

SERVICE BULLETIN No. 286A for members of RADIO MANUFACTURERS SERVICE

A PHILCO Service Plan

SPECIFICATIONS

TYPE OF CIRCUIT: Model 38-C116, code 125, employs a fifteen tube, A.C. operated superheterodyne circuit with the Philco Automatic Tuning Dial, having five tuning ranges, covering a frequency range from 530 K.C. to 18.2 M.C.

Incorporated in this model are design features such as Magnetic Tuning control on each tuning range; Automatic Volume Control; Fidelity and Selectivity controlled by variable I.F. Transformers; Bass Compensation; Acoustic Clarifiers to eliminate cabinet resonance; Split Stator Tuning Condensers for spreading short wave stations further apart, and Special Push-Pull Audio Output circuit using 6L6G Beam tubes.

POWER SUPPLY:	Voltage	Frequency	Power	
		Cycles	Consumption	
	115	50 to 60	165 watts	
	115	25 to 40	165 watts	
	115/230	50 to 60	165 watts	

Different transformers are required for operation on the voltages and frequencies listed above. The part numbers for these transformers are listed on page 4. A special transformer for operation on either 115 or 230 volt-50 to 60 cycle A.C. power circuit can be obtained. This transformer is provided with a plug and socket for selection of either voltage rating. Place the plug with arrow pointing toward voltage being used.

INTERMEDIATE FREQUENCY: 470 K.C.

FREQUENCY RANGES: Range One 530 to 1600 K.C. Two 1.58 to 4.75 M.C. Three 4.7 to 7.4 M.C. Four 7.35 to 11.6 M.C. Five 11.5 to 18.2 M.C.

UNDISTORTED OUTPUT: 15 watts.

TUBES USED: 6U7G R.F.; 6A8G Mixer; 6A8G Oscillator; 6N7G Oscillator control; two 6K7G I.F.; 6K7G 2nd Detector and Magnetic tuning amplifier; two 6J5G discriminator; 6J5G A.V.C.; 6R7G 1st audio; 6J5G audio driver; two 6L6G audio output, and one 5X4G rectifier.

TONE CONTROLS: Two - 1. High audio-frequency tone varied by Treble-Selectivity control. 2. Low audio-frequency tone varied by "Bass Tone Control," in the volume control circuit.

PHILCO SPEAKERS USED: One type "W5" with three acoustic clarifiers.

CABINET: Type XX.

SERVICE NOTES

For reference between illustrations, Parts List, and for replacement of parts, the various diagrams in this bulletin are marked with "circled numbers" indicating a particular part.

Physical views of the R.F. and I.F. transformers and the range switch sections are shown on pages 2 and 3. Each part is marked with the corresponding schematic diagram

circled number.

The leads and lugs of the R.F. and I.F. transformers are either numbered or the color of the wire marked to indicate the connecting point in the circuit diagram, which is also correspondingly marked.

Rear views of the range switch sections are also shown in Fig. 5. The lugs on each are marked with a letter and number—example (A2)—indicating the connecting point of each lug in the circuit diagram.

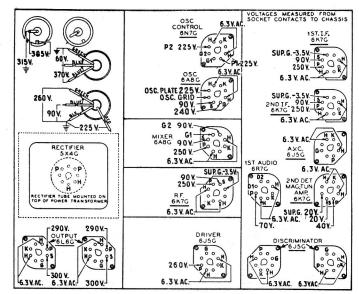


Fig. 1. Underside View of Chassis showing Socket Voltages

The voltages indicated by the arrows were measured with a Philco 025A Circuit Tester, which contains a sensitive voltmeter. Line voltage 115 A.C.—Volume control minimum—Dial set at point where no signal is present—Range Switch in broadcast position.

Speaker wiring is shown in Fig. 3 and the power transformer wire colors are marked on the schematic diagram.

For band spread purposes, the stator plates of the tuning condensers in this receiver are designed in two sections; one section is of small capacity, and the other of large capacity. The sections are interconnected through the range switch.

The small capacity sections of the stators are used when tuning ranges 3, 4 and 5. When tuning ranges 1 and 2 both

stator sections are connected in parallel.

For identifying the sections on the diagram Fig. 2, the dotted line of the tuning condenser is marked as follows: Small capacity sections are marked Ant. "A"; R.F. "A", and Osc. "A", and the large capacity sections—Ant. "B"; R.F. "B", and Osc. "B".

