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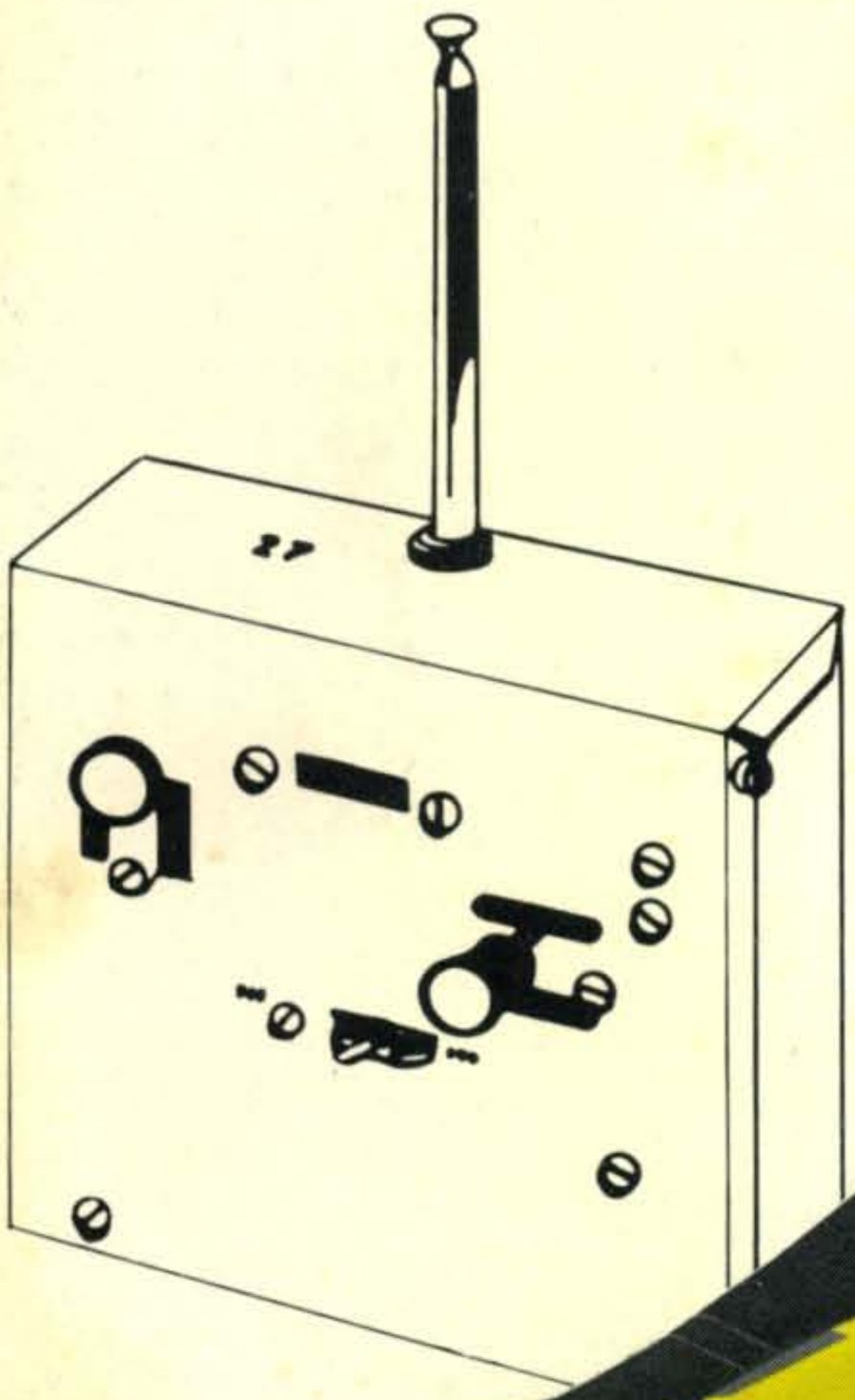

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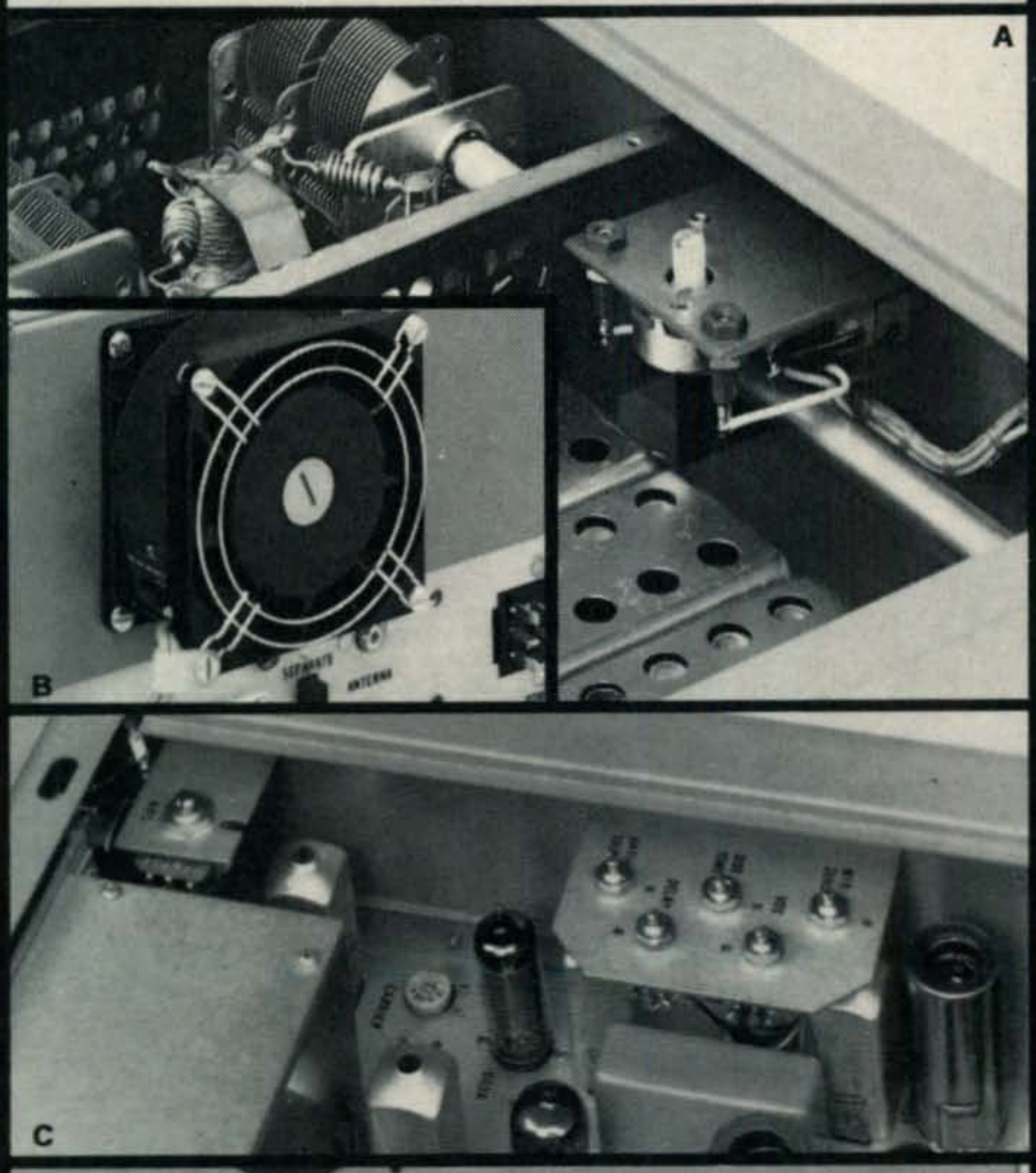

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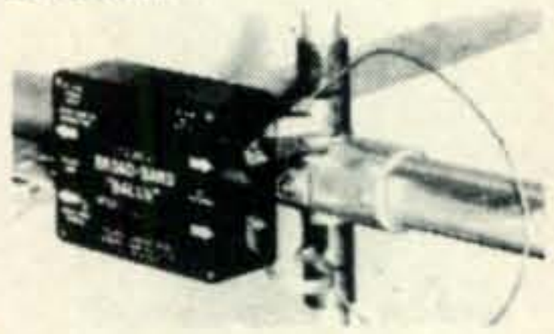

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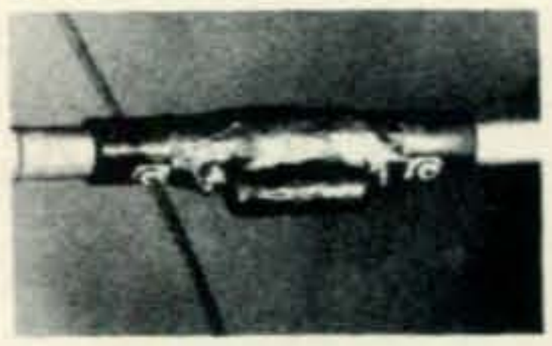

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OUR READERS SAY

CB on 220 mc

Editor, *CQ:*

I have remained silent during all the recent controversy surrounding amateur radio. The letter from David P. Smith in March *CQ* encourages me to cease my silence:

It is quite true that one need not know how to overhaul an automobile to drive. It is just as true that one need not know how to overhaul a radio transmitter to obtain a valid amateur license. Look around you, Mr. Smith!

I do not believe that amateurs are selfish as a group. In fact, it is my experience that they encourage and assist those who aspire to join the ranks.

CB is not our (radio amateurs) problem. It belongs to the FCC. Why don't we worry about things we can control? There is evidence of poor operation by licensed amateurs on amateur bands. Until our house is clean, let's stay home!

Bootlegging in our bands is our problem. Here we should help the FCC to identify the culprits at which time it becomes their problem.

Like it or not, incentive licensing is here to stay. Why upgrade one aspect while adding an obviously downgraded segment to our ranks?

Like it or not, c.w. is here to stay.

Amateurs, for the most part, try to be fair. They are not selfish. They simply do not believe in the use of radio spectrum by individuals who are too lazy to learn code and theory. And why should they? After all, each of them knows that it can be done and most of them recognize the value of such requirements.

Charles A. Schuler, WA3MDH
Rosco, PA

Editor, *CQ:*

I read with interest the letter "CB on 220 mc" from David P. Smith, K9UIM of Olney, Ill. This letter, which you printed in your March 1971 editor quite caught my interest.

As a CB operator of long standing—and as an aspiring Ham operator, I applaud Mr. Smith's reasonable and reasoning attitude. I agree 100% that CB radio has been ruined by persons who abuse and misuse the service provided them. An "exchange" such as it suggested by Mr. Smith might be of substantial benefit to both Citizen's Band operators and to amateur operators.

However, the point that really caught my eye was the reasonable attitude taken by Mr. Smith towards users of an other radio service. Regardless of whether or not you or I believe that the users of the Citizens Radio Service *deserve* the use of that service or not is immaterial. The fact that I personally am somewhat fed up with the "air garbage" that I have to put up with on the 27 megs range has nothing to do with it. The only thing that does matter is that this separate radio service—the Citizens Band range—exists, and that there are some good people who are interested in using their radios to promote the public welfare; there are some good people using CB Radio who are interested in promoting proper use of their transceivers—who are interested in good radio procedures. I am sure that it is about these people and to these people that Mr. Smith directed his letter. I applaud his action and second it. I commend him for his reasonable—and reasoning attitude. Nuff sed.

Clarence S. Wright, Jr., KCJ-7619
Norfolk, VA

Editor, *CQ:*

I cannot accept the reasoning of D. P. Smith relative to opening the 220 mc band to those too lazy to study for a ham license. If they wish to operate on our bands, let them study and take the examination like we had to do. This suggestion makes about as much sense as presenting anyone with a ticket to operate amateur radio equipment regardless of his qualifications. I notice he did not suggest eliminating the lower class of amateur tickets and make all amateurs equal and with equal privileges on all bands and do away with the restricted sections for those with Extra class tickets. We worked hard in order to get a license so let them do likewise if they are not too damned lazy. I have been conducting a class in code and theory in my office each Saturday ince November '69 and some of my students hold CB licenses. We are watching for illegal CB operators and will report them to the FCC.

The CB gang put a foot in the door by taking over one amateur band and we should not let them take over the rest. We owe them nothing and we worked hard for what we now have. I guess Dave would also let the demonstrators burn and loot so they can enjoy themselves. We have made amateur radio what it is today and let's keep it that way.

A. Edward Terpening, W4VCY
Tarpon Springs, FL

Editor, *CQ:*

I read with interest the letter from K9UIM giving his thoughts on moving CB activities to the 220 mc ham band.

I agree with him completely, but for a different reason.

Most illegal CB operations are conducted by persons who would like to be radio amateurs, but who do not care to spend a little time with books learning the simple theory required for the lowest class amateur license. They therefore go to the CB bands and conduct amateur type operations in violation of the CB rules and regulations. These people are interested in working DX, getting QSL cards, using power amplifiers, putting up unauthorized antenna types at unauthorized heights and even using profane language and unauthorized types of emmissions.

A rebuttal will surely be that some hams do some of the same illegal things. True, a very minor number of hams do not follow the rules, but at least they know better.

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Since many CBers are desirous of ham-type DX operations, shifting the CB band to 220 mc will prevent any real DX contacts for these types and in my opinion not too long after a shift to v.h.f., CB illegal operations will gradulally cease as the want-to-be-ham types gradually fade away into history.

Therefore, I am wholeheartedly in favor of any plan to shift CB operations to v.h.f. We may lose a band, but I think we would get it back after a few years.

R. F. Herbig, W6ME
Oceanside, CA

Editor, *CQ:*

Few would deny that the greatest deterent to the hindrance of the growth of ham radio (a subject dear to our hearts) has been CB since the late 50's. Also, few would deny that a large number of CBers, if indeed not a majority, participate in the "DX" to be found on 11 meters.

I feel that these DX'ers are on CB because it is the easiest road to long distance radio communications. Now someone has come up with a proposal to eliminate that path. The proposal is to move CB to 220 mc. At that frequency the cross continent contacts would be rare indeed.

These budding DX'ers would now turn to ham radio. This would have two benefits: 1) ham population would increase rapidly, 2) the legitimate CB'ers would have reliable short distance communications.

We would stand to lose part or all of one of our v.h.f. bands. We would stand to gain many new friends and, just possibly, a new lease on life for our hobby.

Jonathan Bloom, WA3JSV
Gettysburg, PA

Some Day He'll Get His

Editor, *CQ:*

I just picked up the March issue of *CQ* and found a friend on page 12 under the heading, From The Publisher. The only way to describe this article is outstanding!

As a police officer I often hear the story, "Oh, someday he'll get his, but as for me, I don't want to get mixed up in it..." That's why it is so refreshing to hear someone as yourself speak out against those taking sincere hams.

I enjoyed the article so much, you will find my personal check enclosed in the amount of $6.00 for a one year subscription to *CQ* Mag.

Thank you again and keep those presses rolling.

William D. Bowen, WB9EDJ
Indianapolis, IN

Super Power Solution?

Editor, *CQ:*

I wish to express my wholehearted approval of the recent FCC proposal to expand the phone bands and to allocate more frequencies to the Extra class licensee.

I would also like to express my desire to see a reduction in the power limit for amateur transmitters. This would have to be in the form of a rule requiring a limitation on the total amplifier plate dissipation. The rules concerning d.c. power input are totally disregarded by many amateurs who run up to 10 kw or more input to multiple 4-1000-A's.

There is no adequate means of policing the present rule, especially when s.s.b. is used. If an amateur's transmitter were limited to a total plate dissipation capability of 500-1000 watts with a mandatory license suspension for anyone with a larger transmitter in their possession, whether in use or not, it would be a great deal easier to enforce the rules.

Melvin G. Hart, WØIBZ
St. Louis, MO

Poor People's Radio

Editor,*CQ:*

On November 19, 1970 our organization, which is known as Poor Peoples' Radio, Inc. (really, hi!) was granted a construction permit by the FCC for a non-commercial f.m. broadcast station. We will serve San Francisco. The chief engineer is a ham and holds a First Phone ticket since 1951.

Our call sign is KFPR. We are not yet on the air, but must be on the air by November or lose our CP.

Perhaps some of your readers would be interested in our groovy little operation and would want to help. My landline at home is (415) 751-1974.

I read your magazine every month, along with the others (hi) and enjoy it.

Meyer Gottesman, W6GIV
San Francisco, CA

Objects to Contests

Editor, *CQ:*

I am writing to voice objection to the number of "tests" which, over the past few years, have increased to an unbelievable frequency.

My primary operating time occurs on weekends and this is probably true of most hams. It is really frustrating to look forward to hamming over a weekend, only to find a contest going on. The "Testers" appear to feel that theirs is a priority right to all frequencies on all bands. Their lack of consideration and complete domination of the bands makes carrying on a QSO all but impossible.

I am puzzled by the purpose served in most contests. If I call "Q-R-ZED TEST" and someone gives me a 5/9-200, what have I learned, what has he learned, what have we accomplished toward upgrading the "state of the art," how have we furthered relations between two countries, or for that matter, between two individuals?

Today is March 16th. I'm listening to another contest. Once again I'm having to confine my activities to c.w. I don't mind c.w., matter of fact, most of my on-the-air time is c.w., but it is a little difficult to run a phone patch in c.w., etc. I have a FB phone rig but it hardly gets used in that manner anymore!

Please—some effort toward holding contests on specified sections of the band rather than the entire band. Ha! I hear a KZ5 calling "CQ NO CONTEST." Maybe that is the answer.

Hal Pottorf
Topeka, KS

Announcements

Attention County Hunters & WPXers

KCØKC has been authorized by the FCC for use July 1st through July 5th, by the Independent County Hunters at their big convention in Kansas City, Missouri. They will be on 14336 kc and other frequencies; QSL to WAØWOB.

Corrections

The following errors crept into the February issue: "An Introduction To VHF FM", page 21, fig. 4, the emitter bypass capacitor for Q_2 should have its polarity reversed. Page 22, Fig. 5, Q_{10} should be a power transistor in order to carry the total current in lieu of a filter choke. The tuning meter should read in microamperes instead of ma as shown.

In the April issue, on page 100 ("A Single Boom G4ZU Beam"), the 20 meter trombone resonance should be 14.5 mc and not 13.5 mc as indicated.

Florida Motoring

Any amateur driving down Highway 19 on the west coast of Florida can contact a number of stations on 50.40 mc. Many stations, including W4VCY, W4RDP, WB4TGW, WB4CBV monitor 50.40 every day and all day.

American Novice Net

The ANN informs us that meeting times and frequencies for the various regional divisions may be found by contacting WN7ONC, ANN Founder, at P.O. Box 170, Hebo, Oregon. The net's operating procedures are outlined in the net paper *The Novice*. WN7ONC can supply details on that, too.

Stolen Equipment

On Feb. 19, 1971, the home of John A. Hultquist Jr., K6GSS, was broken into and the following equipment was stolen. Drake R4B receiver (#9733C), Heathkit SB-400, Heathkit HX-30, National NC-240D, EICO 425 oscilloscope. There are numerous identifying marks which John can supply. This equipment was stolen in the Sunnyvale California area. Anyone having any information on this equipment can contact John at 660 Timberpine St., Sunnyvale, California 94086.

Sacramento Valley, California

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The U.S. Navy will provide an amateur radio station, K4NAA, operating daily from the Sheraton Park Hotel during the three days of the Armed Forces Communication and Electronics Association Convention in June. The K4NAA fixed portable station will be operational from 0900 to 2200 E.D.S.T. from June 8-10. It will have two positions for c.w. and s.s.b. from 10 through 80 meters.

Dixon, Illinois

The fifth Rock River Hamvention will be presented by the Rock River R.C. of Dixon, ill. on May 16 from 9:00 A.M. to 5 P.M. at the Lee County 4-H Center, Amboy Ill. which is located one half mile east of the intersection of Highway 52 and 30. Advance tickets are $1.50 and $2.00 at the door. For tickets and further information, contact, Carl Karlson, W9ECF, Nachusa, Ill. 61057.

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The Hazel Park ARC will hold their 5th annual Swap & Shop on Sunday May 16 at Hazel Park High School. Free parking for 1000 cars. Door prizes, snack bar and other activities are planned. Entrance donation is $.50. For complete details contact James E. Turner, WA8UQP, 1760 E. Harry, Hazel Park, Michigan 48030.

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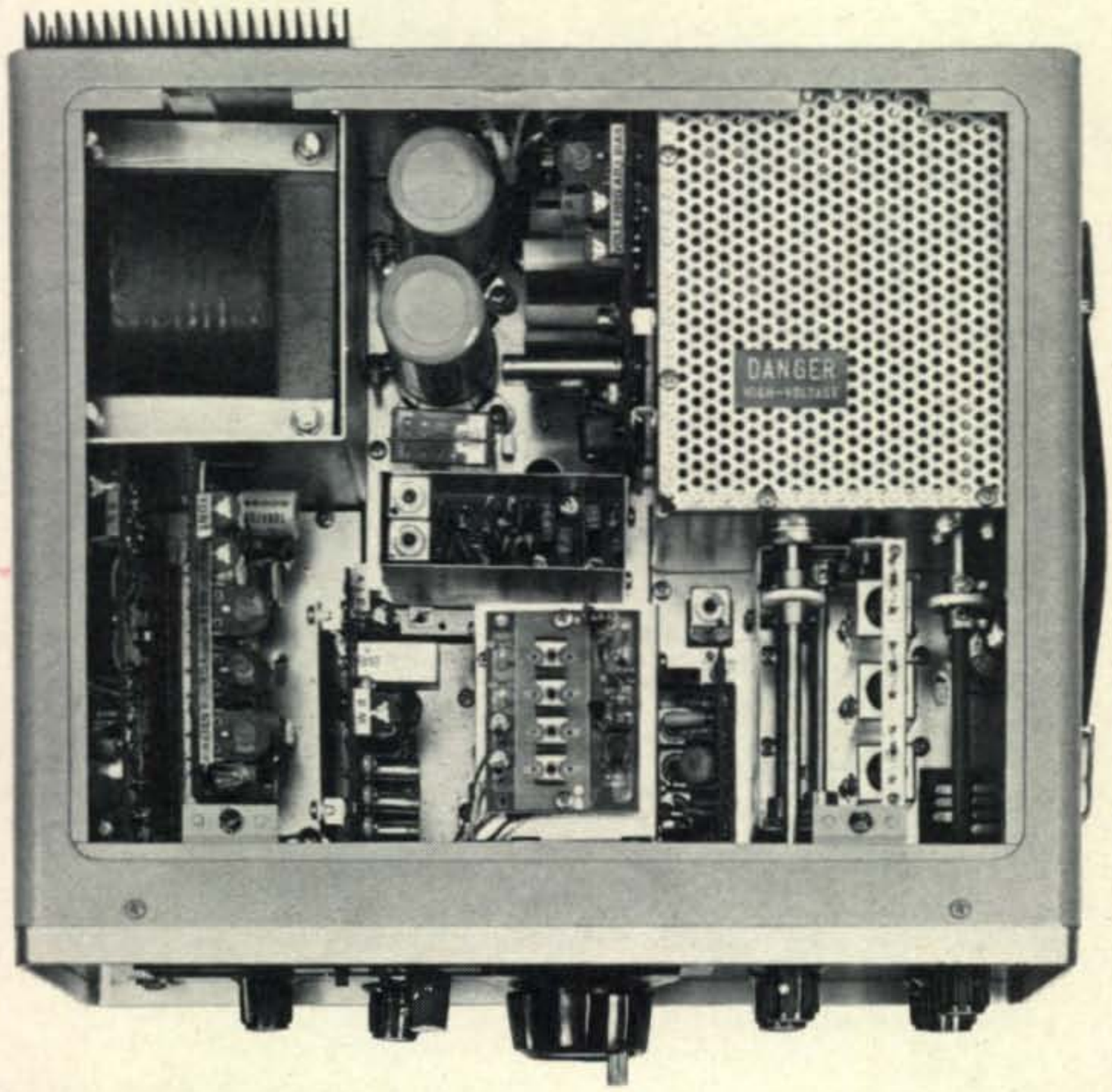

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The Yellow Thunder Hamfest 71 will be held at the Dellview Hotel in Lake Delton, Wisconsin on May 23rd. There will be afternoon programs and an evening banquet. Tickets are $5.00 in advance or $5.75 at the door. For further information contact Kenneth A. Ebneter, K9GSC, 822 Wauona Trail, Portage, Wisconsin 53901.

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The 17th annual Breeze Shooters Hamfest will be held at White Swan Park, Parkway West near the Greater Pittsburgh Airport on May 23th. For additional details write D. J. Myslewski,, K3CHD, 45 McMahon Drive, Irwin, Pa. 15642.

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The Bow Radio Association and the Contoocook Calley Radio Club, Inc., are sponsoring an auction and flea market on Sunday, May 23rd. The flea market will start at 10:00 A.M. (bring your own tables) and the auction will start at 2:00 P.M. The place is Heyser Pond Cottages, Henniker, New Hampshire (off Rte. 202 & 9, near the junction of Rte. 127 by the Hopkinton town line.).

Ottawa, Illinois

The Starved Rock Radio Club will hold their annual SRRC Hamfest at the La Salle County 4-H Home and Picnic area southwest of Ottawa, Illinois on June 6th. An all day affair with plenty of activities. Advance tickets, $1.50 and $2.00 at the door. Follow big, yellow, hamfest signs on Rte. 71 from south end of Illinois River Bridge at Ottawa, Illinois. For further details write W9MKS/W9QLZ SRRC, RFD #1, Box 171, Oglesby, Illinois 61348.

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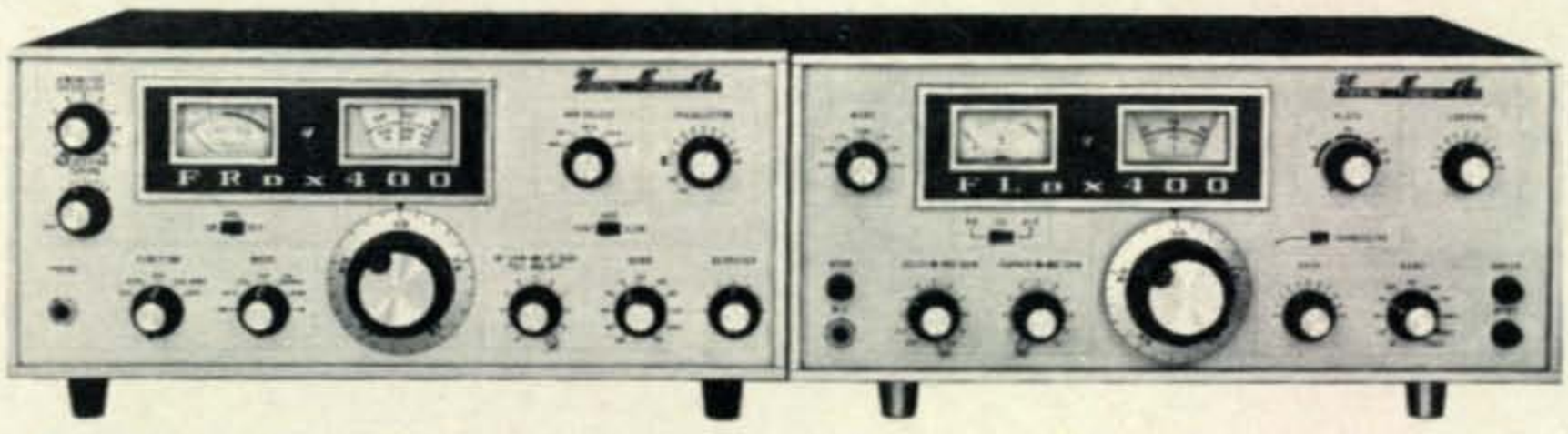

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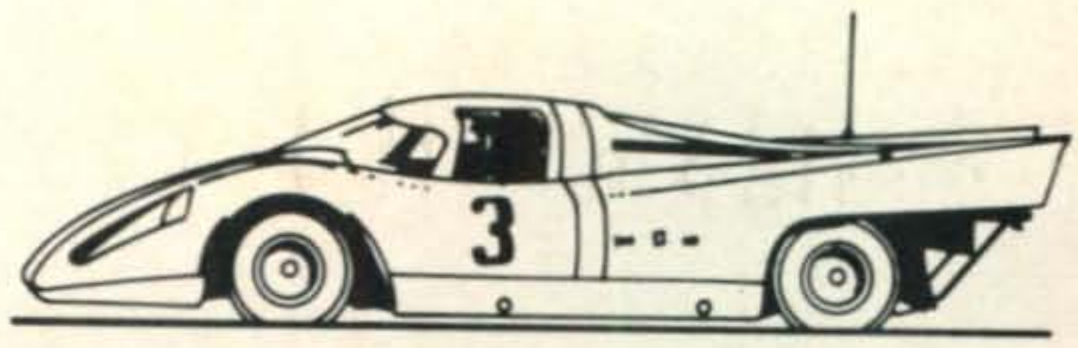

BY HOWARD G. McENTEE,* W2SI

Following up his previous articles on the intricacies of Model Control by radio, W2SI describes one of the fastest growing R/C fields: Model Auto Racing. All you would-be Mario Andretti's, Pedro Rodriguez', and Mark Donohue's can now share much of the excitement of auto racing from behind a control box rather than the wheel of a racing car.

THOUGH radio controlled car racing is one of the fastest-growing branches of R/C today it is certainly not new. For many years experimenters have been putting R/C installations of various sorts in model cars, though most of these efforts have utilized electric drive power. Not too many years ago this was a favorite wintertime sport of several R/C clubs—a way to keep their hand in and their enthusiasm up during long cold winter months.

The present upsurge in model R/C racing cars began as the slot slot car craze faded out —and like slots, it came out of California. But while vast numbers of slot car devotees were youngsters—you could put a pretty good car into operation for five bucks, and run it at reasonable cost on one of the commercial tracks to be found in most neighborhoods—R/C race cars are a far different and much more costly breed. The average age of enthusiasts is therefore much higher—around 30 we understand.

ROAR

A group of modelers from the Los Angeles area formed a group called the "Radio Operated Auto Racing Association"—ROAR for short—in 1967, set up rules for cars and their operation and started attracting recruits. At that time there were few sources of parts made expressly for model cars—you had to make just about everything yourself, or adapt parts from toys and other sources. The radio equipment, of course, was exactly the same as that used for model planes—as most of it still is today. Soon one supplier entered the scene, then a few more. Today there must be some 10 concerns which specialize in model cars and parts, and many of the long-established model plane and hobby manufacturers have entered the field too.

From the very first, ROAR rules have been based upon realism; all cars had to be recognizable copies of full-sized racers, every car had to have at least a driver's head visible in the cockpit. Despite the fact most parts were homemade, the early cars were surprisingly complex. All wheels were fully sprung; most had 2-speed gear boxes shiftable by radio). ROAR had specified that all cars were to be to 1/8th scale (1½" to the foot), and that maximum engine size would be held to 0.19 cu. in. displacement. The engines were those in the plane field, of course. Every car had proportional steering and throttle, plus the means to shift gears. Multiple universal joints were required from the rear-mounted transmission to the sprung wheels. Because of all

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these complications the cars were *costly*, which undoubtedly held back growth for a time.

At that time, too, there were very few propo R/C systems with less than 4 controls —most had five or more; this too made it expensive for newcomers to the sport.

Along with a plentiful supply of all sorts of car parts today (and competition between makers to hold prices down to a reasonable level) we have many 2- and 3-control digital systems. At least one of the latter (Orbit) is designed especially for car racing, and more may very likely follow.

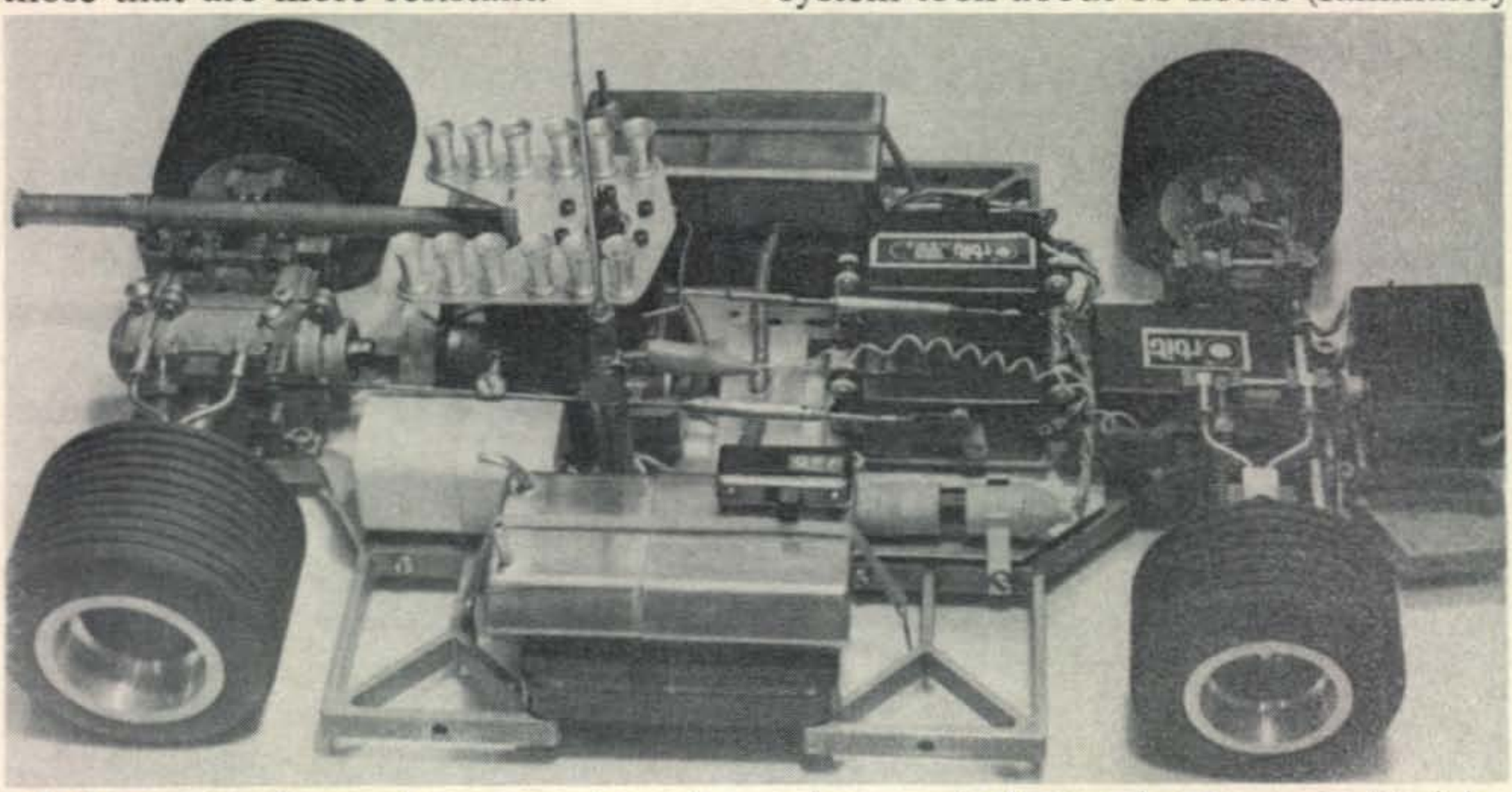
Racing Car Kits

Today a few cars are sold in finished and ready-to-run form, but probably the majority are made from kits. Some suppliers offer their cars either way. Car kits range roughly from $50 to $150. Suitable engines run $15-$30. Car bodies are almost all molded from some sort of plastic—ABS, fiberglass and so on—cost $5-$10 each; they come unfinished, but can be decorated with paint, model dope etc. Some standard paints available most everywhere have been found suitable, and also fuel-proof. The latter is important; even though the glow plug engines are *inside* the body and usually well toward the rear, and despite the fact that many cars have exhaust stacks directed rearward, engines are decidedly dirty in operation, and fuel residue seems to go most everywhere! Actually, raw fuel will soften most finishes, but exhaust fumes (which contain lots of oil) will not harm those that are more resistant.

An Expensive Pastime

Radio systems suitable for cars cost from $130-$200 complete, depending upon whether you get them in kit form or finished, and whether they are two or three-control outfits. Again, most radio makers (except Heathkit) offer their systems either way.

So what will it cost to get a representative car and adequate radio system right now? Probably the Heath Spectre and the matching Heath GD-57 radio system offers the best buy for those who want to get their feet wet in this new sport. The Heath car is rugged and very well engineered; while it is not considered among the top competition cars by many, it *has* won many races—and gotten many persons started in model car racing who probably would not have been able to afford the more exotic cars. As far as we know, the Spectre at $49.95 is the lowest-priced complete car kit on the market. It is not an exact scale model, but the body is closely representative of Gran Tourismo (GT) cars. Heath does not make an engine, but stocks the Veco .19 ($29.95), considered one of the better race car engines. The Spectre is designed especially for this engine but the chassis can also accomodate most others with little or no alterations. Both the Spectre and the GD-57 radio system kits include the usual complete Heathkit instruction manuals, which certainly serve to speed the novice in successful completion of the kits. To show the time required, this writer assembled the Spectre completely in about 13 hours, while the radio system took about 18 hours (familiarity with



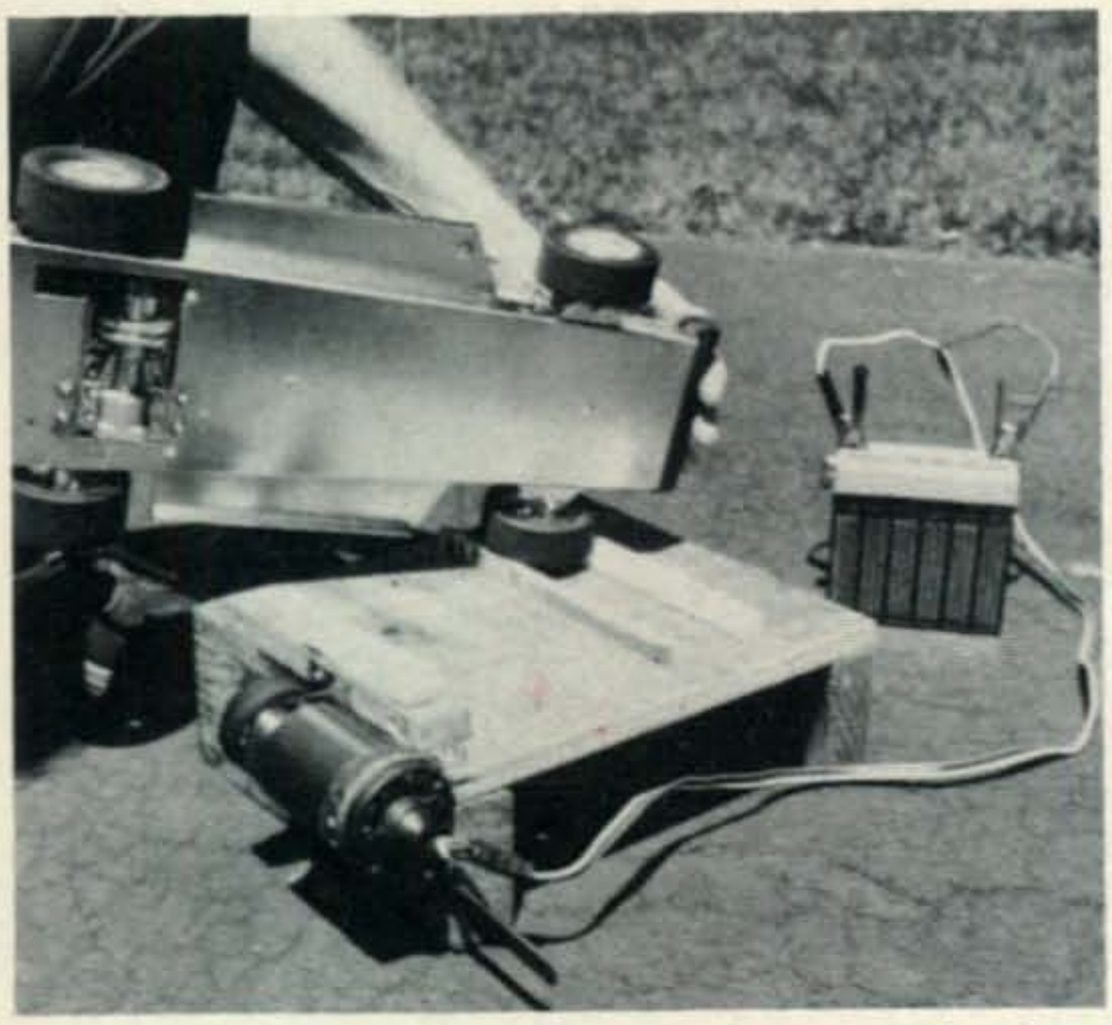
One of the most advanced cars—and most complex—made today, by Dynamic Models. Has classis fore-aft engine mounting, two-speed transmission between rear wheels. All wheels fully sprung. Fuel tanks attached to outriggers on both sides. "Exhaust stack assembly" on top of engine is really for extra cooling. Pipe to left carries actual exhaust.

