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## SERVICE BULLETIN FOR MODEL S-53

### GENERAL

|                                  |                                |                    |  |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------|--|
| Tubes . . . . .                  | Seven plus rectifier           |                    |  |
| Speaker . . . . .                | 5-inch PM                      |                    |  |
| Voice Coil Impedance . . . . .   | 3.2 ohms                       |                    |  |
| Headset Output . . . . .         | Low Impedance                  |                    |  |
| Antenna . . . . .                | Provision for external antenna |                    |  |
| Tuning . . . . .                 | Manual                         |                    |  |
| Tuning Range . . . . .           | Range                          | Frequency Coverage |  |
|                                  | A                              | 550 KC - 1650 KC   |  |
|                                  | B                              | 2.6 MC - 6.4 MC    |  |
|                                  | C                              | 6.2 MC - 16.5 MC   |  |
|                                  | D                              | 14 MC - 31 MC      |  |
|                                  | E                              | 48 MC - 55 MC      |  |
| Intermediate Frequency . . . . . | 2.075 mc                       |                    |  |
| Power Supply . . . . .           | 105-125 V. 60 cycles AC        |                    |  |
| Power Consumption . . . . .      | 59 watts                       |                    |  |

### RESTRINGING DIAL CORD

To restring the general coverage dial cord, cut a 48-inch length of 30 lbs. test dial cord and tie one end to the tension spring of the general coverage tuning capacitor drive pulley at position "1" on the diagram. Follow the sequence "1" through "12" and at position "12" stretch the tension spring and tie the cord securely.

Set the general coverage tuning condenser at maximum capacity and attach and set the pointer in line with the left hand index marker.

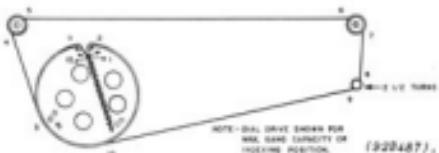


Fig. 1. Dial cable stringing procedure,  
general coverage dial.

To restring the band spread dial cord, cut a 38-inch length of 30 lbs. test dial cord and follow the procedure as above, starting at position "A" ending at "L".

Set the bandspread condenser at minimum capacity and attach and set the pointer at "100" on the logging scale.

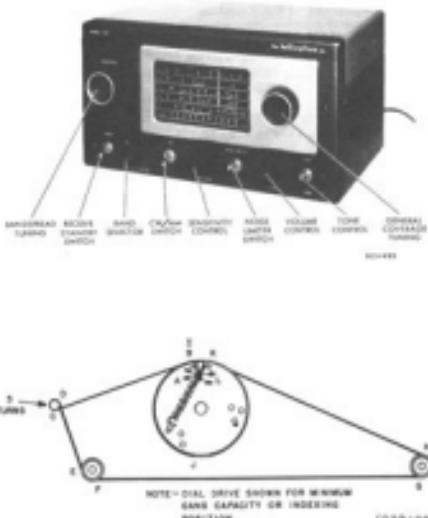


Fig. 2. Dial cable stringing procedure, band spread dial.

### REPLACING LAMPS

Refer to Fig. 8, for the location of the two dial lamps used in the receiver. To gain access to defective lamps, reach in through cabinet cover and uncip the dial lamp sockets. The sockets may then be brought out into the open to change the defective lamp. Replace lamps with 6-8 V. Mazda #44 (Blue bead) lamps or equivalent.

### ALIGNMENT PROCEDURE

Set the following controls before alignment.

|                                 |                        |
|---------------------------------|------------------------|
| STANBY/RECEIVE . . . . .        | Set at RECEIVE         |
| CW/AM . . . . .                 | Set at AM (see step 2) |
| SENSITIVITY . . . . .           | Set at maximum         |
| NOISE LIMITER . . . . .         | Set at OFF             |
| VOLUME . . . . .                | Set at maximum         |
| TONE switch . . . . .           | Set at HIGH            |
| BANDSPREAD . . . . .            | Set at 100             |
| SPEAKER/PHONES switch . . . . . | Set at SPEAKER         |

Remove the receiver chassis from the cabinet to make alignment adjustments. The chassis is held in the cabinet by three screws along both the bottom edge of the front panel and the rear of the cabinet, and two screws on either side of the front panel.

