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BUSH VHF90

F.M. Table Radio Receiver for Operation on

SIX Mullard A.C./D.C. valves and a half-wave metal rectifier are employed in the Bush VHF90A F.M. receiver, a superhet covering the frequency range 87.5-100Mc/s. It is designed to operate from A.C. or D.C. mains of 200-250V, 40-100c/s in the case of A.C. Total mains consumption is 60W.

An internal balanced dipole aerial is mounted on the back cover, and sockets are provided for the connection of an external aerial.

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CIRCUIT DESCRIPTION

Balanced dipole internal aerial or 80Ω external aerial input is coupled via C1, C2 and aerial coupling transformer L1, L2 to the cathode of the earthed-grid R.F. amplifier V1a.

Section b of V1 operates as a self-oscillating mixer valve with tuned oscillator grid circuit L4, C6, C7, C8 and C9. Reaction coupling from oscillator anode via L5. To prevent oscillator voltages from passing into the R.F. and aerial

circuits, a bridge neutralizing circuit is formed by C6, C7, C10, C11 together with the input capacitance of V1b, and the R.F. output from V1a is connected to the point of zero potential at the junction of C6, C7. R.F. tuning is by the ganged cores of L3 and L4.

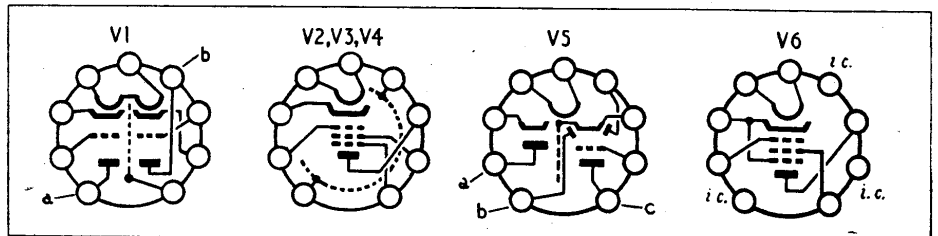
V2, V3 and V4 form a 3-valve intermediate frequency amplifier with tuned transformer couplings C12, L6, L7, C13; R7, C17, L8, L9, C18; R11, C23, L10, L11, C24 and discriminator transformer C27, L12, L13, C28, L14. Bias for V2, V3 and V4 is obtained from the negative

potential developed across R12 due to grid current, and is fed back to V2 and V3 via decoupling circuits C21, R10, C19, R8, C15.

