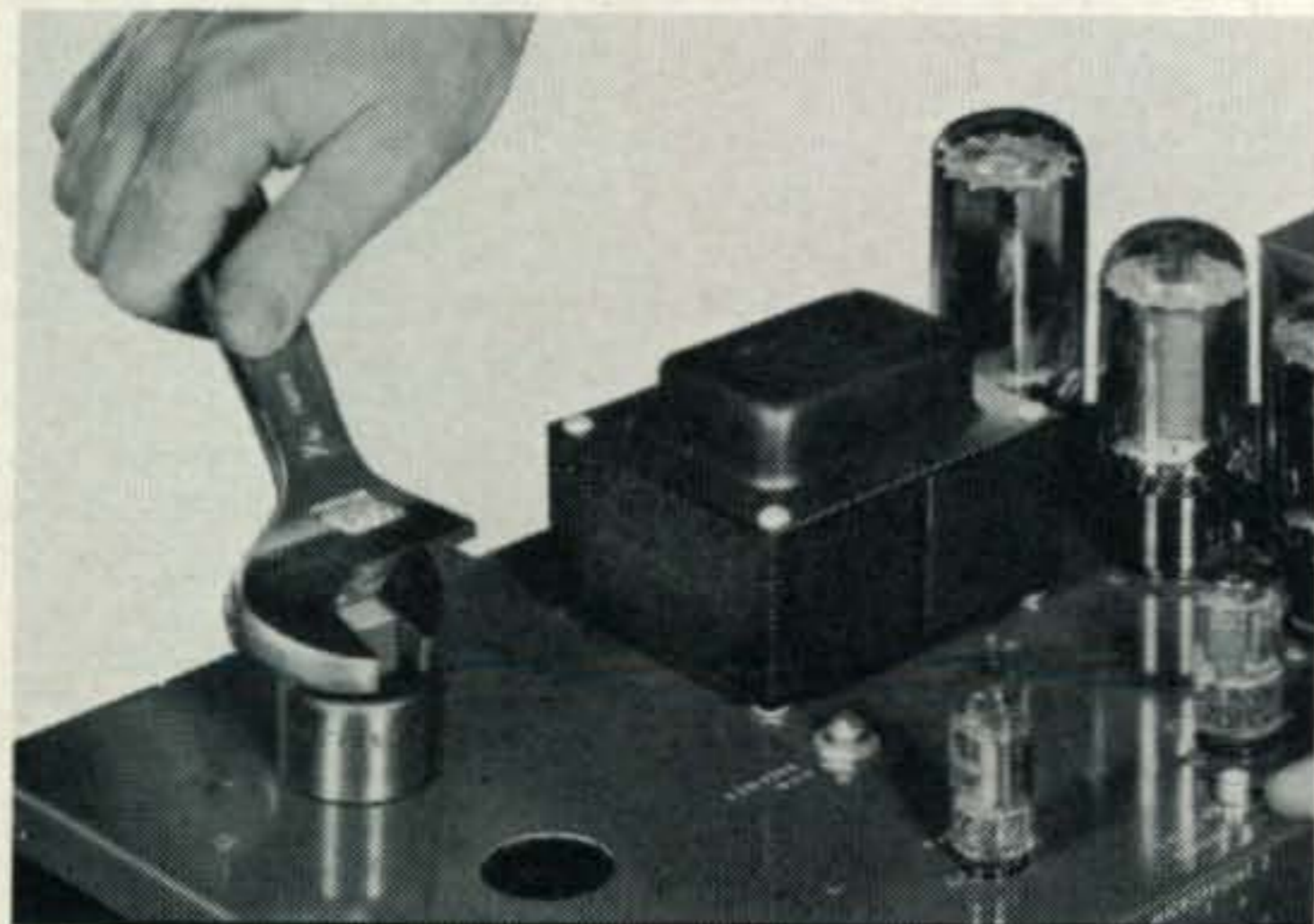
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Feenix, Ariz.

Deer Hon. Ed:

Oh boy, oh boy, oh boy, Hackensaki! it surely are exciting to be in on grounded floor of some new amchoor development. Something just happening to me that up to now I only reeding about.

I talking about Long Delay Echos, or L.D.E.'s Surely you are heering about them, Hon. Ed? Somebuddy is having a QSO, then sineing off, and he heering a repeat—an echo—of his or the other guys signals after each is off the air.

When I first reeding about L.D.E.'s, I knowing how astounded I being. Where can echo coming from? After all, signal can going around the world in...hmm, let's see, 186000 miles per second...hmm, divided into circumference of earth...ok, I got it. It taking a little over a tenth of a second for signal to go around world and being heard as an echo.

Now, some guys are reporting echos as long as five minutes! Wowie!! Where could signal be stored for five minutes? It not just bouncing off the moon and coming back—that only taking cupple seconds. This are being reel space mistery.

Of coursey, I never expecting it to happen to me. It like winning a contest or a raffle. That never happening to me (or even to anybuddy I knowing, as a matter of fackly).

But, it did happening to me! Let me see if I can explaneing it as it happening.

The sun was just settling behind the mountains and the sky was an orange glow. Typical Arizona sunset. I walked into shack, turned on the lite, and sat down at the operating table.

Are next opening up the log, looking for a sharp pencil, finding I not having one, so getting up, going to file cabinet, which having pencil sharpener on it, and sharpening a cupple of encils.

Sitting down again at operating table, turn-

ing on desk lamp, hitting the switches on the reseever and xmitter, and just that suddenly I heering a seek-you being called on see-w. Signal sounding kinda familiar. When the callsign coming, you could knocking me over with a feather! It good old Scratchi's call what being sined!!

Just as suddenly as it starting, it stopping. My first reackshun is that somebuddy is using my call. My second reackshun is that it is my fist that I heering. Now I reely whamboozled. What happening??

Then I remembering artickle I reeding on L.D.E.'s. Maybe this is it!! I looking at log. Last nite at about the same time I are sending seek-you just like the one I heering. Hokendoke Hackensaki! I are heering an L.D.E. with a delay time of twenny-four hours!!

Where has that signal been? In twenny-four hours a signal traveling at 186,000 miles per second will have gone...hmm, 60 times 60 times 24 times 186,000...is 86,400 times 186.000, is—Gracious to Goodness it's more than 16,000 million miles!

Where on earth could that signal have been? No, not on earth It having to go around earth a million times to being gone that long, and just the thought of that is making me dizzy.

I so astounded at hole thing that I turning around in my chair, stuffing a piece of paper into my tiperiter, and riting you this letter. Hon. Ed., you thinking I holding a record for L.D.E.? Maybe I being famous for little while?

Excoosing me, Hon. Ed., but my Hon. Brother Itchi are just coming into the shack...

Oh boy. Oh boy. Well, that was the shortest time I was ever famous, Hon. Ed. You can forgetting the hole thing. I'm not even sure that I going to waste six cents on a stamp for this letter.

Brother Itchi just asking me if I liking the present he giving me. When I asking him what present he talking about, he telling me that he buying me a little recorder so I can recording incoming calls. He also wanting to know if he wiring it up rite when he installing it.

Sure enough. I looking, and there it is. Only it wired up wrong. It wired up so that I heering a recording of whatever I sending last. Like last nite.

Oh well, Happy Amchoor Day,  
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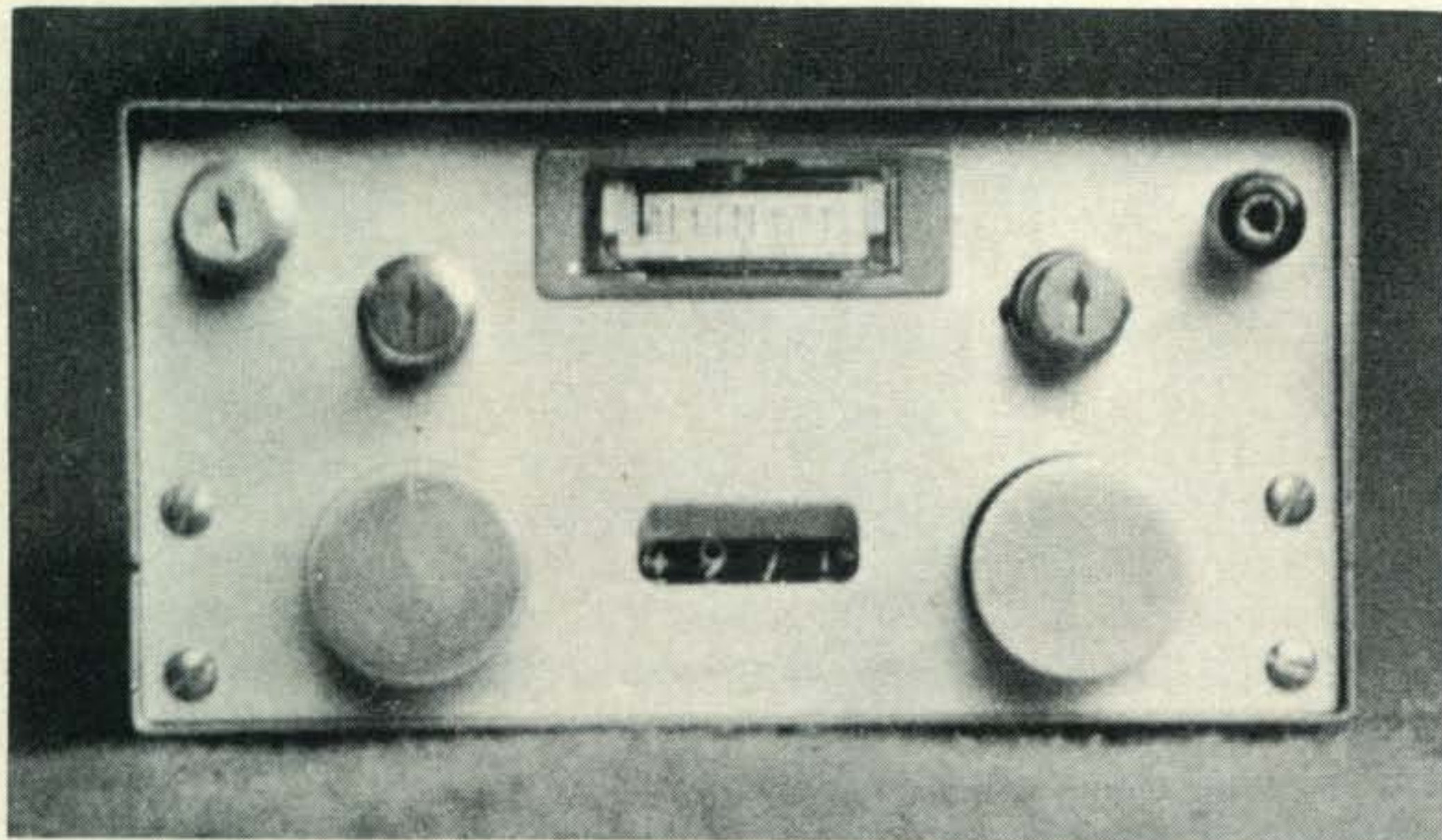
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## A TRANSISTORIZED COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVER WITH DIGITAL FREQUENCY READ-OUT

BY JACK PEROLO,\* PY2PE1C

**A**FTER hamming for some years, in 1954 I went over to shortwave broadcast listening. This might explain the oddity of my present call. What might be more difficult to explain, however, is why I use my Collins 75S-3C so little. This is the exact purpose of this article and I would suggest to those of you who have scanned the simple block diagrams that are on the following pages to hold tight a while and let me develop the logic that dictated the construction of my own transistor-

\*POB 2390, Sao Paulo, Brazil.

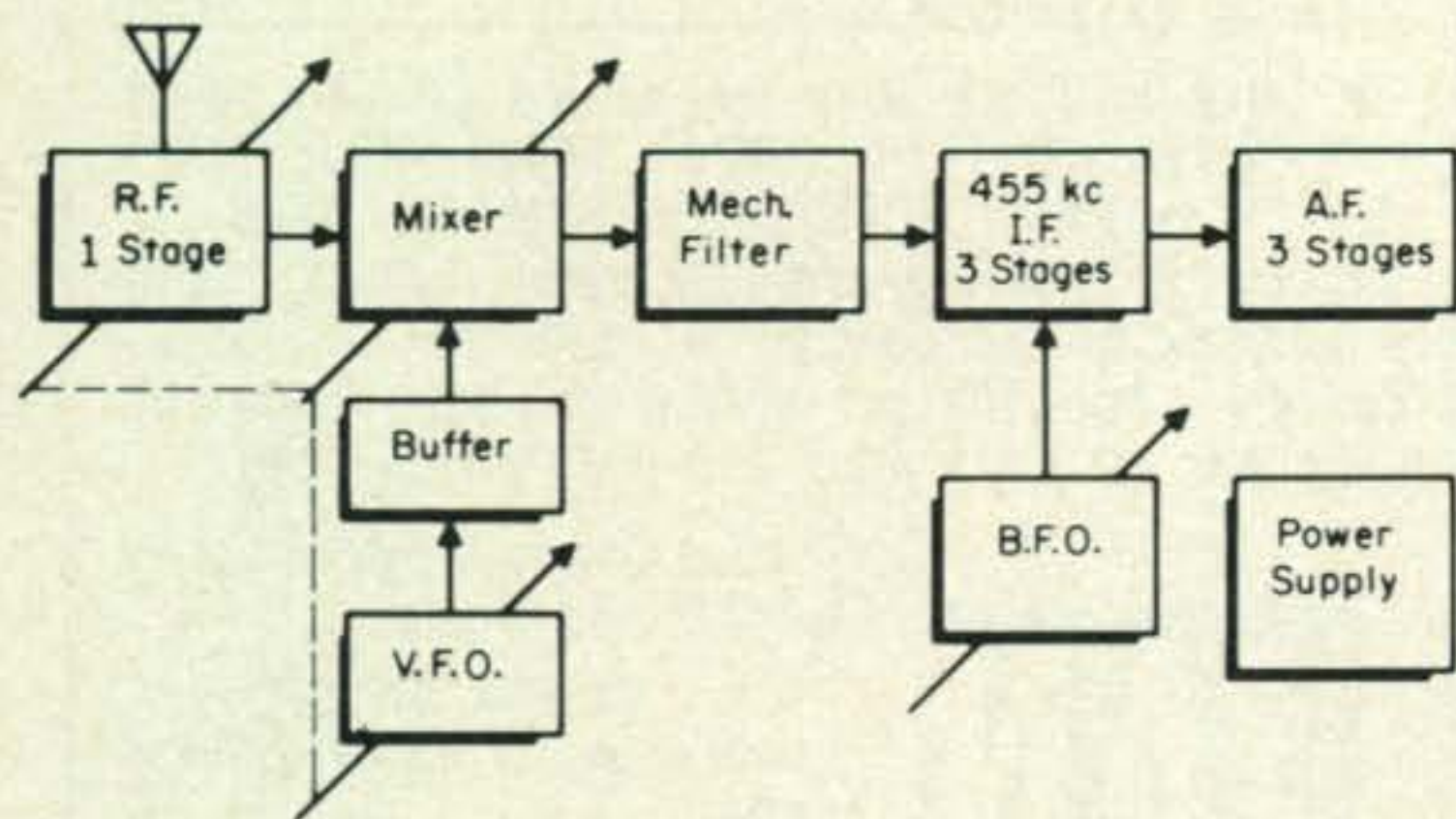


Fig. 1—Block diagram of the GP-23, a high performance single band, single conversion receiver.

ized receiver with a digital read out dial.

Many hams have at one time or another tried their hand at building some piece of receiving equipment. There are, however, justifiable complaints about either the performance or appearance (or both) of the receiver. Having been in the hobby since 1949 I admit to have seen very few homebrewed receivers with the performance *and* appearance of commercial gear. It is, however, definitely possible to build good looking equipment at home and W7DET<sup>1</sup> is just one example.

When it comes to performance, it *can* be accomplished at home. This may sound strange since within the ham fraternity commercial gear is synonymous with good performance. But is it really? I have read in a catalog description of a commercial communications receiver selling for better than \$1,600 that, "all internal spurious are less than 1.0  $\mu$ v equivalent signal except two discreet responses at 2.75 and 3.0 mc." In a review of a less expensive receiver (\$400) the CQ lab noted "a suck out on all bands plus

<sup>1</sup>W7DET, Seattle, Washington, *QST*, July 1957, p. 74.



several spurious above ratings."<sup>2</sup>

After building twenty-two receivers, none of which were satisfactory, I sat down to do an autocriticism. Why were the receivers showing birdies, suckout and sensitivity changes from band to band? The answer was plain; the task was too formidable. If reputable commercial manufacturers with their well equipped labs and skilled specialists had problems, I was certain to have them too. The solution seemed to be simplification; give up some features to permit the performance to be truly professional. But what could I give up? Surely not selectivity nor appearance. Selectivity had already been solved by the use of mechanical filters.

The problem of spurious responses stem from the mixer primarily as many frequencies, in addition to those desired, are created.<sup>3</sup> By the simple expedient of avoiding multi-band operation and multiple conversion the spurious response could be improved considerably. The same approach also provides a startling improvement in flatness of gain over the entire receiver coverage. It was further observed that compromises were no longer necessary and simple circuit could be operated at peak conditions.

After a five year interval (with a course in EE in the US packed between), the 23rd receiver came into being. (The GP-23) It was a 14 transistor job covering 4,650-5,150 kc with direct frequency readout to the last kc throughout the band. A block diagram of this receiver, shown in fig. 1, was considerably simpler than its predecessor which featured continuous coverage from 3 to 32 mc in six band and double conversion as shown in fig. 2.

Receiver GP-23 used extensive shielding throughout and it paid off in good performance. There were no birdies, the response was flat over the entire band and all stages were operated at peak performance. Since I own no equipment that can accurately measure receiver performance, the Collins 75S-3C was used as the standard of comparison. The Collins S meter is factory calibrated to read an average of 4 db to one S unit. The S meter of the GP-23 was calibrated to give an S9 reading for a signal that produced an S9 deflection on the Collins S meter. The same procedure was followed to produce S5 and

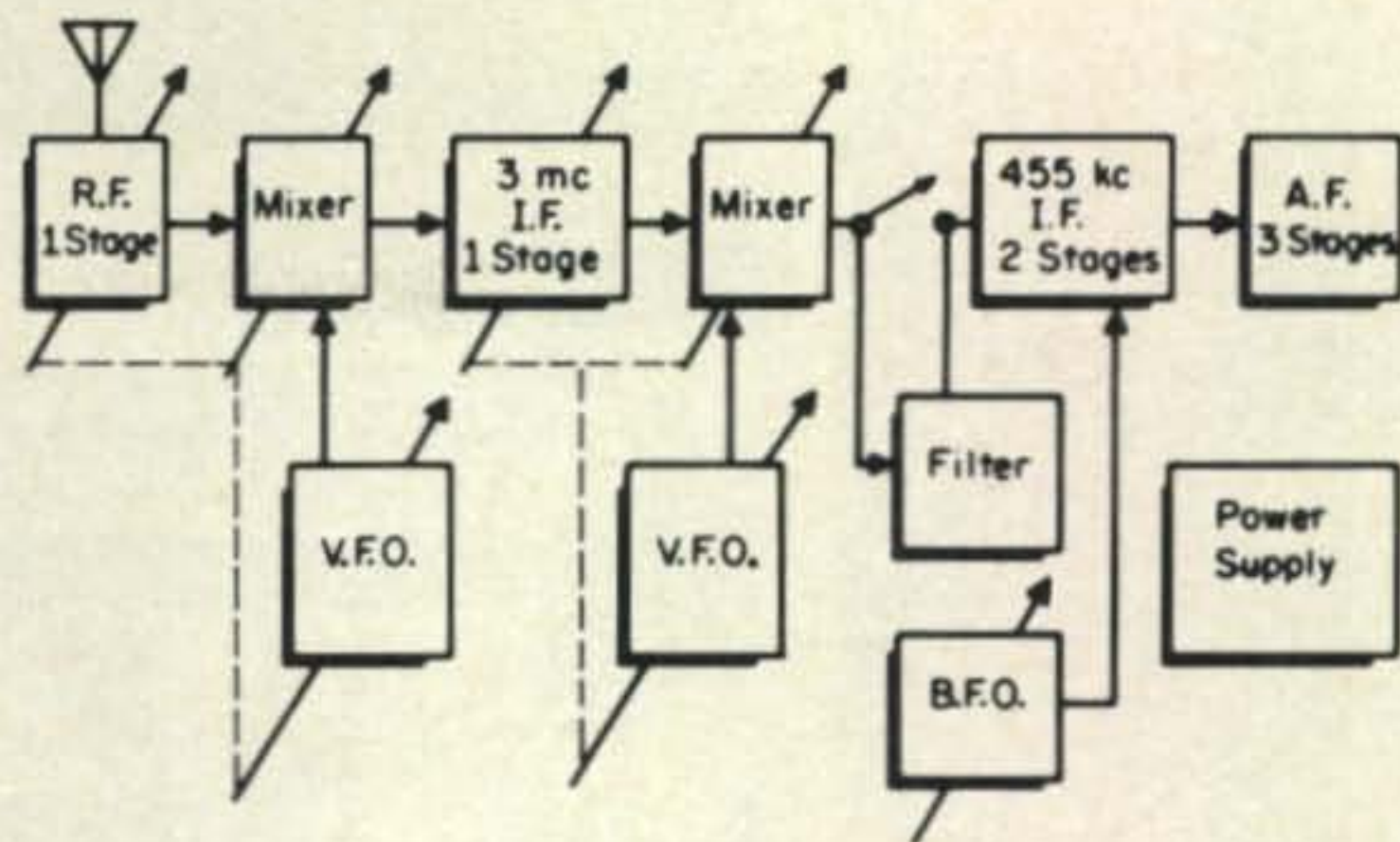


Fig. 2—Block diagram of the GP-22 a multi band dual conversion receiver that was full of bugs.

S0 readings on both receivers. At this point (within reason), whichever receiver produced a higher S meter reading for the same antenna input signal would be considered the more sensitive.

The results were somewhat surprising as all the signals in the 60 meter band consistently read at least 2 S units better (about 8 db) on the GP-23. The Collins was fully checked again but its S meter stubbornly refused to rise as high as the one in the GP-23 no matter how well the antenna impedance was matched to the receiver.

### Appearance

Having finally satisfied the performance requirements work was started in the direction of professional appearance. I was fortunate in having the use of a machine shop available, and, with its lathe, vertical mill and 16 ton press, making a presentable cabinet and front panel was no great problem. What I tried to improve even more than the exterior appearance was the interior of the receiver. When building prototypes, components are consistently being changed or relocated to improve wiring and thus performance.

The GP-24 was born as a cleaned-up version of the GP-23 but with an internal con-

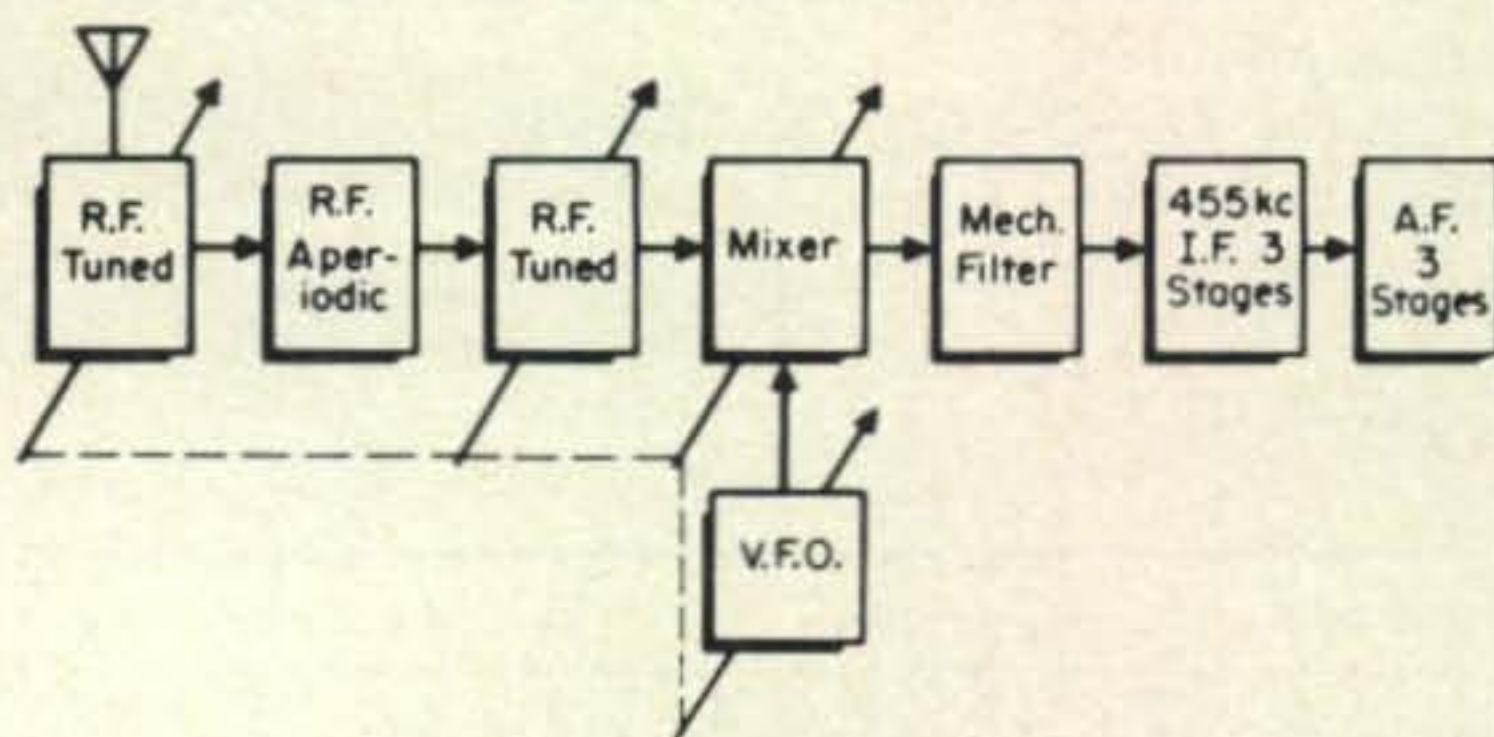
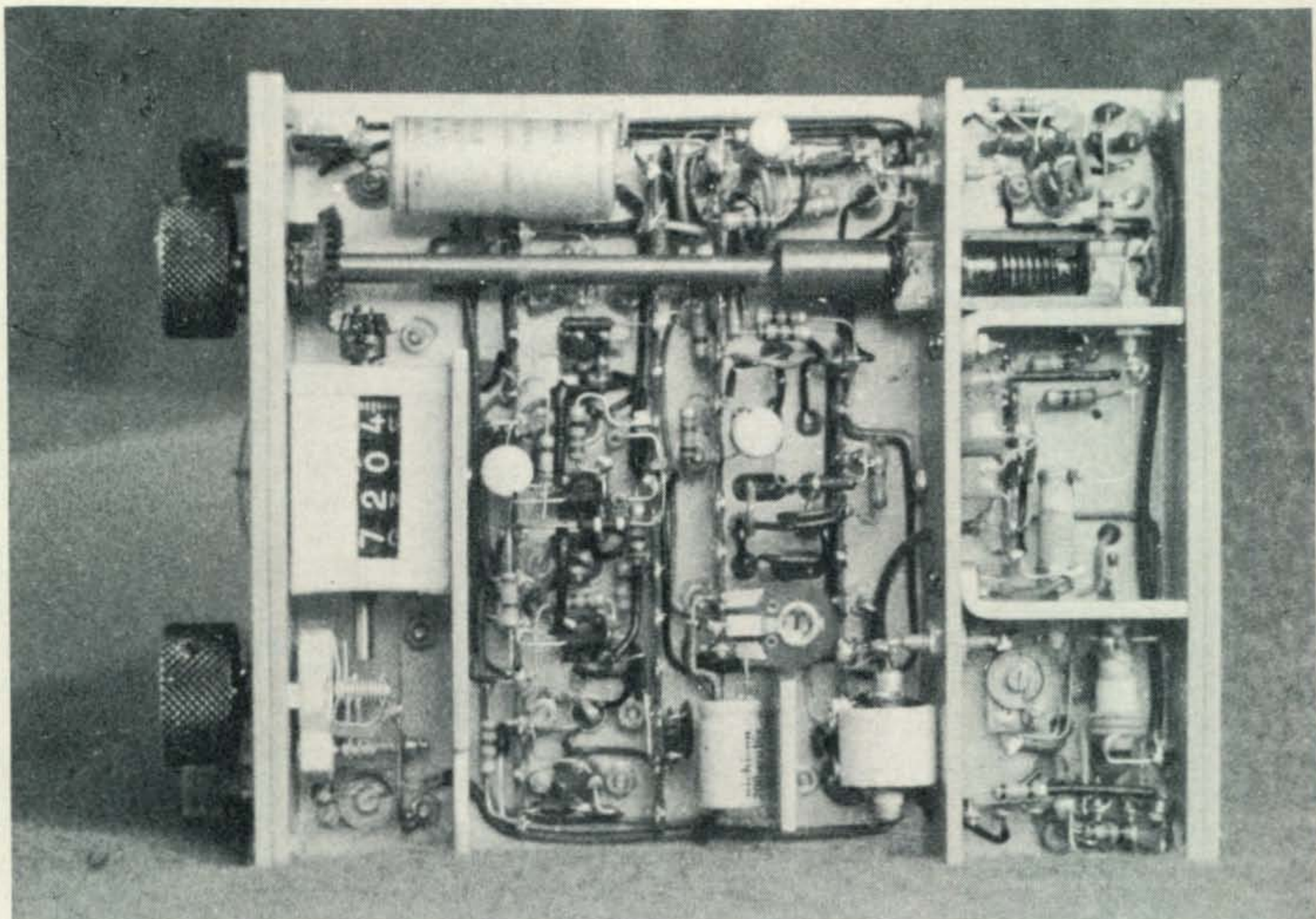


Fig. 3—Block diagram of the GP-27 and all later models. For ham band coverage a.b.f.o. was added.

<sup>2</sup>Scherer, W. M., "CQ Reviews," *CQ*, December 1969, p. 64.

<sup>3</sup>Lee, J. G., "Mixer Spurious Frequency Analysis," *CQ*, September 1965, p. 42.



Bottom view of the GP-29 monoband receiver with the cabinet removed. The counter mechanism can be seen at the left center of the chassis together with the beveled gears and the main tuning shaft. The worm gear that drives the main tuning capacitor is visible at the right end of the shaft. The counter support bracket also acts as a shield for the frequency control. The three shielded compartments at the right are, from top to bottom, 3rd r.f., v.f.o. mixer. The small shield at the bottom center separates the input and output terminals of the mechanical filter and the large object to the right of the shield is the 10 mh r.f. choke. The small pot just above the shield is the S meter Zero set. The i.f. strip runs from top to bottom along the counter support bracket.

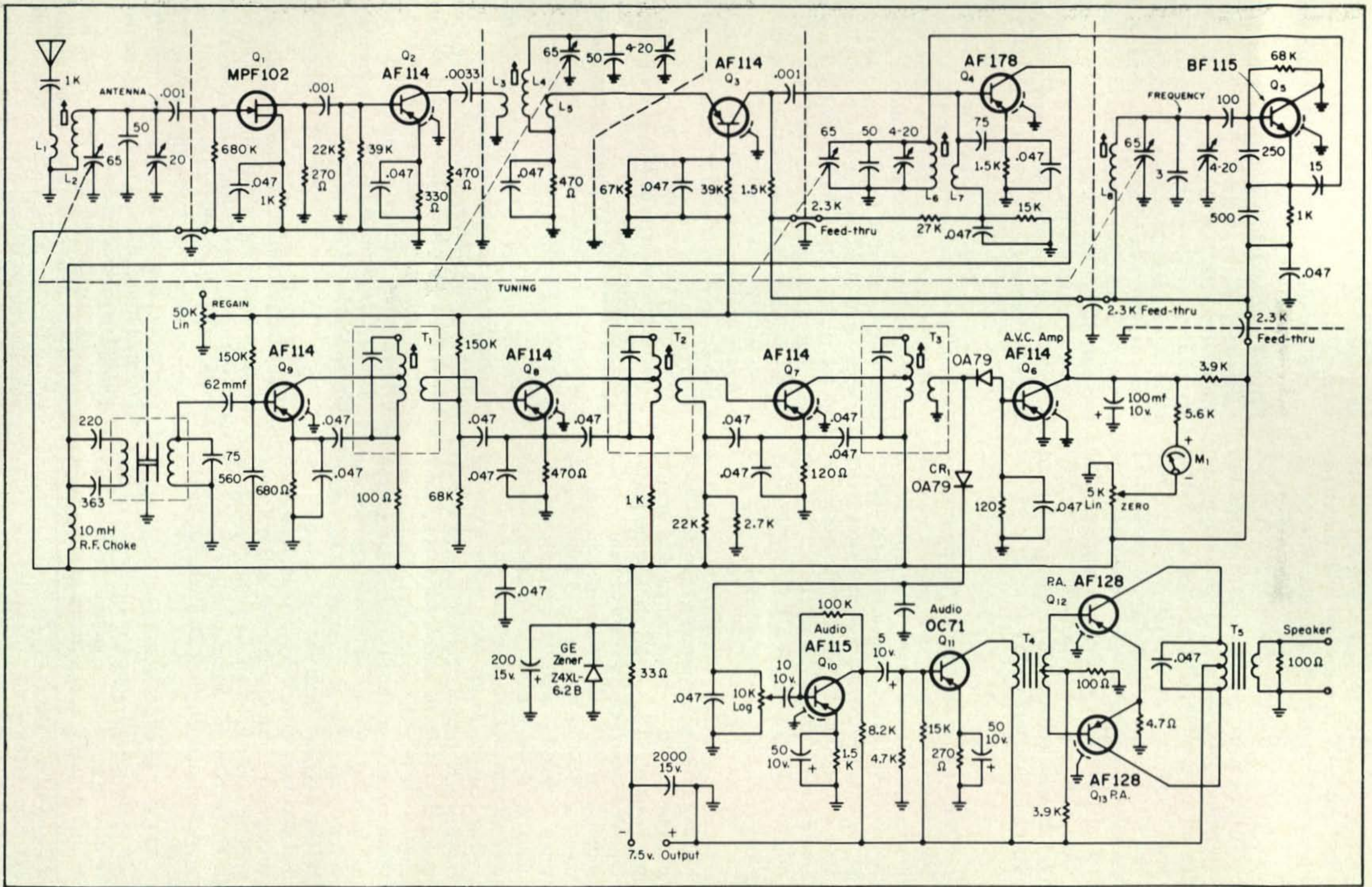
Fig. 4—Circuit of the GP-29, a single band receiver. All resistors are 1/4 watt. All capacitors less than one in value are in mf. Capacitors one or more in volume are in mmf. All capacitors marked with an asterisk are silver micas. The receiver weighs about 7 lbs. and drains 40 ma at 7.5 volts.

CR<sub>1</sub>—Diode, OA-79  
 CR<sub>2</sub>—Zener diode, GE Z4XL-6.2B  
 M<sub>1</sub>—S meter, Kyoritzu EW-20, 0-1 ma or equiv.  
 Q<sub>1</sub>—MPF 102  
 Q<sub>2</sub>, Q<sub>3</sub>, Q<sub>6</sub>, Q<sub>7</sub>, Q<sub>8</sub>, Q<sub>9</sub>—AF 14  
 Q<sub>4</sub>—AF 178  
 Q<sub>5</sub>—BF 115  
 Q<sub>10</sub>—AF 115  
 Q<sub>11</sub>—OC 71

Q<sub>12</sub>, Q<sub>13</sub>—AF 128  
 T<sub>1</sub>—455 kc r.f., Spica #8365-02 or equiv.  
 T<sub>2</sub>—455 r.f., Spica #9633-02 or equiv.  
 T<sub>3</sub>—455 kc r.f., Spica #8367-02 or equiv.  
 T<sub>4</sub>—Drive transformer, Audium 9450/6 or equiv.  
 T<sub>5</sub>—Output transformer, Audium 94570/6 or equiv.  
 Z<sub>1</sub>—Mechanical Filter, Collins F455, A21.

Band	L <sub>1</sub>	L <sub>2</sub>	L <sub>3</sub>	L <sub>4</sub>	L <sub>5</sub>	L <sub>6</sub>	L <sub>7</sub>	L <sub>8</sub>
75 M	3	42	3	42	3	42	3	36
60 M	2.5	36	2.5	36	2.5	36	2.5	30
40 M	2	28	2	28	2	28	2	24

Coil Data—All coils are wound on 1/4" diameter slug tuned ceramic forms. Windings L<sub>1</sub>, L<sub>3</sub>, and L<sub>7</sub> use #22 plastic wire close wound on the cold end of the coils. Windings L<sub>2</sub>, L<sub>4</sub>, L<sub>5</sub>, L<sub>6</sub> and L<sub>8</sub> use #26 enameled wire, close wound.



verter for extra coverage. The GP26 featured an HRO surplus dial with direct frequency calibration on the dial skirt.

### Modularization

At this point the a.f. and r.f. strips had been thoroughly tested and their performance found to be stable and very adequate. Rather than building these sections over and over the GP-27 was a modular or sectionized receiver and it proved to be very handy. The a.f. and i.f. strips with the mechanical filter were built into one cabinet and just the converters were constructed resulting in a great saving in time and money.

### Images

Since I live in an area that supports many high powered short wave broadcast stations, images proved to be a considerable problem at times. This situation was cured in the GP-27 by the construction of a solid state preselector seen in the August 1968 *CQ* magazine<sup>4</sup> but suitably modified for this receiver. The block diagram of this unit, the GP-27, is shown in fig. 3.

### The GP-29

The GP-28 was patterned after the block diagram of fig. 3 but contained a built-in power supply. The GP-29, the last one (gasp) followed soon after; it did not contain a power supply and so could be reduced in size. It measures 3½" × 6½" × 7½" and that is as small as possible with the available components. It is the GP-29 that is shown in the photographs and described further.

The GP-29 covers the 4,550-5,350 kc range which roughly corresponds to the 60 meter short wave broadcast band. Ham band coverage will be discussed later. The dial is a Veeder Root unit with digital readout coupled to the v.f.o. tuning shaft through surplus beveled gears. This was a standard feature of all the receivers from the GP-27 on as the dial accuracy proved less troublesome than anticipated. The tuning rate is 20 kc per knob revolution and the frequency readout is ±0.5 kc over the entire tuning range. The equivalent dial length is 20.8 feet per megacycle.

The dial backlash (*not tuning backlash*) is 250 cycles and is almost entirely due to the construction of the counter. There is no detectable *tuning* backlash due to the use of a

<sup>4</sup>Onesky, W. J., "A Wideband R.F. Preamplifier," *CQ*, August 1968, p. 70.

surplus spring loaded worm gear used on the v.f.o.

The sensitivity of the GP-29 is substantially better than the good old 75S-3C and is flat to less than 3 db over the entire band.

Because of the "series" production approach from the GP-23 on, I stuck with germanium transistors in order to stabilize parts values. Departures were made in two instances. One was an FET for the front end to improve selectivity and reduce crosstalk and the other a silicon unit for the v.f.o., a modified Colpitts oscillator for a high degree of stability. No v.f.o. buffer is used in this or the earlier models, as was used in the GP-23. (See the block diagram of fig. 1.) Since a single tuning control is used the oscillator "pulling" is constant over the entire range.

All r.f. and i.f. stages are Zener stabilized at 6.2 volts. No detectable variation in b.f.o. pitch can be recorded for a voltage variation of ±0.5 volts over the nominal 7.5 volts used for the supply. The GP-29 does not have a b.f.o. but many of the others had. The b.f.o. circuit, if it is to be used, is exactly the same as that of the v.f.o.

A.m. signals are readable without retuning within a 6 to 10 volt range of input voltage.

### Construction

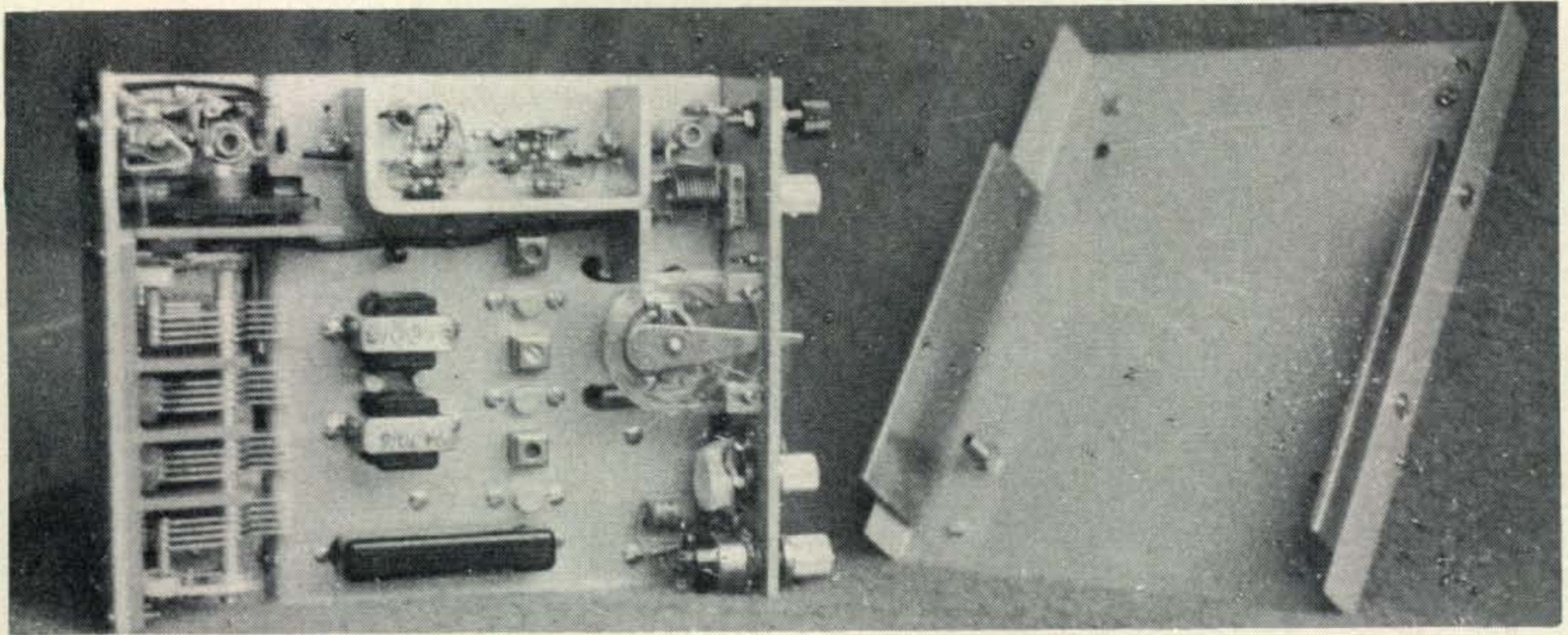
The chassis and all the shields were made from 1/8" aluminum sheet, bent on the 16 ton press previously mentioned. The cabinet is formed in two halves from 20 gauge steel. The component layout is shown in the various photos.

With the exception of the MPF-102, all the transistors used are manufactured locally by Phillips and aren't readily available in the U.S. A unit built by a friend used all GE silicon transistors of the epoxy line and was made operative without too much difficulty.

The i.f. transformers (455 kc) are Japanese imports. (Spica brand—see fig. 4) They seemed to be the most efficient compared to the others available.

The tuning capacitor requires particular attention. To my knowledge there are no 65 mmf four gang double spaced small variables on the amateur market that can take the beating of having one section filed down. The solution here has been to buy a 400 mmf 700 volt transmitting unit (similar to the Hammarlund MC series) and modify it.

The unit is screwed to a 1/4" brass box with machined slots to allow perfect adjustment of the two capacitor terminals. Some plates are removed and, after the capacitor



Top view of the transistorized monoband receiver chassis and bottom half of the cabinet. The r.f. strip is visible along the top edge of the chassis with the antenna input trimmer and coil in the first compartment. The third r.f. stage is at the extreme left above the 4 gang tuning capacitor. The a.f. and i.f. components can be seen in the center area of the chassis with the mechanical filter on the bottom.

is fastened to the base, the side rods are sawed off at the proper spacing to remove the central section of the stator. The removed section of the stator is used to prepare the two small (inner) stators to form the four gang capacitors. The front and rear stators are held in place by their original ceramic strips. The two inner stators are each fastened to a plexiglass base that is in turn fastened to the 1/4" brass base. While the original capacitor had 31 plates, the newly formed 4 gang unit has five plates per section for a capacity of 65 mmf per section. Three r.f. shields are formed from 1/8" brass plate and soft welded to the 1/4" base.

Only the v.f.o. section has to be filed to obtain proper tracking and dial calibration. This is performed prior to mounting the capacitor on the chassis leaving the finishing touches for the final dial calibration.

Particular care must be given to the entire capacitor construction to prevent backlash from creeping in.

### Alignment and Calibration

The alignment is routine and needs no special description here. The i.f.'s are set at 455 kc centered on the mechanical filter. The S meter is used as the indicator for resonance. The r.f. and mixer stages are tuned in the conventional manner except for the v.f.o. tuning capacitor. Before starting the final filing of the v.f.o. capacitor be sure all the coils are properly doped. File slowly and carefully as excessive filing will require replacement of the section or worse the entire variable.

### Ham Band Operation

The GP-28 was operated successfully in the 40 meter band prior to fixing it permanently in the 60 meter band. Only the proper coil substitution is necessary for operation on any of the lower frequency ham bands.

For operation above 7 mc the images are excessive and a higher i.f. is desirable. The use of a McCoy 9 mc filter and a 9 mc i.f. system would be essential. A unit made by PY2GP performed well up to 56 mc. Conversion noise is not a problem as the r.f. stage preceding the mixer determines the noise figure of the whole receiver and provides enough gain to permit the mixer to operate at a low amplification level.

### Conclusion

Over the years the average amateur has developed the belief that a homebuilt receiver can't match commercial gear. I believe that if you make the necessary concessions (single conversion—monoband) and take proper precautions (extensive shielding and decoupling) together with specialized construction (custom variables, pressed chassis and cabinets) professional results can be obtained. It is more a matter of will and time than money; the GP-29 required about 140 hours of actual work and cost about \$130 (US) for all brand new parts.

Thanks goes to Maiso, PY2GP for his technical and moral support and his resigned patience while I took over his workshop. ■

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# SOLID STATE CURRENT REGULATORS

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**M**ANY hams have, used a zener diode as a voltage regulator or have used one of the handy transistor voltage regulator circuits that use a zener as a reference. This is necessary where higher currents are to be handled. However, far fewer of us are aware that you can regulate the current applied to many circuits and produce just as good results as when regulating voltage.

By now, many of you have read about the new current limiting diodes. These are diodes which will pass only currents up to a certain value, and no more, regardless of the voltage applied to them. For example, such a diode, with say a 1 amp rating, in series with a lamp that draws 1 amp at 6 volts, would operate the lamp at correct voltage no matter what supply voltage you connected the circuit to. This lamp would, therefore, operate on a 6, 12, or 24 volt battery with the same brilliance, and this is a pretty handy device. Many loads such as oscillators, amplifiers (class A), buffer amplifiers, drivers, *etc.*, operate with essentially unvarying current demands. In all such circuits, one may regulate current as well as voltage and get essentially the same performance.

In many solid state circuits, where the saving of money is not a prime object, the current regulating diodes are used to control current. However, these diodes still cost con-

siderable money as they are relatively new. The amateur can accomplish about the same result, however, with inexpensive diodes and transistors. Using a very simple circuit, one can regulate the current to v.f.o.s and other circuits so easily as to make inclusion of a regulator practical in even the most simplified hardware.

## How It Is Done

The circuit is very simple, as shown in figs. 1 and 2. To understand how the circuit works, recall that a transistor can only turn on if the base voltage rises about 3/10 of a volt higher than the emitter voltage. The polarity of this voltage is always the same as the polarity of the collector for whatever type of transistor you are using. If the collector is negative (a PNP type) the transistor is totally turned off until the base reaches 0.3 volts more negative than the emitter. Then, the transistor can turn full on with just a tiny fraction of a volt more bias.

Referring to fig. 1, the resistor  $R_2$  and the diode cause a minus 0.75 volt drop between the positive input line and the base. This bias will turn the transistor full on. The transistor will stay full on until a load is attached. The current will then increase to a value which causes about a 0.5 volt drop across  $R_1$ . At this point, the transistor will partially turn off, and will give pass no more current than the load value, whether you short the output or whatever you do. You can get any value of current up to this critical limit, but no more, and neither increasing the input voltage nor lowering the load resistance will cause any more current to flow.

Resistor  $R_1$  sets the value of the limit current, and the value can be approximately calculated by figuring the resistance that will cause 0.5 volt drop when the limit current is flowing through it.

$$R_1 = \frac{0.5}{I_{\text{Limit}}}$$

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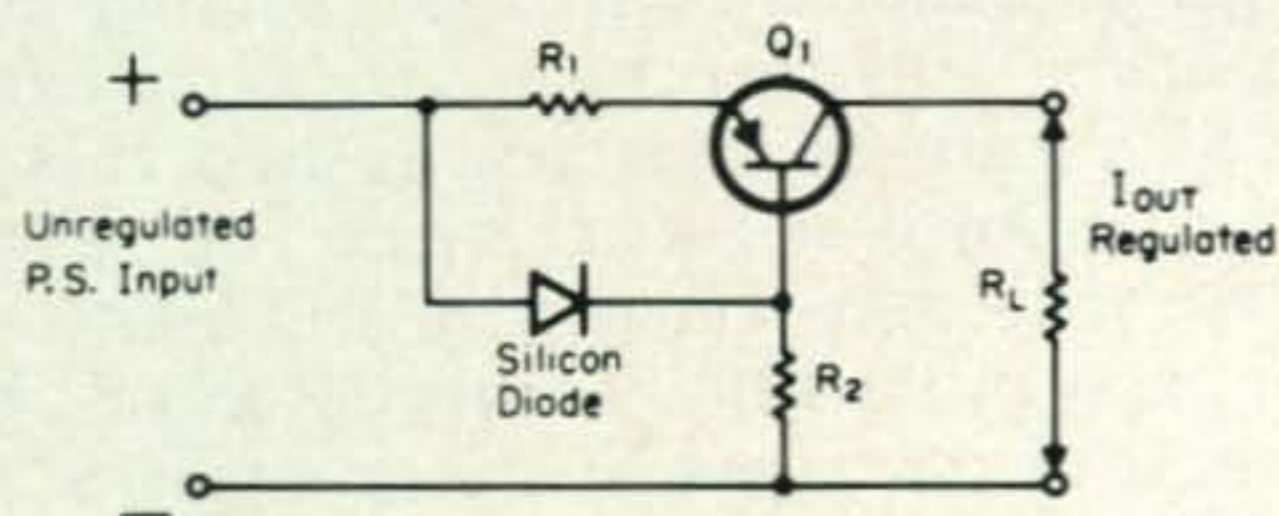


Fig. 1—Positive lead current regulator circuit uses an inexpensive diode and transistor. The formulas for calculating  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  are given in the text. Transistor  $Q_1$  may be any germanium PNP transistor that can handle the current and voltage drop across it.

