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Handbook 63870R

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GENERAL INFORMATION

1. INTRODUCTION

The A.W.A. Transistorised Broadcast Console Type 1P63870 is designed for the control of up to nine simultaneous audio inputs.

2. SUMMARY OF FACILITIES Drg 63870A1

Inputs:	Six low-level channels including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two microphone channels (with selection at each input of either of two microphone inputs). Three pickup channels. One cartridge tape channel (with three parallel inputs). Three high-level channels.
Input Channel Mixing:	The pick-up, cartridge and high-level channels can be switched to either programme or cue channels as required.
Output Switching:	In the emergency position of the output selector switch the normal functions of the two output amplifiers are interchanged.
Talkback:	The microphone channel outputs are wired to the talkback system via relay protection circuitry.
Reverberation:	Reverberation outputs are available from the two microphone channels.

3. PERFORMANCE DATA

Input Impedances:

Low Level:	50 or 150 Ω (balanced).
High Level:	600 Ω (balanced bridging).

Maximum Input Levels:

Low Level Channels:	-30 dbm
High Level Channels:	+20 dbm.

Output Impedance: 600 Ω balanced.

Output Levels:

Normal: +8 dbm to line,
Maximum: +24 dbm.

Frequency Response:

Flat ± 1 db with reference to 1 kc/s within the range
30 c/s to 15 kc/s.

Distortion:

Less than 1% at +16 dbm within the range 30 c/s to
15 kc/s.

Noise:

-120 dbm referred to the input between 30 c/s and
15 kc/s.

4. CONSTRUCTION

The console is constructed on a desk-mounting cabinet frame 30 inches wide,
10 inches deep and 9 inches high.

The case has a removable cover and hinged front panel to provide access to
all wiring. Amplifier components are mounted on plug-in modules. All electrical
connections to the unit are made via 3 x 25 way APO type terminal blocks at the
rear.

5. COMPOSITION

The major items in the console are listed below:

- 6 Pre-amplifiers each containing two 30 db amplifiers Type 1G60793
- 5 Output amplifiers each containing one 50 db amplifier Type 1G60793
- 1 10 Watt Monitor Amplifier Type 1G60800
- 2 VU Meters
- 1 CVA Meter

6. COMPONENT SCHEDULE

6.1 Printed Circuit Boards

- 30 db Amplifier: Refer to Drg 60793C1
- 50 db Amplifier: Refer to Drg 60794G2
- 10 watt Monitor Amplifier: Refer to Drg 60800G1

6.2 Components Mounted on Frame

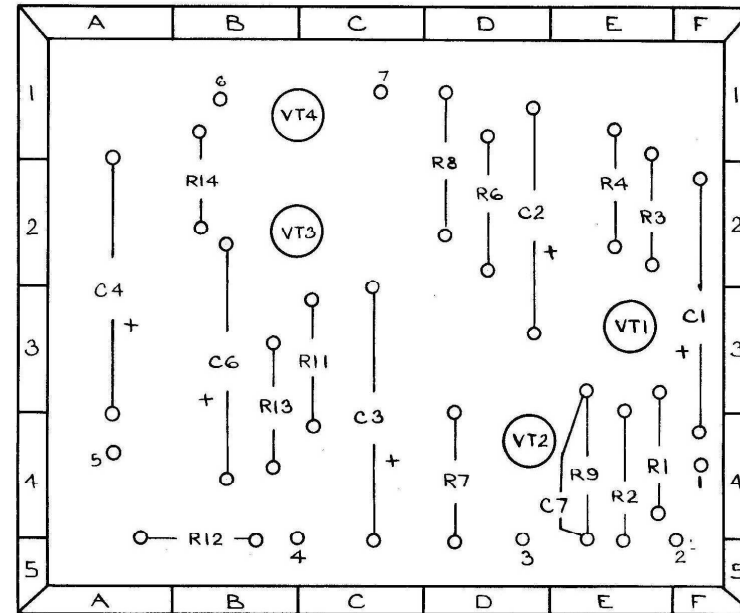
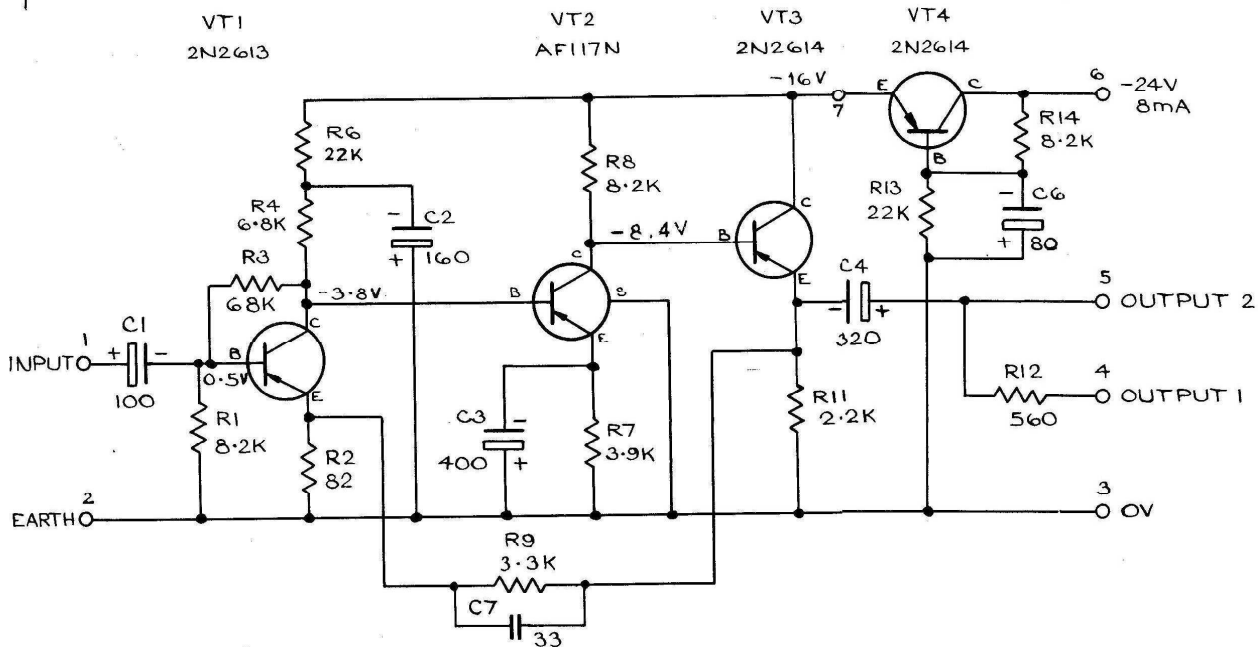
- C1 2000 μ F -50+100%, 50 VDCW, tubular electrolytic Ducon EMG 2050
- C2 2000 μ F -50+100%, 65 VDCW, tubular UCC EJC 651S
electrolytic, insulated