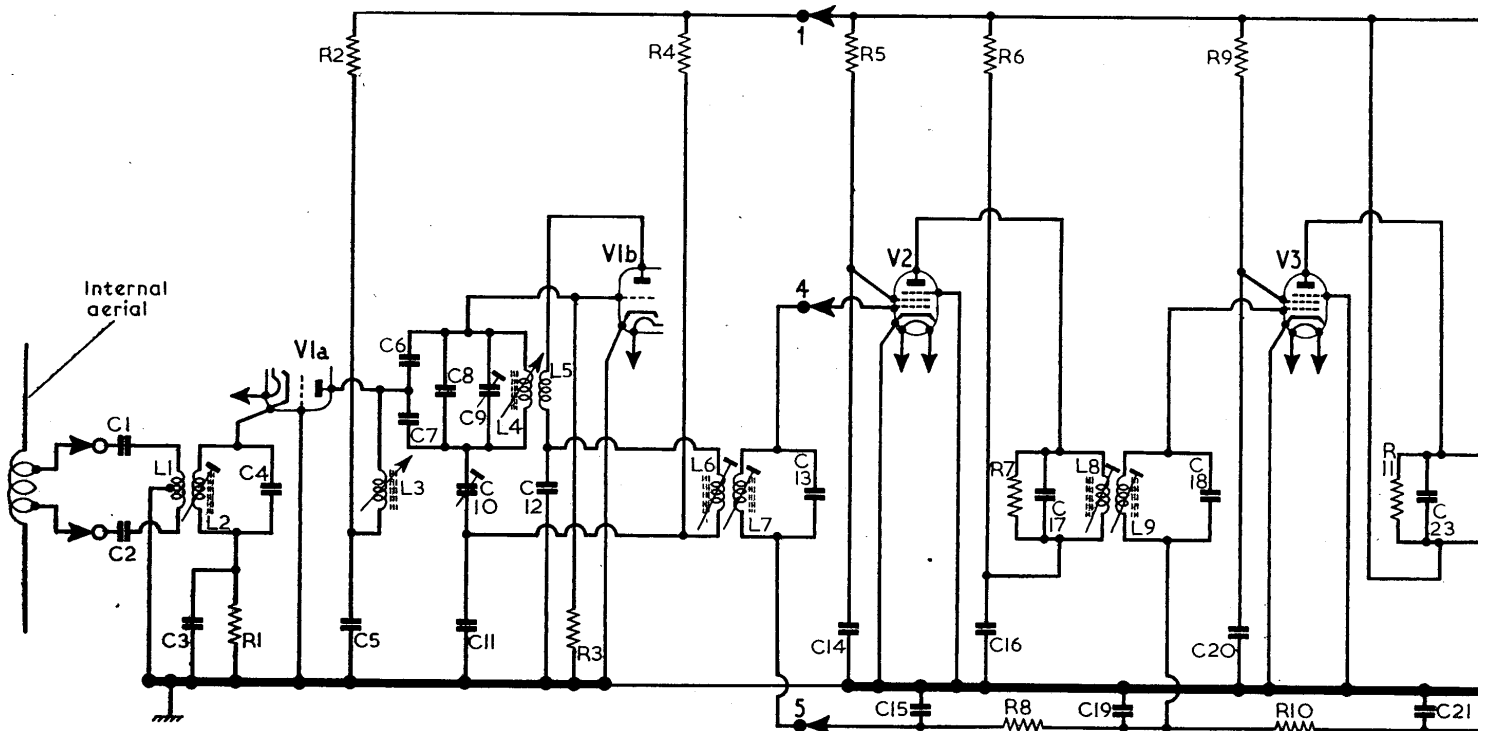
V4 also operates as A.M. limiter. The D.C. potential developed across R16, C31 is fed back as bias to V4 suppressor grid, supplementing the limiting action in the control grid circuit.

Intermediate frequency 10.7Mc/s.

Diode sections a and b of V5 are employed in a ratio detector circuit. A.F. output is developed across C29 and passed via C30, volume control R17 and



Valve base diagrams for the six valves used in the receiver, drawn as seen from the free ends of the pins.



Circuit diagram of the Bush VHF90A. The overall frequency response of the A.F. amplifier section provides de-emphasis. An internal dipole aerial is provided for use in areas of high signal strength, but provision is made for the connection of an external aerial.

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1 AC. or D.C. Mains

C32 to the control grid of A.F. amplifier V5c.

Resistance-capacitance coupling by R19, C33, R20 between the anode of V5c and pentode output valve V6. Negative feed-back tone correction via C39, R26, R27, R17 and C32.

H.T. current is supplied by half-wave metal rectifier MR1. Smoothing by C36, R25 and C35. Hum neutralizing is achieved by passing H.T. current through winding a of output transformer T1.

CIRCUIT ALIGNMENT

Equipment Required.—An accurately calibrated signal generator covering the frequency range 10Mc/s-100Mc/s; a model 8 Avometer; a 50 μ A meter; two matched 47k Ω resistors; a 1k Ω damping resistor.

The receiver and signal generator should be switched on for 15 minutes before commencing alignment.

Remove the chassis from the cabinet. As the tuning scale remains fixed to the cabinet when the chassis is removed, it is necessary to use the indentation marks punched in the scale backing plate and shown in the sketch in col. 4 overleaf. A piece of wire may be fixed to the

tuning spindle and used as a pointer. With the tuning spindle fully anti-clockwise the pointer should be lined up with the Datum mark on the tuning scale backing plate.

