

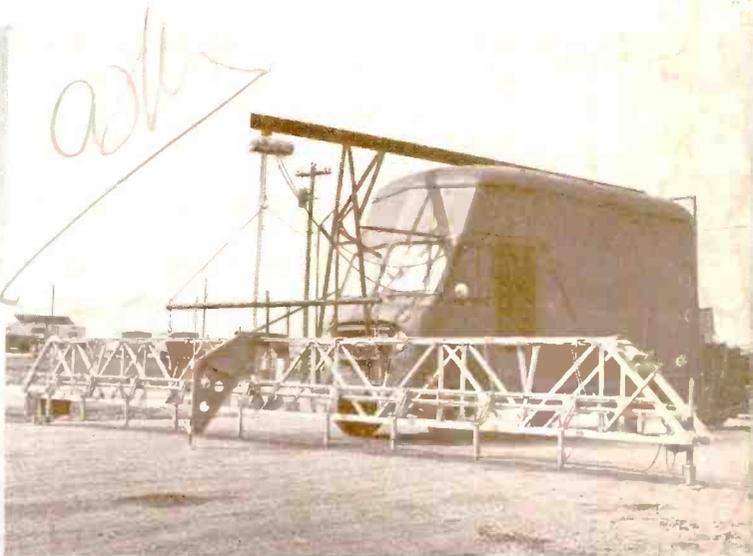
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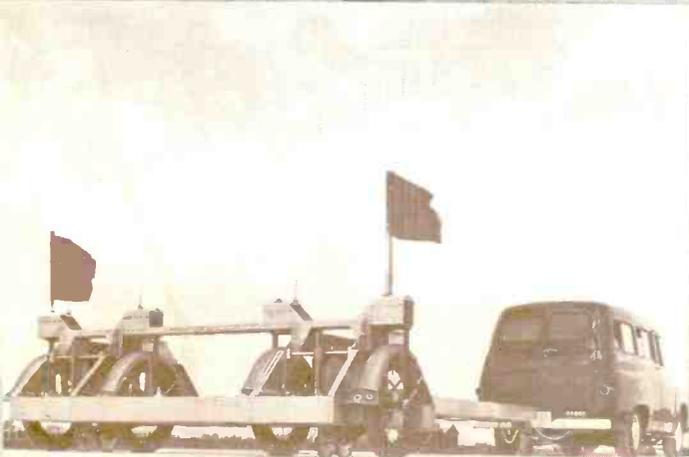
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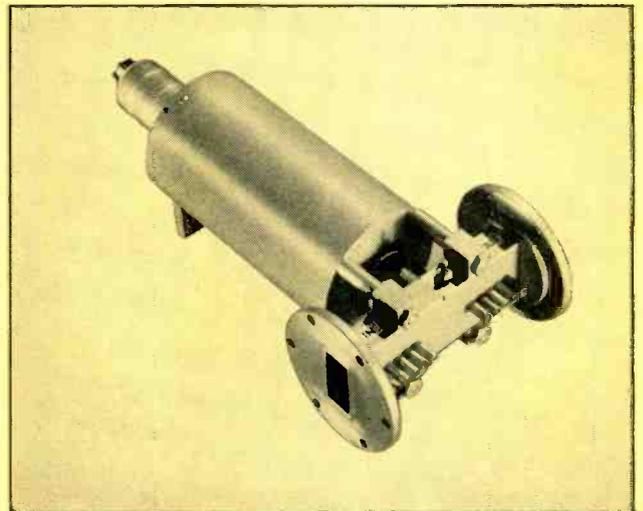
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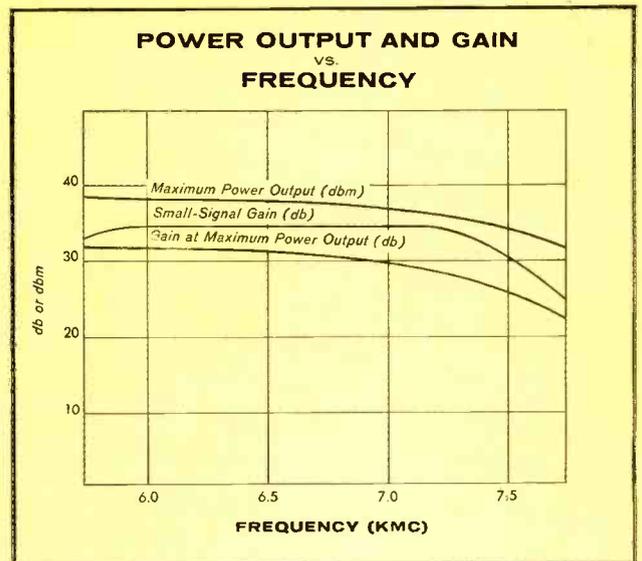
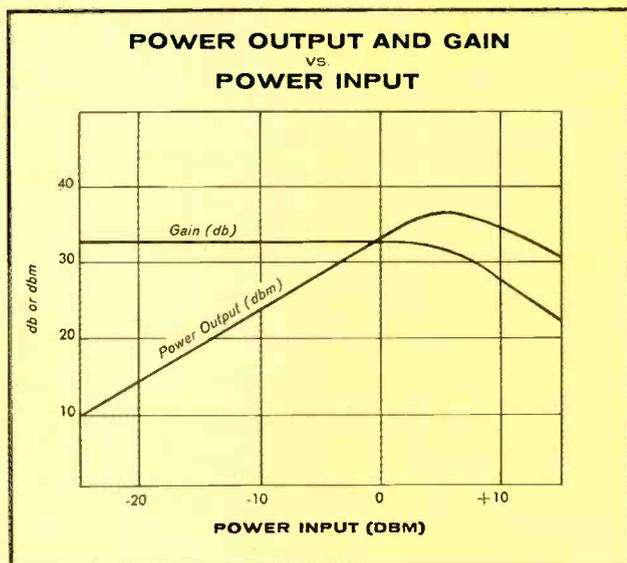
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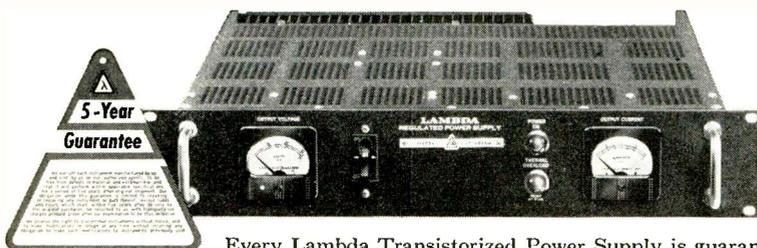
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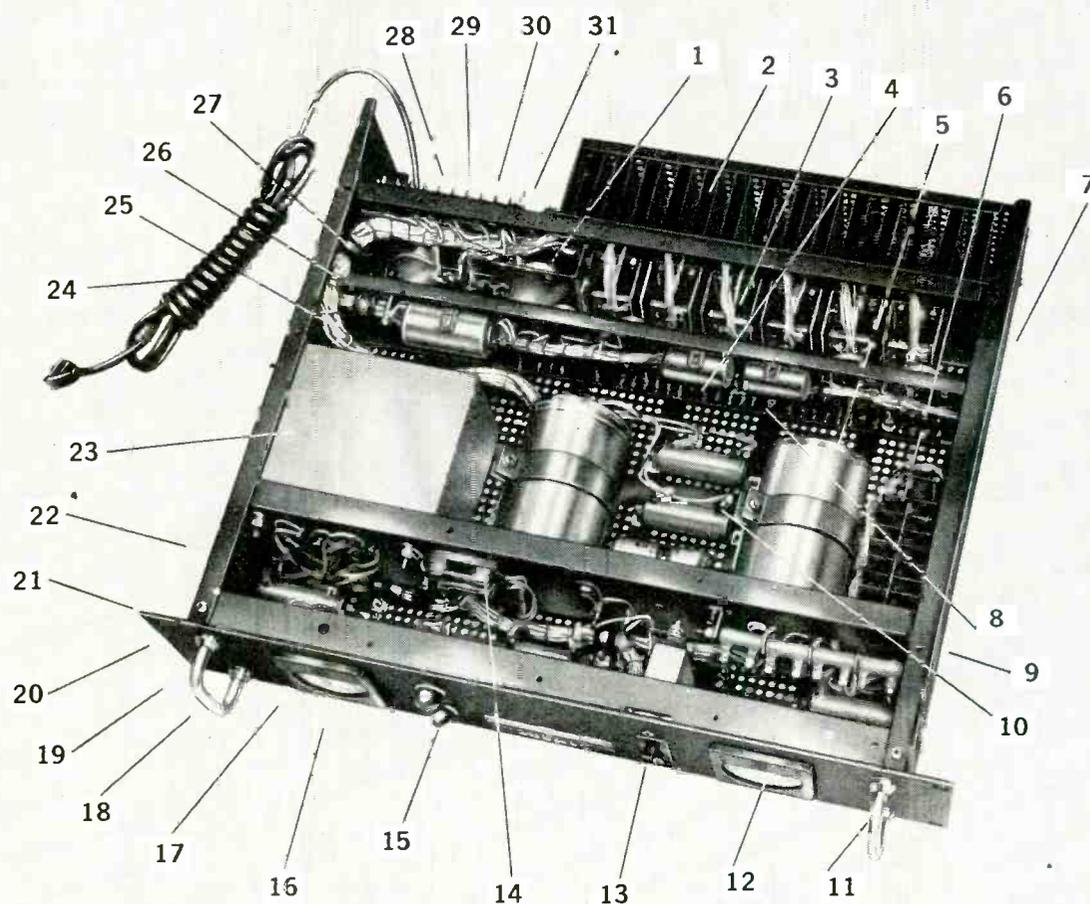
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ELECTRON DEVICES. Interest in new and improved electron devices manifests itself each year in increasing attendance at the Electron Devices Meeting in Washington. This year 1,300 more engineers attended sessions at which 62 technical papers were presented.

In our next issue, Assistant Editor Wolff presents a roundup of some significant developments unveiled at the two-day conclave. In his article you'll find information about: a selective-erasure storage tube, the latest in electroluminescent devices, a reflected-beam kinescope, new low-noise devices, and a parametric amplifier which requires low pump power.

AIR CONDITIONING. Use of analog computers for analyzing the thermal behavior of dwellings has been limited to studies of special enclosures, using general-purpose equipment. Now W. L. Wright and C. A. Booker of Westinghouse in Cheswick, Pa., describe an analog computer designed specifically to determine residential air conditioning loads. The concept is based on using thermal circuits that represent unit areas of the physical structure.

DESIGNING AGAINST RADIATION. As brought out in a recent ELECTRONICS article (p 55, Nov. 27), the tolerance of solid-state circuits to nuclear radiation can be increased through proper choice of transistors. Next week, J. R. Bilinski and R. Merrill of GE in Ithaca, N. Y., present some nomographs that will help circuit designers select the best transistor for a radiation environment.

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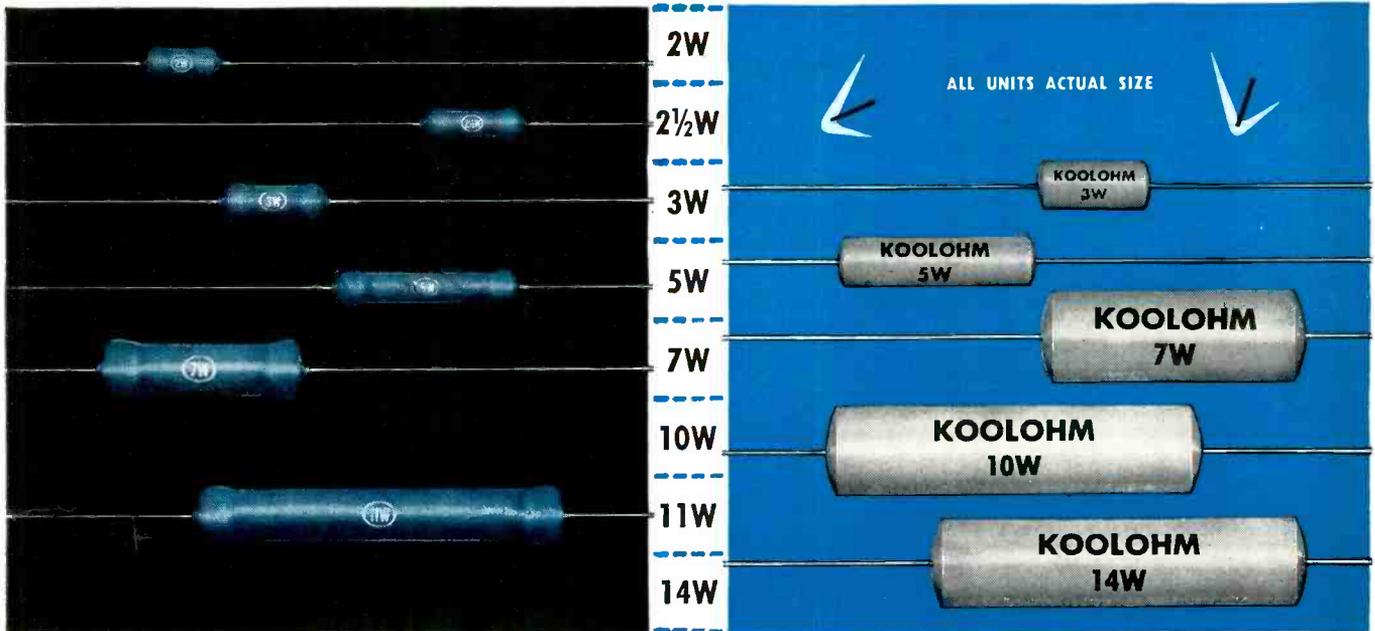
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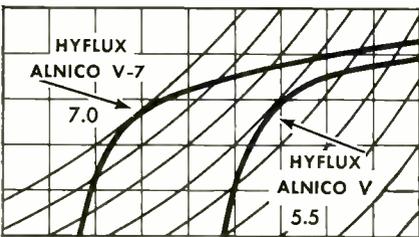
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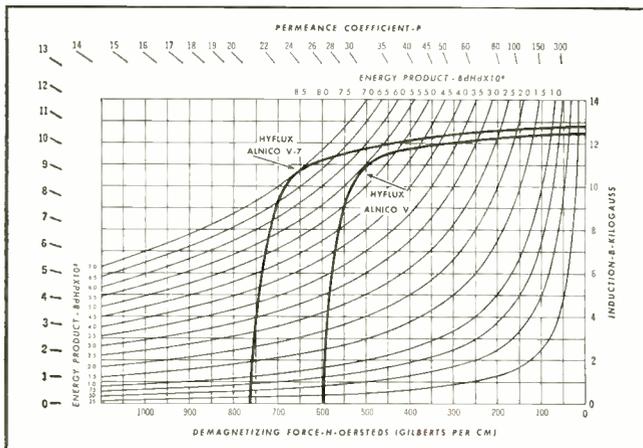
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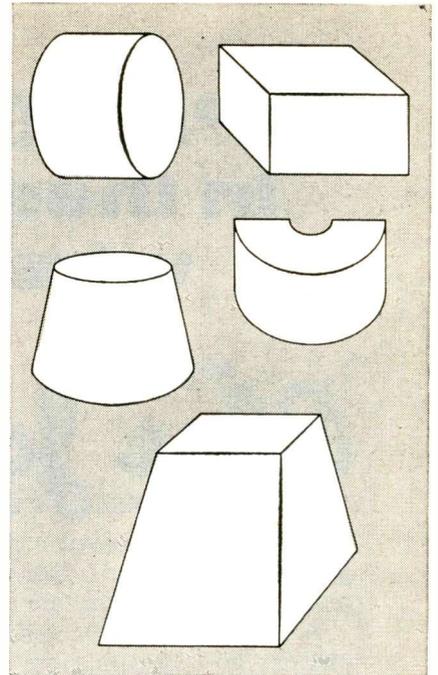
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Coercive Force (minimum) H_c Oersteds	765	600
Peak Energy Product $B_d H_d \max \times 10^6$	7.00	5.50
Peak Magnetizing Force Oersteds	3,000	3,000
Weight (lb per cu in)	0.265	0.265
Mechanical Properties	Hard-Brittle	Hard-Brittle

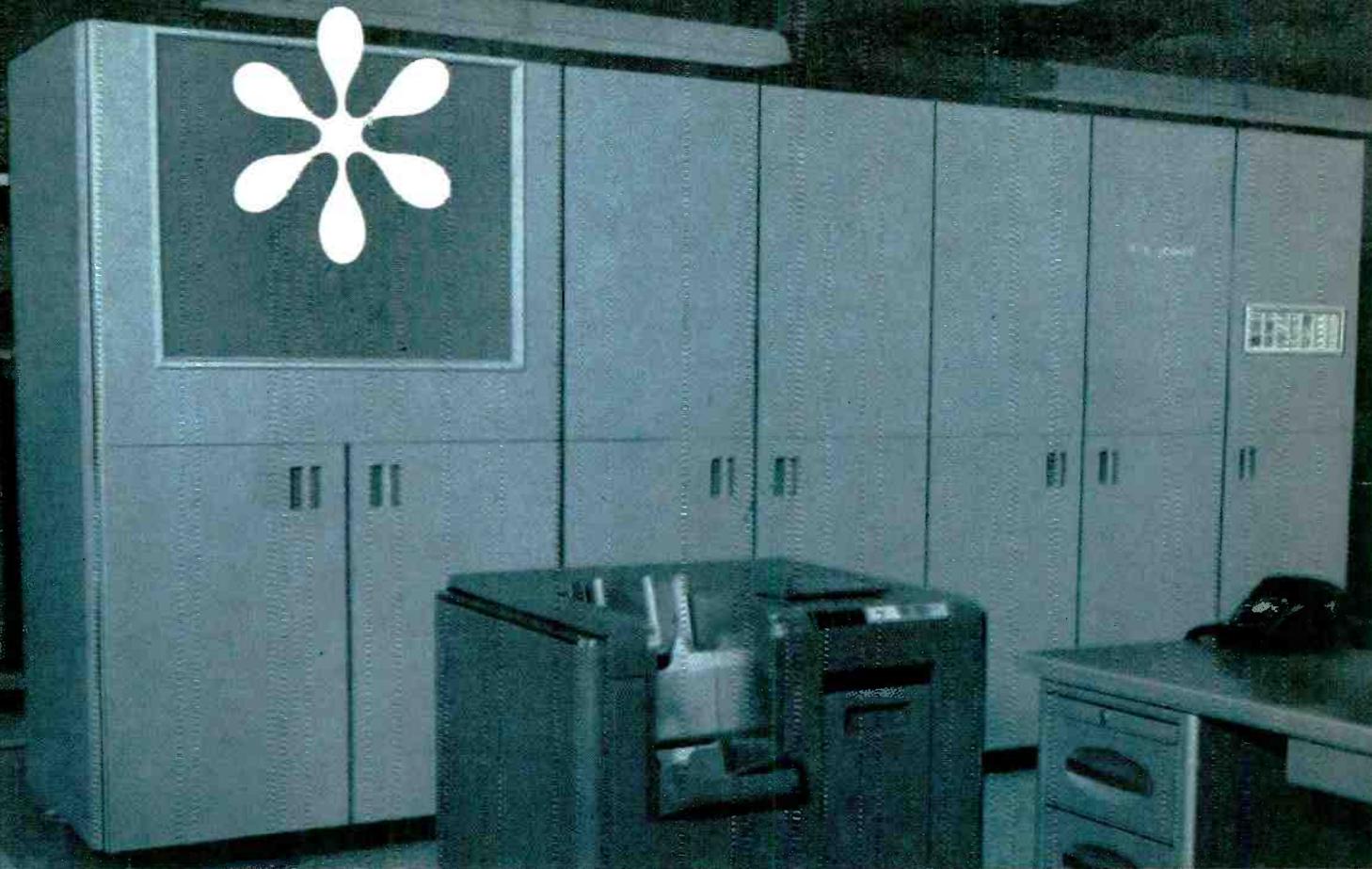
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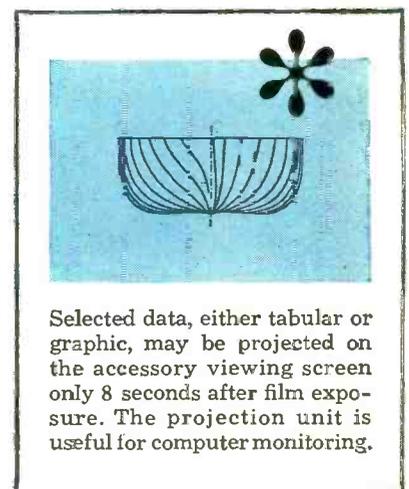
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INPUT CHARACTERISTICS

Input circuit guarded, floating, isolated from output, can be grounded. Input impedance 200,000 ohms min. (Preamplifier also available at extra cost with 4-step attenuator with gains of 10, 20, 50 and 100 and smooth gain control to reach any intermediate setting.)

BANDWIDTH

DC to 70 cps (−3 db).

RISE TIME

25 ms to 99.9% of steady state value.

OUTPUT CHARACTERISTICS

Floating, independent of input, can be grounded.

Capabilities: ±1 v across 300 ohms, DC to 70 cps
±1.5 v across 300 ohms, DC to 40 cps

Output impedance 100 ohms. Output is across 300 ohm internal load, shunted by internal 4 mfd capacitance. Part or all of this resistance and capacitance can be supplied externally, in any combination to suit your application.

LINEARITY

±0.1% of full scale output (2 volts)

GAIN

100 (10 mv input for 1 volt output). Preamplifier with gain of 1000 (1 mv input for 1 volt output) also available on special order. Gain stability ±0.1% for min. of 24 hours.

INPHASE REJECTION RATIO

120 db at 60 cps, 160 db at DC, with 5000 ohms unbalance in source.

INPHASE TOLERANCE

250 VDC, 220 VAC

NOISE

2 uv peak-to-peak referred to input (measured over DC to 100 cps). Noise plus ripple for full scale signal not to exceed ±0.1% of signal (measured wide band-ripple is 880 cps).

DRIFT

±2 uv referred to input, at constant ambient temperature, after 30 minutes' warm-up. Input drift temperature coefficient ±0.2 uv/°C, max.

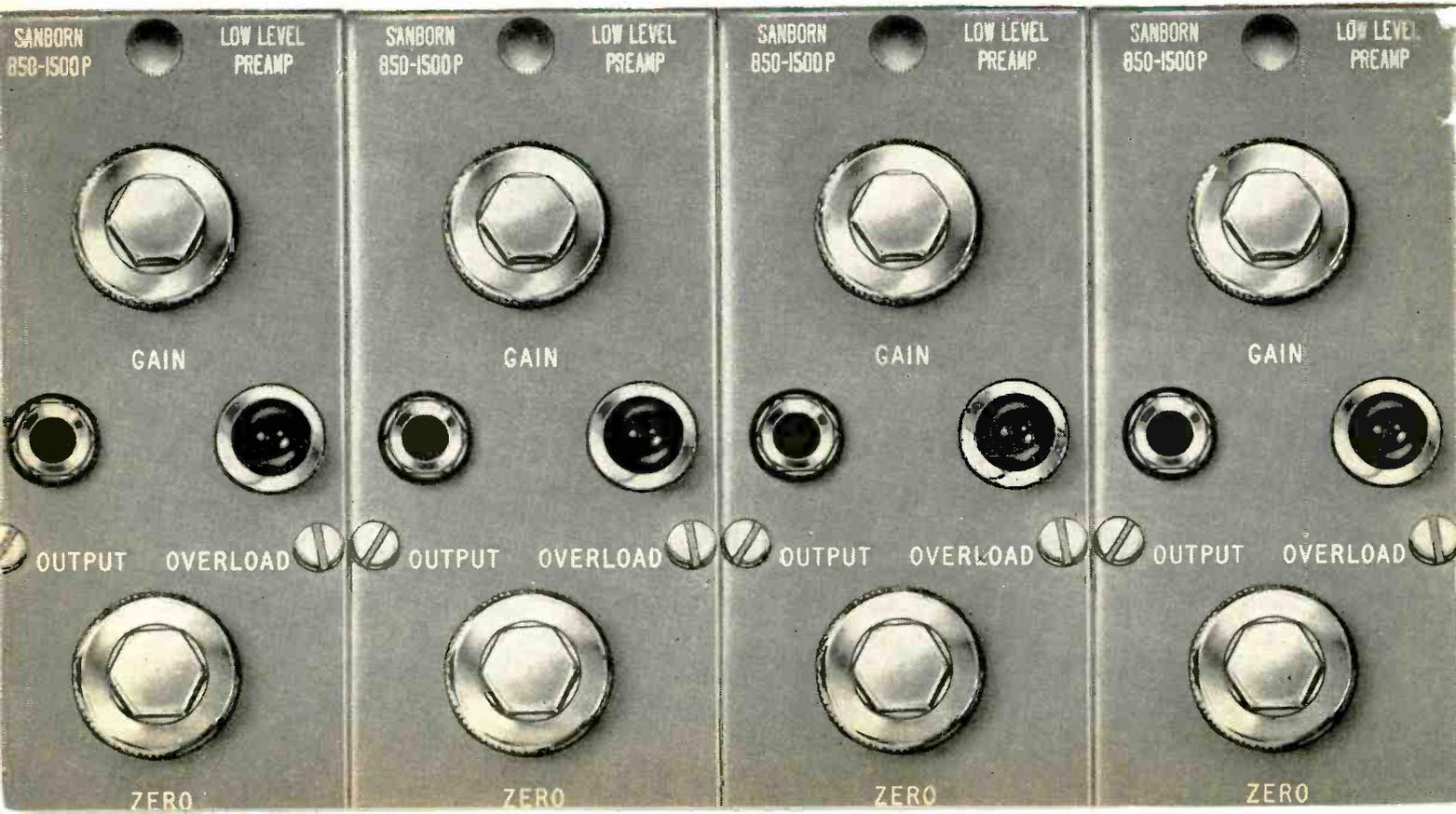
OVERLOAD RECOVERY

Preamplifier recovers from fully blocked condition within 20 milliseconds after removal of signal. 10 volts of signal at input will not damage preamplifier.

POWER REQUIREMENTS

Each Preamplifier requires 2.5 watts; Model 858-500P Power Supply handles up to eight Preamplifiers.

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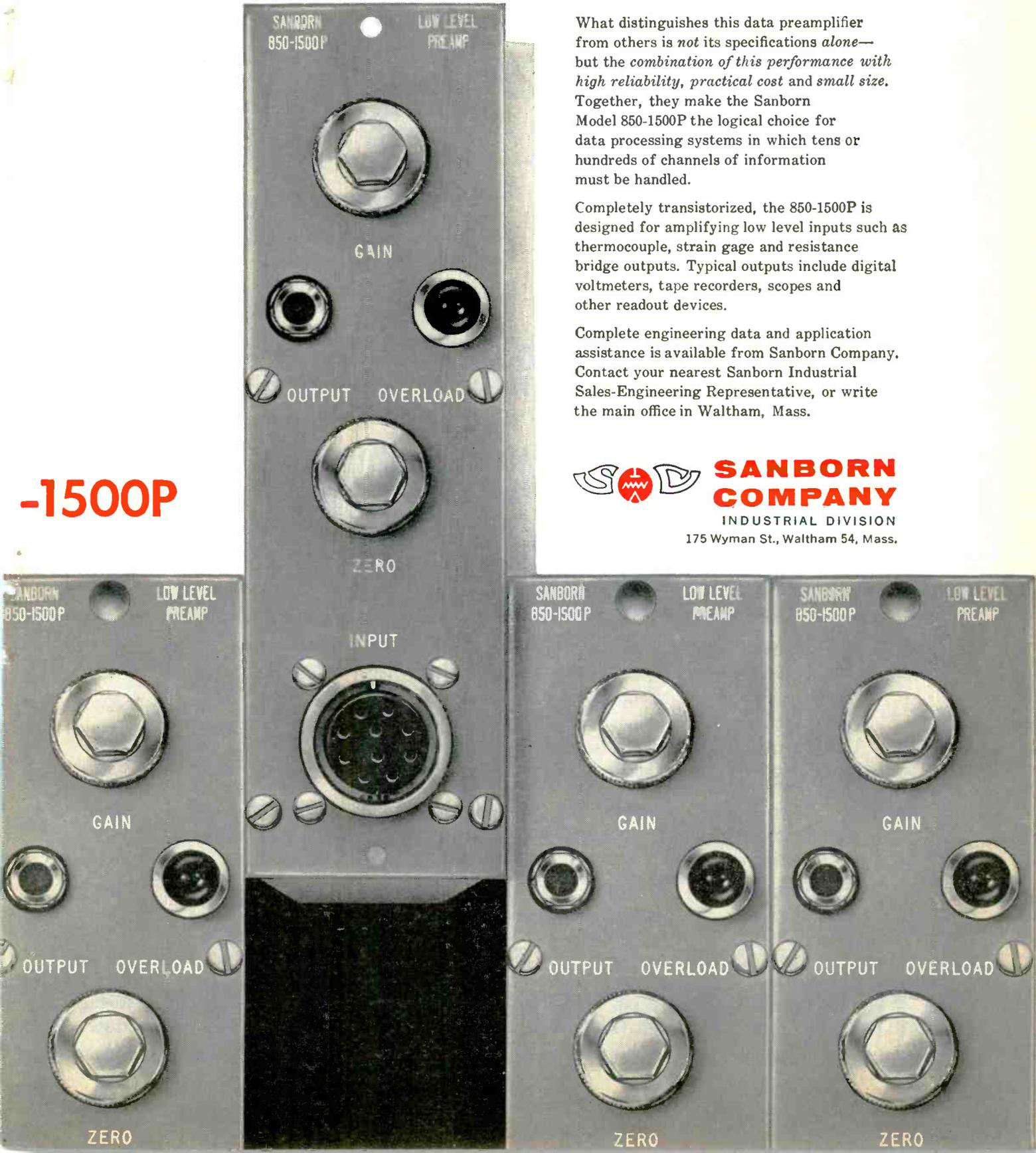
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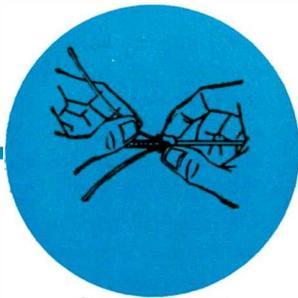
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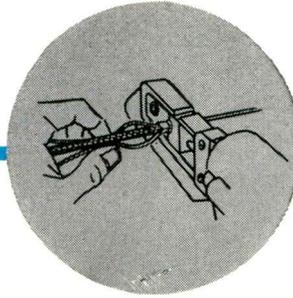
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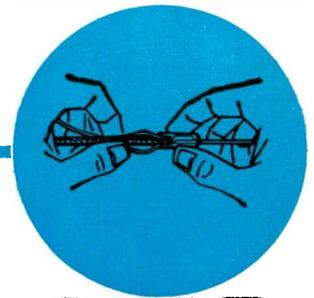
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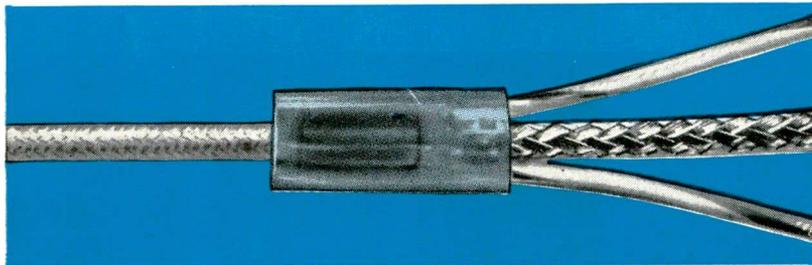
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ELECTRONICS NEWSLETTER

F-M AUTO RADIO selling for about \$125 will be marketed next February by Motorola. Company says design of the set permits it to fit under the dashboard with three brackets for easy installation and removal. The radio can be used in any 12-volt American car built since 1955, or in any other 12-volt vehicle with a negative ground ignition system; set uses a regular car antenna. Adapter kits for rear-seat speakers will also be offered. The company estimates there are 15 million f-m receivers, believes "a good percentage" of these f-m listeners will want to keep tuned in while driving. Motorola says it has overcome technical difficulties which previously prevented mass production of an f-m receiver for the automobile market. The radio is powered by three transistors and seven tubes, provides 15 watts of peak power.

Italian business machine maker Olivetti is producing typewriter arm support-plates with a fixed program automatic electrohydraulic milling machine equipped with a transistorized control unit. Printed circuits are used for logical functions of program direction. Machine works two identical parts at once during a five-minute cycle of 275 operations.

CIVIL AIR REGULATIONS amendment is proposed by the Federal Aviation Agency that would require Agency approval of the performance standards of airborne radar and radio devices which now supplement required navigation and communications facilities. FAA says such gear may have a significant effect on air safety, asks for power to approve equipment before its experimental installation and invites comment on the proposed change in rules.

Nearly 61 percent of the nation's 66,000 general aviation aircraft were carrying receiver-transmitters in 1958, according to a Federal Aviation Agency survey. In 1954 less than 48 percent of 61,000 aircraft carried two-way radio equipment.

RED CHINA has developed a remote control system, presumably for power transmission, which uses telemetering gear and automatic control devices at unmanned substations. Peiping Radio, monitored in Tokyo, said recently that semiconductor devices, magnetic elements and some printed circuits are used. Work was done at the Institute of Automation and Telemechanics of the Chinese Academy of Sciences, counterpart of a similar institute in the USSR. Another Peiping broadcast boasted that Red China is now turning out electronic computers, telephone equipment and television transmitters. The broadcast said 110,000 radio sets were turned out last year, 5.5 times the number for the previous year.

NEW DEGAUSSING COILS gird the inside of the Navy's just commissioned guided missile destroyer,

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A second coast-to-coast microwave system may be operating by 1962. Western Union is reportedly planning such an expansion and, maybe later, a further extension southward. WU's present east-west system reaches Cincinnati and Chicago.

CHEMISTRY INFORMATION RETRIEVAL will be carried out by a new special computer under development in the USSR for the Council for Cybernetics of the Academy of Sciences. The machine will determine within seconds, says Tass, any possible chemical compounds that answer to input specifications. The machine will use an algorithmic technique, translating chemical characteristics into mathematical expressions and analyzing the expressions by matrix inversion and other linear methods. Answers will then be retranslated into chemical terms. Ultimately, Soviet planners hope to derive information about the physical and other properties of chemical compounds.

PERMANENT HEARTBEAT CONTROLLER has been attached to the heart muscle of a patient in the fourth case of its kind. A bipolar electrode was sewn into place against the heart wall of a 37-year-old man with a progressively worsening heartblock—a condition in which the filling and pumping chambers lose their synchronized rhythm and do not respond to drugs. Operation was performed at the University of California Medical Center in San Francisco. Plastic-coated wires, leading from the electrode out through the chest incision, were attached to a transistorized, battery powered pacemaker. Device is worn on a belt around the waist, delivering an electrical stimulus to the heart 60 times a minute. This maintains a firm and regular pulse.

Third International Conference on Medical Electronics will be held at Olympia, London, from July 21 to 27, 1960. Conference is being organized by the Electronics and Communications Section of The Institution of Electrical Engineers in association with the International Federation for Medical Electronics. A simultaneous exhibition is planned.

IMAGE INTENSIFIER which multiplies the brightness of a faint image 50,000 times has been developed at the Imperial College of Science in London. The intensifier tube, expected to find application in astronomy, nuclear physics and hospital X-ray use, is 18-in. long and 2-in. in diameter.

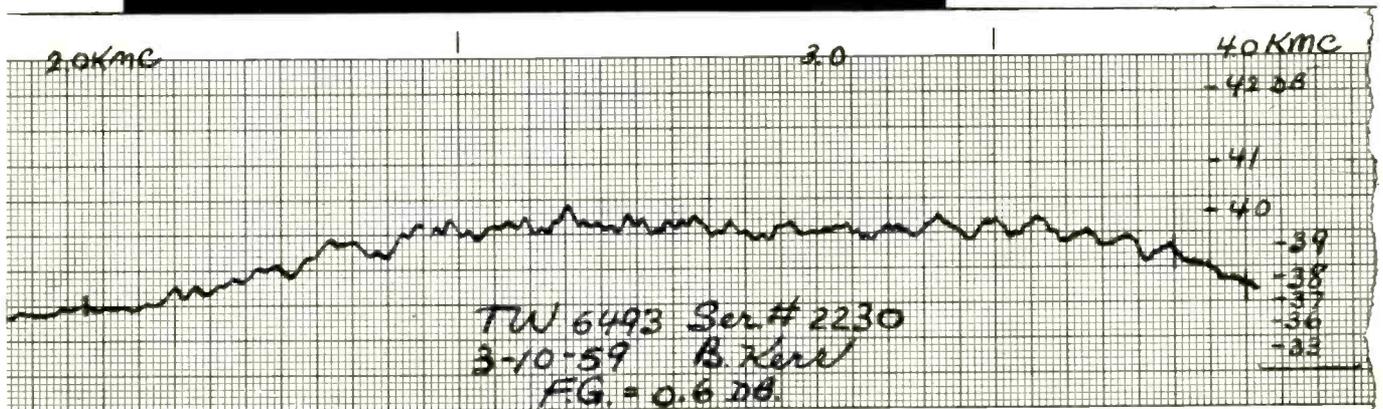
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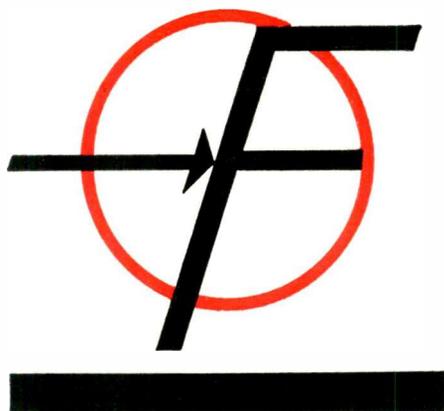
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WASHINGTON OUTLOOK

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION is extending the grace period for vhf translators to March 31 of next year in the hope that Congress will act to legalize them. A bill to make the 1,000-odd existing installations legal was introduced in the Senate, where pressure from western senators pushed it through.

Almost all boosters (which pick up and rebroadcast on the same channel) have been changed over to become translators (which rebroadcast on a different vhf channel), because boosters are inclined to be unstable and to pick up false signals. Neither type of installation is now legal in the vhf range.

FCC is asking Congress to change the Communications Act to permit licensing of stations constructed prior to granting of a permit. This would cover all the translators, while the few remaining boosters would be out. In addition, FCC is proposing standards to legalize new low-power vhf translators up to 1 watt. More powerful ones would have to work in the uhf range, where translators are already legal.

The Commission is inviting comments until Jan. 11. Broadcasters are lobbying to require translators to get permission from the station whose signal they pick up. But mountain state legislators, whose constituents depend heavily on translators for tv, are powerful boosters for the proposed change.

- Some Pentagon experts are saying the recent cut in the B-70 program spells finis for manned bombers beyond the present B-52 and B-58 aircraft. The Defense Department's decision to "reorient" B-70 R&D means the Air Force will build two prototype planes capable of flying 2,000 mph but stripped of combat systems such as bomb-nav and defensive radar.

The project's new objective is to demonstrate the aerodynamic feasibility of flying a large aircraft at three times the speed of sound rather than to develop a complete weapons system.

Electronics producers such as IBM, Westinghouse and Motorola, which were contractors for the major subsystems, bear the brunt of the cutback. Scope of the project is being reduced from the \$300 million originally planned for fiscal 1961 to only \$75 million. Sperry Gyroscope is building a gyro platform for the two B-70 prototypes with target date in 1962, and is apparently unaffected by the cut in the program.

As plans shape up now, the first B-70 will be test-flown in 1963, a year later than previously planned. The aircraft is now looked upon as a "composite" plane, likely to become a prototype for future transport or reconnaissance craft. Its potential as a bomber or missile platform hasn't entirely been ruled out, of course, but recent deemphasis on combat-system development plays down the plane's combat role.

- FCC was up and charging in other directions this week. For the first time in years it was threatening to revoke licenses and otherwise crack down on station owners who may have been involved in broadcasting hanky-panky.