Resistor  $R_2$  can be most any value, but a good value may be calculated from:

$$R_2 = \frac{E_{IN} \text{ Pur. Supply}}{2 \frac{I_{Limit}}{\beta}}$$

These circuits are designed to conserve input power, and only the smallest amount of current is run through the reference diode. As a result, the regulation will be a compromise between best possible current regulation, and minimum wasted power. This feature is very important in battery equipment, but is less important in vehicular or home equipment. If saving a small amount of power is not a big factor in your application, decrease the resistance of  $R_2$ , until the current flowing through the diode is about a quarter of the diode's rated value. This much current runs the voltage of the diode up into the saturation region, and the diode acts as a much better reference source for the regulating transistor. Most of the change in output current with varying input voltage is due to small voltage changes across the diode. These changes are greater (and thus the regulation poorer) if the diode is starved for current, than they will be if a hefty current is flowing through the diode. Usually the diode (silicon) will have about 0.9 volt across it when the good regulating portion of the VI curve is reached.

Note also, that fig. 1 and 2 are for germanium transistors, and that the diode is silicon. Practically any diode will do in this circuit, since it is always forward biased. This means the reverse breakdown voltage rating is not important, and the very inexpensive low voltage diodes can be used.

The current of fig. 1 is for a positive line regulator and fig. 2 is for a negative line unit. Notice the diode is reversed in fig. 2, but  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  and calculated just as in fig. 1. If you want to use silicon regulating transistors, use fig. 3. Note that two silicon diodes are needed for these configurations. The formula for  $R_1$  in these circuits is:

$$R_1 = \frac{0.75}{I_{Limit}}$$

### General Notes

In all of these circuits, make sure that the voltage drop from emitter to collector, multiplied by the limit current does not amount to more wattage than your transistor can dissipate. If the voltage or the input supply is

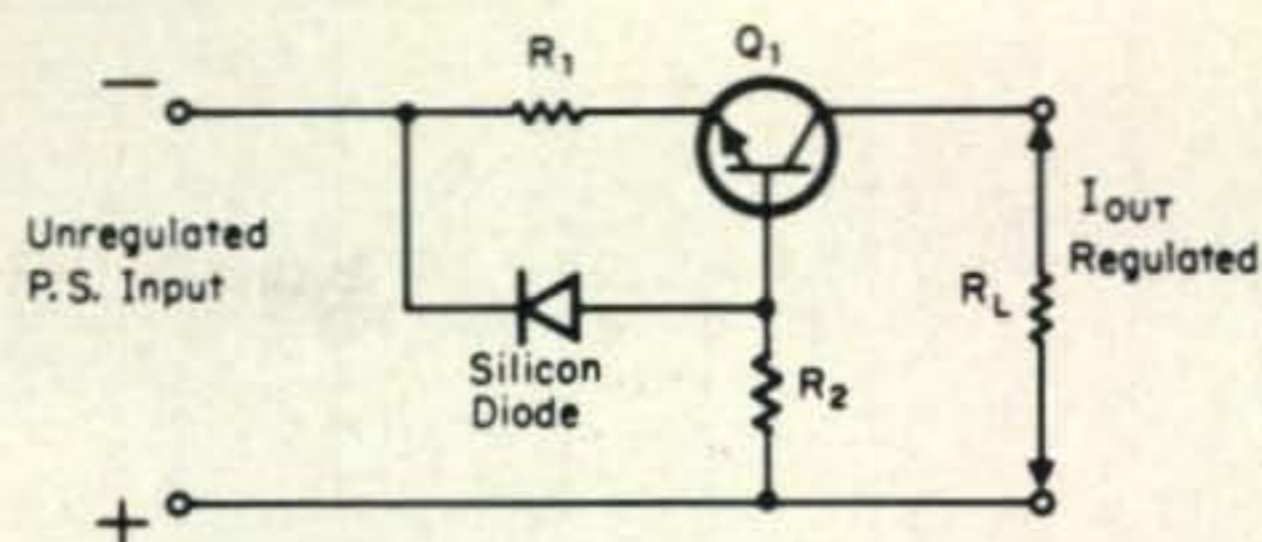


Fig. 2—Negative lead current regulator circuit is essentially the same as that of fig. 1 but requires an NPN type germanium transistor for  $Q_1$ . Note, also, the polarity reversal of the silicon diode.

pretty high compared to the voltage across the load, put a series resistor in the hot lead to drop some of the voltage. Using this method the transistor will only have to drop a part of the total voltage.

The largest resistance permissible in series with the regulator, is a value which will let enough voltage reach the unit for it to function. This is about 1 volt more than the load requires. The maximum series resistance is therefore just:

$$R_{Series} = \frac{V_{min} - (1 + V_{load})}{I_{Reg}}$$

where  $V_{min}$  is the least input voltage ever to be applied, and  $I_{reg}$  is the limit value setting for the regulator.

### Typical Performance

Figure 4 shows a typical regulator feeding a 1K load, with an input supply that varies

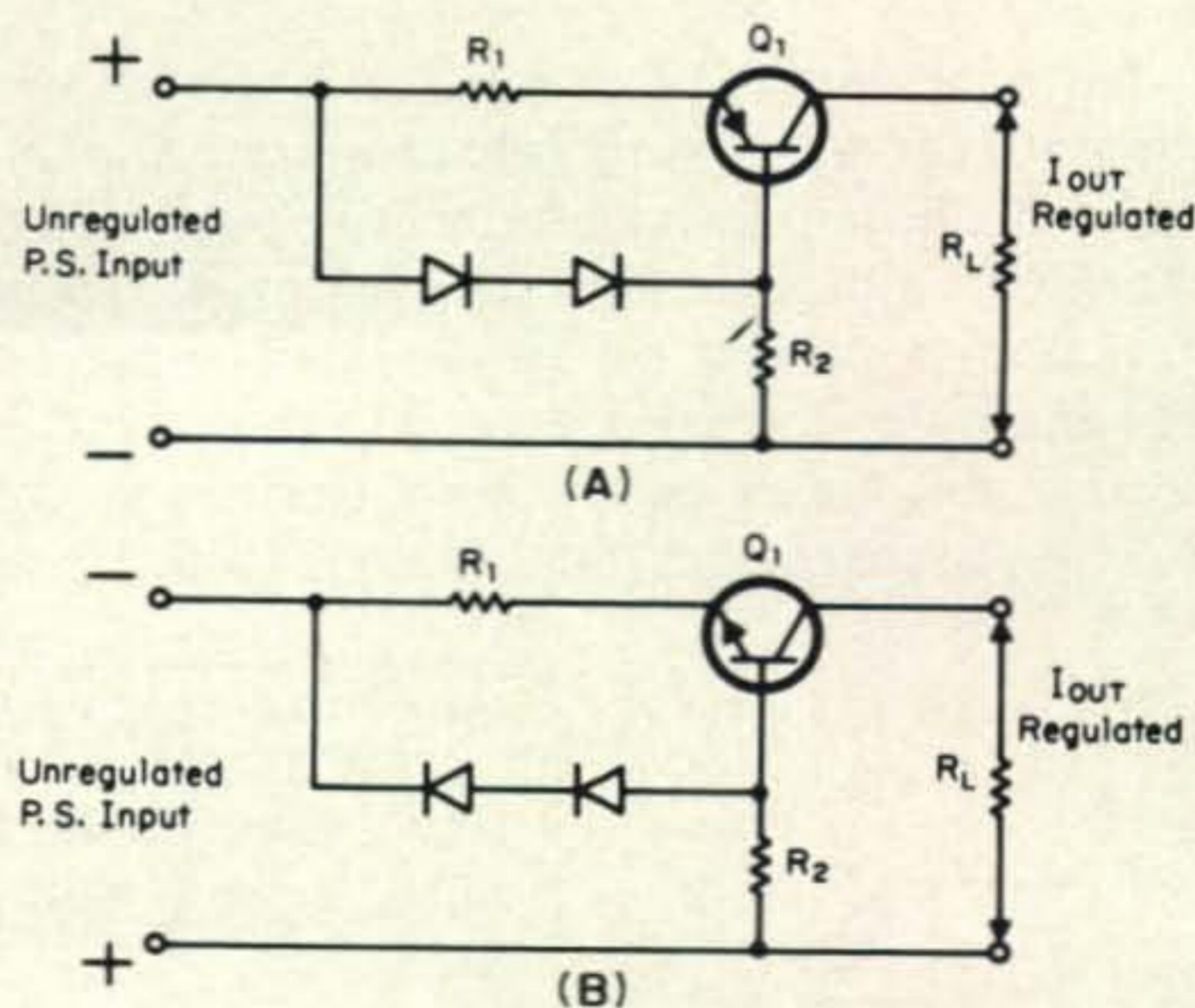
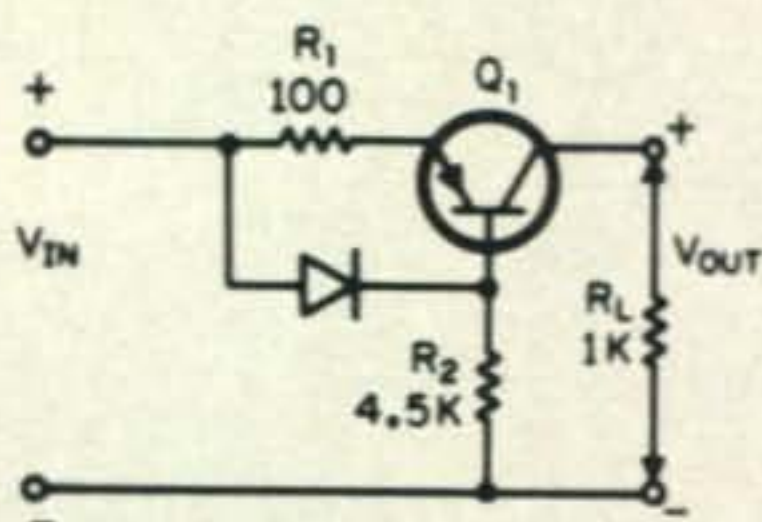


Fig. 3—Current regulator circuits using PNP and NPN silicon transistors require two silicon diodes in series to provide the proper bias. Resistor  $R_2$  is calculated using the same formula as used in fig. 1. The modified formula for  $R_1$  is given in the text.



$V_{IN}$	$V_{OUT}$	$I_{OUT}$ (ma)
6.0	5.2	5.2
8.0	5.4	5.4
10.0	5.6	5.6
14.0	6.0	6.0
20.0	6.5	6.5
25.0	6.8	6.8

Fig. 4—Typical regulator circuit and its performance for a varying input. Transistor  $Q_1$  has a beta of about 50.

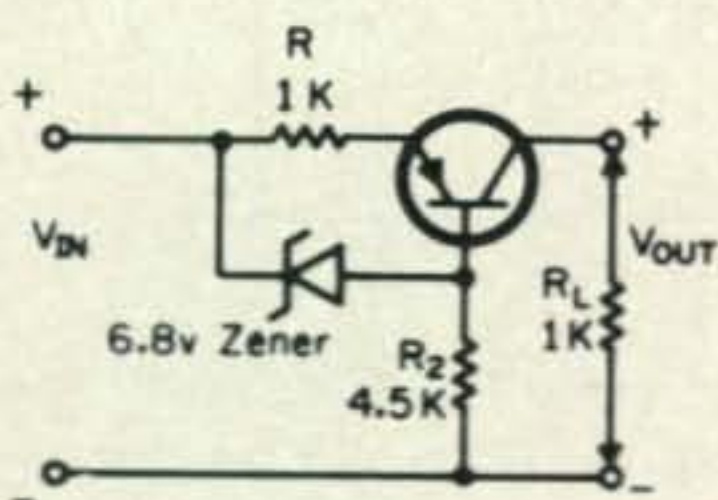
from 6 to 25 volts. Notice that the voltage across the load remains fairly constant regardless of the input value.

If you require better regulation than this, decrease  $R_2$  considerably, or substitute a zener diode for the regular diode in any of these circuits. The more voltage created across the zener, the more precisely will a given transistor regulate current as shown in fig. 5. With a zener, however,  $R_1$  must be increased to cause a voltage drop at the limit current of about 0.5 volts more than whatever zener voltage you have. Use a variable  $R_1$  to quickly find the exact value needed for a particular current and you can save much fretting and calculating. Once the proper value is found, substitute a fixed resistor of proper wattage, or use a power pot to give you an adjustable supply.

Instead of wasting money on a zener, you can use the base and emitter leads of most any transistor to act as an excellent zener of about 5 to 8 volts.

### Other Uses

An excellent application for these simple current regulators is to substitute one for the series dropping resistor normally used when charging nickle cadmium batteries from vehicular supplies, or unregulated supplies. For example, in a solid state v.h.f. unit I have, the 7.5 volt nickle cadmium batteries require a 20 ma recharge current. A circuit similar to



$V_{IN}$	$V_{OUT}$	$I_{OUT}$ (ma)
14.0	6.8	6.8
20.0	6.85	6.85
30.0	6.9	6.9
40.0	7.0	7.0
50.0	7.1	7.1

Fig. 5—Improved regulator circuit uses a Zener diode for the reference element. This transistor also has a beta of about 50.

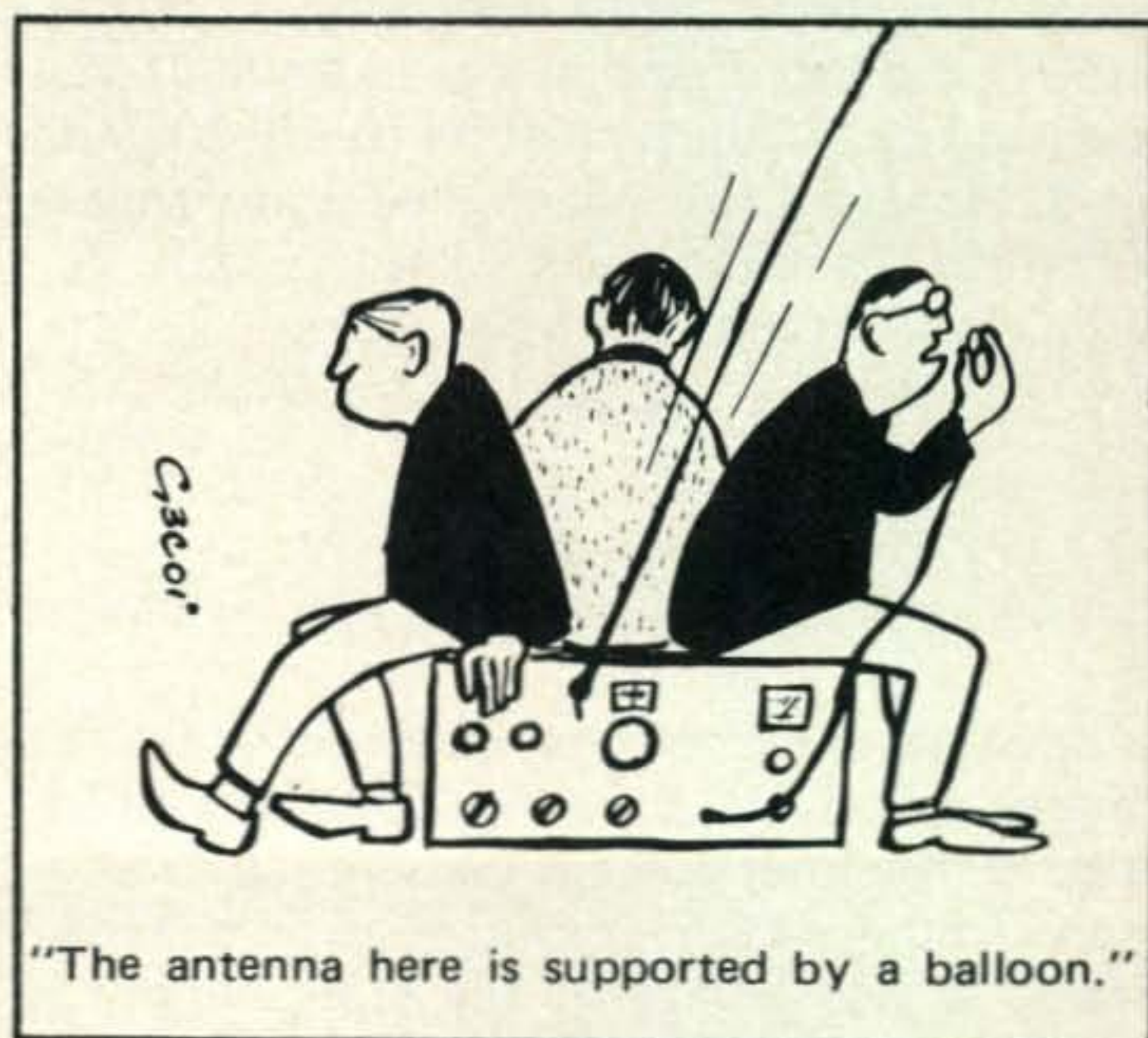
that of fig. 1, using a small transistor, permits me to charge the receiver from any source greater than about 9 volts, without worry about ruining the batteries. The current stays within about 10% of 20 ma whether plugged into a car at 11 to 15 volts, or an aircraft at 24 to 35 volts.

Another use that can save you money and trouble is to use a current limiter in series with your power supply. Set the limit current just a little above the peak current your circuit normally should draw, and if you have a short or some other malfunction you won't blow all your transistors. When used this way, adjust  $R_1$  for the short circuit current you want.

### Summary

This discussion has described a very simple and inexpensive circuit for regulating current in power supplies. This circuit has found much use here, and has saved many transistors in experimental circuits. The use of very inexpensive surplus components permits hams to achieve good regulation which is more than adequate for many practical everyday uses. The unique feature of the circuits presented is that they do not need a zener diode, and are therefore much less expensive than others seen before. They are also capable of very low voltage drop of about 1 volt or less, so they will regulate until the input voltage is just slightly greater than the output voltage.

The concept of current regulation has been largely ignored in the past because the only inexpensive regulators available operated on voltage. Current regulation can be just as effective as voltage regulation in many circuits, however, and is easily obtained. ■





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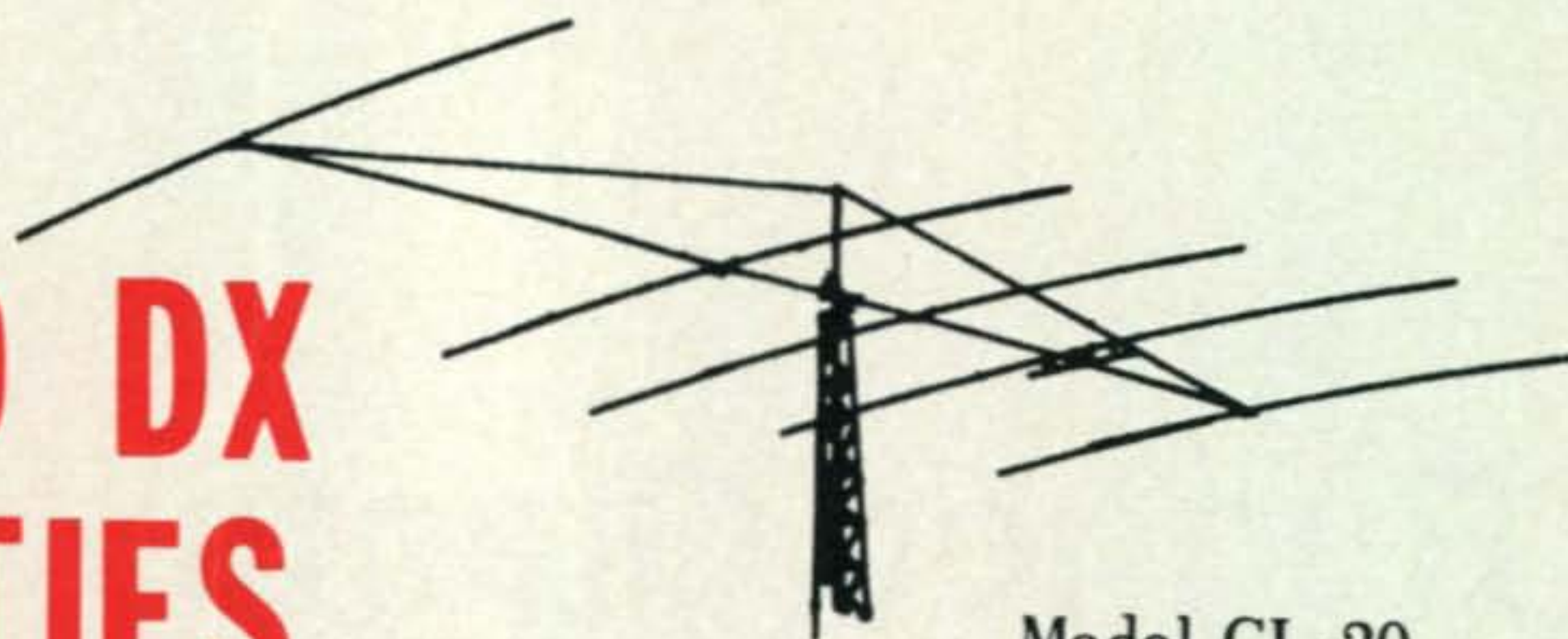


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# A SOMETHING FOR NOTHING C.W. FILTER

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*A good audio filter can easily make the difference between copy and no-copy in c.w. QRM. This one can be constructed from readily-available components at a cost approaching zero.*

**V**ERY few communications receivers fully exploit the 100 c.p.s. bandwidth potentiality of c.w. In fact most have a minimum bandwidth 5 to 30 or more times as wide as needed. Although a c.w. bandwidth can be achieved at intermediate frequencies, it is much easier in the audio frequency range, and a great number of audio filter designs for c.w. reception have appeared in past amateur publications, both of the R-C and L-C types.

The R-C filters suffer two shortcomings: they are not passive, *i.e.*, they require tubes or transistors; and they provide a very poor skirt-steepness ratio.

The L-C filter described here uses only two tuned circuits, but even so it gives a skirt-steepness ratio far better than any of the R-C (as well as some of the L-C) types. Its other claim to fame is that it can be built at a cost of practically nothing—assuming the builder has access to junked radio and/or TV sets.

## Coils

The heart of this filter are two inductances

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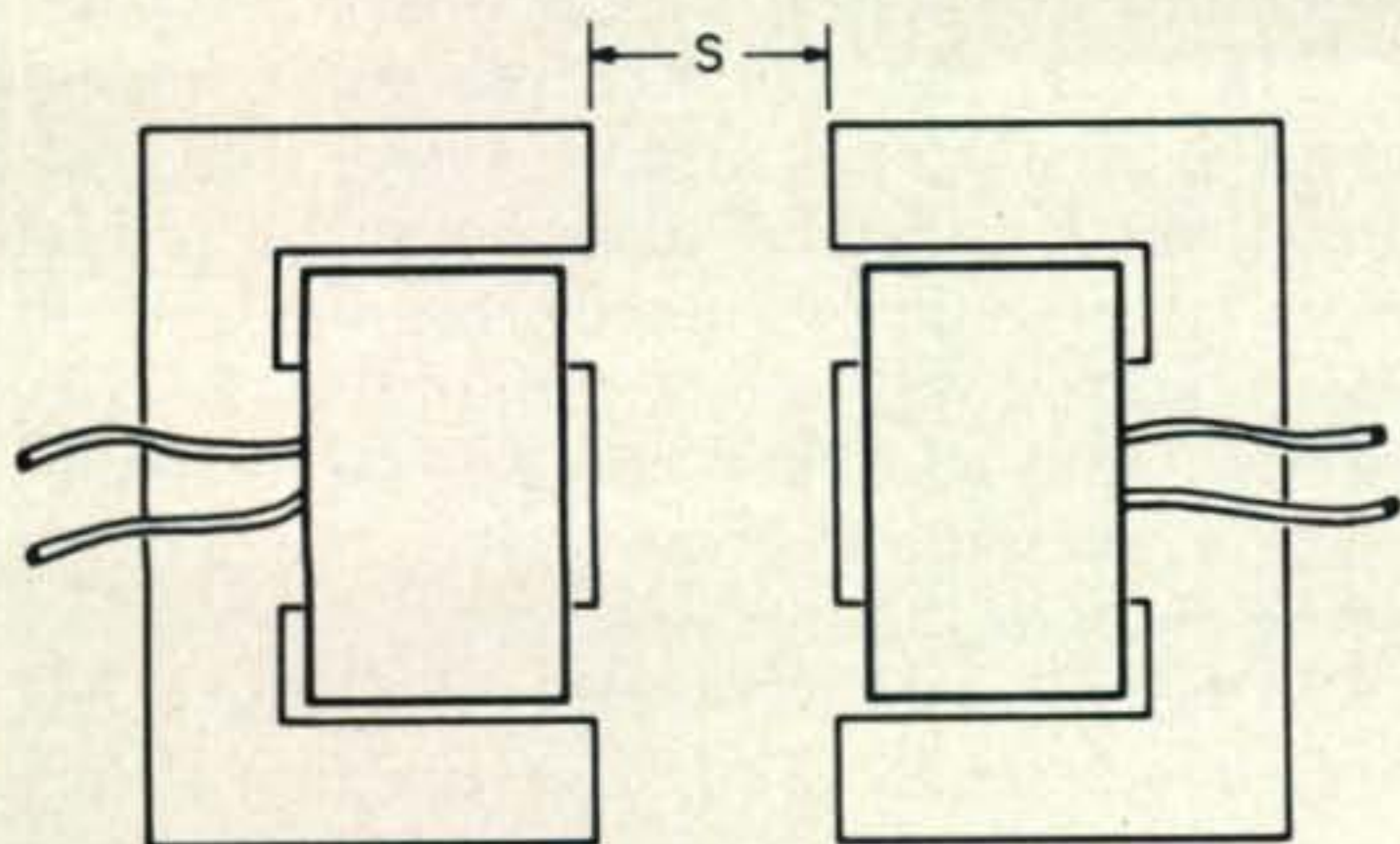
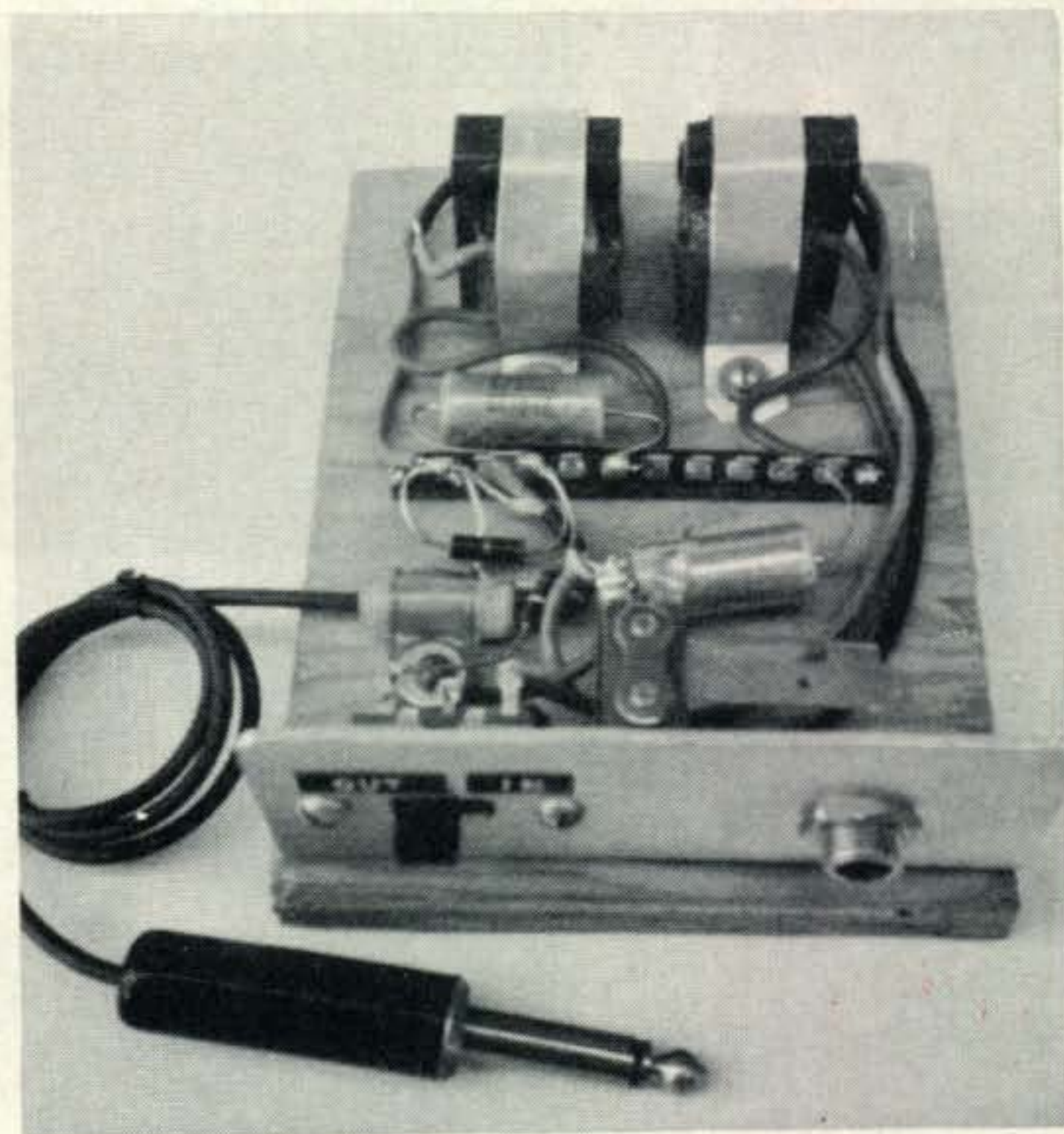


Fig. 1—A double-tuned transformer with adjustable coupling can be made from ordinary audio output transformers by removing the "I" laminations and mounting them as shown. The spacing,  $S$ , determines the coefficient of coupling.

made from plate-to-voice coil output transformers of the type found in every old tube-type radio, TV set, phono amplifier, *etc.* TV set vertical output transformers are another possibility. The turns-ratio and inductance values are not particularly important, but a pair should be found that are approximately the same physical size.

Most of the L-C c.w. filters described in the past would lead you to believe that high  $Q$  inductors are needed to make a good filter. This is not really true. The inductors used in this filter had an unloaded  $Q$  of less than 6 at 1 kc, but the filter gives excellent results. Actually, a very high  $Q$  would be disadvantage since it would cause ringing and critical



All components for the outboard c.w. filter are mounted on a 4 X 5 inch piece of 1/2 inch plywood. The two inductors, at the rear, are held in place with straps cut from light-gauge sheet aluminum.

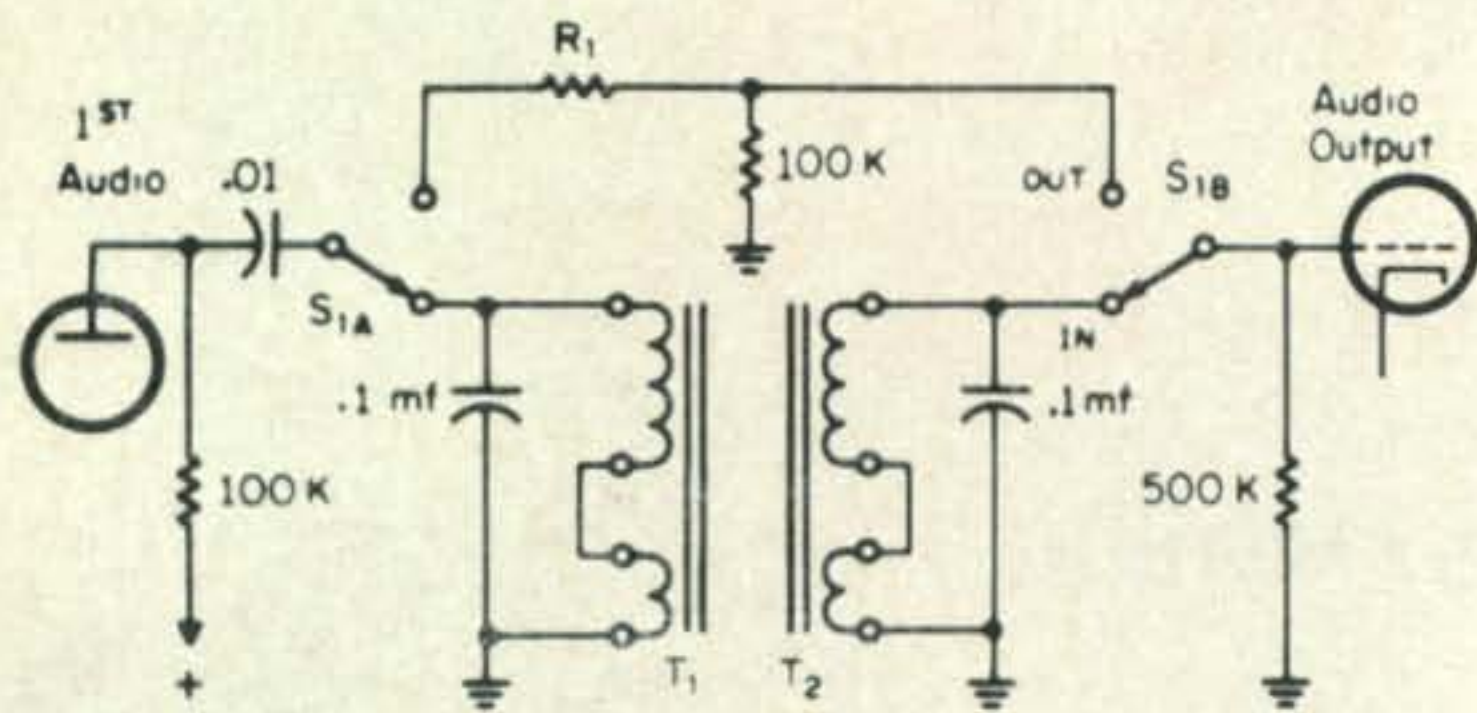


Fig. 2—Circuit of the c.w. filter as used between 1st and 2nd audio stages of a typical communications receiver. Transformers  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  are audio output types 10K plate to 3 ohm voice coil), modified as explained in the text. Switch  $S_{1A}$  and  $S_{1B}$  can be a d.p.d.t. toggle switch.

tuning. The skirt-steepness ratio, which is more important to performance than bandwidth, depends on the number of tuned circuits and is independent of  $Q$ .

When you have located your audio output transformers, remove them from their mounting frames, and you will see that the core is made from E-shaped laminations. Across the poles of these E laminations are rectangular-shaped "I" laminations which should be removed and discarded. The two outermost E laminations have longer "fingers" than the others. These two should be removed and the fingers snipped off to the same length as the others, and replaced. If they cannot be forced back inside the transformer winding they can be left off permanently.

The transformers used here had E laminations of about 1 inch by 1.4 inches, and a primary inductance of 1.7h. unmodified. The d.c. resistance was 275 ohms and the  $Q$  was 2.6 at 1 kc. Removal of the "I" laminations raised the  $Q$  to 5.6 and dropped the inductance to 0.41h. This value of inductance conveniently resonates with a 0.1 mf capacitor

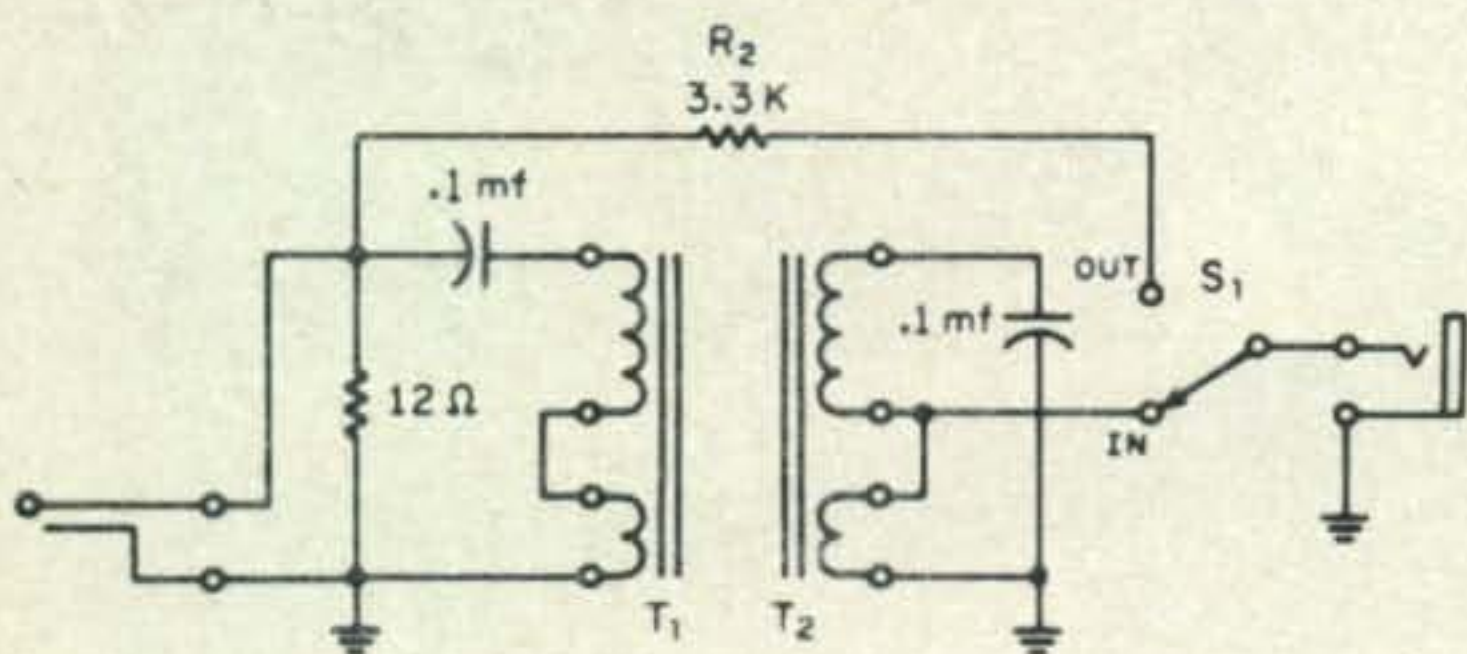


Fig. 3—This version of the audio filter can be built external to the receiver and plugged into the speaker jack. It should be used with headphones of 200 ohms or more impedance. Transformers  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  are as in fig. 1.

to about 780 c.p.s.—a very comfortable frequency for c.w. reception.

As shown in fig. 1 the two coils are arranged into a double-tuned transformer to do the audio filtering. This is an exact audio equivalent of a double-tuned i.f. transformer of the type used to separate stations in your communications receiver. But since the filtering is done at audio frequencies the bandwidth is much, much less. A typical 455 kc i.f. transformer will have a  $Q$  of about 50, some 10 times what we have with our modified audio output transformers. On the other hand, 455 kc is roughly 500 times as high in frequency as 780 cycles. Dividing 500 by 10 gives 50, and so we would expect our audio filter to have about one fiftieth the bandwidth of a typical i.f. transformer, which is just about what it measures.

Figure 2 shows the filter circuit between the 1st and 2nd audio stages of a receiver. The only requirement is that the filter must be fed and terminated with a fairly high impedance, greater than 50K, to maintain the coil  $Q$ 's. This impedance level exists between the 1st and 2nd audio stages in a typical tube-type communications receiver. There will be some reduction in audio gain due to insertion loss of the filter but since most receivers have a surplus of gain this loss will not be a problem. Resistor  $R_1$  can be adjusted so that the gain remains the same with the filter in or out.

### Outboard Version

If you don't want to dig into your receiver, and don't mind using headphones, you can make the outboard form of the filter shown in fig. 3 and the photograph. This filter was designed to plug into the receiver speaker jack and should be used with high-impedance (200 ohms or greater) headphones.

In this case the signal is inserted in series with the first tuned circuit rather than in shunt. Since a typical communications receiver audio output impedance is about 3 ohms, and the resistance of the primary coil is a few hundred ohms, you can see that the coil  $Q$  is not going to be adversely affected by adding another 3 ohms in series.

The headphones are tapped way down on the second tuned-circuit by placing them across the voice coil winding. This insures that the secondary  $Q$  will not be lowered significantly by the headphone loading. Because of the impedance mismatch the insertion loss will be rather high, on the order of 20 db. Since any receiver that will drive a

loudspeaker will have a great surplus of gain for headphones, this mismatch loss will be of no consequence.

### Construction and Adjustment

When connecting the primary and secondary windings in series be sure to properly phase the voice coil winding so that it is connected in series-aiding rather than series-opposing with respect to the primary.

Since the filter works at audio frequencies parts placement is unimportant and any convenient mounting arrangement is OK. The two transformers are oriented with their poles facing one another as shown in fig. 1. The spacing between pole faces,  $S$ , should be carefully adjusted for correct coupling.

Start out with 1 inch or more between pole faces and tune your audio oscillator for maximum signal through the filter. If you don't have an audio oscillator you can use the variable beat-note from your receiver. For an output indicator preferably use an a.c. v.t.v.m. connected across the entire second tuned circuit. An ordinary multimeter on a.c. volts will probably lower the tuned circuit  $Q$  too much to be usable. If you don't have an a.c. v.t.v.m. you can use your hi-fi amplifier with its high impedance input connected across the filter and its output connected to a multimeter. (Now I suppose someone wants to know what to do if they don't have a multimeter.)

If the filter's peak frequency is not where you want it the values of the two resonating capacitors will have to be changed, of course. Also, you will probably find that the two tuned circuits do not resonate at exactly the same frequency. Even if your inductances are identical the resonances may differ because of capacitor tolerances; a deviation of 20% from the marked value of fixed capacitor is not uncommon. The resonant frequencies can be checked by carefully tuning your audio generator to the exact peak of response as indicated on the output meter. Then, while watching the meter, first shunt one, then the other coil with a 0.005 mf or 0.01 mf capacitor. The meter reading should go down about the same amount in both cases. If it goes up, it means that particular tuned circuit needs more capacity.

When the two tuned circuits are properly resonated to the same frequency the correct value of spacing can be determined. Set the generator to the exact peak of response with very loose coupling between inductors

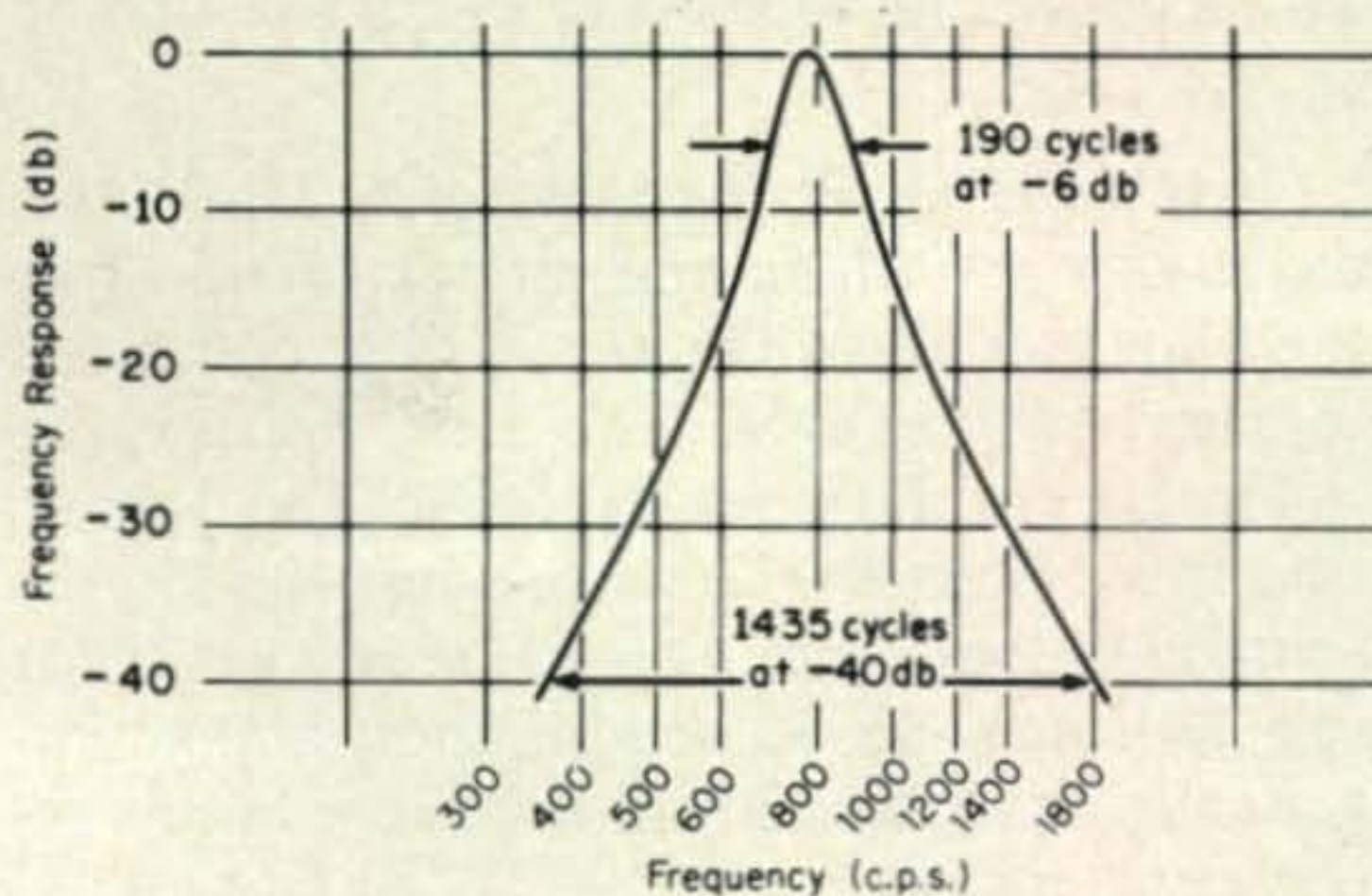


Fig. 4—Measured frequency response of the two-pole filter shown in fig. 3.

(spacing of 1 inch, or more). Now watch the output meter as you decrease the spacing. It will first rise to a maximum, and then fall as coupling is increased. The peak in output is where *critical coupling*<sup>1</sup> occurs. The spacing should not be less than that which gives critical coupling. If the coupling is too tight you will end up with the classical double-humped response curve of over-coupled tuned circuits.

A reduction in coupling below critical will reduce the bandwidth somewhat at the expense of increased insertion loss. There is no point in reducing the coupling below 3 or 4 db down from critical as the further improvement in selectivity will be negligible. I set my coupling at a point 2 db below critical, as a good compromise between gain and bandwidth.

Once the correct spacing is determined the inductances should be clamped or otherwise secured in place so that the spacing will be permanently maintained. If you now plot response versus frequency you should end up

<sup>1</sup>Also sometimes called *transitional coupling*.

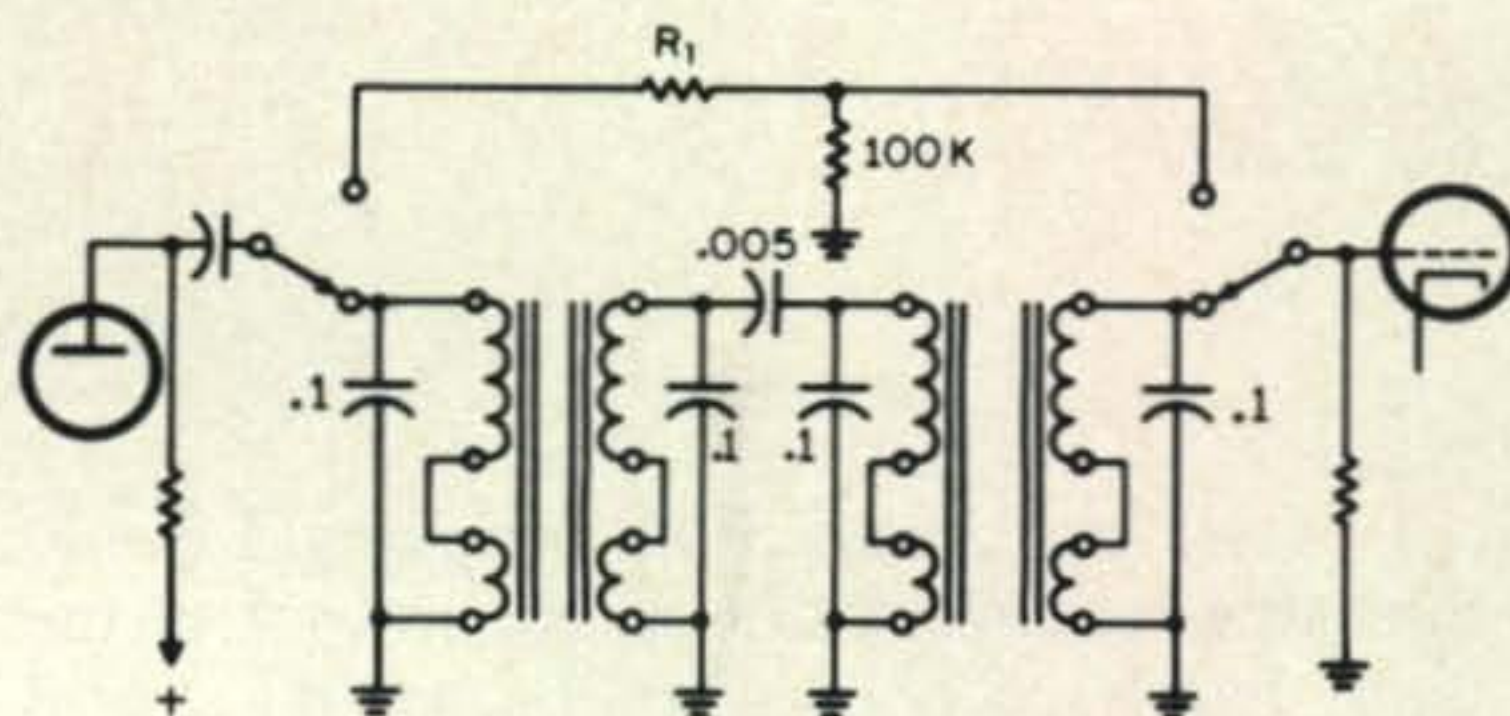


Fig. 5—A more elaborate c.w. filter can be built with two double-tuned transformers, capacitively-coupled as shown. Resistor  $R_1$  should be chosen for equal signal level with the filter switched in or out.

with a curve that looks very much like that of fig. 4.

