

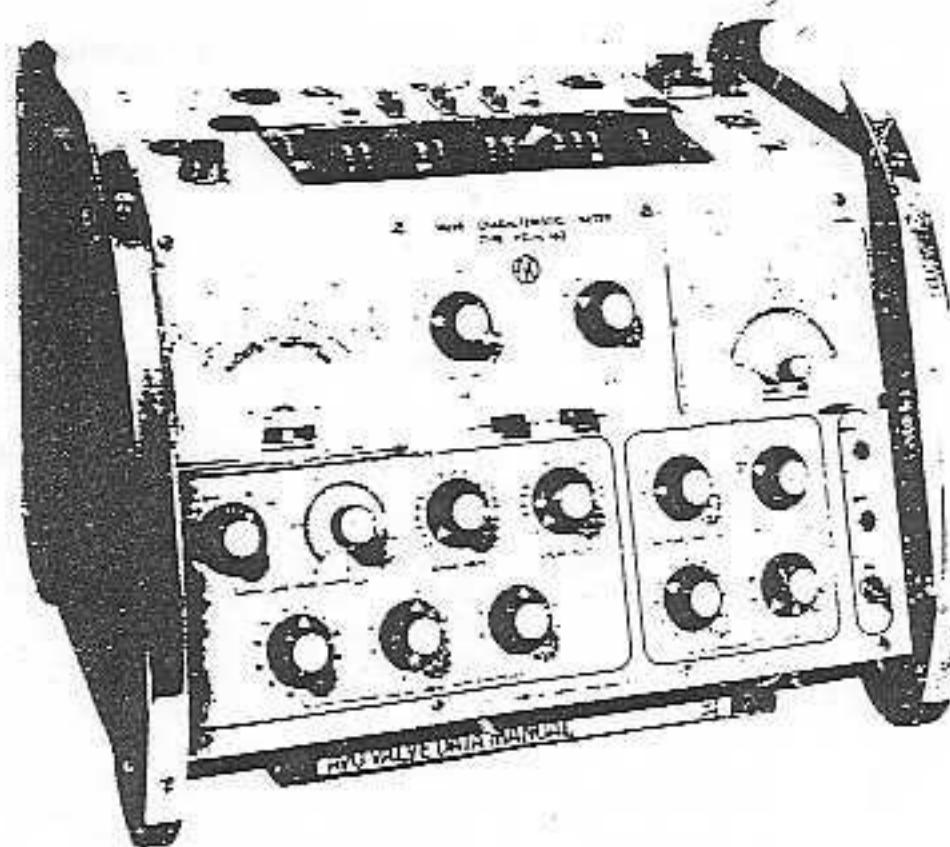


# Service Manual

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Type V.C.M. 163  
Valve Characteristic Meter

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# VALVE CHARACTERISTIC METER TYPE VCM 163

## SERVICE MANUAL

### TEST EQUIPMENT REQUIRED

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- (a) Electronic Avometer Type EA 113 (or equivalent)
  - (b) Model 8 Avometers
  - (c) Valve E55L (standardised for mutual conductance at 16mA anode current)  
= 8233
  - (d) Resistors various,  $1\text{M}\Omega \pm 5\%$ ,  $1\text{k}\Omega 3\text{W}$  variable,  $3.9\text{k}\Omega \pm 5\%$   $4.5\text{W}$ ,  
 $960\Omega \pm 5\%$  with a rating of greater than  $30\text{W}$ ,  
 $150\Omega \pm 1\% 5\text{W}$
  - (e) 500V Megger
  - (f) Valve 12AT7 and Rectifier Valve U52  
= ECC81 = 5U4GB
  - (g) Silicon Diode D0058  
e.g. BY100
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### GENERAL NOTES

Care should be exercised when servicing due to the presence of up to 180V rms within the interior of the instrument.

All measurements and tolerances stated do not include those of the testing instrument, and where necessary, these should be ascertained, in order that they may be taken into consideration during calibration procedure. It is recommended that the specified instruments are employed.

If at any time it is necessary to displace wiring within the instrument, great care must be taken to ensure that it is replaced in the original position.

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### TO CHECK THE ACCURACY USING STANDARDISED VALVES

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Where the accuracy of the instrument is in doubt, standardised valves may be used to check the instrument. For this, an  $I_a/V_g$  curve must be plotted at recommended  $V_a$  (See Valve Data Book). From the curve obtain the Mutual Conductance at a point ( $I_a/V_g$ ) preferably given by the Valve Data Book, if it is on the linear portion of the characteristic.

$$\text{Mutual Conductance} = \frac{I_a}{V_g}$$

Adequately smoothed dc supplies should be used and Model 8 Avometers to monitor  $V_a$ ,  $I_a$  and  $V_g$ . A valve to be standardised must be aged for at least 24 hours and once the valve is standardised it must be labelled and dated.

## RAPID PERFORMANCE CHECKS

- (a) Ensure that the mains switch is off.
- (b) Ascertain the voltage of the mains supply and set the MAINS VOLTAGE SELECTOR to the value nearest to that of the mains supply. Access to the VOLTAGE SELECTOR PANEL can be gained by removal of the left-hand side panel, which exposes a coarse voltage selector marked 110, 120, 200, 210, 220, 230 and 240V. The fuse should be inserted in the position which is marked with the nearest value to the supply voltage available.
- (c) Connect the mains lead of the instrument to the mains power supply. Set the MAINS switch on the panel to its 'on' position and observe that the red panel indicator lamp is illuminated.
- (d) Set the CIRCUIT SELECTOR switch to the position CHECK (C) and the LEAKAGE switch to  $\sim$ . The mA meter pointer should now move across the scale and come to rest near the black region of the insulation scale thus denoting zero ohms.
- (e) Rotate the SET  $\sim$  control until the meter pointer is as near as possible to the red line marked  $\sim$  in the middle of this black scale marking.
- (f) If the initial setting of the MAINS VOLTAGE SELECTOR is correct, it will be possible for the meter pointer to be moved to either side of the red line using the SET  $\sim$  control.
- (g) If this is not possible and rotation of the SET  $\sim$  control does not enable the pointer to reach the  $\sim$  mark from either direction, then the initial mains setting should be moved to the next appropriate tapping. If the pointer is too far right of the  $\sim$  mark, move to the next higher tapping and, in a similar manner, it should be moved to the next lower tapping if the pointer is too far to the left of the  $\sim$  mark.
- (h) Once the mains voltage setting has been correctly set, provided extensive mains fluctuations do not occur, test voltages should be automatically correct throughout the instrument.
- (i) Using standardised valves check that for a given anode current the bias is within  $\pm 5\%$  of range value +0.25V and  $g_m$  is within  $\pm 5\%$  f.s.d. of standardised value.
- (j) Check the 'Gas' position of the CIRCUIT SELECTOR switch. Insert a 1M $\Omega$  resistance between g' and C. Set VALVE PIN SELECTOR switches 1 and 2 to c and g', respectively and tap pins 1 and 2 on SP145.
- (m) Adjust grid volts for half full scale deflection on mA meter. The grid volts should be between 45 and 55.
- (n) Disconnect the resistance and switch off.

## SIMPLE FAULTS

To facilitate servicing or calibration of the instrument, it is necessary to remove the back and side plates from the instrument case. This is accomplished by the removal of four instrument headed screws from the side plates and six round headed screws from the back plate. The valve panel is then also readily accessible.

<u>Symptoms</u>	<u>Possible Fault</u>	<u>Action</u>
No red panel lamp indication	No mains input Indicator bulb burnt out	Check mains connector Replace red indicator bulb
No red panel lamp indication or meter deflection	Fuse blown	Check MAINS VOLTAGE SELECTOR. Replace fuse
No indication of meter current	No anode volts at valve pin	Check that the anode link is tight and making firm contact
No indication of meter current and protective relay operates when testing tetrodes or pentodes	No anode volts at valve pin (screen volts present)	Check that anode link is tight and making firm contact
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## PROTECTIVE RELAY OPERATION

- Connect a  $960\Omega \pm 5\%$  resistor with a rating of 30W between anode and cathode circuits.
- Set the Anode Volts to 12.6, the mA switch to Ia 100 and CIRCUIT SELECTOR to 'Test'
- Connect the instrument to the mains supply (See Rapid Performance Checks) and switch on.
- Increase the Anode Volts step by step until the cut-out operates. The voltage at which this occurs must lie within the limits 175V to 350V inclusive.
- Set the Anode Volts to 150 and switch instrument on and off several times. The cut-out must not operate.
- Repeat at 350V. The cut-out must operate every time.

Should the overload relay operate during testing (indicated by the lighting of the blue overload lamp on the front panel) switch off and check for incorrect setting of the SELECTOR switch or electrode voltages. If these are correct, but the relay continues to operate when the instrument is switched on again, the valve is probably soft and the test should proceed no further. Switch off and remove the valve under test. When switched on again, the instrument should function normally.

## SERVICING THE VALVEHOLDER PANEL

The valveholder panel is connected electrically to the control panel by means of a 12-way tagboard. The wiring of the valveholders on the panel is in the form of thirteen separate loops, all pins numbered '1' comprising a loop and linking in roller '1' of the ROLLER SELECTOR switch, and pins numbered '2' forming a second loop and linking to roller '2', and so on.

This form of connection is used for all other pins, all thirteen circuits being approximately equal in length and following a similar path around the panel. These loops are loaded with ferroxcube beads which sufficiently damp the loop to prevent the valve breaking into parasitic oscillation. Ferrox beads are also used on leads feeding the ROLLER SELECTOR switch as a further protection against oscillation.

Where it is necessary to replace valveholders, those fitted to the panel with nuts and bolts are easily removable. When removing riveted valveholders care should be taken to ensure that rivets are drilled out from the underside of the panel. All wire must be replaced in its original position.

## VOLTAGE CHECKS WITH NO VALVE UNDER TEST

Connect the instrument via a variac to the mains input. The output from the variac should be monitored with an ac voltmeter which is accurate to  $\pm 0.5\%$  at 240V. Adjust the variac until the voltmeter reads 240V. The mains fuse should be inserted in the VOLTAGE SELECTOR panel for 240V operation. Ensure that the instrument is switched off whilst making these adjustments.

Set switches as follows: Set  $\sim$  at mid-point, Leakage at  $\sim$  CIRCUIT SELECTOR at CHECK (H) or CHECK (C).

### Anode and Screen Voltages

- Set VALVE PIN SELECTOR switches TC1 and TC2 to 1 and 8 respectively
- Connect an Avometer Model 8 (set to measure dc volts) across the top cap sockets.
- Set the mA switch to  $I_a = 100$  and CIRCUIT SELECTOR switch to Test.
- Vary the Anode Volts from 12.6 to 400 and observe the following limits:

NOMINAL	ACTUAL	LIMITS
12.6	7.24	6.7 - 7.2
20	11	10.3 - 11.1
30	16.05	15.2 - 16.3
40	21.1	20.2 - 21.4
50	26.2	25.1 - 26.7
60	31.25	30.1 - 31.9
75	38.8	37.5 - 39.7
90	46.4	44.7 - 47.5
100	51.5	49.7 - 52.7
125	64.2	62.2 - 65.7
150	77	74.7 - 78.7
175	89.65	87.2 - 91.7
200	102.3	100 - 105
225	115	112 - 118
250	128	125 - 131
275	140.5	137 - 144
300	153.3	150 - 157
350	178.9	175 - 183
400	204	200 - 208

- Set TC2 to 7 and observe that the above readings are repeated as the Screen Volts are varied.

### Heater Voltages

- Set the VALVE PIN SELECTOR switches TC1 and TC2 to 2 and 3 respectively.
- Connect a Model 8 Avometer set for ac voltage across TC1 and TC2.

- (c) Set the CIRCUIT SELECTOR to CHECK (H) and measure Heater Volts.

