

13 November 1956. Arrive 1030am Everything <sup>going</sup>

Checked Batteries	A cells	2.03V	2.03V	2.03V		
	Grainy	1215	1215	1220		
	Number	4	5	6		
B batts	29 $\frac{1}{2}$ , 29, 29, 29, 29, 29,	197V total				
Number	7	8	9	10	11	12

About 15 mph wind from north. North down lead slack due to north wire being blown in south direction. Clouds passing by. Partly blue sky at times. Rain static in distance makes trace rough.

Ink down to  $\frac{1}{8}$ ". Filled to  $\frac{5}{16}$ ".

Check time with VIM. Clock 4 min fast. Corrected. Set regulator back a bit.

Returned system to normal + set attenuator at 6DB.

Quite a bit of rain static today, mostly in distance. One instance about 1240 pm local.

Left about 4 pm.

16 Nov 1956 Arrive 2/0pm Everything going.  
 Wet rainy day with showers + nearly continuous  
 drizzle. Considerable atmospheric.

Checked Batteries	A cells	1.96v	1.97v	1.97v		
	Gravity	1150	1155	1160		
	Number	4	5	6		
B latts	24 1/2	24	24	24	24	14.5v Total
Number	7	8	9	10	11	12

Clock very close to right. No correction or regulation

Examined P.C. Amplifier. all tubes lit OK  
 Filament Voltages Input Driver Output  
 Tube Sockets 1.48v 1.31v 1.39v  
 Chassis end of cables 1.97v 1.92v 1.93v  
 Changed value of series dropping resistors, now at  
 Tube sockets 1.48v 1.41v 1.42v

Clipper cells were found to be charged up to  
 1.75 volts each. However internal resistance still  
 fairly low as each would put out over 1.5 amps into  
 Triumph tester which has long leads. Cells left  
 in circuit without change.

Interchanged position of B latts # 10 + # 7. Replaced A cells  
 Now 2.18v 2.17v 2.17v } These cells  
 Gravity 1300 1300 1290 } need more  
 Number 2 3 1 } next check

Ink down to 3/32". Filled to 5/16"  
 Wound clock to tight 49 turns  
 Put 64 ft delay in north lead. Attenuator 6DB,  
 Cut off chart paper + took to town.

19 Nov, 1956 Arrive 1155am. Everything going.

Checked time against VIM. Clock OK to closest minute.

1205-10 Typical short sharp squall, + cold front. Mostly fuzzy noise with few squalls in background. Could be held on scale by setting attenuator at 33 DB or less. Practically no rain.

1215-19 Same only weaker. Max of disturbance while sun still shining. Only a few drops toward end of disturbance. During this period, it was just overcast at zenith. However black clouds of small dimensions were both to north + south.

2 in down to  $3/32$ ". Filled to  $5/16$ "

Checked batteries. A cells. 2.08V 2.07V 2.07V  
Gravity 1250 1240 1240  
Number. 2 3 1

B Batts 23 1/2 23 23 23 1/2 23 1/2 23 14.1V total  
Number 10 8 9 7 11 12

At 1 pm. V/S very weak. Interference prior 1 pm so couldn't get the time. Again V/S was better on either antenna separately than both together.

110-235 pm Phasing tests. Not very good day as base line rough due to rain squalls in distance. Mornings seem to be quieter than afternoons. Put antennas to normal, attenuator 3 DB. Left about 245 pm.

21 Nov. Arrive 115pm Everything going. Time OK.  
Zero seems to have drifted.

Checked Batteries A cells. 2.00V 1.99V 2.00V

	Gravity						
	Number						
B batts	23V	22V	13 1/2 V	23,	22 1/2	22 1/2	128 to
Number	10	8	9	7	11	12	

Replaced battery # 9 by # 13 giving 24 volts  
making a total of 170 V now.

Set attenuator at 00B. Antennas still normal.

Slight west wind less than 5 mph.  
Tension in south down lead 6.7 lbs  
" " north " " 7.0 "

Today planted two posts on east ridge  
and one post on west ridge.

Left about 7 pm.

Took # 9 battery to town. On open circuit it  
recovered to 20 volts. Each cell was tested  
for gravity. None would float the hydrometer  
so all were much less than 1100, probably  
less than 1050. Put on charge at 1.5 amps for  
24 hrs & 0.5 amps for 18 hrs. Gravity of all cells came  
up to 1290 to 1310. Set aside as a spare.

25 Nov. Arrive 330pm. Everything going

Checked Batteries	A cells	2.03V	2.04V	2.03V
	Grainity	1220	1220	1220
	Number	5	6	4

B batts	25	24½	24½	24½	25	24½	151V total
Number	3	6	5	2	4	1	

Leak down to 1/8". Filled to 9/32"  
Clock appears to be a bit fast, stopped for 3 minutes  
at 4pm to bring nearer correct.

zero had drifted, also gain had dropped.  
R.F. noise now only 0.1 divisions. This loss  
of gain caused apparent zero drift.

Setting attenuator from 6DB to 0DB caused  
R.F. noise to increase to 0.4 divisions

Replaced mixer tube. Now gives  
R.F. noise attenuator 6DB 0.6 division  
3DB 1.0 division

Put 96 ft delay in north lead

Set attenuator at 3DB

Dark clouds coming up. Look like rain squalls.  
Left about 545pm -

28 Nov. Arrive 1120a. Everything going  
clock 2 min slow. Corrected it. This compensates  
for error in setting on 25/11/56. No change in  
regulator. VIM strong as usual at noon.  
R.F. noise 0.5 division. 6DB loss since 25/11/56

Checked batteries

A cells.	1.96v	1.96v	1.97v
Quantity	1160	1150	1160
Number	5	6	4

B. batts 25V 24 1/2V 24 1/2V 24 1/2V 24V 149V total  
Number 3 6 5 2 4 1

Interchanged B. batts #1 & #3  
Replaced A cells. now 2.11v 2.10v 2.10v  
Quantity 1270 1260 1260  
Number 2 1 3

With new filament batteries R.F. noise up to 1.2 div.

Interchanged the 4-1C5s in driver with right  
hand 4-1C5s in output stage. Very slight change  
in zero setting.

Checked time at 1pm against VIS. OK. Today VIS  
just as strong as VIM.

Put antennas to normal. Left attenuator 3DB.  
R.F. noise 1.2 divisions

Wound clock 47 turns to tight.  
Sub down to 3/32". Filled to 1/4"

Today is end of boomerangs.  
Left 3:15pm

1 Dec 56 Arrive 10 am. Everything going.

R.F. noise level 0.6 division

Checked time against VLS at 1 pm. Clock time fast, corrected it.

Changed attenuator to 0 DB, now

R.F. noise level 1.0 division

Put 96 ft in south lead. Started run about 10:5 pm.

Put up 3rd long wire having lengths of 200, 400, 1100, 1100, 400, 200, 200 with 70 ft coiled west center east about east post. Tension pulled up to 1000 lbs.

Also pulled up tension on old wires.

South wire was 650 lbs, pulled up 2 ft to 825 lbs.

North wire was 600 lbs, pulled up 3 ft to 850 lbs.

Now down lead tension with 15 mph South wind

South 24 1/2 lbs

North 30 approx

2 in down to 1/32", Filled to 1/4"

Left about 5:15 pm.

3rd Dec. Arrive 11am. Everything going.

Checked time at 1pm against VIS which was moderate strength. Clock 1min slow. Corrected it.

Checked batteries

Acells	2.00V	1.99V	1.99V
Granites	1185	1175	1180
Number	2	1	3

B batts. 23 1/2, 23 1/2, 23, 23 1/2, 24, 24, 144 total.  
Number 1 6 5 2 4 3

107-117g ran on a station to show saturation characteristic.

