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55.—RADIO AMATEURS' EXAMINATION

Thursday, November 8th, 1962, 6.30 to 9.30 p.m.

EIGHT questions in all are to be attempted, as under:

Both questions in Part I (which are compulsory) and SIX others from Part II.

Failure in either part will carry with it failure in the examination as a whole.

Mathematical tables are supplied: they must be given up at the close of the examination. Slide rules may be used.

PART I

Both questions must be attempted in the part

- 1. (a) What is meant by:
 - (i) the main address;
 - (ii) the temporary alternative address or location;
 - and (iii) the alternative address

of an amateur station?

- (b) What are the special conditions which the licensee must observe if he wishes to operate the station from (ii) or (iii) above?
- (c) When and by whom may the station be inspected to ensure that the licence conditions are being observed?
- (d) What is meant by the expression 'Wireless Telegraphy' when it is used in relation to the Amateur (Sound) Licence?

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- 2. (a) Describe an oscillator circuit suitable for use in an amateur radio transmitter and explain features of its design which ensure frequency stability.
 - (b) Describe a method of accurately checking the frequency of a transmitter.

P ART II

SIX questions only to be attempted in this part

- 3. With the aid of a circuit diagram explain the action of a typical superheterodyne detector/a.g.c. stage.
- 4. Two equal resistors are joined in parallel and connected to a battery having an e.m.f. of 12 volts and 2 ohms internal resistance. The current taken from the battery is one milliampere. What is the value of each resistor?
- 5. Describe the construction of a small receiver type r.f. pentode valve. Explain the function of each electrode. What is meant by the *amplification factor* of a valve?
- 6. With the aid of a circuit diagram describe a simple tuned radio frequency receiver. Explain the function of each stage.
- 7. (a) What is meant by the Q-factor of a coil in a tuned circuit?
 - (b) What is the Q-factor of a coil having an inductance of 10 microhenrys and 10 ohms resistance at a frequency of 2 Mc/s?
- 8. (a) Describe either (i) a directional aerial for transmission on 28 Mc/s, or (ii) one for reception on 2 Mc/s.
 - (b) Explain the directional properties.
- 9. Describe, with a block diagram, an amplitude modulated telephony transmitter. Explain, with the aid of a diagram, the method of modulation used.
- 10. Describe the construction and action of ONE of the following :
 - (a) a magnetic relay
 - (b) a pair of headphones
 - or (c) a microphone.