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for single sideband at its very best...

the triple conversion

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Check the features of the HQ-170! Better still, try out an HQ-170, the communications receiver designed to meet all the requirements modern SSB reception. It's a radio amateur's ideal, offering him everything he ever ordered in performance, tuning techniques, and dependability

In effect, the HQ-170 combines the most desirable features of the hottest amateur receivers with the outstanding features of the finest SSB/CW and AM/MCW converters. Functionally, it is a combination of the famous Hammarlund HQ-110 and HC-10 with many added features. And it's all packaged in a neat, compact receiver, that's a joy to operate.



Triple Conversion . . .17-tube superheterodyne circuit with automatic noise limiter.

Frequency Range . . . Full dial coverage of the 6, 10, 15, 20, 40, 80 and 160 meter

Slot Filter . . . Razor sharp, 1.5 KCS at 6 db. Adjustable ± 5 KCS over passband for better than 40 db attenuation. Additional attenuation of 20 db at any point by Slot Depth Control.

Separate Vernier Tuning ...

± 3 KCS for easy SSB tuning.

Separate Linear Detector . . . Linear product detector for CW and SSB reception, plus normal diode AM detection.

Tuned IF Amplifier.

Seven selectivity positions provide mechanical filter type skirt selectivity.

Selectable Sideband . . . Upper lower, or both sidebands selected from front panel.

BFO Control ...

Fast Attack AVC ... Selectable, OFF, SLOW, MEDIUM, FAST decay speeds. AVC obtained from high selectivity 60 KCS IF

Crystal Calibrator . . . Built-in 100 KCS crystal calibrator

Dial Scale Reset

Easy-to-use, adjustable calibration for frequency dials.

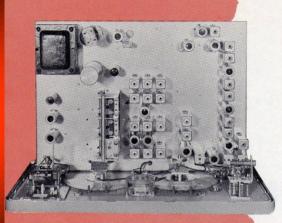
Automatic Noise Limiter . . .

Combination noise limiter and squelch.

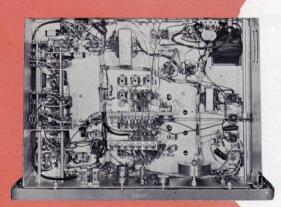
Auto-Response . .

Automatically adjusts audio response to fit receiving conditions.

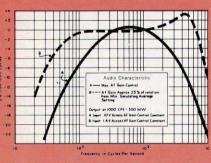
Cabinet... Modern, super-ventilating type with sturdy, attractive front panel.



TOP VIEW



BOTTOM VIEW



HQ-170 AUDIO CHARACTERISTIC

Starting with the front panel layout, the careful selection of highreliability components, the craftsmanship of skilled technicians, an the addition of engineering leadership result in a receiver worthy of the Hammarlund name in quality and performance.

The HQ-170 offers the amateur a practically endless combination of tuning techniques whereby optimum reception of SSB/CW and AM/MCW may be achieved. Through the use of the vernier tuning, adjustable bandwidth, and the basic, precision front-end of the HQ-170, the user has full control over SSB signals as well as adjacent, or co-channel signals. If there's a signal to be received, the HQ-170 can ferret it out

The HQ-170 is a "hot" receiver It will provide 10 db signal-to-noise ratio at 1.5 μ volt AM or approximately .5 μ volt CW, or better depending on bandwidth. The front-end provides tuning of the 6, 10, 15, 20, 40, 80 and 160 meter amateur bands. The receiver is designed for use with a single wire flat top, a folded dipole, or doublet antenna. Separate antenna terminals are provided for 6-meter reception, so that a separate 6-meter coaxial antenna may be installed to achieve the ultimate in receiving sensitivity at this frequency

CIRCUITRY

The HQ-170 is a triple-conversion receiver on the 7 MCS through 54 MCS bands and dual conversion on the 1.8 MCS to 2.0 MCS and 3.5 MCS to 4.0 MCS bands.

Starting at the front-end, the HQ-170 utilizes a (6BZ6) tuned RF amplifier and a separate mixer (6BE6) and oscillator (6C4) for a high degree of stability Advanced designed and modern tube types account for the very high gain and low noise factor Refer to back page for complete listing of the many possible functions and the complete tube lineup.