Before starting the alignment procedure, index the general coverage dial pointer on the low frequency end of the range and index the bandspread dial pointer at 100. The general coverage condenser should index at maximum capacity and the bandspread condenser should index at minimum capacity.

### ALIGNMENT CHART

| Step | Dummy Antenna                 | Signal Generator Coupling   | Signal Generator Frequency | Band Selector Setting | Receiver Dial Setting     | Adjust                            | Remarks   |
|------|-------------------------------|---|----------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------------|---|
| 1    | 0.1 mfd.<br>capacitor         | High side to front<br>stator section of<br>tuning cap. Low<br>side to chassis.        | 2.075 mc                   | A                     | Tuning cap,<br>fully open | S1, S2, S3, S4, S5,<br>S6, S7, S8 | Adjust for maximum audio<br>output at speaker voice coil.<br>Use just enough signal genera-<br>tor output to obtain a<br>50 mw audio level. |
| 2    | See step 1. See step 1.       |   | 2.075 mc                   | A                     | See step 1.               | S9                                | With the CW/AM switch set<br>at CW, adjust S-9 for zero<br>beat.  |
| 3    | 300 ohm<br>carbon<br>resistor | High side to "A1"<br>on antenna strip.<br>Jumper connected<br>between "A2" and<br>"G" | 1500 kc<br>600 kc          | A                     | 1500 kc<br>600 kc         | *A, B<br>*C                       | Adjust for maximum output<br>as in step 1.  |
| 4    | See step 1. See step 2.       |   | 6 mc                       | B                     | 6 mc                      | *D, E                             | Adjust for maximum output<br>as in step 1.  |
| 5    | See step 3. See step 3.       |   | 15 mc                      | C                     | 15 mc                     | *F, G                             | Adjust for maximum output<br>as in step 1.  |
| 6    | See step 3. See step 3.       |   | 30 mc                      | D                     | 30 mc                     | *H, I                             | Adjust for maximum output<br>as in step 1.  |
| 7    | See step 3. See step 3.       |   | 52 mc                      | E                     | 52 mc                     | *J, K                             | Adjust for maximum output<br>as in step 1.  |

\*Note - Calibration adjustments.