Heathkit R/C systems no doubt speeded the radio job, but this was our first R/C car experience). Few problems were encountered on the car, none at all in the radio system. If you run into a serious bug, Heath has some 25 Service Centers in the US and Canada that can help.

Drive Train

As with most model engines used in R/C cars, a new Veco .19 should be "run-in" for an hour or so at moderate speed, with a model airplane propeller installed before installation in the car. This is for "break-in"; it loosens up the parts and readies them to run at the high speeds reached by model car engines. One of the real problems in these cars is affording good cooling for the engine. Model plane engines are designed to operate pretty much in the open, well cooled by the movement of the plane through the air, and the added prop blast. In a car they are closely-confined, with little air movement around their cooling fins. Car engines therefore all utilize additional cylinder head cooling fins, which seem to take care of the matter.

Most car enthusiasts have some sort of electric starter for their engines. Some model car engine flywheels are grooved, and a very adept operator can pull a heavy cord around the groove for starting. This can be an exasperating operation with a balky engine though! Surprisingly, a bicycle makes a fine starter; with the bike turned upside down and someone turning the crank, the car is simply held against the rear tire for a quick start. Car engines are set low in the chassis, so that the lower edge of the flywheel projects a quarter inch or so beneath the chassis underside. The flywheels have knurled outer surfaces, for a good grip on the bicycle tire, or an electric starter. The latter are small high power motors, usually driven by 12v. lead-acid batteries (very compact motor scooter batteries do nicely). A rubber surfaced wheel on the motor shaft is mounted so the car flywheel may be pressed down onto it for quick starting.



Haywire starting platform of scrap lumber. Starting motor (a type sold for model plane use) attached to left end, small 12v. battery right rear. Projecting rim of flywheel seen near right wheel is pushed down upon starter motor wheel. Lever projecting downward under motor turns it on.

From the very beginnings of the ROAR experiments, model engines have been fitted with centrifugal clutches, usually designed to fit into and work as part of the flywheel. These clutches are set to engage at speeds far higher than engine idling speed, so the engines don't have to be slowed down as far as they do on model planes. Since all engine throttles are proportional, it is possible to engage these clutches very smoothly; most clutches have replaceable friction shoes to take care of wear. On cars with gear boxes, the clutch goes between engine crankshaft and gearbox input. On sidewinders (see below) the clutch outer housing holds a small pinion which engages a large gear on the drive shaft. Most cars also carry simple brakes of some sort. Engine compression will slow down a car from high speed quite well, but when the clutch disengages the car might still be moving quite fast. The Heath car uses the outer housing of the clutch as a "brake drum"; the brake shoe is tied in with the throttle linkage, starts to go into action as the throttle is reduced and the clutch releases. Incidentally, most cars with sidewinder engine mount have unsprung rear wheels, but front wheels are always sprung.

Sidewinders

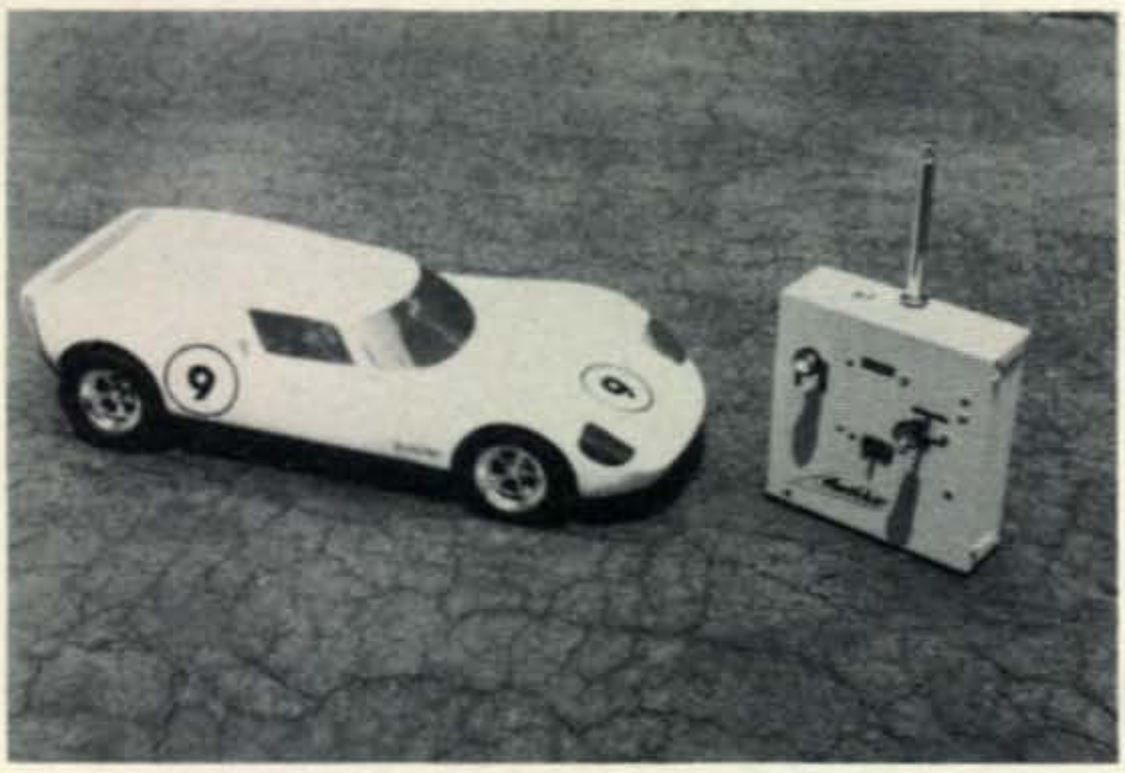
One of the reasons car costs have gone down has been the discovery that the two-speed gear box thought to be mandatory on early cars really isn't, and that much simpler drive systems will do a fine job—and win races. With the gear box, the engine was mounted with the crankshaft fore and aft on the chassis. Without the gear box the engine is mounted with the crankshaft crossways; such cars are termed "sidewinders". Drive power is transferred from engine to rear wheels either by gearing or by belt (cog-type belts are best as they will not allow slippage).

The more knowledgeable drivers change gear ratios to suit the type of racing to be done, just as is done in full-sized cars. Without the gear box, only two proportional channels are required. While the Heathkit GD-57 system can handle three servos, it comes with only two, since the Spectre is a sidewinder. The latter type of car makes two-control systems entirely adequate for car racing too, allowing further cost reduction.

Quite a few model plane fliers have become enthusiastic car racers. As someone has pointed out, a model plane crash can be a "total"—plane, engine and even most of the radio system wiped out. Cars crash too—they run off the track, hit barricades strategically placed for just this reason, one or more cars can collide due to spin-outs or wild driving etc. But the results are seldom worse than dented bodies, bent front ends etc. If properly mounted, the engine, radio equipment and most of the vital parts are seldom damaged. Most cars are soon back on the track after they have crashed, running as well as ever. There are among us, of course, many "frustrated Gran Prix drivers"; model car racing offers a reasonably low-cost way to work out such frustrations. This probably influences the changeover to cars from planes by some of the model aviators; another influence is the fact that they already have the radio equipment, which can do double duty.

Control Frequencies

The present FCC rules allow *only* model aircraft operation on the five spot R/C frequencies in the 72-76 mc portion of the Citizens Radio Service. Thus cars may be operated legally on all the 27 mc R/C spots, also on those popular for R/C in the upper end of the ham 50 mc band. Several proposals are before the FCC at present which may change the disposition of spot frequencies and types of R/C models that may be operated on 72-76 mc. The model boatmen are also after some spots in this range (many operate illegally there now). Generally, R/C planes require the highest transmitter power; they are sometimes flown well over a quarter mile away from the pilot. R/C model sailboats require a fair range too, especially for racing; model powerboats generally are kept quite close to the transmitter, as are model race cars. One simply can't see what the little cars are doing, when they are too far away, and racing courses are set up with this in mind. It is felt possible that car R/C systems could do nicely with transmitter powers of under 100 mw, so they would come within the provisions of the FCC Part 15 rules. This would open the possibility license-free operation, using quite a few spots in the 27 mc area not allowed presently for R/C, and they



Spectre and Heathkit 3-control transmitter.

Sources of Further Information

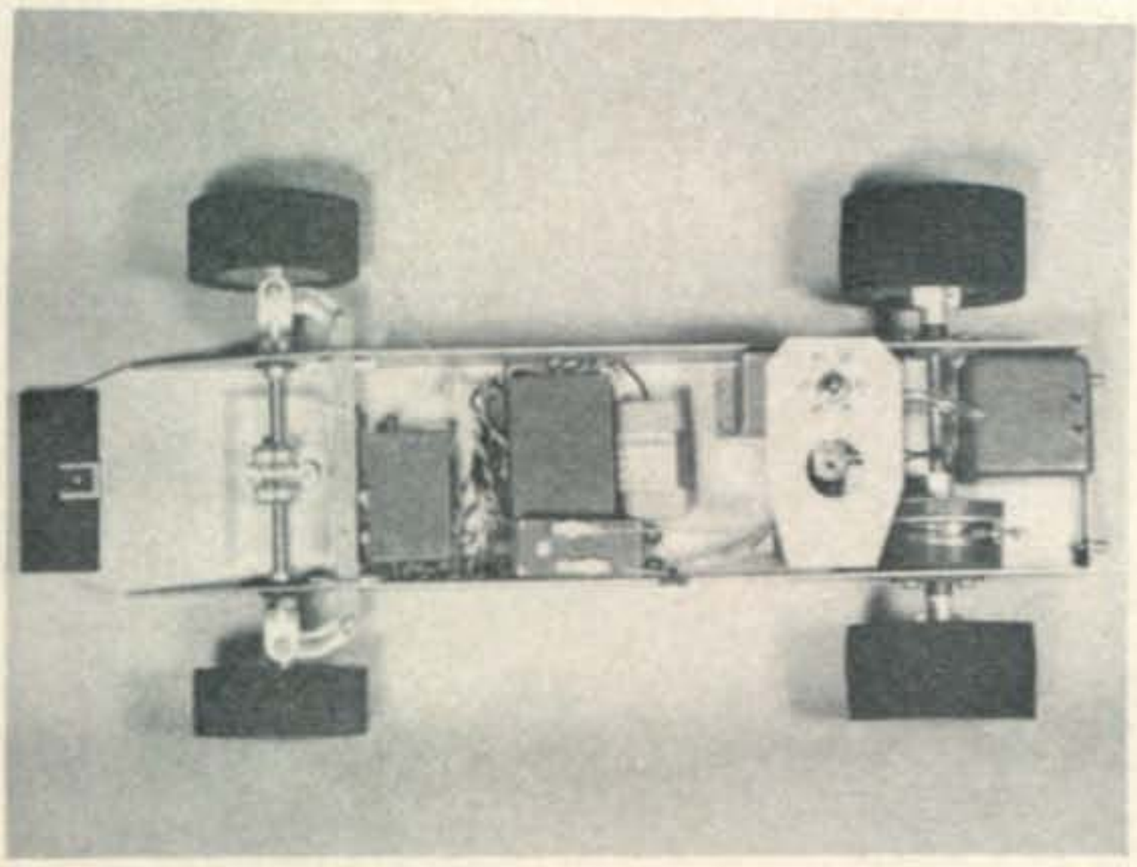
Radio Operated Auto Racing Assoc. (2855 Velasco Lane, Costa Mesa, Calif. 92626). Yearly dues $5, brings monthly *Revup* bulletin. Headquarters can tell you where groups gather or race in your particular area. ROAR has many foreign members.

Pit Stop (Box 487, Sierra Madre, Calif. 91024). Only magazine devoted exclusively to auto racing, with considerable content of model RC car material. Yearly sub. $7.

Car Racing by Radio Control; up-to-date book on model R/C car racing, covers tuning, rules, engine info, radio theory etc. Check or M.O. for $3.95 to George Siposs (2855 Valasco Lane, Costa Mesa, Calif. 92626).

Catalogs: Many concerns advertising in *Pit Stop* and in the model plane magazines offer catalogs at low cost. One of the most complete is that from Delta Systems (Box 754, 4363 Selwyn Lane, Bridgeton Mo. 63042). This $1 catalog contains many pages of general model car info, as well as comprehensive listing of Delta cars and accessories. 30 pages.

Manuals: Spectre assembly manual (Heath Co. Benton Harbor, Mich. 49022) is a 48 p. book with many fold-outs, costs $2. Much useful info in this car, its construction, running, etc.



Top view of car chassis of Citizen-Ship Radio's "Curtis-Car." Note large extra cooling plate on cylinder head of engine (six bolts in circle at right. Just to rear of plate at lower right is clutch and brake assembly, driven by toothed belt from engine flywheel. Steering servo on side, just rear of front wheel tiebar. Throttle-brake servo along lower chassis side, receiver and battery above it. Fuel tank far right.

could still keep clear of CB phone interference. Extensive trials will be needed to prove or disprove under 100 mw operation.

As with other types of R/C racing, quick-frequency-change is most helpful. This has been available in German R/C equipment for years, but is just being offered by our own makers now. It will doubtless expand. Easily-removable crystals are utilized in both transmitter and receiver (all R/C superhets are crystal-controlled) and with a shift of crystals, no retuning is required. Of course this requires a compromise in initial tuning, and output is not as high (or receiver sensitivity as good) on every spot frequency in the 27 mc band, for example. But despite the inevitable drop in system efficiency when operating off the center frequencies to which such systems are tuned, this sort of frequency change has proven quite acceptable.

Electric Cars

Many model race car drivers wouldn't enjoy the hobby if it weren't for the snarl of the glow engines, the very high speeds they allow (up to 30 m.p.h. or more actual), even the smell of burning castor oil! But there *are* places and conditions that don't allow the use of glow engines. Here electric drive would be ideal—and one maker is seriously involved in this field. The Scorpion (Control Technology Inc. has several very interesting tricks. For example, three cars may be raced together, utilizing only *one* r.f. channel. Each driver has a box with steering and throttle levers, of course, but only one box has any r.f. circuitry. This is a digital system, and the six digital channels required for the three cars are simply all funneled out through the one r.f. unit and antenna. With this system it would be possible to race as many as 15 cars together, on the 27 mc R/C spots! Each car receiver has a three-position switch, so that it can be handled by any of the three pairs of digital outputs from three different control boxes.

Since drive power is electric (small sealed lead-acid batteries of six or 12v. are utilized), proportional semiconductor switching can be utilized to give any motor speed, either forward or reverse. So far these cars haven't reached the speeds attained by glow-engined racers—the maker claims top speed of 20 m.p.h. (the average glow-engined car can hit around 25 m.p.h.—but they can be operated in many places where the noise, oil drippings, smoke and fire hazard of gasoline powered engines would be completely banned. Indoor racing in the winter months comes immediately to mind.

Economy Systems

What does a person with an urge for racing do, if he can't afford even a "low-priced" digital system, and car to match? There are some good buys in used equipment at the larger hobby shops. But if you want a lot of fun with a little car you can even operate in your home, there's one on the market. It is a close scale copy of a Mustang Fastback, has electric drive, and proportional steering; the

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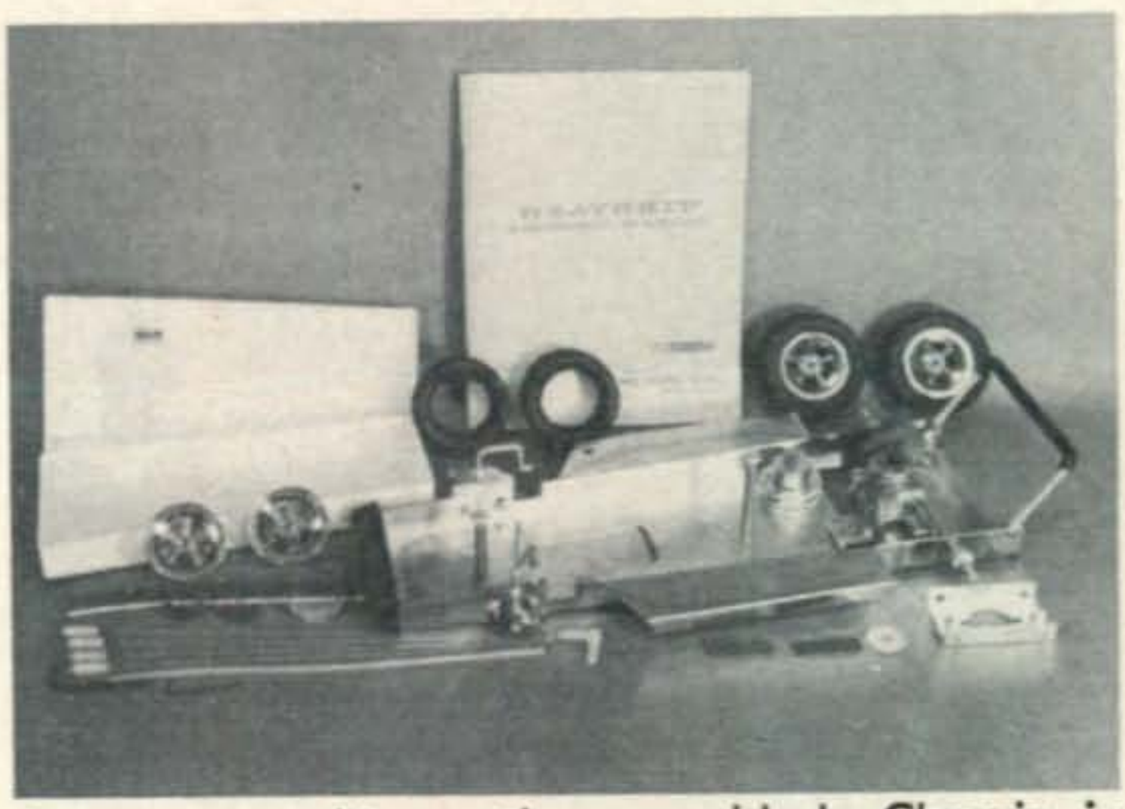

Spectre car kit partly assembled. Chassis is heavy steel. Car weight 7½ lb. ready to run. Rear tires (top right) come cemented to wheels, to prevent slippage. Engine, roll bar, front suspension in place here. Aluminum plates at lower right clamp to cylinder head for extra cooling.

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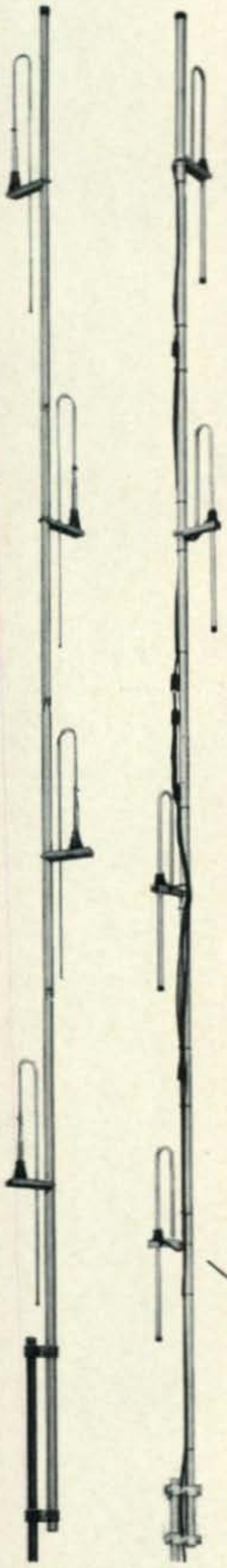

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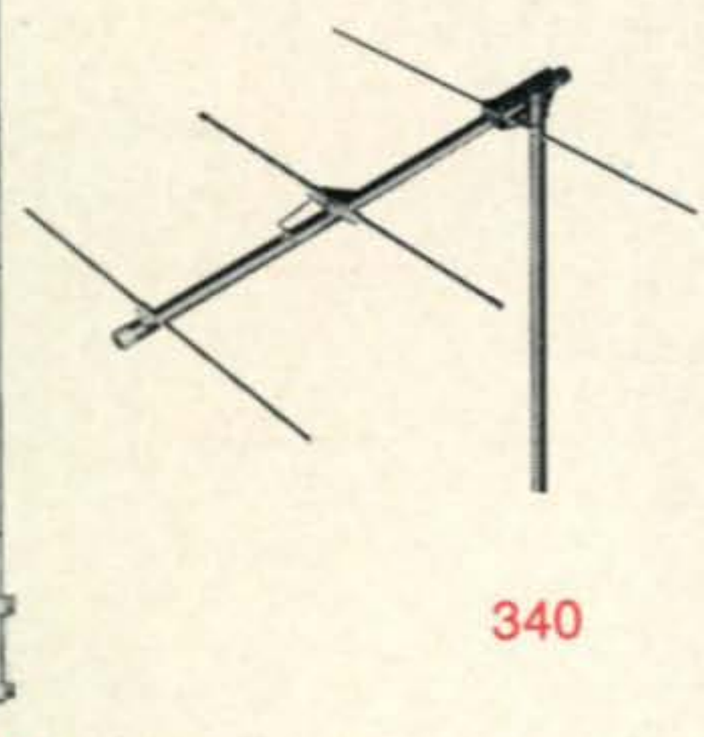

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SSB Power Meters: How To Read Them

BY DOUGLAS H. HORNER,* WØHUF

Is your s.s.b. transmitter or amplifier giving all the power it should? Don't look at the plate current or output power meter to find out. The author tells why.

MANY amateurs (and some professionals) who use s.s.b. on the amateur bands probably have engaged in spirited discussions about what meaning can be derived from the meters on their transmitters. Manufacturers rate a transmitter at "2KW PEP," or "maximum legal input," but the owner/operator has some difficulty equating these ratings with the movement of the meter needle, and FCC regulations.

The subject never has been completely resolved; major engineering organizations of unquestionable reputation do not agree and the amateur should not be embarrassed by his confusion—or difference of opinion.

The purpose of this article is to attempt to explain some of the reasons for this state of affairs—why, "my meter reads so low and Joe, down the block with the same type transmitter gets readings so much higher."

To help illustrate some concepts, s.s.b. can be compared with a.m., because if an a.m. transmitter is modulated in excess of 100%, distortion will occur and an s.s.b. linear amplifier likewise distorts when driven beyond its capability, so a similarity exists between a.m. modulator and s.s.b. linear meter readings.

If a transmitter is modulated with unprocessed speech with the level so adjusted that the peaks occasionally reach 100%, the indicated level of modulation on a "standard" meter will be in the neighborhood of 20% to 30%. The same ratio will exist for an s.s.b. transmitter; if the c.w. input is 1 kw, the average indicated input on speech will be around 200 to 300 watts.

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Why do these large ratios of indicated power exist? A number of underlying causes must be covered to offer even a portion of the answer. A part lies in the nature of speech itself which can be divided into:

1. "Voiced' sounds which involve the vocal cords, low frequencies and much power.

2. "Unvoiced" sounds which are produced by moving air through constricted passages formed by the mouth, tongue, teeth, etc. These are higher in frequency and of low average power.

Differences in meter readings with different persons speaking into the same microphone and transmitter will occur because no two voices have the same peak-to-average ratio, and the harmonic energy content of voices varies considerably.

One factor that has received little attention in amateur radio, but has long been a problem in the broadcasting industry is that it is the rule, rather than the exception, that the energy in a person's voice is not evenly distributed above and below a "zero power" reference line. Close study of scope patterns, particularly the trapezoidal pattern formed when monitoring an a.m. transmitter, will reveal that some voices modulate much more heavily in one direction than another. In view that negative modulation peaks cause splatter and positive peaks do not, some broadcast station Chief Engineers cleverly install a line-reversing switch at the audio input to transmitters, and use whatever setting gives the highest average modulation (and highest meter readings) for a particular announcer. This is such a universal problem at least one

manufacturer supplies a device that causes the audio energy to be symetrically distributed between the positive and negative portions of the envelope.

A few amateurs have reversed the connections to the transformer in their dynamic microphones, thus providing a phase-reversal of the audio signal, which allows the "meters to read higher." This takes place because the shape of the envelope driving the final grid or grids of their s.s.b. exciter has lesser peaks in the positive direction; a.l.c. is derived from small current flow when the final grids are driven positive, so the amplifier is driven to a higher power level—and the meters read higher. Of course, if you optimize your microphone for your voice, you might at the same time degrade it for another person.

Meter movements have natural inertia plus deliberately introduced damping to prevent overshoot. This increases the time necessary for the needle to respond to applied energy and will cause deceptively low readings as a result of bursts of short duration. Meters used in broadcasting are made to close tolerances of inertia, damping, response time, etc., as their characteristics are specified by FCC rules. Meters used in amateur equipment show rather wide variations from one unit to another due to manufacturing tolerances, but they are also less expensive.

The frequency distribution of one's voice and the fact that meters respond less to energy of short duration is mentioned because different voices, each reaching the same peak level, will give different readings. As meters respond better to energy of longer duration and the low-frequency cutoff of the many makes of s.s.b. transmitters varies widely, the variation from one unit to another in transmitters of the same make and model probably is greater than many realize. If one transmitter passes energy down to 100 cycles and another to 500 cycles, the meters on the first transmitter will read much higher if both are transmitting the same peak power. The frequency response of the microphone contributes to this significantly, too.

From the foregoing we may conclude that how high the meter on your s.s.b. transmitter will read when you are speaking depends upon:

1. The frequency-distribution of energy in your voice.
2. The peak-to-average ratio of your voice.
3. The symmetry of your voice energy.
4. The chance phase relationship between your voice and the phase of the envelope driving the final grids (from which a.l.c. is derived) in your transmitter.
5. The frequency response of your microphone.
6. The audio bandpass of your particular transmiter.
7. The time constant and damping characteristics if the meter that happened to be installed in your unit.
8. And, perhaps, the time-constant determining components in the a.l.c. circuit of your transmitter.

The information provided so far points to the conclusion that the plate current meter (or r.f. wattmeter or r.f. ammeter) doesn't tell you very much about how your transmitter really is operating, and this is correct.

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Antique Wireless And Radio Display

A FINE exhibit of antique wireless and radio equipment is on display at the Aero-Space Museum, Balboa Park, San Diego, California. The members of the San Diego Chapter of QSWA, under the direction of Jim Barth, W6KCO, have installed this unique display which should be of interest to the general public and educational for the many school children who visit this fine museum. Things of interest include a display of early radio tubes from land, sea, and aircraft equipment and a model 1920 wireless station. ■

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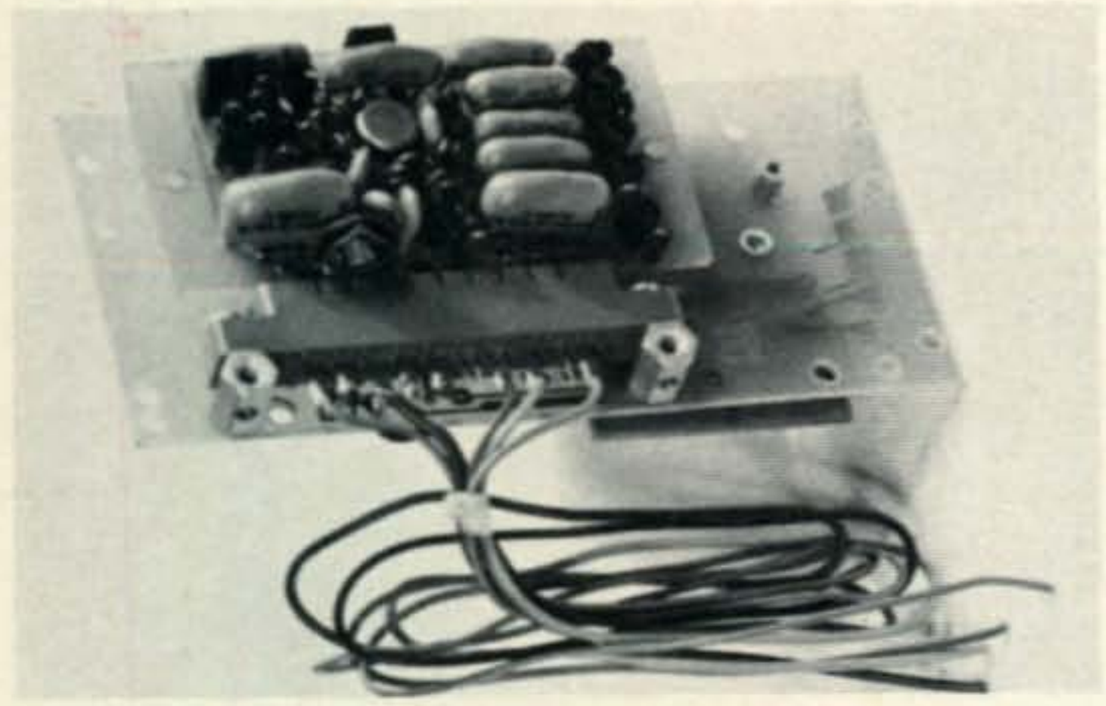

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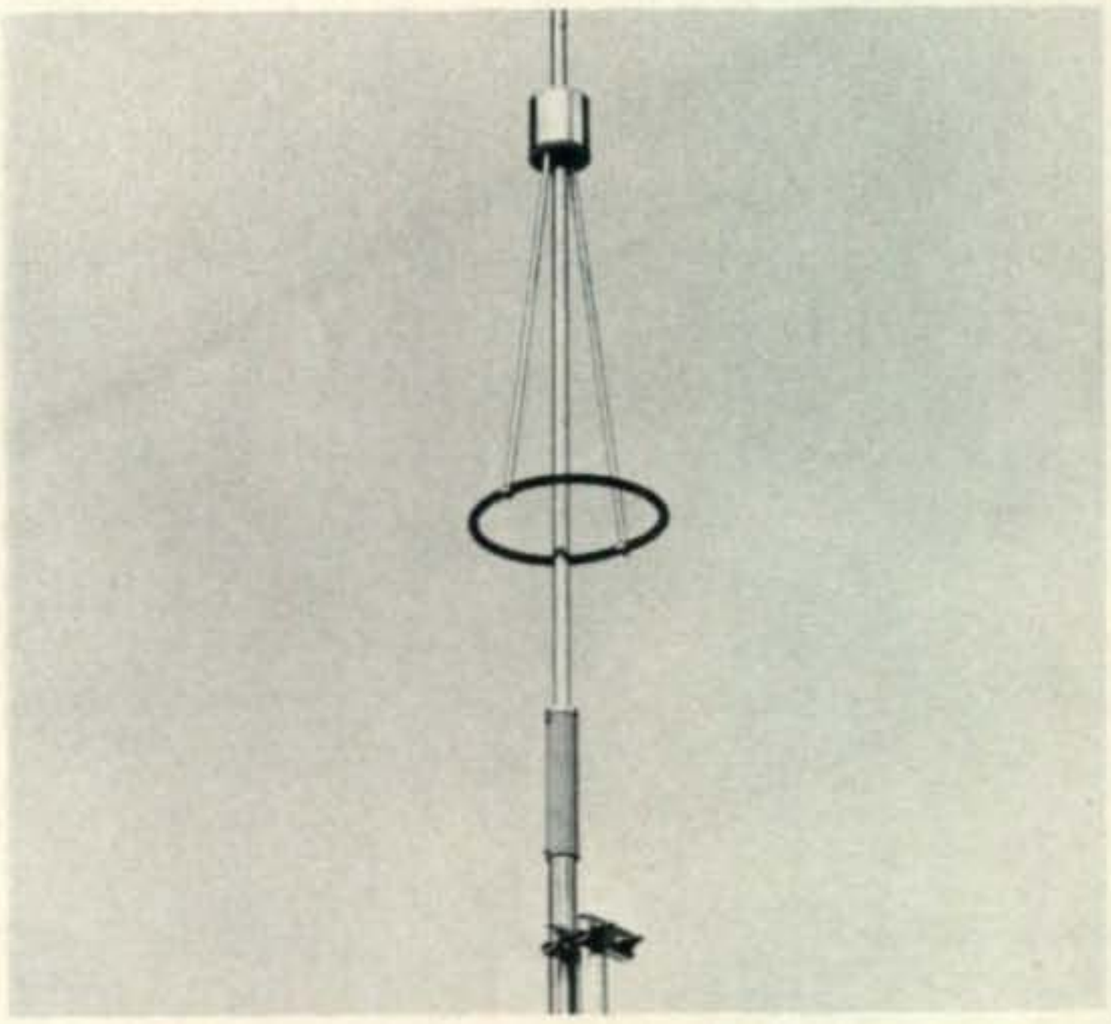

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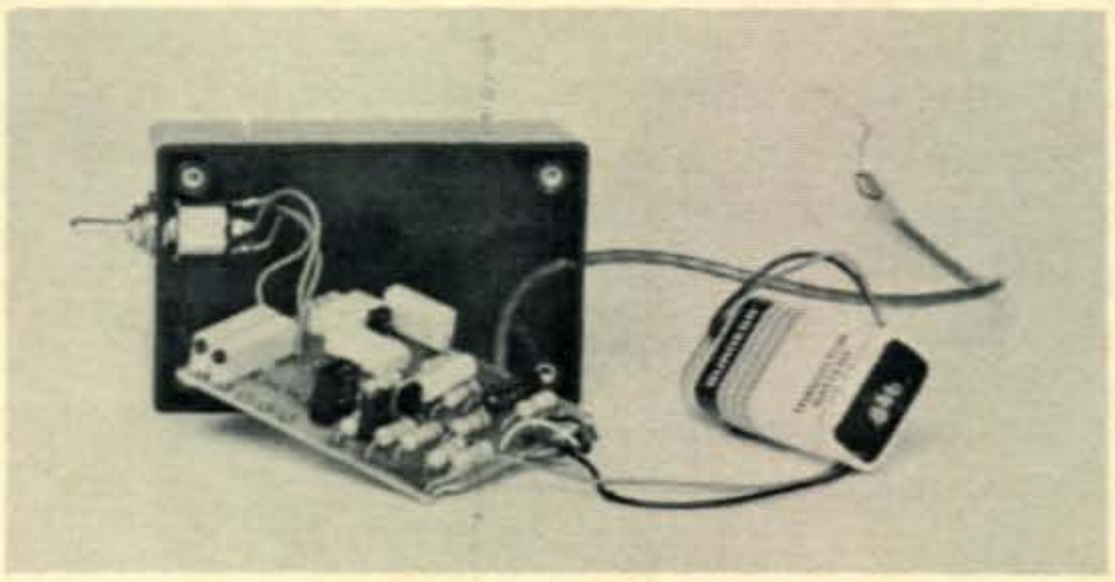
THE growth of f.m. repeaters on both six and two meters is beginning to present a problem in another related band, the 420-450 mc band. Why? This is where most control links and supervisory controls are located. Also, with the splitting of the 450-470 mc commercial frequencies, much equipment is becoming available for mobile and repeater use on the 420-450 mc band. Thus, the squeeze is on. The best way to prevent chaos in the future is to plan now for the intelligent use of the 420-450 mc band. A pioneer in this planning is the Texas VHF FM Society. At the February 27-28, 1971, meeting in San Antonio the Society adopted a plan proposed by the North Texas Repeater Association to coordinate the use of channels in the 420-450 mc range. Many amateurs appear not to be aware that there is a commercial band just below the 3/4 meter band. This band is from 406 to 420 mc and is used primarily by the United States Government and its various agencies. The equipment used down there is exactly its 450-470 counterpart except for the frequency covered. This equipment is not quite as common as the 450-470 mc equipment, but the demand is small and thus the price remains down. Spectronics (Art Householder) in Chicago has equipment in this range and I believe that Mann on the West Coast also has such items for sale. The other f.m. surplus houses may also have equipment built for the 406-420 mc range. The reasoning for the acquisition of the 406-420 mc equipment is to place the repeater audio links and primary control links down in the relatively unused part of the band. Also, since equipment for this part of the band is not as readily accessible as for the high end, there is less chance of unauthorized use of control frequencies. However, there is sufficient equipment to provide the required control stations and link stations with all that is needed. The Texas plan is relatively simple: Audio and control links are between 420 and 431 mc; a.m., c.w., s.s.b., etc. are between 431 and 438.2 mc; ATV video sidebands of major intensity are between 438.2 and 441.8 mc (center frequency 440.0 mc); and general f.m. from 442 to 450 mc. Since the ATV audio channel appears at 444.5 mc, this channel is not paired for repeater operation. Of course some areas use other frequencies for ATV, but the basic plan could be changed in these areas outside Texas. The nutshell consolidation of the Texas plan is as follows:

Frequency	Use
420-422 mc	Intercity repeater links
422-425 mc	Local repeater audio links
425-427 mc	Intercity repeater links
427-429 mc	Local repeater audio links
429-431 mc	Primary repeater control links
431-438 mc	General amateur use excepting f.m
438-442 mc	ATV sidebands
442-445 mc	f.m. repeater outputs
445-447 mc	Direct f.m. frequencies
447-450 mc	f.m. repeater inputs

As stated before, the ATV audio frequency of 444.5 mc is not paired for repeater operation. The frequency 449.5 mc is suggested as a direct and DX frequency. The u.h.f. repeaters follow commercial policies of using high side in and low side out with 5 mc spacing. The original channel spacing is 100 kc starting at 449.900 mc down and with a future of 50 and 25 kc channel spacing as used in commercial applications. 449.1 is the primary repeater input channel with 444.1 mc as the output frequency. The secondary repeater pair is 449.0/444.0 mc and the terciary repeater pair is 449.2/444.2 mc.

The reason for presenting the Texas VHF FM Society plan is to awaken f.m.'ers to the possibility of chaos on 450. Ten years ago no one suspected the rapid growth and crowding on two meters. Fortunately, early f.m.'ers agreed on 60 kc channels (now 30 kc with narrowband) and, for the most part, two meter repeaters follow some sort of channelization. The two meter trend is towards 600 kc channel spacing for input and output, and a similar plan need be adopted for 450. Commercial standards for which the majority of equipment used on 420-450 mc was designed is 50 kc channel spacing. Thus, the possibility of adapting commercial standards as done by the Texas VHF FM Society.



An inside view of the Ross & White TE-2 single-tone encoder. The size of the unit can be judged by comparison to the 9 volt transistor radio battery.

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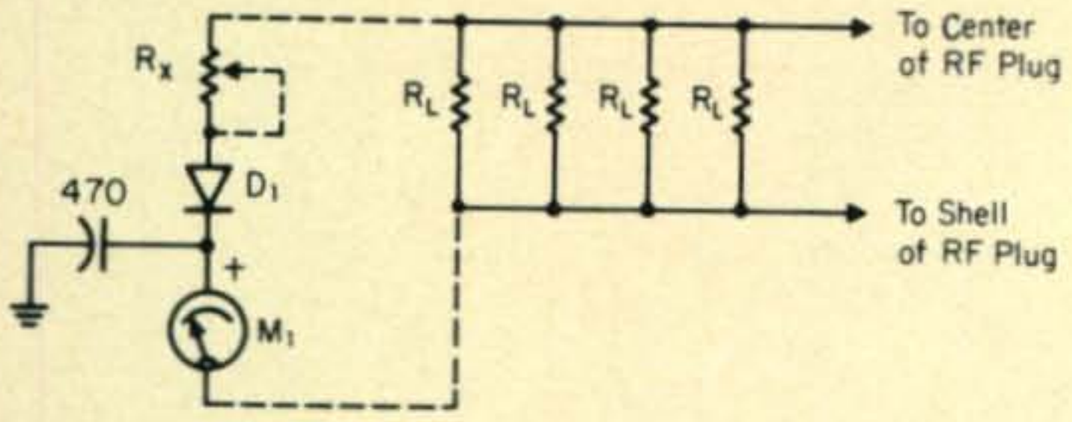


Fig. 1—Schematic for a suitable dummy load. Enclose the load in a mini-box. Metering of the dummy load is shown but is an optional feature.