The agency ordered WGMA in Hollywood, Fla., to show why its license should not be revoked. WGMA is jointly owned by co-producers of two of the fixed quiz shows. FCC has not revoked a license since 1949, and picked up only three or four in its history.

Various Commission actions and statements indicate that the FCC, suffering acute embarrassment in the public spotlight, will be tougher on all kinds of mis-, mal- and non-feasance in the future, whether it be bad programming, improper antenna-tower heights, or interference.

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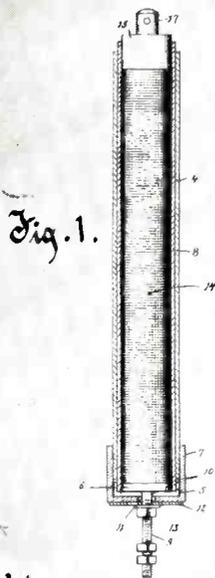


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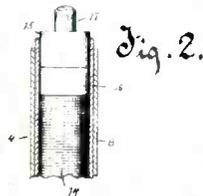


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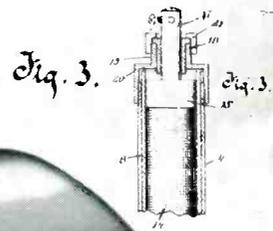


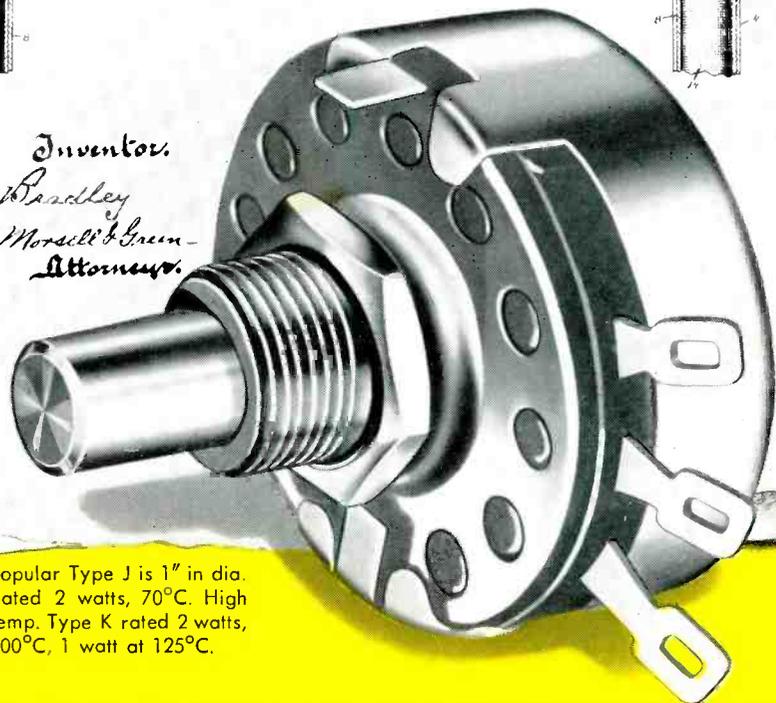
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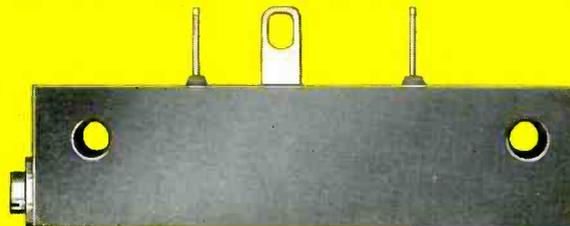


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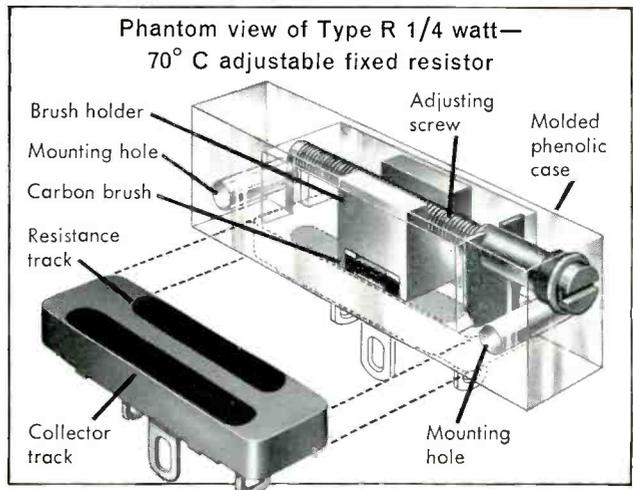
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• **Stockholders of Avien Inc.**, Woodside, N. Y., have voted to exchange all the company's class B stock for class A shares on a one-for-one basis. The decision will involve 313,096 shares. Also approved was a plan to increase the number of shares that can be optioned under the company's stock option plan. The move raises the present limit from 30,000 to 50,000 shares.

• **Monogram Precision Industries, Inc.**, Culver City, Calif., shareholders approved a restricted stock option plan at their Fall meeting. The plan calls for 60,000 shares to be distributed to key employees and to be used to assist in recruiting qualified engineers.

• **Victoreen Instrument**, Cleveland, is awaiting SEC approval of registration for \$2½ million in 6-percent convertible subordinated debentures. The issue, which will be due in 1974, will be offered in coupon form in \$1,000 denominations. The proceeds will be used to retire a bank loan, finance acquisition of Standard Felt Co., and for other such corporate purposes as may be necessary.

• **Telechrome Mfg.**, Amityville,

N. Y., has filed with SEC for registration of \$750,000 in 6-percent convertible subordinated debentures due in 1969. The issue will be convertible into shares of the company's class A stock. Of the proceeds, \$650,000 will be used to retire bank notes. The remainder will be used for new acquisitions in process and for general corporate expansion.

• **Perkin-Elmer Corp.**, Norwalk, Conn., reports net sales of \$3,246,721 and net income of \$55,550 for the quarter ended Oct. 31. This compares with \$4,285,348 and \$143,396 respectively for the same period a year ago. R. S. Perkin, chairman of the board, commented that many months elapse between receipt and shipment of government orders, in explaining the diminished volume of sales, earnings.

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Elec & Mus Ind	1,468	11¾	11½	11¾
RCA	1,448	73¼	69¾	70¾
Raytheon	1,273	58½	53¾	57½
Avco Corp	1,064	15¾	14¾	15
Emerson	951	19½	15¾	19½
Burroughs Corp	925	37½	33¾	36¾
Gen Dynamics	877	51¾	43¾	49½
Intl Tel & Tel	729	40¾	38½	40
Univ Control	722	19¾	18¼	18¾
Gen Electric	642	93	89½	91¾
Gen Inst	642	33½	29¾	33
Computdyne	641	20	16¼	18¾
Admiral Corp	569	24¾	22½	24¾
Lear Inc	559	21¾	19¾	19¾
Siegler Corp	465	35¾	32½	35½
Standard Coil	464	17¼	15½	17½
Harmon Kardon	459	87½	7	8¾
Ampex	437	134½	119½	123
Gen Tel & Elec	423	78½	75½	77¾
Cons Electronics	408	58¾	52¾	55¾
Varian AsSoc	406	51¾	46¾	47¾
Loral Electronics	405	39¾	34¼	37½

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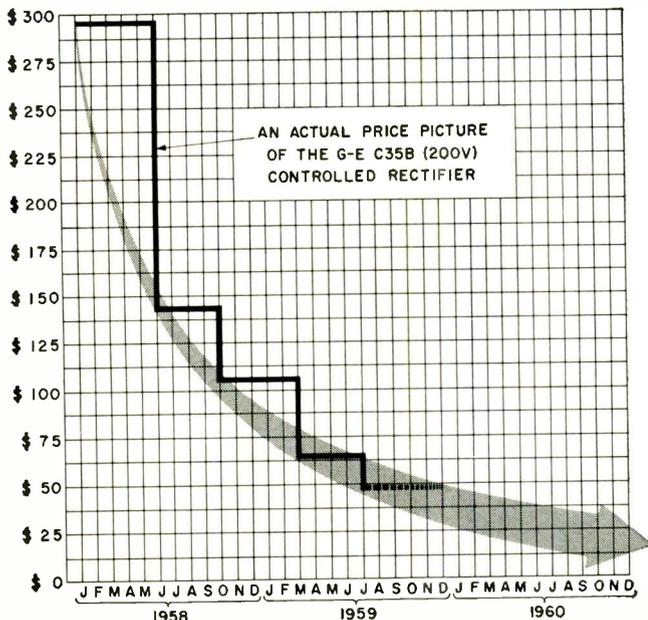
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Peak Gate Power	5 watts							
Average Gate Power	0.5 watts							
Peak Gate Current (I _G)	2 amperes							
Peak Gate Voltage (V _G) (forward)	10 volts							
Storage Temperature	-65°C to +150°C							
Operating Temperature	-65°C to +125°C							
CHARACTERISTICS (At Maximum Ratings)	C35U	C35F	C35A	C35G	C35B	C35H	C35C	C35D
Minimum Forward Breakover Voltage (V _{BO})	25	50	100	150	200	250	300	400 volts
Maximum Reverse (I _R) or Forward (I _S) Leakage Current (Full Cycle Average)	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.0	5.5	5.0	4.0 ma
Maximum Forward Voltage (V _{F AVG})	0.86 volts (Full Cycle Average)							
Maximum Gate Current To Fire (I _{GF})	25 ma							
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MARKET RESEARCH



Chuck Joyner: Gets new EIA duties



Bill Long: Joins Philco

New Market Data Head at EIA

A TOP-LEVEL marketing personnel change at the Electronic Industries Association heads this week's news.

Chuck Joyner has been named head of EIA's Market Data Department. He replaces Bill Long, who is joining the Lansdale Division of Philco Corp. in a long-range planning capacity.

The market data job at EIA has considerable significance to the electronics industry. The department is the repository of confidential sales and inventory information from which the association develops the industry-wide marketing statistics it supplies to members and the public.

Long established the department in 1951 with a staff of three members. It now has a staff of 14. Department services have grown considerably since 1951. They include not only the collection and preparation of inventory and sales information but publishing of the annual EIA Fact Book and the processing of military data abstracts.

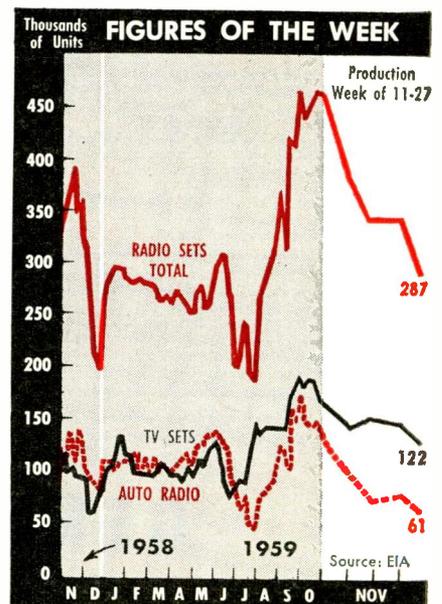
Works With Industry

Joyner received his statistical and marketing training from George Washington University. He joined EIA in 1952 and has been assistant manager since 1953.

The department now works actively with 200 marketing men in industry. It also sponsors periodic

seminars in marketing research techniques. Within the last year, it has added a military economist to its staff and is making long-range studies and short-range analyses of the military market.

With the association's Military Products Division it has a computer program under study. This program includes a periodic determination of the number of computers in use, characteristics of companies in which computers are analyzed, the amount of peripheral equipment employed, and the various ways computers are used.





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2N1231	-35V	28	65	-0.2	-0.1μA	1.2
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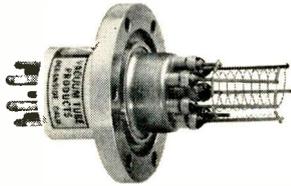
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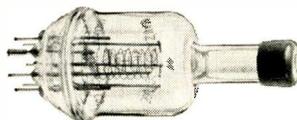
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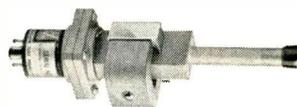
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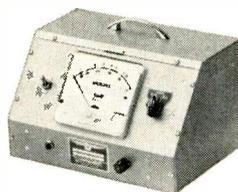
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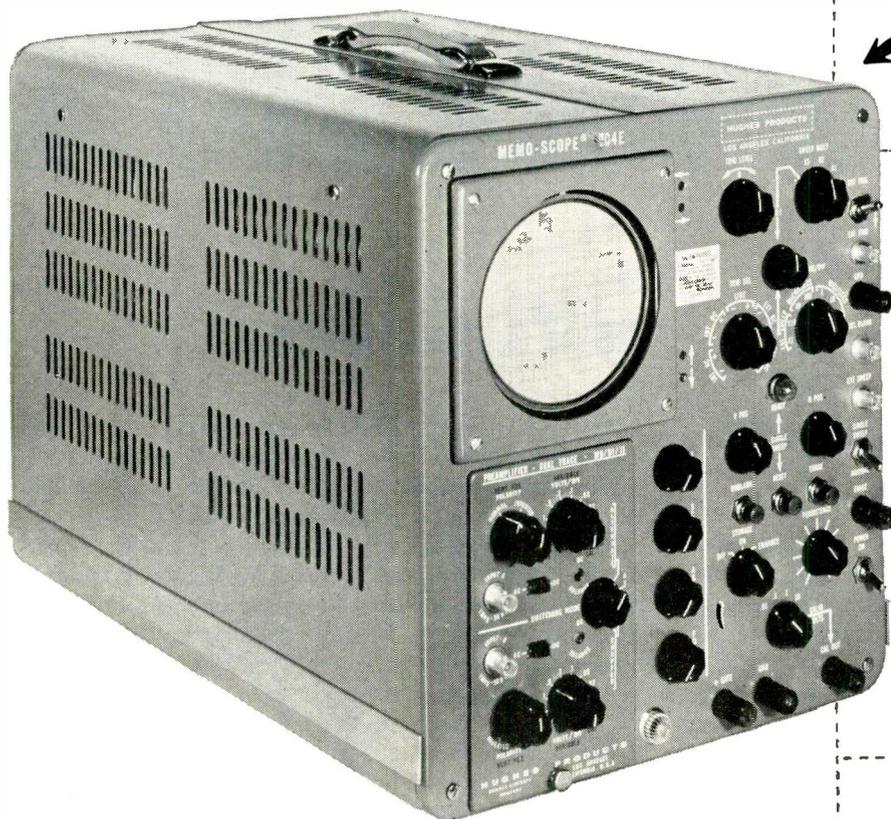
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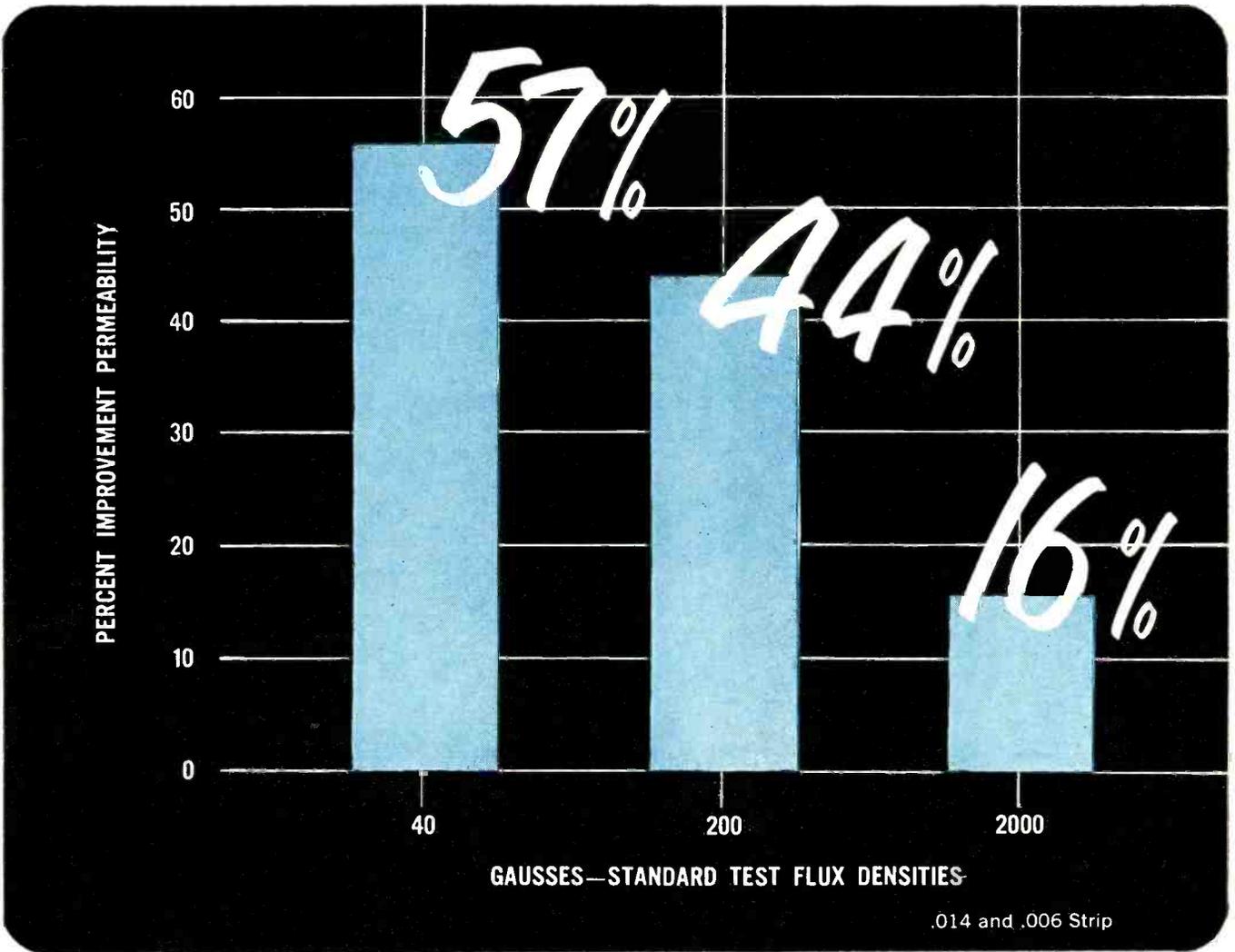
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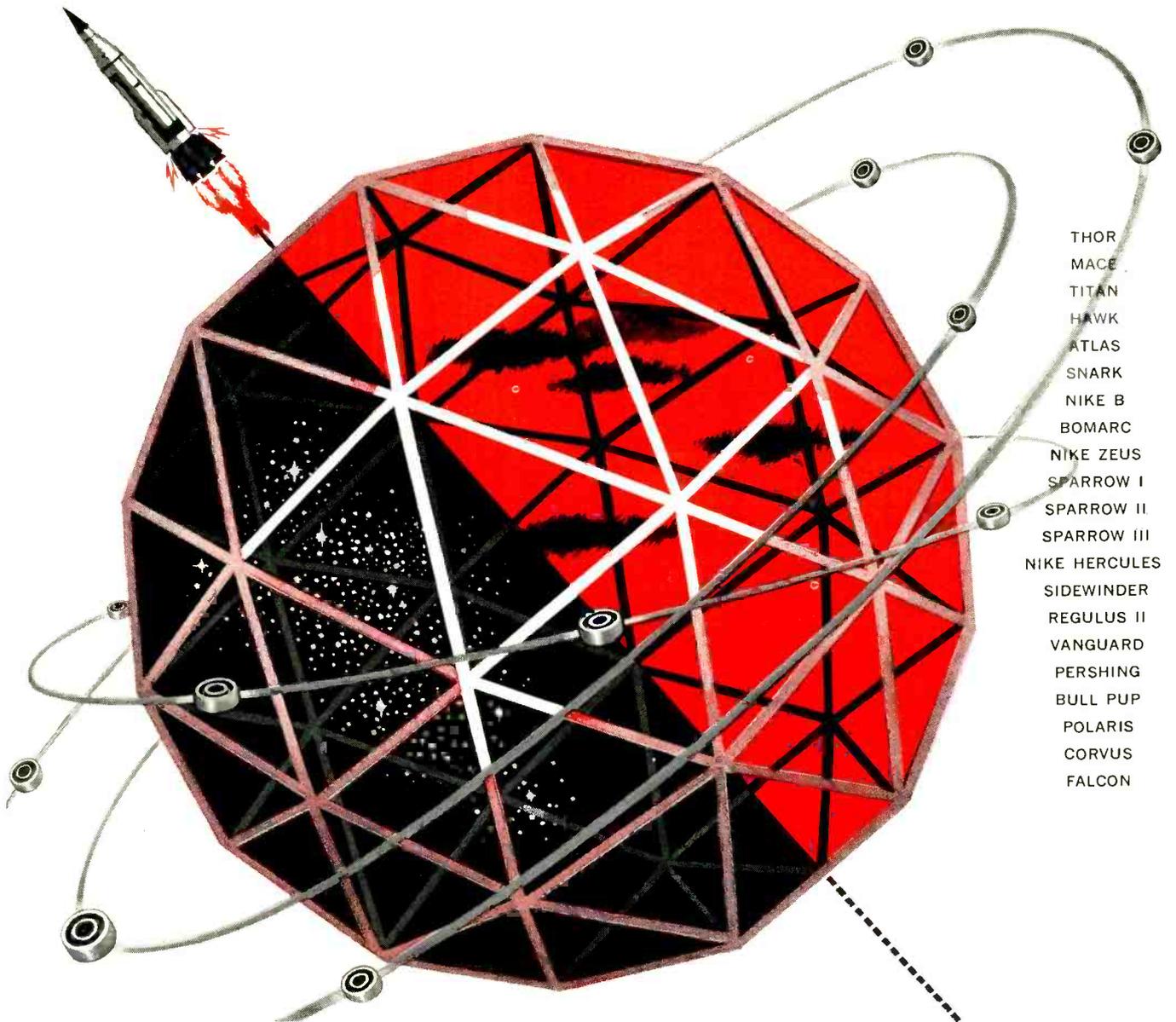
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Training Missilemen Creates New

Classroom gear sales exceed \$100 million. Hundreds of courses on more than 40 missile systems are being run at factory and military sites

LONG BEFORE a missile system is in production, military crews are learning to operate and maintain it. Instruction of these crews has now become a large business for electronics firms. Supplying classroom equipment is even bigger.

Teaching the military to maintain and launch a single missile type often requires 15 different courses. These are held at factory sites and military bases.

Industry training contracts are awarded for course preparation, trainer fabrication, preparation of training sites, tuition, and purchase of equipment.

Buying Guidance Gear

"Classroom equipment" usually means prototype or operational subsystems of a missile. One of the biggest items bought for classroom instruction is guidance equipment. Atlas guidance gear now being used for instruction at Keesler AFB, Miss., cost about \$10½ million.

Other types of guidance equipment bought for instruction include radio-inertial ground and airborne systems; all-inertial airborne; stellar-inertial; map-matching; semiactive, active and passive airborne radar; infrared; and tv-inertial.

Another large requirement for training is computers. Ground-based computers are used in the ballistic missile program; airborne

computers are important elements in the larger guided missiles.

Other instruction gear includes automatic checkout equipment, ground support consoles, data reduction systems and ground communications.

Training is a continuous process. Tests during development of a missile system often result in the modification or replacement of subsystems. This calls for a new course as well as new classroom equipment. Normal turnover in military personnel is another big factor in the continued need for instruction.

USAF's Air Training Command has, to date, turned out about 9,000 missilemen. Current instruction consists of some 300 courses on more than 15 missile systems.

The series of events usually goes this way: individual training at the prime center or another ATC center; special training, conducted by the manufacturer; on-the-job training assistance; field training, conducted at the missile's operational sites, and crew training when requested by the using command.

The prime center does not conduct courses on all subsystems of a missile. Various portions are farmed out to other bases, "support centers," or to factories.

Much of the guidance equipment training goes on at Keesler AFB. Instructors are either factory instructors or military personnel

formerly trained by factory instructors. Guidance training for the IRBM Thor, however, is conducted at AC Spark Plug's Milwaukee plant.

Lowry AFB, Colo., is prime center for the surface-to-surface Mace and the air-to-air Falcon GAR-3. Factory training has been phased out on these weapons. Classes are now manned by the military.

Northrop runs factory schools for Snark at Amarillo AFB, Tex., and Patrick AFB, Fla. Schooling is now in progress for Atlas at Convair's factory in San Diego. GE provides courses on Atlas at its Philadelphia plant, Lowry AFB, Keesler AFB, and Vandenberg AFB. Burroughs offers factory training for Atlas at Keesler AFB.

Martin gives classes on Titan at its Denver plant and Sheppard AFB. McDonnell for Green Quail at its St. Louis plant; North American for Hound Dog in the Downey, Calif., plant; Boeing for Bomarc in Seattle; Hughes for Falcons GAR 9 and 11 in Los Angeles.

Other companies conducting courses, says ATC, include Reeves Instrument, Laboratory for Electronics, Gilfillan, IBM, Western Electric, RCA Service, and Avco.

Navy trains missilemen at two U. S. Naval Guided Missiles Schools, one at Dam Neck, Va., the other at Pomona, Calif. At Dam Neck, courses are conducted on Terrier, Tartar, Talos, Polaris and Regulus I. Pomona provides instruction on Terrier and Tartar.

The Navy has special maintenance problems, according to the Dam Neck school officer-in-charge, Cdr. W. A. Arthur. These are caused by high humidity, vibration, ship's motion, and space limitations.



Officers practice Atlas launchings at Sheppard AFB, Tex., in course contracted to Convair

Revenue

Arthur says the complex nature of electronic devices obviates the classic circuit-tracing approach to electronics training. There simply isn't enough time. The trainee concerns himself more with the inputs, function, and outputs of individual modules.

Training men to operate and maintain the Polaris Fleet Ballistic Missile (FBM) and the associated submarine gear has posed problems almost as knotty as developing and building the hardware, Navy says.

At this stage of the program, most of the training takes place at factories where classroom work is supplemented by on-the-job training. When equipment for training becomes available to the Navy school system, training will be conducted within the Navy.

The Dam Neck school is the "prep" school for Polaris. Here, courses are conducted in digital computer techniques, binary circuits, binary mathematics, Boolean algebra, transistors, and pulsing circuits.

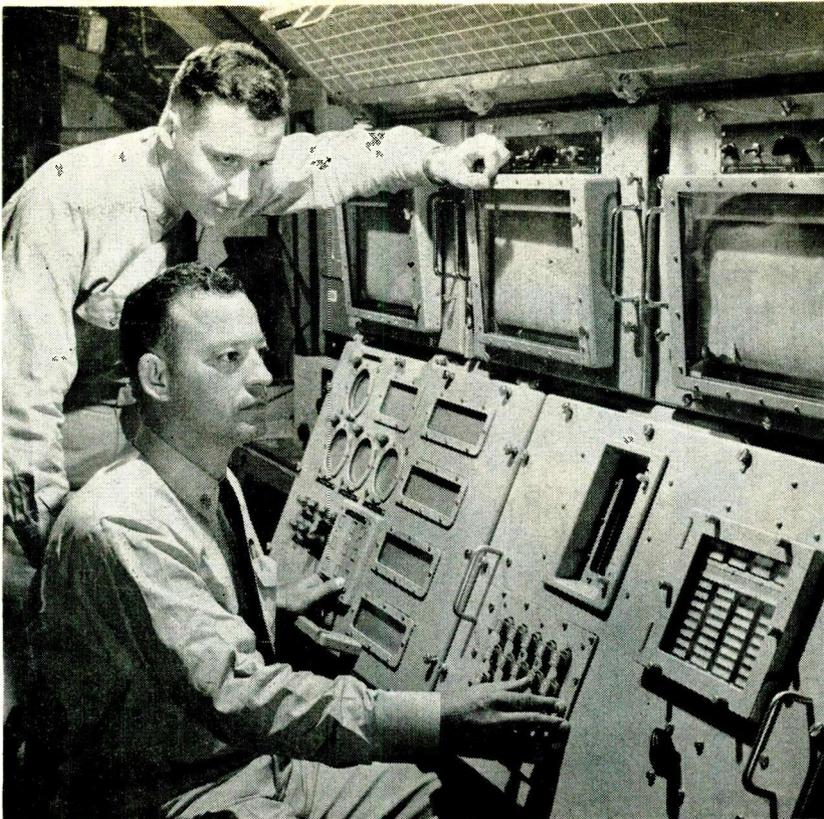
New Manuals Written

Factory training is being conducted under supervision of the Bureau of Naval Personnel. Missile training is going on at Lockheed, Sunnyvale, Calif.; Nortronics, Anaheim, Calif.; ITT, Nutley, N. J.; American Standard, Norwood, Mass.; Packard and Burns, Needham, Mass. Fire control and guidance classes are held at GE, Pittsfield, Mass.

So complex is the new equipment being used in the Polaris submarines that it has been necessary to write a whole new family of manuals to interpret the maintenance manuals for the crews. These new manuals are not primers but advanced engineering texts.

Individual training is also being conducted at the shipyards where the subs are being built. Simulators are used for operational training. This phase of the program will go into new quarters at New London, Conn., this spring.

Two ships, ex-Mariner class hulls



Navigation officer of Polaris sub trains at Sperry's factory school. Eight courses on sub navigation gear have been given to 400 students here

especially converted and fitted out for the purpose, serve as floating test and training centers. The *USS Compass Island* is the proving ground for the ship's inertial navigation system (SINS). Her sister ship, *USS Observation Island*, equipped with two launching tubes and fire control gear, is the test base for missile launching.

The *Observation Island's* base of operations is Port Canaveral, adjacent to the Atlantic Missile Range. Here a Naval Ordnance Test Unit puts the Polaris test vehicle through the flight test and evaluation phase. At the same time, missile and fire control crews from the fleet ballistic missile subs get on-the-job training.

'Missile Academy'

Army's missile training is concentrated in five schools, factories, and operational missile sites.

Army Ordnance Guided Missile School at Huntsville, Ala.—called by the Army the "missile academy"—gives 57 courses on seven missile systems: Nike-Ajax, Nike-Hercules, Corporal, Redstone, Lacrosse, Hawk, and Jupiter. Most instruction emphasizes field and depot maintenance and supply. Students consist of Army, USAF, civilian personnel, and NATO technicians.

Academic training of missile technicians is only one of the

school's missions. It must also originate and keep up-to-date all textbooks, lectures, films and audio-visual training aids used locally and throughout the Army. The school regularly televises courses on missiles to other training centers and uses tv in most of its own classrooms.

Two-Pronged Teaching

The Air Defense School at Fort Bliss, Tex., teaches both operation and maintenance for Nike-Ajax, Nike-Hercules and Hawk. Civilian instructors at Fort Bliss are prepared for their jobs at Western Electric's Winston-Salem, N. C., factory school.

The Army Artillery and Missile School at Fort Sill, Okla., teaches operation and maintenance of Corporal, Lacrosse, and Redstone. The school will soon handle instruction on Sergeant and Pershing.

Army Signal School at Fort Monmouth, N. J., teaches 11 weeks of basic electronics to missile crews. Soon the Infantry School at Fort Benning, Ga., and the Armor School, Fort Knox, Ky., will initiate an extensive instruction program on antitank guided missiles.

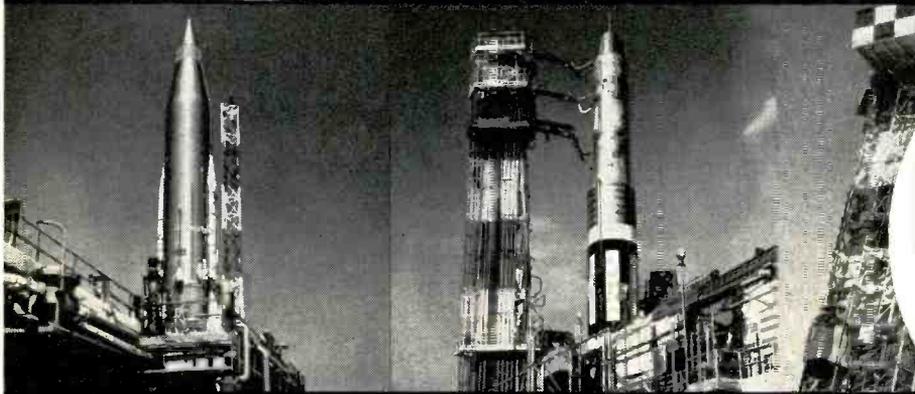
Factory courses include: Martin for Lacrosse; Firestone Tire and Rubber, Gilfillan, and LeTourneau for Corporal; and Raytheon for Hawk.



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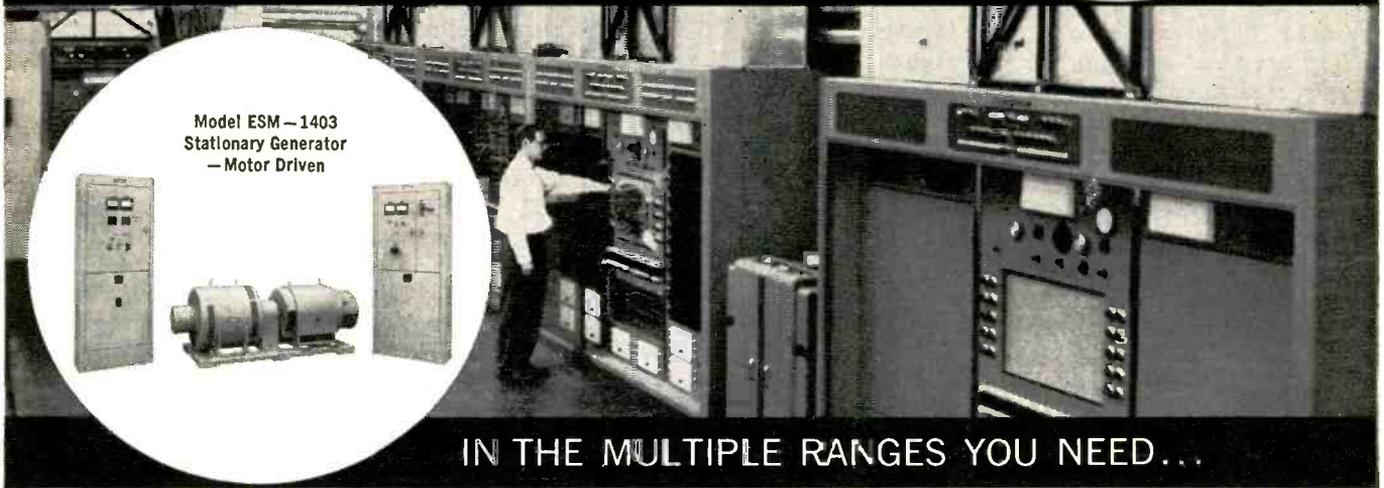
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FAA to Test Blind-Landing

Companies are working on three new electronic systems designed to land airplanes safely in zero-zero weather. Here's a detailed roundup

WASHINGTON — ALL-WEATHER instrument-landing systems will be getting a lot of attention during the coming year from Federal Aviation Agency development people. Three electronic approaches to the old problem of bringing down an aircraft safely in zero-zero weather will be undergoing tests at National Aviation Facilities Experimental Center, FAA's big proving ground near Atlantic City, N. J.

Lack of a genuine and reliable all-weather landing system costs industry millions of dollars a year, according to aviation officials. The Allegheny Airlines plane that crashed early this month was attempting an instrument landing in snow, was pulling out of one attempt when it crashed. Military capability to meet enemy attack is also affected by the need.

Dependable—With Limitations

The instrument-landing system (ILS) has been in use for years, of course. Coupled with automatic pilot, it provides a reasonably dependable electronic pathway through murk and overcast.

A ground transmitter emits a single electronic glidepath and the pilot stays on this track—horizontally and vertically—by merely keeping two needles centered on the cockpit display. Or, in planes equipped with an autopilot, that system will keep him lined up horizontally with the runway.

However, the standard ILS has limitations. The system offers the pilot no information on how far he is from touchdown. And if he strays from the right track, he must either get back on quickly or pull up and go through the whole instrument approach sequence all over again.

More importantly, ILS is really only an approach system, not a landing system. It is not dependable enough below 200 ft to be an efficient guide, and the pilot himself must take over from that altitude.

As FAA deputy director James Pyle explains, "it was economically

imperative that a solution be found. Cancelled flights because of weather difficulties, alternate landing necessitated by lack of visibility—all these have to be eliminated if the aviation industry is to continue its progress as a popular and dependable mode of transportation."

Solutions

Both long- and short-range solutions have been proposed. Top FAA officials are especially enthusiastic about the longer-range approach worked up under a development contract with Gilfillan Brothers. This refined ILS system is called REGAL and is meant to provide Range, Elevation, Guidance, Approach and Landing.

A ground transmitter—as close to the touchdown point as possible—emits a notched scanning beam. The airborne receiver, in effect, searches for the notch and translates the signal into information on how far and how high the plane is from touchdown.

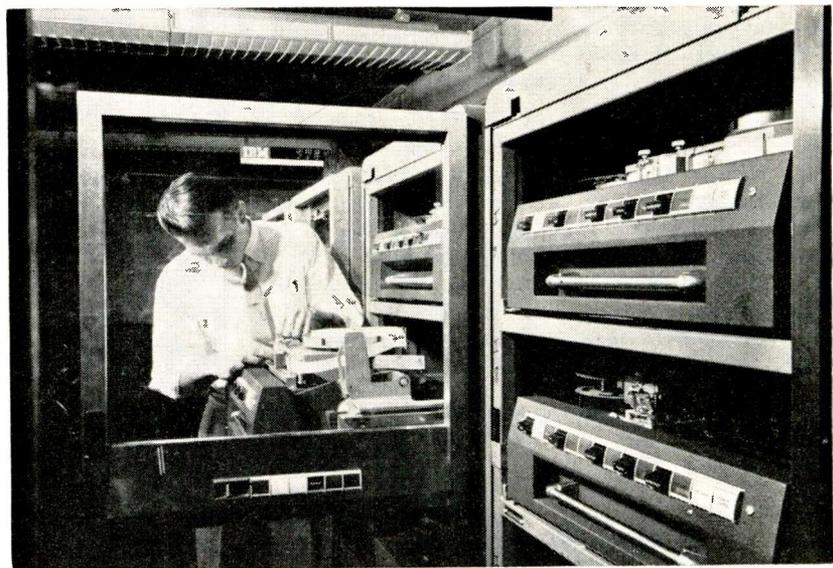
The second element in the system — control — is provided by an airborne computer which takes REGAL's altitude and distance data and translates them into commands to the autopilot. In the absence of an autopilot, the computer itself provides displays for pilot control.

If the system works according to plan, it will provide several advantages over ILS. First, it will take the plane all the way to touchdown on a blind landing. Further, it will give the pilot information on distance from touchdown. And if the aircraft is blown off the track, the computer should immediately and automatically give the autopilot a new track on glide slopes ranging from zero to 20 deg.

The REGAL system is off the drawing boards, and an experimental model will be delivered to NAFEC in January. Plans call for ground-testing the guidance elements early in 1960, with flight tests in July.

Sperry and Lear, which have con-

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tracts for the computer and display elements of the system, are equipping a C-54 and a C-45 for the tests. The Air Force will provide a C-131 and a T-33.

If the initial experiments prove successful, then specifications will be drawn and FAA will buy a complete engineering model for further tests. It is hoped the system can be in operation within five years.

Short-Range Solution Needed

Even assuming the REGAL system lives up to its advance billing, there is one big customer which may not be willing to wait five years: the Air Force. Accordingly, FAA is going ahead at Atlantic City with tests of two other blind landing systems which are in a later stage of development.

These two were developed by Bell Aircraft and North American Aviation's Autonetics division, under Air Force-FAA contracts. Both are at the preproduction-test stage.

In the Bell Aircraft system, ground-based radar picks up an approaching aircraft, electronically records and analyzes distance and height from touchdown, and sends instructions to the pilot via the standard ILS system.

Autonetics' system combines an airborne radar altimeter with the ILS to give the pilot a programmed track below the critical 200-ft altitude and guide him on to touchdown.

Whatever system is finally adopted to succeed or complement ILS, a healthy new market awaits the electronics industry.

FAA is currently operating 173 ILS ground stations at airports within the U. S., and more are going in. Although any transition would be gradual, all are potential sites for a new system.

