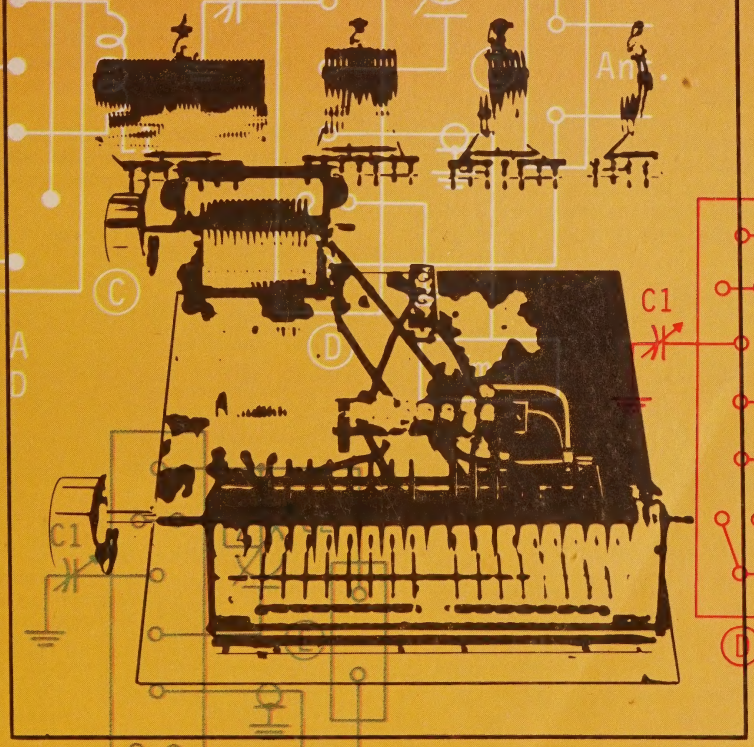
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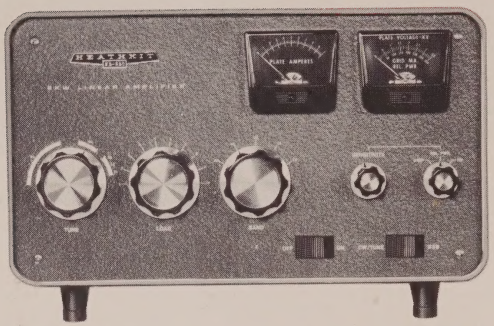
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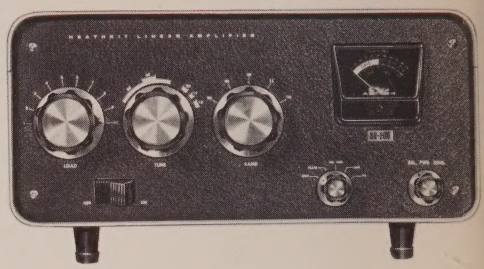
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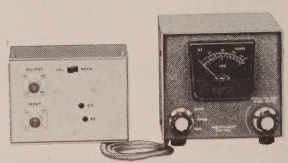
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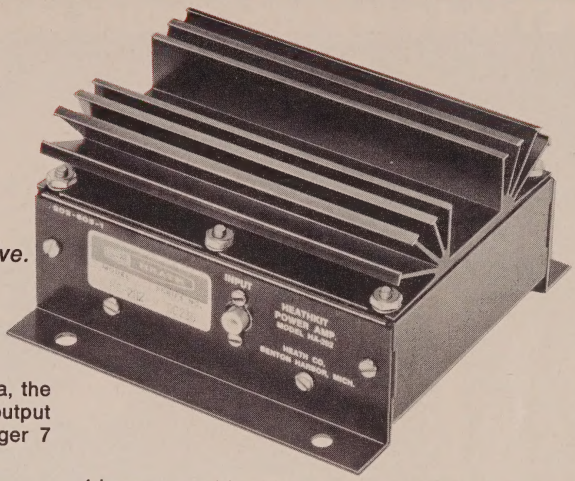


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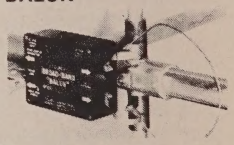
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We're surprised at the righteous indignation expressed by the dissidants. It baffles us how intelligent amateurs can so distort a wrong as to make it come out right. One particular writer thought sure that the new *CQ* contest policy aimed at discouraging super power operations was a direct indictment of him and his fellow W6 DXers! Not so! We know that the BIG linear is fairly common on the West Coast, but it's as common among W5's, W9's, W3's, and W2's. If our condemnation of super power makes you squirm then we've reached the right man.

One argument expressed by some midwestern and far western operators is that the high power is necessary to be able to compete effectively with east coast stations. This may sound like a bit of East Coast chauvinism, but where is it stipulated that all things must be equalized for all areas, and who's got the pipeline to the Orient and South Pacific. No, that argument holds little water.

A new (for the US) approach to the problem has been suggested: If the power limit for amateurs was based not on input power, but on the manufacturer's rated plate dissipation for the final tube or tubes, then a competent amateur would strive to build an amplifier with superior efficiency, rather than the brute force approach to power now used. Let's say that the power limit for amateurs was defined as a total c.w. plate dissipation capability of 1000 watts for the final tube or tubes. How much power can *you* get out of a 4-1000A or a pair of 3-500Z's? How much are you getting out now, or doesn't that really concern you? It might, if you knew that your neighbor had retired his 4CX5000A final and was figuring ways to wring an extra 500 watts out of his kw bottle

Maybe that's a more manageable approach to the problems of high power. What do you think?

Dial-A-Prop

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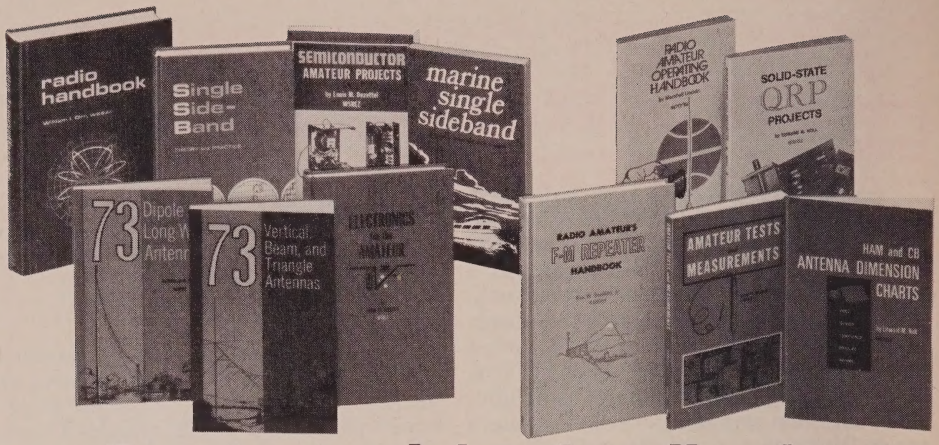
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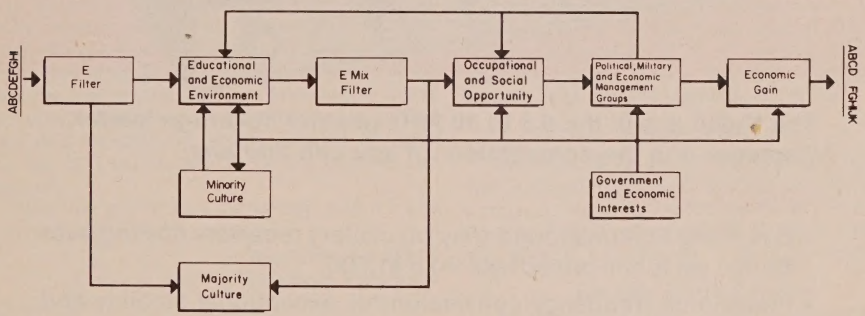
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Editor, *CQ:*

Congratulations to Vernon Dawson, K6RRC, for his fine article on the Social Receiver in the January issue of *CQ.* His analogy is quite interesting; however, many people believe the receiver has been modified. Many Americans are inclined to agree and assume that Vern used an outdated block diagram. I present this modified block diagram which I believe is the most widely accepted.

The receiver has been modified with a selective E filter at the Input to reduce the E factor (average white American male) and a second E Mixed filter which is just ahead of the IF Stage to eliminate any E factor that might leak through returning it to a majority culture. Therefore, the receiver accepts ABCD-FGHI. The majority culture (tuning oscillator) has also been modified to minority cultures. E and possible E Mixed is returned to the majority culture which accomplishes nothing. Therefore, the resultant economic gain is ABCD-FGHI.



I present this modified block diagram as what the average American sees today. This could be due to the fact that the average American may suffer from "Tunnel Vision." This possible lack of peripheral vision may preclude his seeing the injustices to others.

Embert D. Walker
El Paso, Texas

Editor, *CQ:*

As further proof that there is nothing new under the sunspot, I refer you to the article entitled, "The Social Receiver," on page 62, January *CQ.*

Mr. Dawson's analogy is well-drawn, and his specifications are quite valid. His front end design principle, however, is far from original. The first example, to the best of my recollection, to be published of a receiver front end capable of selecting E out of the economic-socio-cultural spectrum from A to I, was introduced in *QST* for June, 1929, on page 75. (I refer to the first published practical solution to a social problem which had existed since the formation of societies.)

Produced by the Pilot Electric Mfg. Co., it was designated the Pilot Super WASP!

Lest my observation be misconstrued as any derogation of Mr. Dawson's views, I would comment that the principles involved in the design of the Super WASP fell far behind the State of the Art, many years ago.

H. Eddy, W2BU
Oneonta, New York

Editor, *CQ:*

Referring to your article, "The Social Receiver" (January issue), I thought I might add that most modern models of this receiver come completely equipped with a police bands squelch, usually in the far right corner!

R.C. Rajkumar-Maharaj, VE1ABK
Dartmouth, Nova Scotia

Editor, *CQ:*

After nearly 40 years a Ham, I just recently subscribed to *CQ,* thinking I would find at last a magazine truly devoted to Ham Radio and the fast moving technical field. My first issue to be received was January 1973 and what am I treated to? "The Social Receiver," a diatribe of more of this race baiting, socialistic, left wing drivel with which I am fed up to here. If Vernon Dawson, K6RRC, is lit off on this subject, maybe he should take to preaching or politics, and stay the Hell out of the technical field.

If there are more of his articles planned for the future issues of *CQ,* please consider this an order for cancellation of my new subscription.

J.H. Griscom, Jr., W3GGV
Annapolis, Maryland

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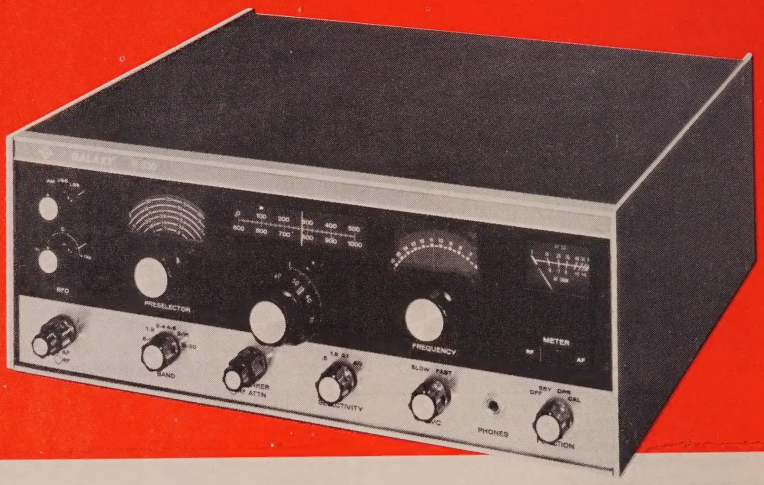
Editor, *CQ:*

I agree 100% about disqualification of those idiots using illegal power. I have a single 3-1000Z GG amp that gets buried by many signals from the illegal elite (also 3 el. wide 20 m. spaced yagi @ 65 ft.). It's discouraging to keep clean and legal but end up at the bottom of pile-ups or last in line. Anything you can do to restore some competitive

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sanity into those self-centered "Big Guns" is certainly appreciated by the rest of us high power non-QRP types.

Maybe you can get *QST* (I doubt if *73* would go along with any sane proposal) could refuse to advertise any product line of a company which willingly sells illegal power amplifiers to its clients. In this way, the violators would be forced to build their own amps, and 70% wouldn't have the technical ability plus another 20% would do themselves bodily injury (shock, hernia, etc.) and never get them on the air. So only 10% would ever be active on the bands. Thus, those 10% would be easy for the FCC to detect and squash.

Maybe if you really wanted to start controversy in your editorials you might propose that one KW PEP or higher be limited to the classes of licenses on the lower bands (80-40) that demonstrate the technical responsibility to operate the equipment cleanly and legally -- this means Advanced and Extra only!

Your editorial is like the visible part of an iceberg, i.e. much more of the problem exists than just what is readily visible. The crime of the high power imbeciles is even more unforgiveable because the lower powered stations trying to stay competitive makes them push their equipment to and beyond its limits resulting in splatter, spurious emissions, distortion, and associated garbage. Then frustration appears with those brave Casper Milquetoasts hiding behind the anonymity of their microphones sounding like 2 year old babies wailing, catcalling, and jeering. And in the middle of this is some poor slob who keeps on calling the DX station when he's transmitting, simply because he can't hear the DX station due to all the crud on the frequency.

There has got to be a better way, and if I can help you achieve it, let me know.

Wes Bolin, K4APL/6
Lancaster, California

Editor, *CQ:*

Congratulations on your stand!

Elimination of high-power law-breakers from contests will be a very effective and to-the-point remedy indeed!

In addition, it should also be possible to exclude the selfish group of individuals and improperly operated stations who cause +15 kHz splatter when a peanut-whistle coupled with properly functioning brains would frequently be sufficient.

If we don't clean up this mess ourselves, we won't have a thing to say when the FCC does it!

Keep up the good work!

Ulo Vilms, K4OV
Warner Robins, Georgia

Announcements

Johnson City, New York

The 14th Annual Hamfest, sponsored by the Southern Tier Amateur Radio Clubs, is scheduled for 2 p.m., April 14, at St. John's Ukranian Hall, Johnson City. Admission to lectures and flea market is free, awards, dinner $5. For tickets or further info write STARC, P.O. Box 11, Endicott, NY 13760

Natchez, Mississippi

The Old Natchez ARC will hold their Hamfest on April 8 in Natchez. Direct inquiries to ONARC, P.O. Box 599, Natchez, Miss. 39120.

Evansville, Indiana

TARS Hamfest will be held Sunday, May 6 at the 4H grounds, highway 41 north 3 miles. Auction overnight camping, Ladies' bingo, flea market. Advanced registration. Contact: Robby, W9MKZ, 502 S. Lincoln Park Dr., Evansville, IN 47714.

Towson, Maryland

The Greater Baltimore Hamboree will be held at Calvert Hall College, Putty Hill and Goucher Blvd., Towson, Md. (one mile south of Exit 28 of Beltway-Interstate 695) on April 8 at 10 a.m. Food service, flea market, prizes. Registration $2. No table or percentage charges. Info: Joe Lochte, 5400 Roland Ave., Baltimore, MD 21210.

Dayton, Ohio

The 1973 Dayton Hamvention sponsored by the Dayton Amateur Radio Association will be held on April 28 at the Dayton Hara Arena & Exhibition Center. Tickets are $2.50, $3 at door. Free parking, flea market, forums. For info: Dayton Hamvention, P.O. Box 44, Dayton, OH 45401.

Amboy, Illinois

The Rock River Radio Club will held their 7th Annual Hamfest on April 8 at the Lee County 4-H Center, Amboy, IL. Tickets are $1.50, $2 at door. Rain or shine. For info: RRRC Hamfest, Carl Karlson, W9ECF, P.O. Box 99, Nachusa, IL 61057.

Raleigh, North Carolina

The Raleigh Amateur Radio Society will hold its 1st Annual Hamfest on April 15 at the North Carolina State Fairgrounds. All indoors, parking, buffet, free pepsi & coffee all day. For info: RARS Hamfest, P.O. Box 17124, Raleigh, NC 27609.

Dekalb, Illinois

The Kishwaukee Amateur Radio Club will hold their Hamfest on May 6 from 8-3 at the Notre Dame Center. Tickets are $1.50, $2 at door. For info: Box 473, Dekalb, IL 60115.

Stolen Equipment

The following equipment was stolen from Edward W. Voightman, W9GSS, 4050 Crestwood Ct., Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54494 on February 12:

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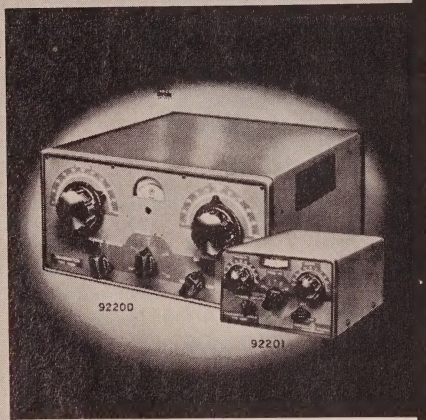
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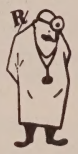
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Q AND A

BY CHARLES J. SCHAUERS, W6QLV*



Most manufacturers of electronic (and amateur equipment) usually suggest that when troubleshooting, resistance and voltage measurements should be made with a vacuum tube voltmeter (v.t.v.m.). There are valid reasons for this.

Volt-ohmmeters (v.o.m's) are not uniform in sensitivity and they range from as low as 1000 ohms per volt to as high as 30,000 ohms per volt or more. But the v.t.v.m. (no matter the type) has a sensitivity in the megohm(s) range—the usual unit having an input resistance of 10 or more megohms. What does this mean?

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Try and measure a.g.c. voltages for example with a 1000 ohm per volt v.o.m.! The measurements you get (if any) will certainly not agree with the manufacturer's!

So when you do troubleshooting on critical circuits where *low* voltages are encountered *do* use a v.t.v.m. Then too, do remember to use a v.t.v.m. in low current circuits where high resistance values are encountered.

Checking Surplus Tubes For Shorts

"I was recently given a large number of surplus vacuum tubes some of which I can use in my surplus equipment acquired over the years. What is a good easy way to check these tubes for shorts between elements? I do not have access to a tube checker."

An ohmmeter can be used providing you have a pin connection guide you can refer to when you make the checks.

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"I recently bought a TX-599 from Henry Radio but am having a little trouble with the VOX adjustment. It does not seem to cut in when I think it should. Any help?"

See page 12 of your instruction book. The term "watch (having the second finger)" means a sweep second hand! When the relay clicks in, it should reset after *1* second *after* an applied af signal—a little hard to measure with a second hand!

Diode Rectifier Blow-Outs

"As you will see from the diagram enclosed, I have a power supply using semiconductor diodes. I have replaced these three times now. The diodes are rated at 1000 volts at 400 ma. It seems that everytime I load my final a little too much they blow. What gives?"

First, instantaneous peak current, and you have no resistors (47 ohms) in series with the diodes, nor .001 mf ceramics shunting them. Resistors are cheaper than diodes.

Tower Damage

"In a recent wind strom my aluminum tower collapsed. However the main bottom section is still intact. Any suggestions for repairing the upper sections? The tower was 40 feet tall. Of course, my three element beam is a total'."

Any tower, steel or aluminum after it is hit with a strong wind is nearly impossible to repair. The only thing you can do is to replace damaged sections (if available).

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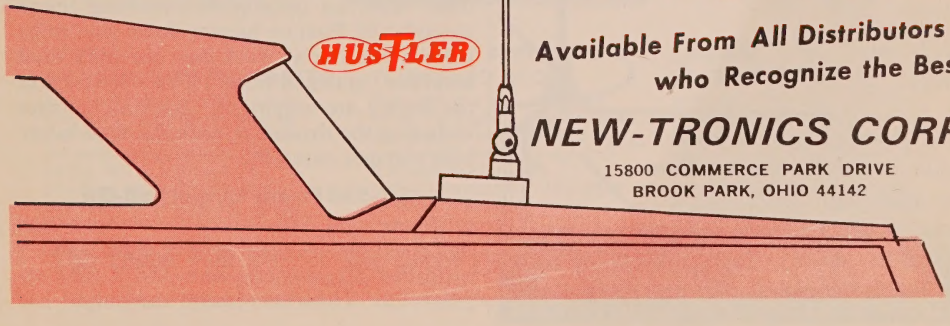
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Antenna Tuning Unit Performance

"I'm a young amateur and I understand that an antenna tuning unit (ATU) used with any transmitter can improve its performance. Is this true? Also how does an ATU affect antenna performance?"

Most modern transmitters and transceivers use pi-L networks which make the use of the ATU superfluous.

An ATU does not affect antenna performance, but the unit is a matching device which will match most antenna loads (up to 500 ohms or so). It is true that an ATU will aid in the attenuation of harmonics and spurious signals, but with modern final amplifier output network design, these are seldom encountered.

The ATU incorporating an s.w.r. meter, power meter etc., is a good investment.

Slow Blow Fuses

"The plate on my power supply (above the fuse socket) for my transceiver states that a 3 ampere 'slow blow' fuse should be used. Why not a fast blow type?"

Power applied to a cold set using a fast blow fuse can knock out the fuse. The slow blow type has enough delay so that surges will not immediately blow them. Both types of fuses protect but over the long run the slow blows are the least expensive.

Chatter Splatter

"I have been told a number of times by locals when operating on 20 meter s.s.b. that I splatter. When talking to distant stations I seldom get splatter reports. What is the solution?"

Splatter can result from over-driving the final. Also, an improperly operating linear can splatter. First try turning down your mike gain. If this doesn't work then check the final amplifier. Matched tubes (if two are used in the linear) are important. Check all voltages including the driver's. Check the final tubes' bias voltages carefully.

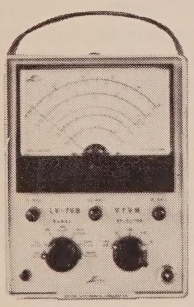
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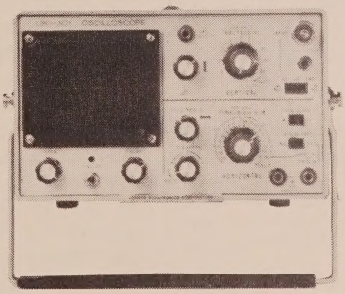
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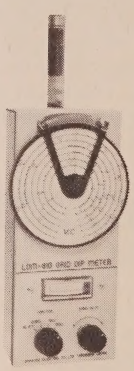
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fallen off. I am not a good troubleshooter. What should I do?"

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SB-200 Linear Problem

"I have a second-hand Heathkit linear SB-10 SSB adapter is available all over the citer. I know that the a.l.c. is r.f. derived and so I constructed my exciter accordingly. Now the a.l.c. does not work as it did before. What do I look for?"

A bad rectifier diode (D_1).

SB-10 S.S.B. Adapter Information

"I'm sure that you know that the Heathkit SB10 SSB adapter is available all over the country through various radio-electronics stores . . . at very low prices.

"When I got my license in 1970 I bought one and 'married' it to the popular DX-100, the latter converted for linear operation.

"Any information available on improving the SB-10 (other than that) included in the HAM CLINIC series?"

Yes. See the article in the May 1970 *CQ* (page 22).

The SB-10 was and still is a good adapter.

RTTY Info

"I am now interested in RTTY after being in amateur radio for nearly 5 years. Can you direct me to a publication that will help me understand it better?"

I'm no RTTY expert although I have worked in stations where 50 or more operators were on duty. I'd suggest that you start by getting the book *RTTY from A to Z* by Durward J. Tucker, W5VU. The book costs only five bucks and has 16 chapters. It can be obtained from the book department of Cowan Publishing, same address as *CQ*.

Paralleling Antennas

"I only want to use one coaxial cable from two antennas. My problem is that one is a vertical while the other is a horizontal dipole. Can this be done effectively?"

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vy 73, Chuck



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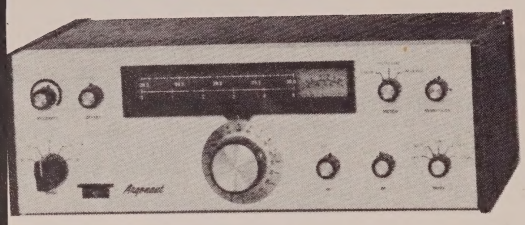
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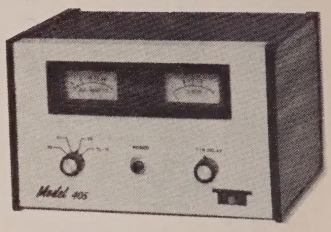
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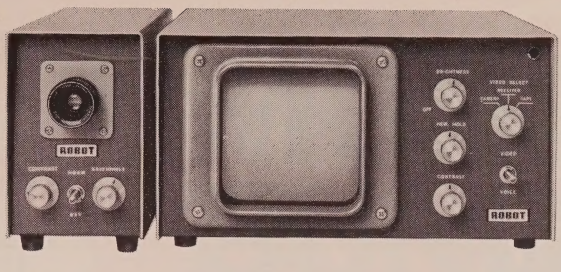
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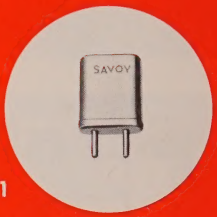
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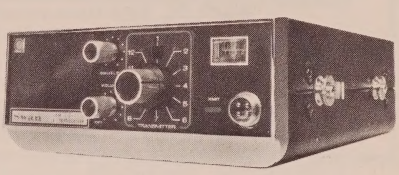
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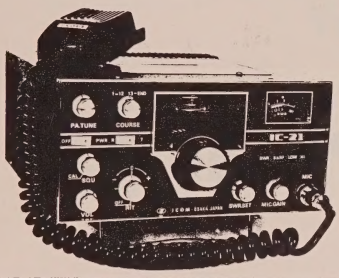
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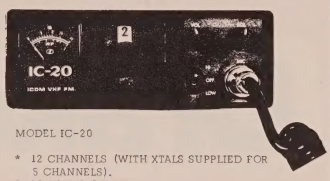


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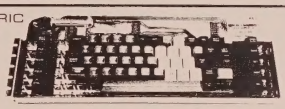
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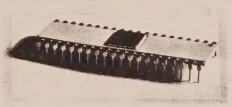


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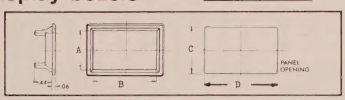
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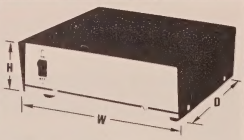




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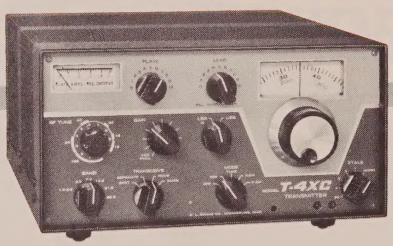


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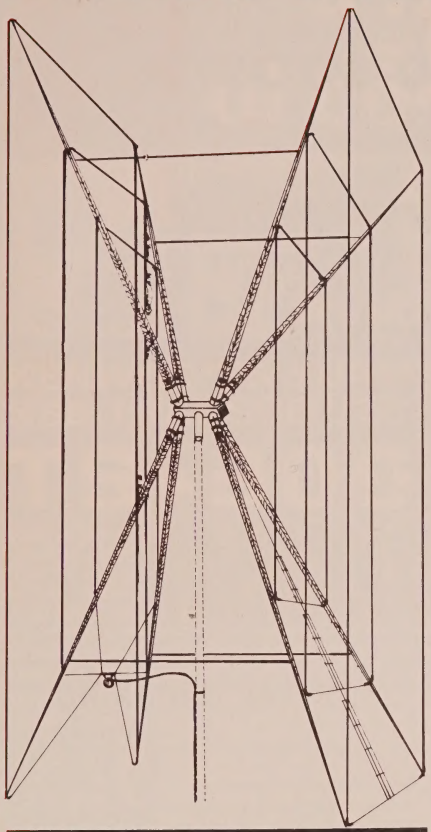
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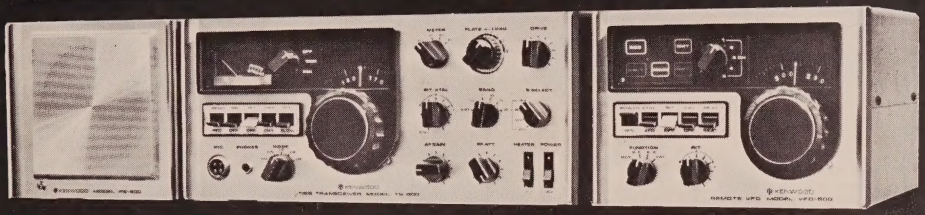
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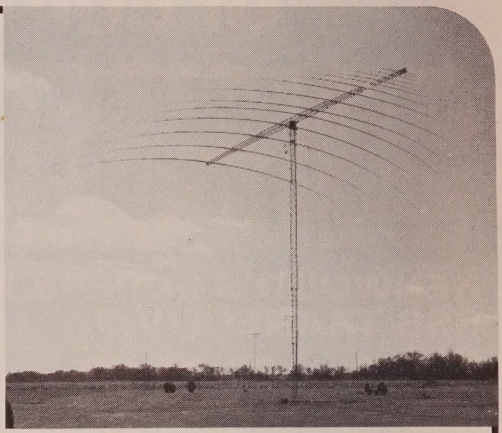
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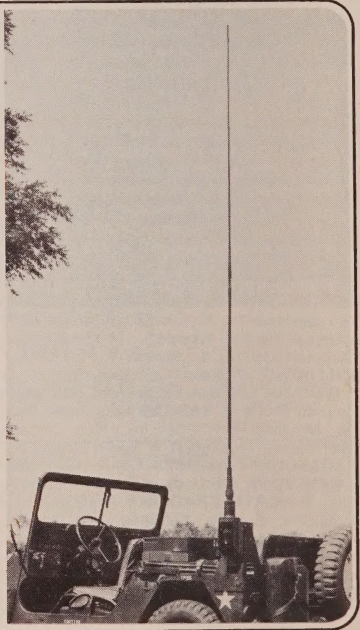
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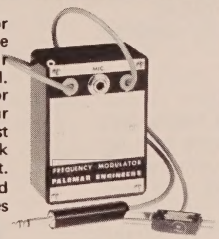
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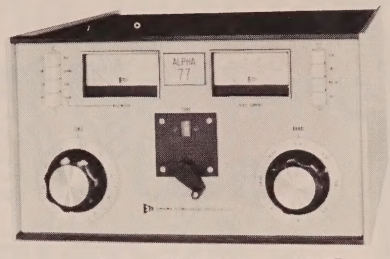


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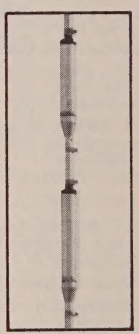
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Converting The Western Union Telefax Machine For Amateur Use

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Part I—Description and Preparation

FROM time to time various surplus items become available to amateurs which introduce, in an inexpensive way, new means for enjoying and developing the hobby which were previously reserved for hams with highly developed technical skills and/or budgets.