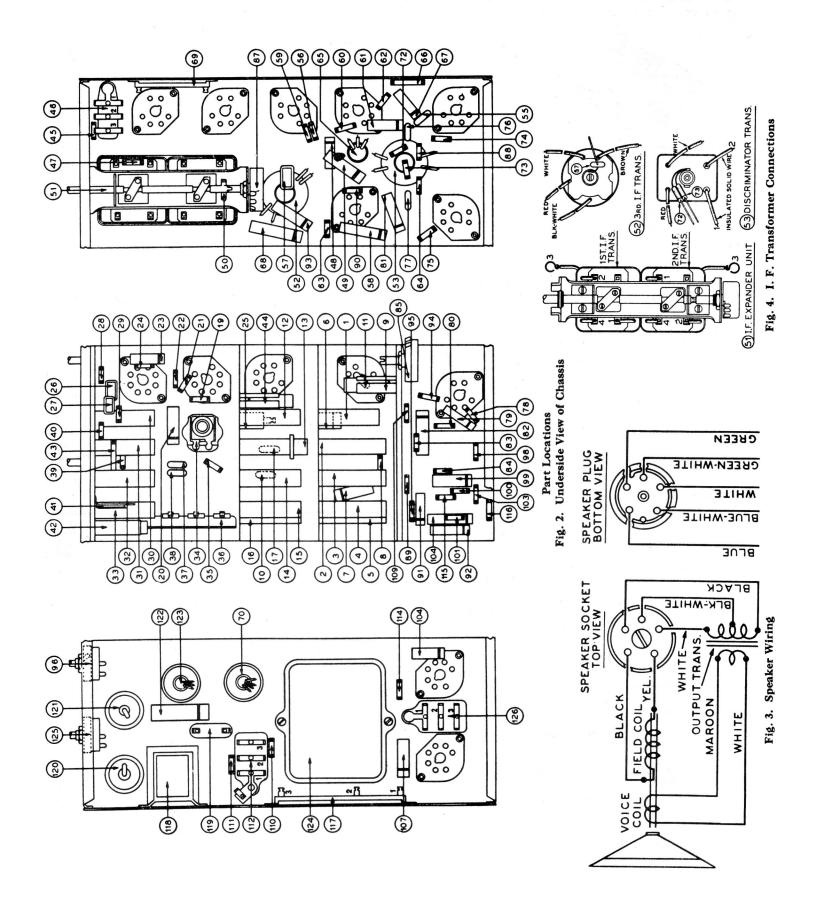
Automatic Tuning Mechanism Service Data

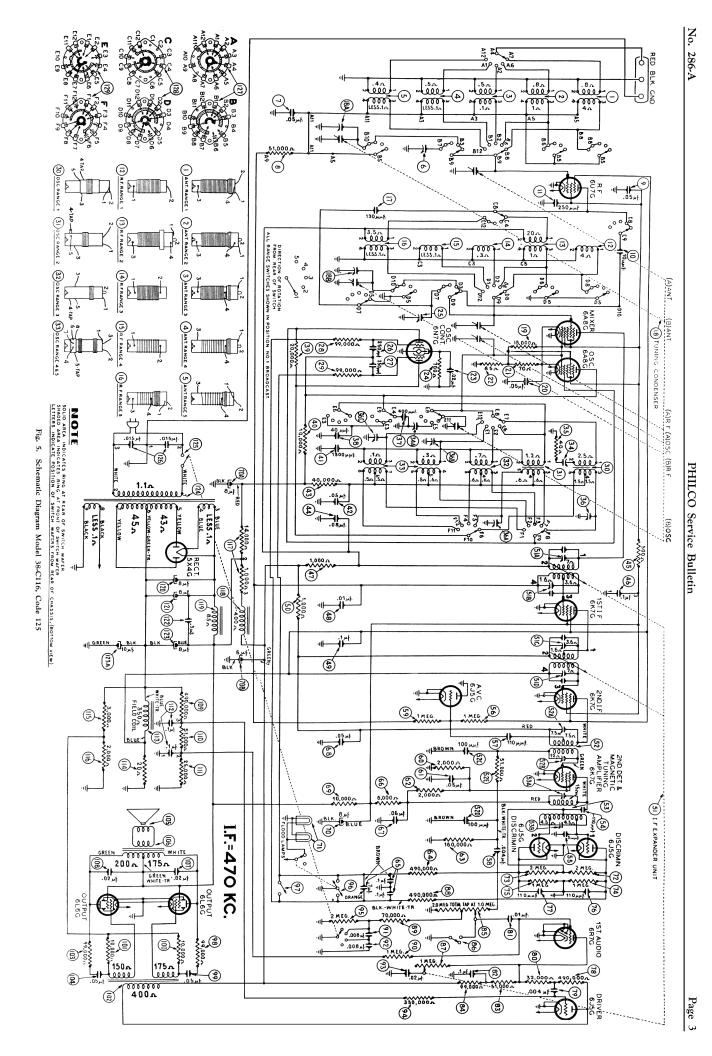
Service data and a complete parts list for the Automatic Tuning Mechanism of this receiver will be found in Service Bulletin 273. There are four automatic dial parts, however, which differ from those shown in bulletin 273. These parts are marked with an asterisk on page 4 of this bulletin.