Changed 105 tubes in driver back to positions in output stage they were prior to 28/11/56

122-132p ran on station to show saturation characteristic. This is much better. Left in this condition.

Put 192 ft in north lead,  
2yds down to 1/16. Filled to 7/32".  
Checked swatches, attenuator ODB  
R.F. noise 0.9 division

Ran on normal for half an hour.  
Put 192 ft in South lead.

Left about 430pm.

Today we put up second building.



5 Dec. Arrive 230pm, Everything going.

Took photo of south down lead glisening against a blue sky. Used red filter + XX616 filter one each, 1/25 sec f 5.6; 1/30 sec f 2.8, 20 sec f 2.8, 5 sec f 3.6 15 sec f 3.6.

Checked sensitivity, R.F. noise = 0.5 div, Attenuator 0DB,

Checked batteries A cells. 1.93V 1.92V 1.92V  
Gravity 1135 1130 1130  
Number 2 1 3

B batts 23 1/2 23 23 22 1/2 23 23 1/2 19 1/2 V  
Gravity 1190 1140 1140 1120 1160 1190  
1140 1160 1160 1120 1160 1200  
Number: 1 6 5 2 4 3

Changed all batts Now A cells. 2.11V 2.12V 2.11V

These cells need water { Gravity 1280 1290 1280  
next charging { Number 4 6 5

B batts 24 1/2 25 25 25 25 25 155V tot  
Gravity 1260 1310 1275 1310 1290 1300  
1270 1300 1290 1300 1290 1310  
Number: 13 12 11 10 8 7

Wound clock 57 turns to tight

2up down to 1/8", filled to 9/32"

Checked sensitivity R.F. noise = 1.2 div, attenuator 3DB

Cut off chart & took to town  
Left about 5pm.

8th Dec. Arrive 230pm. Everything going.

Checked batteries	A cells	2.03V	2.04V	2.03V			
	Gravites	1220	1220	1220			
	Number	4	6	5			
B batts	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2	151V total
Number	13	12	11	10	8	7	

Sub down to 1/32", filled to 9/32"

R.F. noise 1.0 division, attenuator 3DB.  
Antennas normal.

Left about 420pm.

9 Dec 1956 Arrive 3:15 pm Clock stopped.  
Roll of chart paper came to end. The end of  
paper is fastened to roll by stripping tape.  
This stops clock about 2 pm. Changed to  
new roll chart paper.

Started at 3:45 p on antennas with  
128 ft wire lead. This is best time at  
which pen goes up. Nib on cam adjusted to  
eye, so it may be off a couple of minutes.  
R.F. noise 0.7 divisions with attenuator 3 dB.  
Changed attenuator to 0 dB. Now R.F. noise  
1.0 division.

at 4:01 pm corrected cam on clock so time  
marks after 4 pm should be nearly correct.

Rolled up chart & took to town.  
Sub down to  $5/32$ ". Filled to  $9/32$ ".

Left 4:35 pm.

12 Dec 1956. Arrive 1005 am. Everything going.  
Time correct to a minute or so.

R.F. noise 0.7 divisions. Attenuator 0. DB

Antennas on 128 ft north.

Checked Batteries, A cells.	1.93v	1.92v	1.93v
Gravity	1140	1130	1140
Number	4	6	5

B Batts	24 1/2	24 1/2	24	24	24 1/2	24 1/2	147 1/2
Number	13	12	11	10	8	7	total

Replaced A cells. Now,	2.08v	2.07v	2.06v
Gravity	1270	1270	1260
Number	2	1	3

Interchanged position of B-batts # 13 + # 10

Now R.F. noise 1.2 divisions with 3 DB attenuator

Put antennas normal. Start recording, 1035 am.

Atmosphere very weak today. Sound in foreground nearly a pure hiss with occasional weak code.

Wave calm today. Bright & sunny.

Checked time at noon from VIM which came through strongly. Clock 2 min slow. Corrected it.

Wound clock to tight 55 turns

Sub down to practically zero. Filled to 9/32"

Relay battery 13.0v open 12.7v closed circuit.

Checked time at 1 pm against VIM which came through at moderate strength about 18 DB below VIM.

Clock correct.

123 pm a sparkling noise came on, intermittent and not 50 cycles. Much worse to south than normal.

Put antennas to normal

15 Dec 1956 Arrive 104 Dam Everything going.

Checked batteries A cells, 2.04V 2.03V 2.03V  
Gravity 1225 1215 1215  
Number 2 1 3

B batts	24 1/2	24	24	24	24	24 1/2	145V
Number	10	12	11	13	8	7	total

100pm. checked time against VIS which was very weak. Clock one min fast. Corrected it.

Tub down to 1/16", Filled to 1/4".

630p. Sensitivity 0.7 divisions R.F. noise Att 3D  
Changed attenuator to 0DB, Now, R.F.  
noise 1.1 divisions.

Antennas normal.

Increased vibrator voltage a bit.

Left 645pm.

18 Dec. 1956 Arrive. 9:55 am. Everything going.

Checked Batteries A cells. 1.98v 1.97v 1.97v

Gravity 1170 1160 1160

Number 2 1 3

B Batts	24	23 1/2	23	23 1/2	23 1/2	23 1/2	142v total
Gravity	1190	1155	1120	1150	1140	1165	
	1190	1195	1130	1150	1150	1180	
Number	10	12	11	13	8	7	

Sensitivity R.F. noise. 0.4 divisions attenuator 0DB

Changed all Batteries, Now

A cells. 2.11v 2.11v 2.10v

Gravity 1270 1265 1260

Number 6 4 5

B Batts	25 1/2	25 1/2	25 1/2	25 1/2	25 1/2	25 1/2	158v total
Gravity	1310	1310	1305	1310	1305	1295	
	1310	1310	1310	1310	1310	1295	
Number	5	2	4	3	6	1	

Sensitivity now R.F. noise 1.7 divisions, attenuator 0DB

Tub down to 1/32", Filled to 7/32"

Clock 2 minutes slow by VIM at noon. Corrected it.

Wound clock 48 turns to tight.

Removed chart and took to town.

Checked time against VIS at 1 pm. OK. VIS moderate

Sensitivity 0.8 div. with attenuator 3DB.

Put antennas to normal.

Left about 2 pm.

21 Dec 1956 Arrive 9:50 am. Everything going  
On way across from Kempton shire was a sharp  
cold front and rain squall. This lasted only  
a few minutes and sun came out again. The  
strong precipitation static was recorded just  
before my arrival.

Checked batteries	A cells	2.03v	2.02v	2.02v			
	Capacity	1220	1210	1210			
	Number	6	4	5			
B cells	25	25	24 1/2	25	25	24 1/2	152v
Number	5	2	4	3	6	1	

Noon checked time against VIM. Clock 1 min fast  
Corrected it. VIM very strong.

Note the peculiar interference coming on for a few  
seconds every 2 min approx from 3:30 - 7:10 am.

1209 - 1211p Rain static with scratches. Few drops

1217 - 1221p Same only stronger.

Relay batteries 12.7v closed, 12.9v open

Atmosphere becoming worse in afternoon.

440g, checked sensitivity. R.F. noise 0.3 division  
with attenuator at 3DB. This is condition all  
data taken today.

Changed attenuator to 0DB. Now R.F. noise 0.1  
Put antennas to normal

Left about 6pm.

24 Dec 1956 Arrive 11:50am Everything going.  
Sat very weak.  
R.F. noise 0.1 division with attenuator at 0DB.

Checked time against VIM at noon. VIM came three  
strong. Clock two min slow. Corrected it  
Ink down to  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " Filled to  $9\frac{1}{2}$ ".