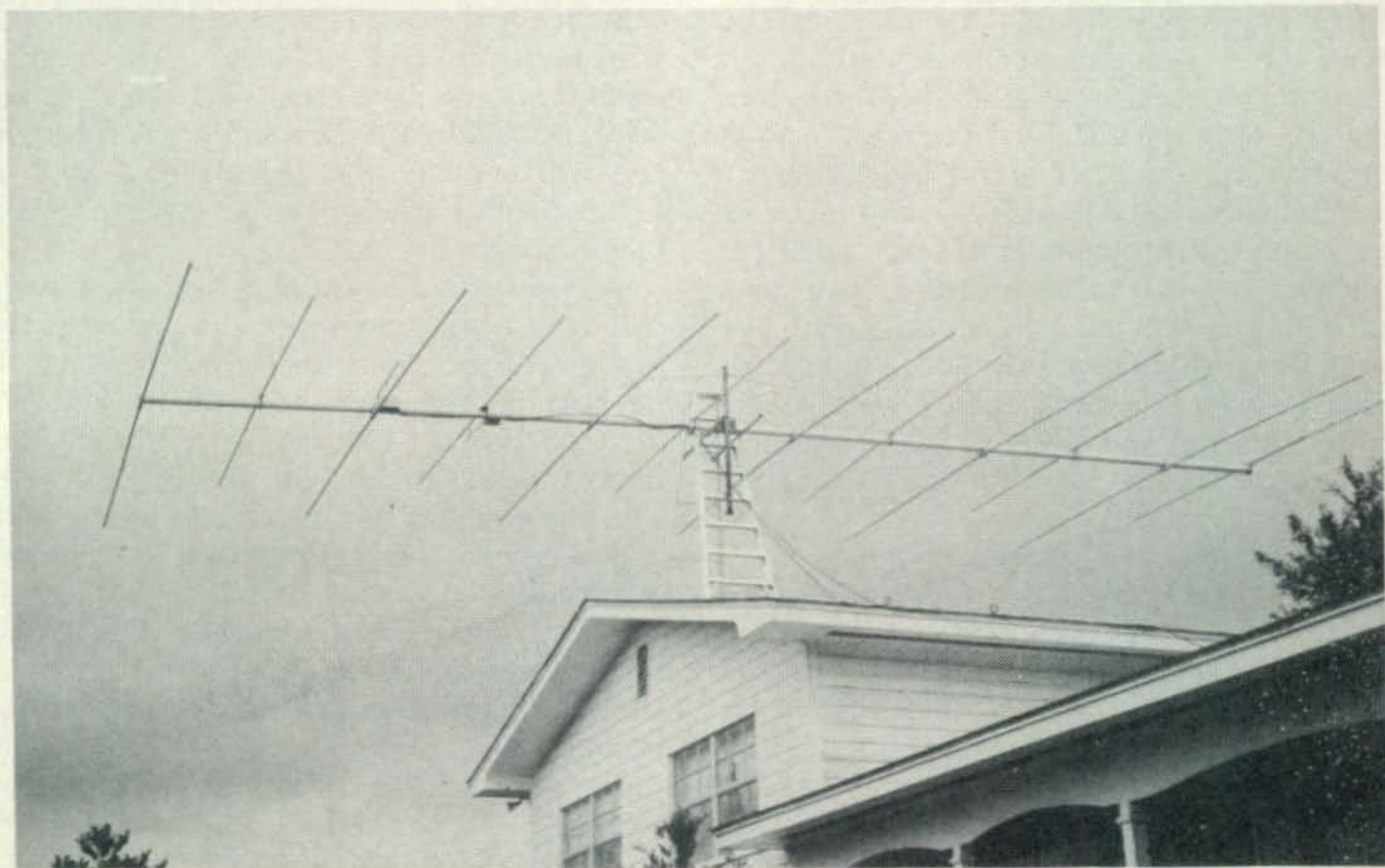
That's about all there is to it. I included an IN-OUT switch in the circuit of fig. 3 so the filter can be switched out when you want to listen to the QRM. The 3.3K resistor,  $R_2$ , makes up for the insertion loss of the filter so that there is no level change when the filter is switched in and out. This value is correct for my 200 ohm HS-30 headphones; higher impedance headphones will require a larger resistor, of course.

The 12 ohm resistor on the input is to properly load the audio output stage of the receiver; Some output stages do not like working into a high impedance.

### Cascading

If you really groove on c.w. operation you will probably want to cascade two or more of these filters for improved performance. The response curve for two double-tuned transformers in cascade will be very much like fig. 4 with all the db values doubled. That is, 10 db down will be 20 db, *etc.* A suggested method of cascading by "top coupling" is shown in fig. 5. The value of the coupling capacitor may have to be adjusted slightly for best results.

Alternatively, you can cascade your double-tuned transformers using a tube or transistor between transformers. Just remember to keep impedances above 50K ohms to avoid excessive loading. ■



## A 10 & 15 METER INTERLACED BEAM

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**W**HAT a dilemma. For contesting, I would like six elements, wide-spaced, on each of the high bands, 10, 15 and 20 meters and at least two elements on 40 meters, plus what dipoles, low frequency arrays and other assorted garbage I can hang on my tower.

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Unfortunately, I do not like to be distracted by the thunder of falling steel and aluminum resulting from stacking too many, too heavy antennas on too long a mast sticking out of too high a tower, in too high winds. I either had to lower the antenna height or reduce the number of elements, and reduce the resultant gain. Neither of these alternatives

appealed to me, so I set out to conjure up something that would give competitive gain and yet, keep the wind and torque loads down.

Now, I consider Ol' Thunder, my six element 20 meter beam, inviolate and untouchable. No tinkering allowed there. But I wondered if I could fudge a little and decrease the stacking space between the 10 meter and 15 meter beams to a minimum, maybe even to zero. The results of this cerebral meandering is two beams built on the same boom. *Voila!* A six element wide-spaced 10 meter Yagi, and a six element wide-spaced 15 meter Yagi, interlaced.

Results? A measured forward gain approaching the theoretical maximum for single-band, six elements, typical six element radiation patterns, wind area about equal to a four element 20 meter beam and a total weight under 75 pounds. Oh yes, and one of the funniest looking antennas to threaten a neighbors peace of mind. Interested? Okay, here's how.

### Design Description

Total boom length is 36 feet, but actual boom length for each antenna is 33 feet. Spacing of all elements for each beam is 6 feet, 6 inches, or approximately  $0.2 \lambda$  on 10 meters and  $0.15 \lambda$  on 15 meters. The elements are arranged, as shown in fig. 1, so that the 15 meter reflector is mounted at the rear of the boom, the 10 meter reflector is 3 feet 3 inches ahead of it and so on, down the boom for the rest of the elements, ending with the 10 meter 4th director at the front end. To reduce interaction between the matching sections, a problem I had encountered in an earlier design, I mounted the 10 meter gamma rod and capacitor on the lower left, and the 15 meter gamma rod and capacitor on the upper right side. Both antennas are matched to 50 ohm coax using the conventional gamma match.

### Construction

I used a light weight boom and small elements to reduce weight and wind area, within reasonable limits. The boom is 3 inch O.D., 6061ST aluminum tubing of 0.062 wall thickness, thinner than I would use again. With this many elements on a 36 foot long boom, the flexibility is a little spooky. I would recommend 0.084 wall thickness for this application.

The elements are 1 inch O.D. in the center

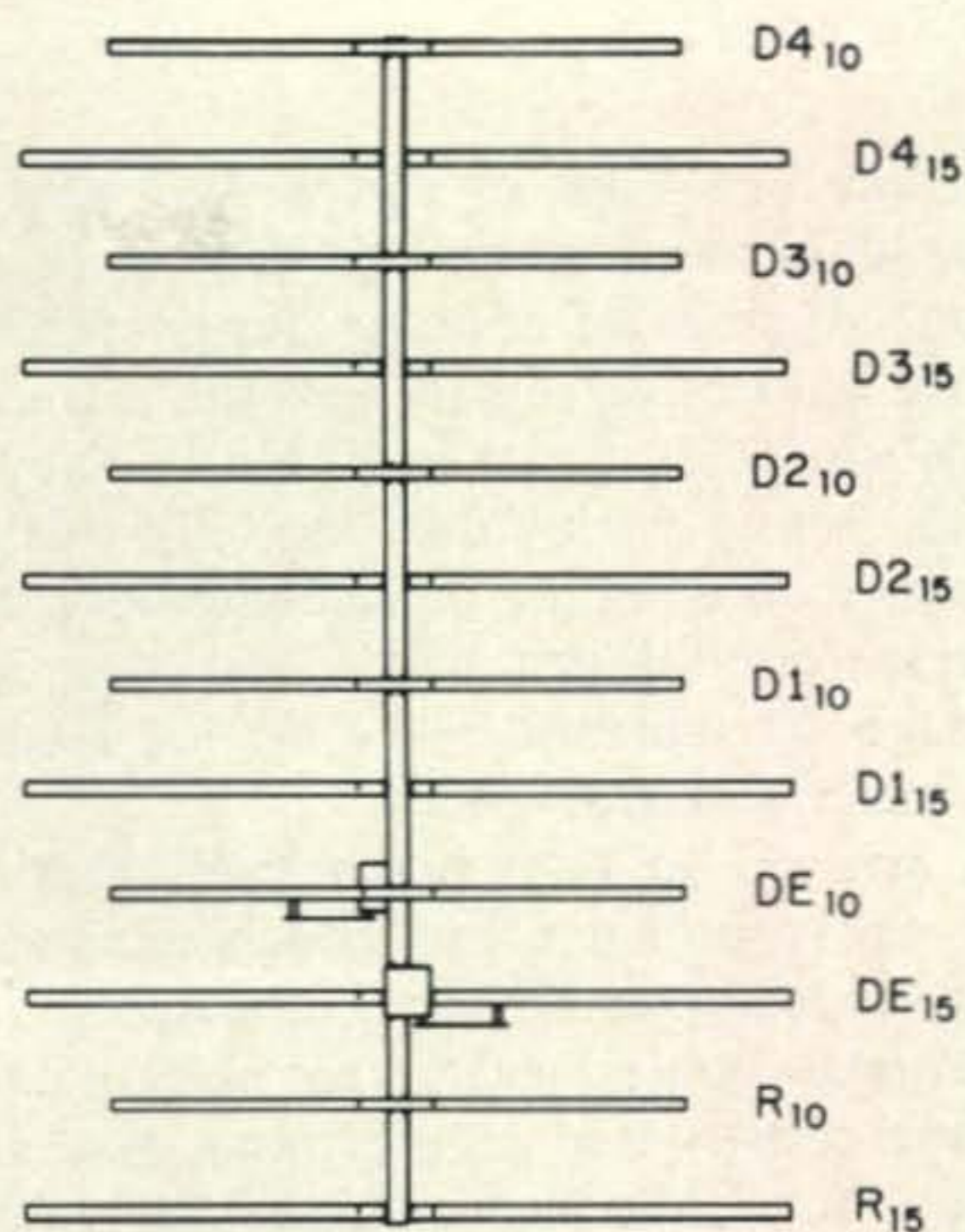


Fig. 1—Element arrangement for the 10 and 15 meter beam. The 10 meter elements are mounted on top of the boom, the 15 meter elements on the bottom. The gamma matches are staggered, one left and one right, for minimum interaction.

section, sleeving down to 7/8 inch tips with wall thickness of 0.034. The 10 meter elements are mounted on top of the boom and the 15 meter elements are mounted on the underside, using commercial clamps by Kirk Electronics. The boom is reinforced at the center with a short section of 3 inch I.D., 1/4 inch wall pipe. This adds stiffness at the point of maximum bending, and provides a rigid area on which to clamp the boom-to-mast mounting plate. This is a 14 inch square steel plate, 1/4 inch thick, drilled for 2 inch U-bolts for the mast and 3 1/2 inch U-bolts for the boom. As fast as I like to turn my antennas in a contest, (often better than 2 1/2 r.p.m., 55 volts on a modified drop-pitch motor!) I figured this was no place to spare the strength. The boom is guyed with a single diagonal backstay to pull out vertical sag.

Element	15 m	10 m
Refl.	23' 8"	17' 9 1/2"
Dr. Elem.	22' 3"	16' 8"
Dir. # 1	21' 2"	15' 10"
Dir. # 2	21'	15' 8 1/2"
Dir. # 3	20' 8 1/2"	15' 6 1/4"
Dir. # 4	20' 6 1/4"	15' 4 1/2"
Gamma Rod	19"	16"

Table 1—Element sizes for the interlaced beam. The gamma rod spacing is 6" for both bands.

## Tuning and Testing

There are a lot of old wives' tales about interaction and stacking, just as there are about all areas of antenna design. This beast either ignores or refutes several. All element dimensions are given in Table I. They agree quite closely with those used by this writer in many other single band beam designs. The interlocking did not affect resonant lengths enough to warrant retuning, as is demonstrated by the tests below.

I wanted to convince myself that I was not compromising too much performance with this approach, so I constructed good reference dipoles on 28.6 mc and on 21.3 mc. I first constructed single band, six element beams for both bands, using the same elements and boom length. Reasonably careful gain measurements were made with the help of a local amateur across town. Both beams demonstrated about 12 db forward gain over the reference dipoles. Please note, I said "about." The reference dipoles were probably not perfect and I do not believe in Santa Claus when it comes to antenna gain figures. However, these numbers made a good reference for comparison after the beams were interlaced.

Interlaced, the antennas demonstrated the same gain over the same path. No apparent degradation of gain or pattern was noted, except for a decrease in front-to-back ratio on the 15 meter section. Lengthening the 15 meter reflector to that shown in Table I corrected this.

Tuning of the two gamma matches was affected in what appears to be dissimilar ways. In the 15 meter beam, the R component of the feedpoint impedance was increased by the interlacing, as evidenced by the need to shorten the gamma rod from 28 inches to 19 inches. The 10 meter rod did not require changing, but the capacitor required about a ten percent decrease in capacity. Lab type interpretation of this asymmetrical effect is beyond the scope of this article. The antenna was matched to the coax while mounted on a step ladder on the roof of my house, approximately 25 feet above apparent ground. Only minor tweaking of the gammas was required after the monster joined the 20 meter and 40 meter beams on top of the tower.

An earlier experiment with this type antenna with closer element spacing and probable severe coupling between matching sec-

tions created wierd tuning effects. I was not able to match the 10 meter section at all using many combinations of gamma rod, capacitor and driven element length, but found that tuning the 15 meter gamma section grossly affected the s.w.r. on the 10 meter beam. I suspect that the two driven elements, only about 16 inches apart, acted as one inefficient broad-band element. I was doubtful of the validity of any measurements taken on such a setup.

## Performance

Forward gain figures do not tell all the story about the performance, but this antenna *feels* good. Okay, I know that is not very technical, but it is at least as accurate as some of the claims of antenna manufacturers, and I made the same judgement about my six element beam when I put it up 125 feet high. This "feel" seems to be justified by the measured gain figures (I still stick to my guns with the 12 db figure), a nice narrow frontal lobe of about 45 degrees between 1/2 power points and a low angle of radiation, and a front-to-back ratio of 24 db at resonant point. Bandwidth is *good* and this surprised me. I suspect, once again, that the interlacing with wide spacing actually broadbands the whole works. All of 15 meters, phone and c.w. can be operated with less than 1.6:1 s.w.r., c.w. and the first 500 kc of 10 meters can do the same. Verrry interesting! My I/O factor (time Into and Out of contest pile-ups) is also excellent.

## Conclusion

I estimate that this design has eliminated approximately 11 square feet of wind area, at least 6 feet of mast stacking height and about 40 pounds of dead weight. This adds up to a lot of strain eliminated from my rotor and the top section of my tower, to say nothing of my sleep on windy nights. I believe this antenna could be fed with single feedline but this would be a disadvantage for contest work. Besides, I am not sure I am up to the Chinese fire drill this matching procedure would be.

However, since I have had success with this design approach on ten and fifteen, I wonder if Ol' Thunder would mind a few 40 meter elements hung off its backside? Hmmmmm. ■

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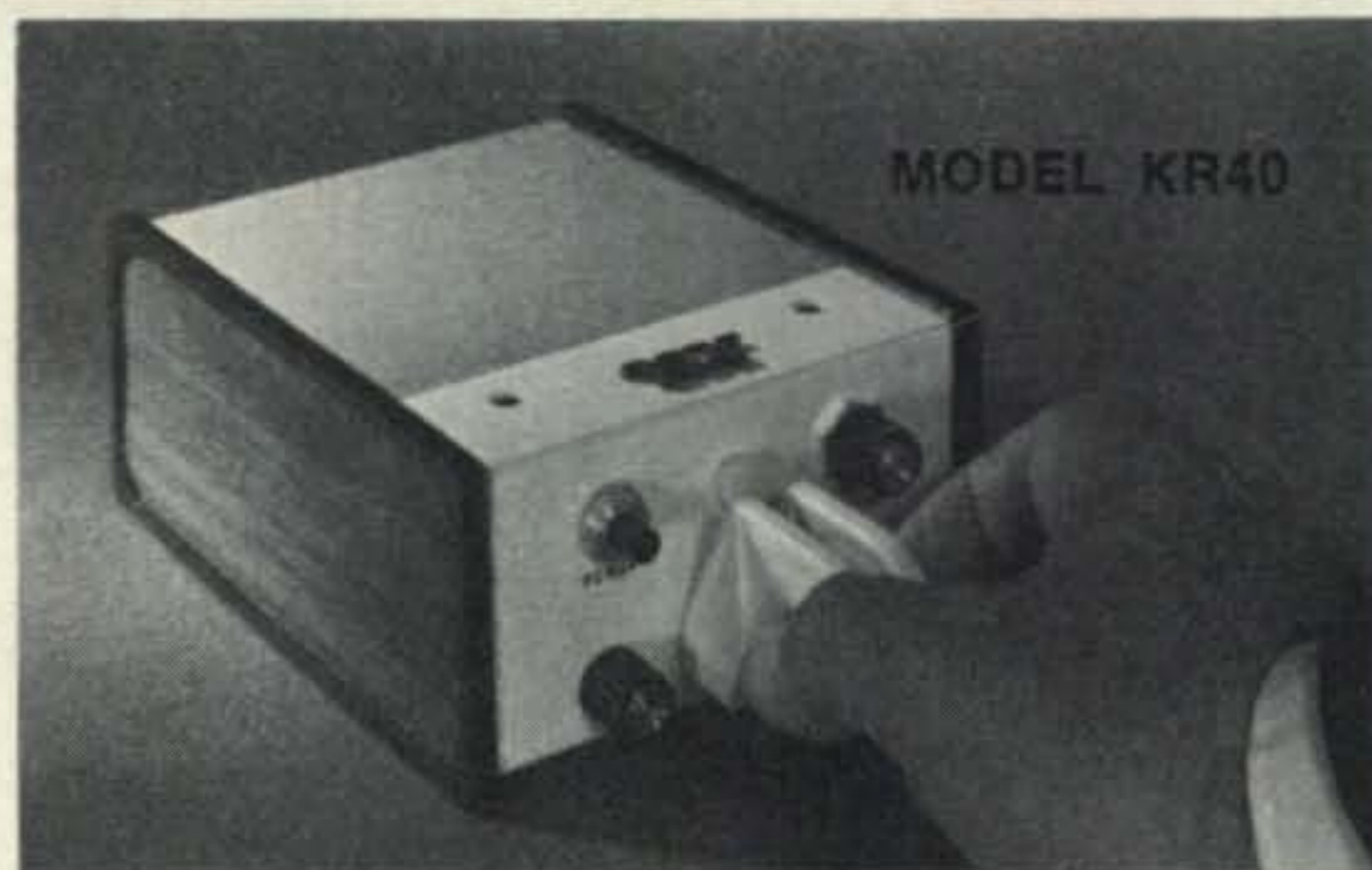
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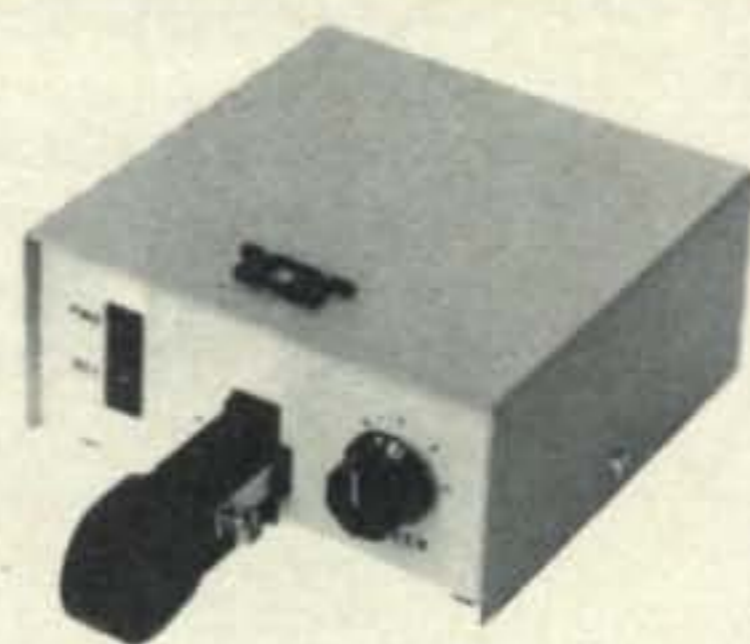
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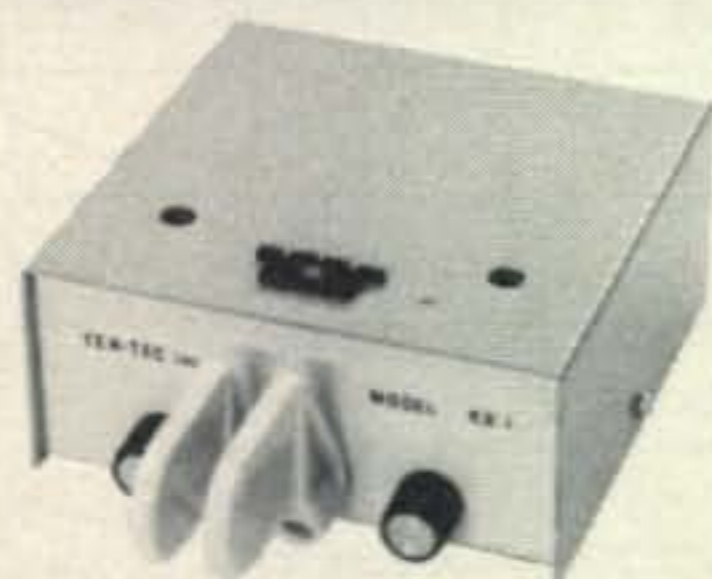


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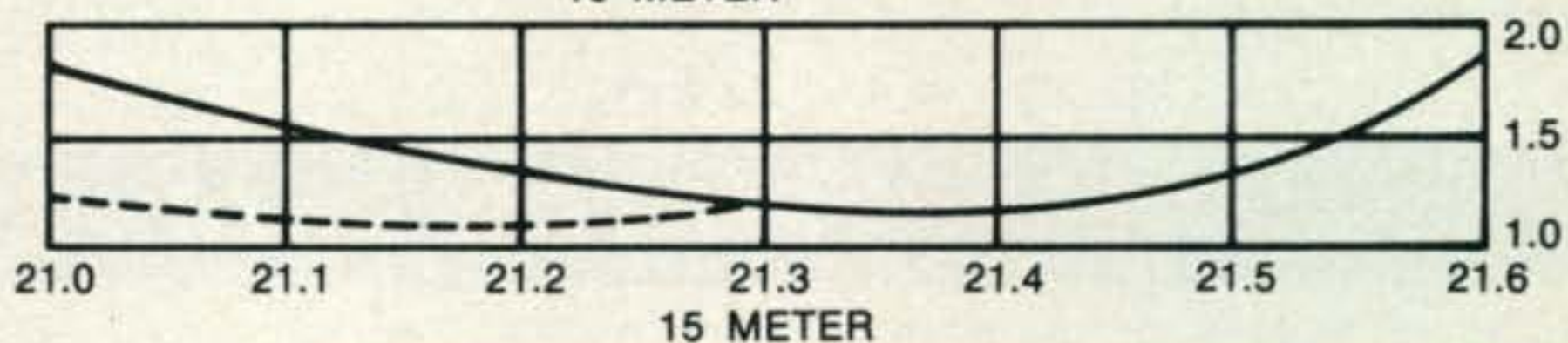
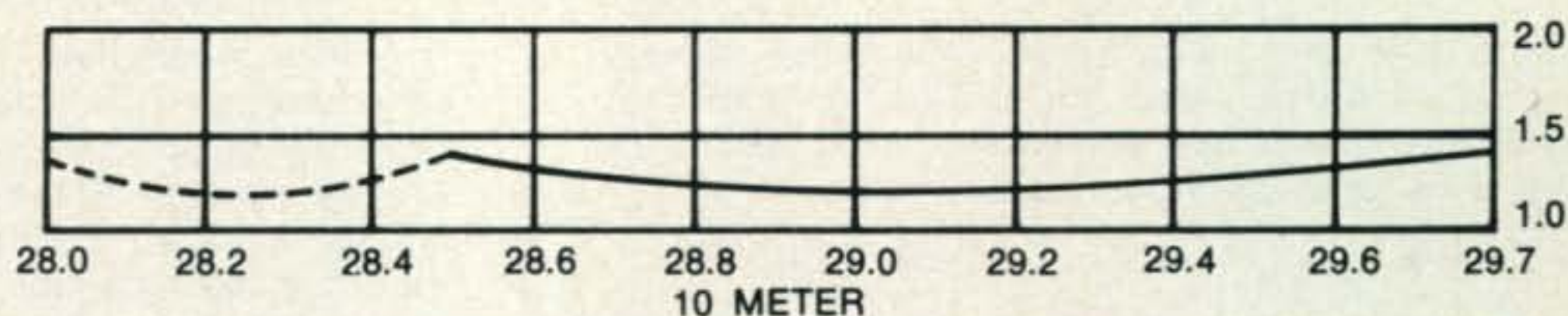
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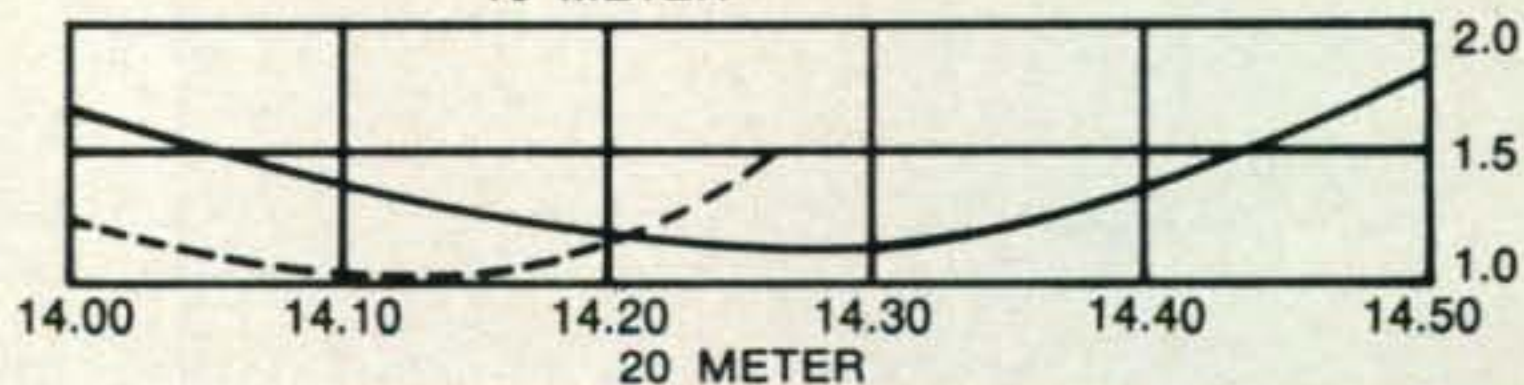
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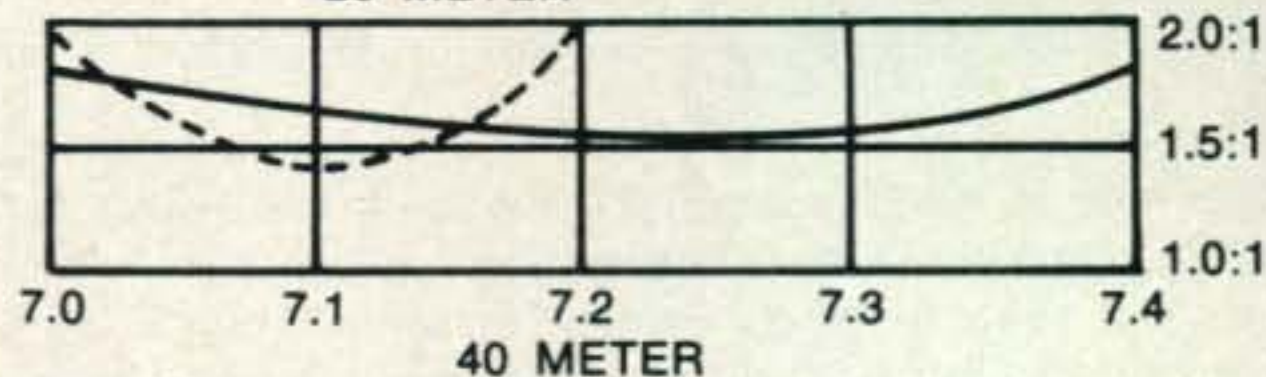


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# UNDERSTANDING SKIN EFFECT

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*Presented below is a simplified but accurate description of the cause and results of skin effect. The coverage is virtually non-mathematical and is ideal for Novices, beginning technicians (and oldtimers too).*

**M**OST technicians have heard about skin effect, but I wonder how many are really satisfied that they understand the why of this phenomenon or how it really operates. An understanding is especially important when one uses a conductor of different shape than the usual round cross section which most skin effect discussions restrict themselves to.

Understanding skin effect and how it operates, will open up a new insight for the technician into many facets of electronic equipment. For example, grounding of r.f. currents or designing coils with best  $Q$  will be much more obvious to the technician that understands the why of skin effect and its effects on various shapes of conductors.

## Skin Effect Fundamentals

To grasp the fundamentals of skin effect one must think about parallel wires for a moment. A large conductor can be thought of as many small wires in parallel. If all these wires are the same length, and of the same diameter, they all have the same d.c. resistance, and each will carry equal current when d.c. is passing through the bundle. If a.c. is substituted, each wire will still carry equal current if their impedances are equal. Since all wires have a small amount of inductance, which causes a reactance to a.c. in addition to the d.c. resistance, the impedance of any wire is always higher for a.c. than it is for d.c. At all a.c. frequencies above the low audio range, the total impedance presented to the current by any wire is due more to the inductance than to the d.c. resistance of the wire. At all but very low frequencies, the actual resistance of the wire becomes greater than it was at d.c. because of the skin effect. As the frequency goes higher, this effect becomes more severe quite rapidly. The well known cause is that the a.c. currents are

forced, in some manner, to flow only on the outer parts of a wire, and hardly flow in the center area.

An example of how severe effect is may be helpful, at this point to give the reader a feeling of its importance. The skin effect forces practically all the a.c. to flow in the outside  $2/10,000$  of an inch of a copper conductor at 100 megacycles. The practical implications of this are that if a technician uses a tinned copper wire at this frequency, he is actually using a tin wire with all the high resistance that tin has, although he may think he is using good old copper to carry his r.f. current. A technician will encounter other problems due to skin effect whether he deals with r.f. or very fast digital pulses. For this reason, it's advisable to get a deeper understanding of skin effect.

The analogy of a heavy conductor as merely a large bundle of smaller wires all in parallel is very handy to develop an understanding of skin effect. Assuming our large solid conductor to be a bundle of smaller wires in parallel, it is intuitively obvious they will all carry equal current if each has equal total impedance.

Consider what makes up the impedance of each wire for a moment. The resistance of each tiny wire is self-evident, but the inductance component of the overall impedance is

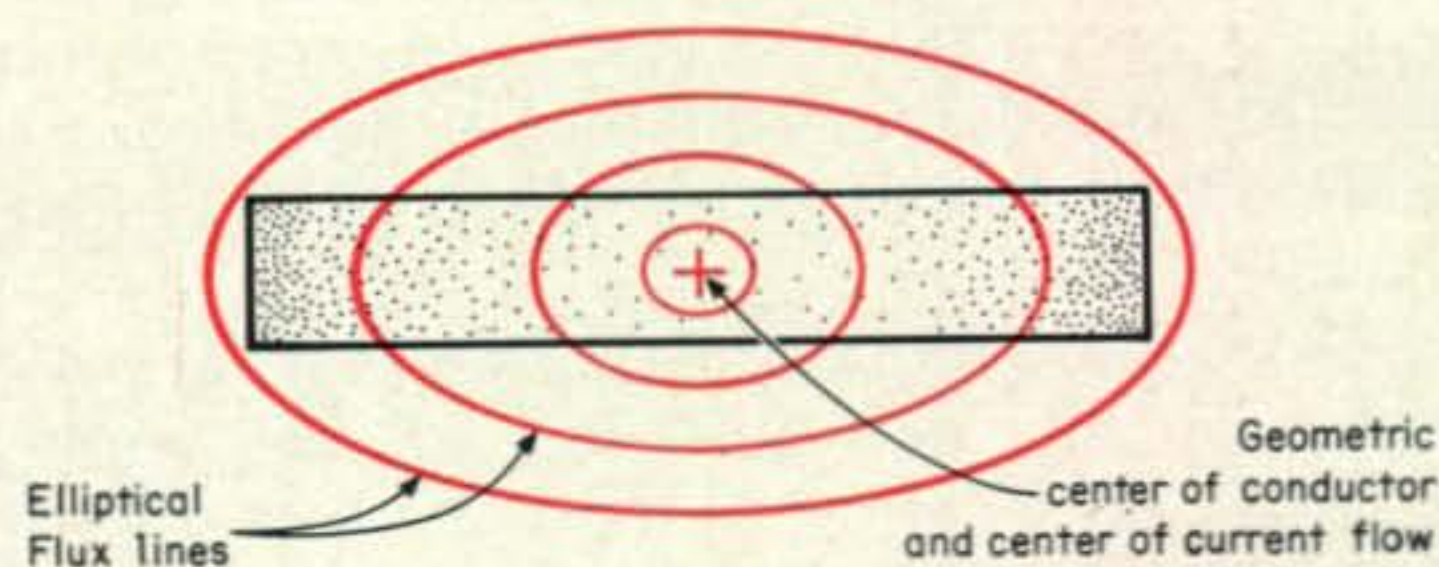


Fig. 1—Cross section view of a flat strip conductor shows the elliptical flux lines, the geometric center of the current flow and the areas of r.f. current concentration.

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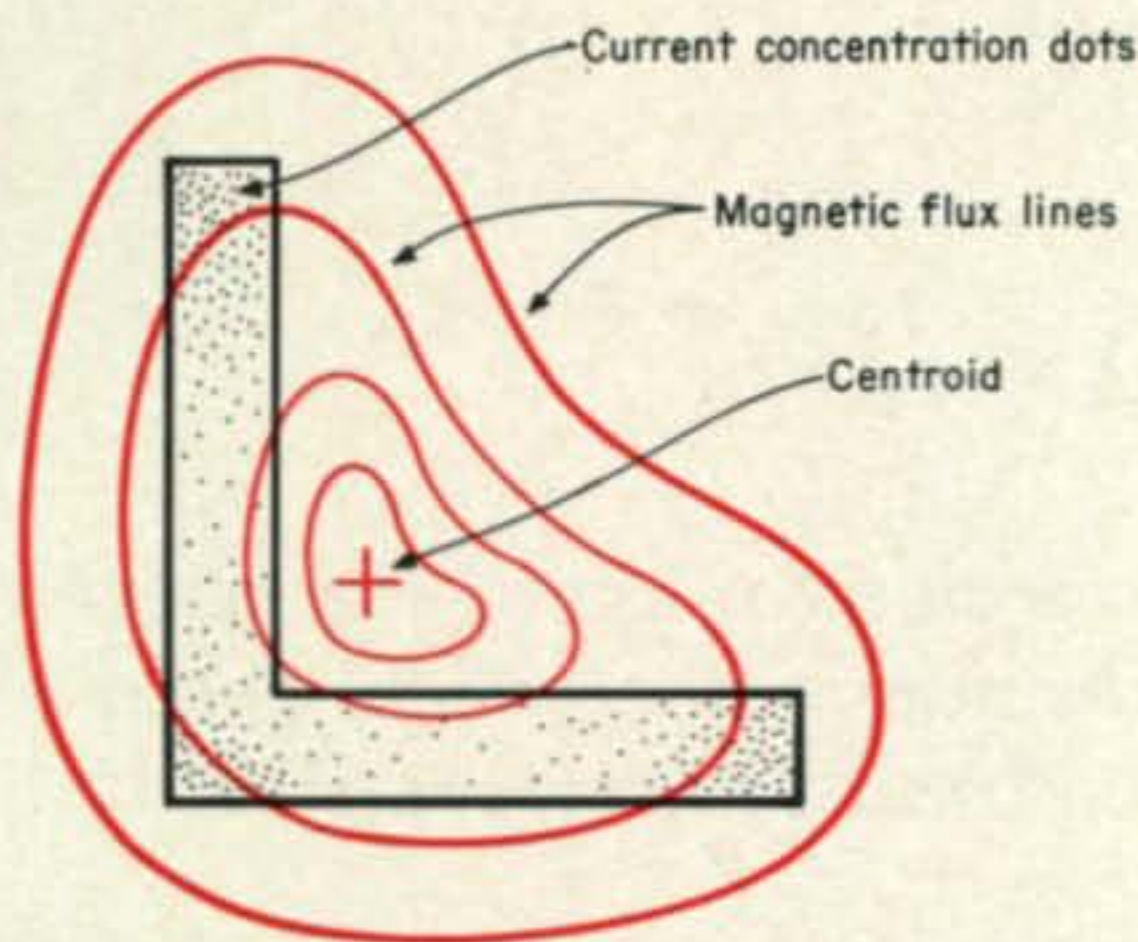


Fig. 2—Cross section view of angle stock showing magnetic flux lines, the centroid and the areas of r.f. current concentration.

caused by the magnetic field that surrounds any conductor carrying current. Remember that inductance is controlled by the number of lines of magnetic flux which surrounds a conductor. Well, the bundle of wires we described above has a flux around it when current flows. Some of the flux is outside the bundle of wires and some is inside the bundle because magnetic flux passes through the wire with ease. Now, since the flux of a magnetic field is always concentrated around the center of current flow, which is not necessarily the center of the conductor unless the cross section is round, it should be rather obvious that some wires in our bundle are going to have more around them than others.

### Round Conductors

In a round conductor, the maximum flux is concentrated at the geometrical center of the conductor, and hence the wires in the center of the bundle have more flux around them than those on the outer surface of the bundle. This occurs because the magnetic lines of all the individual fields of each wire in the bundle add together and form a very intense field at the center of the bundle. This intense flux means that center wires will have more inductance than will the outer wires. Inductance is proportional to the total flux around a wire, so different amounts of flux means a different inductance for each wire of our bundle.

Since more inductance causes more impedance for any individual wire of the bundle, less current will flow in those wires that have more impedance than others of the bundle. Remember that the ends of the bundle are at the same voltage so each wire of the bundle is forced to have the same voltage drop across it per unit of length of the conductor. The

higher impedance of some wires will then cause less current to flow in those wires. Since the inner wires have high impedance, and carry little current, most of the current goes through those wires with the smallest inductance. These are the outside layers in a round conductor.

The outside layer is not where the maximum current flows in other conductor shapes though, and because many skin effect discussions stop short at this point, most technicians and many engineers assume, incorrectly, that the outside surface of all conductors is where the maximum current is flowing. Therefore, don't jump to any conclusions about other conductors yet. Also of importance is that the impedance variation has only to be moderate to cause most of the current to seek the outer wires.

Returning for a moment to the bundle of wires used for the analogy above, consider that it makes no difference whether the wires in the bundle are insulated from each other or not. There will be no desire on the part of the current to leave one wire and cross over to its neighbor that may have a lower impedance. This is so because each wire has exactly the same voltage drop across it per unit of length. Hence, one inch down each wire in the bundle the voltage is precisely the same on each wire, and no cross currents would flow as no difference of potential exists to cause them. Whether the individual wires are insulated from each other or touch, makes no difference. In fact, in a solid conductor the wires are considered to be in perfect contact with each other everywhere, and the exact same effect occurs for most practical purposes. There are of course some subtle second order effects that keep our bundle of wires analogy from being a perfect equivalent, but it serves well its purpose of giving a simplified mental picture of what goes on to cause skin effect.

Summarizing what we have covered about skin effect, we can make a simple rule for technicians to use in place of the common assumption that a.c. travels on the surface of a conductor. That rule is "Alternating current always tries to get as far away from the concentrated part of the magnetic field as it can." Alternating currents will travel to some peculiar parts of a conductor to do this. The net result for some oddly shaped conductors is that the technician may be furnishing a very generous amount of metal for the current to flow through, but the current may be

huddling together in a tiny corner of the metal and ignoring most of the available path. Consequently the supposedly low resistance path furnished by the technician may be, reality, a high resistance path poorer than he could have provided with a lot less metal of another shape. This not too well known fact causes the current to do some unexpected things in non-round conductor shapes, as these examples will demonstrate.

### Strip Conductors

Take the case of a flat strip conductor. Most persons erroneously hold to the idea that currents flow on the surface of such conductors. This is partially true, but the average technician or engineer makes an unwarranted assumption that *all* the outer surface of a flat strip conductor carries current. If you will nail them down on it many will admit that they *feel* the current is equal in all parts of the outside surface of such a conductor. This is far from the truth. Look at fig. 1 and you will see a cross section view of a flat conductor. This is the end of a flat wire, and the current is flowing in and out of the page for purposes of explanation. This conductor is symmetrical, and the center of the magnetic flux is, therefore, also at the center of the conductor. Recall that the current pushes as far from this center of flux as it can. Therefore, the current will concentrate in the ends of the rectangular cross section which are the edges of the flat conductor. Very little current will flow near the surface of the conductor except on the outer edges. Consequently, this shape of conductor will *not* have the lowest a.c. resistance that one could get for the amount of metal used to make the conductor. Therefore, a technician who winds an r.f. coil with flat conductor to seek high  $Q$  may be defeating his purpose.

### Angle Conductors

Now, let's look at another non-round conductor shape, which could be the corner of a chassis as a practical example. Figure 2 shows the cross-section of a right angle conductor. Here we have an example of a non-symmetrical cross section, and the center of flux concentration winds up being outside the conductor entirely. Since the current pushes as far away from this center of magnetic flux as it can, it ends up out on the two extreme ends of the angle, which are shaded darker to indicate the relative current concentration. Not all the current flows in the ends, because the

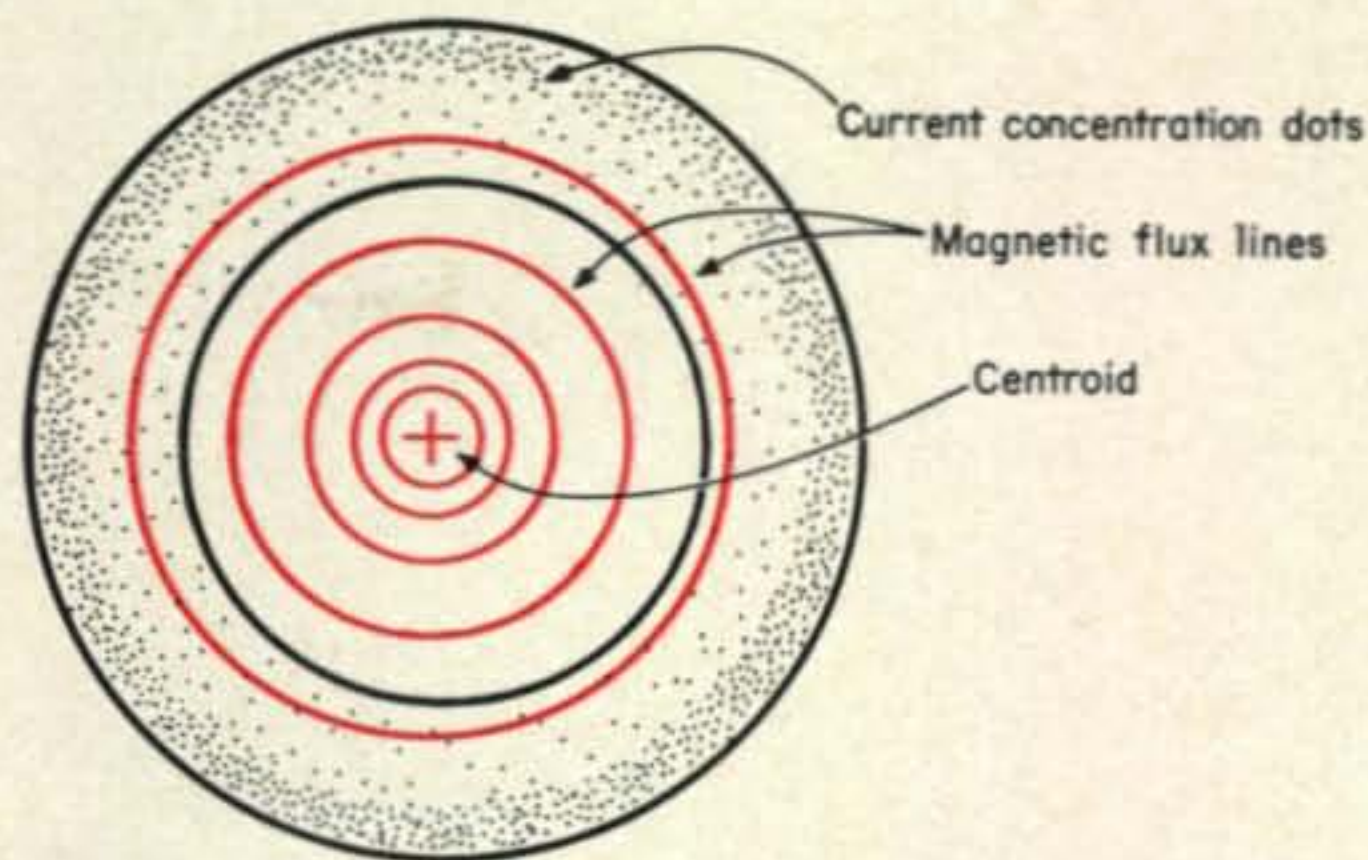


Fig. 3—Cross section of cylindrical tubing showing the magnetic flux lines, the centroid and the areas of r.f. current concentration.

right angle bend of the metal is also pretty far from the center of flux and some current also flows there.

For angle stock where length  $L$  is short, as illustrated in fig. 2, current will flow in the three parts shown. In large angles though, like a metal box, the current will tend to concentrate in the corners. If a large angle that is open, like a metal box that screws together so that very imperfect contact is made, the edges of the metal may carry heavy current and the corner little or none. This of course would be more interesting to technicians involved with r.f.i. suppression, as the r.f.i. tends to leak out at the points of maximum current flow.

To complete the examples, fig. 3 shows a round tubular conductor, like a piece of copper tubing. In this shape the center of flux is equi-distant from the outer surface of the conductor so each area of the outer surface carries equal current. This is the only shape in which this is true, and because this shape makes best use of the available surface, it is the cross section and shape that has the lowest r.f. resistance for a given amount of metal.

### Effective Thickness

In all these figures the concentration of current is shown by the shading. The shading is more gradual than actual, however, to permit drawing the figure. The major part of the current actually flows in very very thin parts of the conductor. In actual practice, on the figures drawn, the total current, for all practical purposes, would flow in a thickness no greater than the ink line showing the edge of the drawing for any frequency above about 100 kilocycles.

For the technician that may want to calculate how much of any conductor is actually

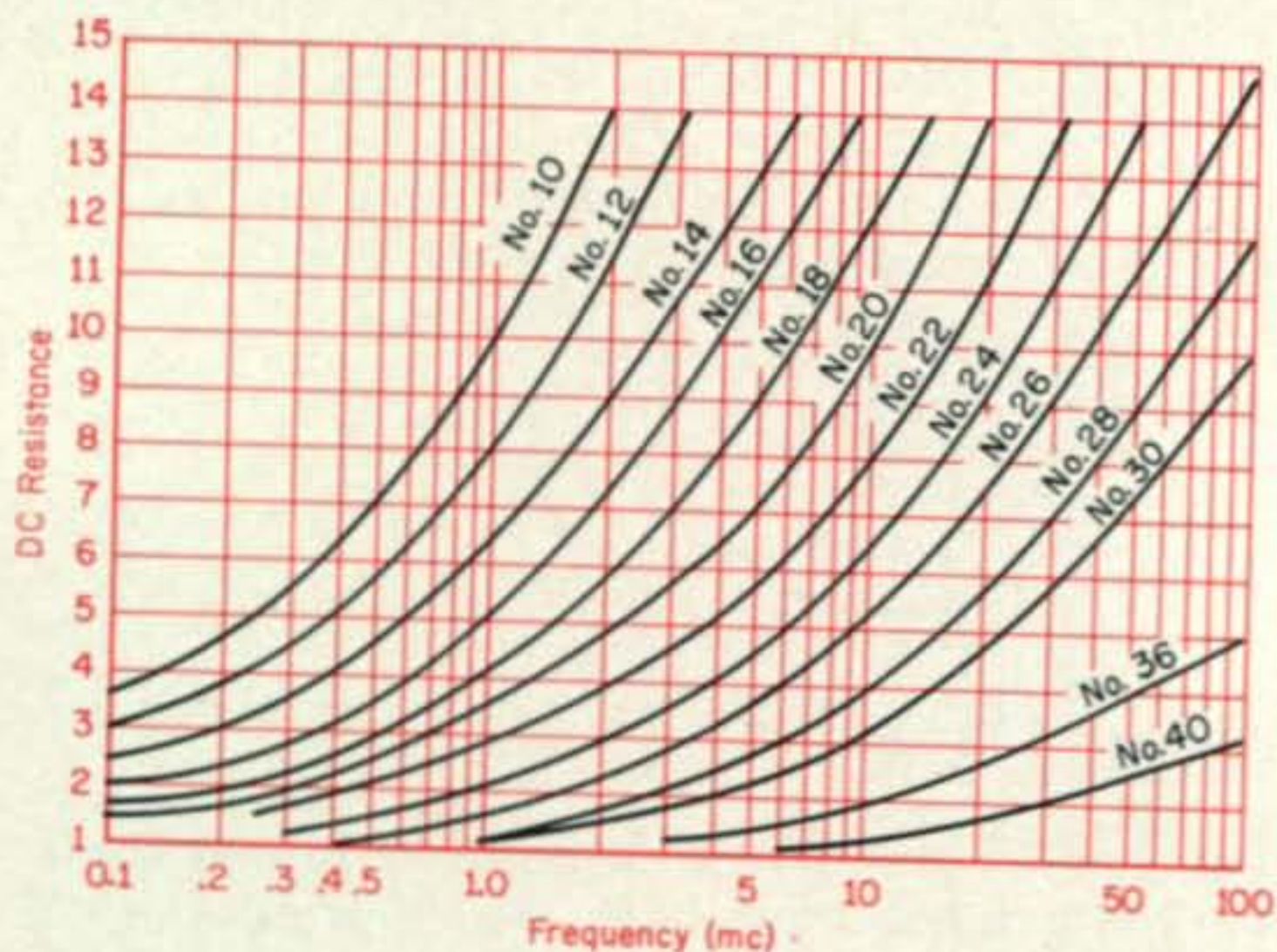


Fig. 4—A graph of the ratio of r.f. to d.c. resistance versus frequency for various diameters of wire.

used by the current, the thickness in which 63% of the current flows is:

$$\text{Thickness in inches} = \frac{2.6}{\sqrt{F}}$$

where  $F$  is in cycles per second. The thickness at 1 mc is 0.0026 inch.