Aerial Connections

To obtain the full advantage of the sensitivity of this receiver the Philco High Efficiency Aerial Part No. 40-6112 should be used. Connect the aerial as follows:

The aerial terminal panel located on the rear of the chassis, contains three terminals marked "Red," "Blk" and "Gnd". Connect the red and black wires of the aerial lead in (Transmission Line) to the "Red" and "Blk" terminals respectively. Connect the "Gnd" terminal to a good ground source. If a temporary aerial is used, connect it to the "Red" terminal.





REPLACEMENT PARTS—Model 38-C116, Code 125

	REPLAC
	em. Part o. Description No.
1 2	Ant. Transformer (Range 1)
3 4	Ant. Transformer (Range 3) 32-2617
5	Ant. Transformer (Range 4) 32-2619
6 7	Condenser (.05 mid tubular) 50-4515
8 9	Resistor (51,000 ohms, ½ watt). 33-351344 Condenser (.05 mfd tubular). 30-4123 Condenser (10 mmfd mica). 30-1065 Condenser (250 mmfd mica). 30-1065 Condenser (250 mmfd mica). 30-1032 R.F. Transformer (Range 1). 32-2620 R.F. Transformer (Range 2). 32-2621 R.F. Transformer (Range 3). 32-2622 R.F. Transformer (Range 4). 32-2623 R.F. Transformer (Range 5). 32-2624 Condenser (130 mmfd mica). 30-1036 Tuning Condenser Assembly. 31-2035 Resistor (15,000 ohms, ½ watt). 33-315344 Condenser (.05 mfd tubular). 30-4444 Resistor (70 ohms, ½ watt). 33-070344
10 11	Condenser (10 mmfd mica) 30-1065 Condenser (250 mmfd mica) 30-1032
12 13	R.F. Transformer (Range 1) 32-2620
14	R.F. Transformer (Range 3) 32-2622
15 16	R.F. Transformer (Range 4) 32-2623 R.F. Transformer (Range 5) 32-2624
17 18	Condenser (130 mmfd mica) 30-1036 Tuning Condenser Assembly 31-2035
19 20	Resistor (15,000 ohms, ½ watt) 33-315344 Condenser (.05 mfd tubular) 30-4444
21 22	Condenser (.05 mrd tubular)
23 24	Condenser (.02 mfd tubular) 30-4215
25	Compensator (700 offins, 72 watt) 33-070344
26 27	Compensator
28 29	Resistor (99,000 ohms, ½ watt) 33-399344 Resistor (99,000 ohms, ½ watt) 33-399344
30 31	Osc. Transformer (Range 1) 32-2625 Osc. Transformer (Range 2) 32-2626
32 33	Osc. Transformer (Range 3) 32-2627
34	Compensator (2 sections)
35 36	Compensator (4 sections)
37 38	Condenser (400 mmfd mica) 30-1089 Condenser (40 mmfd mica) 30-1095
39 40	Resistor (20,000 ohms, ½ watt) 33-320344 Resistor (10,000 ohms, ½ watt) 33-310344
41 42	Condenser (1300 mmfd mica) 31-6205 Condenser (.05 mfd tubular) 30-4123
43 44	Resistor (40,000 ohms, 1 watt) 33-340434 Condenser (.05 mfd_tubular) 30-4123
45 46	Resistor (500 ohms, ½ watt) 33-150344
47	Resistor (1,000 ohms, ½ watt) 33-210344
48 49	Condenser (.1 mfd tubular) 30-4419
$\begin{array}{c} 50 \\ \ddagger 51 \end{array}$	Osc. Transformer (Ranges 4&5) 32-2628 Compensator (2 sections)
52	
