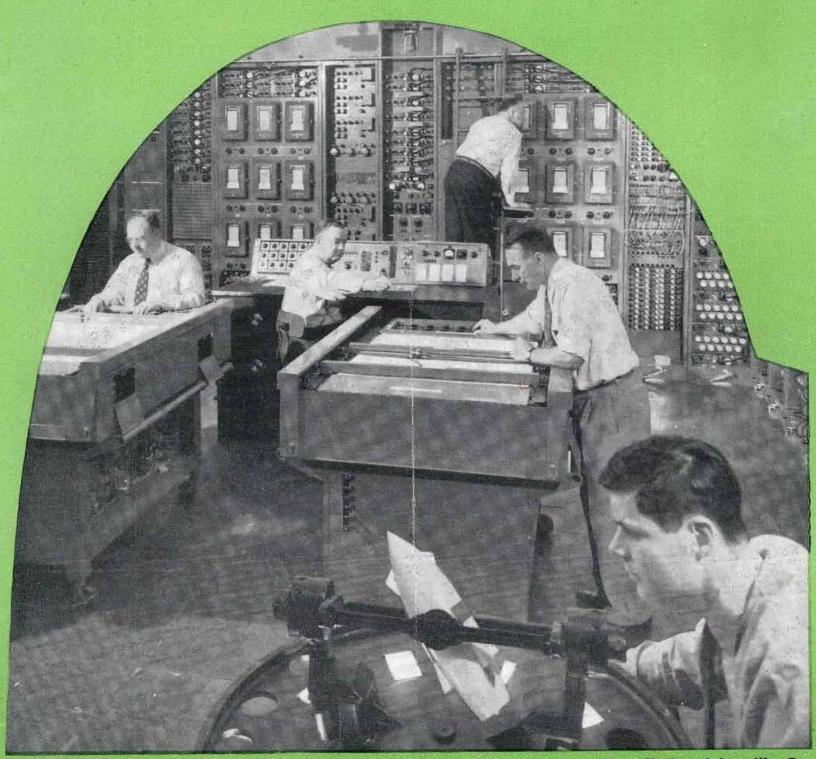
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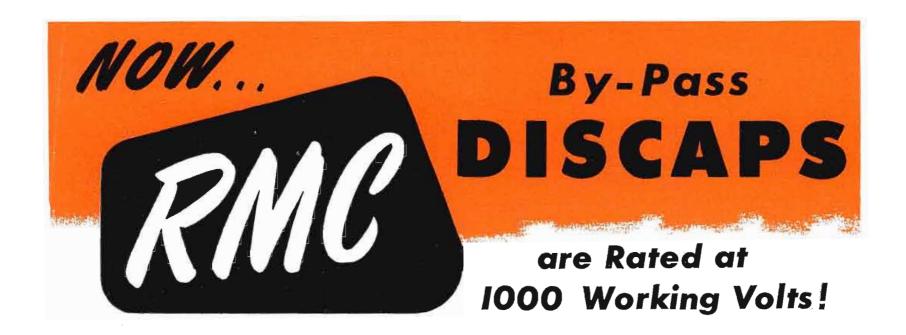


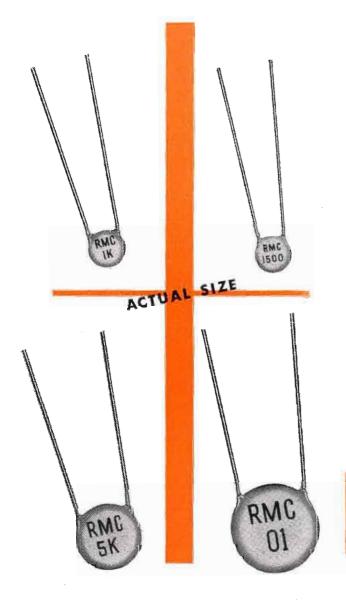
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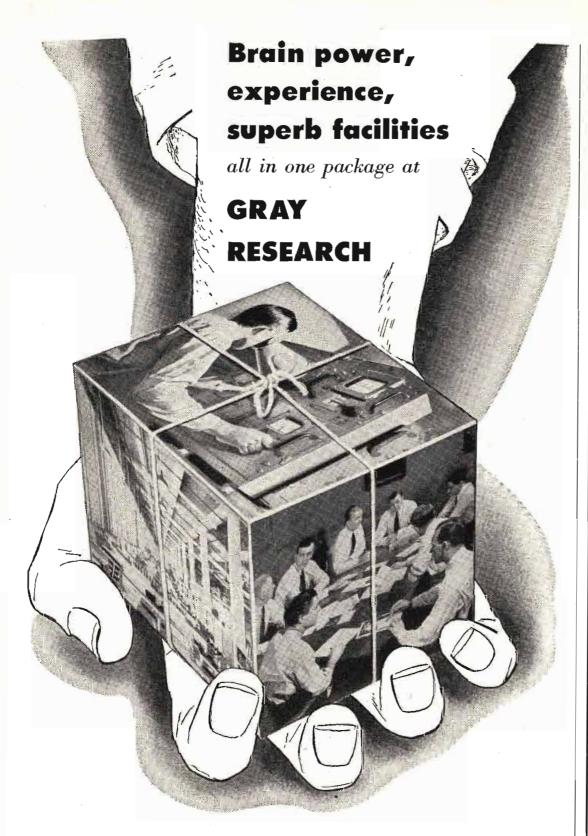
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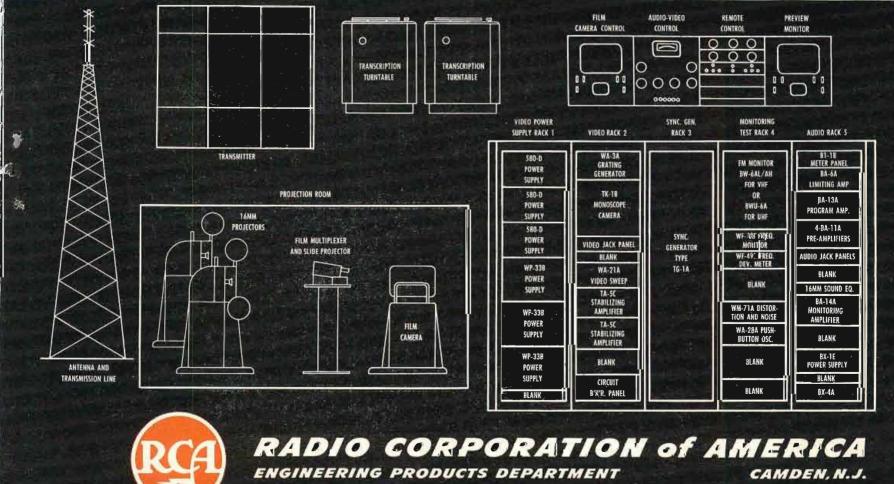
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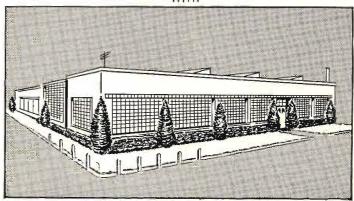
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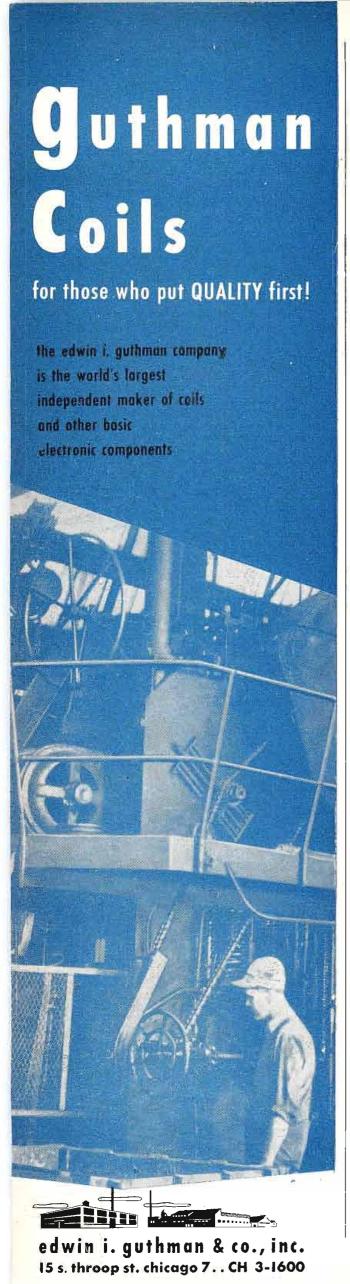