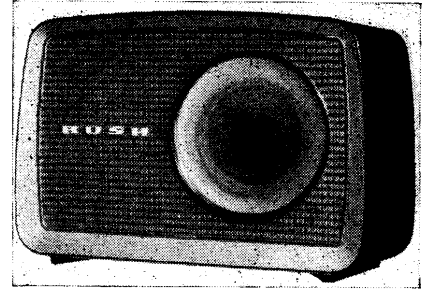
With the exception of L12 the correct peak associated with the iron-dust tuning cores is the first one reached from the adjusting end of the coil former.

During the alignment procedure adjust the signal generator output to maintain a 4V reading on the output meter.

The iron-dust cores of L3 and L4 are adjusted simultaneously by adjusting the special nut shown in location reference G3.

C9 and C10 (location reference F4)

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Appearance of the Bush VHF90A. The circular scale has a cream surround which is illuminated with a soft glow when the set is switched on.

COMPONENT VALUES AND LOCATIONS

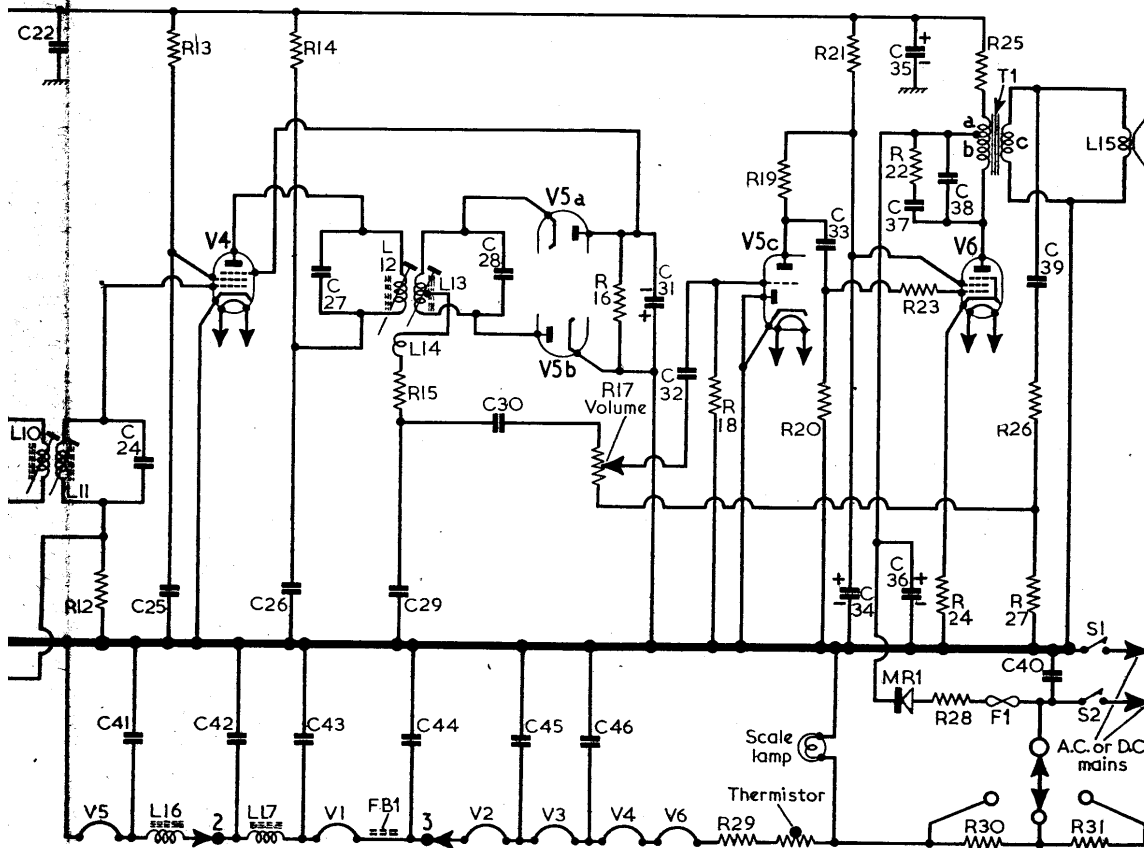
Resistors			Capacitors		
R1	150 Ω	G4	C1	470pF	A2
R2	2.2k Ω	G4	C2	470pF	A2
R3	100k Ω	G4	C3	560pF	G4
R4	6.8k Ω	F3	C4	10pF	A2
R5	33k Ω	F4	C5	560pF	G4
R6	1k Ω	F4			
R7	22k Ω	B2			
R8	2.2M Ω	F4			
R9	33k Ω	E4			
R10	2.2M Ω	E4			
R11	22k Ω	B2			
R12	2.2M Ω	E4			
R13	33k Ω	E4			
R14	2.2k Ω	E4			
R15	100 Ω	E4			
R16	22k Ω	E4			
R17	500k Ω	D4			
R18	15M Ω	D4			
R19	220k Ω	D4			
R20	1M Ω	D3			
R21	33k Ω	E3			
R22	10k Ω	C1			
R23	47k Ω	D3			
R24	220 Ω	D3			
R25	2.2k Ω	E3			
R26	8.2k Ω	D3			
R27	1.5k Ω	D4			
R28	27 Ω	E3			
R29	550 Ω	C1			
R30	125 Ω	D3			
R31	125 Ω	D3			

