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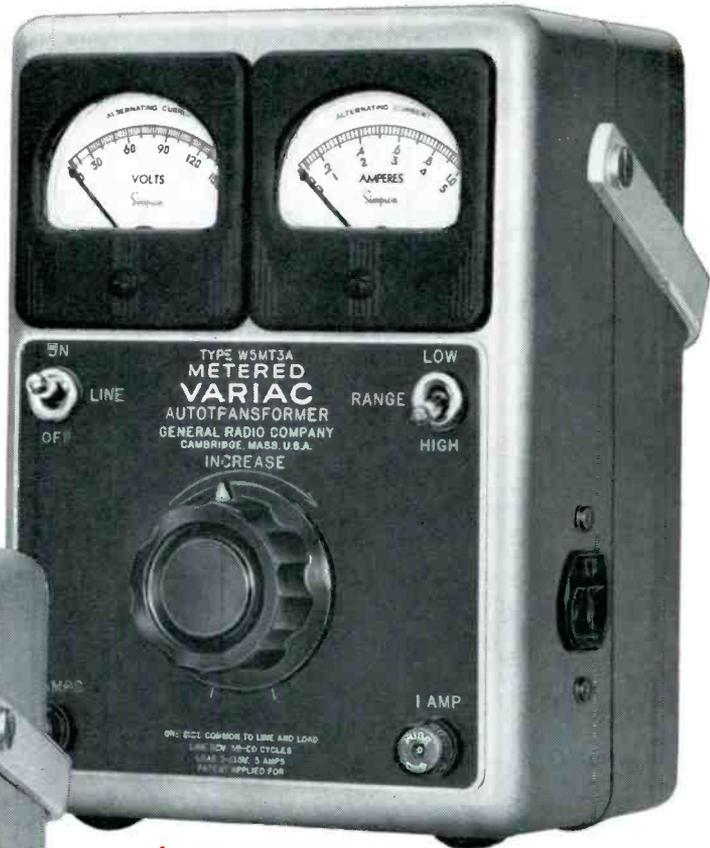
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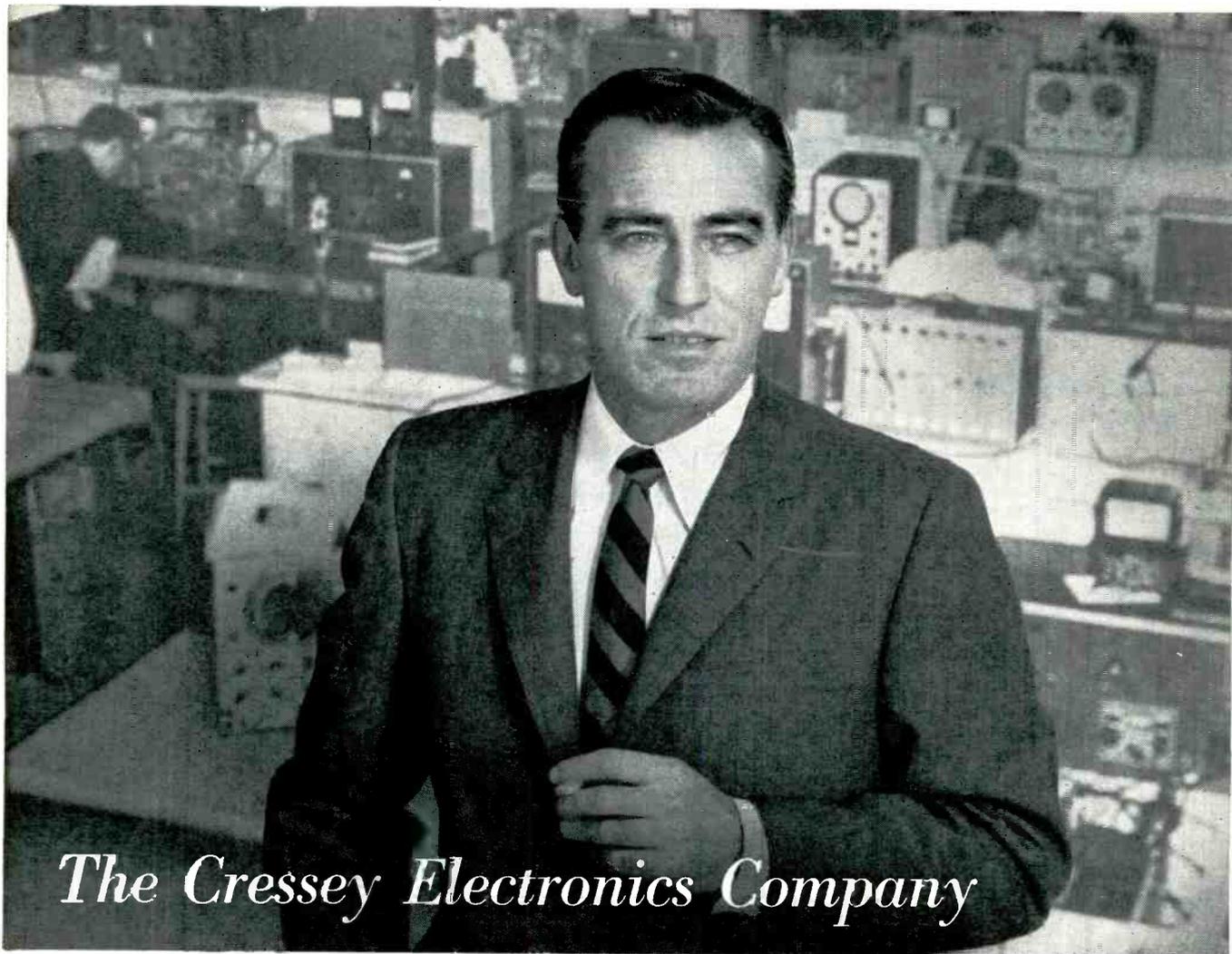
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SAILOR BEWARE. Reflecting on several recent collisions between radar-equipped ships, one experienced skipper declared last week: "A radar set is no license to disregard the International Rules of the Road, to run headlong through a fog."

Sometimes a radar set on the bridge can provoke an accident looking for a place to happen. It can infuse a kind of electronic courage into the watch officer, making him put aside ordinary caution.

Then too, there are operating errors that can be fatal in a tight spot.

In his article "Radar: Its Hidden Dangers", Associate Editor Leary takes a close look at a series of recent marine disasters and assesses what part the use or misuse of navigational radar played. For a story that may give the key to saving lives, see p 30.

AS FREE AS AIR. But how free is the air? Specifically, how free is a broadcaster's signal once it leaves the transmitting antenna? That's what a federal court out in Idaho will have to rule on soon.

The hassle developed when a broadcaster sued a community antenna television operator for using his signal without permission. But it brings to light a host of other knotty problems:

What about vhf television boosters, 1,000 of which operate today in the half world between legality and illegality? What about vhf-to-uhf translators? How long can they continue to collect fees from viewers who just tune in their signal and have no legal obligation to shell out?

These are just a few of the new problems in tv broadcasting we tackle in "Growth in a Troubled Field" on p 35.

THE FEELING IS MUTUAL. Mutual Investment companies now control some \$14.5 billion and are heavily involved in the securities of about 2,000 corporations. A financial operation of this size is bound to have great effect on a growth industry like electronics.

To learn what this effect is, Associate Editor Emma contacted mutual investment firms across the nation.

One fact emerges. Interest is growing steadily. More mutual fund groups hold electronics securities than ever before. Another evident fact rising from the research is seen by replies to question "Why have you dropped certain corporations from your portfolio?" Comments on this contain a warning worth heeding. For details turn to p 38.

Coming In Our June 19 Issue . . .

SPACE PROBE. One day last October, a highly instrumented rocket left the launching pad at Cape Canaveral, nosed up with gathering speed and disappeared into space. This was Pioneer I, whose mission was to break free of earth's gravitational bonds and head for the moon. It never reached that goal. But Pioneer I did travel over 70,000 miles into space, blazing a brilliant path for future missions.

The Pioneer program of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration was under the technical direction of Space Technology Laboratories, Inc., of Los Angeles. Its success was a tribute to the vast array of industrial, academic and governmental groups who cooperated in the venture. Next week, ELECTRONICS adds to its long list of feature stories on the electronic details of satellites. Five members of the technical staff of STL have contributed to a fascinating technical description.

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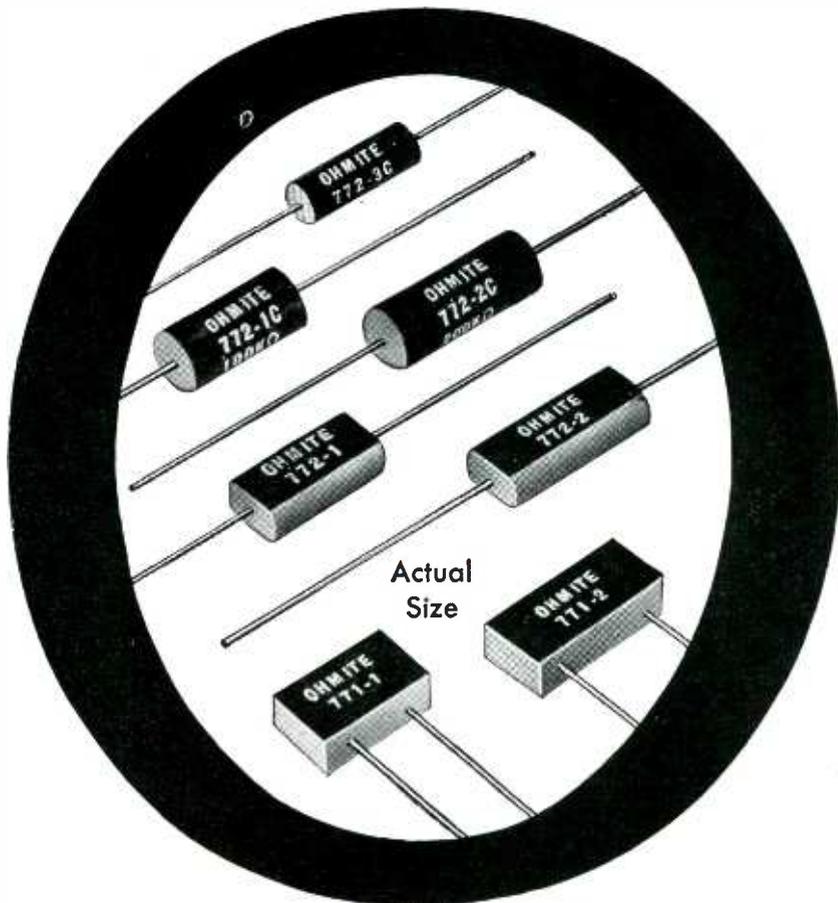
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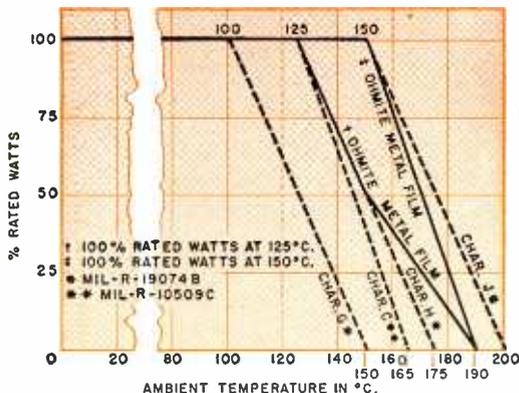
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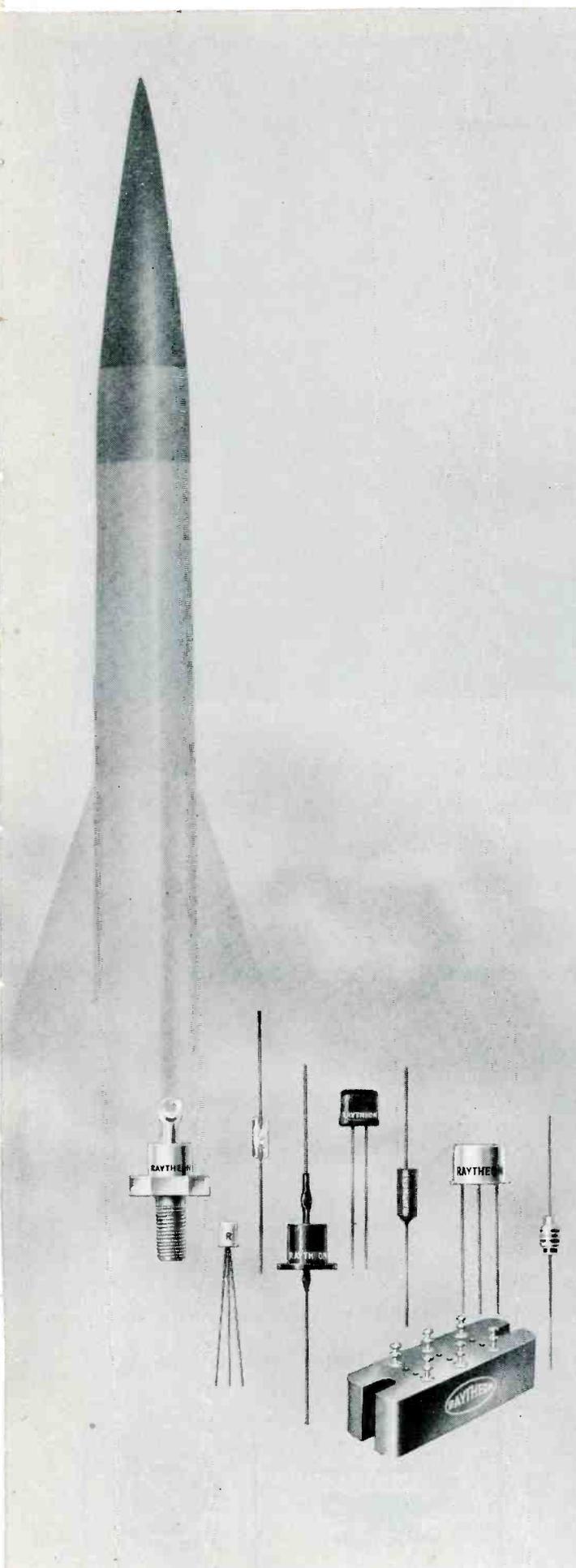
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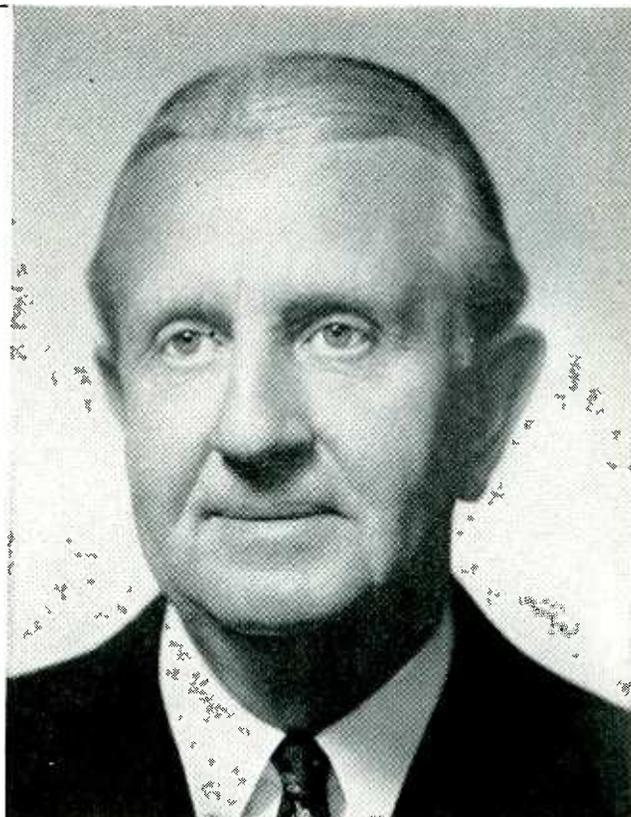
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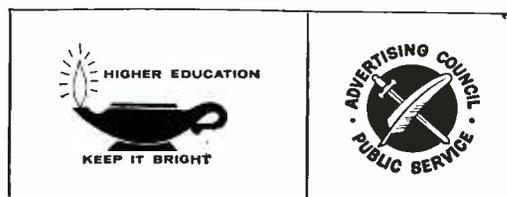
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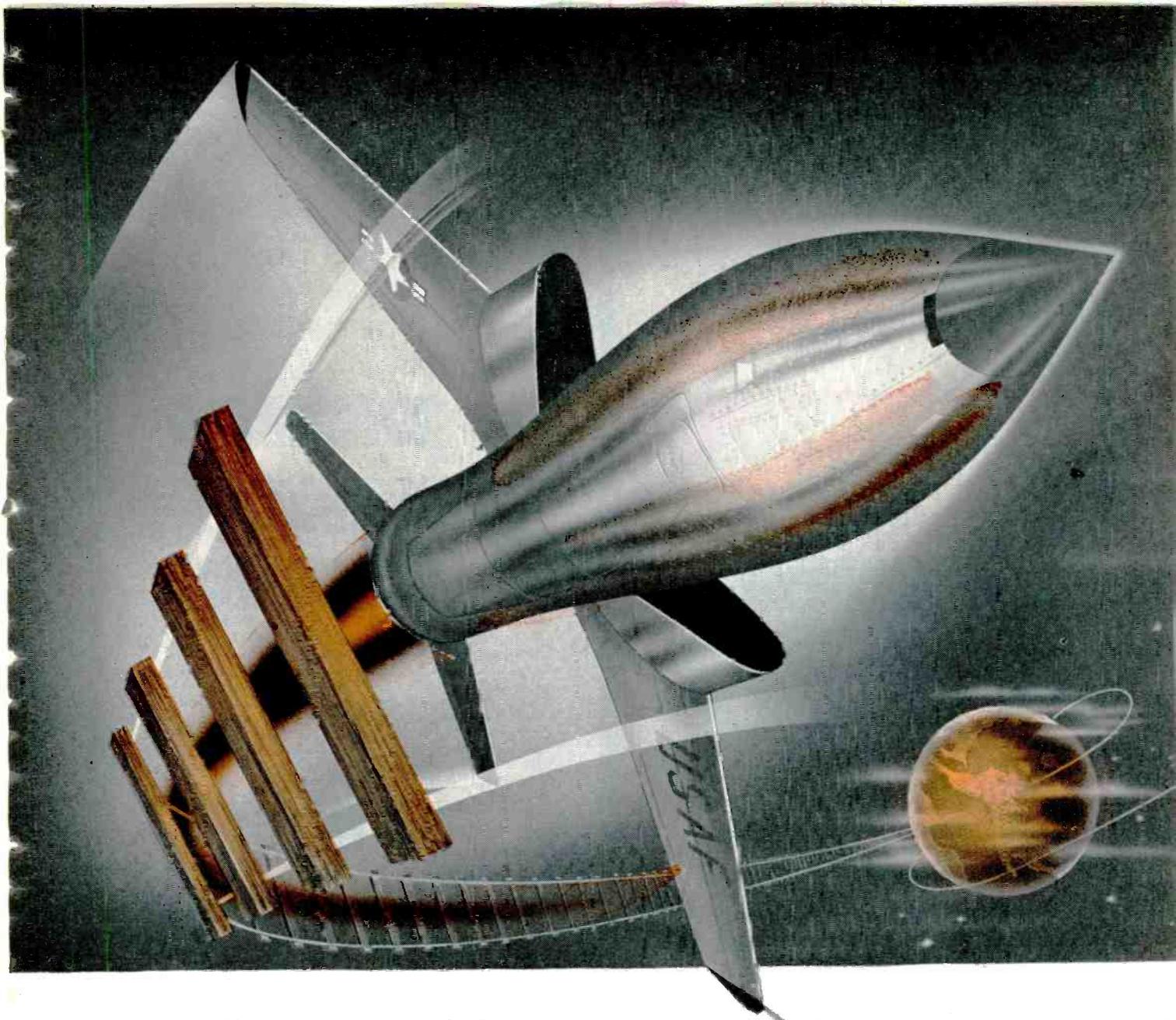
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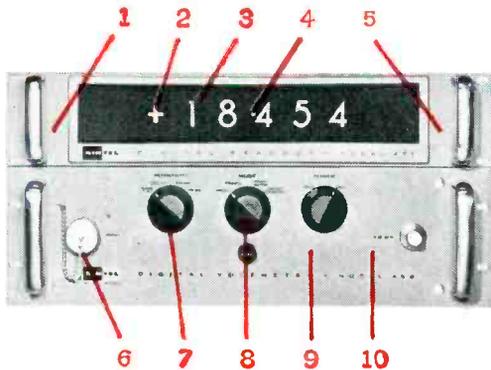
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Automatic celestial navigation system for Hound Dog air-to-ground missile, Kollsman Instrument Corp.'s Astro Tracker, which was revealed by ELECTRONICS (p 14, Sept. 26, '58), gets an initial \$5 million production contract boost from North American Aviation's Autometrics division.

MICROWAVE RADIATION MONITOR in the form of a standard NE-51 neon lamp is reported in the May issue of the U. S. Armed Forces Medical Journal. Lamp will glow under stimulus from microwave levels of 5 or 6 mw/cm². Danger level from microwave radiation is 10 mw/cm² (ELECTRONICS, p 49, Feb. 20). The simple monitor was accidentally discovered by Navy reserve medical officer Lt. Walter Johnson. He was carrying some neon bulbs in his hip pocket while taking intensity measurements aboard the guided missile cruiser Galveston.

NATO TROPO SCATTER CONTRACTS for more than \$6 million have been awarded by SHAPE (Supreme Headquarters, Allied Powers in Europe) to the Radio Engineering Laboratories subsidiary of Dynamics Corp. of America. Order, for the Ace High communications system, calls for some 360 transmitting and receiving units for 41 stations in nine countries, plus supporting gear and spares. The equipment, scheduled for delivery in mid-1960, will send and receive static-free f-m signals up to 250 mi away. Gear includes 117 giant 10-kw klystron amplifiers, 161 exciters and 81 diversity receivers.

SATELLITE COMMUNICATIONS techniques are already at hand or can be achieved by straightforward engineering within the next several years. So said Elmer W. Engstrom, RCA senior executive v-p, in a discussion of "Electronics' Role in the Space Age" sponsored by EIA before a missile industry conference last month. Engstrom said apparatus and techniques which relate to transmitter power, large tracking antennas

and low noise receiver circuits are unfolding and will ease the practical problems. Wide band signal storage for delayed transmission is also in the near practical stage, he added. Sought, he said, are relays that would be analogous to towers hundreds or thousands of miles high for instantaneous line-of-sight vhf and uhf transmission between continents. Ultimate choice of a passive or active satellite method will be guided by reliability and economics of the application, he said.

SMALL BUSINESS SPACE WORK under NASA contracts will get encouragement from the space administration's new small business adviser. Jacob M. Roey, the newly named adviser, aims to: publicize contract requirements; build an indexed file of small businesses (firms employing under 500 persons); and make big contractors aware of small business potentials.

BRUSHFIRE WAR COMMUNICATIONS LINK of 1,000 to 3,000 mi range that can be carried into action is being produced for the Strategic Army Corps by Adler Electronics. The Signal Corps-developed system, AN/TSC-16, consists of a transmitter van, a receiver-comcenter van, two tractors and two dual, 30-kw power supplies. It all fits into three C-124 transports and can be set up with limited operating capacity in four hours; full capacity takes two days. System, using a 10-kw transmitter, would tie in with U. S. global communications, provide quick contact with top command over two voice and 16 teletypewriter channels. Vans, several miles apart, are linked by uhf.

COMMON ELECTRICAL STANDARDS are expected to aid development of the six Common Market countries, which have a total population equal to that of the U. S. R. C. Sogge, president of the U. S. National Committee of the International Electrotechnical Commission, said the six countries had reported at a recent meeting in Paris that they would follow IEC standards to the maximum extent. Sogge said the IEC group also discussed the possibility of standardization in the field of digital computers and data processing.

Airborne electro-optical tracking device accurate within five seconds of arc is being developed for the Defense Department by Du Mont Laboratories.

PROJECT MERCURY RADAR BEACONS will be produced by the Avion division of ACF Industries under a \$434,805 contract from Collins Radio Co. Collins is developing the communications system for the first manned satellite. Two types of transistorized beacons will be used in the NASA satellite. Avion says the beacons will extend the range of tracking radars by responding to and retransmitting a strong signal to ground stations.

One Battle We're Losing — And Why

Lest it seem self-serving, we of McGraw-Hill, as publishers, have hesitated to make the following statement about the "Battle of the Books." However, our reticence has been overcome by our conviction that it is greatly in the national interest to have much wider public understanding of the nature of this battle. This conviction is strengthened by the fact that many, not in the publishing industry, believe in the importance of this battle and, further, by the fact that it is a battle which the United States is losing.

The United States is losing an important battle — a battle of knowledge and ideas, waged with books. It does not have the excitement of competition in scientific achievement, nor the urgency of a diplomatic crisis, nor the obvious economic significance of a struggle for export markets. But our success or failure in this battle of knowledge and ideas may well have a decisive bearing on these more spectacular aspects of international rivalry.

The Russians know this. About a decade ago, they started a program to build up their export of books, the most durable and penetrating way of communicating knowledge and ideas. **By 1957 the Soviet Union was exporting 30 million books, one-and-a-half times as many as the United States.** Many of these books are printed in English, and all are in languages of the non-Communist world.

In the languages of the Near East alone, the Russians printed and distributed 413,600 books in 1957, as compared with 166,415 in 1956. In India, Russian textbooks on engineering are to be published in English under a technical aid agreement signed in Moscow last December.

"Trade Follows The Book"

Books are in the advance guard of the Soviet political and economic challenge to the free world. With books go ways of thinking — about government, about education, about management, about science and technology. If these books do their job effectively in the training of those who will become a nation's leaders, they will provide the basis for political and cultural understanding and also, in the future, for trade.

The Russians are not the first to discover this relationship. Britain, which lives by trade, has traditionally exported more of its book production than any other nation. Today it exports one book in every two produced. The British have a favorite dictum: "Trade follows the book." They have proved its accuracy. Now the Russians are trying to make this same principle serve their purposes.

Where does the United States stand in this competition for men's minds? In number of books, it trails far behind the Soviet Union — exporting roughly 20 million books, against the Russians' 30 million. As a proportion of our total output of books, our exports amount to only 10% — against Britain's 50%.

The Russians' Advantage

U.S. book exports have grown in the years since World War II, from approximately \$11,000,000 in 1946 to \$35,000,000 in 1958 (both figures excluding Canada). But in expanding book exports, the American publishing industry faces two major obstacles:

(1) **The comparatively high cost of producing a book in the United States**, which puts its price well beyond the reach of many students, teachers and businessmen in other countries; and

(2) **The shortage of dollar exchange in many countries**, which means that importers can pay for

books only in currencies that are of little use to American publishers.

The Russians have neither of these problems. Soviet publishing is state-subsidized, and exported books are sold for nominal sums paid in the currencies of the importers. As these books serve the political and economic purposes of the Soviet Union, they are cheerfully sold on giveaway terms.

The American publishing industry, on its own, is making vigorous efforts to increase the distribution of American books in other countries. Leading U.S. publishers and their agents have offices and salesmen in the major countries of Asia, Africa and Latin America. Several publishers have begun to reprint textbooks in Asia at one-half to one-third of their U.S. costs, thus making them available to the students in Asian countries at prices they can more nearly afford. And the American paperback has become a symbol of low cost in popular books. But neither of these devices is practicable for serious cultural, technical, scientific, educational and professional books, which require durable, hard-bound and necessarily expensive editions. Despite their great importance to those who need these books, the demand for them is simply not large enough to warrant low-cost publishing methods.

Government agencies also have increased the availability of American books. The United States Information Agency and the International Cooperation Administration have placed American books in libraries overseas, donated them to educational institutions and presented them to key individuals in the industries and governments of the developing countries of the world. But these programs are small in relation to the need.

A Modest Program

An unusual and little-publicized Government program has helped American publishers overcome the other major obstacle to the export of books — the shortage of dollar exchange. This is the Informational Media Guaranty (IMG) program, administered by the United States Information Agency. It enables publishers of books judged to be worthy of the American way of life to sell their books, for local currency, in countries such as the Philippines, Formosa, Vietnam, Burma, Indonesia, Pakistan, Turkey, Israel, Poland, Yugoslavia, Spain and Chile, which would otherwise be unable to buy these books because of their shortage of U.S. dollar exchange.

The IMG program is not a giveaway. Publishers have to sell their books, and customers overseas have to want them enough to buy them at full prices. IMG merely guarantees that the exporting publisher receives in dollars the payments he collects from his customers in their currency. The program costs very little in

terms of our total foreign aid program, or in terms of what it accomplishes. In ten years it has made possible the sale of \$150 million worth of books, magazines and films to countries of key economic and strategic importance at a cost of only \$10 million.

The IMG functions through a revolving fund. Foreign currencies are exchanged for dollars, and the foreign currencies in turn are resold to replenish the supply of dollars. The net cost is the small but unavoidable loss on resale of these foreign currencies. Over the ten years of this program, the IMG revolving fund has shrunk from its original \$28 million to \$18 million, \$10 million of which is in unconverted foreign currencies.

If this modest but vitally important program is to be continued, Congress must appropriate the money necessary to rebuild the revolving fund. This would ensure that any country approved by the State Department and willing to sign an agreement to buy American books, at their full price, with its own currency, could do so. Last August, Congress reduced a requested appropriation for this purpose from \$7 million to \$2½ million. To continue even at its present reduced level, an appropriation of \$3½ million is needed. To realize the full potential of IMG, the revolving fund must be restored to its original level.

If the IMG program is not continued, with adequate financial support, some countries whose friendship and understanding we seek today and with whom we hope to build a trading partnership in the future will have to reduce their purchases of American books to a trickle. These are countries where school teachers, college professors, students, engineers, doctors and businessmen need and want to buy American books. The loss will be not only theirs, but ours as well. For it will deprive the U.S. of one of its most effective, and least costly, means of communicating knowledge and ideas and understanding of the American way of life.

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WASHINGTON OUTLOOK

WASHINGTON—SOME MISSILES UP, OTHERS DOWN.

That's the word on the Pentagon's 1960 buying plans. The House Appropriations Committee did the reshuffling—slashed Mace and Bomarc missiles, beefed up Nike-Zeus, Atlas and the antisubmarine program.

The net result is a \$399.9-million over-all decrease in the administration's defense appropriations request—which comes as something of a surprise. Just a few weeks back, Rep. Mahon, (D., Texas) head of the committee's Defense Subcommittee, was talking up a \$750-million hike.

These are the electronics-related projects given a boost:

The Army's Nike-Zeus antimissile missile system gets a big chunk of extra funds for accelerated development work and advance procurement of components—on top of the \$300-million basic request for R&D. The project stands out as the chief beneficiary in a \$200-million appropriation boost for general Army hardware procurement.

An extra fund of \$85 million is earmarked as a "down payment" to expand production of the Atlas ICBM from the nine squadrons now planned to 17. American Bosch Arma is the major electronics contractor here. The Minuteman ICBM (North American Aviation's Autonetics division) gets \$87 million extra to speed development. Antisubmarine warfare operations are accelerated with an additional \$255.3 million. But no precise allocations for electronic gear are spelled out.

On the other side of the ledger, the committee cut Bomarc procurement by about one-third (a \$162.7-million cut in the appropriation request). Westinghouse is the major electronics contractor. A \$127-million request to continue production of Mace (General Motors' AC division) is killed.

The Air Force's "radar improvement" program suffered a \$50-million reduction. Reason: to stretch out production "to allow for maximum implementation of technical improvements occurring in this field."

Finally, there's a one-percent across-the-board procurement cut to "enforce competition in military contracting and improved procurement practices generally".

- A new House Antitrust Subcommittee report says the 1956 consent decree signed by the Dept. of Justice with American Telephone & Telegraph Co. is a "blot on the enforcement history of the antitrust laws."

The report—signed by four Democrats, but blasted by three Republican members as a "smear"—calls for the government to re-open the antitrust case. In addition, the report charges that AT&T and its wholly-owned manufacturing subsidiary, Western Electric Co., are not living up to the patent licensing terms which are in the decree.

The Democrats have never let the AT&T case rest since former Atty. Gen. Herbert Brownell negotiated the out-of-court settlement, which ended suit brought under the Truman administration in 1949. The original suit charged AT&T and WE with a monopoly in manufacture and sale of telephones and telegraph equipment, called for a split-off of WE as the sole supplier of AT&T's Bell operating companies. Brownell is blistered in the new report.

- They're trying to jack up radar to levels it won't reach—so says Sir Robert Watson-Watt, Britain's "father of radar". He spoke at EIA's well-attended national missile industry conference here. Sir Robert set Washington tongues wagging with his claim that radar will play only a "minor role" in space exploration and communications. He said "direct signals" are needed for missile defenses, that too much is being spent on Sage and Nike-Zeus.

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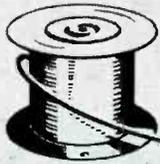
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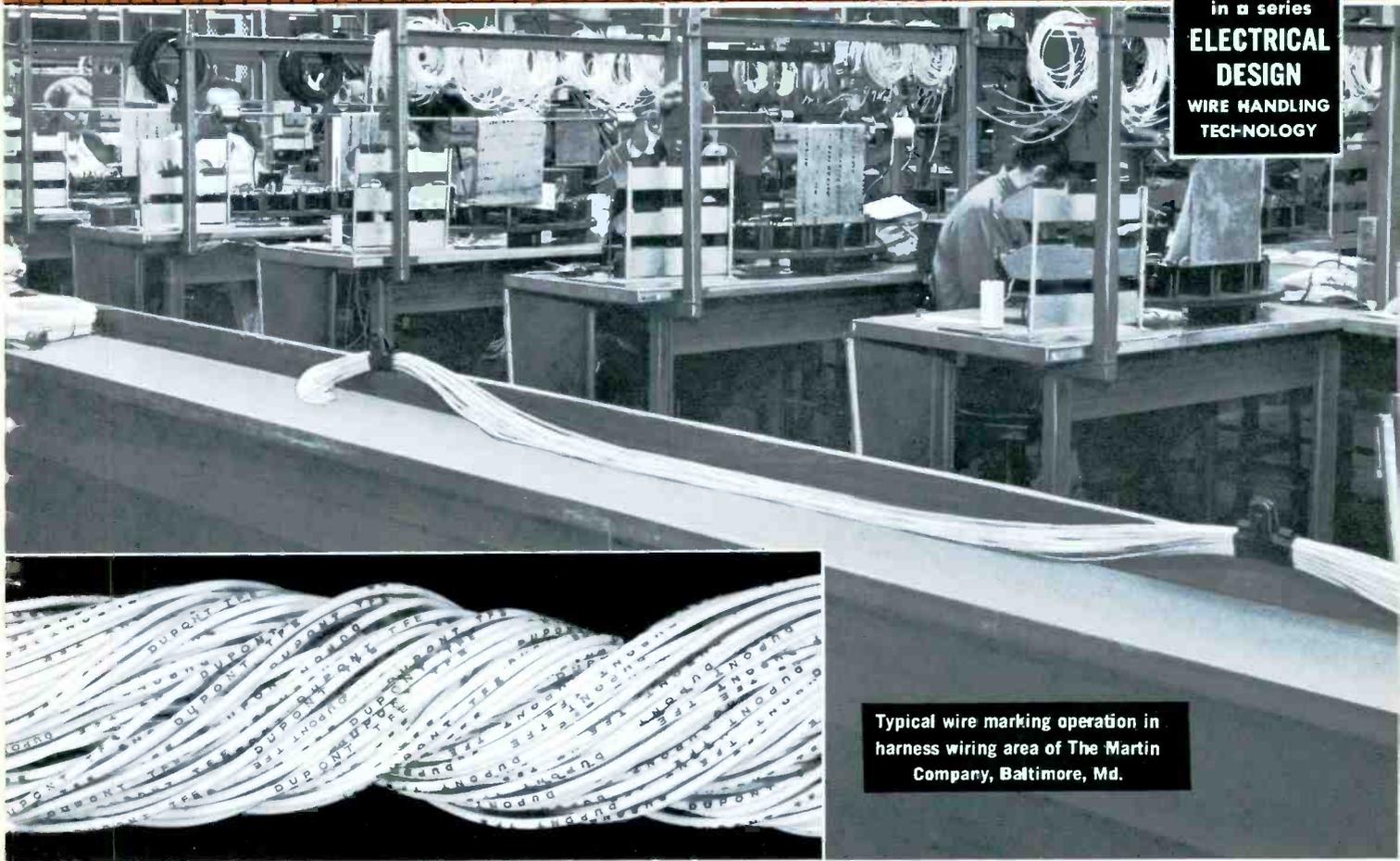
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Several methods based on hot-stamping techniques have recently been developed, or are under development, for printing on TFE resins. In one case, the identification is stamped on the wire and then "heat-set" to form adherent markings. By another method, the heat required to insure abrasion-resistant markings is transferred to the insulation surface during the stamping process. In both cases, the markings are legible and can be made without damage to the insulation. These hot-

stamping processes are specifically designed to meet the end users' requirements in applying markings in a wire harnessing or assembly area (a typical area is illustrated above).

