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#### Abstract

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1. This report provides deteiled instructions fiom perfomanoe tests and maintonance rork on the receiving. reconting. and timing equiment of $a$ station in an Aimmea Resoue network. It mpplements USI Report No. 55 HBxperimentel Long Distance Sound Renging Eruipment (SOFAR) - Issiallation and Opereting Motes." In addition, it provides wechnical dateu on the station componerts.

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2. Betore the SOFAP equipment will operate neliably a number of performance tests must be made' (sea USJ Report INo. 550 parazraphs 26 and 27). These tests are described In the following sections, each one or which also proFides the technical and meintenance data required for its part of the equipm ment. It mag be necessaxy to repeat these tests during daily operation when serricing of the station componente is zeguired ox when a defective unit is repleced。 The Hazhenance Henuels together with electronjctest equipnent, should therefore be evailable to shation personnel et all tines:
3. Before undertaking the preliminary Elignomt, operating personnel should study Rigs. 50 and 38 Lo Ramiliasire themselves with the looation and function of the station corponents. They should carefully note the system leyout and the path of an incoming signal thenghothe receivermamplifier to the recording and timing equipmeni.

## ARPTETER CHABNFTS

## Descrintion

40 Amplitier chanels numbers I and 2 are located on the troo upper shelves o.l Rem I (Figo 2). They are identical and each consisis of a Uo F 120 b preamplivier (Tig。39) wowing into a 40 adb attenvator. The attenuators are controlled by knobs on the lest sides dil the two ppoex iront panels,

 40). The amplifiers are shock-mounted and shomld floak recely, Trioperation, one of the chanmels amplifies the signal from the hyarophone before it is applied to the recorders and the other channel is in stand-by


 Located on the upper mightmand side of Reck I (GIgo 2). A protective corer which ants as a magnetic shin ad is provided for this terminal strip.


 five hydrophones to either chanel.
6.- Between the male and the Female Canon receptacles are two levermetion switches, one for each channel. These witches are spring-loaded to return automatically to the in central positions. When centered, each switch connects the female Canon receptacle below it to its chancels when pushed up, it Lifts the hydrophone from the ehensel input end replaces it with a 600 mon terminetug resistor which is used for selfronse reasmenents; and then pushed down it again lith the hydrophone and connects the channel input, bo a set of birding post terininals on the panel labeled SIG. CHIT. IN. Since these stitches
 to each chan mel unites one of the switches is actuated.

## Seli-moise Measurements

7. Since selfonoise, generated within the amplifier channel, may dicer the signal characteristic on mask the signal and prevent clear reception, it is necessary to measure each channel to determine int selfonoise is at a minimum This should be done is part of the initial alignment and should be repeated each dap. Sketch I illustrates the circuit to be used for the first step in this test. Remove the Cannon output plug from the lala


Sketch I - First Step in Selwnivise Measurement
amplifier (marked Dumper and Ho, I Onfmect 121 et the back of Rack 1, top
 In its place comet a rectum tube volumeter terminated in 500 ohms and adjust the chanel volume control, to 0 。 Pub the chanel input switch for

The channel under test to 50 a mat The volmoter shoule then read
 noise is eithex being generated minin the chemel anpiifier or is being pieked up incm some extemal source.
S. In noise is present remove the rear end plate from the I2la amplifiem chassis of the chanel unden test amd discoment the input connections. which are the right-hand red and blue leads. Bricige a 500-ohn resistor across the input ierminals, as shown in sketch 2 。 The rolometer should be

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Sketch 2 - Sesond Step in Self Noise weasurement
 the li2la amplifier alone. This should be at jeast o08 tolts. an 42 db belos I wolt。
9. If the I2IA amplificm is not the source of the moise the I20B preanplipier and the 40 ch Daven potentiometer shonld be checked. Sketch 3 illushrases

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Sketch 3 - Third Step in Selfmoise Heasurement

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10. The next step, in case the roise hes not been located, tis to eifninate the Deven 40 odb attenuaton ar shown in Sheoch if by wemoring the rear ead

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## Switch on

 Front Panel

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Sketch \& - Wourth stop in selpmoise Measurement
plate of the l20e amplifict and disconecting the output leas leitmand red and blue leads). mon the untaminated vecuan tube voltmeter is now. connected across the ontput or the 1208 preanplifier it should read , 00008 polts as before, or dُ dis below 1 yolt.

## 120B Amplifier

21. If noise is presert in the chanel amplifiers its source will usuelly be in the $120 B$ preamplifier, the impto stage of thich is feay susceptiole to hum pickup. Care should be exercised in grounding this ampiriero, carrying the cable shields to ground is necessery. It fray also be necossery to run a ground wire from 気ck I to a Eood external ground to obtain mintmum noise, this will grougd all three racks. Note (Figo 39) that an Rofofilter has been provided to suppress radiomfequency interference and that a 6i8B W. W. input transformer ( -3.01 ) has been used to obtain marinun low- wequency response. The normal ofermall gain of this amplifiex is 35 dib and the normal undistorted output is approxinetely 5 volts.
22. Fig. 30 shows the frecuency response of the 220 empifier. Its tube complement is as follows:

L20B Amplifiez: one ósbo nepleceable with tupe I603 ox 77
$\therefore$ One $26: 20$ s replaceable with type 6r7 or W. F. Eype 348A

## Inpui and Output Noise Voitiges of 120 BAmplifier

13. To detemine the input and output noise roltages of the i20B prem mplifier using a 221 amplifier and a vacum tubs Folbmetens apply the following procedure?
(a) Set chamel volume control at 0 .
(b) Connect a BaIlanine or Hemlettmpackard vacuum tube voltneter across the output socket of the I2IA amplifier and place a 600-onn terminating resistor across the meter terminala.
(c) Determine the orermall gain of the I20B and the 12IA amolifiexe together. This should be between 106 and 108 db.
(d) Throw the chamel input suitoh to boon arat and observe the
 using one yolt as the reference point.
(c) To deremraine the input nowe to the I20日 amplifier add the voltmeter reading to the actual goin of the systen referied to one rolt.
(f) To deternine the output noise of the I2OB amplinier, subtract the voltmeter reading irom the gein of the system referred to one volt. Sketch 5 is an iniustrative example of the sort of readings to

Switich on Front Panel

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 25 db belon 1) Volt
be expected．In this cese，the input noise $=107$ db＋25 ob 232 db