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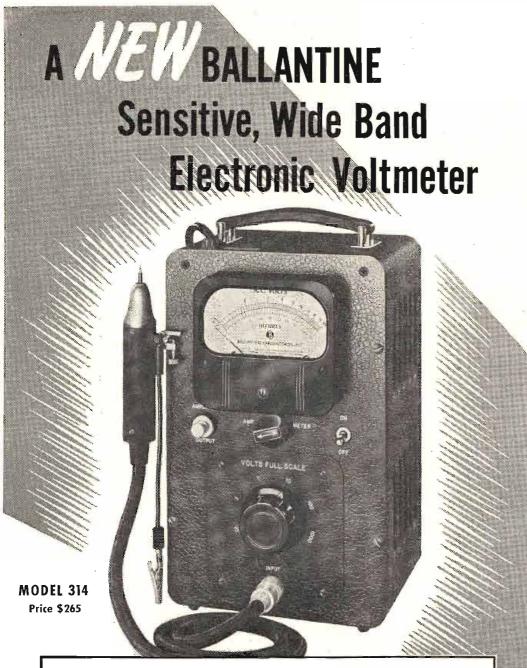
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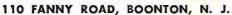
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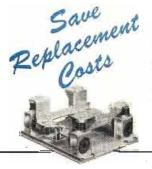


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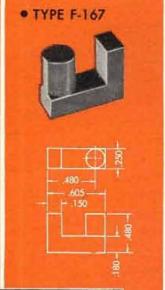
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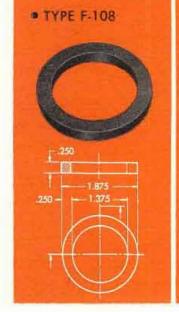






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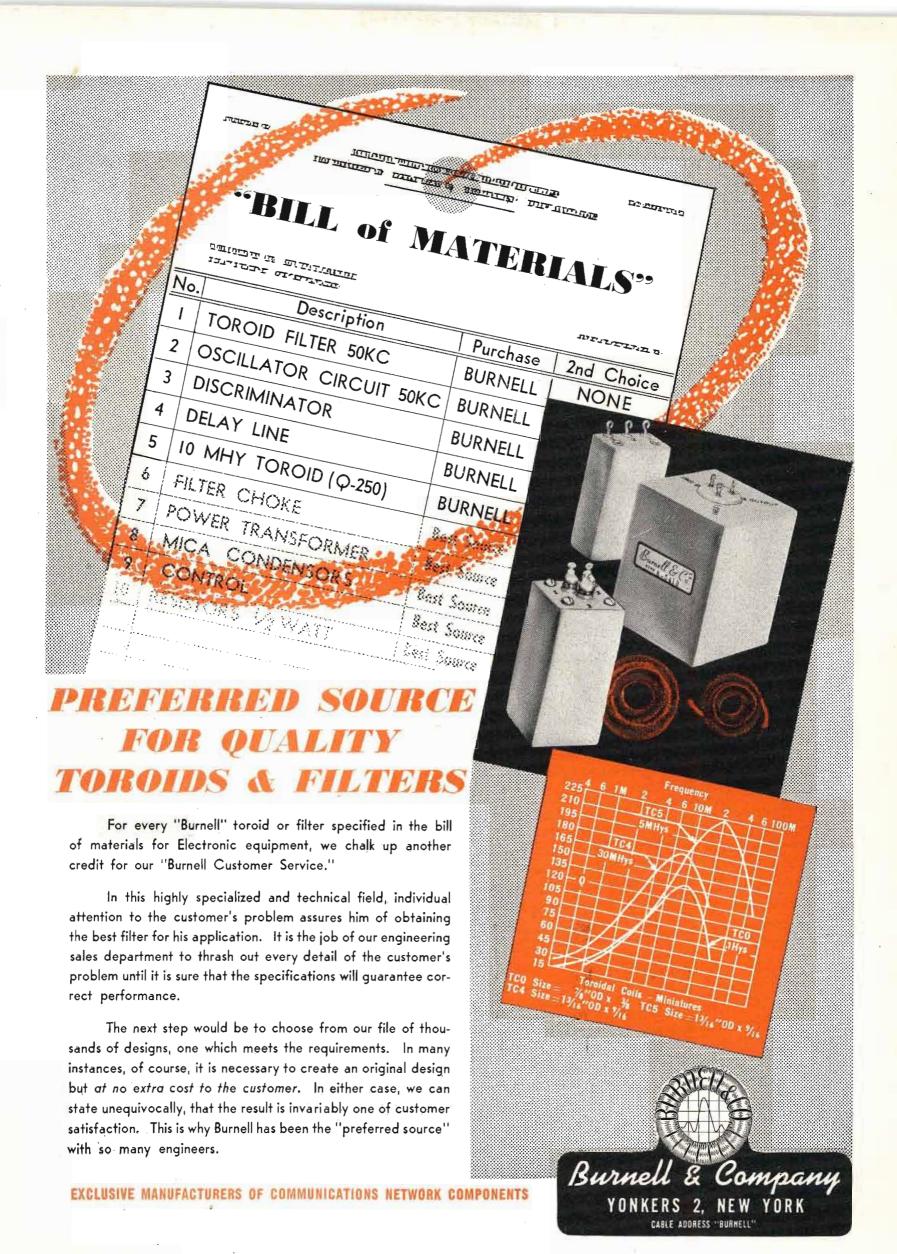
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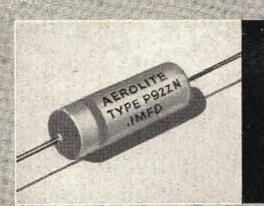
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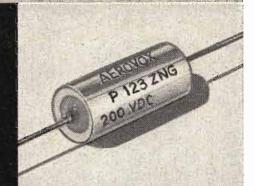