D_1—Germanium small signal diode. (1N34A suitable.
M_1—0-1 ma maximum, 0-50 μa preferable.
R_1—See text for computation and formula.
Rx—Adjust for desired meter deflection (may be carbon potentiometer).

Equipment Review

The accessory items now available to the amateur f.m. operator are numerous, with many more to come. The mini-review for this month is the single-tone encoders manufactured by Ross and White Electronics Company. Two models of the tone encoder are available. The first model is the TE-2 which has a choice of two tone frequencies and the second model is the TE-5 which has a choice of five tone frequencies. Both models have an internal 9 volt transistor radio type battery for power, thus allowing use with any of the various rigs in use. Basic construction is all solid-state on G-10 epoxy board material. Tone frequencies from 1600 to 2800 c.p.s. with a duration of 0.4 seconds (nominal). The output is sine wave and provision is made to match low, medium, and high impedance audio lines. The case is made from moulded high-impact plastic and is about 3¼" × 2" × 1¼" (these measurements made with my ruler, so are ±1/8" or so). The TE-2 unit was tested with tones of 1800 and 2100 c.p.s. Output was well within the 2% tolerance on frequency. Construction was good, although some resin residue was on the board. Operation was simple and effective. Although the repeaters in the Dallas/Ft. Worth area require no tone access, the encoder will be useful when travelling in areas where tone burst is required. Ross and White can furnish connection information for your individual f.m. unit, so the versatility of the encoder is considerable. The size is small enough to be used with portable equipment or the guts can be pulled from the plastic box and mounted inside the control head. When ordering either model the following information must be supplied: Model desired; Tone frequencies (may be reset in field); and make and model of f.m. unit with which encoder is to be used. The price of the 2 tone TE-2 is $39.95 postpaid and the 5 tone TE-5 is $49.95 postpaid from the manufacturer, Ross and White Company, 50 West Dundee Road, Wheeling, Illinois 60090. Tell them *CQ* sent you.

Technical Talk

Up to now the Technical Talk section has been directed at the establishment of a local repeater and its associated controls. Although this was interesting to many f.m.'ers it probably was only of passing interest to the non repeater owner. Thus this month and the next several months will deal with a phase of f.m. necessary to everyone: Namely, test equipment and how to use it.

As this is being typed some f.m. amateur is repeatedly keying the Ft. Worth .34/.94 repeater. Why? He is not using dummy load for tuneup and is rapidly losing friends. Situations like this are often the rule rather than the exception. Some amateurs do not care if they interfere with other stations. Still others either do not have need of a dummy load enough to justify the purchase of a commercial unit. Still others don't realize that a light bulb not only does not present a 50 ohm load at two meters or higher but makes a fair antenna. Thus, the first half of the *Technical Talk* will cover the building of a suitable dummy load.

Most f.m. units now in use fall into the 10 to 25 watt output class. A suitable load for these units can be constructed from ordinary 2 watt carbon resistors in parallel. This load resistor can then be enclosed in a small mini-box (with a few ventilation holes drilled) to prevent radiation. This idea is not new. Similar loads have been presented at various times in all the amateur magazines and handbooks, but they require repeating. Provision can be made to tap off a relative output indication for readout on a meter movement. The value of resistor to use can be calculated by dividing the power output of the transmitter by 2 and multiplying by 50 ohms. The number of resistors required is the result of dividing the power by 2. For example, if the power output were 10 watts, the required number of resistors at 2 watts required would be 5. Multiplying 5 × 50=250 ohms. The nearest value to this normally available would be 270 ohms. The resultant load would be 270/5 or 54 ohms. This is well within 10% of the desired 50 ohm load and is probably closer than your antenna. Sketches of physical layout and schematics appear as figures 1 and 2. For greater power dissipation the load resistor can be placed in a container with light oil such as transformer oil. A short term substitute would be cooking oil, but it is much inferior. Do not use motor oil.

The second test item is a d.c. source for checking out mobile units. Several amateurs have written for such information and the schematic in figure 3 has been sent to them. The power supply is not regulated, but will function well

over a fairly large current range. No specific transformer or current rating is called out. The larger the transformer rating the greater the current which can be pulled from it. When servicing primary transistorized equipment the output voltage must be prevented from going too high. This can be accomplished by placing a load to draw approximately 1 amp across the output. This load may be built into the unit. When servicing tube type equipment the filament drain will keep the output voltage from going too high. This supply is basic and the voltage will vary from about 15 volts down to 12.5 volts at maximum current rating of the transformer used. This is in the range of the voltage in the usual automobile. The higher the current rating of the transformer, the less the voltage drop. No specific part numbers are called out. Silicon rectifiers and bridge assemblies are available from both new and surplus sources as are suitable transformers and capacitors. By the way, the more capacitance the better. The basic schematic appears as figure 3.

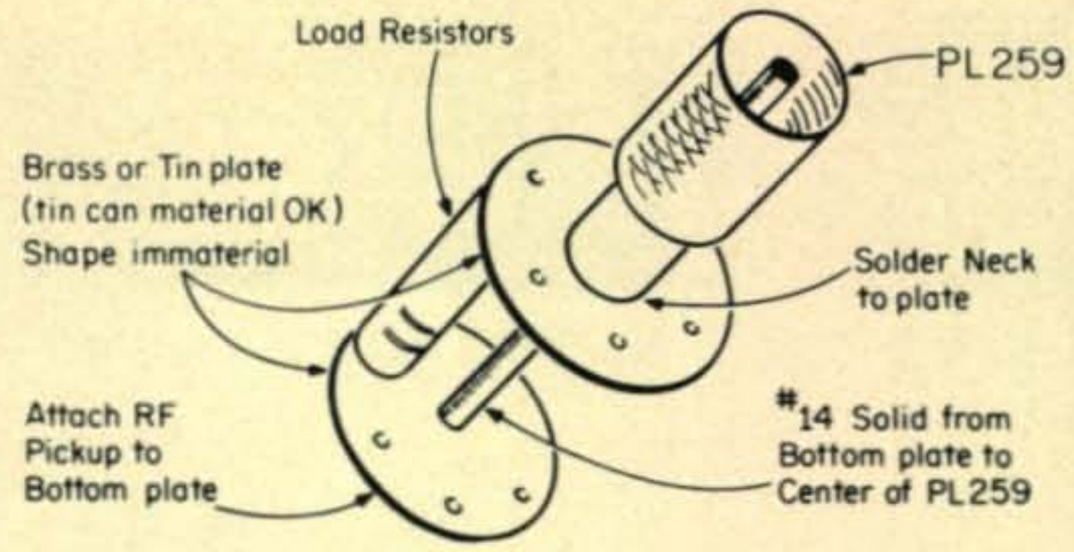


Fig. 2—Basic construction of the dummy load. The shape of the termination plates is immaterial. For best results enclose the dummy load in a mini-box or other shielded enclosure.

Canadian Repeaters

As summer approaches, many amateurs will be heading into the northern parts of the United States, and even into Canada. Believe it or not, there is extensive f.m. activity north of the border. Remember that when travelling in Canada that prior permission for operation must be obtained from the Canadian Government. Thanks to W5HS/VE3, one of my amateur friends who has been on assignment in Toronto for several months, a list of Canadian repeaters has been obtained. Most of these repeaters are operational at the time of this writing. Those repeaters which are proposed but not operational are marked (*).

Location	Call	Input	Output
Atlantic Provinces			
St. John's Nfld.	VO1GT	146.46	146.94
Sydney, N.S.	VE1JD	146.46	146.94
Truro, N.S.	VE1XK	146.46	146.94
Halifax, N.S.	VE1ARC	146.46	146.94
Moncton, N.B.	VE1VHF	146.46	146.94
St. John, N.B.	VE1KI	146.46	146.94
Quebec			
Matane	VE2CSL	146.46	146.94
Riviere-du-Loup	VE2NY	146.46	146.94
Chicoutimi	VE2CRS	146.46	146.94
Quebec City	VE2OM	146.46	146.94
Quebec City	VE2VD	146.52	147.50
Trois Rivieres	VE2AT	146.46	146.94
Sherbrooke	VE2FZ	146.46	146.94
Montreal	VE2CAT	146.18	146.64
Montreal	VE2CLA	146.10	147.30
Montreal	VE2MT	146.46	147.06
Montreal	VE2PY	146.28	146.88
Montreal	VE2RM	146.40	147.18
Montreal	VE2TA	146.52	147.50
Montreal	VE2XW	146.70	147.60
Ontario			
Ottawa	VE3CRA	146.46	146.94
Renfrew	VE3STP	146.34	147.06
Kingston	VE3KBR	146.46	146.94
Peterboro	VE3PBO	146.34	146.94
Oshawa	VE3OSH	146.40	147.12
Toronto	VE3MOT	146.58	147.18
Toronto	VE3RPT	146.46	146.94
Toronto	VE3SIX	52.76	52.525
St. Catherines	VE3NRS	146.22	147.24
Grimsby	VE3LCR	146.49	147.09
Hamilton	VE3DRW	146.16	146.76
Kitchener	VE3KSR	146.34	146.94
Kitchener	VE3KSR	146.37	146.97
London	VE3LAC	146.46	147.06
New Liskeard	*	146.46	146.94
Sudbury	VE3SRS	146.46	146.94
Sault Ste. Marie	VE3SSM	146.46	146.94
Sault Ste. Marie	VE3SSM	146.34	146.94
Thunder Bay	*	146.46	146.94
Orilla	*	146.34	146.94
Western Provinces			
Winnipeg, Man.	VE4XK	146.46	146.94
Brandon, Man.	*	146.34	146.94
Regina, Sask.	VE5SS	146.46	147.33
Calgary, Alta.	VE6AUY	146.46	147.00
Edmonton, Alta.	VE6WO	146.46	147.33
Cranbrook, B.C.	VE7CAP	146.46	147.33
Nelson, B.C.	VE7BTU	146.46	147.33
Vancouver, B.C.	VE7BUZ	146.34	146.94

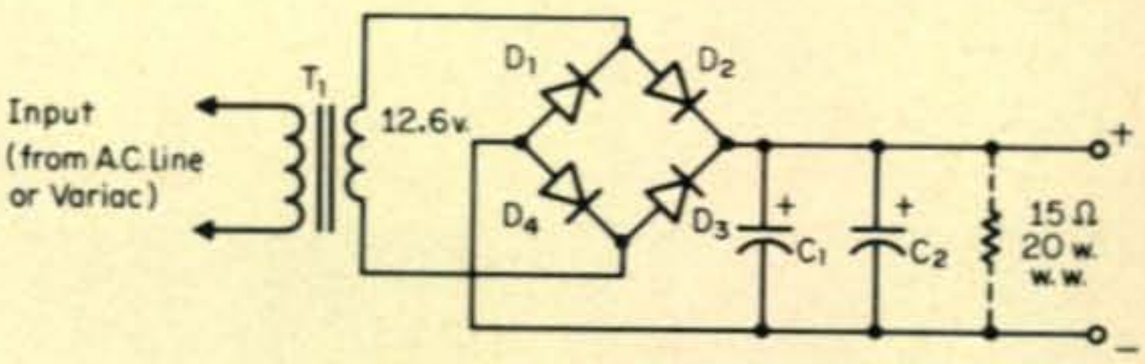
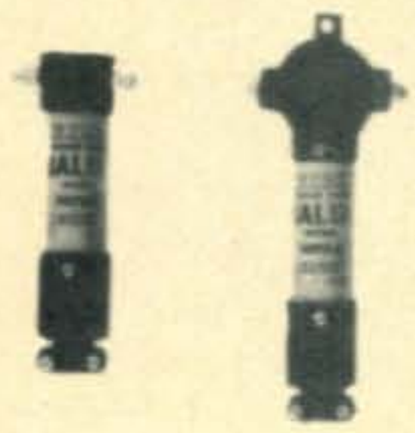
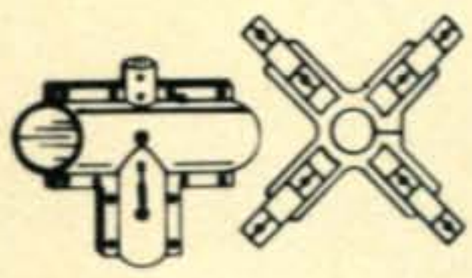
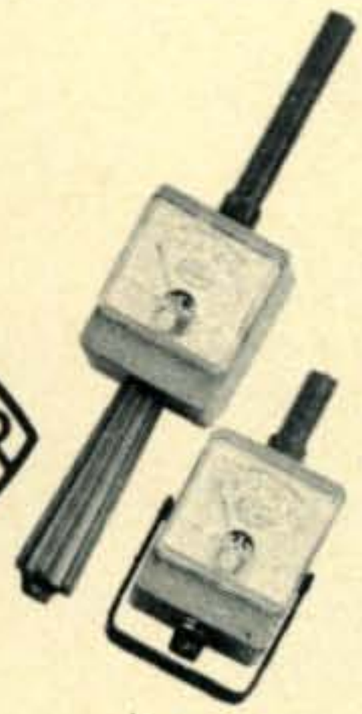


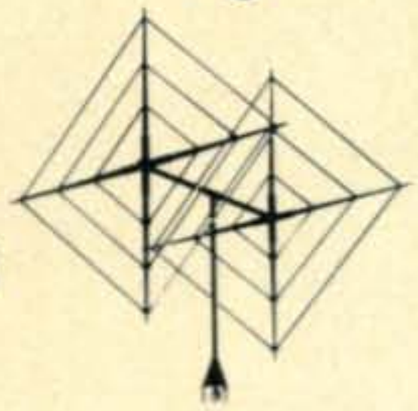
Fig. 3—A basic bench type d.c. power supply. For best results, control the input voltage with a variac or solid state device.

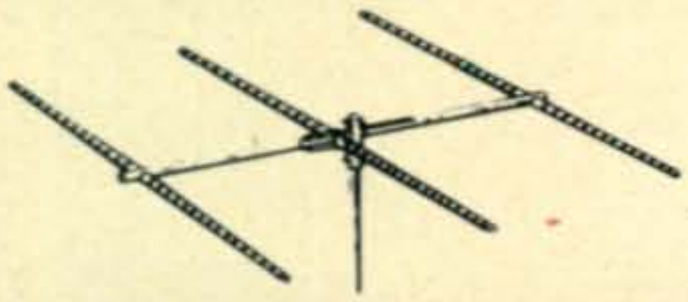
C_1, C_2—12,500 mf, 15 v.d.c. (or larger).
D_1, D_2, D_3, D_4—50 p.i.v. at desired current.











Vancouver, B.C.	VE7ACS	147.33	146.58
Prince George, B.C.	?	146.58	147.33

As can be seen the f.m. activity in Canada is growing about as fast as in the United States. This is the type of information which I need to keep you, the f.m. minded amateur, up-to-date in the f.m. world. How about it.

Q & A

Q. Will you send me a copy of the manual for a Motorola T43GGV?

A. This is typical of several requests for complete manuals on obsolete f.m. equipment. First of all, the manuals on most tube-type f.m. equipment now being used by amateur f.m.'s have been out-of-print for five to ten years. Thus, they are no longer available either from the manufacturer or from other sources. The expense of reproducing a manual by Xerox or similar is prohibitive in both out-of-pocket expense and time required. The vast majority of obsolete equipment now in use was manufactured by either Motorola or General Electric. Within the various models there are many variations (over 50 in the T43 series) with a book to go with each. Thus, it is a practical impossibility to retain information on all possible variations. However, most amateurs can work from a similar-to the desired schematic. As a result, there are two sources of information available. The first is the *Motorola FM Schematic Digest* available from S. Wolf, 1100 Tremont Street, Boston, Mass., and the *G.E. Schematic Digests* available from Gregory Electronics Corp. 249 Route 46, Saddle Brook, N.J. Gregory also stocks the *Motorola Digest*, as does Mann, Spectronics, and others. I will usually refer all requests for information on Motorola and General Electric equipment to these sources. Thus, one can save time by going to the proper source first.

Q. What are the normal tone-burst frequencies?

A. The tone-burst or single-tone frequencies commonly in use start at 1800 c.p.s. and proceed each 150 c.p.s. up to 3000 c.p.s. (maximum tone frequency allowed by FCC regulations). For example tone frequencies run 1800, 1950, 2100 c.p.s. and up.

Q. What are the advantages of tone-burst or "whistle-on" repeaters?

A. Tone controlled access repeaters are most effectively used in two specific cases. The first case is when the repeater owners desire to retain a closed (not open for general use) repeater. The second case is for use in areas where two or more repeaters have a common input frequency

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Late Amateur Satellite News

BY GEORGE JACOBS,* W3ASK

STEADY progress is being made in completing what is hoped will become the next radio amateur satellite in space. Now called AMSAT OSCAR-B (AO-B), the satellite will become designated OSCAR-6 once it is successfully launched.

Three separate repeaters, built by groups of radio amateurs in Australia, Europe and the USA, are nearing completion. Two of these repeaters will be selected to fly in the AO-B satellite.

The Australian project is a four-channel, hard limiting f.m. repeater designed by the Project AUSTRALIS team which was responsible for the highly successful AUSTRALIS OSCAR-5 satellite. This repeater will receive discrete frequencies in the 2-meter band (145.80, 145.85, 145.90 and 145.95 mc), and remodulate and retransmit them on four corresponding frequencies in the 70 cm. band (432.20, 432.25, 432.30 and 432.35 mc). The power output of each channel will be approximately one watt.

A EURO-OSCAR repeater, a project initiated under the auspices of Region I of the International Amateur Radio Union is also nearing completion. This will be a ten watt (p.e.p.) linear repeater, with a bandwidth of approximately 50 kc. It will be capable of receiving signals in a segment of the 70 cm. band, centered on a frequency of approximately 432.15 mc and relay them in the 2-meter band, centered on a frequency of 145.-95 mc. The repeater is designed for use with s.s.b., c.w., f.m., f.s.k. and amateur television transmissions.

A third repeater is ready for testing in the USA which was designed and constructed by members of the Radio Amateur Satellite Corp. (AMSAT). This two watt (p.e.p.) linear repeater will have the capability of receiving signals in a segment of the 2 meter approximately 100 kc wide centered on 145.95 mc), and relay them in a similar segment in the 10 meter band, centered on a frequency of approximately 29.5 mc. This repeater will be capable of relaying any type of modulation permitted in these two bands.

The AO-B satellite will be solar powered, and it is being designed to have a useful life of at least a year. The satellite will also transmit signals that will be used for telemetry measurements and tracking. Special circuitry aboard the satellite will enable its transmitters to be controlled from the ground in the event it becomes necessary to shut them off in order to conserve power or eliminate interference.

NASA has already agreed to undertake the launch of the next OSCAR satellite when it is completed. While no launch date has yet been set, AO-B will ride as a secondary payload as soon as the required extra weight capacity can be found on a suitable primary mission. A launch may be possible later this year, or during early 1972.

Flyover to Mark Special Day

This June issue of *CQ* should be in the hands of most of its readers in time to note an important day and an accompanying amateur satellite event which will take place during mid-May.

Monday, May 17 will be noted throughout most of the world as *World Telecommunication Day*. This day is now set aside each year to honor the birthdate (in 1865) of the International Telecommunication Union, and to make the general public aware of the importance of telecommunications in everyday life. The theme for this year's Day is Space and Telecommunications.

One of the activities marking this event in the USA will be the flight-testing of an AO-B repeater, under simulated space conditions, from an aircraft flying over the eastern third of the country. The flight will take place over the weekend of May 15-16, weather permitting.

Since the AMSAT 2-to-10 meter repeater is the most readily available, it has been chosen for this flight. The aircraft will fly at altitudes up to about 11,000 feet. At this altitude the radio horizon should be about 150 miles, allowing communication through the repeater between stations as much as 300 miles apart. Since there is the possibility that the 10 meter down-link signal may also be propagated by the ionosphere, signals from

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the repeater may be received over much greater distances.

Plans call for the flight to begin Saturday morning, May 15 from Baltimore. The aircraft will fly north to Boston (at a ground speed of approximately 120 m.p.h.), and then west in the direction of Chicago. The plane will land at 1800 EDT (probably before it reaches Chicago), and continue on to Chicago and back to Baltimore on Sunday, May 16.

The repeater aboard the aircraft will be fitted with approximate attenuators so that its operation will simulate the signal levels that will actually be encountered at an orbital altitude of 1,000 miles. An omni-directional monopole antenna will be used to receive 2 meter signals from the ground, while a long-wire antenna on the aircraft will be used for the 10 meter down-link. This means that signals from the repeater will be received strongest in directions at right angles to the flight path.

The aircraft will maintain periodic communications with selected amateur stations along its route on a frequency of 146.85 mc (f.m.). Reports of the aircraft's location and other information will be relayed during the day on 7225 kc, with WA1IOX acting as net control. After 1900 EDT on Saturday and Sunday evenings the net will operate on 3855 kc. Check these frequencies for the latest information concerning the flight, especially if there might be delays or cancellation due to bad weather.

The FCC has granted the necessary waivers so that Technician and Novice Class licensees can also participate in this operating activity. Waivers were required since 2 meter signals will be repeater in the 10 meter band.

Operating Suggestions

Here are some suggestions that may help in establishing two-way communication through the airborne AO-B repeater.

The repeater *inverts* incoming and out outgoing signals. This won't bother a.m., c.w. or f.m. reception, but u.s.b. signals received by the repeater will be retransmitted as l.s.b., and the mark-space of f.s.k. signals will be inverted. This also means than an incoming signal "x" kc *higher* than the 2 meter center frequency of 145.95 mc will end up as an output signal "x" kc *lower* than the 10 meter center frequency of 29.50 mc. For example, if a station calls CQ on 145.980 mc (center frequency *plus* 30 kc), he will be heard on 29.470 mc (center frequency *minus* 30 kc).

The approach of the aircraft can be checked by listening for the repeater's beacon transmitter on 29.45 mc. The transmitter will be sending HI or three digit numbers in Morse Code to simulate the AO-B telemetry system.

The beacon will be interrupted occasionally to identify in a.m. voice with the call WA3NDS, which has been assigned to AMSAT by the FCC. Brief instructions for using the repeater may also be given during these breaks.

The AMSAT repeater is so designed that its power will be divided among all of the signals in its passband. This means that the repeater will be able to handle a much greater number of lower power signals simultaneously than higher power ones. Since effective radiated powers as low as 80 watts (e.g., a transmitter output of 20 watts into an antenna with a gain of 6 db in the direction of the repeater) may block or capture the repeater, it is imperative that e.r.p. be kept within certain limits. AMSAT recommends that the e.r.p. in the direction of the repeater *not exceed 80 watts* when transmitting in the passband between 145.90 and 146.00 mc, and *not exceed 800 watts* in the segments 145.83 to 145.90 and 146.00 to 146.07 mc. Stations exceeding these power levels may prevent other amateurs from simultaneously using the repeater, and they will be easily identifiable as the culprit!

The repeater's beacon signal can be used to insure that a station's power level is not excessive. Before attempting to communicate through the repeater, send a test signal in the appropriate segment of the 2 meter passband. Listen for your own signal retransmitted from the repeater on the appropriate *inverted* 10 meter frequency. Adjust your e.r.p. (by adjusting power output or antenna direction) so that on voice peaks or under key down conditions the strength of your repeated signal is no more than one S-unit, or 6 db, stronger than the level of the beacon signal.

After this adjustment has been made you can be relatively sure that your signal will take no more than its fair share of the repeater's power and you are ready to communicate with little fear of hogging the repeater.

Logs containing the calls of stations

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Broadband Antenna For Forty Meters

BY HOWARD PHILLIPS,* WB5ACP

This capacity-loaded antenna is resonant across the entire 40 meter band with an s.w.r. of 1.3:1 or less. Its longest element is less than 3/4 the length required for a standard single wire doublet.

THE antenna described here is designed for operation on 40 meters. However, the principles can be used to design a short, broadband antenna for any desired frequency. The operating principle of this single-band broadband antenna is similar to the operation of a multiband multiple doublet. The reason for the "shortness" of this broadband antenna lies in the "capacity hat" effect of the fanned-out ends.

The need for broadbanded radiating systems has increased with the sub-band reapportionment which accompanied incentive licensing. Without a broadband antenna, efficiency is sacrificed on some mode if a combination of phone/c.w./RTTY operation is attempted.

Design

The design of this antenna is based upon the design of a single-wire doublet. For a half-wavelength single wire doublet, the length of a single leg is given as:

$$L\ (\text{feet}) = \frac{234{,}000}{f\ (\text{kc})}$$

where L is the leg length in feet and f is the operating frequency in kc. The change in length required to change the resonant frequency by a given amount is calculated by taking the derivative of the above equation:

$$\frac{dL}{df} = \frac{-234{,}000}{f^2} \text{ (for any frequency)}$$

If this equation is evaluated at $f = 7200$ kc, we have:

$$\frac{dl}{df} = -.0045 \text{ feet per kc } (-.06 \text{ inches per kc})$$

or

$$-.45 \text{ feet per 100 kc } (-6 \text{ inches per 100 kc})$$

where the minus sign indicates that an *increase* in antenna leg length decreases the resonant frequency. All the above hanky-panky can be summarized by saying that on 40 meters, if the antenna leg length is changed by 6 inches, the resonant frequency is changed by approximately 100 kc.

The dimensions of the broadband antenna in fig. 1 are chosen so that a pair of legs is resonant every 100 kc from 7.0 mc to 7.3 mc. This requires four pairs of legs. The longest pair is resonant at 7.0 mc and the shortest pair is resonant at 7.3 mc. The operating principle of this single-band broadband antenna is seen to be quite similar to that of a multiple doublet antenna designed to resonate on two or more ham bands. This explains the broadbanded nature of the antenna, but why is this antenna so much shorter than a single-wire doublet?

The fanned-out ends of the antenna enhance two related phenomena: end effect and capacitance loading effect. The two phenomena are present to some extent in all types

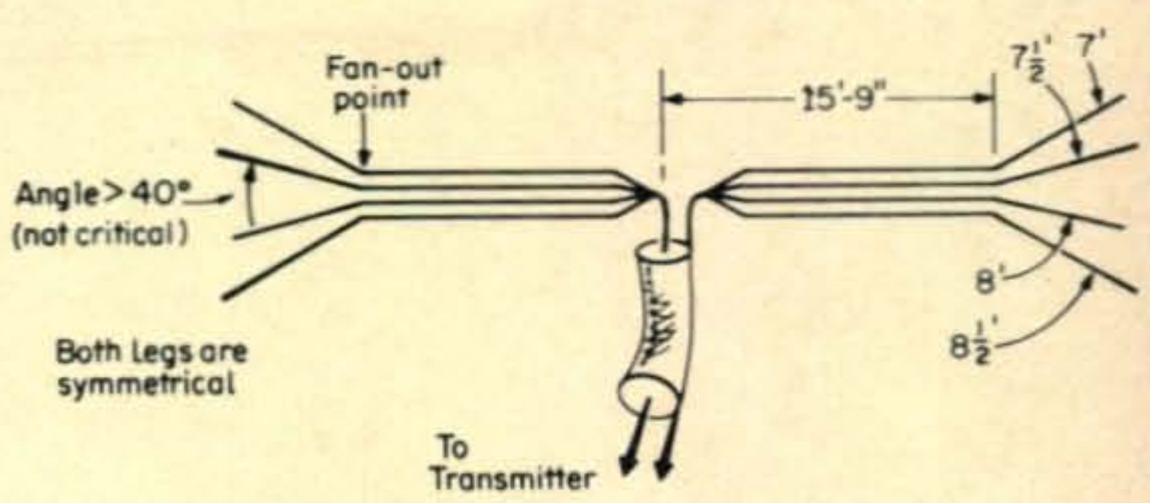

Fig. 1—The forty meter broadband doublet. The length of each half of the unfanned portion of the antenna is 15'9" with the longest half-element length being 24'4".

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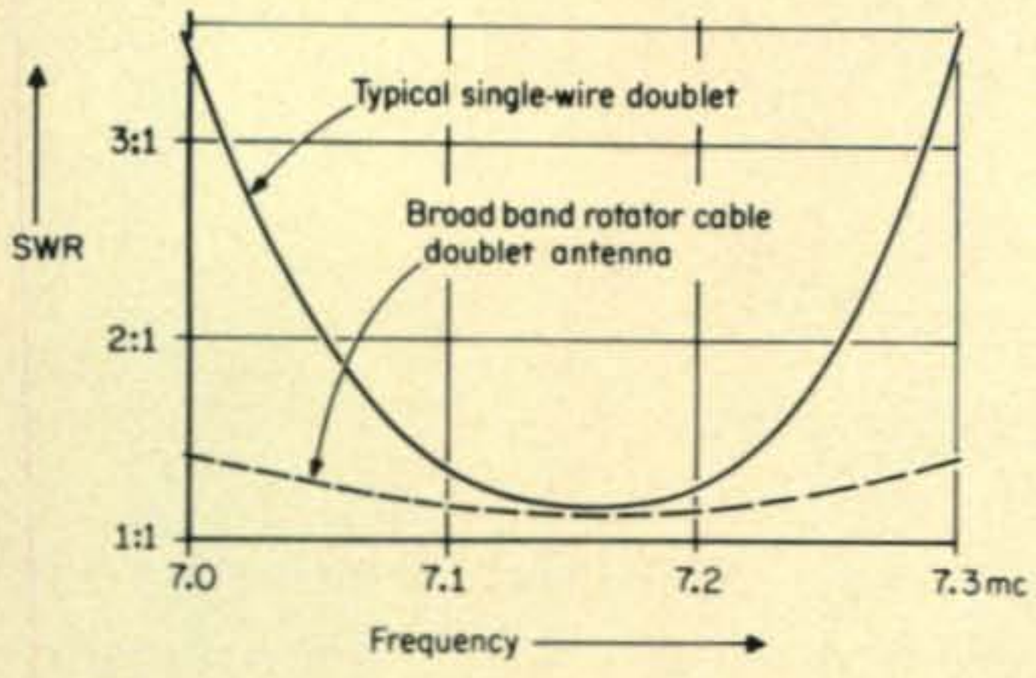

Fig. 2—Measured bandwidth vs. s.w.r. characteristics of the broadband 40 m. antenna and a conventional 40 m. dipole.

of antenna systems. Both effects tend to increase the effective electrical length of an antenna element. Consequently, for any given resonant frequency, the physical length of the antenna must be shortened when the capacitive loading effect is enhanced. For the antenna shown in fig. 1, the fanned-out ends compose a "capacity hat" which significantly reduces the required length of the antenna.

Optimum Bandwidth

For ham operation, it is desirable to have an antenna whose bandwidth covers the entire ham band, but not much more than that. This affords some protection against radiating power outside the band if the transmitter develops any spurious output on frequencies far from the ham band. This situation is achieved by the antenna described by fig. 1. Figure 2 shows a plot of s.w.r. *vs.* frequency for the broadband antenna. The s.w.r. rises sharply outside the 40 meter band, as there are no elements resonant outside the band.

One by-product advantage of the broadband antenna described here is that since it is resonant across the entire 40 meter band, it is also resonant across the entire 15 meter band (resonant from 21.0 to 21.9 mc). This antenna may be used on 15 meters without the need for antenna switching. It should be noted that since the 15 meter band extends only from 21.0 mc, care must be taken to insure against any spurious output from the transmitter in the range of frequencies from 21.45 mc to 21.9 mc.

Construction

The construction of the broadband 40 m. antenna is illustrated in fig. 1. The length of the longest leg is:

15′9″ + 8′6″ = 24′4″ (length of longest leg).

The length of the longest element (two legs) is forty-eight feet, eight inches, which is considerably shorter than the sixty-six feet required for a standard single-wire doublet for the 40 meter ham band. The antenna is easily constructed using standard 4-wire TV rotator cable.[1] The wires are easily separated and stripped apart in a manner so that the wires remain individually insulated. The fan-out point must be taped to prevent the rotator cable from splitting beyond the fan-out point. The lowest s.w.r. (best impedance match between antenna and transmission line) is obtained if 50 ohm coax is used.

Installation

The antenna can be erected in either a "flat top" or "inverted V" configuration. If desired, a TV mast can be used for a center support (fig. 3A) or, if convenient, the ends may be supported by tree branches as shown in fig. 3B. The leg may be supported by any of the popular methods used for a single-wire doublet (egg insulators with wire, nylon string, etc.) Because of its broadbanded nature, the resonant frequency of this antenna is not affected by surrounding objects as much as single-wire doublet. The resonant frequency and bandwidth are slightly dependent upon the separation angle between the end elements (angle A in fig. 1). However, this angle is not critical provided that it is greater than 40°. Small angles (less than 30°)

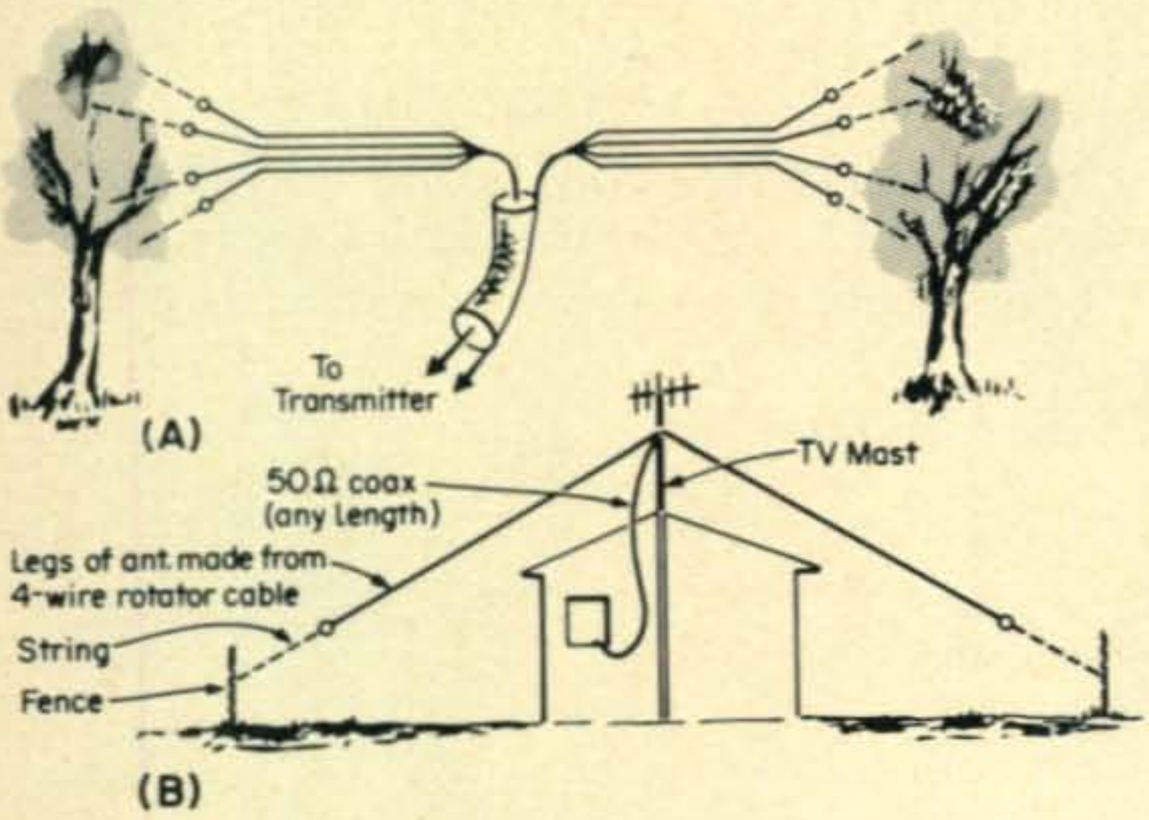

Fig. 3—(A) Using trees as supports for the broadband 40 m. dipole a flattop configuration results. String attached to the ends of the fanned conductors provides convenient insulated support. (B) Supported from the center from a pole or TV mast gives the popular inverted vee configuration.

[1]Archer rotator cable, supplied by Allied Radio Shack; $3.59 per 100 feet.

are not acceptable, since the small separation causes excessive capacitive coupling between the elements, which in turn causes the end elements to be "shorted together" at radio frequencies. The end elements may be fanned out in any geometry—they need not lie in the same plane.

In actual practice, every antenna should be field tuned if maximum performance is required. The resonant frequency of this broadband antenna is not a critical function of length. Consequently, a broadband antenna such as this requires less trimming than a single-wire doublet. However, if trimming is needed, the reduction in length should be made at the center point, for convenience, rather than adjust the lengths of all eight end elements.

Broadband antenna systems are inherently not critical with respect to their physical dimensions or their surroundings. This can be explained best by considering the effects of height above ground, antenna length, etc., for both a narrowband antenna (such as a single-wire doublet and the broadband antenna. Assuming a 150 kc bandwidth for the narrowband antenna, if the resonant frequency is changed by 100 kc (by a change in height, for example), the operation of the antenna is significantly altered. On the other hand, if the resonant frequency of a broadband antenna (400 kc bandwidth) is shifted by the same amount (100 kc), there is a wide range of frequencies (300 kc) about the resonant frequency for which the operating characteristics remain essentially unchanged. Consequently, the broadband antenna is relatively insensitive to the effects of surrounding objects and to changes in antenna height, humidity, and the fan-out angle.

Performance

As shown in fig. 2, the bandwidth characteristic of the broadband 40 m. antenna compare very favorably to those of a conventional dipole, with s.w.r. being 1.4 to 1 or less over the entire 40 m. band. Performance is comparable to that of a full size dipole or inverted vee and if the multiple supports required for the 8 fanned legs present no problem, the design is ideal for the man who likes to use the whole band. ■

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Further Improvements Of The Ham-M Rotator Indicator

BY STUART MEYER,* W2GHK/4

THE article in the December 1970 issue of *CQ* by Gene A. Nurkka, VK9GN, entitled "Improving The Ham-M Rotator Indicator," prompted the writer to do something about a number of minor problems he was experiencing with several Ham-M Rotators at both of his locations.

The variation in calibration with change in power line voltage was disturbing; on the other hand, the environment was nowhere near as bad as that encountered by VK9GN. Accordingly, it was decided to employ a simpler form of regulation, similar to that shown in fig. 2 of the above-referenced article.

Referencing fig. 1 of this article, it can be seen that this simple change is similar to the original proposed regulator, except that the transistor used as a diode is now replaced with two 11-volt, 1-watt Solitron 1R11D or International Rectifier 1ZS11T5 zener diodes in series. The series regulator resistor is now 47 ohms, 1 watt (R_{501} in fig. 1). This results in a regulated 22 volts, with no further voltage regulator modification being required. In order to bring the unit back into correct calibration, it is only necessary to readjust the internal 5K compensating control. The 18K resistor in series with the meter remains in the circuit in its original form. (This results in a more linear calibration with respect to rotator rotation.) Incidentally, the 21-volt d.c. figure referenced in the original article turned out to be more like 26 volts in units the writer checked. After adding regulations, this voltage drops to approximately 22 volts.