A further item of knowledge will help make the technician's understanding far more practical. This concerns the skin depth calculated in the above formula. While 63% of the total current flows in the first thickness of 0.0026 inch at 1 mc, only 37% flows in all the rest of the metal regardless of how thick it may be. Also, practically no current flows at a depth three times the thickness given by the formula. For the sake of numbers which are very important to the practical man, we can say that of all the current which flows, 63% is in the first thickness (0.0026"), 23% flows in the second thickness, 9% flows in the third thickness, 3% in the fourth thickness, 1.2% in the fifth thickness and so on. The practical statement that all the current flows in the first three thicknesses or layers is thus 95% correct, which is good enough for most practical applications.

### Plating

One other bit of knowledge is useful in practice. Suppose one wanted to plate a conductor with a high conductivity metal like silver to reduce its r.f. resistance. If the metal to be plated is applied only one skin depth thick as calculated by the formula, then its resistance will be just 1.5 times the resistance such metal of equal cross section would have at d.c. This derives directly from the 63% current: 37% current ratio given above. If

the metal is plated two depths thick, the resistance will be about 1.14 times greater than the d.c. resistance of a two depth thick cross section of metal. Therefore, if the plating metal is very expensive, two depths thickness is the place to stop for practical results versus cost.

One last item that must be brought out: the above mentioned fact that the r.f. resistance of a 1 skin depth thickness is only 1.5 times the d.c. resistance does not justify a conclusion that the r.f. resistance of a wire won't be greater. In a round wire, the r.f. resistance will not be greater than 1.5 times the d.c. resistance of a thin shell of the same metal forming a very thin tubing in which the wall thickness is 1 skin depth thick. The d.c. resistance of a solid wire will come from many such thin shells, all one inside the other, to make a solid wire with a resistance far lower than that of any one of them. To clearly get this point across, refer to fig. 4, which shows the r.f. resistance of many common round wire sizes at various frequencies, compared to the d.c. resistance that you would measure with an ohmmeter.

### Effect On Inductance

So far, we have thoroughly explored the impact of skin effect upon the r.f. resistance of a conductor. Equally important to many technicians through is its effect upon the inductance of a conductor. The general rule for explaining what happens to inductance is that the farther the current is permitted to get away from the center of flux concentration, the lower the inductance of the conductor per unit length. This directly follows from an analysis similar to that used to show where the current would flow in odd shaped conductors. Since inductance is proportional to the amount of flux surrounding the current flow, if one selects a small diameter round wire which forces the current to stay very close to the flux, the inductance will be maximum. A tubular shape conductor lets the current get somewhat away from the strong magnetic field in the center of the conductor, so it has less inductance per unit length than the same amount of metal in a solid cross-section.

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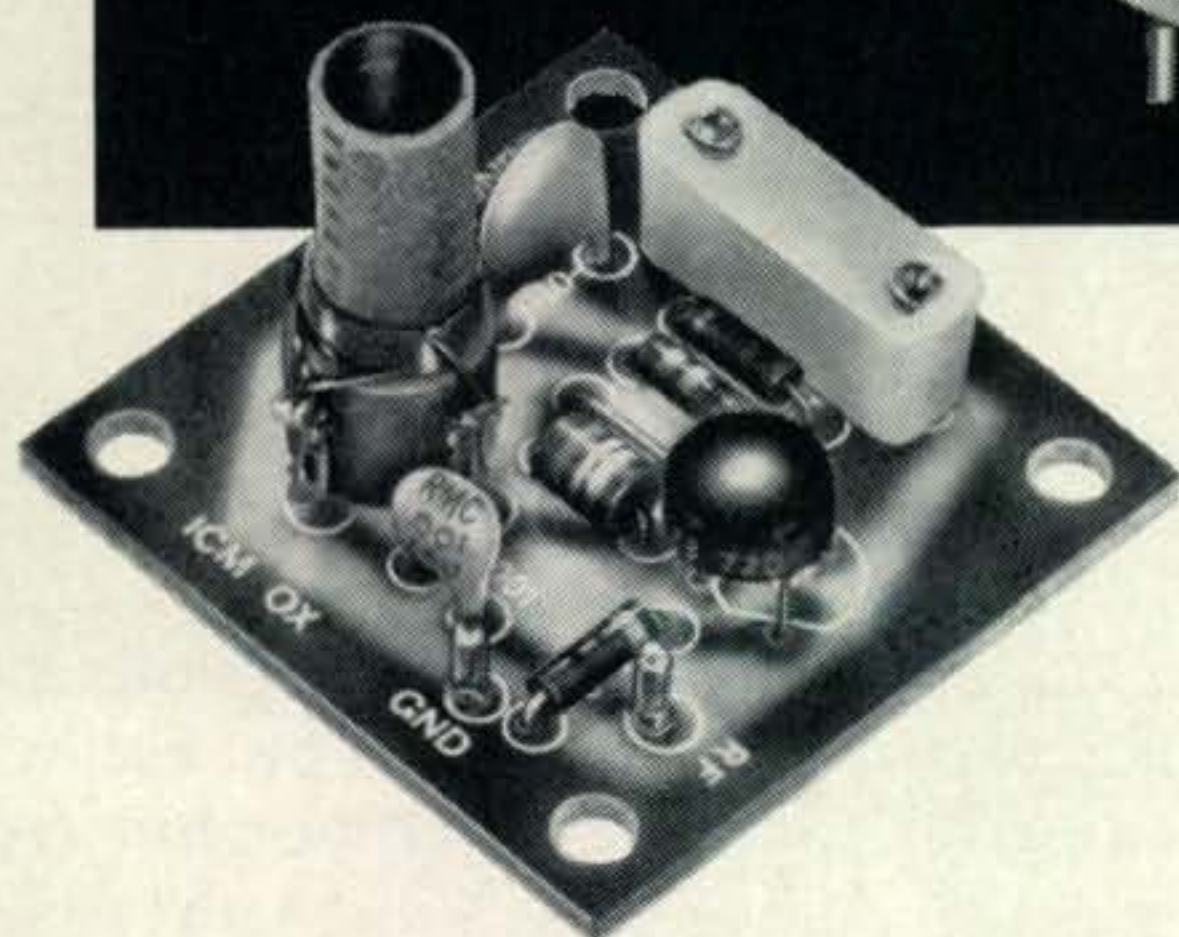
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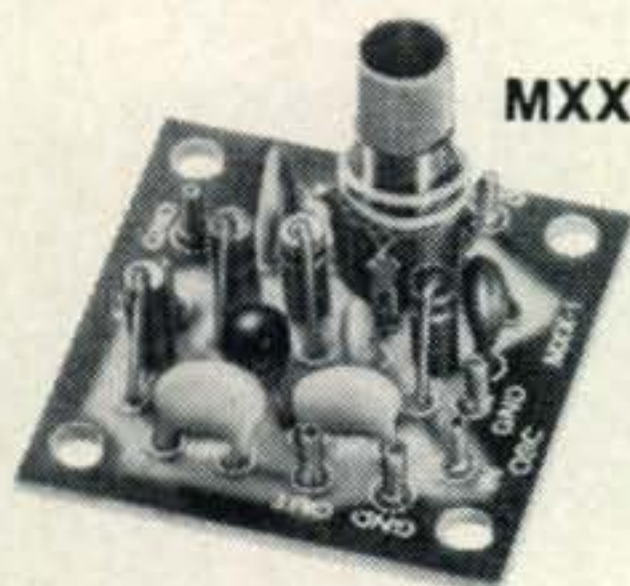
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strap conductor as it allows the current to move the maximum distance away from the magnetic field. To get even smaller inductance than can be obtained from a flat strap, one should use wires or straps of small width separated many wire diameters, and hooked in parallel. To get the idea, notice in fig. 1, that you could cut all the strap away but the outside thin edges, and have the same r.f. circuit, since all the current flows in the outside few thousandths inch. Since no current to speak of flows in the inner parts of the wide strap, whether you cut it away or leave it makes no difference to the r.f. current, nor to the inductance presented to that current. This means that two small round wires replacing the outer edges of a wide strip, with nothing in between will have practically the same low inductance and r.f. resistance of the strap. This is of great practical use in grounding high frequencies.

The above does not hold where one is trying to ground *all* frequencies including high ones. R.f.i. applications and digital pulse circuits require the strap, because they contain low frequencies that do not travel so far out in the edges. The strap center area is used by the lower components of a signal, and the substitution of two wires for the edges of such a strap will cause poorer grounding in such applications. In radio work, and lightning grounding though, where you want minimum inductance, parallel conductors widely spaced will be considerably better than straps.

Skin effect is not a complicated subject when it is properly understood, but it does not tolerate jumping to hasty conclusions. The fact that the effects of skin currents can not be directly measured by any common instruments has led to many false assumptions concerning them. ■

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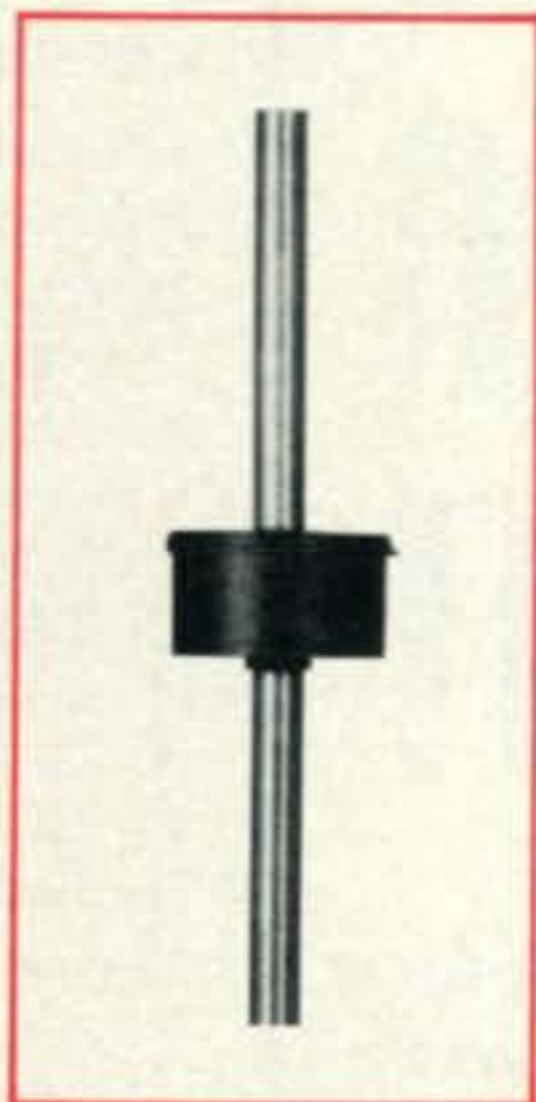
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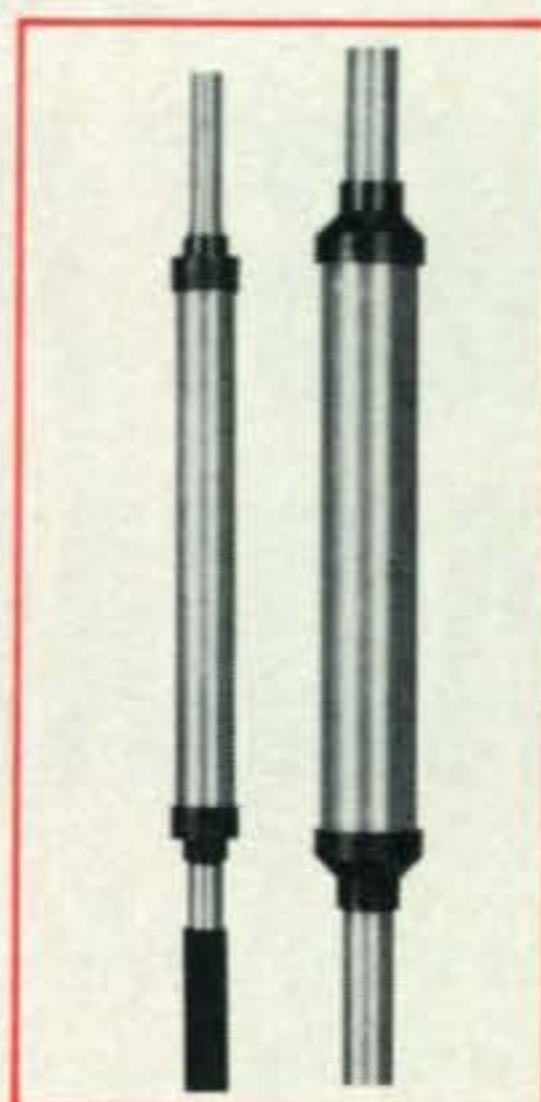
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# MODEL CONTROL BY RADIO

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## Part II

*The second installment of this two part article covers present day control systems and the future expectations for radio control.*

**P**ROPORTIONAL control is king in R/C today, from the simplest systems to the most complex. Both are explained below. But first a few words on the "previous generation" of equipment (widely popular only 5 years ago but now completely outmoded), both in the simpler systems and in multi-control. For rudder-only, often extended to control engine throttle, so-called escapements were very popular. Operation, requiring just a pushbutton on the transmitter, was of the sequence variety. The rudder went from neutral, to right, to neutral, to left and so on, in a fixed sequence. Escapements were electrically triggered, but control moving power came from twisted rubber bands. These units were light in weight, low in cost, but had limited power and were bothered by engine vibration. Forgetting to wind the rubber band could be fatal; so could winding it too tightly! The Japanese had, meanwhile, perfected what might be called "motorized escapements;" these had a similar operating sequence but were entirely electrical in operation, had lots of power and are still used to some extent today.

### Reed Systems

In the multi-control field, so-called reed systems were top dog. The transmitters could send out as many as a dozen different audio tones; these tones were fed to a "reed bank" in

the receiver. There was one reed for each tone, all vibrated by a common magnetic field. Since each reed would only respond to a tone width of 2-3 cycles, all reeds could be tuned within a single musical octave; this was mandatory to prevent harmonic problems. The transmitter case had a lever switch for each *two* tones; with levers centered no audio was transmitted. Pushing a lever either way would send a tone to drive the associated servo to one or the other of its limits. Most systems could send two tones at once, so one could actuate two servos simultaneously. These systems were highly refined and very reliable. Due to sharp reed response they were relatively immune to interference.

Early reed systems were confined to four or five tones. They eventually developed 10 to

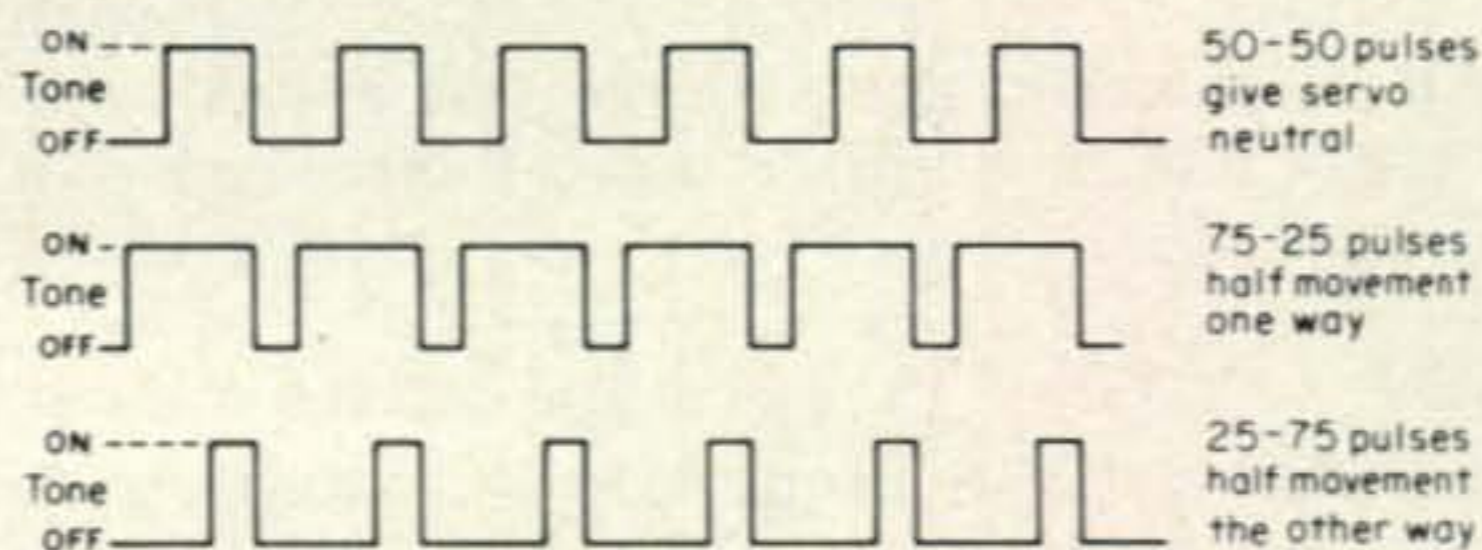
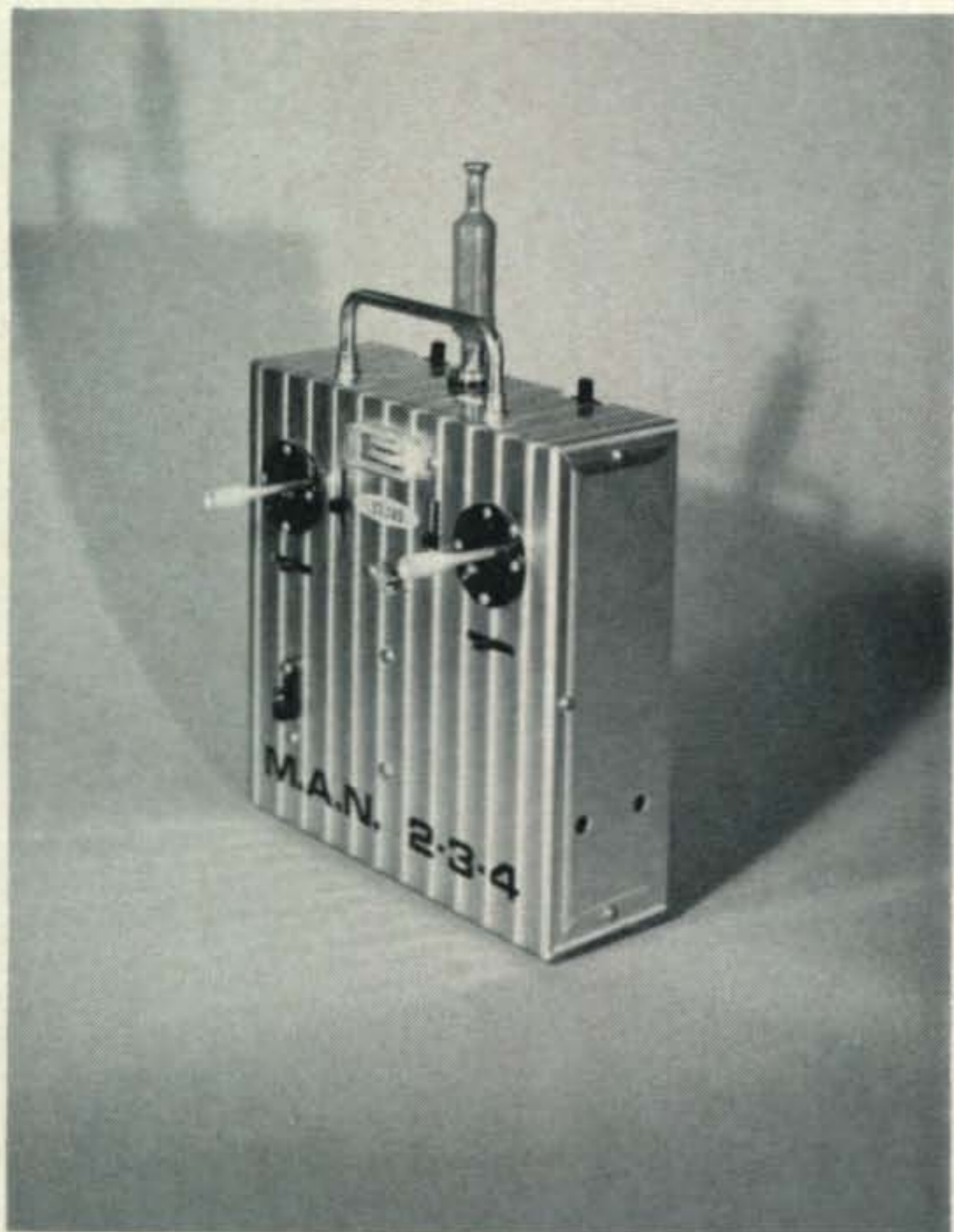


Fig. 1—Pulses require neutral and half movement to each side in a pulse propo system. Actually, infinite variation of pulse length is possible. Full Off (100% to 0%) of Full On (0% to 100%) tone gives maximum control movement in the simple systems. The pulses are usually rounded at the corners to prevent splatter.

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A digital transmitter made by World Engines Inc., handles six controls. Each stick moves two controls (user puts thumbs on sticks when flying) and two more controls are operated by the levers at the top of the transmitter.

12 tone units which were able to handle 5 to 6 servos. The first reed receivers had each reed (all of which were fitted with electrical contacts) connected to a relay, which in turn worked the servo. By the time the reed and relay count had reached 10-12, however, sub-miniature relays were required to hold down receiver size and weight, and some very successful but tiny relays were developed. With the advent of transistors all relays could be eliminated; transistor amplifiers, triggered directly by each reed, drove the servos. This greatly reduced receiver size and weight—and boosted system reliability. Oddly, European R/C manufacturers developed similar systems, but they utilized tuned filters instead of reeds.

### Pulse Proportion Systems

The earliest proportional systems were termed "pulse proportional." A pulser in the transmitter keyed the signal on and off at a fixed rate, around 3-6 p.p.s. As seen in fig. 1, equal on-off pulsing produced neutral rudder or other control. Changing the ratio of on-to-off moved the control off neutral one way or the other. In the simplest pulse systems, full tone or no tone at all gave maximum control

movement. The big advantage of pulse proportional (propo) over escapements or reeds was that you could get any degree of control movement to either side, by varying pulse length. Also, there was no sequence to remember, as with escapements. Early pulsers were usually driven by electric motors; then came tube-type multivibrators, and finally semiconductor pulsers in wide use today for simpler systems.

As noted in Part I, a California experimenter (Rockwood) had published some of the elements of pulse propo in 1939, but he used a constant pulse length and did not vary it as we do today<sup>1</sup>. (Rockwood, an avid amateur and tinkerer, developed some of the earliest successful multi-control reed systems.) The late Jim Walker was awarded patents during WWII for pulse propo systems basically like those we use now. These early pulse systems all used motor driven servos; in the late forties, George Trammell introduced us to propo "actuators," simple and light electromagnetic units, the shaft of which would turn only about 45° each side of neutral, under varying pulse lengths. Refined units of this type are popular today in simpler systems.

Other experimenters found one could vary both pulse length and rate simultaneously; through suitable receiver circuitry these variations could handle two servos simultaneously. Further modifications made it possible to operate a third control unit, usually connected to engine throttle, but not proportionally. Here then we had "simple" pulse propo for rudder and elevator, plus "trimmable" throttle. An other experimenter, Dr. Walt Good, developed his TTPW system using two pulsed tones, which was, in those days, often more reliable than the pulse-length-rate system, and was considered to be a true "multi" system.

### Feedback Servos

Pulse proportional had undeniable advantages over escapement and reed systems, but never attained real popularity prior to perhaps 1960, since there was little ready-made equipment on the market. It remained a field populated mostly by avid experimenters, as opposed to those escapement and reed users who simply wanted to fly-fly-fly. In 1960, however, a California manufacturer started the move to widespread multi-propo with an advanced four control systems; all four con-

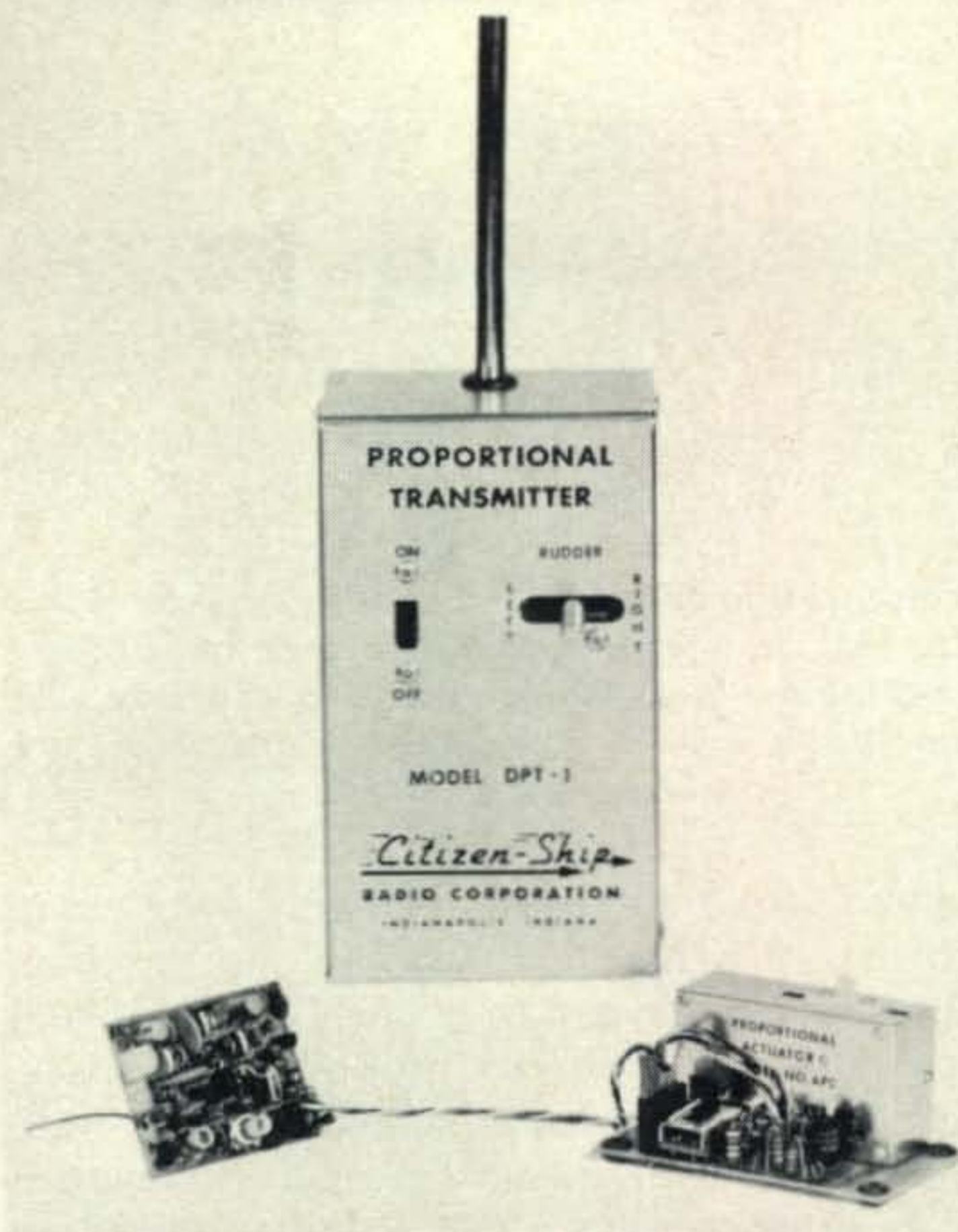
<sup>1</sup>McEntee, H.G., "Model Control by Radio," *CQ*, June 1970, p. 16.

trols could be operated simultaneously and proportionally without interaction (well, without *much* interaction, the bugaboo of propo systems handling more than one control). It was called "Space Control," was fully transistorized, utilized nickel-cad power at both transmitter and receiver, and had what are termed "feedback" servos.

Most previous propo systems utilized spring-centered servos—both in the magnetic styles (actuators) and the motor-driven category. Springs tend to keep the servo at neutral, and to drive it back to neutral after a displacement to either side. Such servos work fine but they draw continuous battery power, even when at neutral. When they are moved to either side some of the torque is "wasted" in tightening the springs. All non-feedback pulse propo systems exhibit "wiggling" controls; the surfaces flap back and forth in time with the pulse rate. This flapping is much reduced with motor-driven servos where high gear ratios are utilized. Feedback servos draw motor current only when they are actually moving, or holding a control displaced against the airstream. Thus they consume much less average power (waste no power on centering springs, there is less wear on moving parts and *no* surface wiggling whatever. Feedback servos were not new with the Space Control system but this concern reduced them to model size (and cost), starting a trend that continues right up to the present. This system was a combination of the Good TTPW and pulse-length-rate propo techniques.

### Digital and Analog Propo Systems

Quite a few "analog" propo systems were marketed following Space Control, some operating on entirely different principles. Most all utilized feedback servos. Then in 1965 came a system that was to revolutionize the multi-propo field, introducing a technique that is supreme in this field today. The Bonner Digimite was marketed; it was called a "digital" system (hence the trade name) to distinguish it from the previous multi propo systems, which were termed analog. The latter operate by smooth and continuous variation of some system parameter—pulse length or rate, audio tones, etc. The servo moves in smooth response to such variation. Digital systems operate to some extent like digital computers, much of the circuitry is either full on or full off with no in between variations. This brings several advantages. The servos always receive full power, even when they



Simplest digital control system provides only one control. The superhet receiver is at the left and the feedback servo is at the right.

are to be moved only a short distance. (Not true of analog systems.) Digital systems are relatively easy to "tune up" at the factory, most analog systems are not. No fussy audio filters are required, key elements in the majority of analog rigs.

A digital outfit operates by sending a series of pulses, but they are far different from analog system pulses (fig. 2). For a five-control system, six very narrow pulses are trans-

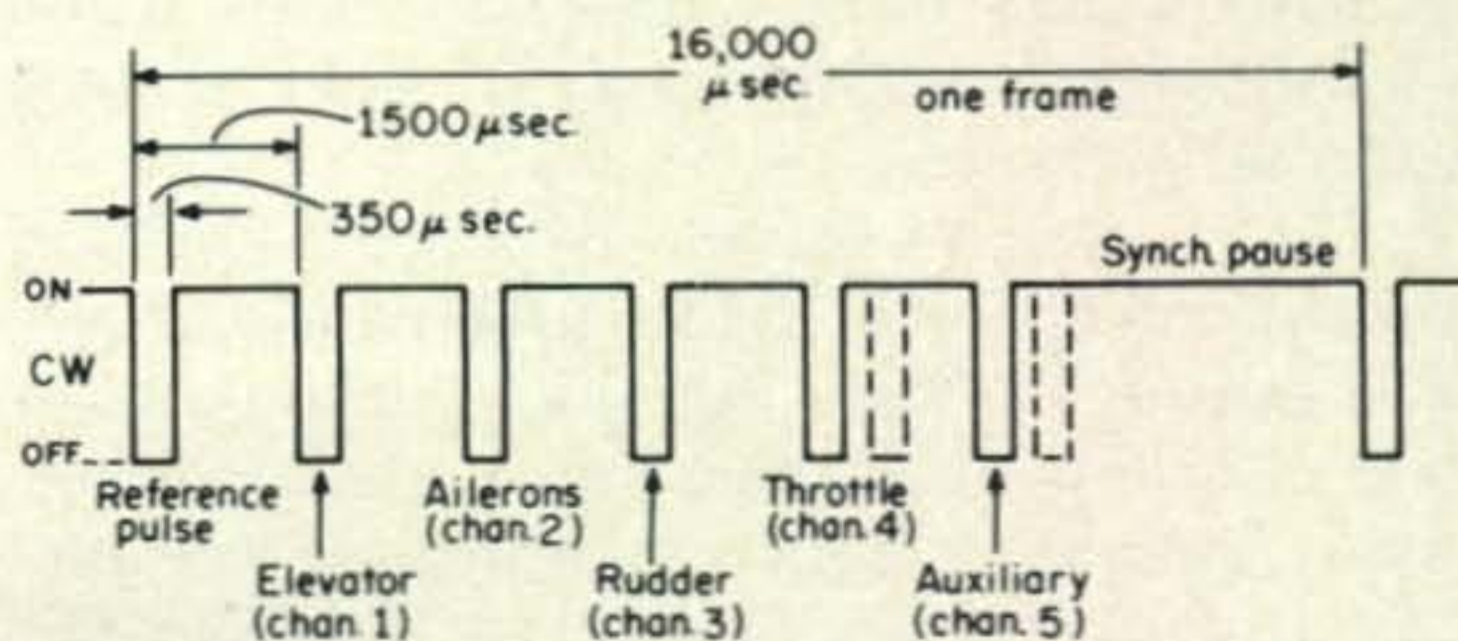


Fig. 2—Pulse presentation of the Heathkit 5 control digital system. The reference pulse never moves. The control pulses move to the right or left from the neutral position shown. When any control pulse is moved, all pulses to the right of it move the same distance. Note that the Channel 4 pulse has been moved to the right (dotted line) Channel 5 pulse has also moved right an equal amount, but actually Channel 5 has not changed its spacing from Channel 4 so, in effect, it has not moved. Any pulse can be linked to any servo.



Pulse proportional servo made by Ace Radio Control. It allows rudder, elevator and throttle operation via pulse length rate changes. The small side arm is linked to throttle. Note the heavy centering spring.

mitted, followed by a relatively long "synchronized pause." As seen in the drawing, the transmitter sends a steady c.w. signal which is keyed-off to produce the pulses. (Sharp on-signal pulses would work as well, but the receiver would be much more open to interference.) A set of pulses followed by the synch pause is called a "frame." Frame repetition rates run around 50-100 per second. After the first pulse at left, each succeeding pulse represents one servo in the system. Moving each pulse a little to one side or the other, accomplished in the transmitter by pots on the control sticks and an associated "encoder," will move just one servo accordingly. After the incoming signal is detected, a "decoder" separates the pulses, sends each to the proper servo. The servo amplifier actually receives a series of short sharp pulses, but these are "stretched" to provide practically smooth d.c. for the servo motor. These servos, being of the feedback variety, draw no motor power (or very little) unless servo movement is called for, or they have to hold against external pressure.

Digital systems can easily be expanded for more controls by increasing the frame length and putting in more individual off-pulses. A wide variety of digital outfits are available today, providing from one control up to eight.

Early digital systems were unbelievably complex in terms of component count, at least compared to the analog outfits of the day. Most of them included what is termed "fail-safe" which contributed greatly to this complexity. Fail-safe, which had been a feature of most all analog systems, moves all servos to neutral (and the throttle servo to low speed) if signal is lost for any reason, also in some cases of interference. Digital systems, however, have been refined and simplified (fail-safe was dropped from them early in the

game) and present day parts counts are quite reasonable.

It was originally felt that very high quality test equipment was a vital necessity in order to check the accurately-timed pulses and digital manufacturers all do have such equipment. But it has been proven by several makers of digital kits that such systems can be assembled and tuned up with practically *no* test equipment whatever. The Heathkit system, for example, may be completely checked using only the output meter of the transmitter, temporarily reconnected to various test points. Very careful kit engineering is vital to allow such simple tuneup.

Digital systems may sound like Utopia, but they do have some weak points. For example, during those off-pulses any interference present can partially or wholly fill the off-signal periods, and wreak chaos with the circuitry—and the servo positions! This interference doesn't have to come from other transmitters; hash produced by servo motor commutators can cause trouble. So can most any two pieces of bare metal in the model, just rubbing together! Real care is necessary in installation, therefore, with metal-to-metal joints eliminated wherever possible. Control horns, linkage components and other small plane parts made of nylon help here. The digital makers have done a fair job of designing this noise-sensitivity out of their receivers. There is still some way to go, however, before digital systems can be considered as interference-resistant as analog propo systems. They have still farther to go before the levels reached by the very sharply-filtered (by the reeds themselves) reed systems are attained.

### The Future

What of the future? There'll probably be more miniaturization for both simple analog and complex multi-digital systems. Certainly we'll see wider use of integrated circuits which are used to only a modest extent in R/C so far. We need better reliability (which includes better noise and interference immunity). There will be rapid chargers for our nickel-cad batteries; these are available right now in the photographic field. Some makers are trying f.m. systems; they see no great advantages so far but further work may change this view. Will we go to still higher frequencies? Only the FCC can determine this. In any case, it's certain that model R/C will continue to advance at possibly an even more rapid pace than it has in recent years. ■

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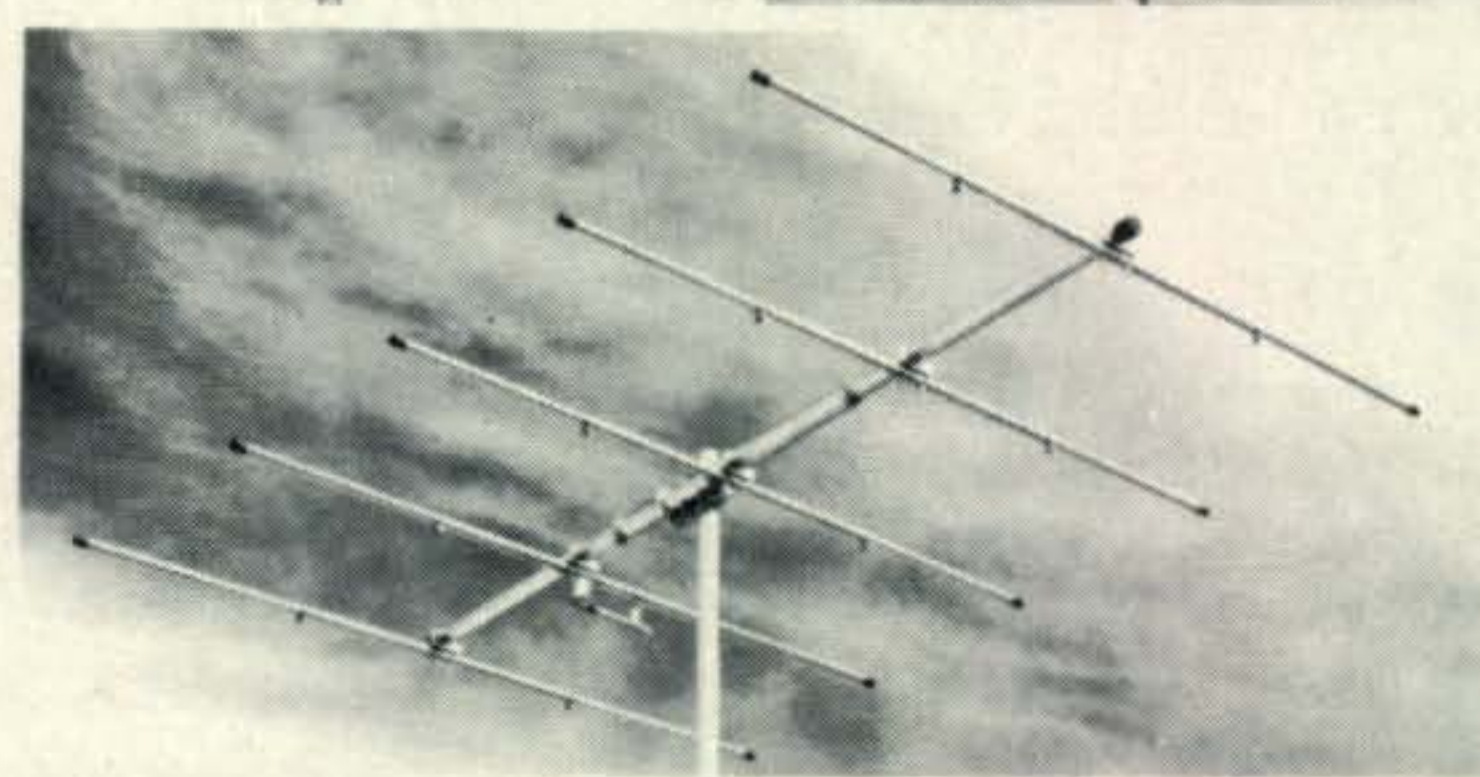
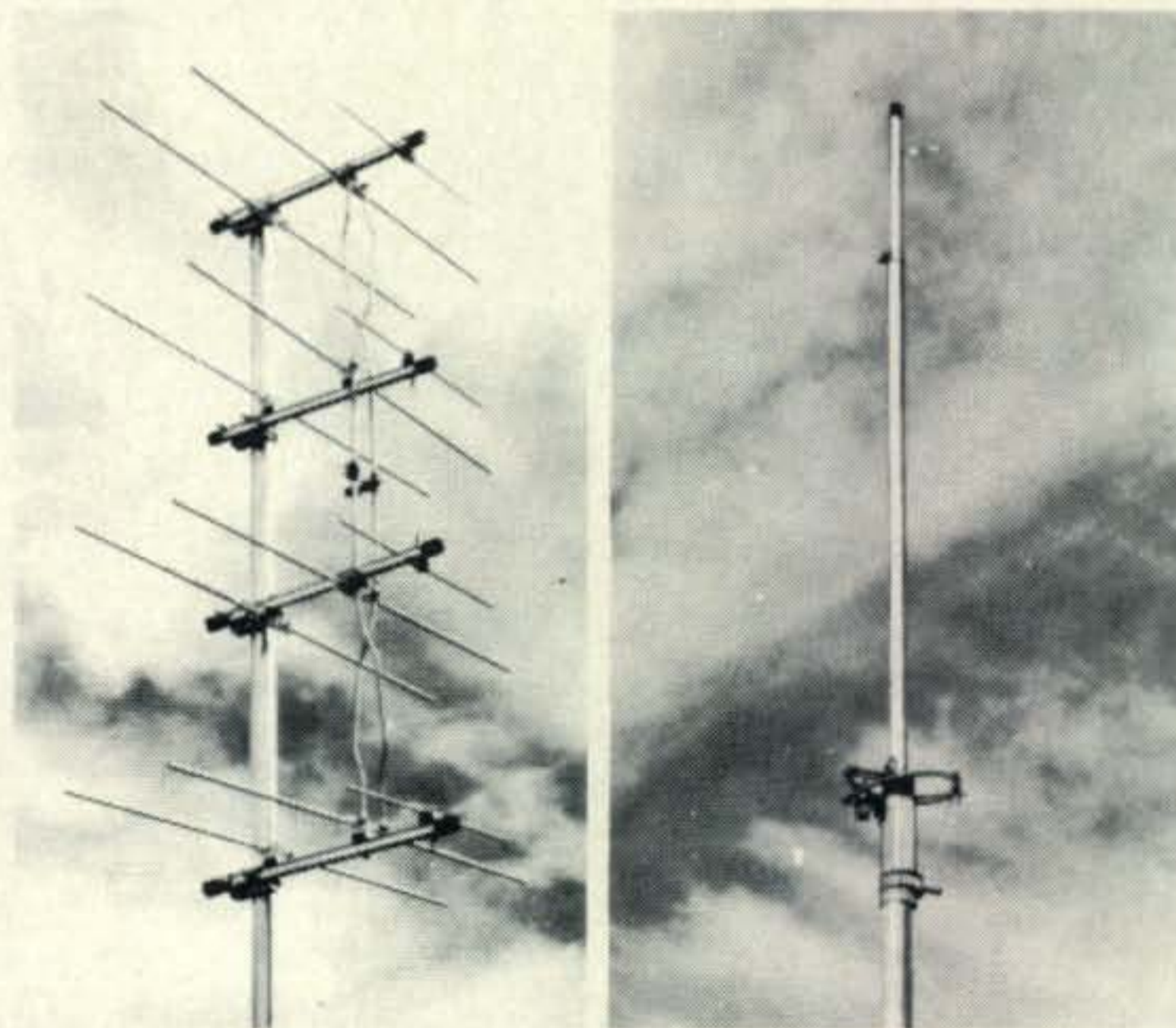
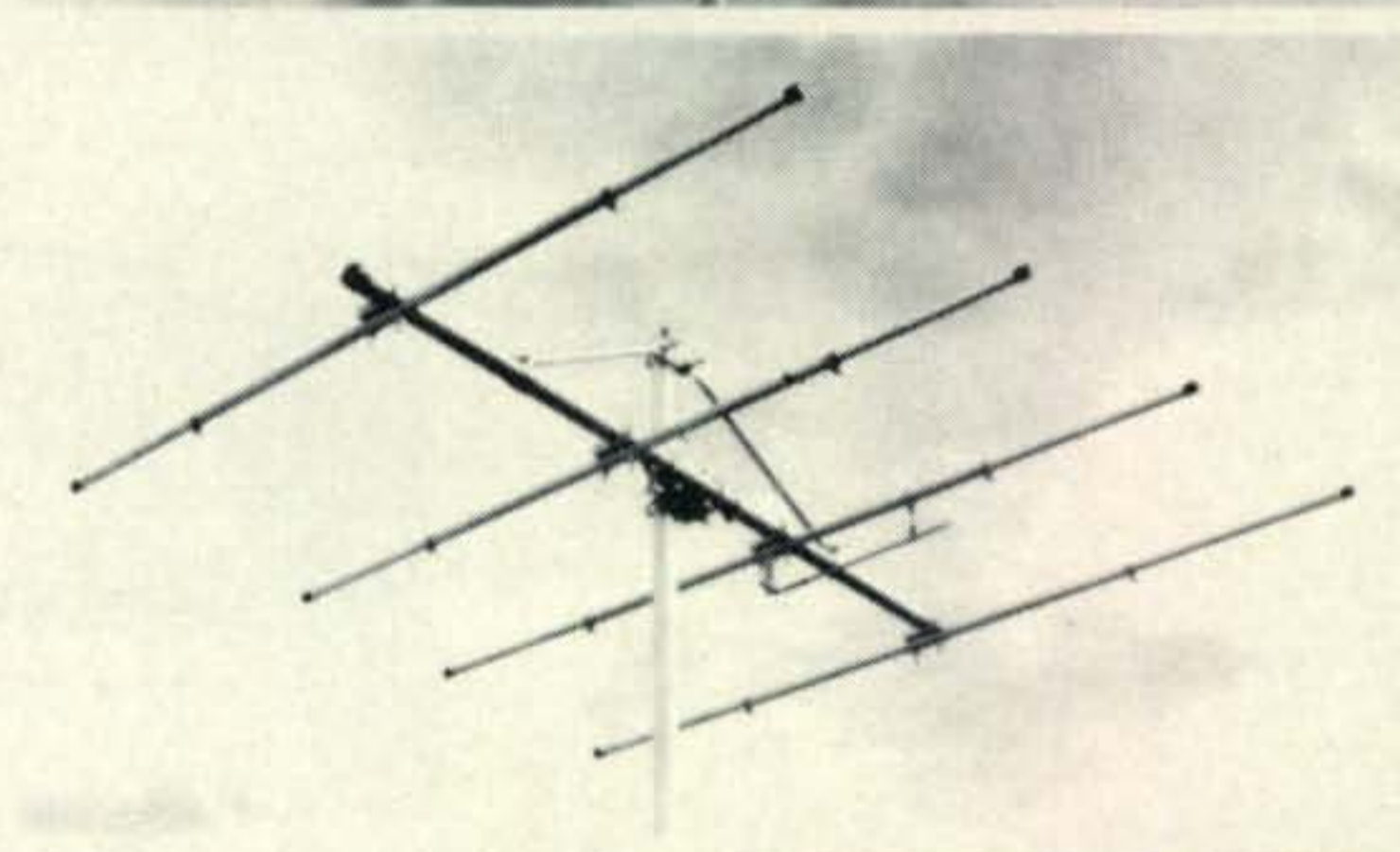
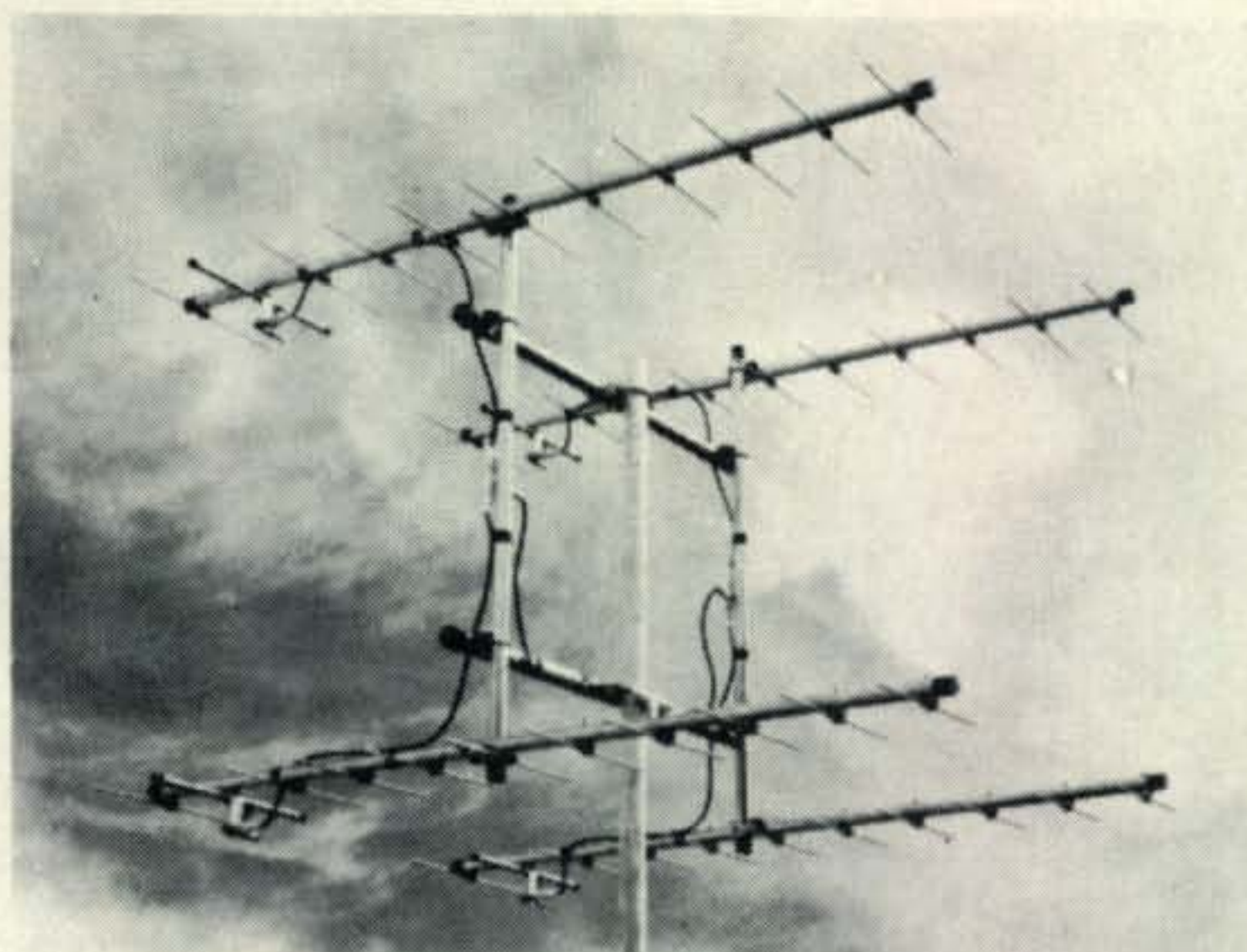
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# Results of the 1969 CQ World Wide DX (Phone) Contest

BY FRANK ANZALONE,\* W1WY

**W**E had another good one back in October, even surpassing the 1968 Phone Contest which I had predicted as probably being the greatest one of them all. Practically all areas will show new scoring records. I counted over 20 new continental and world records.

A total of 1377 logs were received, a modest 3% increase over last year. This in spite of a 4% decrease in US entries, but which was more than compensated by a 40% increase out of the USSR.