NOMINAL	ACTUAL	NOMINAL	ACTUAL
0.1	0.102	40	40.8
0.2	0.204	50	51
0.3	0.306	60	61.2
0.4	0.41	70	71.4
0.5	0.51	80	81.6
10	10.2	90	91.8
20	20.1	100	102
30	30.6	110	112.2

Limits are not given for this test, the purpose of the test is to ensure that the correct tapings of the transformer are connected to their appropriate switch positions.

- (d) Switch off and remove the meter.

## SETTING-UP PROCEDURE

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Note: The Multimeter used in the following calibration procedure should be standardised at the appropriate voltages before making any adjustment as mentioned in the following paragraphs.

- (a) Set all pre-set controls at approximately mid-point (RV1, RV2 and RV3 on the potentiometer board and RV1 and RV2 on the oscillator board). If the instrument has been previously calibrated and no replacement of relevant components has been necessary, do not adjust the potentiometers unless it is obvious that adjustment is required.
- (b) Check mechanical zero adjustment on panel mounted meters and set zero if required on both meters.
- (c) Set the VOLTAGE SELECTOR to 240 volts and check that the mains wires are connected to their appropriate tags (Red - line, Black - N, Green - E.)
- (d) Carry out a continuity test with the Model 8 ensuring that earth is connected to the frame of the instrument.
- (e) Using the 500V Megger, test the insulation between:
  - (i) \*zero line and mains wire (Red - line, Black - neutral)
  - (ii) zero line and the frame of the instrument.

\* a convenient point on the zero line is the junction of LP1 and LP2.

With the instrument supply switch at 'on' the insulation should be greater than 100MΩ.

- (f) Feed the mains input from a variac (output from variac to be monitored with an ac voltmeter which is accurate to ± 0.5% at 240 volts). Adjust variac until voltmeter reads 240V.

- (g) With the instrument switched on, set switches as follows:  
SET  $\sim$  at mid-point, LEAKAGE at  $\sim$ , CIRCUIT SELECTOR at CHECK (H) or CHECK (C).
- (h) Set the mA meter to the red line marked  $\sim$  by adjusting RV3 and ensuring that the ac voltmeter reads exactly 240V at this point.
- (i) Rotate the SET  $\sim$  switch from full anti-clockwise position to full clockwise position and check that an increase is indicated on the mA meter for each position of the switch.
- (k) Connect a dc voltmeter between zero line and the junction of RV2 and R21. The accuracy of the voltmeter must be  $\pm 0.5\%$  at 52V dc and the sensitivity 20,000 $\Omega$ /V or higher.
- (l) Set the CIRCUIT SELECTOR switch to Test and adjust RV2 until the voltmeter reads 52V dc, again ensuring that the mains is exactly 240V.
- (m) Connect a dc voltmeter (Model 8) across zero line and the slider of RV4 (mounted on the front panel). Set the Grid Volts control such that when the cursor is at zero the voltmeter reads zero and there is an indication on the meter immediately after the cursor passes the zero position.
- (n) Replace the Model 8 by an electronic multimeter and with the cursor set to 5, set the Grid Volts switch to each position in turn.
- (o) The voltage should read 0.78, 2.6, 7.8 and 26 volts  $\pm 3\%$  as the Grid Volts switch is set to 0-3, 0-10, 0-30 and 0-100 respectively.
- (p) Check that the oscillator board is connected to the correct H.T. transformer tappings, i.e. oscillator board tags 1 and 2 are connected to transformer tags 6 and 8. Check that the voltage across tags 1 and 2 is approximately 24V r.m.s. and the voltage across C7 (oscillator board) is approximately 12V dc  $\pm 5\%$ .
- (q) Connect the electronic multimeter across the red and brown (earthy) sockets on the amplifier board. Set the electronic multimeter to the 30mV ac range (or as appropriate) and adjust RV1 on the oscillator board until the multimeter reads 15mV. This setting is only correct when the ambient temperature is between 18° and 22° C.
- (r) Set the mA/V switch to Cal and RV1 on the potentiometer board to mid-range. (Do not adjust RV1 if it has not been replaced).
- (s) Adjust RV2 (oscillator board) until the mA/V meter pointer is on the red line marked Cal. Final fine adjustment can be made by adjusting RV1 on the potentiometer board.
- (t) Connect a sub-standard dc ammeter in series with a 1kg variable 3W resistor and 3.9 $\Omega \pm 5\%$ , 4.5W fixed resistor. Connect the whole arrangement across anode and cathode links on the valve panel.

- (w) Set the mA switch to I<sub>a</sub>, 3mA, the Anode Volts to 12.6 and the CIRCUIT SELECTOR switch to Test. Adjust the variable resistor to set the mA meter to full scale. The sub-standard meter should read 1.5mA  $\pm$  2.5%. Repeat this test for the following switch settings:

<u>I<sub>a</sub></u>	<u>V<sub>a</sub></u>	<u>Sub-standard meter reading</u>
10	40	5mA $\pm$ 2.5%
*30	12.6	15mA $\pm$ 2.5%
*100	50	50mA $\pm$ 4%

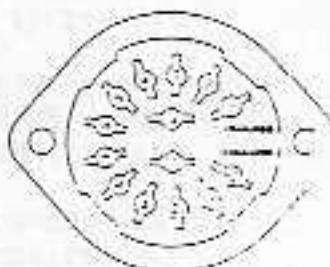
\*For these settings short the 3.9k $\Omega$  resistor.

## FINAL TEST PROCEDURE

When all repairs have been carried out and the instrument re-assembled, carry out the following final test detail.

- Apply a 500V Megger test between the mains input and frame.
- Apply 240V via a variac to the instrument and adjust the meter pointer to the  $\sim$  mark on the scaleplate. (For full details see Rapid Performance Checks (d) to (g)).
- Set the VALVE PIN SELECTOR switch to 133 456 789 XYZ0
- Set the CIRCUIT SELECTOR switch to CHECK (C)
- Using the SP14S valvenholder on the valve panel, connect a [M $\Omega$   $\pm$  5% resistor between pin 1 and the pins listed below, as the LEAKAGE switch is set to the positions shown. For each setting the mA meter should read 1M $\Omega$   $\pm$  10%. For convenience, the pin numbering of the SP14S valvenholder is given in the diagram.

<u>Pins</u>	<u>Leakage switch setting</u>
2	h (C)
3	c (C)
4	g' 1
5	g" 1
6	g''' 1
7	g <sub>2</sub>
8	a
9	a' d
10	a" d
11	a''' d
12	a"" d



- (f) Set the CIRCUIT SELECTOR switch to CHECK (H) and test as in (e) for one or two positions.
- (g) Set the CIRCUIT SELECTOR switch to C/h INS and connect the  $1\text{M}\Omega$  resistor between cathode and heater. The meter should again read  $1\text{M}\Omega \pm 10\%$ .
- (h) Set the Anode Volts to 12.6, the mA switch to Ia 100 and CIRCUIT SELECTOR to Test.
- (j) Connect a resistor of  $960\Omega \pm 5\%$  having a rating of much greater than 30W between anode and cathode circuits.
- (k) Increase the Anode volts step by step until the cut-out operates. The voltage at which this occurs must lie within the limits of 175V to 350V inclusive.
- (m) Set the Anode volts to 150 and switch instrument on and off several times. The cut-out must not operate. Repeat at 350 volts. The cut-out must operate every time.
- (n) Set VALVE PIN SELECTOR switch to 817 231 151, Anode and Screen volts to 125V, Grid volts to 3V and Heater volts to 6.3V. Set the ELECTRODE SELECTOR switch to a'. Insert an E65L standardised valve and obtain the values applicable to the valve as standardised. Ensure that the valve does not oscillate.
- (o) Repeat (n) for the following settings:

<u>Valve Pin Selector</u>	<u>Electrode Selector</u>
817 231 151	a"
817 231 151	a'''

- (q) Set the CIRCUIT SELECTOR switch to Gas position and observe that both meters read zero. (Half a division on the top scale is permitted). Both meters must also read zero when the mA/V push-button is depressed.
- (r) Using standardised valves check that for a given anode current the bias is within  $\pm 5\%$  of range value  $\pm 0.25\text{V}$  and that  $i_m$  is within  $\pm 5\%$  f.s.d. of standardised value.

\*One valve for each range and a directly heated valve must be tested.

- (s) Check the Gas position of the CIRCUIT SELECTOR switch. Insert a one megohm resistor between g'1 and C, set VALVE PIN SELECTOR switches 1 and 2 to c and g'1 respectively and tap pins 1 and 2 on SP14S. Adjust Grid volts for half full scale deflection on mA meter. The voltage across the  $1\text{M}\Omega$  resistor should be between 45 and 55V.
- (t) Using the Avo Valve Data Manual set up the instrument to test a valve 12AT7. Switch the CIRCUIT SELECTOR to Gas. There should be no reverse deflection of the pointer for any bias more negative than -3V.

- (u) Connect a  $150\Omega$  resistor  $\pm 1\%$ , 5W in series with a silicon diode DD058. Use this as a standard rectifier to test the D/R ranges. Set the VALVE PIN SELECTOR switches 1 and 2 to c and a'd respectively, and tap pins 1 and 2 on SP14S. The readings should be as listed below:

D/R Range	Reading on 100 scale
180mA	67 - 82
120mA	70 - 85
60mA	75 - 90
30mA	80 - 95
15mA	85 - 95
5mA	87 - 97
1mA	95 - 103

- (v) Set up the instrument in accordance with the Avo Valve Data Manual to test a rectifier valve U52 using a valve which is known to be good. Set the ELECTRODE SELECTOR at a'd and a" d and check that the pointer lies near the centre of the 'Good' region, i.e., between 70 and 80 on the 0 - 100 scale.
- (w) Re-set the VALVE PIN SELECTOR switch to supply diode anodes a'" d and a"" d instead of a'd and a" d. (VALVE PIN SELECTOR SETTINGS 030 72Y 020).

Check as in (v) that the same readings are now obtained in the appropriate position of the ELECTRODE SELECTOR switch.

- (x) Switch off and remove all test instruments. Set the CIRCUIT SELECTOR and mA switches to Test and . respectively before transport.

## SPARE PARTS LISTS

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Individual assemblies are illustrated in Figs. 2 to 9 incl.  
An associated Parts List is given for each assembly which details  
the description and relevant Part No. of the individual components.

An overall interior view of the instrument is given in Fig. 1  
which indicates the location of the individual assemblies.

Following the illustrations additional Parts Lists in Circuit  
Reference No. order are given for each Circuit Diagram.

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## PROCEDURE FOR ORDERING SPARE PARTS

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If you will follow the procedure set out below, delays will  
not occur due to the exchange of unnecessary correspondence:

- (i) Identify the spare part required from the appropriate  
Figure and ascertain the AVO Part No.
- (ii) When ordering state the Part No. and description of the  
item required, its location in the instrument and  
instrument serial number.

Overseas users should send their requirements to the AVO  
representative on their territory. If Parts are required in the  
United Kingdom application should be made direct to Avo Limited.