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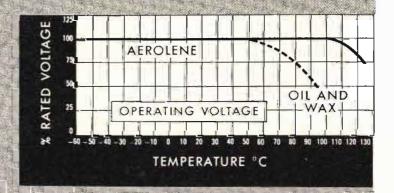
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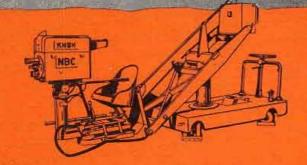
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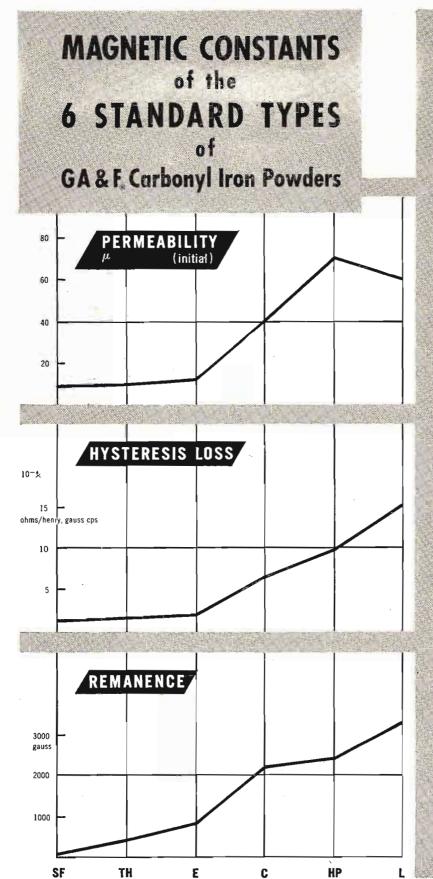
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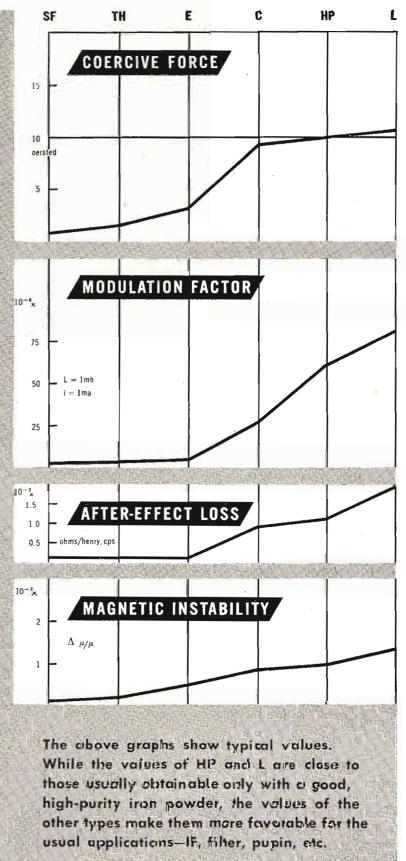
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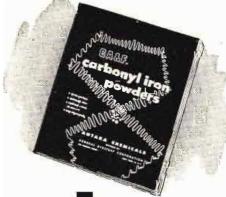
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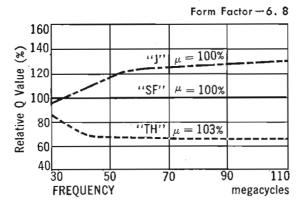
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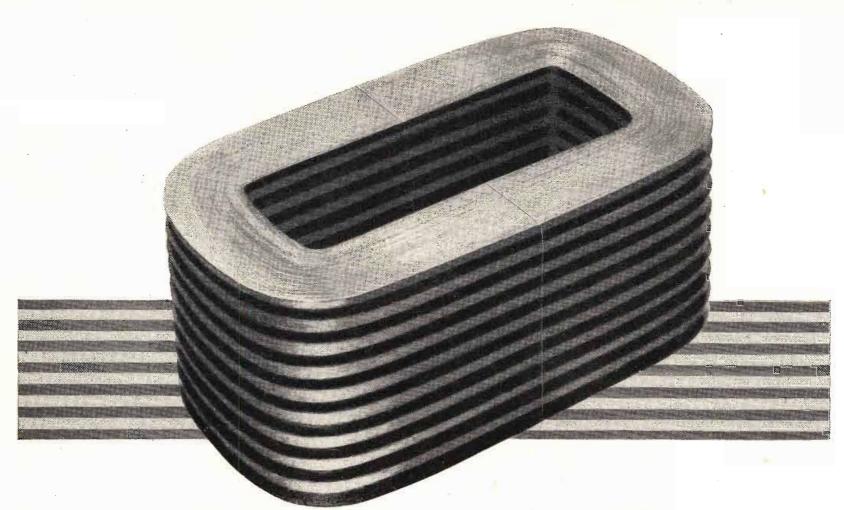
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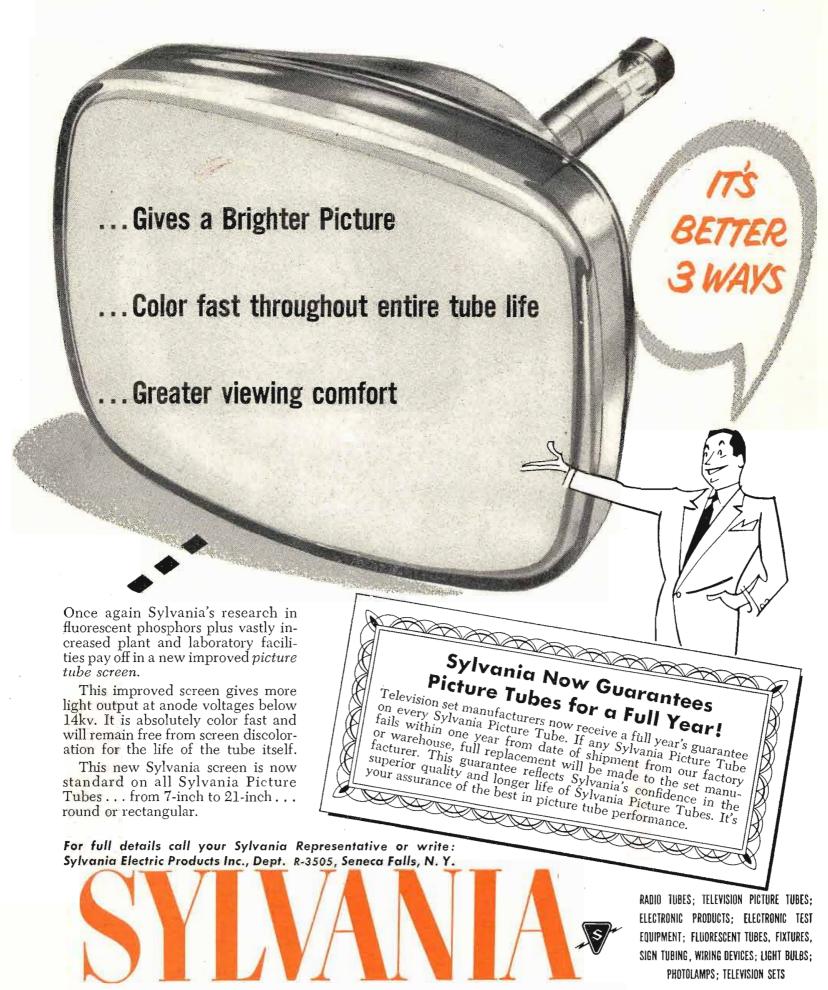
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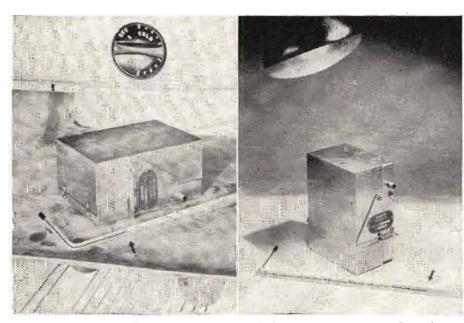


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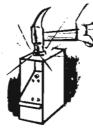
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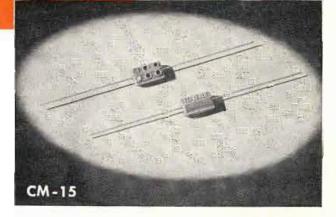