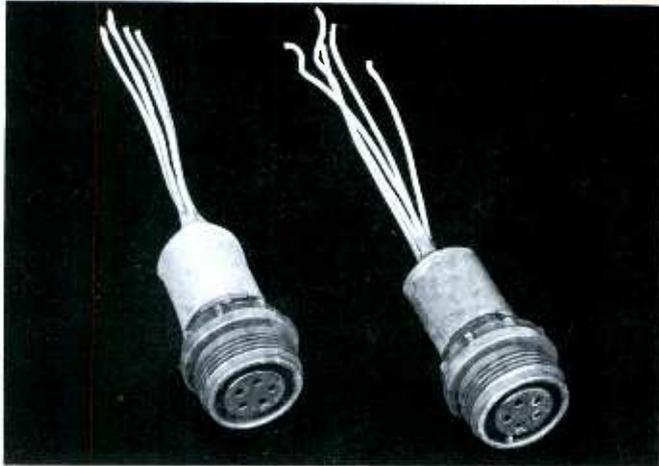
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Lengths of wire insulated with TFE resins and modified to provide a cementable surface have been available for several years and have been used in some cases where potting or encapsulation was desired. Recently, several manufacturers have announced the availability of wire and cable made bondable by entirely new techniques which do not discolor the surface of the insulation. Wire treated by these new techniques demonstrate improved adherence of epoxy resins, silicone rubber and other potting materials. The potted assembly is firmly sealed against moisture and contamination.

In some cases, such as where high surface resistance is



PRIMER is applied to unstripped wire ends preparatory to sintering of coating onto the surface of insulation of TEFLON TFE-fluorocarbon resins.

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NONE (control)	Silicone Rubber	2	4	4
NONE (control)	Thiokol Liquid Polymer Rubber	1.5	4	4
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"LUDOX" HS (colloidal silica)	Silicone Rubber	4-7	10	0
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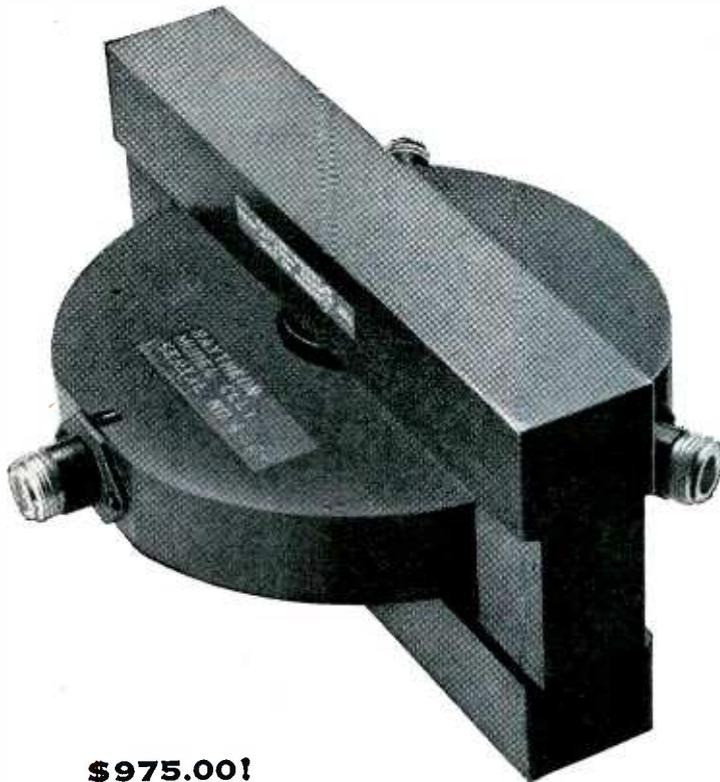
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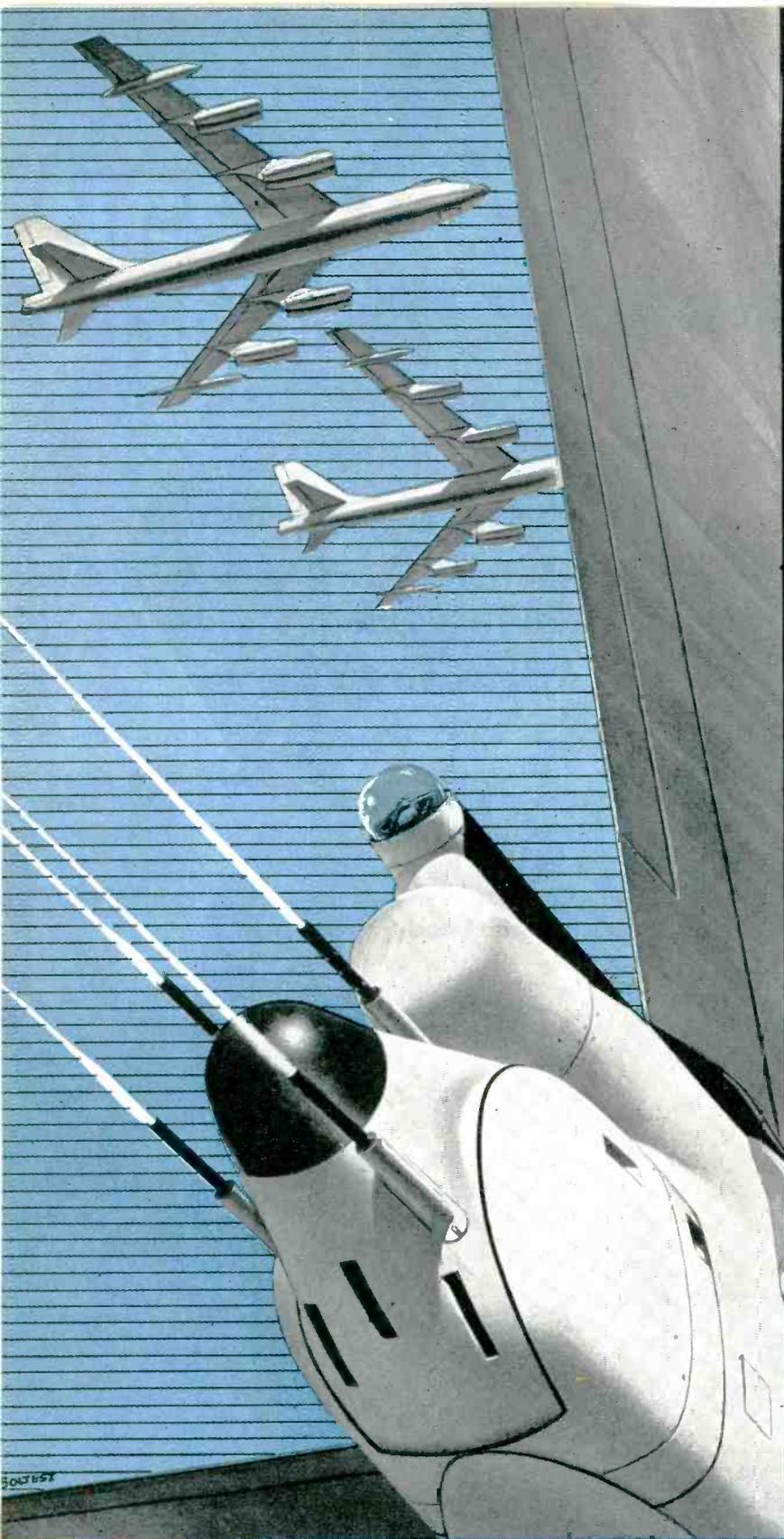
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Isolation		
Minimum	20 db	20 db
Maximum	25 db	25 db
Insertion loss		
Minimum	0.3 db	0.3 db
Maximum	0.4 db	0.4 db
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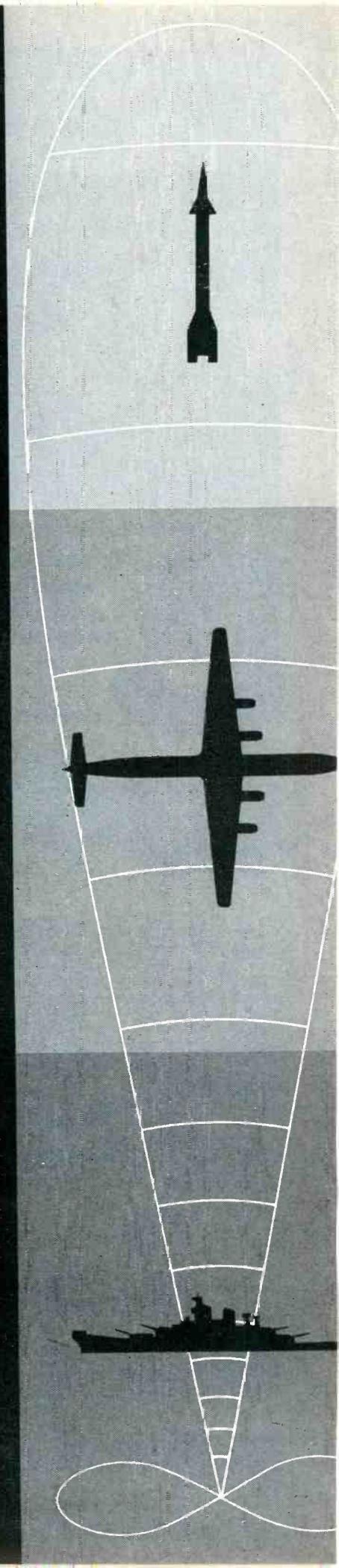
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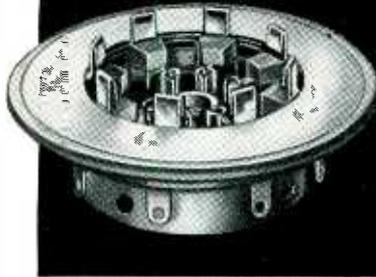
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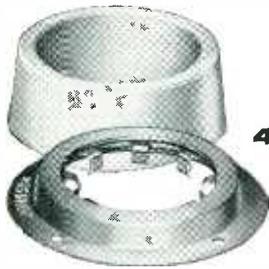


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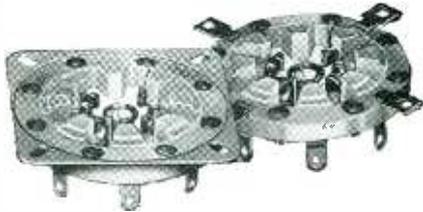
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MARKET RESEARCH

Exports Rose 10% in 1958

EXPORTS of electronic components and equipment reached \$427 million during 1958, according to latest tabulations released by the Electronic Industries Association. Despite recession's effects, EIA reports last year's total represents a 10-percent rise over export volume of \$384.3 million in 1957.

Following table of reported 1958 volume lists radio and television receivers, components and end equipment. Units are recorded wherever information was available.

	UNITS	VALUE
	(Add 000)	
Radio sets	316	\$9,215
Television sets	219	25,036
Phonographs, all types, incl. parts and accessories	N.A.	24,000
Recorders, disk, tape and wire	N.A.	12,200
Amplifiers and amplifier systems, all types	N.A.	4,700
Tubes, cathode-ray	N.A.	17,200
Tubes, receiving	22,873	17,859
Other tubes & parts	N.A.	17,000
Semiconductors	5,785	7,778
Capacitors	40,575	5,400
Resistors	43,599	3,840
Inductors	5,734	4,947
Speakers	508	2,171
Unclassified parts	N.A.	31,800
Broadcast transmitters & studio eqpt.	N.A.	12,800
Test & measurement eqpt.	N.A.	27,000
Nuclear radiation detection & measuring eqpt.	N.A.	3,000
Computers & related processing machines and parts	N.A.	17,000
Land mobile, aeronautical, shipborne radio eqpt.	N.A.	123,500
Detection & navigational apparatus	N.A.	44,000
Other eqpt. & apparatus	N.A.	16,554
TOTAL		\$427,000
N.A. = Not Available.		

Comparison of 1958 and 1957 figures shows:

In 1958 exports of radio and television receivers rose 16 percent and 28 percent respectively over 1957 dollar volume of \$7.967 and \$19.583 million. Number of radio sets shipped abroad in 1957 totaled 298,368. During same year, 155,817 tv sets were sold to foreign markets.

Among components, semiconductors showed most significant gain in 1958. Exports of these devices in 1957 amounted to \$4.230 million, comprising 2,693,737 units. In 1958, the dollar volume shipped rose 84 percent.

Values of other components exported in 1957 were: capacitors, \$5.431 million (34,231,000 units); resistors, \$3.585 million (36,631,000 units); inductors, \$4.947 million (6,096,000 units); speakers, \$1.822 million (416,702 units); unclassified parts, \$27.6 million.

• **Electronics' key role in the space age**, subject of National Missile Industry Conference held recently in Washington, D. C., will mean more military electronics business in coming years.

Electronics portion of space aircraft-missiles expenditures, estimated by William Long, EIA Marketing Data Department manager, currently amounts to \$3 billion, or 27 percent of present dollar outlay.

By mid-1960's, electronics portion will rise to \$5 billion, representing 38 percent of total expenditures. By 1970, electronics slice will reach \$6 billion, 43 percent of total.

FIGURES OF THE WEEK

LATEST WEEKLY PRODUCTION FIGURES

(Source: EIA)	May 22, 1959	Apr. 24, 1959	Change From One Year Ago
Television sets	115,952	97,485	+57.8%
Radio sets (ex. auto)	274,571	263,434	+69.6%
Auto sets	120,205	108,122	+130.6%

STOCK PRICE AVERAGES

(Standard & Poor's)	May 27, 1959	Apr. 29, 1959	Change From One Year Ago
Electronics mfrs.	91.64	95.79	+75.0%
Radio & tv mfrs.	109.10	106.29	+128.3%
Broadcasters	99.38	100.30	+59.2%

New Capital For Electronics

WASHINGTON, D. C.: Latest word from Small Business Administration is that a license has been issued to the Electronics Capital Corp., San Diego, Calif., to operate as a small business investment company. The firm will operate as a closed-end nondiversified management agency concentrating on the electronics industry.

ECC is the ninth organization to be licensed by SBA, and the first to announce plans to specialize in one particular industry. The company will provide funds, principally through the purchase of convertible debentures from electronics firms in the small business category.

Financial Details

In an exclusive interview with Hal Hood, ELECTRONICS' Pacific Coast Editor, Richard T. Silberman, executive vice president of the new venture, said his firm feels basically that there is no industry that needs long-term capital more than electronics. Due to the management of ECC, his feeling is that in judging an investment situation, it will be seen first in terms of electronics and secondly in terms of banking.

Silberman was president of Kin-Tel division of Cohu Electronics, prior to joining ECC. He has put approximately \$25,000 into the venture with Charles E. Salik, ECC president. The two have operated an electronics mutual fund since 1955. Salik, in company with his father, has invested about \$280,000 in the new firm.

Initial capital reserved for investment will amount to \$2,500,000, of which approximately \$35,000 will be immediately outstanding. No government funds are involved.

Plans To Sell Shares

The company proposes to extend its capital by the sale of 1,800,000 of its authorized shares. The issue is being managed by a group headed by Hayden Stone & Co., New York investment bankers, at \$10 a share. Net proceeds will be used for investment in securities of small investment concerns.

Electronics Capital Corp. plans

also to make management consultant services available for technical, marketing and manufacturing activities. Goal of the firm will be to make consulting services available at low cost for the benefit of small companies. Corporation officials estimate that of the 4,700 companies engaged in some form of electronics work in the U. S. today, about 4,500 would qualify for aid from ECC.

This estimate includes firms in fields closely related to electronics, such as chassis and hardware.

OVER THE COUNTER

1958 BIDS		COMMON STOCKS	WEEK ENDING	
LOW	HIGH		May 22 BID	May 29 BID ASKED
3 3/4	20 1/2	Acoustica Assocs	31	28 1/2 34 5/8
1 5/8	3	Advance Industries	23 1/4	23 1/4 31 1/4
3 1/8	6 5/8	Aerovox	10 1/4	9 3/4 11 1/4
5 1/2	15	Appl'd Sci Princet	10 1/4	9 1/2 11 3/4
1 1/8	8 7/8	Avien, A	10 1/4	10 3/4 13 1/4
6 3/4	24	Baird-Atomic	32 1/2	30 1/2 36 3/4
9 3/4	13 3/8	Burndy	17 1/2	17 1/2 19 1/8
6 3/4	9	Cohu Electronics	7 7/8	8 1/2 9 5/8
11	22 1/2	Collins Radio	33 3/4	33 37 1/2
32 1/2	49	Cook Electric	42	44 53
4	7	Craig Systems	10 1/2	10 1/4 12 1/2
17 5/8	25 3/8	Eastern Industries	18	17 1/8 19 3/8
1 3/4	8 3/8	Elco Corp	7 1/4	8 9 1/8
10 1/2	21	Electro Instr	28	26 1/2 30 3/8
34	49	Electronic Assocs	41	41 47 1/4
5	11	Electronic Res'ch	18	18 20 3/8
8 1/2	12 3/4	Electronic Spec Co	16	15 1/8 18
15 1/4	49 1/2	Epsco, Inc	39	36 44
5 1/2	9 3/8	Erie Resistor	10	10 11 1/4
10	17 1/2	Fischer & Porter	14 3/4	14 16
5 1/2	10 1/2	G-L Electronics	11	11 1/4 13 3/8
12	27	Giannini Controls	30 1/4	29 33
...	...	Haydu Elec Prod	5	4 1/4 5 3/8
30	39 1/2	Hewlett-Packard	44 3/4	43 1/2 49
23 1/4	48	High Voltage Eng	65	61 69 1/2
1 3/4	3	Hycon Mfg	3 1/2	3 1/4 3 7/8
1 1/8	5 1/8	Industro Trans'tor	6	5 3/4 6 3/4
...	...	Internat'l Rec'r'r	27 1/2	27 1/2 31 1/8
...	...	Interstate Engin'g	21 1/4	20 1/4 23 7/8
...	...	Jerrold	6	5 1/2 6 1/2
21	30	D. S. Kennedy	28 3/4	30 35 1/8
3 3/4	29	Lab For El'tronics	35	32 37
19 1/4	28	Leeds & Northrup	33 1/4	32 1/4 35 5/8
2	3 1/8	Leotronics	3 3/8	3 3/8 4
5	18 1/4	Ling Electronics	28 1/2	26 1/4 30 1/8
3 1/4	8 1/4	Magnetic Amplifiers	9 7/8	9 10 1/2
2 7/8	4 1/2	Magnetics, Inc.	6 1/8	5 3/4 6 5/8
4 3/8	12	W. L. Maxson	13 3/8	13 1/4 14 7/8
10 3/8	29	Microwave Assocs	20	22 24 3/8
5 1/4	11 3/4	Midwestern Instr	11 3/8	11 12 1/4
1 1/8	7	Monogram Preci'sn	11 1/4	10 3/4 12 1/8
3 1/2	7 1/4	Narda Microwave	11 1/2	11 1/4 12 3/4
...	...	Narda Ultrasonics	11 1/2	11 3/4 12 7/8
9 3/4	16	National Company	28 1/4	28 1/2 31 3/4
14 1/4	56	Nuclear Chicago	38 1/4	35 42
4 1/2	7 3/8	Pacific Mercury, A	12 1/4	12 13 3/8
10 1/8	27 1/2	Packard-Bell	43	42 1/2 45 5/8
4 1/4	9 3/8	Panellit, Inc	7 3/8	7 8 1/4
21	53 1/4	Perkin-Elmer	54 1/2	54 61
11 3/8	19 1/2	Radiation, A	21 1/2	20 3/4 23 3/8
2 1/8	7 3/8	Reeves Soundcraft	7	7 8 1/4
13	32 1/2	Sanders Associates	34	31 1/2 37 3/4
...	...	Silicon Transistor	9 3/4	11 1/4 14 3/8
7	12	SoundScriber	17 3/4	17 19 3/8
22 3/4	40	Sprague Electric	49 1/2	48 3/4 53
26	35	Taylor Instruments	36 1/2	34 1/2 39 3/8
5 1/2	15	Technical Operat'ns	24	13 18
5 1/2	15 3/4	Telechrome Mfg	21 1/2	19 1/2 24 1/8
3 1/4	7 3/4	Telecomputing	13	13 1/8 14
1 1/8	2 3/4	Tel-Instrument	2 3/4	2 3/4 3 1/8
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3 3/4	10 3/4	Tracerlab	11 1/4	11 12 7/8
1 1/8	3 3/8	Universal Trans'tor	1 1/4	1 1/4 1 5/8
14 1/4	40	Varian Associates	33 1/4	32 36 3/8

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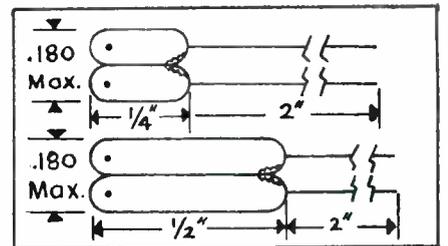
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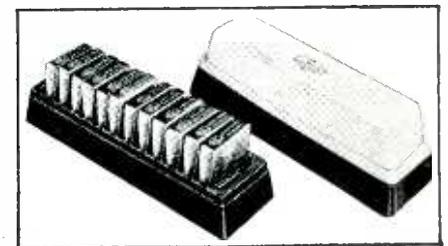
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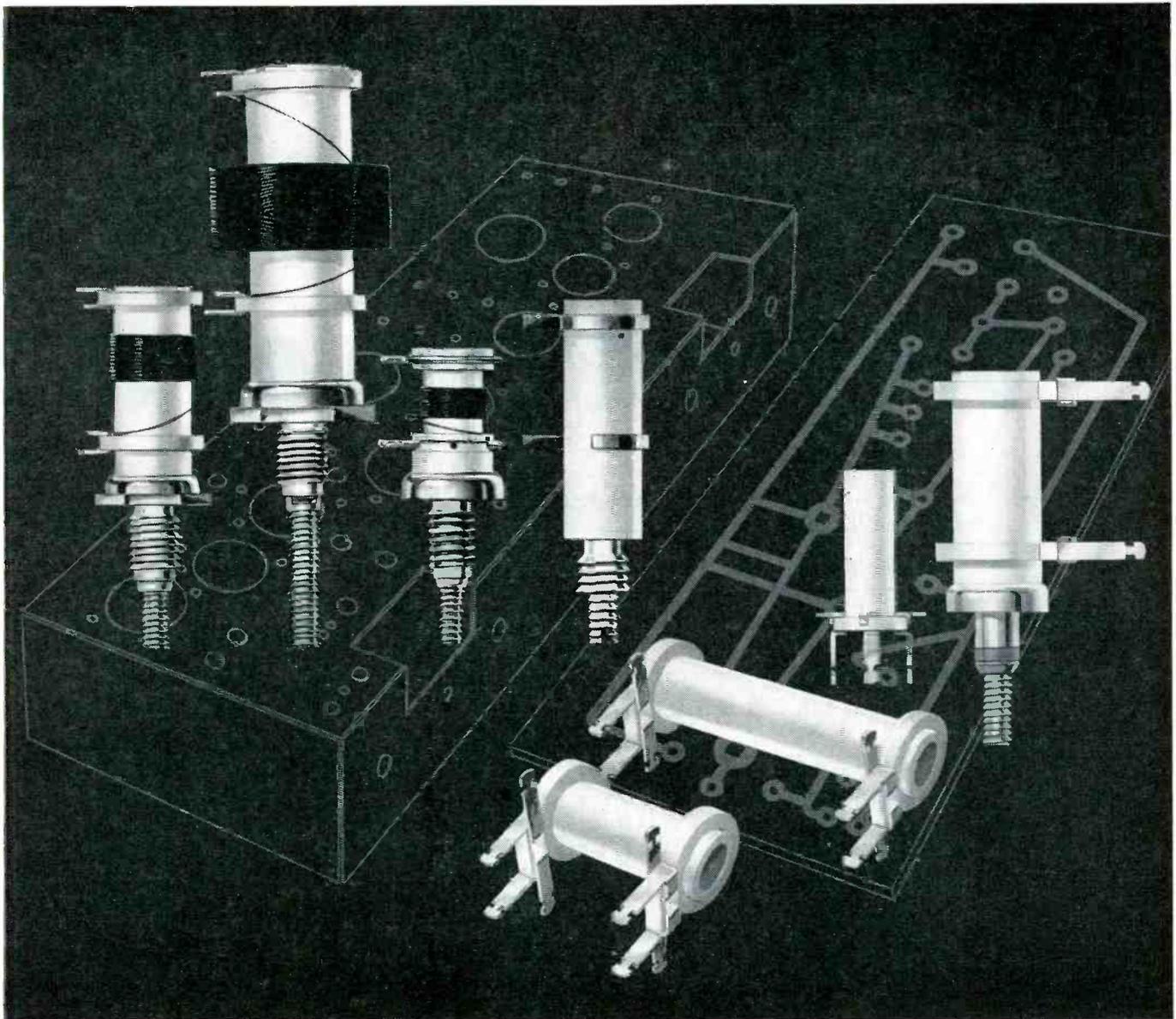
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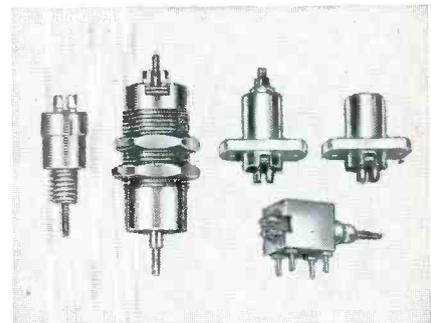
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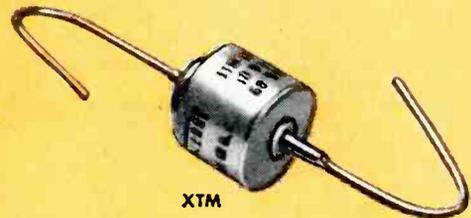
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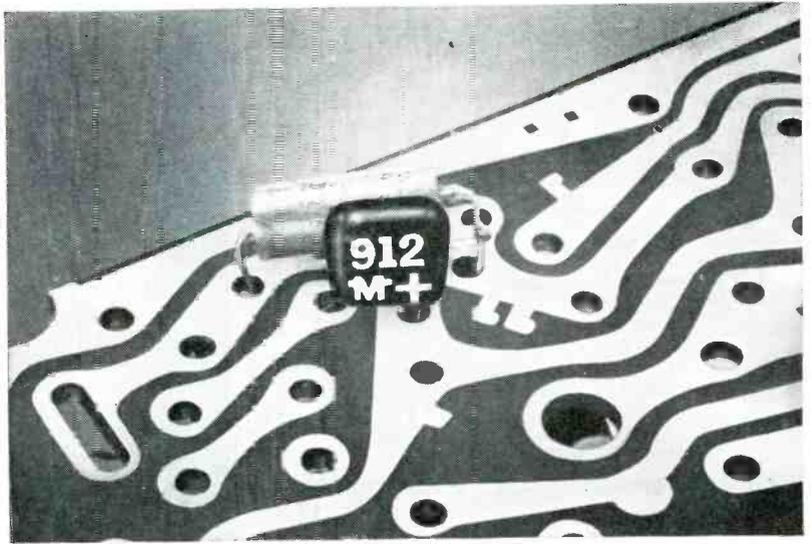


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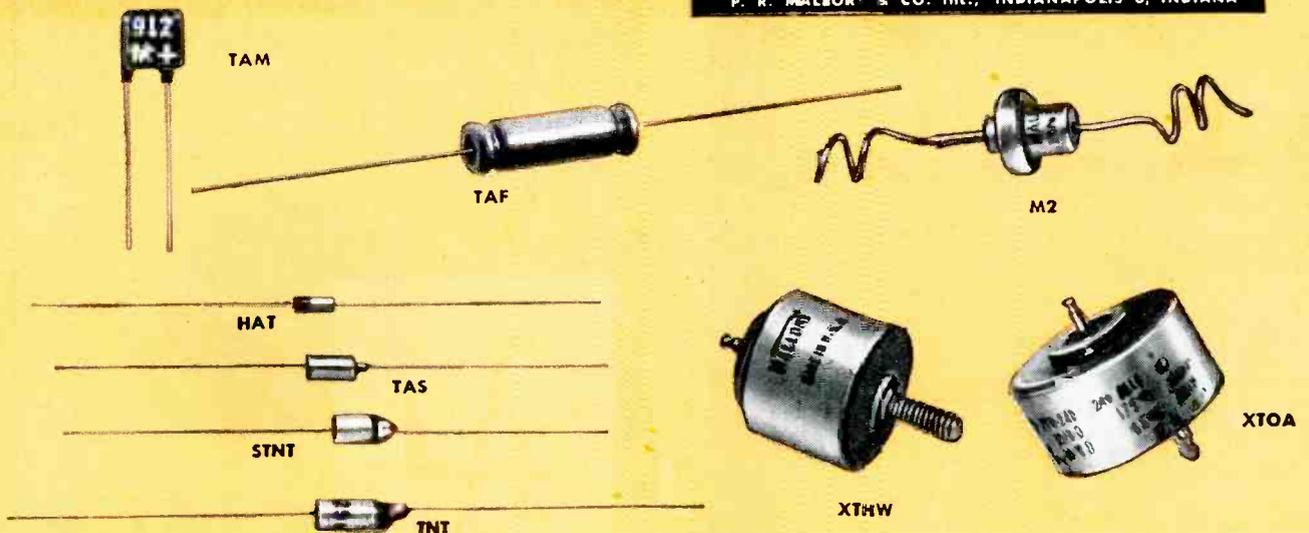
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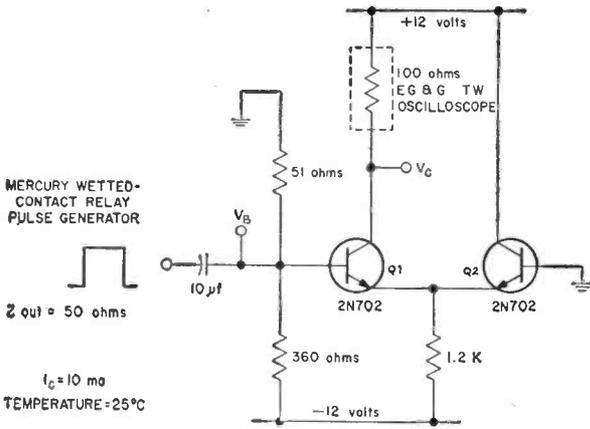
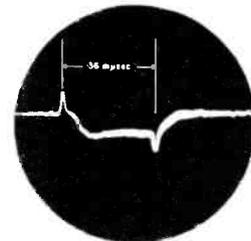
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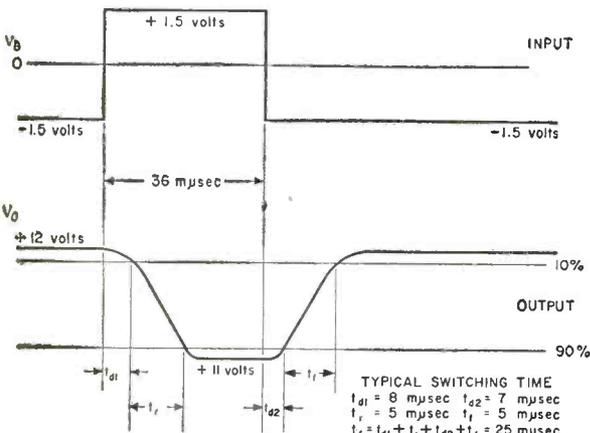
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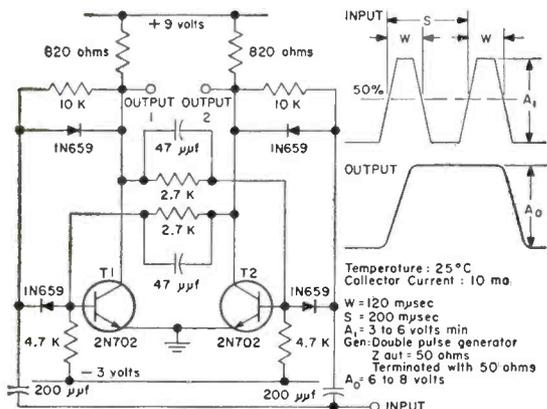
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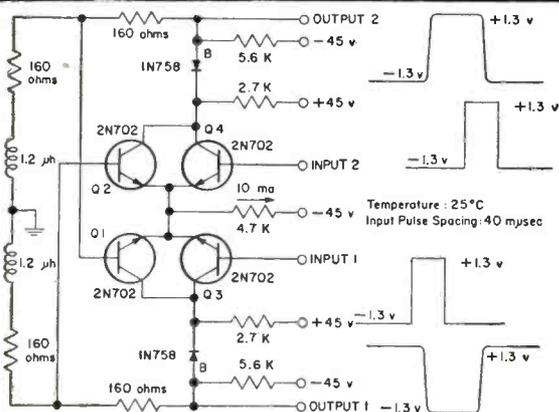
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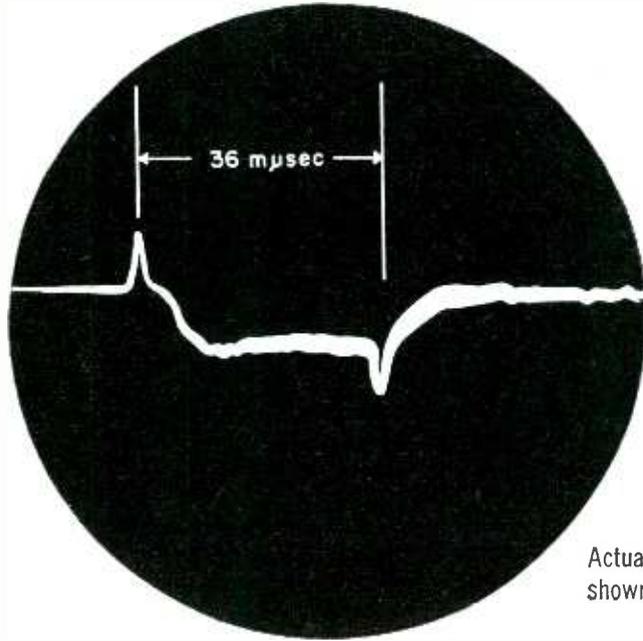


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Symbol	Characteristic	Test Conditions	Min	Typ	Max
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BV_{CBO}	Breakdown Voltage	$I_{CBO} = 10\text{ μa}, I_E = 0$	20		
BV_{CEO}	Breakdown Voltage	$I_{CEO} = 10\text{ μa}, I_B = 0$	15		
h_{FE}^*	DC Beta	$V_{CE} = 5\text{ v}, I_C = 10\text{ ma}$	15		45
BV_{EBO}	Breakdown Voltage	$I_E = 10\text{ μa}, I_C = 0$	5		
V_{BE}^*	Input Voltage	$V_{CE} = 5\text{ v}, I_C = 10\text{ ma}$	0.7		1.2
C_{ob}	Output Capacitance	$V_{CB} = 5\text{ v}, I_E = 0$ $f = 1\text{ mc}$		7	12
f_t	Frequency at which h_{fe} is unity	$V_{CE} = 5\text{ v}, I_E = 10\text{ ma}$	50	100	
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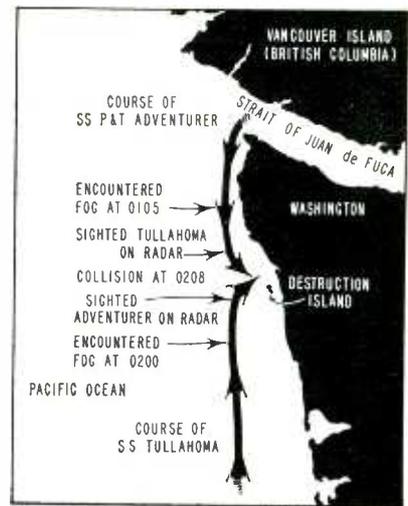
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Misreading radar data resulted in collision of cargoship P & T Adventurer with tanker Tullahoma in August 1951. In this typical case, both vessels were attempting to open up distance between them, actually closed on collision course

Stack and funnels of tanker Valchem perch on bow of the liner Santa Rosa after collision last March. Both ships were navigating by radar in fog

Radar: Its Hidden Dangers

Misreading scopes, misinterpreting blips, misuse of controls contribute to increasing ship collisions. Better training, human engineering could prevent them

EARLY in the morning of July 26, 1956, the Swedish liner *Stockholm* rammed the starboard beam of the Italian luxury cruiseship *Andrea Doria* off Nantucket. Late in the evening of Oct. 2, 1950, the American tanker *E. J. Henry* struck the port quarter of the Norwegian freighter *Fernland* near Winter Quarter Light Vessel off the Delmarva Peninsula. Just before dawn on April 20, 1951, the tanker *Esso Suez* rammed the port side of the tanker *Esso Greensboro* in the Gulf of Mexico. On March 26, 1959, the liner *Santa Rosa* (picture) rammed the port side of the tanker *Valchem* off Atlantic City.