## FIG. 1 CHASSIS ASSEMBLY

Item No.	Description	AVO Part No.
1	mA/Volt Switch Assembly S8 (see Fig. 6)	45190
2	Valve Panel Assembly (see Fig. 5)	45275
3	mA Switch Assembly S3 (see Fig. 7)	45189
4	Front Panel Assembly (see Fig. 2)	45193
5	Grid Volts Switch Assembly S10 (see Fig. 8)	45188
6	Component Board Assembly (see Fig. 9)	45194
7	Amplifier Board Assembly (see Fig. 3)	45001
8	Oscillator & Power Unit Board Assembly (see Fig. 4)	45002
RV1	Potentiometer 500 $\Omega$	27133-325
RV2	Potentiometer 1k $\Omega$	27133-331
RV3	Potentiometer 2k $\Omega$	27133-341
T1	H.T. Transformer Assembly	45185
T2	L.T. Transformer Assembly	45197
RL1	Relay	45211
C1-C4	Capacitors 1 $\mu$ F 400V	27538-318
D4	Diode 0005d	28461-501
D5, D6	Diode IN2069	28462-696

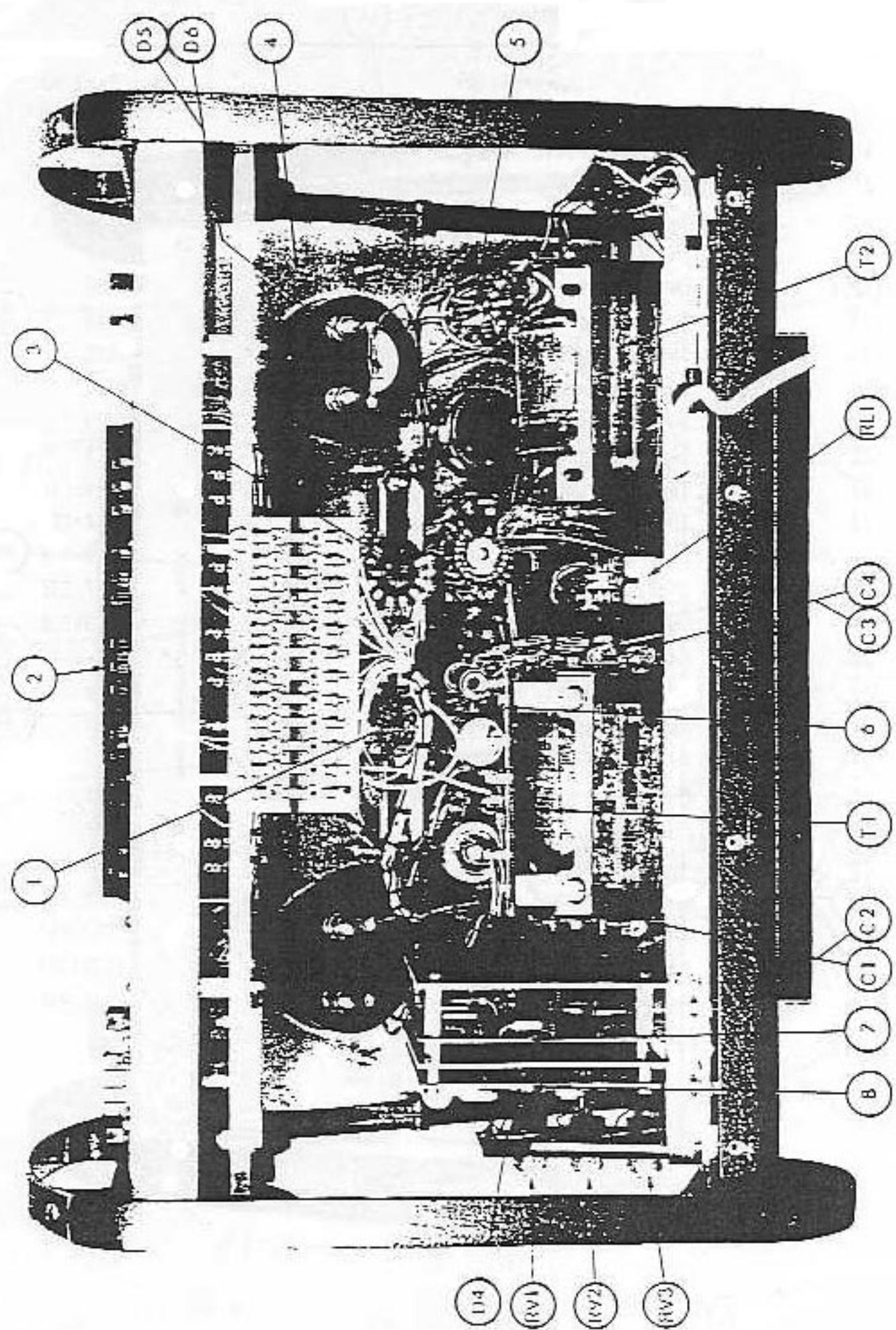


Fig 1 Chassis Assembly

## FIG. 2- FRONT PANEL ASSEMBLY 45193

Item No.	Description	Avo Part No.
1	Switch Circuit Selector S5	45187
2	Switch Electrode Selector S4	45828
6	Switch mA/V S8 (see Fig. 6)	45190
9	Switch mA S3 (see Fig. 7)	45189
12	Switch Grid Volts S10 (see Fig. 8)	45188
13	Switch Heater Volts S11	45818
14	Switch Heater Volts S12, S13	45825
15	Switch Screen & Anode Volts S1, S	45803
20	Switch Set Cycles S14	45823
21	Switch Leakage S6	45816
22	Toggle Switch On/Off_S15	25454-251
23	Indicator Lamp (Red) LP2	25517-233
24	Bulb 6.5V 0.35A	25514-679
25	Indicator Lamp (Blue) LP1	25517-235
26	Potentiometer Grid Volts RV4	27238-232
28	Front Panel	3286-619
30	Meter Assembly mA/V M1	45206
31	Meter Assembly mA M2	45191
33	Knob Assembly	45913
37	Push-button switch mA/V S7	45431
38	Push-button switch mA S9	45524
39	Knob Collet Black	23762-235
40	Knob Cap Grey	23762-384
41	Knob Skirt Black	23762-854
42	Resistor 2.4k ± 1% (R33)	26232-182
43	Resistor 56k ± 2% (R32)	26834-497

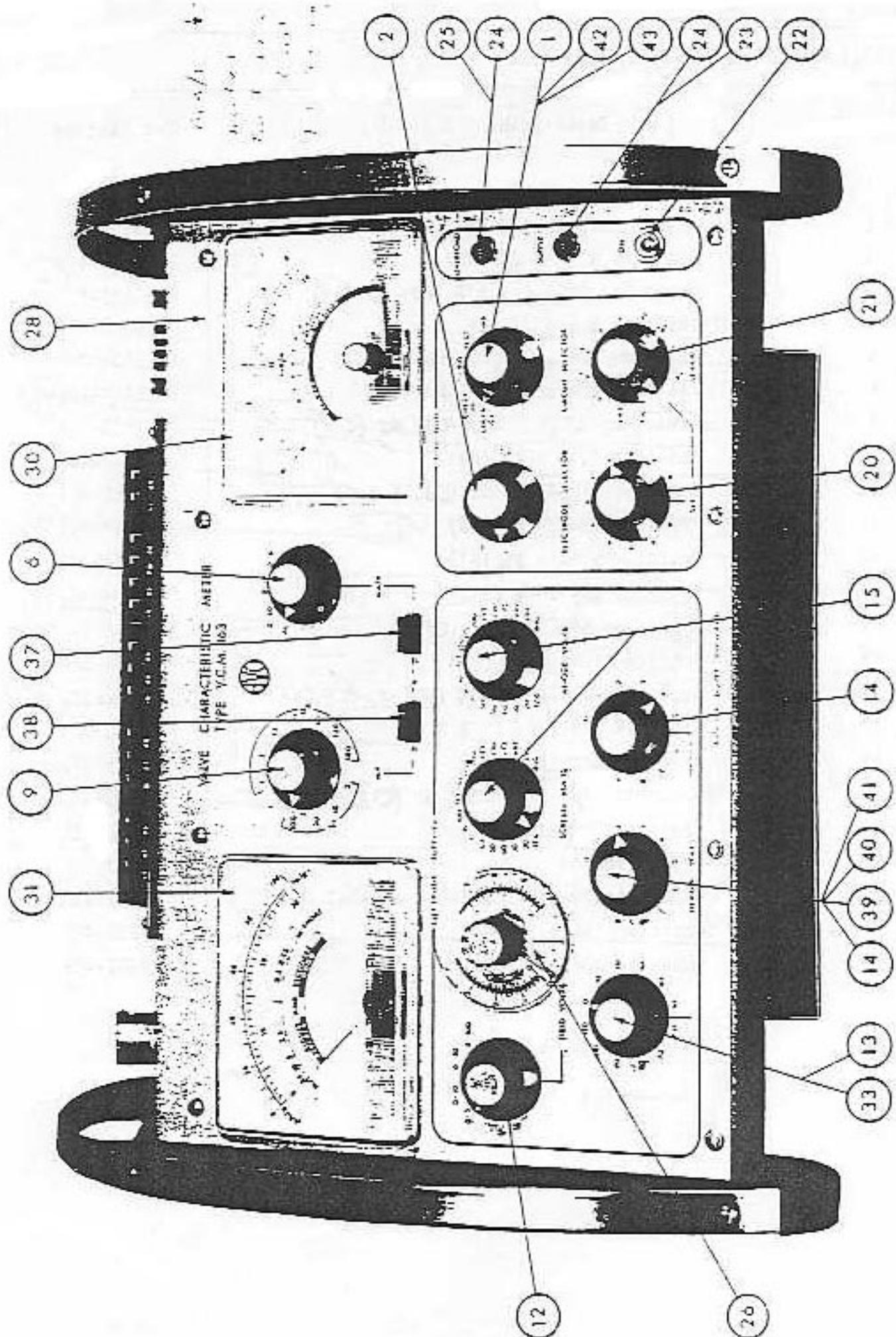


Fig 2 Front Panel Assembly 45193

## FIG. 3-AMPLIFIER BOARD ASSEMBLY 45001

Item No.	Description	Avc Part No.
1	Printed Circuit Board	3218-326
2	Transistors 2N2925 (VT1, 2 & 3)	28552-601
3	Resistor 9.1k ± 2% (R21)	26834-473
4	Capacitor 0.01μF ± 20% 160V dc (C4)	27532-123
5	Resistor 56k ± 2% (R6)	26832-127
6	Resistor 10k ± 2% (R5, R8)	26834-473
7	Resistor 20k ± 2% (R7, R11)	26834-486
8	Capacitor 330pF ± 20% 400V dc (C10)	27532-123
9	Resistor 3.3k ± 2% (R9)	26834-467
10	Capacitor 10μF 15V dc (C3, 5 & 6)	27462-403
11	Resistor 32k ± 2% (R10)	26834-521
12	Resistor 5.5k ± 2% (R13)	26834-473
13	Resistor 22k ± 2% (R12)	26834-467
14	Capacitor 50μF 15V dc (C7)	27462-411
15	Resistor 200Ω ± 1% (R14)	26232-356
16	Capacitor 0.47μF ± 10% 160V dc (C8,C9)	27537-127
17	Diode IN 914 (D1, 2, 3 & 4)	23433-621
19	Printed Circuit Tags	25255-371
20	Capacitor 1μF ± 2% 150V dc (C1)	27533-343
21	Resistor 10Ω ± 1% (R1)	26232-325
22	Transformer	45003
23	Capacitor 1990pF ± 2% 125V dc (C2)	27522-133
24	Resistor 15k ± 1% (R3)	26232-401
25	Resistor 30k ± 1% (R4)	26232-103