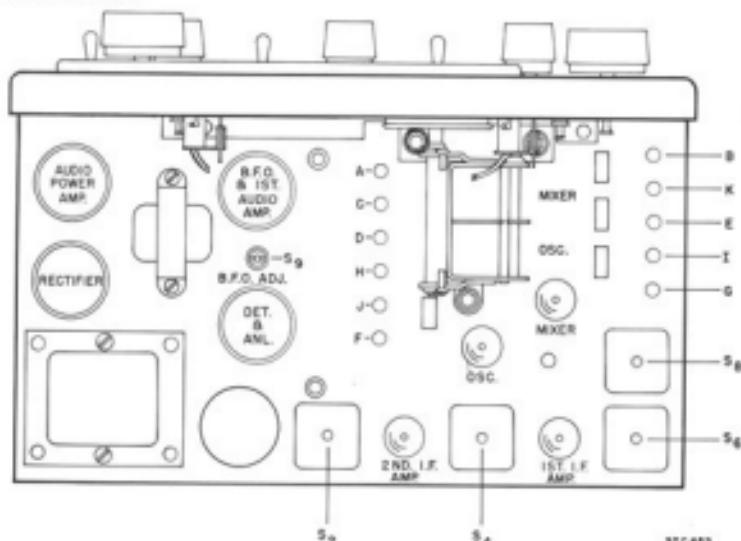
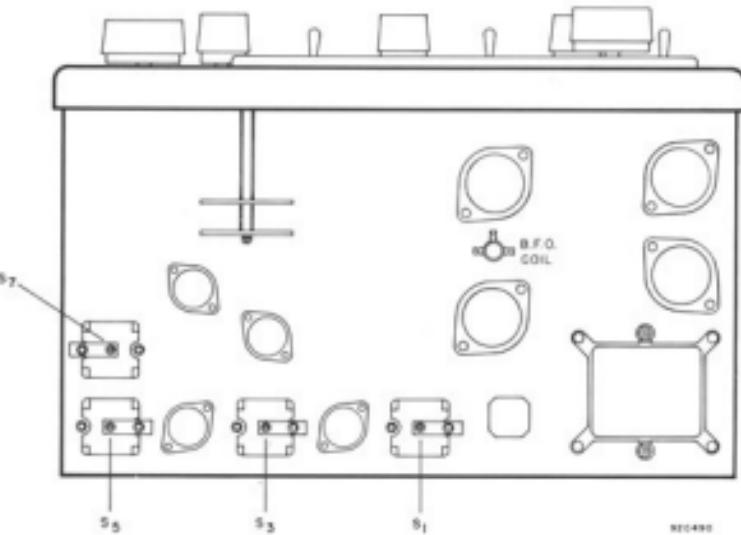
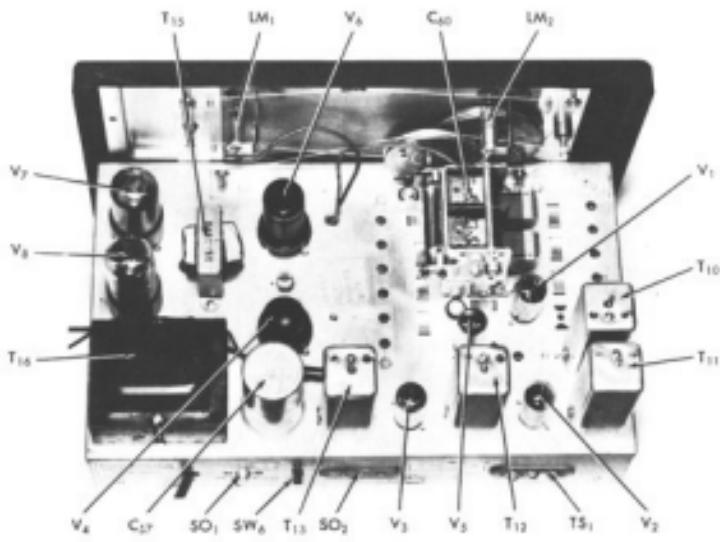


Fig. 2. ALIGNMENT POINTS. TOP VIEW.



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FIG. 4. Alignment points, bottom view.



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FIG. 5. Component location, top view.