There seems to be a trend to multi operation, which does cut down on the number of entries but increases the on-the-air activity.

Breaking a million by the single operator all banders is now commonplace, a total of 44 stations made it this year. But breaking a million on a single band is something else. This was finally achieved by CWØAA on 21 mc. Don't let that call fool you, it's none other than our friend Ricardo, CX2CO, the little ole record breaker himself.

Entries were received from 125 different countries, a decrease of 7, and only 39 zones could be accounted for, there was no activity in Zone 34.

But enough with the statistics, you can get more information from the top scores listings,

\*Contest Chairman, CQ.



Would you believe that this attractive YL has a 23 year old son ready to take over the operation of YV1-YC? We welcome multi-operator stations, but we would rather exchange contest numbers with you Irmgard.

## PLAQUE & TROPHY WINNERS

### Single Operator, Single Band

**WORLD**—North Jersey DX Association. Dr. Harold Megibow Memorial Trophy. Won by Talma Drummond, PY4OD.

**CANADA**—Gene Krehibiel, VE6TP Trophy. Won by Martin Rosenthal, VE3MR.

**CARIB./C.A.**—Gus Huether, HR2GK Trophy. Won by Pedro Piza Jr., KP4AST.

### Single Operator, All Band

**WORLD**—Bill Leonard, W2SKE Trophy. Won by James B. Neiger, 9Y4AA.

**U.S.A.**—Potomac Valley R.C. Trophy. Won by John Lawrence, K1KTH.

**EUROPE**—W4BVV Operators' Trophy. Won by Klaus Kuhlemeier, DJ4PT.

**OCEANIA**—Jack Chaulk, KS6EJ Trophy. Won by Edward DeYoung, KH6GLU.

**CARIB./C.A.**—Harold Fox, W3AA Plaque. Won by Eloy Marez, YS1XEE.

**AFRICA**—Gordon Marshall, W6RR Plaque. Won by Carlos Silva, CR6LV.

### Multi Operator, Single Transmitter

**WORLD**—John Knight, W6YY Trophy. Won by Station ON4UN (OPrs. ON4UN, DK1FW, G3XVY.)

### Multi Transmitter, Multi Band

**WORLD**—Radio Club Venezolano Trophy. Won by Station PJØDX (OPrs. K1-ANV, K3EST, K3NPV, K4AQQ, PJ2CC, W3AZD, W3MSK, W3ZKH, W4BVV)

### Contest Expedition

**WORLD**—Stuart Meyer, W2GHK Trophy. Won by Station PJØDX.

### Special CQ Plaques

**WORLD**—Single Band Champion. Ricardo Sierra, Jr. CWØAA.

**EUROPE**—All Band Champion. Robert Snyder, LAØAD.

**Single Operator - All Band**

Station	QSO's						Zones						Countries					
	1.8	3.8	7	14	21	28	1.8	3.8	7	14	21	28	1.8	3.8	7	14	21	28
9Y4AA		121	300	844	792	999		14	19	35	33	29		39	47	101	82	86
KV4FZ	40	334	310	1107	762	1122	8	19	18	34	30	27	12	59	54	92	66	81
LAØAD		114	115	393	440	1363		10	14	32	27	27		34	38	71	61	67
HC1TH		42	119	751	521	800		8	15	30	25	17		15	32	76	64	52
DJ4PT		70	107	487	640	568		10	14	27	36	30		36	35	70	68	65
I1BAF		47	117	808	347	582		8	12	30	30	29		32	41	75	65	57
I1FLD		43	66	708	565	657		7	10	34	28	29		28	29	87	58	56
VS6DR		4	30	607	731	867		3	11	39	33	33		4	16	101	74	66
KH6GLU		46	92	412	744	852		11	13	31	28	26		12	16	78	58	42
OZ1LO		110	119	340	599	583		11	15	34	27	32		35	39	76	66	65
K1KTH		78	71	254	360	359		19	16	33	36	34		39	35	87	85	82
W6RR		33	85	205	549	456		13	15	30	35	31		19	32	71	79	75

U.S.A.

**Multi-Operator - Single Transmitter**

ON4UN		143	208	1177	1138	673		18	23	39	35	34		55	54	129	95	75
OH2AM	9	88	90	1160	1291	628	2	10	15	39	36	34	7	45	52	132	98	94
CW3BH	7	18	67	499	1183	1749	3	8	17	32	32	29	7	14	25	73	72	77
UA9KAX		73	283	1032	412	578		11	19	38	29	34		36	58	127	81	100
DLØWR		76	97	886	817	961		10	14	35	30	30		40	61	96	72	78
PJ1AA		136	278	682	759	969		9	17	36	26	24		25	42	106	63	54

**Multi-Operator - Multi-Transmitter**

PJØDX	36	452	929	2739	2699	2415	4	22	24	39	35	32	8	60	70	146	116	88
4M1A	22	395	608	2352	2098	1882	4	15	23	38	34	32	7	46	70	146	97	88
OH5SM	30	309	513	1813	2304	1802	2	12	27	39	37	36	8	52	78	153	120	115
WA2ZAA	4	127	228	936	1183	1012	3	19	29	39	38	33	3	46	78	138	126	103
OH1AA	15	202	416	1681	1203	1017	2	8	26	39	33	36	6	33	73	135	92	96
W6VSS	9	78	267	625	1265	683	4	16	28	36	36	36	3	30	57	127	98	97

**Band-by-band breakdown of top scores.**

band-by-band breakdown of the top stations, and the Trophy winners.

There were many highlights but we feel the multi-multi operation of PJØDX by the PVRC group tops them all. The Committee and Stu Meyer therefore award them the W2GHK Contest Expedition Trophy. A fan-



The fixed mobile location of C31CQ and the camper used by K2IXP high in the mountains of Andorra. Larry experienced freezing temperatures at this 8500 ft. altitude.

tastic 10,014 contacts were made, but they did not all figure in the scoring. A computer dug out 744 dupes, leaving a net of 9270 and a score of better than seventeen and a half million. It was also interesting to note that 5653 conacts were W/Ks.

Oher Contest Expeditions of note were FG7TI/FS7 by PJ7JC, W9ZRX and VE3-EUU; ZF1CC by WB4MKU, W4DGY and W4ZRZ; VP2VP by VP2VI, VE3ACD and VE3GMT; Lord Howe by VK2BKM; OHØAM by OH2BH; C31CQ by K2IXP who operated fixed mobile from a camper in freezing temperatures; and DJ6QT/CT3 which was sadly terminated prematurely because of the death of Walter's infant daughter while the family was spending a vacation in Madeira.

The call 9Y4AA may be new but not its operator. Jim Neiger, ex-ZD8Z again had the extra QSO point advantage for all those W/K contacts and nosed out Herb, KV4FZ for top honors.



The 10 meter position of the West Coast Multi-Multi "Big Gun" W6VSS. That's Cam, W6QY and Dick, W6ICJ doing their share in putting Dale Hoppee's station at the top of the list in zone 3.

Another donnybrook was the one between I1BAF and I1FLD with Mino avenging last year's defeat by Antonio by a very narrow margin.

The OH DX Ring was not able to round up a full crew for multi-multi operation, so they joined the Single Transmitter category. However a surprise new entry in this category, ON4UN took top honors.

A new call that had everybody scratching their heads was WA2ZAA. It was none other than old K2GL reorganized to operate in the Extra portions of the bands.

The openings on all bands were good but exceptional on 28 mc. It seemed to me that everybody flocked to 10, some because of the fine opening, other because of the unrestricted frequencies on that band.

To quote W5EU, "10 was beautiful, best opening I have heard in 38 years of hamming." And K4KJN was bemoaning the fact that he had to buck the "big guns" with only a TA 33 Jr., but Mickey had picked the right band and won himself a certificate.

Of course "Murphy" reared his ugly head as usual. W4VAN says he was Murphied to death. Don blew a trap on 40, followed by a balun and finally the rotor went kaput.

However, I don't think WA5LSM can blame Murphy for his difficulties. Marlin claims his linear blew up when a pretty YL walked under his antenna. (Boy! they sure must be wearing those mini's short down Texas way!)

And do you suppose Murf had anything to do with VE4ZP's cousin using John's home as a hide-out for their elopement and louse up John's contest week-end?

A common complaint was that some DX stations do not identify themselves often enough, adding to the confusion in a pile-up. But even a pileup has its moments of humor. An incident as told by Maurice Duke, ZM1TZ relates that during an unusually heavy W/K pile-up there was complete silence after he had given a report to a station. Suddenly a voice pipes up, "Who's dat wun for, Mr. Dook?"

JA1AEA yearly expresses disappointment that we do not have a continental Trophy for Asia. Well, how about someone in JA land donating one? All our awards are donated.

K5YMY had no complaints, he enjoyed the contest so much that he wants us to make it a two week-end affair for each mode. (That's a privilege reserved for ARRL only.)

If you want to fatten your 5 B DXCC total this is the contest where to do it advises WA0LYO, Perry added 26 new countries to his 10 meter total.

This is the 11th CQ Contest for the group at SM5AZU. They figure the fellows have been operating together for over 200 years. (I don't quite figure how they arrived at that.)

K6HN was disturbed by the incessant calling of some stations, even when the DX station was already working someone. But WA3JRY found everybody most gentlemanly, even in the closing hours of the contest. (By that time they were just numb. Hi!) I would add however that on the whole, operating ethics were generally commendable, the pattern being set by the operating procedure of the DX station.

Our week-ends are working days for the Muslim world, therefore YA1HD found it impossible to put in full time. We are grateful for the time Helmut did put in and give the boys a shot at a rare one.

Experience gained over-seas evidently pays off because K1KTH, the USA Trophy winner is ex-KA7AB. Nice going John.

K3CLA is the club call of the St. Joseph's Prep School Radio Club and the boys had a ball in the contest but didn't like the idea of spending an extra 48 hours in school. (I would suggest an organized operating schedule.)

The group at G3VUM had problems of another nature. The station was located in the same building as a dance hall. Came Saturday night they were forced to QRT because "CQ DX" was getting into the hall's P.A. system.

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# TOP SCORES

## SINGLE OPERATOR

### ALL BAND

9Y4AA .....4,318,925	I1BAF .....1,972,316
KV4FZ .....4,180,500	I1FLD .....1,962,492
LAØAD ....2,512,692	VS6DR .....1,913,680
HC1TH .....2,183,024	<b>KH6GLU ..1,859,130</b>
DJ4PT .....2,017,169	OZ1LC .....1,825,600

### SINGLE BAND

28 mc		7 mc	
4X4JU .....570,836	SM5BPJ .....138,061		
OZ3SK .....448,500	VE3KZ .....92,442		
KG6AQY .....435,528	G3NLY .....62,880		
SM6AEK .....424,974	OH3VV .....55,680		
UV3GM .....424,156	W2DXL .....52,008		
DL6EN .....400,288	I1NU .....34,036		

21 mc		3.8 mc	
CWØAA ....1,068,552	CT2AT .....51,129		
G3HCT .....832,016	DJ2YA .....40,448		
<b>VE3MR .....550,212</b>	G3IGW .....21,775		
VE3FHO .....467,852	K3UZE .....19,229		
HB9ZY .....406,830	VE7BDJ .....13,653		
UA1DZ .....399,455	OE1WO .....12,322		

## 14 mc

<b>PY4OD .....919,068</b>
CR6LK .....742,755
DL8NU .....717,558
UA9DN .....699,105
KP4AST .....619,714
DJ2BW .....597,681

## 1.8 mc

VE3BS .....1,947
GM3YCB .....1,080
DL1CF .....468
K1PBW .....299
WA4SGF .....216
OK1MP .....190

## MULTI-OPERATOR

### SINGLE TRANSMITTER

<b>ON4UN ....5,117,716</b>	UA9KAX ..3,673,969
OH2AM .....5,091,228	DLØWR .....3,623,616
CW3BH .....3,944,460	PJ1AA .....3,345,042

## MULTI-OPERATOR

### MULTI TRANSMITTER

<b>PJØDX .....17,613,400</b>	WA2ZAA ..6,743,880
4M1A .....12,993,600	OH1AA .....6,470,325
OH5SM ....11,593,925	W6VSS .....4,788,240

Number groups after call letters denote the following: Band (A-all); Final Score; Number of QSOs; Zones and Countries. Certificate winners are listed in **bold face**.

W1EIN 3.8	5,440	56	11	29	<b>W3MVB A</b>	731,300	722	108	247	W3OV	"	175,244	322	58	135		
K1PBW 1.8	299	13	5	8	<b>W3DQG A</b>	709,296	754	99	237	W3GRS	"	155,844	260	73	161		
<b>W2PV A</b>	1,501,164	1195	117	324	<b>W3CRE A</b>	642,902	722	91	222	K3UZY	"	146,452	285	61	127		
<b>WB2RLK A</b>	1,011,852	1038	104	243	K3TGM	"	516,559	612	84	209	W3DRD	"	139,104	268	58	126	
WA2IZS	"	471	859	545	95	212	<b>WB2VQG/3</b>	486,325	584	93	182	WA3LKH	"	111,684	233	57	107
WA3BZA/2	450,575	585	85	184	WA3CGE	"	451,233	580	83	194	WA3JRY	"	99,385	236	40	99	
W2YD	"	325,740	476	81	163	W3AXW	"	434,145	545	86	195	W3HVM	"	70,083	211	45	72
WA2LLK	"	313,684	473	71	167	WA3ATX	"	402,369	529	80	187	W3NNK	"	69,823	189	43	88
K2QIL	"	305,467	433	75	176	W3AES	"	331,289	487	77	166	W3EVW	"	65,940	164	49	91
W2UI	"	262,890	403	77	153	W3KT	"	327,660	455	83	171	W3GHD	"	52,706	131	60	86
WB2UZU	"	250,418	401	66	151	K3EUR	"	305,520	464	68	160	W3CGS	"	52,200	155	38	78
K2OQJ	"	232,630	389	66	139	K30TY	"	301,464	443	75	162	WA3IXF	"	48,614	160	36	73
WA2RSX	"	188,700	332	63	141	W3FDU	"	273,372	454	64	145	W3FHR	"	36,905	128	47	74
W2LEJ	"	186,220	341	59	131	W3NX	"	273,182	385	75	172	K3TVE	"	11,036	66	28	34
WB2IEC	"	179,025	294	67	150	W3DHM	"	257,907	405	73	148	WA3KKL	"	9,169	64	18	35
K2KHR	"	160,300	327	58	117	K3AIG	"	212,888	413	57	121	W3CBF	"	6,355	53	12	29
W2EHB	"	157,182	279	64	137	WA3HGV	"	187,980	357	57	138	WA3ENM	"	5,246	43	14	29
K2PZF	"	111,048	231	57	111	W3BYX	"	178,135	333	58	139	W3ML	"	4,794	36	23	28
WB2ZGI	"	87,600	214	45	101	W3ECW	"	176,472	295	73	143	W3FPP	"	2,184	41	26	31
WA2CSP	"	86,301	229	31	98												
W2SNI	"	77,763	197	49	98												
K2DDK	"	68,978	140	64	118												
W2DIZ	"	65,550	154	61	89												
W2UCV	"	64,527	164	45	92												
WA2IRU	"	23,247	110	29	52												
W2ITG	"	20,928	79	36	60												
W2KZN	"	8,292	89	20	34												
F3VN/W2	"	4,742	38	15	27												
W2ZPG	"	2,101	25	12	21												
<b>W2YT 28</b>	<b>233,856</b>	<b>629</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>96</b>													
W2DKM	"	169,910	454	31	99												
K2BK	"	131,157	386	32	85												
K2ISP	"	96,120	305	27	81												
W2EQK	"	50,800	216	21	59												
WA2JGV	"	31,950	148	23	52												
K2BMI	"	18,760	100	23	44												
W2PU	"	12,545	72	21	44												
<b>WB2NXL 21</b>	<b>146,625</b>	<b>405</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>94</b>													
WB2WJO	"	104,620	352	26	69												
W2ERO	"	37,098	168	24	57												
WA8SMW/2	10,650	77	13	27													
<b>W2AIR 14</b>	<b>104,784</b>	<b>309</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>85</b>													
K2FCV	"	47,895	176	26	67												
WA2AYP	"	28,028	156	21	56												
WA2DTP	"	8,788	67	16	36												
<b>W2DXL 7</b>	<b>52,008</b>	<b>238</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>65</b>													
<b>WA2UJM 3.8</b>	<b>4,712</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>27</b>													
W2EQS 1.8	81	8	4	5													

## Phone Results

### SINGLE OPERATOR NORTH AMERICA

United States

<b>K1KTH A</b>	1,523,820	1122	138	328	
W10KG	A 836,628	844	105	241	
K1KNQ	"	783,288	799	103	241
W1BIH	"	494,949	514	102	241
W1UYU	"	391,395	508	84	185
W1PYM	"	373,998	516	75	174
W1IXL	"	277,344	442	71	145
W1AX	"	161,491	217	88	189
WA1ANR	"	150,705	343	44	109
K1IMP	"	146,374	284	45	118
W1PCD	"	83,226	199	51	92
W1BHV	"	62,634	153	46	97
W1BPW	"	54,194	118	56	102
W1DIT	"	40,474	123	40	78
K1THQ	"	34,960	128	30	65
W1KXM	"	30,616	134	30	56
W1ETU	"	26,765	96	33	68
W1WY	"	20,610	85	32	58
W1PLJ	"	10,251	69	16	35
WA1KQM/1	8,642	54	22	36	
WA9HHH/1	7,791	57	17	32	
W1FLN	"	5,900	49	19	13
<b>K1KDP 28</b>	<b>274,747</b>	<b>705</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>107</b>	
WA1HFN	"	175,680	503	30	90
WA1FBX	"	46,665	189	22	63
WA1FHU	"	13,050	84	17	41
<b>K1HVV 21</b>	<b>273,092</b>	<b>703</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>103</b>	
WA1IRG	"	125,545	370	32	87
<b>WA9NSR/1 14</b>	<b>117,120</b>	<b>339</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>88</b>	
W1ESN	"	90,594	245	35	91
W1TOU	"	18,834	79	29	57



A welcome station in a contest, KG4DS. "Doc" wanted to know if this was the first entry out of Gitmo. Its been a long time, but we had one back in 1960.







Luxembourg			
LX1BW	A 509,640	1202	71 84
Netherlands			
PAQXPQ	A 456,170	626	94 196
PAQSNQ	" 126,896	365	52 154
PAQUC	" 91,931	270	53 108
PAQJR	" 7,276	97	20 48
PAQJPC	" 3,075	60	10 31
PAQINA	28 57,000	210	34 66
PAQMIR/A	22,385	166	17 38
PAQEEM	14 33,162	935	39 127
PAQHSJ	" 106,920	376	35 85
PAQFM	7 18,849	242	16 45

Northern Ireland			
GI3YDO	14 9,620	107	15 37

Norway			
LAQAD A	2,512,695	2425	110 271
LA8HN	" 627,888	915	90 219
LG5LG	" 164,096	497	50 114
LA8OM	" 48,760	275	34 58
LA8RI	" 47,190	173	47 74
LA7XM	" 34,580	201	27 68
LA5QK	" 30,500	164	36 86
LA4R	" 21,648	193	15 33
LA8M	" 10,428	84	25 41
LA6XI	" 8,722	86	18 44
LA9ZF	" 3,248	63	9 19
LA9WK	" 513	13	9 10
LA4ZB	28 27,434	170	19 39
LA6OI	" 9,313	53	26 41
LA3XG	" 3,360	53	13 22
LA1FF	21 1,261	35	6 7
LA6U	7 3,913	66	14 29

Poland			
3Z8AJK A	1,596,190	1460	143 399
SP5CIC	" 127,250	640	72 141
3Z8AWP	" 46,374	259	37 94
3Z2BMM	" 5,550	76	14 36
3Z6AAT	28 86,580	349	39 59
3Z9BZM	21 5,472	98	11 25
3Z3AMZ	14 19,710	168	22 51
3Z5SIP	" 15,000	105	20 55
3Z7AWA	" 8,071	167	13 34
3Z5CJU	" 3,914	88	10 28
3Z9PT	3.8 5,166	125	8 33

Portugal			
CT1BH A	1,283,337	1508	94 225
CT1MB	" 4,575	45	22 39
CT1WA	14 146,256	461	34 98
CT1QN	" 84,487	385	29 68
CT1WB	" 76,908	358	31 85
CT1GD	7 5,265	122	8 31

Romania			
YO9VI A	468,872	1032	68 183
YO2BB	" 250,320	678	60 150
YO2AFB	" 55,806	273	42 89
YO4KCA	14 368	19	5 11
YO6ALD	28 352	18	7 9

Scotland			
GM3BCL A	404,096	745	64 160
GM3VTB	3.8 10,584	199	10 39
GM3YCB	1.8 1,080	90	2 10

Spain			
EA2IK A	5,220	76	12 33
EA4LH	28 183,344	594	30 82
EA3SA	" 81,530	495	23 39
EA1IY	" 27,390	200	23 60
EA3IH	21 8,976	135	15 36
EA2HW	14 10,716	142	15 42

Svalbard Is. (Bear)			
JW1CI A	287,592	857	56 128

Sweden			
SM5CEU A	1,767,507	1846	107 250
SM5AD A	1,186,500	1248	106 269
SM3BIZ	" 813,858	1077	90 213
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UR2EK	3.8 7,038	140	9
Latvia			
UQ2DV A	24,374	180	19
UQ2GV	21 2,310	51	8
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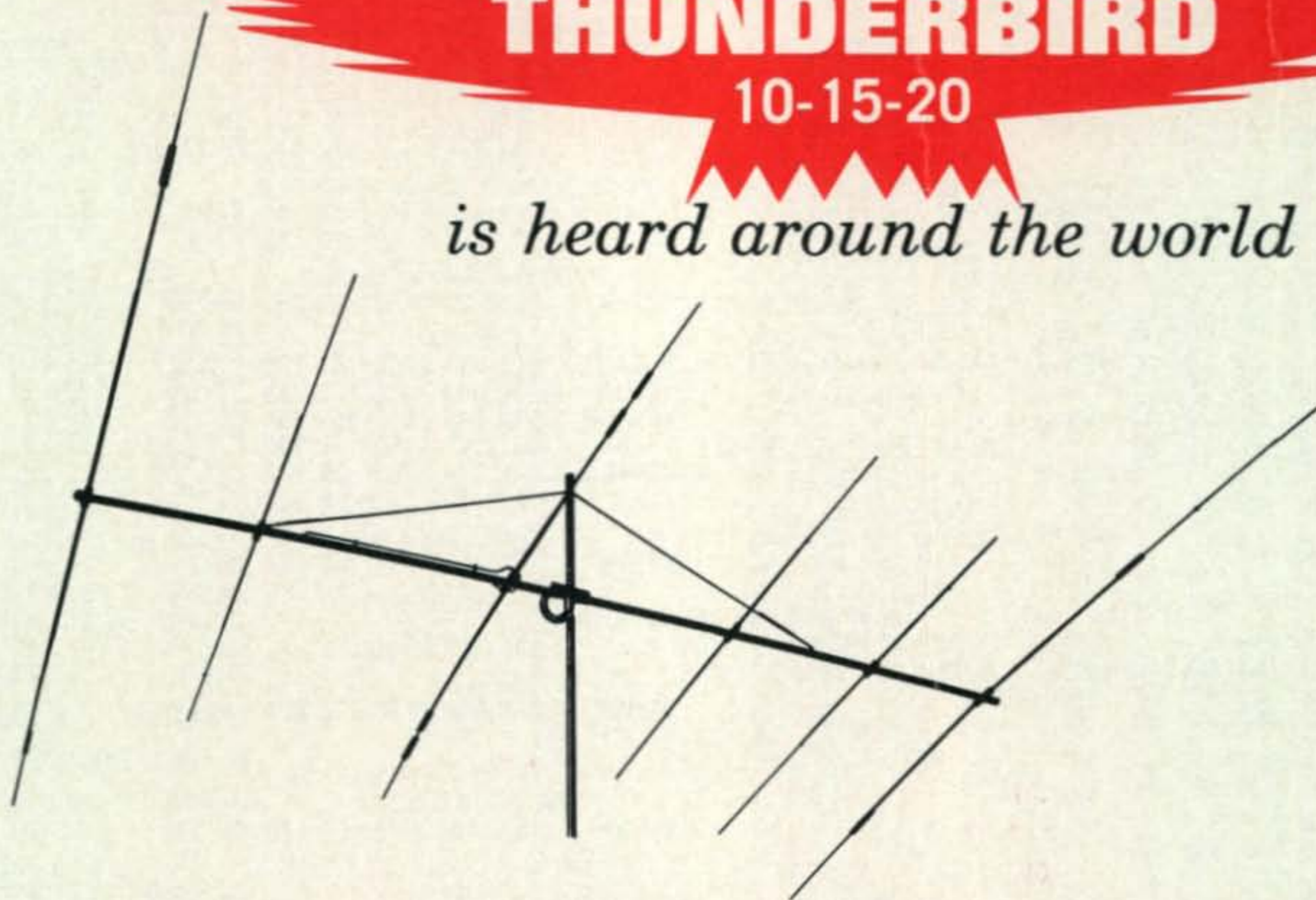
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# CQ Reviews:

## The Hallicrafters SX-122A Receiver

BY WILFRED M. SCHERER,\* W2AEF

**M**OST of the radio-amateur equipment produced these days is geared for amateur-band-only operation, both in respect to transceivers or individual receiver and transmitter combinations. As far as receiving goes in the latter case, a high-quality general-coverage receiver still can serve well as the normal station receiver. Both here and with a transceiver-equipped station, it can provide other useful service as well. At any rate, it will add to the flexibility of the station setup, enabling reception of many different type signals in the .54-34 mc range, such as WWV and CHU (for time signals and frequency calibration), the 160-meter amateur band, the marine band, commercial ship-to-shore communications, press and weather reports (excellent for code practice or just plain amusement), standard a.m. or short-wave broadcasts, Apollo tracking stations, 20 mc satellites, etc.

A receiver of this type also will be useful as a tunable-i.f. receiver with v.h.f. converters, offering complete v.h.f. band coverage without necessitating switching in additional crystals at the converters.

Another helpful function for such a set is as an aid in conjunction with servicing the more complex amateur gear now in vogue, one application of which would be the checking of equipment oscillators that operate at frequencies outside of the amateur bands.

Furthermore, the addition of a good general-coverage job can provide reliable standby or back-up service in the event the normal station receiver becomes disabled, besides which it can be put to good use for split-frequency operation with transceivers or for monitoring additional signals.

### The SX-122A

An updated general-coverage receiver is the Hallicrafters SX-122A which is a dual-conversion job that includes important fea-

tures necessary for today's advanced requirements.

Continuous coverage is provided over a 540-1600 kc and a 1.75-34 mc range with a high order of frequency stability. Calibrated bandspread is furnished for the 80-10 meter amateur bands and for the Citizen's band.

Three degrees of selectivity may be had. These are 0.5, 2.5 and 5 kc. Separate envelope and product detectors allow optimum reception for a.m., c.w., RTTY or s.s.b. Either upper- or lower-sideband operation may be selected for s.s.b.

An automatic noise limiter and an S-meter are included, while a 100 kc plug-in crystal calibrator is available as an optional accessory. Other features will be found in the following description.

### Details

The setup for the SX-122A is shown at fig. 1. The dual-conversion scheme employs a 1st i.f. of 1650 kc, which ensures good image rejection, and a 2nd i.f. of 50 kc providing a high degree of selectivity and sideband selection.

The first conversion is made in conjunction with a tunable heterodyning oscillator that functions 1650 kc above the desired-signal frequency. A tuned plate-feedback or "tickler" type of circuit is used, with cathode in-



The Hallicrafters SX-122A General Coverage Receiver.

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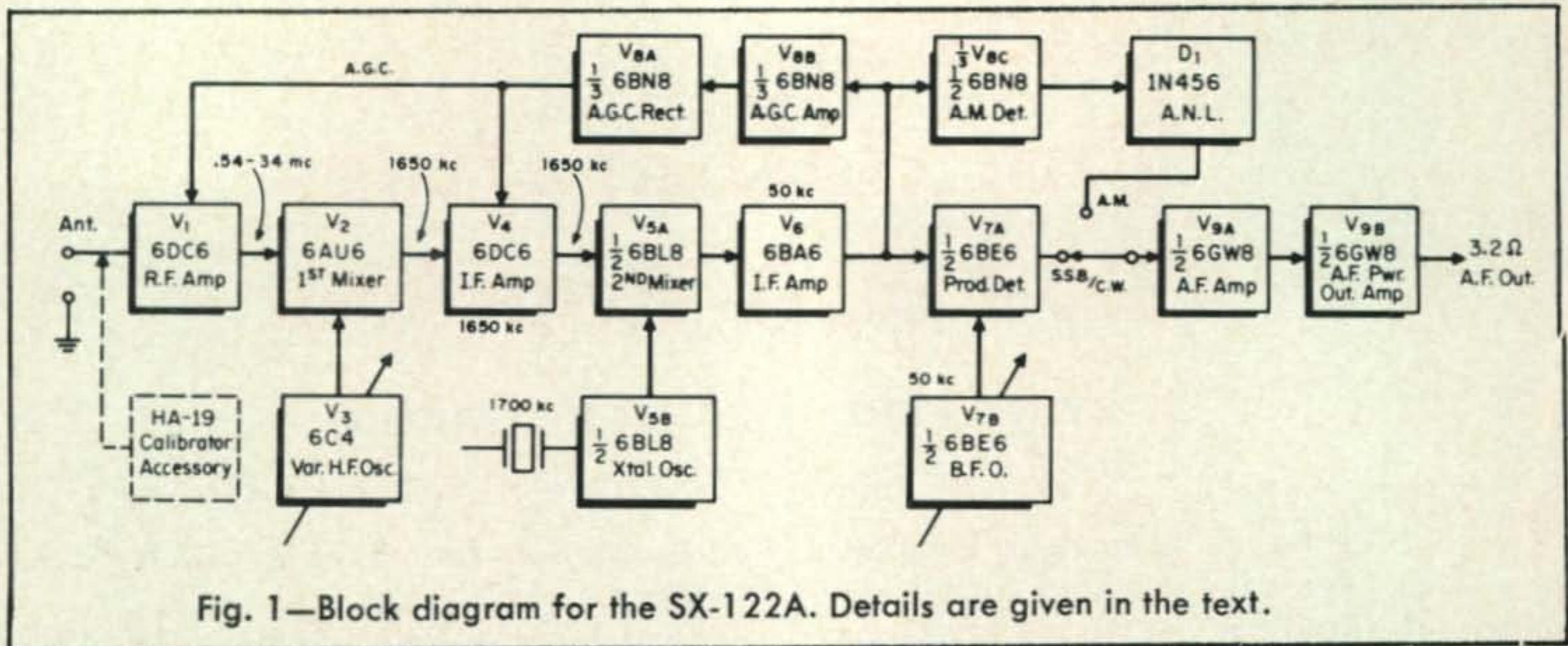


Fig. 1—Block diagram for the SX-122A. Details are given in the text.

jection to the 1st mixer obtained from the untuned grid winding at the oscillator inductors. Excellent frequency stability here is ensured through the use of ceramic coil forms, ceramic trimmers (not compression types), extensive use of temperature-compensating capacitors, plus voltage regulation and exceptionally rugged mechanical construction.

The overall stability is further enhanced by the use of a crystal-controlled second-conversion oscillator which is cathode-coupled to the 2nd mixer. The b.f.o. is a tunable self-excited one, but since it operates at a very low frequency, stability does not become a problem, especially since high-quality components are used.

High-*Q* r.f. circuits at the input amplifier and the 1st mixer contribute to good image rejection. The circuit constants also are such that provide relatively more uniform gain than usual over the whole range of the receiver. The r.f. circuits are gang-tuned with those of the h.f. oscillator. An "antenna trimmer" is included to compensate for variations in the reflected impedance from various antennas.

Double-tuned input and output circuits are employed at the 1650 kc amplifier. The 50 kc i.f. system, with the adjustable selectivity, is the same as that used in the Hallcrafters SX-115 and SX-117 amateur-band s.s.b. receivers. It is described at fig. 2.

The product detector and the b.f.o. are combined in a 6BE6 pentagrid converter using conventional circuitry for self-excitation. The b.f.o. is permeability-tuned by a core that is adjustable with a panel control whose setting for c.w. or for l.s.b. and u.s.b. operation are identified.

The envelope detector for a.m. is one diode section of a 6BN8. The triode portion of this tube functions as an untuned i.f. amplifier ahead of the a.g.c. rectifier which is the other diode in the 6BN8. The a.g.c. voltage is applied to the r.f. stage and the 1st i.f. amplifier. A fast-release time is used for a.m. When the receiver function switch is set to SSB/c.w., a .47 mf capacitor with a 100K series resistor is automatically added to the a.g.c. line to provide a slow-release time.

The S-meter is located in the cathode return of the 1650 kc i.f. amplifier and thus responds to the changes in the cathode current according to the variations of the a.g.c. voltage with changing signal levels. A potentiometer across the a.g.c. line to this stage enables the degree of control voltage to be adjusted so that a 50  $\mu$ v r.f.-input signal will read S-9 on the meter.

The noise limiter is a series-gate type and functions only for a.m. signals. The a.f. section of the set consists of the triode portion of a 6GW8 for the 1st a.f. stage, with the pentode half used for the a.f. power stage which has a 3.2-ohm output for a loudspeaker or headphones.

Receiver muting is accomplished by the insertion of a 330K resistor in series with the cathode return for the r.f. amplifier and the 50 kc stage. For receive, this resistor is shorted out and the cathodes are returned directly to ground through a 10K potentiometer that serves as an r.f. gain control. Receiver muting via a transmitter requires normally-closed contacts (for receive) on the transmitter relay.

Besides being applied to the h.f. oscillator, a regulated potential of 150 volts also is used at the screen of the 1st mixer and for the

product detector/b.f.o. A 5Y3 vacuum tube is used as a full-wave rectifier in the power supply, a rather surprising aspect when silicon-diode rectifiers seem to be the rule these days.

### Construction

The receiver is built on a heavy-gauge chassis with the panel well braced to the chassis with sturdy end brackets, making the whole setup extremely resistant to warping or twisting. This is augmented by installation in a rugged wrap-around type cabinet. Ventilation is provided by perforations at the top and bottom.

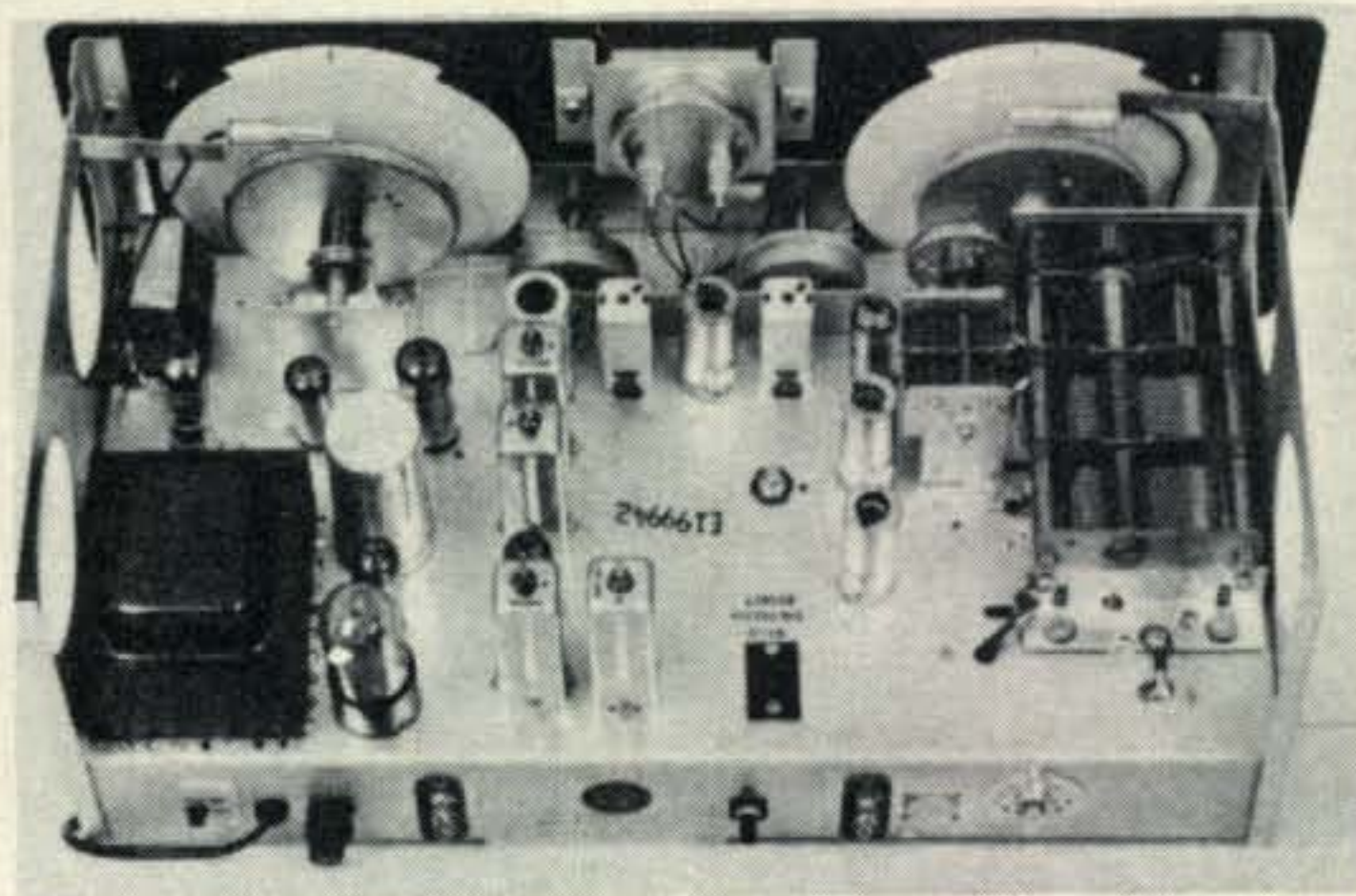
Complete shielding between the oscillator, mixer and r.f. stage circuits provides excellent isolation that eliminates interaction between oscillators, maintains stability and improves image or other unwanted-signal rejection.

An interesting wrinkle is that a collar on the metal shaft for the bandswitch holds a cup washer against the shield where the shaft passes between the r.f. stage and mixer sections. This provides a wiper action that grounds the shaft at this point and thus avoids unwanted coupling through the shaft between the two stages, that might otherwise introduce r.f. feedback and a consequential deterioration in the signal-to-noise ratio. Self-oscillation in the r.f. stage also is prevented by resistor-suppressors at the tube grid and plate.

A husky 3-gang variable capacitor is used for the main tuning. It is operated by a flywheel control with a string drive that rotates a large wheel the shaft of which is coupled to the capacitor through a split-gear setup. The overall drive ratio is 20:1. Also installed on this shaft is the main frequency dial that has five calibrated scales, one for each of the four frequency bands, plus a logging scale. The frequency bands are: .54-1.6 mc, 1.75-4.9 mc, 4.8-12.6 mc and 12.5-34 mc.

Since an antenna trimmer is provided for the r.f. stage, only a 2-gang capacitor is needed for the bandspread-tuning (at mixer and oscillator). This capacitor also is operated by a flywheel control and string drive with an overall ratio of 14:1. The bandspread dial is calibrated for each amateur band at about 1/8"-spaced increments of 5 kc for the 80, 40 and 20 meter bands, 25 kc for 15 and 50 kc for 10.

As is customary, the main-tuning dial has points indicated on it at which it must be set for the various amateur bands for correlation



Top view of the SX-122A as seen from the rear. Note the sturdy end brackets bracing the panel.

with the bandspread-dial calibrations. The shortwave-broadcast bands are indicated by double-width lines along the scales, as are the amateur bands (and CB) on the band-spread dial.

A large size S-meter is incorporated on the set. The phone jack is on the panel, use of which automatically cuts off the speaker. A socket for the calibrator accessory is located internally on top of the chassis.

Other connections are made at the rear apron where screw-type terminals are provided for standby or muting control, loudspeaker and balanced- or unbalanced-antenna inputs of 50-600 ohms. Mounting holes also are provided for customer-installation of an SO-239 type coax connector. The S-meter-zero control and a fuse holder also are at the rear.

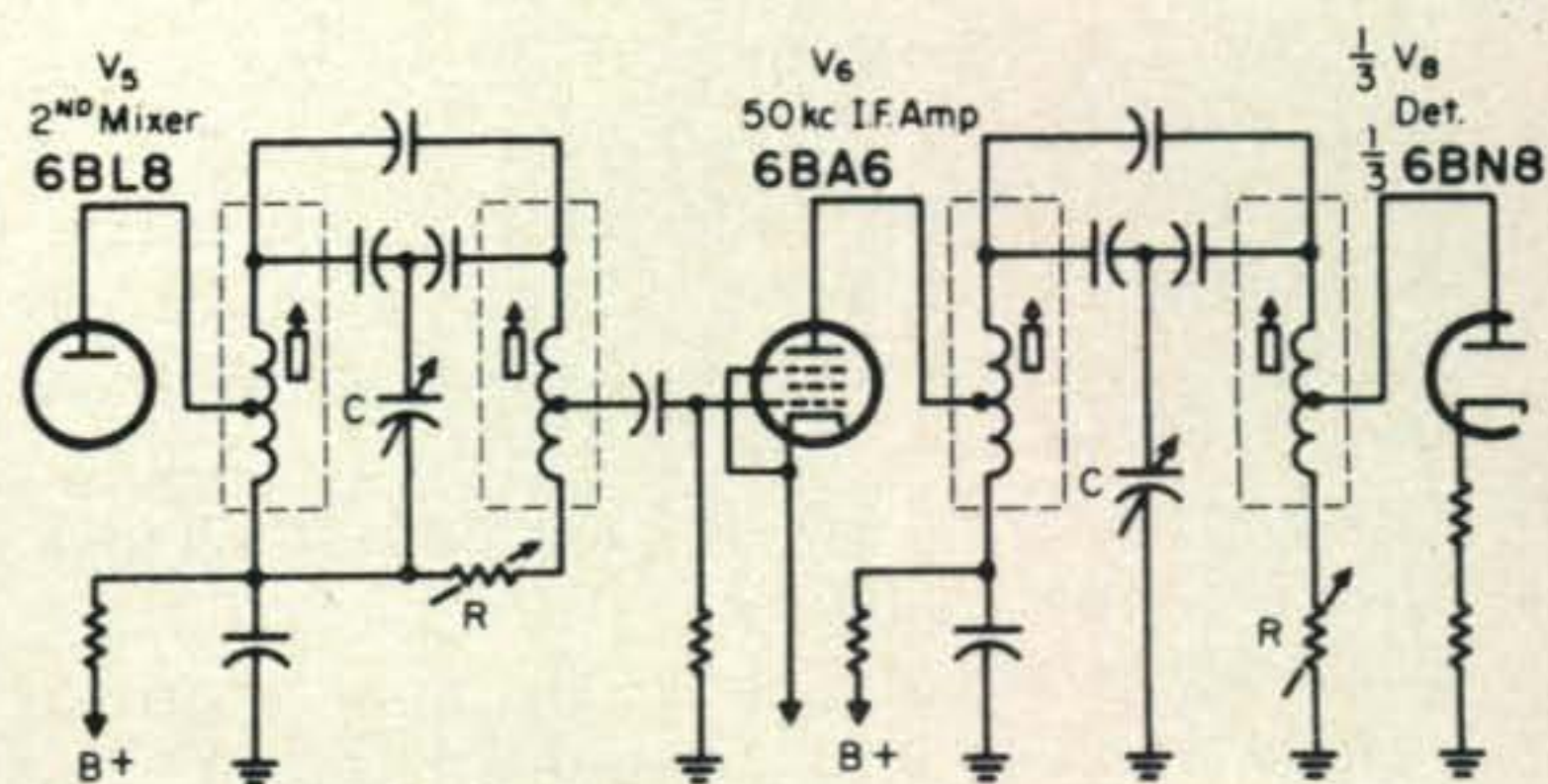
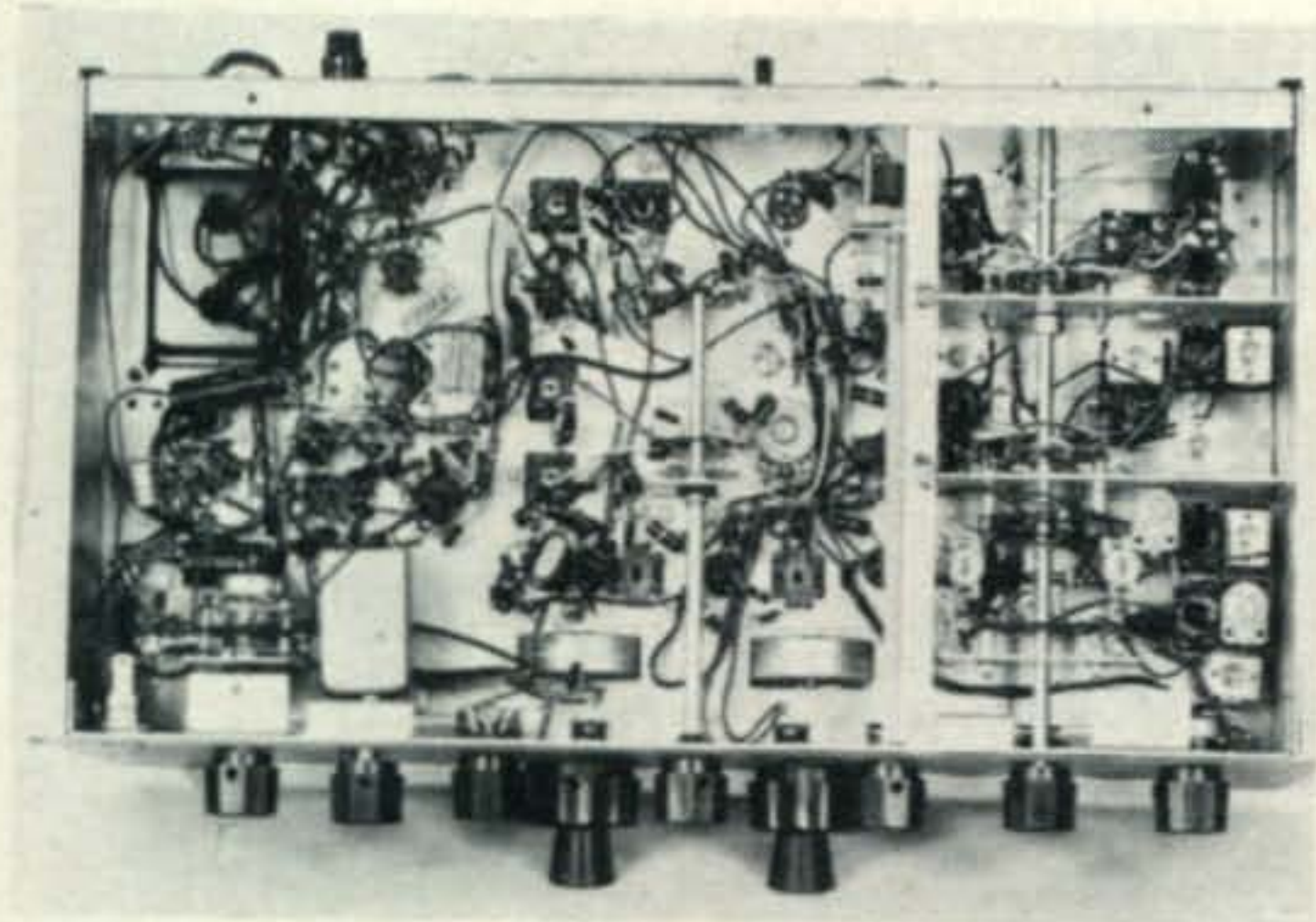


Fig. 2—The 50 kc i.f. setup for the SX-122A. Due to the individually shielded inductors, signal transfer occurs only through capacitance and resistance. R varies the Q of the tuned circuits and C varies the coupling. By increasing R and decreasing C, the selectivity is made broader. Conversely, decreasing R and increasing C sharpens the selectivity. The three degrees of selectivity are obtained by switching in the necessary values of R and C by the selectivity control.



Bottom view of the SX-122A. The r.f. front end and h.f. oscillator sections are within the shielded compartments at the right.

### Performance

The performance of the SX-122A was found to be considerably better than that of the usual general-coverage type receivers we've known in the past. This relates particularly to sensitivity, uniformity of gain, image rejection, selectivity and frequency stability.

Measurements produced the following results;

**SENSITIVITY** (for 10 db S+N/N): 1  $\mu$ V or less with a.m. on all bands, except 2  $\mu$ V on standard-broadcast band; 0.2  $\mu$ V or less with c.w. and s.s.b. **BAND-END-TO-END GAIN**: average within 8 db. **BAND-TO-BAND GAIN** (amateur bands): within 8 db referred to 7 mc (sensitivity not affected by variations in gain). **IMAGE REJECTION**: 62, 60, 52, 51 and 42 db on the 3.5, 7, 14, 21 and 28 mc amateur bands respectively. **I.F. SIGNAL REJECTION** (1650 kc): 60, 70, 75, 70 and 65 db on the above respective bands. **SELECTIVITY**: 0.5, 2.5 or 5 kc at 6 db points (selectable). **UNWANTED-SIDEBAND SUPPRESSION**: 35 db at 1 kc. **S-METER**: Average reading of S-9 with 50  $\mu$ V input signal on amateur bands. **A.G.C. CHARACTERISTIC**: 10 db a.f. output change with r.f.-input change of 80 db (1-10,000  $\mu$ V), fast release on a.m., slow release of approximately 1 second on s.s.b. and c.w.

**FREQUENCY STABILITY**: Differed somewhat depending on band and band-end. The average drift during a 5-10 minute warmup ranged from 1-2 kc at the low frequency end of the bands to 3-4 kc at the high end. After warmup, drift on the amateur bands held to within 100-500 c.p.s. per hour. As a matter of fact, we were able to listen to s.s.b. signals over long periods with hardly any more retuning required than with many of the current

amateur-band gear designed for s.s.b. work. With  $\pm 10\%$  line-voltage variations, a change of  $\pm 100$ -500 c.p.s. was experienced, but this was a slow change as the temperature of the tube-heaters varied accordingly. Under mechanical stress, more severe than normally would be encountered during operation, no serious effects on the frequency stability were observed.

The dial calibrations were found to be quite accurate within the limitations imposed by the spacing of the incremental points.

Operationally, the a.f. quality of the set was excellent both on a.m. and s.s.b., with good a.g.c. action on the latter for pleasant listening without pumping or dynamic a.g.c. distortion. Unwanted-sideband suppression with the 2.5 kc selectivity was adequate as was the 0.5 kc position for c.w., although the signal does not seem to peak up as sharply as with some of the crystal c.w. filters. The noise limiter worked well in the a.m. mode and was more effective when a signal was present than without it.

A beneficial feature, we've vainly advocated for years in respect to receivers of this type, would have been a dial lock on the main-tuning control to prevent one's inadvertently knocking the dial off the desired bandset position during amateur-band or other operation. This can be most annoying particularly when you're in the midst of a QSO. Perhaps one day some manufacturer will take heed.