C6	22pF	G4
C7	22pF	F4
C8	5.6pF	F3
C9	15pF	F4
C10	15pF	F4
C11	47pF	F4
C12	10pF	F4
C13	47pF	A2
C14	0.001 μ F	F3
C15	0.001 μ F	F4
C16	0.001 μ F	F4
C17	47pF	B2
C18	47pF	B2
C19	0.001 μ F	F4
C20	0.001 μ F	E4
C21	0.001 μ F	E4
C22	0.01 μ F	E4
C23	47pF	B2
C24	47pF	B2
C25	0.001 μ F	E4
C26	0.001 μ F	E4
C27	10pF	C2
C28	47pF	C2
C29	560pF	E4
C30	0.01 μ F	D4
C31	5 μ F	E4
C32	0.01 μ F	D4
C33	0.01 μ F	D4
C34	20 μ F	B1
C35	40 μ F	B1
C36	40 μ F	B1
C37	0.01 μ F	C1
C38	0.02 μ F	C1
C39	0.04 μ F	D3
C40	0.002 μ F	D4
C41	0.002 μ F	D4
C42	560pF	F4
C43	560pF	G4
C44	560pF	F4
C45	0.001 μ F	F3
C46	0.001 μ F	E4

Coils*		
L1	—	A2
L2	—	A2
L3	—	G4
L4	—	F4
L5	—	F4
L6	—	A2
L7	—	A2
L8	—	B2
L9	—	B2
L10	—	B2
L11	—	B2
L12	—	C2
L13	—	C2
L14	—	C2
L15	2.0	—
L16	—	F4
L17	—	F4

Other Components*		
T1	{ a 16.5 b 600.0 c 0.46 }	C1
F1	M.E.S. lamp	B1
FB1	FX1098/A4	F4
Thermistor	CZ1	C1
MR1	S.T.C. C3D	E3
S1, S2	—	D4

*Approximate D.C. resistance in ohms.



