

# CHAMPION METEOR, COMET

| OTHER COMPONENTS |                       | Approx. Values (ohms) | Locations |
|------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------|
| L1               | Frame aerial, total   | 1-0                   | A2        |
| L2               | Aerial coupling       | 8-0                   | G3        |
| L3               | coils                 | 53-0                  | G4        |
| L4               | Aerial tuning         | Very low              | G3        |
| L5               | coils                 | 16-5                  | G4        |
| L6               | Oscillator reaction   | 7-0                   | H4        |
| L7               | coils                 | 1-1                   | H4        |
| L8               | coils                 | 2-0                   | H5        |
| L9               | Oscillator tuning     | Very low              | H4        |
| L10              | coils                 | 3-0                   | H4        |
| L11              | coils                 | 8-5                   | H5        |
| L12              | 1st I.F. trans. {Pri. | 3-5                   | A2        |
| L13              | Sec.                  | 3-5                   | A2        |
| L14              | 2nd I.F. trans. {Pri. | 3-5                   | B2        |
| L15              | Sec.                  | 3-5                   | B2        |
| L16              | Speech coil           | 2-4                   | —         |
| T1               | Speaker trans. {Pri.  | 550-0                 | B1        |
|                  | Sec.                  | 0-4                   | —         |
| S1-S12           | W/band switches       | —                     | H3        |
| S13              | Mains sw., g'd R6...  | —                     | D3        |

| Valve        | Anode      |      | Screen |     | Cath. |
|--------------|------------|------|--------|-----|-------|
|              | V          | mA   | V      | mA  |       |
| V1 12K8GT... | 73         | 1-3  | 73     | 2-5 | 1-0   |
|              | Oscillator |      |        |     |       |
|              | 42         | 1-1  |        |     |       |
| V2 12SK7     | 73         | 4-3  | 73     | 1-2 | 2-5   |
| V3 12Q7G1    | 22         | 0-1  | —      | —   | 0-5   |
| V4 35L6GT    | 103        | 13-0 | 73     | 0-6 | 6-3   |
| V5 35Z4GT    | 110†       | —    | —      | —   | 110   |

† A.C.

| RESISTORS |                   | Values (ohms) | Locations |
|-----------|-------------------|---------------|-----------|
| R1        | V1 fixed G.B.     | 220           | H5        |
| R2        | V1 osc. C.G.      | 47,000        | G5        |
| R3        | Osc. anode load   | 22,000        | G3        |
| R4        | V2 fixed G.B.     | 470           | F4        |
| R5        | Diode load        | 470,000       | D5        |
| R6        | Volume control    | 500,000       | D3        |
| R7        | V3 G.B., A.G.C.   | —             | —         |
|           | delay             | 6,800         | C4        |
| R8        | V3 triode load    | 220,000       | D4        |
| R9        | A.G.C. decoup.    | 2,200,000     | C4        |
| R10       | A.G.C. diode load | 1,000,000     | D4        |
| R11       | V4 C.G. resistor  | 470,000       | O5        |
| R12       | V4 G.B. resistor  | 470           | C4        |
| R13       | H.T. smoothing    | 3,000         | E4        |
| R14       | Pilot lamp shunt  | 40\$          | F3        |
| R15       | Heater ballast    | 620†          | E4        |

\$ 100  $\Omega$  + 68  $\Omega$  in parallel.