All of these collisions occurred in limited visibility caused by fog, rain or mist. In each case—and in many other cases investigated by the Coast Guard—the ships were being navigated by radar, and the

ships saw each other on the radar.

Radar is one of the most valuable and efficient electronic aids to ship navigation, and is admitted to be so by ship masters and maritime officials. But inadvertently, it is contributing to the alarming increase in frequency of ship collisions at sea.

Official Coast Guard investigations of these collisions constantly reiterate the admonition that radar "in no way relieves the master of a ship from his obligation" to observe the rules of the road. The fact remains, however, that many masters short-cut these rules when they feel they can get away with it.

Spokesmen for radarmakers and maritime officials alike agree that the collisions are not caused by technical limitations of the radar equipment, nor even, strictly speaking, by misuse. Economic pressures

to make port with cargo push ship's masters into proceeding at excessive speed through fog and mist. In situations where ordinary mariner's caution would usually slow them or hold them up, the radar gives them a kind of false sense of security, with occasionally catastrophic results.

As one radarmaker puts it, "it's not radar, but blind reliance on radar, that's at fault. Radar is no substitute for common sense."

Radar at Sea

Shipboard radars are commonly made to provide plan-position data in either relative-bearing or true-bearing form. True-bearing radar keeps track of ship's bearing and holds north always at the top of the scope. Relative-bearing radar provides a ppi picture relative to the ship's heading.

True-movement radar (ELECTRONICS, July 20, '57) keeps track of both course and speed, and adjusts the starting point of the scope sweep to compensate. Thus it draws on the scope a fixed map of the area, on which the ship itself appears as a moving blip.

True-movement and true-bearing radar are valuable for navigating by landfalls, or on river channels, where radar presentations can be compared with charts. But in these cases, radar is merely an aid to navigation: the mariner uses it to check actual course and speed against plans. True-movement radar is also used for piloting in river channels, where traffic movement and landmarks are easier to grasp in a roughly rectilinear projection.

Relative-bearing radar is most useful for open-sea navigation. Since mariners are accustomed to looking at the outside world with reference to their own ship and its heading, the relative presentation is most easily translated to their customary frame of reference. But even so, it can give rise to error.

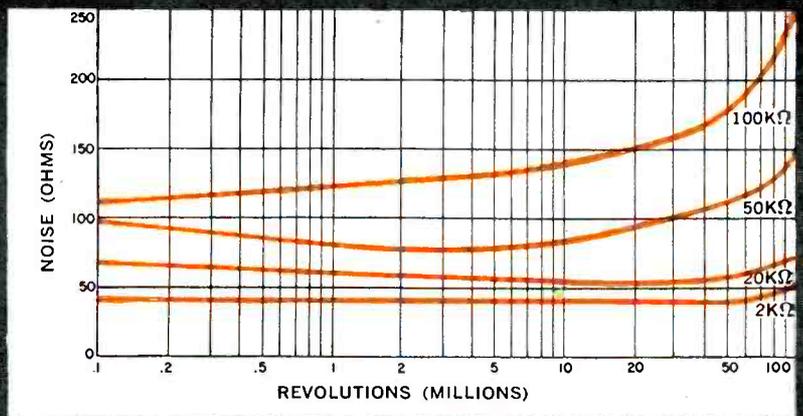
Since the radar gives only range and bearing to targets, the movement of the base from moment to moment must be vectored out of the data before it can be used. One ship's master told ELECTRONICS "radar belongs in the chartroom, not on the bridge or in the wheelhouse." The Coast Guard constantly emphasizes that course and speed of a target can be validly estimated only after plotting radar data on a chart.

Misinterpretation

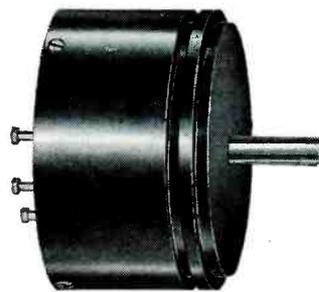
The dozen or so case histories made available by the Coast Guard for study by ELECTRONICS clearly show the commonest ways in which radar data can be misinterpreted.

A true-bearing radar on a south-east-bound ship, for example, will show a northbound ship on a collision course as a target at the bottom right of the scope, closing toward center. A ship's master may not think to translate the data to relative bearing and may assume that the ship is overtaking him from his starboard quarter. To increase his margin of safety, he may order a course change to port. The northing vessel will be more likely

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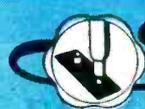
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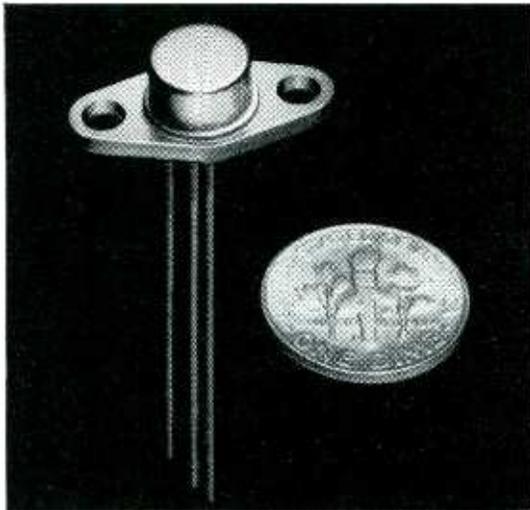
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to interpret the radar correctly, and will order a course change to starboard. The vessels will inevitably cross courses, and may collide.

Rules of the road for an inland waterway or channel require a master to keep vessels to starboard when overtaking, to port when meeting. In other words, the rules say keep to right, pass on left. These rules do not hold so strictly on the open sea, but in close maneuvering they are usually obeyed unless the masters agree by exchange of signals to do otherwise.

Errors of Judgment

In more than half the cases involving collisions by radar-equipped ships in fog, the southing ship made a course change to port in a situation in which a change to starboard would have been more reasonable. Since the official investigations concentrate more on the initial violation—proceeding at excessive speed in conditions of limited visibility—this error in judgment is not usually mentioned. But when the northbound coast steamer *Baranoff* rammed the southbound Greek freighter *Triton* in July 1952 off the coast of British Columbia, the investigating board record officially noted the judgment error. The record says: "The seamen's eye method of analysis of the movement of another vessel appearing in the radar scope is dangerously apt to lead to a false conclusion that the line of relative motion shown in the radar scope represents the actual course line of the other vessel."

Misuse of controls can also cause misinterpretations. In one case, the tanker *Atlantic Dealer*, proceeding northward in the Delaware River, rammed the *Atlantic Engineer*, which was lying at anchor in mid-channel. About twenty minutes before the collision, the *Dealer's* second mate reported a target dead ahead at eight miles. He had previously shifted the radar to four-mile scale, but had forgotten having done so. By the time the error was discovered, the *Dealer* was closing on the *Engineer* and collision was inevitable.



Translators (above), boosters and community antennas help television spread out, bringing . . .

Growth In Troubled Field

THE QUESTION of who owns a tv signal once it leaves the station is being examined on several fronts these days.

Interested parties in addition to the viewing public are: broadcasters, community antenna, booster and tv translator services.

The status of the more than 1,000 booster operators now in business has been a matter of debate for more than four years. Plans this year were for the Federal Communications Commission to ban booster operations in their present form entirely by March 31. Comment against this by public officials and operators resulted in an extension to the end of this September.

FCC says Congress must amend the Radio Act before boosters can be made subject to Commission regulation. Once this is done, technical demands can be made and enforced by present FCC methods. Meanwhile, boosters continue to be the only source of tv in many regions of the country.

The job facing the FCC is more than just one of deciding the fate of booster operators. Also slated for attention are community antenna (CATV) groups.

Broadcaster Sues

One broadcaster in Idaho is bringing suit against a CATV organization on the grounds that his

signal is being used without permission.

A 42-page document now before FCC asks that all CATV's be required to obtain the broadcaster's permission before using a program signal, and to guarantee that no signal degradation will occur.

Another way of attempting to regulate CATV activity has been proposed in a request to the Commission asking that arrangements between CATV's and common carriers be regulated. So far FCC says it won't consider either practice.

Case Against Boosters

Community antenna groups are seeking to prevent passage of one proposal—that of legalizing boosters. Legalization is being fought on the grounds that the booster system, which rebroadcasts the signal on the same frequency, results in a ghosted signal in areas between the station and the booster. Booster opponents also claim that booster signals can adversely affect radio gear in planes flying over the area.

Translators now number close to 300 in the U. S., as compared to about 135 in mid-1957, according to Adler Electronics Inc., New Rochelle, N. Y. Translators are now legally required by FCC to obtain permission from stations whose signals they use.

Translators operate by "trans-
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*Norman Allen is account supervisor, Mohr & Eicoff, Inc., advertising agency for Burnell & Co., Inc.



Norman Allen* takes the

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One day last week in a discussion of engineering techniques with Norman Burnell, President of Burnell & Co., pioneer manufacturer of toroids, filters and related networks, I commented that the chain of production was no stronger than its weakest link. Mr. Burnell thought a moment and gave this highly meaningful reply. "I believe," he said, "you mean the chain of production is no stronger than its weakest *think*."

There's a lot of significance to that sentence when it comes to publications as well as people. It's one of the reasons why electronics has been on Burnell's advertising schedule since the company's inception—a schedule which today includes seventeen full pages.

I regard electronics as an indispensable medium of advertising—because it represents one of the strong 'thinks' in Burnell's production plans. Advertising in electronics informs industry of Burnell's product development, new designs, new circuit components, new production methods and advances in miniaturization. Moreover, electronics' advertising, news and feature columns have been an endless source of ideas and information. They help the Burnell engineering staff keep abreast of developments and anticipate the electronics industry's needs. In summing up, I'd say advertising in electronics has been of considerable help in establishing Burnell & Co. as a leader in the field of toroids, filters and related networks.

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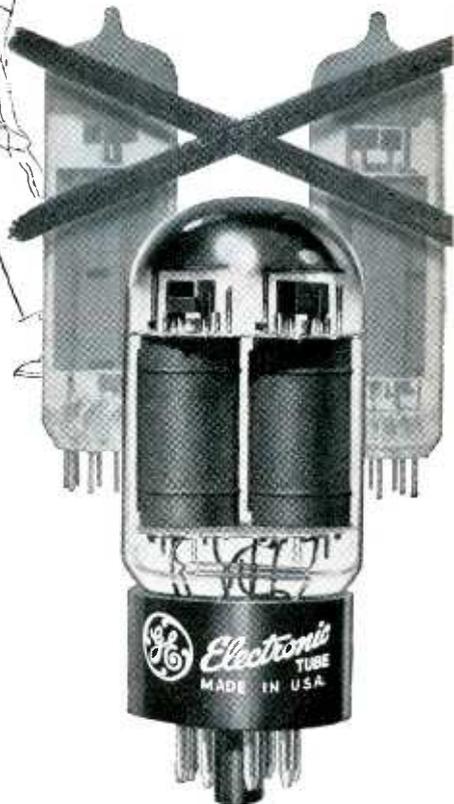
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panies, which has 156 member firms, and represents the securities of some 2,000 corporations.

To determine the feelings of mutual investment firms in our industry, questionnaires were sent to some 200 companies. Returns indicate that 81 percent have a portion of their holdings in the electronics industry. A year ago this figure was 73 percent, and five years ago it was 64 percent.

Included in the base are some mutual groups which specialize and are therefore unlikely ever to include electronics stocks.

Among the firms now holding electronics securities, two are exclusively concerned with our industry. Nine firms report between 5 and 10 percent of their holdings as electronic, five report ranges from 10 to 20 percent, while the remainder are scattered with electronics holdings as low as 4.6 percent to proportions exceeding 40.

Management capability is considered the most important single factor by 58 percent of the firms. Future earnings and present rate

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lating" vhf signals to uhf before rebroadcasting.

Both translator and booster operators charge an annual fee to support their installations. Initially, equipment is usually brought into the area at the request of a citizen's group which handle the operation.

In recent months there has been talk of establishing vhf translator systems, but some broadcasters see obstacles to this. One fear is that interference problems might result.

There has been talk lately of reducing milage separation between vhf stations (ELECTRONICS, p 30, May 15). If this is done, the problem of interference would grow even greater for vhf translators.

FCC officials have summed up the present growing pains of boosters, translators and community antennas in Commission Docket 12443. In this document, three basic legal questions are posed: What basis exists under present law for FCC to regulate CATV? Would it be legally valid for FCC to deny authorization for common carriers to transmit programs for CATV systems on the grounds of adverse competition to local stations? Is economic injury to a tv station a valid public interest justification for denial of authorization to competing auxiliary services?

Serves the Army



Antennas on this new 96-ft tower at Army Combat Development Experimentation Center's re-transmission station, Fort Ord, Calif., will handle radiophone communications from 300 portable units over 30 channels

Electronics

of growth tied for second place in the opinion of 41 percent. Present financial strength, strong research and development programs and a lead in technology were considered as prime factors by 39 percent.

Thirty percent of the replies indicated much attention is paid to the balance between military and commercial business.

A major portion of the respondents indicated that judging a firm is no easy matter. Energy Fund, Inc., which has 33 percent of its holdings in electronics, says "Investment in electronics is difficult. Our research concentrates primarily on management, technical ability and prospects."

Why They're Bounced

The chief reason mutual groups give for having dropped electronics stocks is that they have become overpriced. Other reasons mentioned are changes in company personnel at the management level, and obsolescence of the product line. A certain amount of shifting results also from sales made to maintain the balance of the mutual fund.

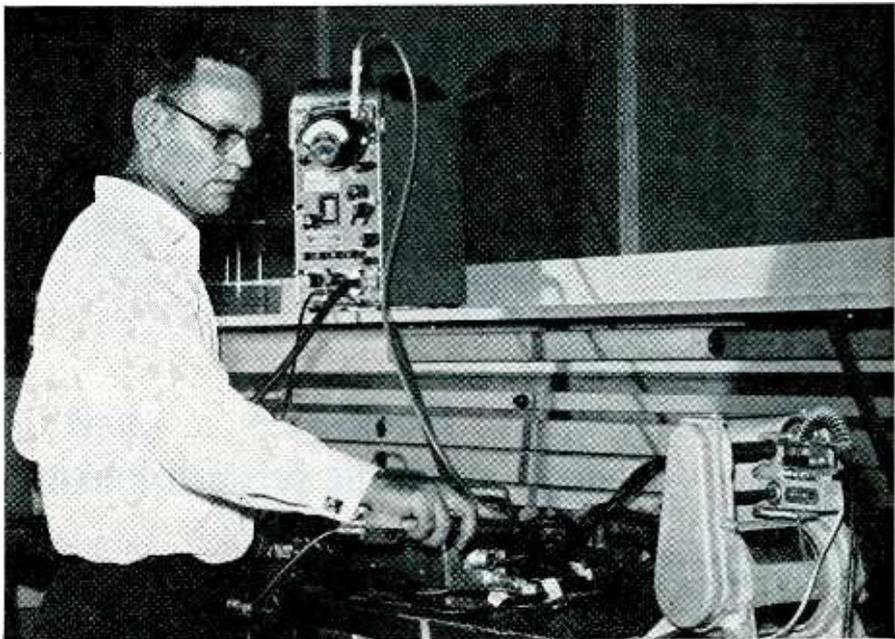
On this subject, Keystone Custodian Funds, whose S4 fund holds 17½ percent in electronics, says:

"During the last six months, we have completely eliminated the stock of only one electronics company. This was done because poor results in 1958 left a question as to the ability of its management."

Knickerbocker Growth Fund holds 6 percent of its assets in electronics. A company spokesman says, "For the future, extreme caution and thorough analytical research is a must to attempt to avoid the many companies which are over-inflated during this period."

Although many respondents indicated a certain amount of caution, there's much enthusiasm.

Securities Fund Inc., for example, comments: "Electronic stocks are still regarded, generally speaking, as speculative, but they are branching out so rapidly and many of them are indicating the attainment of investment stature so that it is possible they will play an increasingly important role in investment portfolios."



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3-D Radar...Leus... Distance, Altitude

(Pictures on Page 3)
A revolutionary new 3-D radar capable of detecting enemy air attackers at extreme range and revealing their distance, bearing and altitude to firing ground units was revealed today by the Army.

Army Shows Radar With 3d Dimension

By JACK RAYMOND
Special to The New York Times
WASHINGTON, Oct. 14—The Army demonstrated a new "three-dimensional" radar device today and called it "one of the most important advances made in electronic detection." The new radar "gives simultaneous readings of bearing, distance and altitude; it is designed to be hauled on truck trailers. Army officials said...

Army Unveil Hughes Radar

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WASHINGTON, Oct. 14—The Army Tuesday unveiled a field radar system that simultaneously computes bearing and altitude. It employs a single antenna housed in an inflatable container which can be towed by trucks. The device is designed to become the "electronic eyes" of ground forces.

New Radar Imp Air Defense for

WASHINGTON — Field armies now are needed to have a truly effective missile defense against any kind of attack except that from ballistic missiles within a year, Army officials said last week. A statement came at the unveiling of a new type of radar as a key element of the Monitor system, will save men, training time, and increase the mobility and effectiveness of air defense in tactical operations.

Army Unveils A Faster Radar System

WASHINGTON — A radar system that is faster, more reliable and more rugged than present equipment was unveiled by the Army here Tuesday.

Army Shows Radar With 3d Dimension

By JACK RAYMOND
Special to The New York Times
WASHINGTON, Oct. 14—The Army demonstrated a new "three-dimensional" radar device today and called it "one of the most important advances made in electronic detection." The new radar "gives simultaneous readings of bearing, distance and altitude; it is designed to be hauled on truck trailers. Army officials said...

U.S. Reveals New Radar Instrument

Los Angeles, Tues., Oct. 14, 1958
A "3-D" radar that for the first time automatically computes distance, bearing and altitude of far-away targets was unveiled today by the Army in Washington.

Army Unveils Revolutionary Radar Device

BY VERNON J. CHRONICLE
Chronicle in Washington
Washington—A revolutionary new radar device that spots airborne targets at extreme range and simultaneously computes distance, bearing and altitude.

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THE WALL STREET JOURNAL
Wednesday, October 15, 1958
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3-D Radar by Army

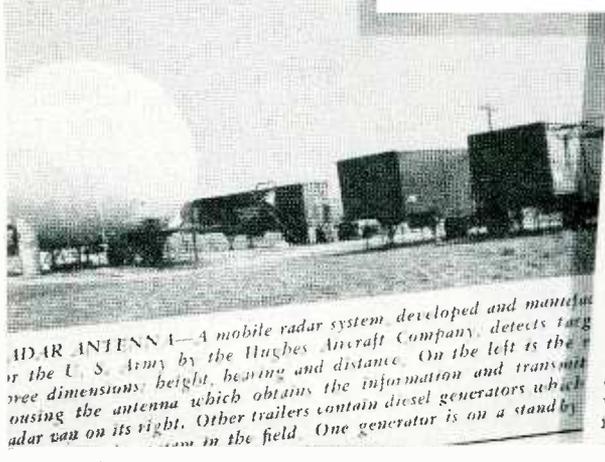
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New Army Radar Can Be Hauled In Three Trucks

By the Associated Press
The Army has a new field radar system that simultaneously computes distance, bearing and altitude. It employs a single antenna housed in an inflatable container which can be towed by trucks. The device is designed to become the "electronic eyes" of ground forces.



3-D RADAR ANTENNA—A mobile radar system developed and manufactured by the U. S. Army by the Hughes Aircraft Company, detects targets in three dimensions: height, bearing and distance. On the left is the antenna which obtains the information and transmits it. On the right, other trailers contain diesel generators which power the radar in the field. One generator is on a stand by itself.

3-D Radar Developed by Hughes

Computes Bearing, Range, Altitude in Single Operation
Three-dimensional, hemispheric radar detection developed by Hughes Aircraft is now in use on Navy ships.

Army Gets Improved Field Radar

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3-Dimensional Radar Is Displayed by Army

By JAMES W. BRADY
Special to...

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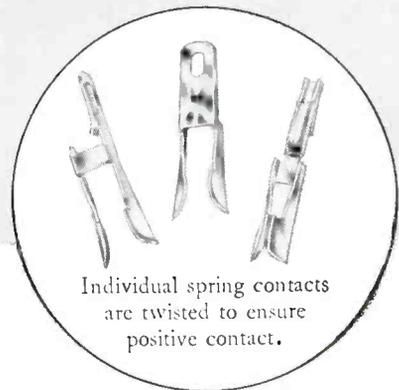
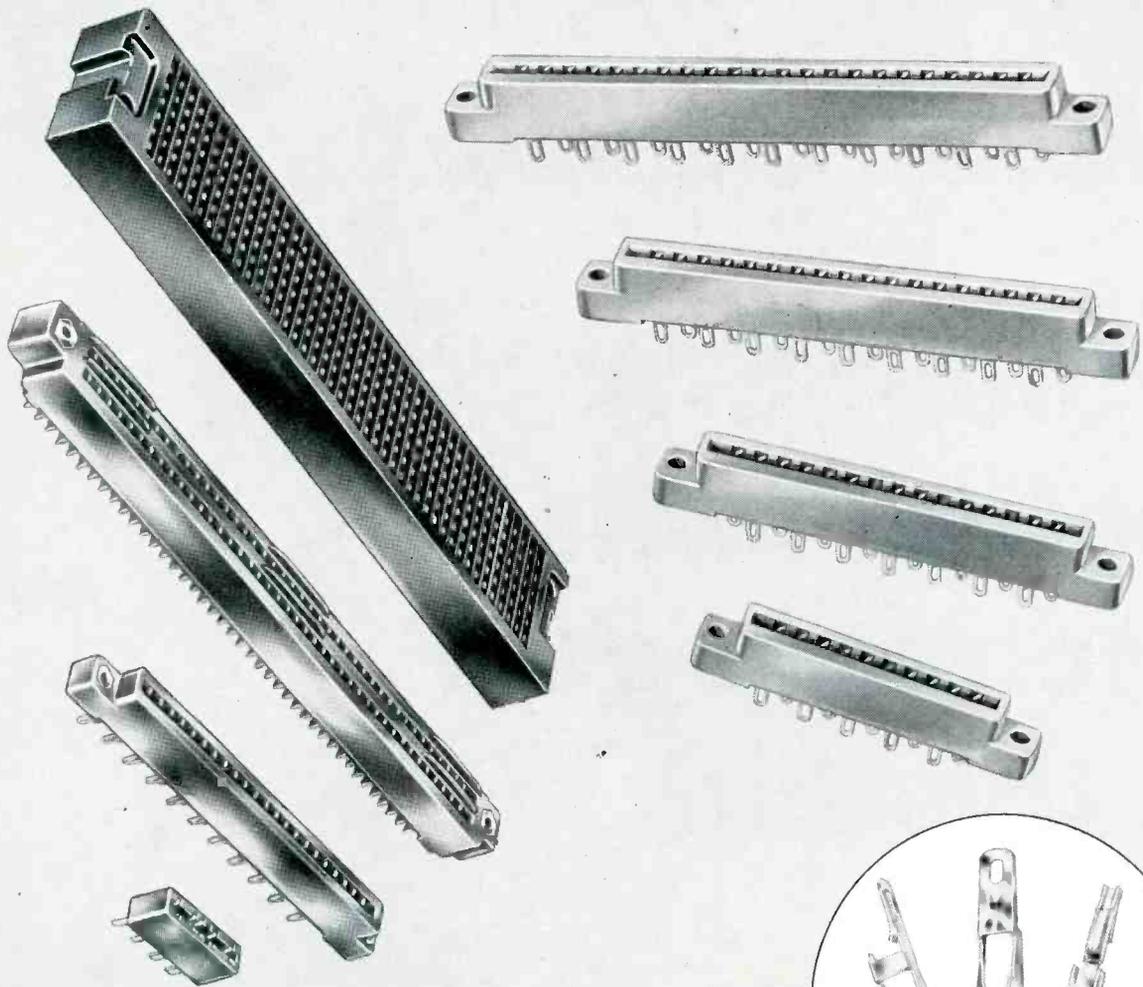
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New Molecular Electronics

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Crux of the matter is the increasing role of electronics in future airborne weapons. The B-70 plane will carry some 150,000 components, as opposed to a World War II B-17 with only 2,000 electronic components.

Lt. Col. George Watson, WADC Electronic Components Laboratory head, says fundamental research work will continue at his command, with contracts going out to other organizations for continuing research.

Of the many universities and other corporations involved in the

research under contract, Burroughs Corp. was reported nearing the possibility of producing end-device units.

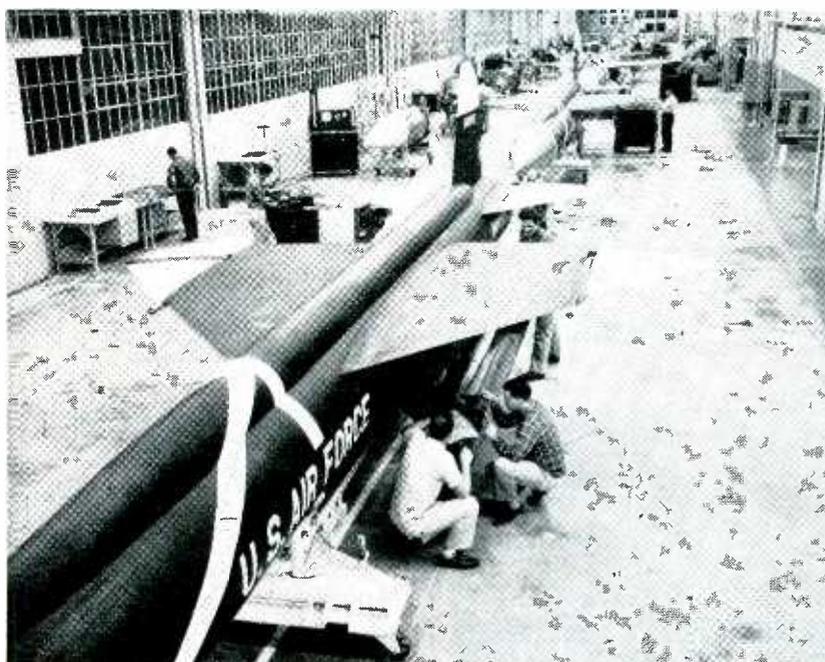
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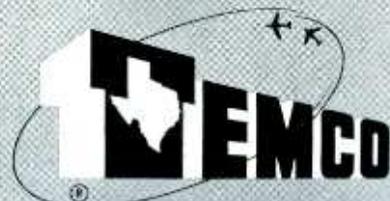
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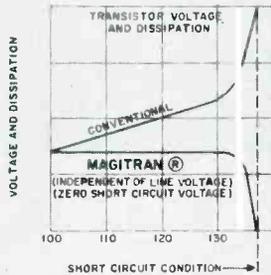
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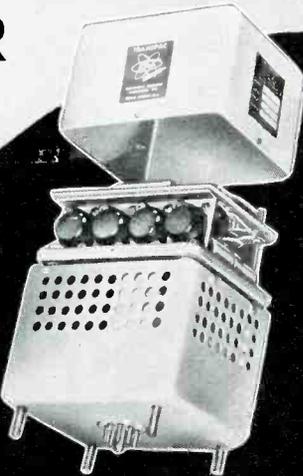
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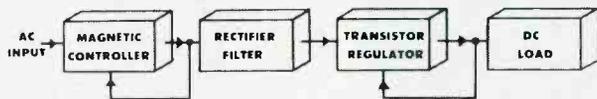


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June 15-20: Electromagnetic Theory Symposium, USSI, PGAP and PGMTT of IRE, Univ. of Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

June 16-18: Circuit & Information Theory, International Symposium, PGCT & PGIT of IRE, Univ. of Calif., Los Angeles.

June 24-26: Nuclear Instrumentation Symposium, ISA, Idaho Falls, Ida.

June 24-27: Medical Electronics, International Conf., UNESCO, CIOMS, PGME of IRE, Rockefeller Inst., UNESCO House, Paris, France.

June 29-July 1: Military Electronics, National Convention, PGMIL of IRE, Sheraton-Park Hotel, Wash., D. C.

July 1-5: Television Convention, International British Institution of Radio Engineers, Univ. of Cambridge, England.

Aug. 17: Ultrasonics, National Symposium, PGUE of IRE, Stanford Univ., Stanford, Calif.

Aug. 18-21: Western Electronics Show and Convention, WESCON, Cow Palace, San Francisco.

Aug. 23-Sept. 5: British National Radio & Tv Exhibition, British Radio Industry Council, Earls Court, London.

Sept. 14-16: Quantum Electronics, Resonance Phenomenon, Office of Naval Research, Shawanga Lodge, Bloomingburg, N. Y.

Sept. 15-17: Electronic Exposition, Twin Cities Electronic Wholesalers Assoc., Municipal Auditorium, Minneapolis.

Sept. 17-18: Nuclear Radiation Effects in Semiconductors, Working Group on Semiconductor Devices, USASRD, Western Union Auditorium, N. Y. C.

Sept. 21-25: Instrument-Automation Conf. & Exhibit, ISA, International Amphitheater, Chicago.

Sept. 23-25: Non-Linear Magnetics and Magnetic Amplifiers, AIEE, ISA, PGIE of IRE, Shoreham Hotel, Wash., D. C.