$\begin{array}{c} 53 \\ 54 \end{array}$	Discrimin. Transformer 32-2661 Condenser (110 mmfd mica) 30-1031 Condenser (5 mmfd mica) 30-1097 Resistor (1.0 meg., ½ watt) 33-510344 (1018-25-25-25-25-25-25-25-25-25-25-25-25-25-
55	(Part of 53)
56 57	Resistor (1.0 meg., ½ watt) 33-510344 Condenser (110 mmfd mica) 30-1031 Condenser (.004 mfd tubular) 30-4456
58 59	Condenser (.004 mfd tubular) 30-4456 Resistor (1.0 meg., ½ watt) 33-510344
60 61	Resistor (2,000 ohms, ½ watt) 33-220344 Condenser (.05 mfd tubular) 30-4444
62 63	Resistor (2,000 ohms, ½ watt) 33-220344 Resistor (160,000 ohms, ½ watt) 33-416344
64 65	Condenser (.004 mtd tubular) 30-4400 Resistor (1.0 meg., ½ watt) 33-510344 Resistor (2,000 ohms, ½ watt) 33-220344 Condenser (.05 mfd tubular) 30-4444 Resistor (2,000 ohms, ½ watt) 33-220344 Resistor (160,000 ohms, ½ watt) 33-416344 Resistor (490,000 ohms, ½ watt) 33-446344 Condenser (.10 1.7 mfd).
66	Resistor (490,000 ohms, ½ watt) 33-443344 Condenser (.1—.1—.7 mfd)
67 68	Condenser (.05 mfd tubular) 30-4444 Condenser (.05 mfd, tubular) 30-4518
69 70	Resistor (10,000 ohms,)
$\frac{71}{72}$	Flood Lamp Bulb
73 74	Resistor (2.0 meg., ½ watt)
75 76	Resistor (1.0 meg., ½ watt) 33-510339 Condenser (110 mmfd mics) 30-1031
77 78	Condenser (110 mmfd mica) 30-1031 Condenser (110 mmfd mica) 30-1031 Resistor (490,000 ohms, ½ watt) 33-449344
79	Condenser (.004 mfd tubular) 30-4456
80 81	Condenser (.01 mfd tubular) 30-4169
82 83	Resistor (37,000 ohms, 72 watt) 33-343-344 Condenser (.004 mfd tubular) 30-4456 Resistor (32,000 ohms, ½ watt) 33-332344 Condenser (.10 mfd tubular) 30-4469 Condenser (.1 mfd tubular) 30-4455 Resistor (51,000 ohms, ½ watt) 33-351344 Resistor (99,000 ohms, ½ watt) 33-351384 Resistor (99,000 ohms, ½ watt) 33-351344 Resistor (99,000 ohms, ½ watt) 33-35134 Resistor (99,00
84 85	Volume Control
86	Audio Shorting Switch (Part of Auto. Tuner—See parts (6) and (16) Bulletin 273)
87	Potentiometer 33-5235
88 89	Resistor (70,000 ohms, ½ watt) 33-449344 Resistor (70,000 ohms, ½ watt) 33-370344
90 91	Resistor (1.0 meg., ½ watt) 33-510344 Condenser (.008 mfd tubular) 30-4112
92 93	Condenser (.008 mfd tubular) 30-4112 Condenser (.02 mfd tubular) 30-4481
94 95	Potentiometer 33-5235 Resistor (490,000 ohms, ½ watt) 33-449344 Resistor (70,000 ohms, ½ watt) 33-370344 Resistor (1.0 meg., ½ watt) 33-510344 Condenser (.008 mfd tubular) 30-4112 Condenser (.008 mfd tubular) 30-4112 Condenser (.02 mfd tubular) 30-4112 Resistor (330,000 ohms, ½ watt) 33-433344 Resistor (2 meg., ½ watt) 33-520344 A.F.C. Switch 42-1216
96 97	A.F.C. Switch 42-1216 A.F.C. Shorting Switch (Part of Auto, Tuner—Bullstin 273) 45-2330 Resistor (20 000 beneath 273) 45-2330
98	Resistor 133,000 onns. % watti 33-399344
99 100	Condenser (.05 mfd tubuler) 30-4518 Resistor (10,000 ohms, ½ watt) 33-310344 Resistor (10,000 ohms, ½ watt) 33-310344
101	Resistor (10,000 ohms, ½ watt) 33-310344