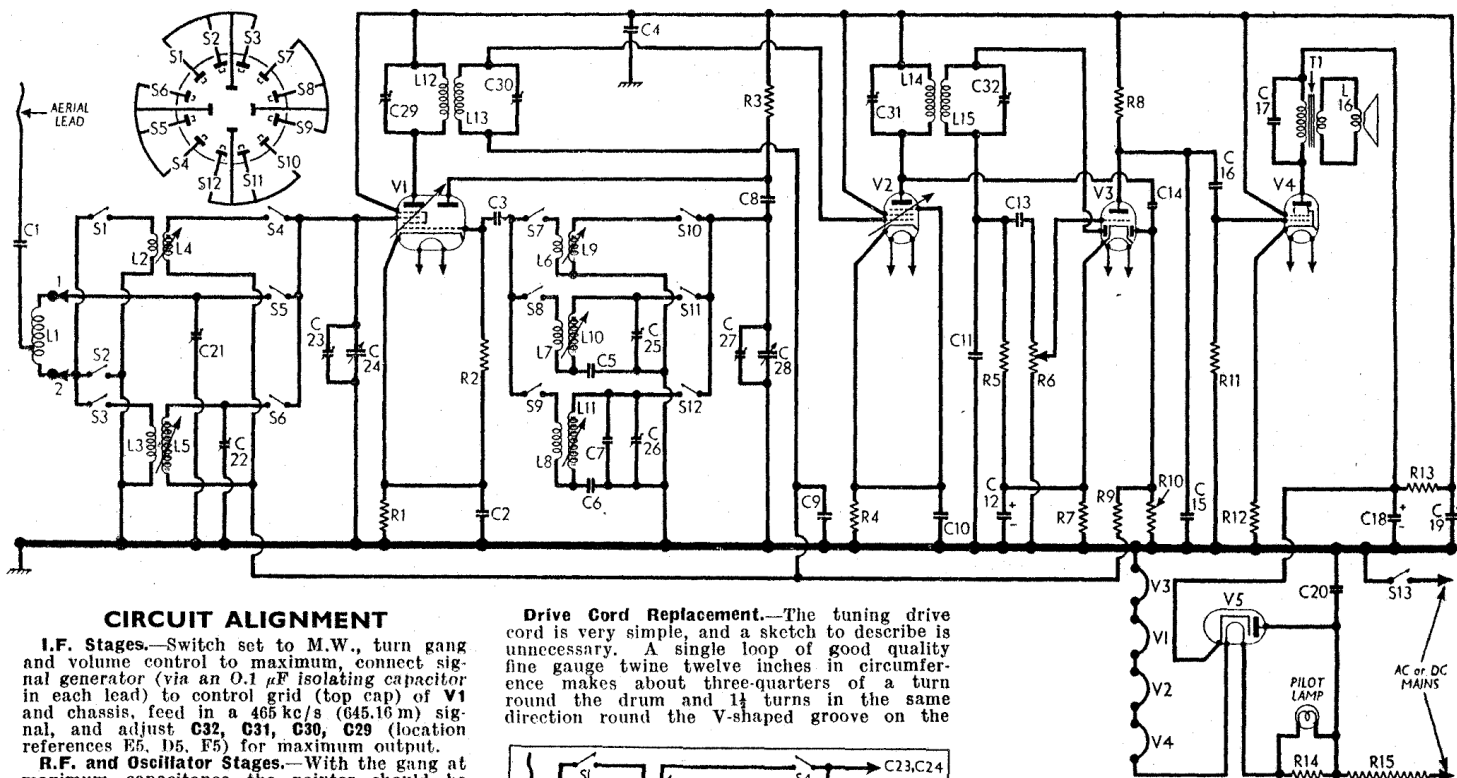
† Line cord.

| CAPACITORS |                                | Values ( $\mu$ F) | Locations |
|------------|--------------------------------|-------------------|-----------|
| C1         | Aerial series                  | 0-0003            | B2        |
| C2         | V1 cath. by-pass               | 0-1               | F5        |
| C3         | V1 osc. C.G.                   | 0-0001            | G4        |
| C4         | H.T. R.F. by-pass              | 0-1               | E5        |
| C5         | Osc. M.W. tracker              | 0-000576          | H5        |
| C6         | Osc. L.W. tracker              | 0-000168          | H5        |
| C7         | Osc. L.W. trim                 | 0-00005           | G4        |
| C8         | Osc. anode coup.               | 0-0001            | H4        |
| C9         | A.G.C. decoup.                 | 0-1               | G5        |
| C10        | V2 cath. by-pass               | 0-1               | E5        |
| C11        | I.F. by-pass                   | 0-0003            | D5        |
| C12*       | V3 cath. by-pass               | 25-0              | C4        |
| C13        | A.F. coupling                  | 0-01              | D4        |
| C14        | A.G.C. coupling                | 0-00005           | D4        |
| C15        | I.F. by-pass                   | 0-0003            | C3        |
| C16        | A.F. coupling                  | 0-01              | C4        |
| C17        | Tone corrector                 | 0-02              | E4        |
| C18*       | H.T. smoothing                 | 32-0              | E4        |
| C19*       |                                | 32-0              | D4        |
| C20        | Mains R.F. by-pass             | 0-002             | F4        |
| C21†       | Aerial M.W. trim               | —                 | H5        |
| C22†       | Aerial L.W. trim               | —                 | H4        |
| C23†       | Aerial S.W. trim               | —                 | A2        |
| C24†       | Aerial tuning                  | —                 | A2        |
| C25†       | Osc. M.W. trim                 | —                 | H4        |
| C26†       | Osc. L.W. trim                 | —                 | H5        |
| C27†       | Osc. S.W. trim                 | —                 | A1        |
| C28†       | Oscillator tuning              | —                 | A1        |
| C29†       | 1st I.F. trans. {former tuning | —                 | F5        |
| C30†       |                                | —                 | F5        |
| C31†       | 2nd I.F. trans. {former tuning | —                 | D5        |
| C32†       |                                | —                 | E5        |