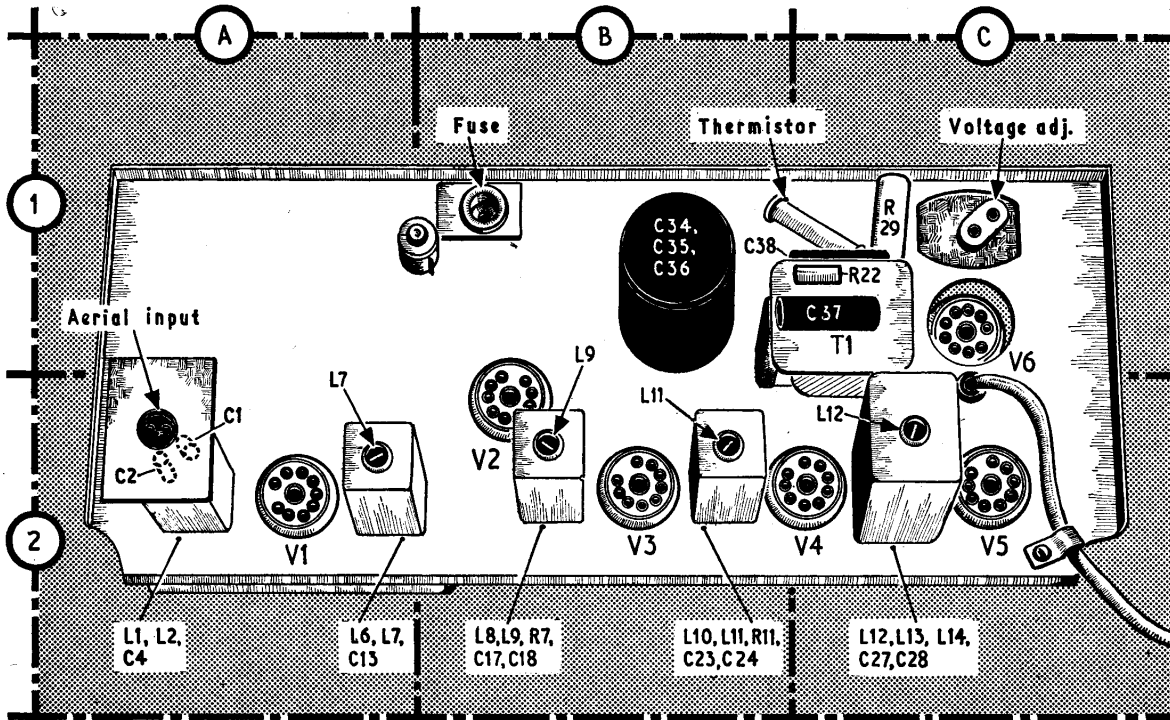


Illustration of the rear side of the chassis. The fuse (F1) is a 6V, 0.5A lamp with an M.E.S. cap and it should not be confused with the scale lamp (see circuit overleaf). Our picture shows the fuse holder.

Circuit Alignment—continued

are pre-set by the manufacturers, and should not be disturbed.

I.F. Alignment

1.—Connect the two matched 47kΩ resistors in series across C31 (E4). Connect the model 8 Avometer across C31 (E4), with the positive meter lead connected to chassis. Connect the signal generator output between the control grid (pin 2) of V2 and chassis.

2.—Feed in a 10.7Mc/s unmodulated signal and adjust the core of L12 (C2) for maximum reading on the meter.

3.—Connect the 50μA meter between the junction of the two 47kΩ resistors and the junction of R15, C29 (location reference E4). Feed in a 10.7Mc/s unmodulated signal and carefully adjust the core of L13 (E4) for a zero reading on the 50μA meter. This will occur midway between a positive-going and negative-going peak. Remove the 50μA meter.

4.—Connect the 1kΩ damping resistor across the secondary winding L11 and adjust the core of L10 (E4, where it is indicated in error as C46) for maximum output on the Avometer.

5.—Transfer the damping resistor to the primary winding L10 and adjust the core of L11 (B2) for maximum output.

6.—Transfer the damping resistor across the secondary winding L9 and adjust the core of L8 (F4) for maximum output.

7.—Transfer the damping resistor to the primary winding L8 and adjust L9 (B2) for maximum output. Remove the damping resistor.

8.—Repeat operations 2 and 3.

9.—Connect the signal generator output to the aerial sockets. Feed in a 10.7 Mc/s signal and adjust the cores of L6 (F4) and L7 (A2) for maximum output.

R.F. Alignment

1.—Connect the signal generator output to the aerial sockets. Tune the receiver to the 87.5Mc/s calibration point on the scale backing plate. Feed in a 87.5Mc/s signal and adjust the cores of L3 and L4 (adjustment location reference G3) for maximum output.

2.—Tune the receiver to the 94Mc/s calibration point. Feed in a 94Mc/s signal and adjust the core of L2 (G4) for maximum output.

3.—Check calibration.

GENERAL NOTES

Drive Cord Replacement.—Should a breakage occur in the tuning drive cord or should one of the tuning cores break, the manufacturers recommend that the complete drive cord assembly (Part Number AP24888) should be replaced.