## 122A Amolifier

U4．The I2IA ampliniexs are provided uith 500－cycle low－pass filters to improve their sigazi－to－noíse ratioso A 1500－cycle and a 200－cycle filtato are included in the spare parts and hap be substituted for the 500－mgle filter in operating conditions require a change；The installed filter is located on the right rean comer of each 12la amplifier．Its pass－band
 response curves of the three fillters．

15．The noral over－all gain for the 121A amplifier is 75 db and the nomal undistorted output is approximately 20 volts．The tube complemert is as follows：

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& \text { 121A amplifiex : Tro } 1620^{3} \text { s } \\
& \text { : One } 6 F 6, \text { replaceable with WE type 349A. }
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## Servjecing

16．Extra precaution should be observed in the input tube of the 1200 preampifier（type 1603 on 606）requires replacement。It．has been found that considerable variation in inherent noise level can be caused by tubes picked at random from stock．When replacing this tube，try several stock tubes，using the one giving the lowest noise readjag．Use the test circuit of Sketch $I_{\text {g }}$ wetching the output meter for the lowest possible reading。 Exercise care in replacing all other tubes as well．

17．If further semucing is nebessary remove the cables connected to the amplifier（either the 120P or the 121A）。A11 cables except the fillen ment leads can be reached 鸣 removing the rear end plate；the filament leads are resched by remoring the front panel of the rack cabinet．＇Then take the entire chassis out of the Rack by removing the four nuts holding the chassis and the Lord Hounts to the tray．The nuts are located under the trag．When the amplifier has been serviced and is replaced make certan that the cables do not interiere with the shock mounting and tithe the amplifier fioats freely．

Gain and Undistorted Output Measurements
18．At least once each week each channel should be checked for over－all gain and maximum undistorted voltage output．To do this a．signal generator should be connected to the terminals on the top panel o Pack I marked SIG GIWT．IIM．Pushing the proper channal control switch down will place the signal generator across the input of the chanel unden test．Whe signad
gencraton should be womineton with 600 phas and a entatiod cetle shonid
 least as Iow as 0001 yolus shoula be tied into the chemsh fow frequencies betraea 30 eps and 500 cpa.
19. The wave shape of each frecuency should be observed on an oscilloscopa comected acrose the systen bus at any conventent potnt, such as the signaz input terminal sorip to the astonatic switching unity the shgmal input to
 volume control and the Jus a control should be set at O. The opermall
 and no distortion should be evident.

## Channel Anvititer Pomer Supolies

20. Fach chennel has its own plate and filament suoply. The AC nains for these supplies are separatoly fued on the fifth panel irom the top of Rack 1. All the fuses on this panel ercept those labeled ? Worn mo Mo 2

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 smply, designed to fumnish 250 volts DC to both amplifiezs of one chamel. The plate supply cerminaj strip is behind the chassis and plate while the 120-volt AG input is located at the front end of the l8A poner supply. The 18A uses a 274 rectificr which can be replaced by a type 80 tube. Note that the 48 Amplitier is shock-mounted. The negative ( $B=$ ) sicie of the high voltage supply should be grounded at the 120 and the 121 A temanal. strips.
21. The 6.3 volt $A G$ fillament supoly from the 28 A is not usad, and insead a. 7-volt DC power supply ( $\mathbf{F i g}$ 。 42) suppies the 1200 and 121 A filaments. This power supply uses a selenzum rectitier. An "on-off" suritch is mounted on the rear end plate of each of the 7-volt chassis so that the supply which is not in use may be turned offy prolonging the ifife of the rectivier. Ir constant use over a lome period of tine consicerably decreases the output of the rectifier it can be increased dy changing the 110-volit AC connection from tap 4 to tap 3 on the rear etrminal stoip. with the 10 comected to tap 4 the normal filament voltage is 6.3 volts under load; in this voleage is slightly high it car be reduced by adjustine the variable resistor in the heater supply, mounted on the rear tarminal strip. This resistor nomally has a value of one ohm, The negative teminal of each 7-rolt supply is grounded to the chassiso Mote, in Iater unitat the ane ohm resistion walocated on the under side of the oressab.

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Cumpori Gondensens heving etotal capacity of 12,000 microterade are connected across the output of the 7-volit DC supply. Although these are lom-roltage concensems, they neyentieless store considerable energy over a long period of operation. Thersfore hande filarient leads with cane, even after the unit has been turned of fior some time.

## THME TONE AMPLIFTER

## Description

24. The time tone amplifier (rig. 43) is the distribution center for the entire SORAP receiving system, as can be seen in Figs. 3 and 120 It is located on the third shelf from the top of Rack $l_{\text {. The output of thich w }}$ ever channel is in use is fead through the BUS TOIURS control to this amplifier and is then distributed fron the system bus to the vaxious recorder umits by mens of selective suitchingo
25. The time rone amplifier contains:
(a) A headphone monitor amplifier for monitoring the signal on the bus or the signol phayed back from che magnetic tape recorden. A jorm frequency rise equalizer courters the falling offo of the headphone response at Iow frequencies. A jack on the front of the thira panel from the top of Rack I is fed from the monitor amplifiero
(b) A 3-kc oscillator, the output of which is controzzed by the Hamilton breakmincuit chronometer, to time index the magnetic tape recorders.
(c) A 2.5-kc to 3.5-kc band-pass filter used to separate the 3-ke tine-tone index from the recorded signel when the magnetic tape recorder is played back onto the highimpeed graphic level recorder.
(d) A time-tone amplifier and rectinier which amplifies the 3-ke tone separated by the bandmpass fillter and converts, st into DC. A volume control for this'emplifier is located on the roight rear corner of the chassis and is adjusted to provide good tine indexing on the high-speed graphic level recorder when the magnetic sape recorder is played back.
(e) A timentick pulse amplifier which cperates the tine indexing relays on the sound level recorders whenever a pulse is initiated by the break-circuit chenometer. The second stage of this amplifier
( $\mathrm{V}-202$ on Fig: 43) operates the index relag of the slow-speed recorder when suitsh 3.201 TO Ragonne is in either the $5 U S$ ow the Theor, posítion The first stafe (V-101 on Fig, 43) is energized by the chronometer when switch 8.101 TO FEOORDEF is in the JiSG positions and by the rectified 3-ko pulse from the megnetis tape

(f) A Lo5-ke low-pess filter which pesses only the signal being played back from the magnetic tape recorder, allowing it to be recorded on the high-speed graphic level recorder.

