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A communication of vital interest to every Courier dealer

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SUBJECT: COURIER TRAVELLER TRANSCEIVERS

Occasionally, one of the following symptoms may arise upon installation of a Courier Traveller. The "Reason" and "Correction" should be clearly understood and followed when the need arises on a particular unit.

A - Sympton - Receive "motorboating".

Reason - Insufficient filtering of the 9.1 volt line could cause motorboating during receive after short warmup period. C-33 which is originally 60 mfd is insufficient in capacitance for the unit developing this problem.

Correction - Change C-33 to 120 mfd @ 12 volts.

Courier part #CE-50 should be used, or
you may also add a 100 mfd., 12V tubular
in parallel with C-33. Connect the plus
lead to the right hand side of R-15 and
the minus lead to the clamping ring which
holds the speaker magnet (ground).

B - Sympton - Transmitter spurious radiation on all 23 channels.

Reason - As originally designed, the Q-16 (Low frequency receive oscillator) continues to oscillate during transmit mode.

Correction - Remove R-28 (4.7K) from P.C. Board. Using new 4.7K 1/8 watt resistor, or extend leads of original resistor (add spaghetti: tubing), connect this transistor between "K" and "16" as marked on the underside of the board. Q-16 will now be disabled during transmit.

C - Symptom - Squeal in Transmit modulation (RF feedback)

Reason - Gain of TR-30 transistor varies widely from one to another. Squeal occurs when a high gain TR-30 is used with 10 ohm resistor R-36. The susceptibility to RF feedback increases when using antenna which is slightly mismatched.

Correction - Increase R-36 to 47 ohms.

D - Symptom - TRANSMIT oscillator continues to oscillate during receive mode.

Reason - Self oscillation Q-10, Q-11 stage. This sympton may be aggravated on mismatched antenna or certain coil loaded antennas. Be sure coaxial cable length is multiple of 12 ft. in total length of cable.

Correction - 1 - Tune antenna for lowest SWR.

2 - Cable length - correct to multiple
 of 12 ft.

3 - Touch up adjustment of A-10, A-11 & A-1.

4 - Replace A-10 coil (#CO-55 original) with #CO-35A (single turn link - secondary). Retune A-10 for max. R.F. Tune A-11 and A-1 for 3.2 watts R.F. output. This R.F. Level should provide best modulation percentage.

Any one of the above should remedy the problem.

E - Symptom - 10 mc signals (Teletype, etc.) received during night time operation.

Reason - 10 mc. IF stage intercepts signals from certain antennas and passes to next mixer stage

Correction - Early production sets - add #CO-56 coil and #CM-27 capacitor (220 pf) from antenna connector to ground. Tune coil for null at 10 mc. Late production sets - retune CO-56 (already in set) as required.

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