Access to the drive cord and tuning cores can be obtained by removing the tuning scale backing plate (two 4BA screws) and the cover of the tuning unit (seven 6BA 1½in screws and nuts).

Thread the new cord assembly through the formers of L3 and L4, and with the tuning control spindle turned to its maximum clockwise position, attach the

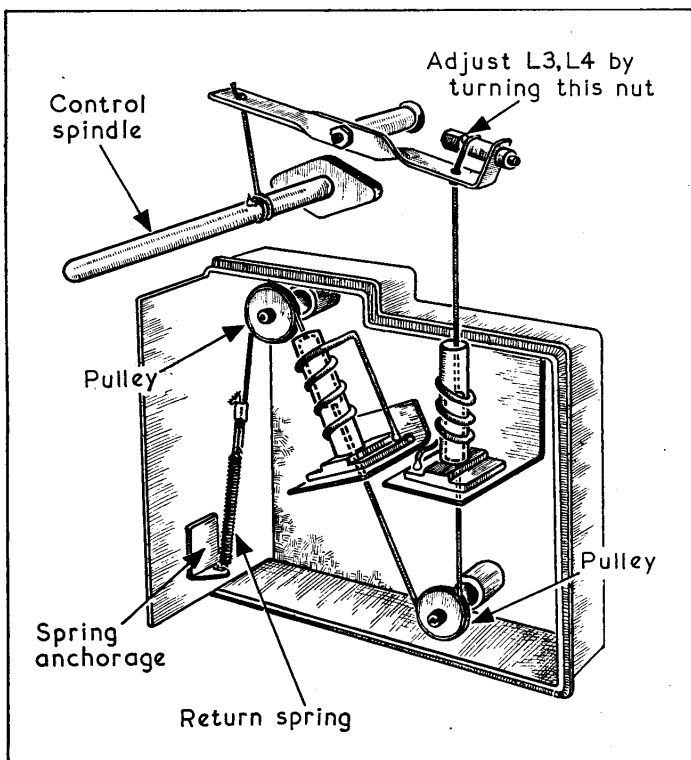
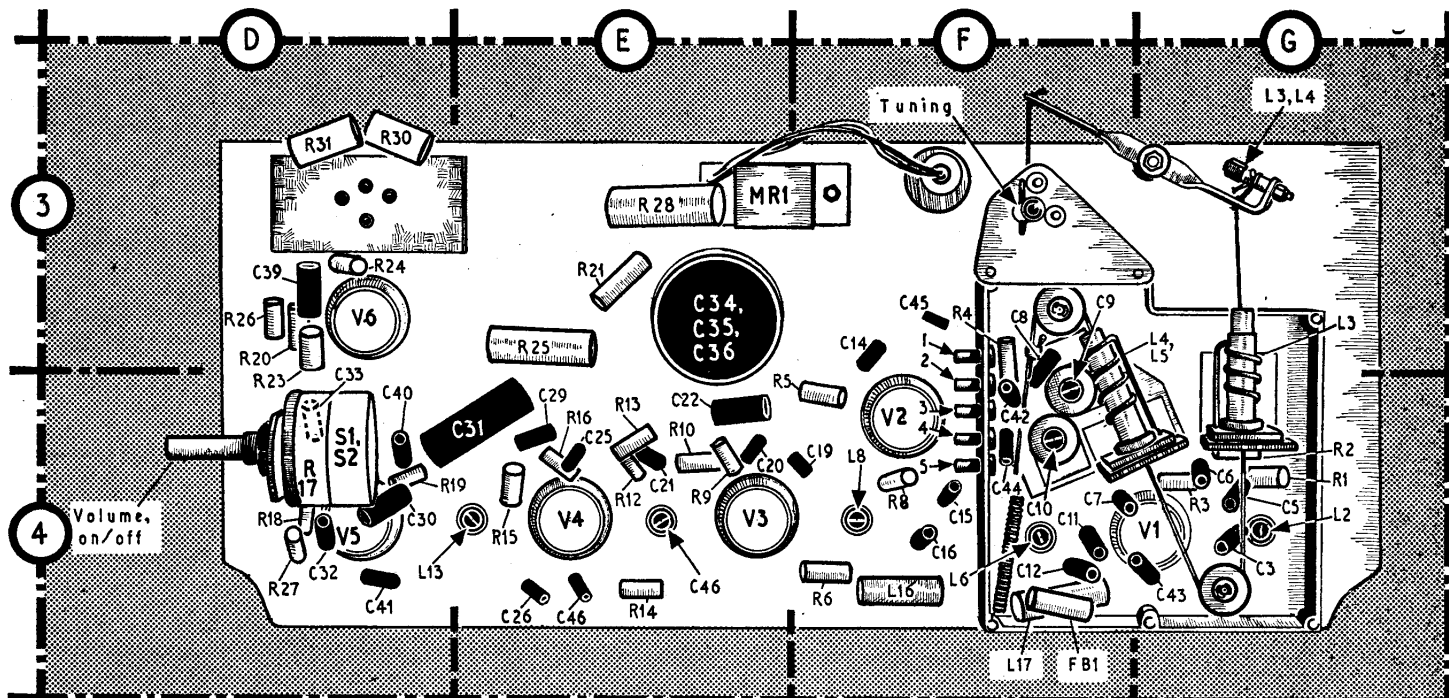