The writer has preferred to have constant direction indication in his control box, and has modified several such units by jumping switch contacts 7 and 8 (as described in the Ham-M manual under the section entitled "Continuous Meter Indication." This worthwhile modification, however, has at times produced other problems. The first of these was encountered when operating in the 75-meter band with a Marconi-type antenna. At times, it is desirable to have the higher frequency equipment in standby condition, with all power ON (including rotator box), while finishing up a contact or schedule on 75 meters. R.f. finding its way into the control box has produced several problems, the first of which was excessively high brilliance of the lamps during periods of transmission. In several instances, the bulbs have burned out due to the addition of the r.f. voltage on top of the normal a.c. voltage normally applied to the lamps. The cure for this is very simple and consists of adding a .01 mf 600-volt ceramic disc capacitor at the 23 v. a.c. feed point to the lamps and the 4.7 ohm resistor. This is shown as C_{501} in fig. 1. The tie point of this connection is nearest the left side lamps (as viewed when the operator is facing the control box in its normal table-top position).

A second problem that has shown up, from time to time, is fluctuating meter readings during periods of transmission. In some instances, the meter would jump around as much as 90° when either using a low-frequency antenna while the higher frequency equipment is in standby condition, or when operating down on the c.w. portion of the higher frequency bands (with beam cut for the phone section) with the standing wave ratios in excess of 2:1. This condition is aggravated when the coax line is run parallel with the control cable between the indicator

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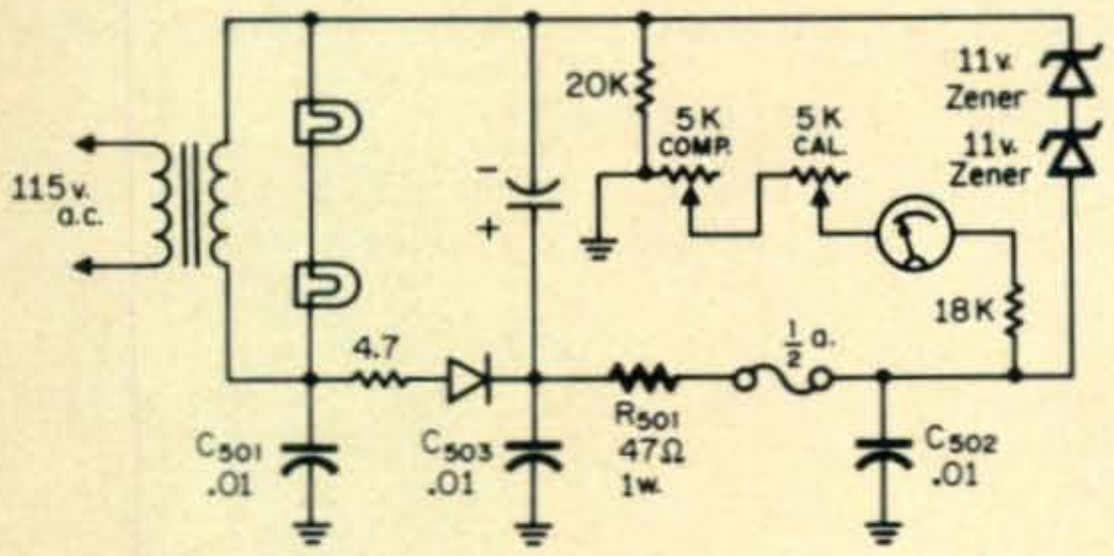

Fig. 1—Circuit of the Ham-M rotator indicator unit showing additional components added to achieve more consistent meter readings and freedom from r.f. interference. New components are shown in heavy lines.

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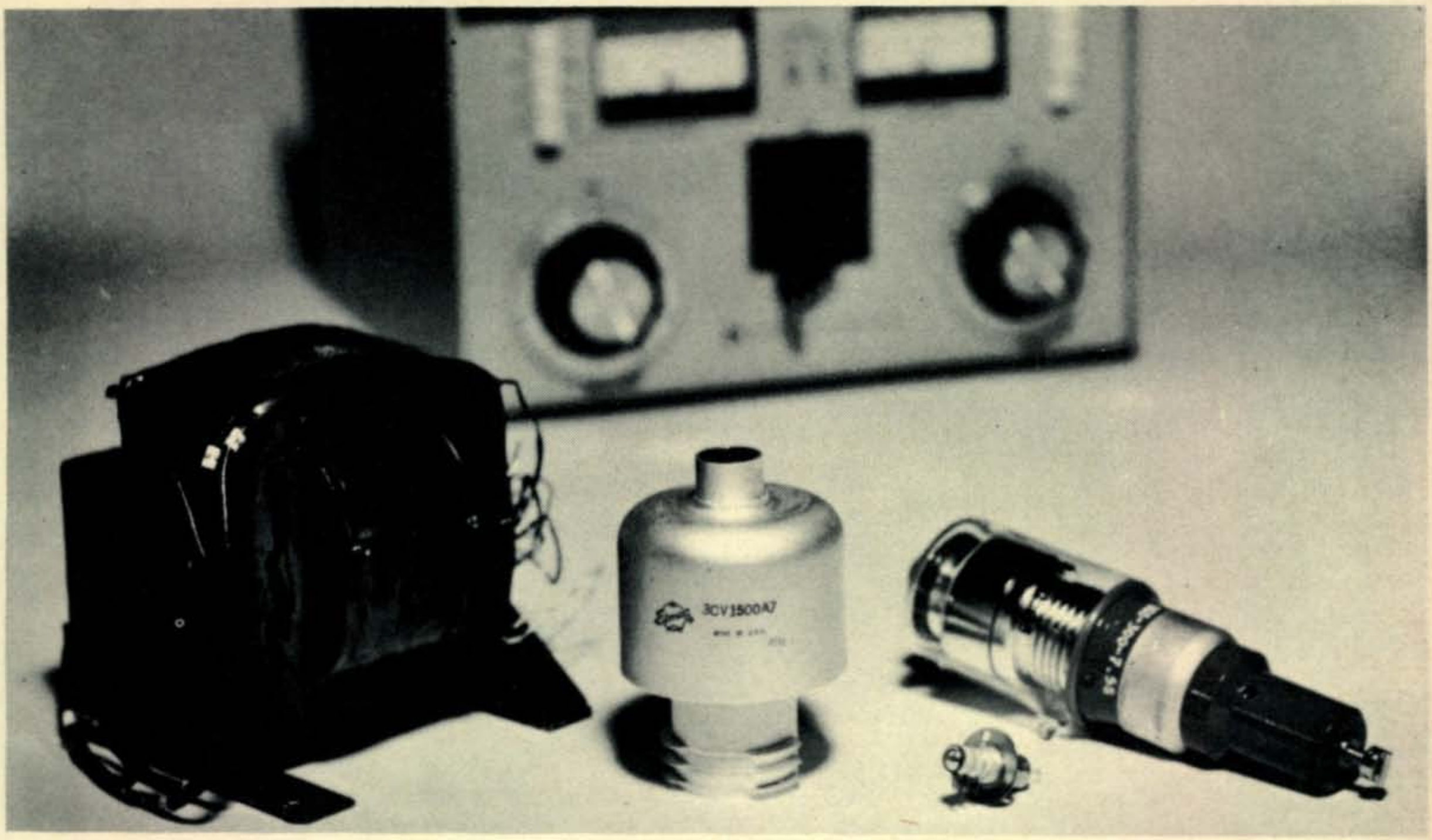

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A Universal Solid State Preselector/Converter for the SW Bands

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Followers of Jack Perolo's articles will welcome this newest construction project: a solid-state converter and preselector which is universal in that it is easily adaptable for any i.f. range from 2-10 mc. Input, with the tuned circuits shown, is on any of seven of the shortwave BC bands in which the author specializes in monitoring as an "almost professional" s.w.l.

In a previous article describing the GP-29[1] the pros and cons of multiple conversion receivers *vs.* single conversion ones were discussed in some detail. It was then (and still is) my definite opinion that for the home builder a high performance communications receiver could be more easily assembled if wired around a single conversion circuit; this opinion became even stronger after testing high frequency i.f. strips,[2] as the use of a McCoy filter allows a single conversion receiver within the usual SW band span, say up to 30 mc with excellent i.f. image attenuation and reasonable selectivity.

I must admit, however, that the average operator, be he an amateur, a SWBC listener, a utilities specialist or what have you, operates on more than one band; I could go one step further and estimate that most colleagues I'm in touch with do operate on at least three bands or thereabouts. It is also reasonable to assume that most operators aren't ready to stack on their operating desk seven different receivers as I presently do.

With these considerations in mind and aiming mostly at a set for field days, I went to work on a SW converter compatible with any GP receivers previously built.

Circuit Considerations

The qualification of "universal" to this converter stems from the fact that it was designed in such a way as to deliver its output in the 2-10 mc range without internal rewiring. This means that a receiver tuning anywhere between 2-10 mc will be compatible (frequency-wise) with this converter; chassis polarity is another matter and that needs to be studied individually for each case that may appear.

Since the crystal oscillator has capability to operate in the range 1-15 mc, the "universal-

The converter is shown atop its companion receiver, the GP-32. Converter controls are (left to right): slide switch for calibrator above power on/off toggle switch, RCA jack for converter output, calibrator output jack, crystal socket (bottom left), bandswitch, antenna input (bottom right), antenna trimmer (top right). Bandswitch dial marking is in wavelength for shortwave BC bands.

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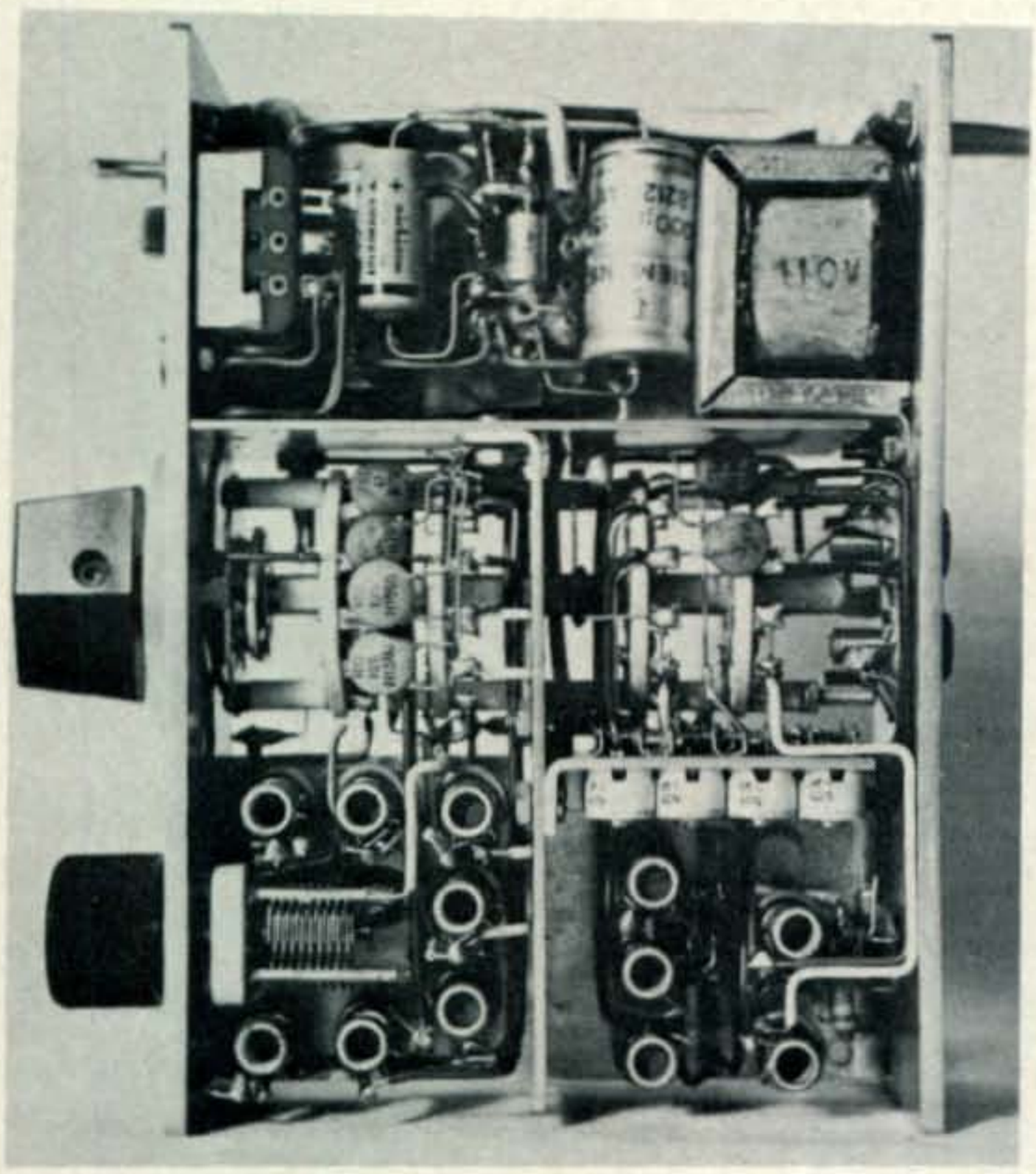
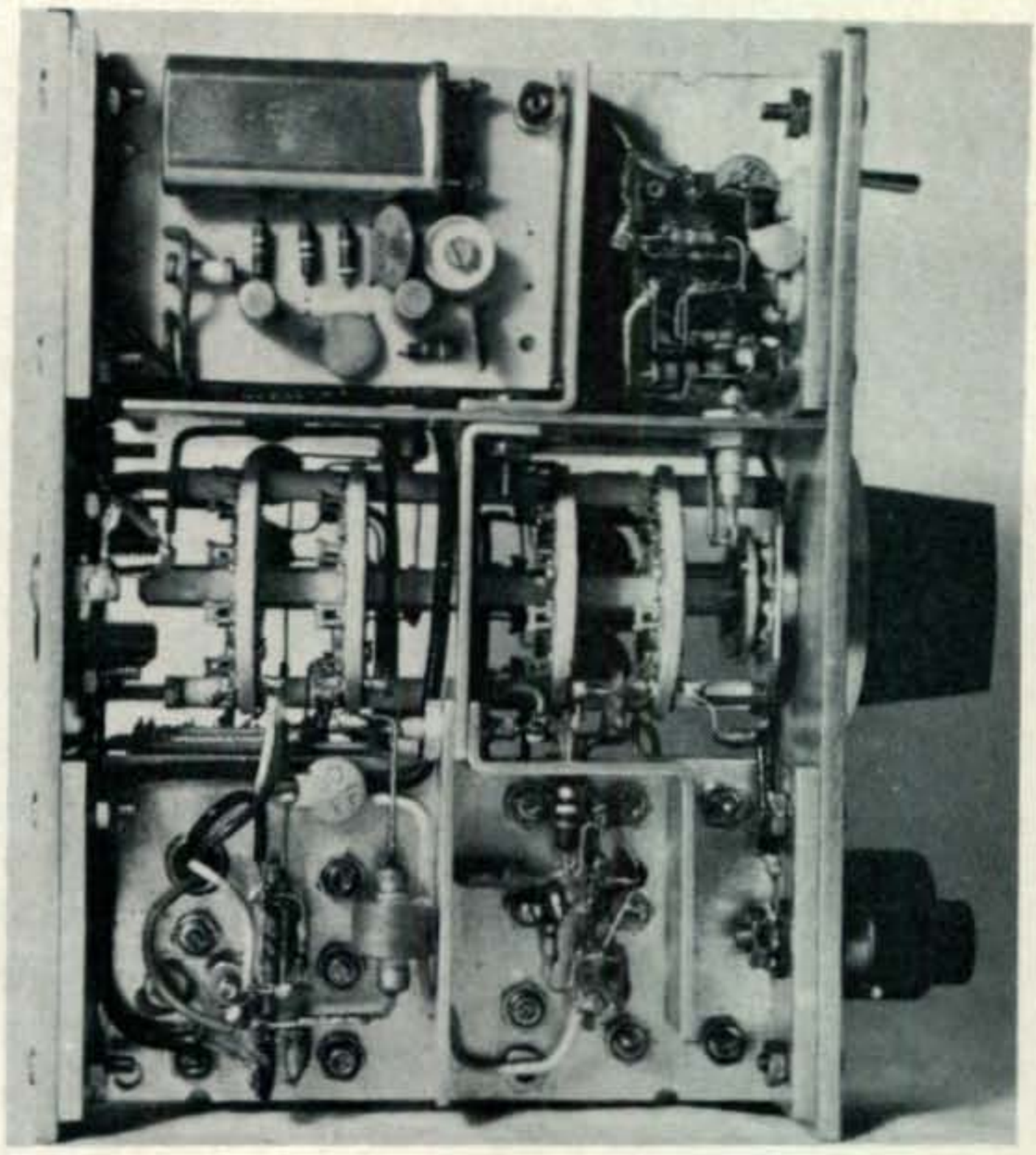
[1]Perolo, J., "A Transistorized Communications Receiver with Digital Frequency Read-Out", *CQ*, July/August 1970, p. 14.

[2]Perolo, J., "A Solid State Permeability Tuned VFO with Digital Frequency Read-Out", *CQ*, October 1970, p. 18.



Top view. At bottom left is the r.f. compartment, just left of the mixer stage and associated trimmers. Bandswitch is at center with several fixed capacitors soldered to it which bring the coils into the desired range. At top left is the 100 kc calibrator switch. The regulated power supply is at the top. The power supply can also be used to run a companion receiver or other ancillary gear.



Bottom view showing the chassis built in two halves, fastened with 4-40 screws to the front and rear panels. The Petersen 100 kc crystal calibrator is at top left, with the local crystal oscillator at its right. The bandswitch is at the center while the r.f. stage is at the bottom. The mixer circuitry is at the left of the r.f. stage, at bottom. Notice shield locations and feedthrough capacitors.

ity" above is simply achieved by using different crystals, depending on the output frequency desired. To keep the converter compact, a bank of crystals is not installed and switched internally, but the crystal socket is located in an accessible spot on the front panel. Manual changing of crystals is therefore required when switching from one band to another, unless the unit is operated in the preselector mode.

A careful mixer spurious frequency analysis was not made at design time for the following reasons:

1. Such analysis is only true for the particular combination of frequencies used by the receiver following the converter. Since most prospective builders are likely to have available different receivers for this project, an individual analysis should be done for each particular case. A previous *CQ* article[3] might prove quite helpful on this matter.

2. Since in my case the converter was primarily designed as a stand-by unit (*Not* as main communication gear, as I have individual mono-band receivers for that purpose), the fact that a spurious might appear here or there was not overly critical.

3. Considering that the converter covers seven bands *(i.e.:* a variety of frequencies), I was bound to have some internal spurious anyhow, as I could not vary these two parameters on my receivers:

(a) Frequency coverage, as they are mono-band affairs

(b) Frequency reading, if I were to take full advantage of the digital read-out.[1,2] In other words, if the receiver covers, say, 4,600-5,200 kc and were to operate with the converter in the 25 m. band,[4] I did want to tune 11,700 kc exactly on the 4,700 kc dial reading, for a more comfortable operation.

4. Item 3(b) is, in fact, more limiting than it might appear at first sight, as out of *two* possible crystal oscillator combinations to receive the same frequency via the converter (*i.e.*, oscillator frequency *above* or *below* the received signal), I was forced to scrap one frequency before starting, because of the digital read-out feature of my receivers.

[3]Lee, J. G. "Mixer Spurious Frequency Analysis", *CQ*, September 1965.

[4]The 25 m. short-wave broadcast band covers 11,700-11,795 kc.

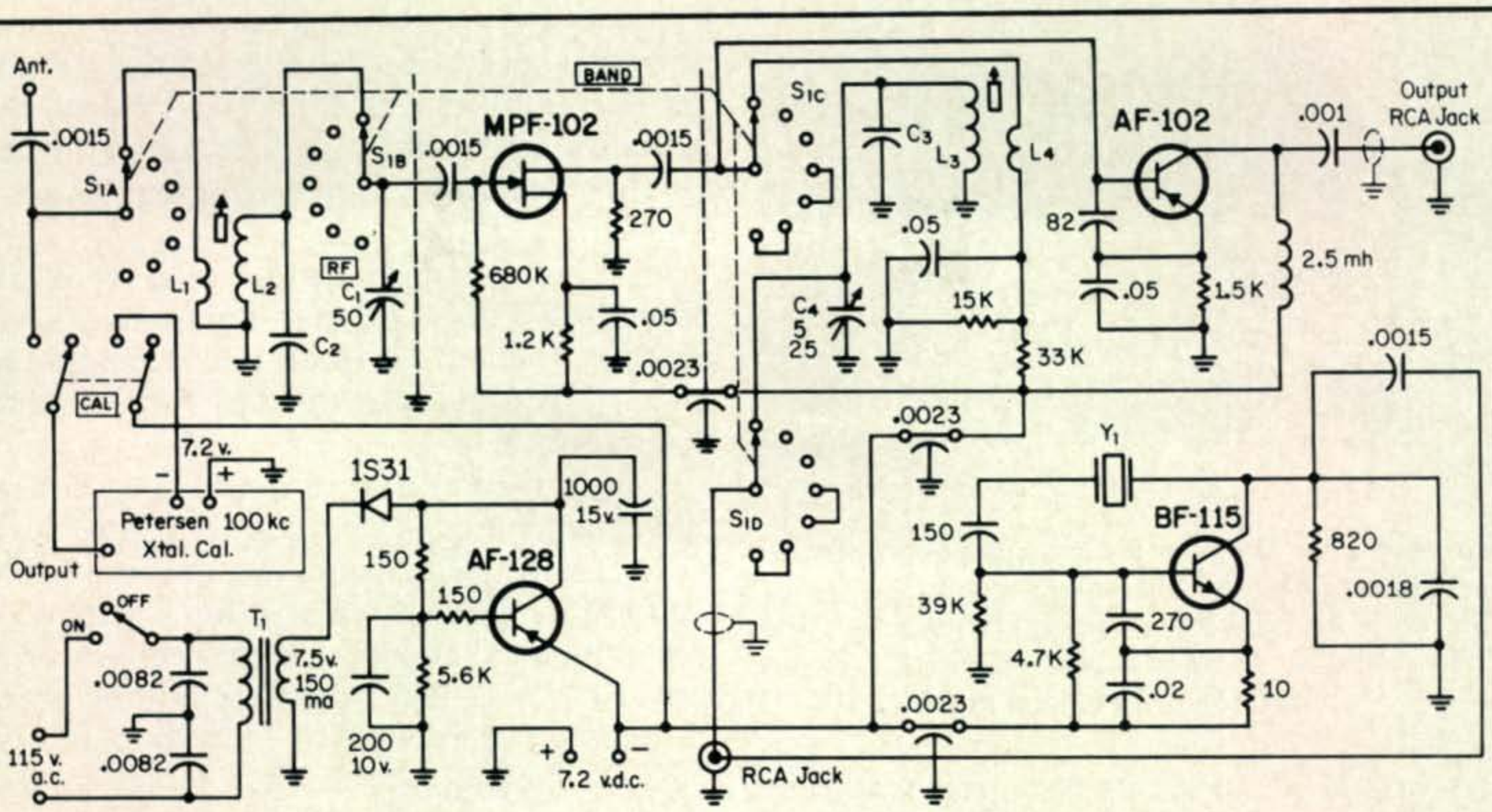


Fig. 1—Schematic of the universal solid state preselector/converter for the h.f. BC bands. Simple changes in the tuned circuits make the unit suitable for h.f. amateur band use. Table I details values for Y_1, L_1-L_4, and C_2-C_3 for each of seven h.f. BC bands. All resistors are 1/4 or 1/2 watt. Capacitors greater than one are in mmf unless otherwise specified; those less than one are in mf.

C_1—50 mmf miniature variable capacitor. Hammarlund MAPC-50B.
C_2, C_3—See Table I.
C_4—8-25 mmf ceramic trimmer. JFD Type P-25C.
S_1—Modified 6 pole 2-12 position miniature rotary switch. Centralab PA-2024.
T_1—7.5 v. 150 ma specially wound step-down transformer. Any transformer which will deliver 7.5 v.a.c. may be substituted.

Owners of receivers with doubly calibrated dials (*i.e.*, the dial has two logging scales, one going, say, higher in frequency when the dial is rotated clockwise and another still going higher in frequency when the dial is rotated counterclockwise) will not face this limitation.

A typical case is the 49 m. band.[5] I could have nicely stayed out of spurious if I were to oscillate at 11 mc (6 mc, converter input, *plus* 5 mc, receiver input[1]), but this would have used a backwards dial reading.

So the converter oscillator can only operate at 6 mc *minus* 5 mc = 1.0 mc and, sure enough a spurious appears within the band, exactly on 6.0 mc, being the 6th harmonic of the oscillator.

When the receiver and the converter tune the *same* band, the oscillator stays inactive (no crystal inserted) and the converter then operates as a preselector/booster. The gain is not as high as one could expect from a standard preselector, as the mixer stage is designed to operate with a medium to low gain and therefore does not behave as an outstanding r.f. stage in the preselector configuration. The "preselector" mode gain is about 10-12 db on most bands, though this figure varies depending on the characteristics of the receiver following it.

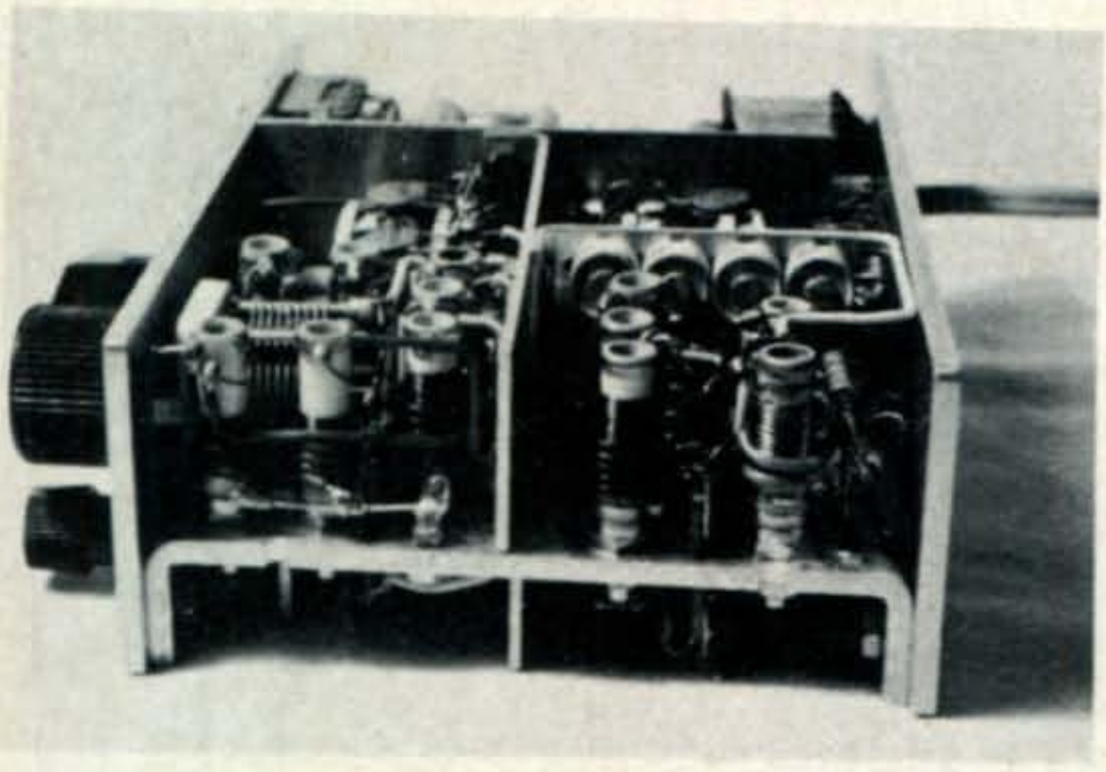
A strict tolerance of the crystal frequency is not really needed, as any deviation from nominal frequency can be easily corrected with the "Frequency" control of the receiver.

Looking at the photos, an option is left to the prospetive builder to either duplicate this unit as it is, with a built in power supply and a 100 kc crystal calibrator or to sacrifice both things in order to make room at the left side of the chassis for additional coils, for additional coverage. The bandswitch used (a Centralab PA-2024 unit) could permit up to 12 bands (7 were used).

The r.f. coils are designed to need some fixed parallel capacitance, so that the antenna trimmer is smooth to tune and does not require a mechanical vernier.

The mixer coils are broadband affairs as they are fixed tuned at the center frequency of each band.

[5]The 49 m. SWBC band covers 5,950-6,200 kc.



Right end view showing the r.f. coils and antenna trimmer at left, and the mixer compartment at right with its bank of trimmers installed on the central shield. Trimmers are JFD 3/8" round types for printed circuits.

As in all GP line, this converter was kept as small as possible, measuring 1.9" × 6" × 4.5" and weighing only 2 lbs.

Construction

Front and back panel (1.9" × 6", two needed) and the chassis (2" × 5.5", two units req.) are cut from 1/8" aluminum sheet. The two chassis are shaped to a U form, measuring 1/2" each side arm and 4.5" the central span, using a 16 ton press (nice, but not required!). Chassis and panels are fastened with 4-40 × 3/8" binder head nickel plated screws.

Internal shields are made of 1/16" aluminum sheet, their shape being visible in the photos. Notice that to save room the main shields are not fastened to either chassis, but are held in place by the bandswitch.

Table I

Band	Y_1 (kc)	L_1	L_2	C_2	L_3	C_3	L_4
60 m.	none	5.3	48	47	47	33	5
49 m.	1,000	3.6	32	47	32	33	3
41 m.	2,300	2.1	28	47	28	33	2
31 m.	4,700	2.0	16	100	–	–	–
25 m.	7,000	2.0	14	100	14	50	2
19 m.	10,300	1.7	10	47	–	–	–
16 m.	13,000	1.2	9	47	9	25	1.1

Figures for coils are numbers of turns. All coils wound on Miller 4500-0 $\frac{1}{4}$" dia. slug-tuned coil forms. Coils L_1 and L_4 are #22 plastic covered wire close wound on the cold end of L_2 and L_3, which are close wound of #26e.

Because of small clearances among components, several precautions should be taken at assembly time, as some parts can only be wired in a definite sequence. A careful study of the photos will surely help before getting started on this project.

The power supply features a custom made transformer for 7.5 v., 150 ma output. After rectification and the electronic regulation and under a 100 ma load the d.c. output is about 7.2 v.d.c.

The 100 kc crystal calibrator is a Petersen unit, purchased complete for $12.95; the double pole switch cuts the antenna off the calibrator, besides energizing it. It is not recommended to operate this calibrator below 7.0 v.d.c. The calibrator output goes to the converter input, but a front panel jack permits feeding 100 kc harmonics to other gear.

The r.f. coils have no individual trimmers, to save space. A variable capacitor (MAPC type, Hammarlund) tunable from the front panel is used instead, with fixed capacitors of proper value soldered across each coil. One coil per band is used (See Table I), the values given being for SWBC bands: by proper interpolation and extrapolation it is possible to calculate the components value for ham band operation. The r.f. transistor is an FET, quite similar to that used in the GP-29 with good results. Notice that r.f. coils are shielded from the r.f. transistor, to assure no parasitics will develop.

The mixer stage has a small rack of 8-25 mmf trimmers installed on the partition shield with the bandswitch. Mixer output is fed to the front panel RCA jack via a coaxial

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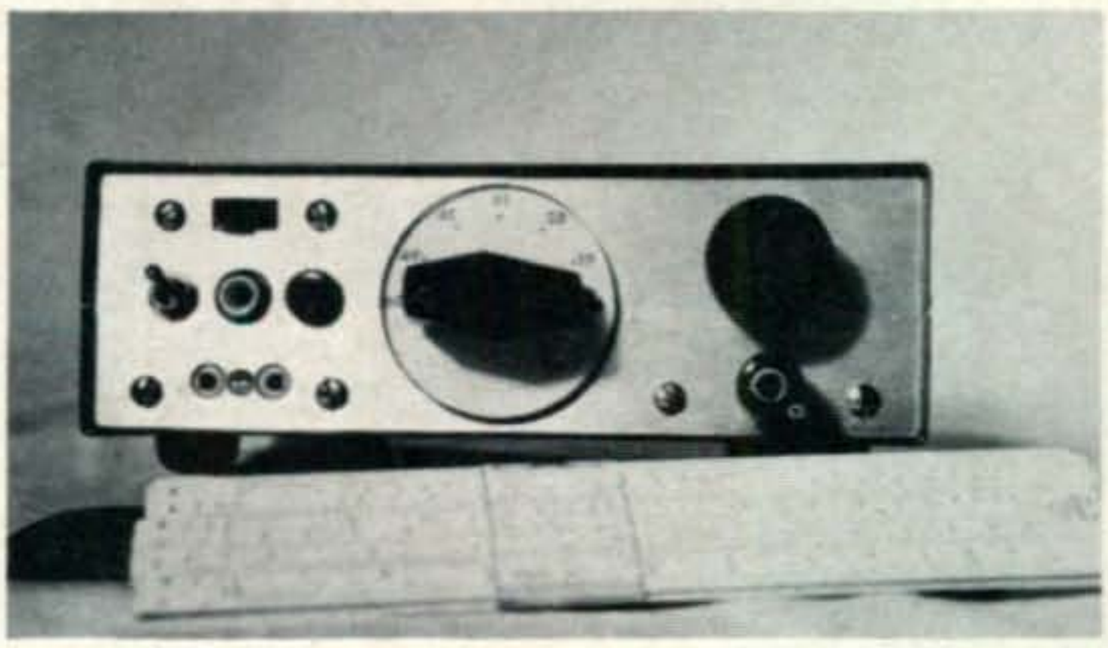

This front view of the converter next to a 5" slide rule helps illustrate the small size of the unit. The bandswitch dial is drafted oversize (about 2:1), photographed, and printed exact size, being held in place by a 3/32" thick plexiglass disc.

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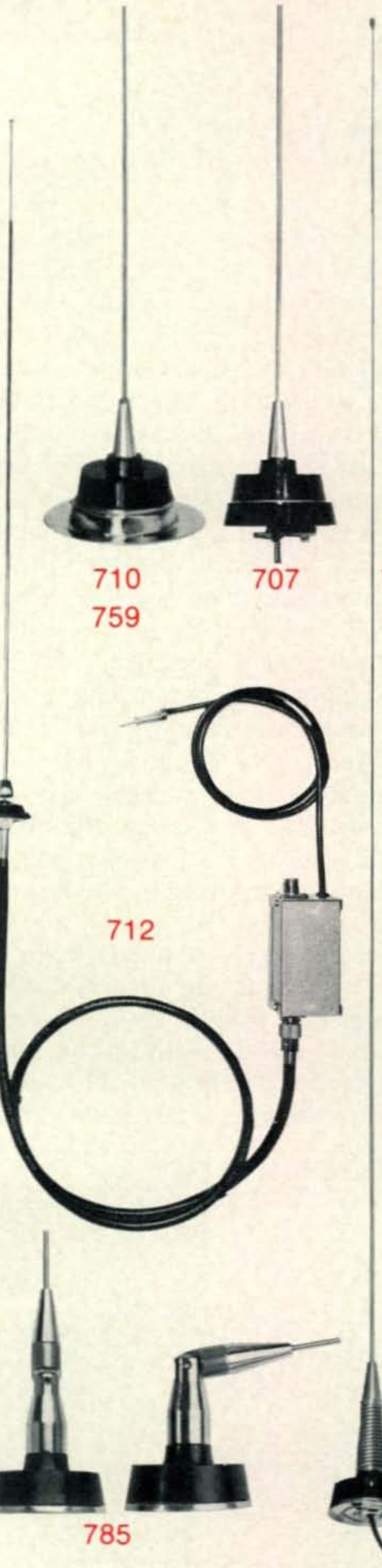

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THE Pickering Model KB-1 Electronic Keyer is an all solid-state affair which, instead of employing a paddle by which the operator himself forms code characters, automatically produces code characters in response to pressing buttons on a typewriter-like keyboard. 47 different characters can be formed thereby. Besides the alphabetical letters and numerals, the following other code symbols and groups may be transmitted: period, comma, question mark, fraction bar, quotation marks, KN, BT, AS, AR, AA, SK or a string of dots (a 48th button).

Characters are produced at speeds of 12-72 w.p.m. (for which there is a speed control) and automatically provide the standard 3-baud spacing between characters (1 baud=length of one dot). The user thus simply operates the keyer in somewhat the same fashion as a typewriter is handled (with some minor differences in rhythm and touch as explained later).

Other features of the KB-1 are a control to vary the weighting (dot-to-dash ratio), a switch position for transmitter tuneup, built-in sidetone monitor with level control, separate jacks for headphone and speaker use, facility for keying a negative blocking bias to ground or a positive low-voltage cathode to ground.

Hand keying or that by a conventional hand-operated electronic keyer may be had through the unit without alterations of connections to the associated transmitter. There also is a jack through which the logic output of the KB-1 may be used for external gear that requires such a keying signal. The unit is powered from a 120 v.a.c. source using a self-contained power supply.

Besides providing convenient formation of perfect characters for keying a transmitter, the KB-1 is an excellent device for use in learning the code and for such practice. By depressing the button for any particular character, the keyer will automatically produce that character, enabling the newcomer to hear how it is formed and how it actually sounds. Once the learner has mastered this angle, anyone else not even knowing the code, can transmit code practice at slow speeds to the listener simply by depressing the required buttons in proper sequence. In addition, many pairs of headphones may be connected to the keyer for group practice. It also can be used to key an external a.f. oscillator, such as where the oscillator is already wired for group instruction.

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The Pickering Model KB-1 Electronic Keyer.

Lineup

A functional block diagram for the KB-1 is shown at fig. 1. The keyer employs a fully-clocked digital system whereby each change of its state occurs within a time determined by the clock pulses. It thus controls the sending speed. A uni-junction transistor is used for the clock oscillator along with a constant-current source that ensures a linear speed-control characteristic.

The keyboard consists of 48 s.p.s.t. switches wired as a 48 position selector switch. Activating a keyboard switch energizes one of 48 corresponding output circuits

to a diode matrix (Translator) which generates a unique 7-bit digital "word" for each keyboard button. The "word" is then fed simultaneously (in parallel) into a shift register (Character Register) which reads one "bit" of the word at a time, and depending upon whether that bit is a binary "0" or "1", directs the element generator to produce a dot or a dash, each followed by a dot-length space. Upon completion of each such element, the Control Block permits the shift to proceed to read the next bit. After all necessary elements for a character have been generated, a final bit in the "word" signals the Control Block of the end of the character.

The control section also is arranged to cause the proper spacing to be set up at the end of each character. In the event that the button for the following character is depressed before the 3-baud spacing occurs, the generation of that character is held up until the end of the proper spacing time.

The element generator operates the positive- and negative-keying circuits, each one of which employs a switching transistor and using a steering diode for protection against accidental reverse polarity at the key terminals. The sidetone monitor also is keyed and is provided with headphone and speaker outputs there is no self-contained speaker in the unit.

Construction

The KB-1 is built on a glass-epoxy circuit board and employs 12 IC packages for the flip flops, NOR gates and an expandable line driver, plus 6 diodes and 12 transistors. The unit is contained in a 3⅞" × 10⅛" dull-black metal case 2½" high. Long tapered rubber feet on the bottom of each end of the case are placed so that the unit tilts slightly upward.

Volume, speed and weight controls are on the front of the unit along with a 3-position toggle switch that turns the power on and off with the 3rd position used for activating the transmitter during tuneup. There are no calibrations for the speed and weight controls; but in the case of the latter, the center position is specified as providing a 50-percent dot duty cycle. The extremes provide an approximate 40- and 60-percent duty cycle.

The pushbuttons with the symbols are at the top side of the case and are arranged according to the standard typewriter keyboard with the special groupings located at the ends.

