NUMBER EIGHTY

'TRADER' SERVICE SHEETS

BURNDEPT 229

A.C./D.C. TRANSPORTABLE

THE Burndept 229 A.C./D.C. superhet is a transportable model, with a self-contained frame aerial. Sockets are also provided for an external aerial and earth.

There is a signal frequency stage prior to the frequency changer, which is an octode. An interesting point is that, while second detection is carried out by an H.F. pentode, A.V.C. is provided by a Westector metal rectifier.

CIRCUIT DESCRIPTION

Tuned frame aerial input (L1, L2, C23) to variable-mu pentode signal frequency amplifier (V1, Mullard metallised VP13A).

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Tuned-secondary transformer coupling by L3, L4, L5, L6 and C25 to octode (V2, Mullard metallised FC13) operating as frequency changer with electron coupling. Oscillator grid coils L7, L8 tuned by C27; anode reaction coils L9, L10; tracking by pre-set condensers C29 (L.W.) and C30 (M.W.).

No valve amplification other than that obtained from the frequency changer is used in the intermediate frequency stage. A single tuned-primary tuned-secondary transformer L11, L12 couples V2 to the second detector, an H.F. pentode (V3,

Mullard metallised SP13) operating on grid leak system with C8 and R7.

Intermediate frequency 130 KC/S. A half-wave metal rectifier (MR1, Westinghouse type W6 Westector) is fed from the detector anode and provides D.C. potential, developed across load resistance R14, which is fed back through decoupling circuits as G.B. to H.F. and F.C. valves, giving automatic volume control. Delay voltage is obtained from V4 G.B. resistance.

I.F. filtering in **V3** anode circuit by choke **L13**, stopper resistance **R13** and by-pass condensers **C12**, **C13**. Resistance-capacity coupling by **R12**, **C14** and manual volume control **R15** to output pentode (**V4**, **Mullard Pen 36C** or **Mazda Pen 3520**). Fixed tone compensation in anode circuit by condenser **C16**.

When the receiver is used with A.C. mains H.T. current is supplied by a half-wave rectifying valve (V5, Mullard UR1), which, with D.C. supplies, behaves as a resistance of low value. Smoothing by speaker field winding and dry electrolytic condensers C18, C19.

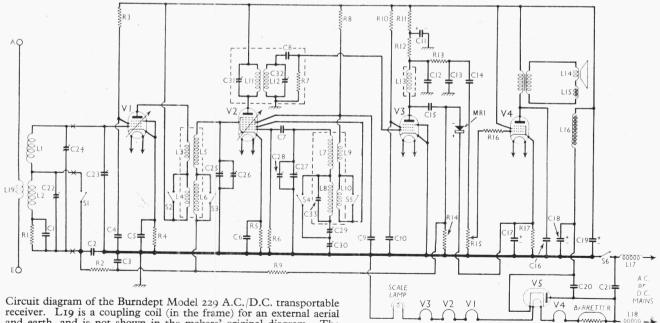
Valve-heaters are connected in series, together with scale lamp and voltage regulating barretter lamp (Philips C1),

across mains supply. Chokes **L17**, **L18** and condenser **C21**, together form filter for suppression of mains-borne interference

COMPONENTS AND VALUES

Condensers	Values (μF)	
C1 C2 C3 C4 C5 C6 C7 C8 C7 C8 C8 C8 C9 C8 C1 C10 C10 C10 C10 C11* C12 C12 C13 C14 C15 C16 C17 C17 C17 C18 C18 C19 C19 C20 C20 C21 C21 C21 C221 C221 C221 C221	de-	0.02 0.1 0.02 0.1 0.02 0.1 0.1 0.1 0.1 0.001 0.0001 0.0002 0.0002 0.001 0.0002 0.0

* Electrolytic. † Variable. ‡ Pre-set.



receiver. L19 is a coupling coil (in the frame) for an external aerial and earth, and is not shown in the makers' original diagram. The crosses on the connections to the top of L1, the junction of L1, L2, and the lower ends of R1, C1 indicate the connections from chassis to frame.