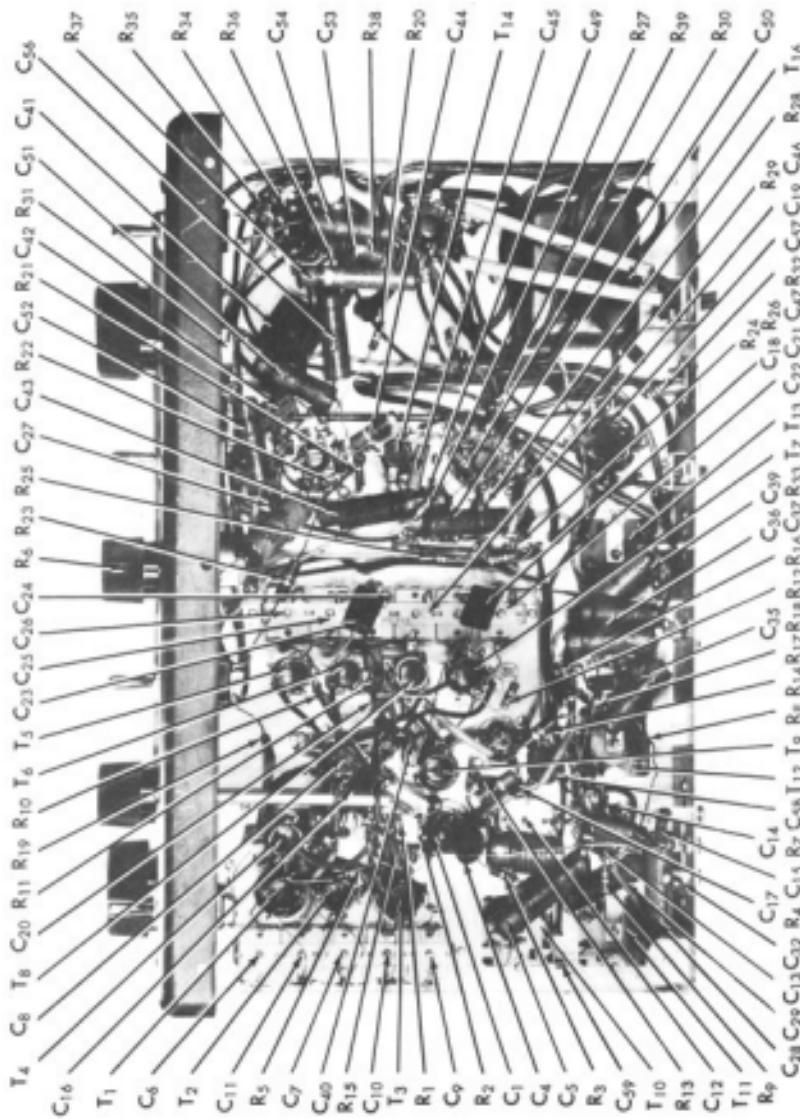