At the end of World War II, it was the surplus market that "modernized" the ham shack with the ARC-5 series Later, the higher frequencies were opened up with BC-645's (420 mHz band), APX-6's (1215 mHz) and the like. Recently, the wave of readily available obsolete commercial f.m. gear stimulated this mode to a degree unprecedented in amateur history.

It is this author's feeling that another such item has now made its appearance. This device is the Western Union Telefax Machine shown in the photo. Up to this point, amateur facsimile transmissions were accomplished with highly sophisticated homebrew or expensive military surplus equipment. Now, a low cost commercial facsimile unit is available to the amateur fraternity. This series of articles will attempt to explain how to fully convert the unit for either amateur radio use or machine-to-machine use, over a wire link. The result will be a good quality 72-line-per-inch resolution facsimile transceiver that will send and receive a 4½ × 6½ inch message or picture for a total cost of substantially less than $50, including machine, components, paper, etc.

Before beginning we would like to indicate two sources for the basic machines and suggest that those interested in learning about "FAX" first-hand, obtain a unit. We have inspected machines supplied by both sources and are pleased to say that they are complete and in perfectly good condition for the conversion that will follow.

Our first source is R & R Electronics, 311 East South St., Indianapolis, Indiana 46225. They tell us that at present they have over 400 machines in stock as well as paper. The second source, Van's Electronics, 302 Passaic Street, Stirling, N.J. 07980, has over 300 machines in stock. He also has paper, stylii, etc. I am sure that other sources will become available, but we have only had the time to find and evaluate these two at present. We will also not quote prices for machines as they have been varying somewhat and we would suggest either watching the ads in a *CQ* or writing directly to either dealer, mentioning *CQ* and this conversion.

Description

The Western Union Telefax Machine is a unit that was originally used for the reception of frequent telegrams by customers who did not quite need actual teleprinters. The instrument is only 12″ × 13″ × 7″ and will fit on an operating bench very nicely. In the cover are compartments for transmitting and receiving blanks and paper loading information is given right on the cover. The particular models we will be concerned with are the 6500A and 7100A "Desk Fax" units which

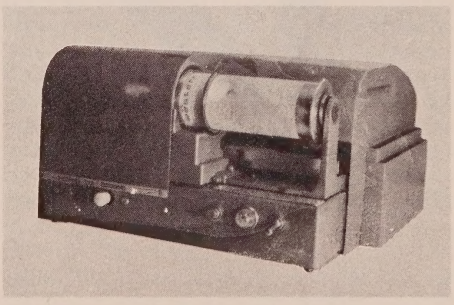
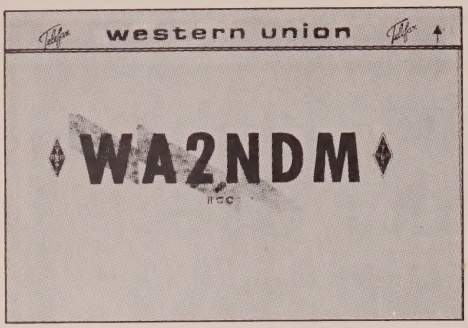


Photo of the Western Union Telefax machine.

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Typical received message transmitted over a noisy path. Received signals were about S4 on 6 meters with 100% modulation on a.m. The original was part of a glossy multi-colored QSL card.

are also the most readily available. All following information will refer to units converted to operate in the amateur service.

In operation, a message is typed or written on a 4½ " × 6½" sheet of ordinary paper or, any other type of printed matter trimmed to fit the 4½" × 6½" format. This paper is then wrapped around the unit's drum and aligned with specific drum markings. A toggle switch is activated which applies power to the unit, and when the tubes are all warmed up and ready to go, a front panel READY light comes on.

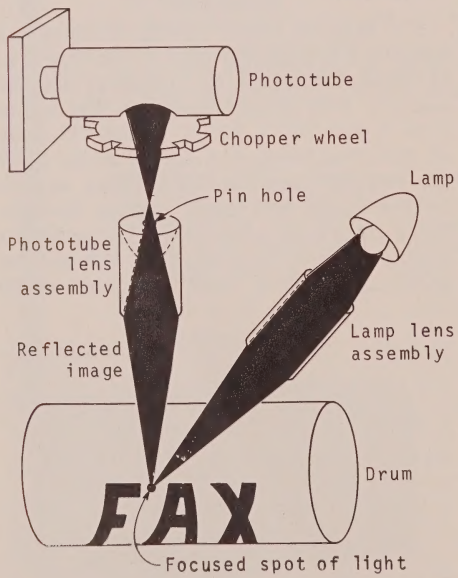


Fig. 1—Diagram of the conversion of picture material to a 2500 Hz amplitude modulated signal for transmission over wire or radio circuits.

The operator then pushes an OUTGOING button and the drum begins rotating. At the same time, synchronizing pulses are produced and transmitted to a receiving unit through either a two-wire link, or a radio link.

The receiving operator, during this interval, would have applied power to his unit, and when ready, pushed an INCOMING button. The received transmitter sync pulses would then have exactly synchronized the drum on his machine, which was previously loaded with special current sensitive receiving paper. After about 10-15 seconds, the transmitting and receiving drums will have synchronized with each other. At that time the transmitting operator merely presses a START button on his unit which causes the transmission of a START sync pulse and causes the message to begin being scanned by a focussed spot of light and a photocell. Details of this action are shown in fig. 1.

The spot of light, as it scans the information being transmitted, is reflected into the pickup lens assembly where it is focussed on a gas-filled phototube through a rotating chopper wheel. The action of the chopper wheel on the reflected spot of light produces an amplitude modulated light signal on the phototube at the frequency of the chopper wheel which is approximately 2500 Hz. Light areas in the picture cause a lot of light to be reflected and result in a high amplitude 2500 Hz signal, while dark areas only allow small amounts of light to be reflected and result in low amplitude signals.

When this modulated signal is fed to the receiver, it is amplified and applied to a small diameter stylus in contact with the receiving paper. This paper is current sensitive—that is, the greater the current through the stylus, the darker the paper becomes under the stylus.

The START sync pulse produced by the transmitter starts the feed mechanism of the receiving drum and causes the stylus to now contact the paper in the exact spot that the transmitting spot of light is scanning the original message. Then the entire transmitting blank is scanned in exact synchronism with the receiving paper and the message is faithfully reproduced.

After either the transmitter or receiver is finished, a limit switch is activated and the unit shuts itself off.

The conversion that follows will be done in several stages. The first will be the mechanical modifications and removal of all unused wires and components. The next stage

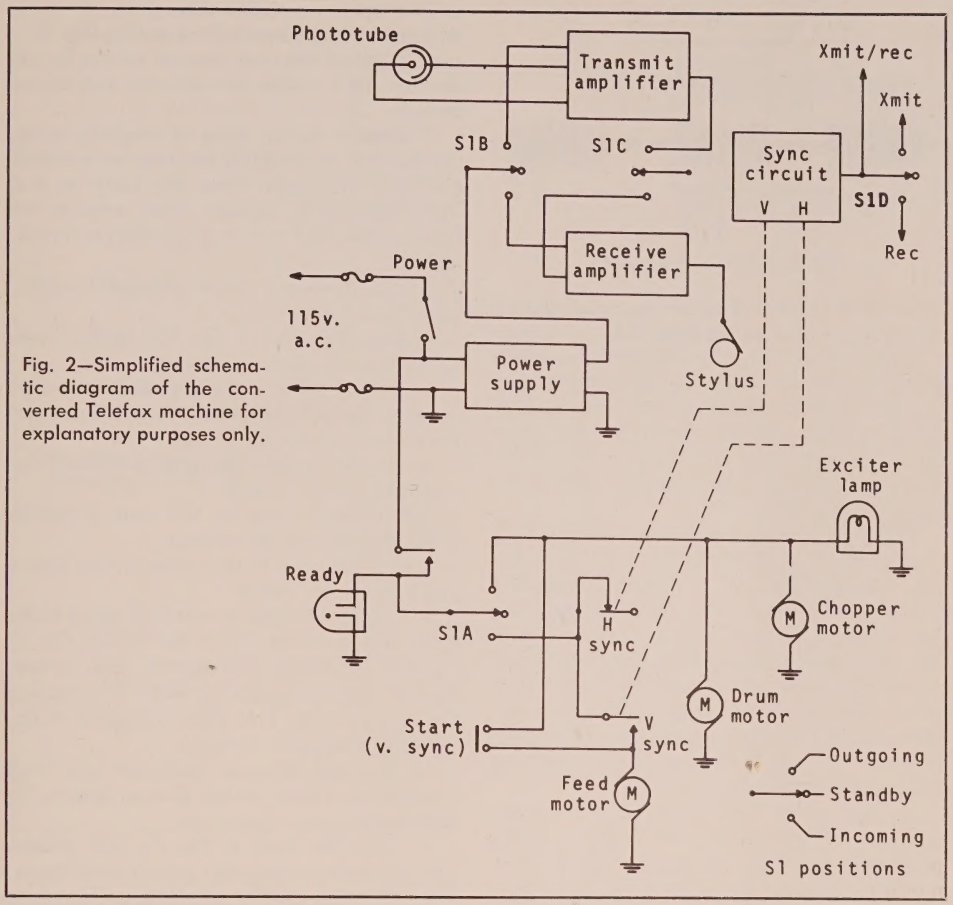


Fig. 2—Simplified schematic diagram of the converted Telefax machine for explanatory purposes only.

will cover all preliminary wiring and testing to assure that no errors have been made. Finally, the last stage will result in the fully automatic machine.

Technical Description

Figure 2 is a simplified schematic diagram of the Telefax machine, as it will be when finally converted. When power is first applied, the tubes in the amplifiers begin warming up. When the tubes have reached proper operating conditions, the READY relay pulls in, lighting the READY light. Since this relay is in series with all of the control motors, nothing will operate prior to warmup.

There are four motors in the Telefax machines. A 60 Hz synchronous motor is used to turn the drum, thereby synchronizing its rotation to the a.c. line. Another synchronous motor is used as a horizontal feed and this is also locked to the a.c. line. Two additional motors serve to turn the chopper wheel when transmitting, and press the stylus to the message blank when receiving.

After the unit has warmed up, if the operator wishes to transmit a picture, he pushes the appropriate button which causes S_1 to move to the OUTGOING position. This applies power to the drum motor and chopper motor through S_1A, and the transmit amplified through S_1B. It also connects the sync circuit between the output of the transmit amplifier and the transmitter and applies power to the exciter lamp. The drum now rotates but does not move horizontally since the feed motor is not operating. The photocell scans the edge of the message and the reflected light passing through the chopper produces a 2500 Hz tone. This tone is amplified and passed to the sync circuitry where a mechanical switch, mounted on the drum motor shaft, momen-

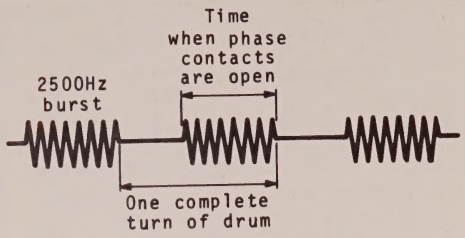


Fig. 3—2500 Hz sync pulse.

tarily allows pulses of signal to pass. Figure 3 shows what these pulses look like.

At the receiver, the INCOMING switch would have been depressed by the receiving operator and S_1 would be in the INCOMING position. This applies power to the drum motor through the H sync relay. Power is also applied to the receiver amplifier and stylus motor at this time.

The H sync relay opens as each 2500 Hz sync pulse is received by the receiving unit. Not shown in fig. 2 is an inhibit circuit that prevents the H sync relay from opening when the receiving drum is exactly in phase with the transmitting drum. Therefore, the drum motor constantly slows until it is exactly in phase with the transmitting drum. This synchronizing procedure is usually accomplished in about 10-15 seconds after which the 60 Hz line retains the synchronism.

At this point the transmititng operator presses his START button. This causes a start pulse (625 Hz) to be transmitted and his feed motor to start. At the receiving end, the start pulse is received and used to start the receiving unit's feed motor. The delay in feed between both units is negligible and the entire picture is now processed. At the end of the scan, a mechanical arm is activated which returns S_1 to the STANDBY position.

At the completion of the conversions we will explain the function of all major components as well as various pointers in maintaining and operating the equipment. Now, let's get to work!

Conversion

Be sure to carefully follow all of the following steps in the order shown, and check your work after each step. We have converted several machines by the method outlined here and have had no trouble—but we did find several errors which were traced to missing a step or simple misreading. Also, when unpacking your machine, be sure to go through the packing material to be sure you did not inadvertently lose some small part.

A. Preliminary Chassis Preparation (fig. 4)

1. Remove top and bottom covers by removing the 8 screws around unit and on the bottom.

2. Remove exciter lamp by carefully grasping the bulb, and slightly twisting in a counterclockwise direction. Save this lamp as it is quite difficult to replace. Also, remove the tubes at this time to prevent accidental breakage.

3. Cut the wires to the selenium rectifier and remove the rectifier.

4. Cut the wires to the 600 ohm, 5 watt resistor and remove the resistor.

5. Cut the wires to the top of the two fuse holders. Do not cut the a.c. input wires from the power connector.

6. Cut the leads to the ACKNOWLEDGE button and remove button.

7. Cut the leads to the 500 ohm, 5 watt resistor and remove the resistor.

8. Cut the leads to the drum service switch and remove the switch.

9. Locate the stylus motor lead going to the microswitch on the top of the chassis. Cut all leads at this switch and remove. Also remove the ink roller and printing wheel by loosening the single screw. This item is located in line with the phototube bracket.

10. Remove thethree telephone wire leads (output) and caleb clamp. Do not remove the terminal strip or other wires.

11. Cut the leads to the 51 ohm resistor located on the incoming (green) push button and remove it. Cut the remaining 10 leads on this button also.

12. Cut the 2 leads on the STOP switch.

13. Cut the 17 leads on the OUTGOING switch and remove any loose jumpers.

14. Cut the center lead of the line transformer.

15. Cut the leads going to the ACKNOWLEDGE lamp.

16. Cut the leads going to the ACK relay and remove the relay. Also remove the black lead going to the nearby terminal strip.

17. Cut the leads going to the LR relay and remove the 25mf electrolytic capacitor shunting the coil—do not remove the relay. Remove any loose jumpers.

18. Cut the leads going to the buzzer (top of chassis). Remove the buzzer.

19. Cut the leads going to the BR relay. Do not remove the relay.

20. Cut the leads going to the PWR relay. Do not remove the relay.

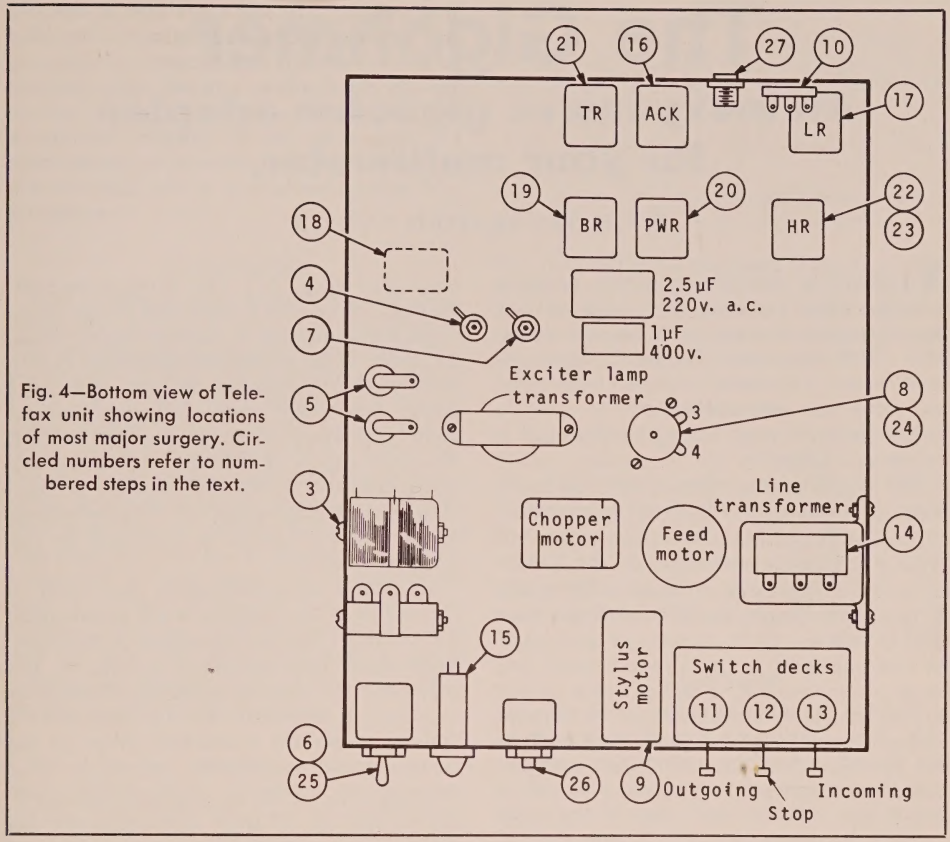


Fig. 4—Bottom view of Telefax unit showing locations of most major surgery. Circled numbers refer to numbered steps in the text.

21. Cut the leads going to the TR relay. Do not remove the relay.

22. Cut the leads going to the contacts of the HR relay only.

23. Cut the two black wires from the HR relay coil. Remove the shorter black wire.

24. Enlarge the hole remaining from the previously removed drum switch to accept a 9 pin miniature tube socket. A ¾" diameter chassis punch is perfect for this job. Mount a socket in this hole and align so that pin 3 of the socket faces the two nearby terminal strips.

25. Mount a s.p.s.t. toggle switch in the hole formerly used for the push-button switch —you may have to re-position the nearby power resistor for adequate clearance. You may also use the previously removed drum service switch in this position if you cut the shaft to fit a standard knob.

26. Drill or punch a ⅜" hole to the left of the pilot lamp on the front panel and install a s.p.s.t. normally open push button.

27. You may now select connectors of your choice for input and output terminations and mount them on the rear panel. Use the existing holes or drill new ones. Good choices are RCA phonojacks or the Amphenol 80-PC series.

28. Remove or reverse the "Push this button . . ." plate on the top of the chassis.

29. Cut the lacing cord ties along the entire main cable harness and remove all unconnected wires. Do not disconnect any components or wires that are connected to any other points in the circuitry. Also remove the long green wire coming from ground at the electrolytic capacitor.

This completes the major "surgery" to the Telefax unit. The newly installed toggle switch will now become the power switch, the neon lamp the READY light, and the newly installed push button, the START button for initiating transmission. The main harness

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The Gigohmer

An inexpensive gigaohm adapter for your multimeter.

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THIS article describes a highly sensitive adapter which extends the range of any inexpensive multimeter to as high as 1 gigaohm (1000 megohms). The only components used in the "Gigohmer" are two transistors, and while the unit enables one to measure very high resistances, its total "impedance" is as low as 3 "ohms"!

The Gigohmer can be used with any multimeter of 4,000 to 20,000 ohms-per-volt sensitivity, put in the high-resistance range. For reliable operation and safety of the transistors, the internal battery voltage of the multimeter should be not less than 3 and not more than 6 volts.

The Circuit

There is not much circuitry involved in the unit. Two Darlington-connected transistors are placed across the multimeter terminals and the resistor to be measured is placed across the collector and base of the input transistor (fig. 1). The minute current through the resistor is amplified by the transistors which present a corresponding virtual resistance at the multimeter terminals. A calibration chart showing the test resistance versus percentage meter deflection enables direct estimation of the value of the resistor. The chief merits of the unit are: 1. low cost and simplicity; 2. No need for an external high or low voltage supply; 3. The multimeter or the adapter cannot be damaged by any wrong connection.

Electronic circuit-designers may scoff at the use of a non-compensated nanoampere d.c. amplifier and the operation of the transistors under near-starvation conditions. But repeated tests made by the author confirm the reliability of the unit. It may be noted that the voltage across the transistors drops as the current increases, thereby providing some measure of automatic drift-compensation. Meter readings are quite repeatable, and the maximum day-to-day spread (for a variation of about 10°C in the ambient temperature) is about 2% f.s.d. in the mid-scale region. Part of this drift may be due to changes in the values of the calibration resistors themselves.

If the calibration chart is prepared for the mean readings, the maximum likely error in the meter indication is only 1% f.s.d. in the mid-scale region. Up to 100 megohms, resistances may be read to an accuracy of 10% and up to 1000 megohms, to an accuracy of 20%. However, because of the low-voltage operation, the Gigohmer may not give reliable readings in observations in which contact-potentials exist.

The choice of the transistor Q_1 is rather critical. It should have extremely low collector leakage and a respectable current-gain at very low collector currents. The writer is using a SG840 NPN silicon planar transistor,[1] now being made in India. This transistor, specially developed for low-level low-drift d.c. amplifier applications, has a collector

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The Gigohmer connected to the author's inexpensive multi-meter. Note that terminals A and B simply pass through holes in the aluminum box.

[1] Made by Semiconductors Ltd., Poona-14, India.

leakage of less than 10 nanoamperes at 6 volts and a minimum current-gain of 30 at a current of 1 microampere, 100 at 10 microamperes, and 300 at 1 milliampere. Q_2 can be any high-gain NPN silicon transistor with a collector leakage of not more than 0.1 microampere at 6 volts and a current-gain of not less than 400 at a collector current of 1 milliampere.

Construction

The Gigohmer is built inside a small aluminum box. Wiring is critical in one respect. The two transistors should be mounted on a really good ceramic strip with three terminals G, A and B. No other tie-point or circuit-board should be used, except for the output leads. The writer is using a $1\frac{7}{8}" \times \frac{3}{8}" \times \frac{3}{16}"$ ceramic strip which, fortunately, had holes in the right positions. $\frac{5}{32}"$ brass bolts form the three terminals. In order to safeguard against degradation of insulation, the ceramic strip is supported at one point only, namely the ground terminal G which is fixed to the box, leaving a clear gap between the ceramic strip and the box. The other terminals A and B simply pass through holes in the box with a small circumferential clearance.

Testing

The zero-adjustment of the multimeter in the high-resistance range is first carried out carefully. Before coupling the Gigohmer to the multimeter, the polarity of the multimeter leads in the resistance range should be checked. Usually the black lead will be the positive one.

With the unit coupled to the multimeter, there should be little or no deflection of the meter. If the meter deflects by more than 0.5% f.s.d. in the case of a 20,000 ohms-per-volt multimeter, the ceramic strip and the transistors should be checked. Two measuring ranges are available. In range A of the instrument in which the test resistor is connected between the terminals G and A, the Darlington pair comes into action, while in range B in which the resistor is connected between the terminals G and B, only the second transistor comes into action. With a 4,000 ohms-per-volt multimeter, range A is suitable for measuring 15 to 1000 megohms, while range B is suitable for 0.5 to 15 megohms. While measuring body-to-ground resistances etc., the terminal G should be connected to a good ground.

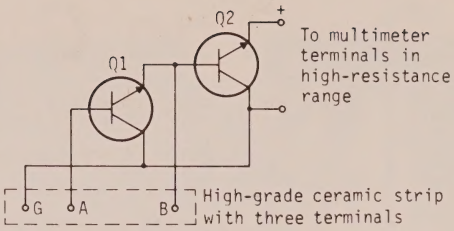
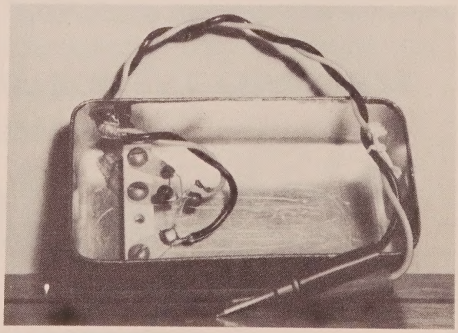


Fig. 1—Circuit of the Gigohmer, a simple adapter for the vom permitting resistance measurements to 1000 megohms. Q_1 is a low-level low-leakage NPN transistor. Q_2 is a high gain NPN silicon transistor. See text for more details.

Calibration

For calibrating the Gigohmer, a set of precision resistors of the following values are desirable: 1M, 3M, 10M, 30M, 100M, 300M, and 1000M. It will be found that when the test resistance is zero, the meter will not show f.s.d. because of the saturation voltage across the transistors. A graph prepared on semi-logarithmic graph-paper, as in fig. 2, enables direct readout of the resistance. With the author's multimeter, a 1000-megohm resistor, representing a 3-nanoampere input current, produces a meter deflection of 2% of full-scale, representing a 5-microampere output current. For resistance values of 100 to 500 megohms, the author was able to verify experimentally an inverse relationship between the resistance and the meter deflection. In this region, the product of the test resistance in megohms and the percentage meter deflection is 3200 with the writer's multimeter. The calibration chart prepared for one multimeter may not apply to others of the same sensitiviy.



Inside view of the Gigohmer is sure to catch an approving look even from amateurs who usually "don't have time to build anything!"

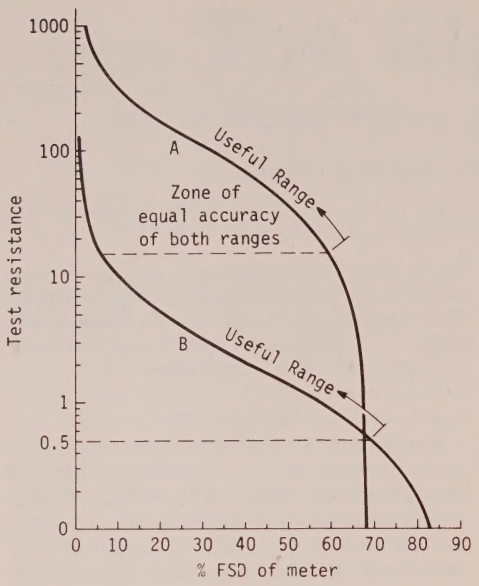


Fig. 2—Calibration chart of the Gigohmer when used with the author's 4000 ohms per volt vom in the high resistance range. Internal batteries are two 1.5 v. cells. Note that the useful portion of each range is shown. This chart is correct for the author's meter and not necessarily correct with other instruments, which must be calibrated as described in the text.

In spite of its simplicity, the Gigohmer is an ultra-sensitive instrument. It should preferably be stored in a closed box so as to prevent moisture and colloidal dust particles from settling on the ceramic strip and playing havoc with the readings (If you just blow your breath on the ceramic strip, you will get a meter deflection equivalent to about 300-M!). In humid climates, the Gigohmer should, before use, be warmed up under a lamp till the meter deflection drops to zero.