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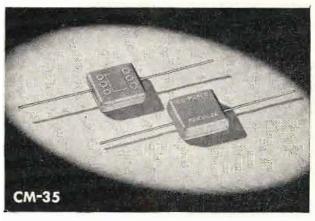
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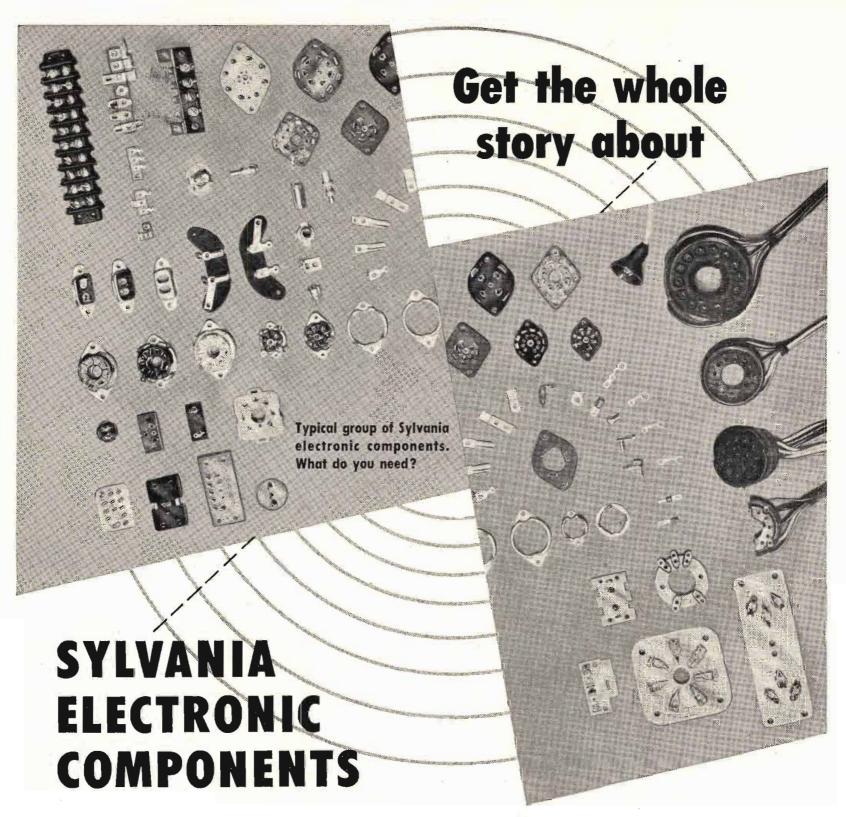
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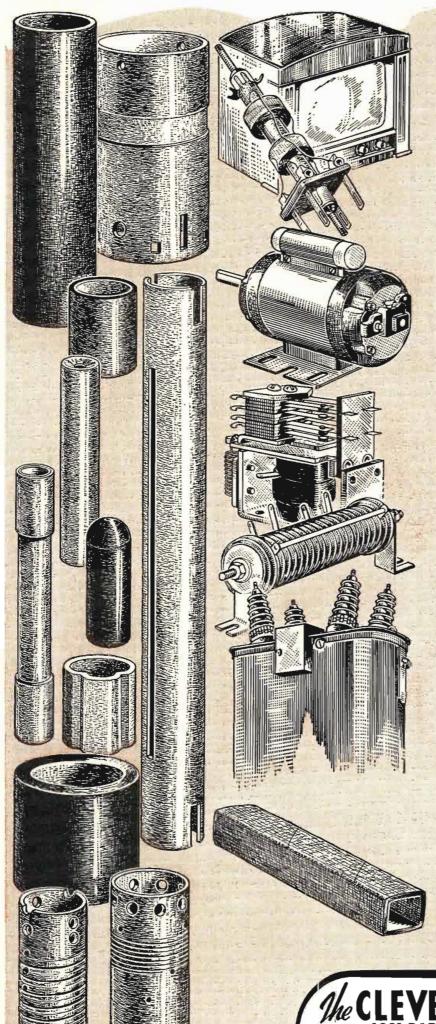
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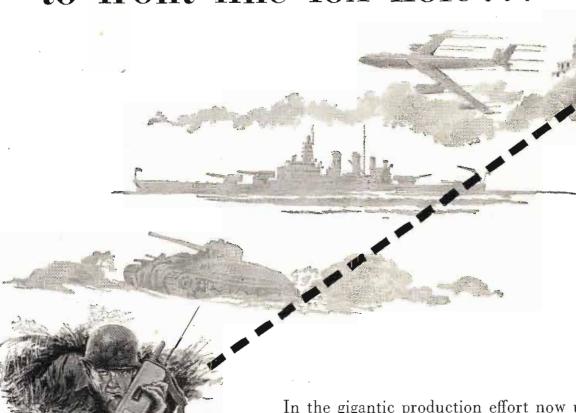
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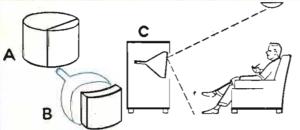
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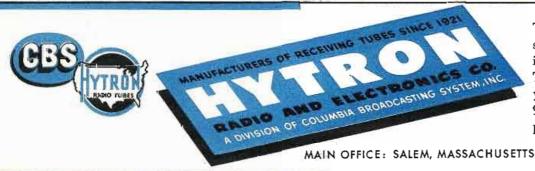
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- (1) The University should offer graduate education of the highest caliber in engineering and applied science, with keynotes of rigor, flexibility and versatility.
- (2) There should be extensive and high-caliber research devoted primarily to bridging the gap between science and practical affairs.
- (3) To this end there should be an eminent faculty of engineers and applied scientists in a combined organization. They should operate in concert; not as collaborators at a distance, but as members of a unitary group with common aims.
- (4) In furthering these objectives the great resources of the university should be called upon, and collaboration with neighboring institutions extended, to render the educational experience of students both broad and deep.
- (5) The object should be to train men who will become leaders in the university, industry or government.

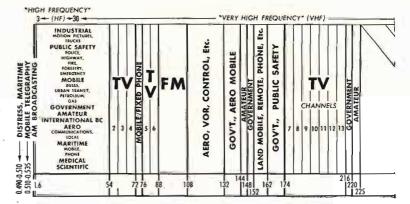
These leaders should be able to operate successfully in a society—rendered complex by science—by reason of their sound grasp of scientific subjects, their ability to apply these well, their understanding of the framework of society within which the applications will be made, "and their worth as educated men."

Further indication of the way in which engineering may be focused in the new dispensation brought about by the steady advance of scientific knowledge is the appointment at Harvard of an eminent mathematical physicist to the new position of Dean of Applied Science and of a leading civil engineer as Assistant Dean.

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#### **MATERIALS**

MAGNETIC SUBSTITUTES-The need for adequate substitute permanent-magnet materials has been accentuated because of the restriction of strategic raw materials. Cobalt and nickel are required in the most widely used and most efficient permanent magnets, and both of these metals are now on the Government's "critical" list. A new approach is required to develop new permanent magnet materials having superior properties or which can be made from raw materials not in short supply, points out A. D. Plamondon, Jr., president Indiana Steel Products Co. Fundamental research should be the first step in our approach. In our field of permanent magnets, practically all of the developments have been achieved by experimental methods. The known combinations of elements and processes that produce permanent magnets are manifold. Magnetic theories have advanced and fit many of the known facts. There is a wealth of experimental data and related information available which can be properly evaluated only by fundamental research. The development of new materials which would have superior magnetic or physical characteristics or which would utilize non-critical material would be the ultimate goal. Even though this objective were not achieved in the near future, theoretical factors would probably be developed which would be of value in the improve-

Charles E. Wilson (then Defense Mobilizer) looks on as IRE President Dr. Donald B. Sinclair presents the IRE Medal of Honor to Dr. W. R. G. Baker, for his "early technical contributions to the transmitter art, and his long, sustained and effective leadership of Institute and engineering groups." Earlier recipients of the Medal include G. Marconi, Dr. Lee deforest, Dr. E. W. F. Alexanderson, Dr. E. H. Armstrong, Dr. J. H. Dellinger, and Dr. Haraden Pratt.