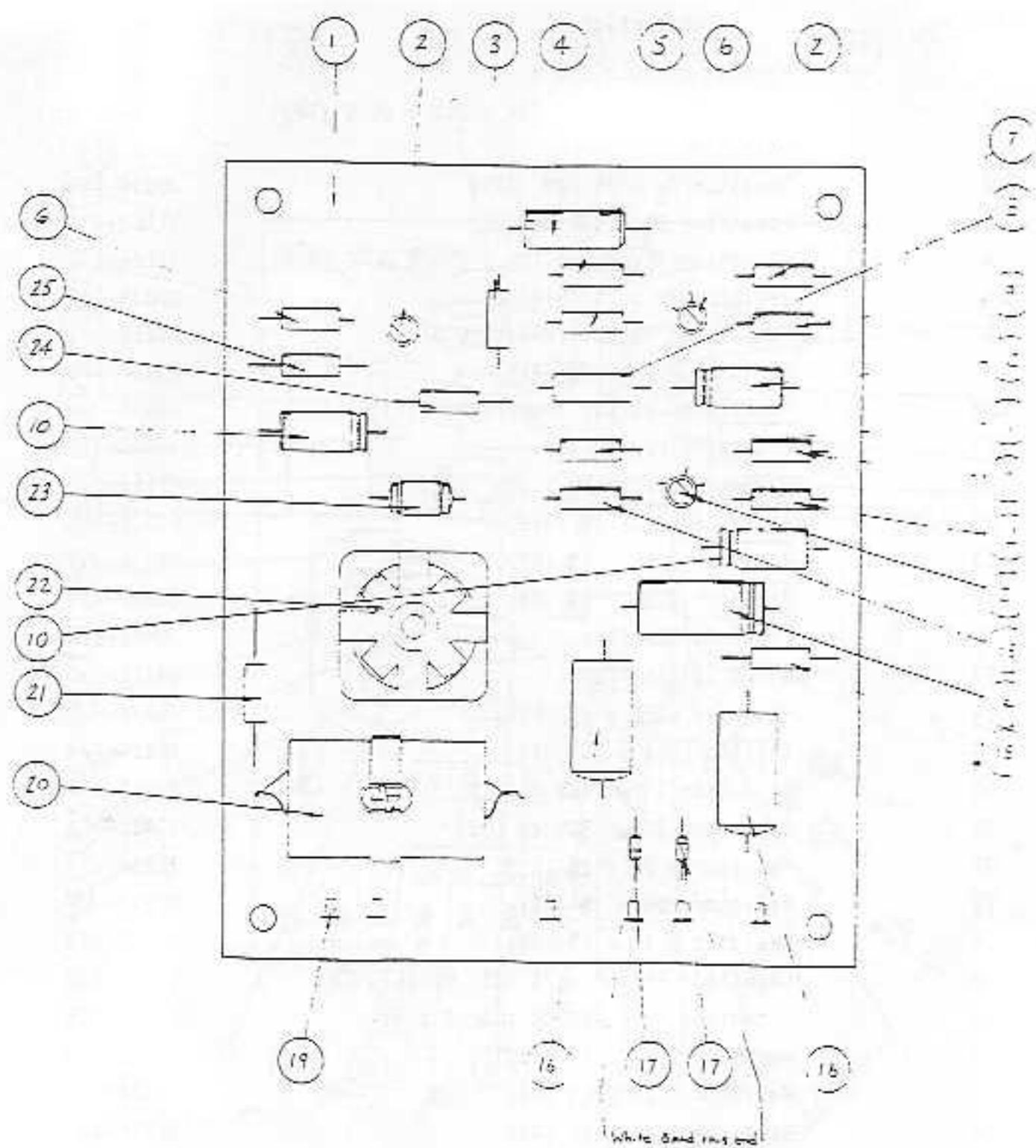


Fig 3 Amplifier Board Assembly 45001

## FIG.4- OSCILLATOR AND POWER UNIT BOARD ASSEMBLY 45002

Item No.	Description	Avo Part No.
1	Printed Circuit Board	3218-328
2	Thermistor Type R14 10k ± 20% @ 20°C (TH2)	27284-318
3	Heat Sink	3565-615
4	Resistor 1k ± 2% (R9, R10)	26834-455
5	Capacitor 50μF 15V dc (C6)	27462-113
6	Thermistor Type A14 10k ± 20% @ 20°C (TH1)	27284-330
7	Resistor 3k ± 2% (R14)	26834-466
8	Transistor 2N2925 (VT1, 2 & 3)	28552-601
9	Resistor 0.3k ± 2% (R15)	26834-470
10	Oscillator Output transformer (T1)	45004
11	Printed Circuit Tags	25255-372
12	Potentiometer 4.7k ± 20% (RV2)	27113-712
13	Resistor 30Ω ± 2% (R18)	26834-418
14	Resistor 1.5k ± 2% (R11)	26834-459
15	Resistor 3.3k ± 2% (R8)	26834-467
16	Diode 1S 921 (D1)	28461-324
17	Diode 1Z12575 (D2)	28475-281
18	Resistor 620Ω ± 2% (R17)	26834-450
19	Resistor 36k ± 2% (R6)	26834-492
20	Capacitor 100μF 15V dc (C7)	27462-417
21	Capacitor 200μF 30V dc (C8)	27462-421
22	Resistor 8.2k ± 2% (R3)	26834-477
23	Resistor 20k ± 1% (R1)	26232-404
24	Resistor 6.8k ± 1% (R2)	26232-393
25	Capacitor 1990pF ± 2% 125V dc (C1, C2)	27522-133
26	Capacitor 10μF 15V dc (C3, 4 & 5)	27462-405
27	Resistor 5.1k ± 1% (R13)	26232-390
28	Resistor 1.2k ± 2% (R5)	26834-457
29	Resistor 2.4k ± 2% (R4)	26834-464
30	Potentiometer 1k ± 20% (RV1)	27113-719
31	Resistor 10k ± 2% (R7)	26834-479
32	Resistor 270Ω ± 2% (R12)	26834-441
33	Resistor 10Ω ± 1% (R19)	26232-325
34	Printed Circuit Socket	45052
35	Printed Circuit Socket	45085
40	Resistor 9.1k ± 2% (R16)	26834-478

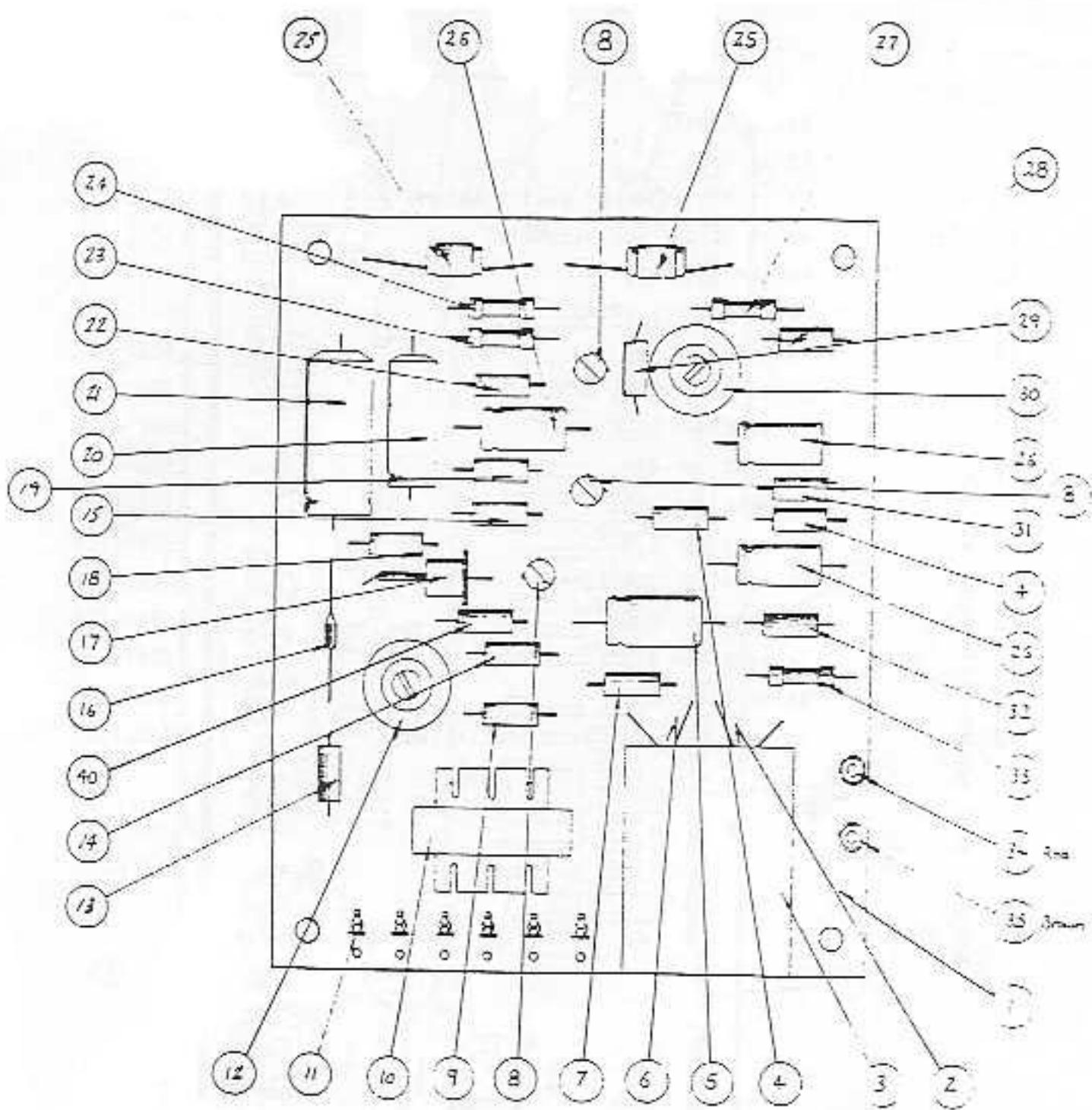


Fig 4. Oscillator and Power Unit Board Assembly 45002

FIG.5- VALVE PANEL ASSEMBLY 45215

Item No.	Description	Avo Part No.
1	Valve Panel	3267-506
2	Electro-neon	3876-424
4	Valve Pin Selector switch Assembly	45210
5	Valve Holder sub-assembly	45212
13	Holder Assembly	21199-4
14	Socket 14-way SP14S	25423-283
15	Valveholder 89G	28281-163
16	Valveholder 84/5 SP5E	28281-122
17	Valveholder 810B	28281-738
18	Valveholder 89A	28281-709
19	Valveholder 89D	28281-736
20	Valveholder 1.0	28281-154
21	Valveholder Compactron	28281-757
22	Valveholder 88G	28281-676
23	Valveholder 87G	28281-632
24	Valveholder 88A	28281-663
42	Ferroxcube Bead (Not illustrated)	27830-321

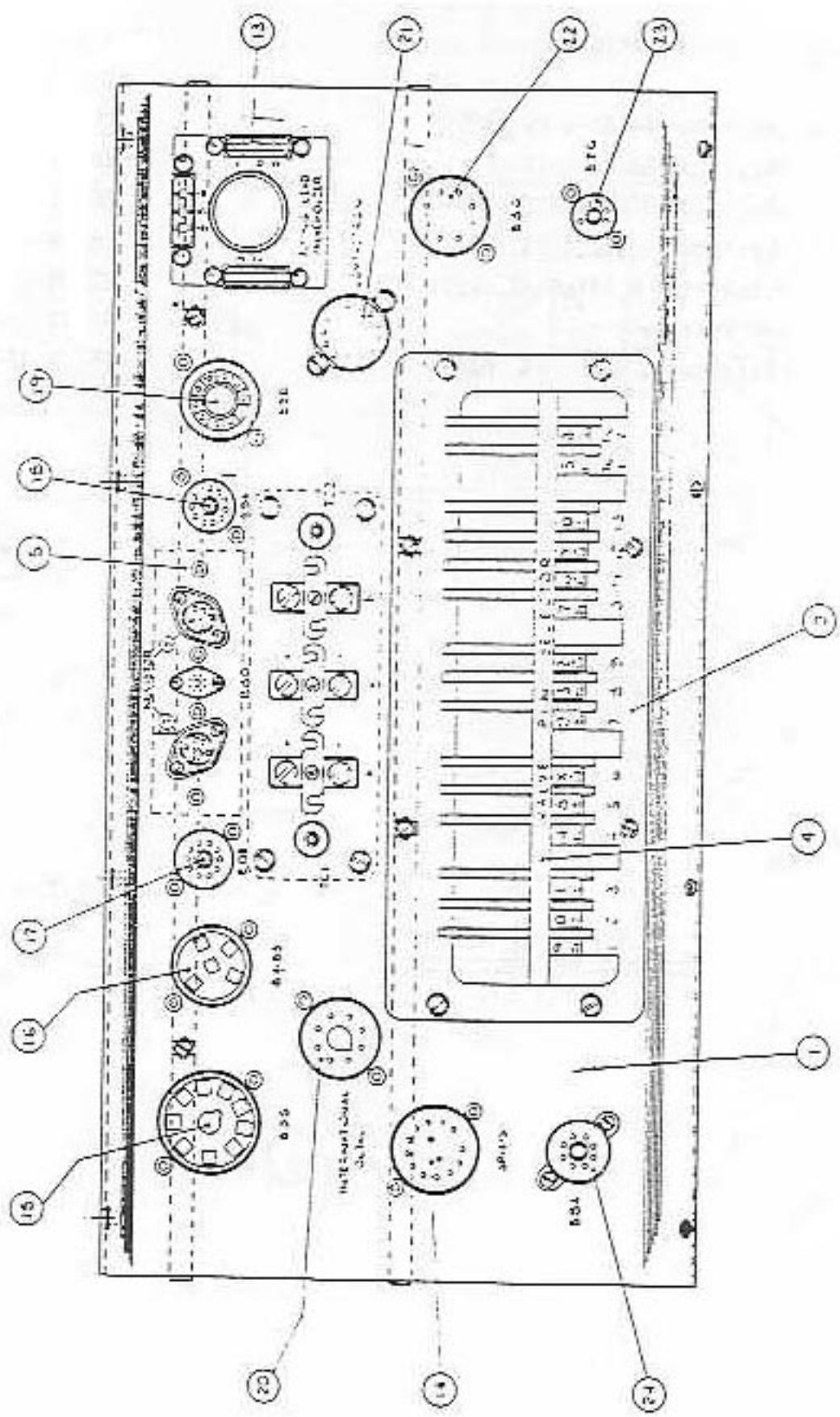


Fig. 5. Valve Panel Assembly 45215

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FIG.6- mA-VOLT SWITCH ASSEMBLY 45190