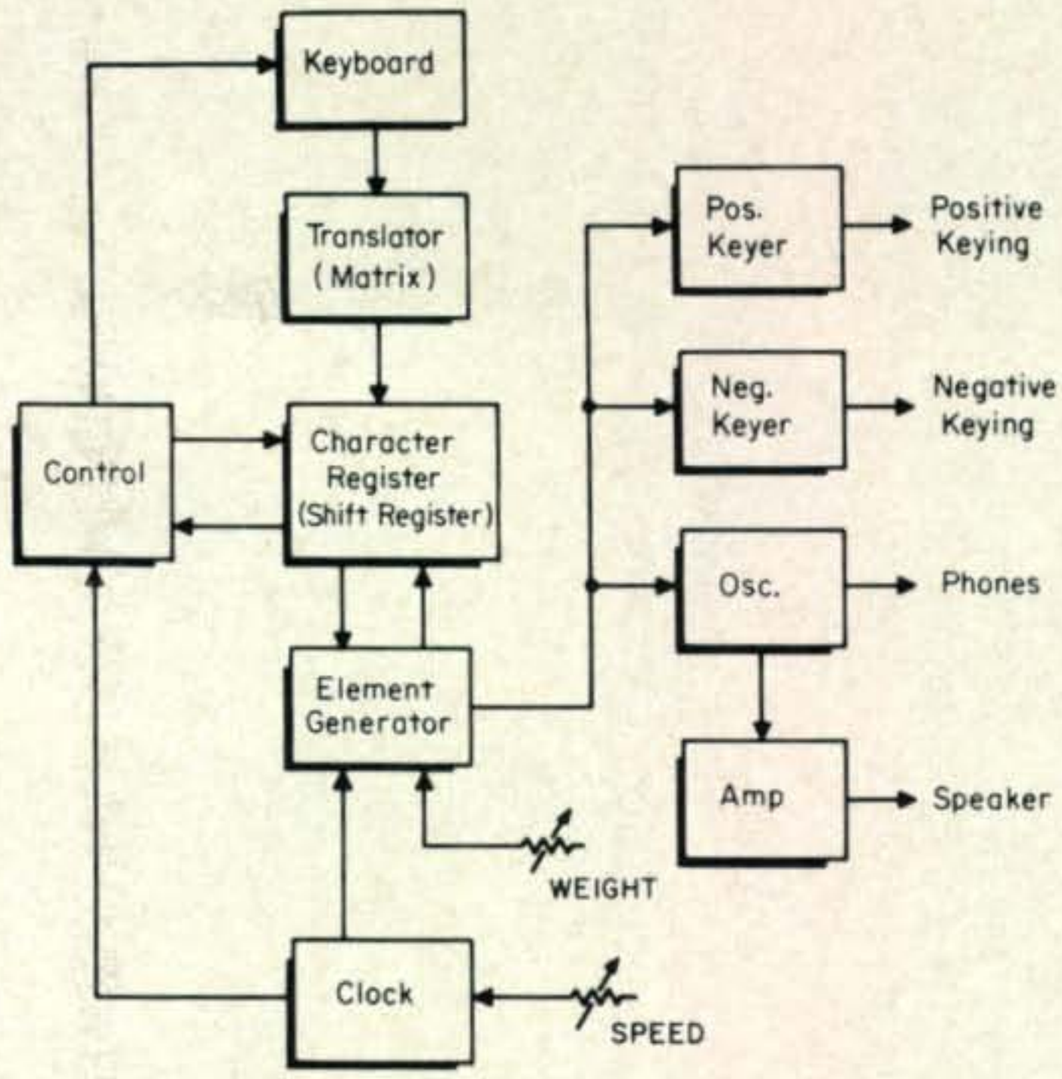


Fig. 1—Block diagram for the KB-1 keyer. A condensed description is given in the text.

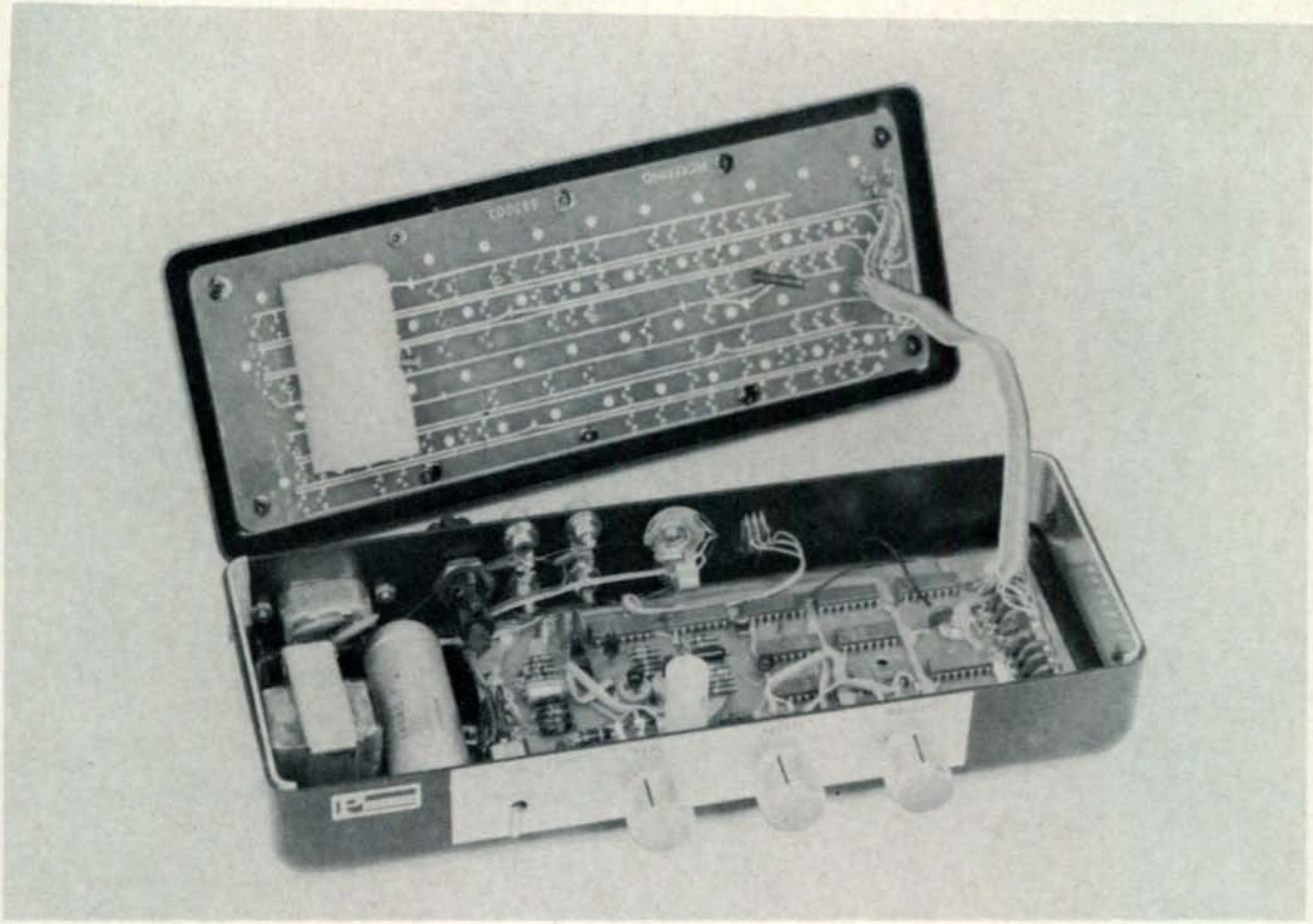
The rear of the unit has a fuse holder, a receptacle for a detachable 3-wire a.c. power cord, a standard jack for headphones and phono jacks for a loudspeaker, positive-keying and negative-keying output circuits, hand keying and utility (logic output).

Operation

The button movement is approximately .020" and requires a force of about 4 ounces. There is hardly any feeling to the movement, except for a slight "rubbery" action. The touch is similar to that required for an electric typewriter; however, one of the major differences (over a mechanical typewriter as well) in operating the KB-1 is in the timing or the rhythm. There is no memory, except that needed to form each individual character and the following space, making it necessary to properly time the depressing of the different buttons which will vary according to the length of the preceding character.

The buttons are not to be "tapped" as with an electronic typewriter, but rather must be held down until generation of the related character commences,[1] at which time the button for the next character may be held down until generation of its character starts. Since the character generation with each button includes the following

[1]The button for the initial desired character must be released before the next character starts.



Interior view of the KB-1. There are two boards interconnected with a 9-wire cable.

space, the succeeding character cannot "jump the gun" and appear before the proper spacing. If erratic spacing is to be avoiding and perfect spacing is to be had between characters (that is, spacing no greater than the normal 3-baud length), the user must time his finger movements according to the length of each character. For the short ones (such as e, i, t) the related button thus must be released sooner than for the longer characters, with movement to the next needed button also made in shorter time. The required rhythm of finger movement thus varies from character to character and is one to which one must accustom himself. This is not hard to come by, at least it was not so from the experience of this writer who is accustomed to typing at a pretty good clip using the "two-finger hunt system" with either a mechanical or electric machine.

In the case of code learning, the spacing is not necessarily as important, until the student recognizes the formation of each character. Exact timing between characters then is not mandatory, therefore enabling one not familiar with code to operate the keyer for the learner.

The negative-keying circuit is used for blocked-grid keying or other methods requiring a negative potential at the key. This circuit is rated for use with potentials of up to 150 v.d.c. and for currents up to 15 ma. Values in excess of either of these restrictions require employment of an external relay operated by the positive-keying circuit.

The positive-keying setup is designed for operation with low-level cathode circuits where the peak current is under 100 ma and the peak potential is within 60 v.d.c. These ratings include transients. Where both values are apt to be exceeded, an external relay must be keyed by this circuit with the proviso that inductive spikes from the relay coil are supressed to maintain the peak potential within the 60-volt limitation. A simple suppression circuit, using a resistor and a diode, is described in the manual which also includes explicit operating, installation, technical and maintenance details.

The keyer may be nicely handled while placed on a table top or in one's lap; however, with the latter, care must be taken to see that bunched-up clothing does not accidentally knock the speed control off its desired setting. If you'd like to sit back and take it easy "typing" out perfect code transmissions or assist others in learning code, the Pickering Model KB-1 Electronic Keyer is an ideal device for accomplishing these ends. It is priced at $265 and is a product of Pickering Radio Company, Post Office Box 29, Portsmouth, R.I. 02871. —*W2AEF*

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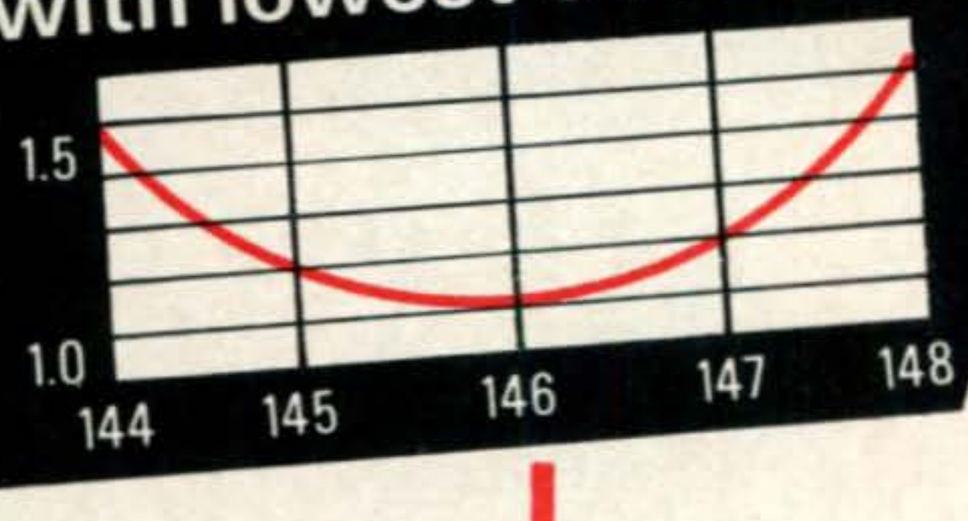

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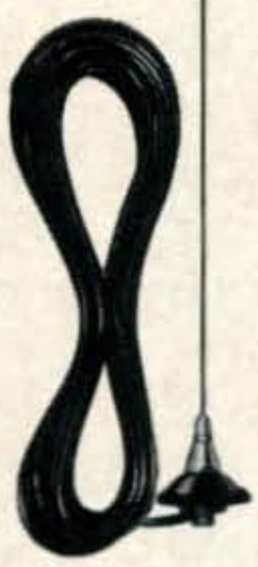

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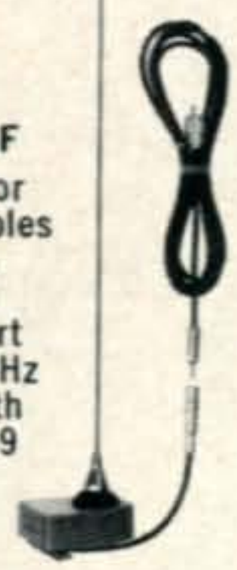

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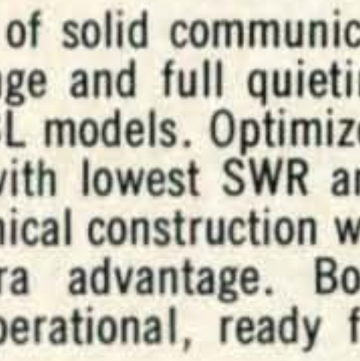

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FM: How To Speak It

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MANY amateurs have probably noticed that *CQ* is now giving much more emphasis to f.m. activities than in the past. It is hoped that this emphasis will serve two purposes: The first is to attract more active amateur f.m. operators to become subscribers; the second purpose is to convert amateurs now operating with other modes to the f.m. fold.

F.m. serves a distinct need within the ranks of the amateur radio operator. It provides a simple method of mobile operation, provides for a network for emergency operation, and provides a fixed frequency intercom channel. Many DX operators use f.m. to inform each other of a rare station or prefex (after working him, of course). Fixed frequency operation allows a mobile operator freedom from constant retuning of equipment and from missing a call because he is a few kc off frequency. The widespread use of repeaters with input and output frequencies coordinated allows the travelling amateur communication with local stations in virtually every city in the United States and Canada.

These are only a few of the many reasons for the rapid growth of amateur f.m. activity. No matter what the reason for going on v.h.f. f.m., the newcomer must learn a new language. Remember back to your Novice days, or even back to s.w.l.'ing. You had to learn a new language, the language of amateur radio. The same is true for amateur f.m. operation. Of course many phrases and slang terms have the same meaning, but there are many phrases and terms which appear in no other form of amateur operation. As an aid to the newcomer, a Glossary of sixty-three commonly used terms and phrases is provided here. The definitions given here are virtually universal. However, certain localities may have local terms and phrases for the same thing or for other items. These terms will be picked up as you go along. The definitions in the Glossary should serve to start the new f.m. operator off on the right foot.

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Glossary of FM Terms

Accent: The Accent line of equipment was produced by General Electric for the 450 to 470 mc commercial band. The unit is tube-type with a transistorized power supply. Construction is primarily on a single printed circuit board.

"BD": The "BD" or Business Dispatcher is a line of equipment manufactured by Motorola. The receiver is solid atate and the transmitter is tube-type with solid-state audio preamplifier. Most versions are dash-mount with a power output of 15 watts. The newer units are called Mocom 30 and may be truck mount. The Mocom 30 units may be rated at 25 watts output, depending on model type.

Belly Band: The term "Belly Band" is sometimes applied to the use of 7.5 kc deviation, rather than the usual 15 kc or 5 kc deviation. This 7.5 kc deviation is usually compatible with both wide-band and narrow-band equipment.

Black Oven: These crystal ovens, often used in older types of Motorola equipment, have a temperature rating of 60 C. The stability meets the 0.002% now allowed for low-band commercial standards. However, they will not meet the .0005% for high band or 450 operation by commercial stations. These ovens are normally satisfactory for amateur f.m. on all types of equipment which will accommodate them.

Brick: A brick is one of several types of newer design portable equipment, including the following: Motorola HT-200 (H23DCN, etc.), General Electric MASTR Personal series, and the Varitronics-Inoue HT-2. This type of equipment may be handled with only one hand and is normally less than two pounds in weight.

Channel Element: A channel element is an assembly used in place of the single crystal in controlling either the transmitter or receiver in newer types of f.m. equipment. The channel element contains a transistorized oscillator, buffer, and frequency compensating networks. The channel element is unheated, thus requiring much less current from the source. Stability of these channel elements may exceed 0.0002% depending on design.

Coffin Sets: This is a term often applied to the old types of f.m. equipment using a separate transmitter and receiver. This type of equipment was housed in cabinets with rounded tops resembling small coffins. In some areas this type of equipment is referred to as "dog house."

Continuous Tone Squelch: CTS is a method of tone control of the f.m. equipment wherein a virtually subaudible tone (70 to 200 c.p.s.) is transmitted alongwith the desired voice audio. This tone activates a reed or other frequency sensitive circuit in the receiver allowing reception of the voice audio. Signals without the proper tone or with no tone at all are not heard.

Control Head: The control head is that portion of the f.m. unit containing the off-on switch, volume control, squelch control, and microphone connections. When used with a trunk mount unit the control head is normally mounted under the dash of the automobile and connected to the unit via a multiconductor cable.

"COR": A COR or Carrier Operated Relay is a circuit which is activated by the reception of a signal by an associated receiver. Normally the COR operates from the squelch circuit of the receiver, activating when the squelch circuit opens the blocking voltage on the audio circuitry of the receiver.

Croppie Pole: This is a type of high-band antenna consisting of a helical winding encased in fiberglass. The normal gain of this type of base station antenna is from 6 db to 9 db. The antenna is very long and resembles a large fishing pole.

Dash Mount: A dash mount f.m. unit is of the type wherein the entire unit mounts under the dash of an automobile. The speaker, microphone, and all controls are usually mounted on the front of the unit for easy access.

Desk Set: A desk set is a telephone-resembling unit which is connected to the base station via a multiconductor cable. Provision for push-to-talk operation and reception is normally provided. Some models also provide for switching of frequencies.

Deviation: The deviation of an f.m. transmitter is the amount the modulated signal carrier varies from the center frequency. During one half of the modulating cycle the deviation is positive and during the other half cycle the deviation is negative. See also narrowband and wideband definitions.

Diplexer: A diplexer is a device which allows simultaneous (duplex) transmission and reception from a single antenna. Diplexers range from simple cavity arrangements (where frequency separation is great) to complex hybrid-ring units for close separation. Some people refer to a diplexer as a "duplexer," however, the correct term is "diplexer."

Discriminator: The discriminator is the detector in the f.m. receiver. It first converts the f.m. signal to a.m. and then demodulates the a.m. signal, thus producing the desired voice audio signal. It is analogous to the product detector in s.s.b. receivers and diode detector in a.m. receivers.

"DTO": The DTO is a type of f.m. unit manufactured by General Electric for MTS (see definition) service. The receiver has no squelch circuit (one may be added, however). The unit normally has provision for five channel operation, making it a very desirable unät for amateur f.m.
able unit for amateur f.m.

Duplex: Duplex operation is that operation wherein simultaneous reception and transmission takes place. This occurs in amateur repeaters. A signal is transmitted from one transmitter, received by the repeater receiver and retransmitted on another frequency by the repeater transmitter. This type of operation also is used in mobile telephone service. However, when used as telephone the operator can receive and transmit at the same time.

Four Fifty: In reality the term applied to the u.h.f. commercial radio frequency band from 450 mc to 470 mc. Amateur f.m.'ers use the term for the amateur band from 420 mc to 450 mc.

Gold Oven: The gold colored crystal ovens which maintain a tolerance of better than 0.0005%. These ovens meet present commercial standards. The operating temperature is 85 degrees C. These ovens replace the black ovens when converting to commercial narrowband standards.

Handie-Talkie: This term is a registered trademark of Motorola and applied to the Motorola line of hand carried portable equipment. In general, amateur terminology the term and its abbreviation (HT) is applied to all units which can be easily hand carried.

High-band: This is the commercial radio band from 152 mc to 172 mc. Amateur usage often includes the two meter amateur band.

Ice Box: This term is sometimes applied to the line of amateur f.m. equipment manufactured by International Communications & Electronics (ICE) of San Antonio, Texas. These were among the early entries in the solid-state equipment built exclusively for amateur f.m. operation.

"IDC": IDC for Instantaneous Deviation Control is a Motorola trademark for the circuitry which controls and adjusts the deviation of the f.m. transmitter. The term is sometimes applied to the potentiometer which is adjusted to set the level of maximum deviation.

IMTS: IMTS is the abbreviation for Improved Mobile Telephone System which is now being implemented in many areas. This system allows direct dialing from the mobile telephone, both for incoming and out-going calls. IMTS replaces the old MTS (see definition).

Intermod: This is a contraction of the word intermodulation. Intermod is caused by the mixing of two or more signals in a non-linear device (rusty pipe joints, for example) with a resultant signal on a third or more frequencies. In areas where many signals are present, intermod may be present on all available channels. Intermod, unfortunately, is a fact of life and is very difficult to eliminate. Sometimes a crystal filter or other similar narrowband device may be used in the antenna lead to the receiver to eliminate intermod. However, this will not work if the offending signal is on the desired frequency.

Limiter: The limiter circuit in an f.m. receiver is an i.f. circuit which saturates at a relatively low signal strength, thus keeping the audio output from the discriminator at a constant output. The audio output from a discriminator is directly proportional to the signal output, thus requiring a constant signal level for a constant audio level. It is analogous to a.v.c. in the conventional a.m. receiver.

Low-band: This is the commercial band stretching from 25 to 28 mc and from 30 to 50 mc. The term is often applied in amateur circles to include the f.m. operation in the 10 meter and 6 meter amateur bands.

Machine: A machine is a complete repeater system.

MASTR: MASTR is the registered trademark of General Electric for its newer type of Progress Line equipment. MASTR equipment include base stations, mobile stations, and portable and paging units.

MICOR: MICOR is a registered trademark for Motorola's present "top-of-the-line" f.m. communications equipment. The equipment is fully solid-state in various frequency and power combinations.

Model 80: A Model 80 is not a piece of RTTY e-

quipment. It is a signal generator manufactured by Measurements Corp. which was the mainstay of the commercial f.m. service business for many years. The basic generator covers from 2 to 400 mc, and the Model 80R covers 5 to 475 mc. This generator and its military equivilents (e.g. TS-497B) are used by many amateur f.m.'ers.

Motrac: This is a Motorola trademark for its line of mobile communications units using solid-state receivers and hybrid transmitters.

Motran: This is a Motorola trademark for its early line of completely solid-state communications equipment. The Motran has been replaced by the Micor line.

"MRT": The various MRT pieces of equipment were manufactured by Bendix. Many amateurs are now using MRT equipment on both six and two meter f.m.

"MTS": MTS or Mobile Telephone System is the older type of car telephone system wherein all calls were placed through an operator. Operation was duplex. MTS is now being replaced by the newer IMTS.

Narrowband: Narrowband is the designation for commercial operation using 0.002% tolerance on lowband and 0.0005% tolerance on high band and 450 with a deviation of 5 kc. Amateur operation is now gradually switching over to narrowband standards because of the availability of equipment designed for this type of operation. The term "Split-Channel" is sometimes used for narrowband operation.

Overlap: Overlap designates a simultaneous coverage of two or more repeaters using the same input and output frequencies. This problem often occurs in large metropolitan areas with more than one repeater in operation.

Pacer: The Pacer was a dash-mount f.m. unit manufactured by General Electric. The unit was hybrid in design and constructed primarily on circuit boards.

Permakay: The Permakay is a Motorola trademark for its line of selective i.f. filters (usually 455 kc). The filters are usually of two types, that with a bandwidth of approximately 30 kc for wideband operation and 10 kc for narrowband operation. The newer types may be identified by the letter suffix of "S" for narrowband and "W" for wideband.

Porta-Mobile: This is a General Electric trademark for a number of pieces of equipment which can be installed in an automobile and then easily removed for portable operation.

Progress Line: A General Electric trademark for its line of pre-transistor equipment. Later models used a transistorized power supply. These units may be equipped for operation for up to 4 channel operation.

Private Line: Motorola's trademark for its version of continuous tone squelch.

Quiet Channel: RCA's trademark for its version of continuous tone squelch.

Reed: Any of a number of frequency sensitive encased circuits which are used in selective tone signaling or for CTS operation. A reed may be either for encoding (transmitting) or decoding (receiving).

Remote: A remote is a unit which can be used to control a remotely located base station via either a continuous two wire or four wire line. Switching is accomplished by a d.c. voltage of a given polarity. Audio, both transmitted and received, is also carried along the same wires. This technique is often used to place the base station at a very high point (such as a building roof or TV transmitting tower) several miles from the dispatch point. Newer types of remotes use audio tones for switching eliminating the need for a continuous pair of telephone wires.

Repeater: A repeater is any of a number of radio devices which receive a signal and retransmit it on a second frequency at the same time.

Secode: Secode is a manufacturer located in Dallas, Texas, who manufactures several types of control heads for RCC, IMTS, and MTS operation. The term Secode is sometimes applied in amateur f.m. circles to describe any of these control heads.

Simplex: The operation on a single frequency. Both transmission and reception takes place on this frequency. Operation on the 160 through 10 meter amateur bands is normally simplex. In this case the transmitter is turned off during the reception period. This is in contrast to duplex operation during which the receiver and transmitter can be operated simultaneously.

Single-tone: The use of an audio tone of short duration to activate a receiver for control purposes. Such a tone may be sent at either the beginning of a series of transmission or at the beginning of each transmission. It differs from CTS in that the tone is of short duration. A single tone system may be used either to select a given repeater receiver or to prevent unauthorized use of a repeater.

Strapping: Strapping is the term applied in many of the newer types of equipment manufactured for amateur f.m. operation. Therein, two or more switch positions may be jumpered to allow the use of a single crystal with several other crystals for various frequency combinations.

Test Set: This is a piece of test equipment designed for use with equipment manufactured by a given company. It normally contains metering and other facilities for checking and aligning the equipment. Both Motorola and General Electric manufacture test sets for their equipment.

Time Out: A time out timer is often used on a repeater to prevent the tying up of the frequency in case of either a continuous carrier on the input frequency or by malfunction in the repeater. The normal time span is from 1½ to 3 minutes. A time out timer also discourages long-winded transmissions, thus allowing other stations to break-in, if desired. The timer resets when the signal on the input frequency stops.

Tone-Burst: A tone burst system is a type of single tone operation. The tone is sent for a short period of time at the beginning of a contact. This allows the repeater receiver to operate. After a period of time with no transmissions, the receiver automatically resets, thus requiring another tone burst to allow the receiver to operate. Until the receiver resets, it will receive any transmission on the proper frequency.

TPL: TPL or Transistorized Progress Line is the General Electric trademark for its line of mobile f.m. units using transistorized receivers and tube-type transmitters. In the case of trunk mount units the majority of the receiver circuitry is located in the control head.

T-Power: Originally, "T-Power" was a Motorola trademark for its line of tube-type equipment us-

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An S.W.R. Bridge With A Built-In 80 Through 10 Meter Signal Source

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ONE of the questions frequently asked on the Advanced and Extra class exams is, "Where should s.w.r. measurements be made on a resonant antenna—at the antenna or at the transmitter end of the transmission line?" The answer to this question is, of course, at the antenna. The transmission line, if of appreciable length, will tend to flatten out the bandwidth of the antenna system (antenna plus transmission line) and must not enter into the tuning of the antenna if the antenna is to be truly resonant by itself. I am sure that most hams have found this to be rather difficult to do in most cases. In addition, it usually involves at least two people—one at the transmitter adjusting the frequency and the r.f. level to the bridge at the antenna end of the line and the other person up on the tower tuning the antenna. And how many times have you lost your sense of humor fumbling around with connectors that don't mate to the s.w.r. bridge while standing on the tower shouting down to the shack to change the r.f. level because you and/or your bridge are going up in smoke? I for one have been down this street many times too often and have decided to transform antenna tuning into not so an harassing procedure.

The device described in this article is an s.w.r. bridge with its own built-in signal sources for each band 80 through 10 meters. The oscillators are crystal controlled at the desired antenna tune-up frequencies and supply adequate power to fully deflect the meter on the bridge section. It provides for tuning the antenna at the antenna even before the transmission line is routed up the tower. There is no danger of burning out the bridge or burning up yourself with excessive r.f. from the transmitter because the oscillators are capable of only a few milliwatts.

Although the device is designed for 80 through 10 meter operation, 160-meter capability can be obtained by duplicating the 80 or 40 meter oscillator and using a 160 meter crystal. 6-meter capability is achieved by duplicating one of the overtone oscillator circuits and using an appropriate overtone crystal and r.f. transformer. Obviously, the circuit board would have to be modified from that which is described below.

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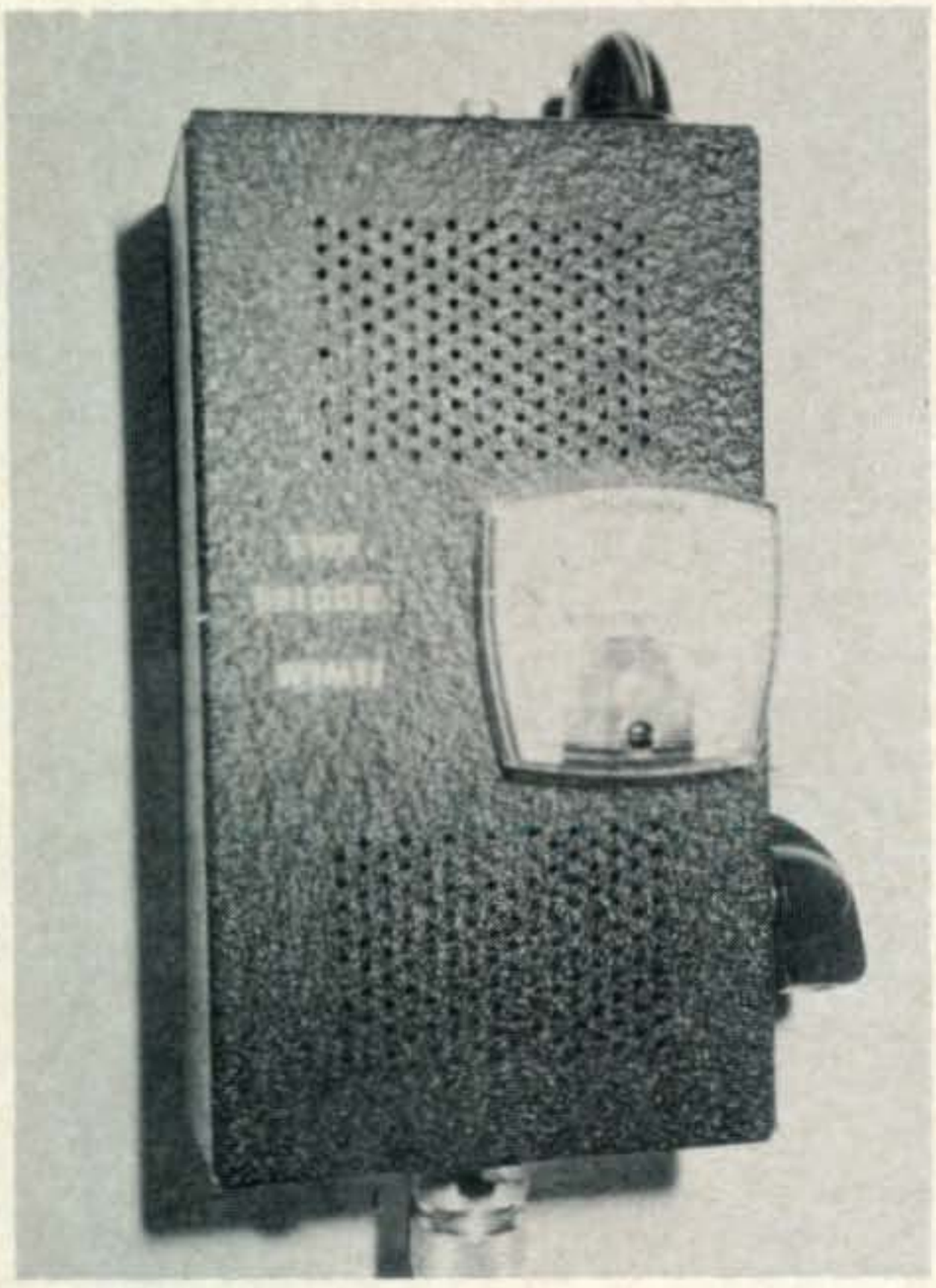


The self-excited s.w.r. bridge. Out of view on the bottom is S_2 which selects either 50 or 75 ohm impedance operation. At the right is the meter calibration control R_{16} while the band switch S_1 and Test-No-Test slide switch S_3 are at the top.

Circuit Description

The complete circuit of the self-exciting s.w.r. bridge is shown in fig. 1. It was decided to use separate complete oscillators for each band in order to alleviate the horrendous switching problem that would be necessary if one transistor were expected to do the job of five. In order to select the desired oscillator to supply the bridge section with r.f. and hence the antenna, the present configuration only requires that the supply voltage and the oscillator outputs be switched. Current drain on the 9 volt battery is about 12 ma maximum at any one time.

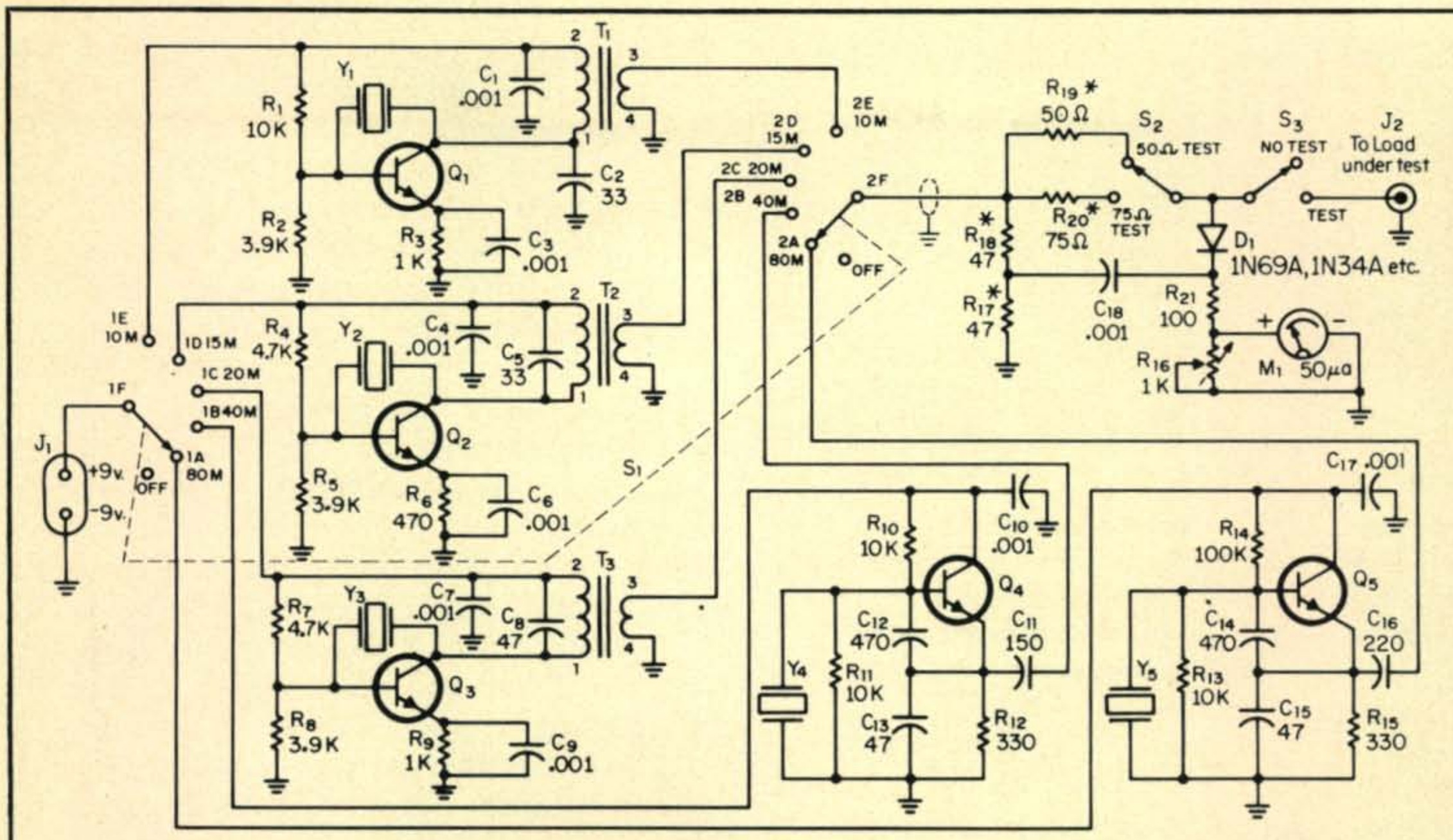


Fig. 1—Schematic of the s.w.r. bridge with built-in 80 through 10 meter signal source. All resistors are 1/4 watt, 10% tolerance except those marked (*). Capacitors are disc-type. Values greater than one are in mmf; less than one in mf.

Q_1-Q_5—RCA 40245.
S_1—2 pole 6 position subminiature rotary switch. (Centerlab PA-2005).
S_2—S.p.d.t. slide switch.
S_3—S.p.s.t. slide switch.
T_1—Pri.: 11 t. #36 e. Sec.: 3 t. #36 e. on Indiana General CF-101 Q2 toroid.
T_2—Pri.: 16 t. #36 e. Sec.: 4 t. #36 e. Same core as T_1.
T_3—Pri.: 20 t. #36 e. Sec.: 5 t. #36 e. Same core as T_1.
Y_1, Y_2, Y_3—Overtone crystals for 10, 15 and 20 meter bands respectively. HC-6U holders.
Y_4, Y_5—40 and 80 meter crystals respectively in HC-6U holders.

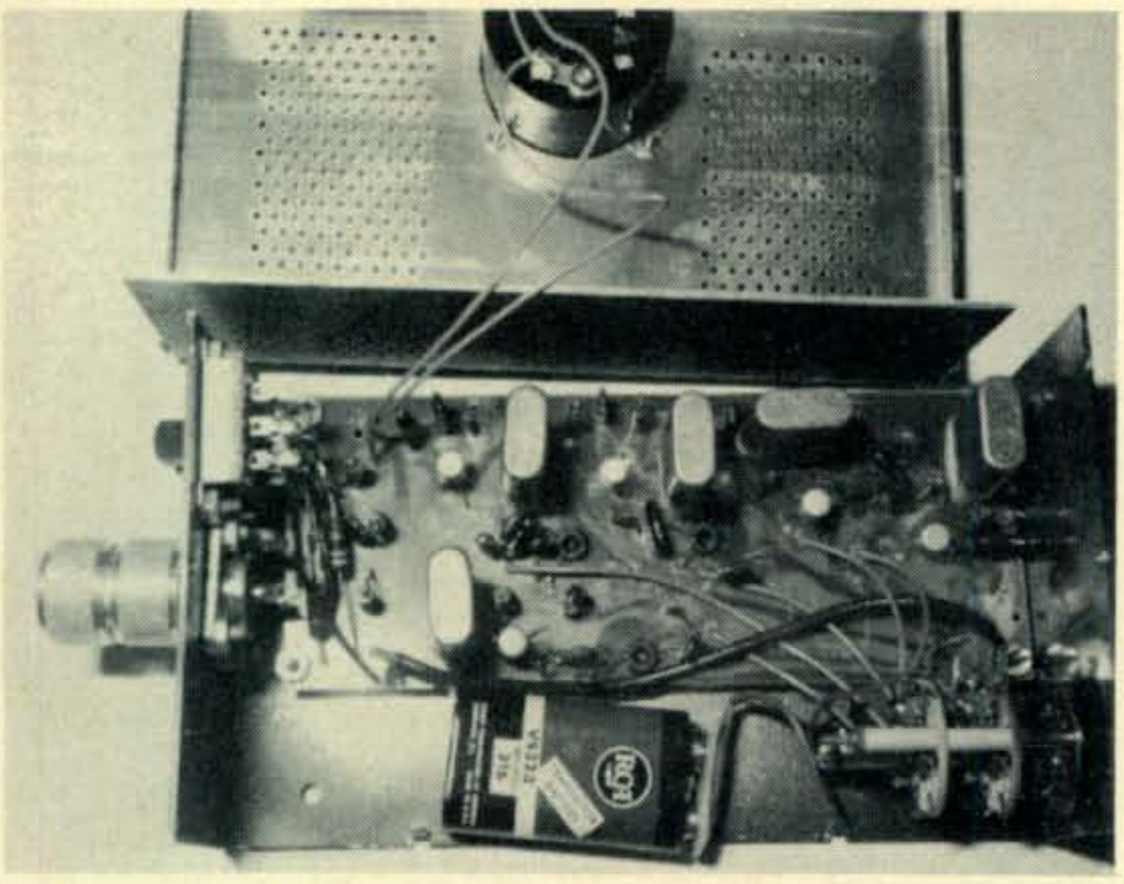
The oscillators for 10, 15, and 20 meters are overtone oscillators requiring overtone crystals and a resonant circuit somewhat below the crystal frequency. C_2 and the inductance between terminals 1 and 2 of T_1 should resonate at about 26 mc for the oscillator to operate in the 10 meter band. Correspondingly, T_2 and C_5 should resonate at about 19 mc, T_3 and C_8 should resonate at about 12 mc for oscillation in the 15 and 20 meter bands, respectively. Each crystal should be selected to be at that frequency near which the appropriate antenna is to be tuned. The 40 and 80 meter oscillators are not overtone oscillators and therefore require no resonant circuit.