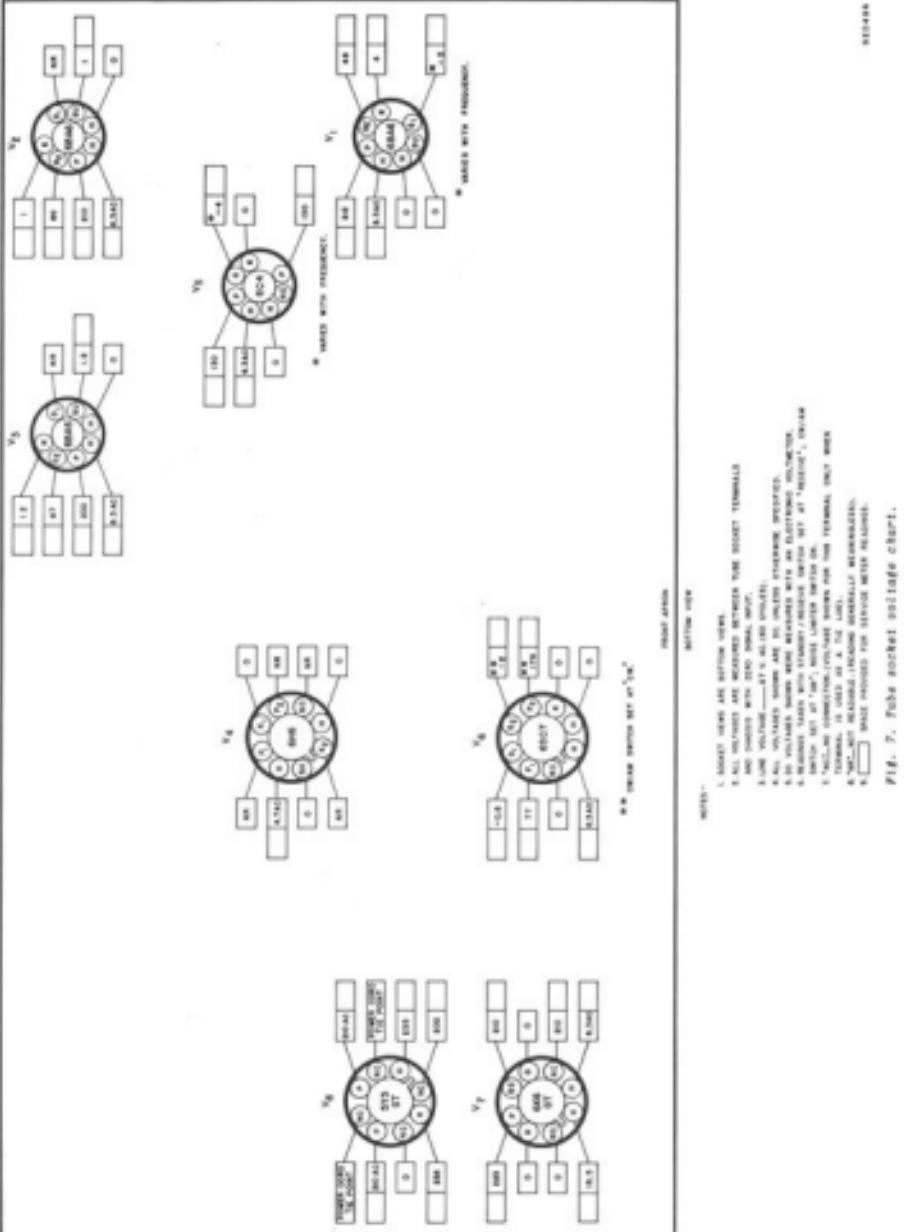