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Item No.	Description	Avo Part No.
1	Resistor 44.4Ω ± 1% (R28)	26235-710
2	Resistor 88.9Ω ± 1% (R29)	26235-717
3	Resistor 310Ω ± 1% (R30)	26235-736
4	Resistor 1.3kΩ ± 2% (R31)	26834-458
5	Capacitor 0.015μF +0, -20% (C3)	27532-393
8	mA Volt switch	15821
9	Resistor 2.4kΩ ± 2% (R35)	26834-464

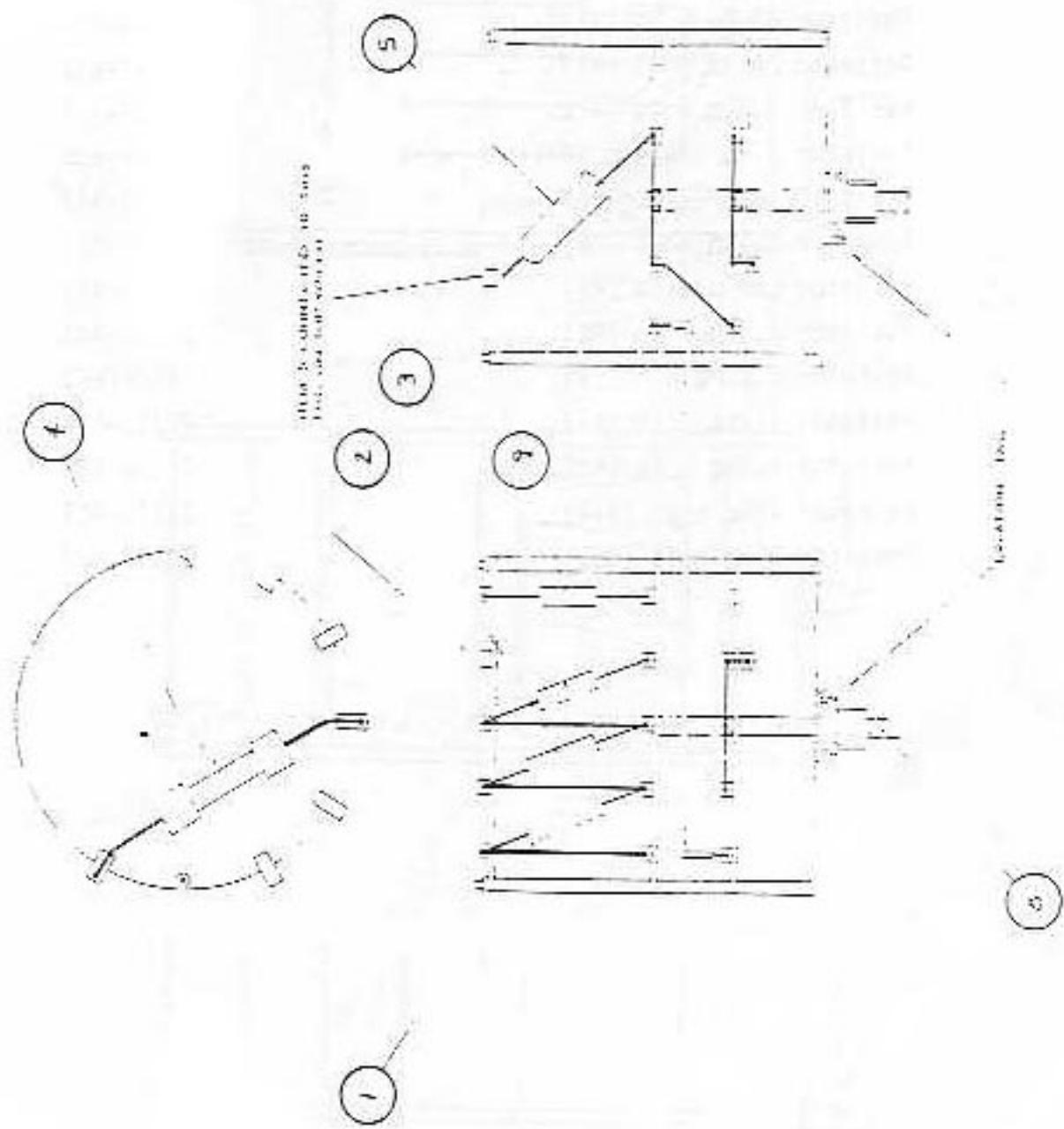


Fig 6 mA Volt Switch Assembly 45190

## FIG.7- mA SWITCH ASSEMBLY 45189

Item No.	Description	Avo Part No.
1	mA Switch	45615
2	Resistor $3.4M\Omega \pm 1\%$ (R4)	26236-666
3	Resistor $82.8\Omega \pm 1\%$ (R14)	26414-232
4	Resistor $24.3\Omega \pm 1\%$ (R13)	26411-632
5	Resistor $8.02\Omega \pm 1\%$ (R12)	26437-372
6	Resistor $2.4\Omega \pm 0.05\Omega$ (R11)	26431-830
7	Resistor $16k\Omega \pm 1\%$ (R10)	26232-402
8	Resistor $281k\Omega \pm 1\%$ (R8)	26233-911
9	Resistor $680k\Omega \pm 1\%$ (R7)	26232-411
10	Resistor $1.3M\Omega \pm 1\%$ (R6)	26232-443
11	Resistor $2.27M\Omega \pm 1\%$ (R5)	26236-660
12	Resistor $1.1k\Omega \pm 1\%$ (R15)	26233-571
13	Resistor $4.3k\Omega \pm 1\%$ (R16)	26232-388
14	Resistor $22k\Omega \pm 1\%$ (R17)	26232-405
15	Resistor $91k\Omega \pm 1\%$ (R9)	26232-420

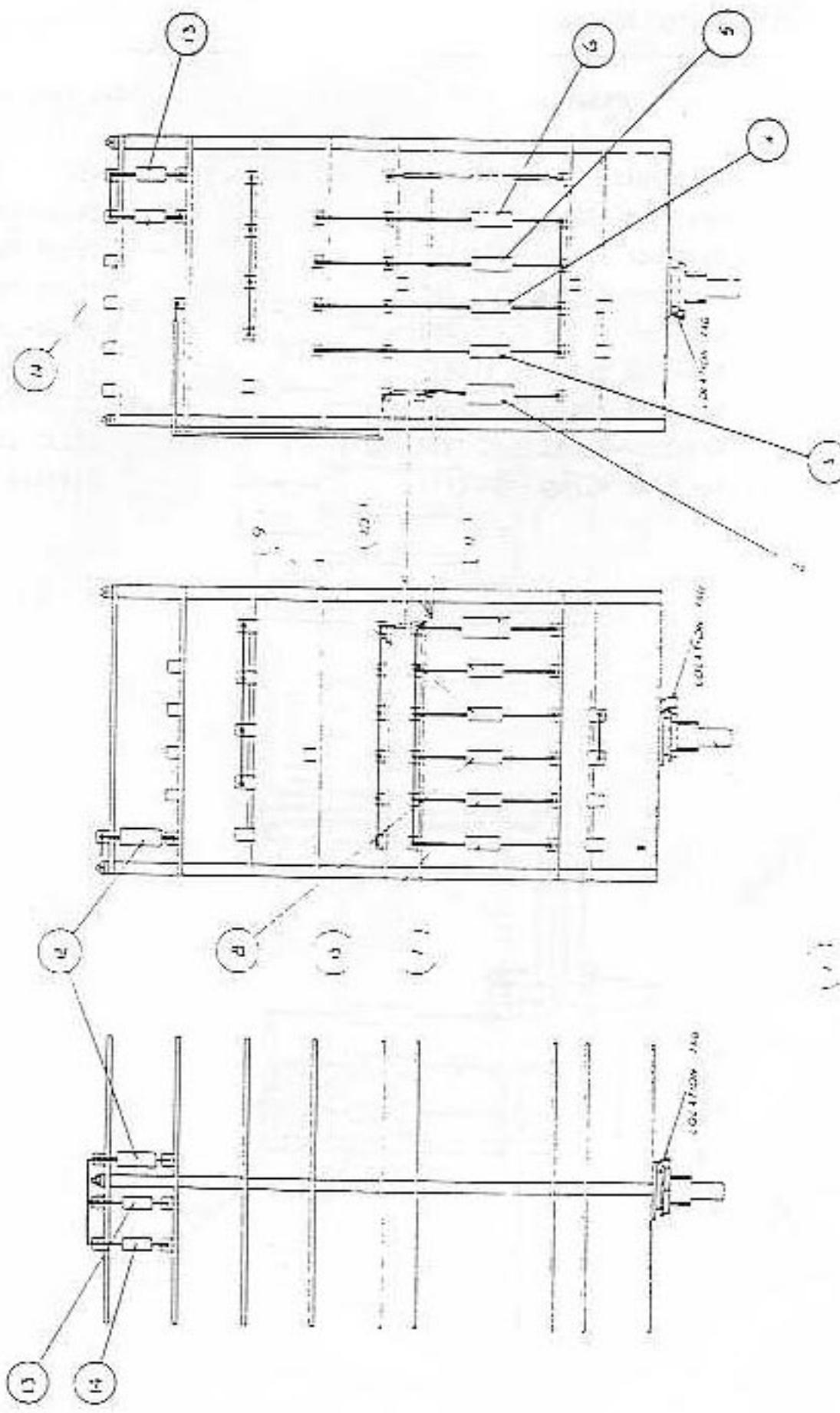


FIG. 7. THE SPECTRUM OF MASSIVE A 5109.