Uses

The Gigohmer will find a hundred-and-one uses in the shack of a ham; to mention a few—checking the insulation resistance of all electrical equipment, checking power transformer insulation, checking grid leak resistors, checking paper capacitors, checking the reverse resistance of silicon diodes and transistor junctions, checking the gate resistance of FET's, etc. Good silicon transistor junctions and FET gates will produce little or no meter deflection, indicating a reverse resistance of over 5,000 megohms!

Only after using a gadget like this, one gets the "feel" for high resistances. If after using this gadget, you happen to read about a v.t.v.m. amplifier, its input impedance of 10 gigaohms will no longer appear to you as an abstract incomprehensible quantity like the distance of the Andromeda galaxy! If you have not used similar instruments before, you may have to shed some of your notions about high resistances! For example, you will realize that while many of the substances used as insulators in household electrical articles do not give even 10-megohm insulation, really good insulators can give more than 1000-megohm insulation. You will start appreciating the superiority of Teflon and polyethylene over many other insulators such as bakelite, PVC, rubber and mica. If you check a few old paper capacitors with the Gigohmer, you will, most probably, decide to replace immediately all the paper capacitors in your "good-old" receiver!

You can demonstrate the sensitivity of the Gigohmer by an interesting experiment. Connect terminal G of the unit to the house ground connection. Spread a thin polyethylene sheet over the floor of the shack (assum-

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Amendment of Part 97 of the	)	Docket No. 18803
Commission's Rules concerning	)	RM-388, RM-1087
the licensing and operation	)	RM-1205, RM-1542,
of repeater stations in the	)	RM-1725
Amateur Radio Service	)	

MEMORANDUM OPINION AND ORDER

Adopted: December 20, 1972 Released: January 2, 1973

By the Commission: Commissioner Johnson concurring in the result.

1. The Commission has under consideration its Report and Order (FCC 72-757) released September 8, 1972, in the above-entitled proceeding, the petitions for reconsideration, and/or stay, and other petitions requesting changes to the rules adopted in the Report and Order, filed by The Northern Berkshire Amateur Radio Club, Inc.; Wayne Green (2 petitions)1/; 73 Magazine for Radio Amateurs (4 petitions)1/; The Texas VHF-FM Society; the Fort Worth Chapter of the Texas VHF-FM Society; Fort Worth-Tarrant County Office of Civil Defense; Fort Worth-Tarrant County RACES; North Central Texas Six-Meter Repeater Association; Repeater Committee of the Arlington (Texas) Radio Club; VHF Advisory Committee of Montana; The Engineers Repeater Group; American Radio Relay League (ARRL); Naval Communications Command; Ben F. Meyers, Jr.; Michael F. Troy, et al; James L. Hudson; Roy L. Albright; Robert S. Levy; P. Meir; H. L. Watkins; and the Northeast Repeater Association. In addition to these petitions, which were timely filed, there were a number of informal letters and petitions received by the Commission after the time for filing petitions for reconsideration had expired, 2/ both in support and in opposition to the amendments to Part 97 as adopted in the Report and Order.

2. Briefly summarized, the petitioners request reconsideration of the Report and Order, and seek either additions, deletions, modifications or a combination of these to the amendments adopted therein, or a stay in the date the amendments become effective. The petition of the Northeast Repeater Association, requests neither a petition for reconsideration nor a petition for review, but merely requests an extension of 30 days in which to file a petition for reconsideration. 2/

1/ One of the Wayne Green petitions, and the four 73 Magazine petitions were not petitions for reconsideration and/or stay. Since they do request amendments to the rules adopted in the Report and Order, they are included in this proceeding.

2/ Section 405 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, requires petitions for reconsideration to be filed within 30 days from the date which public notice is given of the order, decision, report, or action complained of. Among the late filed petitions were those filed on behalf of the Interstate Repeater Society, the Amateur Radio Caravan Club of New Mexico, and the Trenton Radio Club. The Commission has no authority to extend the time during which petitions for reconsideration may be filed.

3. The majority of the petitions address the matter of supervisory control of a repeater station, and the nature of the responsibility of a repeater station control operator. Indeed, from the remarks of the petitioners, it appears some misunderstanding existed about the need for a control operator under the rules in force prior to the adoption of Report and Order 18803. Then, as now, when in operation every amateur radio station must have a control operator at an authorized control point. Unattended operation of an amateur radio station is not provided for in the rules. The petition of the Fort Worth-Tarrant County Office of Civil Defense, requests amended rules to permit repeater stations to operate without a control operator on duty. Petitioner Albright requests additional rules for special unattended repeater stations equipped for tone-coded access on the input frequency. Petitioner Hudson requests another class of repeater station be established in order to accomplish the same purpose. The Engineers Repeater Group petition requests tone-coded access be a requirement for all repeater stations, and the user-operator transmitting the access signal be made responsible for the proper use of the repeater station. The Texas VHF-FM Society petition requests tone-coded access be permitted as an alternative to continuous monitoring.

4. Seven petitioners request that the rules place the burden for proper use of repeater station only upon the user station operator transmitting on the input frequency of the repeater station. They further request that the rules limit the responsibility of a repeater station control operator to properly maintaining the technical operation of the station. Of these petitions, several would require the control operator to have the means to remove the repeater station from service upon notification that the station was being used improperly. Although not specified, the notification would presumably come from user operators. Petitioners would allow 15 minutes or more after the notification for the control operator to terminate the repeater station transmissions.

5. Seven petitioners request rules for repeater stations having wide regional coverage. The petitions request deletions of the provisions of §97.89(c) and §97.69(c) which effectively limit the service area of repeater stations to intra-community coverage. Some of these also request an increase in the maximum authorized power limits for repeater stations, in one or more amateur frequency bands.

6. The Fort Worth-Tarrant County Office of Civil Defense petition requests, in effect, that repeater stations in RACES be permitted to operate in the entire 220-225 MHz frequency band. Petitioner Harris requests the same provisions and would also allow RACES repeater stations operating on frequency bands 50.35-50.75 MHz and 145.17-145.71 MHz to also be used for non-RACES purposes. A 73 Magazine for Radio Amateurs petition requests the entire frequency band 220-225 MHz, and an additional 2 MHz from 440 to 442 MHz, also be made available for repeater station operation. Additionally, petitioner 73 Magazine, requests rules permitting crossbanding of repeater stations.

7. The Northern Berkshire Amateur Radio Club petition requests the deletion of the requirement for certain of the showings specified in §97.41 for repeater stations. The Repeater Committee of the Arlington Radio Club petition requests additional rules providing for temporary, experimental repeater stations.

F. M.

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ALL f.m. operators are quite familiar with the Report and Order on Docket 18803. Also, some operators are acquainted with the fact that several requests for reconsideration were submitted to amend or delete certain portions of the Report and Order. Unfortunately many f.m. operators were not aware that a request for reconsideration can be filed within 30 days of the issuance of a Report and Order. Therefore, only a relative few requests were received. These were primarily from the Dallas-Ft. Worth, Texas area and from Wayne Green, W2NSD, of *73* magazine. The ARRL filed a petition requesting that the effective date of the new and amended rules regarding repeaters be stayed until February 19, 1973. No other request was made by the ARRL. Most of the other requests were for provision for unattended repeater operations, usually with tone coded access. Also, the effective radiated power restrictions were requested to be modified in certain petitions.

The West Gulf Division Director of the ARRL, Roy Albright, W5-EYB, filed a petition on his own which was not supported by the ARRL. Wonder why?

The actual text of the Commission's Memorandum Opinion and Order on the requests for re-

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consideration are reproduced a bit later in this column. However, there will be a few bits of opinion from this columnist before getting into the actual FCC wording. First of all, several sources have said that a request for reconsideration is like a "slap-in-the-face" to the FCC. This may be true, but such were necessary due to the far reaching effects of the original Report and Order on Docket 18803. The prohibition of unattended repeaters is quite unfair to amateur operators. Other services are allowed such, and without the technical ability required of the operators. One of the reasons given against amateur unattended repeaters was the fact that commercial operations are channelized by law and amateur operations are not. This is true, but the vast majority of f.m. operators adhere to the nationally accepted 30 kHz channels including those set aside for simplex, repeater outputs, and repeater inputs. It seems that the FCC thinks 146.340 mHz simplex is the "in" thing and must be protected.

Arguments for unattended repeaters allowed for tone coded access. In paragraph 11 the statement is made: "The use of widely-known audio tones, such as those used in public telephone dialing systems, for remotely controlling an amateur radio station, is also not good amateur practice. A basic principle of radio control is that there be a reasonable probability the remote station will not be activated by unauthorized persons, and the control operator can indeed effect supervisory control of the station from the remote control point just as well as if the control point was located at the station." Well, just what is a "reasonable possibility"? Using the standard 12 button "Touchtone" dial there are 144 possible combinations using 2-digit control, 1728 combinations using 3 digits, and so on. Using the 16 but-

8. The information submitted in the petitions adds nothing new to that available and considered by the Commission in adopting the Report and Order. While the Texas VHF-FM Society petition puts forth the argument that amateurs have demonstrated the means to generate stable, distortion-free, audio tones required for accurately coding and decoding control signals, through the use of a recently available, inexpensive, hybrid integrated circuit, tone stability alone was not a major consideration in the decision to confine the use of such signals on a repeater station input frequency to secondary control purposes only.

9. Operation of a repeater station in the Amateur Radio Service can present unique problems not comparable to other radio services such as Land Mobile or Citizens Class A, where control operators are not required at repeater stations. For instance, specific frequencies are not assigned to amateur radio stations, as they are in other radio services. An amateur radio station operating frequency must be selected by the control operator. Good amateur practice requires that he monitor his selected frequency prior to transmitting, in order to insure that the transmission will not interfere with radiocommunication already in progress on that frequency. Repeater stations are no more exempt from this requirement than are any other type of amateur radio station. Indeed, with over 90% of the licensed amateurs in the Country alone having access to all of the frequencies where repeater stations are permitted to operate, supervisory control is very necessary. Moreover, these frequencies are not limited to voice operation. All of the types of emissions authorized for amateurs may be used on most of the frequencies where repeater stations are also permitted to operate.

10. Good amateur practice also requires the control operator of a repeater station to monitor the input receiving frequency prior to activating the repeater transmitter. A repeater station, as with any amateur station, may not retransmit signals not intended for retransmission. Again supervisory control is necessary since there could be radiocommunication already in progress on the input frequency not intended for retransmission. Also, if a repeater station retransmitted a simplex radiocommunication between stations on the input frequency, it would be violating the rules prohibiting one-way transmissions.

11. Several petitioners recognize these problems and propose to overcome them through a tone-access system. Users would activate the repeater station by transmitting a certain combination of tones on the repeater station input communication frequency channel. Such a technique is inadequate to provide supervisory control over a remote station. It will not prevent the activation of the station by unauthorized persons, nor will it assure that the control operator can de-activate the station when there are interfering stations on the same input frequency channel. Controlling an amateur radio station by radio remote control with a control link that uses a widely-known frequency, such as the input communication channel of a repeater station, is not good amateur practice. The use of widely-known audio tones, such as those used in public telephone dialing systems, for remotely controlling an amateur radio station, is also not good amateur practice. A basic principle of radio control is that there be a reasonable probability the remote station will not be activated by unauthorized persons, and the control operator can indeed effect supervisory control of the station from the remote control point just as well as if the control point was located at the station.

12. We believe the ingenuity of amateurs can eventually develop the techniques, technical and operational, that will permit the adoption of rules for automatically controlled repeater stations. It is conceivable that automatic and reliable means can be developed that will perform all of the supervisory functions of a repeater station control operator under certain specific conditions. The Commission urged knowledgable persons to submit information on this approach. Several amateur have already responded and although their ideas show promise, it is clear that provisions for automatic control are not warranted at this time.

13. The ARRL petition requests the effective date of the new and amended rules relating primarily to repeater stations be stayed until February 19, 1973. The Levy petition requests the rules be implemented after a minimum of ninety days. One of the Green petitions requests a delay of one year in the effective date of the amendments. The Troy petition would stay and put aside selected portions of the new rules. Inasmuch as the policy established for transition to the new rules announced in a Public Notice (90785) dated October 6, 1972, does provide a reasonable time for existing stations affected by the new rules to make the appropriate modification necessary for compliance, for the most part the objectives of the petitioners are already achieved. For instance, a station operating as a repeater station, and/or one authorized for remote control, whose license was granted as a result of an application filed prior to October 17, 1972, the effective date of the new rules, should comply with the new rules to the extent possible after that date, but must fully comply by no later than June 30, 1973. In view of the time and effort already expended in studies, evaluations and discussions in this matter, there should not be any further delay, with consequent postponment of the substantial public benefits the new rules promise.

14. The petition by the Naval Communications Command would delete military recreation stations from the types of amateur radio stations prohibited from portable or mobile operation by §97.95(a)(1). Petitioner cites three examples of portable operation by military recreation stations; K4NAA at the Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association Annual Convention; Navy or Marine Corps sponsored military recreation /MARS station exhibit at the Southern Nevada Amateur Radio Club, Inc. Annual Convention; and the field day and emergency communications provided by K3USN. Since non-amateurs may be the license trustee of a military recreation station, they are not required to be familiar with our rules. These stations are principally intended for the recreational use of amateur radio operators serving in the Armed Forces, and the few instances where portable or mobile operation of a military recreation station is warranted can be best handled on a case-by-case basis.

15. After reconsideration of all factors raised in the several petitions, we conclude that the amendments to the Amateur Radio Service Rules as adopted by the Report and Order, FCC 72-757, on August 29, 1972, in Docket 18803 are reasonable and in the public interest. Therefore, in view of the foregoing, IT IS ORDERED, that the petitions for reconsideration and/or stay listed in paragraph 1 ARE DENIED and that the amendments to the Amateur Radio Service Rules, Part 97 adopted on August 29, 1972, ARE AFFIRMED.

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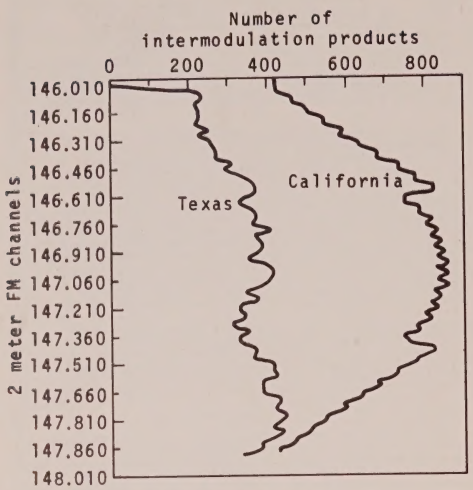


Fig. 1—Comparison between the total numbers of intermod products produced in the 146-148 mHz range with the Texas and California repeater plans.

ton series there are 256 combinations using 2 digits, 4096 combinations using 3 digits, and so on. The chances of an "unauthorized" station coming up with the required coding are not very great. It sounds like the Commission was groping for some excuse rather than a sound technical argument. If tone coding is fine for commercial and industrial uses, why is it not suitable for amateur use? I just don't understand.

Amateurs in some parts of the country are reportedly happy with the regulations. Great! However, unattended repeaters should not be forced on those amateurs who are cooperating with each other and can use an unattended repeater in mature manner. If an attended repeater is your bag, then have it, but don't force such on those who can get along without a local "policeman." Most areas of the United States have developed state or regional coordination committees to work out problems in repeater operations. Some of these committees were set up after long, hard fought repeater wars, and other committees were formed by persons with a bit of foresight and have averted repeater wars. This is the solution, not enforced local control stations with power to deactivate the repeater. Well, it is just running the subject into the ground to continue. To sum things up, the FCC said not only no, but Hell No!

Technical Talk

The standardization of a nationwide two meter band plan is presently down to two versions: The Texas Plan using low-in and high-out in both mHz of the band; and the California Plan which uses low-in and high-out in the 1st mHz (146-147 mHz) and high-in and low-out in the second mHz (147-148 mHz). The reasoning behind the California plan was to keep the receiver frequencies close together to reduce sensitivity problems in older commercial gear. The transmitters in these units will often split farther than the

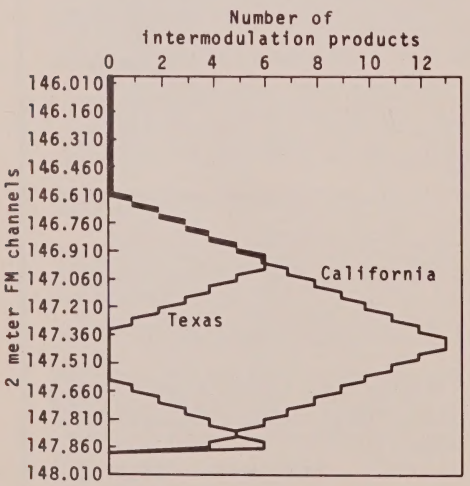


Fig. 2—Comparison of 2nd order intermod products.

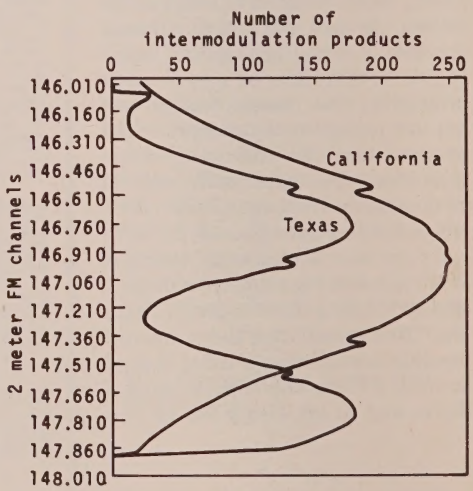


Fig. 3—Comparison of 3rd order intermod products.

receivers. On the other hand, the equipment built for amateur use will split the entire 2 mHz on both transmit and receive, and often a bit more. Another argument has been made in terms of intermod products from the fixed repeater transmitters. Along these lines a computer study has been made by Jack Mason, W5NSQ, the author of the very thorough article in the May, 1972, issue of *QST* entitled "Towards a National Plan for 2-Meter FM Channels." This computer study used both the Texas and the California plans to see just where the intermod products fell. All possibilities from 1st through 9th order were caluculated, tabulated, and those falling within the amateur 2 meter f.m. repeater band were printed out and graphed by the repeater. Jack has graciously provided copies of the graphs and permission to use them in this column.

Experience has shown that the odd orders (1st, 3rd, 5th, 7th, and 9th) are the strongest and cause the most problems. Therefore, comparison graphs are provided for the odd orders only. However, a table is also provided giving the total picture in terms of products on a plan by plan basis. In terms of the 146-148 mHz region the Texas Plan produces 25,698 intermod products or 8.090% of its total products (through 9th order) in the amateur repeater band. The California plan produces 47,642 intermod products in the same region or 15.509% of its total products. Of course just where the remainder of the products fall is also to be considered. The

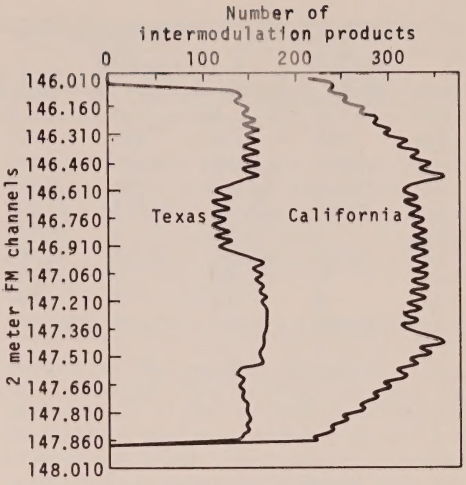


Fig. 5—Comparison of 5th order intermod products.

exact graphs are not available as this is being written (they are being re-run and plotted when computer time is available), however, a look at the tabulation of frequencies indicates that the Texas Plan intermod products fall below 152.800 mHz, primarily within the lower portions of 2 meters and the MARS/CAP frequencies just above 2 meters. The California Plan seems to produce more products well into the commercial highband frequencies. When the final graphs are available they will tell a more accurate story. However, it is much easier to live with fellow hams and communications hobbiests like MARS and CAP than with the commercial services.

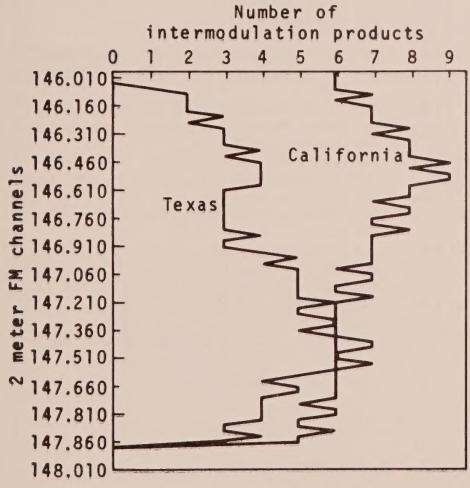


Fig. 4—Comparison of 4th order intermod products.

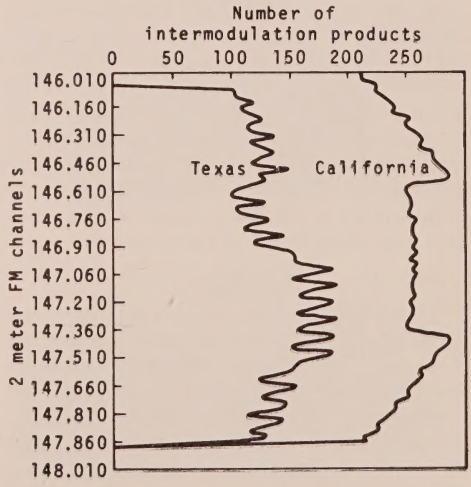


Fig. 6—Comparison of 7th order intermod products.

	Texas Plan		California Plan	
Order	146-148 mHz	Outside	146-148 mHz	Outside
1st	0	0	0	0
2nd	120	700	339	390
3rd	6,614	7,843	9,876	4,567
4th	261	34,657	452	30,452
5th	9,969	62,775	20,985	51,357
6th	0	76,978	0	70,643
7th	8,734	61,268	16,258	53,385
8th	0	35,100	0	35,100
9th	0	11,700	0	11,700
Totals	25,698	291,021	47,642	257,309

Table I—Comparison of 2-meter intermod products for Texas and California plans. Frequencies considered: Texas—146.610 mHz to 146.970 mHz, 147.600 mHz to 147.990 mHz. Total of 27 repeater output frequencies. Calif.—146.610 mHz to 147.390 mHz. Total of 27 repeater output frequencies. All based on standard 30 kHz channel spacings.

So, until the total picture is available, it is suggested that no society adopt either the Texas Plan or the California Plan. W5NSQ has been in contact with the California Amateur Relay Council about the intermod products, and they are reportedly taking a second look.

Mid-Oklahoma Repeater, Inc.

This columnist has received a bit of information from the Mid-Oklahoma Repeater group in Oklahoma City. They are going great guns with publicity, gimmicks, and the like. For example, the repeater organization has a repeator information recording that can be dialed on any telephone in the Oklahoma City area (737-7388). Also, attractive bumper stickers with the two repeater frequencies, 07/67 and 34/94, are supplied. W5OJZ provided this columnist with a photograph of the mascot of the organization. Unfortunately it is attached to a calendar and cannot be reproduced herein. The format of the calendar lists the officers, trustee, and repeater information with local telephone numbers. That is, if one ever looks below the photograph!

SAROC

I wish to apologize to those amateurs who were expecting my attendance at SAROC in January. Unfortunately it was one of those weekends that only happen to someone else. Two serious illnesses within 48 hours (daughter and father) forced cancellation of plans for SAROC. Fortunately daughter's illness subsided within short time and father doing fine after heart surgery. Sorry that I couldn't make it this year. Hope to make it next time.

Finale

Too much on FCC regulations to allow much more in this column. Please excuse me for getting emotional about the Opinion and Order. However, just too many things have been happening in amateur regulations that have far reaching possibilities. It's time to fall-back, re-group, and start things all over again with a new request for rule-making. Things are warming up a bit outside, so it's time to start all those changes required to meet the new regulations. Best of luck and see you next month.

73, Glen, K9STH

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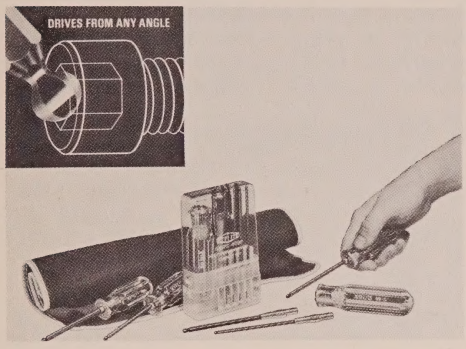
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New Amateur Products



Xcelite Ballpoint Hex Drivers

Always in the lead with unique hand tools for the electronics man, Xcelite has now introduced a set of hex drivers able to handle allen-type screws. The drivers work from any angle up to about 45° which should be a boon to amateurs involved in equipment servicing where even a simple job such as loosening knob set screws in an awkward location sometimes turns into a knuckle-skinning, panel scratching affair. Nine sizes from.050 to 3/16" are available in handle styles compatible with other Xcelite drivers. For further information circle A on page 110.

Heath R.F. Absorption Wattmeter

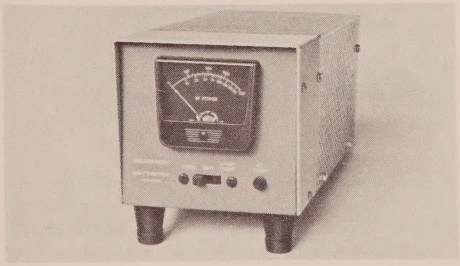
Heath has begun marketing a new absorption-type wattmeter (frequently referred to as a dummy load/wattmeter) which is rated at 175 watts continuous and 1000 watts maximum. Two power meter scales maximize the meter's usefulness in the 0-200 and 0-1000 watt ranges with a center scale reading of 50 and 500 watts respectively. An accuracy of +10% of full scale is claimed from 1.8 to 30 mHz. The 50 ohm load resistor is air cooled and is coupled through a thermal switch to an overload indicator. The indicator is powered from a 9-volt transistor radio battery; battery and indicator test provisions are provided. The HM-2103 kit is priced at $59.95 from the Heath Company.

Curtis Flea-Power Keyer and Memory

Curtis Electro Devices once again introduces a new electronic keyer. This one, the EK-420, is set apart from others by virtue of its super-low power consumption achieved by using the new C-MOS integrated circuits. Power can be supplied by the built-in a.c. power supply or a 9-volt transistor radio battery which can be snapped-in inside. Power consumption is 180 mw, key down. QRPers take note!

The EK-420 is designed to accept a new 100 character programmable memory unit, the KM-420, a matching companion unit which gives extremely flexible access to the 1024-bit memory. Addition of a second (optional) plug-in 1024-bit memory yields a 200 character capacity recallable in total, in half and quarters, and in quarters, giving maximum flexibility for the contester or traffic man. The EK-420 is priced at $139.95; the KM-420 at $299.95 (additional memory $34.95). Circle B on page 110 for more information.







MATH'S NOTES

BY IRWIN MATH,* WA2NDM

We have received some information from a new (to us) source of several items that will be of interest to experimenters and we would like to pass the details along to you this month.

Mills Electronics, Box 851 STN A, Scarboro, Ontario, Canada, is the company and they have three items at present. First of these is an AMP 30 pin edge connector of the type used to make contact with P/C boards. The connector is the AMP 1-582762-2 unit with wire-wrap or P/C terminals, and in absolutely brand new condition. The second item is also a brand new AMP connector. This time it is a single row 22 pin connector with wire-wrap or P/C leads. As with the first connector, this one #582767-6 is ideal for use with 1/16" P/C boards. Mills' final offer is a set of four nylon alignment tools (brand new) which look like they will fit just about any slug or core made. The 11 inch long one looks extremely interesting for getting into those tight places. Price for any of the above items is $1.25 each which includes all first class postage. Because of the international nature of your order, Mills requests that you

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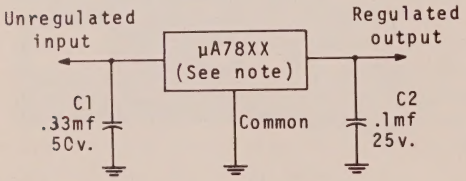


Fig. 1—Hookup for the μA 7800 series of IC voltage regulators. Note: To specify a voltage, substitute the voltage value for "XX". C_1 is only required if the regulator is an appreciable distance from the unregulated power supply filter. C_2 is only required to improve transient response. For steady state loads it can be left out. (1) Voltage output tolerance ± 5%. (2) Minimum input/output voltage difference 2.0 volts. (3) Output resistance less than 0.2 ohms. (4) Power dissipation at 75°C, with adequate heat sink—15 watts.

Specific Parameters

Chip	Output Voltage	Worst Case Regulation	Short Circuit Current
μA 7805	5 v.	100 mv	750 ma
μA 7806	6 v.	120 mv	550 ma
μA 7808	8 v.	160 mv	450 ma
μA 7812	12 v.	240 mv	350 ma
μA 7815	15 v.	300 mv	230 ma
μA 7818	18 v.	360 mv	200 ma
μA 7824	24 v.	480 mv	150 ma

Fig. 2—Common parameters for the μA 7800 series.