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	Sch	em.	Part
		o. Description	No.
	102	Input Transformer	32-7865
	103	Input Transformer	33-399344
	104	Condenser (.05 mfd tubular) Cone & Voice Coil Assembly	30-4518
	105	Cone & Voice Coil Assembly	36-3716
	106	Output Transformer	32-7897
	107	Condenser (.02 mfd, tubular)	30-4481
	108	Condenser (.02 mfd, tubular) Condenser (.02 mfd tubular)	30-4481
	109	Resistor (490,000 ohms, ½ watt) Resistor (51,000 ohms, ½ watt) Resistor (25,000 ohms, ½ watt)	33-449344
	110	Resistor (51,000 ohms, 1/2 watt)	33-351344
	111	Resistor (25,000 ohms, ½ watt)	33-325344
	112	Cond (1 mfd 1 mfd Pokolita)	100011
	113	Resistor (2,000 ohms, ½ watt)	36-3788
	114	Resistor (20 ohms, ½ watt)	33-020344
	115	Resistor (3,000 ohms, ½ watt)	33-230344
	116	Resistor (2,000 ohms, $\frac{1}{2}$ watt)	33-220344
	117	Resistor, wire-wound (4,000 ohms-	
		1,000 ohms) Choke	33-3289-1
	118		32-7722
	119	Choke	32-7056
	120	Electrolytic Condenser Electrolytic Condenser	30-2026
	121	Electrolytic Condenser	30-2026
	122	Cond. (.3 mfd. tubular) 60 cycle	30-4465
	122	Cond (1 61 +-1) (07 1-)	{ 30-4227 30-4227
		Cond. (1 mfd. tub.) (25 cycle)	30-4227
	123	Electrolytic Cond. (8-10 mfd)	30-2201
	124	Power Transformer	
		115 V.—50-60 cycles	32 - 7699
		115 V.—50-60 cycles 115 V.—25-40 cycles	32-7700
		115-230 V.—50-60 cycles	32-7701
	125	Power & Bass Tone Switch Cond. (.015—.015 mfd Bakelite)	42-1233
	126	Cond. (.015—.015 mfd Bakelite)	3793DG
	127	Wave Switch (Ant. Section) Wave Switch (R.F. Section) Wave Switch (Osc. Section)	42-1354
	128	Wave Switch (R.F. Section)	42-1355
	129	Wave Switch (Osc. Section)	42-1356
		Acoustic Clarifier Automatic Tuning Mech. Comp. Bezel Assembly (Cabinet)	36-1155
		Automatic Tuning Mech. Comp.	31-2063
		Bezel Assembly (Cabinet)	38-8833
		Brace (Dial Mechanism)	28-4119
		Cable (Power)	L-1149A
		Cable and Plug (Speaker)	41-3339
		Clamp (R.F. Unit Rear Mtg.) Clamp Locking Plate (R.F. unit)	28-3900
		Clamp Locking Plate (R.F. unit)	28-3982
		Clamp (I.F. Cord)	28-4147
		Cord (I.F. Expander Drive) Coupling (Range Switch & Mask)	27-8411
		Coupling (Range Switch & Mask)	38-8693
		Coupling (Tuning Condenser and	
		Dial Mechanism)	31-1961
		Dial Mechanism)	28-5092
		"Diai	27-5340
		*Dial Screen & Lens Holder Ass'y	31-2053
		*Escutcheon Assem. (Station Tabs)	
		Knob (Range Switch) Knob (Tuning) Knob (Vernier)	27-4326
		Knob (Tuning)	27-4330
		Knob (Vernier)	27-4331
		Knob (Bass, Volume, Expander Magnetic)	OF 1000
		Magh Cuide (Turier Well	27-4332
		Mask Guide (Tuning Mechanism)	28-4118
		Pilot Lamp Socket Assembly (3	90 040=
		Sockets)	38-8487