## FIG. 8- GRID VOLTS SWITCH ASSEMBLY 45188

Item No.	Description	Avo Part No.
1	Grid Volts Switch	45317
2	Resistor $310\Omega \pm 1\%$ (R23)	25235-736
3	Resistor $1.11k\Omega \pm 1\%$ (R25)	26235-767
4	Resistor $4.29k\Omega \pm 1\%$ (R27)	26235-793
5	Resistor $9.7k\Omega \pm 1\%$ (R22)	25338-327
6	Resistor $9k\Omega \pm 1\%$ (R24)	25338-325
7	Resistor $7k\Omega \pm 1\%$ (R26)	25338-322
8	Resistor $2.2M\Omega \pm 1\%$ (R20, R21)	25233-653
9	Resistor $4.7k\Omega - Z$ (R19)	25334-471

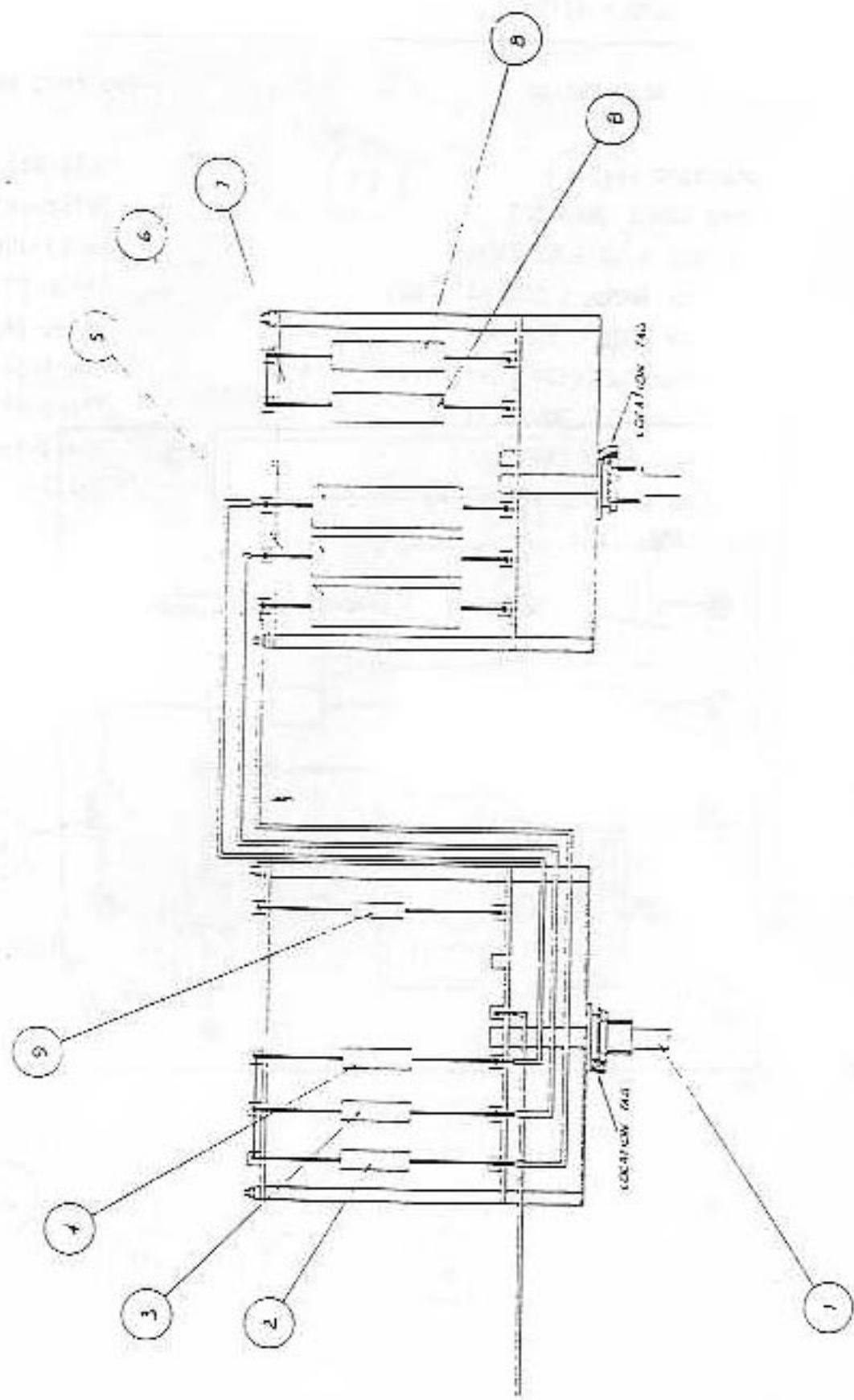


Fig. 8 Grid Volts Switch Assembly 45183

## FIG.9- COMPONENT BOARD ASSEMBLY 45194

Item No.	Description	Avo Part No.
1	Component Board	3836-452
2	Diode DDO58 (D1, D2)	28468-601
3	Resistor $1.5\Omega \pm 5\%$ (R34)	25713-105
6	Resistor $100k\Omega \pm 20\%$ (R1, R2)	25136-221
7	Resistor $700\Omega \pm 2\%$ (R3)	25782-267
9	Capacitor $3\mu F$ 450V Electrolytic (C5)	27461-212
10	Capacitor $25\mu F$ 30V (C7)	27463-410
11	Capacitor $60\mu F$ 250V (C6)	27463-600
12	Resistor $0.68\Omega - 10\%$ (R18)	25711-253
13	Diode 1081 (D3)	23461-841

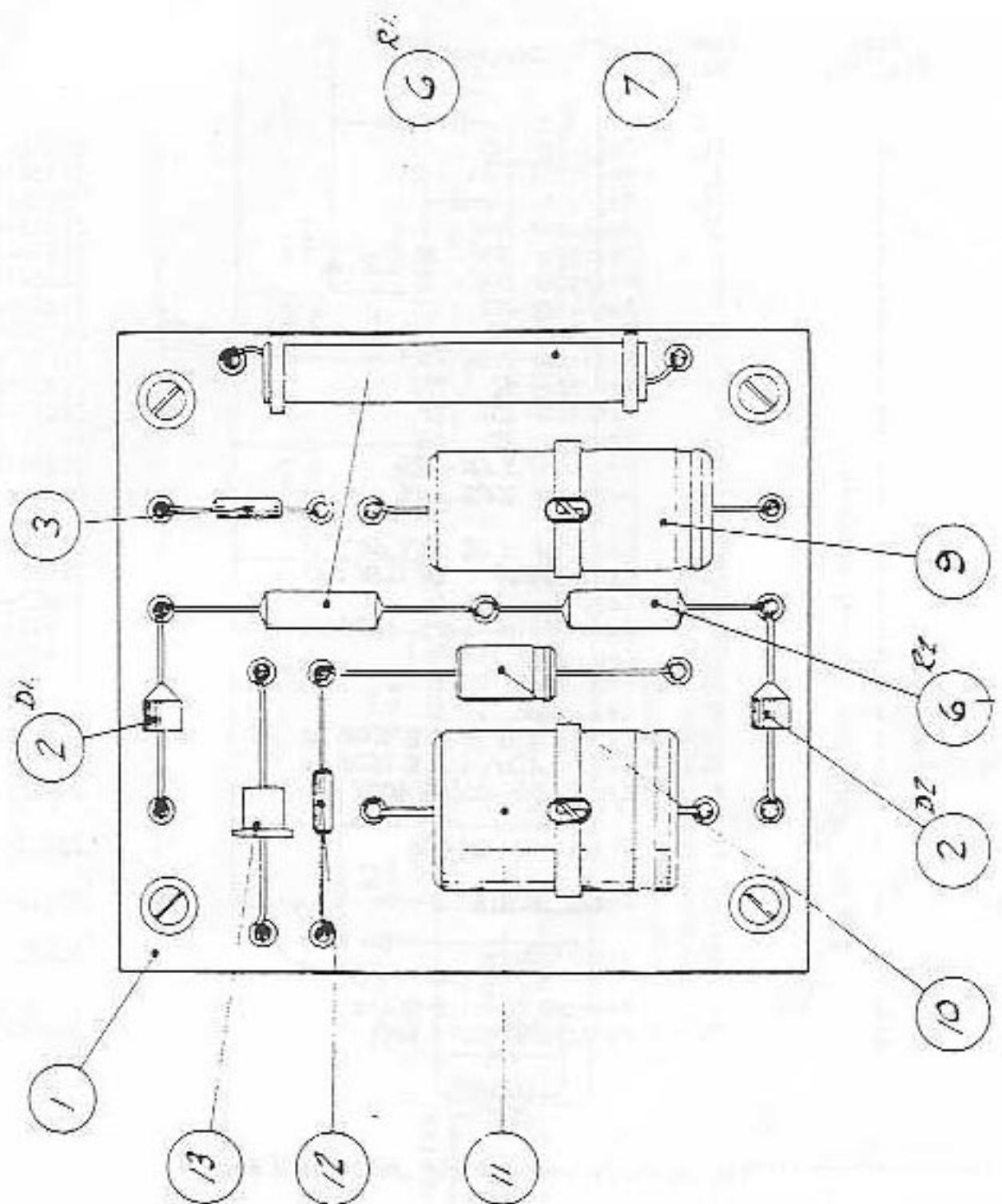


Fig. 9. Component Board Assembly 45194

FIG. 10 - AMPLIFIER CIRCUIT DIAGRAM

Circuit Ref.	Assy Fig. No.	Item No.	Description	Qty	AVO Part No.
R1	3	21	Resistor 10Ω ± 1%	1	26232-625*
R2	3	3	Resistor 9.1k ± 2%	1	26234-473*
R3	3	24	Resistor 15k ± 1%	1	26232-625
R4	3	25	Resistor 30k ± 1%	1	26232-625
R5	3	6	Resistor 10k ± 2%	2	26234-473*
R6	3	6	Resistor 56k ± 2%	1	26234-437
R7	3	7	Resistor 20k ± 2%	2	26234-462
R8	3	6	Resistor 10k ± 2%	2	26234-471*
R9	3	9	Resistor 1.3k ± 2%	1	26234-461*
R10	3	11	Resistor 82k ± 2%	1	26234-472
R11	3	7	Resistor 20k ± 2%	2	26234-435
R12	3	13	Resistor 22k ± 2%	1	26232-625
R13	3	12	Resistor 5.6K ± 2%	1	26234-471
R14	3	15	Resistor 200Ω ± 1%	1	26232-625
C1	3	20	Cap. 1μF ± 2% 150V dc	1	27452-405*
C2	3	23	Cap. 1990pF ± 2% 125V dc	1	27522-133*
C3	3	10	Cap. 10μF 15V dc	3	27462-409*
C4	3	4	Cap. 0.01μF ± 20% 160V dc	1	27532-125
C5	3	10	Cap. 10μF 15V dc	3	27462-405*
C6	3	10	Cap. 10μF 15V dc	3	27462-405*
C7	3	14	Cap. 50μF 15V dc	1	27462-171*
C8	3	16	Cap. 0.47μF ± 10% 160V dc }	2	27532-15*
C9	3	16	Cap. 0.47μF ± 10% 160V dc }	2	27532-15*
C10	3	8	Cap. 330pF ± 20% 400V dc	1	27532-108
VT1-VT3	3	2	Transistor 2N 926	1	28532-601*
D1-D4	3	17	Diode IN 914	4	28433-551*
T1	3	22	Transformer	1	45033
-	3	1	Printed Circuit Board	1	3218-326
-	3	19	Printed Circuit Tags	6	26253-171*