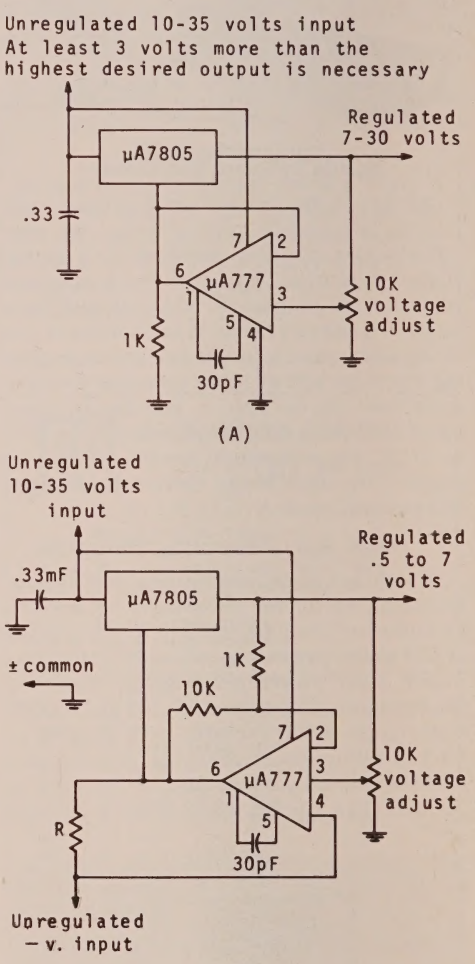


Fig. 3—Variable output supplies. In 3B, the -V supply voltage as well as R are to be determined experimentally and will be a function of the exact output voltage and current required.

send a postal money order available at any post office.

With the growing interest in higher and higher frequencies Hewlett Packard has announced what is said to be the lowest noise transistor produced to date. Although the device is very expensive ($90 at the 100 quantity level) we just thought you'd like to see a glimpse of things to come. Guaranteed maximum noise figure at 2 gHz is 2.3 db and, at 4 gHz it is 3.3 db. Typical figures are 2 db and 3 db respectively. Gain at 2 gHz is 14.8 db, at 4 gHz it is 9.6 db, andat 6 gHz it is 6.4 db. Maximum frequency of oscillation is 14 gHz for this neat NPN device. How about an amateur $5 version!

More in line wth amateur prices however, is a new u.h.f. diode, the Hewlett Packard 5082-2800 beam lead device that is fine for high level detection, switching, gating, sampling and the like. Breakdown voltage is 70 volts, reverse leakage 200 nanoamperes and

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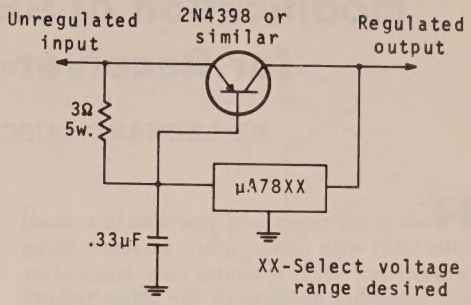
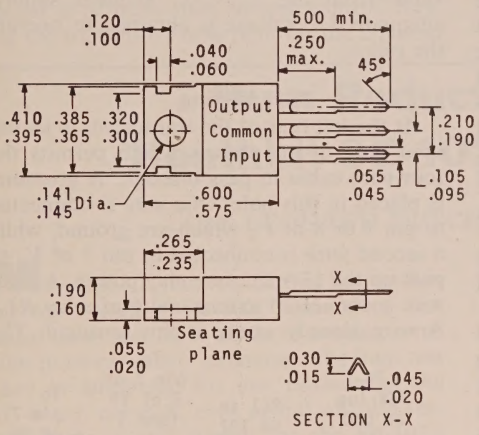
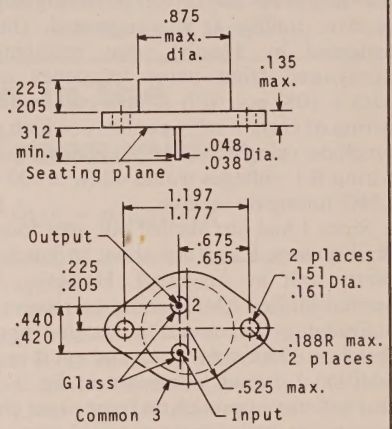


Fig. 4—A simple high current version of Fig. 1.

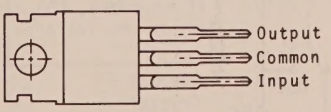


Note:
Mounting tab is electrically connected to Common



Notes:
Leads 1 and 2 electrically isolated from case.
Case is third electrical connection (Common)

TO-220 PLASTIC POWER PACKAGE
(TOP VIEW)



μA7805----- 5v.
μA7806----- 6v.
μA7808----- 8v.
μA7812-----12v.
μA7815-----15v.
μA7818-----18v.
μA7824-----24v.

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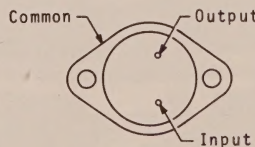


Fig. 5—Physical characteristics of the μA 7800 series.

Modification of SB-102 Transceiver for Receiver-Only Tuning

BY LEONARD DUSCHENCHUK,* WA2KHK

How many times have you been in a round table QSO with two or more amateurs using transceivers when retuning your transceiver was necessary to tune in the other fellows which in turn required the other fellows to retune when you transmitted? This usually amounts to each fellow retuning at each exchange and chasing each other up and down the band.

While building my SB-102 recently I noted the unused FSK terminal on the transistorized LMO and wondered if this unused terminal might be useful for providing separate receiver tuning. It was suggested, (but not endorsed by Heath), that replacing the rarely-used front panel frequency control with a 10K pot with a push-pull switch, rewiring of certain relay contacts (which would preclude using a linear amplifier), and rewiring B+ voltages would allow ±500 Hz of LMO tuning on receive.

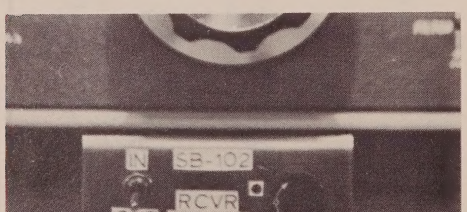
Since I had just shelled out over four hundred dollars, I was not about to butcher my pretty unit as suggested. However, I still desired limited LMO tuning on receive.

Studying the circuit it became apparent that I could have my cake and eat it too. The additional circuitry appears in fig. 1. Note that with my approach no front panel changes were made, no holes were drilled or modifications made other than connecting four wires.

A small open-sided chassis was formed from soft aluminum approximately as shown in fig. 2. The only critical dimension is the height. This chassis is placed under the sloping SB-102 front panel, below the LMO tuning control and is held between the transceiver and the table. Two small grommets in the top of the chassis increase friction to avoid movement. The transceiver rests lightly on the chassis to hold it in place.

A small "crystal can" relay is sued to supply the addition al contacts needed. A simple half-wave rectifier supplies power for the relay. Since capacitor C charges to peak value from the 12 v.a.c. filament supply, adequate d.c. valtage is obtained to operate the relay.

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The receiver-only tuning adapter is held beneath the SB-102 and requires no permanent changes in the transceiver.

Wiring

At the left rear of the transceiver is an unused hole in the chassis which permits the four-wire cable to pass through. A grommet is placed in this hole. One wire is connected to pin 7 or 8 of V_9 which are ground, while a second wire is connected to pin 7 of V_8 to pick up the 12 v.a.c. for relay power. A third wire is connected to terminal 6 of relay RL_1. A wire already exists at this terminal. The

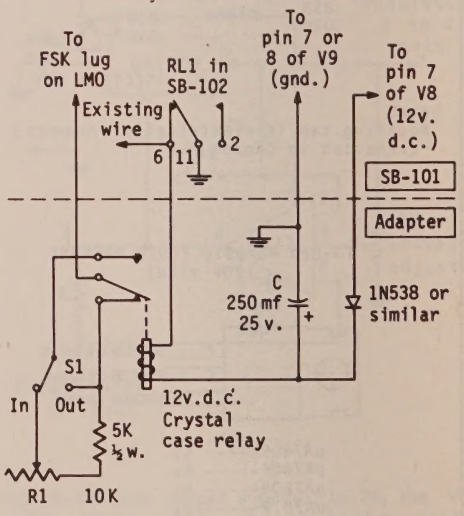


Fig. 1—Circuit of the "Receiver-Only-Tuning" adapter for the SB102 transceiver showing connections to the transceiver.

fourth wire is routed along the rear of the chassis to the middle then up towards the front and through a hole coming up just to the rear of the LMO unit and connected to the terminal marked FSK. Removal of the four wires completely restores the unit to its original condition.

Operation

Operation is straightforward. When in the RECEIVE mode either increasing or decreasing the potentiometer will vary the frequency of the LMO either higher or lower by approximately 500 Hz. In normal operation, at the start of the QSO, the switch is left in the OUT position and the transceiver is tuned normally. When receiving a signal which is slightly off frequency—don't touch the LMO dial—instead, switch to the IN position and rotate the pot to obtain maximum clarity and leave it there. The ±500 Hz variation has been found to be more than enough control. Keying the transmitter now removes the adjusted potentiometer from the circuit and replaces it with a fixed 5K resistor and thus re-establishes your previous transmitting frequency.

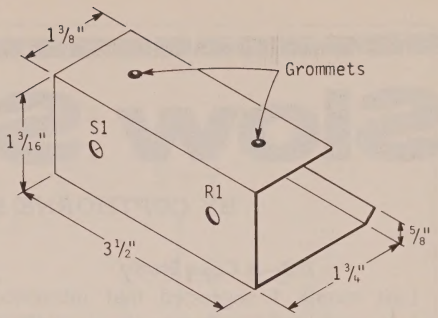


Fig. 2—A small aluminum chassis is bent up from soft sheet aluminum to enclose the "in-out" switch, receiver offset pot, relay and other components. Two small rubber grommets in the top lip help hold the adapter in position beneath the SB-102.

Connection of the unit to the LMO causes an initial frequency shift of approximately

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Hum Reduction in the Heathkit SB-102 Transceiver

BY LEONARD DUSCHENCHUK,* WA2KHK

My station layout is such that the speaker for my Heathkit SB-102 Transceiver was about three feet from my head causing some hum to be extremely annoying. The hum was fixed in amplitude for any position of the r.f. or a.f. controls, even at full off. We suspected the power supply for the SB-102's transistorized LMO since it uses half-wave rectification of the 12 volt a.c. heater line. The rectified voltage is filtered by a simple pi filter and zener regulated at ten volts. Power to the LMO is controlled by gating a pass transistor either on or off as required by the FREQ. CONT. switch. A type 1815 pilot lamp is used as the series load for the 10 volt zener regulator.

A simple check confirmed our suspicions: Turning the AF GAIN control to zero, we made a mental check of the hum level. We removed the pilot lamp (the zener load) at the rear of the LMO subassembly and noted the difference. The hum level dropped to zero indicating that the hum was coming from the LMO power supply.

At first thought, it appeared that merely increasing the size of the filter capacitors would reduce the hum level. The filters were increased from 500 to 2000 mf. However, to the author's surprise, this did not accomplish anything. Bypassing the base of the pass transistor did nothing either.

Without resorting to a separate power supply, the author modified his unit as shown in fig. 1. This change does not involve drilling any new holes or disassembling the LMO power supply subassembly or dial mechanism. All parts were assembled on a 4-lug-plus-ground terminal strip as shown in fig. 2. The rear screw on the right side of the LMO

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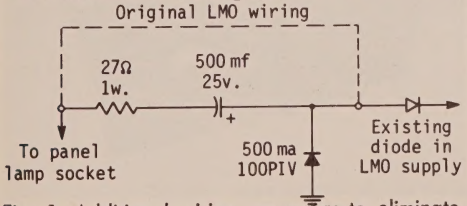


Fig. 1—Additional wiring necessary to eliminate hum emanating from SB-102 LMO power supply.

Slow Scan TV

BY COPTHORNE MacDONALD,* WØORX

ISB—A Case Study

Last month I suggested that interested slow-scanners get together on the air to share thoughtfully prepared "programs" with each other, using simultaneous SSTV/voice. This month we'll explore some of the hardware problems involved in going i.s.b. There are many approaches to adding independent sideband capability to a station. The more economical ones involve building i.s.b. adapter units to add the extra sideband channel to an existing transmitter and receiver. Since each case is unique, I'll start by going into some detail about how I did it. I would also like to devote future column space to telling how others have done it, if you'll send the details on to me.

I built the adapter shown on these pages ten years ago. SSTV was still 5 years away from getting the FCC nod, and the possibility existed that the second sideband would never be used. Its first use came during the 1966 SSTV tests in a very successful QSO with Bob Gervenack, W7FEN, that involved a lengthy audio-visual ham shack tour. (This is a commentary on the originality of hams—or at least my originality. Morse sent "What hath God wrought?" The first astronaut to step on the moon spoke of a ". . . giant step for mankind." We settled for a tour of the shack for our "first".)

My situation had been this. I owned a Collins 32S-1 transmitter, but no receiver or power supply. The idea of building a companion unit for the 32S-1 that would convert it into an independent sideband transceiver gradually took form. The basic idea was to use the 32S-1 v.f.o., b.f.o., and h.f. crystal oscillators in the receive function also, and to use a single pair of Collins 455 kHz upper and lower sideband filters for both transmitting and receiving. (The adapter I built was, therefore, a much more complicated piece of gear than would have been necessary if my shack had been blessed with a receiver. It's an example from the complex/expensive end of the i.s.b. adapter spectrum.)

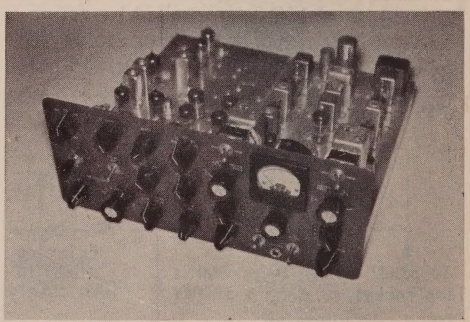
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Theory of Operation

The adapter unit block diagram is shown in fig. 1. A received i.s.b. signal is amplified by V_2 and converted to a 2.955 to 3.155 mHz in V_3 by heterodyning against the 32S-1 h.f. crystal oscillator output. This signal is mixed with the 32S-1 v.f.o. output in V_4, to create an i.s.b. signal centered on 455.000 kHz. This signal passes through V_5 and V_6 which drive the l.s.b. and u.s.b. filters. The incoming i.s.b. signal has now been separated into individual l.s.b. and u.s.b. components. These components are kept separate and are amplified in V_7 and V_8, and then fed to two separate i.f./detector/audio strips: V_{11}-V_{15}, and V_{16}-V_{20}. Low level audio u.s.b. and l.s.b. output signals are available at this point. An audio power amplifier, V_{21} -V_{22}, allows speaker monitoring of either channel.

A word about the "Channel A" and "Channel B" designations. For a number of reasons (VOX operation, c.w. operation, a.l.c. problems, etc.) it made sense to use the 32S-1 audio and balanced modulator section for voice in i.s.b. operation; and as the only channel in use during s.s.b., SSTV only, or c.w. operation. I called this "Channel A." The other channel, fed with SSTV during i.s.b. operation, and unused at other times is "Channel B."

The "Channel B" audio amp and balanced modulator (V_{23}-V_{25}) are located on the adapter chassis. The circuitry was patterned closely after the 32S-1, except that V_{25} oper-



Top/Front view of the i.s.b. adapter.

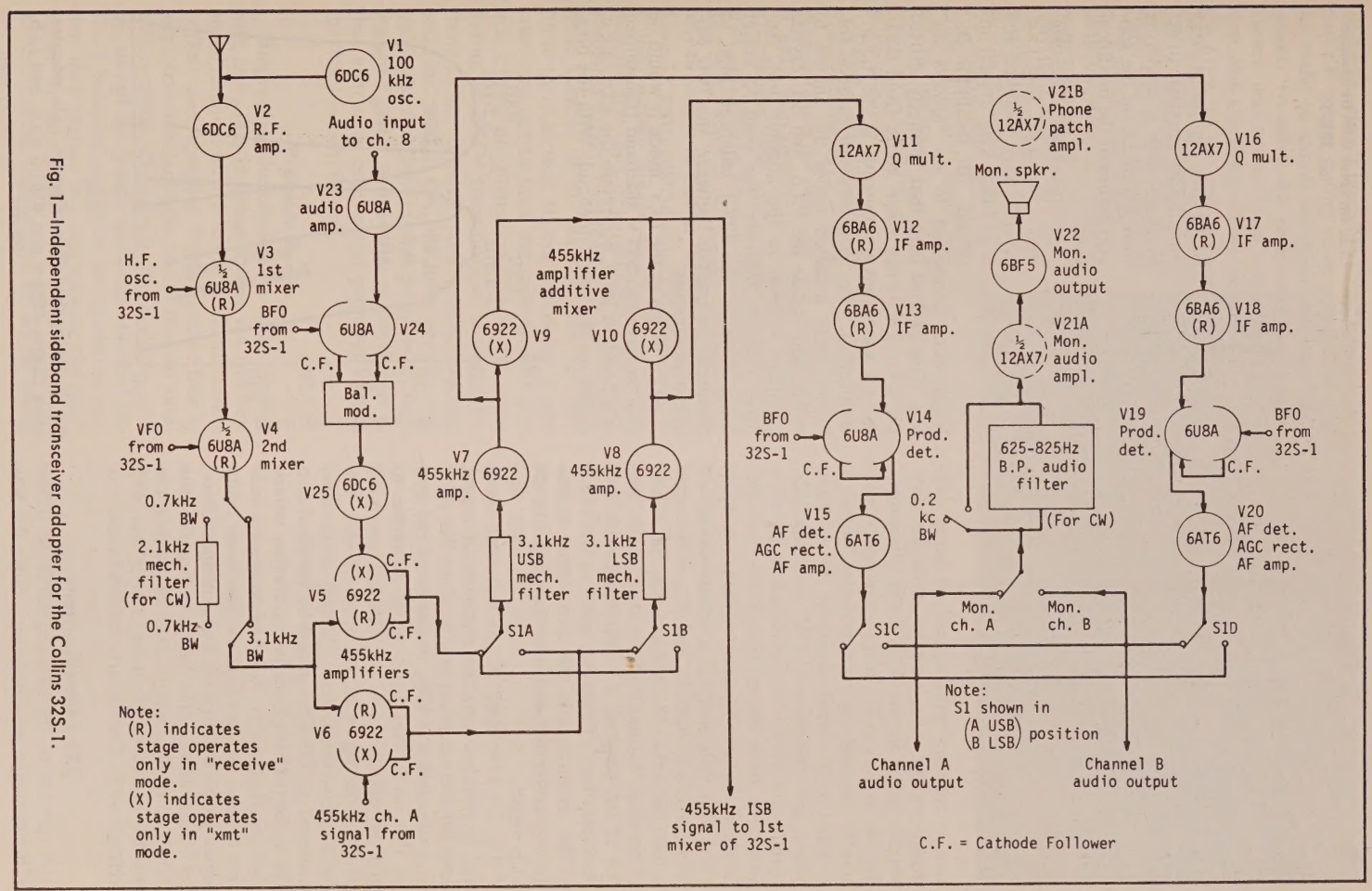
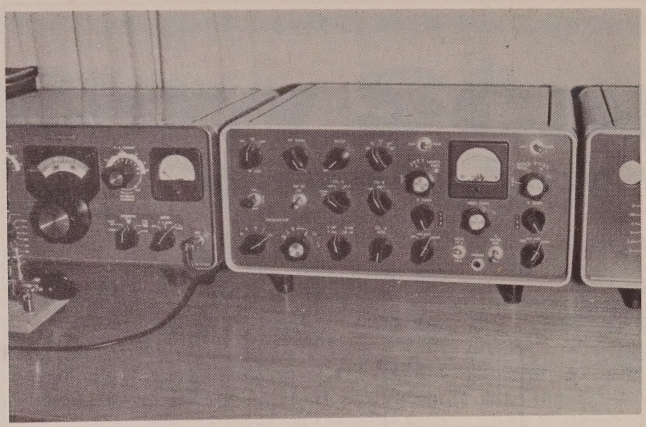


Fig. 1—Independent sideband transceiver adapter for the Collins 32S-1.



l.s.b. adapter with its companion 32S-1.

ates at constant gain instead of being controlled by the a.l.c. voltage as in the comparable stage in the 32S-1. On "transmit," the "X" halves of V_5 and V_6 are operational and the channel "B" balanced mod output is directed to the input of one of the sideband filters, and the channel "A" balanced mod signal from the 32S-1 is directed to the other filter. The filter output signals are then amplified in V_7 and V_8, and combined to form a 455 kHz i.s.b. signal in a resistor connected to the plates of both V_9 and V_{10}. This signal is then fed out to the first mixer in the 32S-1. (This stage formerly received the s.s.b. output of the original 2.1 kHz bandwidth mechanical filter.) From this point in the 32S-1 to the antenna jack, the i.s.b. signal is frequency converted and amplified just like an s.s.b. signal.

The 2.1 kHz filter, by the way, was saved and is switched into the receiving i.f. signal path for the reception of c.w. Since this filter is *centered* on 455 kHz, its passband and that of the u.s.b. and l.s.b. filters combine to give an effective 300 to 1000 Hz passband whether the rig is set on u.s.b. or l.s.b. See fig. 2. A narrow-band (200 Hz) audio filter centered on 735 Hz can also be switched into the audio path on "receive" to further reduce the c.w. bandwidth. A bit of confusion centers around the fact that the on-the-air u.s.b. signal passes through the l.s.b. sideband filter, and vice versa. This happens because the 32S-1 v.f.o. frequency is 455 kHz *below* the first mixer output frequency rather than 455 kHz *above* it. This inverts the sidebands.

32S-1 Modifications

A number of changes and additions to the 32S-1 circuitry were necessary. Since this was to be my rig for a *long* time, I didn't hesitate to get in there with a soldering iron. I'll touch on the general nature of the modifications.

OSCILLATORS: The original b.f.o. u.s.b. and l.s.b. crystals were removed and a 455.000 kHz crystal installed. All oscillator B+ leads were connected to an "always on" bus. The control lead that formerly shifted the v.f.o. frequency when going from u.s.b. to l.s.b. was wired permanently in the "u.s.b." connection. Two 7586 Nuvistor cathode followers were installed under the chassis to buffer and isolate the v.f.o. and h.f. crystal oscillator outputs to the adapter unit. Another cathode follower was used to buffer b.f.o. drive to the 32S-1 balanced mod to minimize interaction between the two balanced modulators.

ALC: When in the i.s.b. mode it would be nice to have the SSTV sideband transmitted at a constant level, but retain the a.l.c./a.g.c. action on the voice sideband. With the orig-

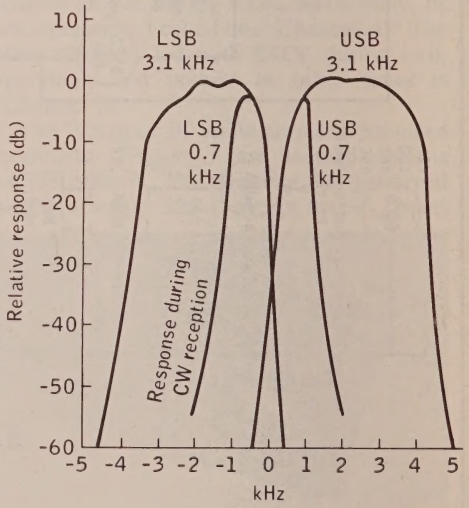


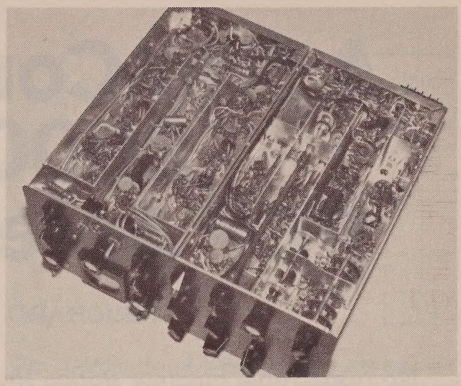
Fig. 2—Mechanical filter response, i.s.b. adapter, using Collins 455Z-4 and 455Z-5 u.s.b. and l.s.b. filters.

inal a.l.c. circuit the SSTV level builds up to full r.f. output during voice pauses, and can be made to almost disappear on loud voice peaks. To solve the problem the EMISSION switch was rewired and relabeled. The old USB and LSB designations became CH A and CH A+B. In the first position the a.l.c. control voltage is fed in the original way to the i.f. amplifier that follows the 32S-1 balanced mod, and to a pre-final r.f. amp. In the CH A+B position a fixed bias is applied to the r.f. amp, but the a.l.c. voltage still controls the i.f. amp and thus the 455 kHz voice level. In this way the channel "B" SSTV signal can be set anywhere between zero and full output and it will remain constant since the gain in the r.f. stages does not vary. The voice signal adds additional power but cannot overdrive the rig because the a.l.c. will reduce the i.f. voice level when full (voice plus SSTV) output is reached.

FINAL: The number one game with any final used for SSTV is to run it in a way that does not burn the tubes up. In i.s.b. operation it must also operate as linearly as possible to minimize the intermodulation distortion that puts picture hash in the audio sideband and audio crud in the picture. My approach was to switch to 6146B/8298A tubes which have 35 watts plate dissipation each, and to reduce screen voltage to the RCA recommended 200 volts, obtained from a stiff zener regulated supply. I set the bias for a no-signal plate current of 50 ma total for the two tubes in i.s.b. use; 40 ma otherwise. I also take care not to load the final beyond 200 ma. Check the plates every now and then during an SSTV transmission. If the plates show color, recheck your tuning, loading, and bias. If all is OK, the tubes may be registering a complaint against prior abuse, having gone gassy. A small fan to stir the air in that final amp cage would probably extend the tube life even further.

Problem Areas

Suppressing the carrier is a little tougher with i.s.b. This is because there are *two* balanced modulators to balance. To avoid a very critical and unstable "false balance," it is important to balance the first of the two modulators alone. One could, for example, pull V_{25} out of the socket while one balanced the 32S-1 balanced modulator for minimum carrier, then replace V_{25} and balance the modulator in the adapter unit. I was able to achieve carrier suppression of 45 db using this approach.



Bottom view of i.s.b. adapter showing liberal use of shielding partitions.

Sideband switching and general isolation of one 455 kHz signal from another is another problem area. Transmit/receive switching was done by turning the plate voltage of various tubes on and off. The rotary u.s.b./l.s.b. switch, S_1 of fig. 1, was actually more complex than shown. A number of sections were used with provision for grounding switch terminals adjacent to active ones, etc., to minimize capacitive coupling between the l.s.b. and u.s.b. signals. The V_5 and V_6 cathode followers help reduce coupling because their output impedance is quite low. A further precaution was the liberal use of shielding partitions between sections of the adapter unit as shown in the bottom view photo. Designing a solid state version of the unit today, I would probably switch only d.c. with a mechanical switch, and investigate such components as the RCA CD4016A COS/MOS transmission gate and the Motorola MC1445 gated video amplifier for use in actually switching the 455 kHz signals. Using a double sided P.C. board with one side used as a ground plane would eliminate the need for shields in most, if not all places.

Something of a disappointment is the relatively wide bandwidth of the 455Z4 and 455Z5 mechanical filters. They are certainly wider than optimum for amateur use, but were the only filters readily available at the time. Does anyone know of a source of pairs of 2.1 kHz u.s.b. and l.s.b. filters? I am presently using an outboard 2.5 kHz LPF to narrow the effective audio bandwidth, but it is not a substitute for a narrower i.f. filter.

The comments pertaining to the linearity of the 32S-1 final naturally apply to any

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A "No Compromise" 2000 Watt PEP Antenna Tuner

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No respectable amateur station should be without a good antenna tuner. Here's a high-efficiency tuner using a novel plug-in coil arrangement to achieve a matching range of from 25 to 5000 ohms.

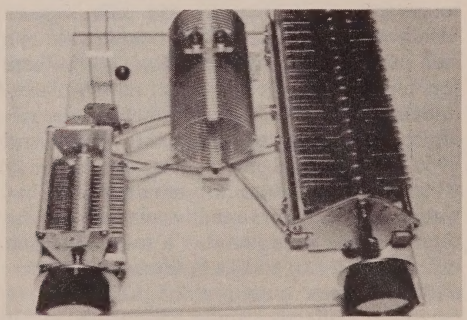
THE reasons for using an antenna tuner or transmatch have been covered extensively by Lew McCoy, W1ICP in "Why a Transmatch" (*QST* Jan. 1968). Three of the best reasons are:

1. To reduce feed line losses.
2. To enable one antenna to be used in all portions of several bands.
3. To permit the transmitter to "see" 50 ohms at all times.