C3	160 μ F \pm 50+100%, 23 VDCW, tubular electrolytic	Ducon EU0907
C4	100 pF \pm 5%, 500 VDCW, ceramic disc	Ducon N750
C5	100 μ F \pm 50+100%, 25 VDCW, tubular electrolytic	Ducon EU0907
C6	4700 pF \pm 5%, 400 VDCW, polyester tubular	Philips C296AC
C7	4700 pF \pm 5%, 400 VDCW, polyester tubular	Philips C296AC
FS1) to) FS4)	Fuse unit, single way, protected, panel mtg	Amp. Co. of Aust. Z590100
	Fuse-link, glass cartridge, 1A	Belling Lee L1055
KA) KB) KK) KL)	Switch, key, telephone, 4C-L	APO No. 73
KC) KD) KE) KG) KH) KJ) KP)	Switch, key, telephone, 4C-L/4C-L	APO No. 198
M1) M2) M3)	Meter, VU, scale B, illuminated	Master S34
	Meter, 1 mA FSD, illuminated	Master S34
MR1) to) MR24)	Silicon diode rectifier	AWV 1N3193
PB1, LP1) to) PB6, LP6)	Indicating pushbutton <i>T/B</i>	AWA 63870Y54
PB10, LP10) PB11, LP11)	Indicating pushbutton <i>TAPE</i>	AWA 63870V55
PB15, LP15	Indicating ^{<i>TURN</i>} pushbutton <i>STUDIO ON</i>	AWA 63870V56
PB12, LP12) PB16, LP20) PB17, LP21)	Indicating pushbutton <i>CART</i>	AWA 63870V57
PB14, LP16	Indicating push-turn button <i>PROG. SWITCHER</i>	AWA 63870V58
PB7, LP7) to) PB9, LP9)	Indicating self-locking button <i>T.T.</i>	AWA 63870V59
R1	4.7 k Ω 1/4W, carbon film	Philips B8-305-05B
R2	4.7 k Ω 1/4W, carbon film	Philips B8-305-05B

R3	4.7 k Ω 1/4W, carbon film	Philips B8-305-05B
R4	4.7 k Ω 1/4W, carbon film	Philips B8-305-05B
R5	Not used	
R6	4.7 k Ω 1/4W, carbon film	Philips B8-305-05B
R7	4.7 k Ω 1/4W, carbon film	Philips B8-305-05B
R8	4.7 k Ω 1/4W, carbon film	Philips B8-305-05B
R9	Not used	
R10	Not used	
R11	4.7 k Ω 1/4W, carbon film	Philips B8-305-05B
R12	4.7 k Ω 1/4W, carbon film	Philips B8-305-05B
R13	4.7 k Ω 1/4W, carbon film	Philips B8-305-05B
R14	4.7 k Ω 1/4W, carbon film	Philips B8-305-05B
R15	Not used	
R16	4.7 k Ω 1/4W, carbon film	Philips B8-305-05B
R17	4.7 k Ω 1/4W, carbon film	Philips B8-305-05B
R18	1.2 k Ω 1/4W, carbon film	Philips B8-305-05B
R19	27 Ω 1/4W, carbon film	Philips B8-305-05B
R20	Not used	
R21	47 Ω 1/4W, carbon film	Philips B8-305-05B
R22	47 Ω 1/4W, carbon film	Philips B8-305-05B
R23	1.2 k Ω 1/4W, carbon film	Philips B8-305-05B
R24	27 Ω 1/4W, carbon film	Philips B8-305-05B
R25	Not used	
R26	Not used	
R27	Not used	
R28	10 k Ω 1/4W, carbon film	Philips B8-305-05B
R29	10 k Ω 1/4W, carbon film	Philips B8-305-05B
R30	Not used	
R31	15 k Ω 1/4W, carbon film	Philips B8-305-05B
R32	15 k Ω 1/4W, carbon film	Philips B8-305-05B
R33	15 k Ω 1/4W, carbon film	Philips B8-305-05B
R34	1.5 k Ω 1/4W, carbon film	Philips B8-305-05B
R35	Not used	
R36	4.7 k Ω 1/4W, carbon film	Philips B8-305-05B
R37	4.7 k Ω 1/4W, carbon film	Philips B8-305-05B
R38	1 k Ω 1/4W, carbon film	Philips B8-305-05B
R39	100 Ω 1/4W, carbon film	Philips B8-305-05B
R40	Not used	
R41	Not used	
R42	Not used	
R43	Not used	
R44	2.2 k Ω 1/4W, carbon film	Philips B8-305-05B
R45	Not used	