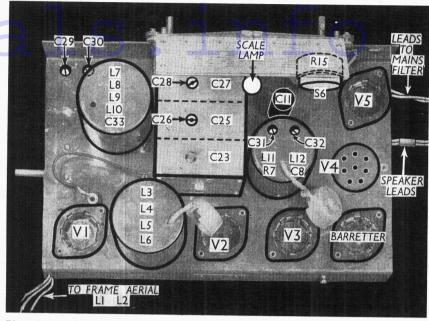
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THE WIRELESS AND GRAMOPHONE TRADER

Resistances	Values (ohms)
R1 VI cont. grid decoupling R2 Vr A.V.C. line decoupling R3 VI S.G. H.T. feed R4 VI fixed G.B. resistance R5 V2 fixed G.B. resistance R6 V2 osc. grid resistance R7 V3 grid leak R8 V2 S.G.'s and osc. anode H feed R9 A.V.C. line decoupling R10 V3 S.G. H.T. feed R11 V3 anode decoupling R12 V3 anode load R13 I.F. stopper R14 Westector load resistance R15 Manual volume control R16 V4 grid I.F. stopper R17 V4 G.B. resistance	 1,000 500,000 400 250,000 500,000 250,000 1,000,000 1,000,000 15,000 250,000 1500,000 100,000 100,000 1500,000

	Other Components	Values (ohms)
L1 L2 L3 L4 L5 L6 L7 L8 L9 L10 L11 L12 L13 L14 L15 L16 L17 L18 L17 L18 L19 L17 L18 S1-S5 S6	Frame aerial windings H.F. transformer primary H.F. transformer secondary Oscillator grid tuning coils Oscillator anode coils I.F. transformer Speaker speech coil Hum neutralising coil Speaker field winding Main filter chokes Ext. aerial-earth coupling Speaker input trans. Speaker input trans. Waveband switches Mains switch, ganged R15	0·85 5·5 4·25 2·75 5·0 9·0 4·5 6·5 1·0 27·0 27·0 27·0 27·0 185·0 0·1 820·0 5·8 Very low 725·0 0·5



Plan view of the chassis. Note the trackers C29, C30. The trimmer of C23 is inside the frame aerial. The I.F. transformer, L11, L12, contains also the trimmers C31, C32, and R7, C8.

DISMANTLING THE SET

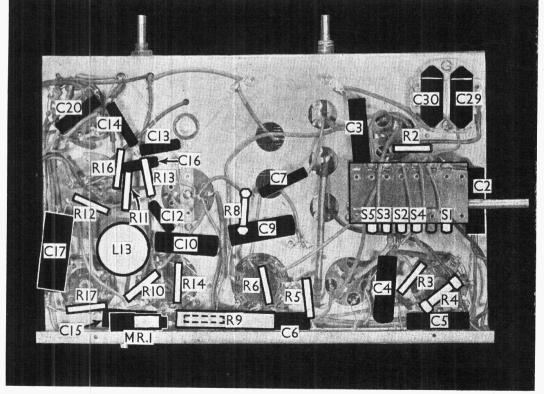
Removing Chassis.—To remove the chassis, remove the two control knobs on the front (recessed grub screws) and the wave-change switch knob at the side (recessed grub screw) and the escutcheon (three wood screws). Remove the nuts and lock washers from the two bolts holding the front of the chassis to the sub-baffle, and the two round-head

screws (with washers) holding the back of the chassis to the shelf, the heads being under the shelf. Remove the ventilator, grille and escutcheon from the top of the cabinet (three countersunk-head screws), taking care not to lose the asbestos twine on the ventilator.

Unsolder the leads to the frame, mains filter and speaker. The chassis can now (Continued overleaf)

Under-chassis view.
One of the switches in the unit on the right is blank. R9 is inside a piece of sleeving. MRI is the Westector for A.V.C. C29 and C30 are adjusted through holes in the chassis deck.

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be withdrawn. If it is desired to carry out tests when the receiver is operating, the leads to the mains filter and speaker must be replaced and the frame connected by extending the leads.

When replacing the chassis do not forget the metal strip which is placed between the chassis and the shelf, and also note that the leads to the frame go straight across to the nearest tag.

The code for the speaker leads and also the point to which the mains filter leads should be connected are indicated in one of our illustrations. The yellow lead from the electrolytic condenser goes to the F tag on the speaker terminal panel which is joined to the red lead from the chassis, while the red lead from the condenser goes to tags I and F, which are joined together. The black lead from the condenser goes to the speaker frame.

Removing Speaker.—The speaker can be removed by taking off the nuts and lock washers from the four bolts holding it to the sub-baffle.

Removing Frame Aerial.—If it is necessary to remove the frame aerial, remove the four countersunk-head wood screws and unsolder the leads on the external aerial and earth sockets.

VALVE ANALYSIS

Readings of valve voltages and currents given in the table below were measured with the receiver operating on 220 V A.C. mains and with no signal input—that is to say, with the leads to the frame shorted together. The volume control was at maximum and the set was tuned to the minimum on the M.W. band. Voltages were measured on the 1,200 V scale of an Avometer, with chassis as negative.