## Servicing

26. Normaly, the only servicing required by the time tone amplifier will be occasional tube replacement. If more extensive servicing is necessary the amplifier can be taken from the rack by removing the fous screws holding it to the tray. The control knobs must be removed from the front, but it is unnecessary to remove the front panel. The time tone amplifier employs three 6.55 tubes, tivo $6 S 57$ tubes, two 6 V tubes, and one $6 \times 5$ tube。
27. The chronometer time control and phone monitor power supply (Fig. 44) furnishes all opereting voltages to the units described in paragraph 24 。 It is loceted on the left side of the second shelf from the bottom of Rack 1. It emplogs a tro-section filiter with condenser input and supplies a 260-volt DC plate voltage and a'6.3-volt AC filament voltage. Negative bias voltage is available between terminals 16 and 17 and is controlled by the break-circuit chronometer to obtain time indexing on the original tapes of the sound level recorders. Bias voltage is varied by means of $\mathrm{m}-202$, located on the under side of the power supply.
28. The IIO-volt AC input to this power suppiy is rused at 5 anperes on the front panel of Rack 1 by the center fuse labeled TTME TONE SUPPIY. This fuse also controls the 120 -volt AC for Rack 2. To remove the power supply for servicing, disconnect the cables to it (all are at the rear of the chassis) and remove the four screws located under the tray beneath the four corners of the chassis. This power supply uses a single 5U4 tube.

MONTTOR AMPLIPTER AND LOUD-SPEAKETR
29. The 124 A monitor amplifier; used only to drive the monitoring loudspaaker, is located on the botton shelf of rack 1 . Its input comes from the Cannon receptacle marked Vontros on the rear of the Time Tone amplifier chassis. A SPFAKER VOIJIE control to regulate the output level from the speaker is loceted on the bottor Pront panel of Rack 1.
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 anmlifiers cheok thas Rusing the chascis is bolico to the tray bef foun bolts at the four corners or the top of the chassis. Thess bolts pass through the chesais ent boren into the trey.
31. RiE. 45 js the atroutit schomatic of the 12hi amplinion d lonu frequency zise equalitur comonsates for the falling off of the monitor speaker response at lav Frequencies. The amplition's nozral orerall gain is $50 \mathrm{db;}$ its maiminn undetorted pornay output is epporimasely 12 watts; and its outpre noise level should be about 35 db below one milunaty.
32. The 12k anplition uses the following ounes:



3. The montom speckers a 15-inch kiree Lansing permanen megne spearex housed in a bess reflex cahinet (fig. 28), should be loozted to euit the como renionae of the stabion operator. The output of the l2ha anplifzery arail. able at the reak of Rear I at the risht-hand sicie of the amplifier chassie (Fig. 3) is sonected to the spaker by a cable furnished with the speaker. The monithor provides an excenient anc rapide means of cheoking for chane? nojes, since ang change in the backgrownd notse cherracteristic of the thannel being used will be imnediately hearc by the operatom.

## AUTOMATC STTOETR URTM

## Operation

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 operetor and suitches on the motons and time Ander contal relajs of the tho grapinc level recordeas. Fig. 46 is a scromatic diagren of the Automatio Switching Unist。 The unit employs two etages of amplificattons the second of which works into a tuned circuit that is resonant de 175 cyracen This circuit controls the grid of a tyoe 2050 thytatron tube. Nomally, tha In grid voltage on the thyratron, which can be varied fron - 32 volts to 0 volts by means of a control marled Burcuryor on the front panel (fig. 17) is set at such a value thet ebout - - to -2 volts DO are on the gaid. This voltage just suffices to block the tube end teep it. Iroun Ring.
35. When a signal containing energy building up to 175 etycles is received it is ampliflied and passes through the tuned camouit to the grad of tha thyratron. As soon as the magniture of the emplified signal eroeeds the predetermined voltage, the thyratron fires and plate cument ilons, energiang
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36. The re ay also combletes the IICuralt 40 efrentt wo conct wich in plugged int the stonp tt the rean or the sound lavel reconcer divantay below the a bometic switching unito This necepocle supplies pomer to the sound Ivel recorlex motor and to the fo reley controlling the trangufer of power to the tine zindering sybtern a secom cable bridges acros: the twistwlock receptacle cable at the rear of the sound level recorder and cerries the $A C$ aureent to the motore and AO control trolay of the Eraphic level recorder in Rack 30
37. Anothes cable at the back of the sitithing unit chaschs (P-60Z in Fig. 18) supplies 110 volts are to the aworatio switching unit whith hes a selta contained poners suply built on its chessis. the power swituh (Sm02) is on the front panel (Figo I7)。A voltuge ragulator hube prevanta fluctuations in roltage from fiting the unit.
38. The signal input comes irom the systen bus and is Ied in through a. terminal strip mapled JupJT on the nighe rear comer of the ohassis (figo 18) A Hotive ootrol. located on the lett of the pront panel (Fig. I7), controls the level of the signei input into the unit. Nomelus. thass control is placed close to its meximan setring.

Sensitiosty Adgustnent

 rotated clockuse until the thgretron inires, It is then turnew back yery slightig and the unit is rese\%. The marimum sensitrivity mill be just below the point where selfunotse aines the thyratron and at the point where the operator can reset the unit mithout reducing the sensitzuity rumther. The sensitivity will probebly be close to 9 on the scale when this edjustment is achieved.

## Resetting

40. To reset the unit after it has fired; push in the FưT arsmbution

dejonize the 2050 tube. In the tube tires again when the weset button 33 released, reduce the sensitivity setring slightly and repeat the resetting.

## Servicing

4l. The autometic smitching unit is bolted to the front panel and can be
remoted fow sempicing by remoting the front penel retaining swews，The unit contajns two 6.5 tubes，one 2050 tube，one TR150 tube，and one 533 tube。

## GAPETC TETEI RECOROMS

## Descrintion

42．The tro power Level graphe level retorders are located in the aenter sections of Recks 2 and 3 （rige。 7 and 20）。 Figh， 47 is a schenatio diagram of e reconder ofreutit These recorders provide a risual or graphic resordings on wawedopapex tepe，of the shot arrival as pecented at the hycrophone and amplified through either chanel。 The tapes are tine indered along the righta hand edge of the amplified tine inpuises riom the break－cirouit chronometer．

43．Both recorders are mounted on extenston tracks so that thef may be pulled out bevond the nomal cabinet panel face（figo．8）：The upper helf of eadn recorder panel folds back on the lowe half，conceating the hinge and arom
 fatilitate sliding the recomders out．whin the latokee on the sliding trama drop into stops．To retum the reeorders to the eabinet press dom on the latch handes on the mosing slides and push easily on the whole unit until it moves back into the gabinet．