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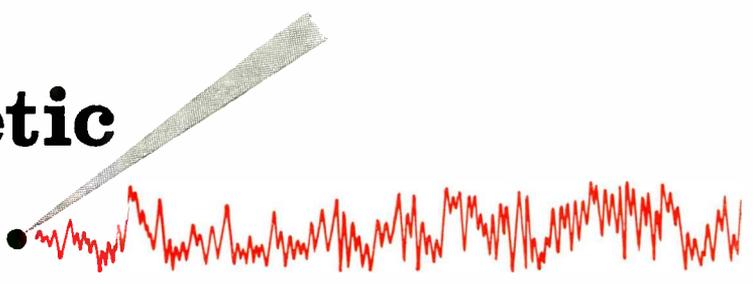
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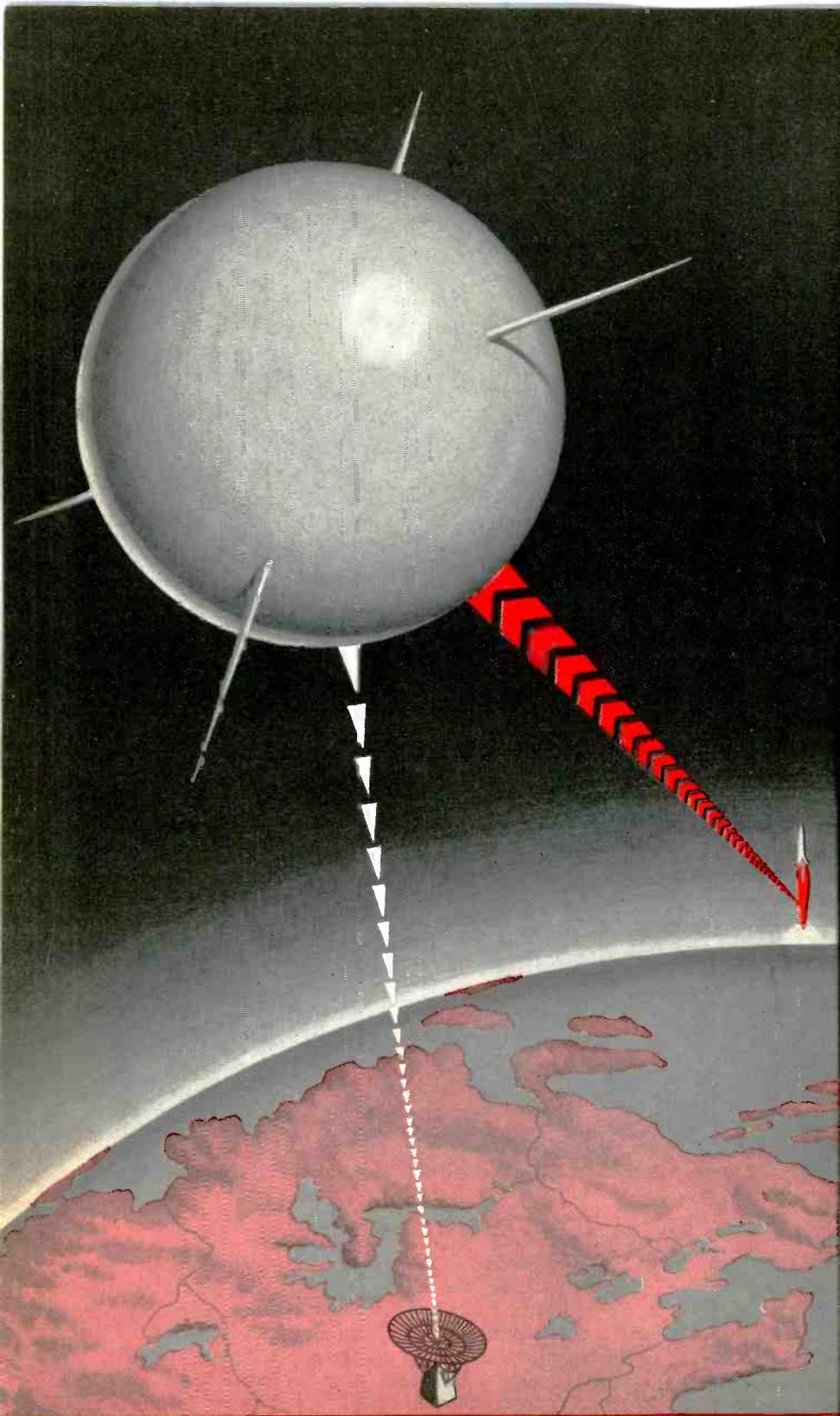
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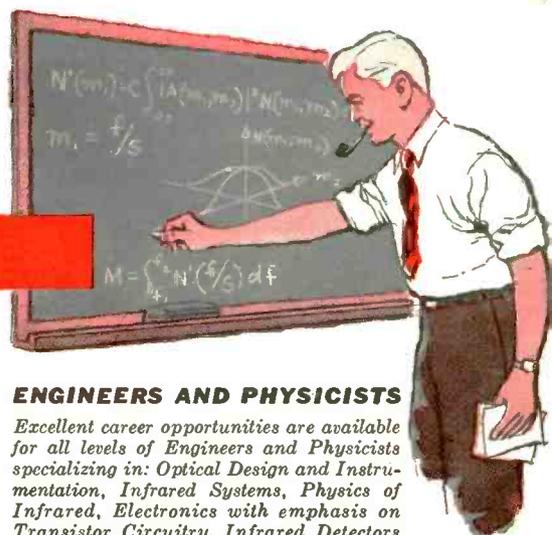
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Stratolab Looks at Venus

Navy balloon flight over midwestern states proves feasibility of using the gasbags to study atmosphere, stratosphere, near space

LATEST IN NAVY'S Stratolab flights took A. D. Little astrophysicist Charles B. Moore 81,000 ft aloft late last month, enabled him to get a good look at Venus from a higher vantage point than ever before and spectrographically analyze its atmosphere. The balloon went up from the Stratobowl, a natural depression in the Black Hills near Rapid City, S. D., stayed aloft 26 hours, came down with a bang near Manhattan, Kans.

One preliminary conclusion from the analysis: contrary to prior belief, there's water vapor in the Venusian atmosphere. How much, and what other components are present, had not been determined as ELECTRONICS went to press.

Flight was one of the first in a new program of balloon astronomy initiated by the Office of Naval Research and partly funded by National Science Foundation. Called Stratolab High IV, it is the fourth ONR closed-gondola flight to heights in excess of 80,000 ft. It was originally scheduled for this time last year to observe Mars, then was put off when a ground accident destroyed the balloon.

Navy plans to use Stratolab balloons to permit scientists to conduct astrophysical research while aloft in the stratosphere. Subsequent flights are planned to observe other planets and the sun, test feasibility of stratospheric and near-space monitoring platforms, and analyze upper-atmosphere winds and ionization.

Weather Trouble

The 1959 flight was scheduled for Oct. 15, but a full night of unobstructed ground observation of Venus was required before the balloon could go up. Weather closed in prior to launch, and the flight was put off until Nov. 28.

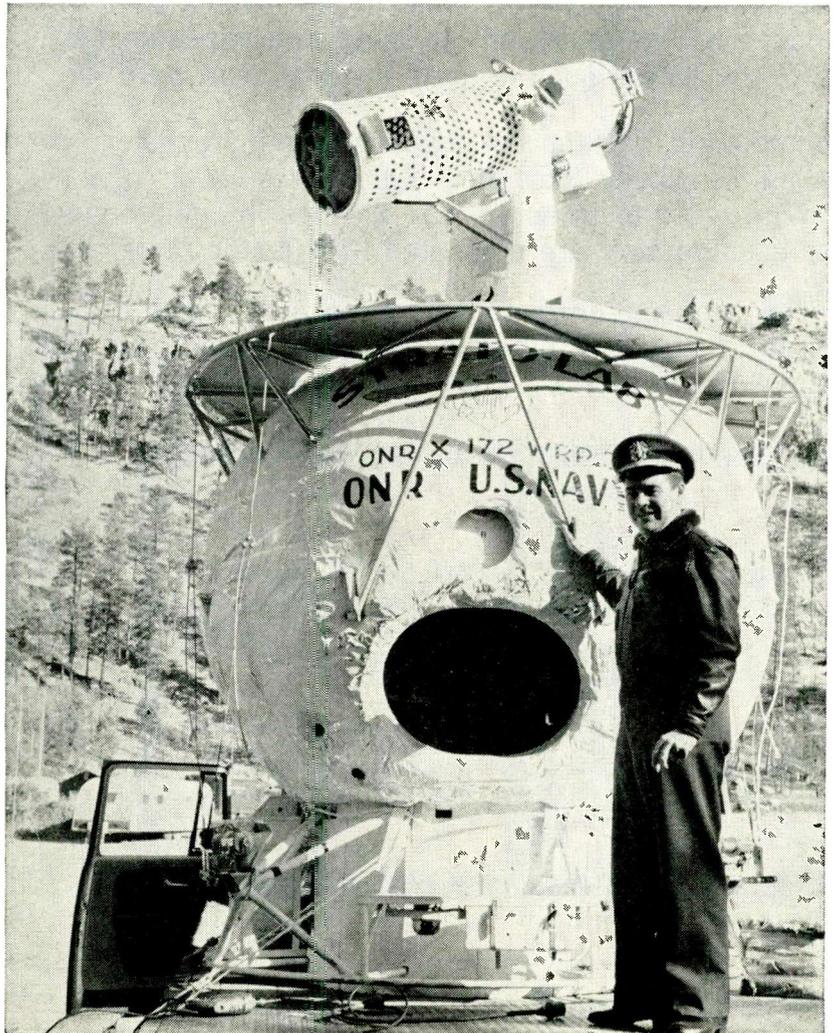
Mounted atop the gondola was a 16-in. Schmidt-type telescope with a gold-coated spherical mirror and an aspheric correcting plate. It was

designed and produced by Ferson Optical Co., Ocean Springs, Miss. A rough guidance system was used to bring Venus into the approximate telescope field; from there a Startracker made by Librascope of Livermore, Calif., took over to keep the image centered automatically throughout the flight.

Light from the primary optical system was relayed to a monocentric mirror and thence down to a spectrograph inside the gondola. The spectrograph was devised by John Strong and built at Johns Hopkins, where Strong is director of the astrophysics and meteorol-

ogy labs. Prime detector in the spectrograph was a multiplier phototube developed by ITT's Fort Wayne, Ind., labs.

A telemetry-command system developed by Data-Control Systems, Danbury, Conn., provided 36 channels for telemetry and six command channels from ground to balloon. This system relayed inflight physiological data on pilot Malcolm Ross and flight scientist Moore to medical observers on the ground. Data recorders also kept permanent physiological records in the gondola, as well as recording data on inside and outside environment.



Schmidt telescope atop gondola tracked Venus, relayed light to spectrograph inside

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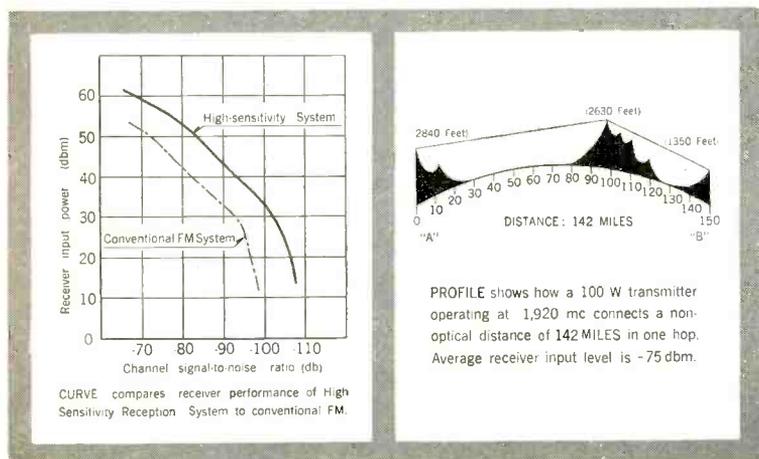
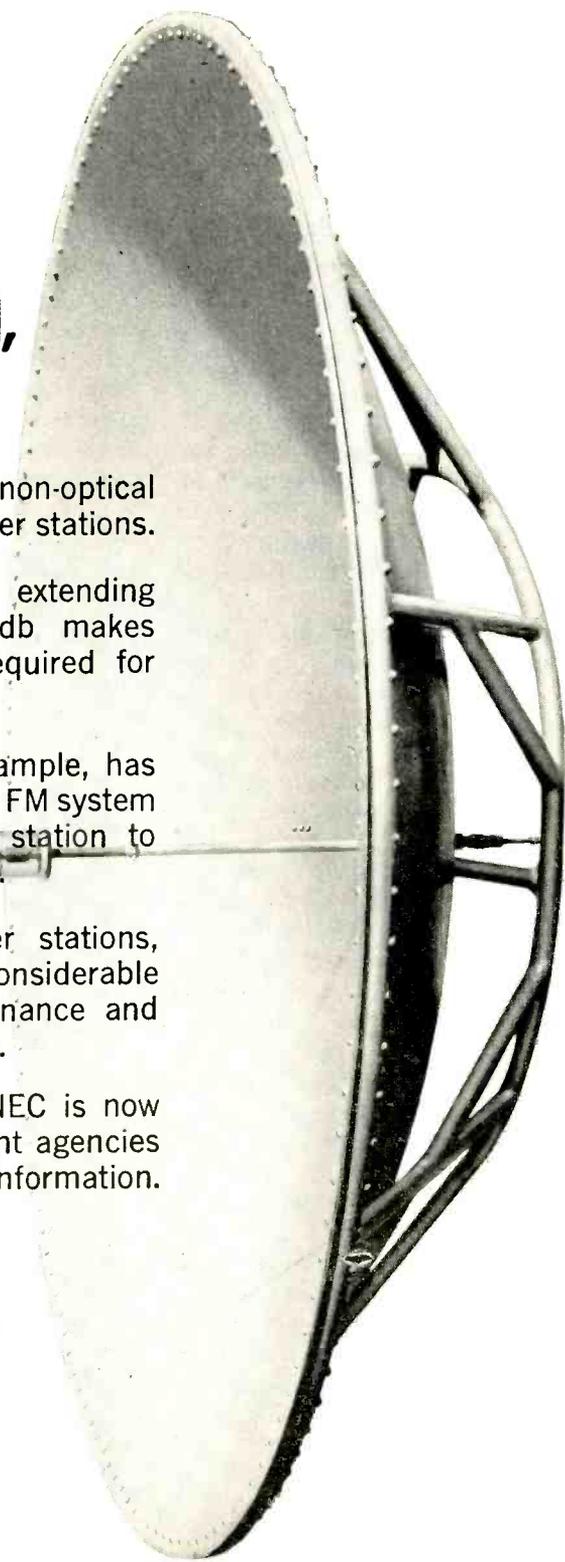
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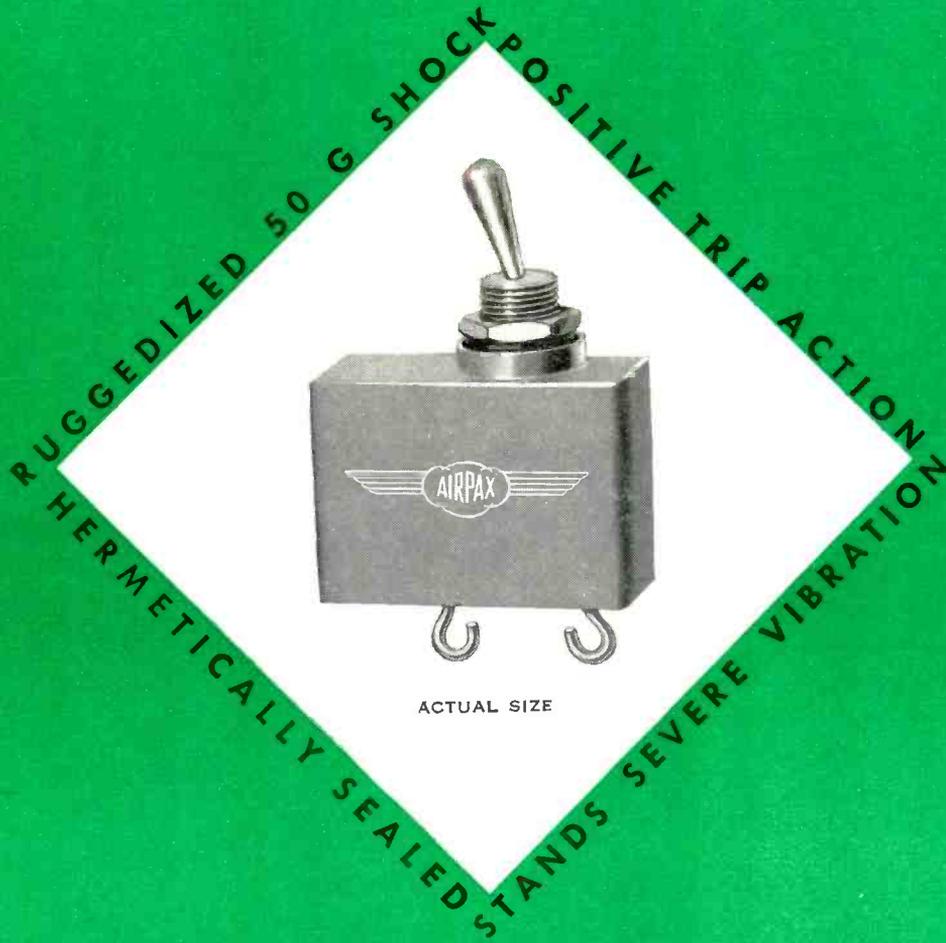


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Satellite Test Open

NASA announces timetable for Project Echo and invites outside scientists to join in

PROJECT ECHO—the experiment designed to launch into orbit early next spring a 100-ft inflatable sphere for use as a passive communications satellite—will be open to participation by American and foreign scientists in the communications field.

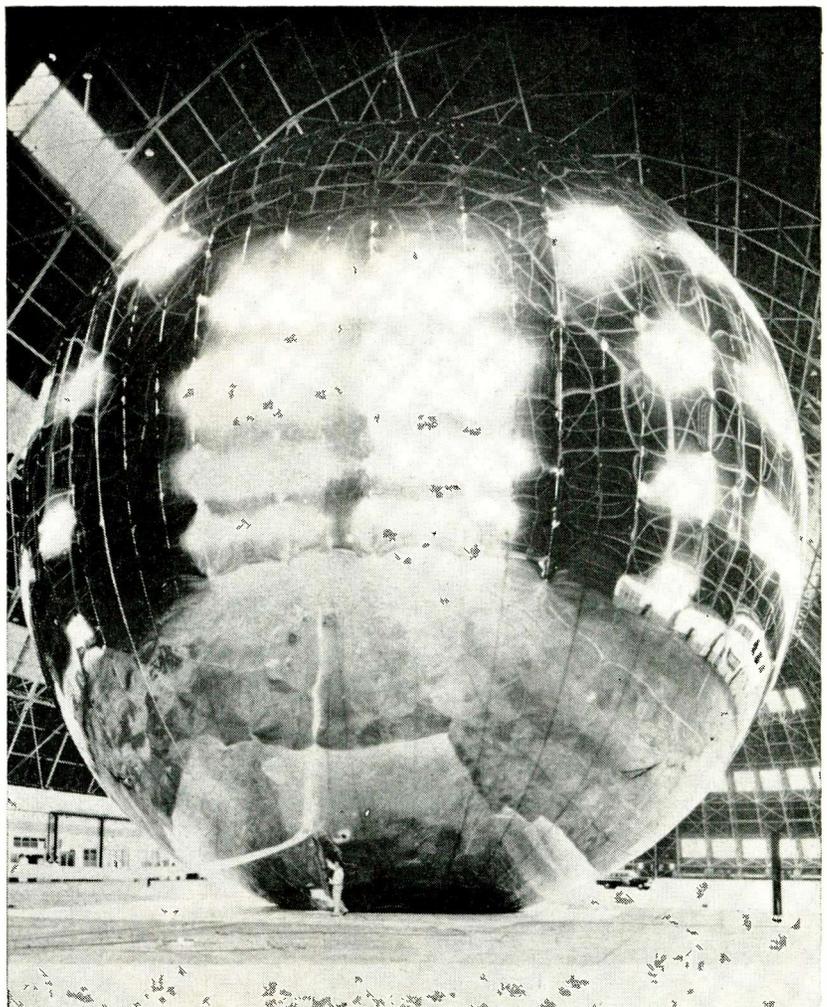
An invitation from the National Aeronautics and Space Administration extends to all scientists "who could make constructive use of experiments involving the sphere." This includes European scientists who have the necessary equipment. Some discussion is already reported to have taken place with scientists

in Britain and West Germany.

Object of the satellite experiment, said NASA, will be "to test the feasibility of a passive reflector communications system on a global basis."

The NASA announcement cited "the intense interest expressed by the scientific community for volunteer participation by others than those who will participate on a contractual basis."

To give scientists sufficient notice to make necessary technical preparations, the agency said it was making an exception to its long-standing policy of not publicly reporting



NASA's 100-ft aluminumized polyester film sphere will fold inside a 28-in. diameter container at launching of passive balloon satellite

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on space experiments until they have been performed.

The spring launching will be the first of three Project Echo satellites, each a NASA-developed 100-ft reflecting sphere fired into orbit by a Delta vehicle.

The aluminum-coated passive balloon satellite is expected to be launched into a 1,000-mi. altitude earth orbit in a northeasterly direction from the Atlantic Missile Range, with an inclination of about 50 degrees to the equator.

Orbit Over U. S.

NASA said the satellite would have a 120-minute orbital period and is expected to pass over every part of the U. S. except Alaska, permitting communications researchers to use the sphere for propagation experiments. Maximum time of mutual visibility between the East and West Coasts for any one pass will be about 16 minutes.

NASA reported that the inflatable satellite of 0.0005-in.-thick Mylar plastic coated with vapor-deposited aluminum would provide reflectivity of at least 98 percent up to frequencies of 4,000-mc per sec.

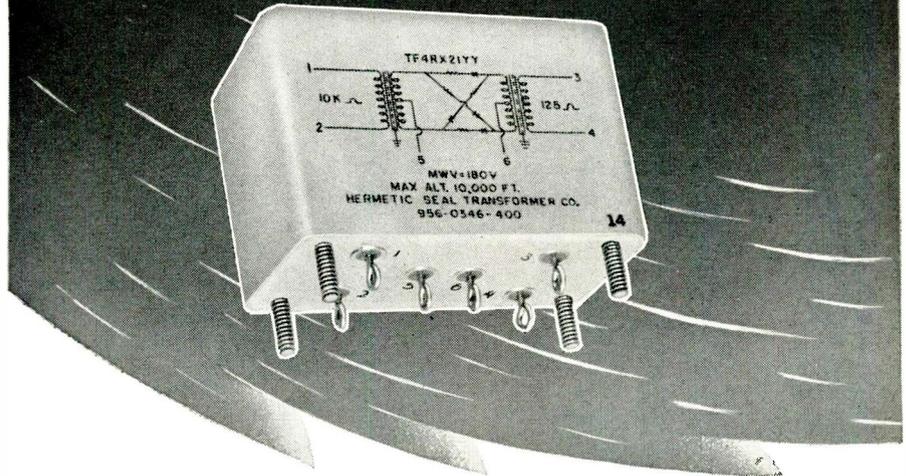
Interim Vehicle

The two major facilities involved in the experiment will be the NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory's Goldstone Tracking station in California and a Bell Telephone Laboratories station at Holmdel, N. J. Goldstone will transmit a 2,390-mc signal for interception at Holmdel. The Bell antenna will transmit a 960-mc signal to Goldstone.

The Delta launching vehicle is an interim vehicle for use in 1960 and 1961. Three-stage configuration will be similar to Thor-Able but will have an improved inertial guidance system, and active control of longer coasting periods between second-stage burnout and third-stage ignition.

Vega, first of NASA's more advanced boosters, will not be ready for flight tests before late 1960. Eight are slated for production by the end of 1961 (ELECTRONICS, p 11, May 22).

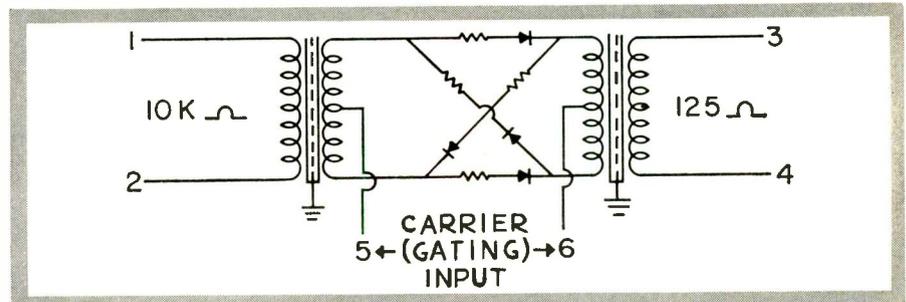
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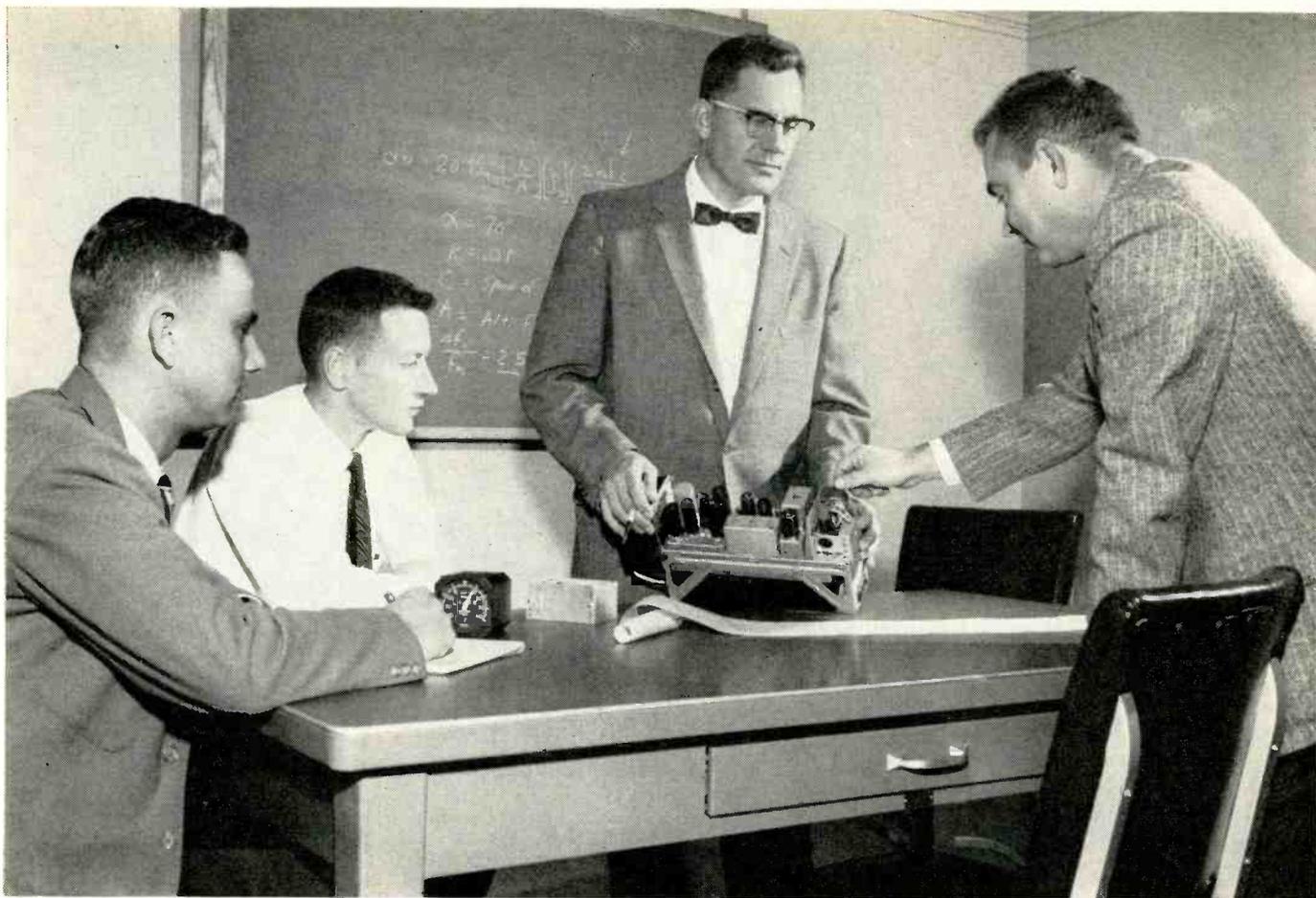
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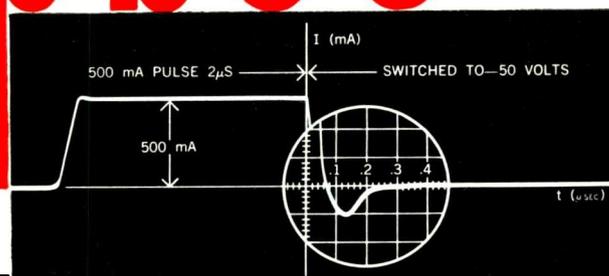
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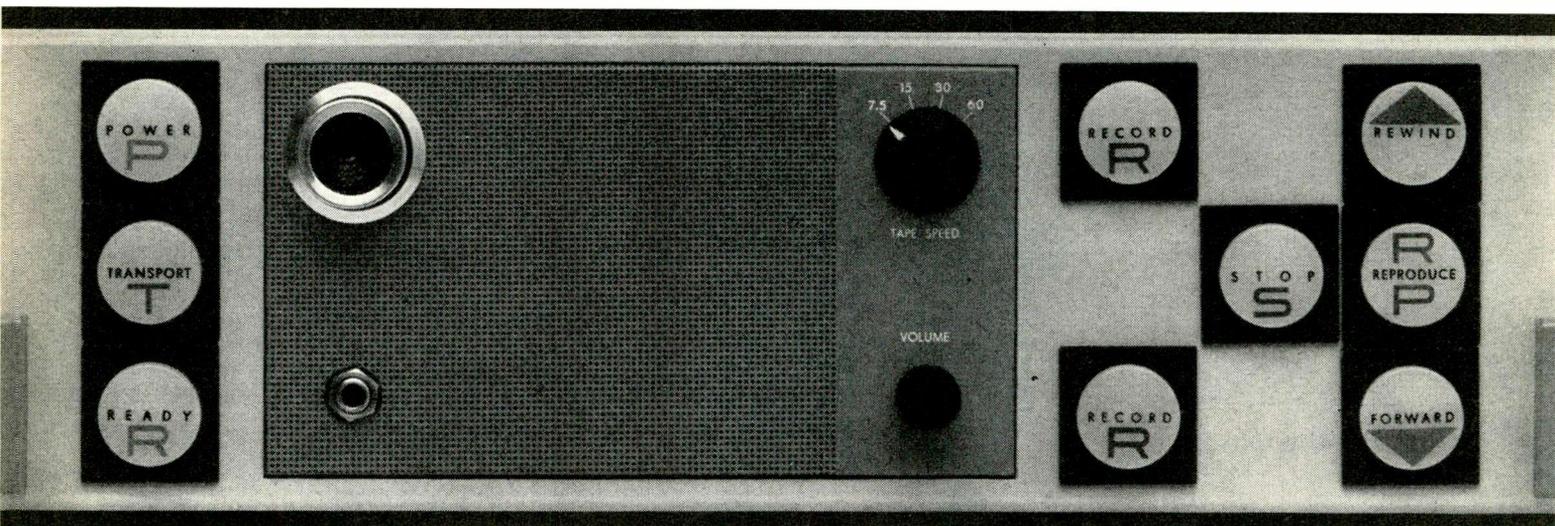
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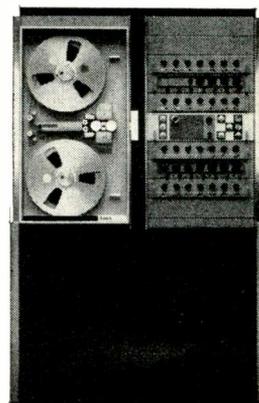
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Radiologist urges optical-electronic device for automatic analysis of human smear specimens

CHICAGO—A leading U. S. radiologist says the medical profession needs a high-volume, mass-screening unit for automatic optical-electronic analysis of human smear specimens.

Dr. Lee B. Lusted of Rochester, N. Y., made the statement here recently at the 45th annual meeting of the Radiological Society of North America.

Lusted thinks "a better understanding of the reasoning processes concerned with systematic decision-making may help to increase diagnostic accuracy."

Related to this, he adds, is development of electronic devices for establishment of "normal" or "abnormal" diagnostic conclusions, based on electronic screening of routine smear tests.

Scanner-Computer Unit

Lusted says the device deemed necessary for the medical profession would be an electronic scanner-

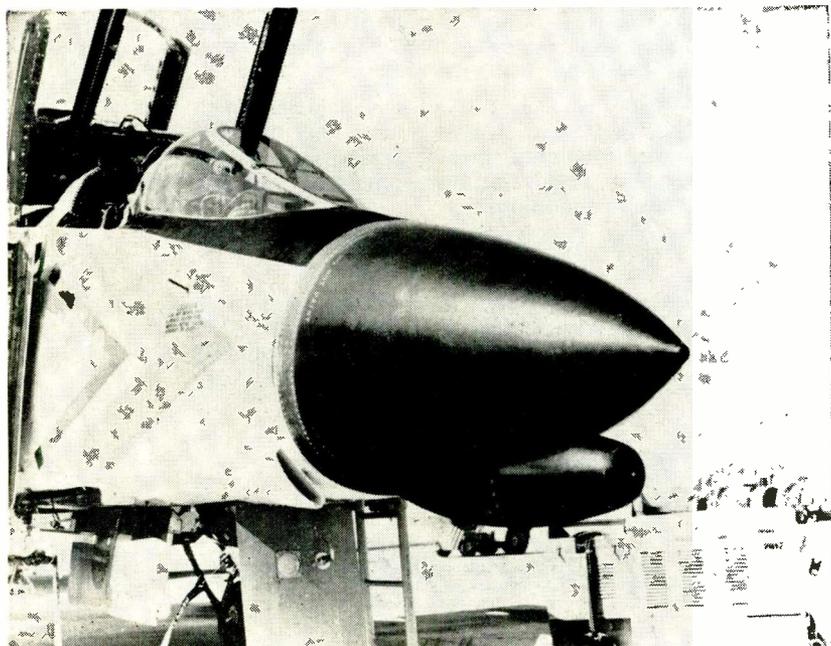
computer combination. It would be used to look at chest photofluorograms and to separate clearly normal chest films from abnormal ones.

The abnormal chest films would be marked for later study by radiologists, he says.

Lusted adds: "A challenging problem present in various scientific fields today concerns pattern detection and recognition. For instance, reading a psychometric test profile, a bone tumor analysis profile, or map reading where large surface areas have been surveyed—as in satellite mapping.

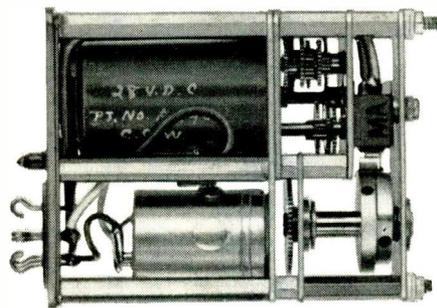
"The problems of pattern recognition for a lung lesion are difficult but the time required to solve them will be well spent. Here is a real challenge for a radiologist with firm grasp of principles in the disciplines of electronics, medicine, radiology, and visual physiology. Who knows, a radiologist could solve the problem of pattern recognition before the cartographers."

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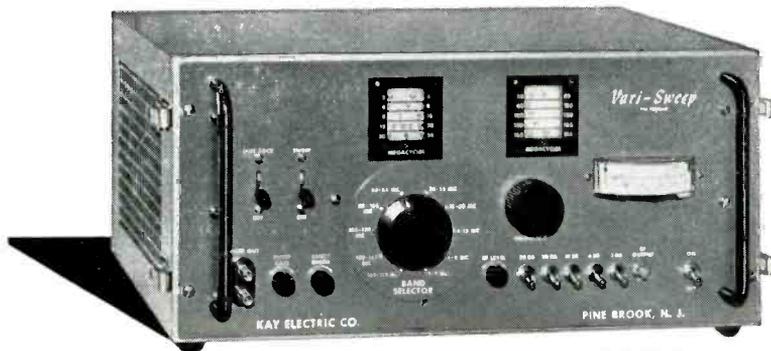
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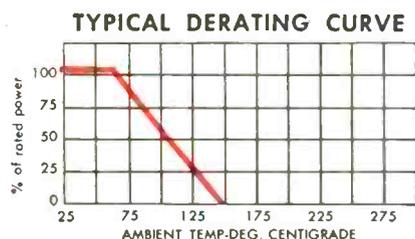
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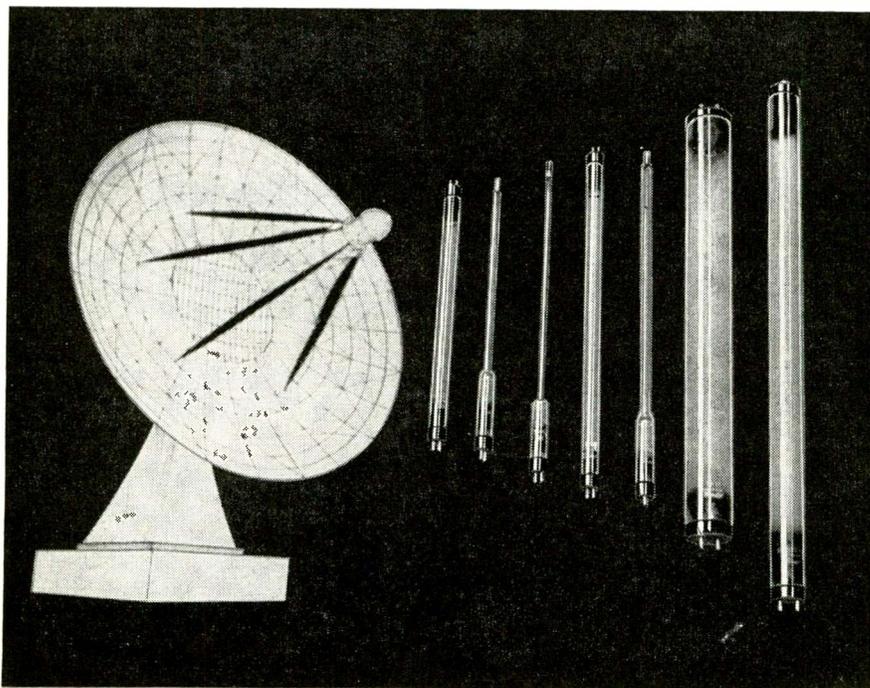
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Feb. 1-4: Instrument-Automation Conf. and Exhibit, ISA, Sam Houston Coliseum, Houston, Texas.

Feb. 3-5: Military Electronics, Winter Convention. Biltmore Hotel, Los Angeles.

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Feb. 20-29: Component Parts and Electronic Tubes, International Exhibition, Porte de Versailles, Place Balard, Paris.