R46	68 Ω 1/4W, carbon film	Philips B8-305-05B
R47	470 Ω 1/4W, carbon film	Philips B8-305-05B
R48	470 Ω 1/4W, carbon film	Philips B8-305-05B
R49	470 Ω 1/4W, carbon film	Philips B8-305-05B
R50	Not used	
R51	470 Ω 1/4W, carbon film	Philips B8-305-05B
R52	1 k Ω 1/4W, carbon film	Philips B8-305-05B
R53	1 k Ω 1/4W, carbon film	Philips B8-305-05B
R54	33 Ω 1/4W, carbon film	Philips B8-305-05B
R55	Not used	
R56	3.9 k Ω 1/4W, carbon film	Philips B8-305-05B
R57	4.7 k Ω 1/4W, carbon film	Philips B8-305-05B
R58	3.9 k Ω 1/4W, carbon film	Philips B8-305-05B
R59	4.7 k Ω 1/4W, carbon film	Philips B8-305-05B
R60	Not used	
R61	560 Ω 1/4W, carbon film	Philips B8-305-05B
R62	560 Ω 1/4W, carbon film	Philips B8-305-05B
R63	560 Ω 1/4W, carbon film	Philips B8-305-05B
R64	560 Ω 1/4W, carbon film	Philips B8-305-05B
R65	4.7 k Ω 1/4W, carbon film	Philips B8-305-05B
R66	4.7 k Ω 1/4W, carbon film	Philips B8-305-05B
R67	4.7 k Ω 1/4W, carbon film	Philips B8-305-05B
R68	4.7 k Ω 1/4W, carbon film	Philips B8-305-05B
R69	4.7 k Ω 1/4W, carbon film	Philips B8-305-05B
R70	4.7 k Ω 1/4W, carbon film	Philips B8-305-05B
RV1) to) RV9)	1 k Ω \pm 20%, 1W, variable, composition log law, 7/8-inch shaft	Plessey E
RV10) RV11)	5 k Ω \pm 20%, 1W, variable, composition log law, 7/8-inch shaft	Plessey E
RV12) to) RV17)	1 k Ω \pm 20%, 1W, variable, composition log law, screwdriver slot	Plessey E
RLA) B, C,) E, F,) G, H,) T, K,) L)	Relay, 2 C/O, twin contacts (gold)	Siemens Halske Tris 154c
RLD) M, N,)	Relay, 4 C/O, twin contacts (gold)	Siemens Halske Tris 154d
SWA	Switch, "Oak F"	AWA 63870V48
SWB	Switch, "Oak F"	AWA 63870V49
SWC	Switch, "Oak F"	AWA 63870V50

TR1)	Transformer	AWA 1XC60169
to)		
TR6)		
TR7)	Transformer	AWA 1XC61609
to)		
TR9,)		
TR12)		
TR10	Transformer	AWA 3XD53442
TR11	Transformer	AWA 1XC63284
TR13	Transformer	AWA 1XC63287
TR14	Transformer	AWA 1LB63270
TSA)	Terminal block, 3 x 25 way	APO No. 43
to)		
TSD)		
TSE	Terminal block, flexible, 3-way	AWA 254830



VIEWED FROM COMPONENT SIDE

COMP	GRID	DESCRIPTION	CODE NO
R1	E4	8.2K Ω	611853
R2	F4	82 Ω	601000
R3	E2	68K Ω	615505
R4	E2	6.8K Ω	611533
R5			
R6	D2	22K Ω	613667
R7	D4	3.9K Ω	610564
R8	D1	8.2K Ω	611853
R9	E4	3.3K Ω	610313
R10			
R11	C3	2.2K Ω	609452
R12	B5	560 Ω	606851
R13	B3	22K Ω	613667
R14	B2	8.2K Ω	611853
C1	F3	100 μ F ELECTRO 6V DUCON EU0502	
C2	D2	160 μ F ELECTRO 10V DUCON EU0603	
C3	C4	400 μ F ELECTRO 10V DUCON EU0903	
C4	A2	320 μ F ELECTRO 12V DUCON EU0904	
C5			
C6	B3	80 μ F ELECTRO 25V DUCON EU0707	
C7	E4	33pF \pm 5% 100V DUCON DFB0133	
VT1	E3	2N2613	
VT2	D4	AF117N	
VT3	C2	2N2614	
VT4	B1	2N2614	

PRINTED CIRCUIT BOARD AWA 60793W2/1

AUDIO PERFORMANCE

MAX. OUTPUT: (OUTPUT 1) 0dbm IN 600 Ω LOAD

GAIN: (INPUT FROM 600 Ω UNTERMINATED SOURCE, OUTPUT TAKEN FROM OUTPUT 1 LOAD WITH 600 Ω)