Additional quantities on Oscillator &amp; Power Unit Board Fig. 4

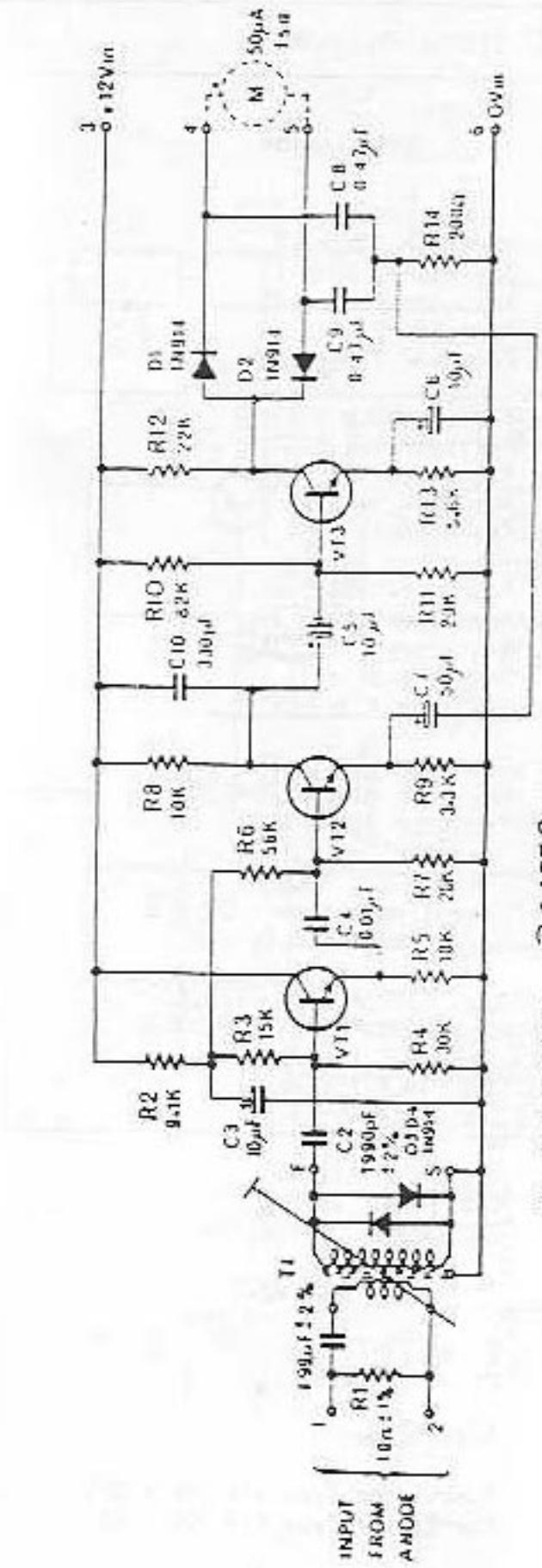


Fig 10 Amplifier Circuit Diagram

FIG. 11 - OSCILLATOR &amp; POWER UNIT CIRCUIT DIAGRAM

Circuit Ref.	Assy Fig. No.	Item No.	Description	Qty	AVO Part No.
R1	4	23	Resistor 20k ± 1%	1	26232-404
R2	4	24	Resistor 6.8k ± 1%	1	26232-393
R3	4	22	Resistor 8.2k ± 2%	1	26234-177
R4	4	29	Resistor 2.4k ± 2%	1	26234-464
R5	4	21	Resistor 1.2k ± 2%	1	26231-457
R6	4	19	Resistor 36k ± 2%	1	26234-492
R7	4	31	Resistor 10k ± 2%	1	26234-272*
R8	4	18	Resistor 3.3k ± 2%	1	26234-467*
R9	4	1	Resistor 1k ± 2% }	1	26234-453
R10	4	1	Resistor 1k ± 2% }	1	26234-453
R11	4	12	Resistor 1.5k ± 2%	1	26234-453
R12	4	32	Resistor 270Ω ± 2%	1	26234-447
R13	4	27	Resistor 5.1k ± 1%	1	26234-150
R14	4	2	Resistor 3k ± 2%	1	26234-468
R15	4	2	Resistor 4.3k ± 2%	1	26234-471
R16	4	20	Resistor 9.1k ± 2%	1	26234-275*
R17	4	13	Resistor 620Ω ± 2%	1	26234-453
R18	4	13	Resistor 30Ω ± 2%	1	26234-471
R19	4	33	Resistor 10Ω ± 1%	1	26230-125*
RV1	4	30	Potentiometer 1k ± 20%	1	26232-773
RV2	4	12	Potentiometer 4.7k ± 20%	1	26232-773
C1	4	25	Cap. 1990pF ± 2% 125V dc }	1	27322-113*
C2	4	25	Cap. 1990pF ± 2% 125V dc }	1	27322-113*
C3	4	26	Cap. 10μF 15V dc }	1	27462-405
C4	4	26	Cap. 10μF 15V dc }	1	27462-405
C5	4	26	Cap. 10μF 15V dc }	1	27462-405
C6	4	5	Cap. 50μF 15V dc	1	27462-417
C7	4	20	Cap. 100μF 15V dc	1	27462-417
C8	4	21	Cap. 200μF 30V dc	1	27462-427
V11-VT3	4	8	Transistors 2N 2925	2	29552-601
D1	4	16	Diode 1S921	1	28461-521
D2	4	17	Diode 1Z 12T5	1	28475-281
T1	4	10	Transformer	1	25004
TH1	4	6	Thermistor Type A14 10k ± 20%	1	27281-330
TH2	4	2	Thermistor Type R14 10k ± 20%	1	27284-318
-	4	1	Printed Circuit Board	1	2218-328
-	4	3	Heat Sink	1	3565-615
-	4	11	Printed Circuit Tags	3	26255-372*
-	4	34	Printed Circuit Socket	1	25052
-	4	35	Printed Circuit Socket	1	45085

\* Additional quantities on Amplifier Board Fig. 3

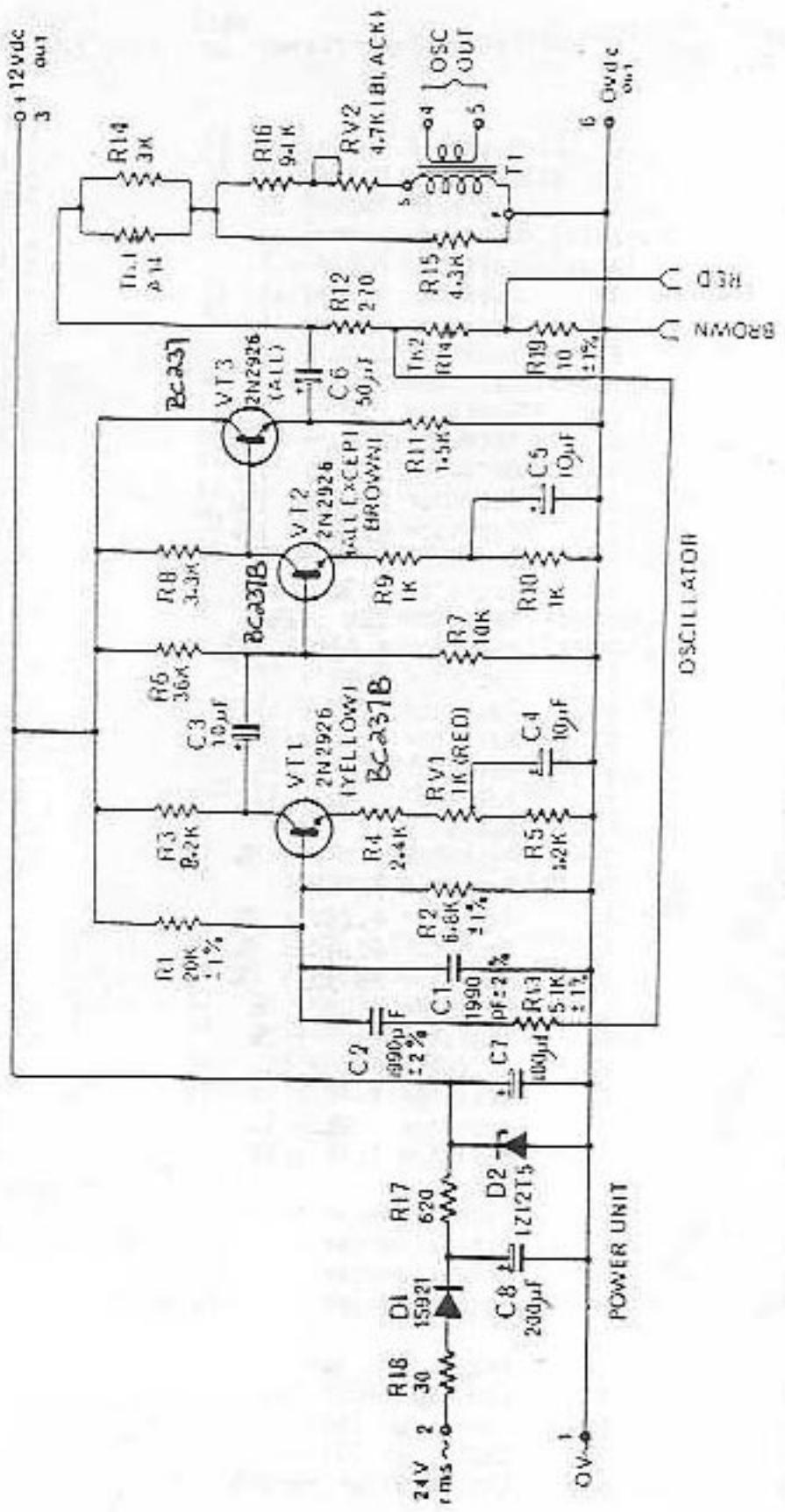


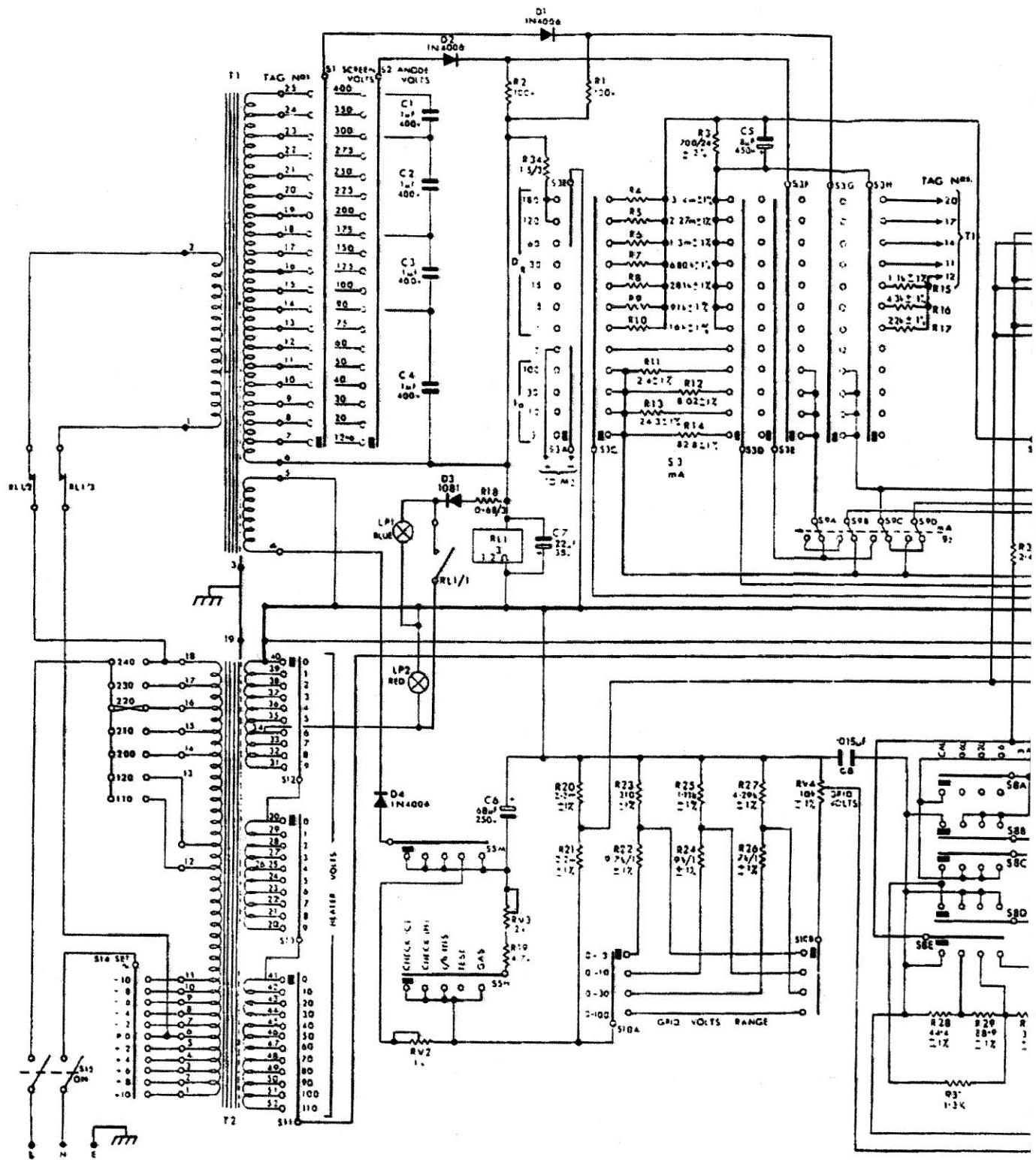
Fig 11 Oscillator and Power Unit Circuit Diagram