Checked Batteries A cells	1.96V	1.95V	1.95V
Gravity	1155	1150	1155
Number	6	4	5

Hotel  
B baths 25 24 $\frac{1}{2}$  24 $\frac{1}{2}$  24 $\frac{1}{2}$  24 $\frac{1}{2}$  24 149V total  
Number 5 2 4 3 6 1

Interchanged position of B baths #5 & #1

Changed A cells now	2.10V	2.11V	2.11V
Gravity	1270	1275	1270
Number	3	2	1

Now R.F. noise 0.7 divisions with attenuator 0DB.

Tested several 1N5GT tubes in mixer and oscillator.  
Decided the present tube in oscillator very weak.  
Put tube removed 25/11/56 in oscillator. Left present  
tube in mixer. Now R.F. noise 2.3 divisions.

When metal case put on the R.F. noise increased to 3.2 div.

div.  
4:30-6:30p. Spikes are a rough sparking noise  
of about 150-200 cps. Comes on for half minute or  
less. Sometimes only 10sec. Probably a device with  
commutator type motor has gone bad somewhere.  
It would appear to be off to north. Perhaps Kempton

Calibrated south antenna using tuning box A from  
154-200KC. Resistance about 50 ohms; very fortunate.  
Wound clock 50 turns to light.  
Set antennas normal, attenuator to 6DB. R.F. noise 1.2 div.



27 Dec 56 Arrive 9:55am, Everything good

R.F. noise 0.3 division attenuator 6 DB.  
Changed attenuator to 0 DB, now R.F. noise 1.2 div  
about 10:15 am.

1 pm. check clock against VIS, about 2 min slow.  
Corrected it.

Checked batteries

	A cells						
	2.04V	2.03V	2.03V				
	1220	1225	1220				
	Number 3	2	1				
B, batts	24	24 1/2	24 1/2	24	24 1/2	24 1/2	11
Number	1	2	4	3	6	5	7

Sub down to 1/16", Filled to 5/16"

Left 5 pm.

29/12/56. Arrive 1000a. Everything going.

Checked batteries

A cells	2.00V	2.00V	2.00V
Gravities	1185	1190	1185
Number	3	2	1

B cells 24 24 24 24 24 24 24 175V total  
Number 1 2 4 3 6 5

Dunk down to  $1/8$ " , filled to  $7/32$ ".

1120-22 a small rain squall from north. Rather smooth flying with faint screeches and squeals.

Checked time at noon from VIM. Clock 1 min fast.  
Corrected it.

1211-13 p. stronger rain squall.

Couldn't hear V1S at 1pm. Absorption quite great.

Left about 140pm.

3) Dec 1956 Arrive 1020am Everything

R.F. noise 0.3 divisions with attenuator at 0

checked Batteries Acelle. 1.95V 1.93V 1.94V

Gravity 1130. 1120. 1130

Number 3 2 1

B batts	24	24	23 1/2	23 1/2	24	24	14
Gravity	1116	1155	1150	1250	1170	1150	
	1116	1150	1150	1250	1150	1280	
Number	1	2	4	3	6	5	

changed all batteries Acelle. 2.11V 2.10V 2.11V

Now Gravity 1255 1250 1255

Numbers 6 5 4

B batts	25.5	25.5	25.5	25.5	25.5	25.5	157
Gravity	1300	1300	1280	1300	1300	1300	
	1300	1300	1300	1280	1300	1300	
Number	12	13	11	8	10	7	

2 up down to 1/16", filled to 1/4"

Clock 2 min slow by check against good watch  
4 pm. Corrected it.

Wound clock to tight 56 turns

Cut off chart and took to town.

Put 192 ft delay in north lead.

R.F. noise 1.1 divisions with attenuator at 3DB.

Left about 435pm.

3 January 1957 Arrive 945am. Everything going

Noon checked time against VIM. Clock 1 minute fast. Corrected it.

Ink down to zero. Ran dry at 404pm.  
Filled to  $\frac{7}{32}$ ".

R.F. noise 0.3 division, attenuator 3DB.  
Set attenuator 0DB. Now R.F. noise 0.7 division  
Put 128 ft delay in North lead.

Left 425pm.

4 Jan 57 Cruise 940am. Everything going

Some black storm clouds going by to south  
R.F. noise, 0.5 divisions, attenuator 0DB,  
Pulled out both osc and mixer tubes.

Put tube removed 29/10/56 in osc  
Put new best oscillator tube in mixer

Now R.F. noise 2.7 divisions without case } at  
" " " 3.0 " with case } 0

Set attenuator 3DB, R.F. noise 1.4 divisions.

Antennas normal. 1125am.

Forgot to fill up.

Left 1pm.

5 Jan 1957, Arrive 3:50 pm  
2 in well dry. Filled to  $\frac{1}{4}$ "  
Atmospheres quite bad. Long rumbles and scratches  
R.F. noise 1.3 divisions, attenuator 3DB.  
4:25 pm Towed off to measure south antenna  
with iron in loading coils.  
Left attenuator at 3DB.  
Put 128 ft North lead, Back on 6:45 pm  
Atmospheres beginning to get bad,  
Left about 7 pm

7 Jan 57 Arrive 9:55 am. Pen not working because of air bubble in ink. Fixed it by blowing more ink store pen.

1 PM checked clock against VLS which was of moderate strength. Clock 3 min slow. Corrected it.

R.F. noise 0.8 divisions, attenuator 3 DB.

Check batteries	A Cells	1.95V	1.92V	1.93V			
	Grants	1150	1125	1135			
	Number	6	5	4			
B batts	25	24 1/2	24 1/2	24	24 1/2	24 1/2	148V
Number	12	13	11	8	10	7	total

Changed A cells. now	2.11V	2.11V	2.12V			
Grants	1265	1270	1280			
Number	3	1	2			

Inter changed portions of batts #12 & #8, also replaced #8 with #9, now.

B batts	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2	25	24 1/2	24 1/2	148 1/2 V
Number	9	13	11	12	10	7	total

Now. R.F. noise 1.3 divisions, attenuator 6 DB

Atmosphere bad today. Probably a number of rain squalls all over region.

Wound clock to tight 56 turns.  
Ink down to 3/16". Filled to let run.  
Took off chart and brought to town.  
Set antennas to 128 ft North.

8 Jan 1957 Arrive 945 am Everything going

A new kind of interference is present this morning. It comes on about every seven minutes. It doesn't have much sound. Only a faint scratching noise. Sounds rather like a faint rough carver. Lasts only 5 seconds or so.

That code station with 500 cps modulation near to 550 KC (about 516 KC) is VMWK. Today he was working VIM. Apparently VIM had trouble receiving him as he was sending very slowly. 1020 am.

2V  
tal  
Tub down to  $\frac{3}{32}$ ". Filled to  $\frac{7}{32}$ ".

Left about 515 pm

2V  
tal.



9 Jan 1957 Arrive 9:50am. Everything going.

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Left 5pm

10 Jan 1957 Arrive 12:10pm Everything going.

Ink down to  $1/32$ ", Filled to  $9/32$ ".

Atmosphere bad today.

Left 5:15pm.

11 Jan 1957 Arrive 9:45am Everything going.

Antennas 128 N. #1 & #2 antennas

1:30pm. Attenuator 6DB, R.F. noise 0.5 division

Shut down 1:40pm

Moved everything to new building.

2:40pm attenuator 6DB, R.F. noise 0.5 division

Antennas normal #3 & #4 antennas

New building.

Note how north & south seem to be reversed.

add 18" to ink.

Put antennas to normal.