Fig. 4: Component location, bottom view.

## SERVICE PARTS LIST

| Ref. No.                      | Description                                | Hallcrafters Part Number | Ref. No. | Description   | Hallcrafters Part Number |  |
|-------------------------------|--|--------------------------|----------|---|--------------------------|--|
| <b>CONDENSERS</b>             |  |                          |          |   |                          |  |
| C-14,58                       | .005 mfd. 450 V., ceramic                  | 47A168                   | T-6      | Transformer, oscillator stage, band B                           | 51B1032                  |  |
| C-5,39,49                     | .05 mfd. 400 V., tubular                   | 48A/W593J                | T-7      | Transformer, oscillator stage, band C                           | 51B1033                  |  |
| C-6,7,8,10                    | Trimmer assembly, 3 sections               | 48D355                   | T-8      | Transformer, oscillator stage, band D                           | 51B1034                  |  |
| 11                            | antenna stage                              |                          | T-9      | Transformer, oscillator stage, band E                           | 51B1035                  |  |
| C-8,42                        | 220 mfd. 500 V., mica                      | CM29A221K                | T-10,11, | Transformer, IF amp. and detector stages                        | 50B1069                  |  |
| C-12                          | Trimmer adjustable, wave trap              | 46A356                   | 12,13    | Transformer, RFO  | 54B1038                  |  |
| C-13,14,15                    | 4.7 mfd. 500 V., bakelite                  | 47A160-8                 | T-14     | Transformer, audio output                                       | 55B1037                  |  |
| C-16,59                       | 2.2 mfd. 500 V., bakelite                  | 47A160-4                 | T-15     | Transformer, power  | 52C1044                  |  |
| C-17,49,44                    | 100 mfd. 500 V., ceramic                   | 47A086                   | T-16     | Coil, low pass filter   | 53A135                   |  |
| C-18,19,22                    | Trimmer assembly, 6 sections,              | 48D354                   | L-1      | Coil, wave trap, antenna section                                | 51B1036                  |  |
| 24,35,36                      | oscillator stage                           |                          | L-2      |   |                          |  |
| C-20                          | 4700 mfd. 500 V., mica                     | CM35A472K                | SW-1     | <b>SWITCHES</b>   |                          |  |
| C-21                          | 1,000 mfd. 25 500 V., silver mica          | CM20C102G                | SW-2     | SWITCH, toggle, DPST, CW/AM control                             | 60B1233                  |  |
| C-23                          | 500 mfd. 25 500 V., silver mica            | CM20C501G                | SW-3,5,7 | SWITCH, toggle, SPST, STANBY/REC., NOISE LIMITER & TONE control | 60A138                   |  |
| C-27                          | .1 mfd. 250 V., tubular                    | 46A104J                  | SW-4     | SWITCH, part of SENSITIVITY control, R-6                        | 60A1243                  |  |
| C-28,36,54                    | .02 mfd. 600 V., tubular                   | 46A/Y203J                | SW-5     | SWITCH, slide, SPDT, SPEAKER/PHONE control                      |                          |  |
| C-29,32,35                    | .01 mfd. 600 V., tubular                   | 46A2103J                 | SW-6     | SWITCH, part of VOLUME control, R-31                            |                          |  |
| 37,43,50,                     |  |                          |          |   |                          |  |
| 52,53,56                      |  |                          |          |   |                          |  |
| C-41                          | .01 mfd. 400 V., molded paper              | 46AB103J                 |          | <b>PLUGS AND SOCKETS</b>  |                          |  |
| C-45                          | 470 mfd. 500 V., mica                      | CM20A471J                |          | LINE cord and plug  | 61A078                   |  |
| C-46,47                       | .50 mfd. 500 V., ceramic                   | 47A091                   |          | Receptacle, phone motor   | 36A1029                  |  |
| C-51                          | .003 mfd. 600 V., tubular                  | 46A2103J                 |          | Receptacle, headphone jack                                      | 60A071                   |  |
| C-55                          | 10 mfd. 500 V., mica                       | CC20UK108K               |          | Socket, octal (base)  | 61A209                   |  |
| C-57                          | 50-10 mfd. 350-100-25V., electrolytic      | 48B122                   |          | Socket, miniature (base)  | 61A297                   |  |
| C-59                          | Tuning condenser, 2 sections               | 48C198                   |          | Socket, dial light  | 60B1063                  |  |
| <b>RESISTORS</b>              |  |                          |          |   |                          |  |
| R-1,24                        | 1.8 megohms 1 watt, carbon                 | RC20AE195M               | PL-1     | <b>TUBES, RECTIFIERS AND LAMPS</b>                              |                          |  |