Diagram of the tuning drive cord. For the sake of clarity no components are shown except the coils directly affected by the drive. The turning of the control spindle operates the lever located above it and moves the cores up or down inside the coils.



Front view of the chassis with the light reflector and screening box cover removed. The reflector, shown in the illustration at the foot of column 4, fits over the tuning or control spindle and behind the circular scale. The core adjustment in location reference E4, labelled "C46" in error, is actually the core of L10.

cord to the return spring. The spring should then be hooked to its anchorage and the free end of the cord run as indicated in the sketch at the foot of cols. 1 and 2.

Attach the cord to the adjusting screw and carry out operation 1 in the R.F. alignment instructions.

The short primary tuning drive cord which links the tuning control spindle with the lever is a separate piece of cord. To replace this cord, take a length of about six inches and fix it as shown in the sketch. Adjust it so that the lever swings equally above and below the horizontal for the full tuning range. A final adjustment can be made by means of the

adjusting nut at the opposite end of the lever. Finally, carry out operation 1 in the R.F. alignment instructions.

Scale Lamp.—This is a 15W, 230V lamp with a large clear bulb and an S.B.C. base.

Fuse Lamp F1.—This is an ordinary scale lamp, with an M.E.S. base, rated at 6V, 0.5A.

VALVE ANALYSIS

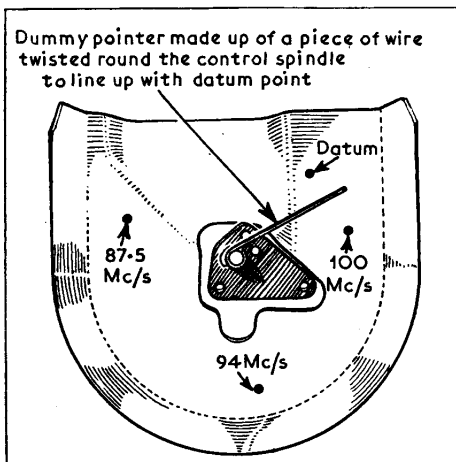
Valve voltages given in the table below are those derived from the manufacturers' information. They were measured on the 10V and 1,000V ranges of a model 8 Avometer, chassis being the negative connection in every case.

The receiver was connected to A.C. mains of 230V with the voltage adjustment correctly set. There was no signal input.

H.T. voltage measured at C36 was 258V and at C35 158V.

Valve Table

Valve	Anode (V)	Screen (V)	Cath. (V)
V1 UCC85 { a	145	—	1.2
{ b	130	—	—
V2 UF89	150	75	—
V3 UF89	158	75	—
V4 UF89	138	70	—
V5c UABC80	60	—	—
V6 UL84	230	115	9.2



Scale lamp reflector, finished white to reflect and distribute the light, and having points marked as shown for the purpose of alignment. The marks are in the form of small indentations made with a centre-punch.

ADDITIONAL NOTES