



Circuit diagram of the Vidor 278 3-band battery receiver. S9 is operated by pulling or pushing the wavechange switch knob.

COMPONENTS AND VALUES

| RESISTANCES | | Values (ohms) |
|-------------|---------------------------|---------------|
| R1 | V1 fixed G.B. resistance | 500 |
| R2 | V1 gain control | 15,000 |
| R3 | Reaction circuit damping | 50 |
| R4 | V2 grid leak | 1,000,000 |
| R5 | V2 filament potentiometer | 200 |
| R6 | | 200 |
| R7 | V2 anode load | 10,000 |
| R8 | V3 C.G. resistance | 500,000 |

| CONDENSERS | | Values (μF) |
|------------|-------------------------------|-------------|
| C1 | Aerial series condenser | 0.0001 |
| C2 | V1 C.G. decoupling | 0.1 |
| C3 | V2 anode R.F. by-pass | 0.00005 |
| C4 | V1 anode R.F. by-pass | 0.25 |
| C5 | V2 C.G. condenser | 0.0002 |
| C6 | V2 anode R.F. by-pass | 0.0002 |
| C7 | V2 to V3 A.F. coupling | 0.01 |
| C8 | V3 anode fixed tone corrector | 0.002 |
| C9† | Aerial circuit M.W. trimmer | 0.00003 |
| C10† | Aerial circuit tuning | — |
| C11† | Reaction control | 0.0005 |
| C12† | V1 anode circuit M.W. trimmer | 0.00003 |
| C13† | V1 anode circuit tuning | — |

† Variable. ‡ Pre-set.

| OTHER COMPONENTS | | Approx. Values (ohms) |
|------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| L1 | Aerial S.W. coupling coil | 0.8 |
| L2 | Aerial M.W. and L.W. coupling coils | 3.0 |
| L3 | | 3.0 |
| L4 | Aerial circuit S.W. tuning coil | 0.05 |
| L5 | Aerial circuit M.W. tuning coil | 3.0 |
| L6 | Aerial circuit L.W. tuning coil | 18.0 |
| L7 | S.W. reaction coil | 0.6 |
| L8 | M.W. and L.W. reaction coils, total | 7.0 |
| L9 | | 0.05 |
| L10 | V1 anode S.W. tuning coil | 2.5 |
| L11 | V1 anode M.W. tuning coil | 18.5 |
| L12 | V1 anode L.W. tuning coil | 170.0 |
| L13 | V2 anode R.F. choke | 2.3 |
| L14 | Speaker speech coil | 700.0 |
| T1 | Speaker input trans. | 0.3 |
| S1-S6 | Waveband switches | — |
| S7 | G.B. and H.T. circuits switch | — |
| S8 | L.T. circuit switch | — |
| S9 | Scale lamp switch | — |

VALVE ANALYSIS

Valve voltages and currents given in the table (p. III) are those measured in our receiver when it was operating on a battery reading 111 V on the H.T. section, on load. The H.T. + lead was plugged into 111 V, G.B. — 1 lead was plugged into the 1.5 V socket of the G.B. section and G.B. — 2 into the 9 V socket.

The receiver was tuned to the lowest wavelength on the medium band and the volume control was at maximum, but the reaction control was at minimum. There was no signal input.

Voltages were measured on the 400 V scale of a model 7 Avometer, chassis being negative.

| Valve | Anode Voltage (V) | Anode Current (mA) | Screen Voltage (V) | Screen Current (mA) |
|----------|-------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| V1 VP2 | 111 | 1.5 | 111 | 0.5 |
| V2 HL2 | 88 | 2.0 | — | — |
| V3 PM22D | 106 | 5.6 | 111 | 0.9 |

GENERAL NOTES

Switches.—S1-S6 are the waveband switches, ganged in a single unit beneath the chassis, and indicated in our under-chassis view. The table (col. 2) gives the switch positions for the three control settings, a dash indicating open, and C closed.

| Switch | S.W. | M.W. | L.W. |
|--------|------|------|------|
| S1 | C | — | — |
| S2 | C | — | — |
| S3 | C | C | — |
| S4 | C | — | — |
| S5 | C | — | — |
| S6 | C | C | — |

S7 and S8 are the battery circuit switches, ganged with the gain control R2. The upper two tags, looking from the underside of the chassis, belong to S8, and the lower two to S7.

S9 is the scale lamp action, operated by a push-pull action of the wavechange switch knob. The spindle of this switch forms one contact of S9, and a leaf spring the other contact.

Coils.—L1-L6 are in an unscreened unit on the chassis deck, and L7-L12 in a similar unit beneath the chassis. The choke L13 is also beneath the chassis.

Scale Lamp.—This is an M.E.S. type, rated at 2.6 V, 0.3 A. It can be switched on or off by pushing or pulling the wave-change switch knob, thus operating S9.

External Speaker.—No provision is made for this, but a high impedance type could be connected across the two tags on T1, to which the speaker leads from the chassis are connected.

Batteries.—L.T., 2 V accumulator cell. H.T. and G.B., Vidor combined 111 V H.T. plus 9 V G.B. battery, type 16480.

Battery Leads and Voltages.—Black lead, spade tag, L.T. negative; red lead, spade tag, L.T. positive 2 V; black lead and plug, H.T. negative and G.B. positive; red lead and plug, H.T. positive, +111 V; yellow lead and plug, G.B. negative 1, —1.5 V; green lead and plug, G.B. negative 2, —9 V.

CIRCUIT ALIGNMENT

With gang at maximum, pointer should be horizontal, in line with bottom of scale.

Switch set to M.W., tune to 200 m. on scale, feed a 200 m. (1,500 KC/S) signal into A1 and E sockets, and adjust C12 for maximum output, keeping reaction advanced to a point just short of oscillation. Then adjust C9 similarly.

Switch set to L.W. and check calibration. If this is widely out, a compromise should be made by re-adjusting C12 slightly. After this, C9 must be re-adjusted on the M.W. band.