4．The graphic level mecorder in Rack 2 is nomails refermed to as the
 second．The graphe iovel recorder in Reck is momally refered to as tre ＂high－speed＂recorder and operates at ten mo per second．prouiding a tine base imice the Jength of that of the roblowspeedr waorder．The whigho speedir recorder is used to recond the playmbek of elther of the two nagnetiu tape recorders．

45．When the signal strength of a chot amoval rises above the background noise the autoratio suritobing unit will inve，tuming on the motors of botw graphac jevel recorders and astuabing the time indering stylus．If the thigh－apeedr reaorder has tus control smitch tumed off homevers and


## Explanation of Operation．

46．A canelur analpsis of the arout conections will explain the opena tion of the＂siow－＂and＂hatiompeen＂graphre level reconders．The two switches on the right front comine of each recorder chessis marked ATP and HOTOR control the recorder operation（Fig．23）o when the fotill suitch is in

 to the reconder amplifier and the zecorder notor．When the mop swith is off，no power tilll be supplied to ajther the amplifier or notor and the recorder will not respond when the autometio suitching unit fires．


4B. A study of Fig. $3 \mathrm{~S}^{3}$, level meconder is pemanenty bridged cionss the systern bus and thet ezeeph for the raception of brozdosst time signals, it camot be energiaed from ang other source, The "hish-speed" racorders on the other hands can be



 Rack I (Tigo 2)s the tine tone mplifier chassis.

## Soeed Controls

49. Docated to the left and slightiy back of the power control amithes is a geas box with tro indicator knobs on its top (Tig. 23). The leat knob is labeled spThte and comtrols the speed with which the scribar nowes acmoss the tape。 In the center or position it disengages the scriber:

 position, a left position of and a rajen position of ha
50. With these two knobs paperwape deliverg speeds of 1.5810, and 50 mm per second nam be owetned. The nomel position for the fision-speed grapha
 speed control on so mis sominatzon gives aresulting peper tape spech of



This combination gifics a resulting peper tape speed of 10 moper seconan
5ho Although it is possinle to use the Mrumiz control to sters ana shop the paper feed, the controls should in general be get as cesmibed abote betore the recorder is tumad on. If the tatatt? oontrol is used Lor ataring and stopping, the tine indexing spece taterval should be mearured to see that 䜣remains at 500030 mm per second. in the interval changes the time evaluation winl be impeined. Too man Iorce exertad on the control knob to efiect clutch engeement mag introduce a sifght bind in the paper tape feed and ariect the spacine of the time inderes. Thas diffacuty is not so likely to occus mith the 10 mm per seconc speed aetting as with the

5 mm speed．The shot arpival time evaIuator（sea paragraphs 108 through 114 below）should be used to chock the tine index interval for both speeds
 or

## Inserting Faper TEpe

52．Just to the left of the clutch control system is the index relay and writing siglus carriage assembly（Fig。23）。 Normallys the cexriage is latched into place，the latch control lever being just to the right of the relsy coil．Then it becomes necessary to insert a new roll of paper， the carxiage assembly must be unlatched by gently pulling the latch control lever to the left and at the same time raising the assembly which is piyoted at the lefthand side．To prevent the writing pen from dropping from ite guide，with possible infury to its sapphire writing tio，it must be set at 20 on the writing scale bsfore the carriage is lifted．place a new roll of paper on the spindle behind the carriage，being sure that the holes along the paper edge are properly lined up over the drive sprockets located in reont of the carriage assembly．化保 the paper is in place，gantiy lower the cariage assembly and make certain that it latches properly．It will be noted that along the lower side of this carriage assembly is a row of short，pointed pins which are spring loaded（Fige，24）．These pins engrave equally spaced db division lines along the length of the paper，so that the level of the signal with respect to background，etc．，can be determined．

## Protective Relay

53．Mounted on the upright metel strip wich shields the tubes from the paper－drive system just described is another relay．This relay operates on 215 volts AC and controls the indexing relay on the carriage assembly． Its coil is connected across the recorder motor and it is thus activated by the HOTOR switth。 It was installed to prevent the incexing relay from operating when paper is not being fed through the machine，causing the indexing stylus to dig into the stationary paper and stopping the paper from feeding freely at the arriyal of a shot．Make certain that the cables to this relay do not impair the paper tape feed．

## Changing the Signal Inout Potentioneter

54．To the left of the carriage assembly is a box with two small knurled knobs and two binding poses at one end．This is the signal inout potention meter，arross which the signal from the bus is applied．The potentiometer can be removed by unscrewing the two knurled eastening knobs and lifting up．Pins are located on the botton of the potentiometer to facilitate rew placement．When changing the potentiometer do not serew the knupled knobs too tightly or the sliding axm mill bind．
 This neans tha the Ab Ane tuseribed on the recouding peper are 7 I/2 dib apauts gital g a tokel of 75 fow the writing micith of the papera A $0-50 \mathrm{db}$ potent onetcu is included In the spare parts ior each statzon, This should de used oniy when wery weak signels ape being received. When the $0-50$ : b potentioneter hs used the IKnes on the mecording paper
 of the paper. Care should be taren when handing the potentioneter to see that the contact traing, located oin the underside, is not damaged in ang vay. The slider arm contact moves across this train to wary the potentiometer resistence. Each meek both contact train surface and slider axa suriace should be deaned with carbon tetrachloride to keep contact resisu tence at a minimurn.

## Switch Box and Amolifies

56. Directly in front of the signalabput potentiometer is a grey bow with two phone jacks and e switcho The leit jack reoeptecle lebeled Fus Wouttore is comeoted across the output of the channel in use, and is for monjtoxing purposes. Only erysial headphones should be used here, the other jack receptacle labsled a allows the output of a radio receiver to be fed to the recorden ion recording radio time signals from the Bureau of Standards standard frequency station Why on the recorder tapes when making a chronometer correction. While this is being done, the springm-loaded switch between the jacks must be held in the futho tusth position' This eliminates all signal except that from the radio receirer. which may then be read against the brealroipouit ohronometea time tioks.
57. Across the rear of the chassis behind the shield supporiting the 1250 volt AO relay are the rerondermamplifier tubes, with the ertepoion of two which are located under the chassis.