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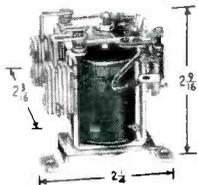
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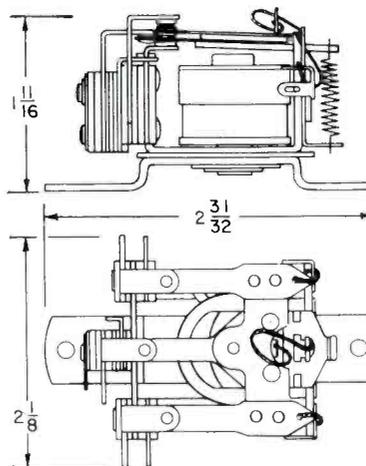
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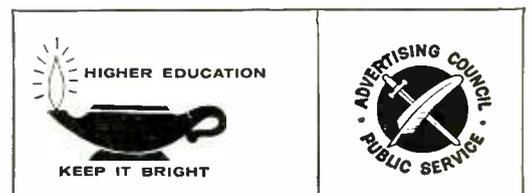
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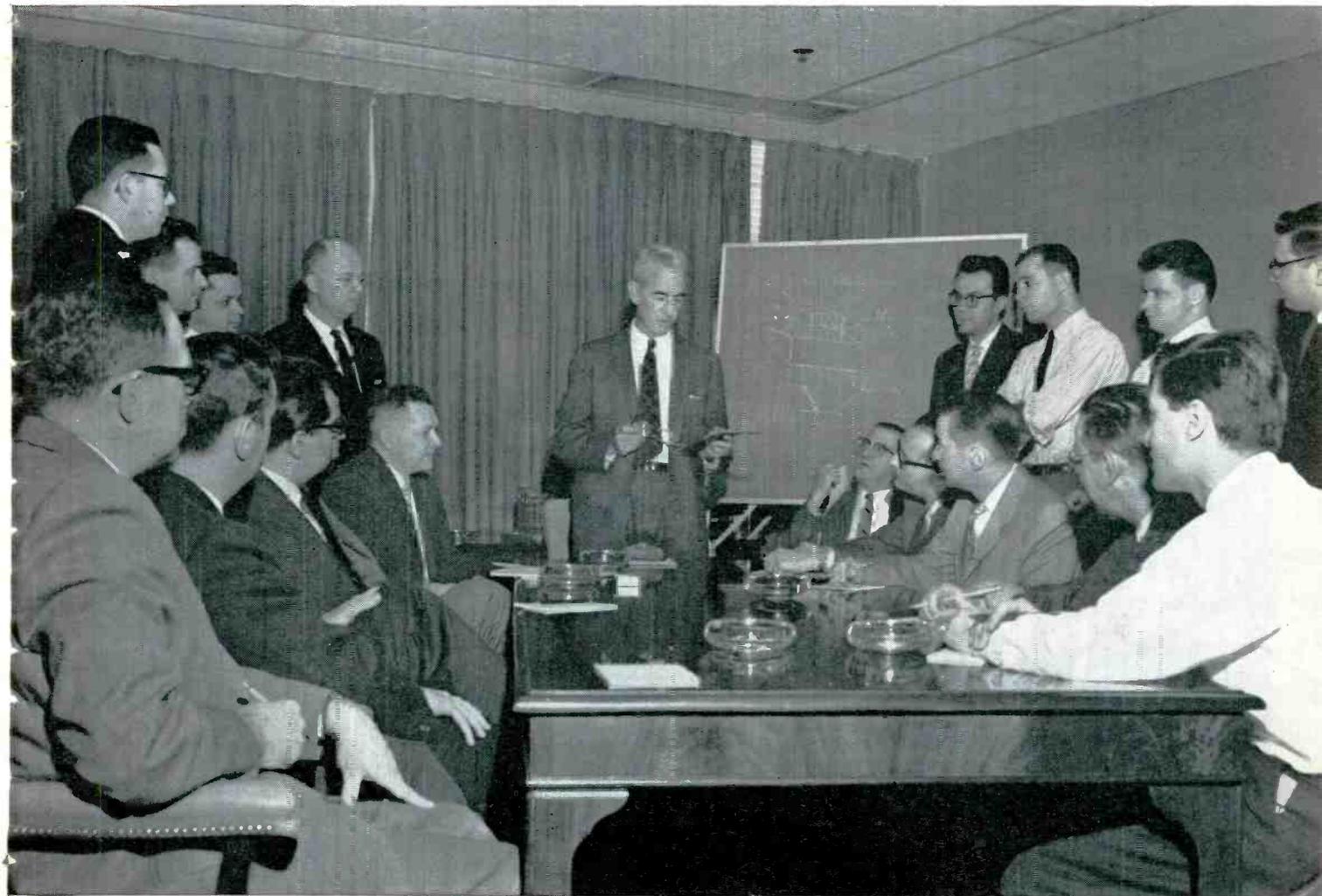
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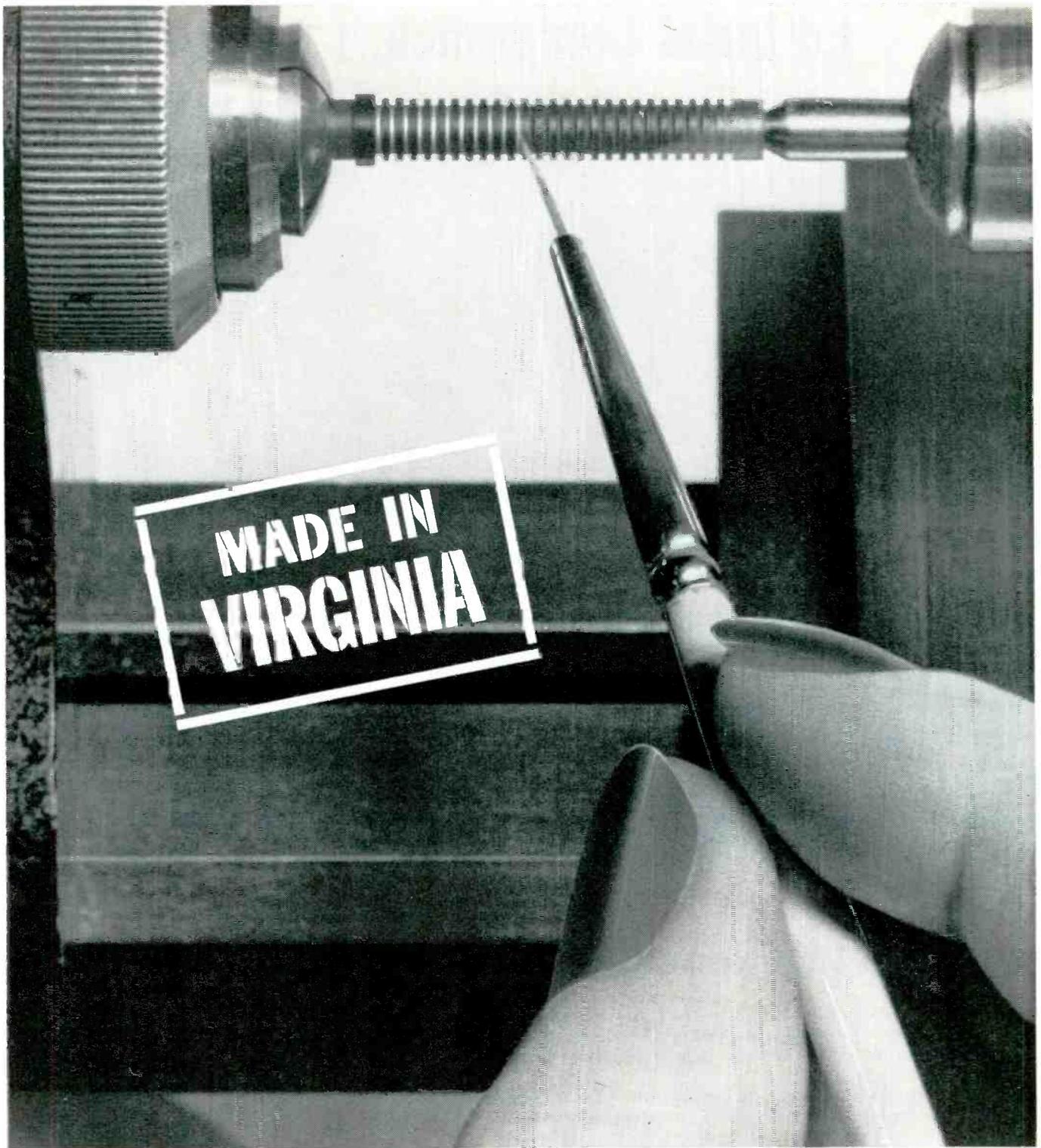
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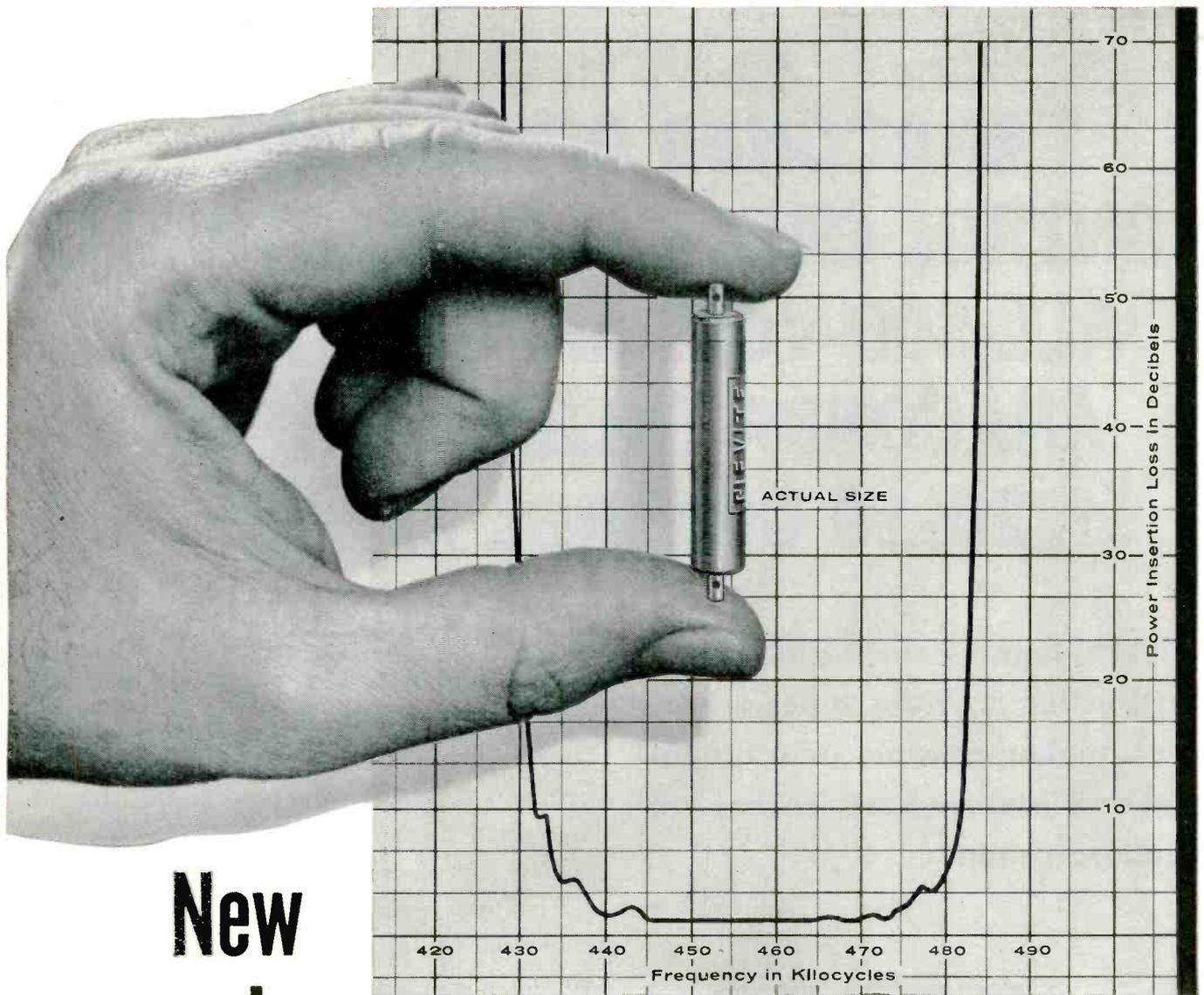
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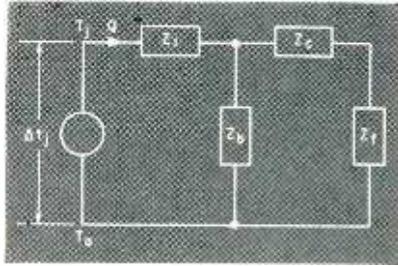
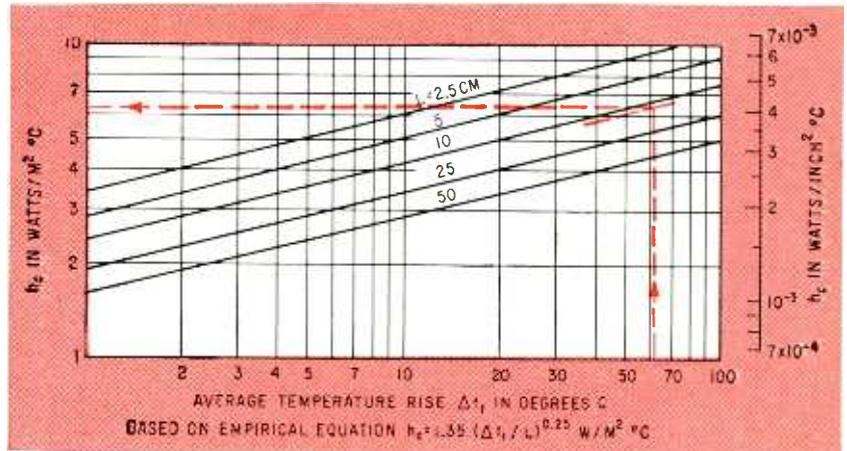


FIG. 1—Equivalent circuit of heat dissipation

FIG. 2—Heat transfer coefficient (h_c) for free convection cooling of vertical plates in air at sea level



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Cooling fins will improve the performance and increase longevity of semiconductor devices. Here are the factors, equations, charts and nomograms needed to tailor a fin to a power transistor or diode without involved math

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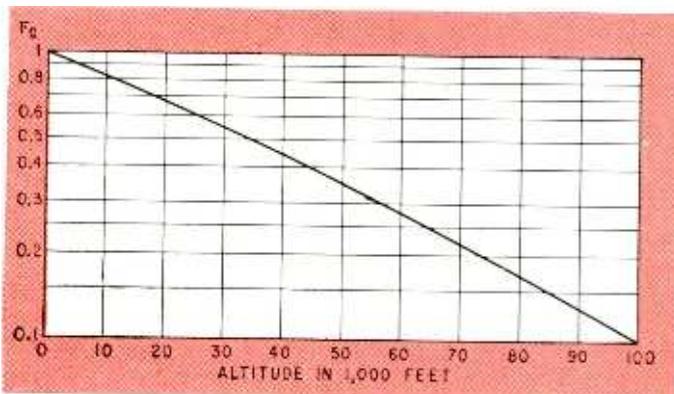


FIG. 3—Altitude correction factor (F_a) for convective heat transfer coefficient

POWER TRANSISTORS, semiconductor diodes and similar devices generate large quantities of heat within a small body. Since their surface areas are too small to dissipate heat without excessive temperature rise, they are mounted on fins, which increase heat dissipation surface.

This article shows how to calculate dimensions of fins cooled by free or forced convection of air at altitudes from sea level to 100,000 feet. Fins must be large enough to dissipate heat without exceeding the device's safe junction temperature, as specified by the manufacturer. Current-carrying capacity of power transistors and diodes is limited by T_j .

HEAT CIRCUIT—Heat flow through a fin-mounted semiconductor device is represented by an equivalent

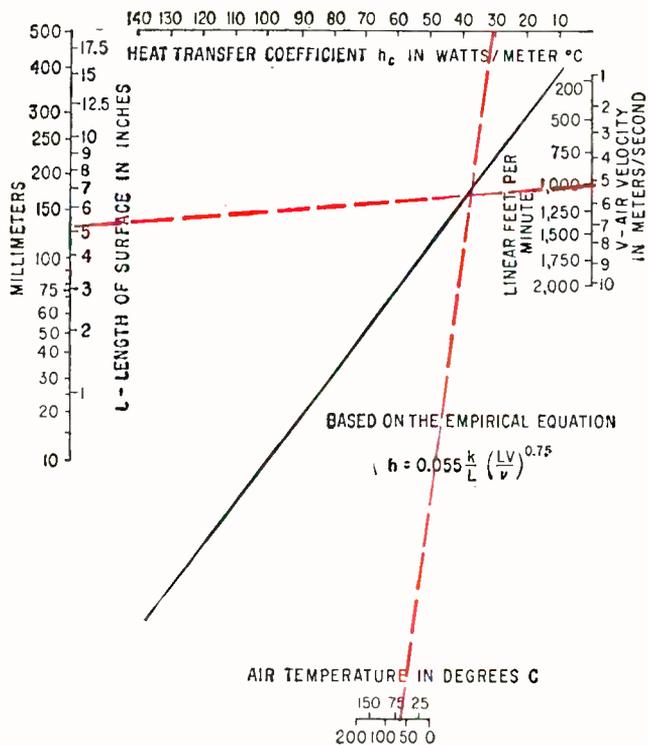


FIG. 4—Nomogram for obtaining heat transfer coefficient for forced convection cooling of plane surfaces in air at sea level with turbulent flow. Dashed lines show sample solution

circuit of heat dissipation (Fig. 1). The heat flows through a series of impedances, Z_j , Z_c , Z_b and Z_t , on its way from the heat source (the junction) to the final heat sink, the environment.

The temperature potential to maintain the heat flow through these impedances is $\Delta t_j = T_j - T_a$. If

Table I—Typical Values of Metal-to-Metal Contact Impedance for Power Diodes

Base Hex Size (in.)	Stud Size	Torque (inch-pounds)	Z_c ($^{\circ}\text{C}/\text{w}$)
7/16	10-32	15	2.6
11/16	1/4-28	25	0.9
1	3/8-21	90	0.4
1 1/8	1/2-20	200	0.2
1 1/4	1/2-20	200	0.18
1 1/4	3/4-16	500	0.18

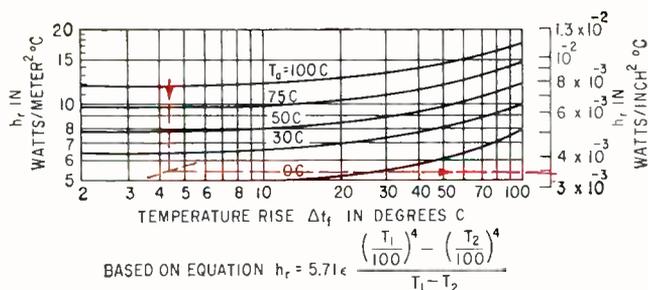


FIG. 5—Radiation heat transfer coefficient (h_r) for unobstructed radiation and an emissivity of 1

Glossary of Symbols

- Δt_j = temperature rise of junction, in $^{\circ}\text{C}$
- T_j = junction temperature, in $^{\circ}\text{C}$
- T_a = ambient temperature, in $^{\circ}\text{C}$
- Δt_f = average temperature rise of fin, in $^{\circ}\text{C}$
- Q = heat dissipated, in watts
- Z_t = total thermal impedance, in $^{\circ}\text{C}/\text{w}$
- Z_j = fin impedance (fin to environment), in $^{\circ}\text{C}/\text{w}$
- Z_c = contact impedance (device to fin), in $^{\circ}\text{C}/\text{w}$
- Z_i = internal impedance (of device), in $^{\circ}\text{C}/\text{w}$
- Z_b = external impedance of device without fin (to environment), in $^{\circ}\text{C}/\text{w}$
- h = total heat transfer coefficient, in $\text{w}/\text{m}^2\text{C}$
- h_a = convective heat transfer coeff, in $\text{w}/\text{m}^2\text{C}$
- h_r = radiation heat transfer coeff, in $\text{w}/\text{m}^2\text{C}$
- k = thermal conductivity, in $\text{w}/\text{m}^2\text{C}$
- ϵ = emissivity
- F_1 = correction factor for surface configuration
- F_a = correction factor for altitude
- F_r = form factor
- η = fin efficiency
- A = total fin area, in m^2
- L = length, in m
- r_o = heat input radius, in m
- r_i = outer fin radius, in m
- D_h = diameter of hole for stud, in m
- D_b = base diameter of device, in m
- R = natural fin radius, in m
- s = fin thickness, in m

T_j is the maximum permissible junction temperature and T_a the maximum ambient temperature, Δt_j becomes the maximum temperature rise allowed. This rise and the amount of heat to be dissipated determine the maximum total thermal impedance from the junction to the ambient air: $Z_t = \Delta t_j/Q$.

HEAT IMPEDANCES — The total impedance is $Z_t = Z_i + Z_b (Z_c + Z_j)/(Z_b + Z_c + Z_j)$ as seen by Fig. 1. Z_b is unusually large compared with $Z_c + Z_j$, and can be assumed infinite for a first approximation. Then, $Z_t = Z_i + Z_c + Z_j$.

Z_i depends on the size and internal design of the device and is usually given by the manufacturer. Z_c varies with the area of the device in contact with the fin and with the fin mounting method. Z_c of some semiconductor diodes in standard sizes mounted directly on fins are given in Table I.

If an electrical insulator is placed between the device and its fin, Z_c increases considerably. A 1-mil-thick Mylar washer will triple contact resistance and a 3-mil mica washer will quadruple it. To determine Z_c directly, the temperature difference between the device base and the fin directly below the base is measured with thermocouples.

Having determined Z_i , Z_b and Z_c , the maximum Z_j is obtained from the equation given above.

FIN AREA—Fin dimensions giving a desired Z_j for the cooling method selected can now be established. The total fin area required is $A = 1/Z_j h \eta$. Determination of h and η is described below. The equation for h is $h = F_1 F_a h_c + F_r \epsilon h_r$.

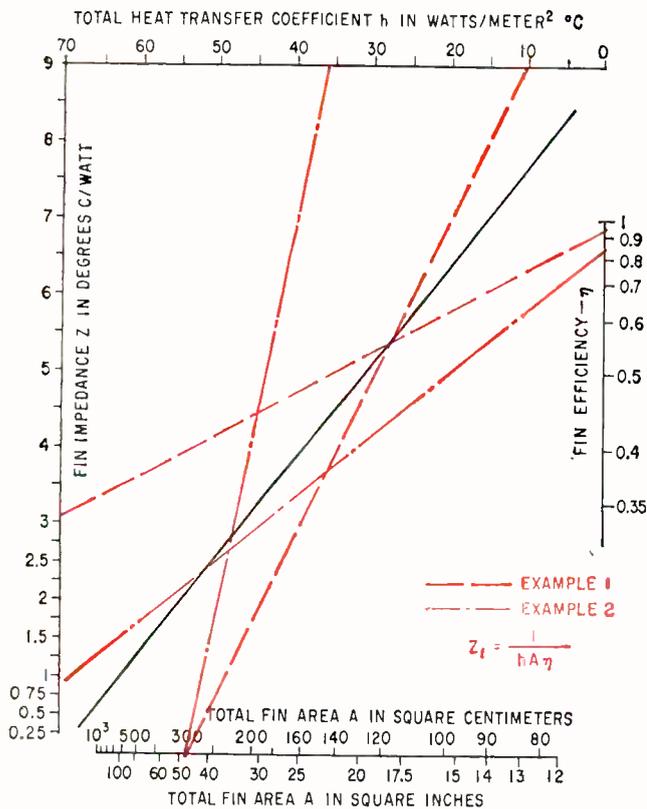


FIG. 6—Nomogram for obtaining total fin area

HEAT CONVECTION—Heat is transferred from the fin to the environment by convection and radiation. Transfer coefficient h_c for free convection at sea level for vertical fins is obtained from Fig. 2. For other fin geometries or positions, the value obtained from Fig. 2 must be multiplied by F_1 (Table II). The significant fin dimension L (Table II) and Δt_f must be estimated. If the estimation of L proves wrong when the fin area is finally established, the calculation must be made over. Δt_f may be taken as $\Delta t_f/2$.

Forced convection h_c for air cooling at sea level is obtained from Fig. 4. Here also, L must be estimated. Heat transfer by convection decreases as altitude increases. To find h_c at other altitudes, multiply the sea level value obtained from Fig. 2 or Fig. 4 by F_a (Fig. 3).

HEAT RADIATION—Fin emissivity varies with surface finish and fin material. It is always less than 1. Painted fin ϵ is approximately 0.90. Figure 5 gives h_r for $\epsilon = 1$ and unobstructed radiation. The values of Fig. 5 must be multiplied with the actual ϵ .

If radiation from the fin is obstructed by other bodies of the same temperature, h_r must also be multiplied by a form factor smaller than 1. Consider an unobstructed fin's radiation as originating at the center of the fin and being spherical (hemispherical on each side of the fin). An obstruction will interrupt radiation, or subtract a sector from the sphere. F_r is approximately the ratio of the solid angle remaining in the obstructed sphere to the solid angle (4π steradians)

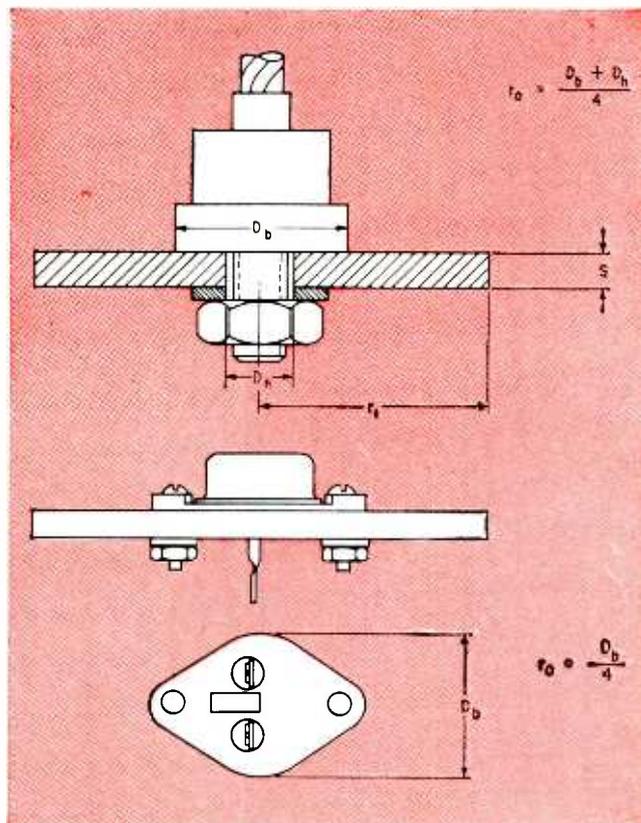


FIG. 7—Relation of device dimensions to heat input radius

dians) of the complete sphere.

The fin should be shielded from bodies of higher temperature. Otherwise, the fin will be heated by

Table II—Significant Dimension L and Correction Factor F_1 for Convective Heat Transfer Coefficient h_c

Significant Dimension L		
Surface	Position	L
Rectangular Plane	vertical	height—max 2 ft
	horizontal	length \times width length + width
Circular Plane	vertical	$\pi/4 \times$ diameter
Cylinder	horizontal	diameter
	vertical	height—max 2 ft
Correction Factor F_1		
Surface	Position	F_1
Horizontal Plate	facing upward	1.29
	facing downward	0.63
Cylinder	horizontal	0.82
	vertical	0.82 to 1

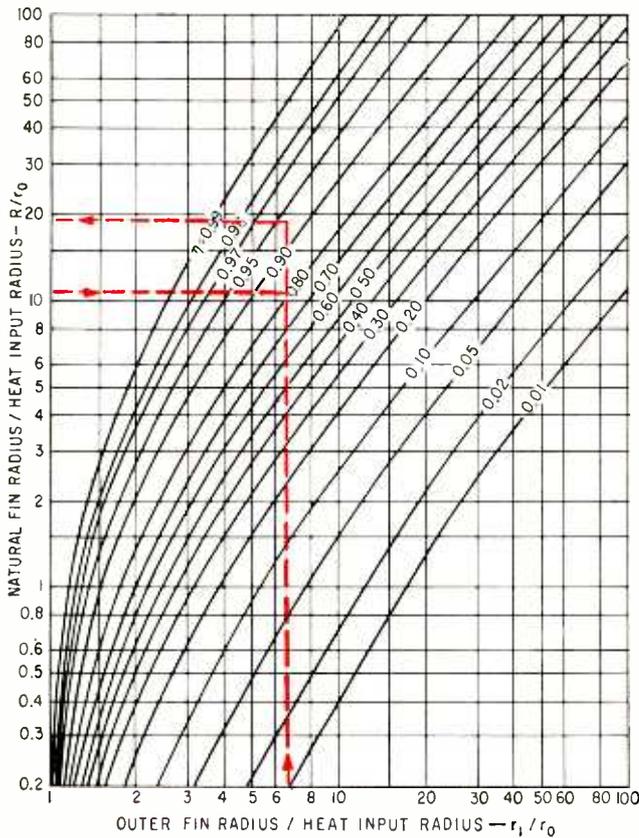


Fig. 8—Fin efficiency η as a function of R/r_0 and r_1/r_0

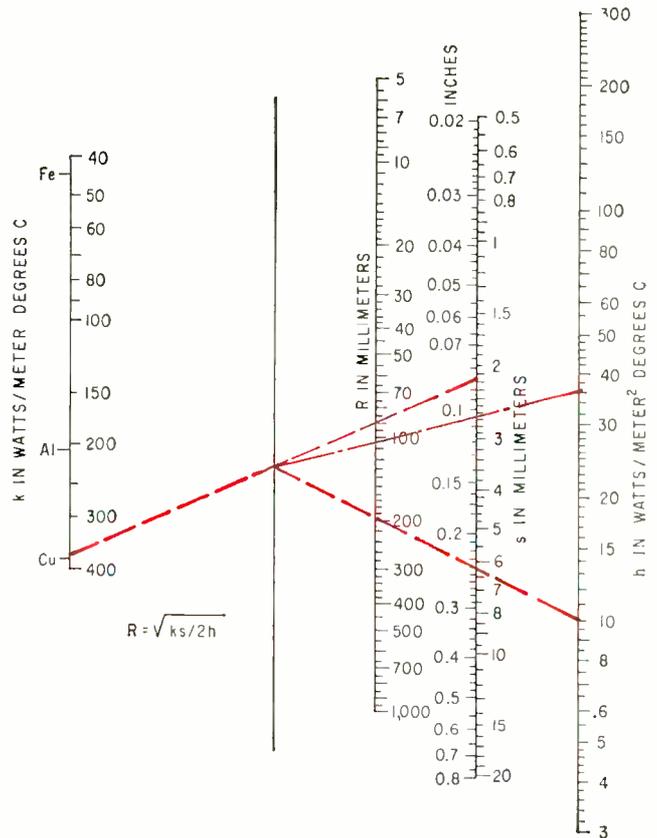


FIG. 9—Nomogram for obtaining fin thickness

EXAMPLE 1: Find fin size required to dissipate 35 w from a power diode, $1\frac{1}{8}$ -inch hexagonal base, $\frac{1}{2}$ -20 stud, cooled by free convection in air at sea level. $T_j = 190^\circ\text{C}$; $T_a = 65^\circ\text{C}$; $Z_c = 0.2$; $Z_i = 0.25$.

SOLUTION: $\Delta t_j = T_j - T_a = 190 - 65 = 125^\circ\text{C}$
 $Z_t = \Delta t_j / Q = 125 / 35 = 3.57^\circ\text{C}/\text{w}$
 $Z_f = Z_t - Z_c - Z_i = 3.57 - 0.2 - 0.25 = 3.12^\circ\text{C}/\text{w}$
 assume $\Delta t_f = 125 / 2 = 62$
 and $L = 5$ inches = 12.5 cm
 h_c or vertical fin $h_c = 6.1 \text{ w}/\text{m}^2\text{C}$ (Fig. 2)
 $h_r = 11.3 \text{ w}/\text{m}^2\text{C}$ for $\epsilon = 1$ (Fig. 5)
 assume $\epsilon = 0.9$ and $F_r = 0.39$

h_c is then $(0.9)(0.39)(11.3) = 4 \text{ w}/\text{m}^2\text{C}$
 $h = h_c + h_r = 6.1 + 4.0 = 10.1 \text{ w}/\text{m}^2\text{C}$
 Desired fin efficiency $\eta = 0.95$
 $A = 334 \text{ cm}^2 = 51.7 \text{ in.}^2$ (Fig. 6)
 corresponds to a 5.09×5.09 -in. fin, close enough to the assumed L
 $r_0 = (1.125 + 0.515) / 4 = 0.41$ in. = 10.5 mm
 $r_1 = 5.09 / 2 = 2.55$ in.
 $r_1/r_0 = 2.55 / 0.41 = 6.22$ in.
 $R/r_0 = 19$ (Fig. 8)
 $R = (19)(10.5) = 200$ mm
 assume the fin to be of copper.
 $s = 0.086$ in. (Fig. 9)
 thus, a $5.1 \times 5.1 \times .086$ -inch vertical copper fin is required.

EXAMPLE 2: Find how much heat the diode and fin of Example 1 will dissipate if cooled by forced air at 1,000 linear feet per minute, other conditions equal.

SOLUTION: $h_c = 32 \text{ w}/\text{m}^2\text{C}$ (Fig. 4)
 $h = h_c + h_r = 32 + 4 = 36 \text{ w}/\text{m}^2\text{C}$
 $R = 108$ mm (Fig. 9)
 $R/r_0 = 108 / 10.5 = 10.3$
 $\eta = 0.83$ (Fig. 8)
 $Z_f = 1.0^\circ\text{C}/\text{w}$ (Fig. 6)
 $Z_t = Z_f + Z_c + Z_i = 1 + 0.2 + 0.25 = 1.45^\circ\text{C}/\text{w}$
 $Q = \Delta t_j / Z_t = 125 / 1.45 = 86$ watts
 to be dissipated from the diode.

radiation instead of being cooled.

FIN DIMENSIONS—When the desired fin efficiency is chosen, required fin area can be found with Fig. 6. Reasonable values of η , when fins are copper or aluminum, are 0.95 for free convection and 0.75 to 0.85 forced convection. Higher values of η make the fins too thick and uneconomical.

Fin dimensions are calculated from the area of the fin's two sides. Length of one side of a square fin, for example, is $L = \sqrt{A/2}$. The calculated dimension should compare satisfactorily with the value of L assumed while using Fig. 2.

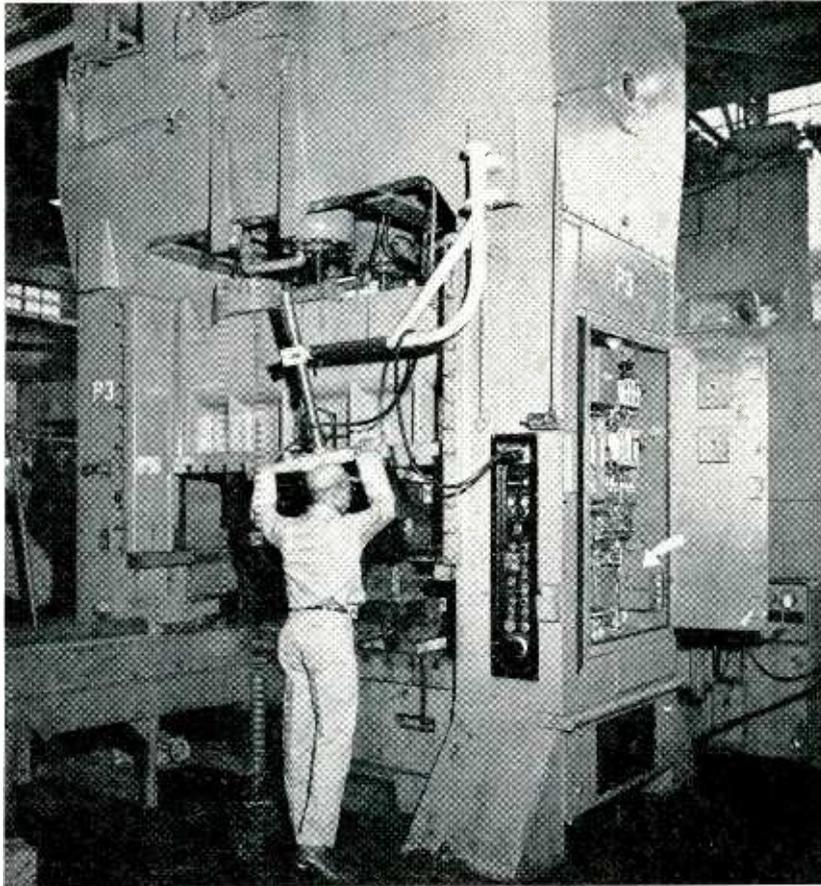
FIN THICKNESS—Fin thickness is determined by the assumed efficiency η . The mathematical relationship between these quantities is complicated; how-

ever, fin thickness can be easily determined from Figs. 7, 8 and 9.

Fig. 7 defines r_0 according to device mounting. It equals $D_i/4$ for a transistor without a stud and $(D_b + D_s)/4$ for a stud-mounted transistor or diode. Radius of the fin for circular fins is r_1 . Rectangular fins with sides a and b have $r_1 = \sqrt{ab/\pi}$.

R is determined from Fig. 8. Fin thickness s is found in the equation $R = \sqrt{ks/2h}$ and Fig. 9.

EXAMPLES—The nomographs, curves and equations can be used equally well to determine the amount of heat a fin-mounted device can dissipate for a given temperature rise. Sample problem calculations are traced above, and by dashed lines on the figures.