The receiver operates from either a 115 or a 230 v.a.c. source 50/60 c.p.s. with a power consumption of 85 watts. A switch, with a lock, on the rear sets up either type of operation. The size of the receiver is 8"  $\times$  18 $\frac{3}{4}$ "  $\times$  9 $\frac{7}{8}$ " (H.W.D.) and it weighs 28 $\frac{3}{4}$  lbs.

The SX-122A General-Coverage Receiver is priced at \$395.00. The HA-19 100 kc Crystal Calibrator Accessory is \$29.95. The manufacturer is The Hallicrafters Co., 4401 W. Fifth Avenue, Chicago, Illinois 60624.

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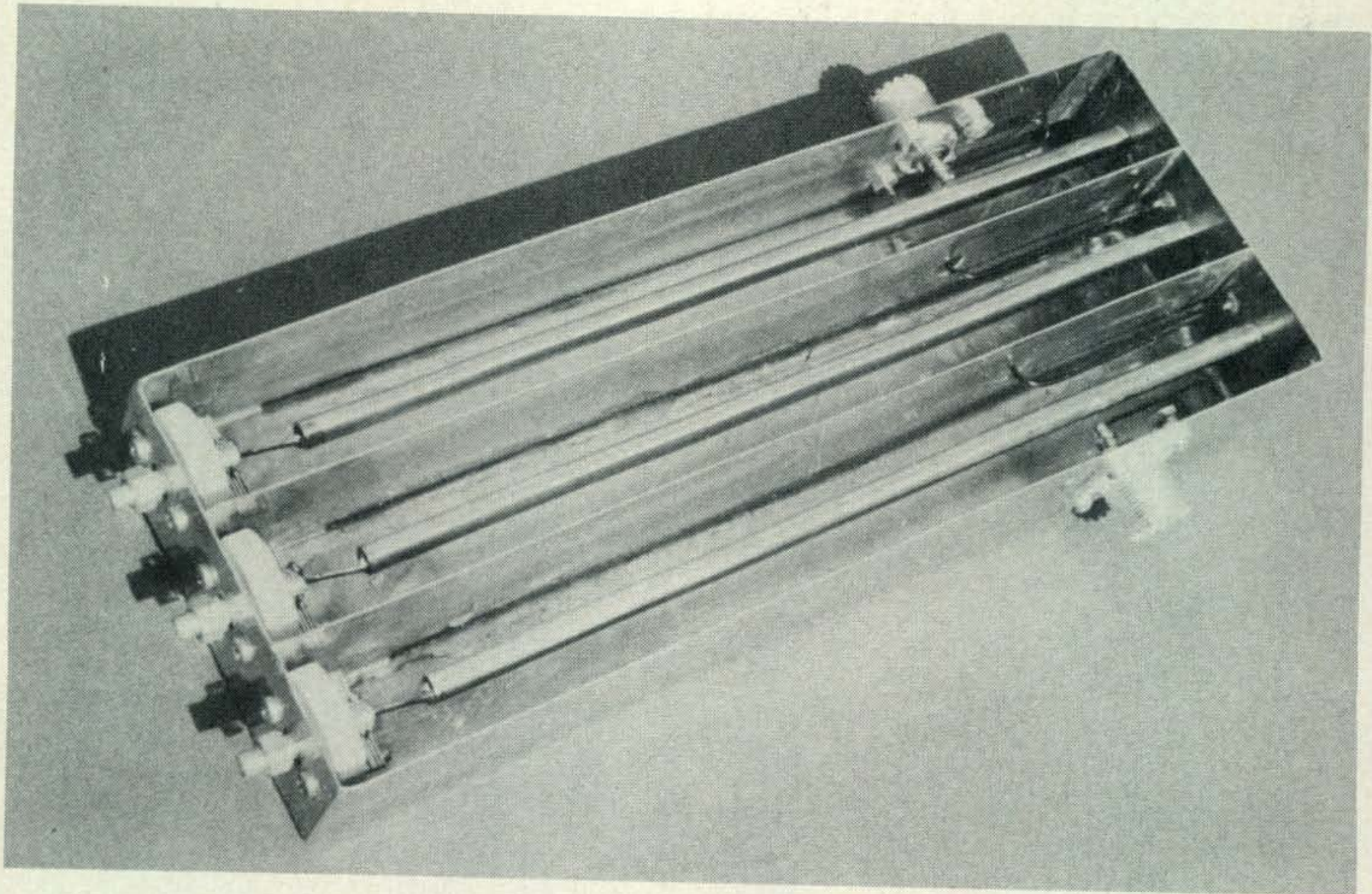
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# A TWO METER CAVITY FILTER

BY JOHN W. CORR,\* W6QLB

**T**o begin with, this article is written for those who operate in two meter nets or monitor a two meter channel for long hours and desire something as close to a clear channel as possible. It has a particular message for stations bothered by images or fundamental overload from nearby transmitters in the 150-160 mc high band such as police, fire, public safety, taxi, local government, *etc.* It also describes a sort of "blessed relief" for two meter operators who periodically get blasted from their chairs by unwanted images from commercial airlines passing overhead.

The truth of the matter is that this cavity-type receiving filter is not new. We first saw it in a RTTY publication, credited to W2FI and W2QBR of Nassau County Civil Defense. It is currently described in The New RTTY Handbook.

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<sup>1</sup>Kretzman, Byron H., "The New RTTY Handbook," The CQ Technical Series 1962, Cowan Publishing Corp., N.Y.C., pp. 172-174.

## Materials

The filter is best made of flashing copper. This material is fairly expensive (the quantity required cost us under \$5.00) so we started to get smart, right away, and substitute "bright tin" or "dairy tin" which *should* have worked well. We will never know, I suppose, because the heat of soldering caused it to warp beyond recognition.

## Drilling

With a pathetic amount of relief at the sight of a well-built enclosure, our next step was to carefully measure, mark, and drill all of the necessary holes. The diagram, fig. 1, pretty well shows where these are. You will want to adapt them a bit to fit your own parts. It is quite important that you remember to drill passage holes in the partitions to accommodate the coupling links. These holes are not critical in size but, for the record, ours were a quarter of an inch in diameter.

## Soldering

Seam filling and partition mounting come



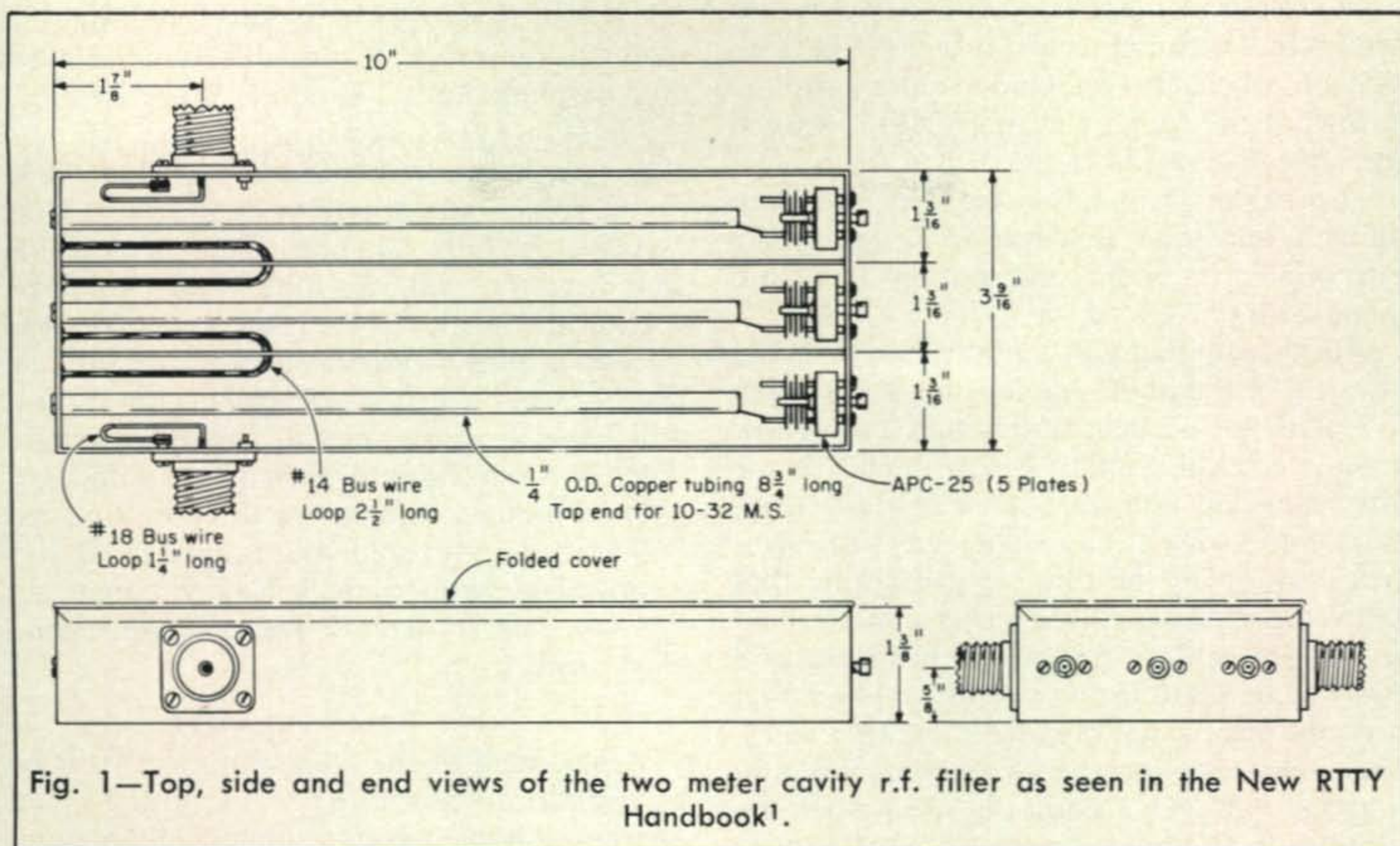


Fig. 1—Top, side and end views of the two meter cavity r.f. filter as seen in the New RTTY Handbook<sup>1</sup>.

next in the assembly process. It was in this soldering task that the next major pitfall was encountered. I have, for years, used a very large one-hundred watt soldering iron for everything from transistors to chicken de-beaking (I *know* what they say!) so I just naturally plugged it in and got set for the task. Well, frankly, I have never seen the heat go out of that spade-tip so fast in all of its life as I did when it was applied to a sheet-copper box. It had never occurred to me that a good conductor of electricity might also be a good conductor of heat. With a sigh of submission, I unplugged the old iron and called our C.D. Communications officer who owns a gas torch. I also borrowed an old leather glove from the garden supplies in our garage because it was evident that the box was going to get hot. The torch proved to be a good solution and a fairly easy one, too. After first cleaning the oil and corrosion from the copper with that magic powder (used on kitchen pans of the same metal) I found that it was possible to seam-solder with a fairly small flame. It does pay to "tack-solder" every inch or so first, when placing the two partitions.

### Coupling Links

One item not shown in the drawing is the method used to mount the coupling link wires. Here is where you can get into the design process. If you space the wire loop away from the partition and close to the center post

(copper tube) you will achieve a broader bandpass with less insertion loss than you will get by moving the loop closer to the partition and further from the center post. We made a happy guess and spaced the loop wire about an eighth of an inch from the post which resulted in an insertion loss equal to one meter calibration mark on a Gonset III Communicator (not too serious). When the filter was peaked at 147 mc, the attenuation was down about three scale divisions on a signal at 145.5 mc of the same intensity. This is a receiving filter. We tried to transmit through it and there was no arcing at 4 watts but no QSO either. It is just fine for receiving, though.

Once you have selected your spacing, drill a tiny hole on each side of each partition to receive the loop "legs". These holes should provide a "friction fit" for the #14 or #16 wire used. Insert the links, balance them by eye to run through the center of their passage holes, and solder the "legs" inside and out. (Use the smallest torch flame.) Then, gently bend each loop upward until it is again centered in its partition passage hole and you will be all set.

The input and output links, being different, deserve a word too. We maintained the eighth inch spacing on these, also. One side of the loop goes to the center of the coax connector and the other comes back to a point halfway between the connector's mounting screws, bends, and is secured by one of the screws and

some solder. In practice, you will have to mount the coax connector so that the beveled side of its center-conductor solder terminal is toward the loop. The loop wire is spaced the same distance from the post as the tip-end of this solder terminal so the wire goes into the side and then bends down for soldering purposes. The input and output links are made with #18 wire.

Another tip that you cannot glean from the drawing or the photograph is that each of the five-plate APC-25 capacitors somehow make electrical contact with the end of the box. You will note that most of these trimmers come with a long solder lug formed as an extension of the three-legged spring that holds the rotor in place. This can be bent around the ceramic, nipped off just right, and easily soldered to the square metal block that contains one of the threaded mounting holes. This does not interfere with the mounting function but does ground the rotor when the trimmer is mounted. Be careful not to upset the rotor spring function while bending the lug. Use the soldering iron for this job because the torch (which you will be fond of by this time) creates enough heat to crack the ceramic. The stator of each capacitor is then electrically connected to the center post by a piece of #16 wire. This makes the center post quite firm and rigid so position it well first. The other end of the center post, of course, is affixed to the copper box by a 10-32 machine bolt. You will find that regular quarter-inch copper tubing can be tapped with 10-32 machine threads. It may need a very slight crimp.

### Finishing Touches

Once you have all the parts carefully in place, ready to seal up, borrow a good lump of modeling clay from some child. Spread this evenly inside the metal cover to make a coating about as thin as the copper itself. Then place the lid on the box and press down. When removed, you will find that the partitions have left clear imprints in the clay that can be used as guides for center-punching small holes (1/16") every two inches along each line. These holes will permit spot-soldering of the cover to the partition edges, once the box is closed up. Remove the clay, of course (give it back to the child), and drill your holes. Take the whole project back to the kitchen and clean it up with that magic powder (you will find that it pays to buy your wife a new can of the stuff ahead of time) and rinse it with good hot water. Flux from

the solder is not going to hurt anything, but you can remove it if you wish by using alcohol or methyl-ethyl-keystone (*outdoors and no smoking*) and a stiff brush. Do not use acid flux just because this is sheet metal work. Rosin solder is best here as in all radio work.

Once the filter has been cleaned up inside and dried out well, it is time to take your last look at the insides, close it up, and solder the lid down with caution not to get the box so hot that your previous soldering is upset. You will have to move very fast with the torch. The cover will want to warp a little with heat, so hold it down with two or three well-placed "C" clamps. Spot soldering is enough. If you seam-solder around the edge, you may get the box hot enough to melt all your good work inside.

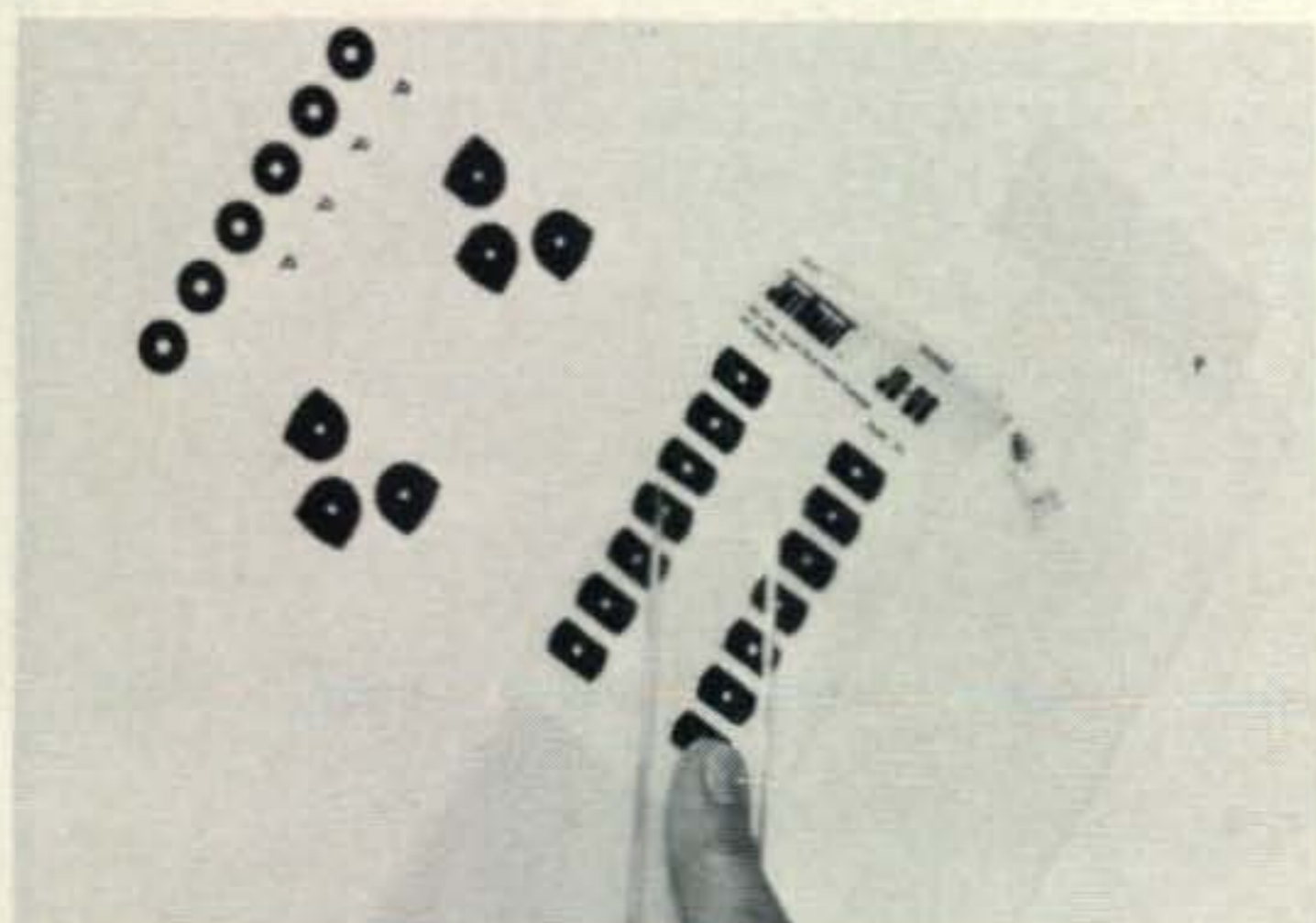
### Adjustment And Use

Adjustment of the filter requires that it be coupled to a receiver and a good strong signal source. With the capacitor plates fully meshed you probably will not hear anything. Resonance will occur when they are about half open and is quite sharp. The three sections can be peaked on the same signal or can be stagger-tuned to cover about 500 kc fairly well. Since the filter has its greatest use in situations like Civil Defense and AREC, the peak-tuning may be more desirable as it will minimize insertion loss. We operate two RACES channels, using Gonset Communicators less than 1.5 mc apart on two meters. There had always been some cross-talk before and a fairly rough case of fundamental overload as well. The filter, applied to one of the sets, reduced this effect greatly. One on each set should clean things up. Odd effects from Police and Fire radios in the same building have disappeared and we are no longer bothered by being under the main approach leg to an airport. If you want to use this type of filter to help with duplex operation you should seek the maximum channel separation possible and consider cross-polarizing the sending and receiving antennas. The filter is good but will not perform miracles unless you help it a bit. By the way, it is a bi-lateral device. It doesn't matter which side is the input or the output. Though most people prefer to keep the filter near their receiver, its bi-lateral qualities may come in handy if you wish to mount it out near a duplex antenna. We already have plans for one that has a fourth section, full of pre-amplifiers that can be placed at the antenna end of a long transmission line. Good luck on yours. ■

# New Amateur Products

## Datak JotDraft PC System

Using the new Datak JotDraft transfer patterns, printed circuit board layout is even faster and easier than ever. The patterns, available in 1x, 2x, and 4x PC pad clusters for IC's and transistors, TO, DO, and resister outlines, donuts, 1/2 size logic symbols and PC edge connector patterns, are simply positioned and transferred by rubbing with a ball point pen or burnishing tool. The transfers are suitable for either preparing oversize artwork for later reduction or for preparing direct, same-size artwork on photosensitive laminate boards. A free JotDraft sample and data sheet is available from The Datak Corporation, 85 Highland Ave., Passaic, N. J. or by circling A on the Reader Service Coupon on page 102.

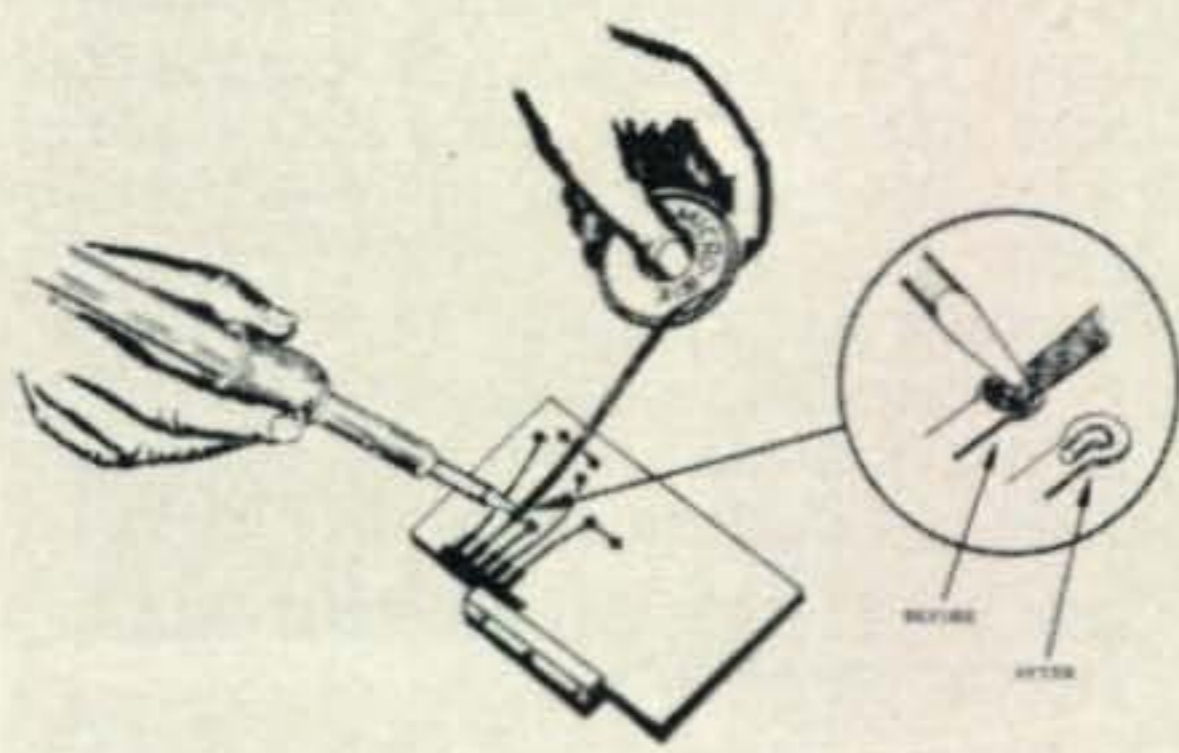


## CDR Ham-M for the Blind

The long popular CDR Ham-M antenna rotator system is now available modified for use by the blind operator. Brass pins are placed every 6th degree around the indicator dial so that the operator can feel the direction to which he has turned the antenna. A click-box-type indicator replaces the meter indicator usually supplied with the Ham-M. We commend CDR on their decision to service the

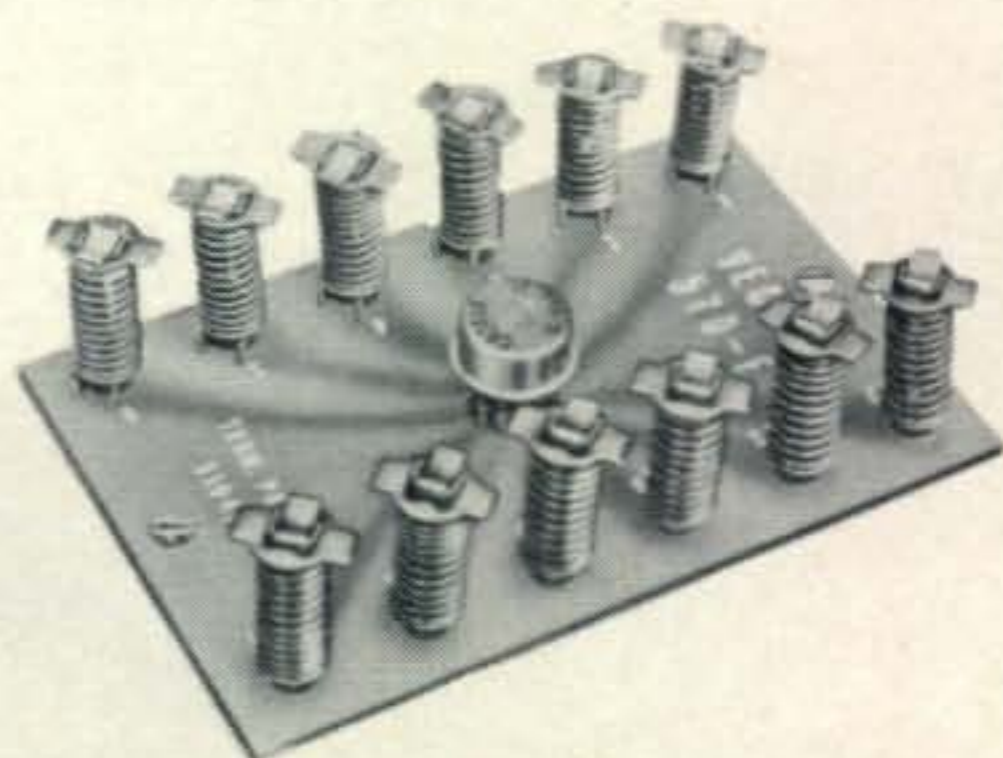


blind amateur market, despite the limited number of potential sales. Perhaps other amateur equipment suppliers will now follow their lead. For further information on this new rotator, circle B on the Reader Service coupon on page 102.



## "Solder Blotter" Solder Remover

Easy Electronics has introduced a new product for quick removal of solder from soldered joints in either point-to-point or printed circuit wiring. Called "Solder Blotter," the material uses a wicking action to draw molten solder out of a joint for either salvage or resoldering. Two sizes are available: Bonus-Wik for large connections (10 feet for \$1.80) and Micro-Wik for smaller, delicate work (20 feet for \$3.50). The material is available from Easy Electronics Co., P. O. Box M-33, Fremont, Calif. 94537.



## Vector I. C. Breadboard Socket

Vector Electronics has introduced a new 12-lead breadboard socket designed for easy design work with the TO-5 case I.C.'s. The glass-epoxy base measures 2 3/8" x 1 5/8" and contains a 12-pin IC socket wired to two rows of solderless Spring-clip terminals. Up to four solderless connections can be made to each terminal. The breadboard socket is designed also to plug into pre-punched terminal board with 3/32" holes such as type AA-pattern Vectorboard, by means of two pins mounted on the bottom. Designated the 570F, it is priced at \$3.95 each from Vector Electronics Co., Inc., 12460 Gladstone Ave., Sylmar, Calif. 91342 or from the firm's distributors.

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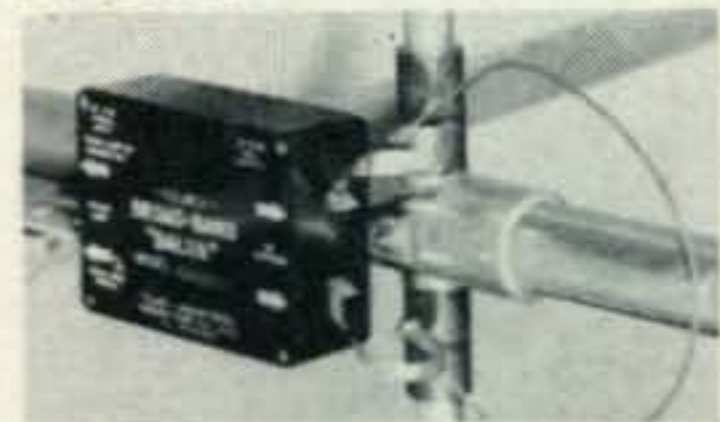
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BY JOHN A. ATTAWAY,\* K4IIF

*"Unblemish'd let me live or die unknown;  
Oh, grant an honest fame, or grant me none!"*  
—ALEXANDER POPE

**T**HIS month we honor a new member to DX-dom's most prestigious group, the DX Hall of Fame. This man is probably the least publicized major DX figure in the United States. Although he played a prominent role in the organization and operation of seven major DXpeditions during the past 12 years, his name is relatively unknown except among the people most knowledgeable in DX affairs.

His initial effort was the first DXpedition in history to Navassa Island, the KC4AF operation, in March, 1958 when he was W8-DJN. What a way to begin! Also in this group effort were Don Chesser, W4K VX, then DX Editor of *CQ*; Jake Schott, W8FGX, now police chief of Cincinnati, Ohio; and other members of the Ohio Valley Radio Association.

Navassa was pretty hard to top, but for an encore he made an important contribution as an operator on the first DXpedition to Malpelo in March, 1961, when he, W6HAW, W9EVI, and W0NWX were guests of the Liga Columbiana Radio Aficionados. In 1962 he conceived and organized two DXpeditions by the Florida DX Club gang to Bajo Nuevo (HK0AB) and Serrana Bank (KS4BF).

For three years this man rested from firsthand participation in DXpeditions, but came out of retirement in 1965 to make a major contribution to the organization, procurement of gear, and actual operation of the first DXpedition to San Felix Island, CE0XA. In more recent time he has figured as an organizer and operator for the second HK0TU expedition to Malpelo in 1969, and the Ernie Hen-

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### DX Hall of Fame

GUS M. BROWNING, W4BPD  
Nov. 1, 1967

JOHN M. CUMMINGS, W2CTN  
March 23, 1968

STEWART S. PERRY, W1BB  
August 16, 1968

RICHARD C. SPENCELEY, KV4AA  
March 1, 1969

DANNY WEIL, VP2VB  
Sept. 15, 1969

H. DALE STRIETER, W4DQS  
May 23, 1970

dry DXpedition to Navassa, also in 1969. Informed DXers know by now that this could be more than H. Dale Strieter, W4DQS, DX Hall of Fame.

In selecting Dale for this honor, your DX Committee took into consideration many contributions other than his activity in DXpeditions. Dale has always been a well-rounded DXer and overall amateur. Over the years, without publicity and fanfare, he has acquired, refurbished, and sent equipment into South America and Africa to help get new hams on the air. He served as QSL Manager for the 1961 HK0TU operation, and for ZD8J, HK1QQ, CE0XA, TJ1QQ,



Installation of Danny Weil, VP2VB, into the DX Hall of Fame at the West Gulf DX Club dinner on Monday, April 6, 1970. Left to right: Don Busick, K5AAD, West Gulf member of the *CQ* DX Committee; Danny himself; and Hal Sears, W5NC (ex-K5JLQ) a member of *Yasme* board during the "Danny days." (Photo by WA5LES).



Hal Whitaker, CT3AS. Photo by Edna Brannen, WA4EPM, during her recent visit to Madeira.

HKØAB, and KS4BF. He has been a section winner in many ARRL DX and Sweepstakes Contests, and finished in the top five nationally in the c.w. division on several occasions. Dale is a past president of the Florida DX Club, a member of the All Operator's Club and First Class Operator's Club, and is cur-

rently Director of the Southeastern Division of ARRL. Congratulations Dale!

### De Extra

If you told some of your casual acquaintances that you were a DXer how would they react? Would they think it was your fraternity, or maybe that you were confessing to a mental illness or a social disease? Would they start avoiding you? They might know what you meant, but I bet 98% wouldn't. Two years ago a couple of senior citizens strolled by my house and silently contemplated the stacked 40 meter beam and tribander at 60 feet in the backyard. Finally breaking the silence one remarked "why does anybody in *this* neighborhood think they need a TV antenna *that* big." If you mentioned in a conversation that you had stacked beams at your house they would probably think you were bragging about your wife's figure. However, that's beside the point.

The point is that amateur radio in general and DXers in particular have fallen pretty far behind in educating the public. Every time you read of an injunction against somebody's tower or of an amateur being sued for some ridiculous sum of money because of TVI it drives that simple truth home. Unfortunately, since we DXers and Contesters usually have the tallest towers and highest power in a particular area its all too likely to be one of our soul brothers who's catching the static.

I had an eye-opener recently when taking a taxi to the airport of a large northwestern city. I asked the cabby what he thought of ham radio. His answer was that "hams were sorta radio pi'neers in the 20's and 30's that spear-minted with shortwave and helped out the Red Cross during 'mergencies." He went on to say that "hams weren't around anymore. People like that repaired TV sets." Well brother it may come to that if we don't get busy.

What can you do? Plenty! First of all, never miss an opportunity to volunteer your station for public service. Mobile units can frequently be useful in crowd management and at many types of outdoor functions requiring communication between groups at separated locations. Use your imagination. On the spot talk-power is welcome in all kind of instances, some nobody has even thought of yet. Demonstration stations set up to relay messages and originate traffic at fairs, expositions, and large shopping centers get much favorable attention.

### The WAZ Program

#### S.S.B. WAZ

779.....DL8RH	784.....K9KXA
780.....WA7GHK	785.....YV1KZ
781.....W6NTQ	786.....VE3LZ
782.....W8JFD	787.....ZS9L
783.....WØPAH	

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2889.....HA5FE	2900.....WA9JDT
2890.....ZL2QM	2901.....K4ELK
2891.....JH7LPF	2902.....WA9UET
2892.....JA6HKC	2903.....W3ZUH
2893.....W7DVQ	2904.....WA3IUV
2894.....DJ3YU	2905.....K4OLQ
2895.....DJ7DS	2906.....JA4SZ
2896.....DK3CT	2907.....HB9UP
2897.....DL8SC	2908.....OZ5KU
2898.....W2MLO	2909.....KØPMZ
2899.....K2AAC	2910.....SP1BHX

#### Phone WAZ

441.....YV1PP

There is no finer use for your station than supplying communications for families of service men overseas, particularly those in southeast Asia. This can be done through MARS and through established nets. A note to ARRL should get you a listing of many other opportunities to help out J.Q. Public.

Service clubs are always seeking a fresh program and good presentations on amateur radio are very welcome. Over the years I've talked to Sertoma, Kiwanis, and Rotary clubs in at least 3 different cities, and have always been well received. All it takes is a dipole, a transceiver, and a little gab. A pre-arranged sked with a TG9, YV5, HK3, or KP4 is usually easy to arrange and a big hit. Encourage high school science teachers to become hams and set up stations in their schools. This is a very effective way to propagate the hobby.

No matter how you decide to proceed, don't be bashful about publicity. That's the name of the game! Write up your own press release if you have to. Type it double-spaced and your local paper will welcome it. They can't have a reporter everywhere all the time, and they need interesting items.

It's nice to sit back in the evening and admire the wall full of rare QSL cards and fancy certificates. Remember though, if we don't carry our weight, contemplating those cards and certificates may one day be the only activity still left for us.

### DX Editor Away

If you mailed in your cards for WAZ during the month of June and they haven't been returned please stay cool. K4IIF was in Europe for most of the month and has a tremendous backlog of applications to process and letters to write. He hopes to have everything back to normal by mid-July.

### Amateur Radio in India

Information for this article was sent to *CQ* by Mr. G. V. Sulu, VU2GV, well known Indian radio historian and chief promoter of amateur radio in India.

"Amateur Radio got its start in India right at the very beginning of Wireless itself. The late Sir J. C. Bose, who investigated the quasi-optical properties of very short electromagnetic waves during the interval 1890-1900, is considered to be the first ham of India. Bose was elected a Fellow of the Royal Society for his work on the response of plants to electric waves.

"No records of early conventional ham

### CQ S.S.B. HONOR ROLL

W9ILW	320	ZS6LW	308	K2DX	297	K9LUI	273
W2TP	318	G8KS	307	W8BT	297	W6PTS	272
WA2RAU	318	W2ZX	307	K8IKB	296	W6RKP	272
WA2IZS	317	VE3ACD	307	W8EVZ	295	W8BVF	272
I1AMU	317	W4OM	304	K8ONV	295	G3N G	270
W2RGV	316	W4SSU	304	F2MO	292	K9PPX	270
DL9OH	316	PAØHBO	303	W2FXN	292	K4GXO	271
W3NKM	316	W6YMV	303	K1IXG	288	G3WW	269
K6LGF	316	KØUKN	303	SM6CAS	286	W9QLD	269
KP4CL	316	OK1ADM	302	W2LV	286	G2BVN	265
VK3AHO	315	W2BXA	302	W6EUF	286	W2FXE	264
W4QCW	315	W4IC	302	K8RTW	286	HP1JC	263
W6EL	315	W6NJU	302	K9EXY	284	W2MJ	261
K6YRA	315	VE2WY	302	W3KT	284	W8ILC	255
WØBW	315	G3AWZ	301	W6UOU	280	CT1PK	254
W4OPM	314	G3DO	301	W3EWD	279	W6BAF	254
WA8AJI	314	G6TA	301	W4RLS	279	K6CAZ	254
TI2HP	314	WA2E0Q	301	K40EI	279	PAØSNG	252
W4NJJ	313	W3DJZ	301	DL3RK	279	VE6TP	251
W5KUC	311	G3HDA	300	DL1IN	276	W1AOL	250
G3FKM	310	K1SHN	300	K4HYL	276		
SM5SB	310	W9JT	300	W7DLR	276		
XE1NE	308	5Z4ERR	298	PZ1AX	274		

To remain on the Honor Roll, a station must update his country total at least annually.

activities are available. However, we know that by 1923 a handful of VU hams were working DX stations in Australia and South Africa. By 1924 there were about 30 hams with a couple of small clubs, and by 1925 VU hams were communicating with all parts of the world.

"In 1924 when the Madras Presidency Radio Club transmitted programs through its station 2GR it was the beginning of broadcasting in India. In those days hams could broadcast music and other type programs as well. Club stations 2FV and 2BZ of Bombay and Calcutta followed Madras within a year.



Two top DXers pose on Tristan de Cunha. On the left is Andy, VE1ASJ/HP9FC/HO9FC/ZD9-BP. On the right Ray, ZD9BP. Andy asks that QSLs for his calls be sent to P.O. Box 51, Saint John, N.B., Canada.



At a recent party given in honor of Susi, HB9-AOE/4, when she was in New York. Standing: George, ex-YO2BO, Seichi, JA2ENU, Tony, W2-QL, Mamoru, JA1ANE, Alan, K2EEK. Sitting: Harvey, WA2GBF, Serge ex-YO3LM, Susi, HB9-AOE/W4, Steve, WA2DHF, ex-GM5AHS. George is forming a group to welcome foreign amateurs when they get to New York. If you want to take part, you can reach him at: 34-24 76th street, Jackson Heights, N.Y. 1372.

They broadcasted in the medium waves with 40-100 watts power. In 1925 the Radio Club of Bengal in Calcutta brought out the first monthly ham magazine entitled *Radio*. It was edited by G. Briggs, 2CZ, and included the Callbook.

"In 1927, the Indian Broadcasting Company was formed and took over commercial broadcasting. Consequently Indian hams were prohibited from broadcasting and the power of their transmitters was restricted to 10 watts. To protect the interests of Indian amateurs during these difficult years the Indian Radio Society was formed in Bombay in 1929. It had about 100 members all over the country and published a monthly entitled *IRS Circular*. It also operated India's first QSL Bureau for 2 years, after which it was discontinued

### The S.S.B. DX Award Program

100 Countries	630.....W4CRW
625.....K8RRQ	631.....W4IN
626.....WA6JKO	632.....KH6BB
627.....W0IKD	633.....VE2DJR
628.....DL1EC	300 Countries
629.....DL1EG	52.....VE2WY

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due to lack of interest in the part of the members. When World War II broke out in 1939 all ham activity was suspended.

"When licenses were reissued after the war, there were about 40 hams. In 1948 VU2BU collected a band of enthusiasts at the School of Signals in Mhow and formed the Amateur Radio Club of India (ARCI). ARCI was responsible for bringing in more hams, particularly from the Defense Services. It ran regular contests, issued certificates, and organized an SWL League and a QSL Bureau. However, in 1952 when VU2BU was transferred the ARCI came to a standstill. Three years later VU2-HM took over the work, shifted the club to Delhi, and registered it as a Society—the present Amateur Radio Society of India (ARSI).

"By the close of 1968 there were about 480 amateurs in India including 14 ladies—with four OM-YL teams. There are now about a dozen ham organizations big and small, but no ham organization is recognized so far by the government of India. For all official purposes, however, the ARSI, RESI (Radio & Electronics Society of India, Bombay) and BARC (Bangalore Amateur Radio Club) are regarded as the principal amateur organizations in India—a de facto recognition, though not de jure!

"The present ham activity in India is largely the result of World War II surplus equipment. The shortage of foreign exchange doesn't permit imports, and the very limited demand doesn't permit local manufacture. Receivers like the AR-88, HRO, Super-Pro, SX-28, and BC-348s are still going strong. Transmitters are assembled with surplus components, with power limited to 150 watts. We have no 160 Meter band and only 10 kc on 80 Meters. The 40 and 20 Meter bands have a lot of VU activity, but only a few get on 15 and 10 Meters. The 6 Meter band has been withdrawn and only 3 or 4 amateurs have any equipment for 2 meters. There is no VU activity above 2 Meters.

"Out of the roughly 500 hams we have today, only about 150 are active with about 40 of them on s.s.b. using homebrew gear. Due to their simplicity, long-wire and windom antennas are popular though a few use dipoles fed with surplus coax. There are about 25 cubical quads. Only a handful of hams have measuring or test equipment with the exception of multipliers. Some have the BC 221 frequency meter, but it is a luxury for most. Two enthusiasts, VU6VU and VU-2BB, have amateur TV licenses but haven't



taken it up seriously as of this date. VU2KV is the only RTTY operator, and so far there isn't any space communication—not even reception.”

Next month—Amateur Radio in Czechoslovakia.

### Preliminary Report from Aves Island de YV5BPG/YVØBPG

The following letter was written by Pedro on May 5, 1970:

“Dear John,

“We are writing this at the San Juan airport during a stopover from Guadeloupe to Caracas.

“Our Aves Island operation started late because of many unexpected problems, like for example the seizure of the Air France plane which was supposed to carry most of the gang from Caracas to Guadeloupe. If that wasn't bad enough we ended up with a skipper who didn't know the first thing about navigation, and who lied to us about a few things like the true speed of his boat. As a consequence we had the unusual experience of guiding the ship via YVØAI/MM, with the help of a Venezuelan merchant ship skipper who gave us the necessary calculations by ham radio to enable us to find the island. Late but safe we landed at Aves and operated until Sunday noon, at which time we had to shut down in order to make it back to Guadeloupe on the slow boat.

“Fortunately we had no technical trouble of major importance except some difficulty with our keyer and a certain degree of cross interference on some bands, as we were unable to separate the transmitters as much as would have been desirable.

“As of this moment it is only 12 hours after our landing on Guadeloupe after a sleepless week. Therefore we haven't yet evaluated our logs to determine the effectiveness of the expedition. We do know that several stations, including ON4UN, HK3WO, XE1KS, W2PV, W3AZD, W3SS, and others, told us that they worked us on 5 bands. Incidentally, we maintained a *strict* policy of no schedules, no QSO Managers, and no listening for friends.

“Please accept this as an advanced report, and we'll send a complete story with pictures, including an English transcription of the greeting to all amateurs from the President of Venezuela which was transmitted on 14195 kc.

“Unfortunately the trip was much more expensive than we had calculated. However,

## The WPX Program

### S.S.B. WPX

499.....OE5KML	505.....W6QFU
500.....CT1LN	506.....VE4AE
501.....W9GHO	507.....CE3OE
502.....G3UKH	508.....WB2RLK
503.....W5HUM	509.....DJ5OI
504.....WAØEMS	

### C.W. WPX

1018.....WA6JVD	1024.....W7VSE
1019.....OK3JW	1025.....HB9AKJ
1020.....YO3AC	1026.....WØYVA/4
1021.....WA9OQE	1027.....W6ANN
1022.....JA1GTF	1028.....JA4SZ
1023.....OZ2NU	

### Mixed WPX

231.....YU1BKL	233.....WAØEMS
232.....WØBE	

### Phone WPX

190.....CT1LN	192.....WA4MMO
191.....W9JJV	193.....K1DRN

### WPX

18.....WN8EUN

### VPX

21 (c.w.).....JA2-1762

### WPX Endorsements

*S.S.B.:* K2POA—650, W4DQD—450, W8GWM—450, YV1KS—450, OZ2NU—400, WAØEMS—350, YV1KZ—350, WB2RLK—350, WØYDB—350, W4WSF—350, DL1EG—300, W2WNW—300, K1KNQ—300, and WA9SUJ—250.

*C.W.:* ON4QX—700, K2AAC—550, KØJPL—450, OK3JW—450, JA1GTF—450, W6ANN—350, YU1NOL—350, and WA6JVD—350.

*Mixed:* W8ROC—700, CT1LN—600, WAØCPX—550, W4WSF—500, YU1BKL—450, WØBE—450, and WAØEMS—450.

*Phone:* CT1LN—550 and W4WSF—400.

*80 Meters:* OK3CEG and YO5BQ.

*40 Meters:* OK3CEG and YO3AC.

*20 Meters:* WAØEMS and WA6JVD.

*15 Meters:* K4IEX.

*10 Meters:* OK2DB.

*Africa:* W8LY.

*Asia:* W8LY.

*Europe:* WAØEMS, K2OLG, W8LY, OK3JW, W4WSF, and OZ2NU.

*Oceania:* W8ROC and W8LY.

*South America:* W8ROC.

we have covered the bills with considerable sacrifice. Because of this contributions sent with QSL cards will be gratefully accepted. YV5BPJ is clearing house for contributions. The callsigns and QSL routings are as follows. YVØAI—Via W2GHK (operators were YV5's BPJ, BBU, BPG, & EL.



Here is Antonio Gomez Sobrino, HI3AGS, one of our recent WPX winners. Antonio is now chasing WAZ and can be found around 14200 after 2330 GMT on weekdays. On weekends he frequents 21250 beginning at 1800 GMT. The gear includes an HT-37, 2-B and TA-33.

VYØPP—To YVIPP (Leslie)

YVØLA—c/o YV1LA (Janusz)

YVØBPG—Via YV5BPG (Pedro)

The other boys, that is our boss, Armando, YV5BPJ, YV5BBU, Jorge, and YV5EL, Migue, did not activate their YVØ calls.

"Never before has a DX Editor got the report before the operators had a chance to sleep in a bed.

73 es DX,  
Pedro, YV5BPG;  
Jorge, YV5BBU;  
Armando, YV5BPJ"



QRP'er John Thompson, W1BIH/PJ9JT operating from Curacao with his Ten-Tec, 5-watt transceiver. John QSO'd 300 stations in 32 countries on 20 and 40 meter c.w. These included VU via the long path, 6 VK/ZL's and 4X4. Sure the PJ9 call helped, but 5 watts!! That's A-OK.

## QSL Information

AX9MM—Via K4MQG

AX9WD—To W2CTN

C3ICR—c/o WB2NXL

CR3KD—Via W2CTN

DM6AO—To DM2ATD

EA8GZ—c/o VE7BWG

EL2AT—Via W4NJF, 1416 Rutland Dr., Virginia Beach, Va. 23454

EL8RL—To DL7FT

FB8WW—c/o F5QE

FB8XX—Via F2MO

FB8ZZ—To F8US

FL8SR—P.O. Box 25, Djibouti, French Somaliland.

FM7AA—c/o FM7WN

HC8GS—Via HK3WO

HK1BQR/HK4—To Scott's QSL Service, 1510 Lynnview, Houston, Tx. 77055

HKØAI—c/o W9WHM

HS4ABS—Via W7FNY

JW3XK—To LA6RL

JY1—c/o King Hussein, P.O. Box 1055, Amman, Jordan

KZ5NR—Via WA9PZU, 5711 W. Brooklyn Pl., Milwaukee, Wis. 53216

M1B—To WA2HUP

MP4DAO—c/o W2CTN

MP4QBK—Via K4MQC

MP4TCE—To E. R. Chilvers, 1 Grove Rd., Lydney, Glos., England

OJØMI—c/o OH2ER

OY5NS—Via K1QLT

PJ8AA—To W2BBK

PJ8WW—c/o W9IGW

ST2SA—Via WA5REU

TA1HY—To W5QPX

TA1SY—c/o W5QPX

TA3HD—Via K3PZU, 900 W. Nolcrest Dr., Silver Spring, Md., 20903

TJ1AW—To K4ZCP

VP2AA—co VE3ACD

VP8FL, VP8JH, VP8JQ, VP8JI, VP8JG, VP8JW, VP8KO, & VP8KN—Via E. R. Chilvers, 1 Grove Rd., Lydney, Glos., England

VR1L—To W6NJU, 7164 Rock Ridge Terrace, Canoga Park, Calif.

VR2CC—c/o VE6AKV

XW8CS—Via W3DBT

YA1OLK—To VU2OLK

YVØAI—c/o W2GHK

ZC4CV—Via G3VCV

ZD8RC—To W4SFA

ZD9BM—c/o GB2SM

ZM3PO/C—Via ZL2AFZ

ZS3YK—To P.O. Box 25, Keetmanshopp, Southwest Africa

5A1TV (1965-68)—D. L. Hutchison, W7WQR, P.O. Box 542, Shafter, Ca. 93263

5R8AR—c/o WB4GQH

5T5BG—Via P.O. Box 538, Nouakchott, Mauritania

5VZDB—To W4SPX

5Z4KL—c/o VE3DLC

7Q7JO—Via K5QHS

9M6HM—To K6ZIF

9N1RA—P.O. Box 81, Katmandu, Nepal

9Q5DG—c/o W6KTE

9Q5WS—Via W1BPM

9X5AA—To W1YRC

73, John, K4IIF



# Propagation

BY GEORGE JACOBS,\* W3ASK

**B**OTH 15 and 20 meters are expected to share honors for optimum DX propagation conditions during July and August.

Good-to-excellent world-wide openings are forecast for 15 meters throughout the daylight hours, and to many areas throughout the early evening hours as well. Peak DX propagation conditions are expected during the late afternoon and early evening hours, with excellent openings forecast in almost all directions.

Twenty meters is expected to remain open to one area of the world or another, around-the-clock. Although DX openings should be possible at almost any hour, optimum conditions are forecast during the early evening, the hours of darkness and the sunrise period.

Some fairly good 10 meter DX openings are expected during July and August, but mainly on north-south paths and to tropical regions, during the afternoon hours.

Despite seasonally high static levels some fairly good 40 meter DX openings are forecast to many areas of the world during the hours of darkness and the sunrise period. High static levels are expected to result in a seasonal decline in DX propagation conditions on 80 meters, although some openings are forecast during the hours of darkness. Not many DX openings are expected on 160 meters during July, because of seasonally high levels of static and solar absorption.

Check last month's column for a comprehensive band-by-band DX propagation forecast for July and August.

### Short-Skip

This month's column contains Short-Skip Propagation Charts for the period July 15–September 15, 1970. Optimum short-skip conditions on most bands are expected during July and early August, mainly as a result of a seasonal peak in sporadic-E propagation.

