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GENERAL DESCRIPTION

Model B17 is an eight-transistor, battery-operated, superheterodyne portable receiver designed for the Medium Wave Band. A socket is provided for connection of a car radio aerial or an external aerial.

Model B18 uses the same chassis assembly as B17 mounted in a moulded mantel cabinet. External aerial connections in this model are by means of the rear cabinet retaining screws.

Model B29 is an eight-transistor, battery-operated superheterodyne portable receiver. In relation to the B17 it incorporates new style cabinet construction, new dial scale and provision for Battery Saver connection.

ELECTRICAL AND MECHANICAL SPECIFICATIONS

Frequency Range
Intermediate Frequency 455 Kc/s
Battery Complement 9 volt battery type 2364
Battery Consumption: For zero audio output 14 mA For 50 mW audio output 50 mA For full audio output 110 mA Loudspeaker: Permanent Magnet No. 50090.
V.C. Impedance 80 ohms centre tapped at 400 c.p.s. Undistorted Power Output 400 mW

Controls:

Tuning Control—front left-hand. On/Off Volume Control—right-hand side.

Transistor Comp	olement:	
AWV 2N1636	or 2N1639	onverter
AWV 2N406		Overload
AWV 2N1634	or 2N1638 1st I.F.	Amplifier
AWV 2N1634	or 2N1638 2nd I.F.	Amplifier
AWV 2N406		st Audio
AWV 2N408		. Driver
AWV 2N217S		. Output
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Dimensions:	B17	B18	B29
Height	51/	4311	53"
Width	93"	91"	93"
Depth	31"	31/1	2311
Weight (with battery)	4 lbs.	3 lbs. 9 ozs.	4 lbs.

Component Removal and Replacement:

Always use a soldering iron which is very clean and just hot enough to achieve a quick soldering operation as prolonged application of heat will damage the printed wiring.

Before installing a replacement component, it is advisable to clear the contact hole by heating the contact area and pushing a tapered stainless steel wire into the hole. Small screwdriver kits are available on the market containing a suitable spiked bit.

To remove an I.F. transformer or oscillator coil it is desirable to have a suitable tip on the soldering iron as shown in Fig. 1. All seven connections on the transformer may be freed simultaneously and the transformer pulled from the board. This is the only satisfactory method: any other method using smaller irons will generally result in damage to either the board or the transformer or to both.

Transistors may be removed in a similar manner to the I.F. transformers using the $\frac{1}{16}$ " bit on the ORYX iron.

The coupling transformer may be removed by first disconnecting the five leads and then moving each mounting lug by approximately $\frac{1}{32}$ " at a time until both lugs are free.

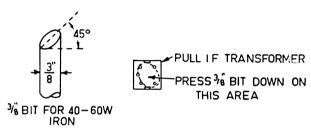


Fig. 1—Soldering Bit and I.F. Removal

CHASSIS REMOVAL

Remove the volume control knob which is a push-on fit.

Remove the tuning knob locking screw and remove the tuning knob.

On the portable model lift up the back flap and remove the battery. On the mantel model remove the cabinet back secured by two screws and remove the battery.

Remove the four 6BA nuts, lock washers and plain washers holding the chassis to the front escutcheon.

With firm pressure from the front against the gang spindle, free the pointer disc and lift the chassis and board assembly out of the cabinet.

Remove the five screws and lock washers securing the board, lift the ferrite rod out of its supports and the board may be raised and turned through 90° to give access to both sides for servicing.

Installation for both models is the reverse of the above procedure, making sure of the following points:

When replacing the board make sure that the battery stop bracket is in position under the bottom board mounting screw.

When replacing the pointer disc, turn the gang fully clockwise and screw the disc on with a clockwise rotation. When fully on, align the indicating line across the arrow heads on the dial scale.

Replace the tuning knob and secure it with the locking screw without disturbing the pointer setting.

Switch the receiver on and tune to some known stations. The pointer should fall across the centre of the station markings. If it does not, remove the tuning knob, readjust the pointer to accommodate the error and reassemble the knob.