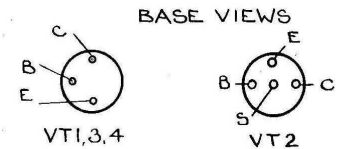
INPUT IMPEDANCE: 7K Ω

SOURCE IMPEDANCE: AT OUTPUT 1: 560 Ω

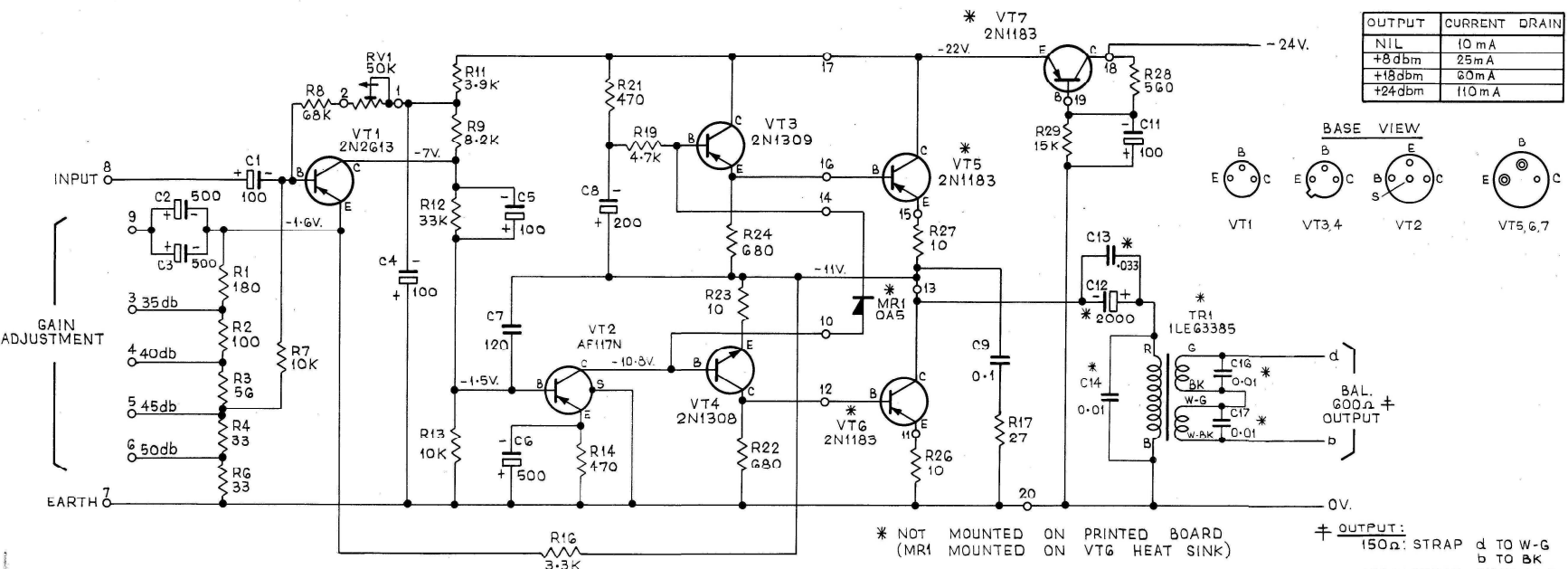
FREQUENCY RESPONSE: AT OUTPUT 1 LOADED IN 600 Ω
+ 0db TO -0.1db FROM 20 c/s TO 20Kc/s

HARMONIC DISTORTION: AT MAX. OUTPUT, NOT GREATER THAN 0.2%
WITH IN THE RANGE 30 c/s TO 20Kc/s

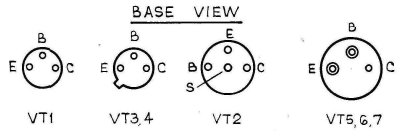
NOISE: -120 dbm REFERRED TO INPUT WITHIN THE
RANGE 30 c/s TO 15Kc/s INPUT TERMINATED IN 600 Ω



30 dB AMPLIFIER
TYPE IG60793
DRG 60793C2

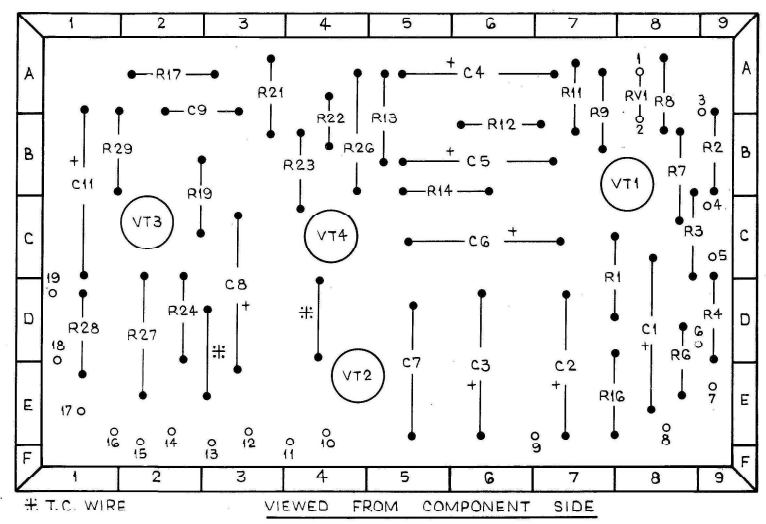


OUTPUT	CURRENT DRAIN
NIL	10 mA
+8 dbm	25 mA
+18 dbm	60 mA
+24 dbm	110 mA



* NOT MOUNTED ON PRINTED BOARD (MR1 MOUNTED ON VT6 HEAT SINK)
 † OUTPUT: 150Ω: STRAP d TO W-G
 600Ω: STRAP BK TO W-G

COMP	GRID	DESCRIPTION	CODE No.	COMP	GRID	DESCRIPTION	CODE No.	COMP	GRID	DESCRIPTION	CODE No.	
R1	C8	180 Ω	G04922	R17	A2	27 Ω	G02599	C1	D8	100 μF 6V. ELECTRO. DUCON	MR1	OA5
R2	B9	100 Ω	G04047	R18				C2	E7	500 μF 3V. ELECTRO. DUCON		
R3	C8	56 Ω	G03369	R19	C2	4.7 K Ω	G10971	C3	E6	500 μF 3V. ELECTRO. DUCON		
R4	D9	33 Ω	G02762	R20				C4	A6	100 μF 25V. ELECTRO. DUCON		
R5				R21	A3	470 Ω	G06596	C5	B6	100 μF 6V. ELECTRO. DUCON		
R6	E8	33 Ω	G02762	R22	B4	680 Ω	G07288	C6	C6	500 μF 3V. ELECTRO. DUCON		
R7	B8	10 K Ω	G12045	R23	B4	10 Ω	G01105	C7	E5	120 pF 125V. STYROSEAL DUCON		
R8	A7	68 K Ω	G03578	R24	D2	680 Ω	G07288	C8	D3	200 μF 18V. ELECTRO. DUCON		
R9	B7	8.2 K Ω	G10553	R25				C9	A2	0.1 μF 30V. POLY. PHILIPS C280AA	227084	
R10				R26	B4	10 Ω ± 5% 1/4 W. PHILIPS 88-305-05B	G01101	C10				
R11	A7	3.9 K Ω	G10564	R27	D2	10 Ω ± 5% 1/4 W. PHILIPS 88-305-05B	G01101	C11	B1	100 μF 25V. ELECTRO. DUCON		
R12	B6	33 K Ω	G14469	R28	D1	560 Ω	G06851	C12	*	2000 μF 18V. ELECTRO		
R13	B5	10 K Ω	G12045	R29	B1	15 K Ω	G12939	C13	*	0.033 μF 125V. POLY. PHILIPS C296AA	226740	
R14	B5	470 Ω	G06596	R30				C14	*	0.1 μF 125V. POLY. PHILIPS C296AA	226370	
R15								C16	*	0.1 μF 125V. POLY. PHILIPS C296AA	226370	