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## LAST MINUTE FORECAST

Day-to-Day Conditions and Quality for July 1 through Aug. 31, 1970

	Forecast Rating & Quality			
	Days (2)	(1)	(4)	(3)
Above Normal: July 1, 16, 18-19, 28-29. Aug. 13, 15-16, 25-26.	B	B-C	A	A-B
Normal: July 2-3, 6-10, 12, 14-15, 17, 20-22, 25-27, 30-31. Aug. 3-7, 9, 11-12, 14, 17-19, 23-24, 27-28, 30-31.	C	D	A-B	B
Below Normal: July 4-5, 11, 13, 23-24. Aug. 1-2, 8, 10, 20, 22, 29.	D	E	B-C	C-D
Disturbed: July none. Aug. 21.	E	E	C-D	D-E

### HOW TO USE THESE CHARTS

The following is an explanation of the symbols shown above, and instructions for the use of the CQ propagation predictions:

1—Enter Propagation Charts on following pages under appropriate band and distance or geographical area columns. Read predicted times of band openings at intersection of both columns.

2—Following each predicted time of band opening is a forecast rating which indicates the relative number of days the band is expected to open during each month of the forecast period. The higher the rating, the more frequent the opening, as follows: (4) band open more than 22 days each month; (3) between 14 and 22 days; (2) between 2 and 13 days; (1) less than 7 days.

On the "Short-Skip" Chart where two numerals are shown within a single set of parenthesis, the first applies to the shorter distance for which the forecast is made, and the second to the greater distance. Note the forecast rating for later use.

3—With the forecast rating noted above, start with the numbers in parentheses at the top of the "Last Minute Forecast" appearing above. Read down the table for a day-to-day forecast of propagation conditions in terms of Above Normal (WWV rating higher than 6); Normal (WWV rating 5-6); Below Normal (WWV rating 4); Disturbed (WWV rating less than 4). The letter symbols (A-E) describe reception conditions (signal quality, noise and fading levels) expected for each day of the month and have the following meaning: (A—excellent opening with strong, steady signals; B—good opening, moderately strong signals, little fading and noise; C—fair opening, signals fluctuating between moderately strong and weak; D—poor opening, signals generally weak and considerable fading and noise; E—poor opening, or none at all.

4—This month's Propagation Charts are based upon a transmitter power of 75 watts c.w.; 150 watts s.s.b., or 300 watts d.s.b., into a dipole antenna one quarter-wave above ground on 160, 80 and 40 meters and a half-wave above ground on 20, 15 and 10 meters. For each 10 db increase above these reference levels, reception quality shown in the "Last Minute Forecast" will improve by one level; for each 10 db loss reception will become poorer by one level.

5—Local Standard Time for these predictions is based on the 24-hour system.

6—These Propagation Charts are valid through Sept. 30, 1970. These Charts are prepared from basic propagation data published monthly by the Institute for Telecommunication Sciences of the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, Boulder, Colorado.

During the daylight hours considerable short-skip openings are forecast for 10 and 15 meters over distances ranging between approximately 500 and 1300 miles, with some double-hop openings out to 2300 miles. Frequent short-skip openings ranging between 250 and 2300 miles should be possible on 20 meters, almost around-the-clock. Optimum short-skip conditions on 10, 15 and 20 meters

can be expected during the late morning hours and again during the late afternoon and early evening hours.

Good daytime short-skip openings are predicted for 40 meters between distances of approximately 100 and 600 miles, excellent nighttime openings between 250 and 2300 miles. Good 80 meter openings should be possible up to distances of about 300 miles during the daylight hours, with the range extending up to 2300 miles during the hours of darkness. While no 160 meter short-skip openings are expected during the daylight hours, some openings are forecast during the hours of darkness for distances up to 1300 miles. When static levels are low, 160 meter nighttime openings may extend out to approximately 2300 miles.

### V.h.f. Ionospheric Openings

Sporadic-E ionization generally reaches its annual peak during July and early August. Openings, over distances between approximately 900 to 1300 miles, with some openings extending out to as much as 2300 miles. Optimum times for 6 meter short-skip openings are a few hours before noon and again during the early evening hours, although openings can take place at any time of the day or night. During many 6 meter sporadic-E type openings, signal levels may be exceptionally strong.

Be sure to check the 2 meter band during intense 6 meter short-skip openings, since 2 meters may occasionally open as well. Generally, 2 meter short-skip openings take place between distances of approximately 1000 and 1300 miles.

There is a fairly good chance for some meteor-type v.h.f. ionospheric openings during the last week of July, when the *Delta Aquarids* shower is scheduled to take place. This shower should reach its maximum intensity during the evening hours of July 29, with a predicted meteor count of between 20 to 30 an hour.

The *Perseids*, a major meteor shower, is expected to take place from August 9-14, with maximum intensity occurring during the nighttime hours of August 12-13. Other meteor showers are expected on August 1, 3, 5 and 18.

Trans-Equatorial (TE) propagation reaches a minimum during July, and few if any such openings are expected. It might be worthwhile, however, to check, on 6 meters between 8 P.M. and midnight, for the occasional opening that might occur between the southern half of the USA and Latin America.

TE openings should begin to increase by late August.

Some v.h.f. short-skip openings resulting from auroral ionization should be possible during July and August. Check the "Last Minute Forecast" appearing at the beginning of this column for periods that are predicted to be disturbed or below normal; since these are the dates that auroral v.h.f. openings are most likely to occur.

### Sunspot Cycle

The Swiss Federal Solar Observatory reports a monthly mean sunspot number of 109 for April, 1970. This results in a smoothed sunspot number of 105, centered on October, 1969.

A smoothed sunspot number of 94 is forecast for July, 1970, with a level of 93 expected for August.

CQ Short-Skip Propagation Chart  
July 15—September 15, 1970  
Local Standard Time At Path Mid-Point  
(24-Hour Time System)  
Distance From Transmitter (Miles)

Band (Meters)	750-1300	50-250	250-750	1300-2300
10	Nil	07-09 (0-1)* 09-13 (0-2)* 13-17 (0-1)* 17-21 (0-2)* 21-23 (0-1)*	07-09 (1)* 09-13 (2-3)* 13-17 (1-2)* 17-21 (2-3)* 21-07 (1)*	07-09 (1-0)* 09-13 (3-1)* 13-17 (2-1)* 17-21 (3-1)* 21-07 (1-0)*
15	Nil	07-09 (0-2)* 09-13 (0-3)* 13-17 (0-2)* 17-19 (0-3)* 19-21 (0-2)* 21-07 (0-1)*	07-09 (2)* 09-13 (3)* 13-17 (2)* 17-19 (3)* 19-21 (2)* 21-23 (1-2)* 23-07 (1)*	07-09 (2) 09-13 (3) 13-17 (2-3) 17-19 (3-4) 19-21 (2-3) 21-23 (2) 23-07 (1)*
20	09-00 (0-1)*	06-09 (0-2)* 09-15 (1-4)* 15-20 (1-3)* 20-00 (1-2)* 00-06 (0-1)*	06-09 (2-4) 09-15 (4) 15-20 (3-4) 20-00 (2-4)* 00-02 (1-3)* 02-06 (1-2)*	06-09 (4) 09-16 (4-3) 16-00 (4) 00-02 (3) 02-06 (2)
40	07-11 (2-4) 11-20 (3-4) 20-22 (2-3) 22-00 (1-2) 00-06 (0-2)* 06-07 (1-2)	07-09 (2-4)* 09-11 (4-3) 11-16 (4-2) 16-18 (4-3) 18-20 (4) 20-22 (3-4) 22-04 (2-4) 04-07 (2-3)	07-09 (4-2) 09-11 (3-1) 11-16 (2-1) 16-17 (3-1) 17-18 (3-2) 18-20 (4-3) 20-04 (4) 04-05 (3-4) 05-07 (3)	07-17 (1-0) 17-18 (2-1) 18-20 (3-2) 20-05 (4) 05-06 (3-2) 06-07 (3-1)
80	06-10 (4) 10-18 (4-3) 18-00 (4) 00-06 (3-4)	07-09 (4-1) 09-10 (4-0) 10-16 (3-0) 16-18 (3-1) 18-19 (4-2) 19-21 (4-3) 21-06 (4) 06-07 (4-2)	06-07 (2-1) 07-09 (1-0) 09-16 (0) 16-18 (1-0) 18-19 (2-1) 19-20 (3-1) 20-21 (3-2) 21-04 (4) 04-06 (4-3)	07-18 (0) 18-19 (1-0) 19-20 (1) 20-21 (2) 21-03 (4-3) 03-04 (4-2) 04-05 (3-2) 05-06 (3-1) 06-07 (1)
160	17-18 (1-0) 18-19 (1) 19-21 (3-2) 21-23 (4-3) 23-05 (4) 05-07 (3-2) 07-08 (1) 08-09 (1-0)	18-19 (1-0) 19-20 (2-0) 20-21 (2-1) 21-23 (3-2) 23-03 (4-2) 03-05 (4-3) 05-07 (2-1) 07-08 (0-1)	20-21 (1) 21-00 (2-1) 00-03 (2) 03-05 (3-2) 05-06 (1) 06-07 (1-0)	20-22 (1-0) 22-00 (1) 00-05 (2-1) 05-06 (1-0)

\*Predominantly Sporadic-E Openings

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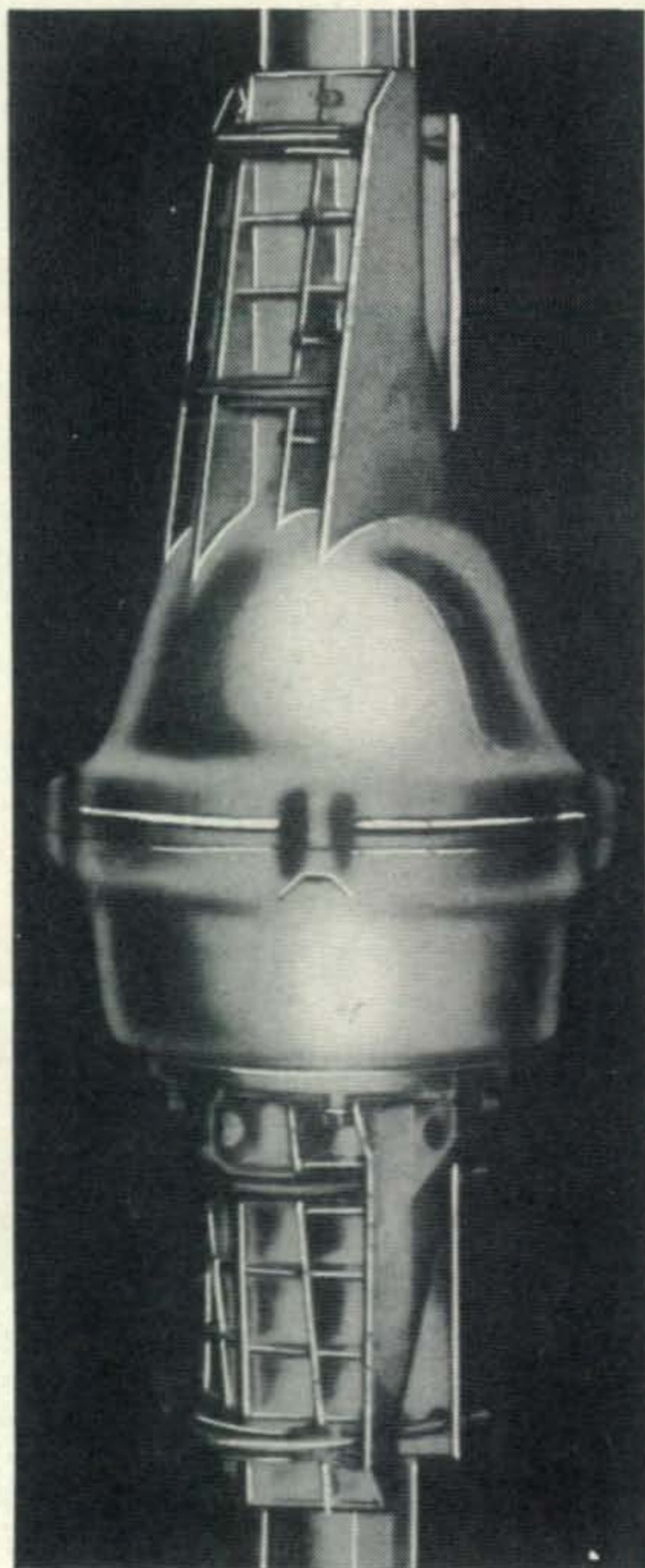
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# Contest Calendar

BY FRANK ANZALONE,\* W1WY

## Calendar of Events

July 4-5	Venezuela Contest
July 18-19	Colombia Contest
July 18-19	Bermuda C.W. Contest
July 18-19	Ontario QSO Party
July 25-26	County Hunters C.W. Party
Aug. 1-2	Romanian Contest
Aug. 1-2	Maryland/DC QSO Party
Aug. 1-2	Illinois QSO Party
Aug. 1-3	W2 Land QSO Party
Aug. 8-9	DARC WAE C.W. Contest
Aug. 8-9	Ohio QSO Party
Aug. 15-16	New Jersey QSO Party
Aug. 22-23	All Asian C.W. Contest
Sept. 12-13	DARC WAE Phone Contest
Sept. 23-25	YL "Howdy Days"
Oct. 3-4	VK/ZL/Oceania DX Phone
Oct. 10-11	VK/ZL/Oceania DX C.W.
Oct. 10-11	RSGB 28 mc Phone Contest
Oct. 16-18	RTTY "Plaque Sweepstakes"
Oct. 17-18	Boy Scouts Jamboree
Oct. 21-22	YL C.W. Anniv. Party
Oct. 24-25	CQ WW DX Phone Contest
Oct. 24-25	RSGB 7 mc C.W. Contest
Nov. 4-5	YL Phone Anniv. Party
Nov. 7-8	RSGB 7 mc Phone Contest
Nov. 8	Czechoslovakia Contest
Nov. 28-29	CQ WW DX C.W. Contest

## Ontario QSO Party

Starts: 1700 GMT Saturday, July 18  
Ends: 2400 GMT Sunday, July 19

This is the second QSO Party sponsored by the Radio Society of Ontario.

There are no power or time restrictions, all bands may be used, and the same station may be worked on each band/or mode for contact credit.

**Exchange:** QSO nr., RS/RST and QTH. County for Ont., ARRL section for others.

**Scoring:** For Ont., 1 point for each QSO, multiplied by the number of ARRL sections and foreign countries worked.

Others: 3 points for each Ont. station worked multiplied by the number of Ont. counties worked on each band.

**Frequencies:** 3560, 3685, 3855, 3909, 7030, 7240, 7290, 14040, 14140, 14255, 14290, 21050, 21300, 28100, 28600, 50.25, 50.36, 144-144.5, 145.8.

**Awards:** Certificates to the top scorers in each section and foreign country. And each

\*14 Sherwood Road, Stamford, Conn. 06905.

Ontario county. (min. of 25 QSOs) Also a Trophy to the Top Ontario station.

Mailing deadline is August 31st to: Contest Chairman, Radio Society of Ontario, P.O. Box 334, Toronto 550, Ontario, Canada. Include a s.a.s.e. if copy of results are desired.

## County Hunters C.W. Contest

Starts: 0000 GMT Saturday, July 25  
Ends: 2400 GMT Sunday, July 26

This party is being sponsored by the CW County Hunters Net, operation by mobiles and portables in less active counties is encouraged. Stations may be worked on each band and again if it has moved to another county.

**Exchange:** QSO nr., RST and state or province and county.

**Scoring:** Multiply total number of QSOs by the number of counties worked. Mobiles calculate their score on the basis of total contacts within a state.

**Frequencies:** 3575, 7055, 14070, 21070, 28070.

**Awards:** Three categories: 1. Highest scoring fixed or fixed portable in each state, Canadian province and country. 2. Highest portable in each state operating from a county which is not his normal point of operation. 3. Highest mobile in each state operating from 3 or more counties with a minimum of 25 QSOs per county. (A min. of 100 points are required for 1 and 2)

All entries with 100 or more QSOs must include a check sheet of counties worked.

Logs must show category, date/time in GMT, station worked, exchange, band, location and claimed score.

Mailing deadline is Sept. 1st to: CW County Hunters Net, Att: Jim Hoffman, K1ZFY, 42 Gresham Street, Milford, Conn. 06460. Include s.a.s.e. if results are desired.

## Maryland/D.C. SO Party

Starts: 2200 GMT Saturday, August 1  
Ends: 2200 GMT Sunday, August 2

The 5th MD/DC QSO Party is again sponsored by the Maydale ARC. A station may be contacted on each band and mode. Separate logs must be submitted for c.w. and phone.

**Exchange:** QSO nr., RS/RST and QTH. County for Md./DC stations, ARRL section or country for others. (Baltimore and Wash. DC count as separate counties.)

**Scoring:** Two points for each completed QSO. Md./DC use ARRL sections and countries worked for their multiplier. Out-of-state stations use Maryland counties. (max. of 25)

**Frequencies:** C.W.—3575, 7075, 14075, 21075. Phone—3850, 3950, 7275, 14275, 21325. Novices—3735, 7175, 21110. Tech.—50.175, 145.175.

**Awards:** Certificates to the top scorers in each ARRL section and country, both on c.w. and phone, additional awards where returns warrant.

**Logs:** Should show date/time in GMT, QSO nr. station worked, RS/RST sent and received, and QTH. A summary sheet with name and address in BLOCK LETTERS and a signed declaration that all rules and regulations have been observed is also requested.

Mailing deadline is Sept. 1st to: Carl E. Andersen, K3JYZ, 14601 Claude Lane, Silver Spring, Md. 20904. Include s.a.s.e. if copy of results are desired.

### Romanian Contest

Starts: 1801 GMT Saturday, August 1

Ends: 2400 GMT Sunday, August 2

It's the world working the YOs in this one, all bands 3.5 thru 28 mc, on c.w., a.m. and s.s.b. Cross band and cross mode operation is not allowed.

**Exchange:** Signal report plus a 3 figure QSO number starting with 001, regardless of band or mode.

**Points:** Each completed QSO 2 points.

**Multiplier:** A multiplier of 1 for each YO county worked on each band and mode. There are 40 counties and c.w., a.m., and s.s.b. count as separate modes. The YOs will indicate their county with two letters. (ie. 569023/SJ)

**Final Score:** Total QSO points from all bands  $\times$  the multiplier from each band and mode.

**Logs:** Use a separate sheet for each band, fill in multiplier only first time it is worked, and include a summary sheet showing the scoring, other important information, and a signed declaration that all rules and regulations have been observed.

**Awards:** Certificates to the leading scorers in each country and each classification. Single and multi-operator, both single and all bands. The over-all world champion wins a Crystal Cup.

Contest contacts may be applied to the many YO awards. A list will be sent on request.

Mailing deadline for logs is Sept. 1st to: Romanian Amateur Radio Federation, P.O. Box 1395, Bucuresti 5, Romania.

### DARC WAE Contest

C.W.—Aug. 8-9 Phone—Sept. 12-13

Starts: 0000 GMT Saturday

Ends: 2400 GMT Sunday

Rules for the 16th WAE contest sponsored by the DARC are same as last year with one exception, the multi-operator multi-transmitter classification has been eliminated from this year's contest.

Everything else remains the same: Use all bands 3.5 thru 28 mc, RS/RST plus QSO nr. exchange, multiplier from WAE country list and a compulsory 12 hour rest period that can be taken in up to 3 periods.

The QTC feature is still a big feature of the contest and awards are made in three divisions, power input up to 200 watts, over 200 and newcomers licensed less than one year.

Contest contacts can be used for WAE certificate endorsements provided the log of the requested station is also received, and the request is made within one year.

Complete rules which are quite lengthy and in details can be found in the July 1969 CALENDAR. Official copy as well as log forms can be obtained by sending a s.a.s.e. directly to me, WIWY or to DARC address below.

Mailing deadline is Sept. 15th for C.W. and Oct. 15th for Phone. The new address is WAEDC Contest Committee, P.O. Box 262, D-8950 Kaufbeuren, West Germany.

### WAE Country List

CT1, CT2, DL/DJ/DK/DM, EA, EA6, EI, F, FC, G, GC, GD, GI, GM, GM Shetlands, GW, HA, HB, 4U1ITU, HB0, HV, I, IS, IT, LA, Bear Is., JX, JW, LX, LZ, M1/9A, OE, OH, OH0, OK, ON, OY, OZ, PA/PI, PX, SM/SL, SP, SV, SV Crete, SV Rhodes, TA Europe, TF, UA/UV/UW 1-6, UB/UT/UY, UC, UN, UO, UP, UQ, UR, UA Franz Josef Land, YO, YU, ZA, ZB2, 3A, 9H.

### Illinois QSO Party

Starts: 1600 GMT Saturday, August 1

Ends: 2200 GMT Sunday, August 2

The 8th annual Illinois QSO Party is again sponsored by the Radio Amateur Megacycle Society. The same station may be worked and counted for QSO points on each band and mode.

**Exchange:** QSO nr., RS/RST and QTH. County for Illinois; state, province or country for others. (Ill. may work in-state stations)

**Scoring:** One point per QSO. Ill. stations multiply total by number of states, VE provinces and countries worked. Others use Ill. counties for their multiplier. (max. of 102) USA, Canada, Hawaii and Alaska count as countries, KH6 and KL7 also count as states. (Each group of 8 contacts with the same county earns a bonus multiplier of 1)

**Frequencies:** 3560, 3735, 3900, 7060, 7175, 7260, 14060, 14275, 21060, 21110, 21360, 28060, 28660 and 145.2 mc.

**Awards:** Certificates to the top stations in each state, VE province and country, provided at least two entries are received from that region. In Illinois, single and multi-op stations compete separately with 1st, 2nd and 3rd winners.

A summary sheet showing scoring and other pertinent information is requested.

Mailing deadline is Sept. 1st to: Radio Ama-



teur Megacycle Society, K9CJU, 3620 N. Oleander Ave., Chicago, Ill. 60634. Enclose usual s.a.s.e. if results are desired.

### W2 Land QSO Party

Starts: 0001 GMT Saturday, August 1  
Ends: 0400 GMT Monday, August 3

Here's a new one for you, sponsored by the Moorestown Society of Amateur Radio. Mobile and portable operation is encouraged, and those planning such operation are asked to contact WB2UVB for a list of rare New Jersey and New York counties.

**Exchange:** QSO nr., RS/RST and QTH. County and state for W2's; county and state or province for US/VE; and country for DX.

**Scoring:** For W2's—Total QSOs  $\times$  states/provinces  $\times$  countries  $\times$  continents worked.

US/VE/DX—QSOs  $\times$  W2 counties (max. 83)  $\times$  W2 states. (max. of 2)

After you have totaled above score, you can add the following bonus points. If you work 20 counties add 50 bonus points, 40 counties add 100 points, 60 counties add 200 points, 80 counties add 300 points, and all 83 counties, 500 bonus points.

**Frequencies:** c.w.—3575, 7060, 14075, 21090, 28090. Phone—3943, 7260, 14340, 21360, 28620. v.h.f.—50.3, 145.3, 221.4.

**Awards:** 1st, 2nd and 3rd place awards in each state, VE province, country and New Jersey and New York counties. Special awards to Novice and Tech. class stations.

Include a summary sheet with your entry with all contest data and state class of your license, also s.a.s.e. for results.

Mailing deadline is Oct. 1st to: Gene Bond Jr. WB2UVB, 15 East Camden Ave., Moorestown, New Jersey 08057.

### New Jersey QSO Party

Two Periods:

1900-0600 GMT Sat./Sun. Aug. 15-16  
1200-2300 GMT Sunday, August 16

This is the 11th party sponsored by the Englewood A.R.A. Phone and c.w. are considered part of same contest and the same station may be worked on each band and mode.

**Exchange:** QSO nr., RS/RST and QTH. County for N.J., and ARRL section or country for all others.

**Scoring:** For N.J.—US/VE contacts count 1 point, DX 3 points; multiply total by ARRL sections worked. (max. of 74) N.J. may work in-state stations for QSO and multiplier credit. *Out-of-state*—Multiply number of N.J. contacts by N.J. counties worked. (max. of 21)

**Frequencies:** 1810, 3555, 3740, 3930, 7060, 7275, 14075, 14280, 21100, 21375, 28800. Also 50-50.5 and 144-146. Phone activity suggested on even hours.

**Awards:** Certificates to top scorer in each N.J. county, ARRL section and country, 2nd

### 1969 All Asian Contest Results

U.S.A.	WA2FQG .....192	W8PCS .....35
	W9QWM .....180	K9UCR .....30
All Band	W8BQV .....168	
	K1WJB .....150	14 mc
K4BLD/6 .....21800	WA6NHD .....140	W6AFI .....4640
W3MSK .....18202	W6CLP .....135	K6EIV .....4592
WA6IVN .....18090	W9UKT .....132	K2KUR .....4522
W3GM .....14796	WB6YIZ .....126	W1YYM .....2800
WB6OLR .....10530	W5OJZ .....120	W3AFM .....2642
K1ZND/8 .....9610	W4UF .....120	W1GYE .....2295
W5WZQ .....7560	W3QOR .....65	W2AIW .....2288
W4KVX .....6810	W3CBF .....60	W1HRJ .....2054
W4BAI .....6475	W6GJV .....48	WB4DJT .....1582
WB6QJD .....6315		W1PYM .....1260
WA8AJZ .....6248	28 mc	K6IH .....1152
WA1FHU .....6240	W6ISQ .....316	W2LWI .....968
K2BQR .....6162	W5QNQ .....3	W8VKK .....620
W8HN .....5597		W4KO .....520
K6MG .....2805	21 mc	WA3HRV .....414
W1TW .....2310	K6AHV .....5814	W8LPO .....355
K7WWR .....2035	K6NA .....3816	OH3UQ/W6 .....220
WA5VSL .....2032	K6OZL .....1600	W5WMU .....216
W1QV .....1812	K4CFB .....1424	W1GSN .....189
W6JPH .....1736	W1DTY .....1260	K6EVR .....184
W3CRE .....1584	K6HPZ .....1008	K4IEX .....129
W4JK .....1428	W3AIZ .....836	W6TZD .....120
K8EKR .....1428	W4OEL .....660	W8RVD .....76
W6GEB .....1330	K8NMG .....372	W8HXZ .....66
K7VPF/7 .....984	WA0WOW .....183	W1FBY .....66
W8AUB .....585	WA5RTB .....100	K8ARS .....34
W3NB .....520	W4UDS/0 .....96	K6FO .....26
W9WCE .....295	WA3JBN .....84	W6KYA .....22
W2CVW .....240	K6TWE .....70	WA0PRS .....14
W6GBY .....230	W3LMZ .....64	
W8BMM .....492	W8TYF .....48	7 mc
W6CLM .....415	K9TQR .....56	W6ZGM .....34
K5MHG/6 .....204		

place awards if four or more logs received from that section.

**Logs:** Indicate multiplier *only* first time it is worked, and also include a summary sheet with the scoring and other information.

Stations planning full activity, especially portables, are requested to advise EARA so that coverage of all counties may be planned.

Logs must be in the hands of Englewood ARA, 303 Tenafly Road, Englewood, N.J. 07631 no later than Sept. 12th. Include s.a.s.e. if results are desired.

### All Asian DX Contest

Starts: 1000 GMT Saturday, August 22  
Ends: 1600 GMT Sunday, August 23

This is the 11th annual contest sponsored by the JARL. This year multi-operator stations are permitted, awards by call areas will be given in the United States, and prefixes will be the multiplier.

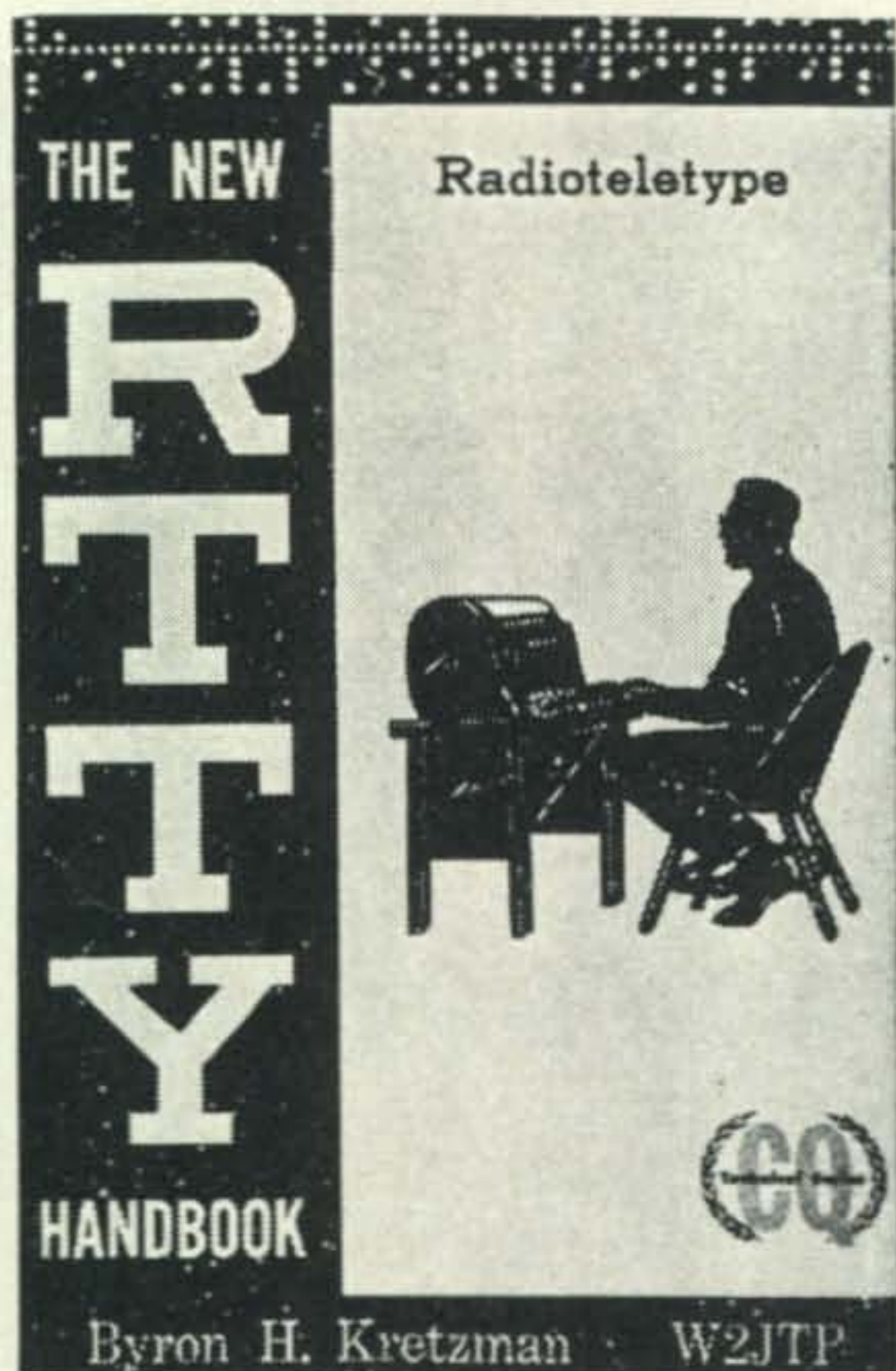
The exchange will be between Asian countries and the rest of the world, on all bands 1.8 thru 28 mc, on c.w. only.

**Classifications:** Single operator, single band and all band; multi-operator, single transmitter, all band only.

**Exchange:** For OM's, five figures, RST plus your age. For YL's RST plus 00.

**Scoring:** One point per QSO. Asians use non-Asian countries worked for their multiplier. (ARRL DXCC list) Non-Asian count each *prefix* of Asian countries as their multiplier. (CQ WPX list) Note: JD1, the Ogasawara Is. (Bonin & Volcano) are considered in Asia, and Minami-

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torishima (Marcus) is in Oceania.

**Final Score:** For Asians, sum of contact points on each band multiplied by the Country multiplier on each band. For non-Asians, sum of contact points on each band multiplied by Prefix multiplier on each band.

**Awards:** To the highest scoring stations as follows: Single operator, all band—Certificate and plaque with medal in each continent. And 1st, 2nd and 3rd place certificates in each country. *New*, 1st place in each area of the United States.

Single operator, single band—Certificate and medal in each continent. And 1st place in each country on each band.

Multi-Operator, all band only—Certificate and plaque with medal in each continent. And 1st place in each country.

**Logs:** Keep all times in GMT, fill in country or prefix column *only* first time it is worked and use a separate sheet for each band. A summary sheet is also a must, showing the scoring and other necessary information, and a signed declaration that all rules and regulations have been observed.

Things to remember, non-Asian stations will use prefixes of Asian countries for their multiplier. Multi-operator stations are to strictly observe the single transmitter definition, contacts on different bands at the same time are prohibited. (Club stations come in this category) Each operator will give his age in the contest exchange when he is operating. Contacts with KA stations not permitted.

**Disqualification:** Violation of the regulations of amateur radio in the country of the contestant, or the rules of the contest, or unsportsmanlike conduct, or taking credit for incorrect QSOs or multipliers, or duplicate contacts in excess of 2% of the total made, will be deemed cause for disqualification. The All Asian DX Contest Committee decision shall be final in all disputes.

Logs must be *received* no later than Nov. 30th 1970 and go to: J.A.R.L. Contest Committee, Central Post Office Box 377, Tokyo, Japan. Include 1 IRC with your log for copy of the results.

### Editor's Notes

Sorry the Phone Results did not make last month's issue as I had planned. These things seem to be getting more involved each year, or maybe I'm slowing down.

How about all those crazy prefixes that showed up in our WPX SSB contest this year. It's going to be a job in itself figuring out where they all came from.

You will note that the JARL finally got around to honoring our suggestion that awards for the USA should be made by call areas. Now let's prove that it was justified by flooding them with

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# VHF TODAY

BY ALLEN KATZ,\* K2UYH

**F**OUR years ago we considered ourself especially lucky to be able to pick up a 4CX1000A at a local club auction for 25 dollars. On numerous occasions since then, we have seen 4CX1000A's along with other high performance tube's for sale at similar savings. The local surplus dealer has even had a few in stock. Construction articles utilizing these tubes have also appeared.<sup>1,2</sup> Yet there are still very few of these tubes in use on the v.h.f. bands.

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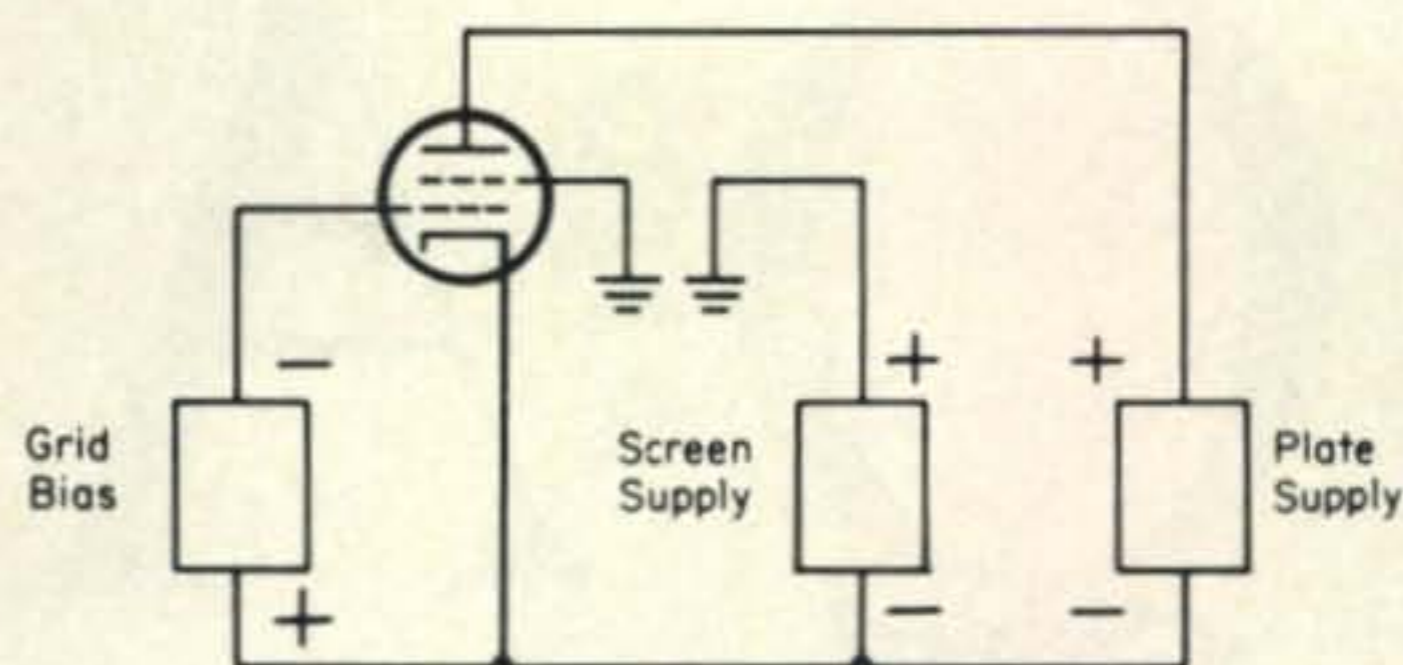


Fig. 2—The connection of d.c. supply voltages when the screen is grounded. Note: the negative side of the plate supply is isolated from ground.

One of the major problems in getting one of these big tubes in operation is the lack or almost total absence of sockets for them. In the case of the 4CX1000A, a new socket costs more than I would care to pay for the tube alone. However there is no reason why you need a new socket or any socket at all to get a 4CX1000A on the air.

If a hole slightly larger than the outline of the 4CX1000A's bottom periphery is cut in the amplifier chassis (see figure 1), the tube can be mechanically mounted by placing it through this hole, twisting it 60 degrees (such that the screen fins overlap the chassis), and bolting the three screen fins directly to the

<sup>1</sup>Barber, W6GQK; Orr, W6SAI; Rinaudo, W6-KEV; Sutherland, W6UOV, "Modern Circuit Design for VHF Transmitters Part II," *CQ* p. 40, Dec. 1965.

<sup>2</sup>Crowell, W7GVL, "An All Band 4CX1000A Super Cathode Driven Amplifier," *CQ*, p. 16, April, 1970.

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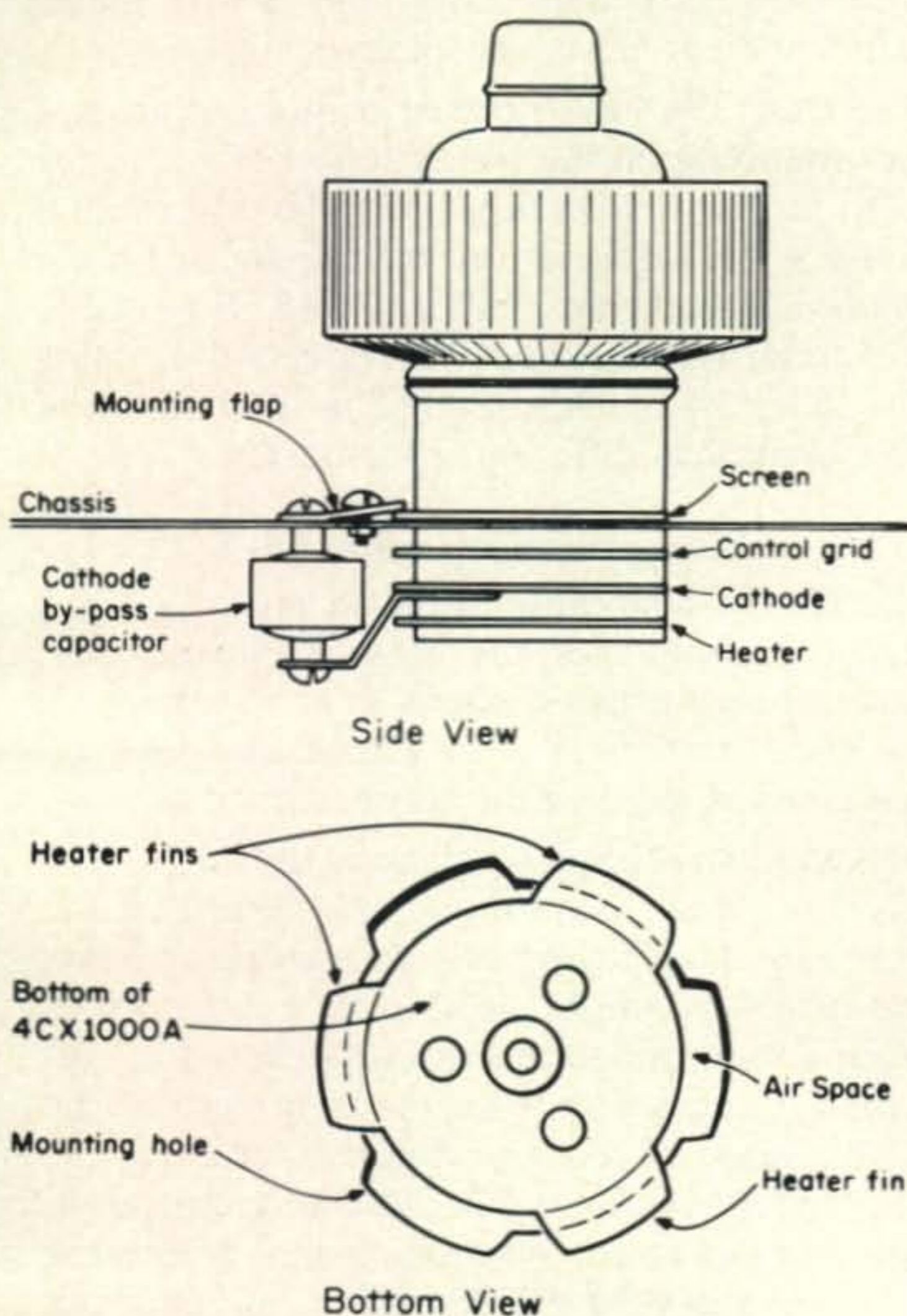
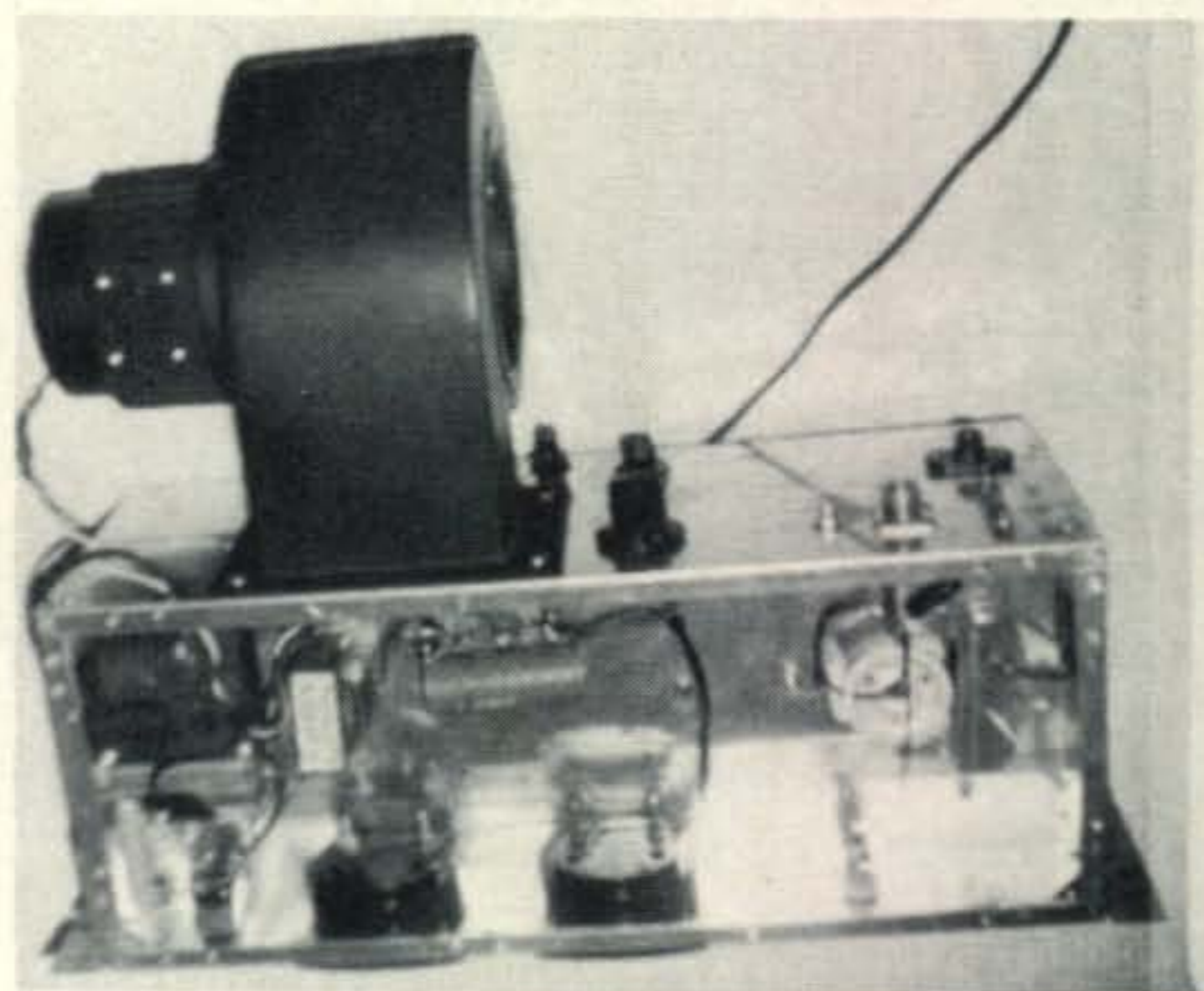


Fig. 1—The mechanical arrangement for mounting a 4CX1000A without a socket.



Bottom view of K2UYH's 144 MHz 4CX1000A amplifier.

# Q AND A

BY WILFRED M. SCHERER,\*  
W2AEF

## Oscillator Pulling With R-100A Receiver

QUESTION: I wish to modify my R-100A receiver with the product detector and a.g.c. described in *CQ*, June 1969. However, the h.f. oscillator pulls badly, with a frequency shift of up to 1 kc when the r.f. gain or the antenna trimmer is operated while Band B is used on 80 meters. It seems stable with Band C on 40. With the advent of a.g.c. this might present a problem with the resulting changing voltages. How may this be corrected?

ANSWER: Oscillator pulling in the R-100A with changes in the setting of receiver controls is a "built-in" situation often experienced with other receivers that utilize a variable h.f. or front-end oscillator, especially with a 1st i.f. of 455 kc.

The frequency variations can be minimized by setting the antenna trimmer slightly on the low-frequency side of resonance (or signal peak), except on Band D where it should be at the high-frequency side. (on bands A, B & C the oscillator is on the h.f. side of the signal, on Band D it is the low side—in the case of other receivers where the oscillator position may be otherwise, the trimmer should be set on the side of antenna-resonance opposite that at which the oscillator operates).

What happens when the antenna trimmer is on the other side of resonance (or toward oscillator frequency) is that the r.f. stage circuit is then tuned nearer the h.f. oscillator frequency which then tends to pull the oscillator. Why the effect is more pronounced on the 80-meter band is that there is less tuning capacitance at this end of Band B, making the oscillator more susceptible to pulling by nearby resonant circuits.

\*Technical Director, *CQ*.

This also should correct the problem with different r.f.-gain settings; however, in other receivers where voltage regulation is not provided, particularly on the oscillator, such an expedient may be needed.

## Power Loss in Antenna Coupler

QUESTION: Using my Drake MN-4 antenna-matching coupler I find about an 11 per-cent loss through it. Is this standard for matching networks or is there something particular about the MN-4?

ANSWER: An 11 per-cent power loss (0.5 db) is about normal with most any antenna couplers or this type. This in itself is relatively insignificant as far as signal level goes, in addition to which other advantages may be gained with the coupler, such as allowing more power to be actually transferred, than otherwise possible in certain cases without it. Another possible benefit is the reduction of harmonic transfer to the antenna.

## Linear Amplifier With 4-125A's

QUESTION: Have you any data on a circuit for a linear amplifier using two or more 4-125A tubes in parallel? I am looking for an amplifier that will cover the 80-10 meter bands with at least 1 kw p.e.p.

ANSWER: We have no past or present articles or other data on the construction of such gear with the particular tubes. On the other hand, some good information will be found in the *Radio Handbook* (Editors and Engineers, Ltd.), the 16th Edition. This covers data using 4-125A's, 4-250A's, etc. The 17th Edition also some has different information.

## Chirp With Apache TX-1

QUESTION: I just came upon an Apache TX-1 which I wanted for c.w. It works beautifully, but at times it has a chirp. It is not there all the time, but mostly on 20 meters. Do you have any dope on how to correct this?

ANSWER: In respect to chirp with the Apache TX-1, as described above, assuming that the time-sequence keying system is working okay, the difficulty might be due to r.f. feedback from  $V^3$ , the stage that follows the v.f.o. and which functions on the same frequency as the v.f.o. Suggest you try slightly detuning the "15-meter" inductor BK. This inductor actually is tuned to the 40-meter band, where the v.f.o. operates for 40, 20 and 15, so feedback from here could affect the v.f.o.

Make sure the VR tube is okay Also the neon bulb in the time-sequence keying sys-

tem. Make sure other related components are okay (those mentioned in the first paragraph on page 5 of the manual).

### Source for DPZ Antennas and Others

Although it apparently is no longer in production, the DPZ antenna suggested for portable operation in the May Column may be obtained from Antennas, Inc. Bob Quenstedt of Antennas, Inc. has informed us that they have located a number of these antennas which will be available from them.

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### More On W5CJV-Special Quad

In respect to the W5CJV-Special Quad described by W5ZUS in the Q & A Column for March, no dimension was given for the boom length. Cal, W5ZUS, has been flooded with inquiries about this omission which should have stated the boom length as exactly 8 feet.

### Super-Pro Modifications

QUESTION: Can you refer me to articles on modifying the old World War II Hammarlund BC-1004C military receiver?

ANSWER: We've received quite a few inquiries about modifications to the BC-1004C, BC-799, SP-400, et al, Super-Pro receivers. 14 pages related thereto will be found in the Surplus Conversion Handbook which may be obtained from CQ's Circulation Dept. for \$3.00. Some of the data given therein also will be found in CQ, February 1957, page 24 "Worthwhile Improvements for that Old Receiver". Another article, not repeated in the Handbook, is "Souping Up The Super Pro", published in CQ, December 1957, page 30. Xerox copies of the above articles are available for \$1.00 each.

### Swan 500-C With Johnson Thunderbolt

QUESTION: I have a Swan 500-C transceiver which works perfectly. I have now acquired a Johnson Thunderbolt amplifier that requires only 20 watts drive to push it to 2000 watts p.e.p. The Johnson people advised use of a T-pad attenuator between the two units, since the Swan 500-C runs at about 300 watts p.e.p.