The No Compromise tuner described here achieves high efficiency by using separate coils instead of one or two tapped coils (tapped coils are lossy). Plug-in coils eliminate interaction between coils, switching problems, switching losses, and the expense of high quality, high power switches. The unique design of this tuner which allows changing the type of tuning by changing the components are plugged-in. This eliminates loose wires and clips, keeps wiring short and efficient, and, of course, simplifies changing the type of tuning. The ability to tune Parallel low C, Parallel high C, Series low C, and Series high C enables the tuner to cover a wider range of antenna impedance than any commercially available tuner.

The impedance range of this tuner is from a

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The No Compromise antenna tuner is constructed on a large sheet of plexiglass. It is shown here with a coil plugged in and shorting bar B in place atop the coil. In this parallel-tuned configuration, the open wire feedline is plugged into A as in fig. 1.

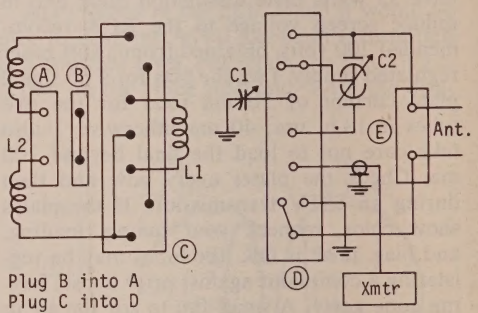


Fig. 1—Schematic of the No Compromise antenna tuner and plug-in coil, set up for Low C Parallel Tuning.

Parts List

C_1—13-353 pf variable, 1 kv spacing. Johnson 154-2 or equivalent.

C_2—Dual 100 pf transmitting variable, 5 kv spacing or more. Millen 04100,14100, or equivalent.

Jacks—H.H. Smith 1508 or 1509 Nylon banana jacks. 11 required for basic tuner. 2 required for each coil.

Plugs—H.H. Smith 462 banana plugs. 9 required for each coil and shorting bar.
H.H. Smith 1672 double banana plug. 1 required for antenna feedline connection.

Coils—See Table I for all coil information.

Table 1—Coil Table

Band (mHz)	L_1		L_2	
	Turns	Coil Stock	Turns	Coil Stock
1.8- 2.0	24	1	79	2
3.5- 4.0	12	1	39	2
7.0- 7.3	6	1	13	3
14.0-14.35	3	1	7	3
21.0-21.45	3	1	5	3
28.0-29.7	2	1	3	3
50.0-54.0	1	1	1	3

Coil Stock:

1—2" dia. #16 tinned, 10 t.p.i. (B & W 3907-1 or equivalent).
2—2½" dia. #14 tinned, 8 t.p.i. (B & W 3906-1 or equivalent).
3—2½" dia. #12 tinned, 6 t.p.i. (B & W 3905-1 or equivalent).

low of about 25 to 50 ohms to a high of about 4000 to 5000 ohms. One commercially built tuner goes to only 1200 ohms, and uses a tapped coil and switches—two lossy items.

An excellent all-band antenna for use with this tuner is a dipole or Inverted V 135 feet long, fed with 600-ohm open-wire line (or even 450-ohm or 300-ohm open-wire line—even the television type will work). If space is limited, you can use a dipole or Inverted V as short as 50 feet on 80 through 10 meters; however, make it as long as you can to improve your 80-meter signal. Besides these antennas, you can use this tuner to feed beams and quads, fed with either twin-lead or open-wire line.

If you work 160 meters, you will find you can load a dipole or inverted V as short as 130 feet—or perhaps even shorter. Theoretically, the antenna should be about 260-feet long, a half wavelength on 160 meters. Try

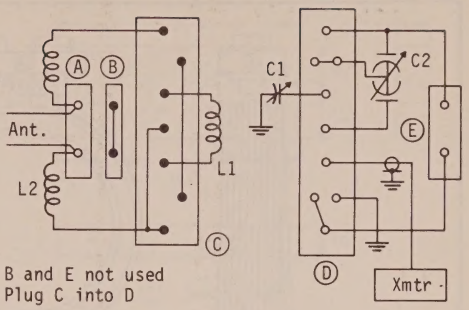


Fig. 3—With the plug-in coil in the same position as at fig. 1, but with shorting bar B not used and the antenna plugged into A, a Low C Series Tuned circuit results.

to make the antenna as long as it should be, but if you can't, just make it as long as you can, and leave the rest to the tuner.

You will note in figure 1 through 4 that the four different types of tuning are accomplished first by the way the coils are plugged into receptacle D, and second by plugging the antenna into either receptacle E or receptacle A. (Never plug anything but the antenna into E. Shorting bar B is plugged into A when the antenna is plugged into E, but is not used when the antenna is plugged into A.) Receptacles D and E are each mounted on two stand-off insulators.

Operation

Using an s.w.r. meter between the transmitter and the antenna tuner, tune the transmitter to very low power, set up the tuner for parallel low C tuning. Adjust the two capacitors alternately for minimum reflected power. If the reflected power can not be reduced to zero while you still have some forward power, first change from low C to high C by remov-

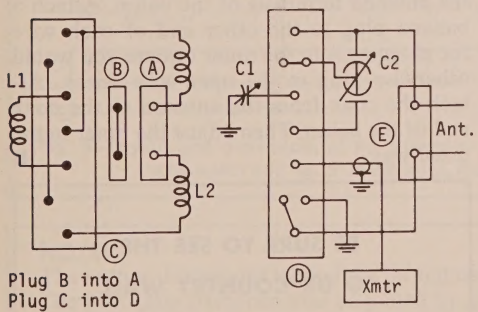


Fig. 2—Rotating the plug-in coil 180° and plugging it in again changes the circuit of fig. 1 to a High C Parallel-Tuned antenna tuner.

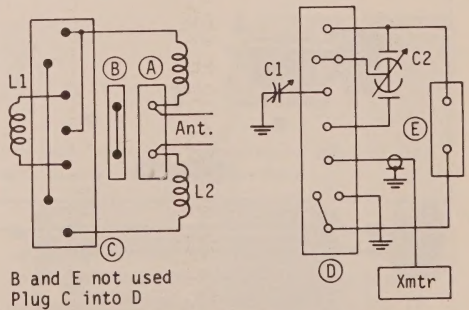


Fig. 4—Rotating the coil 180°, with the antenna still connected to A yields a High C Series Tuned antenna tuner. Shorting bar B is not used here.

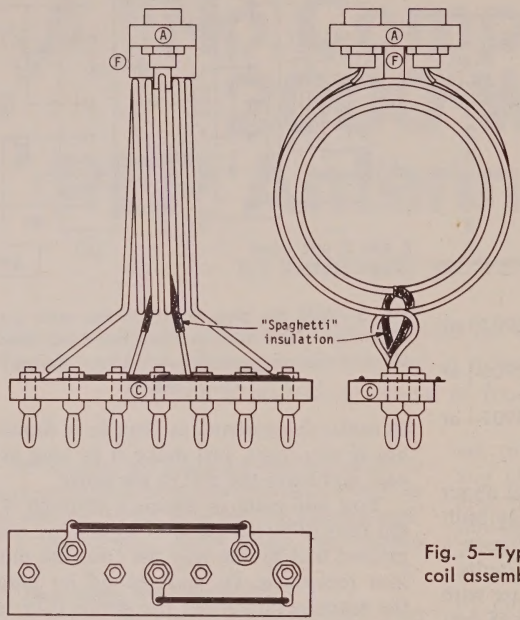
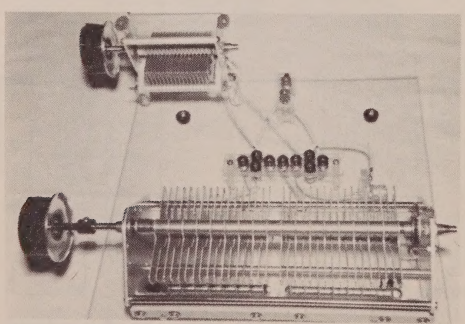


Fig. 5—Typical construction of one of the plug-in coil assemblies. The plexiglass supporting bars for the coil turns are not shown.

ing coil, rotating it 180 degrees and plugging it back into D. If you still cannot get zero reflected power change the antenna from E to A and try both series low C and series high C tuning. One of the four types of tuning will be correct and thereafter you can use that type of tuning for that antenna and band.

To use the tuner with a coax-fed antenna (as when you have a high s.w.r. and don't want your transmitter to see it or when you want to feed a long wire antenna), use just one side of the coil. Although you can plug the center pin of a coax cable fitting into a banana jack (if you do this, be sure to run a wire from the outside of the fitting or coax braid to ground), a better way would be to mount an S0239 coax receptacle near the rear of the tuner—making sure that the body of the receptacle is grounded—and to solder a short length of wire to the center pin of the S0239. To the other end of the wire, attach a banana plug. With this arrangement, you can now plug the banana plug into whichever receptacle you wish, and adjust the tuner in the normal way.

If you have a balun, it can be used for the same purpose by attaching two short wires to the antenna terminals of the balun. Attach a banana plug to the other end of each wire for plugging into the tuner (where you would otherwise plug in the open-wire lines). Attach the coax from the antenna to the coax end of the balun. Then adjust the tuner in the usual way. ■



With no coil in place the construction of socket D is visible.

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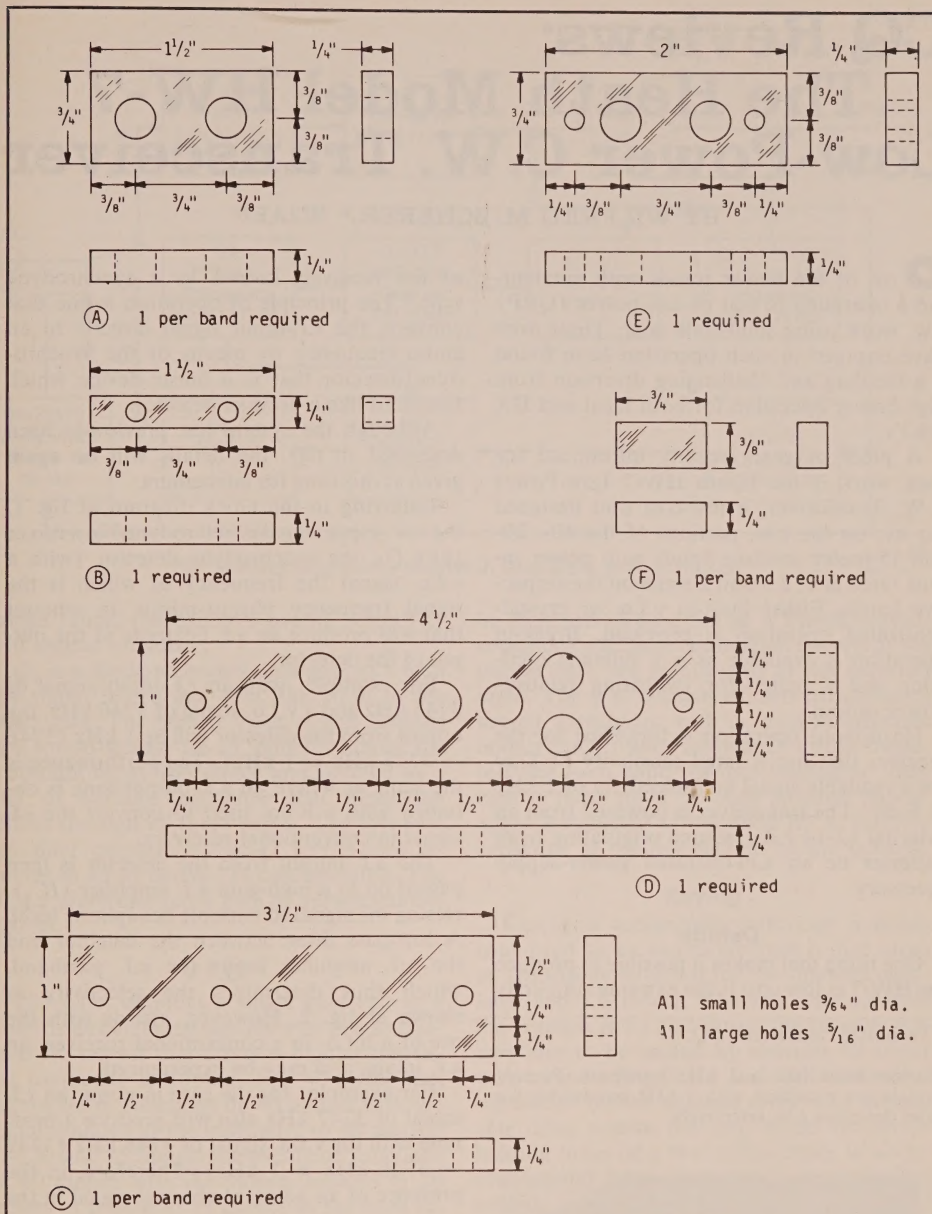


Fig. 6—Layout and dimensions of the plexiglass parts with letters corresponding to those in the schematics and fig. 5. In all cases, the material is ¼" thick plexiglass sheet.

NOTE:
The author drilled and tapped the plexiglass components to construct the antenna tuner. The plexiglass parts can also be joined by gluing using various commercial products. If you use any of the popular epoxy type cements be sure to read the directions carefully and avoid any possible contact with your eyes.

CQ Reviews: The Heath Model HW-7 Low-Power C.W. Transceiver

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ONE of the newer trends with amateur-radio operation is that of low-power (QRP) c.w. work using solid-state gear. Those who have engaged in such operation have found it a thrilling and challenging diversion from high-power operation for both local and DX QSO's.

A piece of gear recently introduced for such work is the Heath HW-7 Low-Power C.W. Transceiver, a low-cost unit designed for use on the c.w. portions of the 40-, 20- and 15-meter amateur bands with power inputs rated at 3, 2.5 and 2 watts on the respective bands. Either built-in v.f.o. or crystal-controlled operation is provided. Break-in operation is available as is a sidetone oscillator and a meter for indicating relative-power output.

Headphone operation is furnished for the receiver that has a rated sensitivity of 1 μv for a readable signal and selectivity of 1 kHz @ 6 db.[1] The transceiver is powered from an external 12-14 v.d.c. source originating from batteries or an a.c.-operated power-supply accessory.

Details

One thing that makes it possible to produce the HW-7 at low cost is the extreme simplicity of the receiver, known as a synchrodyne type.[2] The principle of operation is one that converts the r.f.-input signal directly to an audio frequency by means of the synchrodyne detector that is a linear device which functions like a product detector.

Although the system has previously been described in *CQ*, the details will be again given at this time for latecomers.

Referring to the block diagram at fig. 1, the c.w.-input signal is heterodyned in a mixer (FET Q_1, the synchrodyne detector (with a v.f.o. signal the frequency of which is the signal frequency plus-or-minus an amount that will produce an a.f. beatnote at the output of the detector.

For example: with an r.f.-input signal of 3745 kHz and a v.f.o. signal of 3746 kHz, the output from the detector will be 1 kHz (3746 − 3745 kHz = 1 kHz). The performance is the same as where an a.f. output tone is obtained with a b.f.o. used to convert the i.f. signal in conventional receivers.

The a.f. output from the detector is then passed on to a high-gain a.f. amplifier (IC_1), raising the signal to a usable headphone level. A low-pass filter between the detector and the a.f. amplifier limits the a.f. passband, which thus determines the selectivity as shown at fig. 2. However, just as with the use of a b.f.o. in a conventional receiver, an a.f. image also may be experienced.

For example: for the case in point, an r.f. signal of 3747 kHz also will produce a beatnote with the v.f.o. signal of 3746 kHz (3747 − 3746 kHz = 1 kHz). Therefore, in the presence of an adjacent-channel signal in the

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[1]Earlier units had a 2 kHz bandpass. Present models are modified with 1 kHz bandwidth for more desirable c.w. selectivity.



The Heath Hodel HW-7 low-power solid-state c.w. transceiver.

[2]D. G. Tucker, "The Synchrodyne—A New Type of Receiver for A.M. Signals," *Electronic Engineering*, March 1947, page 75.

"Synchrodyne Receiver," *Radiotron Designer's Handbook*, Fourth Edition, Page 1226.

NOTE: The term "synchrodyne" receiver was denoted, because for a.m. reception the receiver is tuned to zero beat with the signal or synchronized with its frequency. For other applications "direct-conversion" receiver is often used.

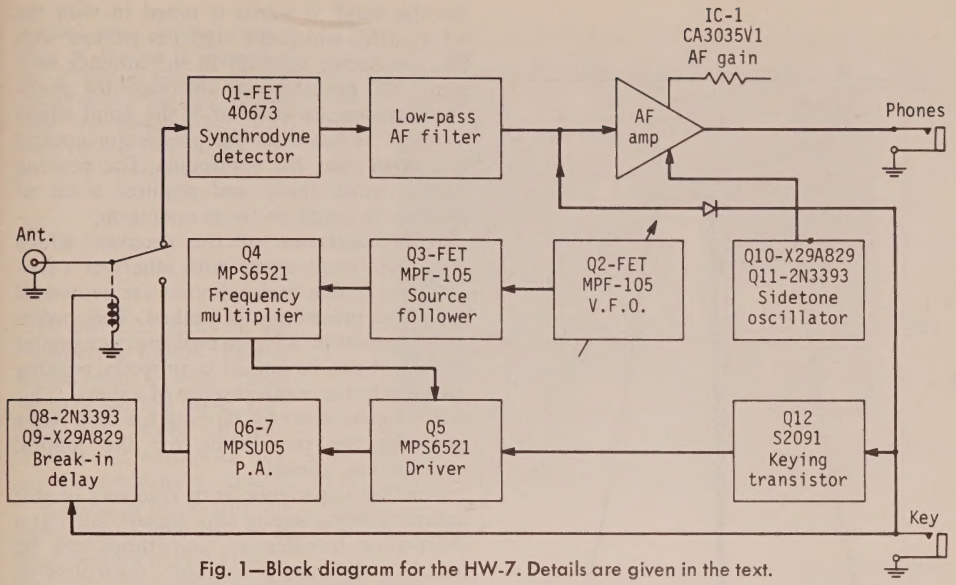


Fig. 1—Block diagram for the HW-7. Details are given in the text.

image range, the effective overall selectivity will appear broader.

Q_1 is a diode-protected dual-gate FET with the signal fed to one gate, the v.f.o. to the other gate. The high-Q input circuit consists of a toroid-wound 1.6 μh inductor tapped for a 50-ohm input impedance and shunted by a 365 pf variable capacitor that tunes the circuit through all three bands. The low-pass a.f. filter employs a high-Q ferrite-core inductor in an M-derived Pi configuration. The IC a.f. simplifier has a gain of approximately 100 db.

V.F.O.

The v.f.o. employs a single gate FET in a Colpitts circuit using another FET as a source-follower output that drives a bipolar-transistor frequency multiplier. For 40-meter use, the oscillator functions on 80 meters with the signal doubled at the multiplier to 40 meters. For 20 and 15 meters the oscillator functions on 40 meters with the output doubled to 20 meters or tripled to 15 meters as the need requires. The setup thus minimizes the possibility of frequency pulling which might occur if the fundamental frequency of the oscillator otherwise were the same as that used for heterodyning or that of the transmitter output (when the v.f.o. is used for the latter).

Transmitter

On transmit, the v.f.o.-multiplier output is applied to an r.f.-driver stage that also may be switched to function as a Pierce crystal-controlled oscillator. Individual circuits at the output here are fixed-tuned to the required band. The p.a. consists of two parallel-connected transistors with a dual-Pi network output circuit with individual toroid inductors for each band. Output loading in each case is fixed for a 50-ohm antenna impedance. Resonance is obtained by a variable capacitor at the mid-section of the nework.

Keying

Keying is accomplished through a transistor used as an electronic switch that turns on the supply potential for the sidetone oscillator and r.f. driver. The key also actuates the antenna relay and causes the receiver a.f. amplifier to be muted by shorting its input with a conducting diode. Included in the keying circuit for the antenna relay is an adjustable delay system that can be set for relay-holding times of a few milliseconds to about one second after each character is transmitted.

Construction

Five and a half hours were consumed in assembling our HW-7 which is built on a printed-circuit board that is then mounted on a metal frame. The case consists of top and bottom U-shaped halves. Heath's traditional HW- Line colors and styling are used. The v.f.o. is operated by a 6:1-ratio planetary drive that has a dial with individual scales for

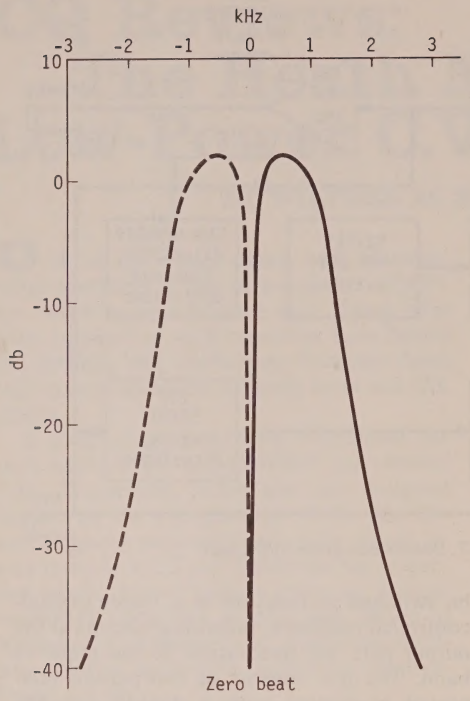


Fig. 2—A.f. response curve for the HW-7, indicative of the receiver's selectivity. It is drawn to a linear base to conform with normal i.f.-selectivity curves. The solid trace represents the response as the receiver is tuned toward the high-frequency side of the signal. The dashed trace similarly shows the response toward the low side. Both traces together indicate what the over-all picture would look like when the receiver is tuned through the signal.

each band calibrated in 5 kHz steps. The ranges are 7.0-7.2, 14.0-14.2 and 21.0-21.3 mHz. There are three other controls: PA Tune; Receiver Preselector; A.F. Gain with On-Off switch. The meter is an edgewise-mounted type.

Also on the panel is a socket for a transmitting crystal. The selection of the transceiver bands is made with a four-position inter-locking pushbutton switch that also sets up either v.f.o.- or crystal-controlled operation. At the rear are a 13 v.d.c. power connector, standard jacks for headphones and key plus a phono jack for the antenna.

Operation and Performance

The unit is simple to operate. With the pushbutton for the desired band depressed and the preselector set at the designated spot for the band, a signal is tuned in with the v.f.o.; after which the signal is peaked with the preselector control. In the absence of a signal the peaking may be made for maximum man-made noise or at the point where a "plop" is heard as the preselector control is rotated near the bandpoint. The peaking spot is quite sharp and requires a bit of practice to catch on to its operation.

A characteristic of the receiver, which we've also experienced with others of a similar type, is that microphonics are evidenced when the preselector is peaked. This ordinarily presents no adverse problem; as a matter of fact, it can be an aid in properly peaking the preselector in the absence of a signal. This may be conducted by tapping the case while adjusting the preselector for the loudest microphonic noises!

Another experience with receivers of this nature is that a strong a.m. signal[3], such as a short-wave broadcaster, sometimes can be tuned in with the preselector, regardless of where the v.f.o. is set. In this case, overload with rectification apparently takes place at the input FET.

As for sensitivity, which is rated at a "readable" degree, as given earlier, on our unit measured 1 μv for 3 db S+N/N on 40 meters, 1 μv for 8 db S+N/N on 20 and 1 μv for 8 db S+N/N on 15. Selectivity is shown at fig. 2.

Transmitting

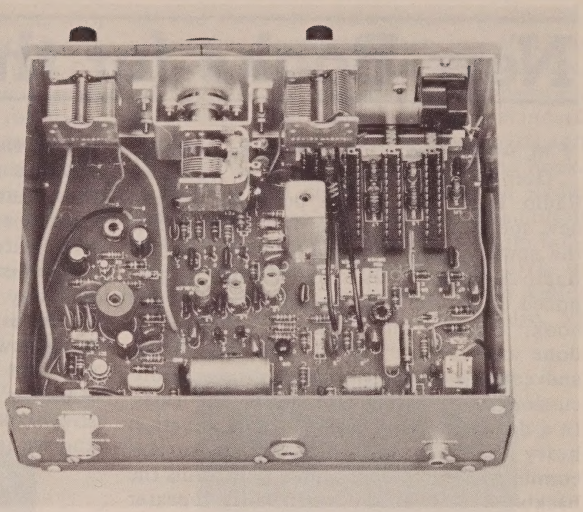
Besides setting the band, the transmitter must be arranged for v.f.o.- or crystal-control use by pressing one of the pushbuttons.[4] With the c.w. key depressed, the transmitter TUNE control is adjusted for maximum r.f. output as indicated by the panel meter. In this respect, however, it was noted that on 20 and 15 meters the output at a dummy load peaked up broadly at one point of the tuning control and sharply at a slightly higher tuning-capacitor setting; while the output meter indicated a broad peak at the first point and a *dip* at the second. Proper adjustment appears to be where the output meter peaks broadly.[5]

Operating from the specified source of 13 v.d.c., the power input was 4.1 watts on 40 and 20, 3.6 watts on 15; with outputs of 3,

[3]Signals of 750 μv or more.

[4]40, 20, 15-meter crystals are required for these respective bands.

[5]Subsequent investigation revealed that the sharp output-power peak responds to the second harmonic. An addition to the manual now includes instructions on proper peaking of the p.a.



Interior view of the HW-7. Most of the set is assembled on a circuit board. At the panel at the top are, left-to-right, the preselector-, v.f.o.- and transmitter-tuning capacitors.

2.75 and 2.25 watts on the respective bands. Power inputs with 12 volts (such as may be the case with batteries) were approximately 3.2 watts with outputs accordingly lower.

Keying is clean without chirp, but in this respect it must be kept in mind that a well-regulated power source (with a.c.-operated supplies) must be employed if chirp is to be avoided, inasmuch as the v.f.o. is quite sensitive to voltage variations. If chirp is experienced with battery operation, it is a sign of weak batteries.

No transmit-receive switching is required, since this is accomplished automatically as the unit is keyed, making good break-in performance possible. The sidetone level varies with the setting of the a.f. gain control.

Frequency Control

The v.f.o. must be aligned against a calibrated receiver, after which the scale calibrations will hold to within a few kHz over the entire range.

The frequency stability was such that after a 10-minute warmup drift of 600 Hz (averaged over the three bands) the frequency held to Heath's rating of 100 Hz or less per hour thereafter.

A consideration is that when the receiver is tuned on the high side of the received signal for the desired beatnote and the v.f.o. is used for transmit, the signal transmitted by the HW-7 will be higher in frequency by an amount equal to the beat-note frequency. Similarly, tuning on the low side of the signal will cause the transmitter frequency to be lower than the received signal.[6] Operation between similar units can be carried out without difficulties no matter to which side of the signal the receivers are tuned. In cases where the other station is employing a conventional transceiver, compatible frequency relations between both stations may depend on which side of the signal the HW-7 is tuned and on the sideband position and direction of c.w. frequency shift engaged at the other transceiver or on whether or not incremental tuning is used thereat.[7]

Antennas

The HW-7 is designed to work into 50-ohm unbalanced loads. Largely divergent or balanced loads will require an antenna-matching coupler of a balun. Use with a random-length antenna or others working against ground is possible with a coupler; however, in cases where the supply potential is obtained from an a.c.-operated source, it was found that quite a bit of a.c. hum can be evidenced on receive when the preselector is peaked. This condition can vary with different bands and various type power-supply units. As far as could be determined, the apparent cause for the hum is due to an additional r.f.-ground return through the power cord of the a.c. supply. The situation was not experienced with battery operation and usually not with antennas fed with coax at a low s.w.r.

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[6]With our unit, regardless of which side of the signal the receiver was tuned, the transmitter frequency dropped 1100 Hz on 20 meters and 500 Hz on 15. Heath advises this is about normal. Only a 10 Hz change was noted on 40.

[7]For operation in conjunction with most transceivers, such as the Heath Line, tuning of the HW-7 on the high-side of the signal is required.

New Books for the Amateur

F.M. And Repeaters for the Radio Amateur

Over the past few years, the American Radio Relay League has published several new special-interest books for the amateur, the newest being "FM and Repeaters for the Radio Amateur," a 232 page volume, bargain priced at $3.00. While primarily a technical book, Editor Tom McMullen, W1SL, has done an excellent job of balancing theory and construction with f.m. history and discussion of operating techniques and rules. In a departure from general ARRL practice, heavy emphasis is placed on the surplus commercial equipment which still forms the backbone of f.m. and particularly repeater activity in most areas of the US.

In addition, are chapters discussing f.m. transmitter and receiver theory and construction, mobile and portable operation, antennas, repeater design and construction, Touch-Tone and automatic I.D. and control accessories for repeaters, repeater problems, and testing f.m. equipment. Many of the construction projects are from QST.

