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A Simple Radiophone Receiver

By JAMES LEO McLAUGHLIN (Continued from page 1141)

number each fastener from right to left, to 1 to 9. Alongside of hole No. 1 push two tasteners with a paper clip underneath— mark GND (ground). One half inch down from GND, punch a small hole; this

Take the wire and push the end thru the hole. Wrap the end around one of the fasteners GND (on the inside of the container). Be sure that where the wire touches the fastener, the enamel has been scraped off or else a poor connection will result.

Next pull the wire tight and commence winding the coil. The total number of turns is seventy, and a tap is taken off at each of the following turns: The 15th, 20th, 25th, 30th, 35th, 40th, 45th, 55th and the 70th.

Fig. I shows how to tap the coil. The important things to look out for are that the coil is wound as tight as possible, and that the enamel is scraped off the wire, where it makes connection with the fas-teners. The 15th turn is contact No. 1, the toners. The 15t 20th No. 2, etc.

The next job is the switch that moves over the contacts. Fig. 2 shows how this is made. Take one of the large fasteners, push the ends thru the side of the cover, close to the lid. Bend one end down flush with the side and push the other end thru

the top and bend over.

Put the cover back on the container and bend the end of the fastener so that it rides

bend the end of the fastener so that it rides over the contacts easily, when the cover is turned, but be sure that it touches each of them. Break off the surplus end.

The other large fastener is pushed thru the lid opposite the switch and is bent, as shown in Fig. 2, so that it can hold the small crystal. A short piece of bare wire (about No. 24 will do), acts as the catwhisker, a pin is fastened to one end and the other end is wrapped around the coder the switch—the part that is bent over of the switch-the part that is bent over (see Fig. 2). Fig. 3 shows the diagram of connections

and needs little comment.

The telephone receiver is a single Murdock without head band, and can be pur-chased for about \$2.00. Of course any other kind may be substituted.

For the antenna one-half pound of No 18 bare copper wire will do. This will give about 100 feet of wire. Two porcelain cleats will also be required and should not cost over 5 cents. The wire can be had for about 30 cents.

String the wire the greatest length pos-String the wire the greatest length possible, and attach outer end to a tree or other elevation, at least thirty feet high (see Fig. 4). The other end of the wire enters the house and is attached to the switch button marked ANT and a short piece of rubber tubing should be slipped over the wire where it passes through the wall of the building. wall of the building.

A good ground can be had by connecting a wire to the nearest gas or water pipe. Scrape the pipe for a length of about two inches, so that it shines, then wrap several turns of wire around it and twist tightly.

turns of wire around it and twist tightly.

To operate the set, bend the cat-whisker wire so that the pin rests on the crystal. Move the pin over the surface until a signal is heard; at the same time move the switch over the contacts, and leave it on the one that brings in the station the loudest. With this ser in New York City using only a single No. 24 wire, 25 feet long strung up in a room, WDY'S and long strung up in a room, WDY'S concerts came in fine and on several occasions, the phone could be held. eral occasions, the phone could be held about six inches from the ear and still the music and voice could be distinguished.



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13 Paper fasteners (small size).

2 Paper iasteners (large size).

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Small piece of silicon or galena.
Common pin.

Take the container and punch nine holes one inch down from the top, with a small nail, one half inch apart. Into each hole push a paper fastener. With pen and ink (Continues on page 1172)