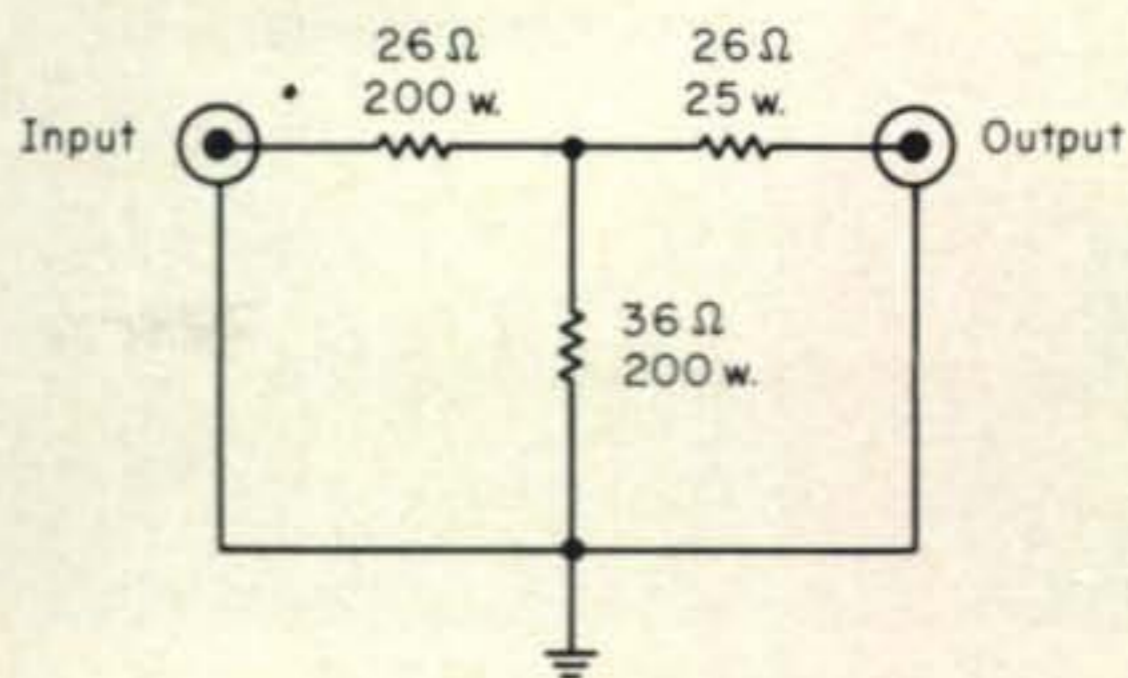


Fig. 1—Circuit and constants for 10 db T-pad for use between Swan 500-C and Johnson Thunderbolt.

output. I should appreciate data on the required pad and information on all the other needed connections between the exciter and amplifier, including relays, etc.

ANSWER: A number of other inquiries in a similar vein have been received of late. The following data in reply to the particular situation above may be used as a pattern for other cases.

The power ratio between 300 and 20 watts is 15:1, indicating the need for a 11.75 db pad; however, for all practical purposes a 10 db pad should do, allowing some leeway also. Circuit and constants for such a pad are given at fig. 1. Space does not allow constructional details to be given here. They may be found

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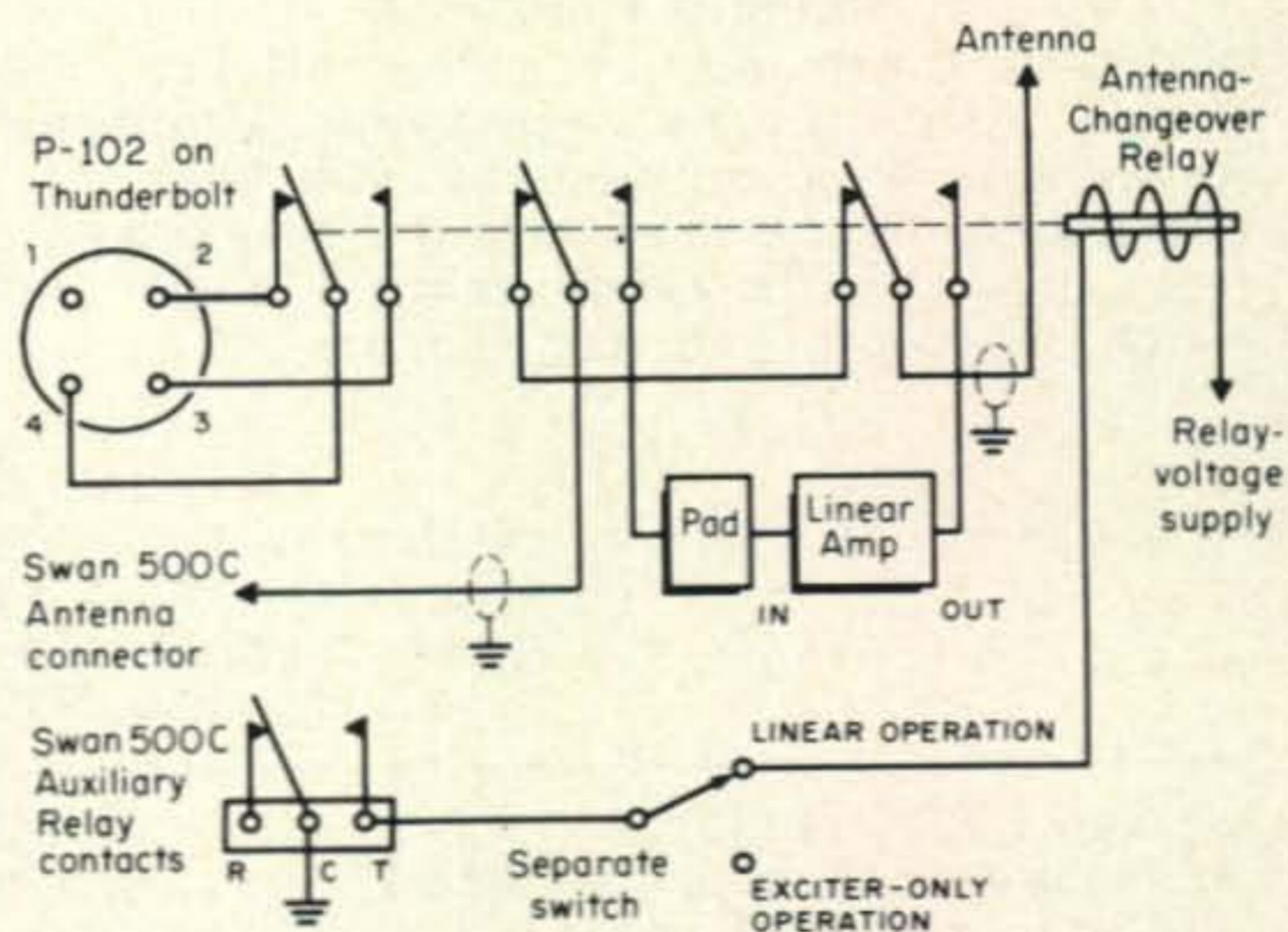


Fig. 2—Circuitry for use with Swan 500-C and Johnson Thunderbolt. A like setup may be used with other gear, except the bias switching at P-102 most likely will not be needed. Relay contacts for P-102 may be auxiliary ones on antenna relay or on a separate relay operated in parallel with antenna-relay coil. Antenna relay may be 6, 12 or 115 v.a.c.-operated job. A 12 v.d.c. relay also may be used, obtaining power from Swan 500-C +12 v.d.c. at power-supply terminal 6.



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# SURPLUS sidelights

BY GORDON ELIOT WHITE\*

**O**SCILLOSCOPES are handy things to have around the shack. They can be used to monitor your modulation for instance, avoiding distortion and splatter and other technical unpleasanties that tend to cause unhappiness on the bands and with the Federal Communication Commission. They can be used to watch radio-teletype, with a neat little cross pattern that indicates a properly-tuned frequency-shift signal is being received. There are several other applications, of which one of the most useful is the comparison of different frequencies as they weave those interesting patterns observed by M. Lissajous.

Even non-amateurs can find uses for a 'scope. If you have no other purpose you can hook up the audio output of your receiver to the deflection plates and create a "dancing waters" image that will at least impress the uninitiated visitor with its approximation of Mission Control in your shack.

One acquaintance of mine has converted a 21 inch color monitor to a rudimentary oscilloscope which he has attached to a receiver tuned to a local rock music station. The resulting explosion of color is technically meaningless, but it is certainly psychedelic.

Now there are all sorts of 'scopes in surplus, ranging up to recent Tektronix units with dual-trace amplifiers, triggered inputs, wide-band response, delay lines, and other high-cost options. On the other hand there are a great number of surplus black boxes with cathode-ray-tubes poking out of them, a few controls, and no indication whatsoever as to what they may be good for. The latter are generally priced rather under the Tektronix units, by a factor of about 20:1. If one could make use of the cheaper set, why spend the money on the sophisticated one?

Why indeed? For common Amateur use virtually any 'scope that will display a pattern is a helpful addition to the shack.

The key thing to remember is that the basic oscilloscope consists of a cathode ray tube,

a flyback oscillator that controls the trace on the CRT, a power supply for filament and B+ voltages, and for the high voltage CRT anode, and, usually, amplifiers for the horizontal and vertical deflection plates to make even small signal voltages readable on the tube.

Accordingly, in most surplus 'scopes you will find the basic circuits plus some extraneous material, depending on the purpose of that design. Radar sets and various military indicators contain a basic oscilloscope which can be converted to amateur use reasonably easily, such as the indicator used with a World War II IFF set (Identification, Friend or Foe) known as BC-929. The thing to do with the BC-929 is to remove the extra IFF junk, starting with the motor-driven switch which provides indication of the bearing of an incoming signal, something not of immense use in the ham shack. (There are two ranges, 50 mile and 10 mile, if you are expecting hostile aircraft)

Unfortunately the BC-929, and other cheap surplus units were designed for use in aircraft, and have power transformers wound for 400 cycle a.c. power. At that frequency there needs to be less iron in the transformer core, therefore less weight for the plane to lug aloft. The lack of a stiff iron core means that if attached to a 60 c.p.s. power source the transformers will rapidly go up in rather unpleasant-smelling smoke and bubble out considerable tar and other substances. Not recommended.

If your particular unit is designed for 400 c.p.s. *only*, the transformer will have to be replaced with a similar 60 c.p.s. version. But don't be hasty about tearing out the transformer. Some sets have power supplies usable on 60 c.p.s. Aside from the weight, a 60 cycle transformer will work just fine at higher frequencies, and in some units, the manufacturers used the cheaper 60 c.p.s. item. In fact, if you can stand the smoke, it might be worth risking the useless 400 c.p.s. transformer on 60 c.p.s. just to see if it might carry the load. I have a very fine Airborne Instrument Labs audio oscillator that operates beautifully when plugged in on commercial power. Most won't, but with proper precautions, it might be worth a try.

Assuming the smoke-test is a failure, it will be necessary to install 60-c.p.s. versions of the power transformers. In the BC-929 the power transformer may be replaced by a 2400v., 4 ma scope transformer, Chicago or Jefferson

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One caution: be sure to use insulated INTENSITY and FOCUSING controls, remembering that they may have up to 3,000 volts on them. It would be best to mount them on an insulated subchassis and use insulated couplings between the potentiometer and the outer knob.

There have been a couple of specialized conversions of the BC-929, though none before as an ordinary general-purpose oscilloscope. W9JFX, writing in *QST* in August, 1957 proposed it as a modulation monitor, without a horizontal amplifier. He showed an r.f. input with inductive coupling to a transmitter and provisions for tuning the 'scope to the incoming signal.

Writing in the November, 1957 *CQ*, W2-ZGU describes a more flexible conversion, through without schematics, for the BC-929. He added a few ideas for calibrating the set to read voltages, and offered considerable on CRT theory that might make interesting reading. ■

**VHF** [from page 83]

chassis by means on three small flaps. The space remaining between the wall of the hole and the tube will allow forced air to pass and direct it up toward the external anode.

Connecting the screen directly to the chassis, as described above, eliminates the need for a screen bypass capacitor, and actually yields superior performance since we want to keep the screen as close to r.f. ground potential as possible. This procedure does, however, necessitate that the negative plate supply voltage be isolated from ground. D.c. screen and plate voltage can be applied to the amplifier as shown in figure 2. The cathode must be also by-passed to ground. The cathode by-pass capacitor is non-regenerative and thus not critical. In the 4CX1000A two meter amplifier shown in the photograph we use two large TV type doorknob capacitors connected in parallel for this purpose. The tops of these capacitors are connected to a copper flashing clamp which presses on two of the tubes three cathode fins.

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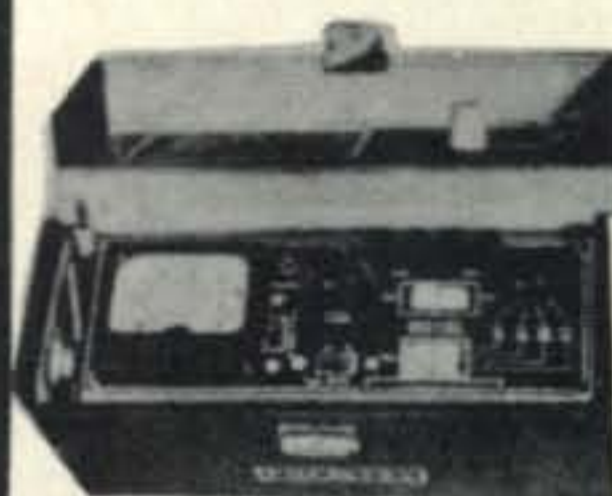
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be made by means of small clips or you may carefully solder directly to these terminals as we have done.

We have used a 4CX1000A mounted as described here on 144 mc for several years without incident and are now planning a second 4CX1000A amplifier for 220 mc using a similar arrangement. I am sure with a little ingenuity similar techniques could be applied to other tubes for which sockets are unavailable.

73, Allen Katz—K2UYH

**Letters [from page 9]**

operate as she was a dependent).

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Like George, I would like to see full fledged reciprocal operating with Japan. I do believe forces are at work on this and that in the near future JA's will be signing /W and W, K WA and WB's will be signing /JA.

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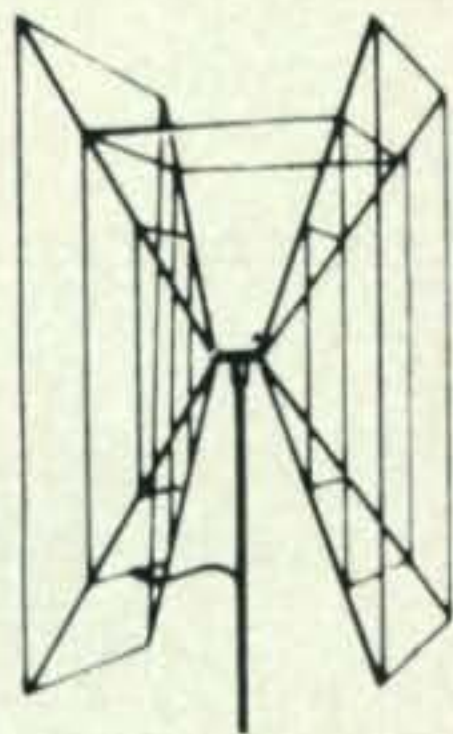
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**Contest Results [from page 49]**

Many stations commented on the lack of activity from the boys "down under." This is something we have not been able to solve, and personally I cannot understand. With the large assortment of awards for Australia many are going unclaimed because of this lack of activity.

The YL's bless them, were in there bucking the competition. A few I ran across were Paula, WA1ANR who suggests that General frequencies restrictions be removed during a contest. (Now wouldn't that be nice.) Ethel, VE6RP, Irmgard YV1YC, and the ole reliables Molly, ZE1JE; Alicia KP4CL and Carola of the OH5SM crew.

And a final paragraph that I would rather not have to write. We found it necessary to disqualify the multi-operator score of WA3-GJU. The rules under Par. XIII are very specific.

Once again we extend our thanks to several overseas contest managers who co-ordinated the logs of their respective clubs. Among the most prominate being Werner Stiehm, DJ8-SW; Klaus Voight, DM2ATL; Milos Prostecky, OK1MP and Wojciech Klosch, 3Z9PT.

This year's Committee include, besides yours truly, the old reliables Fred Capossela, W2IWC; Bob Entwistle, W1MDO; Andy Malashuk, W1GYE; and our new member Bernie Welch, ex-DL4FS and now WA2LLK.  
73 for this one, Frank, W1WY

**Q & A [from page 85]**

in the past CQ articles listed on page 89 for the Q & A Column in CQ, Feb. 1970. These articles also include data for other degrees of attenuation.

Relay requirements and other connections are given at fig. 2. These also will serve as the basis for other applications.

73, Bill, W2AEF

**Contest Calendar [from page 80]**

entries from the USA.

And Oh! Yes, many thanks for all those cards and letters, complementary and otherwise, regarding the photo that headed this column in the April issue. Especially the one from the little ole lady who wanted to make a sked on the high end of 10, where it's nice and quiet. I found it necessary to go back to my own smiling photo, Marcello would not agree to a reciprocal agreement and use my photo in his movie releases.

73 for now, Frank, W1WY



## Announcements [from page 10]

Angola, Indiana. Activities will begin at 8 a.m. Sunday, Aug. 2, 1970. For entertainment there will be boating, fishing, swimming, camping facilities, and excellent picnic grounds. The picnic will also feature a free flea market and big prizes. More information can be obtained by contacting FWRA, Box 6022, Fort Wayne, Indiana 46806.

### Levelland, Texas

The Northwest Texas Emergency Net and Levelland Communications Club is sponsoring a Ham & CB Swapfest & Picnic, Sunday, August 9th, 1970. This is an event for the entire family. Bring your own picnic basket. Registration begins at 9 A.M. Lunch at 1300. Mobile talk-in frequency is the net frequency, 3950 kc, and channel 11 for CBers.

### Marshalltown, Iowa

The Iowa 75 meter phone net's annual picnic will be held on August 16, 1970, at the River-view Park in Marshalltown. Festivities will begin around noon with the frequency of 3970 being monitored.

### Wilmington, Delaware

The Amateur Radio Club of Delaware in a joint effort are planning for the 1970 Delaware Hamfest, which will take place at Wilmington, Delaware, on August 16, 1970 (rain date Aug. 23rd). For exact location and further details contact Roger Cole, W3DKX, 345 East Roosevelt Ave., New Castle, Delaware 19720.

### Danville, Illinois

The Danville Hamfest, sponsored by the Vermilion County Amateur Radio Association, Inc., will be held at Douglas Park, on August 30, 1970.

### Youngstown, Ohio

The Mahoning Valley Amateur Radio Association will sponsor a hamfest Sunday, August 2, 1970, at Lions Park in New Bedford, Pennsylvania. Location is 9 miles East of Youngstown, Ohio off US 422 and 1/2 mile North of US 422—signs will be posted on US 422. There will be door prizes and a flea market. Call in frequencies are 146.94 and 146.34 to 146.76 to Repeater W 8 I O O . For further information, write Frank Dodd, K8UYF, 323 Bedford Road, Lowellville, Ohio 44436.

### Huntsville, Alabama

The North Alabama Hamfest Association is holding their hamfest on August 15th and 16th at The Mall in Huntsville, Alabama. For complete details contact James A. Brashear, WB4-EKJ at P. O. Box 423, Huntsville, Alabama 35804.

## Propagation [from page 74]

### HAWAII

#### Openings Given In Hawaiian Standard Time†

To:	10 Meters	15 Meters	20 Meters	40/80 Meters
Eastern USA	14-16 (1)	06-11 (1)	13-15 (1)	18-20 (1)
		11-14 (2)	15-17 (2)	20-00 (2)
		14-16 (3)	17-18 (3)	00-02 (1)
		16-18 (2)	18-20 (4)	21-00 (1)**
		18-19 (1)	20-22 (3)	
			22-02 (2)	
			02-04 (3)	
			04-06 (2)	
			06-09 (1)	
Central USA	13-14 (1) 14-16 (2) 16-17 (1)	06-08 (1)	06-08 (2)	20-21 (1)
		08-12 (2)	08-14 (1)	21-22 (2)
		12-14 (3)	14-16 (2)	22-01 (3)
		14-16 (4)	16-18 (3)	01-02 (2)
		16-17 (3)	18-22 (4)	02-03 (1)
		17-19 (2)	22-02 (3)	20-22 (1)**
		19-20 (1)	02-04 (4)	22-00 (2)**
			04-06 (3)	00-02 (1)**
Western USA	11-13 (1) 13-14 (2) 14-17 (3) 17-18 (2) 18-19 (1)	06-08 (1)	06-08 (4)	18-19 (1)
		08-09 (2)	08-10 (3)	19-20 (2)
		09-12 (3)	10-13 (2)	20-02 (4)
		12-17 (4)	13-15 (3)	02-04 (3)
		17-19 (3)	15-22 (4)	04-05 (2)
		19-20 (2)	22-00 (3)	05-06 (1)
		20-22 (1)	00-05 (2)	19-20 (1)**
			05-06 (3)	20-22 (2)**
				22-02 (3)**
				02-03 (2)**
		03-04 (1)**		

### ALASKA

#### Openings Given In GMT‡

To:	10 Meters	15 Meters	20 Meters	40/80 Meters
Eastern USA	Nil	21-00 (1)	12-15 (1)	07-10 (1)
		00-02 (2)	22-00 (1)	
		02-03 (1)	00-02 (2)	
			02-04 (3)	
			04-05 (2)	
			05-06 (1)	
Central	Nil	20-00 (1)	13-16 (1)	08-12 (1)
		00-03 (2)	22-00 (1)	
		03-05 (1)	00-03 (2)	
			03-06 (3)	
			06-07 (2)	
			07-09 (1)	
Western	01-04 (1)	17-22 (1)	13-14 (1)	07-09 (1)
		22-00 (2)	14-15 (2)	09-12 (2)
		00-02 (3)	15-19 (3)	12-13 (1)
		02-04 (4)	19-01 (2)	09-12 (1)**
		04-05 (2)	01-03 (3)	
		05-06 (1)	03-06 (4)	
			06-08 (3)	
			08-09 (2)	
			09-11 (1)	

†Hawaiian Standard Time is 5 hours behind EST; 4 hours behind CST; 3 hours behind MST; 2 hours behind PST and 10 hours behind GMT or Z Time. For example, when it is Noon in Honolulu, it is 17 or 5 P.M. in NYC, EST.

‡To convert to Local Standard Time in Alaska, subtract 8 hours in the Pacific Standard Time Zone; 9 hours in the Yukon Zone and 10 hours in the Alaskan Standard Time Zone, from the GMT times shown in the Chart. GMT is 5 hours ahead of EST; 6 hours ahead of CST; 7 hours ahead of MST and 8 hours ahead of PST. For example, when it is 18 GMT it is 13 or 1 P.M. EST in NYC.

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HAMFESTERS 36th ANNUAL HAMFEST and picnic. Sunday, August 9, 1970, Santa Fe Park, 91st and Wolf Road, Willow Springs, Illinois, southwest of Chicago, Exhibits for OM's, XYL's. Famous swappers Row. Information and tickets. Tom Ondriska, WA9YZW, 6609 S. Kedvale, Chicago, Illinois. 60629.

MOVING TO APT: B.T.I. - TA33 - Ham-m, 60 ft. crank-up. Morris Cohen, 400 Brookhaven Road, Wallingford, Pennsylvania.

SELL: Eico 753 Triband transceiver with AC supply, latest modifications, mint condition. \$150.00. W2KZ, 61 East Depew Avenue, Buffalo, New York. 14214.

FOR SALE: Marconi DT-45 2-meter FM mobile complete with cables, head, mike, crystals, 146.34-.94 & 146.46-.94. Marconi DT-65 2-meter FM mobile complete on 146.34-.94 & 146.94-.94. CN 144 Ameco converter with PS. Knight TR-108 2-meter AM xceiver. CDE model TR4A rotor. WA2HSB, 5 Addoms Street, Plattsburgh, N. Y. 12901.

COLLINS KWS-1 ser: 1296, 75A-4 ser: 2048 3 filters; 3.1, 2.1, 0.5, mc; speaker. in top condition, \$1,250.00. On the air now. W2FXE, Short Hills, New Jersey. 07078. (201) 379-5553.

NOVICE CRYSTALS: 40-15M \$1.38, 80M \$1.83. Free flyer. Nat Stinnette Electronics, Umatilla, Florida. 32784.

FOR SALE: HQ 180 AC, \$225.00. Knight T-150 A, \$75. Knight KG-635 WB Scope, New, Factory-wired, \$150. Mercury 2000 Tube Tester, almost new, \$90. FOB Hoshal, Box 191, Aberdeen, Maryland. 21001.

TOY TRAINS WANTED: I want to swap or buy those electric trains you no longer use; any age or condition. SWAP 75A2, SX42, HP400D, G50, more. Send full description, asking price and SASE. K4EIH, Box 1028, Springfield, Va. 22151.

1000 piv at 1.5 amp epoxy diodes includes disc bypass capacitors and bridging resistors. 10 for \$3.95 or 100 for \$30.00, postpaid U.S.A. East Coast Electronics, Dept. C, 123 St. Boniface Rd., Cheektowaga, New York. 14225.

CIRCUITS for 32 electronic projects, R. F., audio and gadgetry, complete plans \$1.00. P. M. Electronics, Inc. Box 46204, Seattle, Wash. 98146. Dealer inquiries invited.

REI can train you for the First Class Radio Telephone License in only five (5) weeks. Approved for Veterans training. REI has schools in Sarasota, Florida; Glendale, California; Fredericksburg, Virginia; and Kansas City, Missouri. For free brochure write REI, 1336 Main St., Sarasota, Fla. 33577 or call (813) 955-6922.

RTTY Gear for sale. List issued monthly. 88 or 44 Mhy torroids, uncased, five for \$2.50 postpaid. Elliott Buchanan and Associates, Inc., 1067 Mandana Blvd., Oakland, California. 94610.

WANTED: 1964 to '70 issues of RADIO ELECTRONICS Magazine. Will pay \$1 per year and postage. Write: J. Wegner, P. O. Box 262, Glendale, California. 91209.

SELL: Collins 51J-4 Receiver with 1.4, 3.1, 6.0 kc Mechanical Filters, Gear Reduction Dial, Cabinet, Manual and plug in CE Sideband Slicer, \$750; Also RD-92A/UX Facsimile Recorder with CV172/U Frequency Shift Converter, \$150. Also Klein-Schmidt teletypewriter TT-4A/TG \$80 Freight Collect Auguste Schwab, Jr., 560 Woodmere Blvd., Woodmere, L. I., New York. 11598.

TRADE OR SELL: Have 16 mm Bell Howell 70-D Seven speed movie camera. WANT: Swan 140-W6BWQ, 6449 Graves Avenue, Van Nuys, California. 91406.

WILCOX 96A, 96C3, TBY4, ARC5, ARC4/233A, Ts170/ARNS, TS110, some Collins xformers. Rf coils, choke, tubes, 2c26, 2c43, 2k25, 3E29, 4F32, 717A, 3B24w, 117k7 GT, Ferrite Memory units, RCA. German Magnetic memory units. RCA plug-in boards trans IC. SASE to: Doug Craton, 5625 Balfrey Drive, West Palm Beach, Fla. 33406.

GET YOUR "FIRST!" Memorize, study: "1970 Tests-Answers" for FCC First and Second Class License. -plus- "Self-Study Ability Test." Proven. \$5.00. Command, Box 26348-F, San Francisco, California. 94126.

WORLD RADIO's used gear has trial-terms-guarantee! Gonset 910A, \$179.95; SR160, \$149.95; Swan 350, \$289.95; Swan 400/420, \$299.95; HT40, \$49.95; Apache, \$99.95; DX60, \$49.95; T4X, \$319.95; HQ180 AC, \$349.95; SP600JX(rack) \$269.95; Galaxy R5 30, \$649.95; 75A3, \$209.95; Drake 2A, \$149.95. Free "Blue-Book" list for more. 3415 W. Broadway, Council Bluffs, Iowa. 51501.

HAM RADIO COUNSELORS: Boys summer camp, June 24, Aug. 23. Minimum age 19. Write or call: Morgan Levy, RD 4, Waynesboro, Pa. 17268. TELEPHONE: (717) 794-2313.

EXCESS HAM EQUIPMENT SALE: No junk. SASE for list. W1KZQ, Baltic, Ct. 06330.

QSLs. Second to none. Same day service. Samples, 25 cents. Ray, K7HLR, Box 331, Clearfield, Utah. 84015.

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MANUALS: TS-323/UR, SP-600JX, R-274/FRR, \$5.50 each; R-390/URR, BC-639A, \$6.50 each. Many others. List 20 cents. W3IHD, 4905 Roanne Drive, Washington, D.C. 20021.

SALE: Teletypes Model 15, \$60; Model 19, \$90; AN/FGC-IX audio converter, \$25; Hornet TB-3B Tri-band beam, \$40; Mosley A-92-S (2 mtr) Beam 110' twin lead, \$15; ASAHI-PENTAX 35 mm, Fl.8-55 mm, fl.8-85 mm with cases, \$150; want Central Electronics 20A; WA4TNW. 29482.

CUSTOM CONSOLES For Amateur Radio Stations. Equipment may be updated by changing only front panel. Inquiries and orders now being accepted. Literature with pictures available. "ACE" Goodwin, W4WEU, 2510 Via Havarre, Merritt Island, Florida. 32952.

75A4 For Sale, Serial No. 2060, \$325. with 3.1 kc filter, \$345. with 3.1 and 6 kc filters, \$385.00 with 0.5, 3.1, and 6 kc filters. K4IIF, Box 205, Winter Haven, Florida. 33880.

RCA SENIOR VOLTOHMYST WV-97A, AC/DC Probe. \$22 cert. check. E. Stolz, WA6YQS, 3738 Robertson Avenue, Sacramento, Ca. 95821.

WANTED: Any 'Don Britton' Construction Plans adv. in POP ELECTRONICS. Swap, Too! Joe Wegner, P. O. Box 262, Glendale, Ca. 91209.

FOR SALE OR SWAP: Laboratory test equipment-Garage full: Hewlett Packard UHF Signal generators, \$25 ea., Oscilloscope-storage type, 5" screen-similar to Tektronix-\$2.50., etc. Stereo equipment-cassette recorder/playback units-car and home types. Cameras, etc. Send for list. Murray Marcus, 11 Eldridge St., E. Northport, New York. 11731.

WANTED: QST before 1920 and amateur radio-teletype publications. Orville Magoon, 1941 Oakdell Drive, Menlo Park, Calif. 94025.

POSTAL CHESS: American Postal Chess League Box 1022, Greeley, Colorado. 80631.

CINCY STAG HAMFEST: The 33rd Annual Stag Hamfest will be held September 27, 1970 at Stricker's Grove, Compton Road, Mt. Healthy, Cincinnati, Ohio. Door prizes each hour, raffle, lots of food, flea market, model aircraft flying, and contests. Identify Mr. Hamfest and win prize. \$5.00 cost covers everything. For further info., contact John Bruning, W8DSR, 6307 Fairhurst Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio. 45213.

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MAGAZINES: Sell CQ July 1966 thru March 1969 and October 1969 plus 7 extras. QST August 1964 plus March thru December 1967. 73 Magazine August 1966 thru March 1967. Short Wave Magazine (English SWM) November 1961 thru April 1966. DX Magazine (Don Chesser's) April 1959 thru February 1964. What am I offered? O'Brien, W2EQS, BETTER BUSINESS BUREAU, 2 Forest Avenue, Paramus, N. J. 07652. Telephone: (201) 845-4044.

**NEW JERSEY QSO PARTY:** August 15-16! See Contest Calendar in July CQ for complete rules.

**SELL:** Swan Cygnet 260, \$360. HQ200, \$200. Both in mint condx. J. G. Swaney, 10403A 46th Number 105, Beltsville, Md. 20705. Phone: (301) 937-8130.

**SELL:** Hammarlund HQ170, Manual, asking \$160; Hallicrafter HT37, Manual, asking \$175.00; Halli-crafter HA1 Keyer with Chrome Vibro Paddle, asking \$80.00. John Fearon, 3384 Peachtree Rd., N. E., Suite 705, Atlanta, Ga. 30326.

**FOR SALE:** Elements of Radio Comm. More-craft 1929 Radiotelegraph and telephony. Duncan 1929 theory of Radio-Filgate 1929. Principles of Radio Comm. Morecraft 1929. Sell to highest bidder. Douglas, 2254 Pepper, Concord, Cal. 94520.

**PITTSBURGH HAMFEST:** Sunday, Aug. 2, 1970, noon till dusk. St. Clair Beach, formerly Paris Lake, Prizes Galore. Information available: Contact, WA-3KOS, 5073 Grove Road, Pittsburgh, Pa. 15236.

**BARGAINS:** Varied assortment ceramic stand-offs, feed thru's, bees hive insulators. Free list Ken Maas, W9AZA, Burlington, Wisconsin. 53105.

**REAL NICE Novice Station:** Ranger 1, HQ143, Receiver Preamp, All band dipole, Antenna relay, Low pass filter, mike, all manuals. \$200. WB4BZE, Ramseur, North Carolina. 27316.

**SELL:** 75A4 Ser. No. 3058, \$395. Hammarlund HX500 Xmitter CW, AM, SSB, FM, RTTY, \$225. W6JBM, F. Kubias, 4655 Lamont, San Diego, California. 92109.

**WANTED:** Heath VF-1 VFO. Any condition bought. Steve Garson, 77 Luciani Road, Wood-bridge, Conn. 06525. TEL: (203) 387-5109.

**NCX-3 AC/DC Supplies.** Hi-Gain mobile ant/3 coils. Mint Condition. \$200.00 firm. R. Arnold, 90 Devon Road, Norwood, Mass. 02062.

**HEATHKIT DX100,** converted for SSB, with freq. spotting control; Heathkit SB10 Sideband adaptor; Central Electronics MM2 Multiphase analyzer; all original instruction books. On the air daily, until supplanted by higher power rig. Best offer over \$140.00. W9PPH, 1104 Wade Street, Highland Pk., Illinois. 60035.

**WANTED:** RCA Carphone Cable connector, Canon Number NK-R16-21-1-BEAN or Complete cable, MI-31218 for RCA CMC-20, also Geared knob for 75A4. K9ISI, 4549 North 38th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. 53209.

**TELETYPE,** tape perforator w/keyboard (iron horse) \$25.00. Goodman, 5826 South Western Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. 60636.

**DRAKE R4A,** \$250, TR4 with AC & DC Supply, \$550, Eico 717 Keyer, \$45. All like new. I'll pay shipping in the United States. WA8ASV.

**COMPLETE 2M STATION PKG,** \$45.00; Clean ARC-3 XMTR/RCVR w/plugs, parts/115 VAC P.S. varitone RCVR. conversion. Original IB schematics 60 FOB QTH/W2DXK, 6015 Weekslane, Flushing, New York. 11365.

88 Mh Uncased. Toroids 5/\$1.50, 255A relays, \$2.30, relay sockets 80 cents each, PP48. E. W. Evans, K4OEN, 220 Mimosa Lane, Paducah, Kentucky. 42001.

**CLEANING Up The Shack Again!** Send SASE for List! Jon Hart, WB2RTA, 26 William Street, Glens Falls, New York. 12801.

**TRADE:** \$175 of radio/tv parts for any type mini-bike. Send photo. WN1MGV, Robert Indech, 7 Lewis Drive, Randolph, Massachusetts. 02368.

**TRADE:** Bird 2 Slug 1 3/4" round line section for HF TVHF Slugs. **SELL:** Motorola Base 3-meter panels, \$15.00, 2.5 kw gen, less engine, \$85. 5 kw 4 cyl, \$450.00. R. M. Ellis, 1340 Elizabeth Street, Las Vegas, Nevada. 89109.

**WANTED:** Heath SB610 & SB620. Must be mint, with manuals and no modifications. R. Mendelson, W2OKO, 27 Somerset Place, Murray Hill, N. J. 079-74.

**WANTED:** Measurements 8 OR signal generator. Also, Boonton 160A Q-Meter. F. E. Rice, Glasgow, Kentucky. 42141.

**SELL:** Collins 30S1; 312B4 \$130.00; CE 10B \$45.00; Heath HO-13, \$50.00; Wagner Xfms 3600-0-3600 at 1 amp 110/220 pri \$30. All FOB. W0AIH, Rev. Bittner, Virginia, Minn. 55792.

**MINIATURE LICENSE PLATE!** Your call embossed in raised letters on 7" x 2 1/2" steel plate. \$1.00 postpaid. Yale Packaging Co., Yale, Michigan. 48097.

**SELL:** Johnson Viking kilowatt desk model, \$400. Original cost \$1,595. Hallicrafter HT 32 (used to drive the kw.), \$175. Both perfect condition with instruction manuals. Dehumidifier A-1 condx, \$50. Cash and carry. Reason for selling - moved to new QTH. Also, 2 - 810s, \$15 each; 4 - 872s, \$5 each; 1 - 866, \$2. QST Jan. '61 thru Aug. '68, \$18; CQ Jan. '61 thru Dec. '69, \$21. O'Brien, W2EQS, BETTER BUSINESS BUREAU, 2 Forest Avenue, Paramus, N. J. 07652. Telephone: (201) 845-4044.

**SB-300 FOR SALE.** Exc. condx., make offer. WA3NNB, Ken Coit, 13905 Bethpage Lane, Wheaton, Maryland. 20906. TEL: (301) 871-8503.

**KW PLATE TRANSFORMER:** 3000/2000 VCT. Weight: 26 lbs. \$30 or best offer. Also 5 Capacitors, 150 MFO/330 VAC (600 VDC), \$1.50 each. WAIJYU, 27 Blue Ribbon, Westport, Conn. 06880.

**SELL:** A.C. Variac, 110 v. input, 0-140v at 3 amp output. Brand new, Never used. Original box and data. Best offer. W2ASI, 15 Kensington Oval, New Rochelle, New York. 10805. (914) NE 3-7077.

**CLEANING SHACK:** Write for list. K3DTL, Art Prutzman, 31 Maplewood, Dallas, Pa. 18612.

**TRADE:** QST, 1926, 1929, complete year, FOR: 1945 (complete year) CQ, or WILL BUY. W2IXT, 447 South Ocean Avenue, Patchogue, L. I., New York. 11772.

**FOR SALE OR TRADE:** BC654 with PE103, RCVR Pwr supply, & cables. BC221 Freq. Meter, Gates, Mc DE number 1. Audio Line Amp, with compression & Meter. 600 r in & out. W9KIQ, Rt. 2, Box 776, Collinsville, Ill. 62234.

**MOVING TO APT. - BTI - TA33 - Ham-M** 60 ft. crank-up. Morris Cohen, 400 Brookhaven Road, Wallingford, Pa.

**HENRY 2KD-2** Desk type linear amplifier, with remote heavy duty solid state power supply. Mint condition. \$550.00. Pick-up only. W2HC, Telephone: (516) 333-1079.

**FOR SALE:** SX-130 rcvr & speaker in mint condition. Johnson Messenger 100 CB unit with xtals in mint condx. Best offer takes them. Bruce A. Rahn, WB9ANQ, 1511 East Main Street, Little Chute, Wisconsin. 54140.

**WORKED SOUTH AMERICA CERTIFICATE:** Work all 13 countries. Send \$1 and confirmation to HC1TH, Box 583, Quito, Ecuador, S. America.

**SHAWNEE AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION (SARA),** Hamfest, August 2, 1970. Herrin City Park, Herrin, Illinois. 62901.

**SELL:** SBE-34 with mobile mount and mike. \$250.00. TA-36 tri-band beam with AR-22 rotor. \$125.00. K3JYZ, 14601 Claude Lane, Silver Spring, Maryland. 20904.

**FOR SALE:** SB300 complete with Spkr., AM, CW, SSB filters, 2 & 6 converters, and SB401. Make an offer. WAIJYU, 27 Blue Ribbon, Westport, Connecticut. 06880.

**WANTED:** 64 through 70 issues of RADIO ELECTRONICS, POP ELECTRONICS. Will pay 10 cents each and postage. Write, Joe Wegner, P. O. Box 262, Glendale, California. 91209.

**RCVR:** BC-312, Xmtr, Globe Scout, VFO, Ant. relay, all for \$95. W4ZSC, 2665 Hawthorne Dr., N.E., Atlanta, Ga. 30329.

**WANTED:** Pre 1923 old tubes like Marconi-Osram, DeForest Fleming Marconi Telefunken Welsh Moorehead Deitzen Margo, W9LGH, 610 Monroe Avenue, River Forest, Ill. 60305.

**SB-300 FOR SALE.** Exc. condx., make offer. WA3NNB, Ken Coit, 13905 Bethpage Lane, Wheaton, Maryland. 20906.

**HYGAIN DB1015 & DB2040.** SELL or TRADE for 312B4. Mint QST's, 1931 thru 1969 in binders. Best offer. WA5TYB, Box 19522, Dallas, Texas. 75219. (214) 369-3850.

**WANTED IMMEDIATELY** every amateur who has been licensed for forty years to join the Old Old Timers Club. Send QSL card for application to: Chas. W. Boegel, Jr., W0CVU, 1500 Center Point Road, NE, Cedar Rapids, Iowa. 52402.

**WANTED:** Early radio and wireless receivers, parts, tubes, catalogs, books, magazines and call books. Will trade early magazines or pay cash. Erv Rasmussen, W6YPM, 164 Lowell Street, Redwood city, California. 94062.

**FOR SALE:** Knight T-60 Transmitter, Factory-wired (A rare one) \$50.00; 6 mtr Converters, techcraft CC-50, AMECO CB-6, \$27.50 each; Transcon 10 mtr trans, VFO & Conv, \$50.00. All FOB. R. Wendel, WB2YYX, 160-20 Grand Central Pkwy., Jamaica, L. I., New York. 11432.

**LM FREQUENCY METER** (Bendix) w/book, matching 117 AC supply. Both excellent condition. Cert. \$40. E. Stolz, WA6YQS, 3738 Robertson Avenue, Sacramento, Calif. 95821.

**FOR SALE:** Electric Instructograph. 20 tapes: \$25.00; Dow Key Coax Relay-(DK60-6) New, \$15.00; First and Second Phone Course (Slide Rule) Both \$20.00; Code Practice Osc. (AMECO), \$10.00; Transistor Inter. Com, \$10.00. Harold Hastings, WA6KXB, 13445 Hwy 80-SP 42, El Cajon, California. 92021.

**BERKELEY Mod.** 1556 1 MHZ events counter, w/1450 printer, \$175. Also model 7150/7160 1 MHZ freq. counter. \$175. W9TKR, 505 South Elmwood, Waukegan, Illinois. 60085.

**FOR SALE:** HQ-170A with clock, good condition, \$225. DX-60B xmtr, mint condition, best offer, R-100A Rcvr (less original knobs) \$50. John Wyncott, 1107 W. Main Street, N. Manchester, Indiana. 46962.

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**WANT:** Low power SSB transmitter with VOX, VFO and Power supply. Must have manuals. Send description and price to W9KIQ, Route 2, Box 776, Collinsville, Illinois. 62234.

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**WANTED:** Paper for Model 14 RTTY Machine: misc. Test equipment. Marty Feeney, K1OYB, 38 Howard Street, Portland, Maine. 04101.

**SELL OR SWAP:** KWM-2 DC PS \$75.00, X'tal Pack \$110.00, Collins 180T-2 Ant. Sys. \$200.00, WA6G22, 4133 Stonecutter Wy., N. Highlands, California. 95660.

**6M Tunerverter**-\$20; DX-40- \$45; VF-1-\$12.40 MHZ Converter, Tapetone \$20. Marty Feeney, K1OYB, 38 Howard St., Portland, Maine. 04101.

**SALE:** Omega T antenna noise bridge, \$18.50, 15 meter Heliwhip antenna, \$95.00. F. Strickhausen, WA0NLR, 715 Tyler, Number 36, Topeka, Kansas. 66603.

**WANTED:** Power transformer for Collins 310-B exciter. Collins part number 66200038-00. Robert Bristow, W0LNC, 818 South White Street, Kansas City, Mo. 64125.

**FOR SALE OR TRADE:** Heath Q-Meter and Heath Z-Bridge. WB6HQB, R. B. Martin, 1697 Galway Drive, San Jose, California. 95129.

**FOR SALE:** Henry 2K-D, \$475. Squires-Sanders SS-1 R, SS-IV, SS-IS, \$500. H-P 130-A 'scope, (need work), \$95. TR-3 (Drake up-dated 11/69), MS-3, AC-3, Adcom 350-12, \$400. Lafayette HA-410, whip, mike, \$80. Galaxy 300, PSA-300, \$195. Invader-2000, \$200. James W. Craig, W1FBG, 29 Sherburne Avenue, Portsmouth, New Hampshire. 03801.

**DX-60** in A/I condx. With 80 es 40m Novice X-tals and manual. \$40. U pay shipping. WA3LPK, 2300 Louise Avenue, Balto., Md. 21214.

**HRO 60** 15 meter bandsread coil number AC wanted. Must be in reasonable or better condition. Will pay any reasonable price. Blake Tucker, 6112 Beachway Drive, Falls Church, Va. 22041.

**WANT TO TRADE OR SELL:** Have complete U.S. Divers, Scuba Gear. Will trade for SSB equipment, Have Royal Master double Hose Regulator, Tank, Audio Valve, Contour Back Pak, gauges, camera, full wet suit plus hood, boots, gloves, knife, May West, Weight belt and mold mask, etc. Write WA0KJO, 1433 Summit, Ames, Iowa. 60010.

**FOR SALE:** 2 and 3 acres, view property, ideal for ham or retirement, near Portland, Oregon. Write A. C. Perry, Box 192E, Rt. 1, Banks, Oregon. 97106.

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**FOR SALE:** 75A4 No. 5822, 0.5, 1.5, 2.1, spkr, \$500. Squires-Sanders SS-1R, SS-IV, SS-IS, \$500. Tektronix 514-D, \$175. NCL-2000, \$325. Galaxy 300, PSA-300, \$195. Henry 2K-D, \$475. Eldico SSB-100, spare 5894, \$100. Model "B" Slicer, \$25. Heath KL-1, KS-1, \$265. James W. Craig, W1FBG, 29 Sherburne Avenue, Portsmouth, New Hampshire. 03801.

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**TRANSFORMERS:** What do you need? K3DTL, Art Prutzman, 31 Maplewood, Dallas, Pa. 18612.

**COLLINS:** Crystal pack, short 4 xtals, certified check or M.O., \$175. WA6DKU/4, 4735 Brenthaven Road, Columbia, S. C. 29206.

**SOS, May Day, Help!** I need CQ-1945 complete year. W2IXT, 447 S. Ocean Ave., Patchogue, New York. 11772.

**SELL:** Drake R4B, Manual & Spkr, Newest model 8940sn. NC300 & spkr, HQ180 & spkr, 32vz. ME51 up3 kmc Freq-pwr meter. Best offers. W4AXL 2432 Savoy, Birmingham, Ala. 35226.

**FOR SALE:** HW-32A and ac/PS, Ranger 1, 6N2, good condition, \$60 each. You ship. Write P. O. Box 574, Carbondale, Illinois. 62901.

**SALE OR TRADE:** Heathkit SB-620 Spectrum analyzer. Mint. \$90.00. **WANT:** Pair 6 meter lunchboxes or marine VHF. WA4HAO, 703 East Grace Street, Richmond, Va. 23219.

**HELP! MUST SELL!** RME DB-23 \$15; SB-610 \$55; HQ-180C, \$160; AR-22 rotor cable, control box, \$20. All perfect. WA9HMY, 1115 Olive, Lawrenceville, Illinois. 62439.

**WANTED:** Heath Kompact KW, with fixed and mobile supplies, for DX-peditions. Mike Swink, HT-IMG, c/o 8009 Beverly, Prairie Village, Kansas. 66208.

**SELL OR TRADE:** for 6 or 2 or FM equipment: Solar enlarger, Spiratone enlarging meter. Lentz WA1DND, Box 655, Durham, N. H. 03824.

**HUSTLER WHIP** Antenna-base, shaft, resonators for 15, 20, 40, 75. Cost \$60. Sell \$40. Halli-crafter 2 meter superhet receiver S102-\$10. Krebs, W2ESY, 1739 E. Susquehanna, Allentown, Pennsylvania. 18103.

**WANTED:** 811A, 813 tubes, KW Balun. Have 4CX300A's & 3 E29's. E. H. Jeltrup, 27A Lincoln Place, Ossining, New York. 10562.

**DOCTORS:** M.D., D.D.S., D.O., D.V.M., O.D., PHD, etc. Send name, call, address, degrees indicating your major to: K4RTA, 105 Freshrun Dr., Hendersonville, Tenn. 37075, for listing in World-wide Doctors' Directory.

**WANTED:** Clegg-66'er, must be in excellent condition. Have a Parks 2 meter conv.-\$45.00 (IF-28-32 mc). Jim Gysan, 53 Lothrop Street, Beverly, Massachusetts. 01915.

**MOSLEY:** TA-31 Jr. Rotatable 20-15-10 meter dipole, \$15. Plus Shipping. E. Stirratt, WA2HJM, 76 Woodridge Avenue, Cheektowaga, N. Y. 14225. Telephone: (716) 832-2827.

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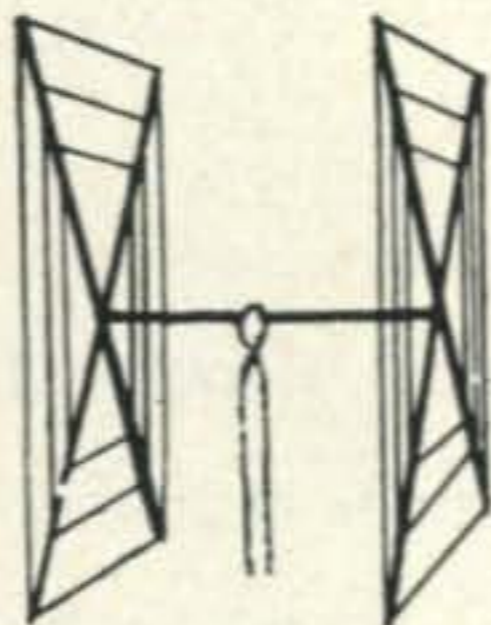
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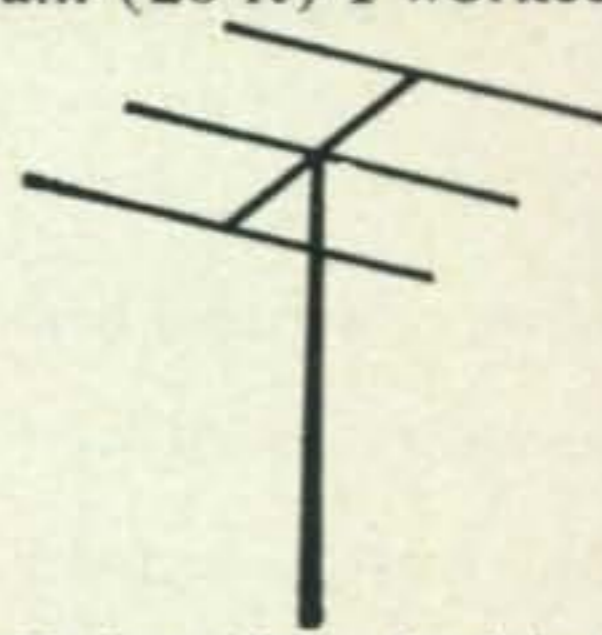
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