Left 5:10pm

12 Jan Arrive 9:45am Everything going.

1:00pm Checked time against VHS which was quite weak. Clock correct to a few seconds.

Some interference.

Check B batteries, Ink at  $3/16$ "

Batts	24 1/2	23	23	24	23 1/2	24	142 1/2 V
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Number	9	13	11	12	10	7	total.
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R.F. noise 0.5 division, Attenuator 6DB.

13 Jan Arrived 3 pm. Everything going.

Tub down to  $\frac{3}{32}$ ". Filled to  $\frac{5}{16}$ ".

Wound clock to tight 47 turns.

Left antennas normal, attenuator 6DB.

Left about 330 pm.

15 Jan Arrive 945 am. Everything going.

R.F. noise, 0.3 divisions, Attenuator 6DB, Antennas normal

Check batteries	A cells	1.93V	1.91V	1.92V
	Gravity	1120	1105	1125
	Number	3	1	2

B. cells	24	22 1/2	22	23	22 1/2	21	138V
Gravity	1180	1090	1080	1165	1140	1140	total
	1215	1100	1095	1155	1145	1155	#6 all 0.15
Number	9	13	11	12	10	7	1120 gravity

Changed all batteries	A Cells	2.10	2.11	2.10
	Gravity	1265	1265	1260
	Number	4	6	5

B. cells	25	25	25	24 1/2	25	24 1/2	154 volts
Gravity	1310	1300	1305	1300	1305	1300	total
	1315	1315	1310	1250	1305	1305	
Number	3	5	6	1	2	4	

Now R.F. noise, 1.3 divisions, attenuator 6DB.

Noon, checked clock against VIM who was strong. Clock 1 min slow. Corrected it.

Reset attenuator at 9DB, Now R.F. noise 0.8 divisions

Tub down to  $\frac{7}{32}$ ". Filled to  $\frac{5}{16}$ ".

Left 540 pm

17 Jan 57 Arrive 9:50am. Everything going.

R.F. noise 0.3 division, Attenuator 9DB.

Antennas normal. #4 tuner box leads straight  
#3 tuner box leads crossed.

Changed to antennas reversed. #3 & #4 tuner box leads  
both straight.

Tub down to  $\frac{3}{16}$ ". Filled to  $\frac{5}{16}$ ".

Left about 4:30pm

19 Jan 57 Arrive 9:50am. Everything going.

Rain showers in early morning.

Ngoy checked time against VIM, very strong,  
clock 2 min slow. Corrected it

Wound clock 48 turns to tight.

3:30pm check sensitivities

R.F. noise 0.2 division Attenuator 9DB.

Antennas Reversed. Tuner boxes #3 & #4 leads both straight

Changed Antennas to Normal, #3 tuner box leads crossed.

Put 128 ft North lead.

Set attenuator at 6DB, R.F. noise 0.4 division.

Checked batteries A cells. 2.01V 2.00 2.00

Gravities 1195 1190 1190

Number 4 6 5

B batts 25 24 1/2 24 1/2 24 24 1/2 24 1/2 150 1/2 V

Number 3 5 6 1 2 4

Tub down to  $\frac{3}{16}$ ", Filled to  $\frac{5}{16}$ "

Left 5:10pm

22 Jan 1957 Arrive 10am Everything going.

R.F. noise 0.2 division, attenuator 6DB.

Check batteries. A cells 1.94V 1.91V 1.92V  
Gravity 1140 1120 1130  
Number 4 6 5

B batts 25 29 29 1/2 23 1/2 24 24 147 1/2 V  
Number 3 5 6 1 2 4 totals

Interchanged positions of #3 & #1 B batts. Replaced  
A cells. Now. A cells. 2.11V 2.12 2.11  
Gravity 1270 1280 1270  
Number 1 2 3

Now. R.F. noise 0.8 division, attenuator 6DB.

Near calm conditions

Tension on #4 down lead 11 1/2 lbs.

" " #3 " " 10 "

" " #2 " " 15 1/2 "

" " #1 " " 13 "

Noon check time against VIM which was strong.  
Clock 1min fast, corrected it, at 1PM VIS  
also quite strong today.

145p - 155p Monkey chatter from BC str at 590KC,  
Dip down to 5/32", Filled to 5/16".  
Cut off chart roll and took to town.

Left 6:35 pm.

22 Jan 1957 Arrive 10am Everything going.

R.F. noise 0.2 division, Attenuator 6DB.

Check batteries	A cells	1.94V	1.91V	1.92V
	Gravity	1140	1120	1130
	Number	4	6	5

B batts	25	29	29 1/2	23 1/2	24	24	147 1/2V
Number	3	5	6	1	2	4	total

Interchanged positions of #3 + #1 B batts, Replaced A cells. Now. A cells.

A cells	2.11V	2.12	2.11
Gravity	1270	1280	1270
Number	1	2	3

Now, R.F. noise 0.8 division, Attenuator 6DB.

Near calm conditions

Tension on #4 down lead 11 1/2 lbs.

" " #3 " " 10 "

" " #2 " " 15 1/2 "

" " #1 " " 13 "

Noon check time against VIM which was strong. Clock 1 min fast, corrected it. at 1PM VIS also quite strong today.

145p - 155p Monkey chatter from BC str at 590KC. Dips down to 5/32", Filled to 5/16". Cut off chart roll and took to town.

Left 635 pm.

25 Jan 1957 Arrive 9:35 am. Equipment failed on 23rd. The 3E6 in R.F. amplifier had burned out. No replacement, or even a 1EN5 on premises. Went back to town about 10:30 a. Returned at 12:45 p. Put in another 3E6. Now sensitivity 0.3  $\mu$ v R.F. noise with attenuator at 12 DB.

The tube removed was original tube. It operated June-Sept 1955, Sept-Dec 56 + Jan 57 for a total of about 9 months or approx 6000 hours. Just missed time from VIS at 1:00 pm. Clock nearly right to a minute or so.

1:20-1:50 pm. Rain squall + cold front from south west. Very black to south.

3:07-3:35 p another more severe rain squall.

3:45 put in to use new large square ink well.

Put  $\frac{1}{8}$ " ink into it. Seems a bit shallow. Also cleaned tip of pen which had a blob of dry ink on it! Removal blob. This made pen run smoother and vibrate uniformly.

Check batteries A cells. 2.05 2.04 2.04

Gravity 1230 1230 1225

Number 1 2 3

Batteries 23.5 24 24 24.5 24 24 145.0

Number. 1 5 6 3 2 4 Total.

Wound clock 49 times to tight

These cold fronts quite severe. People breathe could easily be seen at 3:45 pm + 5:50 pm

Left about 7:05 p. Returned 7:35 pm to do phasing tests.

Rain squalls so had decided to leave.

Put 196 ft. delay in North lead. Left atten. at 12 DB.

28 Jan 57 Arrive 1030 a Everything going.  
 Gain set far too low at 21DB on attenuator  
 as of this morning R.F. noise 0.1 div when atten 12DB  
 + 0.9 divisions with attenuator at 3DB.

1055-1100 a. I stayed for VIP on 500KC could hear it.  
 Noon: Checked time on VIM. Clock 1 minute  
 slow. corrected it.

Top down to  $\frac{5}{32}$ " Filled to  $\frac{5}{16}$ "

Check Batteries, A cells 1.98V 1.97 1.97  
 Gravity 1165 1165 1160  
 Number 1 2 3

Batts	23	23	23	24	23	23	14 1/2
Gravity							total
Number	1	5	6	3	2	4	

1pm V/S not on because of holiday

145p tuned to station at 45 on dial

Note saturation curve.

200p Replaced four 1C5 in driver with new Philips tubes

Note saturation curve.