Valve	Anode Volts	Anode Current (mA)	Screen Volts	Screen Current (mA)
VI VPI3A V2 FC13* V3 SP13 V4 Pen36C V5 UR1†	170 170 25 150	4.5 o.6 o.4 36.0	90 65 20 175	1.4 3.9 0.15 8.2

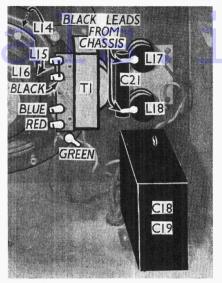
* Osc. anode (G2) 65 V, 1.5 mA. † 225 V, cathode to chassis.

GENERAL NOTES

Switches.—S1 to **S5** are the waveband switches, in one unit, the spindle of which projects from one side of the chassis. All the switches are closed on the M.W. band, and open on the L.W. band. Note that one set of contacts, between **S1** and **S4**, is not used. The switch is shorted out, and earthed.

\$6 is the mains switch, ganged with the volume control **R15**.

Coils.—L1 and L2 are the frame aerial windings, contained inside the hinged back of the cabinet. The larger (outer) winding is L1, while the inner one is L2. One end of each is common, and goes to the centre of the three tags, to which the leads to the chassis connect. Coils L3-L6 and L7-L10 are in two screened units on the chassis deck.



This shows the components fixed inside the cabinet, and the coding for the speaker and filter lead connections.

The second of these also contains **C33**, a fixed trimmer of low capacity, formed by a winding of wire over a short length of insulated wire.

The third screened unit on the chassis deck is the single I.F. transformer L11, L12, containing also the trimmers C31, C32 and R7 and C8.

L13 is a screened I.F. choke, mounted beneath the chassis.

L19 (which may not occur in early chassis), is the external aerial-earth coupling coil, consisting of about two turns of wire wound between L1 and L2.

Trimmers C22, C24.—The frame aerial L.W. and main trimmers are inside the frame aerial unit itself. C24 is towards the edge of the frame, and is adjustable through a hole in the cabinet back. C22 is nearer the centre of the frame, and can only be adjusted by first removing the frame.

Condenser C1, Resistance R1.—These are in parallel, and are mounted inside the frame. C1 is a tubular condenser.

Scale Lamp.—This is an Osram M.E.S. type, rated at 6.5 V, 0.3 A.

Components at Base of Cabinet.—Apart from the speaker and its transformer (T1), C18, C19, C21, L17 and L18 are mounted inside the cabinet. These are shown in a separate illustration, together with the coding of the leads from the chassis.

C18 and C19 are two dry electrolytics in a single unit. The black lead is the common negative, the yellow the positive of C18 $(8\mu F)$, and the red the positive of C19 $(16\mu F)$.

Valve-holder Tags.—Note that in some cases tags normally blank are used as bearers for other wiring, particularly in the case of V4 and V5.

RECEIVER ALIGNMENT

Remove chassis from cabinet, leave frame disconnected, but connect a 0.25 MO resistance across the two outer frame leads on chassis. Connect a 0.25 MO resistance from top cap of V2 to chassis, leaving normal top cap connector off. Connect signal generator across this latter resistance. Switch set to L.W. and tune to bottom of L.W. band. Switch set on, volume control at maximum. Set generator to 130 KC/S, switch on, and keep input low. Adjust C31 and C32 for maximum output. Remove 0.25 MO resistance from top cap of V2 to chassis, and replace normal connector.

Turn gang condenser to minimum and adjust pointer to coincide with spot at lower end of scale. Set receiver to 200 m., switch to M.W., and inject 200 m. signal across 0.25 MO resistance across frame leads. Keep input low, and receiver volume control at maximum.

Adjust **C28**, then **C26**, for maximum output. Reduce input progressively as receiver comes into alignment.

Inject 500 m. signal, adjust receiver to 500 m. on scale and adjust **C30** for maximum output, rocking tuning knob slightly for optimum results.

Go back to 200 m., re-check, then recheck at 500 m. and so on until receiver is aligned at both settings.

Switch set to L.W. and tune to 2,000 m. on scale. Inject 2,000 m. signal, and adjust C29 for maximum output. Rock gang condenser for optimum output, and re-adjust C29. Pointer should not be far from 2,000 m. mark when maximum output is obtained.

Remove 0.25 MO resistance, replace chassis, re-connect all leads. Leave output meter connected, but close back of cabinet as far as possible. Connect signal generator to external A.E. sockets, or to 20-60 turn coil placed close to back of set. Switch receiver to M.W., tune to 200 m., adjust generator to 200 m. Adjust C24 (through hole in back of cabinet) for maximum output.

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