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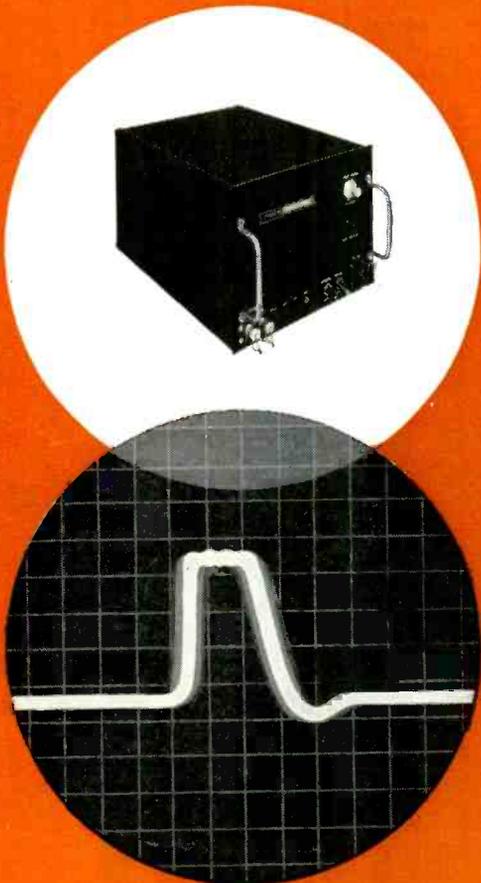
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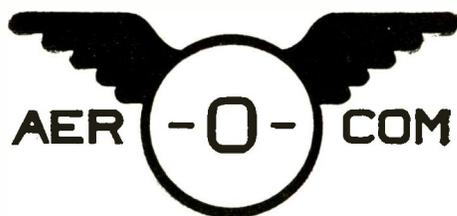


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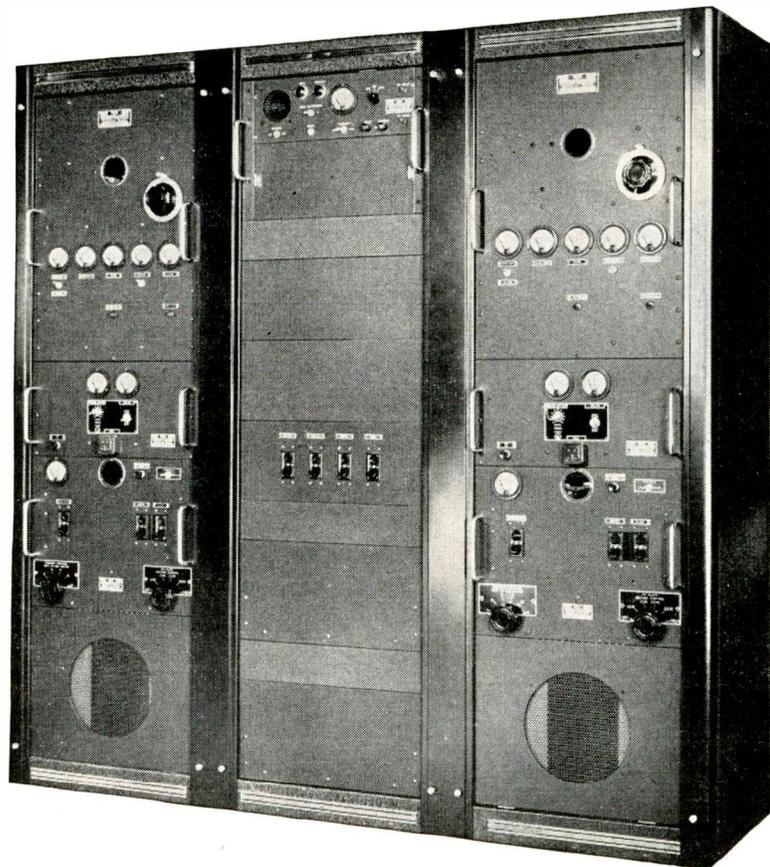
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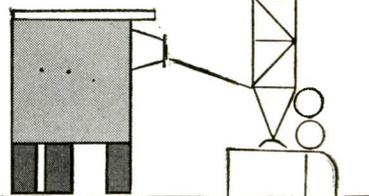
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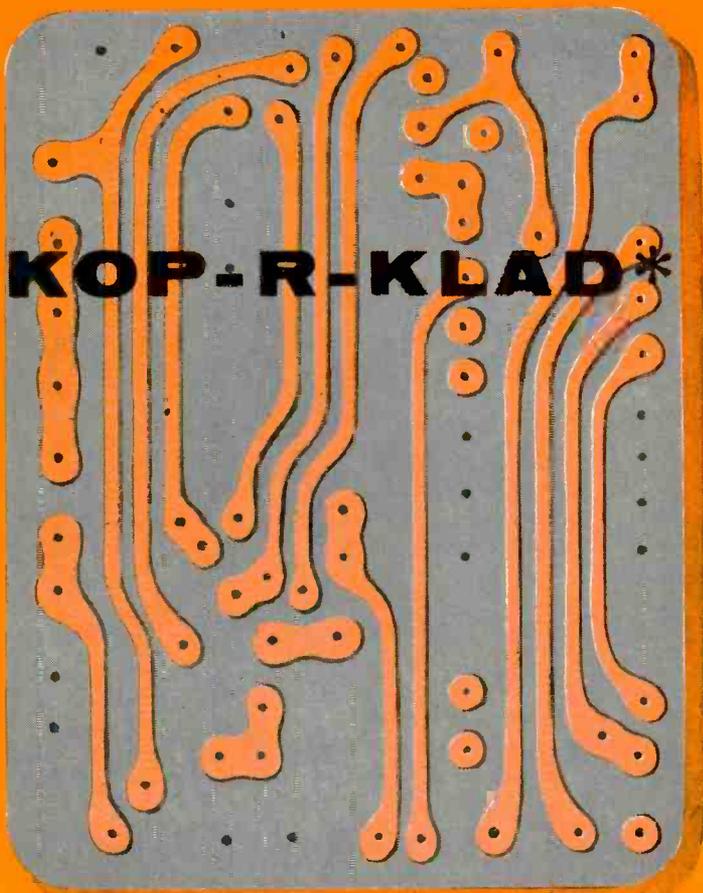
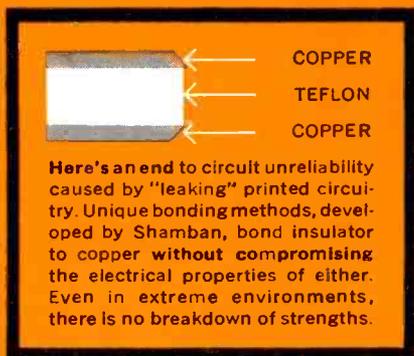


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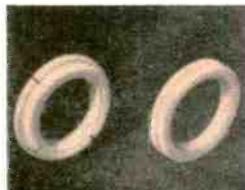
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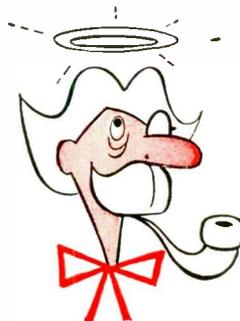
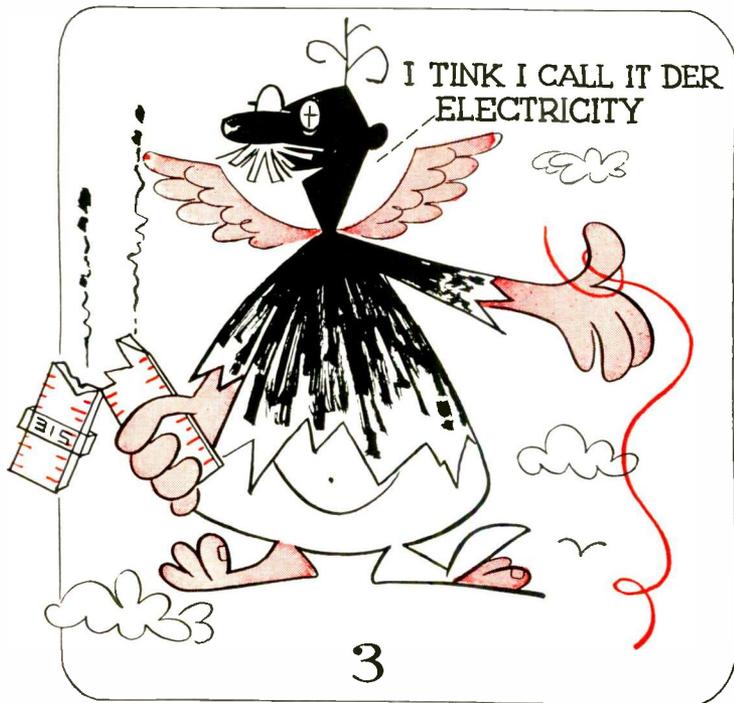
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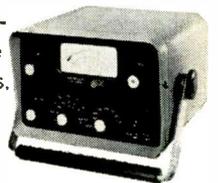
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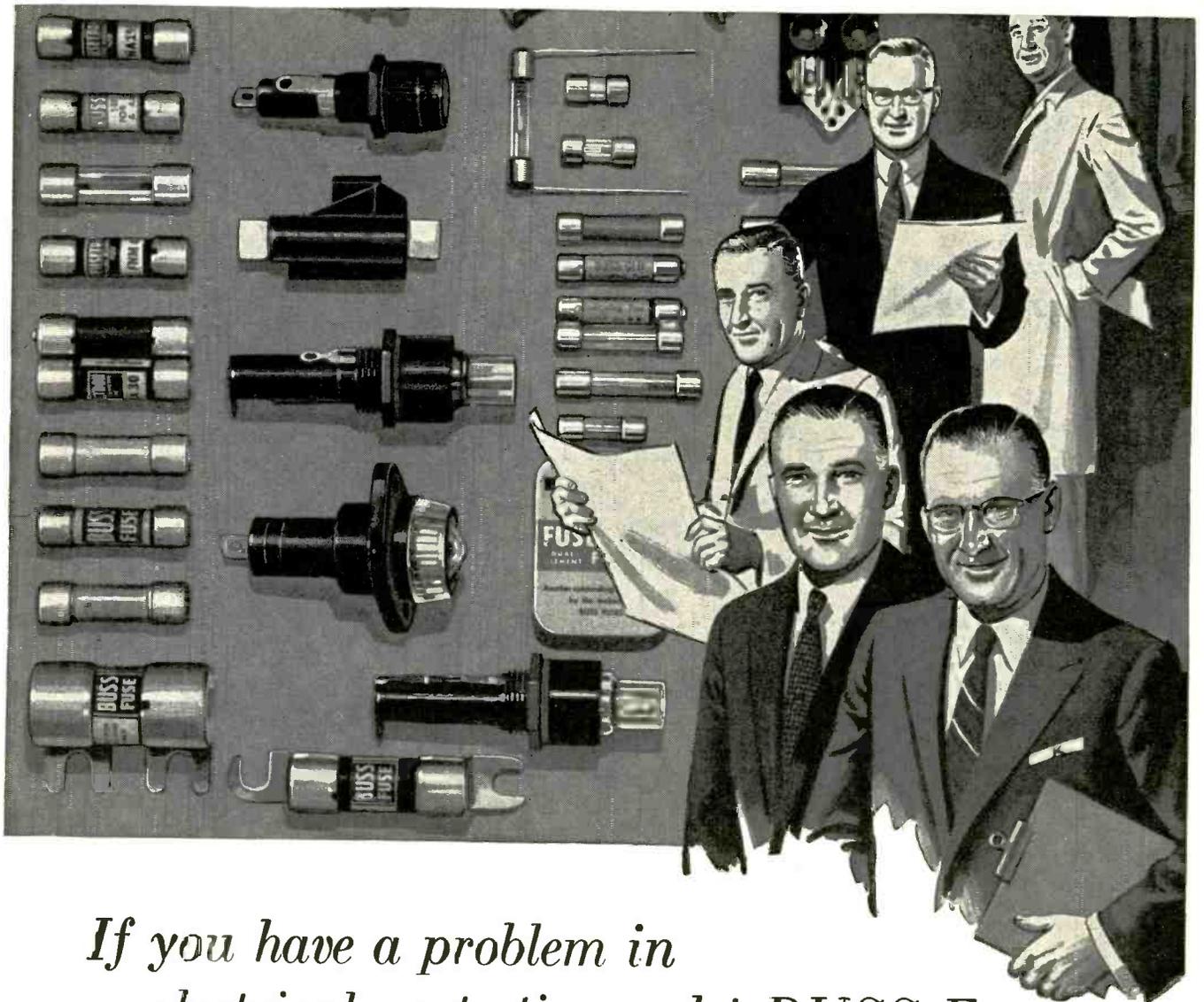


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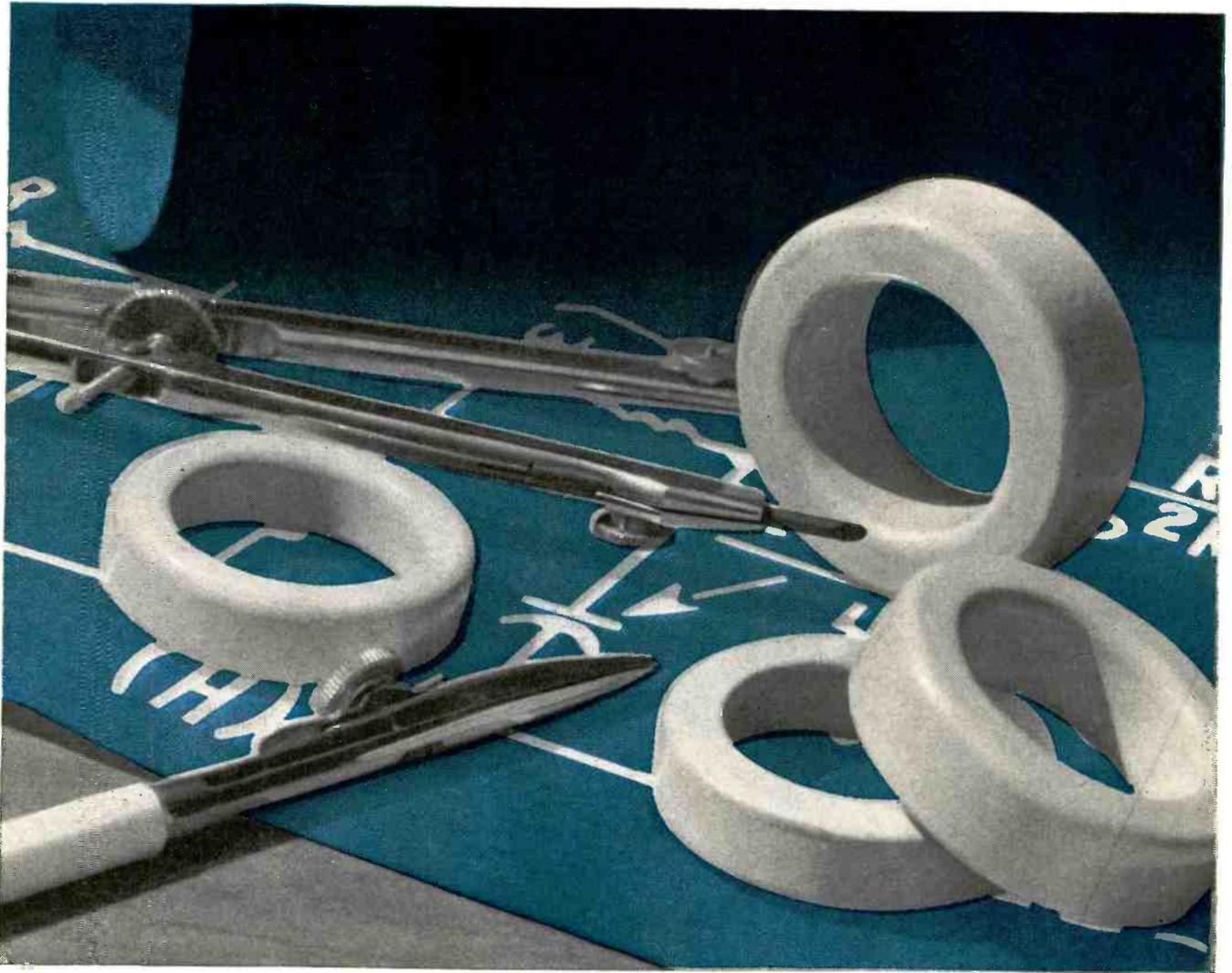


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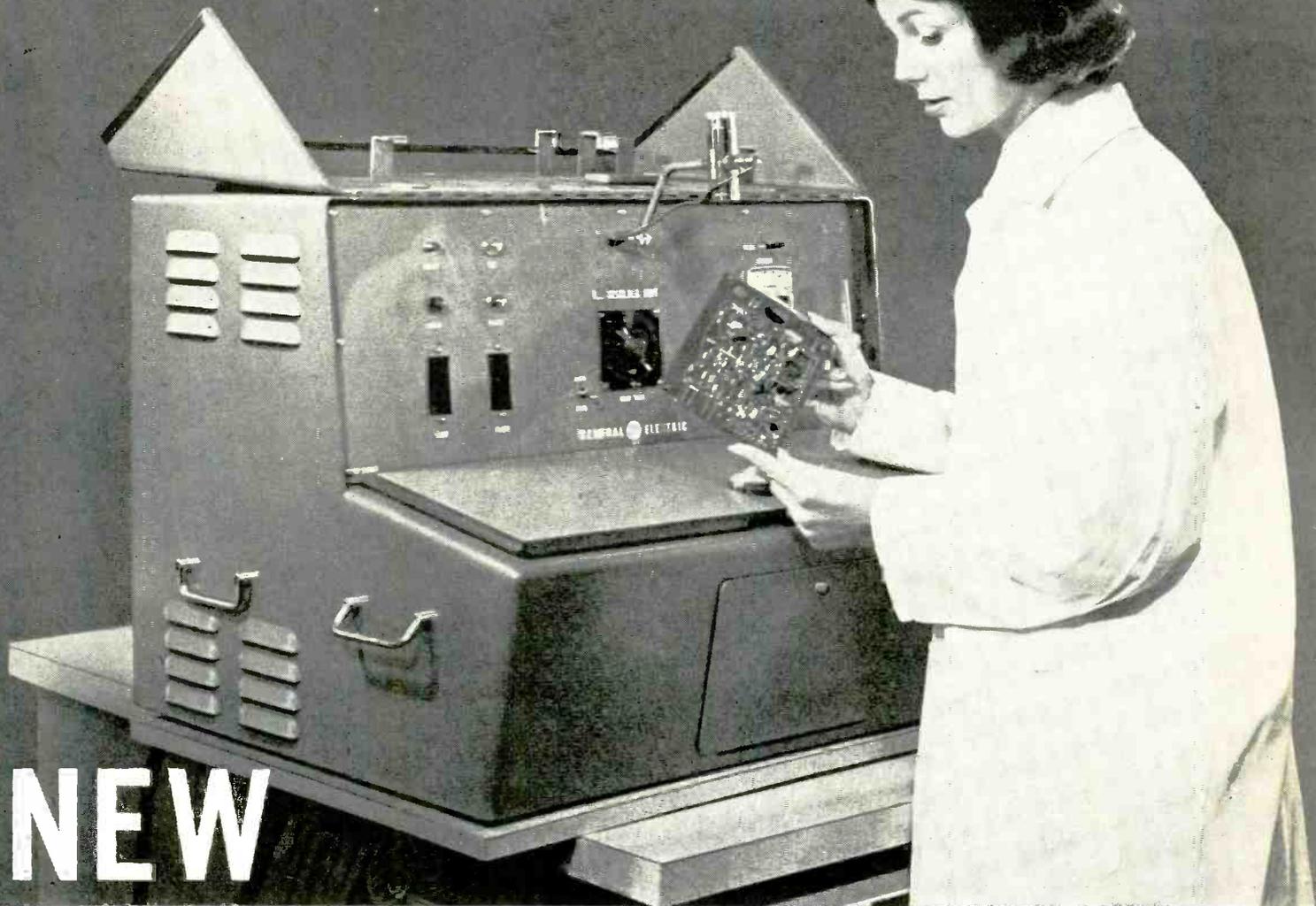
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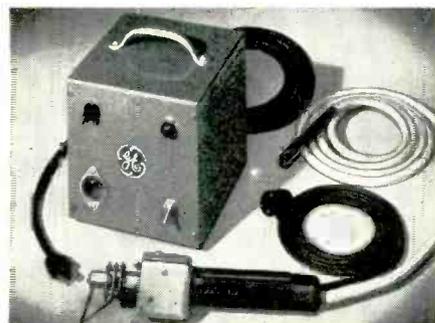
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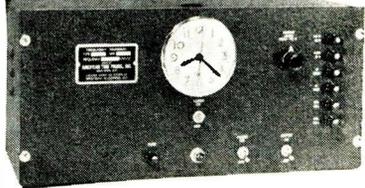
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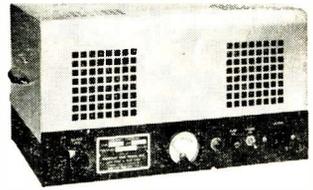
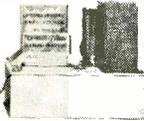
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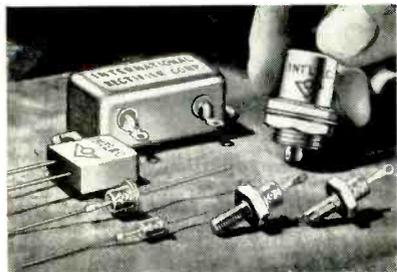
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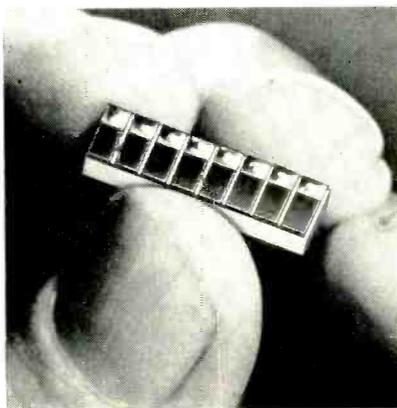
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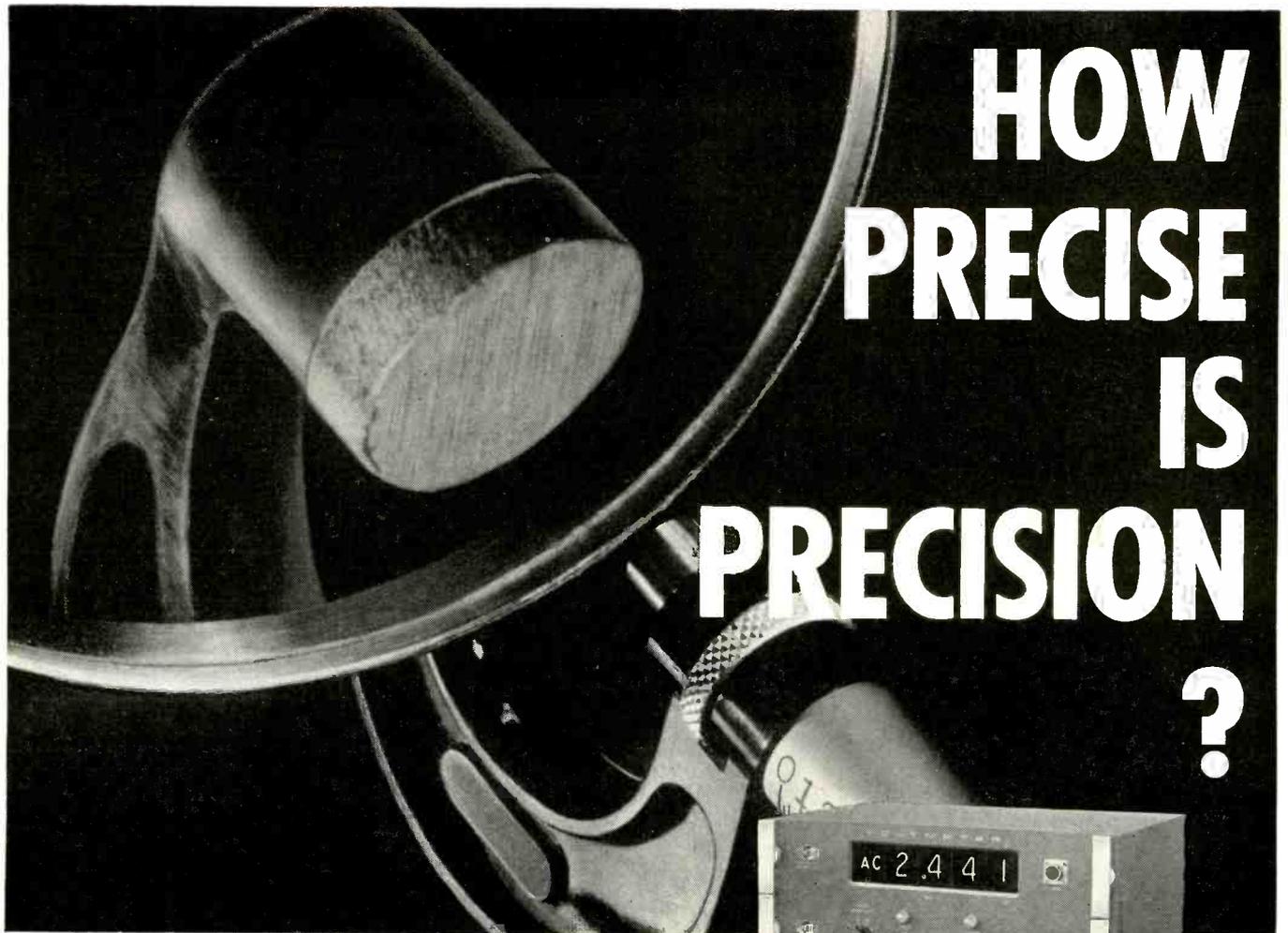
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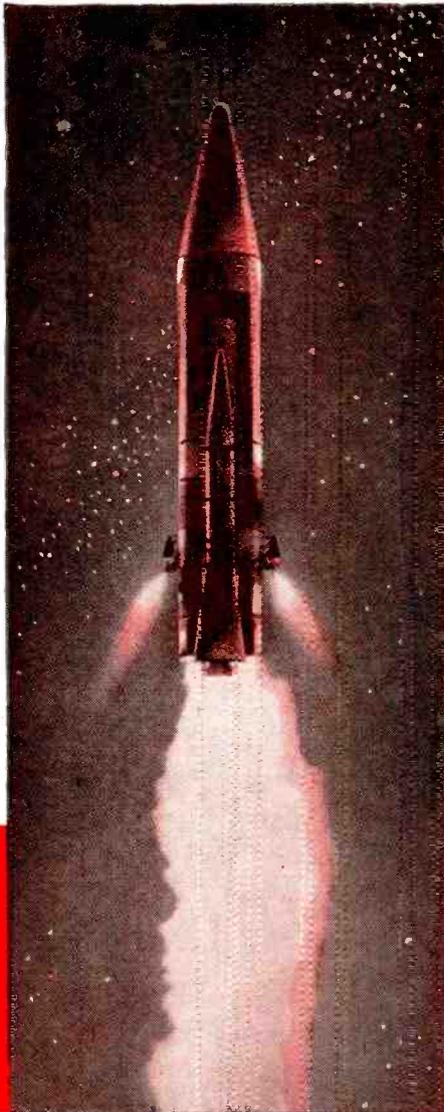
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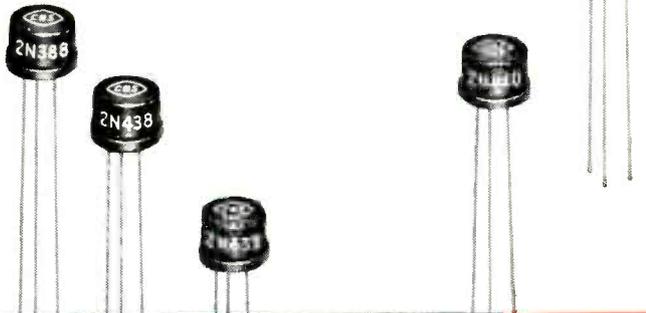
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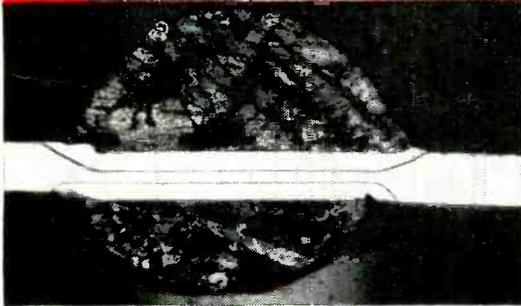
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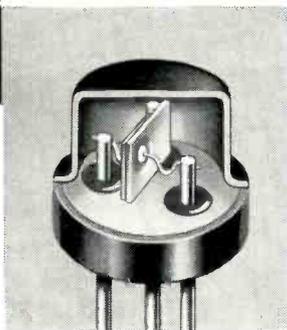
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By **HAROLD HARRIS**, *Midwestern Editor*

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Due to the unique requirements, much of the instrumentation had to be developed specifically for this research program. Instrumentation for a test highway (nine miles of four-lane highway divided into six test loops of portland cement and asphaltic concrete) serves several purposes. It measures the various effects of traffic on the test pavements and the environmental conditions such as moisture content and sub-surface temperature at the test site. It also speeds acquisition of the test data and reduces the volume of data to summary form to permit rapid engineering and statistical analysis.

Systems were classified into three categories. Those associated with pavement capabilities, those associated with pavement performance and those related to covariables.

PAVEMENT DEFLECTION—With strains in concrete pavements in the order of 20 to 50 micro-inches per inch, resolution of one microinch per inch was desired. Deflections (vertical movement) of the surface is to be measured to 0.001 in. with occasional

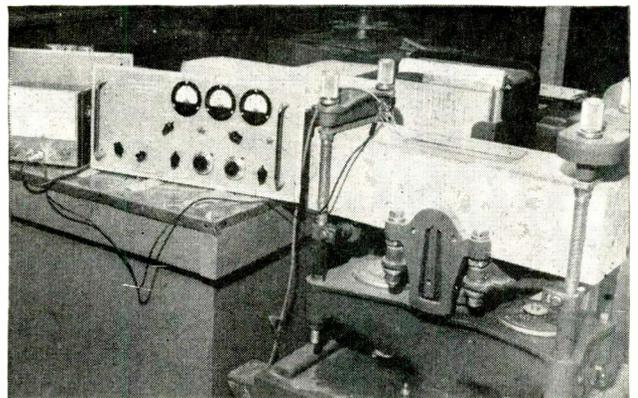


FIG. 1—Test setup checks strain gage by bending concrete beam in beam breaker that determines flexural strength

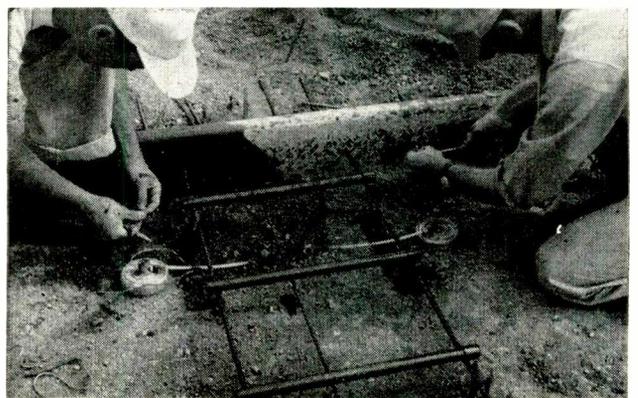


Fig. 2—Subbase contactors are installed prior to laying the pavement

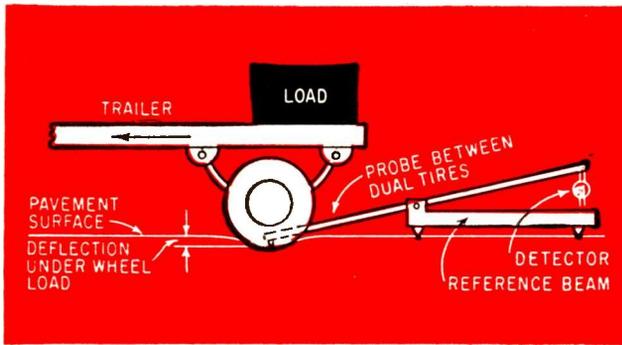


FIG. 3—Benkelman beam used to measure road distortion due to applied load as truck passes probe at creep speed. Road deflection is indicated on detector

excursions exceeding 0.1 in.

Strains or deflections are half-wave transients with the passage of a truck wheel over a gage point. The strain or deflection assumes a shape similar to a heavily damped sine wave with half-cycle time approximately 100 milliseconds.

Strain gages for measurement of concrete strain were specially made to meet project requirements. Gages were etched foil on epoxy resin having a gage length of six inches. The foil gage was enclosed in a cover consisting of linen tracing cloth and epoxy resin covered with brass shim stock. Figure 1 shows a strain gage being tested in a beam breaker.

In operation, the gage is cemented to the concrete roadway with the leads kept under the surface and running to a junction box located alongside the test pavement.

Concrete pavement slabs warp when there is a temperature or moisture differential between the top and the bottom. Slab-subbase contact indicators are installed under the pavement to indicate whether or not the slab ends are in contact with the supporting subbase or whether the warp has broken the contact. The device is a simple pressure switch and is installed during construction as shown in Fig. 2.

The majority of deflections were measured with linear variable-differential transformers. The strain indicator, originally used by the U. S. Navy, met engineers' needs with a resolution of one microinch per inch without the need for primary calibration at each gagepoint and with extremely small error due to temperature variation or lead capacitance. These strain translators were used in all units using strain gages as transducers. These include curvature strips, direct strain measurements and the slope-measuring portion of the longitudinal profilometer.

Studies of pavements with asphaltic concrete surfacing were augmented by the use of a Benkelman beam. This device consists of a reference beam supported on the pavement surface outside the area influenced by the loaded wheel as shown in Fig. 3. Pivoted on this beam is a lever arm with one end resting on the surface. The probe is placed so that the contact end rests on the pavement in the area of load influence. The initial readings are made and the vehicle is driven away at creep speed. The operator then reads the maximum deflection value on the

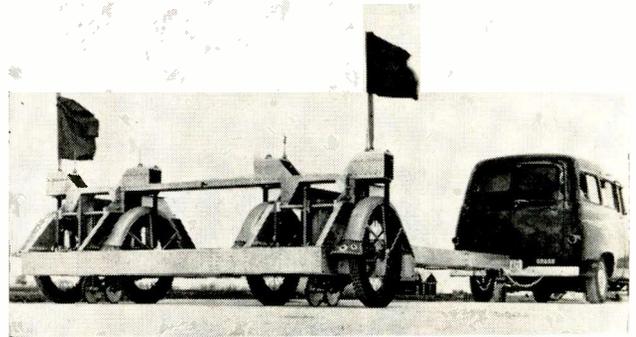


FIG. 4—Longitudinal profile of road is highly correlated with road performance. Slope-detecting wheels are located between the two pairs of large riding wheels

deflection gage attached to the free end of the lever arm.

PROFILOMETER—To measure variations of the riding surface of the road, both the longitudinal and transverse profiles are measured and recorded. To measure the longitudinal profile, a trailer similar to that shown in Fig. 4 is towed down the test highway at 5 mph. Two pairs of slope measuring wheels follow the traffic paths. Each pair of wheels is designed to provide a continuous voltage analog proportional to the slope of the angle between the road and the trailer. Another voltage, proportional to the angle between the trailer bed and horizontal, is generated and both sets of voltages are fed to the recording system shown in Fig. 5. Distance data consisting of voltage pips at each one-foot interval and additional pips to indicate start and finish of each test section are also supplied. A separate system, one for each wheel track, is provided so that a single pass of the trailer makes records for each wheel path.

The trailer horizontal reference must remain tangent to the surface of the earth despite earth rotation and must remain unaffected by acceleration. A free-spinning disk rotating on ball bearings which in turn rest on pressurized nitrogen gas was used. This almost frictionless bearing allowed the disk to spin for about one hour. Air friction existed primarily at the periphery of the disk. The disk center of gravity is a little below its support center. The disk showed some pendulum (with an 84-minute period) characteristics. The angle between disk and trailer was detected by a sensitive capacitance bridge.

As approximately 42 actual miles of charts will be generated by the longitudinal profilometer an automatic chart-reading device was developed. The oscillograph tape record is passed through a flying-spot scanner unit which reads the ordinate of the slope line at each one foot interval. The output of the scanner is digitized and punched into tape. The result is a foot-by-foot sample of analog record which can be summarized by a digital computer.

The transverse profilometer, shown in Figs. 6 and 7, consists of a truss bridging both lanes of pavement. Suspended from it are nine pneumatically operated probes that extend to, and contact, the pavement surface. At each probe, distance from

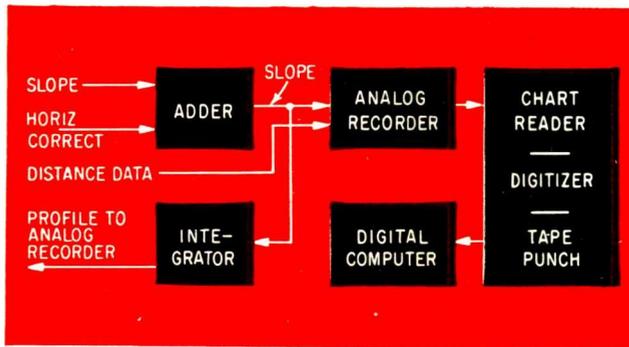


FIG. 5—Analog recorder accepts pavement slope signal which is digitized for summation purposes. Distance data and start and finish signals are also supplied

pavement to truss is picked up by linear potentiometers within the probes and rut depths are sensed, digitized and punch taped. Provisions are made for an analog record of the transverse profile of the pavement under the truss.

NUCLEAR GAGE—The success of the test project rests to a large degree on the uniformity achieved in the construction of the test pavements. High uniformity in thickness, composition and condition of various test section components is desired.

In the construction of the various soil embankments, the uniformity of compaction of each 4-in. layer was checked by testing undisturbed specimens of material obtained by driven sampler tubes. Since this and any other conventional method, were not considered satisfactory for density determination of granular materials, a nuclear density-determination system similar to that shown in Fig. 8 was used.

A source of 3.5 millicurie of Cs^{137} and a halogen-quenched, neon-filled counter tube are mounted in a lead open-bottom container (Fig. 8). This surface gage is placed on the road surface and connected to a battery-operated counter and timer. During operation, the timer starts and stops the counter. With the source and the counter separated by a lead shield, the count is a function of the radiation reflected by the subsurface material. Calibration is accomplished by taking counts with the gage on blocks of materials of known densities.

HELP WANTED—The road engineering staff requires a non-destructive system for making accurate measurements, to one-percent of weight, of the moisture content of a thin (1-in.) layer of soil immediately under the pavement structure.

Among the systems tried were change in resistance due to moisture content and change in capacitance with change in dielectric (due to changes in moisture content). These have not worked with success and AASHO engineers hope that some **ELECTRONICS** reader may come up with an answer. Ideas would be welcomed by the Highway Research Board, National Academy of Science, 2101 Constitution Ave., Washington 25, D. C.