212P Replaced six 1C5 in output stage with new RCA tubes

necessary to turn DC full scale set control back  
 about 95°. Note saturation curve.

222p Put original four 1C5 back in driver

Note saturation curve.

232p Replaced the four 1C5 in driver with new Philips  
 tubes. Note saturation curve.

Apparently all ten 1C5 are worn out. These  
 tubes ran March & April 1955, also Sept - Dec 56 & Jan 57  
 for a total of 7 months or about 4700 hours. all  
 still operable but weak due to low emission.  
 As of today, all ten 1C5 tubes are new.

31 Jan 57 Arrive 1020a. Everything going but set very weak.

R.F. noise 0.1 division with attenuator 3DB

1025-1035 tried to get time from VIA but the code interference very bad. Could hear VLS handle traffic at times however.

Three A cells installed on 22nd (9 days) & B cells on 15th (6 days)

Check batteries A cells. 1.89V 1.87V 1.88V

Watched all B cells) Granites 1100 1085 1090

before recharging of Number 1 2 3

B cells	22 1/2	22	22 1/2	23 1/2	22 1/2	22 1/2	138 1/2
Granites	1120	1105	1105	1160	1120	1130	
	1130	1125	1125	1160	21130	1125	total

Number 1 5 6 3 2 4

The batteries should not be allowed to run this long.

Replaced all batteries, new A cells 2.10V 2.10V 2.11V

Granites 1265 1270 1275  
Number 5 4 6

B cells 25V 25 25 25 25 25 154V

Granites 1310 1295 1290 1315 1290 1305 total

Number 7 13 11 12 9 10

These batteries need water added on next changing.

Now R.F. noise 0.7 div & 9DB in attenuator

1055-1105 tried for time from VIP. Couldn't hear even the sig code at times. VLS still good.

1145a Some kind of a sparking noise with 200 cps components

Noon. Checked time against VJM, very strong. Clock 2 min slow. Corrected it.

Wound clock 47 turns to tight.

Exp. down to 1/8", Filled to 5/16"



31st continued.

118 pm the sparking noise went off momentarily.

126 pm New noise like a vacuum cleaner.

129 pm This noise off.

158 p Made antennas reversed by uncrossing leads on #3 tuner box.

455 - 645 p made more phasing tests. The energy certainly is coming from south.

Took out all delay + left antennas reverse connected, attenuator 9DB.

Left 645 pm

2 Feb 56 Arrive. 945 am. <sup>Bright + sunny</sup> Everything going.

Sparking noise still on but started to be intermittent about arrival time. When off for a few seconds things are very quiet. Then a steep cold front came from west with some rain + very dark clouds. Very strong precip. static. The input gang on receiver flashed over a couple of times a second for about three minutes at peak of disturbance. This flashing could be stopped by detuning about 20KC either way from resonance. The flashover is <sup>purely</sup> R.F. as no D.C. picked up by antenna could possibly reach gang condenser. Thus the radio frequency field strength of precipitation static must have been tremendous as about 1000 volts are necessary to cause a spark to jump between condenser plates.

Apparently the storm <sup>which</sup> came from <sup>the</sup> west ~~is~~ put the source of the sparking noise out of commission six times between 949 + 953 am. At 57 am the storm arrived in this valley. It continued to

After 140 pm a long series of rain squalls. Some  
break thunder at times, but no lightning visible.  
315-320 pm changed leads on #3 antenna tuner box back to  
crossed. This makes the antennas normal again.

Dnk down to  $5/32$ ". Filled to  $11/32$ ".  
R.F. noise 0.3 div. with atten, at 9 DB.  
R.F. " 0.5 " " " 6 DB.

Put 256 delay in south lead. Set atten at 6 DB.

Left about 440 pm.

5 Feb. Arrive 1110 am. Everything going  
R.F. noise 0.1 division, attenuator 6 DB.

Change atten to 0 DB. Now R.F. noise 0.6 div.  
Check Batteries

A cells	1.98V	1.97V	1.98V
Granites	1180	1170	1180
Number	5	4	6

B cells	25	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2	149 1/2 V
Number	7	13	11	12	9	10	Total

VLR is str at about 34 on dial. always hard keyed.  
Nice & quiet today. The continuous sparking noise is gone.  
Noon checked time against VIM. Clock time slow. Corrected  
Dnk down to  $1/8$ ". Filled to  $5/16$ ".  
310-345 changed over from #3 & #4 to #1 & #2 antennas  
545 pm started all four antennas normal.  
Attenuator 0 DB!

Left about 6 PM.

7 Feb 1945 Arrive 9:50 am. Everything going.  
R.F. noise 0.2 divisions, Attenuator 0DB.

Check all batteries

A cells.	1.93V	1.92V	1.93V
Gravity	1130	1120	1130
Number.	5	4	6

B bat's 25, 24 1/2, 24 1/2, 24 1/2, 24 1/2, 24 1/2, 149V  
Number. total.

Interchanged position of #7 & #12 B batteries  
Changed A cells. Now

	2.10V	2.10V	2.11V
Gravity	1275	1275	1280
Number.	1	3	2

Now R.F. noise 0.7 divisions with Attenuator 6DB.

1025-1035 tried to hear V1A on 500 KC for time.  
Not possible to hear even at times the coil  
interference was absent. If V1A is present it is  
exceedingly weak. Could hear V1S rather weak,  
and V1M strong as usual.

During past two days the #2 antenna has not been  
connected as found a bad joint in the receptacle  
to which it was plugged. Fixed it.

Missed time from V1M at noon.  
at 1 pm. got time from V1S, which was fairly strong.  
Clock 3 min slow. Corrected it. Also set up  
speed regulator slightly.

Turn down to 3/16". Filled to 5/16".  
Wound clock 56 turns to tight.  
Cut off chart paper & took it to tower.  
Went back to #1 & #2 antennas normal.  
Attenuator 6DB.

11 Feb 1957 Arrive 1005 am Everything going  
Set quite weak.

R.F. noise of divisions with attenuator 6 DB.  
1025-1035 listened for time from V1A. Could not  
detect. Interference bad at times.

Check all Batteries, A Cells. 2.02V 2.01V 2.03V  
Gravity 1210 1200 1215  
Number. 1 3 2  
B.batts 24 23 1/2 24 24 1/2 24 24 144 1/2 vts  
Number 12 13 11 7 9 10 total

Changed attenuator to ODB. Now R.F. noise 0.6 div  
2 in down to 3/32". Filled to 3/8"

Noon checked time from V1M. Clock 2 min fast. Corrected it.  
Wound clock ten turns

During afternoon looked for source of noise in Kemptown  
and made various tests. The only test which  
gave any indication whatever was when  
fuses were pulled at Greys place 130-3. This  
disconnected the spur running out to  
Dunysdales. The decrease was very slight  
indicating only small radiation from this spur

Readjusting #3 & #4 antenna tuner boxes for zero  
capacitance reactance cut out the 80,000 ohm resistance  
from each side antenna to ground. This helped  
quite a bit. Now these boxes same as others.  
All four adjusted to #1 on capacitance switch and #3  
on inductance switch.

New calm: #3 antenna down lead tension 3 1/2 lbs  
#4 " " " " 2 1/2 lbs.

Put 512 ft delay #1 ant; 256 ft #2 ant; 0 ft #3 ant; +

13 Feb. Arrive 1015 am. Everything going.

R.F. noise 0.3 divisions, attenuator 0 dB.

1025-1035 Listened for time from V1A. Even tho interference small, could not hear time.

Check batteries

A cells	1.98V	1.97	1.98
Gnaintex	1160	1155	1170
Number	1	3	2

B batts	24V	23 1/2	23	24	21 1/2	23 1/2	139 1/2V
Gnaintex							total.