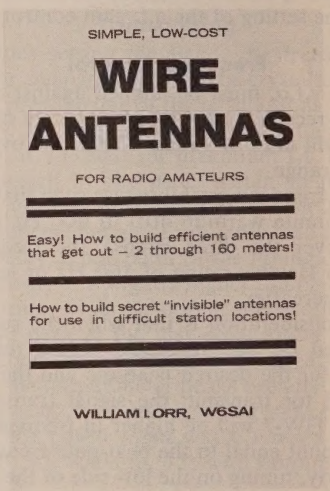


Unfortunately, as with much of the ARRL-published material, the emphasis is on the nuts and bolts of constructing devices and equipment with only passing mention of how these devices inter-relate—how do you properly use something you've built? And how does it actually work? We feel that where possible a book like "FM and Repeaters" should provide the raw knowledge from which the enterprising amateur can build what he needs, and give some examples of how that knowledge can be applied. The trend seems to be, however, to give exhaustive treatment to how to build the gear and only cursory treatment to why it was built that way.

Despite our basic philosophical differences as to how such a book should be written, we feel that "FM and Repeaters for the Radio Amateur" is the best and most comprehensive book published to date for the f.m.er, and we recommend it highly.

Simple, Low-Cost Wire Antennas

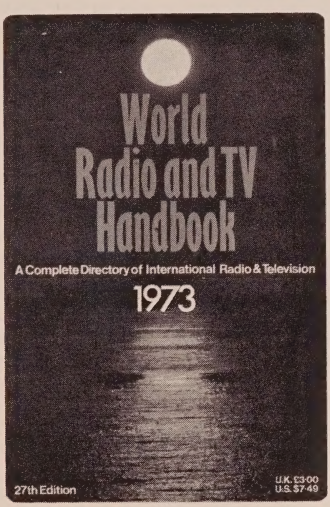
While hundreds of books have been published on the subject of antennas, it's a rare one that zeros right in on the problems of John Q. Average ham whose bank account matches his real estate - small. While Bill Orr's new Wire Antenna book isn't restricted to limited space sky-wires, it seems to approach the subject with the understanding that although the amateur wants his signal to be heard he can't always invest great gobs of money in fancy aluminum.



Written in a light, easy-to-understand style, the first six chapters cover the fundamentals of antennas and how they work, feedlines and s.w.r., and delve into the characteristics of dipoles and various vertical antennas. From there, the book jumps off into dozens of

time-tested wire antennas - beams, dipoles, verticals, quads, and v.h.f. arrays, along with simple antenna tuner designs. Included in this portion is a chapter entitled, "Work DX With An 'Invisible' Antenna," which is worth the price of the book if you've really got neighbor problems. Five "Case Histories" of amateurs with "invisible" antennas may sound, let us say, imaginative, but they make the point that no antenna situation is hopeless. The book winds up with some solid practical advice on getting the antennas up and keeping them up.

"Simple, Low-Cost Wire Antennas for Radio Amateurs" by W6SAI, 192 pages, is published by Radio Publications, Inc., Box 149, Wilton, Conn. 06897 and is priced at $3.95.

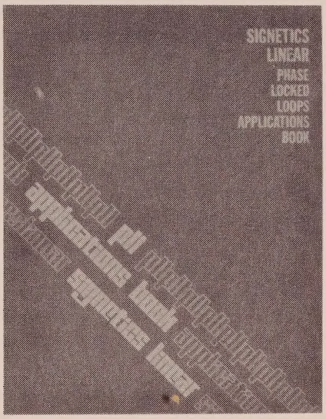


World Radio and TV Handbook

For years the only comprehensive reference book available for the avid shortwave listener has been the World Radio and TV Handbook, published in recent years by Billboard Publications, Inc. of London and New York. The 1973 edition is now out, and at 400 pages, is the biggest and best in the book's 27 year history. The featured item is an exhaustive 200-page-plus listing of radio broadcasting in 208 countries throughout the world including such interesting details such as the Interval Signal (musical identification) used by government broadcasting stations, names and addresses of key personel responsible for broadcasting in each country, languages used, frequencies and power of home services, frequencies and languages of overseas broadcasts, and more.

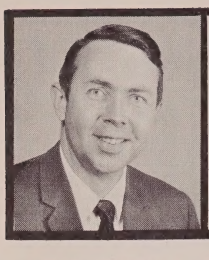
Also, Television stations and long, medium and shortwave radio stations world-wide are listed by frequency for easy identification of unknown broadcasts. Listings of DX clubs, international B.C. organizations, propagation predictions, solar activity for 1973, standard frequency and time signals, time charts and 11 maps of the world round out the book.

We feel that at $6.95, the World Radio and TV Handbook is a worthwhile addition to the library of any amateur or radio hobbyist, and an absolute must for the SWL. In the US the book is available from Gilfer Associates, Inc., Box 239, Park Ridge, NJ 07656 and other distributors.



Phase Locked Loop Handbook

A free 80-page book has recently been released by Signetics, entitled "Signetics Linear Phase Locked Loops Applications Book." Phase locked loops are among the newer "toys" finding increasing application in tone decoders, f.m., a.m. and RTTY detectors, test equipment, sawtooth generators, tone burst generators and power inverters. The Signetics book moves from basic PLL definitions to PLL principles and general applications. A third section describes loop setup, trade-offs and PLL measurements, and gives detailed information on Signetics PLLs. Also in this section is information on expanding the capabilities of PLLs beyond normal parameters. Probably the most interesting section for the amateur is Section 4:Specific Applications, a mind expanding 25-page idea bank of PLL applications. Any experimenter deserves to have a copy of this gem of a freebie on his bookshelf. Write directly to Roy L. Twitty, Public Relations Manager, Signetics, 811 East Arques Ave., Sunnyvale, CA 94086 for your copy.



DX

BY JOHN A. ATTAWAY,* K4IIF

LET'S hope the gear and antenna system is tuned to perfection for the *CQ* Worldwide WPX Contest which comes up the weekend of March 24 and 25, 1973, about the time you should be receiving this column. The WPX Contest is the last major worldwide fling until October, and gives amateurs the world over a golden opportunity to add a lot of zones to their Single Band WAZ Award totals. Many top operators will work 35 zones or more during this weekend on the hotter bands. It is a s.s.b. only affair, however, so you c.w. specialists will have to wait till fall.

As we enter the fourth month since the kickoff of the single band awards, the DX Committee is interested in progress reports from some of you active zone chasers. With both the ARRL Phone and C.W. DX Contests just about over, U.S. and Canadian DXers should have made significant progress on both modes. We wouldn't be surprised to hear that several operators have completed WAZ on 15 or 20 meters. Of course there will be a time lag between making the contacts and receiving the QSLs to confirm the award. Unless you're playing it cool to surprise your favorite rival, let us know how you are coming and which zones are giving you the most trouble. Remember, if you are competing for one of the plaques to be awarded to the first phone must be checked personally by the DX cards must be checked personally by the DX Editor and the earliest postmark will determine the winner.

It has been suggested that we offer a mixed mode award in addition to the c.w. and phone certificates. Great difficulty is anticipated in working the 40 zones on the 3.5 and 7 mHz bands, and certainly on the 28 mHz band during the low end of the sunspot cycle. An 80 meter specialist has indicated that some zones have only one really active station on the lower bands, and that this station frequently concentrates on one mode. His pessimistic assessment is that it will take many years to work a single mode WAZ on 80 meters. Be assured that your Committee will watch this situation closely and take action if it proves impossible to work a zone on 80 in a reasonable length of time. For now we prefer to think that many difficulties will be overcome through DXpedition activity and that Single Band WAZ will become a premier DX award, particularly on 80 meters.

Complete rules for the Single Band WAZ program are shown on page 57 of the December, 1972 issue.

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The CQ DX Award Program

C.W. DX

109.....WA5EEM

S.S.B. DX

248.....W9OEQ
249.....KZ5JF
250.....SV1GA
251.....RB5EDU

Endorsements

S.S.B.: I1AA—310, W5QBM—250, KZ5JF—250, SV1GA—200, G5GH—150 and W9OEQ—150.

28 mHz: RB5EDU

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

De Extra

Should Swan Island Be Removed From The Country List? There is a precedent which says not.

When the requirement that islands be separated from the mainland of their governing country by 225 miles of open water was introduced by ARRL in April, 1960, some island countries were allowed to remain on the list as a matter of tradition even though they did not conform to the new rules. Examples are the Balearic Islands, a province of Spain located about 60 miles from the mainland, and Corsica, a department of metropolitan France located about 100 miles from the mainland.

As Swan Island was on the country list for many, many years, it can be argued that an equally strong case can be made for retaining it on the basis of tradition. However, with the return of the island to Honduran jurisdiction by the U.S., Swan, 110 miles off the coast, was stricken from the list. Perhaps this wasn't

WPX HONOR ROLL

The WPX Honor Roll is based on confirmed current prefixes which are submitted by separate application in strict conformance with the *CQ* Master Prefix List. Scores are based on the current prefix total regardless of an operators all-time count.

MIXED

W4LRN 1197	YU1AG 851	K8UDJ 750
VE3GCO 1001	W4IC 850	CT1LN 749
W2NUT 967	W4CRW 849	WA5LOB 749
W8LY 932	W4BQY 818	K2AAC 743
F9RM 921	I6SF 814	KØBLT 733
ON4QX 916	W4WSF 811	PY4AP 715
W3PVZ 902	W9WHM 811	WA6EPQ 709
DJ7CX 895	G3DO 810	K2ZRO 708
WA6MWG 886	W6TCQ 804	W6NJU 706
PAØSNG 882	W3GJY 797	W9ZTD 700
W8ROC 882	WØAUB 785	K6SDR 686
DL1CF 872	W6ISQ 758	W8GMK 683
K1SHN 867	SM7TV 752	WAØCPX 656
DL1MD 866	WB4KZG 750	WA2EAH 650

C.W.

W8LY 928	DJ7CX 730	W4IC 652
W8KPL 910	K7ABV 716	WA6MWG 644
DL1QT 844	G2GM 707	W6ISQ 638
W2HO 825	K1SHN 696	K1LWI 629
ON4QX 823	OK2DB 693	W8GMK 628
W2AIW 813	YU1AG 680	K2ZRO 612
VK3AHQ 809	K2AAC 666	VO1AW 605
WB2FMK 740	I6SF 658	VE4OX 600
W9FD 740	SM5BNX 652	OK2QX 598

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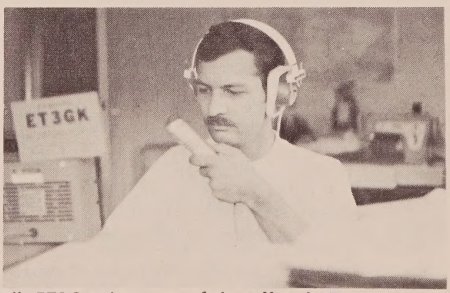
W4NJF 1031	DL1MD 774	W3DJZ 694
CT1PK 930	PAØSNG 758	ZL3NS 685
IØAMU 863	WA5LOB 747	W6RKP 678
DL9OH 841	F2MO 730	I4ZSQ 669
K2POA 833	G3DO 719	I8YRK 662
W9DWQ 826	I1ZV 716	WB6DXU 631
HP1JC 800	IT9JT 710	I4LCK 608
I8KDB 790	W4IC 702	
WØYDB 784	K1SHN 697	

the best decision. If you have an opinion one way or the other, drop a line to the ARRL DXCC Committee member nearest you. That Committee wishes their decisions to reflect the wishes of the membership. Give them a hand.

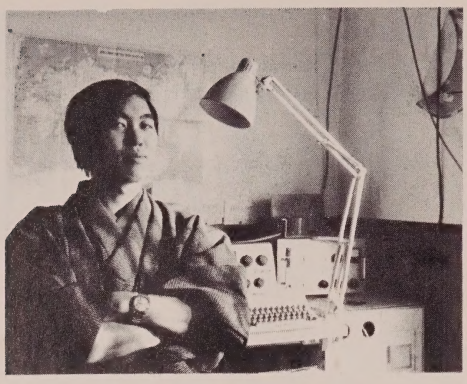
New CQ DX Award Endorsements

Your *CQ* DX Awards Advisory Committee has been busy in recent weeks reviewing requests by our readers for new endorsements for our country awards. Effective immediately, the Committee has approved endorsements for working 50 countries on 160 meters, 50 countries from a mobile station and 50 countries while operating QRPp (5 watts input or less).

Other endorsements available in the program include the SSTV endorsement (50 countries), the OSCAR endorsement (50 countries), the Low Band (3.5/7 mHz) endorsement (100 countries) and the 28 mHz endorsement (100 countries). Contacts back to November, 1945 can be counted for these endorsements. (Be advised that any cards submitted for the SSTV or OSCAR endorsements showing a QSO in the 1940's or early 1950's will be carefully scruitinized, HI!)



Bill, ET3GK, has one of the official ET3 stations in Addis Ababa. His QSL Manager is W2BCU.



Nob, JA1KSO, operates one of the most active DX stations in Japan. *(Photo via WA6AUD)*

Here and There

Reports published in various amateur DX newsletters have erroneously listed DX Hall of Famer Jack Cummings, W2CTN as a Silent Key. We are pleased to report that Jack is still very much alive, though ill, but has suspended his mammoth QSL Manager duties.

Islands-On-The-Air Award: Although not sponsored by a major amateur magazine or national society, the IOTA Awards have joined the elite list of top world DX awards. An 18 page Directory-of-Islands, listing all islands accepted for IOTA and giving full information on the Awards and the IOTA Silver Cup, can be obtained by sending 6 IRC's to Geoff Watts, 62 Belmore Road, Norwich, NOR. 72-T, England.

CQ Committeeman Elected by ARRL: Congratulations to Gary Stillwell, W6NJU, *CQ* DX Awards Advisory Committee representative from the Southern California DX Club for 3 years, who was recently elected Vice Director for the Southwestern Division of the ARRL. A friendly wag has suggested that Gary is better qualified than anyone to direct vice in the Southwestern Division. However, the term is not used in that sense of course. As he wishes to devote full energies to ARRL programs, Gary has resigned from the *CQ* Committee.

New Southern California DX Club Committeeman: With great pleasure we announce the appointment of Jay A. Hollaway, W6EJJ, 5128 Jessen Drive, La Canada, CA 91011, to replace W6NJU as *CQ* DX Committeeman from the SCDXC. Jay is an enthusiastic and knowledgable DXer and presently serves as Editor of the *Southern California DX Club Bulletin.*

160 News: W1BB sends the following list of Worked All Continent awards issued to 160 Meter DXers through November, 1972. They are listed in order of issuance.

1. W1BB, June 20, 1953
2. G6GM, Oct. 16, 1953
3. G3PU, Oct. 1, 1955
4. W8GDQ March 13, 1961
5. G3OQT, May 22, 1962
6. DL1FF, Sept. 28, 1962
7. W1PPN, March 8, 1963
8. G3PQA, Oct. 2, 1963
9. W2KQT, Nov. 8, 1963
10. W6KIP, Jan. 10, 1964
11. G3RBP, Feb. 23, 1964
12. W2IU, March 12, 1964
13. G3FPQ, March 6, 1965
14. G3LIQ, March 14, 1965
15. K6DZC, March 11, 1966
16. WØVXO, Feb. 19, 1968
17. DL9KRA, Feb. 19, 1968
18. WØNWX, March 8, 1968
19. GI6TK, March 8, 1968
20. W9PNE, Jan. 21, 1971
21. W1HGT, May 26, 1971
22. KV4FZ, Aug. 27, 1971
23. OK2PDN, Oct. 1, 1971
24. GM3YCB, Dec. 23, 1971
25. HB9NL, March 24, 1972
26. HB9CM, April 6, 1972

The WAZ Program

S.S.B. WAZ

1052.....K3GZE	1057.....VK4UA
1053.....JA1BWD	1058.....DL3FC
1054.....K6SSN	1059.....DJ3DJ
1055.....JH1EIG	1060.....UB5WE
1056.....G3TJW	1061.....DJ9KR

C.W.—Phone WAZ

3476.....W3FNV	3487.....JA1NPV
3477.....K8MFO	3488.....DJ6OZ
3478.....WØGKE	3489.....DK1BP
3479.....K5GUZ	3490.....UA4BP
3480.....DM3SBM	3491.....UW3UO
3481.....DM2BYE	3492.....LA8CE
3482.....K2KGB	3493.....DJ9NA
3483.....W9OEQ	3494.....OH7AA
3484.....VK4KX	3495.....OE3ARW
3485.....VE3CVZ	3496.....LA7FJ
3486.....PY2BZD	

Phone WAZ

481.....W2YYL 482.....K6SSN

Complete WAZ rules are shown on pages 64-66 of the June, 1970 issue. Application blanks and reprints of the rules may be obtained by sending a self-addressed, stamped envelope to DX Editor, P.O. Box 205, Winter Haven, Florida 33880.

27. OK1ATP, April 6, 1972
28. W2EQS, July 23, 1972
29. W6RW, Aug. 10, 1972
30. WA4PXP, Nov. 17, 1972
31. GM3WDF, Nov. 17 ,1972

Was anyone missed?

North Jersey DX Association 1973 Officers: The new NJDXA officers are Jack Lee, W2RGV, President; Charles Moraller, WB2-UKP, Vice President; Brother Pat Dowd, W2ZTV, Secretary; and Bob Crawford, W2-JLH, Treasurer. *(Tnx W2GT)*

Chasing DX On The Low Bands

Single Band WAZ on either 80 or 40 meters will be a real challenge, so periodically we will list some of the stations active in the more difficult zones. The following is a general assessment of overall prospects.

Zone 1: Numerous KL7 stations are active including KL7GDO and KL7AIZ on 80 meter c.w., KL7HIY on 80 meter s.s.b., and KL7MF and KL7AIZ on 40. This zone should present few problems.

Zone 2: There is usually at least 1, VO2 station active in the major contests so this zone should be routine for western hemisphere and European amateurs. Stations in Asia, Africa and Oceania may have trouble.

Zones 3-6: Should be no problem.

Zone 7: HKØBKX, KZ5PW, TG9BY, VP1-BH and others are active on s.s.b. C.w. skeds should not be too difficult to arrange.

Zone 8: With KV4FZ, KV4AA and KP4AST around, nuff said!

Zone 9: Plenty of HK and YV stations. HK3-CEX is on 80 s.s.b. and YV5AW on 80 c.w. Certainly no problem for anyone during contest weekends.

Zone 10: An abundance of active stations including CP1EU, CP1EW, OA6NCT, OA8V, HC2YL, HC8FN and HCØHM.

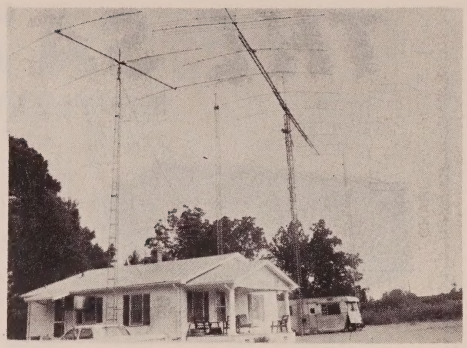
Zone 11: Loads of PY's, particularly in the *CQ* Worldwide WPX Contest.

Zone 12: CE activity is down a bit, but DL7-ZG/CEØA and SM2AGD/CEØ have been on quite a bit.

Zone 13: CX and LU stations are abundant. CW3AA, CX1BBL, LU6DKX, LU6JAX, LU8AJG, VP8LR and VP8ME are good low band prospects.

Zones 14 & 15: Among the most active.

Zone 16: Should be easy. UK1ABA, UA2-FAI, UY5EX, UK1AAA and UB5LL are just a few we have heard on the low bands.



The QTH and antenna farm at K4SKI. The 14 mHz array has 9 elements on a 124 ft. boom with 14 ft. spacing between elements. On 21 mHz there are 14 elements on a 120 ft. boom and on 28 mHz, 7 elements of the 15 meter array are used. The "toy" in the foreground is 3 full-sized elements on 7 mHz. *(Photo via W2GT)*

Zone 17: Not an easy zone from North America on the low bands, but there is substantial activity. In recent weeks we have heard UA9FAD, UH8CS, UI8LL, UM8EM, UM8FM and UL7GW on 80 meter c.w., while on 40 we have heard UL7JG, UK9-ABA, UL7GW, UI8IZ, UM8MAG and UH8BY.

Zone 18: Will be one of the 3 most difficult zones to work from the U.S. UK9HAD on 3507 kHz is the only station we have copied recently on the low bands.

Zone 19: Another real toughie. We've heard UWØFB on 3505.

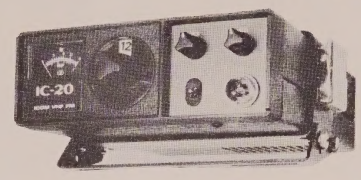
Zone 20: Easy on the high frequencies, but a challenge on 40 and 80. 4X4NJ and many other active Israeli stations frequent 80 meter



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phone and c.w. LZ1KPG, LZ2KBS, OD5CU, OD5ER and 5B4CZ are also active.

Zone 21: When propagation is good listen for 9K2AL, YAØCDRC, 4W1AF, UF6LY, and the EP stations.

Zone 22: Very difficult from the standpoint of propagation. VU25BX has been on 80 meter s.s.b. VU2FBZ and VU3BU are good c.w. catches on the low bands.

Zone 23: Traditionally the most difficult zone to work from the western hemisphere. JT1-AL, JT1AN and JT1AS have been reported on 40 meter c.w. The latter is also on s.s.b. Another good catch is JTØAE, and the zone is frequently activated by the UAØY—stations in Tana Tuva.

Zone 24: This is another hard one from the Americas, but VS6FB, VS6DO and other Hong Kong stations work 40 and 80 meters on both modes.

Zone 25: Beaucoup activity from JA-land.

Zone 26: Listen for the HS and XW8 stations. HS4AGN, HS4AFX and XW8EV work the low bands.

Zone 27: KC6SK, KQ6JBO, KG6JBS, DU1-EJ and several others have been reported.

Zone 28: There are a number of active Indonesian stations, but we haven't heard them on 40 or 80 recently. A VK9 on New Guinea may be the best bet.

Zone 29: VK6CT and VK6AO frequent the lower bands.

Zone 30: Lots of VK's on 40 and 80. VK2EO, VK2NS, VK2DO and VK3XB to name a few.

Zone 31: With KH6IJ in the contests you've probably already worked it. If not, VR1, KX6 and KB6 are also in this zone.

Zone 32: Many strong New Zealand stations operate on 40. ZL2BT, ZM3RK and ZM1-AIZ were recently logged on 80, and FO8BX, FO8DF, KS6DH and KS6BY on 40.

Zone 33: EA8AH, EA8FF, EA8HJ, EA9EU and CN8CG are good possibilities, and contest activity is frequently generated from Pantelleria and the Pelagic Islands.

Zone 34: The most active stations are SU1-AM, SU1IM, SU1MA and ST2SA, but they aren't often heard on the low bands. You may have to schedule Zone 34.

Zone 35: 6W8DY has been very active on s.s.b. on both 40 and 80 meters. EL2DG, EL2DO, 9L1GC, 9L1JT and 5T5CJ are strong on 7 mHz c.w. 9G1HE and 9L1GC are on 80 meter c.w.

The WPX Program

S.S.B. WPX

726.....UV3GW	729.....WØBWJ
727.....UA9MP	730.....CX2CS
728.....PY2BZD	731.....I1CRW

C.W. WPX

1221.....UV3GW	1225.....UB5AX
1222.....UY5OQ	1226.....UV3GE
1223.....UW3TR	1227.....WA6HMT
1224.....UA4WAE	1228.....VK4KX

Mixed WPX

372.....LA3UF	374.....UV3GW
373.....I1ASM	375.....WB4INE

VPX

49.....WDX5FEB	50.....SM5-2735

WPX Endorsements

S.S.B.: OK1MP—700, I1AA—700, DL9XN—500, K6SSN—450, UV3GW—400, PY2-BZD—400 and W4UPJ—350.

C.W.: SP3DOI—600, K8MFO—550, W6-NJU—550, UA3GO—550, UA6AAB—550, DJ4VP—500 and VK4KX—450.

Mixed: VE3GCO—1000, W4IC—900, W6-TCQ—800, W9ZTD—750, WB4KZG—750, LA3UF—600, WA5VDH—550, WA9VGY—500 and K6SSN—450.

20 Meters: I1ASM

15 Meters: DJ4VP

10 Meters: WB4SIJ

Africa: K8MFO

Asia: VO1AW, UA3GO and W9ZTD

Europe: WA4LDM, I1ASM and K8MFO

North America: W9EVD and W9ZTD

Oceania: W4WSF and W9ZTD

WPNX: WN5ZNY of the famous DXing Busick family has received his 200 sticker and has confirmed 228 prefixes, highest total of any Novice to date. Close behind is WN1JMP with 210 prefixes.

Complete rules for WPX, WPNX and VPX may be found on pg. 67 of the February, 1972 issue of *CQ*. Application blanks and reprints of the rules may be obtained by sending a business size, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Award Manager, P.O. Box 1271, Covina, CA 91722 or to the DX Editor.

Zone 36: TZ2AC has been on both low bands s.s.b. CR6AL, 9J2NC and ZE5JJ are good.

Zone 37: 5X5NK used both modes on the low bands. 5X5NW is also active and CR7IC and CR7IZ make many 40 meter contacts. FL8-OM is a good catch on 80 s.s.b.

Zone 38: Many ZS stations are active and this zone shouldn't be too hard. ZS2HI, ZS2AG and ZS6ARS were recently logged on the low bands, also 3D6AX.

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Propagation

BY GEORGE JACOBS,* W3ASK

CHALK up another first for *CQ*. This time it's DIAL-A-PROP, a new way for radio amateurs to receive updated shortwave propagation forecasts.

Simply by dialing Area Code 615-883-6223, a two minute recorded message prepared by the Editor of this column will bring you the latest propagation data for the amateur bands, at any time of the day or night.

The DIAL-A-PROP forecast is prepared each Monday, and covers day-by-day a period of a week. If significant changes develop during the week, the message will be updated to reflect the change.

Given in simple language in a manner similar to a weather report, day-to-day conditions are rated as *above normal, normal, below normal,* or *disturbed*. Conditions on the various bands are described as *excellent, good, fair* or *poor*.

The announcement will also contain the latest assessment of solar activity, band-by-band DX tips, and a forecast for ionospheric openings on the v.h.f. bands.

If you want a more updated propagation forecast than appears in this column, give DIAL-A-PROP a call. The only charge involved is the cost of the call.

April Propagation

While fewer DX openings are forecast for the 10 and 15 meter bands, DX conditions are expected to improve on 20 meters during April. Seasonably favorable conditions for long DX openings between the northern and southern hemispheres should continue through the month, and a considerable improvement is expected for *short-skip* openings on all of the h.f. bands. A major meteor shower is expected during April which should enhance v.h.f. propagation.

During April, 20 meters is expected to be the optimum band for DX propagation conditions during most of the daylight hours, and into the evening hours as well. Some fairly good 15 meter openings are also forecast, especially during the late afternoon hours, but conditions are expected to be considerably below those observed during the past winter months. Very few good 10 meter DX openings are expected, but some may occur during the daylight hours on paths to South America and other southerly regions.

After sunset optimum DX propagation conditions should be shared between both 20 and 40 meters. Good openings to many parts of the world are forecast for both bands between the sunset and sunrise periods.

Some fairly good 80 meter DX openings should also be possible during the hours of darkness and the sunrise period, and there is also a chance for an occasional DX opening on 160 meters during the same time period.

Seasonally favorable propagation conditions over long circuits between the northern and southern hemispheres, for example, to Australasia, South America, southern Africa, etc., should continue during April on all h.f. bands.

Static levels are expected to increase in the northern hemisphere during April, as thunder-storms become more numerous. This result in somewhat higher noise levels, especially on 40, 80 and 160 meters.

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LAST MINUTE FORECAST

Day-to-Day Conditions Expected For April, 1973

	Rating & Forecast Quality			
Propagation Index	(4)	(3)	(2)	(1)
Above Normal: 8-9, 15-16, 24, 28	A	A	C	C
Normal: 1-2, 5-7, 10, 14, 17, 21-23, 25-27, 29	B	C	D	E
Below Normal: 3-4, 11-13 18, 20, 30	C	D	E	E
Disturbed: 19	D	D	E	E

Where *expected signal quality is:*

A—Excellent opening, exceptionally strong, steady signals.

B—Good opening, moderately strong signals with little fading and noise.

C—Fair opening, signals between moderately strong and weak, with some fading and noise.

D—Poor opening, signals weak with considerable fading and noise.

E—No opening expected.

HOW TO USE THIS FORECAST

1. Find *propagation index* associated with particular band opening from Propagation Charts appearing on the following pages.