The bridge section of the circuit is identical to the one described in any ARRL *Handbook* except that a slide switch S_2, is provided to change the impedance that the bridge is to balance against from 50 to 75 ohms and vice-versa.

The meter used in this bridge is any 50 microampere meter that is small enough to fit on the case of the instrument. A meter with a full scale deflection greater than this is inadequate because full scale deflection will not be realized which is necessary for proper operation and calibration as described in "Operation and Bridge Calibration," below. A 50 microampere meter is no more expensive than any other and is also available miniaturized.

The function of S_3 is to connect and disconnect the antenna from the bridge during bridge calibration. This switch solves the problem of physically removing the load by unfastening connectors which is most unhandy at an elevation of 70 feet. The function of S_3 is further described below.

R_{17} and R_{18} are each a 47 ohm resistor. This pair of resistors must be closely matched in value in order for the bridge to balance at the proper antenna load impedance. Ordin-



With the cover removed from the 6¼ × 3½ × 2 inch Minibox, the location of most components becomes apparent. The meter must be located so as not to interfere with internal circuitry when the cabinet is assembled.

arily, 5% tolerance is sufficient, but they should be checked with an ohmmeter nevertheless. Their absolute value is not critical, but they must be closely matched in relative value. R_{19} and R_{20} should also be 5% tolerance resistors. These resistors should be as closely matched to the antenna impedances as possible.

Construction

In conjunction with fig. 1 and its parts list, fig. 2 is meant to make the construction of this project as simple as putting any kit together. Figure 2A is an actual size drawing of the underside (foil side) of the printed circuit board and is intended to be used as a template for mapping out the circuit configuration. My favorite technique is to sketch the layout on paper as is done for the builder here and then trace out the mapping onto the copper side of the board by inserting carbon paper between the map and the copper. The resulting trace is not very distinguishable in dull light so it is suggested that ample light be available for following the carbon paper trace on the copper. Ordinary fast drying enamel paint is an excellent etch resist and can be applied to the trace with an artist's brush. After the paint is dry, the board can be etched and then drilled with a number 64 drill bit. The size of this bit is of course not critical, but a number 64 is about the right size for resistor and capacitor leads. The small dots in fig. 2A indicate wire holes and the larger ones indicate hardware or crystal socket holes. The correct size bit for these holes is determined by the builder's choice of hardware.

After the circuit board is drilled, fig. 2B indicates the exact holes into which each component or wire is to be mounted and soldered. It is suggested that the transistors be mounted and soldered last so they are not overheated. Care should also be exercised in soldering R_{17}, R_{18}, R_{19} and R_{20} so that excessive heat does not alter their resistance.

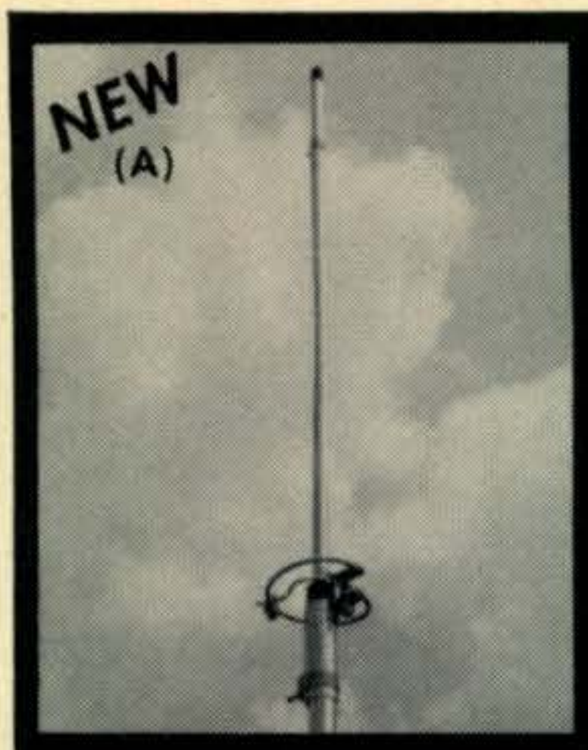
The box used to house the s.w.r. bridge as shown in the photos is a Minibox obtained on the surplus market for 45 cents. It is identical to the familiar Bud miniboxes in construction and measures 6¼ × 3½ × 2 inches. Bud does not manufacture a box to these dimensions, but does make an aluminum chassis with a bottom plate that measures 6 × 4 × 2 inches. Construction using this chassis would be identical to the construction described here and may be even easier since all four sides are attached to the same section. The only component that would have to be mounted on the bottom plate would be the meter. Using the minibox construction, both the meter and R_{16} are mounted on the cover. The equivalent chassis and bottom plate to the Minibox are available as Bud number AC431 and BPA1505, respectively.

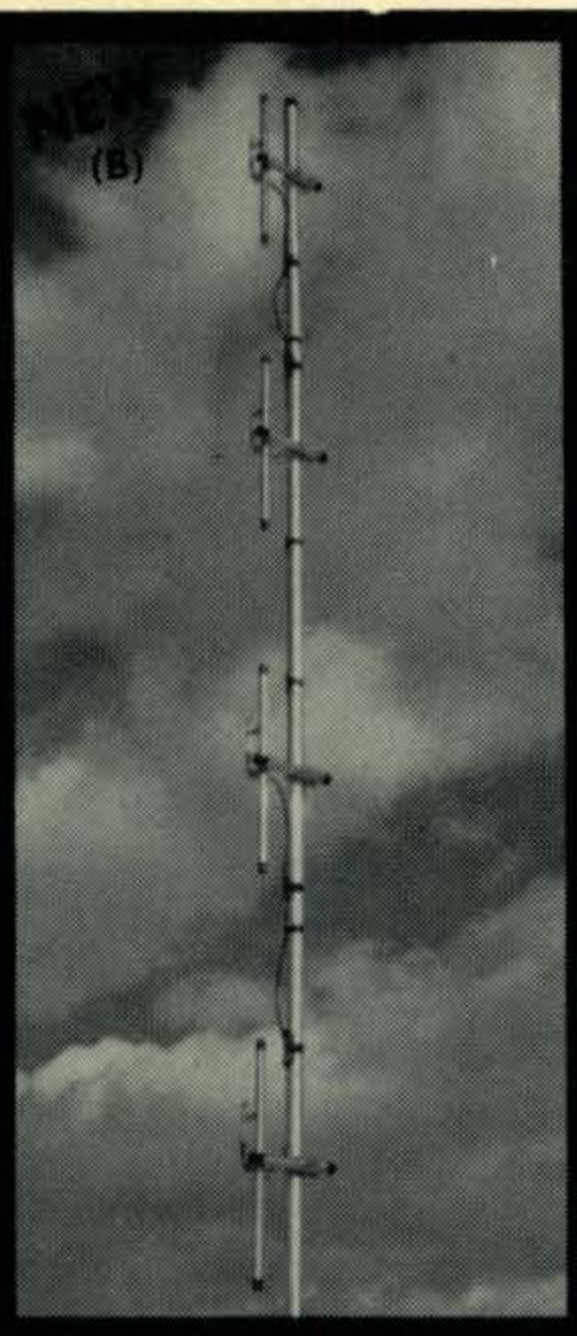
General layout of hardware and components not mounted on the circuit board can be seen in the uncovered view photo.

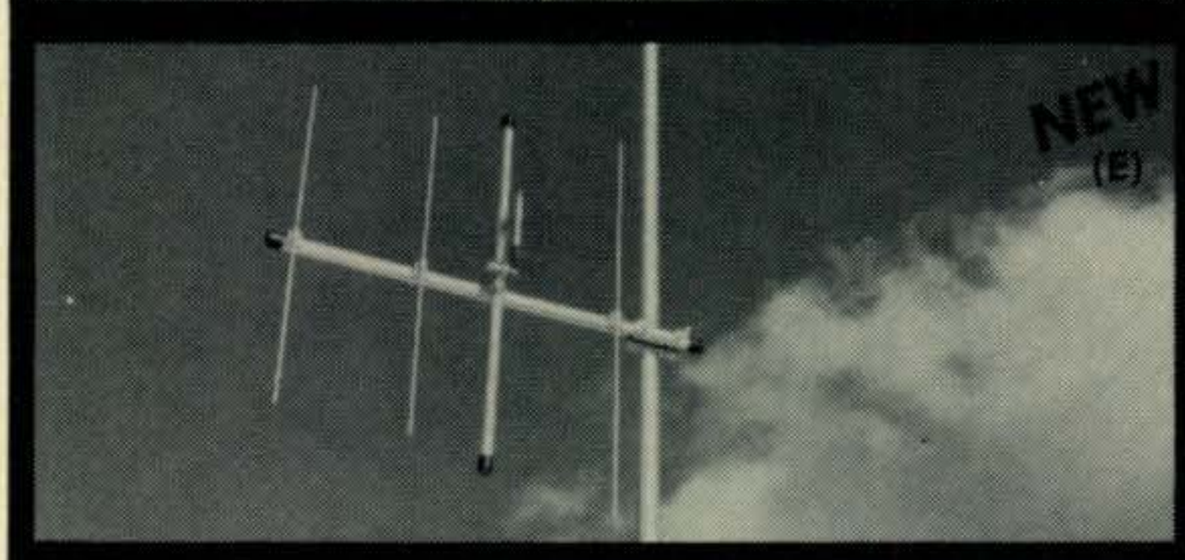
The inductors T_1, T_2 and T_3 as used by the author are on tiny toroid cores (Indiana General CF-101 Q2 material) that are suitable for use between 1 and 50 mc. More often than not, these cores will not be available to the ham unless he is willing to purchase a minimum order of $25 from the manufacturer. For this reason it may be advantageous to use solenoid type coil forms of say one-quarter inch in diameter. A grid-dip-oscillator can be used to determine resonance at the frequencies listed above. The links (terminals 3 and 4) should have about the same number of turns, *i.e.*, 3, 4, and 5 turns for 10, 15, and 20 meters, respectively and should be wound on the ground or cold end of the solenoid coil between terminals 1 and 2. C_2, C_5 and C_8 should be the same regardless of the type of coil form or core used.

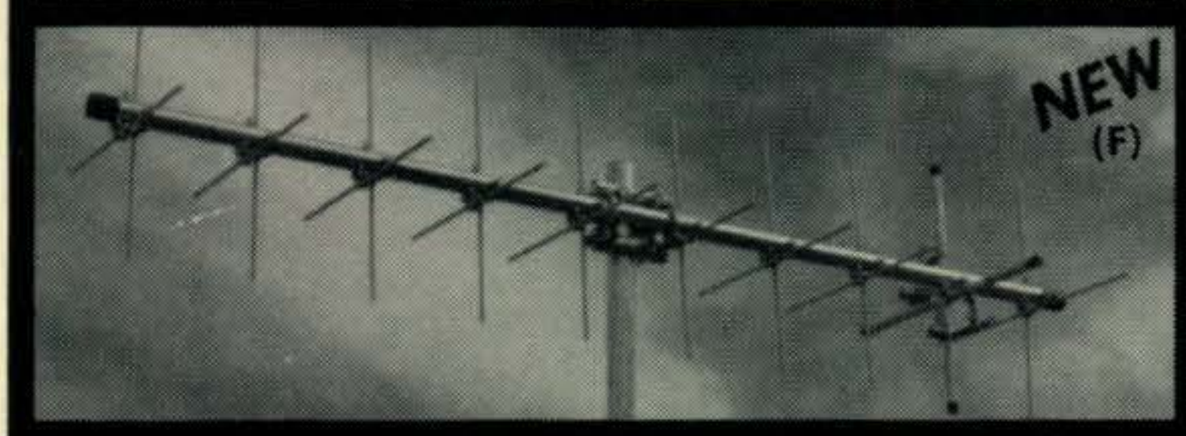
Operation and Bridge Calibration

If the antenna feedpoint is equipped with a SO-239 female coaxial socket, connect the antenna to J_2 by means of a short length of coaxial cable with two male connectors. The impedance of the short coax is not important if the length is at most one foot long or so.









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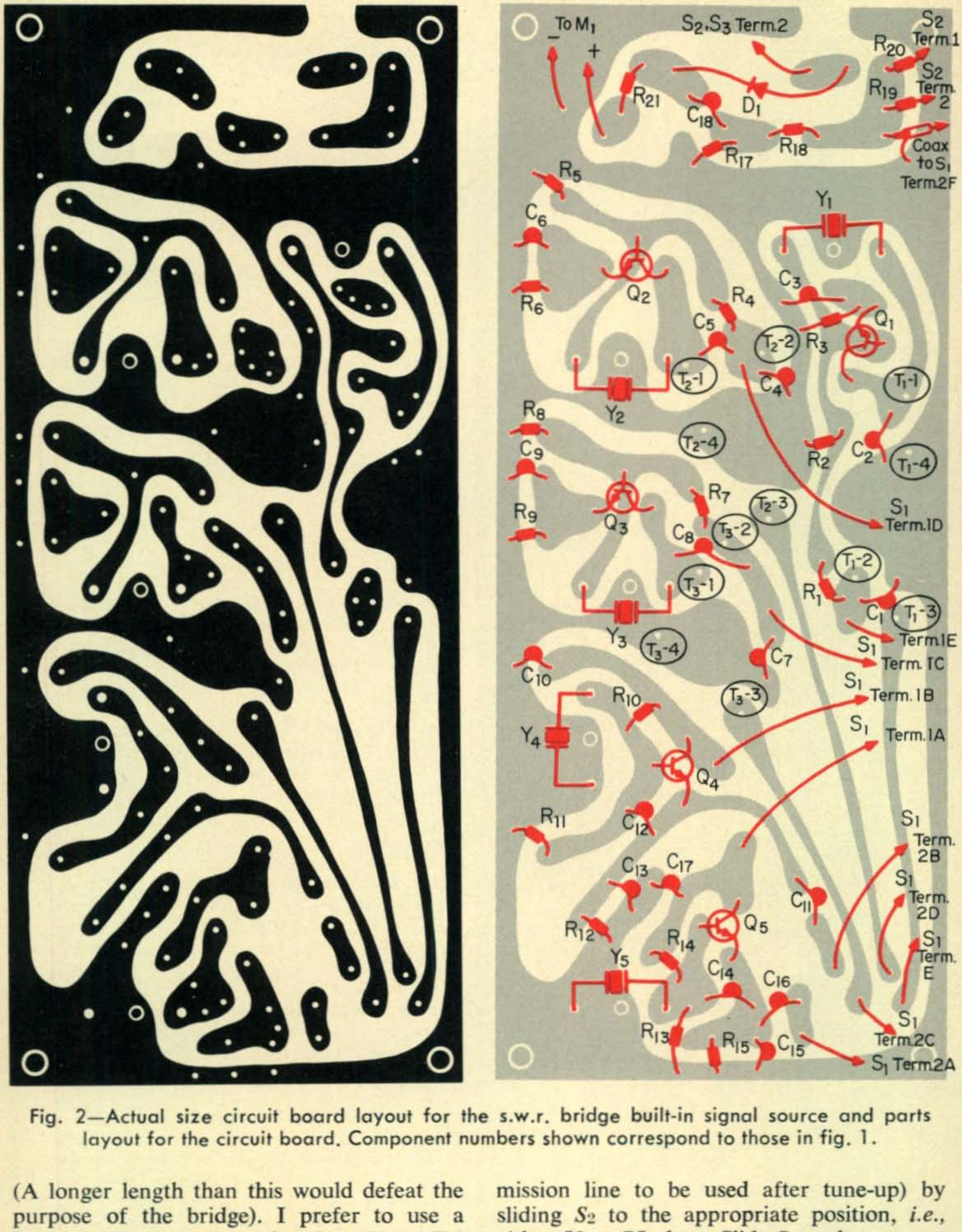

Fig. 2—Actual size circuit board layout for the s.w.r. bridge built-in signal source and parts layout for the circuit board. Component numbers shown correspond to those in fig. 1.

(A longer length than this would defeat the purpose of the bridge). I prefer to use a double male connector such as Dow-Key AF-2 but this adaptor may not be available. If the antenna transmission line is normally connected to the antenna by bolts or some other means, then obviously only one male coax connector is needed to plug into the bridge. After the bridge is connected to the antenna, select the proper antenna impedance (corresponding to the impedance of the transmission line to be used after tune-up) by sliding S_2 to the appropriate position, *i.e.*, either 50 or 75 ohms. Slide S_3 to the NO TEST position and turn S_1 to the frequency to which the antenna is to be tuned. R_{16} should now be adjusted for a full scale meter reading. After this adjustment, slide S_3 to the TEST position and tune the antenna for minimum meter indication. The s.w.r. of the antenna is 1:1 when the meter indicates zero which in turn

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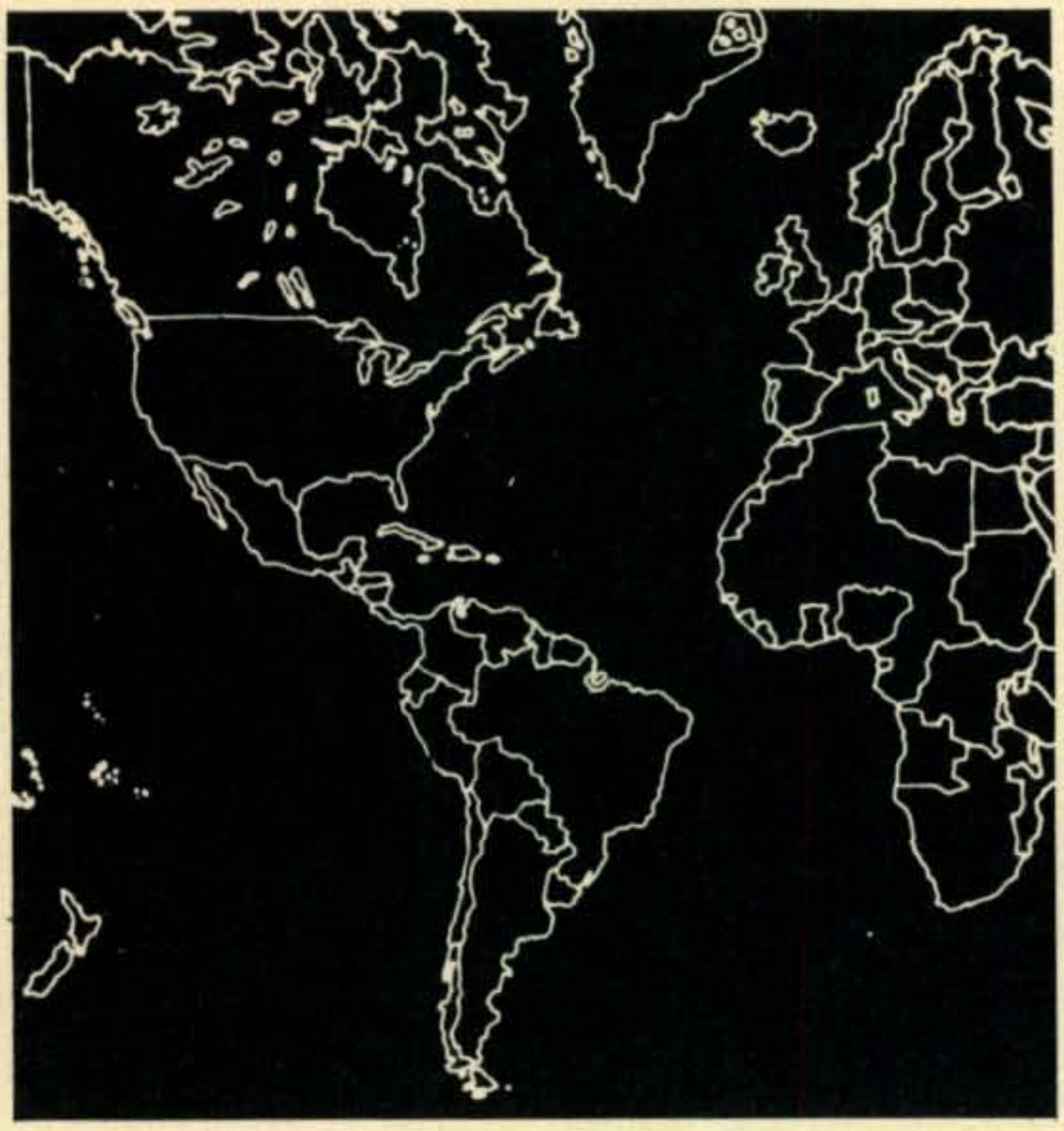

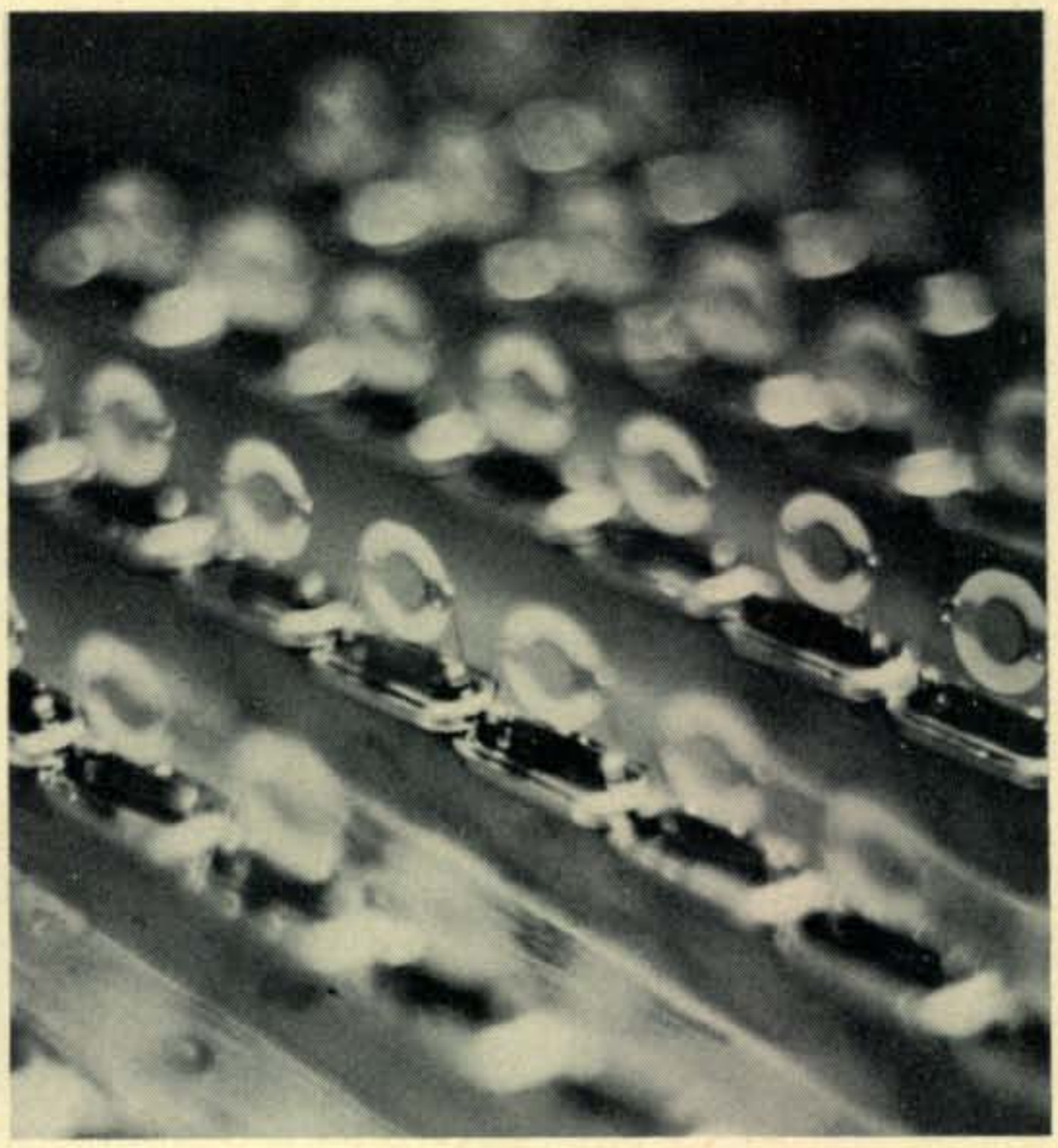

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As most stateside readers are now aware, the FCC has released a Notice of Proposed Rule Making, Docket No. 19162, which has profound implications for DXers both in the US and abroad. This is the matter of expanded phone frequencies for US licensees, which the Commission broadened to include major changes in the c.w. bands as well. Complete details were published last month so we will briefly discuss some of its effects on DXing.

If adopted by the Commission, this docket will establish a phone sub-band from 14150-14175 kc for US holders of the amateur extra class license, and a 14175-14250 kc sub-band to be shared by Extra and Advanced Class licensees. This will result in the shift of major split frequency DXpedition operation to a point below 14175 in order to escape QRM which will cover the traditional 14195 kc stronghold. A similar situation will exist on 15 meters where 21200-21225 and 21225-21350 kc sub-bands are proposed. While a similar arrangement is suggested for 10 meters, the effect will be less pronounced on this spacious band.

Of great interest is the possibility of a phone sub-band from 7075-7100 kc for DX contacts with other regions. This, along with a proposed 7175-7225 kc sub-band would completely revolutionize phone DXing on 40 meters for Extra and Advanced Class operators.

It is interesting to note that the proposal acknowledges the popularity of DXing by its statement in paragraph 8 that the greater possibility of establishing foreign contacts should be an incentive to qualify for the Extra class license. However, it also seems to acknowledge the general unpopularity of the Extra class license concept in both stating that the modest number of US licenses of this class should not significantly affect foreign telephony operation in the new 25 kc sub-bands, and in reducing the Extra class c.w. sub-bands to only 10 kc each.

Readers of long standing will recall that De Extra's petition, RM-1393, suggested that 10 kc would suffice for the Extra class c.w. bands. However, the Commission felt at that time that more frequencies were necessary as an incentive. Unfortunately its not a matter

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WA5LOB	James Edwards	699
CT1LN	Paulo J. S. Coelho Vierra	693
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W4OPM	Joe Hiller	950
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CW

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K1SHN	Chuck Banta	636
G2GM	F. D. Cawley	627
YU1AG	Djura Borosic	613
VE4OX	D. E. McVittie	600
I1SF	Serafino Franchi	588
W8GMK	John Marhefka	562
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I1SF	Serafino Franchi	595

of incentive, its the existence of a meaningless class of license. Our next painful prediction is that unless the requirements for the Extra class license are made more significant it will die a natural death. Although we opposed incentive licensing editorially, we would hate to see the complete demise of the Extra class as it could contribute to the improvement of the service if it recognized the truly outstanding ham, rather than just a guy who memorized some more questions and slightly increased his code speed.

Here are the boys who operated WØEXD/KC4 from Navassa Island a few weeks ago. Left to right are Carroll Hixon, K4QGM, John Bowman, W4OHP, and Dick Brown, WØEXD. QSL to Rt. 1, Box 716, Pensacola, Fla. 32507.

In a final order adopted Feb. 24, 1971, the Commission amended the 160 meter subbands in the western U.S. This will certainly require changes in next winter's trans-Pacific tests as U.S. amateurs along the west coast are now excluded from all 160 meter band frequencies above 1900 kc.

De Extra

The October, 1970 issue of *OHM*, the Oriental Ham Magazine, carried an article entitled "Honor Comes First" by Fred Laun, HS5ABD. Fred discussed some of the problems of DX with particular stress placed on the over-emphasis on Honor Roll standing, and concluded with some suggestions for improving the procedure for country awards. While space prevents us from using the entire article, we do feel that his suggestions have merit. They are:

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591.....W4UPJ
592.....DK2BM
593.....K4BBK
594.....WA8TDY
595.....K9BJM

C.W. WPX

1087.....PY2DBU

Mixed WPX

269.....PY4AP

Phone WPX

206.....ZE1BP

WPX Endorsements

S.S.B.: W4IC–650, DK2BI–600, WØYDB–550, WA6AHF–500, K4BBK–250, K3TVE–250, KC6WS–250, and W2BHK–250.

C.W.: W8KPL–950, DL1QT–800, G2GM–700, YU1AG–700, SM7TV–700, OK2DB–650, DL7MQ–500, W9EVO–350, and DJ2IF–350.

Mixed: K1SHN–800, YU1AG–800, W4BQY–750, PY4AP–650, VE3AAZ–600, 4X4FU–500, and WB4KZG–450.

Phone: CT1PK–950, OE2EGL–550, K2OLG–450, and ZE1BP–400.

15 Meters: W4WSF.

10 Meters: VE3GCO, DK2BI, and W4WSF.

Africa: VE3GCO and YU1SF.

Europe: DJ2IW.

Oceania: K6TZX.

South America: DK2BI.

Complete rules for WPX, WPNX, and VPX may be found on pgs. 66-67 of the June, 1970 issue. Application blanks and reprints of the rules may be obtained by sending a self-addressed, stamped envelope to Award Manager, P.O. Box 1271, Covina, Calif. 91722, or to the DX Editor.

Alex, 3B7DA, was the first station to use the 3B7 prefix. His rig is a Heath HW-16 modified to 40, 20, and 15 meters by VQ9CC and VQ8CM and presented to the Mauritius Amateur Radio Society by the Southern California DX Club. Alex made over 3000 qso's with the transceiver. *(Photo via WA6GLD)*

OHM followed Fred's article with a letter from an unidentified amateur writing in regard to the editor's proposed trip to Spratly Island. The letter writer noted that propagation between Spratly and his QTH would be poor to lousy, so to insure that he got the QSL he needed, he had attached a check for $50.00. What better evidence of the need to seriously consider Fred's proposals!

Checkpoint News

We are pleased to announce that Rod Linkous, W7YBX, President of the Western Washington DX Club, is not a member of the *CQ* DX Awards Advisory Committee. Rod can verify QSL cards for DXers in the Seattle area who wish to apply for WAZ and the new *CQ* C.W. and S.S.B. DX Awards. Welcome aboard Rod. We're very happy to have a Committeeman from the Great Northwest.

Also on the west coast, Bob Vallio, W6-

1. The Honor Roll, as such, should be eliminated. Amateurs should be given the basic award plus stickers when they reach the 200 and 300-country levels.
2. No country should qualify for DXCC status unless it is (a) above water 24 hours a day and (b) has at least one long-term inhabitant who is not associated with amateur radio.
3. No foreign amateur should operate in any country where the local inhabitants are not permitted to operate.
4. An amateur on a DXpedition should make every attempt to seek out and spend time with the local amateurs. He should attempt to determine how he might help them improve their equipment or get on the air, and also increase the native amateur population.

Anyone who thinks ham radio isn't popular in Central America should check with this active Nicaraguan group shown here in the shack of YN1HSM. Left to right are Arturo, YN1HSM; Alberto, YN1AJP (seated); Reinerio, YN1RM (with headphones); Victor, YN1VMD; Alan, YN1AL; and Tomas, YN1TAL.

One of the kingpins of North Pacific DXers is Itaru Osoegawa, JD1ABO, on Marcus Island. Itaru uses a Kenwood TS 511 and VFO. *(Photo courtesy WA6AUD)*

RGG, has resigned from the committee, but his replacement is none other than Dave Baker, W6WX, a 2-year veteran of the committee, so things in the Bay Area continue to be in good hands. Good luck Bob and welcome back Dave.

QRP—QRPP News

As most DXers like to work toward meaningful certificates many of you will be interested in the awards sponsored by the QRP Amateur Radio Club International. The Award Manager for these toughies is Hugh F. Aeiker, WA8CNN, 929 South Park, Charleston, West Virginia 25304.

KM/W, 1000 Miles Per Watt: Issued to any amateur transmitting from or receiving the transmission of a low power station that the great circle distance between both sides, divided by the power input of the low power station, equals or exceeds 1000 miles per watt. Additional certificates may be earned using different bands and modes. To apply send full log data (power at each end, both QTH's, signal reports, band and mode) with either $1.00 or 10 IRC's. All certificates are half price to members of QRP ARC I.

WAS-QRPP: Issued to any amateur for confirmed contacts with each of the 50 states using a power input of 5 watts or less. The award will be issued for confirmation of states in the following steps, 20, 30, 40, 45, and 50. Specially endorsed certificates are available when (a) power input for *both* sides of all contacts was 5 watts or less; and (b) power input of the applicant was less than 1 (one) watt for all contacts. To apply, send QSL's or GCR list including powers with $1.00 or 10 IRC's.

DXCC-QRP: Issued to any amateur for confirmed contacts with low power stations in 100 ARRL countries. Power or QRP rig must be indicated on QSL's and application. This award is available to QRO operators but a special endorsement seal will be added if 2-way QRP was used for all contacts. Again, $1.00 or 10 IRC's. In addition, *Milliwatt* magazine maintains a QRPP Honor Roll for countries worked using very low power. For the latter write Ade Weiss, K8EEG/Ø, Meckling, S.D. 57044.

QRP ARC I has other awards including a WAC-QRP. For complete info write WA8CNN.

The CQ DX Award Program

C.W. DX

26.....W4ZYT	29.....WØAO
27.....KL7CZ	30.....W8BQV
28.....W9ED	31.....KØARS

S.S.B. DX

50.....KH6BB	65.....DK2BI
51.....K4GXO	66.....WA3JZR
52.....WØGYM	67.....WA6MWG
53.....W3NKM	68.....W4OPM
54.....W6ANN	69.....OE2EGL
55.....W6KZS	70.....W9KRU
56.....WØAO	71.....W2BHK
57.....XE1AE	72.....K6RF
58.....XE2YP	73.....DL3VX
59.....YS1O	74.....WA2FLA
60.....XE1HS	75.....W4WWD
61.....CO2FA	76.....W2ZPO
62.....DL1YA	77.....W8ZOK
63.....WA2EOQ	78.....ZL1AGO
64.....W2IOZ	79.....K4RTA

Complete rules for the CQ DX Award Program may be found on pg. 58 of the January, 1971 issue. Application blanks and copies of the rules may be obtained by sending a self-addressed, stamped envelope to the Award Manager, P.O. Box 1271, Covina, Calif. 91722, or to the DX Editor.

Here and There

DL7FT and three associates plan to activate ZA2RPS again from Albania during the interval June 16–30,, 1971. Simultaneous c.w. and s.s.b. operation is planned using the following frequencies: 14030, 21030, 28030, 14108, 14195, 21235, 21245, and 28620 kc. QSL to DL7FT.

A great time was had by W9UCW, K9CQV, K8HKB, and WØKUS operating from San Andres during the *CQ* 160 Meter Contest in January. They made 166 contest QSO's using the call W9UCW/HKØ. These included 36 states, VE1, VE3, plus KV4FZ, YV1OB, ZD8AY, PJ2VD, HR2HH, VP2BO, OK1-

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Propagation

BY GEORGE JACOBS,* W3ASK

A plateau in solar activity which lasted for more than a year appears to have ended, and the present solar cycle has begun to decline again.

The Swiss Solar Observatory at Zurich reports a mean sunspot number of 71.5 for February, 1971. This is the lowest monthly level recorded since mid-1967, and results in a smoothed sunspot number of 100 centered on August, 1070.

June's Forecast

Typical summertime propagation conditions are forecast for the h.f. amateur radio bands during June. Optimum frequencies for DX propagation are expected to be somewhat *lower* during most of the daylight hours, and somewhat *higher* during the late afternoon, early evening and nighttime hours, than they were earlier this year.

Solar activity is expected to decline steadily, with a smoothed sunspot number of 78 forecast for June, 1971. This means that h.f. propagation conditions this summer season will be somewhat below the conditions observed during the summer months of 1968, 1969, and 1970 when solar activity was set at a smoothed sunspot level of approximately 105.

A sharp decrease is expected in DX propagation conditions on 10 meters during June and the summer months. While considerably fewer openings are predicted, some fairly good ones may still take place to some southern and tropical areas of the world during the daylight hours.

Excellent world-wide DX propagation conditions are forecast for 15 meters, with conditions peaking during the late afternoon and early evening hours. The band is expected to remain open well into the hours of darkness to some southern and tropical areas of the world. All-in-all, 15 meters should be the optimum band for DX openings during most of the daylight hours.

While DX openings to one area of the world or another are forecast almost around-the-clock on 20 meters, propagation conditions are expected to peak on this band during the early evening hours and through the hours of darkness. During June and the summer months, 20 meters should be the optimum band for DX openings during the hours of darkness.

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LAST MINUTE FORECAST

June, 1971

Days	*Rating & Forecast Quality* (4)	(3)	(2)	(1)
Above Normal: 10, 17-18, 21, 26.			B-C	C
Normal: 1-2, 5, 7-8, 11-13, 15-16, 19-20, 22-23, 25, 28-29.	A-B	B-C	C-D	D-E
Below Normal: 3-4, 6, 9, 14, 24, 30.	C	D	D	E
Disturbed: None.	D	E	E	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 8 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 parenthese 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 DX Propogation Charts are based upon a transmitter power of 250 watts c.w.; 1 kw p.e.p. s.s.b., or 1000 watts d.s.b., into a dipole antenna a quarter-wave above ground on 160 and 80 meters a half-wave above ground on 40 and 20 meters, and a wave-length above ground on 15 and 10 meters. For each 10 db gain 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—The Eastern USA Chart can be used in the 1, 2, 3, 4, 8, KP4, KG4 and KV4 amateur call areas; The Central USA Chart in the 5, 9, and 0 areas, and the Western USA Chart in the 6 and 7 areas. The Charts are valid from June 15, 1971 through Aug. 15, 1971 and are prepared from basic propagation data published monthly by the Institute For Telecommunication Sciences of the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, Boulder, Colorado.

With fewer hours of darkness and a sharp seasonal increase in static levels, DX propagation conditions are expected to be poorer on the 40, 80 and 160 meter bands during June than they were earlier this year. Despite these poorer conditions, some fairly good DX openings are forecast for 40 and 80 meters during the hours of darkness and the sunrise period. What little chance there is for a 160 opening should also take place during these same time periods.

This month's *CQ* Propagation Charts contain DX predictions for the period June 15 through August 15, 1971. Short-skip predictions for June, for distances between 50 and 2300 miles, and from Hawaii and Alaska to the mainland, appeared in last month's column. Instructions for the use of this month's DX Charts may be found directly below the "Last Minute Forecast" which appears at the beginning of this column.

V.h.f. Ionospheric Openings

Sporadic-E short-skip propagation should reach a seasonal peak during June, and this is expected to result in fairly frequent 6 meter openings over a range of 1000 to 1400 miles. During periods of widespread ionization, two-hop 6 meter openings may occasionally be possible up to distances of approximately 2300 miles. An occasional 2 meter short-skip opening, between approximately 1200-1400 miles, may also be possible during periods of intense sporadic-E ionization. Short-skip openings are most likely to occur between 9 A.M. and 1 P.M. and again between 5 P.M. and 9 P.M. local standard time, although they can take place at all other times as well. Refer to "V.h.f. Ionospheric Propagation", appearing in the November, 1969 issue of *CQ* (page 37), for a do-it-yourself method for predicting v.h.f. sporadic-E short-skip openings.