AUDIO PERFORMANCE: OUTPUT TERMINATED IN 600 Ω LOAD
 MAX. OUTPUT: +24 dbm
 GAIN: INPUT FED FROM A 600 Ω TERMINATED SOURCE

GAIN	TERMINAL STRAPPING
30 db	NO CONNECTION
35 db	9 TO 3
40 db	9 TO 4
45 db	9 TO 5
50 db	9 TO 6

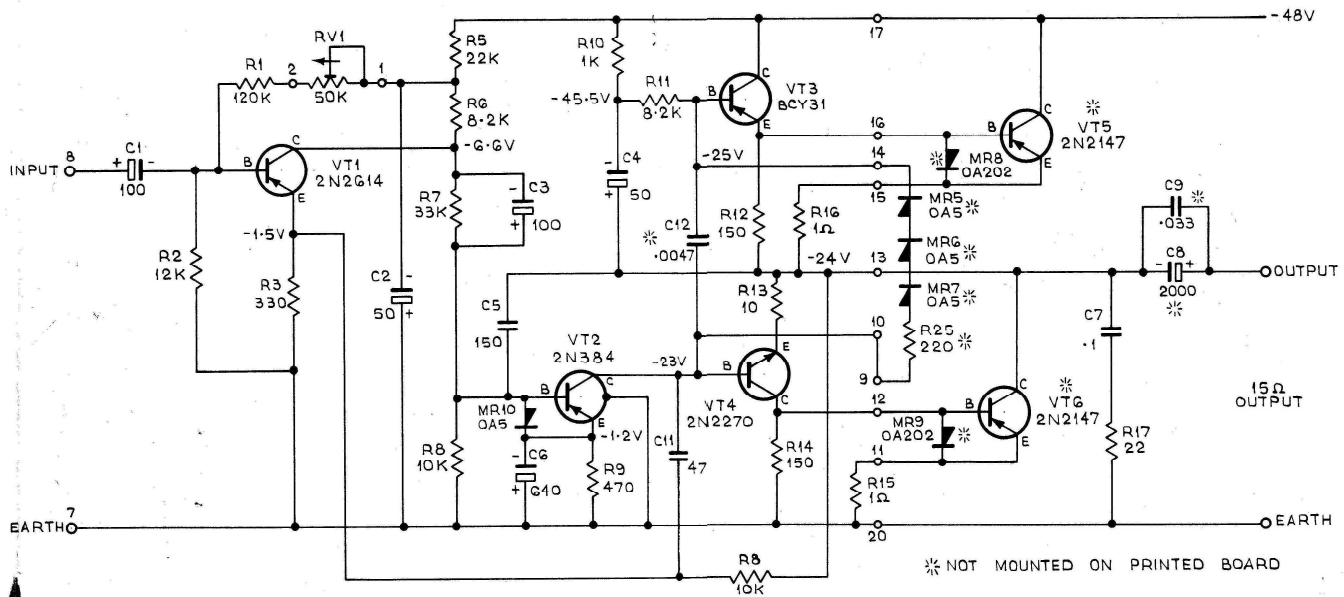
INPUT IMPEDANCE: NOT LESS THAN 10K
 SOURCE IMPEDANCE AT OUTPUT: 600 Ω
 RETURN LOSS AT OUTPUT: 20db WITHIN THE RANGE 30c/s TO 15 kc/s
 FREQUENCY RESPONSE: +0 db TO -0.3 db FROM 30c/s TO 15 kc/s
 HARMONIC DISTORTION: AT MAX. OUTPUT NOT GREATER THAN 0.5% WITHIN THE RANGE 30c/s TO 15 kc/s
 NOISE: -120 dbm REFERRED TO INPUT WITHIN THE RANGE 30c/s TO 15 kc/s. INPUT TERMINATED IN 600 Ω

PRINTED CIRCUIT BOARD A.W.A. DRG. No. G0794W3

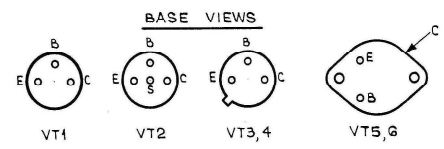
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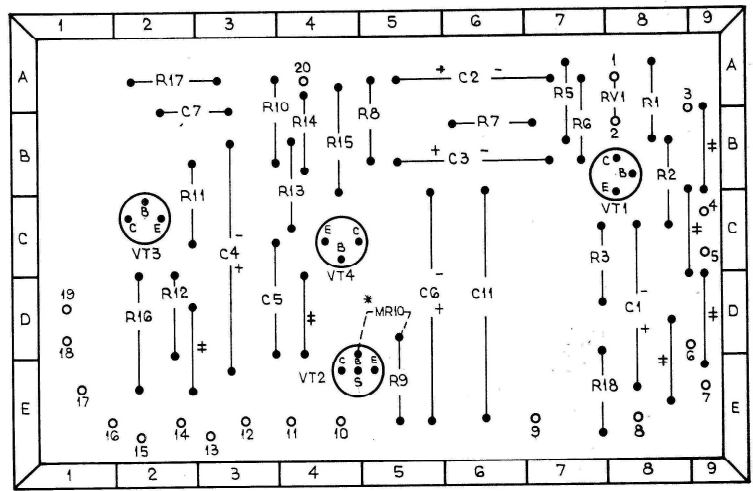
50 db AMPLIFIER
 TYPE 1G G0794
 DRG. G0794G2