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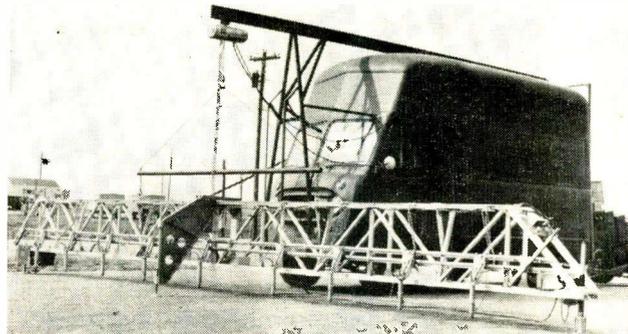


FIG. 6—Transverse profilometer truss can be quickly leveled and probes activated by equipment in truck. Motor-driven carriage (left bottom of truss) records analog of profile

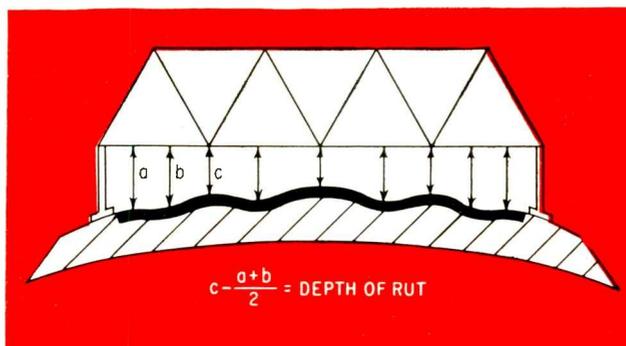


FIG. 7—To measure depth of rut, outputs of probes a and b are averaged then subtracted from output of probe c

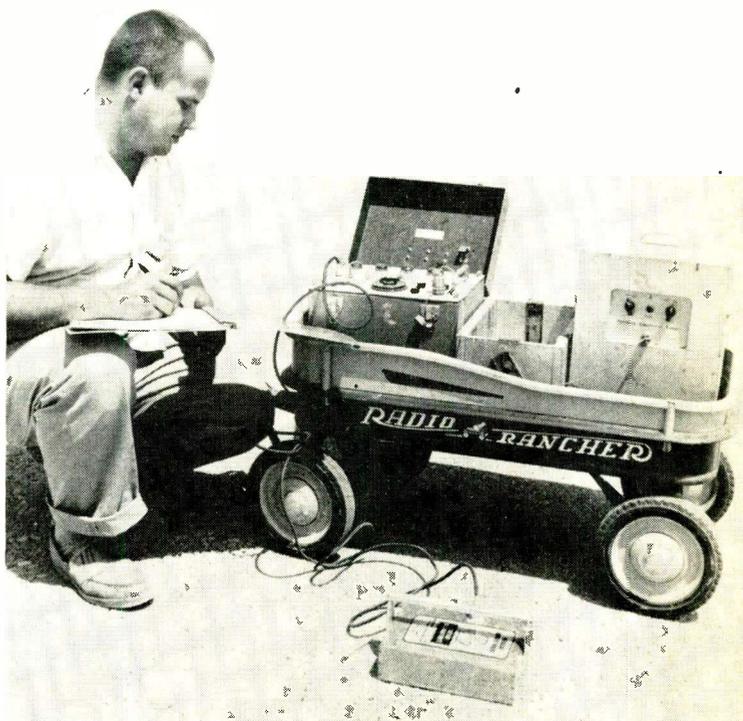


FIG. 8—Crushed stone base material density measured by backscatter from Cs^{137} source and indicated on wagon-mounted scaler

Recent Communications

Communications featured at Fall meeting of AIEE. Here's how some significant developments in microwave, telegraph and telephone systems are being used to meet some of these ever increasing requirements

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NEARLY ONE-FIFTH of the technical sessions of the AIEE Fall Meeting in Chicago were devoted to communications. Five papers, selected from over 40 presented at these communications sessions, are discussed. These papers cover microwave, telephone and telegraph systems.

Highlights of the papers were that microwave systems can handle all forms of signals used in electric power systems; undetected errors in a 5-level punched tape are reduced to only one error in 100 million characters by two error detection systems; a carrier telegraph system uses frequency-shift keying; and an economical detector makes it possible to use double-sideband, suppressed-carrier a-m in a telephone carrier system.

While four of these papers covered system descriptions, the fifth, on the use of microwaves by power utilities, stressed applications.

Microwave in Power Systems

Microwave communication systems using conventional multiplexing can handle all forms of signals normally used in the electric power business.¹ These signals include voice, telegraph, facsimile, supervisory control, load control, relaying, telemeter and alarms. There

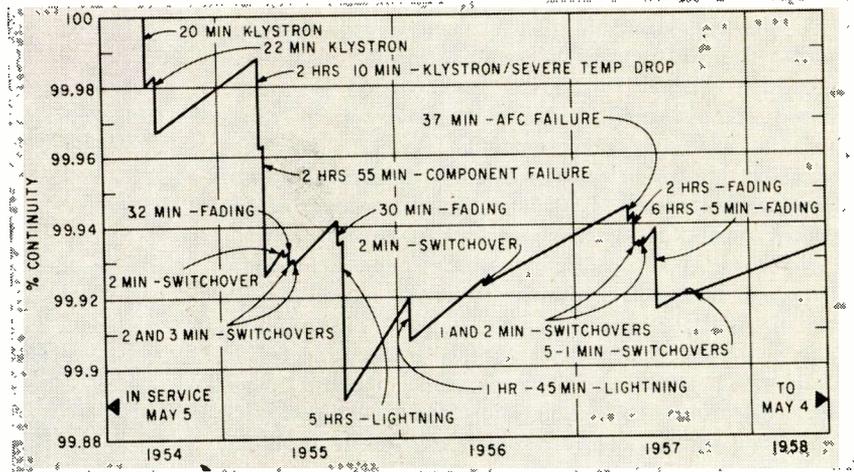


FIG. 1—Typical microwave system (Canton-Philo) provides reliable operation. Records show a continuity about 99.88 percent for the system or 99.97 percent per hop

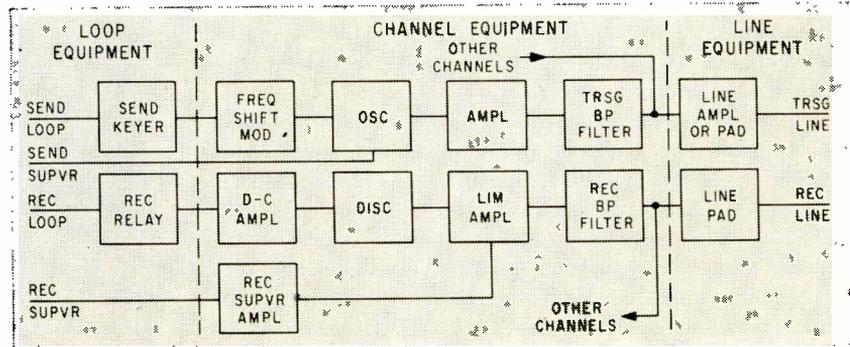


FIG. 2—Carrier frequency assignments of frequency shift carrier telegraph are coordinated with existing systems

Systems Developments

seems to be no problem that will prevent the use of microwave in any future signal applications such as coded information for data processing.

Microwave circuits must compete on a cost basis with other types of communication systems used by power companies. Power line carrier, leased wires, private telephone line and carrier on private telephone line are some of these competing systems. When used for power utility operation, microwave systems have technical advantages over these alternate means of communication.

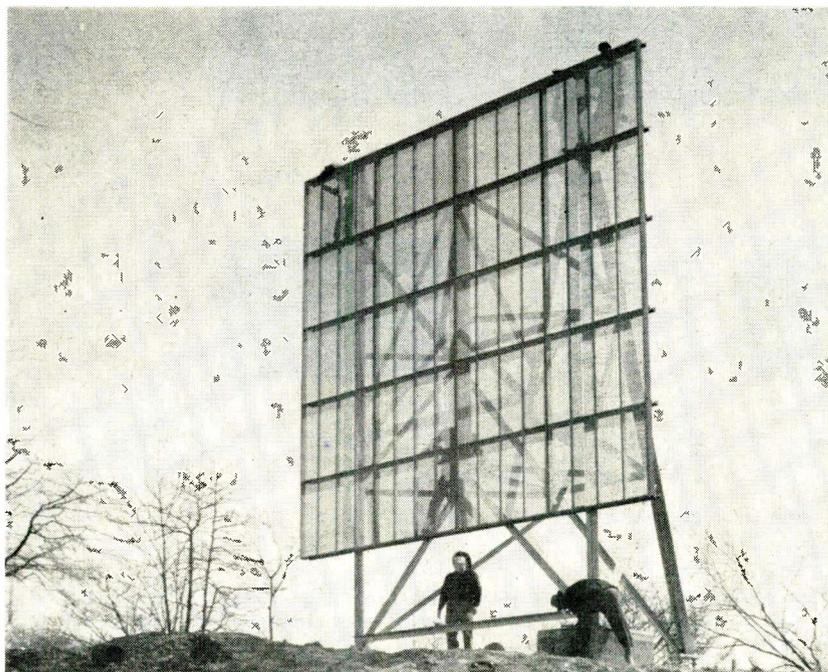
Higher intelligibility, better signal to noise ratio, lower crosstalk level, more flexibility and better continuity are some of these advantages. Figure 1 shows the continuity performance of a typical microwave system used by one power company. An additional advantage of microwave is the ability to restore zero dbm level.

By using it for long hauls, microwave can be made the backbone of power company communication systems. Local areas can then be fed by other communication methods. In this manner, the characteristics of each method are used to maximum advantage.

Telegraph System

A new 26-channel carrier telegraph system uses frequency-shift keying with transmission of one frequency indicating a mark and transmission of another frequency indicating a space.² Eighteen of the 26 channels are located in frequency band between 340 and 3,400 cycles while the other eight are located above 3,500 cycles. Maximum signaling speed of each channel is slightly more than 100 words per minute (80 bits per sec).

Transistorized circuits reduce heat problems in this system. A full terminal dissipates only $\frac{1}{10}$ the



Large passive repeater located on Canton to Philo (Ohio) microwave system of the American Electric Power System

power of comparable vacuum tube equipment. A terminal of 18 channels occupies 7 ft of a standard 19-in. rack and has an overall depth of 10 in.

The system is divided into three functional groups as shown in Fig. 2. Use of this same division in the physical layout of the terminal has

two advantages. The transistorized channel equipment is kept separate from the heat-producing loop equipment and flexibility of design and application is obtained.

Loop Unit

When transmitting loop unit modulates the channel carrier oscillator in accordance with signals generated on the loop by a teleprinter. When receiving, the unit keys the loop in step with signals received from the distant transmitting equipment. How the loop unit functions in a two-path polar circuit is shown in Fig. 3.

The voltage developed across R_1 by the send loop current biases the diode quad. Marking current (from negative battery) biases the quad off, and C_s , the shift capacitor, is isolated from the main oscillator tank by a high impedance. Thus, the oscillator produces the high or marking frequency. Spacing current (plus battery) biases the quad

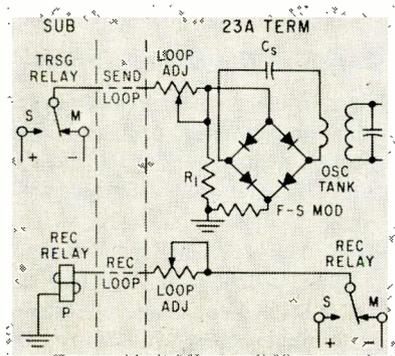


FIG. 3—Modulation arrangement for two-path polar loop uses diode bridge. Similar bridges are used for other types of loop operation

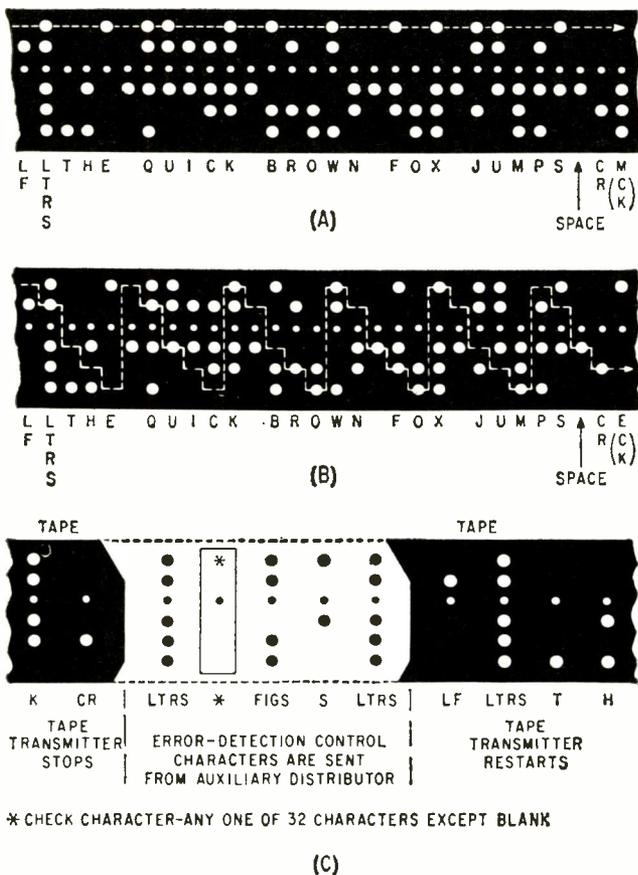


FIG. 4—Horizontal check line (A), spiral check line (B) and error-detection control characters (C) used in odd-even count error detection system

on, coupling the shift capacitor into the main oscillator tank. Under these conditions the oscillator produces the low or spacing frequency. On the receive side, polar signals are developed in the loop from the contacts of the receive relay.

To obtain good frequency stability as a function of voltage, a ferrite core inductor, resonated with a polystyrene film capacitor, is used in the oscillator tank. Because the core and capacitor have nearly equal and opposite temperature coefficients, this combination also gives good stability as a function of temperature. After measuring resonant frequency of the tank at room temperature and 50 C, any residual coefficient is reduced by padding the tank with capacitors of zero, negative or positive temperature coefficients as required.

Error Detection

Transmission of more numeric material (data) and the direct use of transmitted material in automatic computers without the ma-

terial being read and checked by a human operator are becoming more common. These two trends have increased the demand for an automatic means of detecting transmission errors. Two error detection systems for 5-level punched tape use the common teleprinter code and add check characters to the data being transmitted. One method³ uses odd-even counts to generate the check characters; the other⁴ uses a binary totaling system to determine the check character.

Odd-Even Counting Principle

The odd-even count method adds, at the originating end, a check character after each typed line or portion of a line terminated by a carriage return (CR) signal.

When the transmitter senses a CR signal in the tape, it stops and waits while five error detection control characters, including the check character, are sent on the line from the error-detection circuit. The transmitter then resumes sending, the next character being

the line feed (LF) character which advances the teletypewriter paper.

The check character is generated from five odd-even counts of the marking signal elements in five separate lines along the punched tape. Each counting line may be a horizontal line, Fig. 4A. An alternate form of counting line, Fig. 4B, shifts one level vertically for each character of horizontal advance.

Each of the five lines generates from its count a check bit. This check bit is a mark if there are an odd number of marks in the line, a space if there is an even number. The check bits are then used as the five signal elements of the check character, (CK) in Fig 4A and B. Figure 4C shows the control characters that are inserted by the error-detection circuit at the sending end. These five control characters are sent over the line from an auxiliary distributor.

At the receiving end a new check character is generated from the received text by the same process as that used at the sending end.

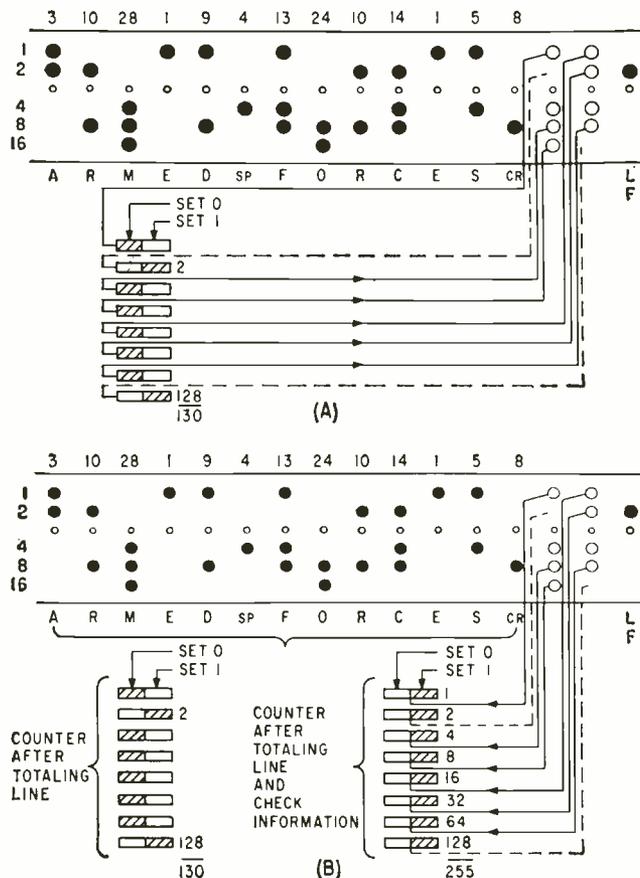


FIG. 5—Method of preparing tape at sending station (A) and checking tape at receiving station (B) in binary totaling error detection system shows how characters are totaled

This locally generated check character is compared to the character sent over the line. If the two do not agree, it indicates that an error has occurred in the preceding line of text. When a transmission error is detected, an identifying mark is made on the copy of the line in error.

Binary Totaling

Figures 5A and B illustrate the basic features of the two-character binary total error detection system. Each character in the text is considered a five-digit binary number with levels 1 through 5 having weights 1, 2, 4, 8 and 16 respectively. The characters in a variable-length line which does not exceed 72 characters are totaled up to and including the CR by a counter.

The counter has eight stages and can therefore total from 0 to 255. As the total for a line of 72 characters can be as high as 2,232, the counter cycles a number of times in totaling an average line.

At the end of the group the complement of the 8-digit binary total in the counter is punched in the tape as levels 1, 2, 4 and 5 in two characters. The third level of each of these characters is always punched to avoid the formation of control-character combinations used in switching systems.

The checking process at the receiving station consists of again totaling the characters in the group in a counter similar to the one in the sending unit. The eight binary digits in the two check characters are also totaled and if no errors were introduced in transmission this results in all eight stages of the counter being reset to 1.

If any of the bits in the block were reversed during transmission at least one of the stages in the receiving counter would be set on zero. When this happens, an alarm sounds and the text is marked in red.

Telephone Carrier

A new telephone carrier system provides up to 24 circuits with two cable pairs between offices where the attenuation of the trunks does not exceed 200 db at 480 kc.⁵ Depending on the gage and capacitance of the cable pairs, this repre-

sents a distance of between 10 and 20 miles.

Based on double-sideband, suppressed-carrier modulation, this multiplex equipment uses a base group of 12 channel modulators (transmitters) operating at carrier frequencies between 292 and 476 kc and a corresponding base group of 12 channel demodulators (receivers) operating between 68 and 252 kc. Although each channel occupies 8 kc, the spacing between channels is 16 kc to permit interleaving of the two directions of transmission and to prevent crosstalk.

To close the transmission path between the 12-channel modulator group and the 12-channel demodulator group, it is necessary to translate (group-modulate or -demodulate) once. The system block diagram is shown in Fig. 6.

The channel modulator-demodulators (modem) contain the channel transmitters and receivers. They also provide the crystal controlled carrier supply for the transmitters.

Signal Supply

One signal supply provides 3.7- and 3.9-kc tones for 24 signaling units. The group modulator translates 12 high group transmitting channels to the low group spectrum and combines both groups. Separation of high group from the low group and amplification of the low group for channel detection is provided by the group receiver amplifier.

The group demodulator translates 12 high group receiving channels to the low group spectrum and amplifies the group for channel detection. The line amplifier boosts

the channels to line level for transmission and provides span adjustment, equalization and amplification for received signals. It includes facilities for connecting repeater power.

Repeaters

Regulating and nonregulating repeaters are used. While both types furnish a normal gain of 25 db at the highest line frequency (480 kc), the regulating repeaters compensate for line variations of ± 8 db. Repeaters are installed at the same point for both directions of transmission with every third repeater being the regulating type. Power for the repeaters is fed over the same cable pairs on which they are installed. Ten repeaters can be used in a system without using an intermediate power source as up to five repeaters can be fed from each end.

This completely transistorized system uses plug-in units and module-type construction in both terminal and repeater equipment. Handles on the plug-in units assure easy removal of the units from the equipment.

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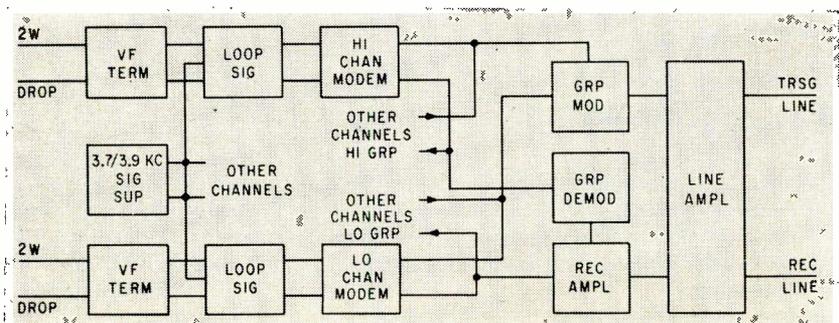


FIG. 6—Terminal of telephone carrier system. Four terminals can be mounted in one 11-ft, 6-in. bay

Typical High-Power

Table I—Characteristics of Typical Silicon Power Transistors^a

Type	Structure ^b	Manufacturer ^c	V_{CEmax} (v)	I_{Cmax} (amp)	β_{min} @ I_C (amp)	R_{Smax} (ohm)	t_s (μ sec)	$f\alpha$ (kc)	R_{thmax} ($^{\circ}$ C/w)	T_j ($^{\circ}$ C)	V_{CEmax} I_{Cmax} (w)	I_{Cmax}^2 R_{Smax} (w)	
2N-1016-F	npn-F	WEC	300	5	10	5	0.50	20	300	0.70	150	1,500	12.5
2N-1015-F	npn-F	WEC	300	5	10	2	0.75	20	300	0.70	150	1,500	18.8
2N-1016-E	npn-F	WEC	250	5	10	5	0.50	20	300	0.70	150	1,250	12.5
2N-1015-E	npn-F	WEC	250	5	10	2	0.75	20	300	0.70	150	1,250	18.8
2N-1016-D	npn-F	WEC	200	5	10	5	0.50	20	300	0.70	150	1,000	12.5
2N-1015-D	npn-F	WEC	200	5	10	2	0.75	20	300	0.70	150	1,000	18.8
2N-1016-C	npn-F	WEC	150	5	10	5	0.50	20	300	0.70	150	750	12.5
2N-1015-C	npn-F	WEC	150	5	10	2	0.75	20	300	0.70	150	750	18.8
2N-1016-B	npn-F	WEC	100	5	10	5	0.50	20	300	0.70	150	500	12.5
2N-1015-B	npn-F	WEC	100	5	10	2	0.75	20	300	0.70	150	500	18.8
2N-1016-A	npn-F	WEC	60	5	10	5	0.50	20	300	0.70	150	300	12.5
2N-1015-A	npn-F	WEC	60	5	10	2	0.75	20	300	0.70	150	300	18.8
2N-1208	npn-D	TEC	60	5	15	—	1.5	0.25	12mc	0.50	200	300	37.5
ST-400	npn-D	TEC	60	5	15	2	2.5	0.25	6 mc	2.5	200	300	62.5
2N-1212	npn-D	TEC	60	5	12	—	2.5	0.25	2 mc	0.50	200	300	62.5
2N-1250	npn-D	TEC	60	5	15	...	...	0.25	6 mc	0.50	200	300	...
2N-1070	npn-D	STC/RCA	60	4	10	1.5	0.67	...	1.2 mc	3.0	175	240	10.7
2N-1069	npn-D	STC/RCA	60	4	10	1.5	2.0	...	1.2 mc	3.0	175	240	32
2N-1209	npn-D	TEC	45	5	20	...	1.5	0.25	12 mc	0.50	200	225	37.5
ST-401	npn-D	TEC	45	5	20	2	2.5	0.25	6 mc	2.5	200	225	62.5
ST-402	npn-D	TEC	60	3	15	2	4.0	0.25	6 mc	3.0	200	180	36
2N-424	npn-D	TEC/TII	80	2	12	1	10	0.70	6 mc	2.1	200	160	40
2N-1016	npn-F	WEC	30	5	10	5	0.50	20	300	0.70	150	150	12.5
2N-1015	npn-F	WEC	30	5	10	2	0.75	20	300	0.70	150	150	18.8
2N-1072	npn-D	WEST	75	2	...	...	...	...	...	175	150	...	...
ST-403	npn-D	TEC	45	3	15	2	3.0	0.25	6 mc	3.0	200	135	27
2N-389	npn-D	TEC/TII	60	2	12	1	5.0	...	8 mc	2.1	200	120	20
ARA-46P	Composite	ARA	40	3	10,000	...	5.0	...	...	2.6	200	120	45

^a V_{CEmax} —Blocking voltage capability; I_{Cmax} —Current carrying capacity; R_{Smax} —Collector saturation resistance; β —current transfer ratio; $f\alpha$ —frequency response; t_s —switching time; R_{th} —thermal resistance; T_j —junction temperature

^b F—fused; D—diffused

^c WEC—Westinghouse Electric Corp.; TEC—Transitron Electronic Corp.; STC—Silicon Transistor Corp.; RCA—Radio Corp. of America; TII—Texas Instruments Inc.; WEST—Western Electric Co.; ARA—Advanced Research Associates Inc.

Silicon Transistors

Properties of 28 commercially available high-power silicon transistors made by 7 manufacturers are listed. Article also gives indications of expected levels of performance of future devices

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ADVANCES IN SILICON TECHNOLOGY over the past few years have generated a new family of power transistors. Silicon transistors for power applications of the several kilowatt range and higher are anticipated for the near future.

This article describes the present plateau of silicon power transistor development in terms of selected electrical characteristics. Primary data were obtained from specification sheets of commercially available units. Some developmental information is also included to indicate expected levels of performance of future devices.

The subject group of silicon transistors is loosely defined as high power. Limits of this category reflect the state of the art, among other things. Since current ratings are increasing in large increments, and thereby extending the range to very high values, the arbitrary minimum selected for this category is a collector current of two amperes.

Evaluation of high power transistors can be made in terms of several pertinent electrical and thermal characteristics. The common-emitter switching mode is assumed since the majority of applications employ this configuration. Moreover, it simplifies comparison of the devices in terms of power handling capability.

Data of typical commercially available units which satisfy the criterion of two amperes collector current, minimum, are given in Table I. The second column indicates a fused (F) or diffused (D) structure. The last two columns serve to compare devices in terms of power handling capability, defined as the product of V_{CEmax} and I_{Cmax} and power loss, defined as the product of I_{Cmax} squared and R_{Smax} (see footnotes of Table I). The importance of other listed characteristics is not meant to be minimized; rather, it is believed that the noted product expressions best summarize the relative merits of power transistors.

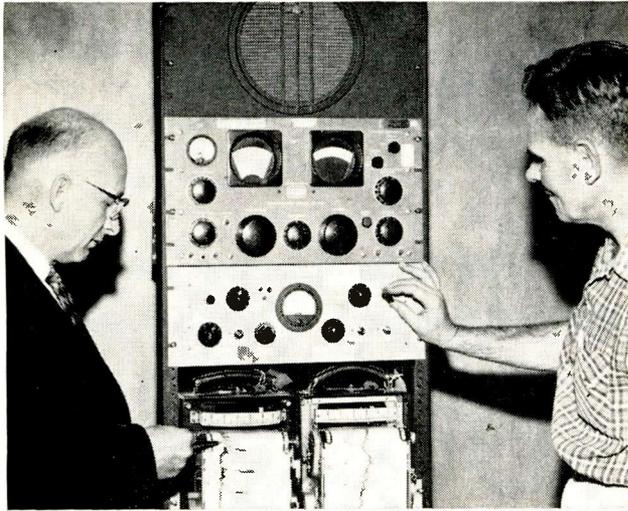
Interesting points arise, too, concerning the basic structures employed. Both utilize *p*-type silicon. The advantages include availability of high quality crystal

and high minority carrier mobility. Electrically, the diffused structure is characterized by high current gains (and a flat β against I_c falloff), high frequency response and fast switching times. The fused structure is characterized by high blocking voltage and low saturation resistance (and, consequently, low power losses at equivalent output currents).

Table II includes available information on devices currently in development. The listing is by no means complete, since data are understandably sketchy in this area. The significant feature is the expected increase in current ratings. From this, one might extrapolate to future devices with current ratings in the range of hundreds of amperes. This is pure speculation in view of the tremendous difficulties which arise in the fabrication of large area devices.

Table II—Some Developmental Silicon Power Transistors

Manufacturer	Development
Pacific Semiconductors	10, 20, 50 and 100 ampere devices possessing high frequency characteristics
Texas Instruments	Several high current transistors to be introduced this year
Westinghouse Electric	30 and 50 ampere transistors with voltage ratings as high as 150 volts (V_{CE}) and saturation resistance less than 0.1 ohm at rated current
Westinghouse Electric	High gain (beta of the order of 1,000) cascaded transistors with voltage ratings as high as 150 volts and current ratings of the order of 10 amperes



Two of the authors demonstrate continuous fading rate recorder. Chart on left records radio signal fading rate

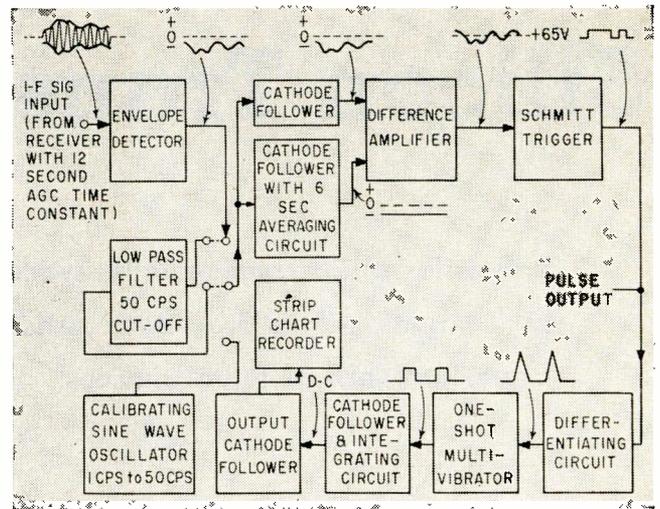


FIG. 1—This recorder diagram shows progressive transformations of i-f signal input

Fading Rate Recorder for Propagation Research

Continuous, simultaneous recordings of radio signal strengths and fading rates are needed in radio propagation research. This instrument provides strip-chart recordings of fading rates from almost zero cps up to 300 cps

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RECORDINGS of median strengths of received radio signals have been made at the Boulder Laboratories of the National Bureau of Standards for a number of years. Such recordings are used in radio propagation studies. Recently, the need for an instrument which would provide continuous, simultaneous recordings of both average fading rate and strength of radio signals at h-f and vhf led to the development of the strip-chart recorder shown in Fig. 1.

This recorder is an improved version of a previous design that records the number of times per

second that the signal envelope crosses the average signal level with a positive slope.¹ The improved circuit allows faithful recording of fading rates down to almost zero cps and to as high as 300 cps.

Although it records the rate of average signal crossings rather than median signal crossings, and hence may not strictly agree with fading rates as frequently defined, this recorder does provide a convenient means for comparing average fading rates for various propagation conditions and transmission frequencies.

Input for this recorder (Fig. 1

and 2) is taken from the i-f output of a receiver that has a 12 second or longer time constant in the agc circuit. A long time constant is necessary to maintain receiver gain at an approximately fixed value over the recorder integrating period.

Recording Range

The envelope detector and input circuits will handle intermediate frequencies in the range of 100 to 455 kc. The amplifiers feeding the diode detector have excellent linearity over the range of signal voltages used. An output voltage of 10

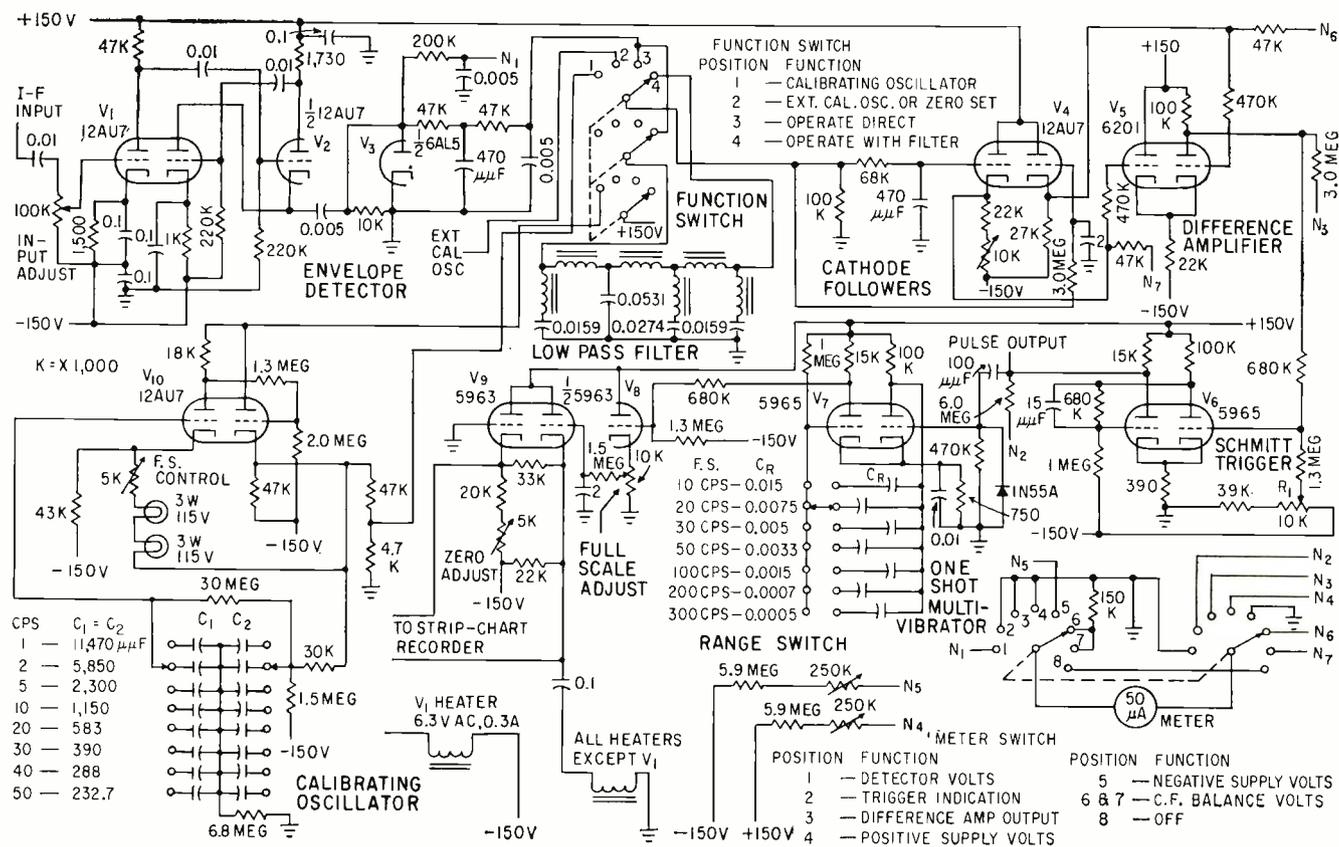


FIG. 2—Complete schematic of fading rate recorder. This unit records fading rates from less than 0.5 cps to 300 cps at receiver i-f frequencies from 100 kc to 455 kc

volts d-c is obtained for an i-f input voltage of approximately one volt rms.

Cathode Followers

The envelope detector feeds two cathode followers; the input circuit of cathode follower $V_{4,5}$ includes an integrating circuit with a six-second time constant. Average signal level is determined as the output voltage of the integrating circuit. Cathode follower $V_{4,5}$ has an adjustable cathode resistance which allows equalization of cathode voltages for zero input voltage.

The difference amplifier,² V_3 , has a constant output plate voltage of approximately 64 v whenever the inputs to the two grids are equal. The performance of this stage may be expressed mathematically as

$$e_0 = \mu R_L (e_1 - e_2) / (2r_p + R_L) = A(e_1 - e_2)$$

where e_0 represents departure from the equal-signal plate voltage mentioned above, and e_1 and e_2 are the voltages on the two grids. The voltage e_2 is the integrated signal level, and e_1 is the instantaneous value

of the signal envelope. Thus the output voltage changes sharply with variations of signal about the average value.

Schmitt trigger V_6 , following the difference amplifier, is adjusted to switch ON and OFF respectively at one volt above and below the difference amplifier equal-signal output voltage. These two conditions correspond to a difference in the grid voltages of the two input cathode followers of about 0.07 v. The square-wave output of the Schmitt trigger is differentiated, and the resulting positive pulse triggers one-shot multivibrator V_7 .

One-Shot Multivibrator

When the signal envelope crosses the average signal level with a positive slope, the one-shot multivibrator produces a rectangular positive pulse which has a peak value equal to the applied d-c plate voltage from a regulated power supply. The pulse width is short compared to the period of the maximum fading rate for which the instrument is calibrated.

For instance, when the instrument is set for a full scale fading rate of 10 cps, the pulse width at the output of the one-shot multivibrator is approximately 6 milliseconds. The pulse width is proportionately shorter when the instrument is set for higher fading rates with the range switch.

Cathode follower V_8 , which is biased beyond cut-off, is connected to the output of the one-shot multivibrator. The cathode follower output is a constant-amplitude pulse, equal to the difference between the positive excursion of the applied pulse and the cut-off voltage of the cathode follower. This pulse output is integrated, and applied to the input of cathode follower V_9 , which drives the strip-chart recorder. Output circuitry is so arranged that d-c drift is at a minimum. The voltage to the strip-chart recorder is proportional to the number of one-shot multivibrator pulses per second; hence the recorder indication is a linear function of the fading rate.

Sine wave oscillator³ V_{10} facili-

tates calibrating the strip-chart recorder in fades-per-second. Output frequencies at discrete intervals are made available by switching capacitors in the bridged-T negative feedback network. Calibrating frequencies from 1 cps to 50 cps are used in the present unit. An external oscillator may also be used for calibrating to 300 cps.

Low-Pass Filtering

Inasmuch as the fade-rate recorder cannot distinguish between carrier fading and intended or incidental amplitude modulation of the carrier, it is desirable to filter out the amplitude modulation components. If fading rates no greater than 50 cps are expected, a low pass filter with a cut-off frequency of 50 cps may be inserted between the envelope detector and the inputs to the first cathode followers. The use of such a filter makes possible the recording of fading rates of the received signals from high-frequency broadcast stations.

With the filter, when the envelope detector average output voltage is 4 volts, 100 percent modulation at 103 cps would be required to cause the recorder to indicate. Inasmuch as high percentages of modulation are infrequent at low audio frequencies with normal program material, the use of the filter provides good protection from the effects of amplitude modulation.

A high attenuation factor at 60 cps has also been built into the filter to eliminate the effects of hum modulation, which is present on some carriers. Of course, where signal fading rates in excess of 50 cps are encountered, such as in propagation through disturbed ionospheric regions, the use of the filter is not practicable.

Adjustment Procedures

When the low-pass filter is used, the level control in the input circuit to the envelope detector is adjusted for an average value of detector output voltage of about 4 volts. This adjustment gives good protection against amplitude modulation effects, and will allow resolution of fades to 50 cps with a minimum total variation of 0.4 to 0.9 db. If the filter is not used the average detector voltage is reduced to about

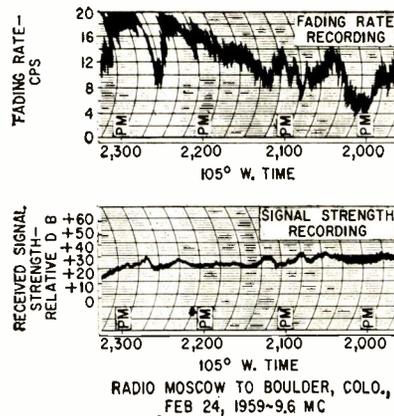


FIG. 3—Typical recording of fading rate and average signal strength

2.0 to 2.5 v to minimize the effects of noise. A resolution of fades with a minimum total variation of about 0.6 db will be obtained with this adjustment.

Even though the average signal level may vary diurnally over quite wide limits, the operation of the unit will not be seriously affected for considerable departure from the suggested values of detector output, as long as noise contamination of the signal is not great. A departure of plus or minus 30 db in received signal level from the adjustment value will not noticeably affect operation, assuming the receiver agc circuit is operating satisfactorily.

Schmitt trigger threshold is adjusted by placing the function switch and meter switch in the number 2 position, and noting the d-c voltage as threshold adjustment R_1 is moved. The control is set midway between the ON and OFF positions. The strip-chart recorder may then be calibrated with the oscillator. A zero adjustment and full-scale adjustment are available for setting the strip-chart recorder for the desired full-scale value. The range switch, which adjusts the pulse width of the one-shot multivibrator, must be set to a position corresponding to the full-scale fading rate. After calibration, the function switch is placed in the direct-operation or filter-operation position, as required.

Typical Results

The fading rate recorder has proved to be quite stable in operation after an initial warm-up period of 12 hours, when used with regu-

lated positive and negative power supplies. A typical fading rate recording is shown in Fig. 3, along with a simultaneous recording of average signal strength. A 12 second time constant is used in the signal strength recording circuit.