MECHANICAL REPLACEMENT PARTS

ltem	Part No.	Item	Part No.
Chassis Assembly:		This includes the following items:	
Bracket, Battery Guide	63593 4551	Badge, A.W.A	61463 60930
	4331	Fret, Moulded	60923
Chassis Mounting:	400570	Plate, Front Die Cast	61496
Nut, 6BA	493560	Escutcheon Assembly, B29 (gold)	
Washer, 6BA I.T.L	921206 15722	B29 (silver)	
	13722	These include the following items:	
Gang Mounting:	000010	Badge, A.W.A. (gold)	
Grommet (3 off)	389262	(chrome)	
Lug, Earthing	439085 714010	Dial Scale	37972
Spacer (3 off)	39624	Fret, Moulded	60923
Washer, Plain (2 off)	13156	Plate, Front Die Cast (gold) (chrome)	
Support, L.H., Ferrite Rod	60933	Knob Assembly, Pointer	
Support, R.H., Ferrite Rod	60934	Knob Assembly, Tuning (gold)	
	00934	(silver)	
Case Assembly, B17	60218	Knob Assembly, Off/Volume, B17	
B18 (Series)	60217	B18	
B29	60242	B29 (gold)	63597
Case, Carrying, B18 (Series)	61450	B29 (silver) .	
		Screw, Tuning Knob Retaining (gold)	
Door, Battery, B18 (Series)	60932	(chrome) .	
Escutcheon Assembly, B17, B18	60916	Strap, Carrying, B17	61459

ALIGNMENT PROCEDURE

Manufacturer's Setting of Adjustments:

The receiver is tested by the manufacturer with precision instruments and all adjusting screws are sealed. Re-alignments should be necessary only when components in tuned circuits are repaired or replaced or when it is found that the seals over the adjusting screws have been broken. It is especially important that the adjustments should not be altered unless in association with the correct testing instruments listed below.

Under no circumstances should the plates of the ganged tuning capacitor be bent, as the unit is accurately aligned during manufacture and can only be re-adjusted by skilled operators using special equipment.

For all alignment operations, keep the generator output as low as possible to avoid a.g.c. action and set the volume control in the maximum clockwise position.

Testing Instruments:

- (1) Signal Generator, or
- (2) Modulated Oscillator.

If the modulated oscillator is used, connect a .22 megohms non-inductive resistor across the output terminals.

- (3) No output transformer is used in this receiver since the speaker has a centre tapped 80 ohm voice coil and is connected directly to the collectors on the output transistors. For output measurement, if an indication only is required, Output Meter type 2M8832, switched to 5000 ohms and connected across the output collectors, should be adequate. For correct reading of power output an A.C. meter, with neither probe earthed, connected ocross the output collectors will measure the voltage across the 80 ohms load. The normal alignment level of 50mW occurs when 1.4 volts is indicated on the A.C. voltmeter.
 - (4) I.F. Alignment Tool—Part No. 39462.

ALIGNMENT TABLE

ORDER	CONNECT "HIGH" SIDE OF GENERATOR TO:	TUNE GENERATOR TO:	TUNE RECEIVER TO:	ADJUST FOR MAX. PEAK OUTPUT
1	Aerial section of Gang	455 Kc/s	Gang fully closed	Cores in TR5, TR4 and TR3
	Repeat	adjustment until maximur	n output is obtained	
2	Inductively coupled to Rod Aerial*	600 Kc/s	600 Kc/s	L.F. Osc. Core Adj. (TR2)†
3	Inductively coupled to Rod Aerial*	1,650 Kc/s	Gang fully open	H.F. Osc. Adj. (C4)
4	Inductively coupled to Rod Aerial*	1,500 Kc/s	1,500 Kc/s	H.F. Aerial Adj. (C3)
	1	Repeat steps 2, 3 and 4.	ı	1

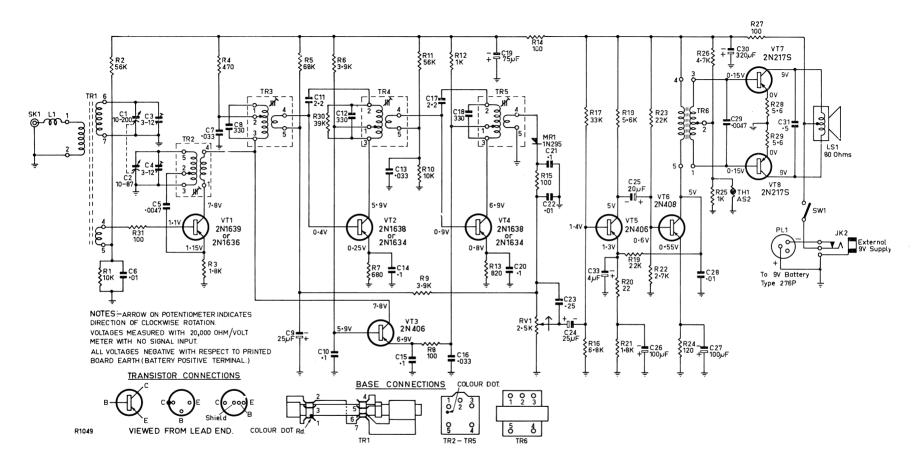
^{*} A coil comprising three turns of 16 gauge D.C.C. wire and about 12 inches in diameter should be connected between the output terminals of the test instrument, placed concentric with the rod aerial and distant not less than one foot from it.
† Rock the tuning control back and forth through the signal.