Operator, who is standing before the work, makes an adjustment before starting a cycle. Doors at the right are open to show the power, latch, hold and supply units, which are in the lower right-hand corner of the enclosure (see arrow)

Static Switching Techniques For Machine-Tool Safety

Static switching control enables operator to work a machine press safely and reliably. Control circuits prevent the operator from being in the danger area

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PRESS SAFETY requires a high degree of reliability. An ordinary machine tool whose control malfunctions only once every six months doesn't represent a serious problem. However, if a press control permitted its descending ram to crush an operator's arm every six months the situation would be intolerable.

The basic cycle of the press consists of a working, or down, stroke of the ram and a return, or up, stroke. The down stroke is started by depressing the *run* pushbuttons. After the down stroke is completed, the operators must remove the workpiece, insert a new blank, and get their hands out of the way before another down stroke can safely

begin. Therefore, the press control is arranged so that the press stops at the end of each cycle and cannot begin another cycle until the operators have signaled that they are ready by depressing the *run* pushbuttons again.

The most satisfactory way to make sure the operators' hands are not in the danger zone as the ram

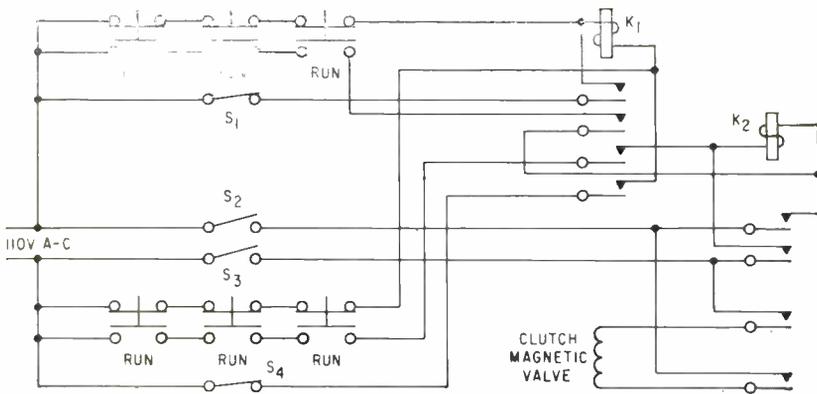


FIG. 1—Relay-circuit start conditions shown assume that 110 v is not present

descends is to make it necessary for them to be somewhere else. To do this, the circuit has two *run* pushbuttons for each operator and is arranged so that the ram cannot descend unless all *run* pushbuttons are depressed and held. After the downstroke is nearly completed,

will not be covered in this discussion.

Conventional Relay Control

Before discussing the static switching control, the relay control circuit shown in Fig. 1 will be described for comparison.

At the start of a cycle, limit switches S_1 and S_2 are closed and limit switches S_3 and S_4 are open. A circuit through the *run* pushbutton switches energizes control relay K_1 . This circuit pulls in the normally open contacts of relay K_1 , completing a circuit through S_1 and S_2 that will keep relay K_1 energized after the *run* switches are depressed.

Closing all *run* pushbuttons energizes relay K_2 . When the contacts of K_2 close, the clutch magnetic valve is energized. This valve controls the air that actuates the press clutch and brake, and now makes the press begin a down stroke.

During most of the down stroke, the *run* pushbuttons must be held down or the contacts of relay K_2 will drop out and stop the press. Near the bottom of the stroke, however, switches S_3 and S_4 close. These switches complete another circuit to the valve so that now the *run* pushbuttons may be released without stopping the press.

During the up stroke, switches S_1 and S_2 open briefly. If, during this period, the *run* pushbuttons are still depressed, relay K_1 will be deenergized. Then, when switches S_3 and S_4 open at the top of the stroke, relay K_2 will be deenergized, stopping the press. To start another

cycle the *run* pushbuttons will first have to be released to energize relay K_1 , and then depressed to energize relay K_2 .

Static-Devices Control

In the static switching control there are no elements that are exactly comparable to the relays in the relay control, so it is not possible to simply substitute a static device for each relay, and to utilize the same circuits. The three operational sections of the new control, *latch*, *power* and *hold*, are shown in Fig. 2.

Figure 3 shows the operating characteristic of the power unit, which is a magnetic amplifier. The characteristic of the hold-unit magnetic amplifier is shown in Fig. 4. This magnetic amplifier acts somewhat like a snap switch because it is self exciting.

Circuit Details

Figure 5 shows a simplified schematic of the static switching control. The secondary of transformer T_1 and diode rectifiers D_1 and D_2 comprise a center-tapped rectifier power supply. The center tap of the secondary winding is positive; the negative connection is at the center tap of the primary winding of current-transformer T_2 . Power supply output is applied to the signal winding F_1 - F_2 of the power unit through the emitter-collector circuit of transistor Q_1 . Even though switches S_1 and S_2 are closed when the press is at its topmost position, no current flows in the power unit because transistor Q_1 has no base current.

Rectifier D_3 and transformer T_1

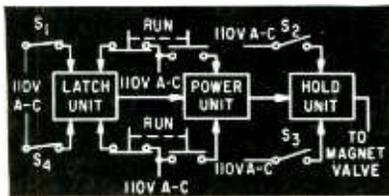


FIG. 2—When *run* pushbuttons are depressed, power unit energizes magnetic valve. Hold unit takes over from power unit later on

limit switches operated by the moving ram close, continuing the press cycle so that the operators can prepare for the next cycle.

Workmen often find such safety restrictions annoying. To remove the temptation for them to jam or tape one or more of the *run* pushbuttons closed, the control stops the press at the end of a cycle whether or not the *run* pushbuttons are depressed at this time. The pushbuttons must be released and depressed again before the press will begin a new cycle.

These are the basic requirements of an antirepeat control. Refinements such as provisions for inching, bypassing some of the *run* pushbuttons for some types of press, or protection against bypassing all of the *run* pushbuttons are incidental to the basic problem and

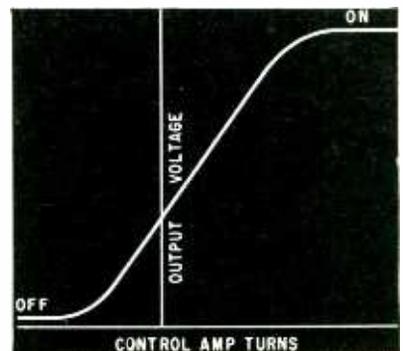


FIG. 3—Transfer characteristic of power-unit magnetic amplifier

constitute a half-wave rectifier supply which provides permanent excitation for winding F_3-F_4 of pulse-transformer T_3 . Winding F_1-F_2 of transformer T_3 is excited with half-wave d-c through rectifier D_1 and the normally-closed contacts of the *run* pushbutton switches. Depressing the *run* pushbuttons breaks this circuit, suddenly reversing the flux in pulse transformer T_3 . This flux reversal momentarily induces a voltage in winding F_5-F_6 , swinging F_6 positive with respect to F_5 . A small current now flows in the base of transistor Q_1 and switches on its collector current.

Collector current flows through winding F_5-F_6 of the power unit magnetic amplifier and through the primary winding of transformer T_2 . Since this current flows alternately in each half of the winding of T_2 , it induces a voltage in the secondary of T_2 . Rectifiers D_5 and D_6 rectify this secondary voltage, which appears across the emitter-base of Q_1 as pulsating d-c. Thus transistor Q_1 acts like a closed switch that is kept closed by the feedback current from the secondary of transformer T_2 .

Any interruption of the base current switches off transistor Q_1 because the feedback current stops

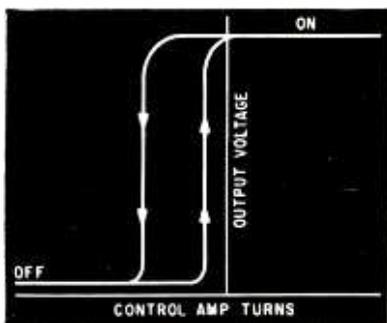


FIG. 4—Transfer characteristic of hold-unit magnetic amplifier

when the collector current stops. Releasing the *run* pushbuttons energizes winding F_1-F_2 of pulse transformer T_3 , inducing a voltage in winding F_5-F_6 . This voltage is opposed to the feedback voltage and is large enough to stop all current flow in the base circuit of the transistor.

Suppose the operator were to

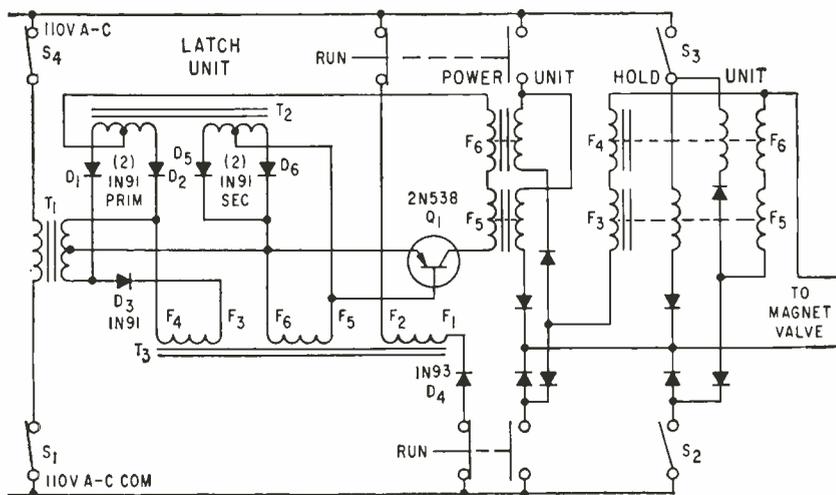


FIG. 5—Bias connections of static switching control are not shown. Control switches are in positions they occupy before start of cycle. Operators begin cycle by depressing both *run* pushbuttons

tape the *run* pushbuttons in their depressed position. When switches S_1 and S_4 open briefly during the press up stroke, the latch unit would reset to the off state despite the locked pushbuttons. Before another cycle could be started, the *run* pushbuttons would have been released to energize winding F_1-F_2 .

The power unit obtains a-c power from the 115-v line through the normally open contacts of the *run* pushbuttons. With the *run* pushbuttons depressed, the power unit supplies d-c power to the air valve magnet if the power unit also receives a signal from the latch unit. The power unit furnishes power to the valve as long as the *run* pushbuttons are depressed or until the latch unit is turned off during the up stroke by the opening of switches S_1 and S_4 .

Valve Magnets

When the air valve magnets are energized by the power unit, the air valve current flows through winding F_3-F_4 in the hold unit. Thus, when the hold unit receives power from the line by the closing of switches S_2 and S_3 as the press nears the bottom of its stroke, the hold unit also furnishes power to the air-valve magnets.

When the *run* pushbuttons are released, the power unit shuts off and the hold unit supplies all power to the air valve. Although the hold unit output is not enough to pull the air valve magnet into its

operated state, it is large enough to maintain magnet operation. Thus, the air valve cannot operate if the power unit should fail.

When the power unit shuts off, the hold unit remains on because the load current passes through winding F_5-F_6 in the hold unit. At the top of the press stroke all units are off and the press stops. Depressing the *run* pushbuttons begins a new cycle.

Performance

This press control is typical of a class of circuit designs which incorporate static devices. These designs are simplified by not requiring specialized power supplies.

Both sides of the power line are broken as an added precaution for press control, which must be safe. The control method of interrupting the power to the magnetic amplifiers does not hurt the amplifiers.

Speed of operation is comparable to that of relays in being primarily dependent on the line frequency. Typical operating time is one-half cycle. By proper component design, the effects of line voltage and frequency changes encountered in industrial service can be effectively eliminated.

Although this discussion speaks of the press stopping at the end of each cycle, it does not necessarily do so. On some presses with experienced operators and work that permits, it is possible to run the press continuously.

Designing High-Quality

Completely transistorized audio amplifier uses junction transistors to deliver 25 watts output power. Frequency response is within ± 1 db between 20 and 25,000 cps with low harmonic and intermodulation distortion

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THIS TRANSISTORIZED AUDIO AMPLIFIER was designed to investigate the feasibility of using junction transistors in a high-quality audio amplifier. The seven-stage amplifier can deliver 25 watts when driven by a variable reluctance cartridge. It has low harmonic and intermodulation distortion and good frequency response, and may be used at ambient temperatures up to 55 C. Table I lists the amplifier characteristics.

Preamplifier

The preamplifier shown in Fig. 1 uses four alloy junction transistors and was designed to accept a signal from a variable reluctance cartridge having an output of approximately 10 millivolts at 1,000 cps with an inductance of 0.52 henries and a d-c resistance of 600 ohms. The preamplifier provides a frequency-corrective network for RIAA recording characteristics, variable bass and treble compensation, volume control and loudness control.

The recording frequency corrective network is composed of R_1 , C_1 and C_2 connected as a feedback network between the collector of Q_2 and the emitter of Q_1 . The feedback causes the overall frequency response of the first two stages to be the inverse of the recording characteristics and raises the effective input impedance of the input stage so that at any frequency the input impedance is much higher than the impedance of the inductive pickup. As a result, the equalization circuit provides flat response independent of the source impedance.

The treble control circuit consists of R_3 , R_4 , C_3 , and C_4 and provides approximately +12-db boost and -17-db cut at the higher frequencies. The bass control circuit consists of R_5 , R_6 , C_5 , C_6 and the input resistance of Q_3 . This circuit provides approximately +15-db boost and -12-db cut at the lower frequencies.

Volume control R_7 is a current divider controlling the current fed to the loudness control and the input to Q_4 . The loudness control circuit consists of R_8 , R_9 , R_{10} , C_7 , C_8 and the input resistance of Q_4 . Variable resistors R_3 and R_6 are ganged to form a dual control. The loudness control is a frequency selective current divider providing substantial boost to the low frequencies and slight boost to the higher frequencies while attenuating the mid-frequencies as the intensity level is decreased.

The power amplifier input stage Q_3 shown in Fig. 2 is a class-A, com-

mon-emitter power amplifier. Application of balanced negative feedback from the collectors of output stage Q_7 and Q_8 to the base and emitter of input stage Q_5 reduces the harmonic distortion and extends the overall frequency response of the power amplifier. The use of balanced feedback also effectively minimizes any residual hum appearing in the feedback loops because the voltages are opposite in phase and are cancelled.

Driver stage Q_6 operates class-A in a common-emitter circuit. The output is transformer-coupled to the class-B output stage. The secondary of driver transformer T_1 is bifilar wound to provide tight coupling, thus minimizing transient voltages when the current shifts from the base of one output transistor to the base of the other. The source impedance to the input of the class-B output stage has a pronounced effect on the total harmonic distortion in the output stage. As

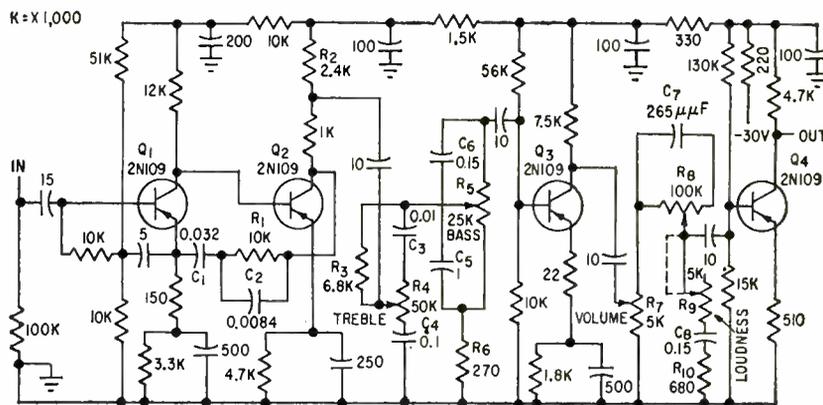


FIG. 1—Preamplifier accepts variable reluctance cartridge signal and contains bass, treble, volume and loudness controls. Four alloy junction transistors are used

A-F Transistor Amplifiers

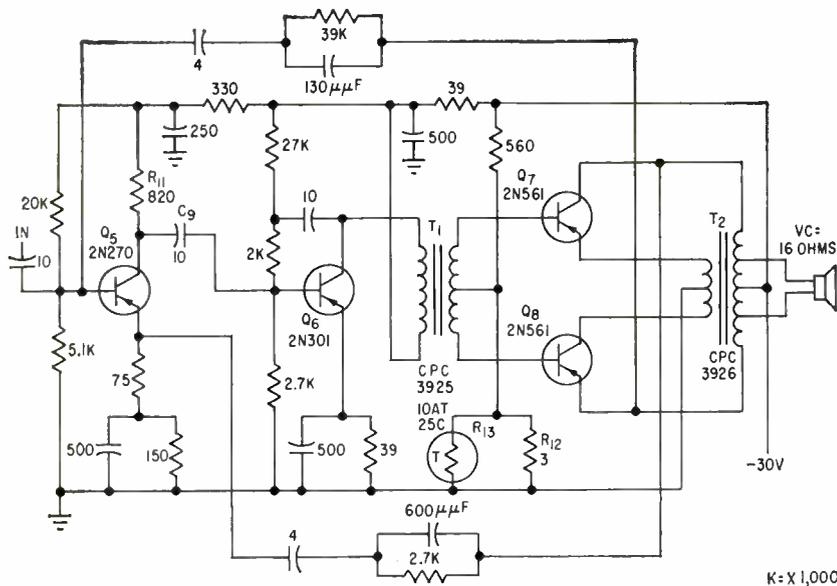


FIG. 2--Power amplifier uses balanced negative feedback and operates class-B. Output stage has emitter degeneration as further improvement

the output impedance of the driver stage is too high, it is reduced by shunt feedback from the collector to the base. This also causes a reduction in the effective input impedance of the driving device and requires that the transistor used in the input stage operate as a power amplifier.

The power amplifier output stage consists of two pnp germanium alloy junction transistors operated in a class-B, push-pull circuit. Class-B operation is used because it provides maximum efficiency. The stage can be biased essentially at cutoff thus reducing standby power and minimizing zero-signal dissipation. A common-emitter type circuit provides the highest power gain but suffers from total harmonic distortion which is usually higher than acceptable; a common-collector circuit has lower distortion due to its inherent feedback but requires a considerable amount of driving power. The output stage used is a combination of both circuit types and has a power gain intermediate between the two.

Output transformer T_2 has a winding connected in the output stage emitter circuit to provide

emitter degeneration and low harmonic distortion. Because the transformer d-c resistance is low, d-c power loss is minimized and higher operating efficiency results than would be obtained if resistors were inserted in the emitter circuit to provide the same amount of a-c degeneration. The output transformer has bifilar windings to reduce leakage inductance and winding capacitance. This method of winding provides nearly unity coupling between both halves of the windings reducing transient voltages.

Temperature stabilization of the output stage is provided by R_{12} and thermistor R_{13} in the bias circuit. The network provides a compensating shift in bias voltage with temperature variations which causes the d-c collector current to remain essentially constant.

The collector junctions of the power transistors in the driver and output stages are connected to the mounting flange and must be electrically insulated from the chassis which is at ground potential. At the same time, the mounting flange must make good thermal contact with the chassis. Mica insulating

Table I—Amplifier Characteristics

Frequency Response	Within 1 db from 20 to 25,000 cps. 3 db down at 25-watt level
Power Output	25 watts
Harmonic Distortion	1.25 percent at 25 watts and 100 cps
Intermodulation Distortion	3.5 percent at 25 watts, 60/3,000 cps at 1:1
Hum Level	-75 db below 25-watt level
Maximum Ambient Temp.	55 C

washers having a thickness of 0.002 in., are used to insulate the mounting flange electrically from the chassis. The mica washers have high thermal conductance and do not increase the total thermal resistance of the circuit appreciably.

Power Supply

The power supply consists of a transformer, two silicon diodes and a choke-input filter. The power supply should deliver 30 v d-c. The power transformer should deliver a maximum load current of 2 amps. Because the power supply works into a varying load impedance, a choke-input filter is used in conjunction with silicon diodes to provide good regulation. The choke has an inductance of 0.075 H at a current of 2 amps and a d-c resistance of approximately 1 ohm.

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Electronic Instruments in

Table outlines characteristics of radiation detection instruments, their use in reactors and their associated electronic equipment

NUCLEAR REACTOR instrumentation has two major functions: detecting and measuring radiation and controlling, measuring and indicating operation of the reactor's control rods.

Radiation particles may or may not carry an electrical charge, affecting choice of instruments. Detectors, their characteristics and associated equipment are outlined in Table I.

Ionization chambers, proportional counters and Geiger counters operate in fairly discrete voltage ranges. Best stability is obtained normally by operating each in mid-range. A Geiger counter, for example, has a plateau of 1,000 to 1,600 v. This plateau means the same output for a variation of 50 to 300 v in applied potential.

Circuit reliability and stability considerations require at least two safety channels on each reactor. Both must detect an event at the same time to avoid false shutdowns of the reactor.

Transistors and chopper-stabilized power supplies and amplifiers are expected to expand the use of electronics in reactor control. Pulse height analyzers and electronic data processing should find more use in the future for rapid, automatic programming and control. Ideally, controls will be all electronic with operating speed as fast as nuclear events and control time limited only by the inertia of the nuclear system.

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TABLE FOOTNOTES

(a) Neutrons/cm²/sec (b) Photons/sec (varies with scintillator, limits given based on 6.66 sq cm of NaI) (c) Operates on voltage plateau; range is for 50 cps to 50,000 cps (d) α —alpha, β —beta, γ —gamma

(e) Key for types of equipment; A—amplifiers; PHD—pulse height discriminators; PHA—pulse height analyzers (for analytical work unless otherwise specified); RR—register or recorder (all basic instruments also use mechanical, digital or decimal types); S—binary or decimal scaler (up to 10,000 cps); CRM—count rate meters

(f) Estimated for application and type of reactor. All instrumentation is not used on all reactors. Instrumentation costs for research and test reactors may be higher

(g) Reactor types: T—thermal including pressurized water, boiling water, heavy water, homogeneous, swimming pool, graphite and sodium graphite; I—intermediate, basically liquid metal cooled; F—fast, basically fast breeders

(h) Specialized instruments. Fundamental purpose is to look for fuel ruptures

Table I—Control, Survey and Coolant Monitoring

Instrument	Range	Response (sec)	Type of Radiation ^a , Operating Principle
CONTROL INSTRUMENTS			
BF ₃ Proportional Chamber	10 ⁻¹ to 5 × 10 ⁴ "	10 ⁻⁴	Neutrons; gas amplification n , α reaction
Fission Chamber	5 to 5 × 10 ⁶ "	10 ⁻⁵	Neutrons; fission fragments
Compensated Ion Chamber	10 ² to 5 × 10 ¹⁰ "	10 ⁻³ to 10 ⁻⁶	Neutrons; n , α reaction
Uncompensated Ion Chamber	10 ² to 5 × 10 ¹⁰ and up ^b	10 ⁻⁵ to 10 ⁻⁶	Neutrons; n , α reaction
SURVEY INSTRUMENTS			
Scintillation Counter	10 ⁻⁴ to 10 ⁴ "	10 ⁻⁴ to 10 ⁻³	α , β , or γ ; photo conversion to counts per minute
Geiger Counter	900 to 1,800v "	10 ⁻³ to 10 ⁻⁵	β or γ ; gas amplification nonlinear d-c pulses
Proportional Counter	100 to 700v potential	10 ⁻³ to 10 ⁻⁶	α , β , γ ; linear gas amplification d-c pulse
Ionization Chambers	100 to 350v potential	10 ⁻³ to 10 ⁻⁵	α , γ ; linear no gas amp d-c pulse
COOLANT MONITORS^c			
Fission Product Water		10 ⁻³ to 10 ⁻⁵	β , γ ; ion exchange
Matrix Sampling System		10 ⁻³ to 10 ⁻⁶	β , γ ; fission product leakage
Precipitation Fission Product		10 ⁻³ to 10 ⁻⁵	β , γ
Delayed Neutron Emitter		10 ⁻⁴	Neutrons

Nuclear Power Reactors

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Instruments for Nuclear Power Reactors

Associated Equipment*	Number Used Per Reactor and Position Where Used	Approx. Cost/ \$1,000	Applications: Reactor Types ^o ; Advantages and Disadvantages
A—d-c, preamp, nonoverload; PHD—1 for α and Li pulses; S; RR; CRM—linear; PHA	1 or 2, startup; reactor compartment startup channel	3-5 + PHA up to 10	Reactors-TIF; good in low flux region for use with sources, saturates at high flux levels
A—preamp, nonoverload, d-c, linear, period; PHD—1/chan; PHA; RR—log count; S; CRM—log	1, period meas and control; health monitor log et rate chan safety circuits	3-5	Reactors-TIF; sensitive to γ non-compensated, good at intermediate flux, sat at high flux
A—preamp, magnetic, d-c, log N, sigma, period, servo; PHD—1; PHA; RR—log N, period; S; CRM—log	1, period meas; 1, rod control; log N period chan, linear flux chan, safety	4-10 per chan	Reactors-TIF; compensated for γ in the intermediate power region
A—nonoverload, d-c, log, preamp, sigma, servo; PHD—1; PHA; RR; S; CRM—log	1, power meas; 2 or more, safety opn; power and safety chan, safety rods	2-5 per chan	Reactors-TIF; operates in high flux region, not compensated for γ background
A—d-c; PHD—can use 1; PHA; RR; S; CRM—linear	Optional; analytical area, control room, health physics	1-5	Survey or analytical use; uses photomultiplier, light tight and stable d-c power required
A—d-c; PHA—none; RR; S; CRM—linear	Optional; analytical area, control room, reactor area, survey	0.15 to 1	Survey; nonlinear, no discrimination of radiation energy
A—d-c, preamp; PHD, for α , β , γ ; PHA—to establish energy spectrum; RR; S; CRM—linear	1 or more, control room monitor; analyt area, health physics	0.15 to 1.2	Survey; delicate, very low output signals require preamp and amplifiers
A—preamp, d-c; PHD—for α particles; PHA—to establish energy spectrum; RR; S; CRM—linear	1 or more, materials handling; analytical area, health physics, control room	0.5-5	Survey surface contamination, air exhaust, personnel safety; particles must be in chamber for α , γ sensitive chamber to monitor rupture
A—linear preamp and amp; RR; S; CRM—linear	1 each circulating loop; heat exchanger area—condensate line	3-5	Reactor-water types with clean coolants; detects activation and fission products
A—2 preamp, 2 d-c; PHD—1; PHA—1; RR; CRM—2 linear, 1 difference	1-12 or more; in coolant stream matrix	6-10	Reactor-water or gas cooled; no alarm for 1 malfunction of instrument, rupture actuates 2
A—d-c; PHD—1; RR—54 channel; CRM—linear	1 or more; in coolant stream from sample tubes	3-6	Reactor-gas cooled; high sensitivity discriminates against non-fission product activity
A—preamp, d-c; RR; CRM—linear	1 or more; in coolant stream		Reactor-gas or water cooled; high sensitivity for fission products, can be put in coolant pipe

Column Loudspeakers for

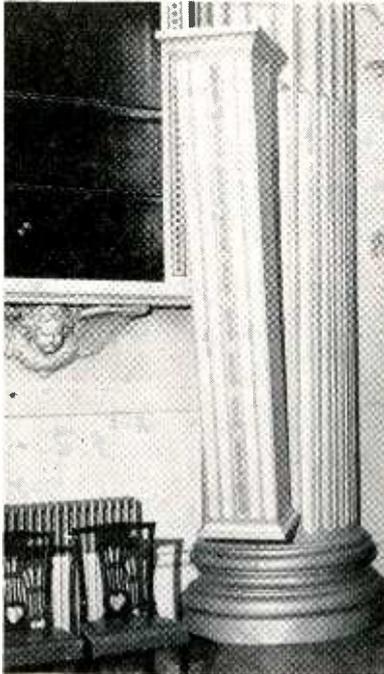
Using slot-radiator principle, column loudspeakers have wide-angle coverage in horizontal plane and narrow-angle coverage in vertical plane to produce best sound distribution in large areas where intelligibility may be masked by reverberation

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INTELLIGIBILITY OF SPEECH or enjoyment of music in many halls and public places is often lowered by the masking effect of background noise and blurring from excessive reverberation and discrete echoes which often characterize large audience enclosures. In halls where listeners are confined to particular areas, column loudspeakers have been used with great effect due to their directional properties.

To obtain the most effective sound distribution with minimum amplifier power and the greatest margin over acoustic feedback, loudspeakers should have a preferred type of directional response. This response should be restricted to an angle of ± 15 to 20 degrees on each side of the loudspeaker axis in the vertical plane, and substantially unidirectional within an angle of ± 60 degrees in the horizontal plane.

Loudspeaker enclosures that approximate the ideal radiating system with constant directivity over the important parts of the audio range have been designed using acoustic phase shift at one side of the enclosure. This phase shift is introduced by an acoustic network at the rear of the enclosure resulting in a unidirectional or cardioid polar response similar to the phase shift of unidirectional microphones. The acoustic phase shift method forms the basis of a column loudspeaker enclosure design which produces a response much more direc-



Column loudspeaker designed to blend into design of surrounding area

tional in the vertical plane than in the horizontal plane.

Practical Design

A practical column speaker system consists of a vertical row of horns or direct-radiating loudspeaker units. The finite width of the radiating surfaces causes the high-frequency polar response to become directional in the horizontal plane. This defect can be largely overcome by the use of horns which are narrow in the horizontal direc-

tion and by the use of the slot radiator principle. A narrow vertical slot is used instead of the full circular opening in front of the loudspeaker cone, thus maintaining a broad polar response in the horizontal plane because of the small width of the virtual sound source.

Restriction of the sound opening must be made with care to avoid any deterioration in the loudspeaker frequency or transient response. This can occur because the slot acting in conjunction with the enclosed air cavity between it and the loudspeaker cone constitutes a Helmholtz resonator whose general properties and damping must be carefully investigated.

Satisfactory results can be obtained if the slot proportions are carefully chosen and the enclosed air volume minimized by the use of loudspeakers with shallow angles or elliptical cones mounted with their major axes vertical. Figure 1 shows some axial response curves of a loudspeaker unit with and without a slotted front. The slot generally modifies the frequency response curve by causing a slight loss up to 1 kc and a larger loss over the region from 1.5 to 7 kc, flattening that portion of the curve.

The construction of a typical slotted-column loudspeaker is shown in Fig. 2. Elliptical shallow-angle cone moving-coil loudspeaker units are mounted as closely as possible one above the other behind a series

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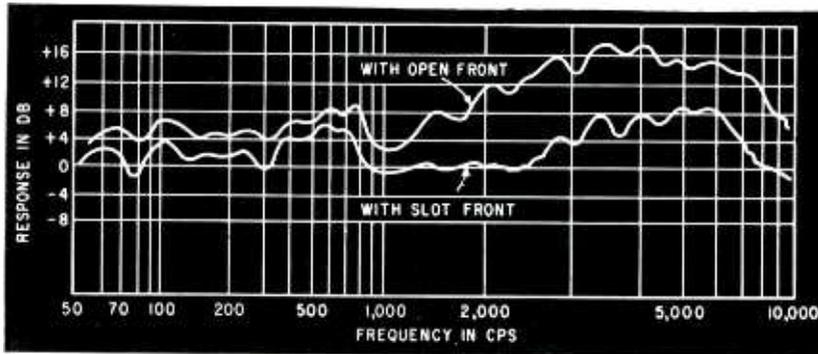


FIG. 1—Frequency response of a moving coil 10-in. cone loudspeaker with conventional open front and with 1½-in. wide slotted front

of vertical slots in the 5-ft high cabinet. The slots are approximately 1½-in. wide in the horizontal dimension. The rear of the cabinet is vented to the outside by a slab of porous acoustic material. This material is acoustically coupled to the loudspeaker units through the air volume within the cabinet. Such an arrangement transmits a sound wave with a phase shift due to the acoustic elements represented by the back coupling volume and an equivalent series acoustic resistance

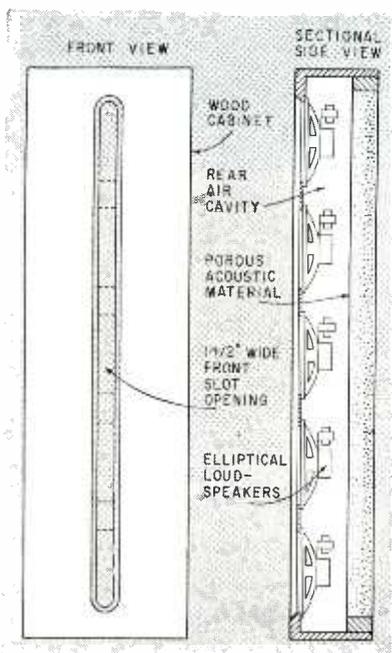


FIG. 2—A typical slotted column loudspeaker showing construction details

mainly encountered in the porous acoustic material.

Additional phase shift occurs as the wave travels through the porous acoustic material because of the constrictions and voids encountered. This is analogous to a low-pass LRC ladder network. If the constants are chosen correctly, the wave appearing at the back of the loudspeaker cabinet will have a phase shift proportional to frequency and of identical magnitude to that of the wave from the front of the cabinet in the course of propagation around the bulk of the cabinet. The net effect is to produce a cancellation of the sound pressure at the rear of the cabinet thus suppressing rearward radiations.

This effect operates over the low frequency range up to approximately 200 cps. Above this frequency, sound diffraction effects around the cabinet bulk begin to confine the frontal radiation to the front spatial hemisphere. Rear radiation through the porous acoustic material is progressively cut off due to the low-pass filter effect of the phase-shifting network. Figure 3 shows an approximate electrical network equivalent for the loudspeaker system.

Figure 4 shows the vertical and horizontal polar curves for a typical column loudspeaker. A fair approximation of the desired slab-shaped solid angle radiation pattern has been achieved.

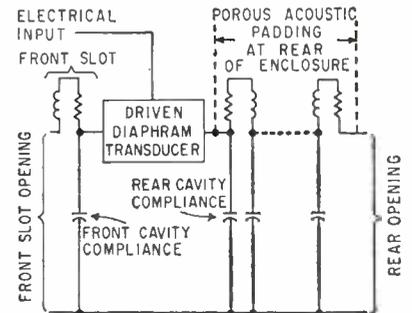


FIG. 3—Approximate electrical analogy circuit representing phase shift of elements of a slotted column loudspeaker at low frequencies

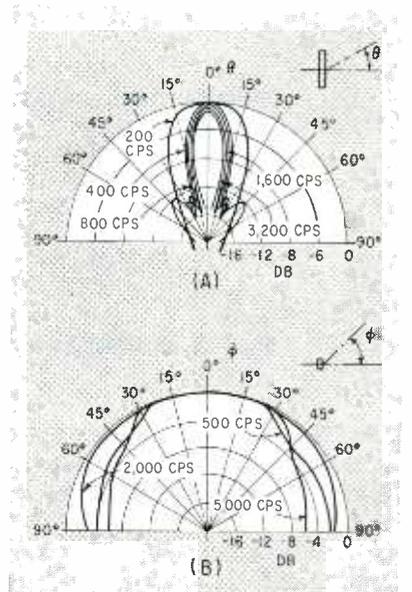


FIG. 4—Polar responses of a typical column loudspeaker in the vertical plane (A), and in the horizontal plane (B)

It is not possible to totally suppress side lobes and rearward radiation completely, but radiation in these unwanted directions is sufficiently low as to be impossible to detect in practical use.