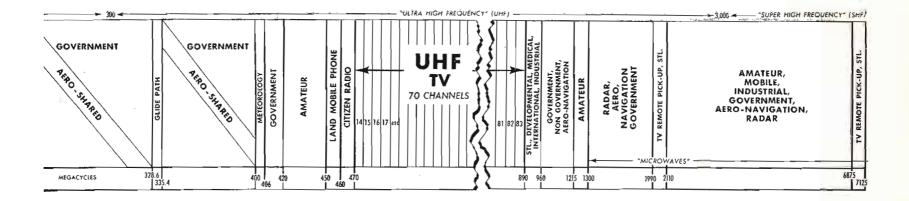
ment in the production of present permanent magnet materials. Producers and users of permanent magnets should be interested in formulating their own individual research programs to solve this major problem. Research programs should be developed on a long-term basis without regard to any changes which may occur in economic or world conditions. This provision is necessary to assure continuous effort and incentive to those working with such a program.

#### AVIATION

AT LAST THE VOR-DME UNITS are going into use! Rather belatedly, the CAA is putting the second part of its VHF/UHF navigation program into operation. An experimental DME (distance measuring equipment) route has been set up between New York and Washington, and about 24 airplanes fitted with the proper receivers will soon prove out the CAA's latest baby. Although this program may help navigation it does not appear that much assistance will be given to planes in the last lap of their flights, i.e., approach and landing. Here, further refinements in blind guidance are urgently needed as shown by the recent crashes in Elizabeth, N. J., and Queens, N. Y. Many drawbacks to the lower frequency radar sets are still being found, and the CAA and the aviation industry now are pinning hopes on the new 2600 MC approach aids.

#### **RELIABILITY**

THIRTY LONG-LIFE TUBES for military use have been produced under a Navy Bureau of Ships project in cooperation with the Army and Air Force. The new tubes are of a standard type and can be used commercially as well as in military equipment. Guided by the Department of Defense Research and Development Board, the program has produced electron tubes which have proved from two to ten times more resistant to shock and vibration and have 20 times the life expectancy of former types. At present, fifty electron tubes are in various stages of research and development. Most are designed for use in gunfire directors, ship and aviation navigation instruments and communications equipment. The 30 newly developed tubes announced by the Navy have been subjected to tests that would cause immediate failure in most present day tubes. They are given a 48hour mortality test to insure against early failure. The tubes must pass a high-voltage heater cycle test during which they are turned on and off 2000 times. This test also subjects the tubes to a thermal shock comparable



to the reaction obtained by dropping a cold glass into boiling water. Use of the new tubes in radio, radar, sonar, navigation and fire control instruments will enable operation despite shock of gunfire. A single large carrier has approximately 12,000 tubes in operation. Failure of one tube may mean an entire instrument system would cease to function. While the new tubes will cost individually five to ten times as much as present commercial types, total costs will be reduced because of low replacement rate.

#### **EDUCATION**

OVER 420 COLLEGES now offer courses in radio and television. Degrees in engineering are granted by eleven institutions of radio broadcasting and 54 others give degrees in science, commerce, and education in radio. And the degree of Bachelor of Television (BT) is now conferred by the University of Southern California. It appears that at last the radio broadcaster is being recognized as a worthy recipient of scholastic honors and the role of education in preparing suitable candidates for the profession is being accepted by the schools. Training of, by, and for, television is now becoming an accomplished fact!

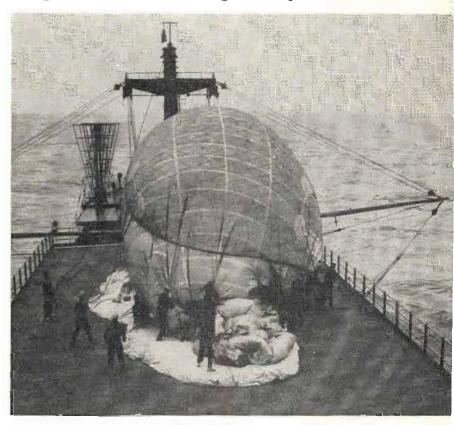
#### AIRPORT TRAFFIC CONTROL

ROHO-THETA TRANSPONDER is the name of a new device by which an air-traffic officer at a busy airport can positively identify the airplanes he sees as small dots on his radar screen. The basic principle of radar, of course, is that an object is seen on a radarscope because it reflects a small bit of the transmitted radar pulse. It is located as to direction and distance by its "echo." The new Transponder improves on this in two ways. It is a device mounted in the plane. When a radar pulse strikes its antenna, the energy received is amplified, the frequency changed, and a generated pulse sent back in the direction of the received radar signal. The signal sent back by the plane to the control tower is much stronger than a reflected signal. The plane, as a consequence, shows up at greater ranges and lower altitudes, regardless of weather conditions or the size of the aircraft. But the Transponder introduces another extremely advantageous feature. The tower operator can by radio ask the pilot of a certain plane to identify himself. The pilot by pressing a button causes the Transponder to send out a double set of pulses so that his "dot" becomes two closely spaced dots on the radar screen. The tower operator thus knows exactly which of

perhaps many dots on his scope is the plane he is talking to. This information can be used to provide further instructions to a pilot, enabling the ground controller to expedite bad-weather landings made with the groundcontrolled approach system.

#### **PROPAGATION**

**IONIZATION IN THE E-LAYER?** In considering the effect of the E-layer on radio propagation, the generally accepted theory has taught that ultraviolet causes ionization. Now, E. F. George, Geophysical Institute, University of Alaska, finds, from averaging 25,000 individual ionosphere records, that the results "seem to indicate the ionization of the E-region is not due primarily to ultraviolet light." (Journal Franklin Institute, Dec., 1951). He does not suggest what the source is, but, instead, to explain the periodicity of his curve of virtual height of the E-layer plotted vs. geographic latitude, he points out that the prevailing winds within the troposphere-large-scale movements of air-may be carried into the ionosphere. The ions may take part in these movements and hence be the cause of the up-and-down swings of the curve. Something new to ponder.



Coast Guardsmen remove restraining net from 69 x 33 ft. barrage balloon aboard Voice of America's sea-going radio station, "Courier." The helium-filled balloon will rise 1000 ft., carrying aloft the half-wave antenna for 150 kw broadcast transmitter. By retransmitting programs at point-blank range from off-shore locations, Voice will make itself heard in dominated lands throughout the world. (See also p. 41 April TELE-TECH)



# Wing-Tip Antenna

Zero-drag omnidirectional range anreceive horizontally-polarized signals.

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THE need for zero-drag naviga- I tional antennas has become increasingly apparent with the advent of jet type aircraft. These antennas are particularly objectionable from an aerodynamic point of view since the frequency of both the localizer and omnidirectional ranges is relatively low, with the result that the antenna is usually over 1 ft. in length. In addition, the bandwidth requirements for these antennas is such that even further increases in the physical size of the antenna are necessary, and for this reason external antennas of this size are far too bulky for installation on aircraft with near sonic speeds.

When it was required to develop a zero-drag omnidirectional range antenna for installation on a jet fighter it was decided to investigate the radiation characteristics of an antenna located in the left wing tip of the aircraft. Previous flight tests of a similar installation on a light aircraft had shown that for normal flight conditions such an antenna provided adequate reception, and in propeller driven aircraft was less susceptible to ignition noise.

The specific electrical requirements for this antenna are:

- 1. The antenna shall adequately cover the frequency range of 108 to 122 Mc.
- 2. The antenna shall receive horizontally polarized and horizontally propagated radio signals with mini-

mum practicable reception of vertically polarized radio signals.

- 3. The input shall be designed to match a 52-ohm coaxial line with a voltage standing wave ratio (vswr) of less than 5:1 over the frequency range 108 to 122 MC.
- 4. The radiation pattern of the installed antenna shall be such that it will provide the ranges specified herein at any heading with respect to the signal source, and at any attitude from horizontal to 20°, climb or glide.

The structural design requirements for the antenna are that it be light in weight and the method of fabrication and assembly adaptable to aircraft production techniques. It was also considered that the antenna should be so designed that it could be assembled on a production line basis without the need for post-assembly tuning adjustments.