## Sensitivits Adjusinent

58. On the top of the chassis between the DC hrinzammeter and the AC porero plug is a screw-driver adjustment labeled Smatmurho This controls the sensitivity of the writing pens and normally is turned fully clockrise for maximum sensitiviity。

## Checking for Fratio Behayior

59. The meter, a. DO Millianmeter ( $10=0$ - 10) 。is a signalwindicating deviac in the writing circuits. If the mechanical operation of the recorder is correct the meter will sead about 0 when a steady signal is applied with the notor tumed off and the intonsity o the input stranal wasted, the mater should deflect to koth sices of the centar position approwimately squelly. This indicates that the mpliftem ciecui's of the rerosder is functomine normoly.
60. If the cheok on mantic oporation fndicatos that the sound lerel recordon is not functioning properiz and the ceuse is not onvious (ionon a defectire tuben defective condensero etco) sthe solonotidmondo magnetza clutch cosls should be tested for continutty Reference to pig. 47 m 11 show their eircuitiunction and give thetr DC resistance as apporimetely 2200 ohms; Theyt pinsical Iocation in the recorder is on the uncer side of the chassis, jusi above the selective clutch box. Theg are termineted near the 6H6 diods rectifien sub panel and ane aceessible yor contimity checks.
61. At the rear of each shelf containing a graphic level recorder is a metal strip on which terminals are mounted. To these are brought the cables containing the signal, the time indew pulses, and the 115 v AC supply controlled by the adomatic switching unit.

## Maintenance

62. Keop paper feed sprocket and guide rails free from accumulation of wa: and paper periomation chaps. Glean then aftci use each day or the war will harden and znteriere with the paper qeed on restarting the machine. $0 i l$ holes are indicated for Iubrication of the motor and ciutch assembly Use oill sparingly.
63. If it is desired to remove a graphtu leyel recorder from its shelif this nust be done from the rear. The front panel must be removed at the hinge mounting fastened just inside the slide track on each sides the rearmerm minal strip panel must be detached, and the unit must be pushed out though the back, while the latches located in each side of the suiding trantrang held up.

## Basic Construction and Operation

64. A briti description of the basic construction of the power Ievel graphic leyel recorder made by the Sound Apparatus Co, fay be of assistance in mainm taining bhts enstrunent in propex operating condition. It has three major parts:
65. Input Potentiometer This is the measuring derice; it determines the db. per division scale, and the dynamic range of the instrument:
 the Ineaw rectifier, and the DC amplifics which controls a pair or
 and the writung somider.

30 Recorijng techontrg, This consists of the selective teed paper tape
 wrîing scriber。
65. Sketch 6 shows schematically the relationship or these major paris.


Skeroh 6 - Schematic - PoIn Graphacevel Recoxar

The function of the recorder is as $10 l l o w s$. When a signal volitage is impressed across the input potentiometer it is amplifed by the A0 amplifier and converted to pulsating DC by the hinear xertirier. This variable DC voltage, after being fumther anplified by the $D S$ amplitiers is irporessed across a bridge circuit which controls the cursent in the solenoids of the magnetic clutch end energizes a train having the input potentiometer slider at one end and the writing scriter at the other. The input potentiometer functions to maintain the bridge in belance, tions causing the miting seriber to follow signal input variations. The scifber engraves a record of ita movement across a waxed-paper tape.
66. Wach Power Level graphic recorder uses the folloring tubesn 2 type 6SF5s 1 tgpe 6r7, 2 type 6N7, 2 type $6 \mathrm{H}_{6}$ I type $6 \times 5$.

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67. The tine indexing mechanas which is a part or each graphic Ievel recorder is so important to the successiul opemstion of the monitor skation that the tollowing section is devoted to its operetion and adjustment。

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 especially to be noted that the gauge plete on the lect hes no stopg thus allowing the witing sariter to operate to fore posiaton.

## Alicred Recorder

69. Fis. 23 shows an altersd resorder with the tine indexing mechenism in place. Hers a stop plate fon the mituing scmiber hes been adced. The stoo plate must be adjusted so that the miting scriben oleans the timing staplus shank. The sinand must oparete betwean the 0 db treas ent the perforeted holes in the tape.

## Tining Straus Meohanism

70. Fig. 24 is a hromt wien of the timing stylus mehanion mourted on the
 the top of the relag solenoid is olseanly shown at the uper might The
 magnet bar froely. and yes zeturn its to the onf position mithout seidkgg.
71. The pocition of the magnet bar in zelation to the horitantal holding plate ls important beceuse the guiding hinge sjots in the ingne bax must be free to move in the homizontal phate, and yet must not ailow the magner ber to becore disengaged.
72. Fig. 2t also shows the thming stalus shank dt the right of the latoh lever. This shank makes possible a verohcal adjustment for the fiming stylus. Pow this adjustment the lock mat is Ioosened and the shank is screwed either up ow down to permit legible bine inderes without tearing the paper. It is very importent that the thming stolus be perpendicular to the paper tape. If meeessery, the spring on the timing atyins slide bar cen be bent to meet this requirement. the tension of the tintug styius slide bar spring against the paper tape is important, but this spoing canot be finally adjusied until all ocher adjustments are compieted.
73. F2g。 24 clearly shows the marking pins below the writing sariber bracket which impress the dblinea on the maxedmpeper tape Spring tension on the individual mawing pins nusi be enough to pernit legible maming but not enough to ters the papen" Accunulation of waz zestius muth not be permitted.

## Bottom Viey

740 Fig. 25 is a view of the bottom of the meiting scminem bracket with the timing stylus mechanion attached, The upper part or the piotograph shows the two terminal serews on which the index reley feed wires teminate. Directly below the terninal screws are the two screws for the horizontal
 the use of these scorus the temstion of the spming enension rem the magnet bar can be adjusted to loneve the timing stylus shank so thet it operates freely in the clearance hole。 The zden position of the armature from tha magnet bar ts with the gap as small as possible with the sliding bar at the rest position. At the end of the shatre of the slidiag bar the timing stylus sham sleere shonld just clear the opening in the plete in mhich is operates. Ton much tension either front or back will ceuse the mevhanism to bind.
75. In the Iower part of Fig. 25 are shown the two adjusting sorevs which hold the guide plates 100 the timing stolus slide bar, The adjustnent here allows a crosswise movenent of these plates so that both the timing strius shank and the magnet bar spming can be adjusted centrally with the sliaing bar and the moiting scribero

## End View

76. Fig. 26 , an end view of the reiay solenoids shows the magnet bar mith its spring, and the siglus shamis with the stylus projecting. It is to be noted that the magnet bar spring just barely clears the sida of the main stylus bracket and is also above the slot fox the writing scriber guide pino The end of the magnet bar spring thich fits the slide bar nust be clear of the slot in which the gride pin of the withing soriber operates.