| R-2                           | 2300 ohms 1 watt, carbon                   | RC20AE222M               | SO-1     | LAMP, incand. 1st & 2nd EF amplifier                            | 90X98A6                  |  |
| R-3,15                        | 27 ohms 1 watt, carbon                     | RC20AE220M               | SO-2     | 6H6, detector & ANL   | 90X98E6                  |  |
| R-4,27                        | 330,000 ohms 1 watt, carbon                | RC20AE334K               | V-4      | 6C4, oscillator   | 90X98C4                  |  |
| R-5,35                        | 600 ohms 1 watt, carbon                    | RC20AE651K               | V-5      | 65CT, audio amplifier & BFO                                     | 90X65CT                  |  |
| R-6                           | 30,000 ohms, variable, SENSITIVITY control | 25B603                   | V-6      | 6K6GT, power amplifier  | 90X6K6GT                 |  |
| R-7,17                        | 100 ohms 1 watt, carbon                    | RC20AE101K               | V-7      | 5T3GT, rectifier  | 90X5T3GT                 |  |
| R-8,16,34                     | 1000 ohms 1 watt, carbon                   | RC20AE102M               | LM-1,2   | LAMP, 6-8 V., 250 ma., Mazda                                    | 38A603                   |  |
| R-9,30,32,                    | 470,000 ohms 1 watt, carbon                | RC20AE474M               | V-1,2,3  | +44   |                          |  |
| 36                            |  |                          |          |   |                          |  |
| R-10,12                       | 4700 ohms 1 watt, carbon                   | RC20AE472K               |          | <b>MISCELLANEOUS</b>  |                          |  |
| R-11                          | 10,000 ohms 1 watt, carbon                 | RC20AE103K               | V-4      | Terminal strip, antenna   | 68A032                   |  |
| R-13,23                       | 22,000 ohms 1 watt, carbon                 | RC20AE223M               | V-5      | Lock, line cord   | 76A299                   |  |
| R-14                          | 10,000 ohms 1 watt, carbon                 | RC20AE103K               | V-6      | Clip, coil mtg.   | 76A325                   |  |
| R-18                          | 22,000 ohms 1 watt, carbon                 | RC20AE223M               | V-7      | Shaft, tuning drive   | 76A348                   |  |
| R-19                          | 120 ohms 1 watt, carbon                    | RC20AE121M               | V-8      | "C" washer (tuning drive shaft)                                 | 4A139                    |  |
| R-20                          | 220,000 ohms 1 watt, carbon                | RC20AE224K               | LM-1,2   | Spring, dial cord   | 75A012                   |  |
| R-21                          | 15 megohms 1 watt, carbon                  | RC20AE156K               |          | Dial cord   | 38A019                   |  |
| R-22,25                       | 47,000 ohms 1 watt, carbon                 | RC20AE473M               |          | Plate, dial   | 61C333                   |  |
| R-25                          | 100,000 ohms 1 watt, carbon                | RC20AE104K               | TS-1     | Poister, general coverage dial                                  | 81A149                   |  |
| R-26                          | 1 megohm 1 watt, carbon                    | RC20AE105M               |          | Pointer, hand spread dial                                       | 82A148                   |  |
| R-29                          | 2.1 megohms 1 watt, carbon                 | RC20AE275M               |          | Dial glass (calibrated)   | 23C204                   |  |
| R-31                          | 2 megohms, variable, VOLUME control        | 25B902                   |          | Gasket, dial glass  | 12A342                   |  |
| R-33                          | 15 ohms 1 watt, carbon                     | RC20AE150M               |          | Clip, dial glass mtg.   | 76A390                   |  |
| R-37                          | 689 ohms 2 watts, carbon                   | RC40A/W681M              |          | Pad, dial clip  | 16A126                   |  |
| R-38                          | 1099 ohms 1 watt, carbon                   | RC20AE102M               |          | Pad, felt (round disc)  | 14A166                   |  |
| R-39                          | 6.8 ohms 1 watt, carbon                    | RC20AE068K               |          | Pad, sponge rubber  | 16A047-1                 |  |
| <b>TRANSFORMERS AND COILS</b> |  |                          |          |   |                          |  |
| T-1                           | Transformer, antenna stage, band A         | 51B1028                  |          | Mounting fast., rubber  | 16A507                   |  |
| T-2                           | Transformer, antenna stage, band B         | 51B1027                  |          | Speaker, P.M.   | 85C1030                  |  |
| T-3                           | Transformer, antenna stage, bands C & D    | 51B1026                  |          | Knob, BAND SELECTOR, SENSITIVITY, and VOLUME controls           | 15A949                   |  |
| T-4                           | Transformer, antenna stage, band E         | 51B1030                  |          | Knob, BAND SPREAD and general coverage controls                 | 15A047                   |  |
| T-5                           | Transformer, oscillator stage, band A      | 51B1031                  |          |   |                          |  |



