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TEATURING automatic frequency concontrol on f.m. and separate bass and treble tone controls, Roberts R700 is a three waveband a.m./f.m. portable radio receiver. It is powered by two 9V dry batteries and employs a total of 14 transistors and 8 diodes. Waveband ranges are 183-577m. (m.w.),

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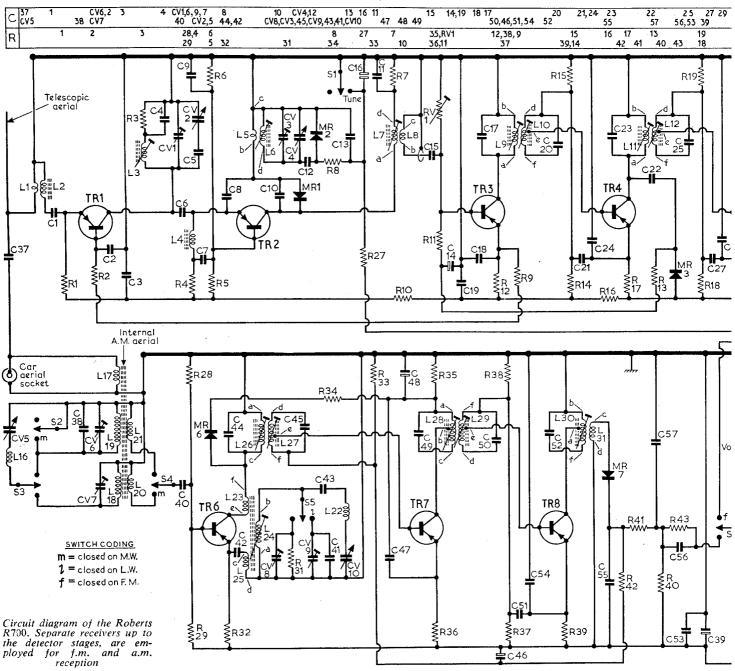
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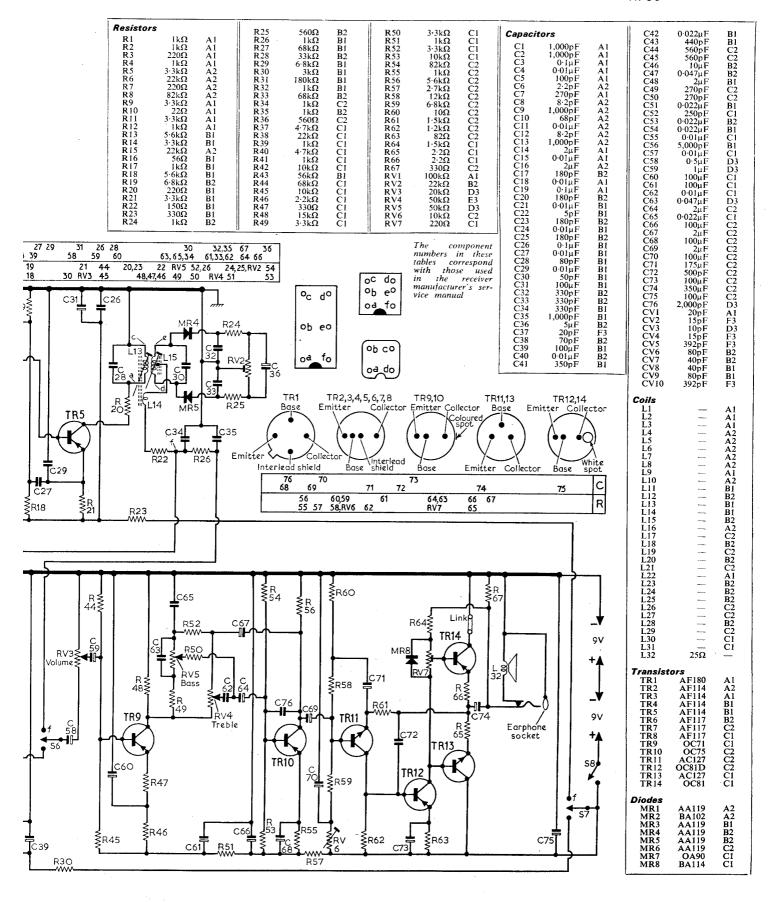
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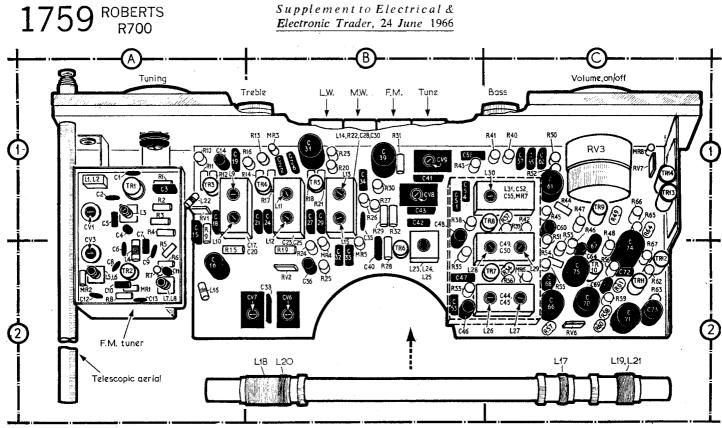
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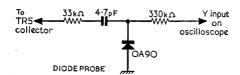
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CIRCUIT VOLTAGES

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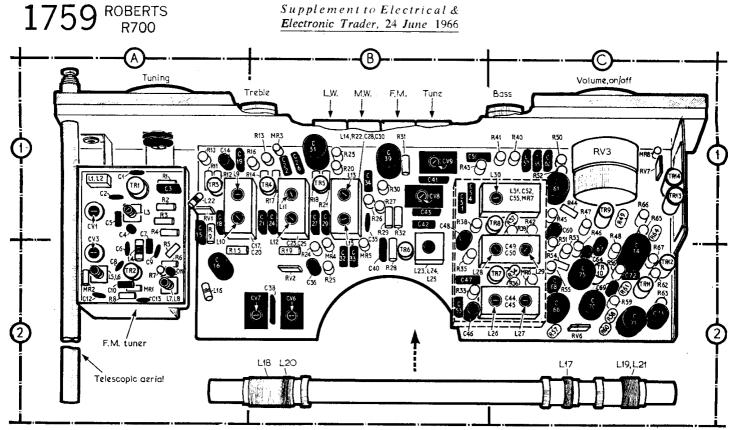
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A.M. Circuits

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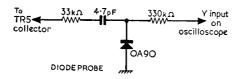
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