2. With the *propagation index*, use the above table to find the expected signal quality associated with the particular opening for any day of the month. For example, all openings shown in the Charts with a propagation index of (3) will be fair on April 1, excellent on April 8, poor on April 11.

Sunspot Cycle

The Zurich Solar Observatory reports a monthly mean sunspot number of 43 for December, 1972. This results in a smoothed sunspot number of 70, centered on June, 1972.

The sunspot cycle is declining again, and a smoothed sunspot number of 43 is forecast for April, 1973.

V.H.F. Ionospheric Openings

Fairly good v.h.f. ionospheric openings are forecast for April, with seasonal improvements in sporadic-E propagation, trans-equatorial scatter propagation and meteor scatter.

Sporadic-E propagation begins to increase during April, and continues to do so through the spring and summer months. This should result in an increased number of short-skip openings on the 10 and 6 meter bands during the month. Most openings will likely fall between the 750 and 1300 mile range, but some may extend out to approximately 2400 miles. During periods of intense sporadic-E ionization, openings on 2 meters may also be possible over distances between approximately 1200 to 1400 miles. While sporadic-E propagation may occur at any time of the day or night (hence its name), there is a tendency for it to peak between 8 A.M. and noon and again between 5 and 8 P.M., local time.

Trans-equatorial (TE) openings on 6 meters should improve during April. TE openings usually occur between 8 and 11 P.M. local time, on long north-south paths which cross the geomagnetic equator at approximately a right angle. TE openings favor locations in the southern third of the USA, with progressively fewer openings in the central and northern sectors.

Lyrids, a major meteor shower is due between April 21-23. It should peak during the evening hours of April 22, when an average of 15 good-sized meteors are expected to enter the earths' atmosphere every hour. This should considerably increase the chances for v.h.f. meteor scatter-type openings.

Some auroral-type ionospheric openings may also be possible during April, especially when the ionosphere may be disturbed for h.f. signals. Check the "Last Minute Forecast" at the beginning of this column for those days that are forecast to be below normal or disturbed during the month. These are the days on which auroral-type v.h.f. openings are most likely to occur.

HOW TO USE THE DX PROPAGATION CHARTS

1. Use Chart appropriate to your transmitter location. The Eastern USA Chart can be used in the 1, 2, 3, 4, 8, KP4, KG4 and KV4 call areas in the USA and adjacent call areas in Canada; the Central USA Chart in the 5, 9 and 0 areas; the Western USA Chart in the 6 and 7 areas, and with somewhat less accuracy in the KH6 and KL7 areas.

2. The predicted times of openings are found under the appropriate meter band column (10 through 80 Meters) for a particular DX region, as shown in the left hand column of the Charts. An * indicates 80 Meter openings. Openings on 160 meters are likely to occur during those times when 80 meter openings are shown with a *propagation index* of (2), or higher.

3. The *propagation index* is the number that appears in ( ) after the time of each predicted opening. The index indicates the number of *days* during the month on which the opening is expected to take place, as follows:

(4) Opening should occur on more than 22 days
(3) " " " between 14 and 22 days
(2) " " " between 7 and 13 days
(1) " " " on less than 7 days

Refer to the "Last Minute Forecast" at the beginning of this Propagation column for the actual *dates* on which an opening with a specific propagation index is likely to occur, and the signal quality that can be expected.

4. Times shown in the Charts are in the 24-hour system, where 00 is midnight; 12 is noon; 01 is 1 A.M.; 13 is 1 P.M., etc. Appropriate *standard* time is used, *not* GMT. To convert to GMT, *add* to the times shown in the appropriate Chart 8 hours in the PST Zone, 7 in the MST Zone, 6 in the CST Zone and 5 in the EST Zone. For example, 14 in Washington, D.C. is 19 GMT and 20 in Los Angeles is 04 GMT, etc.

5. The Charts are based upon a transmitter power of 250 watts c.w., or 1 kw, p.e.p. on sideband, into a dipole antenna a quarter-wavelength above ground on 160 and 80 meters, a half-wave above ground on 40 and 20 meters, and a wavelength above ground on 15 and 10 meters. For each 10 db gain above these reference levels, the *propagation index* will increase by one level; for each 10 db loss, it will lower by one level.

6. Propagation data contained in the Charts has been prepared from basic data published by the Institute For Telecommunication Sciences of the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, Boulder, Colorado, 80302.

DX propagation forecasts for each amateur band between 10 and 160 meters for the period April 15 through June 15, 1973 appear in the *DX Charts* on the following pages. For predictions of short-skip openings between distances of 50 and 2400 miles expected during April, refer to the *Short-Skip Charts* which appeared in last month's column. 73, George, W3ASK

April 15 — June 15, 1973

Time Zone: EST (24-Hour Time)

EASTERN USA TO:

	10 Meters	*15 Meters*	*20 Meters*	*40/80 Meters*
Western & Central Europe & North Africa	*Nil*	08-13 (1) 13-17 (2) 17-18 (2)	04-05 (1) 05-09 (2) 09-11 (1) 11-13 (2) 13-16 (3) 16-19 (4) 19-20 (3) 20-21 (2) 21-00 (1)	18-20 (1) 20-21 (2) 21-23 (3) 23-01 (2) 01-03 (1) 20-22 (1)* 22-23 (2)* 23-01 (1)*

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

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

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

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Contest Calendar

BY FRANK ANZALONE,* W1WY

Calendar of Events

Apr. 1	WAB LF Phone Contest
Apr. 7-8	SP DX C.W. Contest
Apr. 7-8	Florida QSO Party
Apr. 8	WAB LF C.W. Contest
Apr. 13-16	County Hunters SSB Contest
Apr. 14-15	Space Net VHF Contest
Apr. 21-22	Bermuda Phone Contest
Apr. 22-24	QRP ARC Spring Party
Apr. 28-29	PACC DX Contest
Apr. 28-29	WAEDC RTTY Contest
May 5-6	Bermuda C.W. Contest
May 5-6	Helvetia 22 Contest
May 12-13	U.S.S.R. C.W. DX Contest
May 13	YL ISSBers C.W. Party
May 19-20	YL ISSBers Phone Party
May 19-20	Five Flags VHF Contest
May 19-20	Tennessee QSO Party
June 1-4	CHC/FHC/HTH QSO Party
June 17	WAB VHF Phone Contest
June 25-July 15	NRL 50th Anniversary
Aug. 18-19	New Jersey QSO Party
Sept. 29-30	Delta QSO Party

SP DX C.W. Contest

Starts: 1500 GMT Saturday, April 7
Ends: 2400 GMT Sunday, April 8

It's the world working the SP's in as many Polish powiats as possible, on all bands 3.5 thru 28 mHz. There are three categories; single operator, single and all band; multi-operator, all band only; and s.w.l.

Exchange: RST plus a 3 figure QSO number starting with 001 for foreign stations. Polish stations send RST plus their powiat letters (ie: 579 WA and etc.).

Scoring: Each QSO with a Polish station counts 3 points. Score a multiplier for each different powiat worked.

Final Score: Multiply the total QSO points by the number of different powiats worked. The same station may be worked on each band for QSO points, but a powiat may be counted only *once* as a multiplier.

Awards: Certificates to the top scorer in each category, in each country, with 2nd and 3rd place awards where returns justify.

Contest contacts may be credited for the PZK 100 Powiat award in lieu of QSL cards, provided they are verified in the logs of the SP stations. Make your application with your contest log, include a fee of 7 IRCs.

Use a separate sheet for each band and include a summary sheet with all the scoring information and a signed declaration. The usual disqualification rules will be observed, including excessive duplicate contacts.

Mialing deadline is May 1st to: PZK Contest Committee, P.O. Box 320, Warszawa 1, Poland.

County Hunters SSB Contest

Starts: 2200 GMT Friday, April 13
Ends: 0500 GMT Monday, April 16

The Mobile Amateur Radio Awards Club is sponsoring this contest to activate U.S. counties for the County Awards Program.

A fixed station may be worked only once regardless of the band. Portable stations that change counties may be worked again for QSO points and multiplier credit. Mobiles may also be worked once from each new county or county line. Stations worked on a county line count for one contact but two or more multipliers.

D Xto DX contacts do not count. Mixed mode permitted providing one station is on s.s.b.

Exchange: QSO no., RS, county and state, country for DX stations.

Points: Contacts with a fixed US station, 1 point. With fixed No./So. Amer. DX (Zone 1-13) 3 points. All other DX, 5 points. Contacts with mobiles 14 mHz and up, 5 points; 10 points if on 7 mHz or lower.

Multiplier: For fixed stations: US counties plus DX countries worked. For mobile stations: US counties worked, plus US counties given out, plux DX countries worked.

Final Score: Total QSO points from all bands times the county/country multiplier.

Frequencies: Low end of General phone section of each band. (Avoid 14336 & 3943 net freq.)

Awards: Plaques to the highest scoring fixed, mobile and DX station. Certificates to the top ten mobile and fixed stations, and highest scorer in each DX country. Only single operator stations eligible. Multi-operator awards may be made if merited. A station may enter as both fixed and mobile, but submit separate logs.

Log Data: Time in GMT, QSO no., call, RS, county, state, band and points. Indicate each new multiplier as worked. It is recommended you use MARAC log sheets or duplicate of the same. These are available free by sending a large

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So you think a DX-pedition is a fun jaunt to some exotic spot? Well consider this. The ZD3X expedition to Gambia in the CQ WW Phone Contest was manned by a crew of four operators from Finland. OH2BC, ON2BH, OH2MM and OH2BCP. The 450 lbs. of equipment was transported as hand luggage the whole 5000 mile trip, which included 11 landings and several plane changes. And a change of climate from 30°F. to 105°F. Ville, OH2MM stayed over for the C.W. Contest and put ZD3Z on the air. After it was all over it was his job to disassemble everything, pack it in this huge box and ship it back to Finland. (Martey, OH2BH will then change the label and ship it to the next exotic spot, we hope.)

s.a.s.e. or IRC's) to WAØZCQ.

All entries must be received by June 1st and go to: Olin Munger, WAØZCQ, 6004 N.W. 68th Terr., Kansas City, Mo. 64151.

Florida QSO Party

Three Periods: (GMT)
1500 to 2000 Saturday, April 7
0000 to 0500 Sunday, April 8
1400 to 2359 Sunday, April 8

This is the 9th annual QSO Party for the amateur radio publication *Florida Skip*.

Phone and c.w. are separate contests. The same station may be worked on each band for QSO points. Floridians may work in-state stations but for QSO points only.

Exchange: RS(T) and QTH. County for Florida; state, province or country for others.

Scoring: 1 point per QSO. Fla. stations use states (49), provinces (12) and DX countries (12) for their multiplier. (Max. mult. of 73. No more than 12 DX countries may be used.) Out-of-state stations use Fla. counties. (Max. of 67)

Frequencies: C.W.—1807, 3573, 7073, 14073, 21073, 28073. Phone—1817, 3973, 7273, 14317, 21373, 28573.

Awards: Certificates, phone and c.w., to the top single operator scorer in each state, province and DX country, and in each Florida county. There are also 5 Trophies as follows: High single operator station, c.w. and phone, in Florida and out-of-state. And to the Club having the highest aggregate score in the contest.

A summary sheet is requested showing the scoring and other pertinent information, name and address in BLOCK LETTERS, and a signed declaration that all rules and regulations have been observed. Include an 8¢ stamp for issue with the results.

Mailing deadline is April 30th to: *Florida Skip* Contest Committee, P.O. Box 501, Miami Springs, Florida 33166.

Space Net VHF Contest

Starts: 6:00 P.M. Saturday, April 14
Ends: 6:00 P.M. Sunday, April 15
(Your local time)

This is another in the series of the popular Space Net VHF activities. This one is in commemoration of Apollo 13, the unsuccessful lunar mission, April 1970 that was aborted because of service module oxygen tank failure. And Apollo 16, the 5th manned exploration of the Moon in April 1972.

Rules same as in the past. Use any v.h.f. band, 50, 144, 220 and 432 mHz, but no repeaters.

Exchange: RS(T) and Zip Code Number. Stations outside US use Post Office Name.

Scoring: Two points per QSO on each band. Multiplier is sum of different Zip Code areas worked. (Counted only once) There is also a bonus of 10 you add to your multiplier.

Final Score: Zip codes + 10 × QSO points. Same station may be worked on each band for QSO points but multiplier is counted only once.

Awards: To 1st and 2nd place winners in three classes based on power used. 1-25, 25-100 and over 100 watts input. There are also awards for multi-operator stations, club participation and Novices. All stations submitting a log will receive an attractive participating certificate. (Its in color and very attractive, take my word for it.)

Logs and requests for additional information go to: Space Net VHF Contest, Att: A.W. Slapkowski, WB2MTU, Box 909, Sicklerville, N.J. 08081. Mailing deadline May 15th.

Bermuda Contest

Phone: April 21-22 C.W.: May 5-6
Starts: 0001 GMT Saturday
Ends: 0200 GMT Sunday

The popularity of this contest has increased considerably now that the United Kingdom has been included, and permanent dates have been established. And of course the presentation arrangements for the Trophy winners is no small factor in making this a popular event.

Stations in the U.S. and Canada may work the U.K. and VP9s only. While U.K. stations work W/K, VE and VP9s. Phone and c.w. are separate contests with separate awards, and participation is for single operator only.

Exchange: RS/RST report and QTH. State for W/Ks, province for VEs, county for the U.K. and Parish for the VP9s.

Scoring: Each completed QSO counts 3 points. The multiplier is determined by the number of Bermuda Parishes worked on each band. (A

max. of 9 per band, 3.5 thru 28 mHz.)

Parish abbreviations: Dev, Ham, Pag, Pem, San, Smi, Sou, Stg, War.

Awards: Certificates signed by His Excellency, The Governor of Bermuda, will be awarded to the highest scoring station in each call area of the U.S. and Canada, and each U.K. country.

A Trophy will be presented to the overall winner in each section of the contest, for North America and the United Kingdom. Presentation of the Trophies will be made at the Radio Society of Bermuda's Annual Banquet to be held on October 18th. Transportation and accommodations for a week's stay at one of Bermuda's leading hotels will be provided by the Society.

Trophy winners are ineligible for a period of two years, regardless of the section won.

Winners in the 1972 contest were W1DO with 11,088 and G3KTJ with 51,243 points on phone, and W1BPW with 12,948 and G3KMO with 23,208 points on c.w.

Contestants are expected to compute their own score, check logs for duplicates and sign a declaration that all rules and regulations have been observed.

Logs go to: The Radio Society of Bermuda, P.O. Box 275, Hamilton, Bermuda. And must be received no later than June 30th, 1973.

PACC DX Contest

Starts: 1200 GMT Saturday, April 28
Ends: 1800 GMT Sunday, April 29

Here is your chance to add to your total of PA/PI/PE contacts for the PACC Award in which 100 confirmations are needed. Use all bands, 1.8 thru 28 mHz both c.w. and phone. The same station may be worked only once per band, either c.w. or phone, for QSO and multiplier credit. (c.w. only on 160)

Exchange: RS(T) plus a QSO number starting with 001. PA/PI/PE stations will include their province. (579001/GR)

Multiplier: Is determined by the provinces worked on each band. There are 12 provinces, DR, FR, GD, GR, LB, NB, NH, OV, UT, YP, ZH, ZL.

Final Score: Total QSO points × sum of provinces from all bands. (max. of 72)

Awards: Certificates to top scorers in each country and call areas in W/K, VE/VO, CE, JA, PY, VK, ZL, ZS. (also s.w.l. awards)

Logs: Date/time in GMT, station worked, serial number sent/received, multiplier column for each band and QSO points. (Indicate multiplier only first time worked.)

Include a summary sheet showing the scoring and other pertinent information, and your name and address in BLOCK LETTERS. Include a signed declaration that all rules and regulations have been observed.

Contest contacts may be credited for the PACC 100 Award in lieu of QSL cards, provided the log of the station claimed is also received. Send application with 5 IRC's to VERON Traffic Bureau, P.O. Box 1166, Arnhem, Netherlands.

Mailing deadline for logs June 30 to: Mr. L.v.d. Nadort, PAØLOU, Contest Mgr., Bospolderstraat 15, Nieuwerkerk a/d IJssel, The Netherlands.

1972 SP DX Contest Results

Canada

VE1AE	14	2,100	VE3DEB	14	147
VE3SLC	"	1,140	VE3LUE	"	300

U.S.A.

W1PL	A	27,010	WA1POD	14	2,025
WA3ENM	"	2,929	W9LKI	"	1,875
W3ARK	"	1,140	W4KMS	"	1,428
WØBMM	"	704	W9OHH	"	1,024
WB2JYM	7	960	WA1PID	"	676
WA1NRV	14	2,916	WØBK	"	444
W8VSK	"	2,871	W6ISQ	21	48
K4IEX	"	2,835			

QRP ARC Spring QSO Party

Starts: 2000 GMT Sunday, April 22
Ends: 0200 GMT Tuesday, April 24

Power limitations are higher than those allowed in the QRP party last winter, and both modes can be used in this one.

Exchange: RS(T) and state, province or country. Members give their QRP number, nonmembers their power.

Scoring: For members, 3 points per QSO, 4 points if non-W/VE. Non-members 2 points per QSO, 3 points if non-W/VE.

Multiplier: Total of states, provinces and countries worked on each band. A station may be worked once per band.

There is also a power multiplier: 1.5 for 25-100 watts, 2 for 5-25 watts, 3 for 1-5 watts and 4 if under 1 watt.

Final Score: QSO points × Area multiplier × Power multiplier.

Frequencies: C.W.—3540, 7040, 14065, 21040, 28040. SSB—3980, 7280, 14330, 21430, 28600. Novice—3720, 7160, 21120.

Awards: Certificates to all reporting participants in each state, province and country. Also to the highest over-all scores and the lowest power station showing at least three genuine skip contacts.

Report the equipment used and a declaration that all rules have been observed.

Logs go to: Jim Hadlock, K7JRE, 210 Herrick Road, Newton Center, Mass. Deadline May 13th.

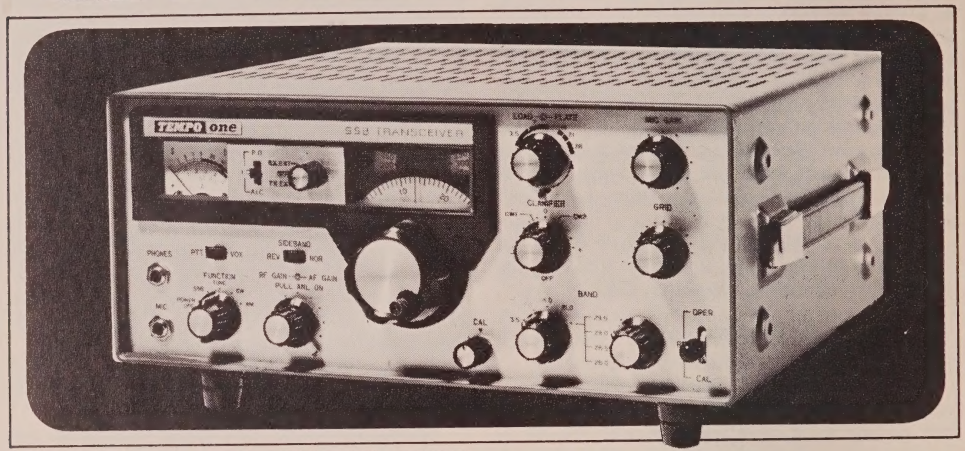
WAEDC RTTY Contest

Starts: 0000 GMT Saturday, April 28
Ends: 2400 GMT Sunday, April 29

This year's contest, the 5th annual, is sponsored by the DARC and DAFG. Only 36 hours out of the 48 hour contest period are permitted for single operator stations. The 12 hour rest

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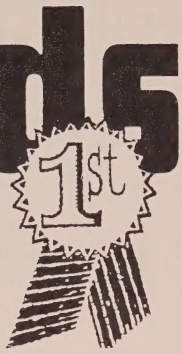
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THE awards PROGRAM



BY ED HOPPER,* W2GT

Special Honor Roll
All Counties

#90—James M. Farris, Jr., WA4MGC, 12-22-72.
#91—George Allison, WB6EXT, 12-30-72.
#92—Lester A. Jeffery, W8WT, 1-3-73.

THE "Story of The Month" for April is:

Cecil R. Pryor, WA4YQC
(All Counties #41, 10-6-70)

Cecil is 57 years young and has his own T.V. Sales & Service. But his *big* job is his Church work, being a Church of Christ Minister—which in itself is a full time job!

He is married to a wonderful young lady and they have one daughter and 3 grandchildren who live in Anchorage, Alaska.

Cecil got interested in amateur radio about 12 years ago and has used a variety of equipment. At present the equipment is Heath, a 3 element Mosley beam, and diploes for 40/75. A home built linear using 3-813s is part of the fixed station equipment.

It was on December 17, 1968 that he first checked into the Independent County Hunters Net with K3AER acting as Net Control. His last county came in September 1970 from Skip, WAØWOB who was mobile in Santa Cruz, Arizona.

Cecil insists he never enjoyed amateur radio so much as when he became a County Hunter and has many such hunters visit with him as they passed through Gallatin, Tennessee.

He is unable to check into the Net as often as he would like *(this applies to many of us)* but he still manages to go mobile frequently, and greatly enjoys passing out counties. He is most grateful to *all* who helped him make All Counties and will be happy to help out any who need counties in middle Tennessee.

Our records show that he waited until he had them *all* and then applied for them *all* on October 6, 1970. We all wish him good success with both of his jobs!

* P.O. Box 73, Rochelle Park, N.J. 07662

USA-CA HONOR ROLL

3000		2000		1000	
WA4MGC	110	WB6EXT	167		
WA6OTV	111	W8WT	168	WB6EXT	284
WB6EXT	112	W1DIT	169	W1DIT	285
W8WT	113	KØARS	170	KØARS	286
2500		**1500**			
W6CLM	142	K2VGR	205		
WB6EXT	143	WB6EXT	206	**500**	
W8WT	144	W8WT	207		
W1DIT	145	W1DIT	208	WB6EXT	933
KØARS	146	KØARS	209	W1DIT	934

Awards Issued

The Special Honor Roll for *All Counties* again lists 3 new members.

Jim Farris, WA4MGC made All Counties endorsed All S.S.B. and USA-CA-3000 also endorsed All S.S.B.

George Allison, WB6EXT waited until he had them *all* before applying and got endorse- of All 14, All S.S.B., All Mobiles for 500, through 2500 and All S.S.B. for USA-CA-3000 and All Counties.



Cecil Pryor, WA4YQC, Minister & T.V. Sales & Service.



The Prairie Dog ARC Award.

Les Jeffery, W8WT, who received USA-CA-500-#1-Q, September 24, 1961 and USA-CA-1000-#50, July 22, 1964, got busy and received USA-CA-1500, 2000, 2500 and 3000 endorsed All S.S.B., and All Counties endorsed Mixed.

Wilbur Wilhelm, WA6OTV acquired USA-CA-3000.

Bill Winnegar, W6CLM keeps chipping away and qualified for USA-CA-2500.

Clet Dunn, W1DIT took time out from mobiling and applied for USA-CA-500, 1000, 1500 and 3000 endorsed All 14, All S.S.B., All Mobiles; and USA-CA-2500-Mixed.

Jim Willingham, KØARS won USA-CA-2500, 2000, 1500 and 1000.

Rick Lobdell, K2VGR, who used to edit the *CW County Hunter Bulletin* (with the help of Dick, K2UFT) has moved, married and is now a papa, found time to make USA-CA-1500 endorsed All A-1. (Oh yes, the *CW County Hunter Bulletin* is now published by Jim Hoffman, K1ZFQ.)

Awards

VK7 Golden Jubilee Award: Radio amateurs outside Australia and New Zealand need to contact five (5) Tasmanian stations (VK7) during the period 1 January to 31 December 1973. Any amateur band, any amateur mode, even cross mode, is ok. Send copy of all log data signed by the operator and two other licensed amateurs or signed by the operator and the Secretary of his Radio Club. Isolated operators who are unable to so comply, may request that their logs be subject to check by the organizers of the award. A suitable certificate will be issued. Apply to: VK7 Golden Jubilee Award, Box 851J, G.P.O., Hobart, Tasmania 7001, Australia. Send 3-IRCs for the award via sea mail or 6-IRCs for the award via air mail.

Saltminer's Net Award: Issued for having reported into the Net five consecutive working days at home, enroute to the salt mine, or being retired from same. The Net meets everyday around 7.285 mHz beginning around 1100Z until around 1400Z with Mel, WA4FAG as M/C. Checkins sometimes include KH6, KL7, HR2 and maritime mobiles. Send data and $1.00 to: Robert Bell, WA3HOS, 505 Southern Drive, West Chester, Pa. 19380.

The 73 Trophy: Sponsored by the Freebooters Radio Club of Sweden. To celebrate the year 1973 with hope to make it the year of really good wishes, and at the same time commemorate the 30th anniversary of the Freebooters Radio Club's foundation, the club has decided to create the 73 Trophy. The Trophy, a sculpture, is in the form of a young childs head, made in stone by the famous Swedish artist Stan Fasthe and is only given out once this century. That licensed shortwave amateur in the world who during 1973 reaches the highest score counting points, as follows, will get the Trophy free of charge.

Amateurs in	Contact SM7, SM3	Contact Members Freebooters R.C.
Sweden	1 point	5 points
Europe	3 points	15 points
DX	5 points	25 points

Each station may be contacted only once on each amateur band. Send confirmed log extracts to: Freebooters Radio Club, Awards Manager, P.O. Box 150, Hassleholm, S-28101 Sweden. Applications will close on June 30, 1974.

Members of Freebooters Radio Club as of October 1972: SK7BK; SK7FT; SL7CA; SM5WI; and SM7s-ER, TE, VO, ABO, ALI, ANL, ASN, BAH, BBV, BDU, BJB, CRW, DGC, DHK, DJG, DMN, DMT, DRQ, DUH, EBN, ECI, EEB, EHI, EHO, EMI, EUG and SM7FPI.

Awards Issued By The Central Radio Club Of Czechoslovakia:

100 OK award: For working 100 different OK (OL or OM) stations since 1 January 1954 on any band, c.w., phone or mixed. Endorsement stickers for 200, 300, 400, and 500 contacts with different OK (OL or OM) stations.

P-100 OK Award. For s.w.l., for hearing 100 different OK (OL or OM) stations since

January 1, 1954 on any band, c.w., phone or mixed. Endorsement stickers for 200, 300, 400 and 500 reports.

S 6 S Award: For working six continents—Europe, Asia, Africa, North America, South America and Oceania—on any band, c.w., (all), or phone (all). Endorsement sticker for working all continents on 3.5, 7, 14, 21 or 28 mHz.

P 75 Award: For working 75 Zones (ITU geographical broadcasting zones) since January 1, 1960. Class 3: 50 different zones. Class 2: 60 different zones. Class 1: 70 different zones.

OK-SSB Award: For working different OK stations on any band 2 × SSB. Each OK station counts one point on 28, 21, 14 mHz, and two points on 7 and 3.5 mHz. Required: 25 points and endorsement stamps for additional 25 points.

VKV 100 OK Awards: For working 100 different stations, all on 145 mHz or all on 433 mHz. Endorsement stickers for 200, 300, 400, and 500 different stations on 145 or 433 mHz.

Note: All applications must contain a list of contacts and reports, QSLs and a fee of 5 IRCs. P75 P AWARD requires 10 IRCs.

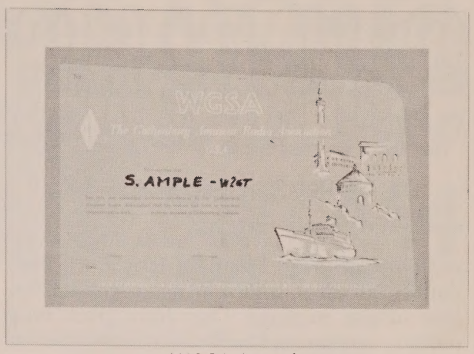
QSLs need not be sent: If the National Radio Society confirms the possession of listed QSLs (for P 75 P all QTHs must be listed too). *or* when all contacts were made during OK-DX Contest and the log was sent to CRC (for 100-OK and S 6 S only).

When applying for additional endorsements, be sure to list the number of the fundamental (main) award also.

All applications should be sent to: Central Radio Club, Box 69, Praha 1, Czechoslovakia. (Thanks for data to Karel, OK1-15835).

WGSA Award: Sponsored by the Gothenburg Radio Amateur Society, "GSA", based on contacts with amateurs in Gothenburg after December 31, 1952. Contacts on 3.5, 7, 14, 21 and 28 mHz count *one* point. Contacts on frequencies above 30 mHz count *two* points. Applicants outside Europe (DX) require *two* points. Applicants in Europe require *ten* points. Applicants in SM, OZ and LA require *twenty* points.