Number	12	13	11	7	9	10
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{Decided to let run}  
{couple more days.}

#10 cell from negative end 0.1 volts 1115 gnaintex  
See 21/11/56 & 7/11/57 & 18/2/57

Spanking noise to south today. Much worse than the fainter one to north. See 12/12/56. Probably, came on 452 pm 12/2/57.

Replaced #9 battery with #8 which has 24V giving a new total of 142 volts. Took #9 B battery to town. See 18/2/57

Noon checked time against VIM. Clock about 10 sec fast.

Recalibrated D.C. Amplifier 100K  $\Omega$  input resistance.

Output	Input	DE	Output	Input	DE
ma.	Volts	volts	ma.	Volts	volts
0	0	—	11	3.15	.25
1	0.33	.33	12	3.45	.3
2	0.62	.39	13	3.70	.25
3	0.91	.29	14	4.00	.3
4	1.21	.30	15	4.30	.3
5	1.49	.28	16	4.55	.25
6	1.79	.30	17	4.9	.35
7	2.10	.31	18	5.3	.4
8	2.40	.30	19	5.7	.4

13 Feb continued.

Put tube removed 9/1/57 in beat osc, } see blue sheet  
Put beat osc tube in mixer }  
Put mixer tube in local oscillator. }  
Now. R.F. noise 0.4 div with attenuator 12 DB.

2k down to  $\frac{1}{32}$ ". Let alone

328 pm Wiggled vibrator tube. Great increase in vibrator output. Must be bad contact. Turned down.

Climbed up to top of west ridge and over to north end. Took two foto of *M. auricifera*. one of 5.6 at  $\frac{1}{25}$  sec with red filter. Other of 11 at  $\frac{1}{25}$  no filter. Also took two pairs of fotos of east ridge from a place about half way between ends of #2 + #3 gutturing. One pair of 6.3 at  $\frac{1}{50}$  with red filter. Other pair of 16 at  $\frac{1}{50}$  no filter.

It is 2.5 mi hike from north end of west ridge back to new shed.

With attenuator at 6 DB. R.F. noise 1.2 divisions. Use #2 + #3 antennas normal. #1 + #4 antennas unused.

Left about 6:15 pm.

15 Feb. Arrive 10:05 am. Set operating but feed line on #2 antenna grounded as sheep apparently got tangled in horizontal part and pulled part out of position. Pulled part back so that feeder no longer drags on ground. The feeder apparently became grounded at 6:58 pm on 14th and was

15th continued.

R.F. noise 0.6 divisions with attenuator at 6DB.

This is a wet day as been raining since 5am at intervals.

check batteries	A cells.	1.92V	1.91V	1.92V
	Granites	1110	1100	1115
	Number	1	3	2

B batts	24	22 1/2	22	23 1/2	23	23	139V olts
Granites	1170	< 1160	< 1140	1145	low	1140	total.
	< 1160	< 1130	< 1130	1175	water	1190	
Number	12	13	11	7	8	10	all 15/3/57

These B batts must have water added before charging

Replaced all batts. Now	A cells.	2.11V	2.12	2.10
	Granites	1270	1280	1270
	Number	4	6	5

B batts	24 1/2	25	25	25	25	25	152V
Granites	1275	1290	1295	1305	1290	1295	total
	1235	1295	1300	1305	1305	1305	
Number	1	4	2	3	5	6	

Now R.F. noise 3.0 divisions with attenuator at 6DB

" " " 1.0 " " " " 12DB

Mixed time at noon from VIM. At 1pm from VIS the clock was 2 min slow. Counted it!

Wound clock 53 turns to tight

Brought control and test terminals of vibrator out on front panel. Normal vibrator volts = 0.6 rms on 3V AC scale of Triumph tester.

15 Feb continued.

Made Calibration of Grid Dip meter  
Using large solenoid coil. Beat Osc = 46.0.

Receiver	Grid Dip	Freq
Dial	Dial	KC.
20 <sup>6.2</sup>	2.85	
25	2.90	
28	3.40	
30	3.80	
31		
32	4.25	
33		
34	4.70	
35	4.95	
→ 36	5.20	
37	5.50	
38	5.80	
39		
40	6.45	
41		
42	7.20	45.2 = 590 KC
45	8.50	
46.8	10.0	

Cut off chart paper & took to town  
Only 8 ft left on old roll.  
Put on new roll.

2 wk down to  $\frac{3}{32}$ " filled to  $\frac{5}{16}$ "

Use #2 & #3 antennas, #1 & #4 auto unmatch.

Set attenuator at 12 dB for A.B. division R.F. unit  
Put 96 ft delay in #3 ant.



18 Feb. Arrive 1005 am. Everything going.

R.F. noise 0.5 division, Attenuator 12DB

1025-35 listened for time from V/A but couldn't hear it because of interference mostly from V/S.

Check batteries.

A cells.	203V	204V	203V
Gravities	1220	1225	1220
Number	4	6	5

B batts 29½ 29½ 29½ 29½ 29½ 29½ 150V total.  
number. 1 4 2 3 5 6

#3 feeder tension about 2 lbs. #4 feeder slack.  
At noon clock 2 min fast by VIM. Corrected it.  
The dead cell in #9 B battery recovered to 1.5V on open circuit while on way to town. Charged at 1½ amps for 2 days. All cells came up to over 1300 even when full watered. Brought back to Kempton and put on standby for spare.

Set attenuator 9DB. Now R.F. noise 0.8 division.  
Put 128 ft delay in #2 antenna. Use #2 & #3.  
Unused #1 & #4 antennas.

Left about 1215 pm. Returned 605 pm.  
Ink down to 5/32". Filled to 5/16"  
Left again about 650 pm.

19 Feb. Arrive 1010 am. Everything going.  
1025-1032 listened for V/A. Couldn't hear time. Very little interference. Could hear ships calling V/S but couldn't hear V/S reply.  
Left 1035 am.

20 Feb. Arrive 3:45 pm, Everything going.  
Very dark black clouds to south.

R.F. noise 0.5 division with attenuator at 7 DB.

Ink down to  $\frac{3}{16}$ ", Filled to  $\frac{7}{16}$ ".  
Wound clock ten turns.

Changed attenuator to 6 DB, Now R.F. noise 1.0 div.

Changed delay from 1285 to 128 N.

Note that there is much less copying from north.

Left about 4:30 pm. Few drops beginning to come down now.

23 Feb. Arrive 9:55 am, Everything going.

R.F. noise 0.2 division with attenuator at 6 DB

Pulled up, tension in #3 out to 950# & #4 out to 900#.

At noon checked time against V/M. Clock  $\frac{1}{2}$  min slow.

Corrected it. Wound clock 59 turns to tight.

Cut ply chart paper and took to town.

Check batteries: A cells 1.89V 1.88V 1.89V

added water to them } Granite 1100 1090 1105

prior to recharging } Number 4 6 5

B batts 24  $\frac{1}{2}$  24 24 24 24 24 145  $\frac{1}{2}$  volts

Number 1 4 2 3 5 6 total

Charged A cells. Now 2.10V 2.10V 2.09V

Granite 1290 1270 1280

Number 2 3 1

Now R.F. noise 0.7 division with attenuator 12 DB.

Put 128 ft delay in Spool, set atten at 12 DB

Ink down to  $\frac{1}{16}$ ", filled to  $\frac{7}{32}$ ".

Tension #3 down lead 19  $\frac{1}{2}$  lbs; #4 down lead 19 lbs.

By Jeff Abright, the wind greatest on 28th Feb,  
This is probably when wires came down

1st March 1957, Arrive 1120 am.