## WACHFTI TAPE RBCORDFRS

## Iocation. Use and Conections

77. The magnetic tape recorders are Zocated in the lower' sections of Rack 2 (Fig. 7) and Fack 3 (Fig. 20). Thojr schematics are shom in Fizs., 48 and 49, and on panel and chassis inataita they are metemed to as mpronfouts. They consist on an amplifien and a. vicalloymape magauine.
78. Normallys one recorder is in constant operation, the other is turned. on by the station operator to maintain continuous station monitoming arter the operating recondex hes been switched to will to preserve a shot acrival. The magnetic sape recordes in use and amitohed to Rotorn is constanthy sem conding and erasing: it therefore recond the signal in its entirety. Simultaneouslys zt records the 3 -ke pulass fron the chronometer time control unit。
79. The signal input lead. to each Mirnophone Is from the receptacle on the rear of the chrononeter time controi. and phone monitor chassis labeled 2uTH TMRiOP. 2st. Ansol. It is plugged into the jach receptacle marked SIGNAL THPUT on the fromi panel or the proper Rack (ejther Reck 2 or Raok 3, Figo 6 or 9), and the signal is applied dirently to the input of the tape

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recorder amplifier. The 3-kc tone pulses are applied to the final stage of the ampinier, the 3-1ic input leads being terminated on the two leftm hand binding posts of the terninal strip on the trear of the tape magazine. The 3-ko signel. Lead cones tron the receptonle on the zear of the the tone
 minals on the strip mounted on the recm of the tape unt are the maghetw tape recorder outprt leens. These teminajs are conaeted br cable to the

80. During playback, both the signal and the 3 me indexing as recorded on the tape recorder are fed to the time tone amplifiex. Here the shot-arrival signal is separated from the 3 we signal by a lowpass filter and applied to the inout of the high-speed sound level recordex when the suitech on the frome of the time tone amplifien TO REGORDER is switched to the IMRPOR position. The $3 m \mathrm{k}$ tone is filtered out, amplifed, then rectivied, and finelly applise to the time-indering relay on the highspeed soun level recorders causing its pulses to reproduce on the paper tape, in its identical relation to the shot sighal as recorded originaligy on the magnetic tape recorder.

## Discinction Between Wirrophone and CeItron

8l. It is desirable at this point to explain cleariy the term mixrophonen.
 fox their model of the magnetio tape reoorder. Then construction of the Sophr station was begung these were the only types of magnetio tape recorders knom to be awalable; hence, all neme plates and recerences concerning the tapa recorders were marked "ritrophone". Honeverg it wes discovered that not enough Mirmophones were araileble; consecuenty anothen trae of magnetio iape recorder was obtained bearing the trade name of rCaltron" (Fig. 4.8),
82. Basically, the "Mmophone" and the "Galtron" are icientical. The tape magarines are alike with these etwo eroepions:
a. The tape on the "Caltron" is a Iftute longer than that on the "hirrophone".
b. The recording head on the "Coltront contoins a humbucing ojx in series with the record-playback coil.
83. The major difference between the thamophonet and the MCaltron is in the amplifier, the sinirophone has a tru-stage audio anplifier, and utilizes DC for erasing purposes. The "Catiront has a threemage ampintiex. and employs a 25 me oscillator to furnish AO erase. The added stage in the "Caltron necessitates the insertion of 'a. Lo dod fined attemator at the input to the amplifier to prevent overloading and distorting of the signal.
840. In both Mirrophone" and "Celtranti units, exasing is accompIshed only during the recording process. The tape passes through the erese head just before it reaches the recording head (facing the tape unit rrom the rears
 any sieniai is recorded on it．Duning paybact，the erase circuit is inoparátive。

85．For simpluatys the magetic tape recorder vill hereantar be referred
 of the thrmpohone＂and the＂Caltron＂s dimert rexerence wit be made to the indivicual inition any case，each installation mill contain either two＂Caltronss＂or tho mitsrophoneso

## Operation

86．On the front of the wifrophone are its operating controls．Two 廿oluras
 at about ．07t）and ons for the 3malabeled ？R．C．Vo．（nomally set at mertoumin．On the celtron the powem corivol swith is on the signal volumg Control：on the Rixraphone it is on the 3－ks signal control．Thes sintah turns on the power to both the magnetis recorder amplifjer and tape unit mosor＂

87．The large indicator knob on the front panel Iabeled Mjer is connowad to a 2.5 ropomo clock by a slipping sleeve engagenent thith permits its to be moyed by hend ruithout damage to the clock itself．Vinen recording is startad on the ITirrophone，this indicator is set at ancos，and is then meed as an indication of recording time available the indicatom nakes one
 able on the magnetic tape neporcen is too minutes and travertuo seponds Aften this time，the first part on the signal recorded thl be evased since switching zizll consume some time，it is necessary to consider two minutes and tixteen seconds as maximun recomding time determined as aoproximately 3／4 of a complete revolution ram any starting posision of the time indicatoro knob．

 ready to record the signal and 3me time tone prisea applied to it。 When the：SWHCHOR is in the Ford position the megnetic tape recorder is neither recording nor reproducing although the motor is operetine．It is inte stand－ by condition and the previousily recorled signel is preserved on the tape untal the operator desires to play it back．In the piAMBACK position the ampinier output is sutched irom the recording head to the time tone amplifiers and the redording on the tape is made availmble for the re－recording operation on the highospeed sound level recorder．During playback the 3 KoC ．Voce control must be turned back to 1 or off positjon for this control．but not for the switch which is part of ito

89．On the panel directly above the magnetic tape reconder pariel a tiningo Yye tube visual indicator is located（ igs． 6 and 9）\％Thzs eye affords a
means of cheching the level appied to the recording head of the Mitrophone. In the case of the caltron recorder, the ege sensitiority can be adjusted. Acess to this adjustuch is obtaned by renoving the ront panel of the
 beneath the ; " . ". For bevt ancivetion the epe shoura juat alose at the peak of a signal - regardiess of the possibility that the 3-ka tone pulise may cause the-eje to ovemlap. In the case of the 3 -kce tone pulse,
 there is no eye sensitivity adjustment。
90. On the same pancl whth the trangome indicatory just beneath tha tobe, a jack receptacle will be found marked WWI ONTX Whis jack is across the grid circuit of the outph tube of the maznetio tepe recorder ampisjer so
 instrument shoula be plnged into this juch in a lod inpodance inatrunato is used the dirrophone dill fajl to reaord properly.
91. Continuons operation of the magnetic tape reooxders will canse the pole pieces in the recording head to become dull as a result of constant fuiction against the tape: If they become extremaiy dulls the tape signalmomoise ratio as mell as the high-trequeroy response will be considerabl. deoreased. For this reason. the second Mirrophone is not put into operation until a signal arrives。
92. When the station is first installed, the operator should record prom gressive frequencies at intervals between 20 cycles and 5,000 cycles on the tape by connecting an audio shonal generator into the Mirrophone input, maintaining the same recording level for each frequency and keeping a log of all control settings. This test is important, After recording these frequencies, connect an output neter across the rimophone ouputs swith the Hirrophone to PLAMPACK, and note on the output neter the level for each frequency. These values cen be plotted against frequency on logarithmine graph paper if desired, and the eurve retained for future reference.
93. This response test should be repeated every two meeke, using the same levels as in the original test. Compare the values obtained with the original. values. They will probably be somewhed lower then the original. giving an indication ot the condition of the pola pieces. If the response at $3-k$ has dropped at least 10 db , the pole pieces are dull and should be replaved. The U. So Navy Undematen Somd Laboratory at New Tondon, Coneminuty sinoul $\alpha$ be notified, whereupon a new recording head rill be shipped. upon receipt of thisg remore the head containing the dull pole pieces and return it to USN USL, The pole pieces mill appear llat. Thej are homever ground to a simpll witical ongles, which the pole piece makes with the tape.