#### Radiation Pattern Study

The first step in the development of this type antenna was a radiation pattern study making use of scale model techniques to determine whether or not any type of antenna located in the wing tip of this particular aircraft would meet the pattern requirements previously specified. For this purpose a one-tenth precision scale model of the aircraft was constructed and is shown in Fig. 1. This scale model is made of wood and metal sprayed with an under coat of zinc and a finish coat of copper to provide a highly conducting metal surface similar to that of the actual aircraft.

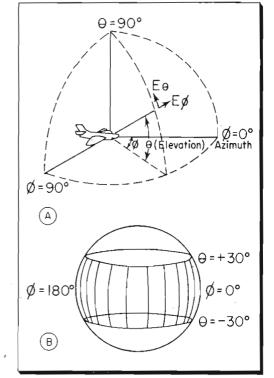


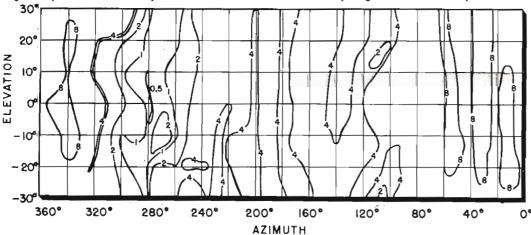
Fig. 2: (a) Radiation pattern coordinate system. (b) Equatorial belt for  $\theta=+30^\circ$  to  $-30^\circ$ 

A one-tenth scale model of a shunt fed element was mounted on the left wing tip of the model and the metal parts of the anti-icing element, cruising lights, and aileron tip were added to complete the actual scaling of the aircraft. This model antenna was matched to a vswr of 2.5:1 or less throughout the simulated frequency range in order to assure more accurate pattern measurements. The patterns were measured on a model range using a linear superheterodyne system and polar plots on a voltage basis were obtained.

The coordinate system for the important region in space about the model aircraft showing both the horizontal,  $(E\Phi)$ , and vertical,  $(E\Theta)$ , polarization is shown in Fig. 2a. The equatorial belt for the most important region is shown in Fig. 2b. In order to simplify the results of a large number of patterns obtained, the final set of relative patterns were integrated and converted into patterns of equi-signal contours in the equatorial belt of the aircraft. Preliminary measurements of spherical radiation patterns for both horizontal and vertical polarization at 115 Mc are shown in Fig. 3.

Examination of Fig. 4 shows that





# for Jet Fighter Aircraft

### tenna for 108-122 MC designed especially to Coaxial input is 52 ohms with vswr under 5:1

the patterns for horizontal polarization is relatively omnidirectional and that the one null which is present is outside the forward 180° and therefore would not be deleterious to normal localizer operation. The patterns for vertical polarization show that in the fore and aft direction the component of vertical polarization is never more than 1/16th as much as the component of horizontal polarization. And, as may be seen from the patterns, the maximum reception of vertical polarized signals is in such a direction that the bearing errors or course pushing produced by these signals would be relatively unimportant.

#### Operational Performance

In order to determine the operational performance of the antenna system at a required maximum distance from either an AN/CRN-10 or CAA localizer ground transmitter, or a CAA type VOR ground transmitter, the complete set of relative patterns for both horizontal and vertical polarization at 115 MC was integrated by means of a polar planimeter and computations were made

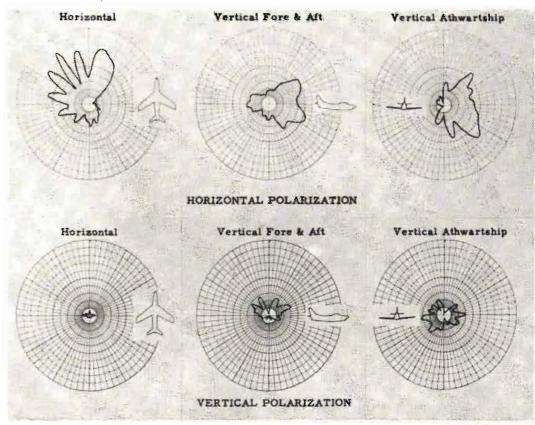


Fig. 4: Antenna radiation patterns at 115 MC for both horizontal and vertical polarization

to obtain the average value of the relative pattern. This average value was then used for converting the relative pattern into units of absolute field strength. The conventional way of presenting the absolute field strength of a receiving antenna is to assume by the theory of reciprocity

#### TABLE I: CALCULATIONS OF SIGNAL STRENGTH AT AIRCRAFT RECEIVER INPUT

As a matter of general interest and a means of showing the type of calculation required, these tables show the method used to determine the signal strength which the wing tip ODR antenna on the aircraft delivers to the receiver.

Air Force Specification X-7197 requires minimum signal of  $4\mu\nu$  at receiver terminals when aircraft is at altitude of 10,000 ft., and range of 100 miles from ground station.

Assume ODR ground equipment is CAA type VOR transmitter with a power output of 200 watts. Assume 30 ft. of RG-8/U transmitting cable, and assume transmitting antenna has no gain over a half-wave dipole, a vswr of 2 to 1 and located 30 ft. above ground.

Transmitter output correction factor compared to 1 kw = -7.0 db
 Cable attenuation factor for 30 ft. of cable = -0.8 db
 Reflection loss factor for vswr of 2:1 = 10 log (2 + 1)²/ (2 × 4) = -0.5 db
 Antenna height correction factor for 30 ft. = +9.5 db
 Field intensity factor above 1 μv/m = +52.0 db
 (P. 65 of "Propagation Curves" NDRC #966-6C for horizontal polarization, good soil, 10,000 ft. altitude, 100 mile range)
 Therefore, field strength factor above 1 μv/m at aircraft is (-7.0 - 0.8 - 0.5)

For comparison assume receiving antenna at the aircraft is a half-wave dipole (HWD) in free space.

- 8. Effective height of HWD =  $\lambda/\pi$  which at 122 MC = 0.783 m
- 9. Open-circuit received signal of HWD =  $445 \times 0.783$  = 348  $\mu v$
- 10. HWD signal into matched load is reduced to half by reradiation and = 348  $\times$  0.5 = 174  $\mu v$

Assume 50 ft. of RG-8/U cable in aircraft, and antenna vswr of  $5{:}1$ .

- 11. Cable attenuation factor for 50 ft. of cable =-1.3 db
- 12. Reflection loss factor for vswr of  $5:1 = 10 \log (5 + 1)^2 / (5 \times 4) = -2.6 \text{ db}$
- 13. Signal at receiver terminals with HWD is (1.3  $\pm$  2.6) db below 174  $\mu v$  = 111  $\mu v$
- 14. Required signal at receiver terminals is  $4\mu\nu$ , so ratio of HWD signal to required signal = 111/4 = 27.75
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  15. When HWD is driven by a one watt transmitter, it radiates an absolute field strength at one mile = 4.35 µv/m
- 16. Equi-signal contours of Fig. 3 is also plotted for 1 watt radiation at 1 mile range. Contours on these figures which would represent the specified receiver signal of 4  $\mu v$  are 4.35/27.75 = 0.157  $\mu v/m$

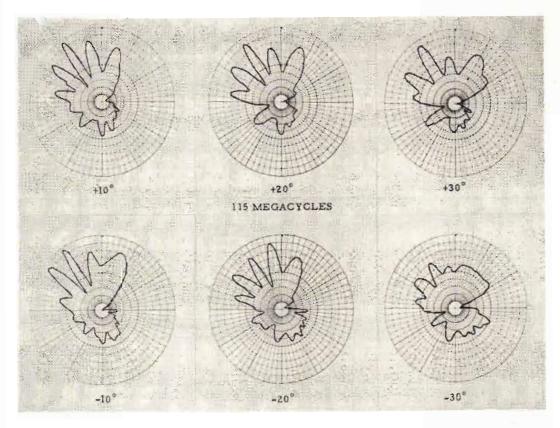
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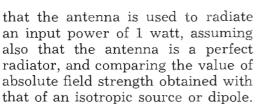
7. This is a field strength

== 53.0 db

= 445  $\mu v/m$ 

#### WING TIP ANTENNA (Continued)





The equi-signal contour diagram of Fig. 3 is a plot of the wing tip antenna for such a transmitting case and shows the cone angles from plus  $30^{\circ}$  to  $-30^{\circ}$  vs. azimuth. These equisignal contours are formed on the diagram by connecting the points of equal field strength and enable the reader to evaluate the antenna pattern quickly.