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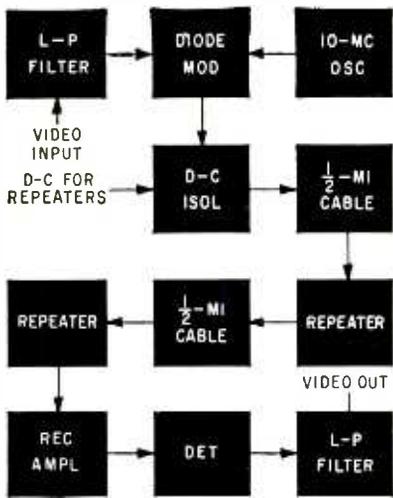


FIG. 1—Basic transmission system

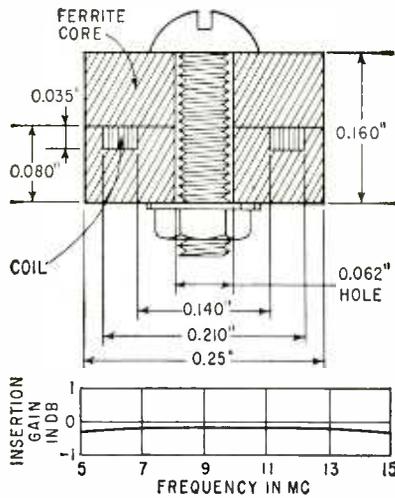


FIG. 2—Transformer and response

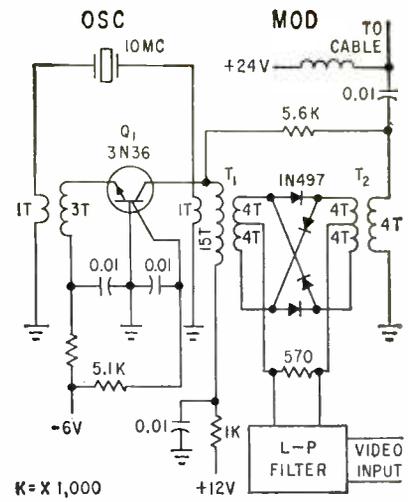


FIG. 3—Transmitting terminal

Carrier Transmission for

Simple and inexpensive coaxial-cable transmission system passes high-quality television signal with 4.5-mc bandwidth. Transistorized terminal and repeater circuits minimize space and power requirements. Unusual power supply sends d-c repeater power through signal cable

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INEXPENSIVE TV TRANSMISSION SYSTEMS for 4.5-mc bandwidth high-quality signals would be useful in closed-circuit television where one common pickup is used to transmit a picture to one or more viewers.

In such service the transmission links are usually short (up to several miles) and it is seldom necessary to connect a number of systems in tandem. With these limitations, a system has been designed to meet the bandwidth and picture-quality requirements without meeting the exacting requirements of each link in a transcontinental transmission system.

To save power and keep the apparatus small, terminals and repeaters were transistorized. A double-sideband carrier system was used even though it requires about twice the bandwidth of the other coaxial-cable transmission systems. Transmitting twice the bandwidth

results in a less complicated system since the terminal equipment for the double sideband system is simple.

System Considerations

A 10-mc carrier frequency was selected as a compromise between the various factors in favor of a higher or a lower frequency. The system is blocked out as shown in Fig. 1.

Carrier frequency is generated by a crystal-controlled transistor oscillator; the output is modulated by the video signal in a semiconductor modulator. Before being fed to the cable, the modulated signal passes through a d-c isolation circuit that permits d-c power to be fed to the repeaters through the cable.

After passing through a length of cable, the signal is amplified by a transistorized repeater, which has a gain characteristic designed to

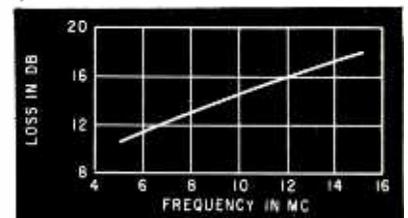


FIG. 4—Transmission characteristic of 0.5-mi cable

match the loss characteristic of the cable. Since the output level from a repeater is too low for good linear detection, an amplifier is used in the receiving terminal between the last repeater and the detector. A low-pass filter removes the carrier from the video output.

Transformers

The transformers are of unusual design. Their size and general method of construction are indicated in Fig. 2. The two sections of the ferrite core are held together

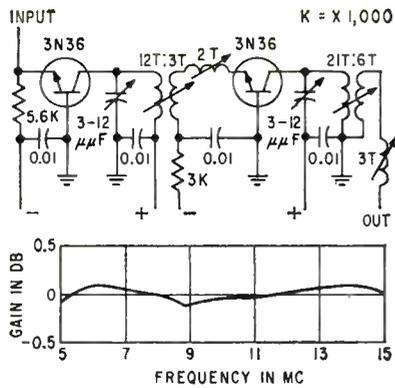
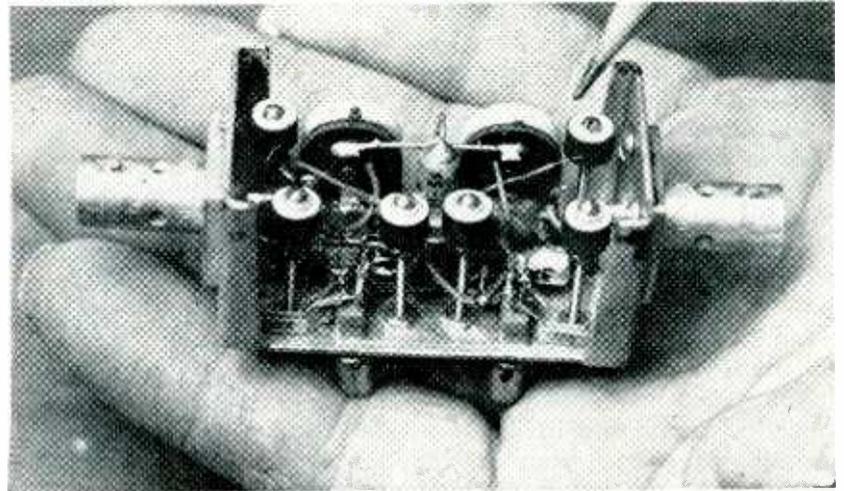


FIG. 5—Repeater and response



Closeup of terminal repeater amplifier shows ferrite core transformers

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by a No. 0-80 machine screw, which also serves as the transformer mounting.

Some of the coils employed in the repeaters are adjustable. In these cases the same general construction is used, but a slot is milled in each half of the core.

The transformer is assembled so the faces with the slots are together. With this arrangement, the effective length of the air gap can be varied as one half the core is rotated with respect to the other to change the inductance.

The transmission characteristic of one of these transformers operating between 75-ohm impedance

levels is also shown in Fig. 2; the loss is only a few tenths of a db and the characteristic is flat to within 0.1 db from 5 to 15 mc.

Transmitting Terminal

The crystal-controlled transistor oscillator for the 10-mc carrier is shown in Fig. 3. An experimental junction tetrode transistor, with an alpha cutoff of about 30 mc, was employed in a common-base connection; A 3N36 tetrode transistor should be a suitable commercial substitution, though undoubtedly a conventional triode transistor with a similar alpha cutoff would be satisfactory also.

Neither of the two miniature transformers, about 1-in. dia., is tuned. Output transformer T_1 couples the high impedance of the collector into the relatively low impedance of the modulator.

A third winding on T_1 couples the collector circuit to a low-impedance feedback circuit, which is best traced by starting with the transistor emitter. At an emitter current of 1 to 1.5 ma, input impedance of Q_1 is 50 to 75 ohms. This impedance is stepped down by a 9:1 impedance ratio in the transformer connected to the emitter. At series resonance, the impedance of the crystal is 8 to 10 ohms,

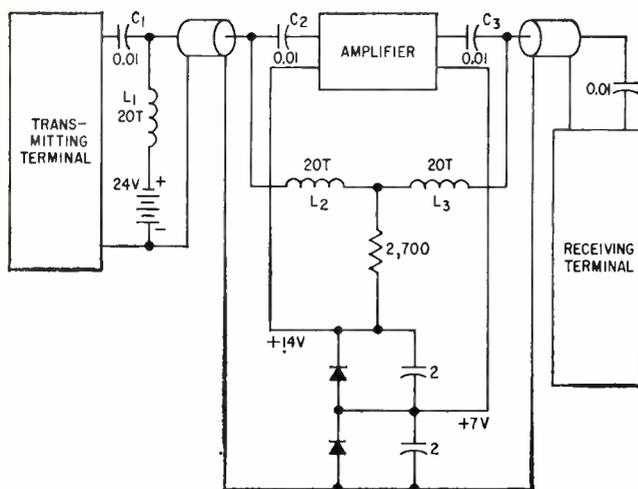


FIG. 6—Repeater d-c power supply

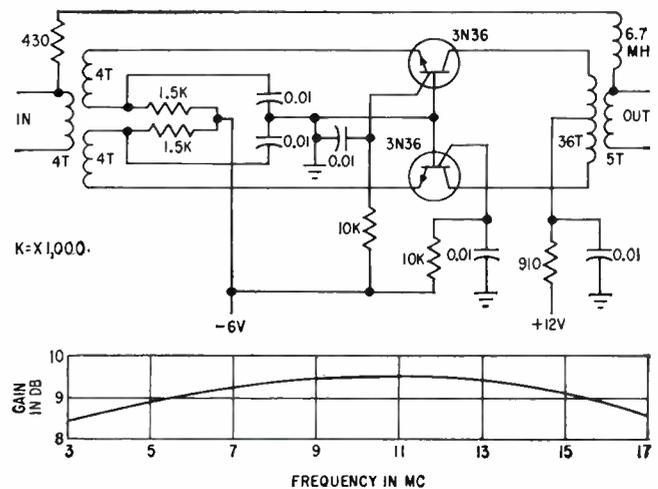


FIG. 7—Receiving amplifier and response

causing the feedback path to have a low impedance; thus sufficient power is fed back from the output to set up oscillations.

Operation at the fundamental mode of the crystal takes place for several reasons. At higher frequencies, the gain of the transistor decreases. Also, the losses in the transformer increase with frequency and the impedance of the crystal at series resonance increases for the higher modes.

The circuit has shown no tendency to operate at harmonic frequencies of the crystal. Power output is of the order of a few milliwatts.

Diode Modulator

Four gold-bonded diodes are employed in the modulator, which is also shown in Fig. 3.

The signal levels are adjusted to give a peak modulation of about 70 percent and polarization of the video signal is such that the peak signal occurs during the synchronizing pulses. The peak level at the output of the modulator is about 4 db below 1 mw.

The diodes used in this modulator are characterized by low capacitance, short storage time and a fairly high ratio of back-to-forward impedance. Ideally, a switch with zero impedance in the forward direction, infinite impedance in the reverse direction and an operate time that is short compared to 10 mc is desired. The IN497 diode approaches these characteristics.

Use of a balanced modulator eliminates a number of unwanted sidebands from the output. Since the carrier is also eliminated, it is necessary to introduce it into the output for double-sideband operation. This is done by connecting the collector circuit of the oscillator to the output through a 5,600-ohm resistor.

Low-frequency video signals cannot be transmitted to the line because of the low-frequency cut-off characteristic of T_2 . This is a desirable effect. Any high-frequency video signal that appears on the line will be attenuated because the repeaters are not equalized to amplify these frequencies.

Design of a repeater for a system of this kind depends on the

loss characteristics of the cable employed. A $\frac{3}{8}$ -in. dia. coaxial cable using partially blown-up polystyrene was used; transmission characteristics are shown in Fig. 4 for 0.5 mile of cable.

The experimental two-stage amplifier shown in Fig. 5 was designed to have a gain characteristic to match that of the cable loss. The Tetrode transistors used are shown in simplified form.

Referring to Fig. 4, a gain of about 18 db is required at 15 mc for 0.5-mile repeater spacing. As the amplifier has a gain capability in excess of this value, mismatching is employed at the input to the

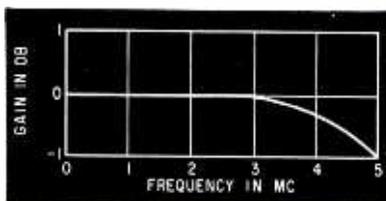


FIG. 8—Response of 1-mile system

first transistor and between stages to stabilize the gain. This stabilization technique was chosen instead of negative feedback, because of its simplicity.

Six variable circuit elements in each repeater, make it possible to match the transmission loss of a section of cable closely, as well as to compensate for variations between transistors. Measurements on one repeater with a half mile of cable are also shown in Fig. 5.

Spacing between repeaters is not limited to 0.5 mile. With two repeaters connected in tandem and one-mile spacing, circuit noise was not sufficient to be a problem. Since the repeaters are small and fed with d-c power over the cable, they could be placed at locations other than manholes; this might make closer spacing of units having less gain and fewer components economically feasible.

D-C Power Supply

The d-c power supply system is shown in simplified form in Fig. 6. At the transmitting terminal, blocking capacitor C_1 isolates the d-c from the terminal equipment. Coil L_1 in series with the 24-v battery prevents shorting of the signal.

The center conductor of the cable

is held at +24 v, which is isolated from the amplifier circuit by two blocking capacitors C_2 and C_3 . Coils L_2 and L_3 prevent shunting of the signal through the d-c supply circuit.

Since the amplifier employs tetrode transistors, both a positive and a negative voltage are available from the bias source. Two 7-v avalanche diodes in series serve as voltage regulators.

If a number of repeaters, connected as shown, were employed in a system, they would all be in parallel and the cable voltage would be 24 v regardless of their number. Total line current is 5 ma times the number of repeaters used.

Receiving Terminal

To make up for the last section of cable, a repeater is used as the first element of the receiving terminal. Linear detection requires that a certain minimum amplitude of signal, greater than that provided by the repeater, be maintained. Therefore, the repeater is followed by an amplifier which increases the level by about 10 db.

This experimental amplifier and its response are shown in Fig. 7. Selective negative feedback improves the transmission characteristic.

The output of the amplifier is rectified by a full-wave circuit and passed through a low-pass filter to remove the 10-mc carrier frequency. If desired, this video output can then be amplified to a standard output level.

Results

A 1-mile experimental system has been set up for demonstration purposes. On an A-B test, no degradation could be detected by most observers when a standard television signal was transmitted over the system. This would indicate that a system several miles long could be employed without undue degradation. The video-frequency response of this one mile of system is shown in Fig. 8.

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Intermetallic Rectifiers

An examination of certain properties of intermetallic compounds currently considered as having rectification possibilities

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THE POSSIBILITY of making commercial rectifiers from the intermetallic compounds of Groups III-V of the periodic table has been recognized since Welker showed, in 1952, that aluminum antimonide and indium antimonide were semiconductors.

Of the nine usually discussed III-V compounds, indium arsenide and indium antimonide have poor temperature and low blocking characteristics while gallium antimonide should approximate germanium. Gallium phosphide, aluminum phosphide and alumi-

num arsenide have higher forward voltages than silicon; however, their melting points, higher than silicon, indicate fabrication problems. The remaining three compounds, indium phosphide, gallium arsenide and aluminum antimonide seem to have a theoretical potential better than silicon.

The compounds of interest as rectifiers have not been purified to the degree necessary to realize their theoretical potential. Information available to date on III-V compound rectifiers is presented below.

Table I—Typical Characteristics of Developmental III-V Compound Rectifiers

Group III-V Compound	Type	D C Characteristics					Remarks	REFERENCES
		Forward Current	Volts	Temp (°C)	Reverse Current	Volts		
Ga Sb	grown junction	160 ma	1	25	40 ma	5	Saturation-poor	D. P. Detwiler, <i>Electrical Properties of Ga Sb</i> , <i>Phys. Rev.</i> 97, p 1,575 Mar. 15, 1955.
In P	diffused junction	1.4 ma	3	25	0.1 ma	3		K. Weiser, <i>Decomposition Method for Producing p-n Junctions in In P</i> , <i>J. Appl. Phys.</i> 29, p 229 Feb. 1958.
	point contact					400 250	p-type n-type Rectif ratio = 10 ⁵ at 100 v	W. N. Reynolds, M. T. Lilburne, R. M. Dell, <i>Some Properties of Semi-conducting In P</i> , <i>Proc. Phys. Soc.</i> , 71, p 416 Mar. 1, 1958.
Al Sb	growth junction	500 ma cm ²	2	25	<300 μa	>30	With suitable heat treatment and surface treatment	H. A. Schell, <i>Single Crystal and p-n Layer Crystals from Al Sb</i> , <i>Z. Metallk.</i> , 49, p 140 1958.
	grown junction	1 ma	1	25	1 ma	18	Units failed above 200 C	A. Herczog, R. R. Haberecht, A. E. Middleton, <i>Research on Al Sb for Semiconductor Devices</i> , PB 131849, Mar. 1958.
		1 ma	0.4	110	1 ma	12		
		1 ma	0.3	148	1 ma	8.5		
point contact	1 ma	2.0	25	1 ma	26	Low resistivity AlSb used, so high blocking voltages not expected; all failed above 250 C. Lead solder used. W point contact 0.007 in. diam		
	1 ma	1.0	110	1 ma	20			
	1 ma	0.6	250	1 ma	10 85			
Ga As	point contact	40 ma	1	24	<1 μa	1.5	Microwave diode.*	D. A. Jenny, <i>A Ga-As Microwave Diode</i> , <i>Proc. IRE</i> , 46, p 717 Apr. 1958.
		40 ma	0.9	170	1 μa	1.5		

* For these pilot plant runs 1N21 type ceramic cartridge cases used. Spreading resistance ≈ 9 ohms. Ga As diodes more resistant to burnout than Si or Ge. Point contacts of Be-copper or phosphor-bronze. Switching times less than 10⁻⁹ sec. At 6,000 mc conversion loss is 4.8 db, noise temperature ratio is 1.25 and i-f impedance is 420 ohms

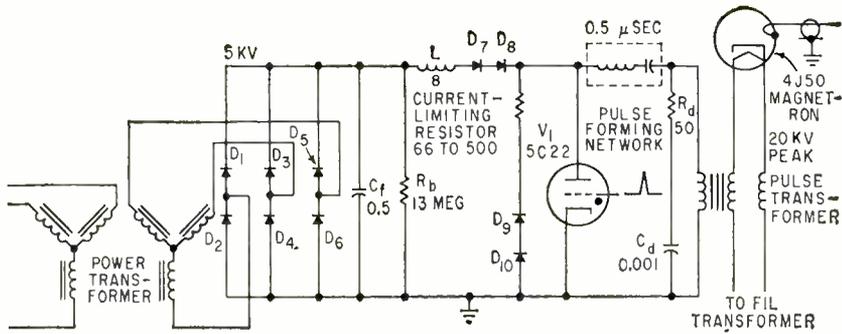


FIG. 1—Radar modulator uses ten silicon diodes to replace five vacuum tubes

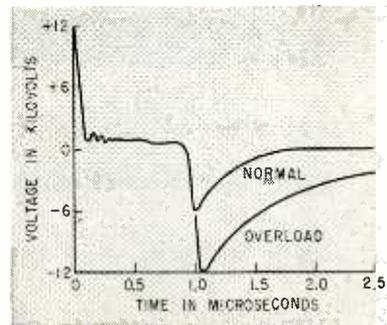


FIG. 2—Thyratron plate voltage

Using Silicon Diodes

ADVANTAGES of using silicon diodes to replace vacuum tubes in radar modulators include a decrease in size, weight and cooling requirements and an increase in reliability and serviceability. An artificial line-type modulator for an airborne radar operating at a peak power of 250 kw is shown in Fig. 1. This modulator uses silicon diodes as high voltage rectifiers, a hold-off diode and an inverse diode.

Modulator

The high voltage power supply consists of the power transformer, rectifiers D_1 to D_6 , filter capacitor C_f and bleeder resistor R_b . Direct-current resonant charging is accomplished with choke L and the capacitance in the pulse-forming network. Rectifiers D_7 and D_8 function as hold off diodes when operation at

several pulse repetition frequencies is required. The pulse-forming network line discharges through the thyatron switch and the load.

A despiking network, P_d and C_d , eliminates the overshoot on the leading edge of the pulse applied to the magnetron. The current-limiting resistor and D_9 and D_{10} clip the inverse voltage reflected on the pulse-forming network when there is a mismatch between the network and its load.

The ten diodes (D_1 to D_{10}) replace five vacuum tubes normally used. Each set of two diodes replaces one vacuum tube. Each diode consists of a series string of diode cells rated at 150 ma d-c at 150 C. The cells are mounted in a cartridge 2.5 inches long and $\frac{3}{8}$ inch in diameter. The cartridge peak inverse voltage rating is 7 kv. The PIV for each cell varies from 400 to 600 v.

Silicon Clipper

The application of silicon diodes as rectifiers and hold-off diodes is fairly conventional. The inverse diode or clipper application is unique in that peak currents, voltages and instantaneous power dissipation in the silicon cartridges are extremely high. This application requires the silicon units to pass high surge currents and to recover from its peak inverse voltage to the maximum value of the forward surge current in a fraction of a microsecond. Figure 2 shows the voltage pulse across the thyatron for the circuit shown in Fig. 1. Zero time on the curve is

referred to the point in time at which the thyatron begins to fire.

It is desirable to remove the negative spike, which according to tests¹, cleans up the hydrogen gas in less than 0.1 microsecond and, while doing so, causes a sizeable positive ion current to be drawn to the anode. The inverse voltage which follows the initial 0.1-micro-

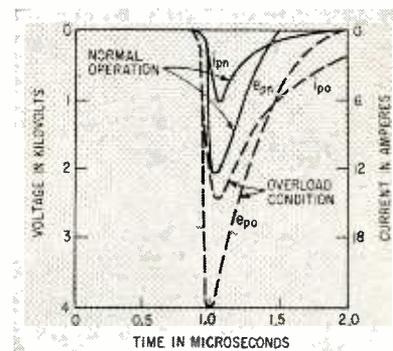


FIG. 3—Voltage and current relationships across clipper diodes



Silicon diodes and mountings require less than one-half volume of 577 diode

Table I—Diode Design Data

CLR in ohms	66	124	232
Normal i_p in a	30	22	14
Overload i_p in a	103	76	43
Normal e_{pi} in v	1,350	1,400	1,400
Overload e_{pi} in v	3,035	2,300	2,100
Normal e_c in v	97	100	100
Overload e_c in v	218	164	150

i_p is peak diode current
 e_{pi} is peak voltage across each diode
 e_c is peak voltage per diode unit
 CLR is current-limiting resistor

Radar modulator with peak power of 250 kw uses silicon diodes to replace vacuum tubes. Diode clipper handles extremely high peak voltages and currents without damage. Far-end-of-line clipping proves superior to front-end-of-line clipping

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second spike must be removed so that the pulse-forming network will be charged to its proper value during the next cycle. If large enough, this inverse voltage can cause damage to the plate.

The voltage and current pulses imposed on the clipper circuit (silicon diodes only) are shown in Fig. 3 for normal operation and for an overload condition, which occurs when the magnetron arcs.

Current Delay

The type of diode cells used in the modulator has had surge currents of as much as 100 amperes for 400 microseconds applied to it during tests by the manufacturer. The one-shot surge applied in these tests has been a low-frequency pulse having a relatively long rise time. Because of the long rise time of the voltage pulse, the current is able to follow the voltage, and only a few volts drop across each cell of the diode results.

In the application of these cells in

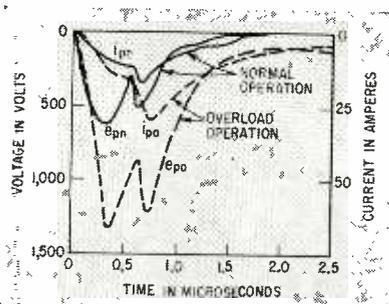


FIG. 4—Voltage and current with inductance in thyatron plate circuit

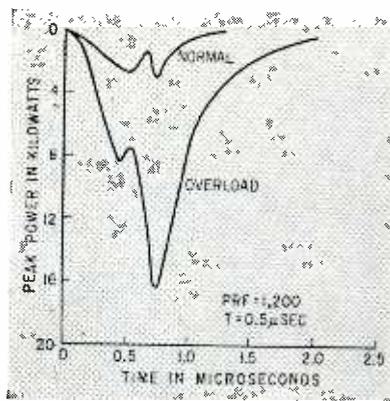


FIG. 5—Peak power across clipper diodes

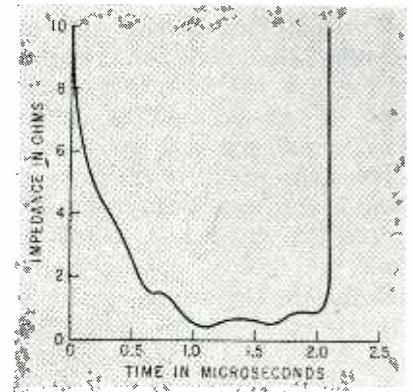


FIG. 6—Impedance for each diode junction

the circuit of Fig. 1, the rise time is just a few tenths of a microsecond, and an inherent current delay in solid state silicon becomes apparent. This initial delay in the rise of current does not allow for clipping of the initial inverse voltage spike which can cause damage to the hydrogen thyatron.^{1, 2}

To alleviate this situation, it is necessary to remove some inductance from the pulse-forming network and connect it directly to the plate of the thyatron. When the current through the thyatron reverses or begins to fall, the voltage across this inductance, $e = -L di/dt$, changes its sign and goes negative. This causes the silicon clipper to conduct before the end of the pulse. Consequently, the carriers in the solid state silicon get started before seeing the inverse spike.

Figure 4 shows the voltage and

current pulses which are applied to the silicon units of Fig. 1 when an 8- μ h inductance is inserted in the plate circuit of the thyatron. Here the current-limiting resistor equals 232 ohms. These curves show that the amplitudes of the voltage spikes across the diodes are reduced by about three-quarters when the 8- μ h inductance is inserted in the plate of the thyatron. The instantaneous power dissipation represented by these voltages and current pulses is shown in Fig. 5 and the instantaneous impedance in Fig. 6.

Far-End-of-Line Clipping

It has been determined³ that the optimum location of a clipper in a line-type pulse modulator is at the far end of the artificial transmission line and that the optimum type of clipper is a matched impedance pretriggered gas clipper. To compare far-end-of-line with front-end-

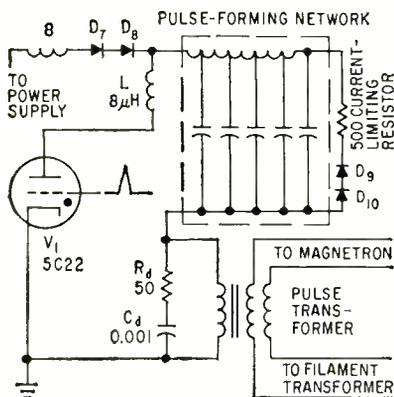


FIG. 7—Clipper is shown in optimum location at far end of line

of-line clipping and the results of clipping with a gas tube and silicon diodes, silicon diodes were used in the far-end-of-line clipping arrangement shown in Fig. 7.

The only significant difference between this circuit and the circuit of Fig. 1 is the relocation of rectifiers D_9 and D_{10} and the current-limiting resistor. The inductance L in the plate circuit of the thyatron is no longer used to pretrigger the silicon clippers but is required to limit the rate of rise of current through the thyatron.

Figure 8 shows the inverse voltage at the input to the pulse-forming network for front-end and far-end-of-line clipping for pulse widths of 0.5 and 2 microsecond. The silicon diodes conduct early in both cases, thus alleviating the current-delay problem of solid-state silicon.

Neither arrangement removes the inverse spike as well as the corresponding arrangement using a pretriggered gas clipper. However, the increased power dissipation resulting from the inverse spike on the thyatron plate when silicon is used is less than the power required to operate the filaments of a gas clipper. In this particular application, the use of a gas clipper in preference to silicon diodes is not justified.

Design Limit Data

Since the data required for the design of these silicon diode units into high-voltage and high-current pulse circuits were not available, it was necessary for reliability to obtain design limit data. Using the original circuit where all of the in-

ductance is in the pulse-forming network and connecting the clipper to the thyatron plate (Fig. 1), large voltage spikes were imposed on the silicon units. To determine the limit value of voltage which would break down the cells in the forward direction, a 0.25-microsecond pulse-forming network was used to replace the 0.5-microsecond network and the value of the current limiting resistance was lowered in steps from 850 ohms to 66 ohms. When lowering the resistance it was necessary to reduce the pulse repetition frequency from 1,200 to about 300 so as not to exceed the 2-watt power rating of the silicon cartridges. Table I shows the peak values of diode current and voltage obtained for several values of current-limiting resistance. Figure 9 shows peak values of current

for several values of resistance.

The tests were discontinued with the value of 66 ohms for the resistor. This condition represents the following instantaneous peak power dissipation for a single 2-watt cartridge for normal peak operating conditions:

$$e_p \times i_p = 1,350 \times 30 \approx 40,000 \text{ watts}$$

For peak power under overload conditions:

$$e_p \times i_p = 3,035 \times 103 \approx 313,000 \text{ watts}$$

The only explanation for the silicon junctions' ability to handle this amount of instantaneous power seems to lie in the thermal time constant of the cell junction.

Conclusions

Great savings in space and weight are made by using silicon diodes. Two silicon diodes and their mounting assemblies require less than one-half the volume of a 577 diode plus its mounting assembly. The filament transformer, now required only for the hydrogen thyatron, is reduced to about one-third its former size and about one-half its former weight.

The diodes should have high reliability since there are no filaments to burn out and there is ample safety factor in the circuit design. It is expected that the diodes will be superior to vacuum tubes in withstanding shock and vibration. Field servicing will be simplified, since extra heater connections are not required and the diode units are replaceable in the same manner as fuses. Because of less filament power dissipation, the modulator will run cooler, improving the reliability of other components in its housing.

Although life tests have not yet been completed, these preliminary results are encouraging and point to an advance in the state of the art for both solid state electronics and high power-radar modulators.

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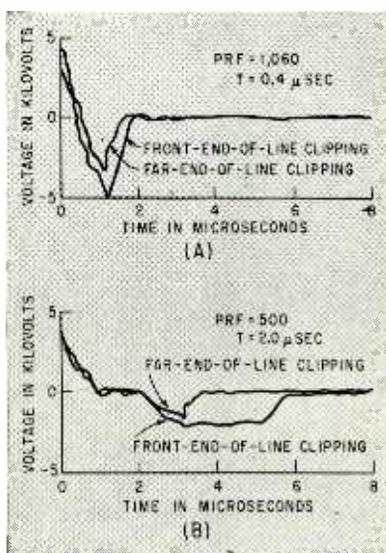


FIG. 8—Inverse voltage at pulse-forming network for 0.4- μ sec network (A) and 2- μ sec network (B)

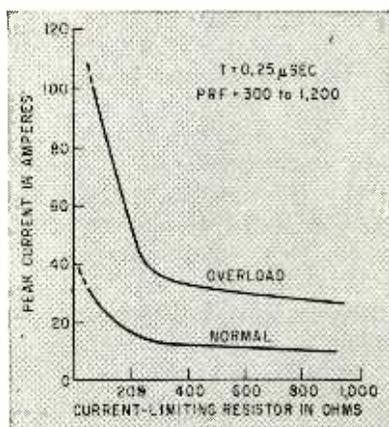
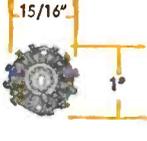
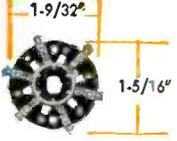
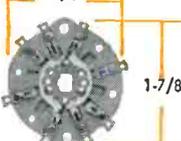
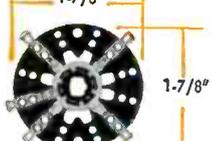
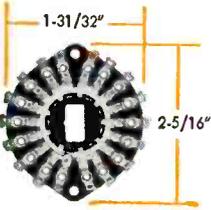
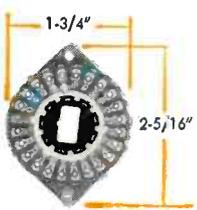
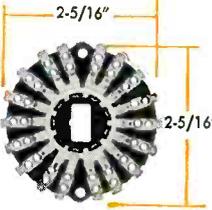
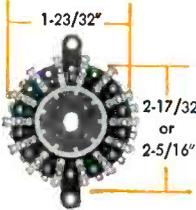
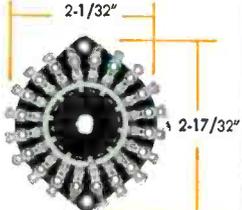


FIG. 9—Effect on diode peak current of varying value of current-limiting resistor

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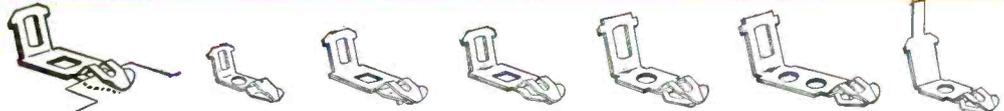
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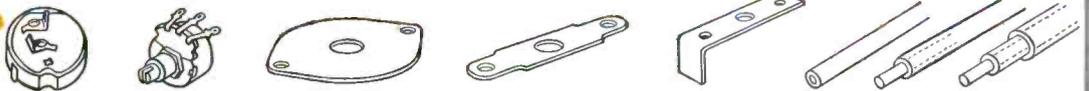
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Circuit Description

The circuit used to replace the class-B output is shown in Fig. 2. Starting with a conventional class-A stage, the fixed bias is lowered until the collector current is reduced to quiescent proportions. A variable opening bias derived from the output audio signal is then added to achieve essentially class-B operation.

Quiescent current conditions are established by the resistors R_1 and R_2 . The primary and secondary of the output transformer T_1 are stacked to provide maximum a-c voltage for bias production. This a-c voltage is applied through C_1 to

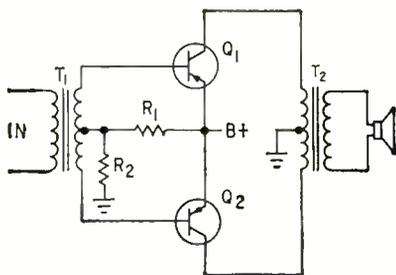


FIG. 1—Conventional push-pull class-B output uses two transistors

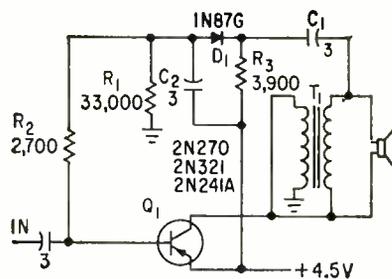


FIG. 2—Sliding class-A output has one transistor and no input transformer

germanium diode D_1 . The rectified a-c is filtered by C_2 and the resulting negative d-c is used to open up the transistor in accordance with the syllabic content of the output signal.

Proper operation of this circuit requires some attention to design details. The first few cycles of a syllable which produces the opening bias are clipped to some extent as the transistor is still operating under quiescent conditions. Distortion from this cause is not troublesome if the time constant of the diode output circuit, R_2C_2 , is made just large enough to prevent feedback of low frequency audio signals. So that the bias circuit operates without observable delay from a syllabic standpoint, this time constant should not be much longer than required.