Tape Repair and Upkeep
94. The most vulnerable part of the ingaveste tape recordes is the tape
itselr．If the tape shoula beeak during operetiong it winl probably be kinked so that nothing can be cione to repair it．The tape unit must be remoted and sinipped to USIV UST for the installation of a new tape．If it is accjdentally broken then the unjt is not in operationy，解 may be temparaxily repaired by soldering the broken ends together．This is only a temparany measure，however：because the joint win tend to throw the pole piedea away from the tape as the tape passes between themo Sfnoe these pile pieces are under spring teasions they may again shear the cape as they spring back into place．Nomelly，the tape ends are welded and the joint diessed dom kntil smooth．If it is in any may poastra to do acs tho tapy unio should be fevurnaz to USN USL for repeir．

95．To prevent rusting，the tape is oiled by an autometic reservoir in which oil is filtered，stored，and distributed constanky thale the manine is operatingo This oil supply will require replenishing every two to three months．Do this with the machine inoperative。 Remove any dich or debris which may have collevted in the oil pan located directly below the pole pieces and drop 20 to 25 drops of fine grade mashine oil（sush as seming mamine oil） into the pan．

## Servicing the Amplifier and Recorder

96．With the exeeption of cccastonal tabe replacement the amplifier should require little servicing．It is located directly in front of the tape unit with which it is connected by three cables．One cable is the power cable from the motor，terminating in a plug which fits into a socket on the amp chassis．The second cable goes rrom the amplifier to the recording head un the tape unit and may be disengaged at the recording head end．The third cable goes from the amplifiez to the terminal strip on the back of the tape unit．Before the tape unit or the amplifiex can be removed，these cablea must be disconnected．

97．The tape unit can be removed from the rear of the rack by removing the five screws which bolt it to the tray．These are located below the tray at the four corners and rear center of the tape unit．The amplifier unit may be removed from either the front or baik by removing the control knobs at the front and the four screvs which bolt it to the tray．These are under the tray at the four comess of the amplifier．When the enplifier is－removed from the front it is necessary to remove the iront panel．The recordingepe indicator tube is connested permenently to the amplifier unit by a cable； When the amplifier is recoved this eye indicetor tube rusi be slipped from the bracket which holds it to the panel and the VoT．V．J．jeck receptaale must be unscrewed．

98．The tape unit motor is connected to a speed reducing pulley by means of a belt。 The pulley in turn is conneoted to the main drive pulley by another belt．This drive mechanism is located on the side of the tape unit nearest the amplifier．Tension on the drive belt is adjusied by moving the motor on its sliding base wher long use has caused the belt to loosen．
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99. The tube complenent of the amphisiens for each type of magnetic recorder is as follows:

| ITRPOPLOIE | CALTTROT |
| :---: | :---: |
| One 683 | One 65.77 |
| One 676 | 0ne 6sar |
| One 695 | Two 60.6 |
| 0 ne 685 | One 6E5 |
|  | One 6x |

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100. A Hamilton break-bircuit marine Chronometer (Figo 2J) o housed in a chielded compartment, is located on the sliding tray at the top of Rak 3. Two stop positions on the extension tracks permit the chrononetex to be slid out for the convenience of the operator, both for operating ease, and for rewinding. In additions, holdwdown serew on the front right side permiss the slide tracks to be secured et an intemediate position and prew vents accidental jar or novement to the sliding tray.
101. The break-cireuzt Chromonster is mounted in its normaz mood bor receptacle. The cover has been removed, honever, as the sliding corer to the shielded compartrent prorides duple semmity for the chronometer and
 rewinding:
102. The function of the breaknoircut chmononet is to intermpt the negative bias epplied to the tubes of the time tick pulse amplifier (time tiok DC) s allowing the tubes to conduct once eech second, eriept the $59 t h$, in eath minute.
 ing styłu on the graphic level recorders.
103. At the serse tine the reled in the ouvput circuit of the 3-ke psojl7atom In the time tone amplifier is actuated, and 3 kre pulses. in synchronism with the Chronometer, are recorded onto whichever magnetic tapa recorder is operem
 are simultaneously recorded en one-second intervals.
104. A nomally closed suttcin is located in the right-inont comer of tha Chronometer box. This is the shot signal armival soding switoh. Pressing this switch opens the bjes control circuit rammally and appizes a secondary time index to the graphic level recomder tapes and a secondary juke tone signel to the operating magnetio sape recorder. The code mark assists the station operator in deterning the azact tine at which the signal. arrined by identifying its position with respect to the adjacent one-second indexes from the breakoizeuit Chrononeter.

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105. At the right rear of the chronometer shelf a terminal strip for the time control cable is monted. Another terminal strip is monteo on the Inside botton of the chronometer boxis the chronometer wircuit terminates on this strip.
106. The Chronometer buppied as station equipnent is a standerd Navy type
 on a full minding. It shonid be placed into oparating service only by qualified personel. Mars prowedune fow bandung: winding, and setting a chronometer should be careftully adnexed ton A description of this procedure. Lies outside the scope of this kaintenance IEnual.
107. Whe following three rules must be strictly followsd by station personnel:
i. Hever let the chrononeter iun domis always wind it at regulax intervalss preferably once each day.
108. Never touch or interfere with the second hand Noter move ehe hour and minute hands counterclockrise.
109. Never yemore the chrononeter fron its case exeept for minding.