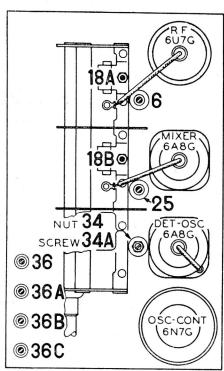
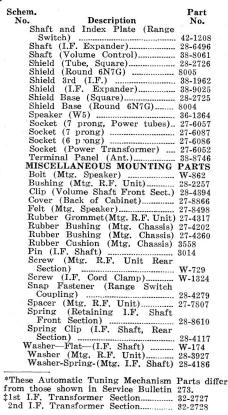


Fig. 6. Top View of R. F. Unit Showing Compensator Locations



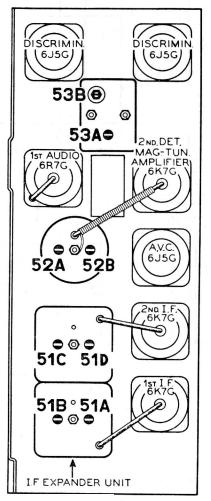


Fig. 7. Top View of I. F. Unit Showing Compensator Locations

Alignment of Compensators

EQUIPMENT REQUIRED: (1) Signal Generator, having a fundamental frequency range covering the tuning and intermediate frequencies of the receiver. Philoc Model 088 Signal Generator which has a fundamental frequency range from 110 to 20,000 K.C. is the correct instrument for this purpose; (2) Output Meter, Philoc Model 025A Circuit Tester incorporates

quency range from 110 to 20,000 K.C. is the correct instrument for this purpose; (2) Output Meter, Philco Model 025A Circuit Tester incorporates a sensitive output meter and is recommended; (3) Philco Fibre Handle Screw Driver, Part No. 27-7059 and Fibre Wrench, Part No. 3164.

OUTPUT METER: The 025A Output Meter is connected to the plate and cathode terminals of one of the 6L6G tubes. Adjust the meter to use the (0-30) volt scale and advance the attenuator control of the generator until a readable indication is noted on the output meter after signal is applied to stage being adjusted.

DIAL CALIBRATION: In order to adjust the compensators of this receiver correctly the dial must be aligned to track properly with the tuning condenser. To do this proceed as follows:

1. Loosen the set screws on the shaft coupling of the tuning condenser. Then turn the tuning condenser until the plates are in the maximum capacity position. Now turn the dial until the glowing beam indicator is on the Index Line at the low frequency end of range 3, (See Fig. 8). With the dial and tuning condenser control until the indicator is on the 4.71 M.C. mark of range 3. (See Fig. 8.)

3. With the dial in this position, loosen the shaft coupling set screws. Then turn the dial until the indicator is again on the Index Line. Tighten the set screws in this position. Be careful when turning the dial that the position of the tuning condenser is not disturbed.

INTERMEDIATE FREQUENCY CIRCUIT

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1. Viewing each instrument from the front, set the receiver and Signal Generator controls as follows:

a. Selectivity-fidelity control (clockwise)

b. Volume Control at maximum (clockwise)

c. Magnetic Tuning Switch (off)

d. Bass Compensation Switch first position from "Off"

e. Range Switch position one (broadcast)

f. Receiver dial 580 K.C.

g. Signal Generator indicator set at 470 K.C. and the "Attenuator" control for maximum output.

2. Connect the Signal Generator output MARK cable through a .1 mfd. condenser to the grid of the second 6K7G I.F. tube. Then adjust the I.F. compensator as follows:

a. Close compensator (52B) by turning Fig. 8. Dial Calibration to the extreme clockwise position, then pad compensator (52A) for maximum output. Now readjust compensator (52B) for maximum output.

b. Connect the Signal Generator output lead through the .1 mfd. condenser to the grid of the 6A8G Mixer tube, and adjust the following compensators for maximum output: (51D), (51C), (51B), (51A).

c. Repad (52A), See Note. A Check for two equal peaks. Treble-Selectivity control in expanded position (counter-

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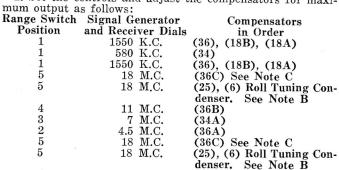
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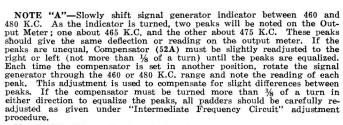
clockwise).