OUTPUT	CURRENT DRAIN
NIL	25 mA
10 WATTS	400 mA



* NOT MOUNTED ON PRINTED BOARD



PRINTED CIRCUIT BOARD A.W.A. DRG. No. G0794W2
 † T.C. WIRE * MOUNTED ON WIRING SIDE

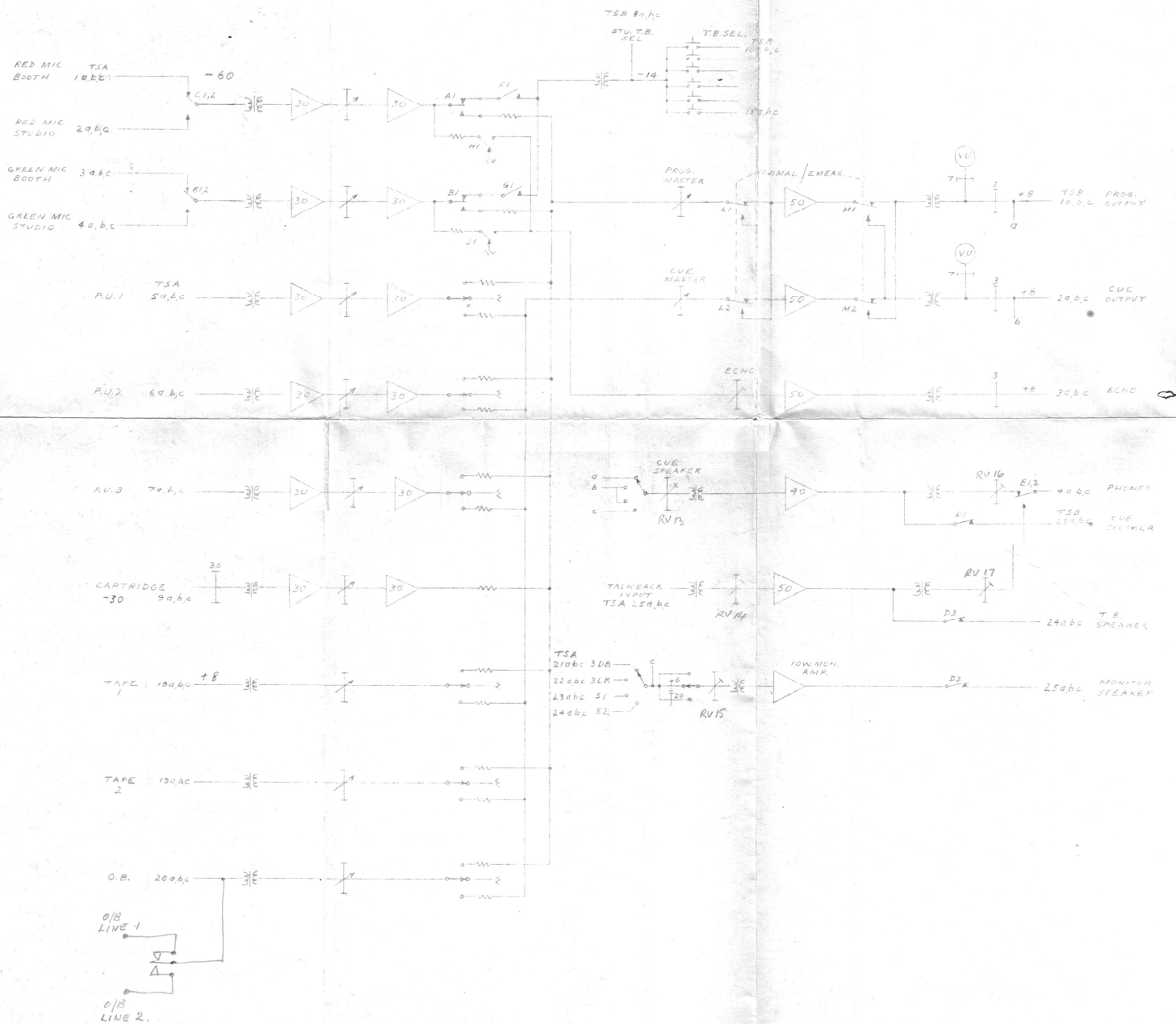
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COMP	GRID	DESCRIPTION	CODE No.	COMP	GRID	DESCRIPTION	CODE No.	COMP	GRID	DESCRIPTION	CODE No.
R1	A8	120 KΩ	G16207	R17	A2	22 Ω	P	C9	A2	0.033 μF ±10% 125VW POLY PHILIPS C296	221548
R2	B8	12 KΩ	G12520	R18	E7	10 KΩ	G12045	C11	D6	47pF ±5% CER TUB. NPO 500V.	795909
R3	C8	330 Ω	G059G8	R25		220 Ω	G05202	C12		0.0047 μF ±20% 25VW CER. 'RECAP' CDR	597208
ALL RESISTORS ARE ±5% 1/10 W.											
R5	A7	22 KΩ	G13067	RV1	AA	50 KΩ ±20% DUCON PDM	P	VT1	B8	2N2G14 AWW	
R6	B7	8.2 KΩ	G11853					VT2	D5	2N384 AWW	
R7	B6	33 KΩ	G14469					VT3	C2	BCY31 MULLARD	
R8	B5	10 KΩ	G12045					VT4	C4	2N2270 RCA	795915
R9	D5	470 Ω	G06596	C1	D8	100 μF ELECTRO 6VW DUCON EU0502		VT5		2N2147 AWW	
R10	A4	1 KΩ	G08040	C2	A6	50 μF ELECTRO 25VW DUCON EU0607		VT6		2N2147 AWW	
R11	B2	8.2 KΩ	G11853	C3	B6	100 μF ELECTRO 12VW DUCON EU0604					
R12	D2	150 Ω	G04687	C4	C3	50 μF ELECTRO 50VW DUCON EU0808					
R13	B4	10 Ω	P	C5	D4	150 pF ±5% 125VW DUCON STYROSEAL	P				
R14	B4	150 Ω	G04687	C6	D6	500 μF ELECTRO 3VW DUCON EU0801					
R15	B4	1 Ω ±10% WELWYN UJ	G00402	C7	B3	0.1 μF ±20% 30V POLY PHILIPS C280AA	227084	MR5		OA5 MINI WATT	
R16	D2	1 Ω ±10% WELWYN UJ	G00402	C8		2000 μF ELECTRO INSUL. 35VW U.C.C. EJBG505	P	MR6		OA5 MINI WATT	