Flutter fading at rates up to 20 cps occurs for paths through the auroral zone. Other recordings show a change in fading rate when rather sudden changes in signal level occur, probably due to propagation mode change at these times. Spikes caused by noise fluctuations appear on the fading rate records during transmitter OFF periods. Occasional noise spikes are noted on WWV recordings at times when the transmitter is not off; these are caused by impulse noise interference.

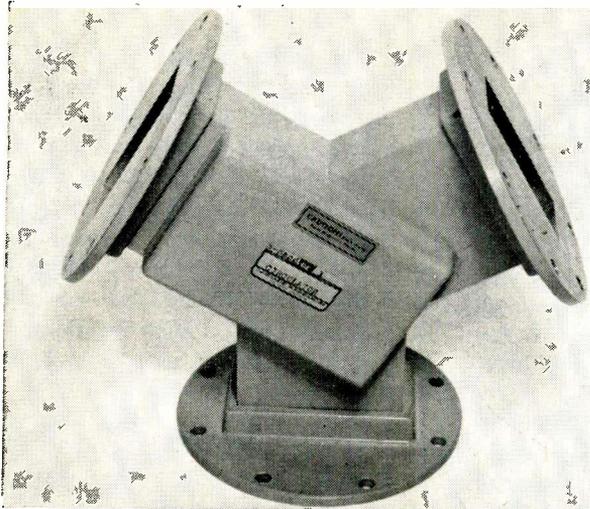
These continuous, simultaneous recordings of fading rate and signal strength should provide additional information for increased utilization of ionospheric propagation in communications. However, the user must exercise caution in applying the results of the fading rate recordings directly to communication problems, as the depth of fading and amplitude distribution of the signal envelope may vary considerably. This recorder gives no indication of these factors.

Also, the user must keep in mind that fading rate for this instrument is defined as the number of times per second that the signal crosses the average signal level with a positive slope. Despite these limitations, however, this fading rate recorder does provide a convenient method for comparing fading rates for various propagation conditions and paths.

The development of the instrument was carried out in behalf of the U. S. Air Force, Wright Air Development Center, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio under Delivery Order (33-616) 58-16.

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Y-type circulator for S-band. See Fig. 8 for typical data

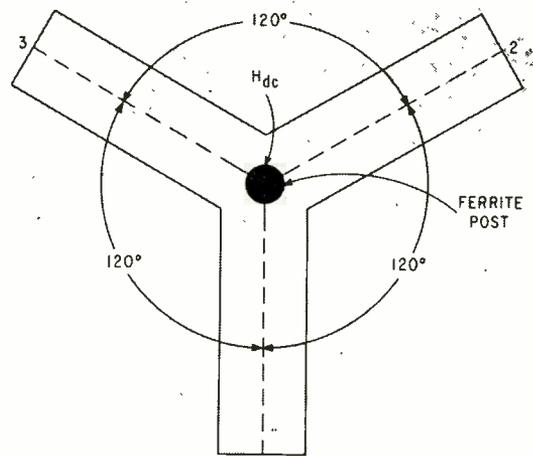


FIG. 1—Circulator's cylindrical ferrite produces transverse d-c field

New Microwave Circulators

These Y-type circulators have wide bandwidth and high power-handling capabilities

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THE Y-CIRCULATOR consists of an H-plane junction of three identical waveguides joined to form a symmetrical Y-shaped figure. The region of the junction of the three waveguides contains a symmetrical distribution of ferrite which is transversely magnetized. Symmetry is three-fold, making the structure appear the same when looking into any one of the three waveguides (Fig. 1). Because of the geometrical symmetry, if all the power into one of the guides comes out an adjacent guide, the same will be true of all three guides; thus the device

will be a circulator.

Since the magnetized ferrite is an anisotropic medium, this configuration is not electrically symmetrical even though it has geometrical symmetry. When waves propagate through a section of ferrite-loaded rectangular waveguide which is transversely magnetized, the r-f field distribution is asymmetrical even though the distribution of ferrite is symmetrical. This is shown in Fig. 2 for a rectangular waveguide filled with ferrite. Field distribution is asymmetrical because the r-f magnetic field is elliptically

polarized in planes parallel to the broad faces of the guide, and is of opposite sense on either side of the guide. Since effective r-f permeability of the magnetized ferrite depends on the sense of polarization, the two sides of the ferrite-loaded guide are electrically dissimilar. This explains why all the power can be diverted into an adjacent waveguide in the junction by properly displacing the field to one side.

Power Guidance

Several methods of guiding all the power from one waveguide to an adjacent one have been tried. The method shown in Fig. 1 uses a ferrite post in the junction region. The ferrite post deviates the energy entirely into the adjacent guide; no energy is transmitted into the unwanted guide. This occurs because the dimensions and field are so chosen that reflections from the junction boundaries cancel the signal that might otherwise enter the third guide.

Another method uses slabs along

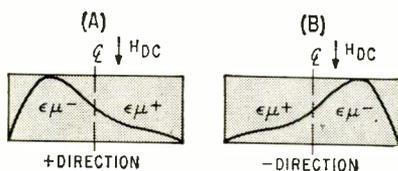


FIG. 2—R-f fields in positive (A) and negative (B) directions of wave travel

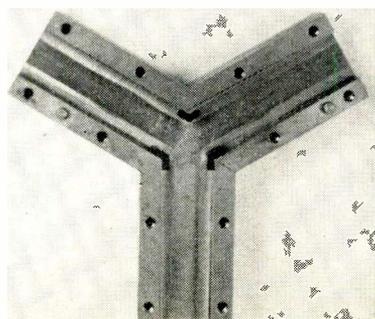


FIG. 3—Circulator has three V-shaped ferrite slabs against inside surfaces of waveguides

MICROWAVE CIRCULATORS

Circulators are of fundamental importance in the design of all types of radar systems. They can be used as passive duplexers, switches, modulators and isolators. When used as duplexers they eliminate problems created by the t-r and atr tubes (for example, the difficulty in seeing close-in targets, because of deionization time). Circulators used as switches are more reliable and faster acting than the mechanical switches they replace.

Since no large mismatch occurs during the switching cycle, there is less need for auxiliary equipment to protect the generator during the switching period. A circulator used to replace an isolator can be designed for high average power since absorbed power is dumped into a matched load instead of the ferrite itself, as occurs with conventional isolators. This is important if the isolator must dissipate all the incident power as happens when the load is short circuited.

The Y and T circulators depend on field displacement for their operation. Both are smaller, lighter in weight and less expensive to build than conventional differential phase shift circulators.

The Y circulator is symmetrical looking into any of its ports. If all the power into one of the guides can be made to come out of an adjacent guide, then this condition holds for all three guides and the device will be a circulator. This is not true of the T. Since the T is asymmetrical each of its ports must be separately matched to have the device operate as a circulator.

The Y will operate without any matching devices. Thus, the bandwidth of the Y is better than that of the T. The Y also has lower insertion loss and higher isolation for all ports than the T. Because the Y requires no matching, no large standing waves exist in the junction area. This makes the Y more suitable than the T for high-power applications. High-power models of the Y have worked at power levels up to 100 kw peak (100 w avg.). All available T circulators are low-power devices

each side of the three waveguides as shown on Fig. 3. Almost all of the energy is trapped in one of the slabs in the ferrite dielectric mode and is guided continuously by the slab from one waveguide into the adjacent one. Lax and Button have calculated the field distribution for symmetrical slabs of ferrite transversely magnetized in the same direction. If the ferrite slabs are sufficiently thick one slab guides a wave traveling in the forward direction and the other slab guides the wave traveling in the reverse direction. Figure 4 shows the r-f E and H fields under these conditions.

The first symmetrical configuration used experimentally consisted of a ferrite circular cylinder placed at the junction of three rectangular waveguides intersecting at 120 deg. Circulator action was obtained by choosing the rod diameter and by applying a transverse field. Rod diameters from 0.125 in. to 0.500 in. were tried. At 9,375 mc, the best results were obtained with a Ferramic R-1 rod 0.350 in. in diameter, which filled the 0.400 x 0.900-in. guide in height. The loss was less than 0.5 db and isolation and re-

flexion were greater than 30 db over a 50-mc frequency band. The d-c field was about 120 oersteds.

Other configurations having three-fold symmetry were tried.

Circulator action was also obtained using ferrite slabs and wedges. Figure 5 shows a few ferrite configurations. Ferrite dimensions must be properly selected. The double-slab combination is most amenable to theoretical evaluation,

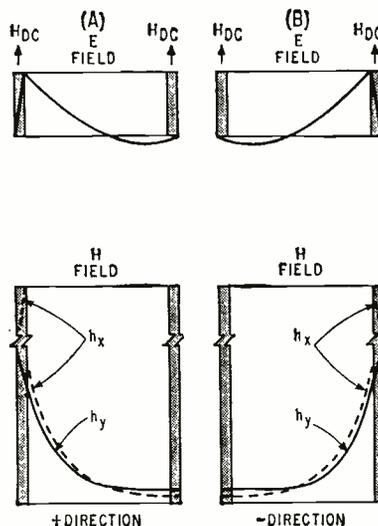
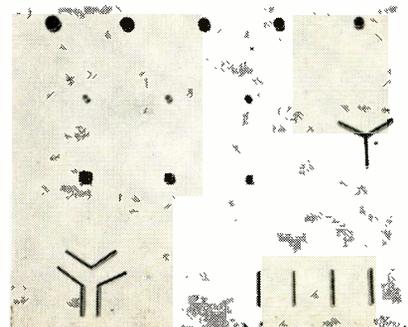


FIG. 4—Graphs of E and H-field distributions along two cross sections of waveguide in positive (A) and negative (B) directions

FIG. 5—Ferrite configurations for circulators



but it is more lossy and has higher reflections than the post or wedge. This is probably caused by the large volume of ferrite material required. At 9,375 mc, slabs 0.125 in. or more were necessary to get circulator performance. It should be possible to get better loss figures and more bandwidth from the slab configuration by using ferrite material and special matching techniques.

Test Data

Figure 6 shows a typical set of data using a wedge of Ferramic R-1, 0.400 in. on each side and filling the guide in height (0.400 in.). Loss is less than 0.75 db, and the reflection and isolation are greater than 20 db from about 9,200 to 9,500 mc. This frequency band can be shifted by either selecting different ferrite dimensions or changing the d-c field of 189 oersteds. Isolation and reflection of from 30 to 40 db are obtainable any place in the X band. Limited high-power tests of this unit indicate that it will operate without breakdown at 50 kw peak. However, the power absorbed increased to 1.3 db because of the non-linear characteristics of the ferrite material.

Two of these three-port Y circulators can be connected in series to produce a four-port circulator. Such a circulator (Fig. 7) has its Y junctions separated by about one-half guide wavelength. The d-c field strength is 189 oersteds. Loss is less than 0.75 db and the reflection and isolation greater than 18 db

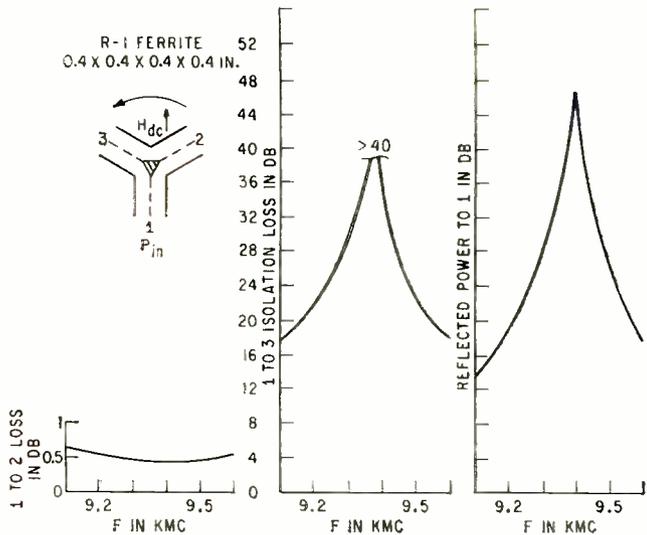


FIG. 6—Data for Y-type circulator. Wave travel is from port 1 to 2

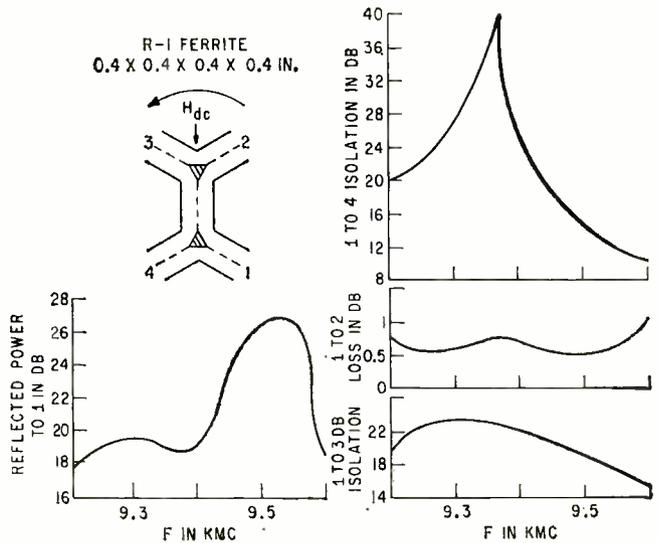


FIG. 7—Data for 4-port circulator. Wave travel is from port 1 to 2

from 9,200 to 9,400 mc.

Models of an S-band Y circulator have been built and tested. Figure 8 shows the results of some of these tests.

Applications

The junction-type circulator has several useful qualities. It is smaller in size and lighter in weight than the Faraday-rotation or rectangular-waveguide differential-phase circulators. It requires no expensive hybrids thereby making it cheaper to build than other types of circulators. Although its bandwidth is less than that of other circulators it is adequate for most radar applications. It should be possible to increase its bandwidth. Since this circulator is small and requires a low d-c magnetic field it should be useful in many antenna and fast-switching applications.

A number of these circulators arranged in series (Fig. 9A) can be used to produce a scanning array with separate control of the phase and amplitude of each radiator.

Shown in Fig. 9B is a scheme to control individually the positions of the transmitting and receiving beams of an antenna array. Phase shifters A, B, C, and D control the position of the transmitting beam while E, F, G, and H position the receiving beam.

These are just two of many possible applications for circulators in antenna systems. Y circulators should make schemes such as these more practical and feasible.

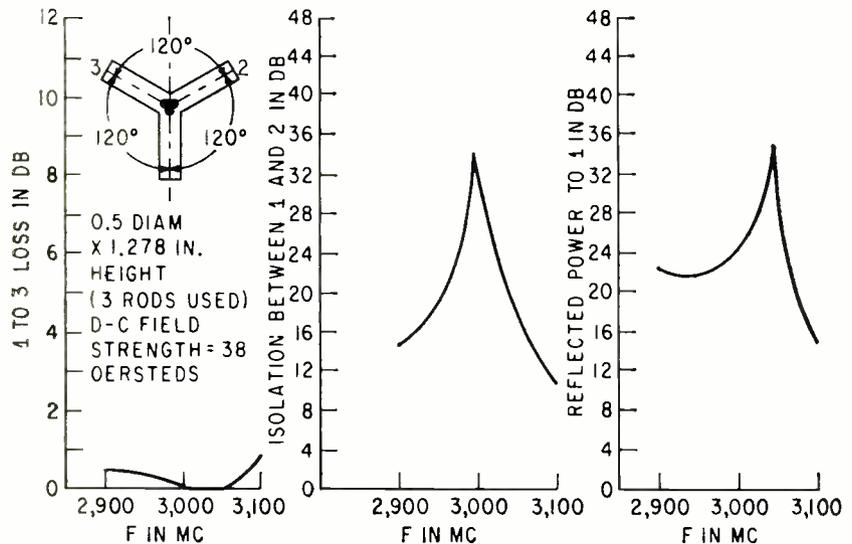


FIG. 8—Test data for S-band circulator whose wave-travel direction is from 1 to 3

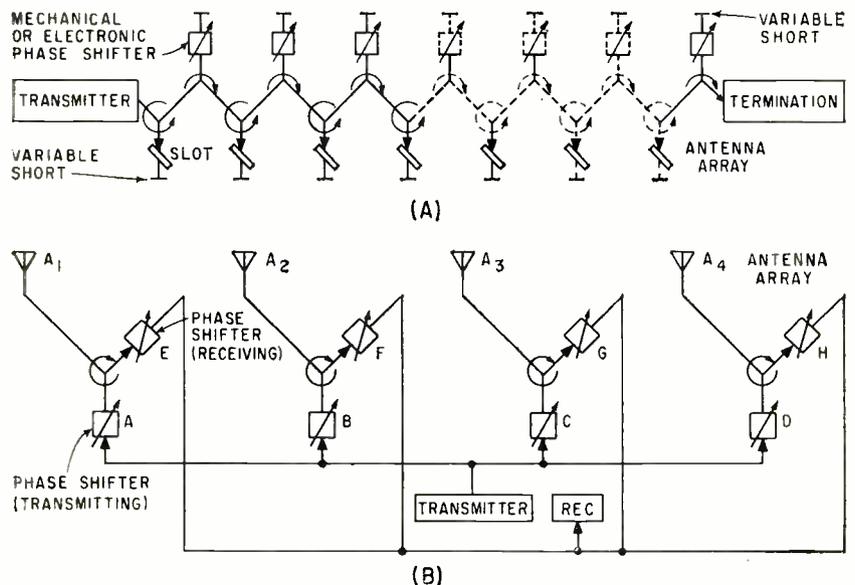


FIG. 9—Series-fed antenna array (A); parallel-fed antenna array (B)

Simplified Method for Harmonic Analysis

HARMONIC ANALYSIS OF a complex wave like the one shown in Fig. 1 can be simplified by using the form provided in Fig. 2. The amplitude and phase of the fundamental, second and third harmonics and the baseline location are determined from this form. It can also be extended to include fourth, fifth and sixth harmonics.

The harmonic analysis form may be used to analyze an oscilloscope display or to break down a recorded trace. It has been used extensively for finding the harmonics in error curves of aircraft instruments with 330 degrees of pointer rotation.

First step in using the form is to enter the amplitude and sense of the curve to be analyzed for every 30 degrees in the appropriate spaces in rows *A* and *B*. Note that the angle increases from right to left in row *B*. The indicated operations are then performed to complete the form. The entries in rows *C* and *D* come from row $A + B$ and those in rows *E* and *F* come from row $A - B$.

The values of a and b for each harmonic are obtained from the fL columns in the chart. Amplitude E is then found by computing $(a^2 + b^2)^{1/2}$ for each harmonic. The location of the first positive peak of each harmonic is obtained by calculating the angle θ . This angle is calculated with one of the four arctangent formulas in Fig. 2, depending on the signs of a and b . Only the magnitudes of a and b are used in the actual calculation of θ , however.

It is not necessary that a full 360 degrees of the curve be avail-

Here's a form that speeds the harmonic analysis of complex waves. Sample calculation and check are shown and explained in detail

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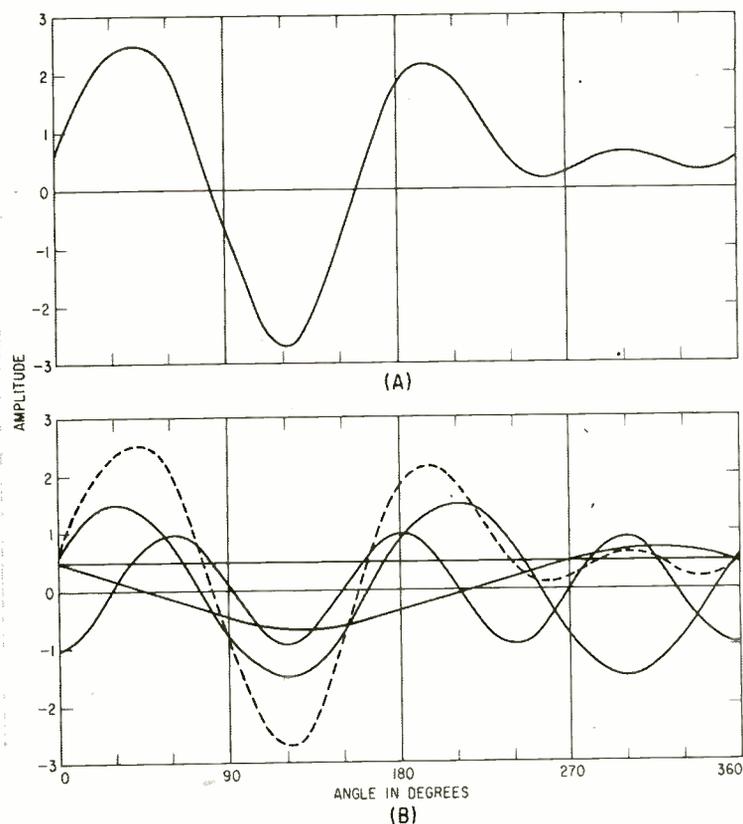
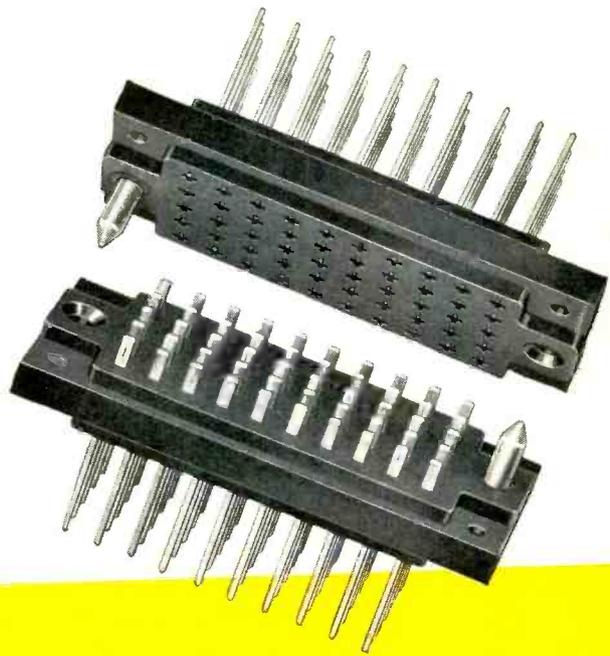


FIG. 1—Complex wave (A) is broken into its harmonics and baseline (B) by using form shown in Fig. 2. Dotted line shows check obtained by adding harmonics and baseline at each point

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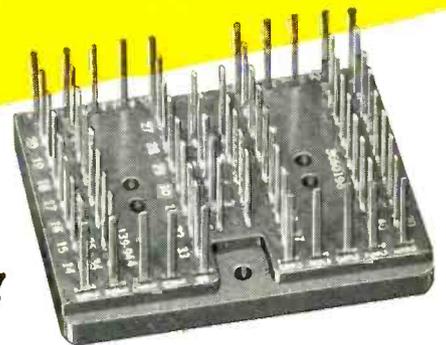
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able if the missing 30-degree points can be estimated. Also, any suitable ordinate axis calibration can be used.

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		AMPLITUDE AT INDICATED ANGLE					
		30	60	90	120	150	180
A	360	2.3	2.1	-0.7	-2.7	-0.9	1.9
	330						
B	300	0.6	0.3	0.6	0.3	0.5	1.9
	270						
A + B	240	0.6	2.6	2.7	-0.4	-2.2	1.0
	210						
A - B	180	2.0	1.5	-1.0	-3.2	-2.8	
	150						

C	0.6	2.6	2.7	-0.4
D	1.9	1.0	-2.2	
C+D	2.5	3.6	0.5	-0.4
C-D	-1.3	1.6	4.9	

E	2.0	1.5	-1.0
F	-2.8	-3.2	
E+F	-0.8	-1.7	-1.0
E-F	4.8	4.7	

f	SINE (a)								COSINE (b)					
	BASE		1ST		2ND		3RD		1ST		2ND		3RD	
	L	fL	L	fL	L	fL	L	fL	L	fL	L	fL	L	fL
0.50			m-0.8	-0.4					y 4.9	2.5	x 3.6	1.8		
0.87			n -1.7	-1.5	M 4.8	4.2			x 1.6	1.4				
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	x 3.6	3.6					-p 1.0	1.0			-z 0.4	0.4	-y -4.9	-4.9
	y 0.5	0.5												
	z -0.4	-0.4												
SUM.		6.2		-2.9		8.3		0.2		2.6		4.4		-6.2
	1/12S	0.52	1/6S	-0.48	1/6S	1.38	1/6S	0.03	1/6S	0.43	1/6S	0.73	1/6S	-1.03

AMPLITUDE (E) = $\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$
 POSITIVE PEAK AT θ EQUAL TO:

		θ	
		+	-
b	+	$\frac{\text{TAN}^{-1} \frac{a}{b}}{n}$	$-\frac{\text{TAN}^{-1} \frac{a}{b}}{n}$
	-	$\frac{180^\circ - \text{TAN}^{-1} \frac{a}{b}}{n}$	$\frac{180^\circ + \text{TAN}^{-1} \frac{a}{b}}{n}$

WHERE θ = ANGLE
 n = ORDER OF HARMONIC

$$E_1 = \sqrt{(0.48)^2 + (0.43)^2}$$

$$= 0.64$$

$$\theta_3 = \frac{180 - \text{TAN}^{-1} \frac{0.03}{1.03}}{3}$$

$$= 57.1 \text{ DEG}$$

BASE	HARMONIC		
0.52	1	2	3
E	0.64	1.56	1.03
θ	-48.3	31.3	57.1

FIG. 2—Harmonic analysis form is used to analyze wave shown in Fig. 1. Solutions for amplitude of first harmonic (E₁) and angle of third harmonic (θ_3) are shown

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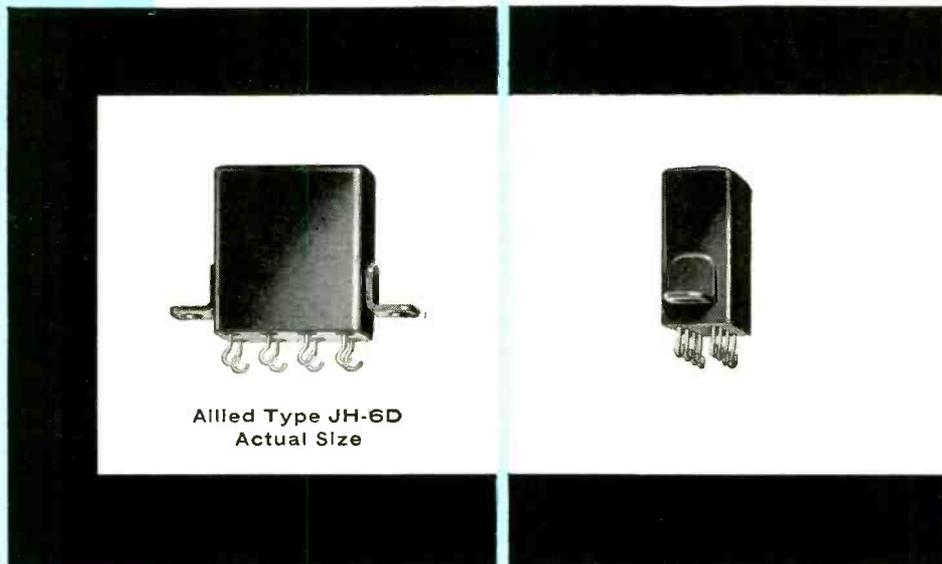
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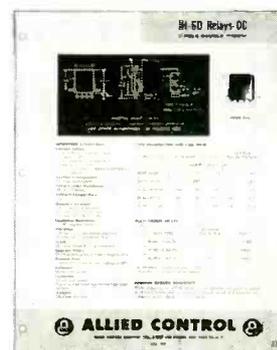
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If the capacitor is cooled to T_a or heated to T_b , permittivity drops to K_a or K_b . Capacitance drops to $C_b = (K_b/K_c) C_s$. Since charge cannot decrease because of the diode, capacitor voltage rises from V_s to V_b by the factor K_c/K_b . Electrical

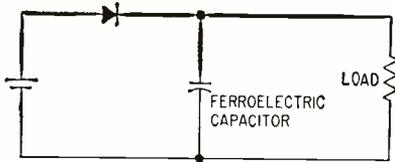


FIG. 1—Holding diode prevents capacitor from losing initial battery charge. Increase in charge results only from temperature change

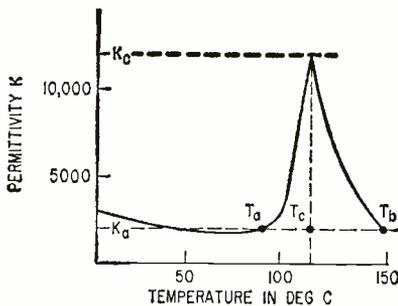


FIG. 2—Permittivity curve of barium titanate as temperature is varied around Curie point, T_c , applies only with low field strength

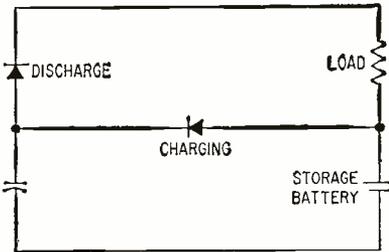
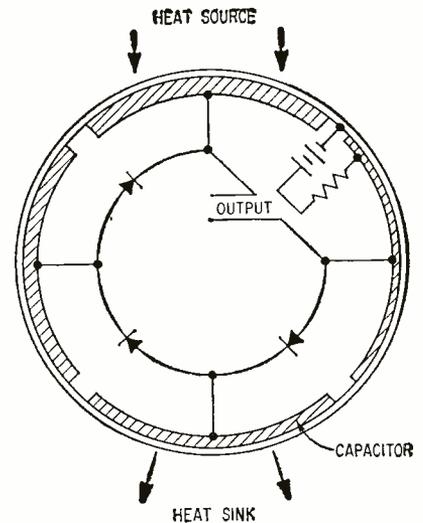


FIG. 3—Increased voltage across capacitor as temperature increases recharges storage battery through discharge diode

FIG. 4—Spinning satellite with four capacitors operating at different points in the cycle at the same time could generate high voltage



energy also increases by K_c/K_b . Permittivity in Fig. 2 depends on field strength, which changes during a temperature cycle, and the curve is applicable only with low applied field. Practical converters operate at higher field strength and permittivity does not drop below Curie temperature. They are therefore cycled between Curie point and a higher temperature.

One way of replacing dissipated battery power is to use a storage battery in series with the load, as in Fig. 3. The battery charges the capacitor through a diode, and the battery is recharged through the discharge diode and load.

High-Voltage Generators

Ferroelectric converters have inherently high output voltages. A high charging voltage and a material with a high K_c/K_b produce outputs exceeding 1,000 v.

Cascading stages so output of a preceding stage charges the following stage produces very high voltages. In Fig. 4, four converter capacitors are attached to a rotating body that forms a common electrode. The cylinder is heated at the top to T_b and cooled at the bottom by a heat sink or radiation to T_a . Optimum output voltage V_n of a converter with n stages is $V_n = V_s (K_c/K_b)^n$.

A device like that in Fig. 4 using solar energy might be suitable for

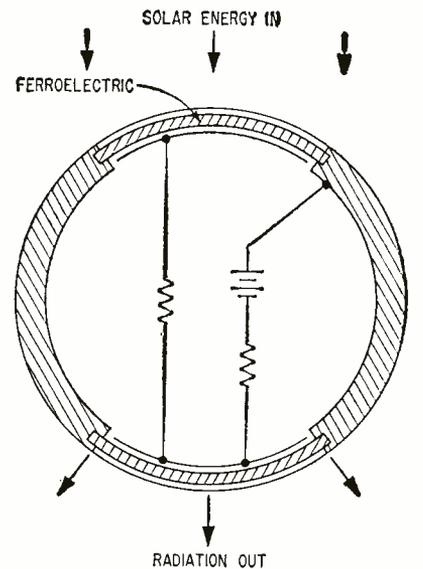


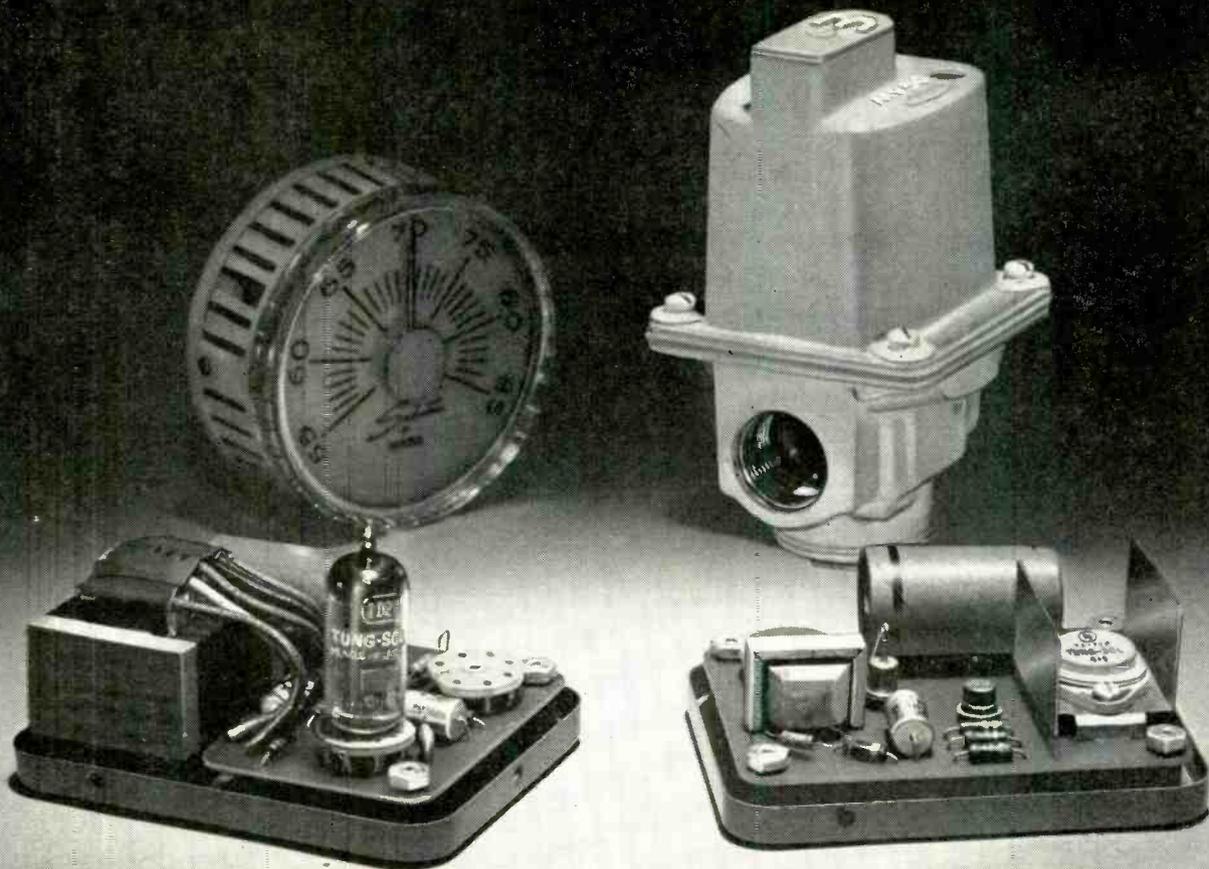
FIG. 5—Solar energy could be converted into a-c voltage with this arrangement

satellites or space vehicles that can be made to spin. The high voltage might be used for ion propulsion.

Generating A-C

A section through a rotating body, such as a spinning satellite, is shown in Fig. 5. One of two large ferroelectric capacitors on opposite sides of the satellite is heated by incoming solar energy while the other is cooled through radiation. The outside electrodes are common, and the inside electrodes are connected through a load.

The capacitors are charged ini-



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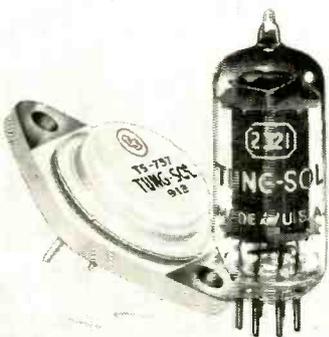
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Control Instruments Add to Tire Life



Variations in tire tread thickness are recorded at Goodyear electronics laboratory

PRODUCTION control of automobile tires is becoming more complex. Higher auto speeds on smaller diameter tires, which must rotate faster for a given speed, require a high degree of dimensional precision. Durability, quiet operation and other characteristics depend on manufacturing control.

For these reasons, a six-million dollar instrumentation program has been instituted at Goodyear. Both electronic and atomic instruments are being used to maintain manufacturing tolerances.

Most widely used atomic instrument maintains uniform thickness of tire cord fabric as it is coated with rubber. Beta rays from strontium 90, or other radioactive by-products, pass through rubberized tire cord and are intercepted by an ionization chamber. Thickness of finished rubber sheeting is recorded by conversion of the beta rays to electrical signals.

X-ray and fluoroscope machines are used to spot check internal tire construction. A picture can be made

for short-time study on photosensitive metal plates that hold an electrostatic image when exposed to radiation. Permanent pictures are made on regular x-ray film.

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System Will Monitor Low-Level Winds

WEATHER transducers will soon be mounted on a 1,500-ft television tower shared by two Dallas television stations. Wind and temperature measurements will be made and recorded at a dozen altitudes starting from 30 feet. Although similar systems exist, heights usually only go to about 400 ft.

The system is being built for the Geophysics Research Directorate, Air Force Cambridge Research Center, by the University of Texas.

The fully automatic sensing and recording system will be used primarily for basic research. However, findings may benefit aircraft. The electronic instruments will be used to study an atmospheric characteristic known as low-level jet. This phenomenon is believed to result in a sharp increase in wind speed at a certain level, especially between midnight and sunrise. Forecasting the occurrence of this jet will be carried out this year.

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CPM-2	3/8 x 2 1/2	30.1	10.0	750	RN80	B	F

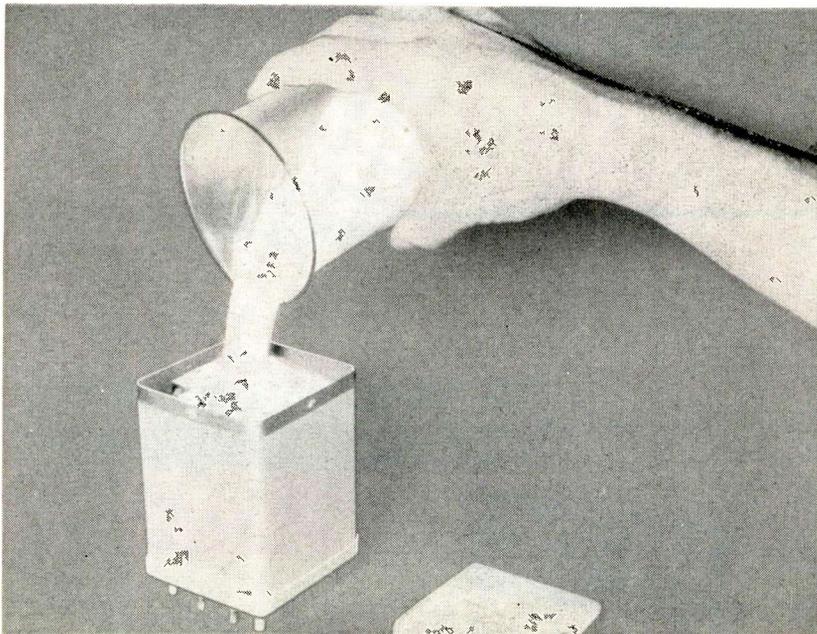


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Alumina Powder for Potting: It Pours



Silicone treated alumina powder is poured into transformer assembly. Easily packed, the potting powder is enclosed in a metal-cased container

SEARCH FOR a new potting material (ELECTRONICS, p 78, Nov. 6) now uncovers the use of aluminum oxide, Al_2O_3 , as a satisfactory potting or filling compound in metal-cased components and assemblies. The use of this material for potting was made known last week in a paper delivered at the National Conference of Electrical Insulation held in Washington, D. C.

Temperature Ranges

The report, written by L. W. Kirkwood and R. S. Key of Bell Laboratories, describes the use of specially-treated alumina powder as a potting material for electronic power transformers¹. For this application the alumina is treated with silicone resin and xylene to overcome moisture and hence insulation resistance problems. The ability of this material to withstand temperatures in excess of 1,000 C gives the designer a single potting compound that covers the gamut of temperature ranges for insulation systems from Class O (90 C) through Class C (greater than 220 C) as defined in AIEE Standard I. Transformer potting compounds

previously used melt at relatively low temperatures and may expand, destroying the hermetic seal of the can. The alumina has no significant expansion-contraction characteristics and offers definite advantages as a transformer potting material.