\* Electrolytic.

† Variable.

‡ Pre-set.



## CIRCUIT ALIGNMENT

**I.F. Stages.**—Switch set to M.W., turn gang and volume control to maximum, connect signal generator (via an 0.1  $\mu$ F isolating capacitor in each lead) to control grid (top cap) of V1 and chassis, feed in a 465 kc/s (645.16 m) signal, and adjust C32, C31, C30, C29 (location references E5, D5, F5) for maximum output.

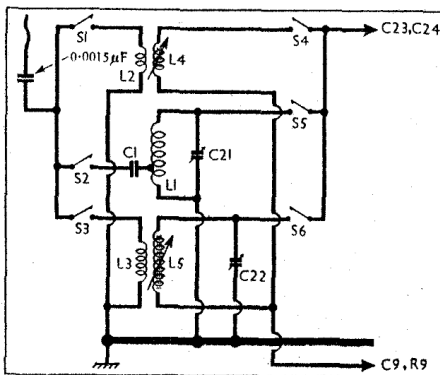
**R.F. and Oscillator Stages.**—With the gang at maximum capacitance the pointer should be horizontal. Transfer "live" signal generators lead and series capacitor to aerial connecting lead, via a suitable dummy aerial.

**S.W.**—Switch set to S.W., tune to 16 m on scale, feed in a 16 m (18.75 Mc/s) signal, and adjust C27 (A1) and C23 (A2) for maximum output. Tune to 49 m on scale, feed in a 49 m (6.12 Mc/s) signal and adjust the cores of L9 (A1) and L4 (A1) for maximum output. Repeat these operations until no improvement results.

**M.W.**—Switch set to M.W., tune to 200 m on scale, feed in a 200 m (1,500 kc/s) signal, and adjust C25 (H4) and C21 (H5) for maximum output. Tune to 500 m on scale, feed in a 500 m (600 kc/s) signal, and adjust the core of L10 (A2) for maximum output. Repeat these operations until no improvement results.

**L.W.**—Switch set to L.W., tune to 1,000 m on scale, feed in a 1,000 m (300 kc/s) signal, and adjust C26 (H6) and C22 (H4) for maximum output. Tune to 2,000 m on scale, feed in a 2,000 m (150 kc/s) signal, and adjust the cores of L11 (A2) and L5 (A2) for maximum output. Repeat these adjustments until no improvement results.

**Drive Cord Replacement.**—The tuning drive cord is very simple, and a sketch to describe is unnecessary. A single loop of good quality fine gauge twine twelve inches in circumference makes about three-quarters of a turn round the drum and 1½ turns in the same direction round the V-shaped groove on the



Aerial circuit in the "Comet" and early "Meteor."

control spindle. The join in the cord is hooked on to the tension spring. Access is gained to the drive by removing the pointer and scale.

**Chassis Divergencies.**—Some early Meteor receivers had large I.F. transformer units with the trimmers on top and R14 may not consist of a 100 $\Omega$  and a 68 $\Omega$  resistor connected in parallel. In some early cases the aerial circuit was different from that in our diagram, the frame aerial operating only on M.W. The early circuit is shown in the diagram above.

**Comet Model.**—The Comet is in general very much like the early Meteor, but the aerial isolating capacitor is 0.002 $\mu$ F, and a 0.005 $\mu$ F tracking capacitor is inserted between the junction of L6 and L9 and chassis. The line cord is different, too, having four leads at the receiver end, two coming from tappings on the resistance element which forms R14, R15 and a surge limiter. The arrangement is as follows: Two scale lamps are used, connected in series across R14 which becomes 200 $\Omega$ . The next tapping is 600 $\Omega$  further on, to supply V5 anode. A third section of 200 $\Omega$  completes the line cord.