The diode is biased so that it starts to conduct just before the maximum undistorted output permitted by quiescent current alone is approached. If the diode operates later than this, distortion results. If it opens substantially sooner, the transistor is open more than required to handle the audio signal, causing excessive battery drain.

Diode bias is obtained by dividing the total resistance used to pro-

vide transistor quiescent current between R_1 and R_2 . If R_1 is made relatively smaller and R_2 increased, the anode of the diode will be moved closer to ground potential and the cut-off bias will be increased since the diode emitter returns to B+ through R_3 .

Biasing Resistance

Distribution of the quiescent biasing resistance between R_1 and R_2 is an initial circuit design consideration and, once determined, further adjustment or selection is not necessary to account for variations in transistors and diodes. Such is not the case for resistor R_3 . By varying R_3 it is possible to regulate the percentage of the total control voltage developed by the diode that is utilized to open the transistor. The larger this resistor is made, the smaller the potential applied to the transistor. This adjustment is important since the gain of production transistors varies over such wide limits. For a low limit transistor, the a-c voltage in the collector circuit will be low and nearly all the developed control potential may be required to provide sufficient opening bias. This would necessitate a low value of R_3 .

On the other hand, very high gain units will produce control bias greatly in excess of requirements and R_3 will have to be increased substantially. In practice values of R_3 are selected to provide the proper battery drain at a maximum output distortion of 10 percent.

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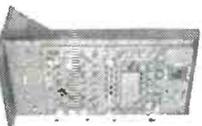
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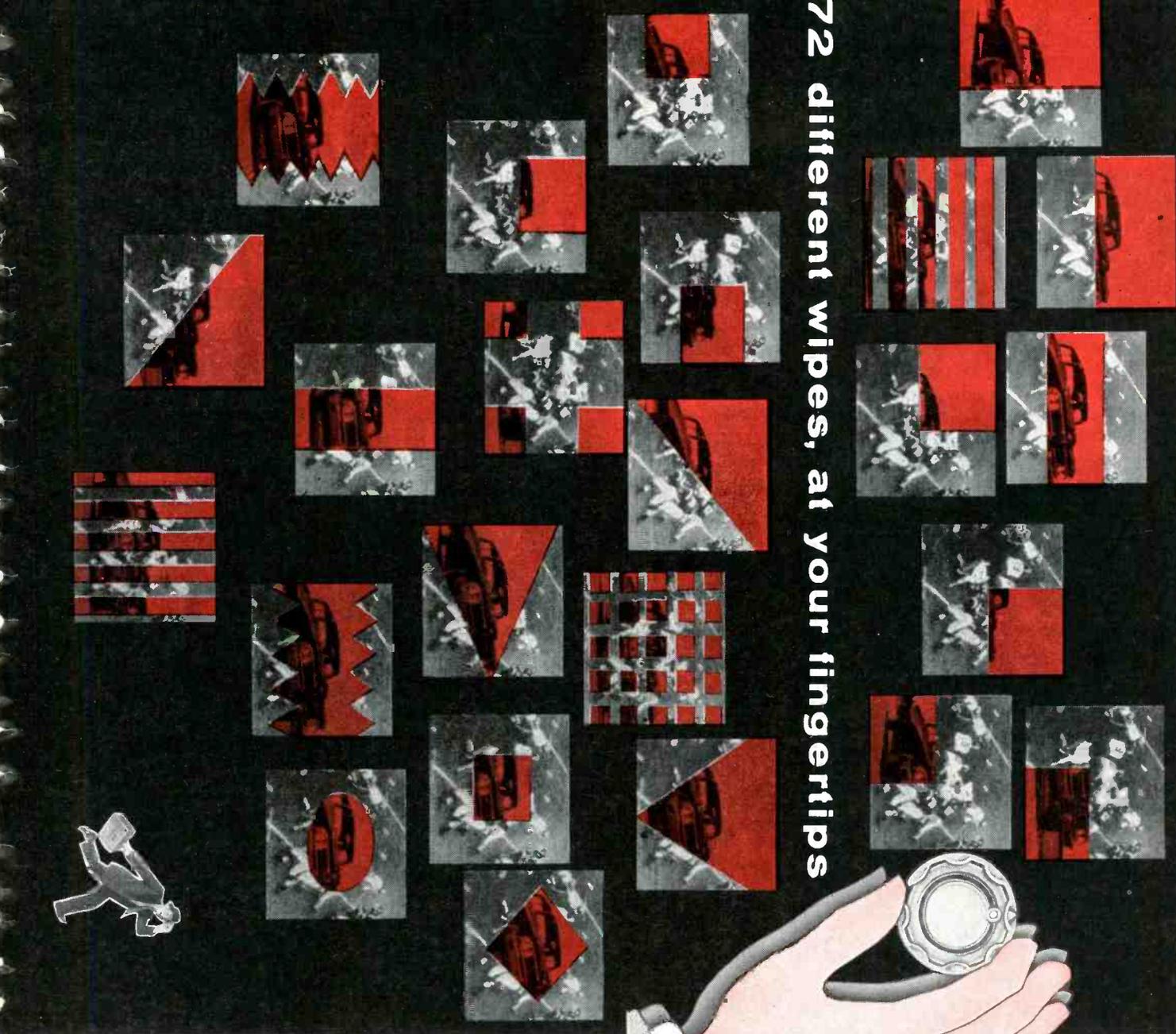
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the inductor and thermistor in Fig. 1, the temperature coefficient has been reduced about one tenth.

Individual crystals vary in their temperature coefficient from the maximum negative coefficient of 0.5 part/million/deg C to a maximum positive coefficient of the same amount. During fabrication, the coefficient of each crystal is measured and the appropriate series reactance is chosen. For a negative coefficient, the reactance is inductive; for a positive coefficient, it is capacitive.

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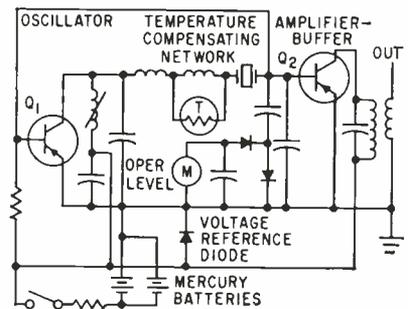


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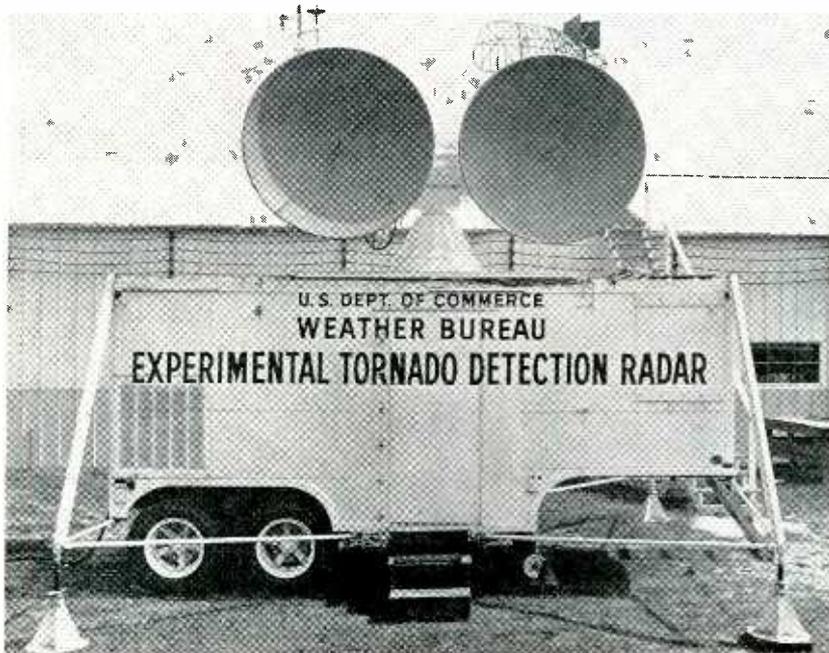
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Transistor Q_2 amplifies the signal and isolates the oscillator from the output load. The output circuit delivers about 2 mw into 75 ohms.

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Doppler Radar Detects Tornadoes



Weather Bureau at Wichita Falls, Texas, tests experimental Doppler radar by Radiation, Inc. Project, in existence for three years, detected a tornado 23 miles away last year. Modifications are being made to increase receiver sensitivity and reduce transmitter noise

Microwaves to Power Sky Platform

DEVELOPMENT of saucer-like platforms stationed miles above the earth for long periods of time are planned by Raytheon. Power to keep the flying stations aloft will be provided by microwaves. The microwave energy would be beamed skyward from powerful transmitters on the earth. It would be converted into heat energy aboard the platforms.

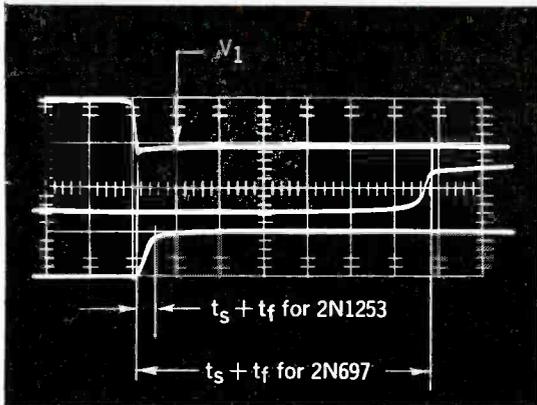
Operation

The sky stations would hover in fixed positions with the help of helicopter-type rotary wings. Microwave energy would be collected by antenna arrays and transformed into heat energy for conversion into mechanical power to drive the rotor.

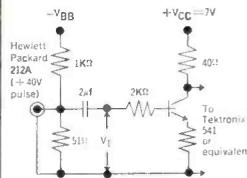
The platform will be designed to propel itself to its sky position and descend again to earth with energy supplied by a lightweight supplementary chemical power plant. This plant could also provide emergency

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CIRCUIT USED IN COMPARING 2N697 AND 2N1253



NOTE:
V_{BB} is adjusted to make V₁ = 30V during turn-on and V₁ = -10V during turn-off.

TENTATIVE SPECIFICATIONS, 2N1252 AND 2N1253

ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS (25° C)

V _{CE}	Collector to Emitter Voltage (R _e = 10 Ω)	20 v
V _{CB0}	Collector to Base Voltage	30 v
V _{EB0}	Emitter to Base Voltage	5 v
Total Dissipation at Case Temperature 25° C		2 watts
at Case Temperature 100° C		1 watt
at 25° C Free-Air Ambient		0.6 watts

ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS (25° C)

SYMBOL	CHARACTERISTIC	MIN.	TYPICAL	MAX.	TEST CONDITIONS
h _{FE}	D.C. pulse current gain 2N1252 2N1253	15	30	45	I _C = 150mA V _{CE} = 10V
V _{BE SAT.}	Base saturation voltage	1.0V	1.3	1.5V	I _C = 150mA I _B = 15mA
V _{CE SAT.}	Collector saturation voltage	0.8V	1.5V	1.5V	I _C = 150mA I _B = 15mA
h _{fe}	Small signal current gain at f = 20mc	2.5	5.0	5.0	I _C = 50mA V _{CE} = 10V
C _{ob}	Collector capacitance	30puf	45puf	45puf	I _C = 0mA V _{CE} = 10V
I _{CB0}	Collector cutoff current	0.1μA	10μA	10μA	V _{CE} = 20V T = 25° C
t _s + t _f	Turn-off time	100μs	600μs	150μs	T = 150° C I _C = 150mA I _{B1} = 15mA I _{B2} = 5mA

Comparison of storage-and-fall-time performance between the new Fairchild 2N1253 and Fairchild's 2N697. The 2N1253 has performance otherwise equivalent to the 2N697 plus the additional advantage of low storage. An actual Polaroid photo is shown. Scale is 0.2μsec. per oscilloscope division. Scope was a Tektronix 543 with 53/54S plug-in giving a rise time of 15μsec.

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Insulation for Space-Age Circuitry

A NEW APPROACH to insulation could provide the answers to some electronics problems in missile re-entry guidance systems, as well as other more earthbound high-temperature applications. These flexible, non-porous coatings should be satisfactory almost up to the melting point of the conductor.

Fluoride Dielectrics

The new insulation method, developed at Bell Labs by S. S. Flaschen and P. D. Garn, is formed right on the surface of freshly-cleaned aluminum, copper or any other metal by exposing it to oxidizing carriers of fluorine, such as hydrogen fluoride or elemental fluorine at temperatures from 300 to 600 C. This coating provides exceptionally high insulation values at elevated temperatures while retaining flexibility and freedom from porosity.

The thickness of the resulting copper fluoride and aluminum fluoride films depends on the tem-



A strip of metal, coated with a fluoride film, is inspected by S. S. Flaschen (left) and P. D. Garn of Bell Labs, who developed an insulating technique that may solve problems in space electronics.

peratures at which they are formed, the concentration of fluorine and the time of exposure. Aluminum forms a fluoride film one-micron thick in a few minutes at 550 C. These films

remain adherent even when bent repeatedly at 90-deg. angles.

Insulation Values

Electrical insulation values are very high for both copper and aluminum films, being in the order of 10^{10} and 10^{11} ohms at room temperature for films one to two-microns thick, between probe electrodes $\frac{1}{4}$ -in. in dia. Aluminum fluoride films exhibit resistances of about 7×10^8 ohms at temperatures as high as 500 C.

The aluminum-fluoride films show excellent resistance to oxidation even above 600 C. They also show no tendency to hydrate or dissolve on exposure to high humidity. The insulation does not break down even at 450 v at 500 C.

The technique is not limited to copper and aluminum, according to its inventors, but can be used to form thin, flexible films on any other metal as well.

Fluoride dielectrics may be an answer to space problems.

Computer Tape Solves Signal Drop-Outs

OXIDE RUB-OFF on recording heads, one of the big problems in data processing, has virtually disappeared at computer installations that have converted their Datafile bins to a plastic-coated tape manufactured by Minnesota Mining and Manufacturing Co.

The plastic-coated sandwich tapes

use the same oxide coating, but this coating is protected by a 50 micro-inch layer which prevents the iron oxide from contacting any part of the recording system. In conventional tape, the oxide coating gradually wears off during the rigorous workouts imposed on it by computers. Powdered oxide, collecting on the recording heads or on the surface of the tape itself, results in signal drop-outs.

Signal attenuation, due to the protective layer on the plastic-coated tape, does not significantly alter the tape's performance. There is no loss in resolution up to 500 pulses per inch.

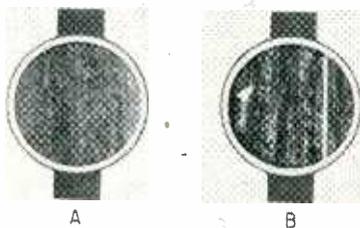
One company recently compared the sandwich tape with the bare, or conventional tape in a search-write, search-read test. A 30-inch portion of each tape was run past recording heads of a tape trans-

port. The bare tape made its first error on its 1,049th pass, while the sandwich tape continued for 12,030 passes before erring by picking up a bit.

High-Temperature High-Energy Resistors

RESISTORS capable of reliable operation at temperatures up to 1,000 F have been delivered to development laboratories from Carborundum's Glocal Plant in Niagara Falls, N. Y.

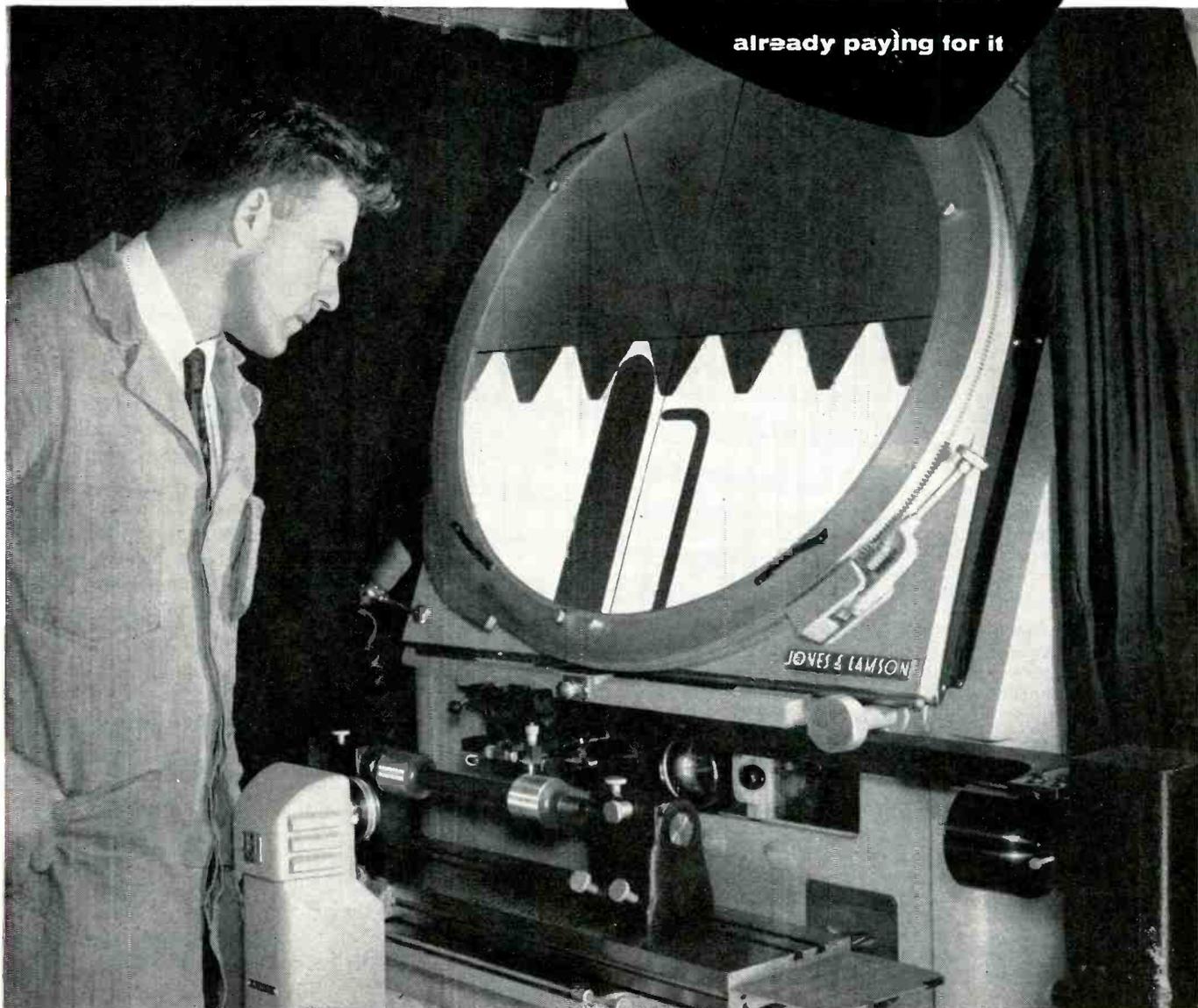
Developed to meet the increasing demands for high-temperature components in electronic circuitry, the resistors are being evaluated for applications and other areas requiring stability at high temperatures. Of primary importance are electri-



These photomicrographs show parts of sandwich tape (A) and conventional tape (B) magnified about 40 times. Run through a computer 4,000 times, A shows little wear and B is completely worn out

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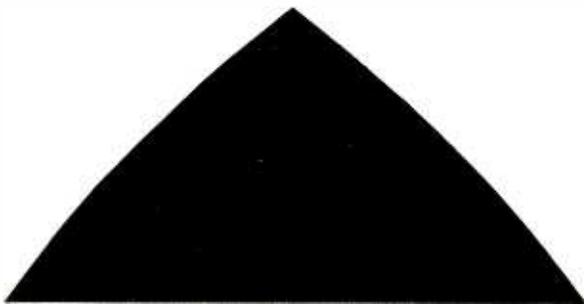
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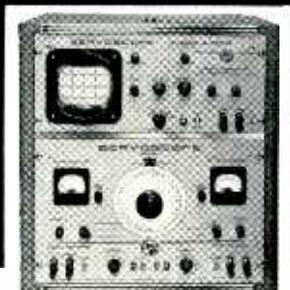
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Fiber and Plastic

A special temperature-resistant material, a Duroid developed by Rogers Corp., of Rogers, Conn., is credited with an important part in the recovery of the Thor-Able nose cone. It is employed in the missiles communications systems, by which information concerning the missile's flight is telemetered to earth stations.

Technique for Making Silicon Carbide Diodes

ORDINARILY, silicon carbide crystals of the highest quality are desired to fabricate SiC semiconductors. But at the present state of the art in SiC growth, the quality of the crystal is at best very low, both with respect to purity and lattice structure.

Recently, the Electronic Material Sciences Laboratory of the Air Force Cambridge Research Center, Bedford, Mass. has fabricated several experimental silicon carbide active diodes utilizing a phenomenon based on quantum mechanical tunneling. What makes the experiment of special interest is that the basic silicon carbide crystal was deliberately doped with impurities. Tests of these low quality crystals, while not conclusive, have been encouraging, according to a recent report issued by AFCRC.

The Tunneling Electron

Quantum mechanical tunneling techniques take advantage of the inherent defects in the SiC crystal.

Since the phenomenon was first reported last year, the Laboratory has led in its exploitation in SiC semiconductors.

By the quantum mechanical tunneling effect is meant the direct transfer of energy through a barrier, or *p-n* junction. In high quality semiconductor crystals, the *p-n* junction may be considered as a broad barrier preventing the direct transfer of energy. As the crystal becomes less perfect, the barrier is made increasingly narrow. If the barrier is sufficiently narrow, an electron may simultaneously occupy, under quantum mechanical concepts, positions in both the *p* and *n* material of the transistor. The electron may then be said to have tunneled through the barrier. When this tunneling takes place, it is possible to decrease the flow of current through the junction with an actual increase in voltage, or with a decrease in voltage to increase the current.

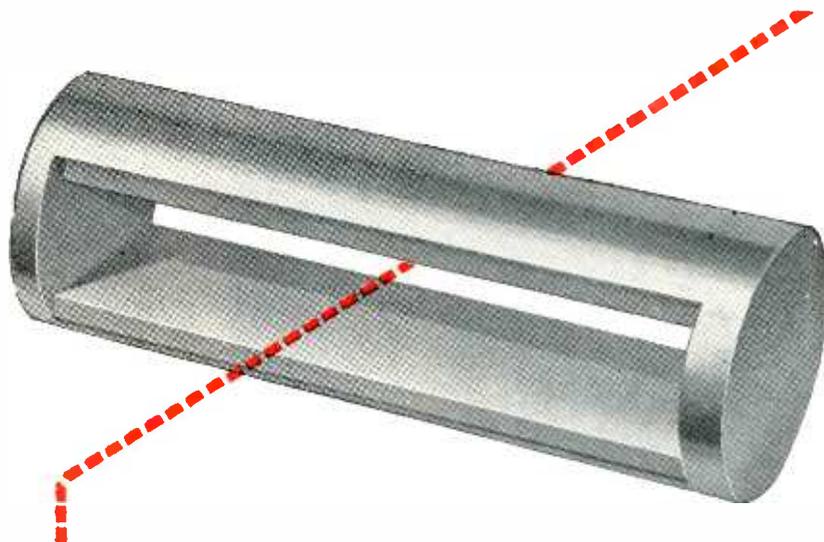
Hall-Effect Probe Detects Interference



DEVELOPED FOR THE U. S. NAVY Bureau of Ships by Armour Research Foundation, compact magnetic field detector uses a Hall-effect probe as the basic pickup. The probe is made of indium antimonide and is responsive directly to the magnetic field rather than to its time rate of change as in a conventional loop pickup.

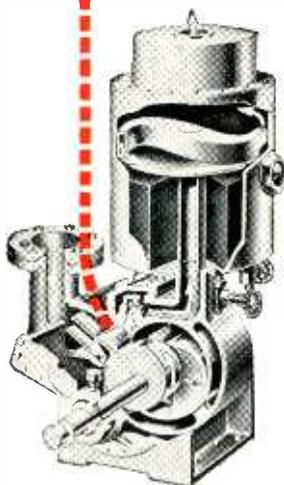
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View of bell jar setup, looking up through ring source to mask

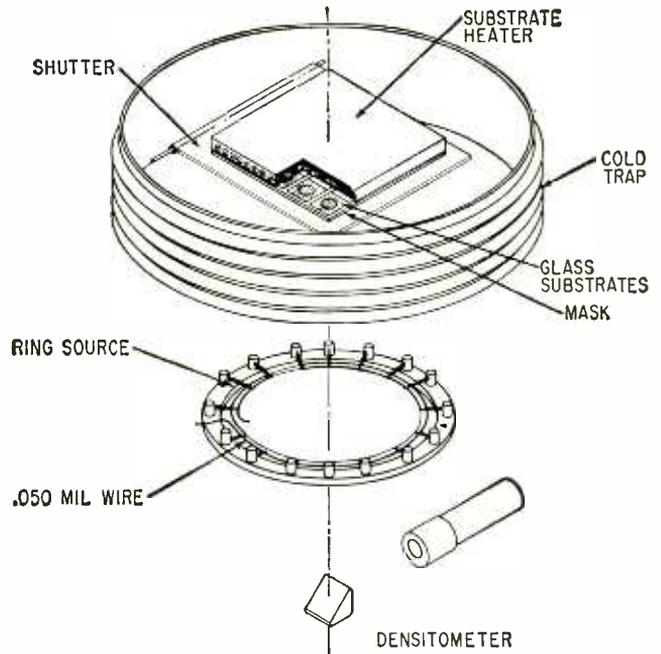


FIG. 1—Isometric view of experimental setup employing ring source

Ring Gives Even Vacuum Deposition

VACUUM EVAPORATED metallic films supplied by a ring source are more uniform in thickness over a larger area than films from a crucible source, according to a report of investigations made at International

Business Machines Corp., Military Products Division, Kingston, N. Y.

Variations in chemical composition of films deposited on substrates is also less. Uniform rates of evaporation are more easily con-

trolled due to absence of slag which normally forms in the crucibles commonly used for vacuum evaporation.

Ring sources, however, have 2 main disadvantages. Composition of evaporated films depends greatly upon evaporation temperature and time. Rate of evaporation is low, because it occurs from the solid state. The slow rate can be partially remedied by placing the source close to the substrate.

Test Results

A comparative summary of results obtained by evaporating nickel-iron ferromagnetic films with the 2 methods is given in Fig. 3. Multiple beam interferometry, x-ray fluorescence, film output voltages obtained from a B-H loop tester and colorimetric techniques were used to obtain data.

The simplest ring source is a wire of the desired composition bent into a ring and resistance heated. A constant diameter wire evenly heated throughout its length provides uniform film desposition rate and composition.

Experimental setup for ring

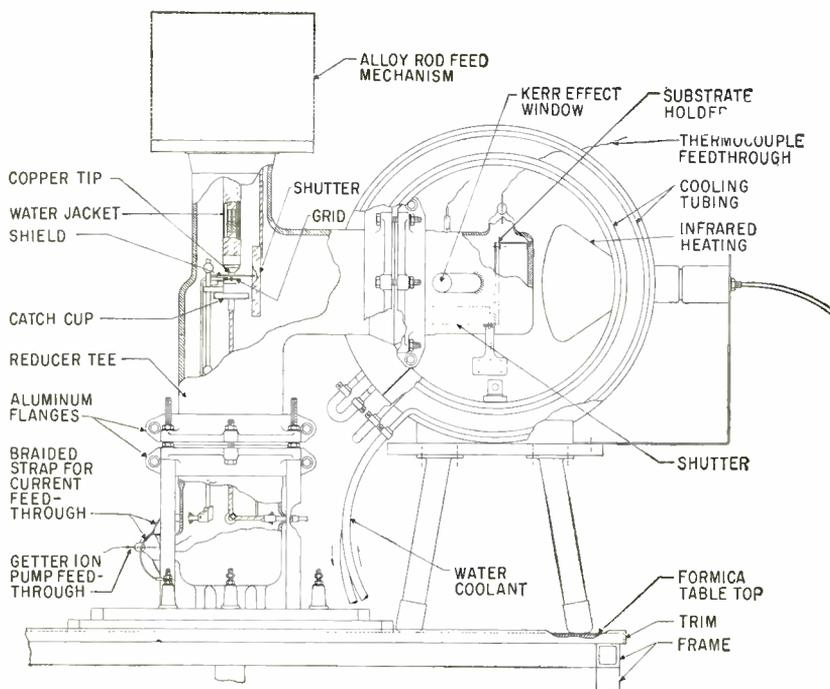


FIG. 2—Arrangement of principal parts of electron bombardment vacuum evaporator

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source evaporation is shown in the photo. Helmholtz coils on either side of the bell jar magnetically orient the film. A densitometer above the base plate detects film thickness and rate of evaporation. The substrate holder is covered by a cold trap of liquid nitrogen flowing in copper tubing. The double ring of 50-mil diameter nickel-iron wire is supported by ceramic rods fastened to a water-cooled stainless steel frame. The setup is shown schematically, without Helmholtz coils, in Fig. 1.

Tryouts of the process and film composition were first conducted with straight wire heated within glass tubing. Details of procedures and results are contained in a paper, "A Comparison Between the Evaporation Characteristics of a Crucible and Ring Source," by K. H. Behrndt and R. A. Jones, of IBM, at the 1958 National Vacuum Symposium.

	Crucible	Ring Source
Substrate area covered (mm)	67 x 70 (4,680 mm ²)	75 x 112 (8,400 mm ²)
Max variation of elem composition	0.6%	0.5%
Standard deviation of composition	±0.2%	±0.15%
Thickness variation	±5.1%	±0.6%
Evaporation rate of equipment used	3 to 12 A/sec	approx 3 A/sec

FIG. 3—Comparison of results obtained by evaporating from crucible and ring sources

Another method of vacuum depositing high-purity ferromagnetic films was described at the conference by D. M. Hart, of IBM, in "A Demountable Glass Vacuum System Using Electron Bombardment in the Vacuum Deposition of Ferromagnetic Films."

While the system was designed for laboratory use and is small, some of its features may be applicable to production. It is relatively easy to construct, maintains a vacuum of about 10⁻⁸ mm Hg. and provides facilities for analyzing the films under vacuum. The system can be revised for easier dismantling

and resistance heating may be used in place of electron bombardment.

Substrates are heated by an external infrared source, avoiding outgassing and providing improved control over substrate tempera-

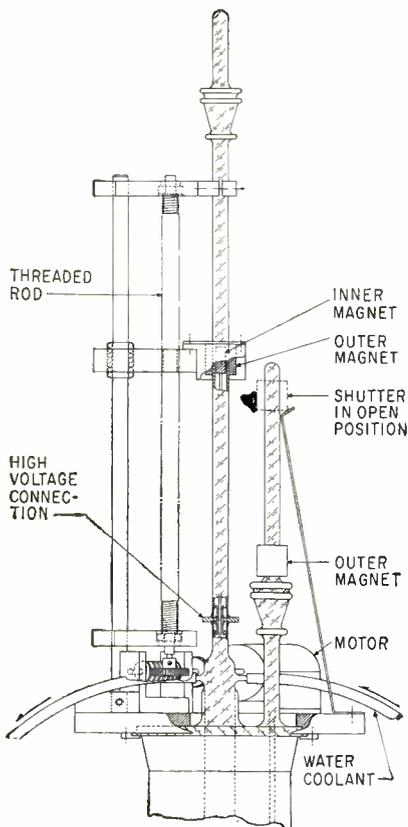


FIG. 4—Alloy feed rod mechanism

tures. The Kerr magneto-optical effect is used to measure magnetic properties without removing the work from the vacuum.

Bombardment System

The system is shown in Fig. 2. The main structure is a standard 4-by-4-by-3-inch glass reducing tee. End cap and base section are modified standard 4-inch end caps. Feed rate of the alloy feed rod mechanism (Fig. 4) is $\frac{1}{4}$ inch to $1\frac{1}{2}$ inches. The mechanism is coupled to the rod by coaxial magnets.

A positive voltage of 600 to 1,000 v is applied to the rod by sliding contacts in a disc seal. The electron source is a turn of 25-mil tungsten wire heated to about 2,000 C, producing a bombardment current of 15 to 75 ma. A film 2,000 Angstrom units thick is deposited by 5 inches of 50-mil rod or $1\frac{1}{4}$ inches of 100-mil rod.

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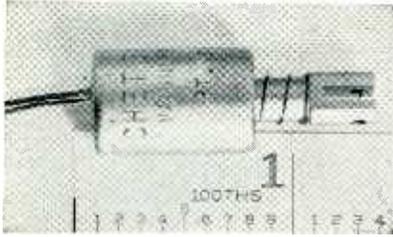


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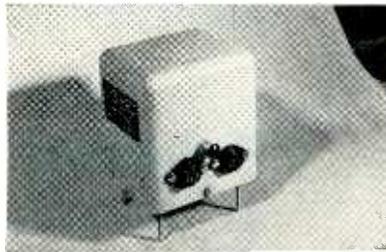
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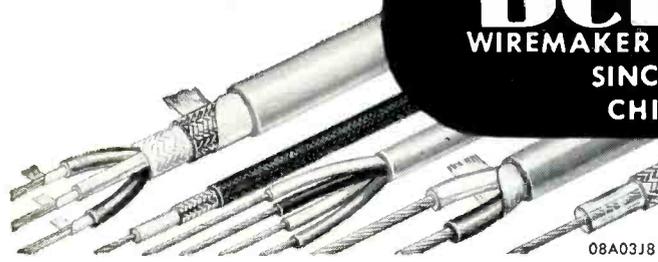
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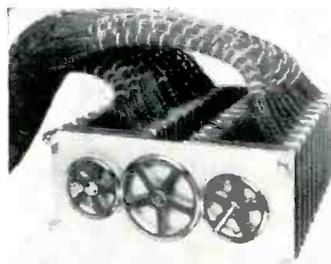
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V-R Power Supplies six new models

KEPCO LABORATORIES, INC., 131-38 Sanford Ave., Flushing 55, N. Y. A line of six new transistorized v-r power supplies cover the range 0 to 38 v, 0 to 2 amperes, with 0.02 percent regulation and stability. In addition to modular geometry, the line features low output impedance, low temperature coefficient, fuseless short circuit protection, over-current control, remote programming, and remote error signal sensing. Each model has base studs for convenient incorporation into systems as a fixed chassis component.

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Instrument Switch gear-driven

CINEMA ENGINEERING DIVISION, Aerovox Corp., Burbank, Calif. New gear-driven switches expand the CES and NETE types, in size and number of switch arrangements. The switch illustrated is prewired for easy assembly into the customer's equipment. Switching arrangement is for 72 positions and 20 poles. Unit is fabricated with rugged aluminum frame and is available in phenolic and glass epoxy deck materials.

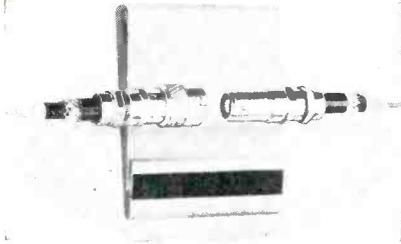
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Shielded Coil Forms two new types

CAMBRIDGE THERMIONIC CORP., 445 Concord Ave., Cambridge 38, Mass., has expanded its line of shielded coil forms to include two new types, each available in two configurations and three different materials. Both can be ordered either in fixed or variable models, with a choice in both of paper phenolic, Polypenco, or Kel-F coil forms. Lightweight aluminum housings, anodized finish,

and flanged mounting complete the design. The larger variable type is series 2590 and the fixed type 2690, while the smaller form is series 2585 in the variable and 2685 in the fixed type.