D.C. RESISTANCE OF WINDINGS

Winding	D.C. Resistance	Winding D.C. F	esistance
Aerial Choke L1	1.5	1st, 2nd and 3rd I.F. Transformers: Primary Secondary	_
Tertiary 4-5 Oscillator Transformer TR2: Primary 3-5 Secondary 1-4	1.2	Coupling Transformer: Primary Secondary	

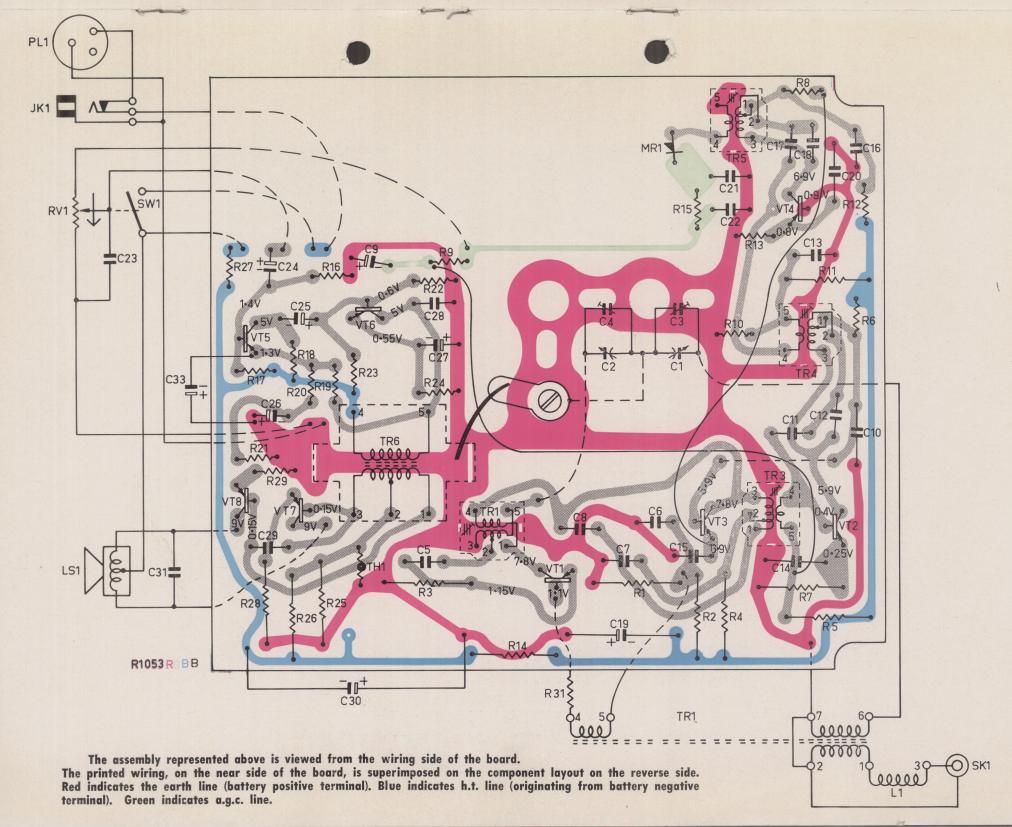
^{*} Less than 1 ohm.

The above readings were taken on a standard chassis, but substitution of materials during manufacture may cause variations and it should not be assumed that a component is faulty if a slightly different reading is obtained.



Circuit Variations

Jack SK1 fitted on model B29 only. In later production, C5 and C29 will be replaced by $.0039\mu f + 80\% - 20\%$ Hi-K disc 225859.