Low-loss sockets, coil forms, and bandswitch wafers, plus temperature-compensating capacitors, and the application of regulated power to the oscillator circuit provide a high degree of stability Drift, after warmup, is less than 0.01%

BANDSPREAD

Electrical bandspread tuning with direct dial calibration is provided for all seven bands, 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 and 6 meters. Through the use of two dials, optimum bandspread has been achieved by greater dial scale length. A 0-100 logging arbitrary scale is also included.

TRIPLE CONVERSION

The HQ-170 offers triple conversion with IF frequencies of 3035 KCS, 455 KCS, and 60 KCS, providing excellent rejection of image-response. The second IF is heterodyned with a crystal-controlled oscillator The third IF is heterodyned with a high stability, adjustable oscillator which contains micro-accurate vernier tuning control, located on the front panel.

IF AMPLIFIER

The 3035 KCS and 455 KCS IF amplifiers provide eight tuned circuits in three stages of amplification. Six tuned circuits in the three-stage 60 KCS amplifier provide either the second or third

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conversion, depending upon the operating band. All IF circuits employ iron-core permeability-tuned transformers for high performance and retention of alignment accuracy The 60 KCS amplifier selectivity is controlled from the front panel by seven positions 1-2-3 KCS on either sideband, and .5-2-4-6 KCS on both sidebands. The skirt selectivity of this system approaches that of the mechanical filter A separate front panel switch is used to select upper, lower, or both sidebands, providing rapid, simple means of sideband selection.

SLOT FILTER

The slot filter provides a notch of better than 60 db attenuation over the entire range of ±5 KCS from the center IF (455 KCS) frequency The slot filter control provides 40 db attenuation, plus an additional attenuation of up to 20 db obtainable by use of the slot depth control at a particular frequency The 6 db width of the slot is approximately 1.5 KCS. Accurate frequency adjustment of the slot is obtained by means of an 8:1 vernier control. The slot filter circuit consists of a Bifilar "T" trap.

SEPARATE VERNIER TUNING

±3 KCS vernier tuning allows extra-fine passband tuning between the 455 KCS IF and the 60 KCS IF for additional selectivity and easy tuning of the desired signal.

AVC

An extremely fast-attack delayed AVC circuit is employed in the HQ-170. A control is provided on the front panel permitting the selection of OFF-SLOW-MEDIUM or FAST decay time for optimum results on various signals. The AVC is taken from the high selectivity 60 KCS IF

S-METER

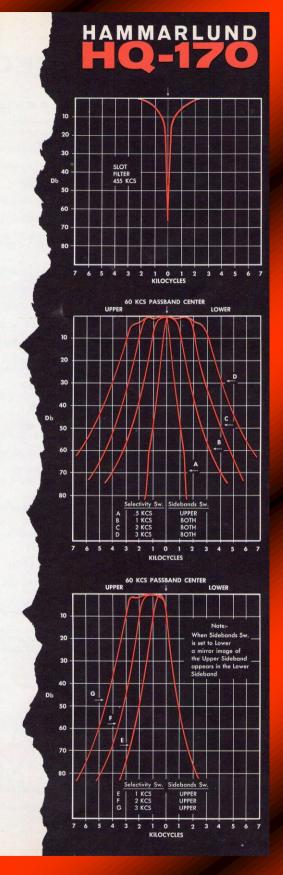
Readings of signal strength and "on-the-point" tuning indications are provided on all types of signals by a high-response S meter circuit. The scale is calibrated to 40 db over S-9 and is factory-calibrated so a signal of approximately 50 microvolts reads S-9 Each S-unit indicates approximately a 6 db increase, equivalent to doubling the signal strength.

AUDIO

The HQ-170 features the exclusive Hammarlund Auto-Response which automatically adjusts the audio passband to best meet the receiving conditions. A (6AQ5) provides 1.0 watts for maximum undistorted output. The Auto-Response circuit employs controlled feedback which is decreased as the gain control is turned up, thus narrowing the audio passband. As the gain is decreased, the feedback increases, thus permitting a greater frequency response in the audio output. The result is crisper, easier to read sound on weaker signals, and broader, more realistic reproduction on stronger signals.

The audio output may be used with either earphones or loudspeaker. The phone plug automatically silences the speaker upon insertion. The Auto-Response permits tops in listening pleasure of AM, SSB, and CW reception.