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Connectors triaxial

DAGE ELECTRIC CO., INC., 67 N. Second St., Beech Grove, Ind., announces a new series of miniature, triaxial connectors. Plugs and jacks measure only 1 in. by $\frac{3}{8}$ in. yet they provide two separate concentric shields, accommodate cables up to 0.212 in. o-d and have a 500 v rated capacity. The connectors are bayonet locking, have Teflon insulation and are available in 4 different polarity groups.

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Test Chambers walk-in type

THE AMERICAN RESEARCH CORP., Farmington, Conn., has announced a walk-in type environmental test chamber measuring 6 ft by 6 ft by 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ ft. It simulates temperatures from -100 to +250 F and relative humidities from 20 percent between +35 and +185. The test chamber has automatic temperature control, two-pen round chart recording humidity control, automatic float control of water level, water cooled condenser, and safety thermostat to protect heaters from accidental burnout.

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UHF Triode low-noise

BRITISH INDUSTRIES CORP., 80 Shore Rd., Port Washington, N. Y. The Genalex A2521, is now available for use as a grounded grid r-f amplifier at frequencies up to 1,000

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**Two-Pole Switches
shock-resistant**

MICRO SWITCH, Freeport, Ill. The 1EN75-R switch meets the requirements of MIL-S-901B (Navy) which call for a 2,000-ft-lb shock test without injury to the housing or the two enclosed spdt switching units. It is expected to find wide application on missile and rocket launching platforms, gun mounts and other equipment requiring a sealed limit switch capable of withstanding impacts.

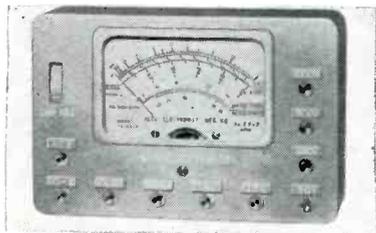
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**Potentiometers
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Multitester 1,000 ohms per v

ALCO ELECTRONICS MFG. CO., 3 Wolcott Ave., Lawrence, Mass. Model TS-55A multitester features a wide angle meter and 1 percent precision shunts and resistors. It has five a-c and d-c ranges: 0-10, 50, 250, 500 and 1,000 v, with d-c current ranges of 0-1 and 500 ma, and an ohms range to 100 K. Multitester ranges are selected by means of pin jacks on the front of the meter case. Instrument measures $3\frac{1}{4}$ in. by $1\frac{1}{8}$ in. by 5 in.

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Component Holder spring-loaded

GENERAL COMPONENTS INC., 225 E. 144th St., New York 51, N. Y. This spring-loaded component holder is used to hold component leads such as: resistors, capacitors, dials etc., for test purposes. It will handle wires from 0.005 to 0.090 in. in diameter. The holders are gold plated for low contact resistance and for maximum corrosion resistance.

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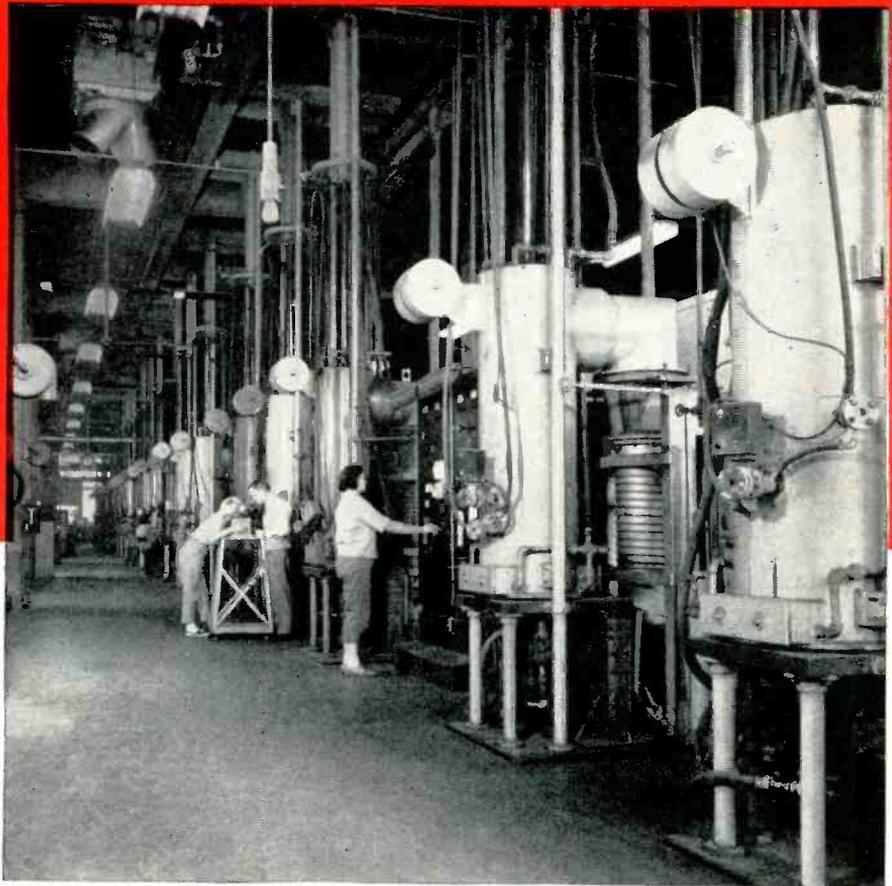
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HELIPOT DIVISION of Beckman Instruments, Inc., 2500 Fullerton Road, Fullerton, Calif., has announced a new standard linearity of ± 0.25 percent (down from ± 0.5 percent) for the 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ in., ten-turn model A precision pot. This new linearity applies to resistances ranging from 100 to 100,000 ohms. The resistance tolerance over this range has also been tightened to ± 3 percent. Up to three sections of the model A can be factory ganged. As many as 28 taps can be added to a single section, each spot

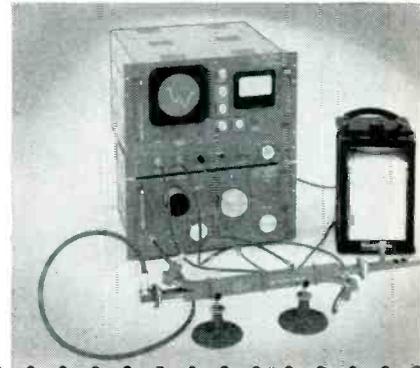
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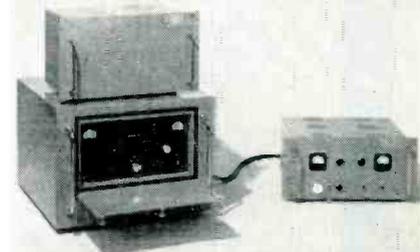
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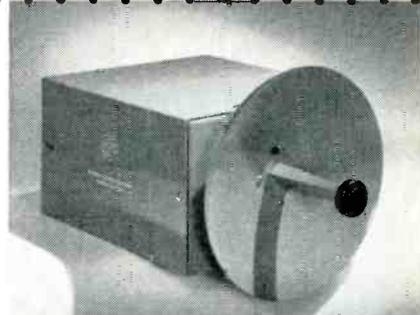
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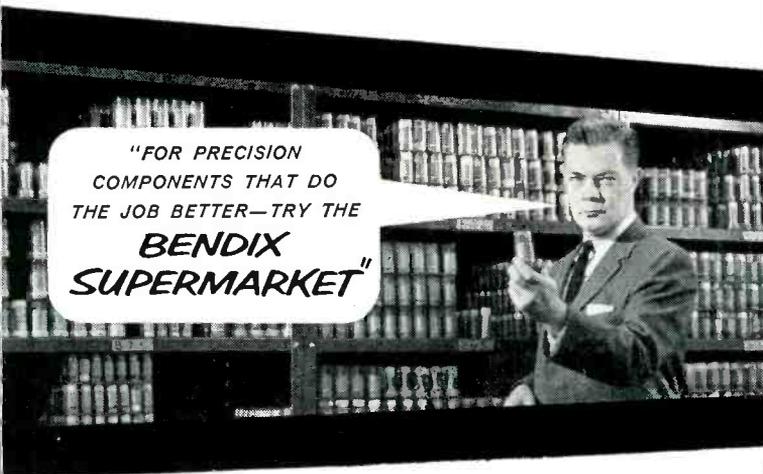
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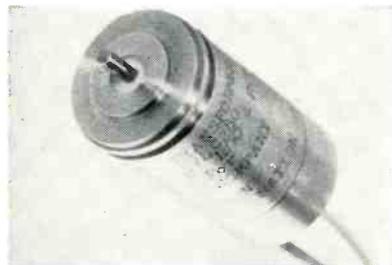
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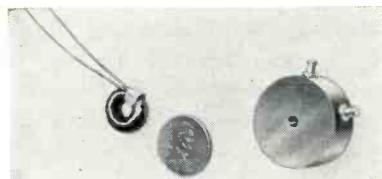
BENDIX AVIATION CORP., South Montrose, Pa., announces high-temperature synchros in both size 11 and size 23 frames. The size 11 is capable of withstanding a 450 F ambient temperature; the size 23, an ambient temperature of 350 F. Both meet the requirements of MIL-S-2335.

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Beam Power Pentode high-output

CBS-HYTRON, Parker St., Newburyport, Mass. Type 7189 miniature beam power amplifier features high power output and high power sensitivity. Maximum plate voltage rating is 450 v. Two 7189's operating in push-pull, with a peak a-f input voltage (grid-to-grid) of 29 v, provide 24 w at less than 4 percent distortion. The 9-pin miniature mounts in any position. Its 6.3-v heater draws 760 ma.

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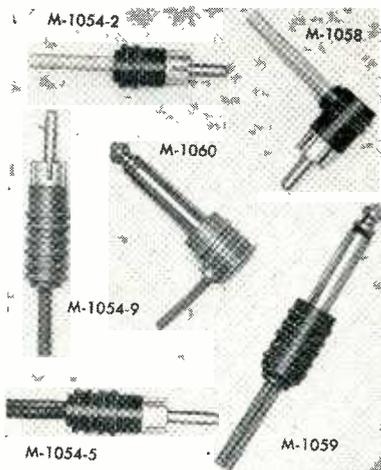


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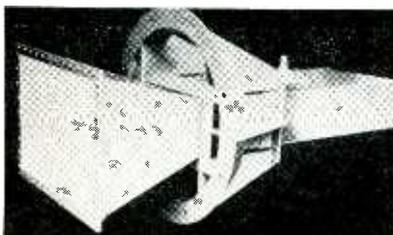
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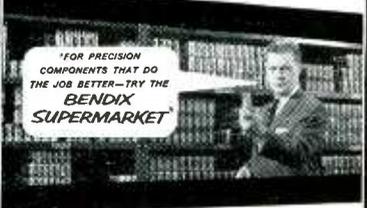
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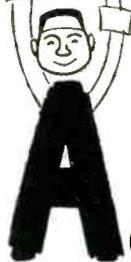
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Sam Weber is working on "Sophisticated Communications Methods" for the October 1959 issue. Report covers scatter systems, meteorburst transmission, satellite relays, carrier systems, etc.

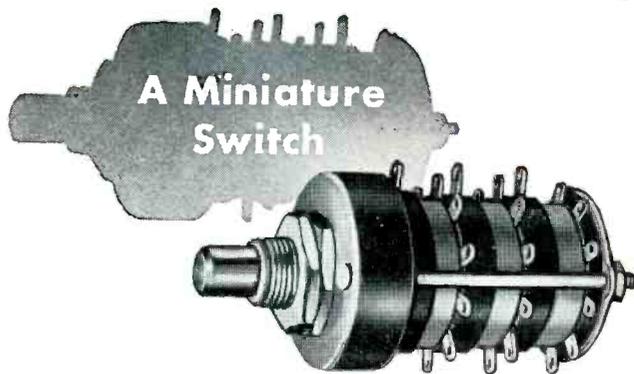
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LC Tuners. JFD Electronics Corp., 6101 Sixteenth Ave., Brooklyn 4, N. Y., has published bulletin 216 with illustrations and descriptions of electrical and mechanical characteristics of the new LC tuner series.

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Selenium Rectifiers. Rectico, Inc., 963 Frelinghuysen Ave., Newark 12, N. J. An 8-page catalog on a line of selenium rectifiers contains their basic characteristics in great detail with temperature derating table as well as an overload and allowable-currents-under - various - forced - cooling curves.

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Electrolytic Capacitors. Ohmite Mfg. Co., 3673 Howard St., Skokie, Ill. Bulletin 148F provides complete data on an expanded line of subminiature tantalum wire electrolytic capacitors.

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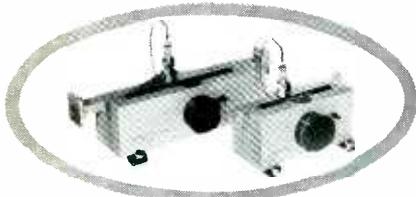
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Cooling Packages. Pesco Products Division, Borg-Warner Corp., 24700 N. Miles Blvd., Bedford, Ohio. A loose-leaf catalog folder describes four cooling packages designed for use in electronics systems requiring airliquid coolant mediums.

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Klystron Power Supplies. Polytechnic Research & Development Co., Inc., 202 Tillary St., Brooklyn 1, N. Y. A recent catalog sheet contains an illustrated description and lists performance characteristics of the type 812 klystron power supplies.

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Control Meter. International Instruments Inc., P. O. Box 2954, New Haven 15, Conn. A 4-page engineering data sheet carries a complete description of the recently developed model 2545 miniature electronic control meter.

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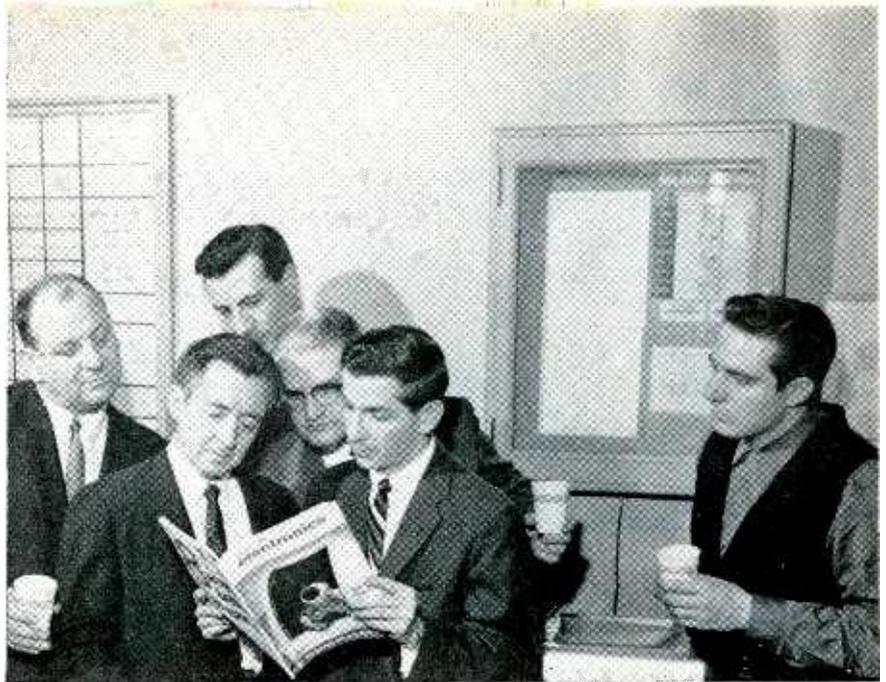
FACILITIES

Wire-Wound Components. Precision, Inc., 4748 France Ave. No., Minneapolis, Minn. A 6-page brochure describes the firm's specialized manufacturing facilities for the production of custom-made miniature wire-wound components.

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* What's in "Transistorizing Electronic Equipment" (July 31st, Special Issue)?

I. Generic Types of Semiconductors

A. Low-Power Transistors. 1. Basic transistor action for such types as grown NPN junction, grown NPN tetra-ode, alloy PNP low-frequency, alloy PNP high-frequency PNP junction, NPN junction, surface barrier, PNIP, NPPI, P unijunction, N unijunction, unipolar field-effect, diffused-base, Mesa, Madt. 2. Characteristics of above types including chart showing ranges for such parameters as emitter-collector ampli-

fication factor, base-collector amplification factor, base resistance, collector resistance, emitter voltage, base current, collector current, emitter current, collector power, emitter power. **B. Power Transistors.** 1. Basic types as above. 2. Characteristics and uses with chart as above. **C. Phototransistors.** 1. Basic types such as point-contact, PN junction and NPN junction. 2. Characteristics and uses. **D. Transistor Diodes.** 1. Basic types. 2. Characteristics and uses.

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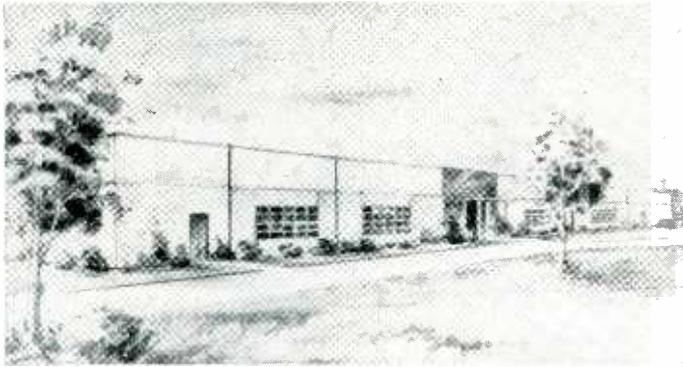
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A MAJOR plant expansion for Navy's top priority Polaris program was recently announced by Sperry Gyroscope Co. Another building in Syosset, Long Island, N. Y., has been rented by the firm's marine division to meet its expanding role in the program. The 52,000 sq ft building, located on three acres of land, is approximately 600 ft from the company's other Syosset facility. It is being rented under a 5-year lease.

Expansion became necessary when Sperry was assigned responsibility for integrating all navigation equipment under the program. In addition, the company has had responsibility for development and production of advanced equipment used to exactly position the Polaris-launching sub for firing.

The Ship's Inertial Navigation System (SINS) used to navigate submarines for extended periods without reference to conventional external sources such as radio, radar, and celestial navigation, is being produced by Sperry. SINS indicates exactly where the ship is located and where it's headed. Also being produced by the company is the Navigation Data Assimilation Center (NAVDAC). This digitalized electronic brain absorbs a wide variety of navigational data and collates, analyzes, decodes and displays this information, simultaneously selecting the most accurate data.

According to W. R. Griswold, manager of the company's SINS program, the new building will be used for administrative, engineering, design, and laboratory operations needed for Sperry's role as a navigation systems manager. The move provides added space at the marine division's Roosevelt Field, L. I., plant that can be used for production.



Raytheon Hires Fundingsland

OSMUND T. FUNDINGSLAND has been named to the newly created post of director of research for Raytheon Mfg. Co. He resigned as manager of Sylvania Electric Products, Inc., Microwave Physics Laboratory at Palo Alto, Calif., to take the Raytheon appointment.

In his new position, Fundingsland will direct long range research planning activity, provide functional guidance, and coordinate activities of the research and other operating divisions. A corporate

staff member, he will report to the vice-president of engineering and research.

Varian Sets Up Subsidiary

FORMATION of a new research and development subsidiary, S-F-D Laboratories, Inc., was recently announced by H. Myrl Stearns, president of Varian Associates, Palo Alto, Calif.

The new organization, to be located in northern New Jersey, will be headed by three prominent scientists formerly of Bell Laboratories.

Joseph A. Saloom, who will be president of S-F-D Laboratories, Inc., was responsible for all microwave tube work done at the Bell branch laboratories at Laureldale, Pa.

Joseph Feinstein, executive vice-president and director of research of the new firm, has been responsible for R&D on crossed field amplifiers and magnetrons as well as for exploratory work on plasma and solid state physics.

Jerome Drexler, who will be vice president and director of engineering, has been in charge of a development group working on crossed field devices including coaxial magnetrons.

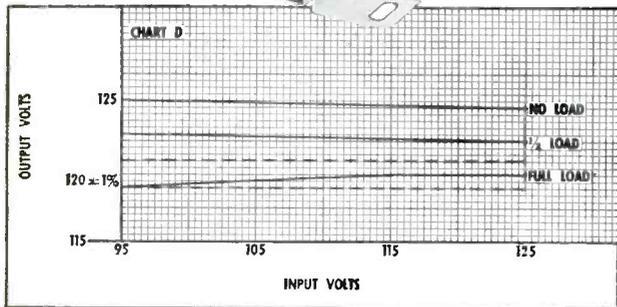
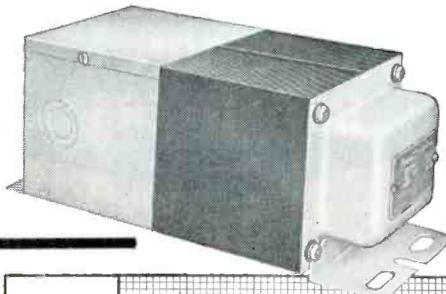
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DCA Names V-P

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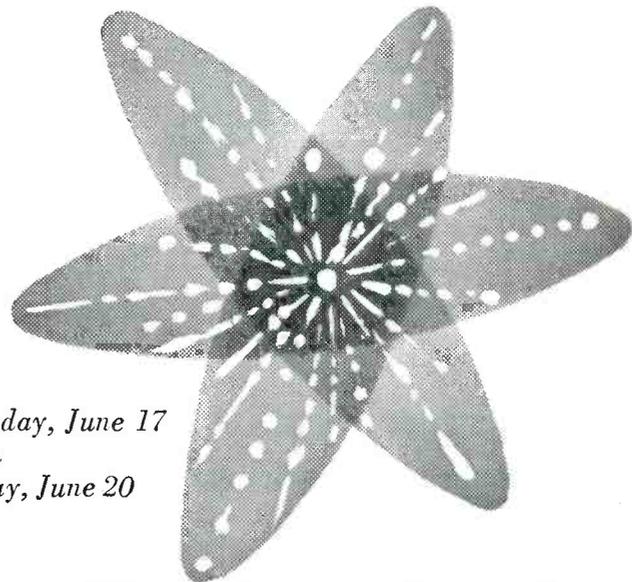
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Up Novikoff to V-P at IFI

EUGENE B. NOVIKOFF was recently appointed vice-president in charge of engineering at Instruments for Industry, Inc., Hicksville, L. I., N. Y.

He joined the company in 1952 as a project engineer. Less than a year later he was appointed supervising engineer and in 1955, chief engineer. In 1957 he was named director of engineering.

Plant Briefs

Applied Technology, Inc., a new firm for sophisticated electronics systems research, development and manufacture, has been formed in Palo Alto, Calif., with William E. Ayer as president and Peter D. Strum as vice president.

Purchase of the assets and inventories of San Jose Scientific Co. was recently announced by G. H. Bruns, Jr., president of Systron Corp., Concord, Calif.

International Electronics Mfg. Co., Washington, D. C., announces the formation of Antran—a division to serve as the manufacturing arm



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of the company. Antran is now in production on waveguide filters, frequency preselection networks, and antenna tuners for multi-channel and remote control antennas.

Acoustica Associates, Inc., Mineola, N. Y., has acquired the Universal Dynamics Corp., Santa Barbara, Calif., manufacturers of piezoelectric ceramics used in ultrasonic and sonar equipment. UDC will operate as a wholly owned subsidiary of Acoustica.

Kurz and Root, Pacific Division, Inc., manufacturer of aircraft and missile ground support and test equipment and commercial power apparatus, has transferred operations from East Los Angeles to new and larger quarters in Burbank, Calif.

CBS-Hytron changes its name to CBS Electronics, effective July 1.

Formation of Analab Instruments Corp., Cedar Grove, N. J., to design and manufacture analytical laboratory instruments for science and industry, has been announced by Morton G. Scheraga, president of the new corporation.

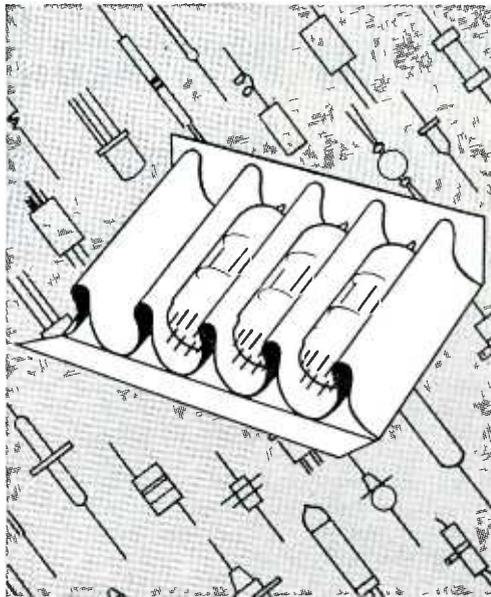
News of Reps

Baso Inc., Milwaukee, Wisc., has appointed two new reps for its line of sensitive relays. They are: Magnuson Associates of Chicago, Ill., for the territory of Wisconsin, Michigan, Minnesota, Iowa, Indiana and northern Illinois; and Design and Sales Engineering Co. of St. Louis, Mo., for the territory of Nebraska, Kansas, Missouri, and southern Illinois.

The Amerelay Corp., New Hyde Park, N. Y., manufacturer of micro-miniature relays, has appointed Gassner & Clark Co., of Chicago to cover northern Illinois, eastern Iowa and eastern Wisconsin areas.

The Garrett Corporation's Aero Engineering and Airsupply Division of Los Angeles, Calif., has undertaken sales representation for Elgin Micronics Division of the Elgin National Watch Co.

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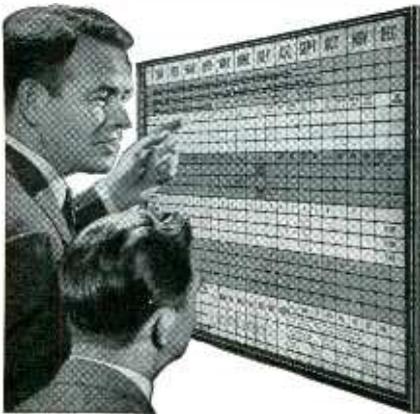
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COMMENT

Operational Amplifier

(Re: "D-C Operational Amplifier With Transistor Chopper," p 94, Apr. 24): Congratulations to Messrs. Hochwald and Gerhard for having handled a difficult problem with imagination, and for their lucid presentation of the results.

I believe, however, that there is an error in the schematic (Fig. 1) as regards the connection between the integrating amplifier output, the +55-v supply, C_2 , the 200K resistor and the 33K resistor.

ALAN BRODER

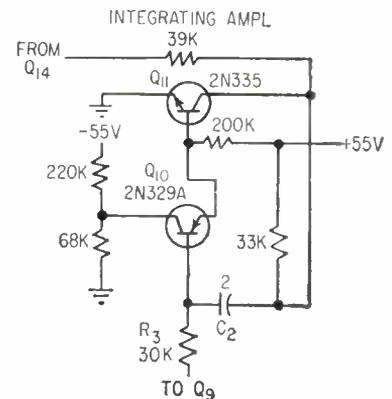
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. . . Both authors have received several letters notifying them of errors in the schematic and are naturally desirous of seeing a corrected version published. . . .

JAMES W. CAREY

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The drawing shows a + 55-v potential applied to the junction of capacitor C_2 and the 33K resistor. The correct connection is as shown here.



Besides, the drawing shows diode D_1 (at the left of the drawing) connected backwards; its cathode should be grounded, not its anode.

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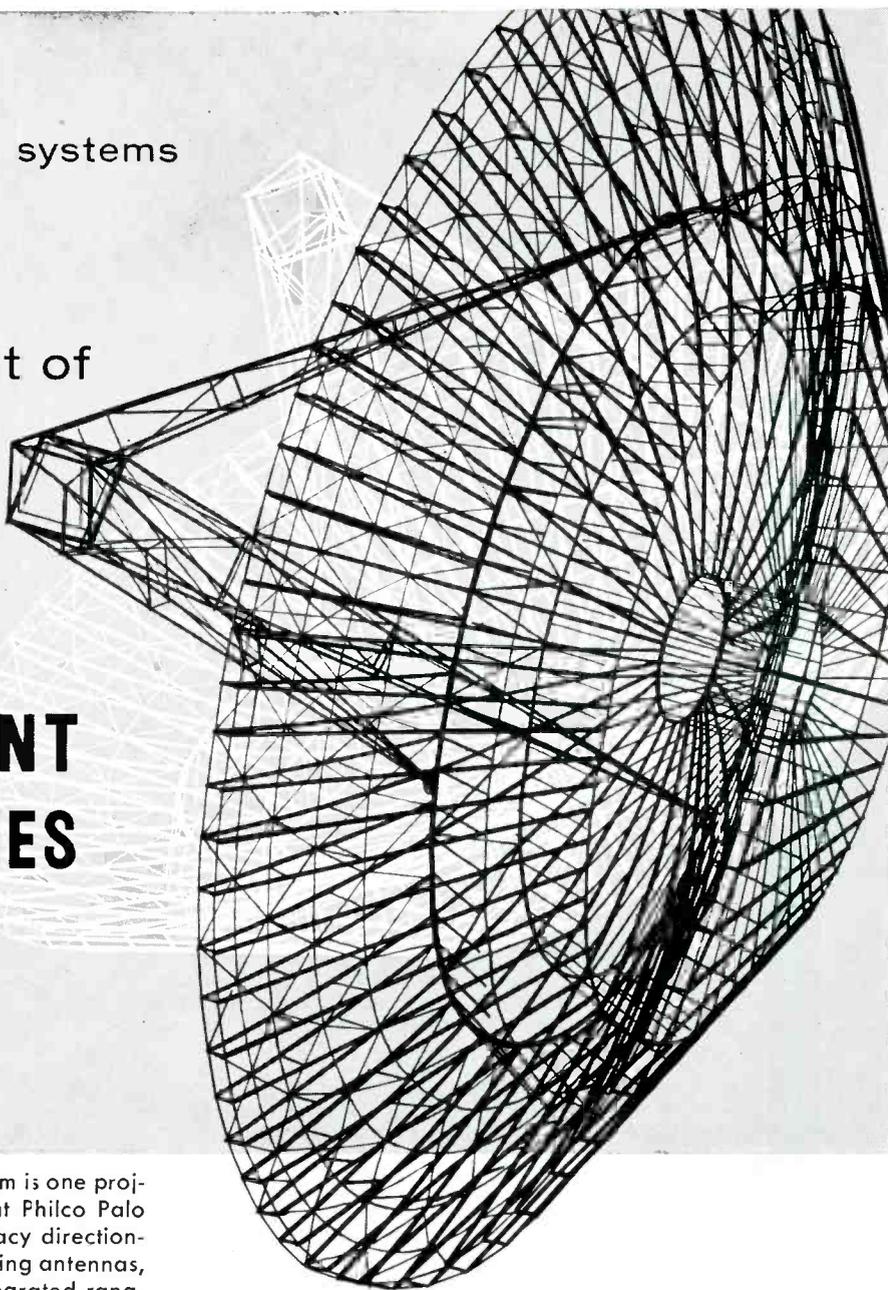
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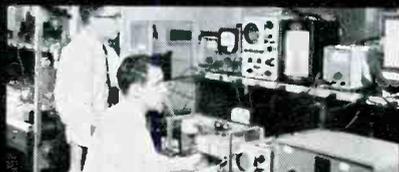
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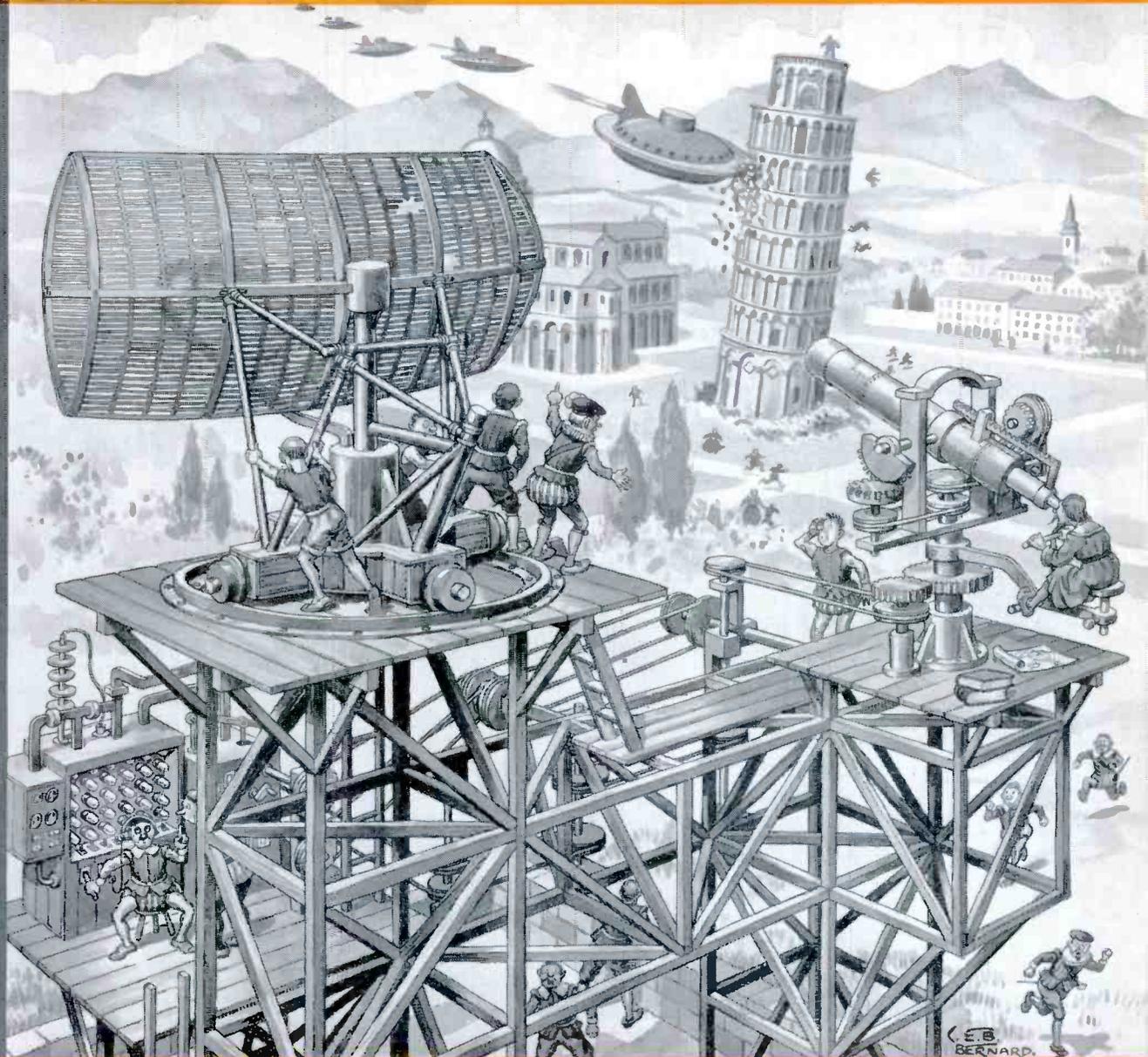
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