Electronic equipment going.

Big wind of past few days up to 70 mph blew down antennas #1, #3, & #4. Only #2 operating. This had least tension of the four.

R.F. noise 0.3 divisions with attenuator at 6DB.

Check batteries	A cells	1.97V	1.96V	1.97V
	Grants	1170	1155	1165
	Number	2	3	1

B batts	24V	23	22 1/2	20 1/2	23	23	137 1/2V
Grants							total

Number 1 4 2 3 5 6

All cells in battery #3 show 1.9V except cell #8 from negative end which shows -0.1 volt & Grants 1090

Interchanged position of B batteries #1 & #2 } Now 141 1/2V total.  
Replaced battery #3 by #9. Took #3 to town.

Now R.F. noise 0.5 division with attenuator 6DB

Changed attenuator to 3DB. Now R.F. noise 1.0 division

Noon. Check time against VIM. Clock 1 1/2 min. fast.

Corrected it.

Left 1240 pm.

Spent afternoon looking for power line noise

No avail according to chart.

Returned 530 pm.

Changed all batteries	Now A cells	2.08	2.09	2.09
	Grants	1265	1265	1265
	Number	4	6	5

B batts							
Grants	25	25	25	25	25	25	152 volts
Number	9	11	7	12	13	10	Total

Now R.F. noise 0.5 division with attenuator at 12DB.

Use #2 antenna alone

4th March. Arrive 9:50am. Everything going

Check batteries	A cells	2.02	2.02	2.02			
	Gravity	1215	1215	1220			
	Number	4	6	5			
B batte	24.5	24.5	24.5	24.5	24.5	24.5	= 149V
Number	9	11	7	12	13	10	total.

Put #1 antenna back up. Now 700<sup>th</sup> tension. This gives about 3<sup>rd</sup> in down lead by estimate.

R.F. noise 0.2 division with attenuator at 12 DB. Change attenuator to 6 DB. Now R.F. noise 0.7 division. Tub down to 3/32". Filled to 1/32". Start operating with #1 & #2 antennas normal.

Left about 6:50pm.

7 March Arrive 6:15pm. Everything going. R.F. noise 0.1 division with attenuator at 6 DB. Change attenuator to 0 DB. Now R.F. noise 0.9 division. Tub down to 3/16". Filled to 5/16". Start 129 ft north delay. Left 6:35pm.

9 March Arrive 10 am. Set very weak. R.F. noise less than 0.1 division. Attenuator 0 DB.

Check batteries	A cells	1.91V	1.89V	1.90V			
	Gravity	1110	1100	1110			
	Number	4	6	5			
B. batte	24 1/2	24	24	24	24 1/2	145 1/2	voltage
			7	12	13	10	

9 March Continued.

Change A cells.	Now	2.11	2.11	2.11
	Gravities	1290	1295	1285
	Number.	1	2	3

Interchanged position of B batts # 12 & # 9

Now R.F. noise 1.2 divisions with attenuator at 6DB  
 " " 0.8 " " " 9DB

11/5 am, Code str at 34 on dial VIH at Holant  
Relay batteries 12.9v open 12.6v closed.

Noon checked time against VIM. Clock 2 min. slow.  
Corrected it. Wound 63 turns to tight. The  
clock has run now since the 1st or for 8 days.

Today a very distinct sputter-dabble noise  
can be heard at all times. Obviously power  
line interference. There seems to be a bit more  
on # 2 than # 1 antenna. However pleasing test  
clearly show the energy coming from the south

Ink down to 3/16". Filled to 5/16"  
Cut off chart and took to town.

Put attenuator at 15DB. R.F. noise 0.4? divisions  
Antennas Reversed. 256 ft delay in north lead  
Left about 505 pm.

12 March Arrive 105 am Near calm. Bottom of  
down lead on # 1 antenna very slack and shorting  
at times. Cut off 4 ft at bottom. In a calm the  
tension still only about one pound.

Gain set too low.

R.F. noise	< 0.1	divisions	with attenuator at	15DB
" "	0.2	"	"	6DB
" "	0.3	"	"	3 "
" "	0.8	"	"	0 DB

Checked batteries.	A cells.	2.04V	2.04	2.04
	Gravities	1220	1230	1220

12 March Continued.

Noon: checked time against VIM. Clock 2 min fast. Corrected it.

The background noise seems fairly smooth today. Apparently the objectionable interference to south was stopped. This leaves only the thing at Elderslie as a noise maker. Also the spikes on record are about absent. From the phasing tests it is clear that the background is from south but the spikes are from north.

Ink down to  $5/32$ " Filled to  $5/16$ "  
Put 32ft delay in North lead. attenuator at ODB.  
Left about 6:20pm.

15 March 56. Arrive 11:30am Everything going.  
R.F. noise 0.1 divisions, Attenuator ODB.

Check batteries  
These A batts are to be watered.

A cells	1.98V	1.97V	1.97V				
Granites	1170	1170	1165				
Number	1	2	3				
B batts	23 1/2	22 1/2	23	21	23	23	138V total
Granites	1170	1120	1135	1125	1140	1155	
	1165	1105	1140	1160	1140	1165	
Number	12	11	7	9	13	10	

cell #10 from neg w/ 0.4 volts & granites 1125

Change all batteries: Now A cells

A cells	2.10V	2.10V	2.10V				
Granites	1270	1275	1270				
Number	6	5	4				
B batts	25V	25	25	24 1/2	25	25	154V total.
Granites		1275	1305	1290	1305	1310	
		1310	1300	1290	1315	1300	
Number	3	5	4	1	6	2	

Now R.F. noise 0.9 divisions with attenuator at ODB  
" " " 0.5 " " " " 3 "

15th march continued,

Before changing batteries,

Tested receiver with signal generator.

Input from generator 50 + 80 $\mu$ s output in parallel.

Input adjusted to give 10 divisions on output meter.

This corresponds to about 20 small divisions on chart.

Input required 2.5 microvolts in this rather insensitive condition. The small drift downward on chart is caused by signal generator not being warmed up enough.

About 12:10 pm a sharp cold front with rain + hail went by.

Changed to better tubes in both osc + mixer. Now,

R.F. noise 1.3 divisions with attenuator at 12 DB.

Re-measured Sensitivity as follows.

R.F. noise	Attenuator	Microvolts
Divisions	DB.	for 10 divisions
0.1?	24	2.2
.1	21	1.6
.3	18	1.0
.7	15	0.75
1.1	12	.55
2.0	9	.35
3.5	6	Below
5.8	3	Signal
9.0	0	Generator

Tub down to  $\frac{1}{8}$ ". Filled to  $\frac{5}{16}$ "

4:20 pm. Sounds quite smooth now. Fall from 50 cycle

Put 250 ft delay in north lead with antenna.

Set attenuator at 15 DB

revised.

16 March 57, Arrive 1005am. Everything going.

Noon checked time, clock 1 min fast, corrected it.

Put #3 antenna Back up.

Made as follows #1=0, #2=128N, #3=256N.

Set Attenuator to 12DB. R.F. noise 1.1 divisions

Left about 445pm.

17 March. Arrive 1210pm. Everything going.

Examined equipment & showed to radio club.

Left 135pm.

March 18 Arrive 1030am. Everything going.

R.F. noise 0.8 divisions with attenuator at 12DB.

Sensitivity check 0.60 microvolt for 10 divisions.

check all batteries

	A cells.			B cells.		
	1210	1215	1215	1210	1215	1215
Quantity	2.03	2.03	2.03	2.03	2.03	2.03
Number	6	5	4	6	5	4
B <sub>1</sub> cells	25	25	24.5	24.5	25	24.5
Number	3	5	4	1	6	2

TOTAL 151V.