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SPECIFICATIONS

Amateur Bands Covered: Calibration:

6, 10, 15, 20, 40, 80, and 160 meter bands.

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No. of Freg. Conversions: Freq. Range Covered:

Maximum Audio Output:

Passband Tuning Range: Output Impedance:

AVC Action:

Adjustable Selectivity and Selectable Sidebands:

Sensitivity:

Antenna Input:

Antenna Compensator: Beat Freq. Oscillator:

Slot Filter:

Tube Complement:

Power Supply: "S" Meter:

Noise Limiter: Front Panel Equipment:

Rear Panel Equipment:

Dimensions:

Dial markings every 5 KCS on 20, 40, 80, and 160 meter bands; every 10 KCS on 15 meter band; every 20 KCS on 10 meter band; every 50 KCS on 6 meter band. Plus 0-100 arbitrary logging scale.

Dual on 160 and 80 meter bands. Triple on 40, 20, 15, 10, and 6 meter bands.

1.8-2.0 Mcs. 3.5-4.0 Mcs. 7.0-7.3 Mcs. 14.0-14.4 Mcs. 21.0-21.6 Mcs 28.0-30.0 Mcs. 50.0-54.0 Mcs.

1.0 Watt (Undistorted)

plus/minus 3 KCS with calibration every 1 KC. 8:1 vernier tuning ratio.

3.2 Ohms (EIA Standard)

Operates on RF and 3 IF stages. Provides fast charge—adjustable discharge smooth acting AVC. Delayed AVC applied to the RF and (1) IF stage. Better than .001 second attack time and .01..1..1. Second decay time.

6 db bandwidths Upper sideband—1-2-3 kcs Lower sideband—1-2-3 kcs

An average of 1.5 microvolts produces 10:1 signal-to-noise ratio on AM approximately .7 µv on CW.

100 ohms nominal balanced or unbalanced. Provision for separate 50 ohm coaxial 6 meter antenna.

Permits compensation for loading effects of various type antennas, or balanced transmissions line.

Variable from zero beat plus/minus 2 kcs

Range plus/minus 5 kcs of center frequency. Attenuation over plus/minus 5 kcs range provides over 40 db. Calibrations every 1 kc. Maximum attenuation using slot depth control is 60 db. 8:1 vernier tuning ratio.

Function Switch: AM-SSB/CW Slot Freq. Calib.—Slot Depth CW Tone (BFO Pitch)

Noise Limiter adjustable

-on/off switch

60 kc IF Amp. 60 kc IF Amp. 60 kc IF Amp. AVC-AM Det. 1st Converter HF Oscillator 6BA6 6BE6 **6BV8** 6BE6 2nd Mixer-Crystal Osc. SSB Product Detector 6AL5 Noise Limiter 12AU7 BFO-"S" Meter Amplifier 455 kc IF Amp. 3rd Mixer-Variable Osc.

105-125 Volts 50-60 cps. a.c. power consumption, 120 watts.

Calibrated 1 to 9 in steps approximately 6 db. Also includes db scale, above S-9 to plus 40 db. (Meter deflects on all types of

Adjustable series type provides both positive and negative clipping.

Main Tuning Vernier or Bandpass Tuning Sensitivity (RF Gain): on/off switch Selectivity: 0.5 -1-2-3 Kcs. (per sideband) Sideband: Upper-lower-both Audio Gain Antenna Compensator

AVC, off-slow-medium-fast Send-Receive-Calibrator-ON Switch "S" Meter Phone Jack Dial Scale reset Tuning Range (Band Selector)

Terminal for speaker connections.

Terminals for balanced and unbalanced antennas, with separate 6 meter antenna connections. Jack for external send-receive relay connections. Fuse

101/2" H x 19" W x 13" D Wt. 38 lbs. Shipping Wt. 45 lbs.

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1st AF Amp.-Delayed AVC

Audio Power Output

Voltage Regulator

Crystal Calibrator

Clamp

Rectifier

6AQ5

6BZ6

5U4GB



TELECHRON CLOCK-TIMER

Combination clock and automatic timer Aids in meeting prearranged schedules. Optional extra.



SPEAKER

S-200 speaker matching HQ-170 electrically and me-chanically. Extended range 6" x 9". 8 watt capacity. Housed in attractive metal



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