FIG. 12 - VCM 163 CIRCUIT DIAGRAM

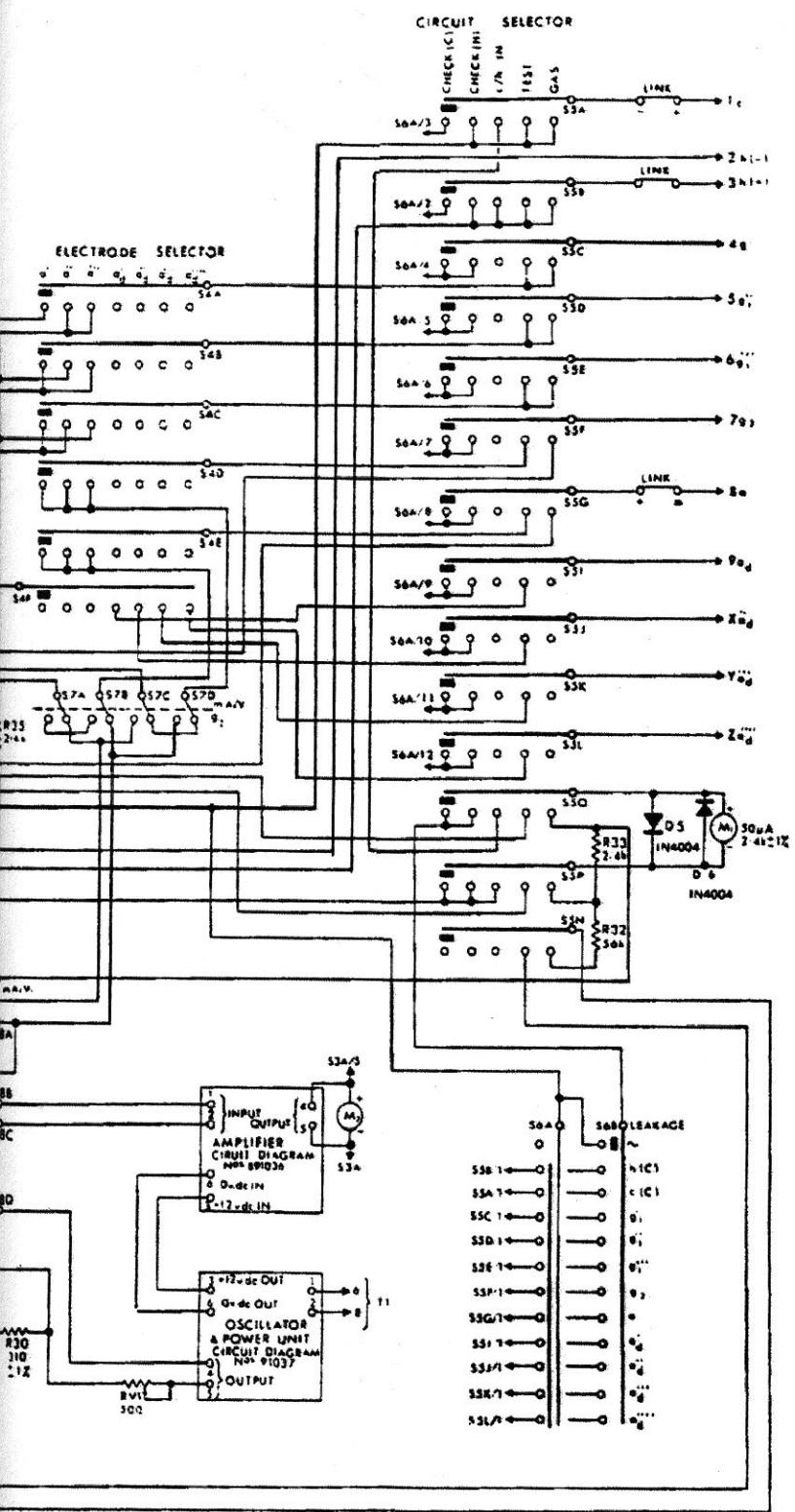
Circuit Ref.	Assy Fig. No.	Item No.	Description	Qty	AVO Part No.
R1	9	6	Resistor 100k ± 20%	2	26136-221
R2	9	6	Resistor 100k ± 20% }	1	26782-267
R3	9	7	Resistor 700Ω ± 2%	1	26232-660
R4	7	2	Resistor 3.4M ± 1%	1	26236-660
R5	7	11	Resistor 2.27M ± 1%	1	26232-113
R6	7	10	Resistor 1.3M ± 1%	1	26232-113
R7	7	4	Resistor 680k ± 1%	1	26232-441
R8	7	3	Resistor 281k ± 1%	1	26235-311
R9	7	15	Resistor 91k ± 1%	1	26232-120
R10	7	7	Resistor 16k ± 1%	1	26232-422
R11	7	9	Resistor 2.4Ω ± 0.05%	1	26134-210
R12	7	9	Resistor 0.02Ω ± 1%	1	26437-210
R13	7	1	Resistor 24.3Ω ± 1%	1	26442-311
R14	7	3	Resistor 82.8Ω ± 1%	1	26442-311
R15	7	12	Resistor 1.1k ± 1%	1	26232-214
R16	7	13	Resistor 4.3k ± 1%	1	26232-300
R17	7	14	Resistor 22k ± 1%	1	26232-115
R18	9	12	Resistor 0.68Ω ± 10%	1	26771-023
R19	8	9	Resistor 4.7k ± 2%	1	26834-171
R20	8	8	Resistor 2.2M ± 1%	1	26233-653
R21	8	8	Resistor 2.2M ± 1%	1	26233-112
R22	8	5	Resistor 9.7k ± 1%	1	26233-728
R23	8	2	Resistor 310Ω ± 1%	1	26233-311
R24	8	6	Resistor 9k ± 1%	1	26233-311
R25	8	3	Resistor 1.11k ± 1%	1	26233-311
R26	8	7	Resistor 7k ± 1%	1	26233-311
R27	8	1	Resistor 4.29k ± 1%	1	26233-311
R28	5	1	Resistor 44.4Ω ± 1%	1	26233-311
R29	5	2	Resistor 88.9Ω ± 1%	1	26233-311
R30	6	3	Resistor 310Ω ± 1%	1	26233-311
R31	6	4	Resistor 1.3k ± 2%	1	26834-430
R32	2	43	Resistor 56k ± 2%	1	26232-221
R33	2	42	Resistor 2.4k ± 1%	1	26232-300
R34	9	3	Resistor 1.5Ω ± 5%	1	26771-100
R35	6	9	Resistor 2.4k ± 2%	1	26834-464
RV1	1	-	Potentiometer 500Ω	1	27133-325
RV2	1	-	Potentiometer 1k	1	27133-331
RV3	1	-	Potentiometer 2k	1	27133-341
RV4	2	26	Potentiometer 10k ± 1%	1	27238-232
C1-C4	1	-	Capacitors 1μF 400V	4	27538-319
C5	9	9	Cap. 8μF 450V Electrolytic	1	27161-211
C6	9	11	Cap. 60μF 250V	1	27463-360
C7	9	10	Cap. 25μF 30V	1	27463-410
C8	6	5	Cap. 0.015μF +0-20%	1	27532-393
D1,D2	9	2	Diode D0058	2	29461-501
D3	9	13	Diode 1081	1	29461-531
D4	1	-	Diode DD058	1	29461-501
D5,D6	1	-	Diode IN 2069	2	29462-536

FIG. 12 - VCM 163 CIRCUIT DIAGRAM (contd.)

Circuit Ref.	Assy Fig. No.	Item No.	Description	Qty	AVO Part No.
S1	2	15	Switch Screen Volts )	2	45803
S2	2	15	Switch Anode Volts )	1	45189
S3	2	9	Switch mA	1	45828
S4	2	2	Switch Electrode Selector	1	45187
S5	2	1	Switch Circuit Selector	1	45431
S6	2	21	Switch Leakage	1	45190
S7	2	37	Switch push-button mA/V	1	45524
S8	2	6	Switch mA/V	1	45188
S9	2	38	Switch push-button mA	1	45818
S10	2	12	Switch Grid Volts	1	45825
S11	2	13	Switch Heater Volts	1	45821
S12	2	14	Switch Heater Volts )	1	25454-251
S13	2	14	Switch Heater Volts )	2	45823
S14	2	20	Switch Set Cycles	1	45191
S15	2	22	Switch On/Off	1	45197
T1	1	-	H.T. Transformer Assembly	1	45211
T2	1	-	L.T. Transformer Assembly	1	45212
RL1	1	-	Relay	1	45213
LP1	2	25	Indicator Lamp (Blue)	1	25517-239
LP2	2	27	Indicator Lamp (Red)	1	25517-233
M1	2	31	Meter Assembly mA	1	45192
M2	2	30	Meter Assembly mA/V	1	45206
-	2	24	Bulb 6.5V 0.35A	1	25512-579
-	2	28	Front Panel	1	3286-619
-	2	33	Knob Assembly	1	45913
-	2	39	Knob Collet Black	12	23762-236
-	2	40	Knob Cap Grey	12	23762-884
-	2	41	Knob Skirt Black	12	23762-354



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R1	Resistor 100k ± 20%
R2	Resistor 100k ± 20%
R3	Resistor 700Ω ± 2%
R4	Resistor 3.4M ± 1%
R5	Resistor 2.27M ± 1%
R6	Resistor 1.3M ± 1%
R7	Resistor 680k ± 1%
R8	Resistor 281k ± 1%
R9	Resistor 91k ± 1%
R10	Resistor 16k ± 1%
R11	Resistor 2.4Ω = 0.05%
R12	Resistor 0.02Ω = 1%
R13	Resistor 24.3Ω = 1%
R14	Resistor 82.8Ω = 1%
R15	Resistor 1.1k ± 1%
R16	Resistor 4.3k ± 1%
R17	Resistor 22k ± 1%
R18	Resistor 0.68Ω = 10%
R19	Resistor 4.7k ± 2%
R20	Resistor 2.2M ± 1%
R21	Resistor 2.2M ± 1%
R22	Resistor 9.7k ± 1%
R23	Resistor 31Ω ± 1%
R24	Resistor 9k ± 1%
R25	Resistor 1.11k ± 1%
R26	Resistor 7k ± 1%
R27	Resistor 4.29k ± 1%
R28	Resistor 44.4Ω = 1%
R29	Resistor 88.9Ω = 1%
R30	Resistor 31Ω ± 1%
R31	Resistor 1.3k ± 2%
R32	Resistor 56k ± 2%
R33	Resistor 2.4k ± 1%
R34	Resistor 1.5Ω = 5%
R35	Resistor 2.4k ± 2%
RV1	Potentiometer 500Ω
RV2	Potentiometer 1k
RV3	Potentiometer 2k
RV4	Potentiometer 10k ± 1%
C1-C4	Capacitors 1μF 400V
C5	Cap. 8μF 450V Electrolytic
C6	Cap. 50μF 250V
C7	Cap. 25μF 30V
C8	Cap. 0.015μF +0-20%
D1,D2	Diode 2005 IN4006
D3	Diode 1081
D4	Diode 2005 IN4006
D5,D6	Diode 2N2055 IN4004

FIGURE 6

VALVE CHARACTERISTIC METER TYPE VCM 163