Fig. 5 shows the horizontal radia-

tion pattern at 115 MC for important cone angles.

The computation to determine the received signal when the aircraft is at a range of 100 miles and an altitude of 10,000 ft. from a CAA type VOR transmitter, or at a range of 40 miles and an altitude of 4,000 ft. from AN/CRN-10 transmitter are shown in Tables I and II. These computations are based on propagation data presented in the book "Propagation Curves," NDRC Report No. 966-6C published by Bell Telephone Laboratories. The necessary factors to allow for transmitter power, transmitting antenna directivity, re-

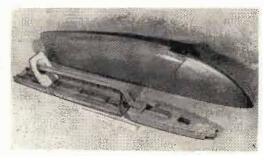


Fig. 6: Prototype of full scale wing antenna

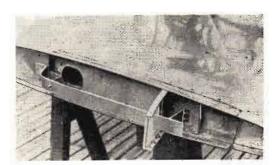


Fig. 7: Final prototype mounted on mock-up

Fig. 5: Antenna radiation patterns at 115 MC in the horizontal plane for important cone angles

flection and cable loss, and transmitting antenna gain are also included in these tables. The calculations shown are made for conditions over good soil, but they also apply for conditions over poor soil since at this frequency and polarization the propagation data is approximately the

same for either type soil.

The calculations and values mentioned above for the ODR transmitter do not include a factor to allow for a ground transmitting antenna with a gain greater than a half-wave dipole. Since the ODR ground antenna has a gain greater than a half-

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#### TABLE II: CALCULATIONS OF SIGNAL STRENGTH AT INPUT OF THE AN/ARN-14 LOCALIZER RECEIVER

Air Force Specification X-7197 requires a minimum signal of 5  $\mu v$ at the receiver terminals when the aircraft is on the localizer course at an altitude of 4,000 ft. and range of 40 miles.

Assume the localizer ground equipment is an AN/CRN-10 transmitter with a radiated power output of 25 watts. Assume that the transmitting antenna has a gain over a half-wave dipole of 1.5 db and is located 5 ft, above ground.

- 1. Transmitter output correction factor compared to 1 kw =-16.0
- 2. Antenna gain correction factor = 1.5 db
- 3. Antenna height correction factor for 5 ft. =-5.0
- 4. Field intensity factor above 1  $\mu v/m$ == 59.0 db (P. 65 of "Propagation Curves" NDRC #966-6C for horizontal polarization, good soil, 4,000 ft. altitude, 40 mile range)
- 5. Therefore, field strength factor above 1  $\mu v/m$  at aircraft is (-16.5 + 1.5 - 5.0 +59.0)
- 6. This is a field strength = 94 uv/mFor comparison assume receiving antenna at the aircraft is a half-

= 39.5 db

wave dipole (HWD) in free space.

7. Effective height of HWD  $= \lambda/\pi$  which at 108 MC = 0.885 m

- 8. Open-circuit received signal of HWD ==  $94 \times 0.885$ = 83.5 HV
- 9. HWD signal into matched load is reduced to half by reradiation and = 83.5  $\times$  0.5 = 41.8  $\mu v$

Assume 50 ft. of RG-8/U cable in aircraft, and an antenna vswr

- 10. Cable attenuation factor for 50 ft. cable =-1.3 db
- 11. Reflection loss factor for vswr of 5:1 10 log  $(5+1)^2/(5\times 4)$ = --2.6 db
- 12. Signal at receiver terminals with HWD is (1.3  $\pm$  2.6)db below 41.8  $\mu v$
- 13. Required signal at receiver terminal is 5  $\mu v$ , so ratio of HWD signal to required signal = 27/5
- 14. When HWD is driven by a 1 watt transmitter, it radiates an absolute field strength at 1 mile = 4.35  $\mu v/m$
- 15. The equi-signal contours of Fig. 3 is also plotted for one watt radiation at one mile range. Contours of these figures which would represent the specified re-

ceiver signal of 5  $\mu\nu$  are 4.35/5.4 = 0.805  $\mu v/m$ This specified minimum field strength is also shown in the hori-

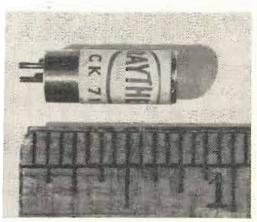
## Latest Transistor Units

Preview of point-contact germanium types now in developmental and pilot production stages by five manufacturers

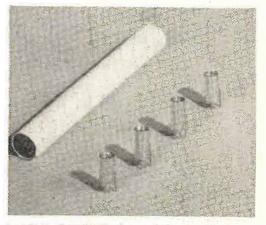
WHILE poring through the daily newspaper one may be highly impressed with the imminence of wrist watch radios and pocket-size TV receivers, devices made possible by the advent of the transistor. As one nonengineering enthusiast put it, "The vacuum tube is a cooked goose!" However, the transistor is presently in a developmental phase, and the state of the art does not warrant the zealous acclamations of an immediately forthcoming technological revolution. No one is more impressed with the imposing potentialities of the transistor than the scientists actively engaged in its study, but their sober evaluations tell us that although the future holds a key role in store for the crystal triode, much more must be learned before its marvelous

abilities become commonplace in our daily lives.

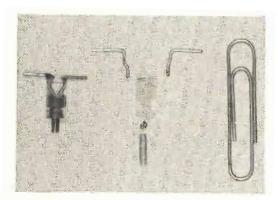
So without sensational fanfare, here are several point-contact germanium transistors fabricated by different manufacturers. Generally speaking, these units are in a developmental or pilot production stage and not commercially available in the mass production meaning of the word. Junction-type transistors have undergone less development to date, and may be considered as being in an even earlier prenatal state so far as well controlled mass production for civilian use is concerned. For a detailed explanation of transistor operation, the reader is referred to the article "Recent Developments in Transistors and Related Devices" in the Dec. 1951 issue of Tele-Tech.



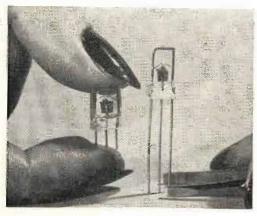
RAYTHEON'S Type CK716 transistor is housed in a brass case, 0.65 in. long and 0.255 in. diameter, which acts as the base. The nickel pins are 0.078 in, apart. The maximum electrical ratings are: collector current — 4 ma; emitter current 10 ma; collector voltage — 40 v.; collector dissipation 100 mw. Operating characteristics with grounded base are: collector current 2.5 ma; emitter current 1.0 ma; collector voltage — 15 v.; emitter voltage 0.5 v.; minimum current amplification 1.2; minimum frequency response 100 KC; maximum noise figure at 1 KC, 65 db. Considered as a three-terminal network, the maximum to minimum range of direct input resistance is 150-450 ohms; transfer input resistance 25-140 ohms; direct output resistance 10,000-40,000 ohms; transfer output resistance 15,000-70,000 ohms.