No major meteor showers are forecast for June, and very little auroral activity is expected. Check the "Last Minute Forecast", since whatever auroral propagation may be possible during June is most likely to occur on those days forecast to be below normal or disturbed.

Trans-equatorial (TE) scatter propagation is expected to fall off considerably during June, but an occasional opening might be possible between 8 and 11 P.M., local standard time, on long north-south paths which cross the geomagnetic equator at approximately right angles. TE openings favor locations in the southern region of the USA, with openings into more northerly areas unlikely during June.

Sunspot Cycle Info

The Swiss Federal Solar Observatory at Zurich recently published the definitive, or official sunspot numbers for 1970. These are the final values which will be entered into scientific record books, and they appear below.

Official Zurich Monthly Mean Sunsot Nubers For 1970

Jan.	115.5	July	112.5
Feb.	127.8	Aug.	93.0
March	102.9	Sept.	99.5
April	109.5	Oct.	86.6
May	127.5	Nov.	95.2
June	106.8	Dec.	83.5

The highest level of solar activity recorded during 1970 took place on April 10th, when the daily sunspot number reached 188. The lowest level was recorded on March 29, when the daily sunspot number dipped to 29.

The annual mean sunspot number recorded for 1970 was 104.5. This is close to the peak annual mean of the present cycle which was recorded during 1968 at a level of 105.9, and the mean value of 105.5 recorded during 1969. This is another statistical indication of the practically constant level of solar activity that occurred during the period 1968-1970.

The definitive numbers alter only slightly the monthly smoothed sunspot numbers reported in this column during the past year. The table of smoothed numbers shown in "Sunspot Cycle 20 –Progress 1970; Prediction 1971" (Table *1*, page 46, *CQ* Jan. 1971) can be revised as shown below.

Smoothed Sunspot Numbers
Figures in italics are predicted values; all others are observed.

	1969	1970	1971
January	110	106	*90*
February	110	106	*87*
March	108	106	*85*
April	106	106	*82*
May	106	106	*80*
June	106	106	*78*
July	106	104	*76*
August	106	100	*74*
September	105	(98)	*72*
October	104	(96)	*70*
November	105	(94)	*68*
December	105	(92)	*66*

June 15–August 15, 1971

Time Zone: EST (24-Hour Time)

EASTERN USA TO:

	10 Meters	*Meters 15*	*20 Meters*	*40/80 Meters*
Western & Central Europe & North Africa	*Nil*	07-08 (1) 08-11 (2) 11-14 (1) 14-17 (2) 17-19 (1)	08-13 (1) 13-14 (2) 14-16 (3) 16-21 (4) 21-00 (3) 00-04 (2) 04-06 (3) 06-08 (2)	19-21 (1) 21-22 (2) 22-00 (3) 00-01 (2) 01-02 (1) 21-23 (1)* 23-00 (2)* 00-01 (1)*
Northern Europe & European USSR	*Nil*	10-13 (1) 13-15 (2) 15-18 (1)	08-14 (1) 14-16 (2) 16-17 (3) 17-20 (4) 20-23 (3) 23-01 (2) 01-06 (1) 06-08 (2)	20-21 (1) 21-23 (2) 21-01 (1) 20-23 (1)*
Eastern Mediterranean & Middle East	*Nil*	10-12 (1) 12-16 (2) 16-17 (3) 17-18 (2) 18-19 (1)	11-13 (1) 13-15 (2) 15-18 (3) 18-22 (4) 22-00 (3) 00-02 (2) 02-05 (1) 05-07 (2) 07-09 (1)	19-21 (1) 21-23 (2) 23-00 (1) 21-23 (1)*

West Africa	10-12 (1) 15-18 (1)	09-11 (1) 11-13 (2) 13-14 (3) 14-16 (4) 16-18 (3) 18-19 (2) 19-21 (1)	13-14 (1) 14-15 (2) 15-17 (3) 17-22 (4) 22-01 (3) 01-03 (2) 03-06 (1)	19-21 (1) 21-23 (2) 23-01 (1)
East & Central Africa	09-11 (1) 15-17 (1)	08-11 (1) 11-13 (2) 13-15 (3) 15-16 (4) 16-17 (3) 17-19 (2) 19-20 (1)	13-15 (1) 15-16 (2) 16-17 (3) 17-20 (4) 20-23 (3) 23-02 (2) 02-05 (1)	20-23 (1)
South Africa	09-12 (1)	07-09 (1) 09-10 (2) 10-12 (3) 12-13 (2) 13-14 (1)	23-00 (1) 00-02 (3) 02-04 (2) 04-07 (1) 12-13 (1) 13-15 (2) 15-17 (1)	20-21 (1) 21-23 (2) 23-01 (1) 22-00 (1)*
Central & South Asia	*Nil*	08-10 (1) 13-18 (1) 18-21 (2) 21-22 (1)	16-19 (1) 19-22 (2) 22-02 (1) 02-05 (2) 05-07 (1)	18-20 (1)
Southeast Asia	*Nil*	09-12 (1) 15-18 (1) 18-20 (2) 20-21 (1)	05-06 (1) 06-08 (2) 08-10 (1) 15-18 (1) 18-20 (2) 20-23 (1) 23-01 (2) 01-02 (1)	*Nil*
Far East	*Nil*	09-11 (1) 15-17 (1) 17-19 (2) 19-21 (1)	05-06 (1) 06-08 (3) 08-09 (2) 09-11 (1) 17-19 (1) 23-01 (1)	*Nil*
South Pacific & New Zealand	14-17 (1) 17-19 (2) 19-21 (1)	08-10 (1) 13-15 (1) 15-18 (2) 18-22 (3) 22-23 (2) 23-00 (1)	17-20 (1) 20-22 (2) 22-00 (3) 00-03 (4) 03-04 (3) 04-06 (2) 06-08 (3) 08-09 (2) 09-11 (1)	00-02 (1) 02-05 (2) 05-07 (1) 03-05 (1)*
Austral-asia	18-20 (1)	08-10 (1) 16-17 (1) 17-19 (2) 19-21 (3) 21-22 (2) 22-23 (1)	22-00 (1) 00-02 (2) 02-04 (3) 04-07 (2) 07-09 (3) 09-11 (2) 11-13 (1)	02-03 (1) 03-05 (2) 05-06 (1) 03-05 (1)*
Northern & Central South America	10-13 (1) 13-15 (2) 15-17 (3) 17-18 (2) 18-19 (1)	07-08 (1) 08-10 (2) 10-15 (3) 15-19 (4) 19-21 (3) 21-23 (2) 23-00 (1)	05-06 (3) 06-08 (4) 08-10 (3) 10-15 (2) 15-17 (3) 17-00 (4) 00-03 (3) 03-05 (2)	20-22 (1) 22-03 (2) 03-05 (1) 22-03 (1)*
Brazil, Argentina, Chile &	10-13 (1) 13-15 (2) 15-17 (3) 17-18 (2)	06-07 (1) 07-10 (2) 10-14 (1) 14-15 (2)	15-16 (1) 16-18 (2) 18-19 (3) 19-00 (4)	23-05 (1) 00-04 (1)*
Uruguay	18-19 (1)	15-16 (3) 16-19 (4) 19-22 (3) 22-00 (2) 00-01 (1)	00-02 (3) 02-04 (2) 04-06 (1) 06-08 (2) 08-10 (1)	
McMurdo Sound, Antarctica	*Nil*	13-15 (1) 15-19 (2) 19-20 (1)	16-18 (1) 18-22 (2) 22-02 (3) 02-06 (2) 06-08 (1)	01-04 (1)

*Predicted times of 80 meter openings. Openings on 160 meters are also likely to occur during those times when 80 meter openings are shown with a forecast rating of (2), or higher.

[*Charts continued on page 94*]

Time Zones: CST & MST (24-Hour Time)

CENTRAL USA TO:

	10 Meters	*Meters 15*	*20 Meters*	*40/80 Meters*
Western & Central Europe & North Africa	*Nil*	10-15 (1) 15-17 (2) 17-19 (1) 22-00 (1)	00-04 (1) 04-06 (2) 06-15 (1) 15-16 (2) 16-17 (3) 17-19 (4) 19-22 (3) 22-00 (2)	19-22 (1) 22-00 (2) 00-01 (1) 21-23 (1)*
Northern Europe & European USSR	*Nil*	08-11 (1) 11-15 (2) 15-17 (1)	01-06 (1) 06-08 (2) 08-14 (1) 14-17 (2) 17-21 (3) 21-01 (2)	19-23 (1)
Eastern Mediter-ranean & Middle East	*Nil*	12-14 (1) 14-17 (2) 17-19 (1)	12-15 (1) 15-17 (2) 17-21 (3) 21-23 (2) 23-00 (1) 06-08 (1)	20-23 (1)
West Africa	09-11 (1) 15-17 (1)	09-11 (1) 11-14 (2) 14-16 (3) 16-18 (2) 18-20 (1)	13-14 (1) 14-15 (2) 15-17 (3) 17-21 (4) 21-23 (3) 23-02 (2) 02-04 (1)	19-23 (1) 22-23 (1)*
East & Central Africa	15-18 (1)	12-14 (1) 14-15 (2) 15-17 (3) 17-18 (2) 18-19 (1)	14-16 (1) 16-17 (2) 17-19 (3) 19-21 (4) 21-22 (3) 22-00 (2) 00-01 (1)	19-22 (1)
South Africa	09-11 (1)	23-01 (1) 07-09 (1) 09-11 (2) 11-12 (1)	22-23 (1) 23-01 (2) 01-04 (1) 10-12 (1) 12-14 (2) 14-16 (1)	20-22 (1) 22-23 (2) 23-00 (1) 22-00 (1)*
Central & South Asia	*Nil*	14-17 (1) 17-20 (2) 20-22 (1) 08-10 (1)	16-18 (1) 18-21 (2) 21-05 (1) 05-07 (2) 07-09 (1)	*Nil*
Southeast Asia	*Nil*	09-12 (1) 16-18 (1) 18-20 (2) 20-22 (1)	02-06 (1) 06-09 (2) 09-10 (1) 21-22 (1) 22-00 (2) 00-01 (1)	*Nil*
Far East	*Nil*	08-10 (1) 12-14 (1) 17-19 (1) 19-22 (2) 22-00 (1)	00-03 (1) 03-05 (2) 05-09 (3) 09-10 (2) 10-12 (1)	03-04 (1) 04-05 (2) 06-08 (1)
South Pacific & New Zealand	12-17 (1) 17-19 (2) 19-20 (1)	12-15 (1) 15-17 (2) 17-19 (3) 19-21 (4) 21-22 (3) 22-23 (2) 23-00 (1)	16-18 (1) 18-22 (2) 22-00 (4) 00-04 (3) 04-06 (2) 06-08 (4) 08-10 (2) 10-12 (1)	22-00 (1) 00-02 (2) 02-04 (3) 04-06 (2) 06-07 (1) 00-06 (1)*
Austral-asia	16-20 (1)	13-14 (1) 14-16 (2) 16-18 (1) 18-19 (2) 19-21 (3) 21-22 (2) 22-23 (1)	21-23 (1) 23-00 (2) 00-02 (4) 02-04 (3) 04-06 (2) 06-08 (4) 08-10 (2) 10-11 (1)	00-02 (1) 02-06 (2) 06-07 (1) 03-06 (1)*
Northern & Central South America	10-12 (1) 12-14 (2) 14-16 (3) 16-17 (2) 17-18 (1)	07-08 (1) 08-10 (2) 10-15 (3) 15-18 (4) 18-19 (3) 19-20 (2) 20-22 (1)	02-04 (2) 04-06 (3) 06-08 (4) 08-10 (3) 10-15 (2) 15-17 (3) 17-22 (4) 22-02 (3)	20-22 (1) 22-03 (2) 03-05 (1) 22-04 (1) 23-02 (1)*

Contest Calendar

BY FRANK ANZALONE,* W1WY

Calendar of Events

May	15	World Telecomm. C.W.
May	22	World Telecomm. Phone
May	21-23	YL ISSBers QSO Party
June	4-7	CHC/FHC/HTH QSO Party
June	5-6	Argentina Contest
June	12-13	Oregon QSO Party
June	12-13	ARRL VHF QSO Party
June	13-19	Mass. Amateur Radio Week
June	15-19	Mass. Cities & Towns Contest
June	20	WAB VHF Phone Contest
June	19-20	Bermuda C.W. Contest
June	19-20	Panamerican Games
June	26-27	ARRL Field Day
July	3-4	Venezuela Contest
July	17-18	Colombia Contest
July	24-25	County Hunters C.W. Contest
Aug.	7-8	DARC WAE C.W. Contest
Aug.	28-29	All Asian C.W. Contest
Sept.	11-13	Delta QSO Party
Sept.	11-12	DARC WAE Phone Contest
Oct.	2-3	VK/ZL/Oceania DX Phone
Oct.	9-10	VK/ZL/Oceania DX C.W.
Oct.	9-10	RSGB 28 mc Phone Contest
Oct.	16-17	WADM C.W. Contest
Oct.	23-24	RSGB 7 mc C.W. Contest
Oct.	**30-31**	**CQ WW DX Phone Contest**
Nov.	6-7	RSGB 7 mc Phone Contest
Nov.	7	Czechoslovakia Contest
Nov.	**27-28**	**CQ WW DX C.W. Contest**

CHC/FHC/HTH QSO Party

Starts: 2300 GMT Friday, June 4
Ends: 0600 GMT Monday, June 7

There's a lot involved in this one. I highly recommend you write K6BX for rules sheet and list of many awards in the different catagories. (Include a s.a.s.e.) Here are rules in brief.

Exchange: QSO nr., report, name, CHC/FHC nr., state and county or similar subdivision. Non-members omit nr. and send HTH instead.

Scoring: For CHCers: 1 point per QSO with other CHCers, 2 points if its a HTHer, and 1 additional point if its a YL, B/P, FHC, Novice CHC-200, Merit or Club station. Double above points if QSO is out of own country. For HTHers: Contacts with other HTHers 1 point, with CHCers 3 points, otherwise same as above. The same station may be worked on different bands and modes.

S.w.l. use same scoring system.

Multiplier: Each continent, country ITU Zone and US state (counted only once)

Final score: Total QSO points from all bands × the sum of the multiplier. Multi-operator stations divide score by number of operators used.

Frequencies: 3575, 3710, 7070, 7160, 14075, 21075, 21090, 21140, 28090 on c.w. and 3770, 3775, 3790, 3943, 3960, 7070, 7090, 7210, 7260, 7275, 14320, 14340, 21360, 21440, 28620, 28690, on phone, both US and DX.

Awards: Certificates and Trophies to numerous to mention, get list.

Logs and rules requests and etc. go to: Clif Evans, K6BX, 3212 Mesa Verde Rd., Bonita, Calif. 92002.

Argentina Contest

Starts: 0000 GMT Saturday, June 5
Ends: 2400 GMT Sunday, June 6

The Argentino Radio Club is promoting this international contest in commemoration of its 50th anniversary.

Catagories: Single and multi-operator, all bands, phone or c.w.

Exchange: RS/RST plus number indicating number of years in ham radio.

Scoring: Each LU QSO is worth 3 points, other contacts 1 point. The multiplier is derived from the number of LU states and different countries worked. (Stations in own country may be worked for multiplier only)

Final score: Total QSO points × sum of LU states and countries worked from all bands.

Awards: Certificates and plaques with medal to the highest scoring station in each continent, and 1st place certificates in each country, in both catagories, and for phone and c.w.

Use separate log for each band, check for duplicate contacts and include a summary sheet with scoring information and equipment description. Your name and address in BLOCK LETTERS.

Mailing deadline July 31st to: Radio Club Argentino, LU DX Contest, P.O. Box 97, Buenos Aires, Argentina.

Oregon QSO Party

Starts: 2000 GMT Saturday, June 12
Ends: 0300 GMT Monday, June 14

This year's QSO party is again sponsored by the Portland A.R.C. There are no time or power

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limits and the same station may be worked on different bands and modes for QSO points.

Exchange: QSO nr., RS/RST and QTH. County for Oregon stations, state, province or country. for all others.

Scoring: Each QSO counts 1 point, except on 160 or if its RTTY, then its worth 5 points. Oregon will use state, province and countries for their multiplier, Out-of-state stations use Oregon counties. (max. of 36)

Frequencies: 1975-2000, 3560, 3900, 7060, 7260, 14060, 14280, 21060, 21400, 28060, 28600. Also contacts in the VHF QSO Party that meet requirements of this party.

Awards: Certificates to the high scoring single operator stations outside Oregon, and the top three single-op and multi-operator station in Oregon.

Mailing deadline is June 30th to: Marty Kirk, WA7JMA, 5209 N. Amherst, Portland, Oregon 97203. Include s.a.s.e. for results.

The boys at UK6LAZ "whooping it up" after they had made the last contact in a USSR contest and broken their record from the previous year. Look for bigger things from this group in future contests, especially the "Big One" October 30-31 and November 27-28.

Mass. Amateur Radio Week

Starts: 0001 GMT Sunday, June 13
Ends: 2400 GMT Saturday, June 19

This period has been proclaimed Amateur Radio week by the Governor of Massachusetts. If you fulfill the following requirements you will earn a Certificate signed by the Governor.

1. Mass. work 16 other Mass. stations.
2. New England work 8 Mass. stations.
3. Rest of U.S. work 5 Mass. stations.
4. DX (inc. KH & KL) 2 Mass. Stations.

Exchange will be signal report, country, and state. Certificates will be endorsed for band and mode upon request.

Applications must be received no later than July 31st, include a #10 s.a.s.e. and send to: Bill Holliday, WA1EZA, 22 Trudy Terrace, Canton, Mass. 02021.

Mass. Cities & Towns Contest

Starts: 0001 GMT Tuesday, June 15
Ends: 2400 GMT Saturday, June 19

As part of the activities during the Radio Week, the Mass. Chapter National Awards Club is sponsoring this contest.

Exchange: Signal report, city or town, county and state.

Scoring: One point for each Mass. station worked. And a multiplier for each Mass. city or town. Final score, total Mass. stations worked × sum of cities and towns. (mobiles do not count)

Awards: Certificates to winners in each state and country.

Logs go to: Steven Rich, WA1DFL, 31 Arlington Ave., Revere, Mass. 02151.

Panamerican Games

Starts: 0000 GMT Saturday, June 19
Ends: 2400 GMT Sunday, June 20

This party is organized by the Liga Colombiana de Radioaficionados, Cali section and open to all amateurs in the Pan-American countries only. Activity will be on the 15, 20 and 40 meter bands, single operator, and on phone only.

Exchange: RS plus a 3 figure QSO number.

Scoring: Contacts with station HK5CCP are worth 20 points, with HK5VD 10 points, other HK5 stations 5 points, and all other Pan-Am stations 2 points.

The official station will broadcast information about Cali and participating countries. Include this in your report and earn additional credit in your score.

Awards: There are certificates to stations earning at least 150 points and awards in many other sections and catagories.

Mailing deadline is August 31st to: Cali Concurso Panamericano, (HK5CCP) P.O. Box 6149, Cali, Colombia.

Venezuela Contest

Starts: 0000 GMT Saturday, July 3
Ends: 2400 GMT Sunday, July 4

This is a phone only contest sponsored by the Radio Club Venezolano commemorating the anniversary of Venezuela's independence.

Use all bands 10 thru 80. There are three catagories, single operator, both single and all band, and multi-operator, both single and multi transmitter.

Exchange: The RS report plus a three figure contact number starting with 001.

Scoring: One point per contact, 2 points if it's with a YV station.

Multiplier: For each country, YV call area and USA call area worked on each band.

Contacts: *Stations in Americas:* Work YV's, other American countries and rest of world. *Stations in other continents:* Work YV's and other American countries only.

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Q AND A

BY WILFRED M. SCHERER,*
W2AEF

THE first question for this month does not strictly involve amateur radio, but since we've received a number of inquiries in a similar vein, it is felt fitting to present this one.

Selectivity on Shortwave Broadcast Bands

QUESTION: Can you help me improve the selectivity of my Collins 51S-1 receiver? This set has a "Q-Multiplier" built in and a 500 kc i.f. I've incorporated the 6 kc Collins mechanical filter which is a field change and aligned it with a sweep generator and scope, yet I do not feel satisfied that it is as good as could be. On the s.w. broadcast bands where the signals are 5 kc apart, even tuning way to the far side at each end of the filter will not permit satisfactory operation.

How about a ceramic filter? Will it be compatible? Will something like Swan's SS-16 crystal filter do any better? I thought the 51S-1 would be the world's best, and it is in stability, resetability and dependability, but not in selectivity. Help please!

ANSWER: First, for the reader not acquainted with the Collins 51S-1 receiver, this is a sophisticated job with a digital readout and providing general coverage from 2-30 mc. Evidently the inquirer is employing the receiver primarily for s.w. broadcast reception.

In this case the real problem with the interference difficulty apparently is not recognized; namely, that it is due to improper operation of transmitters on these bands, such as excessive modulation, splatter and spurious signals, off assigned frequency or out of tolerance, cross-talk in transmitters located at the same site, etc.

Take for example, the VOA stations, one in particular on 15,330-15,335 kc, which apparently gets out of whack quite frequently and causes splatter over a ±30 kc range even with a 500 c.p.s. filter used in the receiver!

Two or more stations are often found operating on the same frequency (or near it) and will double up on each other with different program material or will produce a heterodyne beat usually noted as a low-frequency growl.

In addition, delay echoes are produced by round-the-world signals or by two transmitters at different sites and carrying the same program material.

No receiver in the world can correct these conditions; as a matter of fact, we have simultaneously listened with six of the best receivers available, none of which satisfactorily coped with these situations. With poorer type receivers, cross modulation and r.f. intermodulation problems can crop up, but this is not a situation likely to be encountered with the 51S-1, as it has excellent signal-handling capabilities.

In the case of splatter, an 800 c.p.s. filter is sometimes helpful to a small degree, but then you lose the high audio frequencies and deteriorate voice intelligibility. The 6 kc filter in the 51S-1 should be okay in this respect, as it will give you ±3 kc selectivity on an a.m. signal. A 2.75 kc filter will give slightly less than ±1.5 kc. A ceramic filter will be of no additional help (these usually are 455 kc jobs anyway) and the Swan crystal filter is not adaptable for 500 kc operation.

Interference problems often can be reduced on a.m. signals by employing the 2.75 kc filter and using the s.s.b. position, and tuning for zero beat with the carrier. A choice may be made made between u.s.b. and l.s.b., whichever is better for reducing adjacent-channel interference. Intelligent use of the notch filter may be of some help, particularly where a heterodyne note is involved. A reduction in r.f. gain also may sometimes be of benefit.

Tapped Loading Coil for Mobile Antennas

QUESTION: I have been told I cannot tap my 75-meter Hustler Antenna coil for 40-meter operation. I note that some commercial mobile antennas and the ARRL *Handbook* have models with the loading coil tapped with a slider. What do you think?

ANSWER: The loading coil for the Hustler 75-meter antenna may be tapped for 40.

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*Technical Director, *CQ*.

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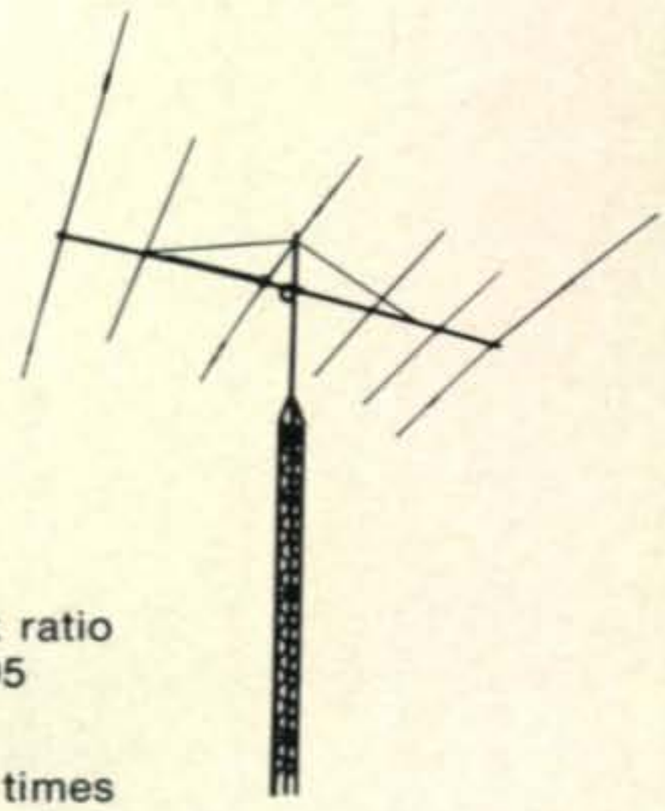

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BY ED HOPPER.* W2GT

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#52—Roy C. Needham, ZL1KG, 3-3-71
1st to non-K/W/WA station!
(See Story and Foto Dec. '70 CQ)

THE June, "Story of The Month" is:

Clyde W. Stottlemyre, WØYLN
All Counties #39, 9-12-70

Clyde was a radio operator with the Navy 1943-1946 and learned the code and some theory in the Navy's radio operators course. Joined the Army in 1950 and in 1954 wound up as NCOIC of Hqts. Army Mars station in the Pentagon—so was more or less forced into getting a ham ticket, General Class in 1954. Liked c.w. over fone and 1st call was WØYLN and while in D.C. area (5 years) got W3HEO, then got WØYLN again when sent to Ft. Leavenworth, Kansas in 1966.

Clyde has been in 43 different countries, at one time or another, including Okinawa, Iran, Japan and Greece, and operated from a few a KR6MM, EP2MM and SVØWX. He tried to get permission to operate from each country, but did not have much success. Almost got on from Turkey in 1959-1960, and came close to getting a permit from Vietnam in 1953.

He did win the *CQ* WWDX CW Contest from Okinawa in 1965 on 20 and also from Iran in 1967. It was fun in the contests from the DX locations but rough from Kansas due to the big guns on the East and West coasts.

Clyde retired from the U.S. Army in 1968 as MSG E-8 in the Signal Corps, and now works for Antenna's Inc., in Leavenworth, Kansas in sales and engineering.

He ran across the Independent County Hunter Net by accident and got real interested as he has always had a mobile rig in his car and this was a great way to be useful, have fun, and get credit for it. As most know, he really plunged into the game and has never felt sorry as the quest for the USA-CA Award has not only been the most interesting thing he has done, but was the reason for meeting the finest gang of people ever, not only on the air but also in person at the different conventions. He feels that he never ran across any other Net, Club or anything that promotes as much fellowship, good-will and interest, as the ICHN.

Another big attraction is the fact that to enjoy County Hunting one does not need a kilowatt and antenna farm. It seems fair to give other mobiles and DX a little preference, considering the difficulties under which they must operate.

The equipment at WØYLN (home QTH) includes a Heathkit SB-400, SB-300 and a pair of 4-400A's in a homebrew linear with a Mosley CL-36 up 70 feet. The mobile rig is a Swan 500C with Hustler Antennas on a pickup truck.

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Clyde Stottlemyre, WØYLN.

During 1969 he had over 12,000 contacts from the mobile rig and gave out over 500 counties (the same ones at different times, in a lot of cases). Has worked over 30 countries from the mobile with 7 of these on 75.

On several of his County excursions he has made over 1500 contacts in less than 48 hours. If someone tried to make him work that hard, he'd probably choke them. You lose everything from your voice to your patience when you go that long and hard and most who have never operated mobile, don't realize nor understand this.

On one trip with Skip, WAØWOB, they covered 3600 miles in 5 days (about 75 or 80 counties) and Skip had work to do every day making business calls. They went from Kansas to Oklahoma to Texas to within 80 miles of the Mexican border, then to Louisiana, Tennessee, Arkansas and Missouri. They slept about 4 or 5 hours a night, but had about 4000 contacts. They even went to 15 meters to give Roy, ZL1KG some needed Counties. Two rigs were taken and spare antennas and a Hy-Gain tape doublet with a collapsible 12 foot mast.

Clyde says he could not possibly list *all* the people who helped him complete All Counties, so all he can say is *thanks* to everyone on the Net and to those who have not yet completed All Counties, keep at it because with the gang that operates in the ICHN, you undoubtedly will make it in due time. Clyde says, "See you all in Kansas City, July 4th".

Awards Issued

The month was slow, so in order to tell the complete "Story" on WØYLN and perhaps be able to tell about a couple of extra awards, no list will appear this month.

Awards

BARC Awards: Sponsored by the Brightleaf Amateur Radio Club of Greenville, N.C. Certificate #1 for contacting club members since January 20, 1967 on any band and mode. DX stations (including KH6 and KL7) contact 5 members. W/VE contact 10 members. Club members contact 15. Certificates will be endorsed for each additional 5 members contacted.

Certificate #2 will be issued for contacting, club members since January 20, 1967 on 50 mc or higher. Contact 5 members. Club members must contact 7 other members and

BARC Award.

3 others with at least 1 contact outside N.C.

There is no charge for these certificates. QSL's are not required but BARC members must have received applicants QSL.

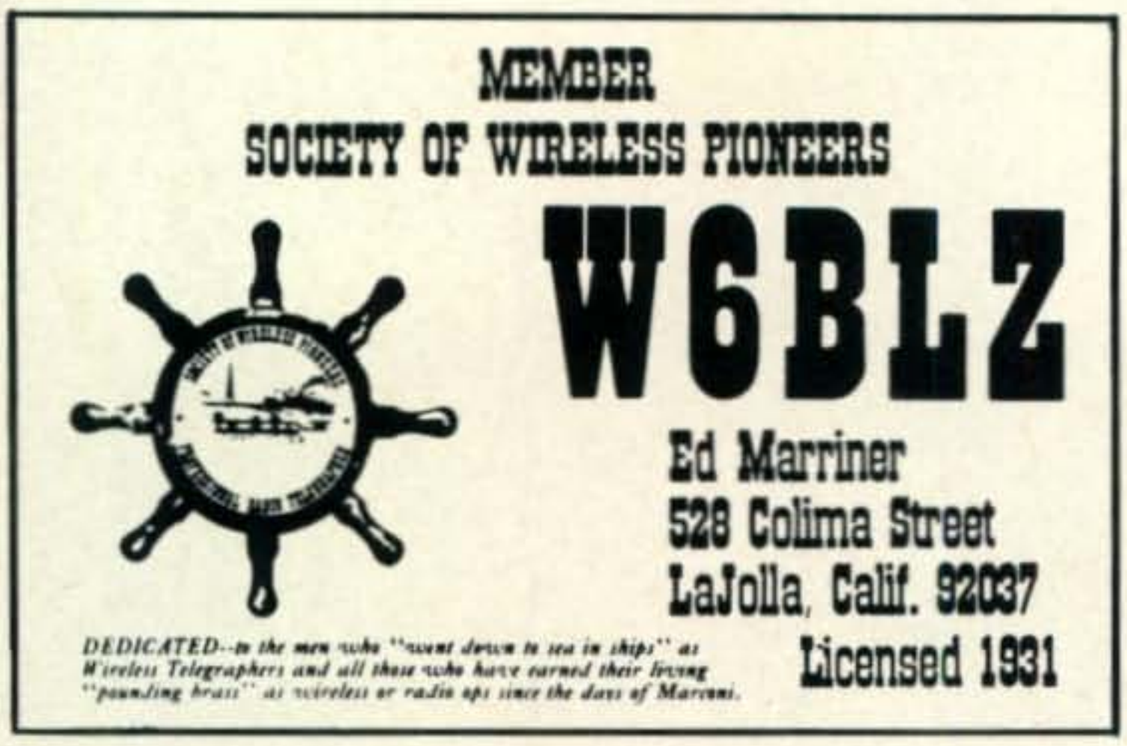
Send list and full log data (use GMT time and date) to K4SKI, BARC Awards Manager, RD #2, Box 39-A, Greenville, N.C. 27834. Send s.a.s.e. or s.a.e. & IRC for membership list.

East Coast VHF Award: Sponsored by the East Coast VHF Society, Inc., of P.O. Box 1263, Paterson, N.J. 07509. Issued for working the Club Station, WA2WEB plus 4 members or work 5 members on any band 50 MHZ and above. There is no charge. Send GCR list to Custodian, George Kupp, 61 Cortland St., Belleville, N.J. 07109. For membership list, send s.a.s.e.

Kent County Award: The Kent County (Delaware) Amateur Radio Club will send a special certificate (no charge) to amateurs contacting 6 club members, any band. Send confirming cards: Wm. Stallings, WA3HWC, RD #1, Harrington, Delaware 19952 with a s.a.s.e. Membership list for s.a.s.e.

W U R K Award: Worked Upsala Radio Klubb with photos of members worked offered to any amateur for working 3

East Coast VHF Award.



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(Sweden 5) resident members, since January 1, 1962, any band or mode. Send certified list (GCR) with U.S. $1.00 or Sw. Cr. 5 or 10 IRC's to Awards Manager, Box 12006, Upsala, Sweden. Membership includes: SM5, AFE, AFI, AHR, AKC, API, AQG, ASO, AWF, BFC, BFR, BH, BHR, BJT, BLB, BNB, BND, BOE, CDY, CEY, CHB, CHY, CIK, CIP, COM, CON, CQR, CRV, CUI, CUP, CWJ, CXM, DDP, DSF, DSN, DZK, JV, TM, ZY; SL5AB and SL5BO. *(Thanks to W1KVA for this data).*

The Good Samaritan Award: Qualifications for membership and subsequent awards are: 1. For humanitarian service to a fellow amateur, or 2. For service to the public (or a private individual), through amateur radio. 3. For a private individual or organization, for contribution to the amateur radio service.

No one may apply to receive membership. Any person who wishes to nominate an individual, or an amateur (or organization), for membership, must simply write a short note explaining why he feels the nominee is qualified. Send it along with $1.00 to: The Good Samaritan Society, M. L. Krell, Custodian, Box 111, Gibbstown, N.J. 08027.

The Good Samaritan Award.

Persons receiving more than one nomination will receive subsequent service awards. Should one be nominated five times, (membership certificate and four service awards), a special Legion of Honor Certificate will be issued.

HK5 Certificate: Issued by the Liga Colombian de Radio-Aficionados for QSO's with HK5 stations after January 1957. Colombian stations must have 20 contacts; other North and South American stations need 12 contacts; and the rest of the world need 8 contacts. All bands, all modes are OK but no cross-band/mode. Send certified log (GCR) to Ana Elisa de Ramirez, HK5AZA, Awards Manager, Liga Colombiana de Radio-Aficionados, Zona 5A, Seccional Cali, Apartado Aereo 6149, Cali, Colombia, South America. There is no charge.

Notes

The Independent County Hunters Convention in Kansas City, July 2, 3, & 4, will be the biggest yet, so if you want to meet all those wonderful people, get your reservations in NOW! Their will be interesting activities, prizes, and out-of-the country guests—including Roy Needham, ZL1KG the first non U.S. station to qualify for all counties! If you have not received all the data, rush an air mail letter and s.a.s.e. to Cleo Mahoney, WAØSHE (See "Story" & fotos, March '71 *CQ*), at 6001 Blue Ridge Cut-Off, Raytown, Missouri 64133.

Gil Baker, W5QPX has a few used POD 26 books for deserving out-of-the-country county hunters, send request to me.

The Society of Wireless Pioneers (SOWP), P.O. Box 530, Santa Rosa, California 95402 has some 800 members, and membership is open to anyone who has ever earned their living as a brasspounder. Their NET meets on 3555 kc each Thursday at 2000 Pacific Time. They will soon publish a directory and early wireless pictures. They hope to soon offer a Certificate for working the required number of members. Thanks to Ed Marriner, W6BLZ for this data. W7IIZ is printing a very distinctive QSL for members, sorry I do not know the cost.

There are sure a lot of new County Hunters active—welcome to the fold. If you have any questions, I'll try to answer them. How was your month? 73, Ed., W2GT.

SURPLUS sidelights

BY GORDON ELIOT WHITE*

The Kleinschmidt 311 keyboard send-receive printer.

THE pell-mell rush into the computer age is definitely providing some interesting fall-out for amateurs and experimenters. I picked up in surplus recently a beautiful example of computer technology with a direct application to amateur or s.w.l. RTTY, particularly as transmission speeds are going up. As shown in the photo, this month's goodie is a Kleinschmidt 311 keyboard send-receive printer.

The 311 is a far cry from the rugged olive drab Kleinschmidt teleprinters that have served the U.S. Army for many years. Bearing the Smith-Corona-Marchant label, this set is part of the computer age, yet it can plug along at the old 60 words per minute amateur speed. With simple adjustments the set can be run at 50, 56.9, 75, 150 or 300 Baud, or up to 400 words per minute. No gear changes are involved, just a simple resistance change in a trimmer potentiometer.

Several of the amateur publications have recently printed articles on integrated circuit speed converters for RTTY, along lines I suggested in this column in September, 1969. The 311 is the logical next step, a printer that adjusts internally for different speeds.

In addition to its speed flexibility, the 311, in various forms, offers 5, 6, 7 and 8-level codes, (for example ASCII, the most common computer mode.) The change is made by switching some printed-circuit cards and the printer platen—on which the type font is engraved. Printing is done by solenoids that are driven against the ribbon and paper at the precise point at which the proper character lines up with the print hammer. (fig. 1)

As shown, the "print drum" replaces the usual paper roller or platen in a conventional teleprinter. The drum rotates continuously at high speeds, just behind the paper, which is held in place by rubber rings at each end which turn only on "line feed" command. Positioning of the drum *vis-a-vis* the print hammer at the moment of printing is synchronized by a sensing coil which is energized by the revolving drum itself. These signals are processed in the electronics package to insure correct type alignment.

On some models of the 311, twin print hammers are used, with the internal computer directing first one, then the other, to actually print, thus saving carriage-movement time. In addition, with no letters-figures shift required, the 311 can save that much more time—important when you are printing 40 characters per second.

The keyboard of the 311 consists of six sealed, reed-type switches, actuated by small permanent magnets on code bars which are rotated up or down in accordance with the character selected. Five are information "bits" with the sixth the master, or keying signal. Solid-state electronics circuits process the parallel-output from the switches into serial start-stop, 7.00 unit signals.