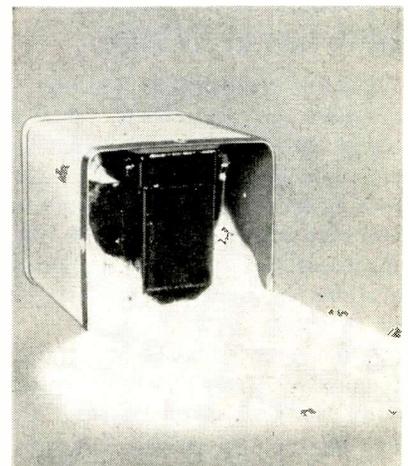
No Strain

The material imposes no strain upon components and maintains its granular characteristics.

The paper put emphasis on the present use of this material in relatively low temperature applications,

105 C, 155 C and 180 C but in these temperature ranges the material performs at a fraction of its capabilities.

Aluminum oxide comes as a white, spherical particle powder of which two types are available from different suppliers: one type having particle sizes no larger than 15 mils, and the other type having particle sizes up to 200 mils in diameter. Both materials have a range of particle sizes down to about 5 to 7 mils or perhaps lower. That portion of material that will pass through a 40-mesh screen or in other words having particle size of about 17 mils in diameter or smaller, tends to be powdery but small enough to minimize the



Since the alumina powder maintains its granular characteristic, the component can be filled or emptied at will for repairs or changes

Table I—Characteristics of Some Potting Compounds^a

Material	Density (g/cc)	Heat Diss Fact	Insul Resist (megohms)	Price	
				(\$/lb)	(cents/cu in)
Silicone Treated Al_2O_3 ...	1.2	41	10^5	0.58	2.5
Sand Asphalt Compound	1.65	43	7×10^5	0.40	2.4
Epoxide Resin.....	1.64	54	$>10^6$	0.42	2.5
Wax.....	0.9	38	$>10^6$	0.23	0.8
Ceramic Encaps.....	2.4	45	$>10^6$	1.35	11.7

a—Data compiled by L. W. Kirkwood and R. S. Key, Bell Labs



what is the difference between dissipation factor and power factor?

Approximations, to the engineer, are useful and necessary because the solution of an equation can often be made less laborious in its computation by knowing the weight of each factor and its effect in the final answer. Those factors having little weight can be eliminated and the solution is more easily and readily obtainable, although the answer is a "ball-park" figure. Sometimes one forgets the significance of equality and because approximations are made, quantities become equal to each other under all conditions with no limits. The set of conditions under which the approximations were made and for which the solution is valid is simply forgotten. Such is the case of Dissipation Factor and Power Factor with respect to capacitors.

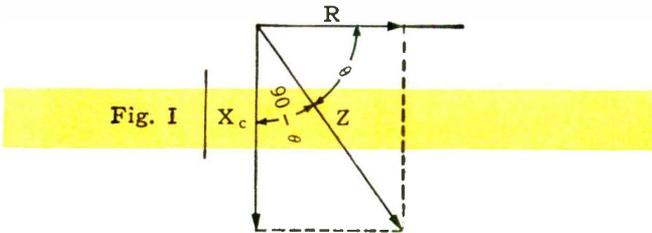
By definition, the Power Factor of a capacitor is the ratio of the Equivalent Series Resistance (ESR) to the impedance (Z). In equation form it would be stated as:

$$\text{Power Factor} = \frac{R}{Z} = \frac{R}{\sqrt{X_c^2 + R^2}} \quad (\text{eq. 1})$$

- Where: R = ESR in ohms
 X_c = Capacitive reactance in ohms.
 $[X_c] = \frac{1}{2\pi fC}$
 f = frequency in cycles per second
 C = capacity in farads

Also, by definition, the Dissipation Factor of a capacitor is the ratio of the ESR to the capacitive reactance. In equation form it would be stated as:

$$\text{Dissipation Factor} = \frac{R}{[X_c]} = 2\pi fRC \quad (\text{eq. 2})$$



Comparing the two graphically (See Fig. I), several things are apparent.

1. Power Factor = $\frac{R}{Z} = \text{Cosine } \theta$; where θ equals the phase angle.
2. Dissipation Factor = $\frac{R}{[X_c]} = \text{Tangent } (90 - \theta)$; where $(90 - \theta)$ equals the loss angle.
3. When θ approaches 90° and $90 - \theta$ approaches 0° , Z approaches $[X_c]$, and R approaches 0.

Now after examining the graphic analysis of Dissipation Factor and Power Factor, certain approximations can be made.

1. If when θ becomes very large, approaching 90° , and Z approaches $[X_c]$, then Z can be considered to be equal to $[X_c]$.
2. If this is assumed, then $\frac{R}{Z} \approx \frac{R}{[X_c]}$ and Power Factor \approx Dissipation Factor.

When P. F. and D. F. are almost equal to each other, the cosine of θ and the tangent of $90 - \theta$ are almost equal to each other which can be seen by analyzing Fig. II. You will notice that when θ is large and $(90 - \theta)$ is small, the cosine of θ and the tangent of $(90 - \theta)$ are almost equal, but as θ decreases and the loss angle increases, the values depart from near equality. At this point, large values of dissipation factor differ appreciably from values of power factor—the limit being: $\tan 90^\circ = \infty$ $\text{Cos } 0^\circ = 1$.

Let's consider a practical example of indiscriminate use of Dissipation Factor and Power Factor. Consider a 500 mfd. electrolytic capacitor rated at 25 WVDC that is being used in a filter circuit for 120 cps. The unit was checked for an ESR of 1.325 ohms and its dissipation factor calculated at .5 or 50%. The reactance at 120 cps. is 2.65 ohms. According to equation 2,

D. F. = $\frac{1.325}{2.650} = .500 = 50\%$. The phase angle is then approximately 63° and the loss angle is approximately 27° .

If this same ESR were used to calculate Power Factor, equation 1 would yield:

$$\text{P. F.} = \frac{1.325}{\sqrt{(2.65)^2 + (1.325)^2}} = .447 = 44.7\%$$

Also, if ESR were calculated using equation 1 based on a dissipation factor of .5, the ESR would show a value of 1.530, whereas, the actual ESR is 1.325. Not too significant? Perhaps—but there is a difference.

Fig. II

Phase Angle θ	Cosine of Phase Angle θ	Tangent of Loss Angle $90 - \theta$	Phase Angle θ	Cosine of Phase Angle θ	Tangent of Loss Angle $90 - \theta$
89.0	.01745	.01745	59.9	.5015	.5797
88.0	.03490	.03492	59.8	.5030	.5820
87.0	.05234	.05241	59.7	.5045	.5844
86.0	.06976	.06993	59.6	.5060	.5867
85.0	.08716	.08749	59.5	.5075	.5890
84.0	.10453	.10510	59.4	.5090	.5914
83.0	.12187	.12278	59.3	.5105	.5938
82.0	.13917	.14054	59.2	.5120	.5961
81.0	.15643	.15838	59.1	.5135	.5985
80.0	.1736	.1763	59.0	.5150	.6009
79.0	.1908	.1944	58.9	.5165	.6032
78.0	.2079	.2126	58.8	.5180	.6056
77.0	.2250	.2309	58.7	.5195	.6080
76.0	.2419	.2493	58.6	.5210	.6104
75.0	.2588	.2679	58.5	.5225	.6128
74.0	.2756	.2867	58.4	.5240	.6152
73.0	.2924	.3057	58.3	.5255	.6176
72.0	.3090	.3249	58.2	.5270	.6200
71.0	.3256	.3443	58.1	.5284	.6224
70.0	.3420	.3640	58.0	.5299	.6249
69.0	.3584	.3839	57.9	.5314	.6273
68.0	.3746	.4040	57.8	.5329	.6297
67.0	.3907	.4245	57.7	.5344	.6322
66.0	.4067	.4452	57.6	.5358	.6346
65.0	.4226	.4663	57.5	.5373	.6371
64.0	.4384	.4877	57.4	.5388	.6395
63.0	.4540	.5095	57.3	.5402	.6420
62.0	.4695	.5317	57.2	.5417	.6445
61.0	.4848	.5543	57.1	.5432	.6469
60.0	.5000	.5775	57.4	.5446	.6494

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Table I presents a comparison of this treated alumina powder with some other potting compounds. Figures were taken from the Key, Kirkwood paper.

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Tube Operates from Rocket's Exhaust Pipe

LAST WEEK ELECTRONICS reported news of the developmental RCA tube, mounted on a rocket flame pipe, that can produce current to operate the steering mechanism and electronic apparatus of a rocket (p 11, Dec. 11). This important announcement followed the great interest in the subject of thermionic generation of electricity as future power sources written up in ELECTRONICS last month¹.

Thermionics

A lightweight power source, operating from exhaust heat that is normally wasted, represents a long forward step in one critical area of missile and space technology, according to Karl G. Hernqvist of RCA. Conventional power supplies, such as chemical batteries, are heavy in proportion to their power output, and impose narrow limitations upon the payload carried by the rocket or missile. By using a lightweight thermionic generator it should be possible to increase the payload accordingly.

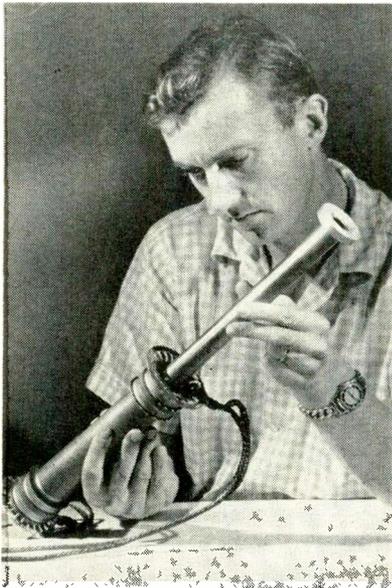
Gas Diode

The RCA tube bears a family resemblance to conventional two-element electron tubes, or diodes. The thermionic tube has a cathode from which electrons are activated by the application of heat, and another electrode to which these electrons flow to produce an electrical output.

In the experimental tube for rocket application, the cathode is

formed by the inner wall of the hollow cylinder, while the second electrode is formed by the outer wall. Between the two walls is a narrow space filled with cesium vapor.

When the cathode wall is heated by the burning rocket fuel in the flame tube, the electrons are boiled out of the cathode material and into the space between the two walls.



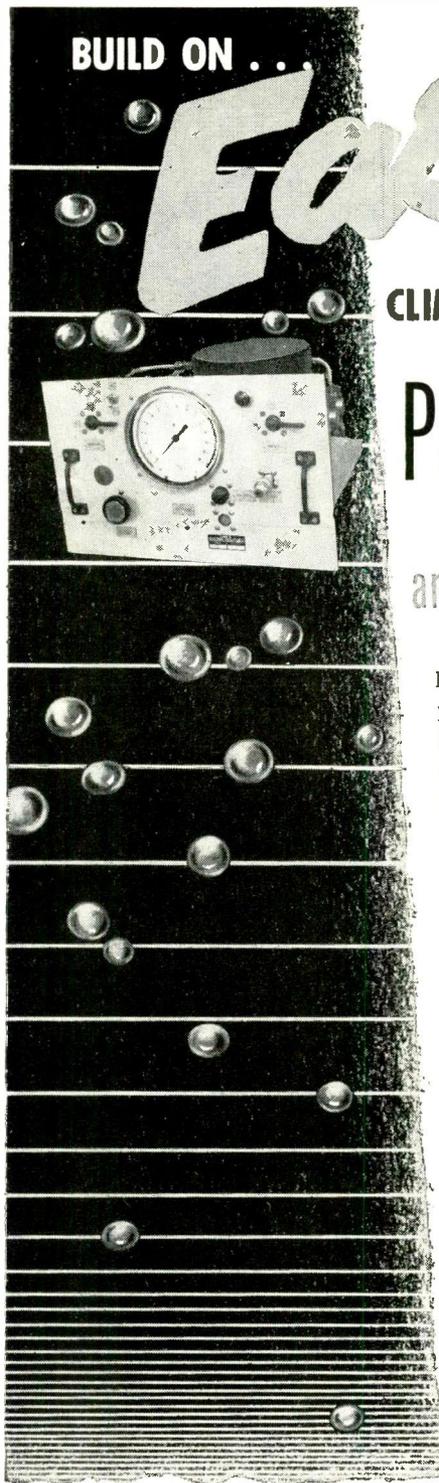
Electron tube in the shape of a hollow cylinder fits like a sleeve over the flame tube attached to a solid-fuel rocket motor. Heat from the burning fuel is converted directly into electricity by the thermionic generator tube which supplies power through wire leads

The cesium vapor that occupies this space becomes ionized upon contact with the hot cathode, and encourages the easy flow of electrons to the outer wall. The electrical power that is generated by this process is fed to the rocket steering control mechanism or to electronic apparatus by cables attached to the cathode and the second electrode.

The size and shape of the experimental tube were designed specifically for a Thiokol solid-fuel rocket motor. The operating principles of the tube are identical to those demonstrated in earlier experimental thermionic generator tubes developed at RCA for direct conversion of the sun's heat to electrical energy.

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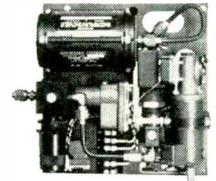
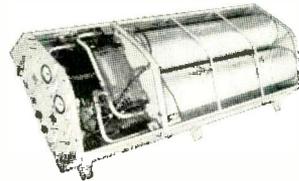
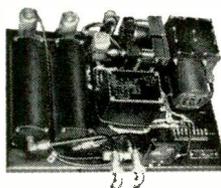
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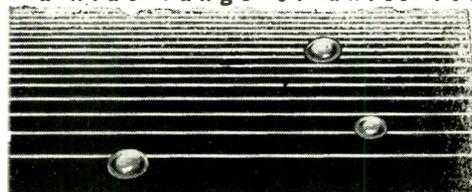
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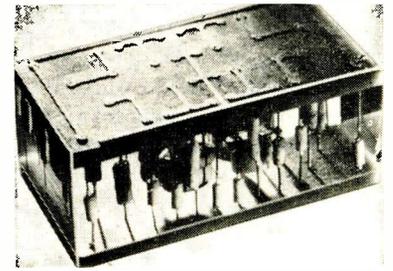
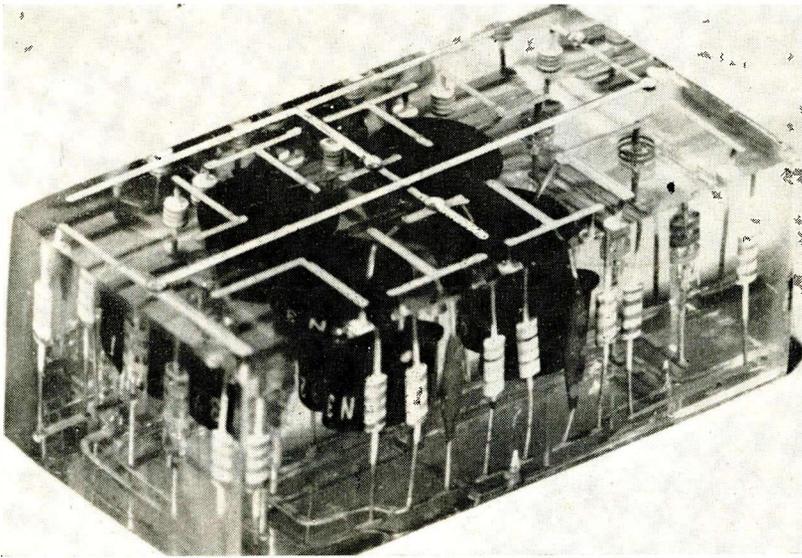


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Connections Plated with Wiring

By E. A. GUDITZ, Staff Member, Lincoln Laboratory, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Lexington, Mass.

METHOD of plating both wiring and electrical connections^{1, 2} is being developed. Advantages include low weight and volume, increased tolerance to temperature and vibration and the fact that connections are produced as part of the wiring.

The method is particularly useful for miniature assemblies. Connection densities are limited only by conductor or component spacing and photoetching resolution. Connections can be formed without subjecting components to temperatures above 100 C (encapsulating temperature).

Examples given are not comprehensive. New approaches to circuit

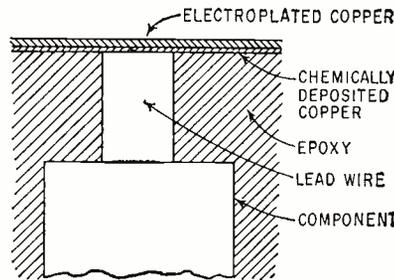


FIG. 1—Detail of plated connection

and system packaging are possible. Total encapsulation of components is not necessary, allowing repairable packages. Any design which permits component leads to be faced off in an insulating surface can utilize plated connections.

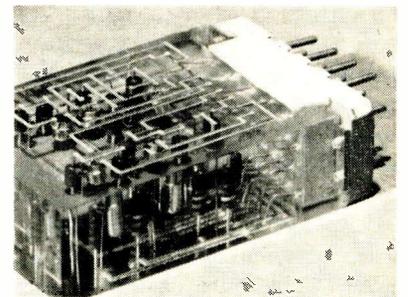
Fig. 1 shows details of the connections used with the flip-flop with etched wiring. The unit is lightly sandblasted. An initial layer of copper is chemically deposited less than 20 microinches thick from solution (Cuposit III, Shipley Co., Wellesley, Mass.). The electroplated layer is about 0.001 inch thick. The layers are deposited on both faces of the unit and selectively etched to form the wiring.

Plated connections have also been made with initial layers of silver, gold or nickel deposited from solu-

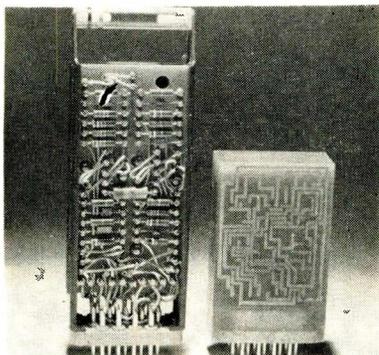
tions. However, etching is simplified when only copper is used.

To make the flip-flop with deposited wiring, grooves are engraved in the surface of the encapsulant (grooves can also be molded during encapsulation). Leads are cut off flush with groove bottoms during engraving.

Copper is chemically deposited



Transistor inverter package with deposited wiring and plated connections



Flip-flop with deposited wiring and plated connections (right) contains components identical to those in the conventional package

over the entire unit. Plating resist is rolled on the high surfaces, but not in the grooves. Copper is electroplated about 0.001 inch thick in the grooves and overplated with solder. The plating resist is removed and the chemically deposited solder is etched off by chromic acid, leaving the wiring pattern. The

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2N644	P-N-P	T0-33	-30	-2	-100	120	45 @ $I_c = -5$	50	—
2N645	P-N-P	T0-33	-30	-2	-100	120	45 @ $I_c = -5$	75	—
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2N584	P-N-P	T0-1	-25	-12	-100	120	60 @ $I_c = -20$	—	18
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2N269	P-N-P	T0-1	-25	-12	-100	120	50 @ $I_c = -12$	—	12
2N356	N-P-N	T0-9	20	20	500	100	30 @ $I_c = 100$	—	3
2N357	N-P-N	T0-9	20	20	500	100	30 @ $I_c = 200$	—	6
2N358	N-P-N	T0-9	20	20	500	100	30 @ $I_c = 300$	—	9
2N404	P-N-P	T0-9	-25	-12	-100	120	50 @ $I_c = -12$	—	12
2N578	P-N-P	T0-9	-20	-12	-400	120	15 @ $I_c = -400$	—	5
2N579	P-N-P	T0-9	-20	-12	-400	120	30 @ $I_c = -400$	—	8
2N581	P-N-P	T0-9	-18	-10	-100	80	30 @ $I_c = -20$	—	8
2N583	P-N-P	T0-1	-18	-10	-100	80	30 @ $I_c = -20$	—	8
2N585	N-P-N	T0-9	25	20	200	120	40 @ $I_c = 20$	—	5
2N1090	N-P-N	T0-9	25	20	400	120	50 @ $I_c = 20$	—	7
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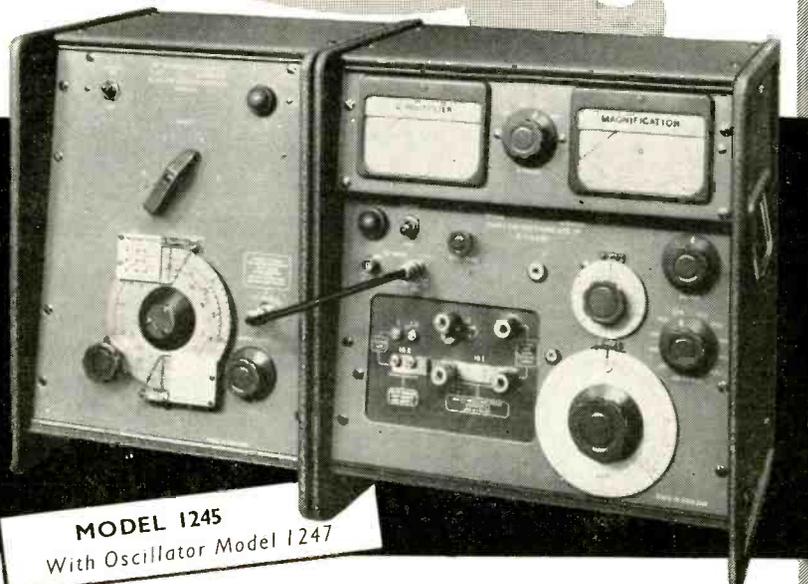


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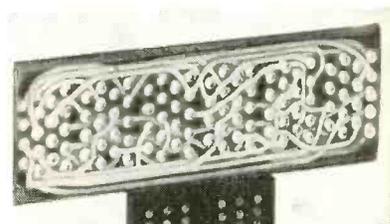
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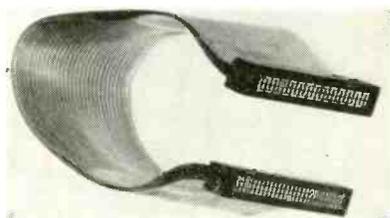
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The back panel of the 3-stage binary counter has 3 wiring layers. Plated connections, formed as each wiring layer is deposited, join conductors to appropriate receptacle extension (pins) of 6 encapsulated sockets. A coating of plastic insulates each wiring layer and is the base of the next layer.

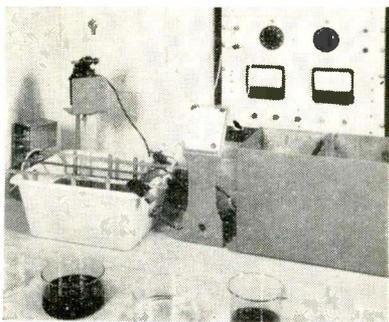


Inter-socket wiring of 3-stage binary counter has 3 layers of deposited wiring. Plated connections join layers to each other and to socket extension pins



Conductors of 6 layers of flexible cable connected in series by plating on encapsulated ends

The back panel can also be made without the pins, by using the plated-through connection method described above. If desired, a ground plane can be spaced between each wiring layer so that some of the wiring has transmission line characteristics. Characteristics would be determined by conductor



Laboratory setup for making plated connections

width, dielectric constant and spacing.

High density plated interconnections of ribbon conductors are expected to be very useful in coordinate-driven displays and memory devices. The ribbon cable ends are encapsulated and faced off to expose conductor cross sections. Copper is deposited and etched to form a pattern which connects all conductors in series.

Test Results

Plated connections have been evaluated by resistance measurements, temperature and vibration tests, and life tests while carrying 10 microamps to 3 amps, d-c.

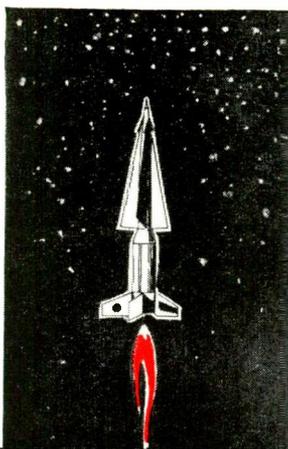
Resistance measurements of 128 plated connections (0.025 inch diameter) in series yield an average of less than 1 milliohm. Plated connections have carried 3 amps d-c at 382 C (eutectic tin-lead solder melts at 183 C). Temperature tests have lasted from 8 hours to 840 hours, 4 to 120 connections per test.

The flip-flop with etched wiring was vibrated while in monitored operation for 5.5 hours without failure. Frequencies were 10 to 3,200 cps, force was increased by 5 g increments to 60 g and maximum peak-to-peak displacement was 0.2 inch at 75 cps. There were no operating errors or damage.

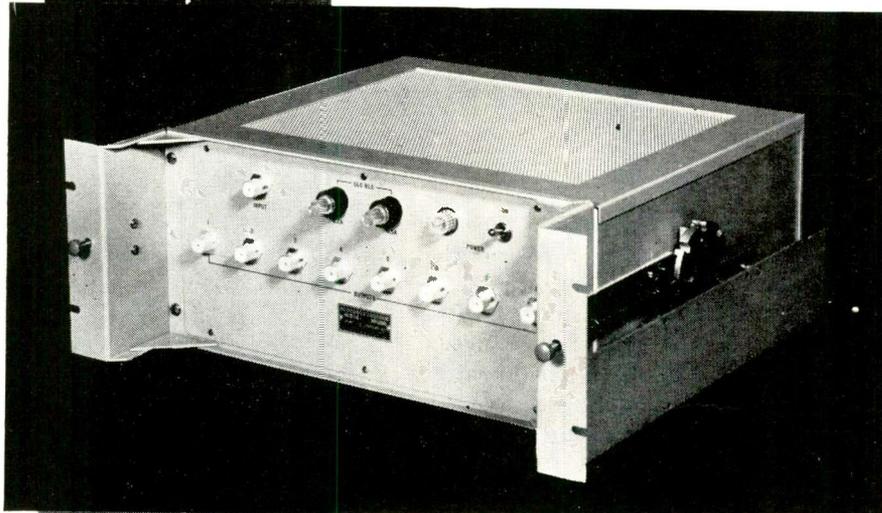
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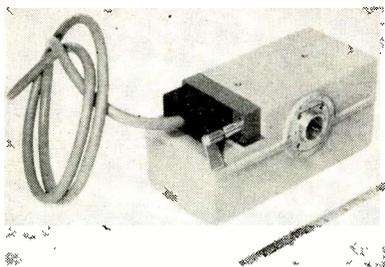
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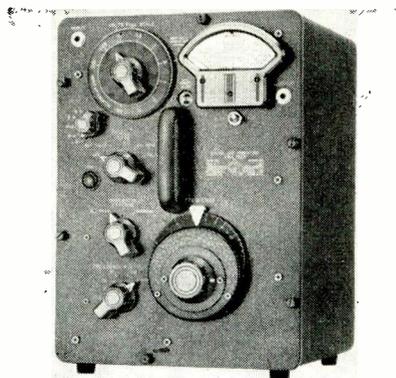
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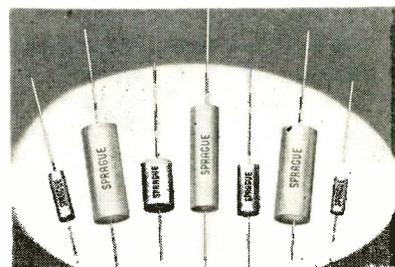
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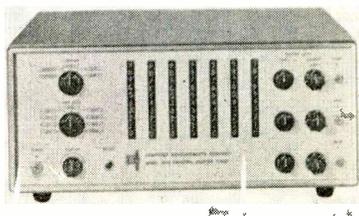
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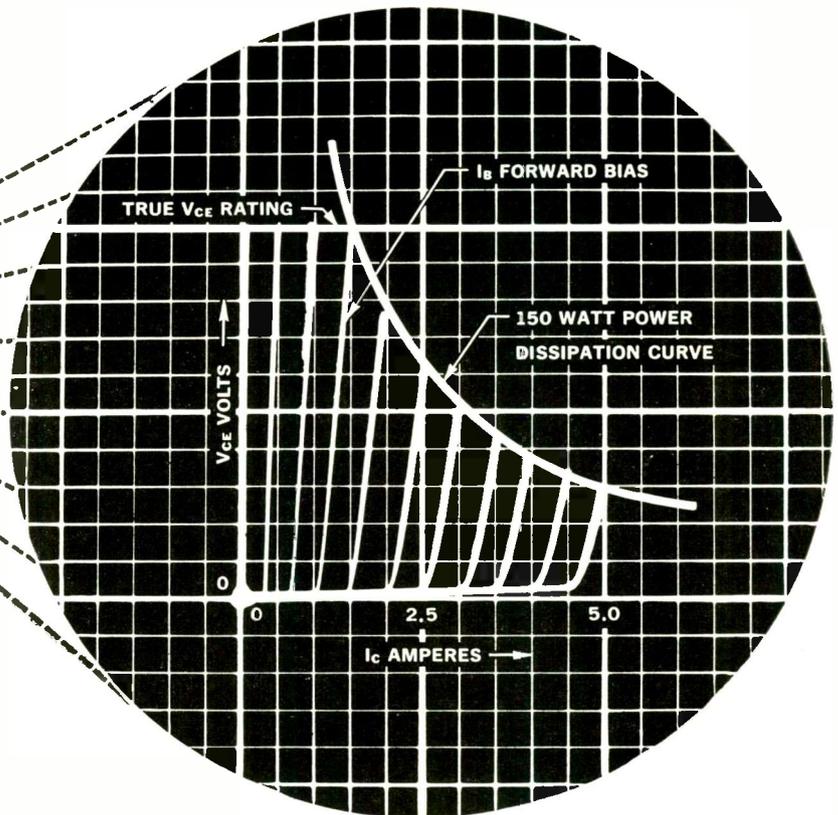
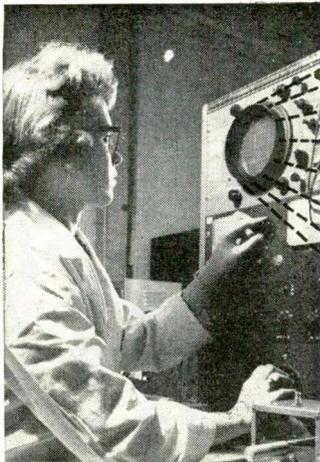
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2N1015D	200					
2N1016	30					
2N1016A	60	10	.50 ohms			.7°C/W
2N1016B	100	@ $I_c=5$ amp	@ $I_c=5$ amp	7.5	150°C	
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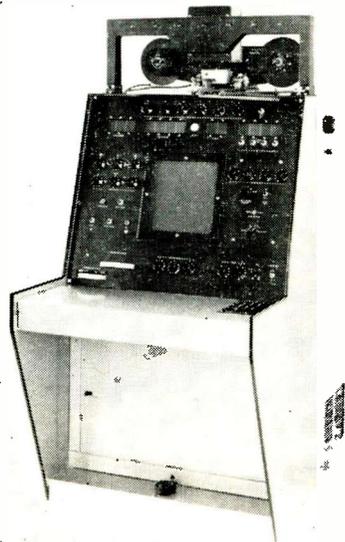
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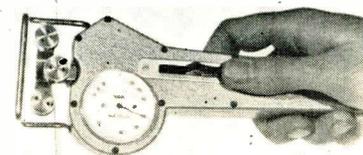
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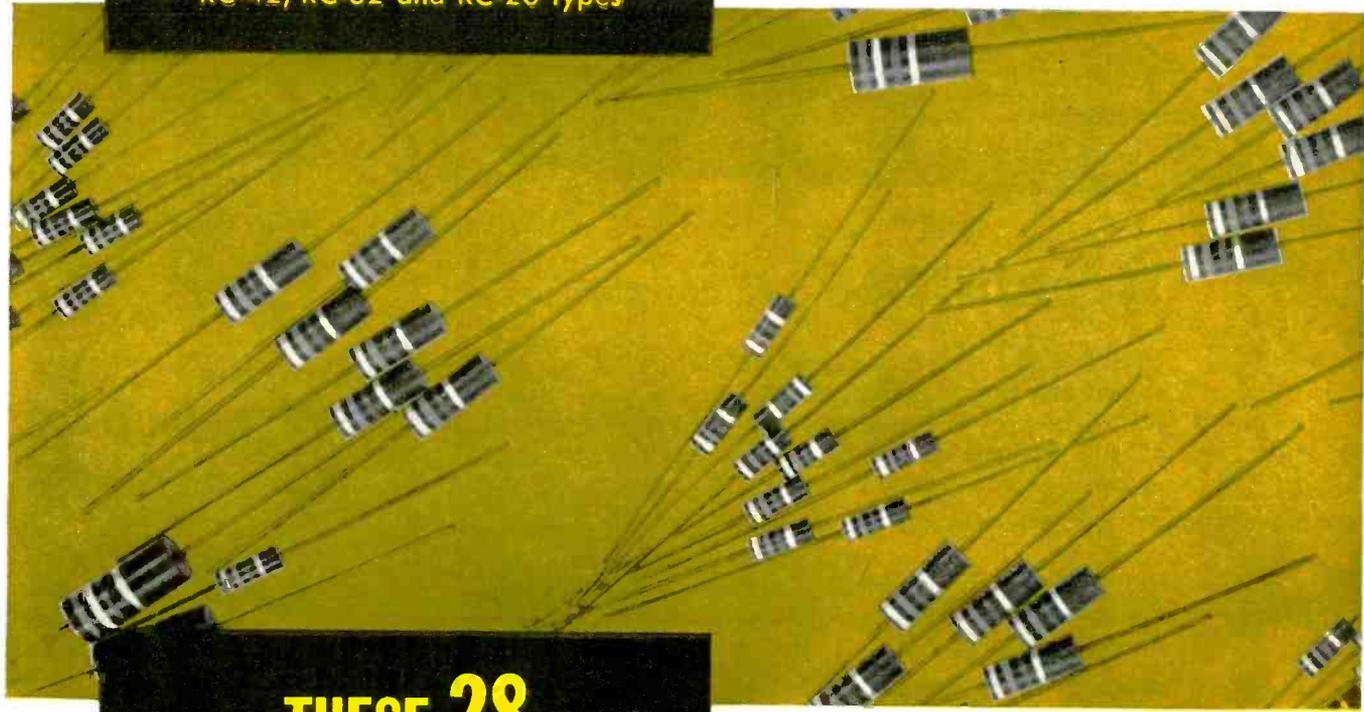
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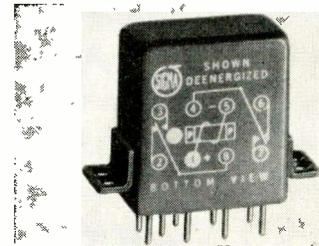
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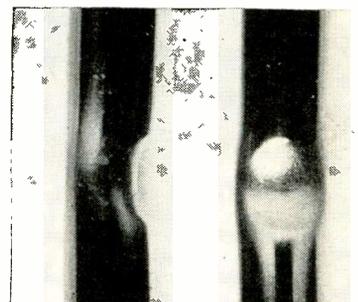
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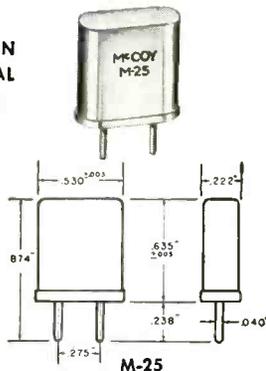
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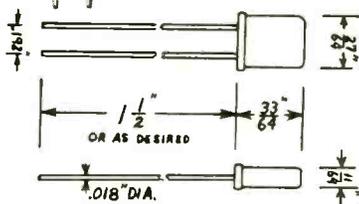
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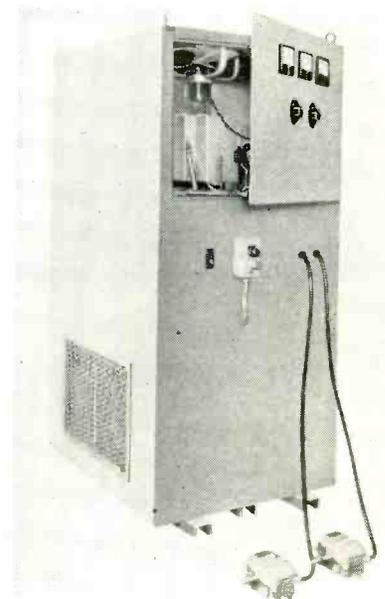
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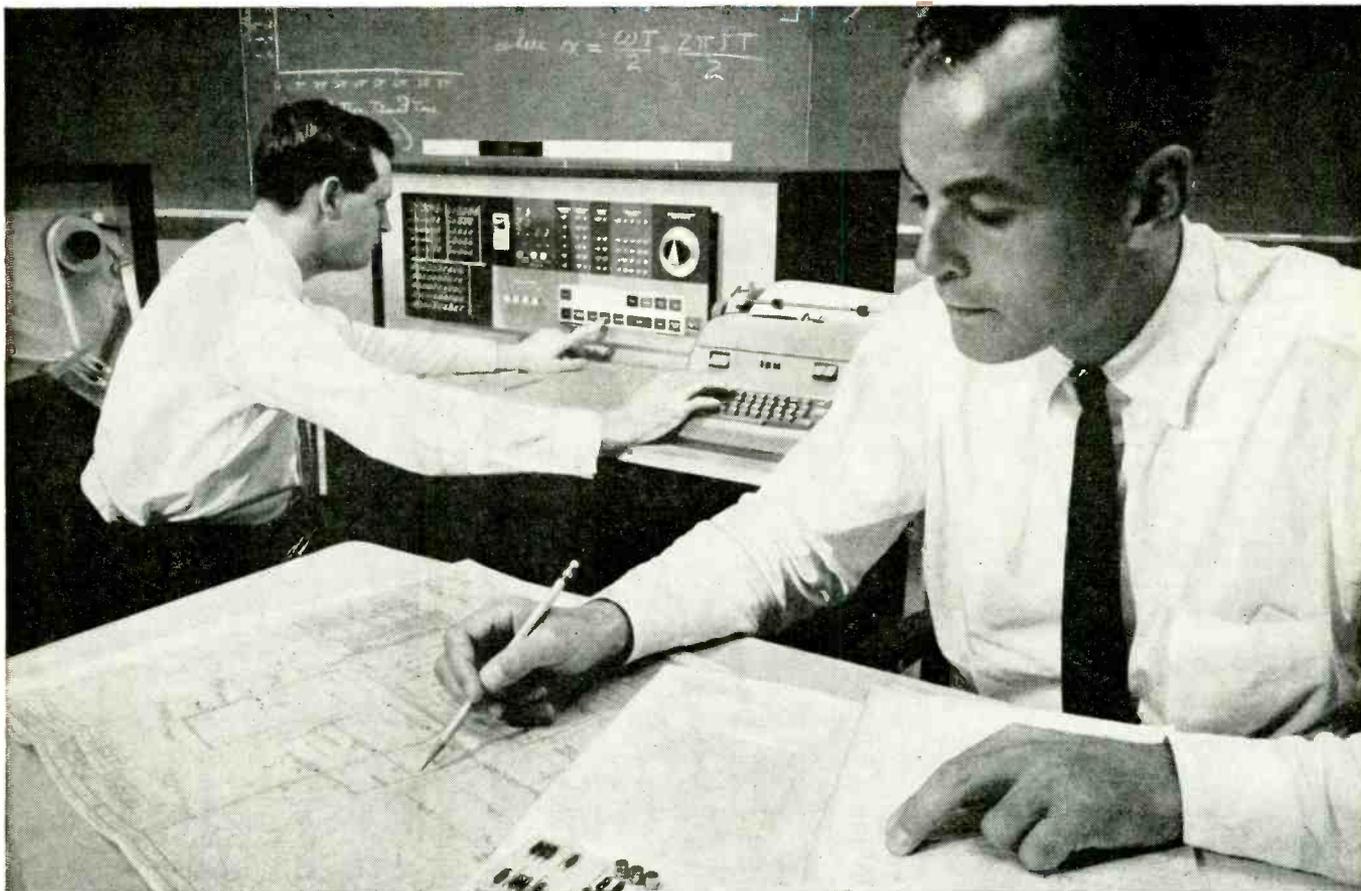