RADIO FREQUENCY CIRCUIT

1. Connect the Signal Generator output cable to the "Red" and "Blk" terminals on the aerial panel (rear of chassis). The ground connection of the cable should be connected to the "Blk" terminal. Set the controls as given under "Intermediate Frequency Circuit" (a-b-c-d) and set the Range Switch, Signal Generator and Receiver Dials as given in the following procedure.

2. Set the controls and adjust the compensators for maxi-





procedure.

NOTE "B"—When adjusting the low frequency compensator of Range 1 (Broadcast) or the antenna and R. F. compensators of the high frequency tuning range, the receiver Tuning Condenser must be adjusted (rolled) as follows: First tune the compensator for maximum output, then vary the tuning condenser of the receiver for maximum output about the frequency dial mark being used. Now turn the compensator slightly to the right or left and vary the receiver tuning condenser for maximum output. If the output reading increases, turn the compensator in the same direction a trifle more, and again vary the tuning condenser for maximum output. If the output decreases, set the compensator in the opposite direction. This procedure of first setting the compensator and then varying the tuning condenser is continued until there is no further gain in output reading.

NOTE "C"—To accurately adjust the high frequency oscillator compensator.

condenser is continued until there is no further gain in output reading. NOTE "C"—To accurately adjust the high frequency oscillator compensator to the fundamental instead of the image signal, turn the oscillator compensator to the maximum capacity position (clockwise). From this position slowly turn the compensator counter clockwise until a second maximum peak is obtained on the output meter. Adjust the compensator for maximum output using this second peak. The first peak from the maximum capacity position of the compensator is the image signal and must not be used in adjusting the compensator. If the above procedure is correctly performed, the image signal will be found (much weaker) by turning the receiver dial 940 K.C. below the frequency being used on the high frequency range.

MAGNETIC TUNING CIRCUIT ADJUSTMENT

a. Set the Magnetic Tuning switch in the "out" position (counter-clockwise)

b. Volume control maximum (extreme clockwise).

c. Turn Treble-Selectivity control to the Selective position (extreme clockwise).

d. Now turn the signal generator indicator to the 1000 K.C. mark and adjust the "Attenuator" control for a weak signal. Then adjust the receiver dial for maximum output at this frequency.

NOTE: The receiver dial MUST be tuned very accurately to the 1000 K.C. signal in order to make the following adjustments correctly.

e. After adjusting the receiver dial, turn the Magnetic Tuning Switch "on"

f. Now, turn compensator (53B) slightly to the right or left (about ¼ turn) and proceed with adjustment "g."

g. Adjust compensator (53A) primary of the discriminator transformer for minimum output; then readjust compensator (53B) secondary of discriminator transformer for maximum output.

The above adjustments are now checked for accuracy as follows:

Frequency Test:

With the 1000 K.C. signal tuned for maximum output turn the Magnetic Tuning control back and forth; that is, from the "out" to "in" position. The reading of the output meter should not change in either position. If the output meter reading changes, the above magnetic tuning circuit adjustments should be repeated ments should be repeated.

A further check on the magnetic tuning adjustment is to very carefully tune in a broadcasting station and then turn the magnetic tuning switch from the "out" to the "in" position. With the switch in either position, the tone of the station should not change. If a change of tone or hiss develops repeat the above Magnetic Tuning Adjustments.

Sensitivity Test:

1. To check the magnetic tuning circuit for sensitivity, turn the magnetic tuning switch to the "off" position, and tune in the 1000 K.C. signal. Then adjust the "attenuator" control of the signal generator for a good audible signal,-approximately 20 volts on the output meter.

2. Now detune the signal (first above and then below the 1000 K.C. mark) to a point at which the signal is weakly heard. At each point turn the magnetic tuning control "ON". When the control is turned "ON" the signal should return to normal output strength. If the magnetic tuning circuit does not pull the signal into resonance, the primary compensator (53A) should be carefully readjusted.

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