Further details concerning this type of marine Ghronometer can be obtained from the booklet entitied "Gare and Handing of the eter: " publishad by the Hemilton Watch Company at Lancaster, Pennsyltaniag $\mathrm{U}_{\mathrm{o}} \mathrm{S}_{\mathrm{A}} \mathrm{A}_{\text {. }}$ This booklet is avalable from the mamiacturer on request.

## SHOT ARRIVAS TTYT ETATUAOD

108. The accuracy with whith the source of an erplosion signal in a given area of triangulation can be deternined depends upon the Sopar station operator"s ability to time the arrival of the peak of each shot. The shot arrival time evaluator (Figo 27) is designed to enable the operator to do this timing accurately to one tenth of a second.
109. The shot arrival time evaluator resembles a slide rule. It has a body of wood with gaies on each end to clamp the paper tape from the graphio Ievel recorder tightig in place. The sliding indicator is of Iucite. It has two scales engraved upor it - one for use with. $5 \mathrm{~mm} /$ sec. tape speat, and the other for use with $10 \mathrm{~mm} /$ sec. tape speed. Two small metal posts are located at one end of the body. Whese are designed to fitit into the sprocket holes on each edge of the vared-paper tape, and thus eliminate error due to improper positioning of the tape in the evaluator.
 This scale is used when enalgzing tapes from the rislommpect grapho level

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 in Rack 3。．Whis will be the graphic level tape wecouding of the magnetie tape recorder playback．On one scale the second marks are 5 mo aparw，and on the other sosle these marles are 10 moo apamo

111．Io use the evaluator，the operator should let the graphic level recorders run for a sufficient length of tine chtar the resoming of the shot to include the next break－second and to jnsure adoguate length of wape for the evaluating device．The tape containing the recording of the shot should be at least 12 inches in length．

112．To Insert the tape into the rule，first determine the speed at which the tape was recorded（either 5．mm／sec or $10 \mathrm{~mm} / \mathrm{sec}$ ），and then slide the tape under the indicator so that the inder manks along the right edge of the tape appear just below the corresponding speed scale．Lift up on the handles located at each end of the body and lift the end gates out of the way．fit the sprocket holes at one end of the tape orex the small posts．0lose the end gate nearest these posts，being certain tit pulls the tape inmin in piace Whthout tearing the sprocket holes．tht the other end of the body again pull the tape finmly，arojaing eny tearing of the spictiot holes，ant olose the end gate．The tape is now ready for evaluation．

113．It will be noted that on either stale on the indicator thera are Iour difierent lengths of index lines，The long line is for Zocuting the findicator with respect to the peak amplitucie of the shot recording on the graphic level recordex tape．The next largest markings represent the l－second intervals： the next indioste the $1 / 2$ mecond intervalss and tirnelly the malaest lines are the $1 / 10=$ second intervals．

1140 When the graphic Level recorder tape contaning the recording of the shot has been properly located in the evaluetor，move the indicator until the longest line coincides with the eract point on the tape where the ebmpt fall－offin ingnal energy comences（see Figo 27）．Referming to the scale． count back the number of small divisions from the Iong line to the nearest previous second mark on the tape．The number of anall divisions milu pepresent the number of tenths of seancs ohnon nust be adcod to the wotal fame determ mined for the shot：

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115．In addition to the actual operation of the station as describsd in USL Report No．55，＂Long Distanea Sourd Ranging Equiphent（SOTAR）＝Instalam tion and oporming Hotes，＂it is the oparator＇s dutr to see that the station is in good condition and at al工 times ready to function for airoser rescue。 The operator should promptly report delests the the equipment which are beyond his responsibility to repair．
116. The station operator should nomally perform the following mantenanco dutiss:
i. Feep the sorar station log completely posted et all tires.
2. Notate the input channel and components in an estublished duty cycie.

3。 Replece fuses when necessary. This requires a knowledge of fuse size and location. All fuses mith the ereeption of that for the I2hA Honitor fmplifier are accessible irom the front panel of Rack lo The fuse $10 r^{2}$ the l24A amplifier is loceted at the rear of the amplifier chassis, ajacent to the Af input receptacle. Note that the original fuse (a Buss Fusestat) has beer replacea whth the Mrfole=Fuser tope。
4. Remove the accumlation of wax and paper residue daizy from the graphic level recorder peper tape feed drive.
5. Although it may be desirable to delegate the care of the breakcircuit chronometer to one responsible individual, each operator should note the condition of the mind of this instrument during his watch.
6. Measurement ox selfanoise generated in each channel can be readily made once meesuring equipront is set up for this purpose. This may be established as a daily duty perionmed by the staition operator.
217. As the station operator becomes familiar with the theory and operation of Jong distance sound rerging equpaents additional duties in the maintenance of the station may be experted of him. These, however, should not be of such a nature as to conflict with the prime necessity of determining the time of a shot aignal axival with maximum accuracy.

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118. Preventive maintenance, involving performance chectes on the various components of a sorsi steeton unt at specifice interwels, will not eliminate the possibility of electronic and nechancal breakdom, but will tend to minimize such occurrences.
119. The folloming suggested schedule of preventive maintenance and the intervals ot which each test should be made are subject to revision as dictated by actual operating experience mith SOEAR station equanment:
A. Deflr rests
 e noise check on each chennel.

2。Adjustment of sensitivity comtol on ausombis switching unito
3. Operation of grapbic lewel recorders to check writing response and time sincexing on both manual and autorastic motom switch posicions.
4. Operation of each magnetio tape recorder on recoras playback, and time indewingo
5. Operation of break oixoutit chronometer to cheok tine indexing and operation of code switch.
6. Cheok of headphone monttor position in Rackio
7. During duad channel ootration, monitoring aheek at each graphic level recoriar. using crostal headphones.

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I. Over-all gain chook bin each chansel (Paragman I7)
2. Cleaning of aliden orm on graphic level recordex potentio. meters with carbon ectrachionide。 (Paregrabh 54)

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1. Response west of the hagratit tepe remorders. (Pemagrapins 91 and 92)
2. Replenishment of oil supply in magnetc tape recorder oil reservoir.
3. Each test should be Zogged then pexiomed for subsequent conparison and reference. the periormences of the tests should tollow the procedure for each component as outlined in the manual.
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FIG. 6 - Rack Two, Front View


FIG. 7 - Rack Two, Rear View



FIG. 9 - Rack Three, Front View








FIG. 16 - Bottom View, Time Tone Amplifier Power Supply

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FIG. 25
BOTTOM VIEW OF
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FIG. 26
END VIEW OF TIMING STYLUS MECHANISM

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FIG. 27 - Shot Arrival Time Evaluator
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FIG. 28
MONITOR SFEAKER IN CABINET
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