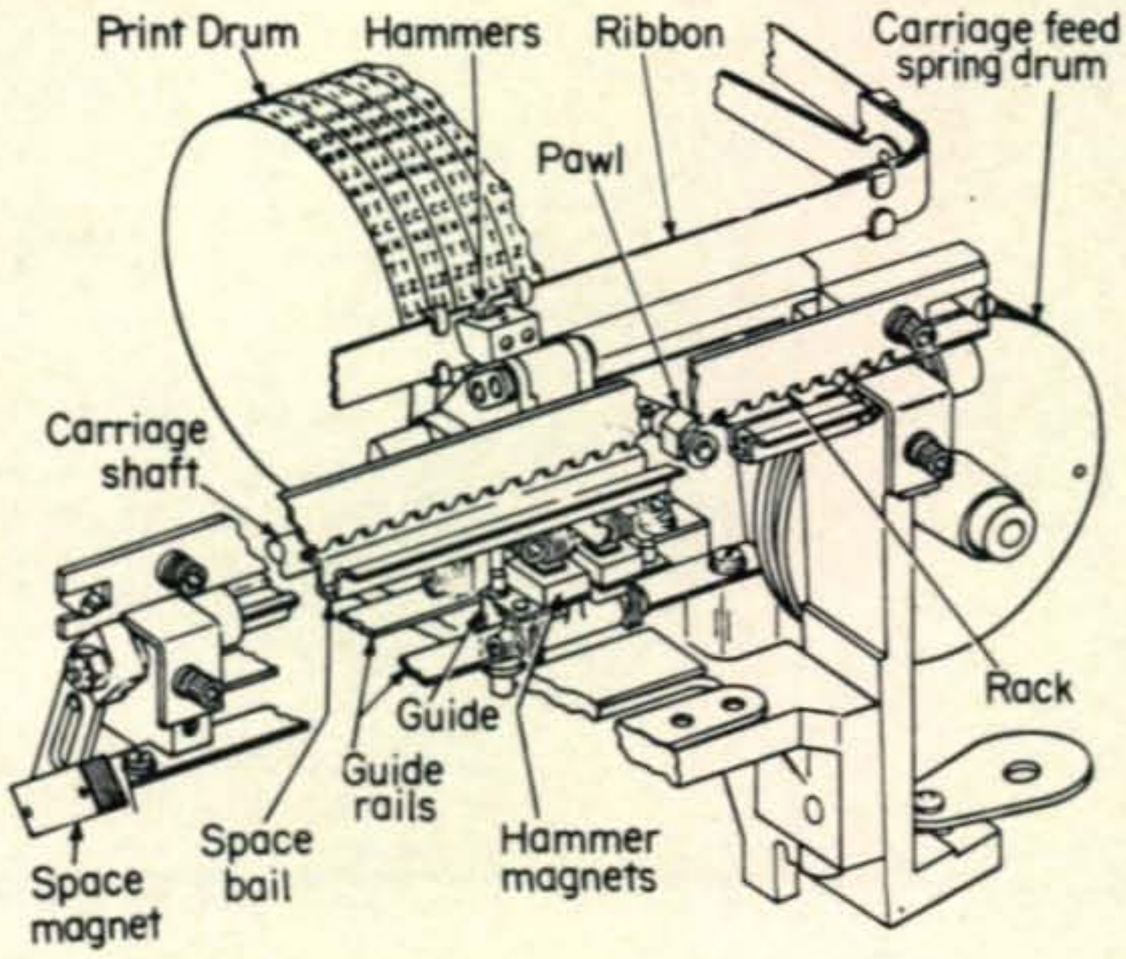

Fig. 1—The carriage feed mechanism.

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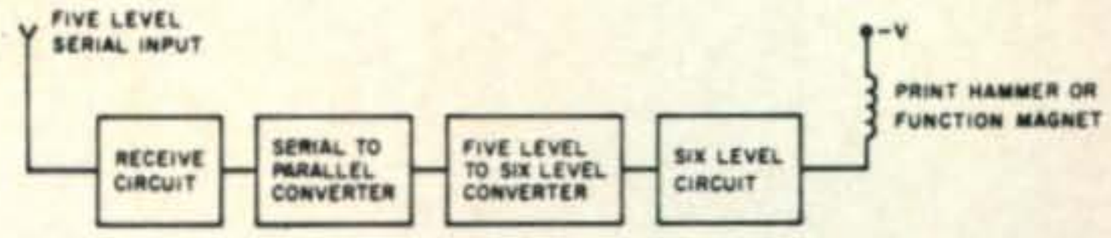

Fig. 2—The overall block diagram of the Model 311.

Timing for the keyboard "clock" is controlled by one or two subminiature tuning forks, of the sort used to run electric wristwatches these days. Four stages of down-counters are provided, with wiring selections allowing the operator to pick off two speeds via a "hi-lo" switch, or others by changing wiring straps on the counter chain.

Generally the keyboard electronics are fairly straightforward, from the parallel switches to a serial converter, and an output amplifier, normally a 2N1302 for a low-level keying output. (this can be followed by a rather heavier transistor such as the DTS-413 for keying a 60 mc loop) The only oddity I note in this section is an electronic keyboard lock, solenoid-operated, which can be ignored in amateur usage. The lock on the panel itself is strictly mechanical.

The printer electronics are far more sophisticated. Fig. 2 is a very simplified block diagram, and space here does not suffice to do more than outline the process. The input is low-level, to a 2N1306 transistor used as a "space detector." The serial signal is converted to parallel form, in the process keying a time base multi-vibrator. The speed signal which the input registers will properly "recognize" is controlled by the time base, which may be varied by adjusting the R-C time constant. Although Kleinschmidt uses a pair of precision trimpots, a calibrated external variable resistor could replace R_{827} as a speed control, permitting the monitoring of any standard—or non-standard—speed from 60 w.p.m. to 300 Baud.

This is only a superficial job on the 311, and it is offered in the same spirit as the 1969 speed-converter column, based on the AN/FGC-5 multiplex set, in the hope of generating interest in practical amateur/experimenter design work.

One thing that might grow out of this might be a refinement of the already-developed speed converter. By running, say, a common Model 28 Teletype printer at 100 w.p.m., and interposing a speed up-converter with such a variable control, any speed, even

from a badly-adjusted transmitting motor, could be copied.

From a communications standpoint of course, the speed adjustments are relatively minor features of the 311. What it represents is a transition device between the purely mechanical teleprinters such as the Model 28, which have been pushed to 150 Baud in the Model 37, which is a much-refined version of the #28—and the truly high-speed equipment such as the IBM line printers, and the 1200 Baud Teletype Inktronic.

The 311 eliminates all reciprocating motion, aside from the carriage return and line feed functions, and allows random character selection without returning a complex printing mechanism to "home" position, as the #28 and #35 sets do. The #37 shifts directly from one character to the next without the time-consuming "home" position, but its complexity appears to be reaching toward the limit of practicality. ■

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If it were tapped at the proper point it would work on 40 meters, but a consideration is that with a mobile antenna using inductive loading, tapping of the coil cannot be readily done without shorting turns which, both according to theory and from our experience, will lower the radiating efficiency over that of a coil with unshorted turns. It will be better to spend a few extra bucks and obtain a coil made specifically for the band of operation, in this case for 40 meters.

Pre-Amp With Transceiver

QUESTION: How can I incorporate an r.f. pre-amp (an Ameco Model PCL) with the HW-100 transceiver?

ANSWER: A pre-amp for receiving may be used with a transceiver in either of two ways. One method is to install the pre-amp between the antenna relay (receive contact) and the antenna input to the receiver r.f. stage. By routing the antenna-receiving circuit with coax cables to phono jacks (for pre-amp in and out) on the rear of the set, the pre-amp may be used as an outboard unit.

The other method is to install the amplifier between the antenna lead and the antenna-input connector with a relay arranged to bypass the pre-amp during transmit. Such a setup is shown in the Q & A Column for March 1969, p. 87.

SX-101A on 20.655 mc

QUESTION: How can I fix up my Hallicrafters SX-101A receiver for operation on 20.655 mc?

ANSWER: The SX-101A may be set up for receiving on 20.655 mc either by adjusting the 21 mc oscillator-inductor core (L_{17}) to lower the oscillator frequency or by adding capacitance across the inductor. The first method will be better if the inductor core will satisfactorily cover the needed range, since better tracking is more likely to be obtained therewith. The core should be moved closer into the inductor winding.

You can keep track of where you're going by setting the dial near 21.0 mc. Turn on the crystal calibrator and b.f.o. and tune in the calibrator at this point. Then adjust the core (inward) until you have passed three 100 kc points and arrive at the fourth one. This should be that at 20.6 mc. Then peak up the signal by adjusting the r.f. and mixer circuits as specified in the manual for 21.0-21.5 mc, except the range of the signal frequencies will now be 20.6 to approximately 21.1 mc. If the r.f. circuits will not tune down to 20.6 or 20.655 mc, add some small capacitance across the 21 mc inductors. This modification, of course, will delete the normal 21.0-21.5 mc range. 73, Bill, W2AEF

Announcements [*from page 12*]

camping, ladies bingo, reserved flea market booths, advance registration. FFor a flyer, contact Morton Silverman, W9GJ, 1121 Bonnie View Drive, Evansville, Indiana 47715.

Chadron, Nebraska

The 17th annual hamfest of the Pine Ridge Amateur Radio Club will be held Sunday, June 6th at the Chadron State Park, nine miles south of Chadron. For further details write to J. Wendell Gorr, WAØPIF, P.O. Box 732, Chadron, Nebraska 69337.

Nashville, Tennessee

The 2nd annual Music City Hamfest will be held in Nashville, Tenn. on June 20th at Edwin Warner Park: Picnic Area #3. There will be prizes, free parking, food available and activities. For complete details write to Theda Givan, K4DIZ, Box 26, Whites Creek, Tenn. 37189.

Englewood, New Jersey

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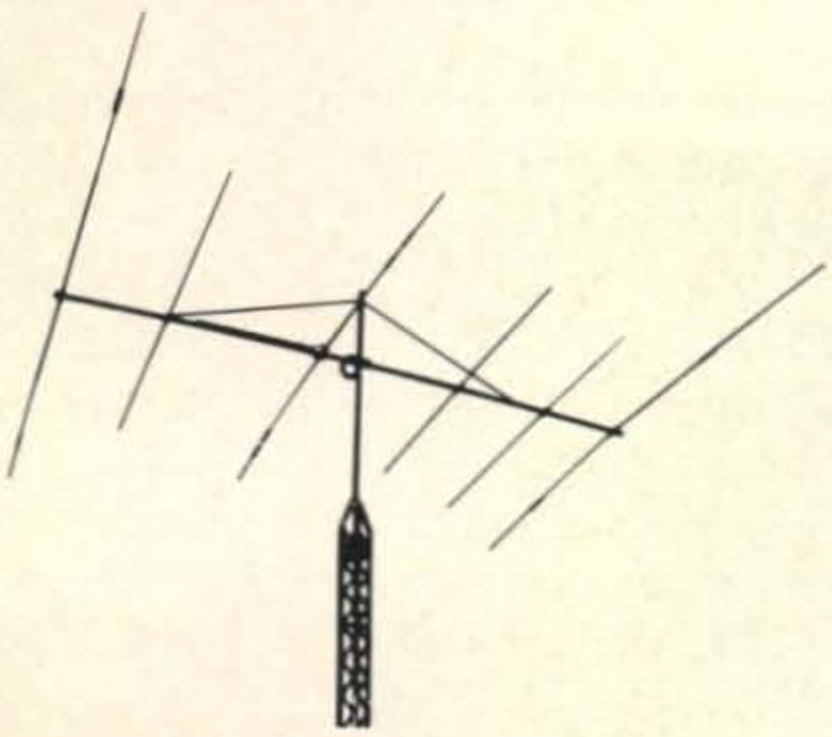

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Contest Calendar [*from page 79*]

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Entries must be postmarked no later than August 1st and they go to: Radio Club Venezolano, Indenendence Contest, P.O. Box 2285, Caracas, Venezuela.

Editor's Notes

I find it increasingly more difficult to meet the deadline each month because annuoncements and other material from the many organizations is just not getting to me in time.

As I have stated time and time again you must allow a minimum of three months before the date of the event. This will make the issue prior to the month in which the activity takes place. Foreign contests should allow even more time so that the announcement will appear in an earlier issue for the benefit of overseas readers.

Hope you fellows have carefully studied the proposed frequency changes by the FCC and voiced your comments. The proposed changes in the 40 meter band should clear up the present confusion regarding inter-regional contacts and be of special benefit to contest operation.

I personally approve the whole package but think the Generals could have been given a little more elbow room.

73 for now, Frank, W1WY

Power Meters [*from page 31*]

How can you tell how well it is working?

The FCC requires, "amateur s.s.b. transmitters must operate with no more than 1000 watts input on voice peaks, as measured on a meter with a 0.25 second time-constant." This creates the requirement for a meter to measure plate current which can be converted directly to watts when the plate voltage is known. A meter is also needed for tune-up purposes, but the goal of this article is to convey the idea that little real information can be obtained from looking at the plate or r.f. current meter—and you really should *not watch it!*

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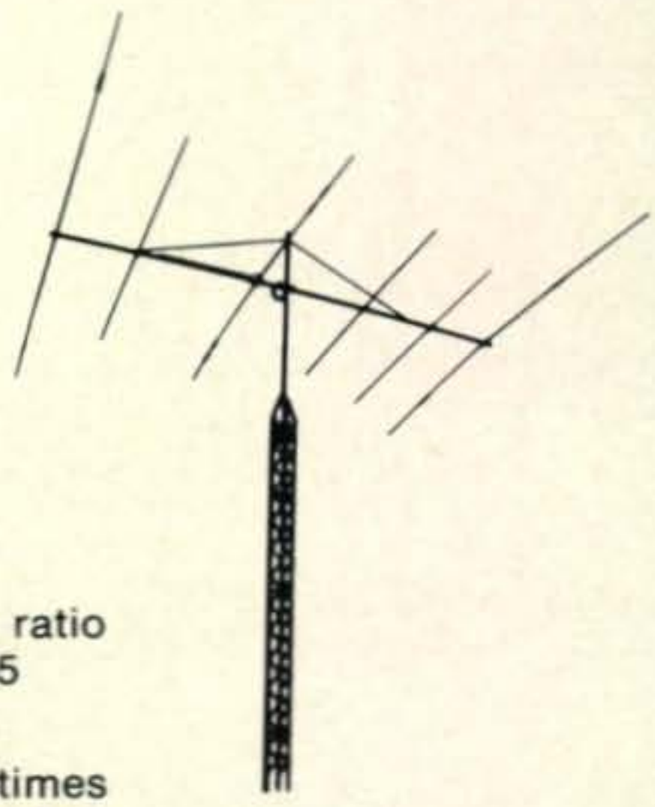

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tion somewhere near that stated as desirable in the instruction book, your transmitter *is* operating up to its rated power and is *not* being driven into non-linearity, and this is all the information you need. If you own an oscilloscope, this statement can be proved, because you can observe that the voice peaks do rise as high as the full c.w. output, regardless of meter readings, when monitoring the r.f. signal going to the antenna. The oscilloscope reports accurately because it has no needle movement which has mass (which has inertia) or damping factor, but responds instantly.

Another factor also must be considered. We have assumed the linear amplifier is operated class AB_1. This is almost universal in presently offered exciters and transceivers, but linear amplification can be obtained from tubes biased from class A to full class B. With class A operation, the plate current remains completely steady whether a signal is present or not and with full class B the stage is biased to cutoff with no plate current flowing unless drive is present. Classes A_1, AB_1, and AB_2 give increasingly greater changes in plate current, so the exact manner in which the tubes are biased cannot be ignored.

A discussion of peak power, peak envelope power, average power, indicated power under key-down, two-tone, multiple-tone and voice conditions also is pertinent but has been covered in many books and magazine articles previously.

Joe's transmitter down the block might give higher meter readings than yours, but both transmitters probably are operating correctly—under the conditions that affect them. ■

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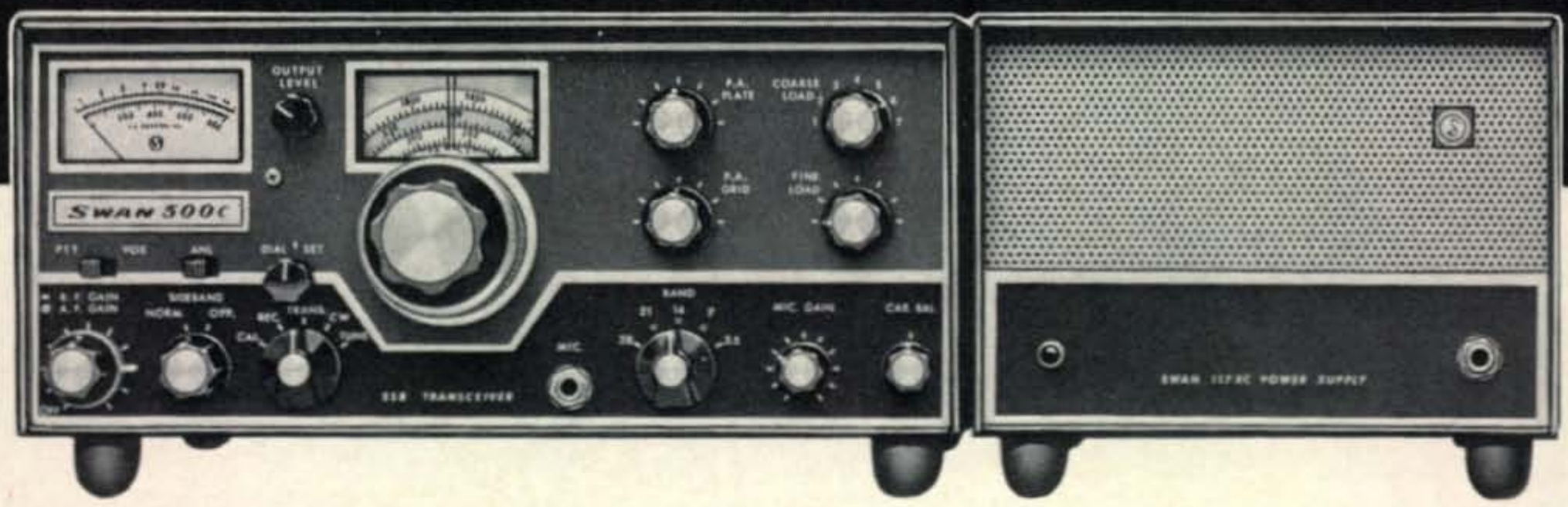

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R/C Cars [*from page 26*]

latter operates by *pulse* proportional[1] and the system also allows on-off motor control. It is made by Testor R/C Corporation, and the complete car and radio system cost around $80 from such outlets as Lafayette Radio Electronics. The car is to approximately 1/11th scale, is about 15" long. The 1/8th scale cars discussed earlier run around 18-22" long, are much heavier. It is really quite a ball to race several of these little cars together!

How does one get more information on model car racing? As with model planes and other hobby fields, the best ways are to join a group that specializes in the field, visit an area where the models are in operation so you can watch the techniques and talk to the drivers, read the periodicals and books available on the subject. ROAR publishes a monthly newsletter that keeps its members current on all happenings in the field. ■

[1]See July-Aug. 1970 *CQ*, page 42.

Satellite News [*from page 42*]

worked or heard through the AO-B repeater should be sent to AMSAT for technical evaluation (c/o P.O. Box 27, Washington, D.C. 20044). AMSAT would also like to receive signal reports of the repeater's beacon transmissions on 29.45 mc. Logs should also contain a brief description of the equipment used, including where possible, an estimate of the e.r.p. used in the direction of the repeater. A distinctive World Telecommunication Day commemorative QSL card will be sent by AMSAT for each log received. Naturally, QSL's verifying two-way contact through the repeater should be exchanged directly between the stations involved.

AMSAT calls this first flyover AMSAT AIRCRAFT-1 (AA-1). Aside from marking World Telecommunication Day the flight is intended to check out the repeater, familiarize radio amateurs with the repeater's operational capabilities and limitations, provide procedural practice, and test operator discipline, especially concerning the requirement to reduce power levels to avoid repeater capture. Additional flight-testing of this and the other repeaters are planned during the next several months. Any radio amateur who may be able to make an aircraft available for these flyovers, especially in the southern and western areas of the country should notify AMSAT as soon as possible.

For later details concerning the May 15-16 flyover, check W1AW bulletins or write directly to AMSAT at P.O. Box 27, Washington, D.C. 20044. ■

SWR Bridge [*from page 68*]

means that the bridge is balanced. After the antenna is tuned up to satisfaction, the bridge can be turned off by turning S_1 to the blank position and removed. The regular transmission line is then ready to be connected to the antenna.

Additional Uses

Although the bridge is intended for use as an antenna tune-up device, I have also found it most helpful as a signal source for calibrating and peaking up the receiver. It can be used any time a low level signal source is needed and output is still taken from J_2.

Conclusions

The bridge device described here will not solve all of your antenna tune-up problems, but will at least make the job less frustrating. The XYL should also now be free to do less important things than adjust the transmitter output power while you shoot for a full scale meter reading a hundred feet away. ■

Ham-M Rotator [*from page 46*]

box and the rotator. In some cases, the r.f. in the control box was sufficient to burn out the 1/2-ampere fuse, even though power was not applied to the control box. This problem was very easily cured by adding another .01 mf ceramic capacitor from the side of the 1/8-ampere fuse feeding the meter circuit to the metal front panel. The addition of this capacitor is shown as C_{502}.

The last remaining meter fluctuation was cured by adding another .01 mf capacitor from the output side of the original diode to ground. This is shown as C_{503}.

All of the above capacitors should be installed with leads as short as possible. In all instances, ground consists of the inside metal panel. The ground side of each capacitor may easily be soldered to the cadmium plated metalwork in the immediate vicinity of the circuit being bypassed for r.f.

After making the above changes in several Ham-M control boxes, completely satisfactory results have been obtained in a rather complex station employing several rotators and beams—on 10, 15, and 20 meters, as well as fixed wire antennas for the 40, 80, and 160-meter bands, together with upwards of six transceivers in a station modestly well equipped for contest operating. ■

How To Speak It [*from page 63*]

ing a transistorized power supply. The term is now used by many amateur f.m.'ers to describe any piece of equipment using a transistorized power supply.

Twenty db quieting: This is a measurement of the sensitivity of an f.m. receiver. The 20 db quieting point is determined by placing an a.c. voltmeter across the speaker of the receiver. The volume is adjusted for a relative reading on the meter (e.g., 1.0 volts). The signal is then applied through a calibrated attenuator until the meter reads 0.1 times the original value (e.g., 0.10 volts). The level in microvolts required to reach this reading is the 20 db quieting sensitivity. Specifications for low band equipment is usually in the neighborhood of 0.35 microvolts, for high-band equipment 0.50 microvolts, and for u.h.f. equipment, 0.7 microvolts to obtain the 20 db quieting point.

Twin-V: This is a registered trademark of Motorola used to describe its line of tube-type vibrator power supply equipment which can operate on 6 or 12 v.d.c.

Voice Commander: The Voice Commander is a line of portable equipment manufactured by General Electric. The receivers were usually fully transistorized and the transmitters ranged from tube-type (using sub-miniature quick heating filament tubes) to fully transistorized in later models. These units were relatively wide and flat. They used slide switches for major control functions excepting Push-to-talk. Some models are equipped with Nicad batteries.

Warp: This is the practice of tuning either a variable capacitor or inductor in the crystal oscillator circuit of either the transmitter to pull the crystal to the correct frequency. The technique is called "rubbering" by many f.m.'ers.

Whistle-on: This is a type of tone-burst system wherein a shrill whistle into the microphone can activate the repeater receiver. The audio network in the decoder must be fairly wide in frequency response to insure proper operation.

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F.M. [*from page 38*]

(*e.g.* 146.340 mc) and have overlapping coverage. The selection of a specific tone allows the operator to choose the repeater he wants to use.

News

A quick run-down of some of the various repeaters in use around the country: Morgan City, La. .34/.94; Alexandria, La. .34/.94; Lake Charles, La. .34/.94; Monroe, La. 52.827/52.525; Rome, Ga. .34/.94 (1800 c.p.s. tone burst because of Atlanta and Chattanooga); Mobile, Alabama, .34/.94; Birmingham, Ala. .34/.94; Dallas-Ft. Worth .16/.76, .22/.82, .28/.88, .34/.94 (among others!); Houston, Tex. .28/.88; Pasadena, Tex. .34/.94; San Antonio, Tex. .34/.94; Tyler, Tex. .34/.94; Austin, Tex. .34/.94; Oklahoma City and Tulsa on .34/.94. These are just a few of the many repeaters operating in the United States. How about hearing from all those I haven't heard from yet.

Vacation time is at hand, so there will be many transient mobiles using your repeater. Treat these operators kindly, for some day you may be using their repeater.

That's all for this month. Keep up the good work and keep those cards and letters coming in. ■

DX [*from page 74*]

ATP, HB9NL, PAØPN, 9Y4NN, PY1MFG, W4BRB/VP7, OA8V, and OK2BOB. During the week prior to the contest the call K9CQV/HKØ was used for 99 QSO's on 160, while the calls K8HKB/HKØ and WØKUS/HKØ were used on 80-10 meters. The QSL Manager for all three calls is W8GDQ.

The very rare HG9 and HGØ prefixes have been activated by HG9KPD, 28029 kc at 1600 GMT and HGØKHV, 28035 kc at 1500 GMT. Better get these while 10 is still open. Other rare prefixes reported on 28 mc include ON6VR, 28053 at 1600 GMT, CE8AA, 280-49 at 1400, CP6FG, 28016 at 1300, DK6-GN, 28021 at 1600, GI4RY (one of only two GI4's in existence) 28035 at 1600, and TF3-YL, 28048 at 1500 GMT. *(Tnx WA2HZR).*

WA2HZR also advises that its easy to check for 10 meter propagation to Europe by listening for the GB2SM marker beacon on 28.185 mc. A transmission is made by GB2-SM every 5 minutes. If you can't hear them propagation to Europe on 10 will probably be nil.

Outstanding DXers

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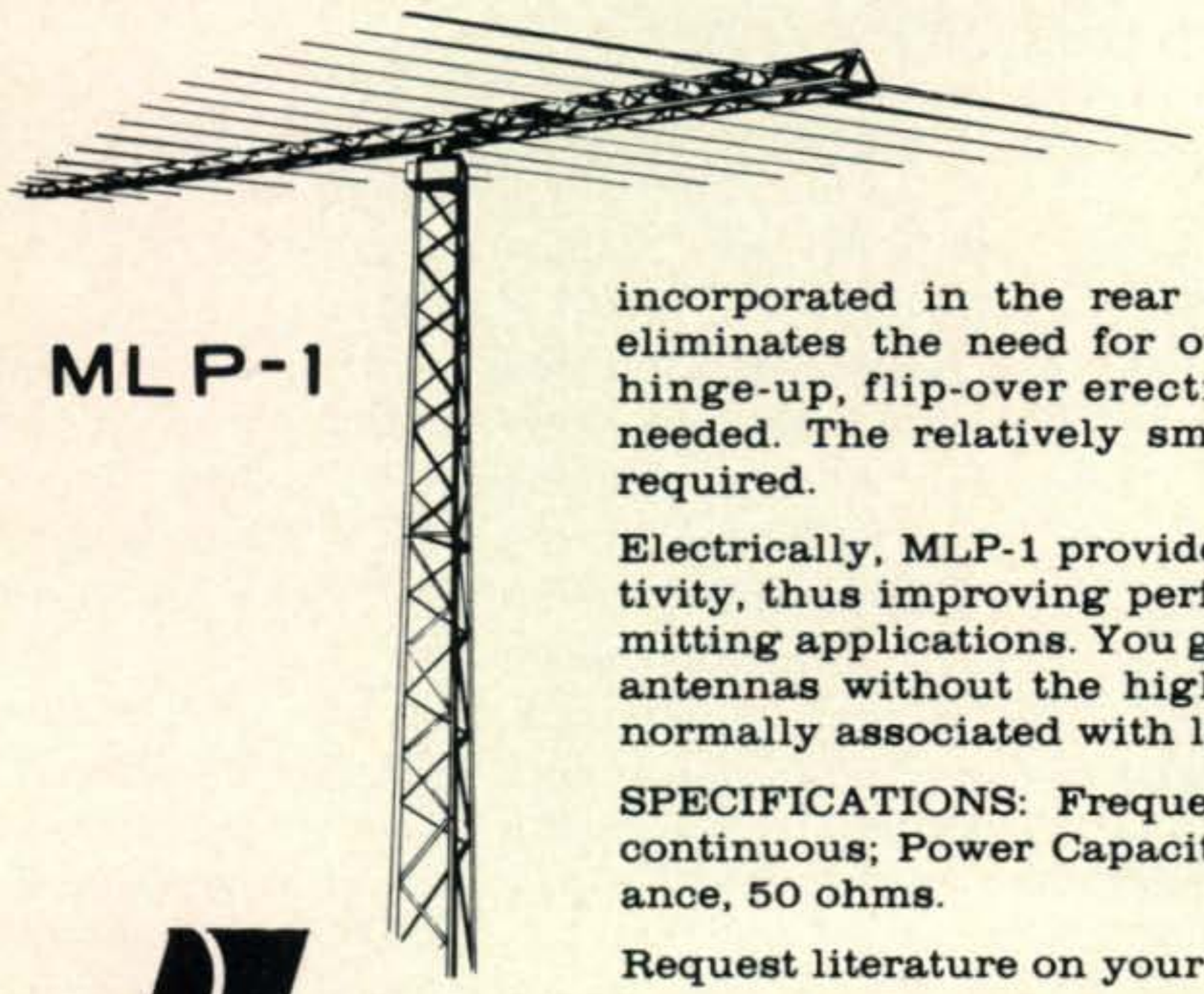

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Preselector/Converter [*from page 52*]

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The cabinet is made in two halves, from 22 gauge copper plated steel sheet, painted red, after bending. The technique has already been described in footnote 1.

Tuning Procedure

After properly identifying each band on the bandswitch dial, all r.f. coils should be brought to the approximate operating frequency using a grid dip meter, adding fixed parallel capacitance where needed. The antenna trimmer is kept set at midrange. The mixer coils are tuned at midband, adding parallel capacitance if needed, and adjusting both trimmers and iron slugs.

Using the unit in the preselector mode, feed a signal to the antenna input, and check the S-meter of the companion receiver to make sure there is some gain. Bring the coil to peak tuning by further adjusting and checking the output of the preselector using the receiver S meter reading. The 100 kc calibrator comes in quite handy for this purpose.

Insert a crystal in the front panel socket and check oscillator operation: the base-emitter capacitive network and the coupling to the mixer are somewhat critical and may need components of slightly different values than those reported in fig. 1, depending on components used, crystals, layout, etc.

Acknowledgement

As usual, good ol' Maiso, PY2GP is to be thanked for tolerating my intrusion in his shop, and Tommy, PY2DFR helped with the pictures. ■

tries. A reader suggested that Herb Schoenbohm, KV4FZ, be the first individual covered, so here goes.

Herb was first licensed in 1954 as a high school student in Iowa City, Iowa. His call was WØVXO. DXing became his major interest in the early 1960's as a result of a *CQ* 160 Meter Contest which introduced him to the fun of contesting. At that time he was working his way through college as a night club entertainer, and found that coming home late at night and working DX on 160 went very well together. As WØVXO he worked 51 countries and all continents on 160.

In 1966 Herb began a series of 160 meter DXpeditions which soon became regular affairs. He put the following countries on 160, many for the first time ever: Peru, Brazil, Guadeloupe, St. Lucia, St. Kitts, St. Martin (FS7), Anguilla, Jamaica, Mexico, U.S. Virgin Islands, British Virgin Islands, Navassa, and Montserrat. He is a member of the RSGB, FOC, ARRL, Frankfort Radio Club, and the Florida DX Club, and holds several *CQ* Worldwide DX Contest records on both s.s.b. and c.w.

KV4FZ is presently employed as Director of Engineering for WSVI-TV, Channel 8, on St. Croix, and is West Indies representative for Gates Radio and for Electrovoice. His XYL is from Stuttgart, Germany and they have 2 sons. His gear is the Drake line with Hy-Gain beams and a shunt fed 70 ft. tower on 160.

From the Mailbag

de Warren Croke, WA4DWR—"It would certainly be nice to pay tribute to some of those DX stations and QSL Managers who are very speedy in their response. In going through my log I find a Baker's dozen stations worked in the past 6 months who returned QSL's within 2 weeks. All were direct mailings, in many cases to addresses printed in the *CQ* DX column.

Some of the particularly prompt stations are FR7ZG (1 week), 3V8AL via W4WHF, FW8BO, via FK8BO, FK8AC, YB9AAJ via W7VRO, 7X2MD (4 days!!!), KP6AL via K3RLY, YJ8WP via WB4LWX, CR5BD (6 days), FL8MB, ZM1AAT/k via ZL2AFZ, AP2AD, and HC8GS.

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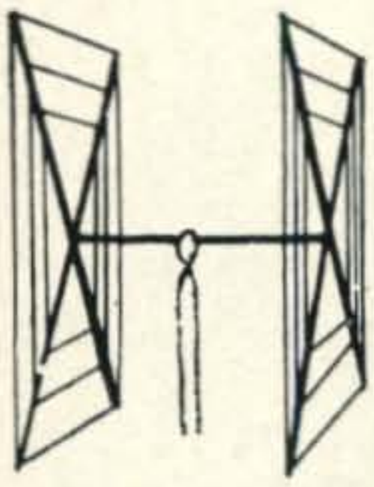

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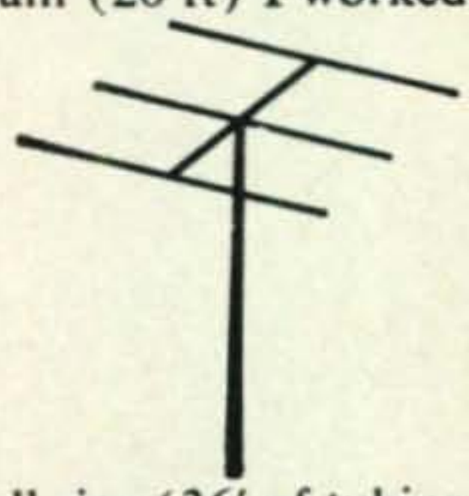

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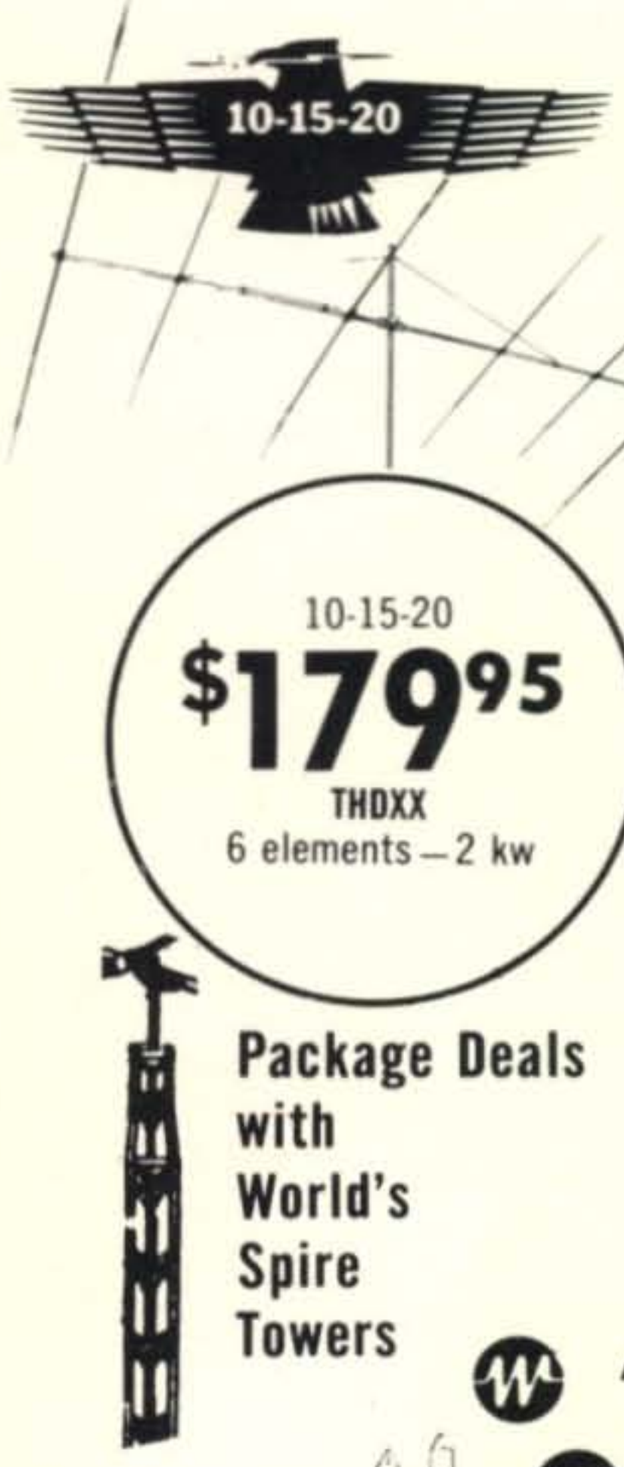

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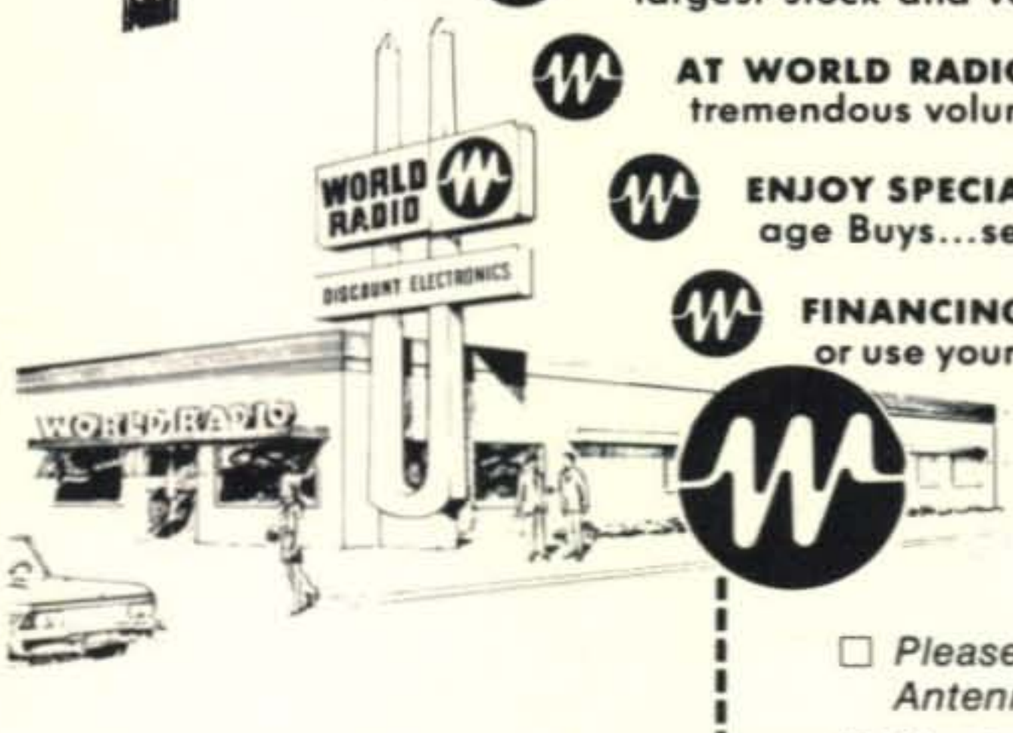

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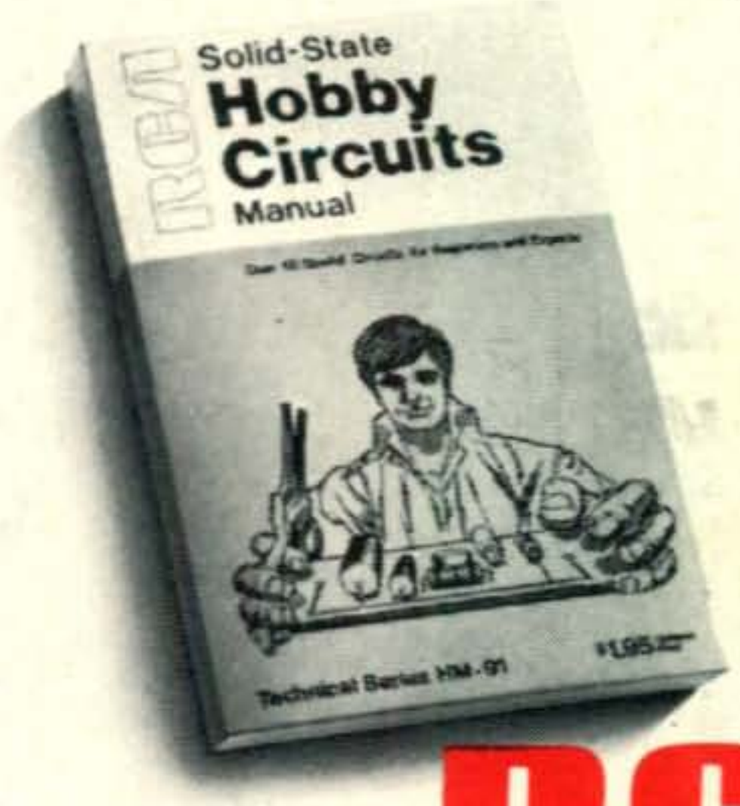

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