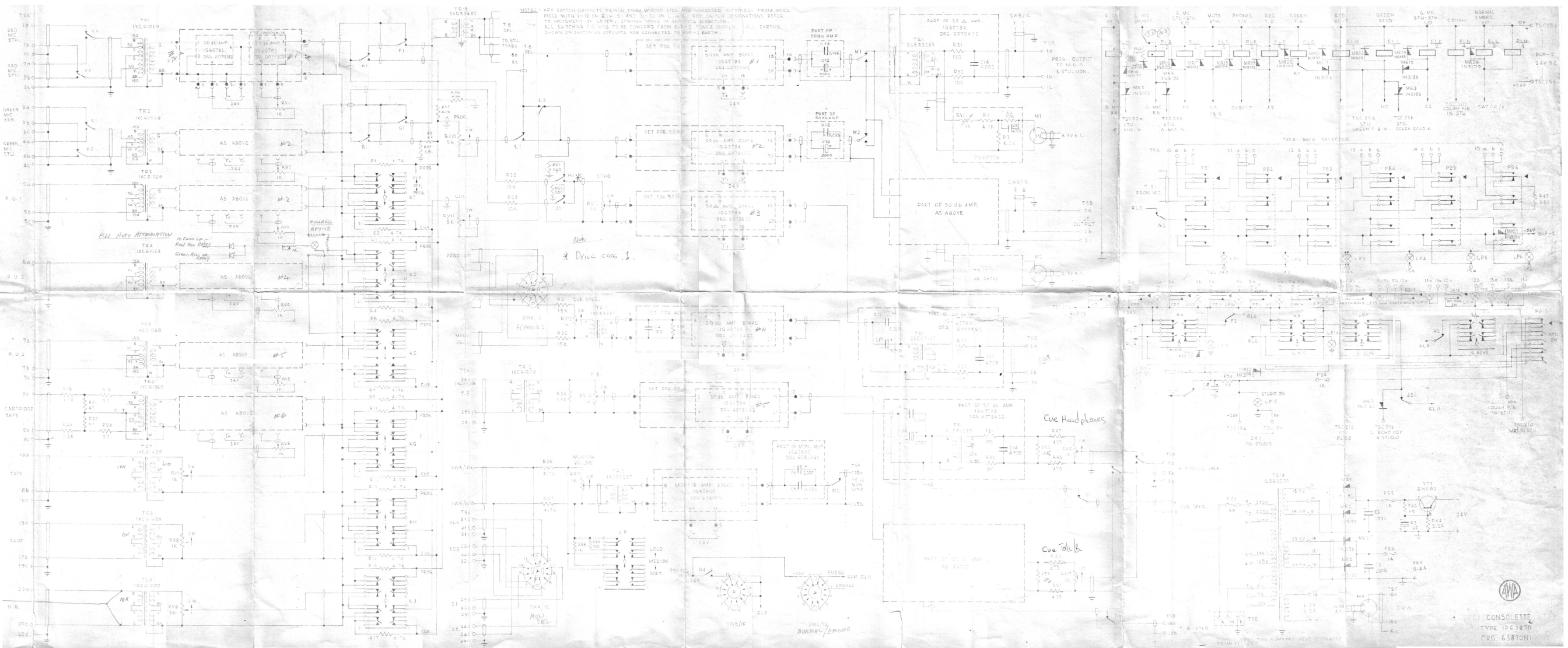
PERFORMANCE SUMMARY
 POWER OUTPUT: 10 WATTS INTO 15 OHMS
 INPUT GAIN: 0.4 V FOR 10 WATTS OUTPUT
 IMPEDANCE: 10 KΩ
 FREQUENCY RESPONSE: ±1db FROM 30 c/s TO 15 Kc/s
 HARMONIC DISTORTION: 0.5% FROM 30 c/s TO 15 Kc/s AT 10 WATTS OUTPUT.
 NOISE: BETTER THAN 80db BELOW 10 WATTS OUTPUT
 POWER SUPPLY: 44V D.C. AT 500 mA.



MONITOR AMPLIFIER
 TYPE 1G60800
 DRG. G0800G1



FUNCTIONAL SCHEMATIC
 CONSOLETTA
 TYPE 1P63870
 DRG 63870A1



SERVICING INSTRUCTIONS
FOR
PRINTED WIRING BOARDS

1. Construction of Printed Wiring Boards

Printed wiring boards are made from a laminated insulating material with a thin sheet of copper bonded to one side. The conductor pattern is formed by an etching process. Component leads are inserted in holes punched in the boards and the ends of the leads are normally bent over against the terminal areas of copper conductors. The completed assembly is then soldered and a protective coating may be applied.

2. Tools and Materials Required for Servicing

A small soldering iron with a bit diameter of approximately 3/16 inch and a working temperature rather above 250°C.

Resin cored solder, 60/40, 22SWG. (Additional flux must not be used).

A pair of small diagonal cutters.

A pair of extra long nose pliers.

Methylated spirits.

An epoxy resin repair kit, e.g. Araldite Two-tube Pack.
(Required only when the board has a protective coating.)

3. Repair Procedure

It is strongly recommended that the board be removed from the equipment BEFORE servicing in order to facilitate inspection of the underside.