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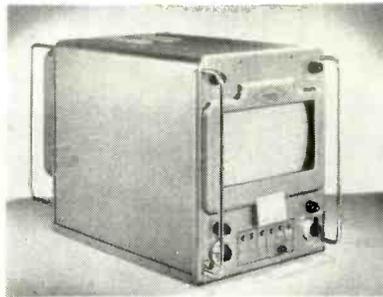
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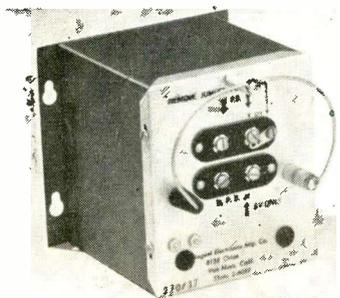
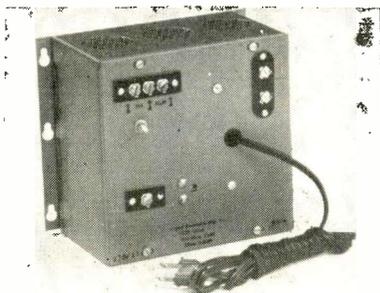
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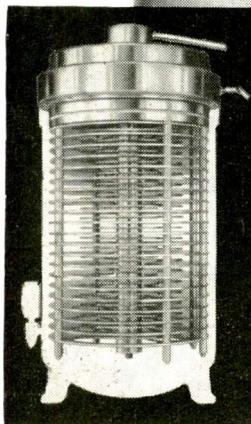


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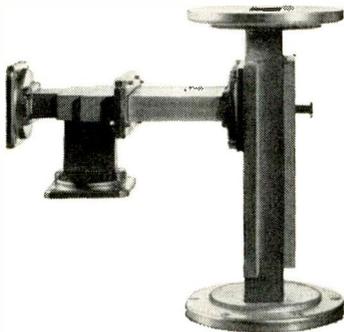
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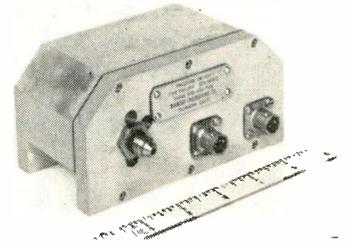
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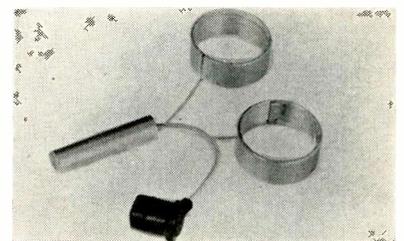
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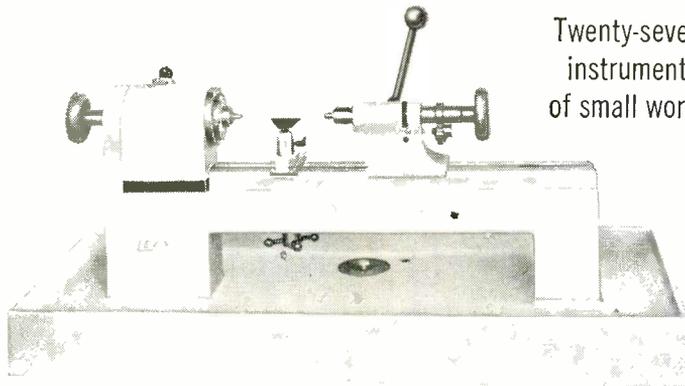
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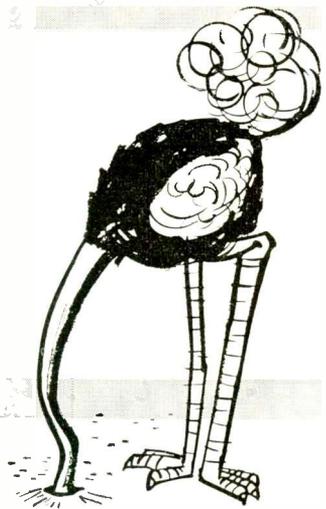
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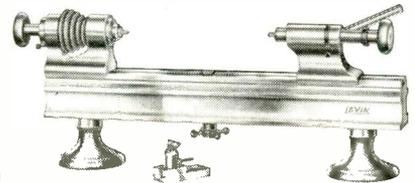
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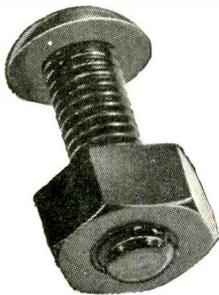
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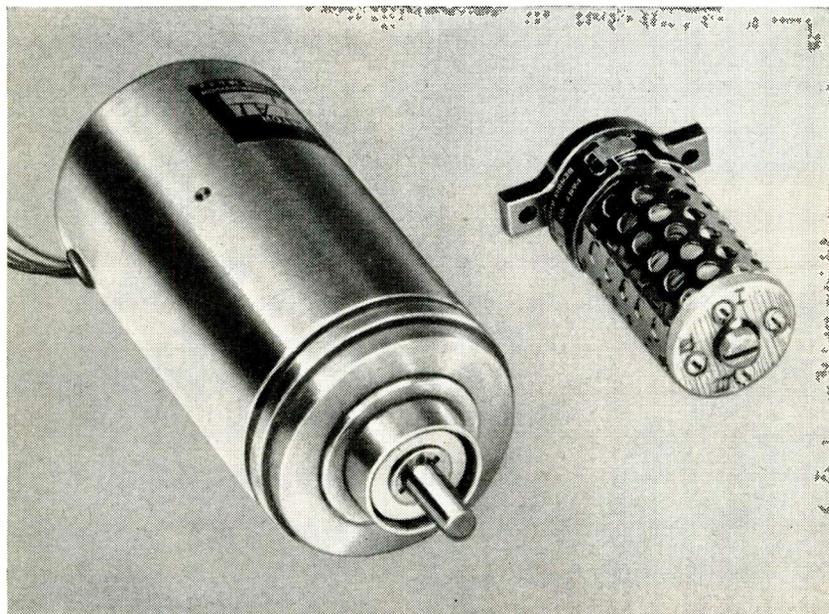


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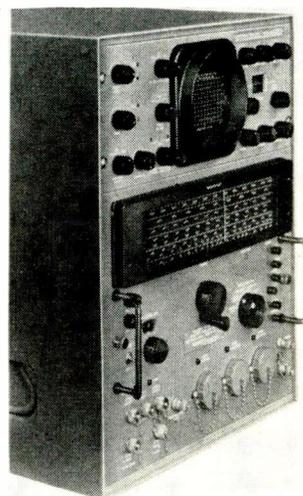
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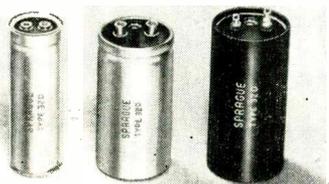
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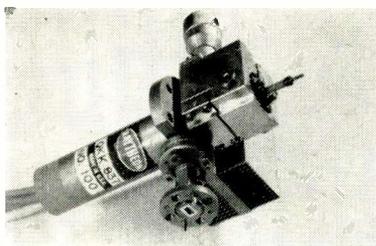
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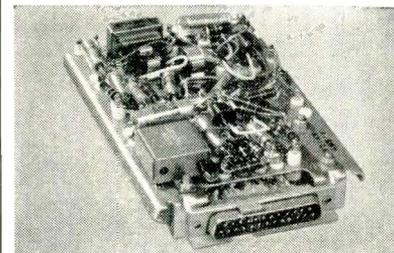
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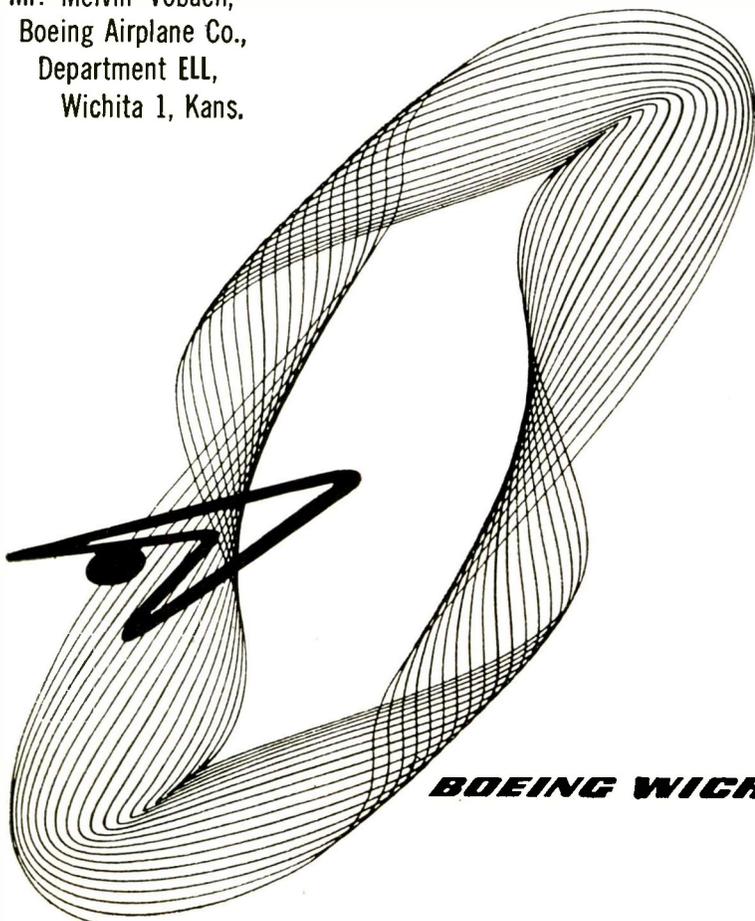
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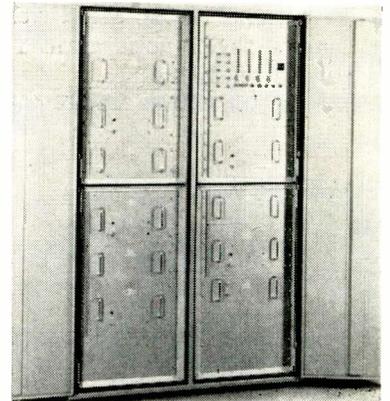
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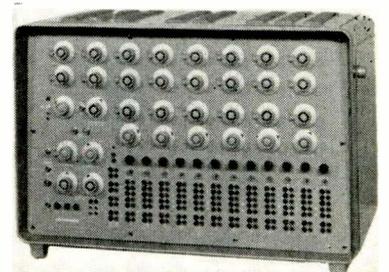
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DATEX CORP., 1307 So. Myrtle Ave., Monrovia, Calif. Automatic digital control system will position the rolls of a hot strip mill and assure the desired thickness of sheet steel. The system resets the position of the screwdown rolls in accordance with directions obtained from an automatic gage controller. It includes five control channels to simultaneously reset the rolls of five stands, but can be designed to control any number of stands. The resetting is done to an accuracy of 0.001 in.

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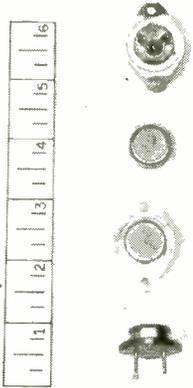


Analog Computer compact unit

BOONSHAFT AND FUCHS, INC., Hatboro Industrial Park, Hatboro, Pa. The AR-2 analog computer measures 35½ by 21 by 23 in. It is furnished complete with 12 amplifiers, 16 potentiometers, a pulse generator, and a stepping function generator. Six of the amplifiers can be used as integrators (with 3 dif-

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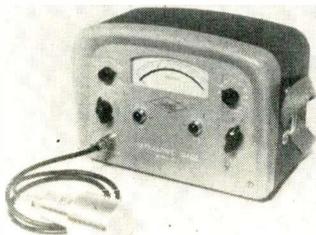
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Ultrasonic Gage compact, portable

SPERRY PRODUCTS, INC., Danbury, Conn. An ultrasonic gage weighing only 10 lb will be used for measuring thickness and inspecting corrosion in pipe, storage vessels, hull

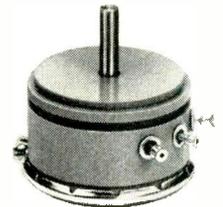


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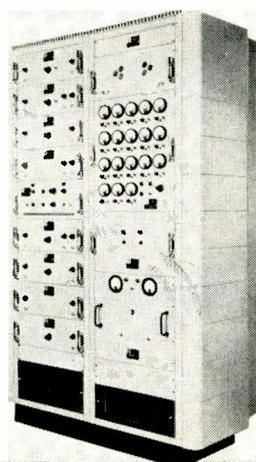
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MICRO-CIRCUITS Co., New Buffalo, Mich. New ultra high resistance paints are for use in making individual, special resistors or larger quantities of low-cost, noncritical high meg resistors. The series of seven paints covers the resistance range from 10 megohms per square

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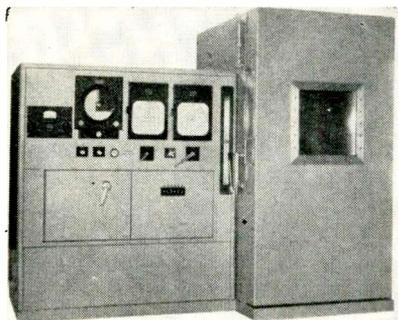
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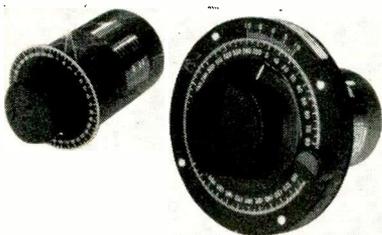
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Test Chamber temperature-altitude

CONRAD, INC., 141 Jefferson St., Holland, Mich. Model FH-63-705-705 temperature-altitude chamber has a 7 ft high by 3 ft wide by 3 ft deep interior. Temperature range is -100 F to +300 F; altitude, to 200,000 ft. It features an electronic temperature recording controller with programming and automatic proportioning of heating and cooling, and recording and controlling of altitude conditions.

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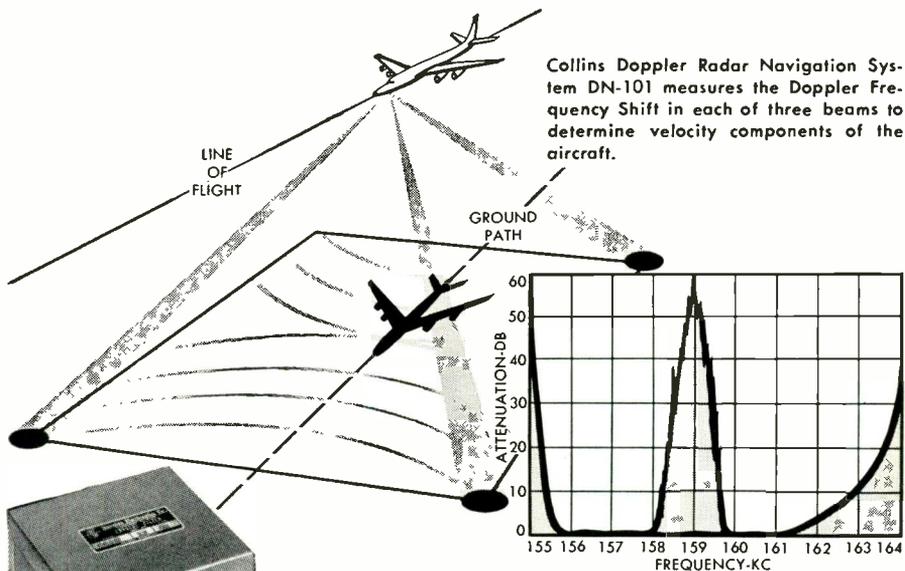


Phase Shifter 360 deg

THETA INSTRUMENT CORP., 520 Victor St., Saddle Brook, N. J. Employing a synchro resolver, resistors and capacitors, this phase generator provides continuous phase shift of a carrier without amplitude change. It is intended to be used as a single-frequency phase meter, reference for demodulator circuits, and a position-phase transducer. It conforms to MIL-D-8512 and MIL-T-945A. Phase accuracy is 30 min.; range, 360 deg; input voltage, 115 v; output voltage, 32 v.

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Hermes Crystal Filter, Model 669 U, used in Collins Doppler Radar Navigation System DN-101 measures $3\frac{1}{2}$ " L. x $3\frac{1}{16}$ " W. x $1\frac{1}{8}$ " H.

Typical Doppler Signal Spectrum superimposed on attenuation characteristic curve of Hermes Crystal Filter, Model 669U. Peak of curve shifts as velocity changes.

Collins DN-101 Doppler Radar Navigation System is an airborne radar transmitting and receiving system which directs three beams of X-band energy towards the earth and then accurately measures the amount of frequency change between the transmitted and reflected signals to determine the lateral, vertical, and horizontal velocities of the aircraft.

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ENCASED TUBULAR CAPACITORS. The Potter Co., 1950 Sheridan Road, North Chicago, Ill. A 4-page folder describes a line of non-metallic encased tubular capacitors (200 v to 600 v).

CIRCLE 380 ON READER SERVICE CARD

SILICON POWER DEVICES. ITT Components Division, International Telephone and Telegraph Corp., P. O. Box 412, Clifton, N. J., has available a silicon buyer's guide covering a broad line of diffused junction power rectifiers and Zener diodes.

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PULSE TRANSFORMER. ESC Corp., 534 Bergen Blvd., Palisades Park, N. J., has published a bulletin on a new microminiature pulse transformer with fractional μ sec pulse width.

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AUDIO SIGNAL TRANSISTOR. Bendix Aviation Corp., Red Bank Division, 201 Westwood Ave., Long Branch, N. J., has available a data sheet on the 2N1176, A,B "Yeoman"—a versatile, low-priced driver transistor.

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PULSE WIDTH DISCRIMINATOR FILTER. Mini-Rad, Inc., 7416-E Varna Ave., North Hollywood, Calif. A 6-page technical brochure covers the pulse width discriminator filter which is applicable to a wide variety of pulse and video type electronic systems.

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COIL WINDING EQUIPMENT. Geo. Stevens Mfg. Co., Inc., Pulaslki Road at Peterson, Chicago 46, Ill. An 8-page catalog illustrates and gives technical data on 5 coil winding machines for heavy duty transformers and field coils, 3 heavy duty tensions, and also has a page illustrating plant facilities.

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ANALOG-TO-DIGITAL PROCESSOR. Consolidated Electro-dynamics Corp., 360 Sierra Madre Villa, Pasadena, Calif. Details of Micro-SADIC, a high-speed analog-

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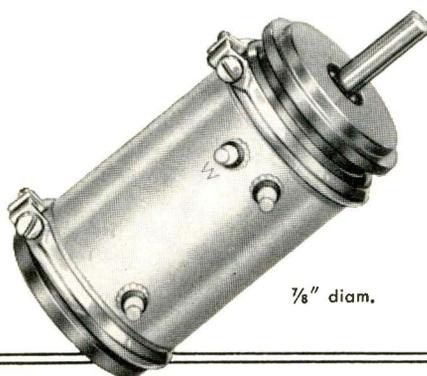
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DIGITAL TAPE HANDLER. Ampex Corp., Instrumentation Division, 934 Charter St., Redwood City, Calif., is offered a 3-color, 8-page brochure on the FR-400 digital magnetic tape handler.

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MAGNETIC THYRATRON CONTROLS.

Fairfield Engineering Corp., 934 Hope St., Springdale, Conn. Bulletin MTC558 gives operational data on a line of magnetic thyatron controls which give very fast response, precise power control and high efficiency.

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SWEPT AUDIO MEASUREMENTS.

Panoramic Radio Products, Inc., 514 S. Fulton Ave., Mt. Vernon, N. Y. Frequency response and distortion measurements of amplifiers, speakers and other high-fidelity equipment are discussed in issue No. 5 of The Panoramic Analyzer.

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PRIMARY BATTERIES.

Cook Batteries, 3850 Olive St., Denver 7, Colo. A 6-page illustrated brochure provides design details for over 20 new manual and automatically activated silver-zinc primary batteries.

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ELECTRONIC GENERATORS.

Industrial Test Equipment Co., 55 E. 11th St., New York 3, N. Y., has available literature describing models 150 and 250 Powertron electronic generators, which provide output powers of 160 va and 250 va respectively.

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GI Dedicates Space-Age Lab

GENERAL INSTRUMENT CORP. recently opened a new Advanced Development Laboratory (sixth unit in the company's Defense and Engineering Products Group) in Westbury Industrial Park, L. I., N. Y. The new facility is operated by Radio Receptor Co., wholly-owned GI subsidiary.

Housed in a modern, single-level building, the lab has an initial scientific and technical staff of 60, which is expected to be doubled within a year. The interior has been designed to provide spacious, air-conditioned offices for professional and technical personnel, complete design and drafting facilities, an extensive technical library, and large development and test laboratory areas. Also included are a fully equipped machine shop, an environmental test laboratory, model assembly shop, instrument room, and components test laboratories. ADL has been cleared by the Dept. of Defense for the handling of classified government contracts.

The organizational structure of General Instrument's Defense and Engineering Products Group enables the Advanced Development Laboratory to draw on technical facilities far greater than those actually installed at the Westbury lab. These include equipment, personnel and facilities available at the Newark, N. J.; Brooklyn, N. Y.; Chicopee, Mass.; and Woodbury, Conn., plants. Also available are the highly specialized functions of the Laboratory Groups of the General Instrument family, specializing in new products, ferrites, thermoelectric devices, capacitors, selenium, delay lines, semiconductors, and acoustic devices.

The new lab's management, scientific and engineering personnel are specialists in military electronics. The lab is under the direction of Ralph Mendel, vice president of Radio Receptor Co., Inc. Technical director is Arthur L. Rossoff, formerly chief engineer of Radio Receptor's Engineering Products division. Other key personnel include Harold Cohen, radar section head; Nathaniel L. Cohen, communication section head; and staff engineers Solomon A. Zadoff and Howard E. Lustig.

Aerojet Sets Up AETRON Division

AEROJET-GENERAL CORP., Azusa, Calif., developer and producer of rocket propulsion systems for the Space Age, has formed a new division which will integrate the company's skills in architectural engineering and electronics to develop facilities for the manufacturing, testing and development of weapons systems and space vehicles.

New division will be known as AETRON, and will combine Aerojet's Architect-Engineer unit with Electronic Design groups for more effective participation in the national effort to provide missile and space vehicle facilities.

Benjamin F. Rose, Jr., will manage AETRON. He has previously been associated with Douglas Aircraft Co. and Lockheed Aircraft Co. prior to joining Aerojet-General in 1947.

AETRON will maintain its office in its own plant in Covina, Calif. This plant contains 3.5 acres and at present houses 500 employees.



Warsher Enters Consulting Field

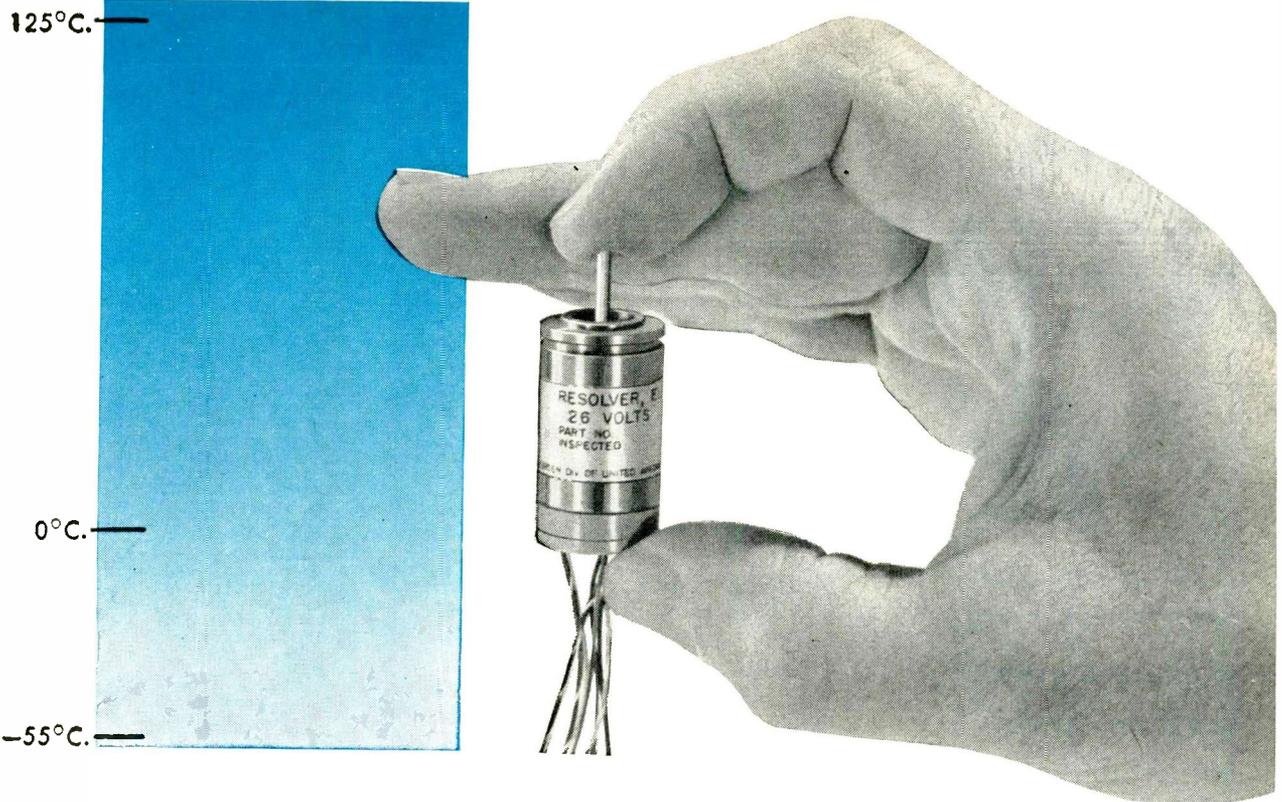
ADOLPH WARSHER announces that he is now engaged in a consulting practice specializing in reliability control engineering, with offices in Ridgewood, N. J.

Formerly manager of reliability control engineering at Bendix Aviation Corp.'s Eclipse-Pioneer Division, and chairman of the Bendix Corporate Interdivisional Reliability Technical Committee, Warsher was associated with Bendix since 1943. Previously he had been chief engineer of the New Republic Radio Corp., a subsidiary of Duro Test Corp., North Bergen, N. J.

IRE Announces Fellow Awards

SEVENTY-SIX leading radio engineers and scientists from the U. S. and other countries were recently named Fellows of the IRE by the board of directors, effective Jan. 1, 1960.

Presentation of the awards will be made by IRE Sections all over the world wherever the recipients reside. Recognition of the awards will be made by the president of the IRE at the annual banquet on March 23, 1960 at the Waldorf-



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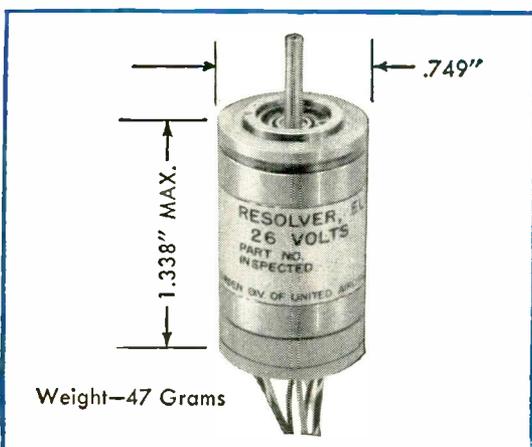
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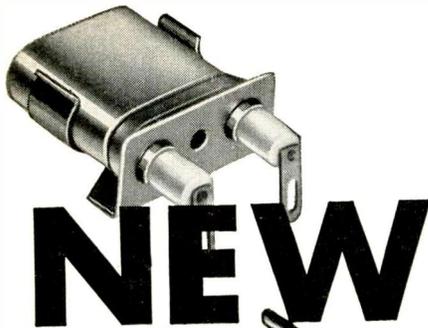
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Frequency	400 cps	
Input	Stator	
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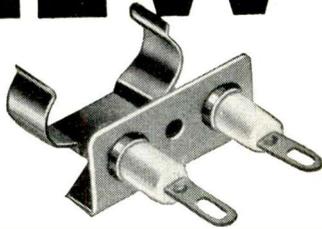


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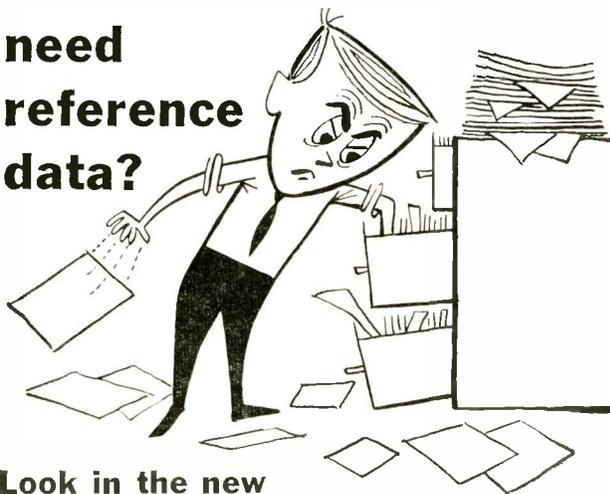
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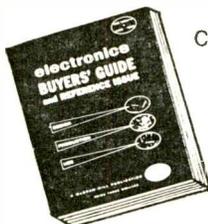
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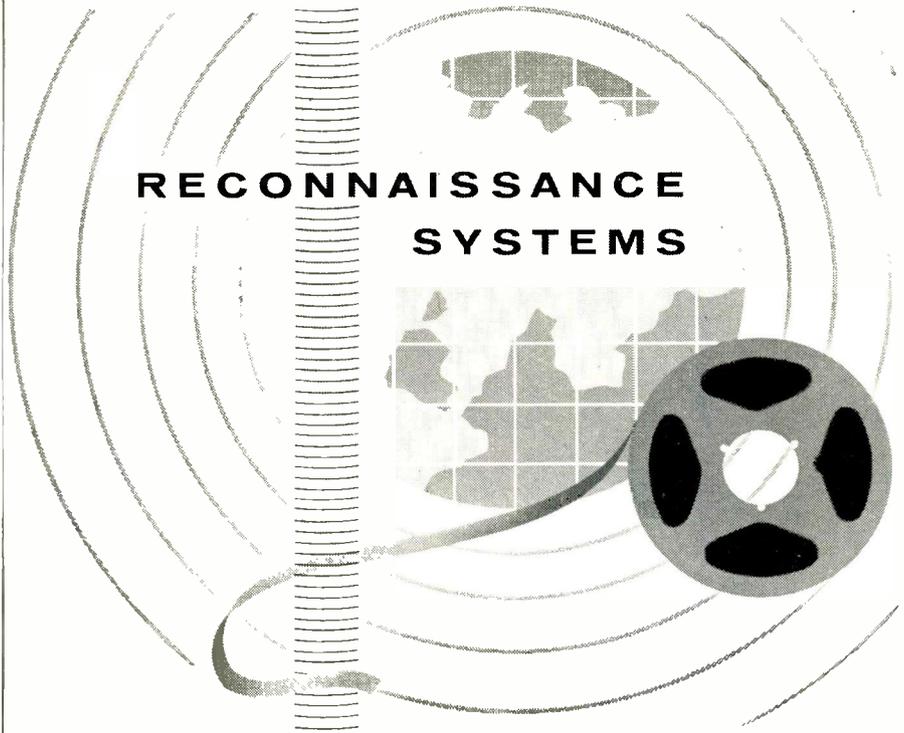
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News of Reps

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COMMENT

Reactor Control

Ref. *ELECTRONICS* May 22, the article "Transistor Amplifiers for Reactor Control," (pp 52-53) by Messrs. E. J. Wade and D. S. Davidson:

I found the article of considerable interest because of the combination of electrometer tubes with transistors which has several possible applications in the field of medical electronics. However, I would like to know if there is not an error in the circuit drawing, Fig. 1, where the collector of Q_1 is tied to the base of Q_2 through a 100-ohm resistor and a ground is also placed on the Q_1 collector.

Any comments on this circuit would be appreciated.

C. C. BATTERSON

DALLAS

The base of Q_2 is connected to a tap between a 22K resistor to 20 v and a 100-ohm resistor to ground. The Q_1 collector is also grounded. Author Wade comments:

With regard to the questions raised by Mr. Batterson, the circuit is correct as published. The collector of Q_1 should be grounded and the output is taken from the collector of Q_2 as shown.

However, in going over the circuit, I noticed some other errors which crept in when the circuit was redrawn for publication.

There should be a 680K resistor between -20 v and the common cathodes of V_1 and V_2 . The 10K resistor shown between -20 v and the collectors of Q_3 and Q_4 should be 1K.

The heater of V_3 is not shown but is operated in series with heaters of V_1 and V_2 . The diode in series between the emitters of Q_1 and Q_2 should be 1N450.

The unmarked resistor from the slider of the 10K potentiometer to switch 1A is 10^{11} ohms. The integrating capacitor between switch 1A and the output is 1 microfarad. The two other capacitors marked "1" are also 1 microfarad.

Perhaps you could publish a note in a forthcoming issue. . .

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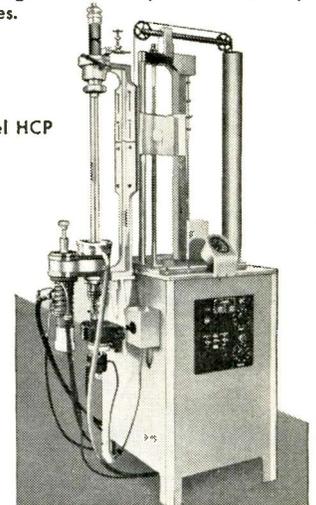
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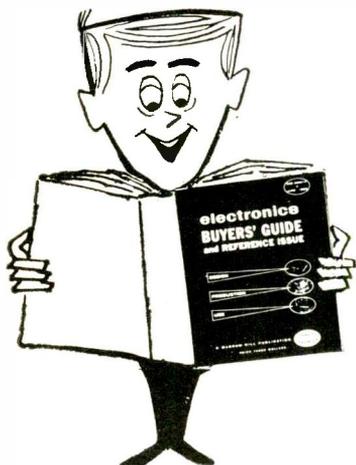
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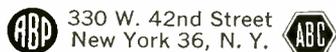


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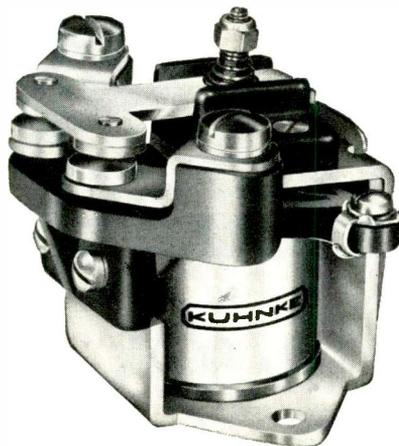
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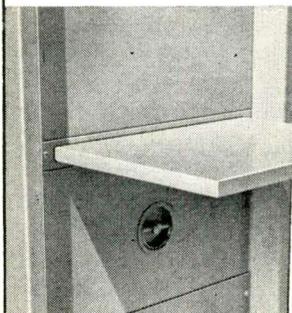


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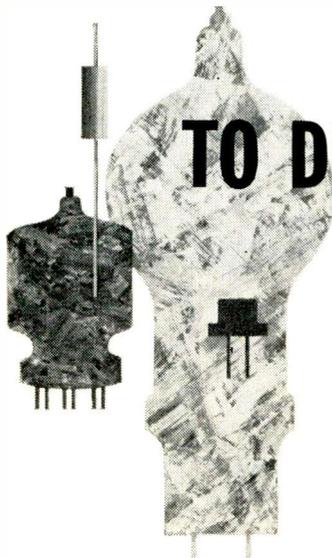
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Germ Warfare

Your recent article on CBR warfare ("Germ-Gas Detectors Needed," p 34, Dec. 4) requires amplification.

You talk about influencing the reproductive rates of microorganisms with radio-frequency energy. Are you seriously suggesting that our Army Chemical Corps has devised a weapon that will selectively seed a pandemic under the influence of radio energy?

Seems pretty farfetched to me.

ROBERT HUTCHINSON
SALT LAKE CITY

It may seem farfetched, but our understanding is that both r-f and ultrasonic energy are being investigated, firstly as a countermeasure against bacteria seeded by an enemy and secondly as constituents of a retaliatory bacterial weapons system.

In the same issue, as reader Hutchinson may have noticed, we carried an article on new discoveries in this field ("New Bio-Effects of R-F Energy," p 38), in which we reported on research by other life scientists on the various ways in which microorganisms are affected by r-f energy. Control over rates of reproduction was one; artificial creation of mutations was another.

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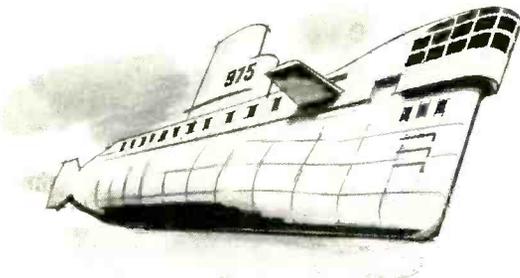
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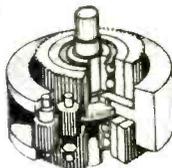
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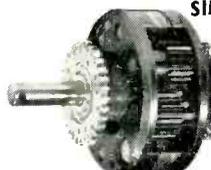
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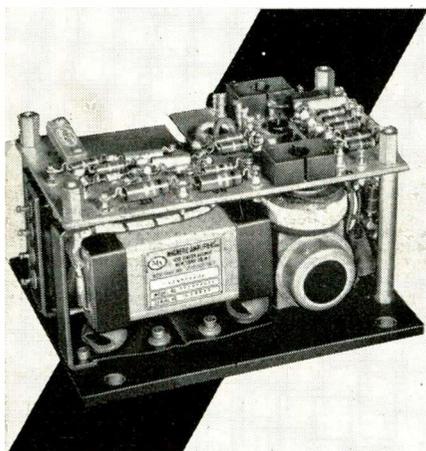
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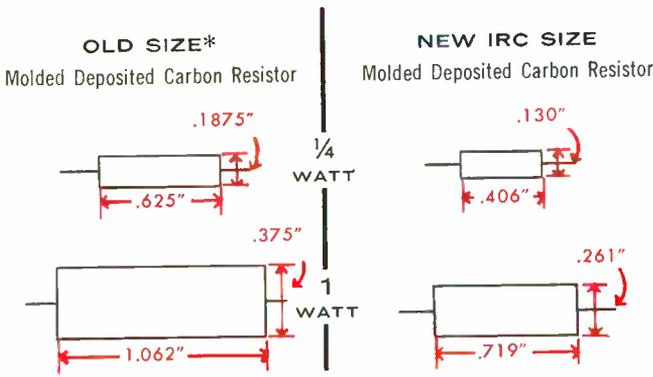
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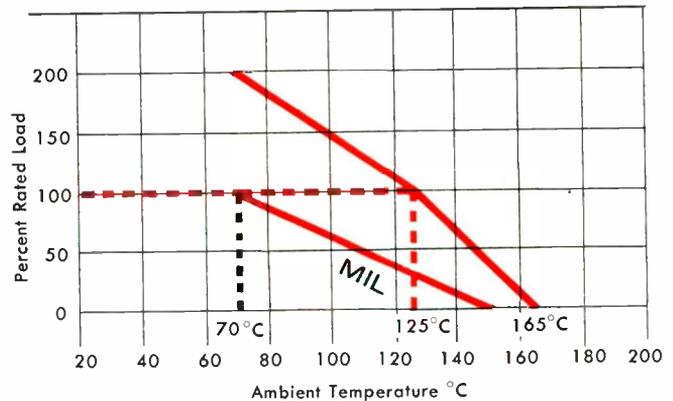
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