Applications must include QSLs or written confirmations for the claimed contacts and a list of them showing calls, frequency, date and mode. Send with 5-IRCs to: WGSA Manager, Goteborge Sandare Amatorer, Box 6009, 400 60 Gothenburg 6, Sweden. (Remember that Gothenburg calls include SM6, SK6 and SL6, but all SM6, SK6 and SL6 stations are not in Gothenburg.)



WGSA Award.

The Prairie Dog ARC Award: Sponsored by The Prairie Dog Amateur Radio Club of Vermillion, S. Dakota. Issued for contacting any three (3) of the 17 members of the club during the month of March, 1973. The frequencies to check are: 3950, 7275, 14275, 21360 and 28666, especially on weekends. Apply with log data of contacts with 3 or more members worked and include 25¢ in stamps or 2 IRCs to WBØEVQ, Box 493, Springfield, South Dakota 57062.

Notes

Again many thanks for all the help from Bertha, WA4BMC, including getting material for my monthly "Stories."

Rick Lobdell, K2VGR has moved to Putnam County, N.Y. and would be very happy to schedule anyone needing Putnam on any

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Saltminers Net Award.

SURPLUS sidelights

BY GORDON ELIOT WHITE*

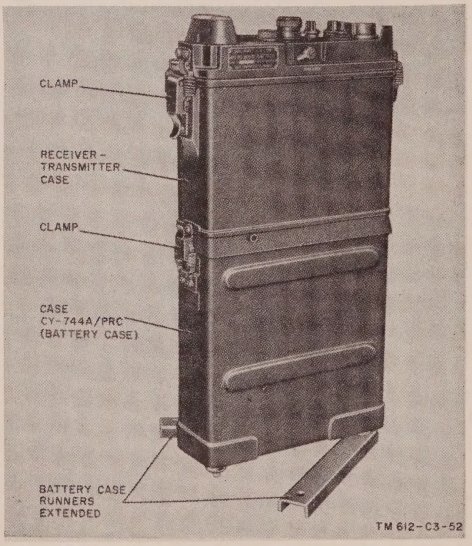
THE early Army PRC-series f.m. transceivers have been around a long time now, almost 20 years, and are finally getting out into surplus markets. They have given long military service, and have not been much seen outside the Army. To judge from my mail however, a good number have been sold in recent months.

I am seeing the AN/PRC-8, -9 and -10 sets, which were produced in Chicago by the Admiral Corporation, in 1951-54. Subsequent PRC- sets now run into much higher numbers. A popular air-sea rescue set for example, is the AN/PRC-90, and there are several other solid-state, pack-of-cigarettes sized sets in the military such as the PRC-100, etc.

In this column I will cover the PRC-8, -9 and -10's, and I will mention the later units as they become available.

These sets are described by Army manual *TM 11-612* and Air Force tech order *TO 31R2-2PRC-101*.

* 1502 Stonewall Rd., Alexandria, Va. 22302



The PRC-8, -9 or -10 set, arranged with battery pack for back pack operation.

First, the basics: the PRC-8, 9, 10 sets measure 9½ × 3 × 10½ inches and weigh nine pounds. The units are designed for back pack operation, and cover the frequency ranges 20-27.9, 27-38.9 and 38-54.9 mHz respectively. Aside from frequency, they are identical.

When used as a back pack, the transceivers operate from battery power supplied by BA-279/U. When operated from a vehicle, they used amplifier-Power supply AM-598/U, which was powered by the 24 volt system in the jeep or truck.

I don't have power and sensitivity specs, but the range under combat conditions was rated as three miles.

When man-carried the sets used a short 36.5" whip, AT-272A/PRC. The longer 115" vehicle whip is AT-271A/PRC.

These are tube-type sets, using 14 or 16 tubes, depending whether the set is a -A model or not.

Each transceiver is normally coupled to a battery case which roughly doubles the length and weight, and is the CY-744A/PRC. Voltages required are 135 volts, d.c., 67.5 d.c., 1.5 volts, and 6 volts.

Differences between the -A and the -() models are, first, that the later versions have only 14 tubes, and are provided calibration points at 2.15 mHz points rather than at 1.0 mHz divisions.

The later sets characteristically "motorboated" for a fraction of a second on transmit after the mike button was pushed. Sidetone, i.e. the transmitting signal, was heard in the headsets in the late models, but not in the earlier ones.

The -A sets have four i.f. amplifying sections, though the cans are interchangeable with those in the five-stage early units.

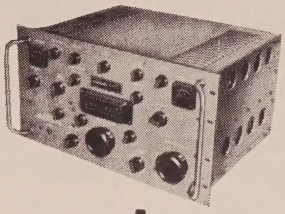
The discriminator plug-in is not interchangeable between models. Later model modulators are 6286, and the earlier sets used 5676 tubes.

Fig. 1 shows the power connections. There are also accessories such as the AT-339/PRC and AT-340/PRC homing "loop" antennas, the C-433/GRC remote control, and various straps, brackets, and so forth.

The receiver section has two r.f. amplifier sections with 5678 subminiature tubes, followed by another 5678 mixer and five more in i.f. stages, with a 5672 audio amplifier. The local oscillator is tuneable, but a crystal-controlled calibrator is provided at 1 mHz and 4.3 mHz points.

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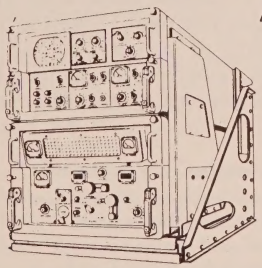
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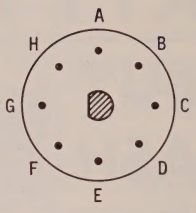


Fig. 1—Power connections to the PRC series transceivers.

The transmitter uses a 5676 as an f.m. modulator, with automatic frequency control circuits using another 5672. The transmitter oscillator is a 5A6 tube, and it is controlled by the ganged tuning capacitor which sets the receiver tuning. There is no power amplifier in the circuit, and the output is taken directly from a modulator tube.

For readers interested in other handie-talkie or walkie-talkie data, see *CQ* for February 1971 and Nov. 1970. ■

Awards [*from page 81*]

band 1.8 through 28 mHz, c.w. only. New QTH is Rte. 1, E. Branch Road, Patterson, N.Y. 12563.

Last month we introduced Rev. Terence Koch, S.J. as K6HZT. His call should have read K6HZI.

Please excuse me for failing to mention the passing, some time ago, of another County Hunter, Jack Abel, VE3DTO, MARAC #17.

Tab Books, Blue Ridge Summit, Pa. 17214, has recently released its new 1972-1973 catalogue. It describes over 235 current and forthcoming books, plus 10 of the firm's unique new Electronic Book/Kits. This catalog is available free upon request to Tab.

Sure plenty of activity on the County Hunter Nets, hope you are catching the ones you need. Write and tell me, How was your month? 73, Ed., W2GT

Contest Calendar [*from page 77*]

period may be taken in one but not more than 3 periods anytime in the contest.

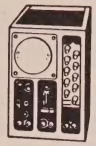
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Exchange: QSO no. and RST report.

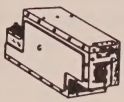
Points: Contacts within ones' own continent 1 point, with other continents 3 points. Non-Europeans however get 5 points for each EU QSO, but count only 3 points for Europeans.

Like the phone/c.w. contest the QTC feature is also used. Each QTC exchange is worth 1 additional point. (See July 1972 CALENDAR for details and European country list.)

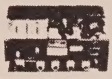
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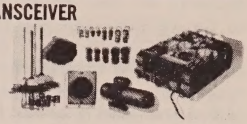


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Final Score: Total QSO points, plus QTC points multiplied by the sum total countries from all bands.

Awards: Will be made in 3 classifications: 200 watts input or less, over 200 watts and s.w.l.'s. In each country and each call area shown above. Continental leaders will also be honored and additional certificates where warranted.

Mailing deadline for logs is June 10th to: WAEDC Contest Committee, D-8950 Kaufbeuren, Postbox 262, West Germany.

Helvetia 22 Contest

Starts: 1500 GMT Saturday, May 5
Ends: 1700 GMT Sunday, May 6

Dates of this activity have been fixed at 2 weeks after Easter each year therefore will vary from year to year. Many of the rare Cantons are activated so this offers an excellent opportunity to build up your total for the very attractive H 22 Certificate.

Contacts may be made on all bands, 1.8 thru 28 mHz. The same station may be worked on each band and mode for QSO and multiplier credit.

Exchange: The RS(T) report plus a contact number starting with 001. Swiss stations will also include their Canton. (579001/ZH)

The 22 Cantons are: AG, AR, BE, BS, FR, GE, GL, GR, LU, NE, NW, SG, SH, SO, SZ, TG, TI, UR, VD, VS, ZG, ZH.

Scoring: Each QSO counts 3 points. The multiplier is the sum of Cantons worked on each band, a possible 22 from each band.

Final Score: Total QSO points multiplied by the sum of Cantons from all bands.

Awards: Certificates to the top scorers in each country and VE and W/K call areas.

Logs: Indicate a Canton in a separate column the first time it is worked on each band. Check your log for duplicates and include a summary sheet showing the scoring and other information. Your name and address in BLOCK LETTERS and the usual declaration is also requested.

Mail your log within 30 days to: USKA Traffic Mgr., HB9AHA, im Moos, 5707 Seengen, Switzerland.

Editor's Notes

Anne (Mrs. A) and I spent the Christmas Holidays visiting WB4VQO in Florida, and by a coincident the Sun Coasters Chapter of the QCWA had their monthly meeting during our stay in Sarasota. I don't think my short talk on what contests are all about converted any of the Old Timers, they seemed more amused with the story of the trials and tribulations of the poor

Contest Editor, but it was sure good seeing a lot of the boys again.

Just a reminder for the W/K's who took part in our WPX SSB Contest. Don't forget the two new Trophies that have been added, both in memory of "Joe" Hiller, W4OPM. Joe was king of the WPXers and also founder of the Virginia Century Club, so it is quite fitting that these memorials be donated by those with whom he was so closely associated. Both awards are for high USA scorers in the Contest. The All Band Trophy is donated by Jerry Hagen, WA6GLD curator of the WPX program, and the Single Band Trophy by the Virginia Century Club.

So make sure you send in your log. Mailing deadline is May 1st.

73 for now, Frank, W1WY

Propagation [*from page 74*]

Brazil, Argentina, Chile, Uruguay	11-14 (1) 14-17 (2) 17-18 (1)	06-07 (1) 07-10 (2) 10-13 (1) 13-15 (2) 15-16 (3) 16-18 (4) 18-19 (3) 19-20 (2) 20-22 (1)	12-15 (1) 15-17 (2) 17-19 (3) 19-22 (4) 22-00 (3) 00-02 (2) 02-04 (1) 04-06 (2) 06-08 (1)	20-22 (1) 22-00 (2) 00-02 (1) 02-04 (2) 04-06 (1) 00-04 (1)*
McMurdo Sound, Antarctica	*Nil*	12-14 (1) 14-17 (2) 17-18 (1)	10-12 (1) 17-18 (1) 18-19 (2) 19-21 (3) 21-22 (2) 22-00 (1) 04-06 (1)	00-06 (1)

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	10 Meters	*15 Meters*	*20 Meters*	*40/80 Meters*
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Central & Northern Europe & European USSR	*Nil*	*Nil*	06-07 (1) 07-09 (2) 09-12 (1) 12-14 (2) 14-16 (1) 20-22 (1)	19-22 (1)
Eastern Mediterranean & Middle East	*Nil*	12-14 (1)	07-13 (1) 13-15 (2) 15-16 (1) 18-23 (1)	19-22 (1)
West & Central Africa	12-14 (1)	08-11 (1) 11-14 (2) 14-16 (1)	04-05 (1) 05-07 (2) 07-14 (1) 14-15 (2) 15-18 (3) 18-20 (2) 20-22 (1)	20-00 (1)
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Math's Notes [*from page 49*]

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Our topic of discussion this month is a very low cost, extremely simple to use, IC voltage regulator that will enable you to regulate almost all voltages in the shack at or below 24 volts. The Fairchild Semiconductor μA 7800 family are three lead devices available in 7 pre-set voltage ranges, and employ internal current limiting thermal shutdown circuitry and safe-area compensation making them virtually blow-out proof. If adequate heat sinking is provided, they can deliver over one ampere of output current alone or almost any

amount with an external pass transistor. The μA7800 series can also be used with external components to obtain variable voltages.

Figure 1 shows the schematic of the basic hookup. Simple isn't it? Also shown are the part numbers for the 7 voltages available. Figure 2 shows several parameters necessary for proper operation as well as regulation details. Figure 3 is the schematic for two variable voltage versions of the regulator. Use whichever circuit is best for your needs.

A high current version of figure 1 is shown in figure 4. Maximum current obtained from this configuration is equal to the h_{fe} of the pass transistor multiplied by the maximum output current of the μA7800 used.

The μA7800 units are available in two package styles. The numbers given in figure 2 are for the TO-220 package. Also available is a more efficient thermal package, the TO-3 which requires half the heat sink area of the TO-220. Both packages and pin designations as well as actual part numbers are shown in figure 5. For TO-3 units, substitute the letter J for the letter H in the part number.

Cost for the μA7800 series is only $2.75 in 1-24 quantities so go to it and regulate everything.

With this column, MATH'S NOTES will be exactly one year old. I would like to thank all of those readers who have written to me on various occasions, commenting on the topics presented both favorable and otherwise It is through your comments that the column has moved in the general direction it is in now, and I sincerely hope to continue making you aware of the techniques and components that are being used in our modern-day electronics industry.

73, Irv, WA2NDM

Fax Conversion [*from page 37*]

was removed as most of its wires were used in the old control circuitry and simply served to confuse the conversion. These removed wires are quite nice to work with and can be used for the new connections if so desired.

Next month we will cover the rewiring of the unit. For that stage the following items will be needed:

One .01 mf 400 v. disk ceramic capacitor.

Four 1N4004 or 1N2070 silicon diodes.

Two 390 ohm ½ watt 10% resistors.

Three feet of small diameter two conductor shielded cable or two three-foot lengths of small diameter single conductor shielded cable.

We will also cover preliminary testing of the work done up to that point. The following month, we will complete the sync circuits and be ready to begin transmitting messages. ■

Gigohmer [*from page 40*]

ing it to be a cement or timber floor without any high-insulation carpeting). Standing with your bare feet over the sheet, touch the terminal A of the unit. The meter will kick to more than 25% f.s.d. and come back to a perfect zero, indicating that you and the polyethylene sheet are acting as a capacitor with respect to ground. You can "discharge" yourself by just touching any of the usual objects in the room, or by placing a foot on the floor! Comparison with a good mica capacitor will indicate a body-to-ground capacitance of more or less 2000 pf, depending on the thickness of the sheet and the size of your feet!

The writer hopes that many among the readers of *CQ* will decide straightaway to construct this useful and interesting gadget! ■

Receiver-Only Tuning [*from page 51*]

500 Hz when either in the transmit position or the receive position with the potentiometer in mid-position. This variation is corrected by a slight movement of the dial corrector knob. Note, this fixed frequency variation occurs only when in the TRANSMIT mode.

Another fallout of this device is that while in the c.w. mode a variable pitch can be obtained on the received signal. Note that the frequency variation is limited by the pass band of the c.w. filter. ■

Hum Reduction [*from page 51*]

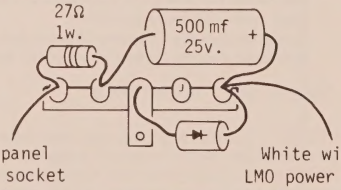


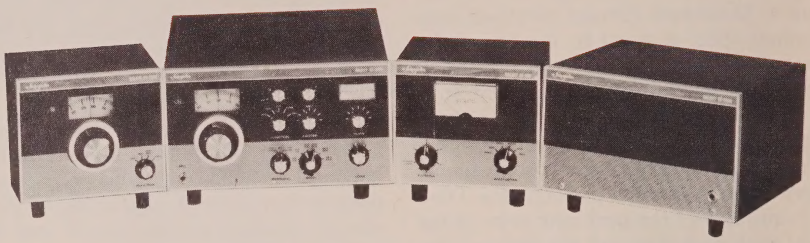
Fig. 2—Components are assembled on a 4-lug-plus-ground terminal strip.

power supply was removed and the terminal strip mounted with the same screw. The 12 volt heater line to the LMO power supply can be disconnected at the right dial pilot lamp socket (white wire). This wire was long enough and was connected to the terminal strip output line. A new wire was added from the pilot lamp socket to the input line of the terminal strip. ■

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Noise Level – In excess of 40 db below single tone carrier.

Audio Frequency Response – Minus 6 db approximately 300/2400 Hz determined by side band filter.

RF Compression Characteristics – Up to 10 db RF compression without distortion.

Receiver Sensitivity – Better than .5 uv for 10 db S+N/n ratio.

Receiver Selectivity – 2.1 KHz with 1.8 shape factor for SSB or 300 Hz sharp selectivity with optional CW filter.

Receiver Spurious Response – Image rejection better than 40 db down. Internal spurious below 1 uv equivalent input.

Frequency Calibration – Interpolation to 1 KHz in 5 KHz increments.

Frequency Stability – Within 10 Hz during any 30 minute warm-up period, less than 100 Hz in any 15 minute warm-up period, not more than 100 Hz with a plus or minus 10% line voltage variation.

Calibration Accuracy – Interpolation to 1 KHz after calibration.

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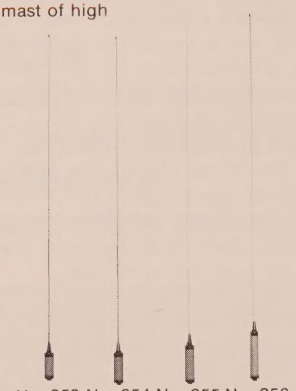
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CQ Reviews HW-7 [*from page 63*]

On-The-Air Results

In reviewing a piece of gear it has not been our custom to talk about what can be heard or worked with it, inasmuch as such should be obvious. Nevertheless, due to the simplicity of the HW-7's receiver, we cannot help but comment on the world-wide signals that were copied with it using a dipole antenna. Due to the low power of the transmitter, it also might be mentioned how surprising it can be to work DX with it, especially on 15 meters.

In addition to the fun of low-power operation and the possibility of minimizing QRM with it for local rag chews, the HW-7 makes a fine little job for vacation contacts and for emergency operations, particularly where only battery power is available.

At 13 v.d.c. the receiver draws only 35 ma and on transmit the drain is 450 ma. The size of the unit is 4¼" × 9¼" × 8½" (H.W.D.), including knobs and feet and it weighs 4½ lbs.

The HW-7 QRP C.W. Transceiver is priced at $69.95 (kit). The optional Model HWA-7-1 A.C. Power Supply accessory is $14.95 (kit). These are products of the Heath Company, Benton Harbor, Michigan 49022. —W2AEF

SSTV [*from page 55*]

Kw final also. I built a final using a pair of grounded grid 3-400Z's. Built into it is a 1" scope. The scope tube presents a trapezoidal pattern. (Output r.f. is applied to the vertical plates, and rectified input r.f. is applied to the horizontal plates.) I find it invaluable for adjusting tuning, loading, and drive for maximum output and optimum linearity.

I hope that this "case study" has started you thinking about approaches to i.s.b. that fit in with your particular equipment situation. Let me hear about your successes and problems, and I'll pass the word along.

British SSTV Rule Change

From Richard Thurlow, G3WW, comes some news about the regulatory situation in Britain. SSTV licenses are apparently granted upon individual application and permit operation on 7.0-7.1, 14.0-14.35, 21.0-21.45, 28.0-29.7, and 144-146 mHz. Unlike the U.S. where SSTV standards are not specified by the FCC (except for overall bandwidth), the Ministry of Posts and Telecommunications in Britain does specify the standards. Originally tied strictly to the traditional 50 Hz SSTV standards (7.2 sec, 120 lines, etc.) the rules have now been relaxed to permit the slight departures designed into the Robot equipment. Present British standards are:

Lines per picture:	128 ± 8
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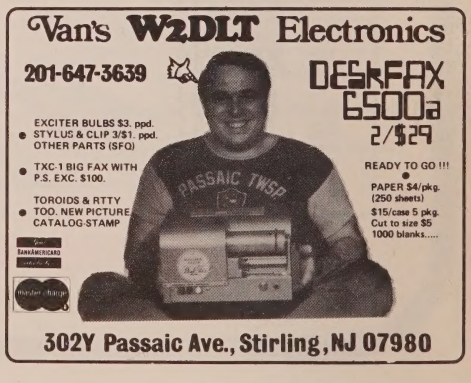
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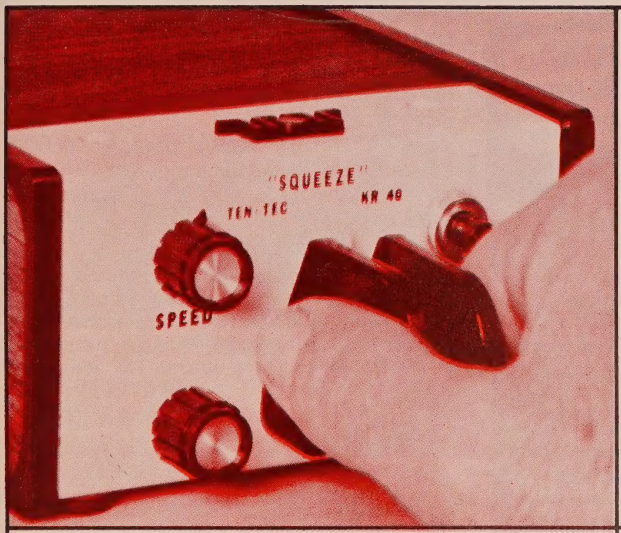
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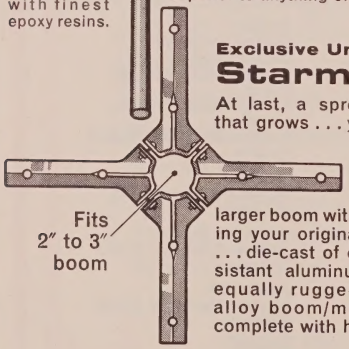


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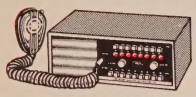
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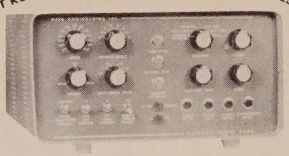
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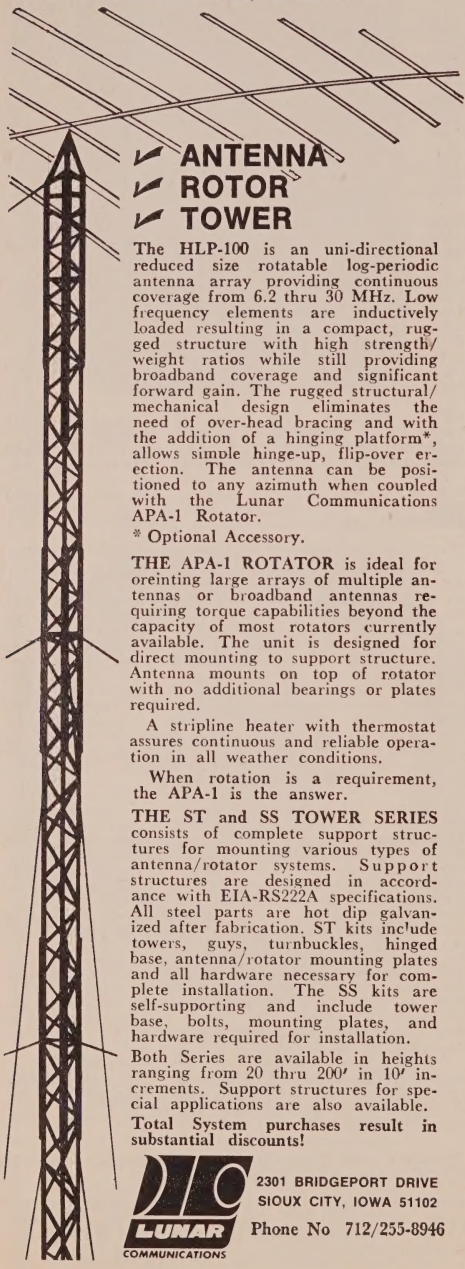
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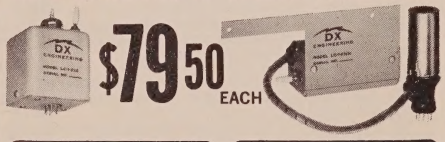


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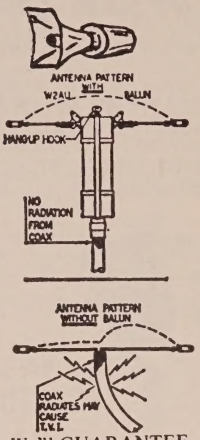
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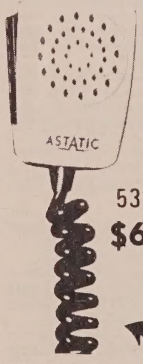
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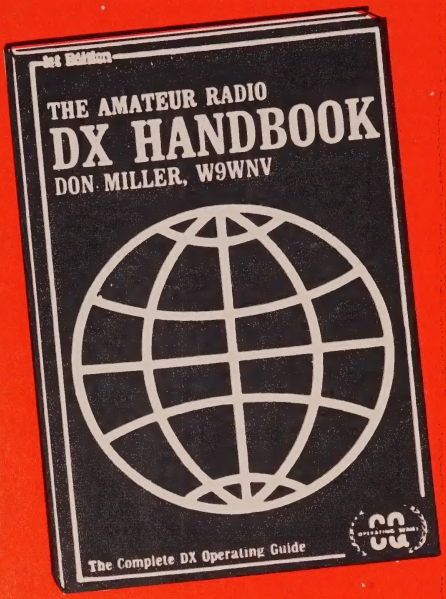
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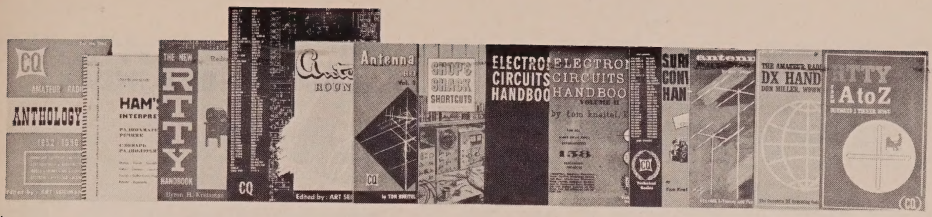
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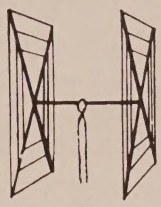
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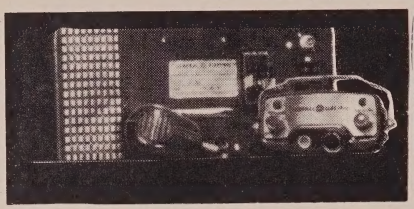
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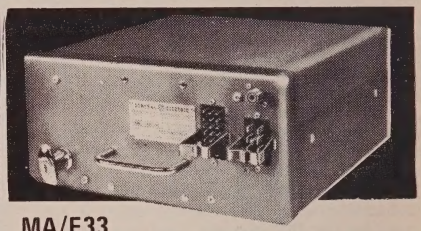
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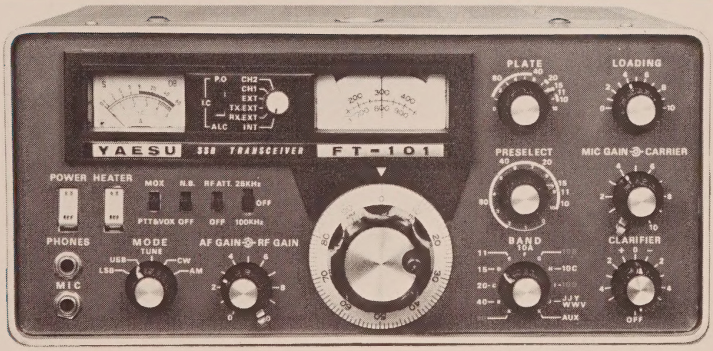
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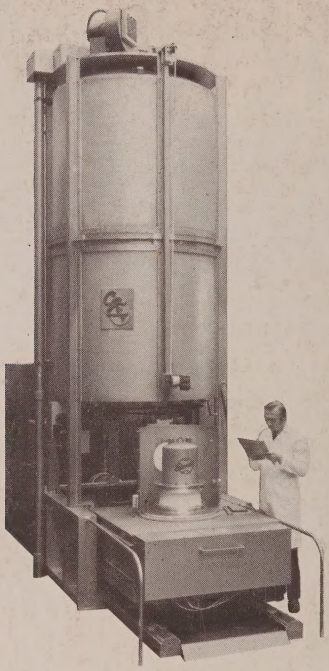
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