IMPORTANT: At no time, either while locating a faulty component or testing following a repair, should any lead be attached to the copper side of the board.

Care should be taken to avoid mechanical damage to the board. Where a protective coating has been applied to both the component and the copper side of the board, it will be necessary, after freeing the leads, to apply a sideways force to the component in order to release it from the coating material.

Avoid excessive heating of any joints, as this can reduce the strength of the bonding adhesive between the copper and laminate, and may also damage the protective coating.

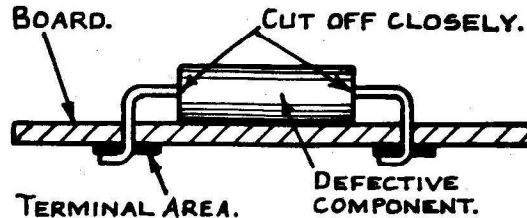
2.

Mechanical damage to the copper foil is most likely to be caused by pushing force being exerted on the component leads from the component side of the board.

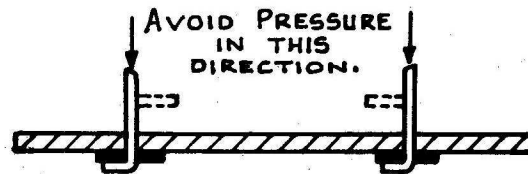
4. Preferred Method of Repair

The only recommended method for the replacement of the components is detailed below. The directions should be carefully studied before attempting replace any component.

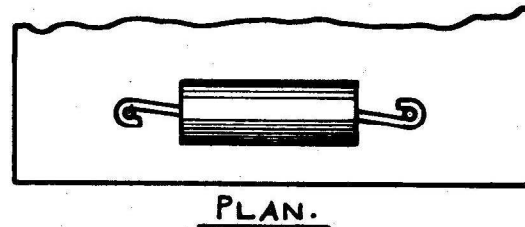
1. Clip off the leads close to the component. Remove the component.



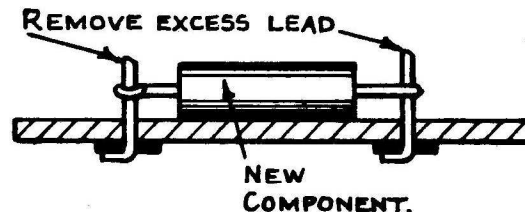
2. Straighten the wires left on the board, by bending away from the board, until the wires are perpendicular. Do not exert any downward force on the leads during this operation.



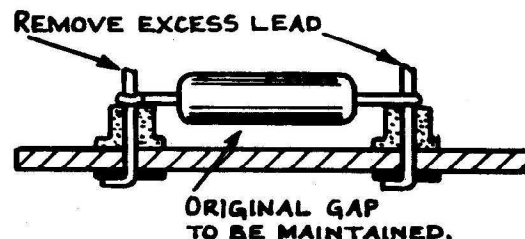
3. Bend semicircular hooks on the replacement component leads to correspond with spacing of the perpendicular wires and slide the replacement component into position.



4. Solder the replacement component into position, ensuring that the component lies flat on the board. Remove excess perpendicular wires.



Where insulating spacers have been used to keep a component, such as a wirewound resistor, raised from the board, they should be retained to maintain adequate air space.



5. Specialised Method of Repair

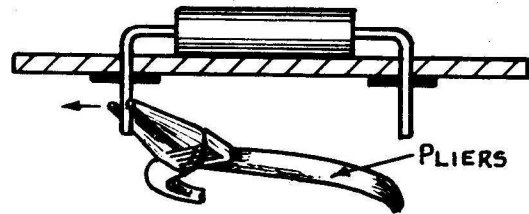
The following method is not recommended but is included in these instructions to cover the case when the preservation of the original appearance of the board is of such importance that it overrides the danger associated with the application of heat to the copper terminal areas.

When the soldering iron is applied to the terminal areas, the following points should be noted:

- (i) It is not necessary to remove the protective coating beforehand.
- (ii) The iron should be applied to the copper only for the absolute minimum of time necessary to melt the solder.
- (iii) Local repair of the damaged protective coating must be effected immediately after the final soldering and cleaning operations to prevent the ingress of moisture.

The procedure for the specialized repair method follows:

1. Proceed as in the previous method until the old component leads are perpendicular to the board.
2. Clip off the leads close to the component side of the board.
3. Melt the soldered connection by the brief application of the soldering iron and tap the board so that the lead stub is ejected together with the solder in the hole. Check that no solder remains in the hole.
4. Form the leads of the replacement component to the required shape.
5. Fit the component, and after ensuring that it is lying flat on the board, clench the lead ends by gripping with the long nose pliers, 1/8 inch from the board, and pressing sideways. Ensure that the sides of both jaws remain parallel to the board throughout the movement.
6. Cut off the leads at the edge of the terminal area between the two right-angle bends.



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7. Solder the joints using a hot iron and resin cored solder. The iron should be applied for the least possible time consistent with a good soldered joint. The amount and shape of the solder should be similar to the original connections on the board, and it should be possible to see the outline of the component leads.
8. Remove the excess resin and any contaminant from around the joints by wiping with methylated spirits.
9. If the board has been previously coated with a protective material, mix the constituents of the epoxy resin according to the maker's instructions and apply to the areas from which the coating has been removed during servicing. Take care to overlap the existing coating. The new resin will cure at room temperature but, if it is desired to achieve a "tack free" state rapidly, the cure may be accelerated by raising the temperature of the board to 50°C maximum.

6. Transistors

Transistors can be permanently damaged by reverse current. Care must be exercised to avoid reverse current through transistor circuits when using a multimeter (ohms) during servicing. A buzzer must not be used for continuity testing under any circumstances.

The use of carbon element soldering irons is not recommended for the servicing of transistorized circuits as any a. c. leakage may cause permanent damage to the transistors.