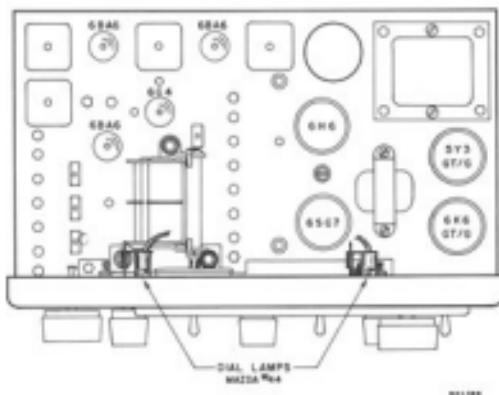


Fig. 8. Top view, location of tubes and dial lamps.

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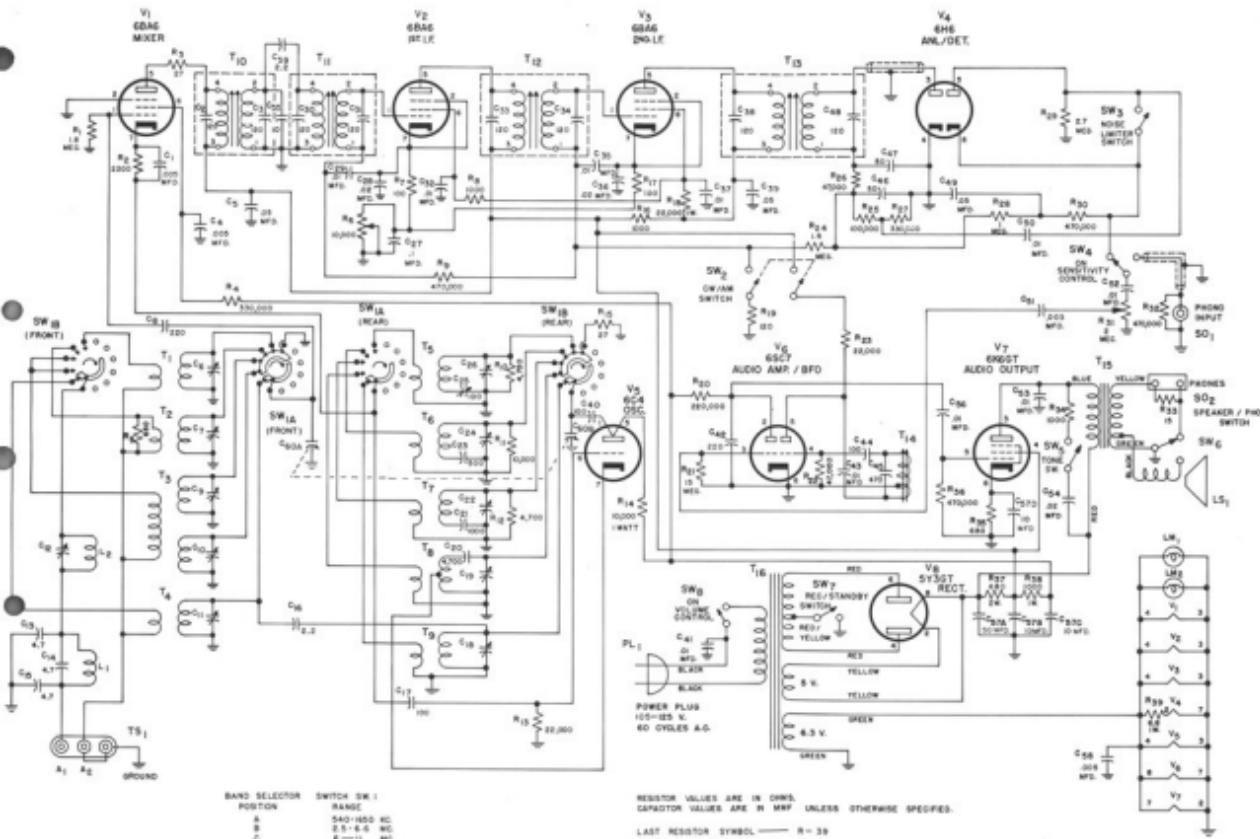


Fig. 3. Schematic diagram.