Ink down to  $\frac{1}{8}$ ", Filled to  $\frac{5}{16}$ "

Made play tests.

Put back to #1=0 ft, #2=128ft, #3=256ft.

Left about 130pm.

See 15/2/57

#8 B battery taken to town & changed. all electrolyte replaced by new solution 1270 graphite. Then changed



21 March 56 Arrive 1005am. Everything going.  
 R.F. noise 0.4 divisions with attenuator at 12DB.  
 Sensitivity 0.191  $\mu$ v for 10 divisions

Check all batteries

A cells	1.96v	1.97v	1.96v
Granite	1165	1160	1160
Number	6	5	4

B batts 25v 24 1/2 24 1/2 24 25 24 1/2 141v total  
 Number 3 5 4 1 6 2

Interchange position of B batts #3 & #1.

Replace A cells. Now 2.12v 2.12v 2.12v  
 Granite 1265 1265 1270  
 Numbers 2 3 1

Now R.F. noise 1.0 divisions with attenuator at 12DB.  
 Sensitivity 0.64  $\mu$ v for 10 divisions

Cut off chart paper & took to town. Only 10ft left on roll so put on a new roll.

Near calm. Tension in #3 down lead 6.3 lbs  
 #2 " " 2.5 "  
 #1 " " 11.0 "

Cut 3 1/2 ft from #2 down lead. Now tension 6.8 lbs.

Subdown to 5/32". Filled to 1/32".  
 Noon checked time. Clock correct. Elderslie

Wound clock 47 turns to tight

Background very rough today. Seems like some 50  $\mu$ v coming in from north.

We now seem to be in about same condition as prior to Feb 12th. The objectionable noise which came on then to south disappeared after storm of 28th

25 March. Arrive 1130 A. Everything going.

R.F. noise 0.4 division with attenuator at 12DB

Sensitivity 0.91  $\mu$ v for 10 divisions

2k down to  $1/32$ . Filled to  $3/8$ "

Check time at noon. Check 2 mpa fast, converted it.

Check batteries

A cells	2.01V	2.00	2.00
Gravities	1210	1195	1200
Number	2	3	1

B batts 24 24 24 22 24 24 142V

Number 1 5 4 3 6 2 total.

All cells on #3 show 2V or better except #8 from negative end which shows -0.1 volt under load. Recovered to 1 volt on open circuit. Gravities 1160. Took to town for recharging.

Replaced #3 by #8 B batt having 25V. Now 145V total.

Now R.F. noise 0.5 division with attenuator at 12DB.

Sensitivity 0.8  $\mu$ v for 10 divisions.

Changed attenuator to 6DB. Now R.F. noise 1.5 divisions

Sensitivity 0.45  $\mu$ v for 10 divisions.

Made phasing tests. Seems to be some kind of rain static weakly coming in from north judging by peaks on record. On #1 & #3 the noise sounds like a pump running with a hollow wheezing noise repeating every 2 seconds or so.

210 pm Black clouds off to SW.

Continued attenuator at 6DB. Put antennas back to

#1=0, #2=128, #3=255.

225 pm Screeching noises at times. Sounds like rain static.

Left about 240 p.

The aurora was seen as a green-yellow haze to south from Biele, Observatory. First visible

29/3/57 Avime 1140a. Everything going.  
 R.F. noise 0.6 divisions with attenuator at 6DB.  
 Sensitivity 0.76  $\mu$ v for 10 divisions.

At noon at 1PM against VHS, 6 min slow. Coverted it.  
 Wound 63 turns to tight,  
 Took down to  $\frac{5}{32}$ " Filled to  $\frac{1}{32}$ "  
 Cut off chart & took to town.

Checked all Batteries	A cells	1.91V	1.90	1.91V				
	Gravities	1115	1100	1110				
	Number	2	3	1				
B cells		23 $\frac{1}{2}$	23	23	24 $\frac{1}{2}$	23 $\frac{1}{2}$	23	141 volts
	Gravities	1170	1130	1140	1225	1140	1170	
		1115	1100	1140	1220	1165	1145	total
	Number	1	5	4	8	6	2	

Changed all Batteries Now	A Cells	2.11	2.10	2.10
	Gravities	1280	1280	1285
	Number	6	5	4

B cells		24 $\frac{1}{2}$	25	25	25	25	25	152 volts
	Gravities	1225	1295	1305	1270	1295	1285	
		1230	1295	1300	1280	1290	1290	total
	Number	8	7	10	11	12	13	

Now. R.F. noise 3.9 divisions with attenuator at 6DB  
 " " " 0.8 " " " " 15DB,  
 Sensitivity 0.65  $\mu$ v for 10 divisions.

Put antennas to #1=0, #2=256, #3=512  
 Left attenuator at 15DB.

Left about 410p.

2 April 1957 Arrive 1145am. Set going but short wire on horizontal part of #2 down lead broken. This probably occurred at 310pm on 30/3/57. Apparently cattle rubbed on it until it broke as top high for sheep. Antenna still operated as an "L" on east half which gave very large output. At times the break end on tuner side would short. This would decommission tuner box and reduce output. This uncertain condition lasted to 1145am on 2/4/57. Repaired down lead

Noon, checked Time. Clock 1 min fast, Corrected it.  
 R.F. noise 0.2 divisions with attenuator at 15DB.  
 Sensitivity 1.2  $\mu$ v for 10 divisions  
 Changed attenuator to 9DB. Now R.F. noise 0.8 divisions  
 Sensitivity 0.67  $\mu$ v for 10 divisions

Checked Batteries

A cells	2.01V	2.01	2.01				
Grants	1210	1205	1205				
Number	6	5	4				
B. cells	29 1/2	29 1/2	25	29 1/2	25	29 1/2	149V total
Number	8	7	10	11	12	13	

The rough stuff seems to be coming in from both south and north today, a bit more from north. Sounds like pure static far away. Good smooth records when pointing straight up without side lobes.

Left attenuator at 9DB.  
 Put antennas to #1=0, #2=128, #3=256

Left about 440pm

3/4/57, #10 cell was taken out of #3B batt and pi

5 April 1957, Arrive 1130 A. Everything going  
 R.F. noise 0.3 division with attenuator at 9DB.  
 Sensitivity 0.97  $\mu$ v for 10 divisions.

Check Batteries	A cells.	1.93v	1.92	1.93
	Grainite	1140	1130	1135
	Number	6	5	4

B batts.	24	24	24	24	24	24	146V
Number	8	7	10	11	12	13	total

Noon: check time against VIM. Clock 5 min slow.  
 Coverted it and advanced regulator a bit. Wound  
 clock 56 turns to tight.

Take down to  $\frac{3}{16}$ ". Filled to  $\frac{3}{8}$ "

Changed A cells	Now.	2.09v	2.09	2.09
	Grainite	1270	1275	1275
	Number.	3	2	1

Now R.F. noise 1.4 division with attenuator at 9DB.

" " " 0.9 " " " " 12DB

R.F. sensitivity 0.60  $\mu$ v for 10 divisions

From planning tests it would appear that there are two  
 sources of low angle background noise. The largest  
 one seems to be at south.

Took photos of valley from road across side of cliff  
 at south end. Three pairs looking NE, N + NW. Each  
 pair one of  $\frac{1}{25}$  sec at f 11 no filter &  $\frac{1}{25}$  sec f 5.6 with red  
 filter. Thickly overcast & not much light XX616 film.

Put attenuator to 12DB.

Delay lines, #1 out = 0, #2 out = 192 ft, #3 out = 384 ft.

Cut off chart paper and took to town.