CIRCUIT CODE—RADIOLA PORTABLES B17 AND B29—MANTEL B18

CODE I	No.	DESCRIPTION	PART No.	CODE N	lo. DESCRIPTION	PART No.
		RESISTORS		C14	$0.1\mu f +80\% -20\% 25VW disc$	227074
				C15	$0.1\mu f + 80\% - 20\% 25VW disc$	227074
	All Resistors	±10% carbon unless other		C16	$0.033\mu f + 100\% - 0\%$ K6000 rect.	226738
R1	10K ohms	½ watt	612025	C17	2.2pf ±.5pf NPO disc	221494
R2	56K ohms	½ watt	615161	C18	330pf ±5% N750 disc	223715 229676
R3	1.8K ohms	뒾 watt	609077	C19	75µf 10VW Electrolytic	
R4	470 ohms	뒾 watt	606588	C20	$0.1\mu f + 80\% - 20\% 25VW disc$	227074 227074
R5	68K ohms	½ watt	615494	C21	$0.1\mu f + 80\% - 20\% 25VW disc$	228609
R6	3.9K ohms	½ watt	610556	C22	0.01\(\mu f \pm 20\) \tag{200VW Hunts W99}	229007
R7	680 ohms	½ watt	607281	C23	$0.25\mu f \pm 20\% \ 200VW \ Hunts \ W48$	229428
R8	100 ohms	½ watt	604031	C24	25µf 3VW Electrolytic	229307
R9	3.9K ohms	½ watt	610556	C25	20µf 10VW Electrolytic	229706
R10	10K ohms	½ watt	612025	C26	100 f 3VW Electrolytic	229706
R11	56K ohms	½ watt	615161	C27	$100\mu f$ 3VW Electrolytic $0.01\mu f$ $+80\%$ -20% Hi-K CDR 25VW	226372
R12	IK ohm	½ watt	608025	C28	0.01μ f $\pm 20\%$ Hi-K 25VW disc	225951
R13	820 ohms	½ watt	607665	C29	320µf 10VW Electrolytic	229776
R14	100 ohms	½ watt	604031	C30	$0.5\mu f \pm 20\%$ 200VW Hunts W48	229116
R15	100 ohms	½ watt	604031 611526	C31 C32	Not Used	227110
R16	6.8K ohms	½ watt		C32	4μf 4VW Electrolytic	228189
R17	33K ohms	½ watt	614460 611293	Coo	4μι 4 V VV Electroly no	220.07
R18	5.6K ohms	1/2 watt 1/2 watt	613653		TRANSFORMERS	
R19 R20	22K ohms	½ watt	602320	TR1	Ferrite Rod	51242
	22 ohms 1.8K ohms	½ watt	609077	TR2	Oscillator Coil	51636
R21 R22	2.7K ohms	½ watt	609862	TR3	1st I.F. Transformer	51272
R23	22K ohms	3 watt	613653	TR4	2nd I.F. Transformer	51268
R24	120 ohms	y watt	601077	TR5	3rd I.F. Transformer	51270
R25	1K ohm	½ watt	608025	TR6	Coupling Transformer	51145
R26	4.7K ohms	½ watt	610932	Lì	Aerial Choke (on TR1)	34336
R27	100 ohms	½ watt	604031		•	
R28	5.6 ohms	½ watt	600724		TRANSISTORS AND DIODES	
R29	5.6 ohms	₹ watt	600724	VTI	AWV 2N1639 or 2N1636	
R30	39K ohms	½ watt	614684	VT2	AWV 2N1638 or 2N1634	
R31	100 ohms	3 watt	604031	VT3	AWV 2N406	
RV1	2.5K ohms log	g carbon, Volume W/S	620032	VT4	AWV 2N1638 or 2N1634	
	·	-		VT5	AWV 2N406	
		CAPACITORS		VT6	AWV 2N408	
C1	10-200pf tu	ning Aerial		VT7	AWV 2N217S	
C2	1087pf tun	ing Osc.		VT8	AWV 2N217S	
C3	3—12pf trim	mer Aerial (62270	MR1	Anodeon 1N295	
C4	3—12pf trim				or OA90	
C5	$0.0047 \mu f \pm 20$		225951		or OA80	
C6	$0.01\mu f + 80\%$	6 —20% Hi-K	226372		MISCELLANEOUS	
C7	$0.033\mu t + 80$	% —20% 25VW disc	226741	1.63		50090
C8	330pf ±5%		223715	LS1	4" Speaker	
C9	25µf 3VW Ele	ctrolytic	229428	THI	AWV AS2 or 130 ohms at 25° C. N.T.C. T	nermistor
C10	$0.1\mu_1 + 80\%$	—20% 25VW disc	227074	SW1	ON-OFF Switch (on RV1)	34625
C11	2.2pf ±.5pf l		221494	PL1 JK1	Battery Plug Jack, External Power Supply	63629
C12	330pf ±5%	N/OU disc	223715	SK1	Aerial Socket	63584
C13	U.U33#T +8U	% —20% 25VW disc	226741	3// 1	Meriul Jucker	0000