GENERAL ELECTRIC'S Types G11 (amplifier and oscillator) and G11A (counter) transistors have the following physical specifications: brass case maximum size, 0.35 in. high, 0.16 in. diameter; impregnated with moisture resistant wax; silver plated phosphor bronze pins; connections, base soldered to case, emitter center pin, collector opposite base pin. Electrical characteristics are collector dissipation 100 mw, collector voltage (Vc) 30 v., collector current 7 ma, emitter current (le) 3 ma, emitter peak-inverse voltage 50 v., ambient temperature 40°C. Operating characteristics for the G11 with grounded base and Vc=25, 1e=0.5 at 25°C, are as follows: base resistance 200 ohms; collector resistance 22,000 ohms; input resistance 475 ohms; current gain 2.2; power gain 17 db; cut-off frequency 2 MC; noise figure 57 db; minimum dc resistance in emitter circuit 500 ohms. For the G11A the characteristics are: base resistance 450 ohms; collector resistance 30,000 ohms; input resistance 900 ohms; current gain 2.2; turn-off time less than 2 u sec.

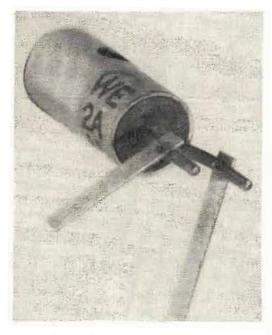


PHILCO'S potted transistor for video and r-f carrier amplification is enclosed in an impregnating plastic. The above picture shows the emitter and collector leads, base pin, germanium block from which the crystal wafer is cut, and the plastic case. Whisker crimp provides predetermined contact pressure on the crystal. Electrical characteristics are comparable to preliminary specifications for similar types.



RCA transistors are imbedded in a thermo-setting resin to maintain power gains within a 2 db variation over extreme conditions of moisture,

shock and temperature. Unit measures  $0.6 \times 0.3 \times 0.2$  in. and is shown at the right in an advanced stage of construction before being encased in plastic. Operating characteristics of two representative transistors at  $25^{\circ}\text{C}$  are as follows: emitter volts 0.42 and 0.5; emitter current 1.1 and 0.55 ma; collector volts 20 and 17.5; collector current 4.6 and 3.6 ma; power gain 17.9 and 26.5 db.



WESTERN ELECTRIC'S Type 2A transistor functions as an amplifier in the "card translator" used with the new 4A toll crossbar system for automatic selection of routes in long distance telephone dialing. These units are used in conjunction with Type 3A phototransistors which are activated by light passing through a series of punched cards. The cartridge Type 2A has its base contact connected to the metal shell.

# An Analysis of Crystal

Since no diodes yet measured will rectify at research emphasis may be placed on new mate-

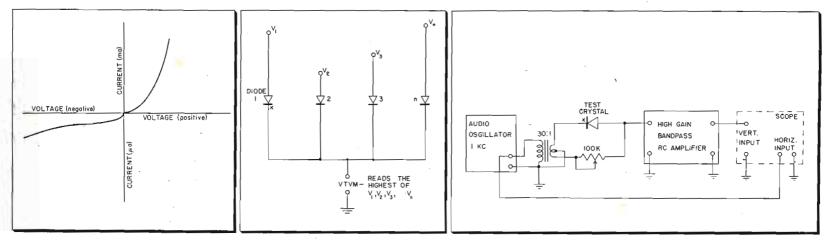


Fig. 1: (Left) Representative I-E crystal diode characteristic curve (linear scales). Fig. 2: (Center) Schematic of peak voltage selection circuit. Fig. 3: (Right) Unit for measuring resistance of crystal diode at signal level where rectification ceases.

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OVER past years, the emphasis in measurements of the current voltage characteristics of germanium and silicon diodes has been in two regions, one the forward region extending from approximately one tenth volt upwards, and the inverse region extending from about one tenth to 250 volts negative. (See Fig. 1).

To many engineers, crystal diodes appear as very simple devices, partly due to the fact that they have only two terminals and can be looked upon as electronic switches of varying degrees of quality. (The lower the forward resistance and the higher the back resistance, the more closely does the diode approach a perfect switch).

What about the characteristics at and close to zero voltage?

We became keenly interested in this region, which we shall call the "mid-region," for both germanium and silicon diodes. One of the reasons for this interest is the importance of the threshold condition for voltages of about 10 to 500 microvolts in comparator circuits; such circuits as select the largest single voltage from a group of different voltages.

Fig. 2 shows a group of dc voltages numbered  $V_1$  to  $V_N$ , each connected through a diode to a suitable common indicator. When, say, two of these voltages differ from each other by only a few millivolts, yet both

are large compared to the remainder, it is easy to see the importance of the characteristics of the separate crystals in the region close to zero, so as to determine the best units for the most accurate meter readings. Another reason for examining the "mid-region" was due to some uncertainty as to possible discontinuities as the voltage across a crystal diode passed through zero.

#### Measurements Below I mv

Preliminary measurements showed that the resistance of diodes can be quite high at the very low voltages and that dc methods of measurement were inaccurate and also time-consuming

A method of measuring the small crystal currents for very small ac voltages was developed (Fig. 3).

Fig. 4: High gain bandpass RC amplifier

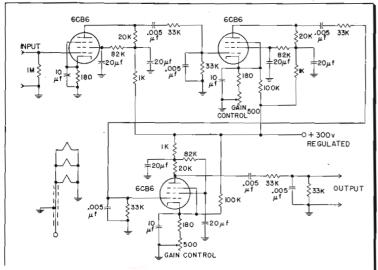
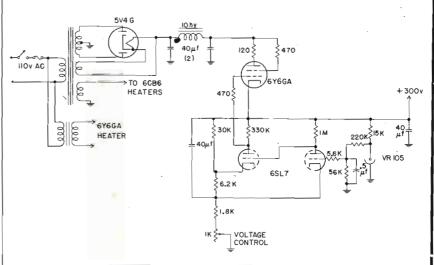


Fig. 5: Regulated power supply for high gain amplifier



## Diodes in the Millivolt Region

### voltage below approximately one millivolt, rials suitable for lower voltage rectification

This makes use of a balanced ac voltage source, a high-gain amplifier and an oscilloscope. In order to measure the very small ac currents without interference from 60 to 120 cycle stray fields, the frequency source was set at 1 kc and the amplifier was especially designed. It uses band-pass filters (Fig. 4) for coupling elements covering the audio frequency range from 300 to 3000 cycles, and has a useful maximum voltage gain of 100,000 controlled by two rheostats in the cathodes of the second and third stages.

It may be noted that the bandpass filters specifically avoid the use of inductances as a further precaution in avoiding stray electro-magnetic field pickup.

Fig. 5 shows the circuit of the high stability 300 volt dc supply which has a very low ripple voltage. For interest, the voltage gain-frequency curve of the amplifier is shown in Fig. 6.

Returning to the block diagram (Fig. 3), the potentiometer is adjusted, for each signal voltage input, to give minimum amplifier output, this resistance value being that of the crystal at the particular voltage. It may be seen that the oscilloscope tube has its horizontal voltage ob-

tained from the same source as that applied to the crystal measuring circuit. Hence, a crystal which has a constant resistance value over a range of voltage will show as a straight line on the oscilloscope (since the input signal follows the same waveform in both dimensions).

#### Change in Trace Shape

It is found that as the voltage across any crystal is reduced progressively from 10 mv down toward 100 µv, the shape of the curve on the oscilloscope changes from a curved profile to a straight line. Hence, the important fact that all germanium and silicon crystals become, in effect, resistors having constant value from plus to minus voltage around the zero region. Of course, the magnitude of this resistance varies widely from one particular crystal to another, even of the same type.

Below the voltage at which the crystal characteristics becomes a straight line, the device can no longer be a rectifier—that is, with very small ac voltages, the positive and negative currents in this midregion are alike.

It is of interest to plot the curves of resistance of different crystals for

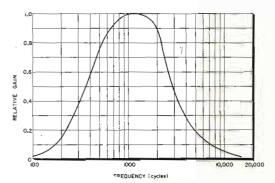


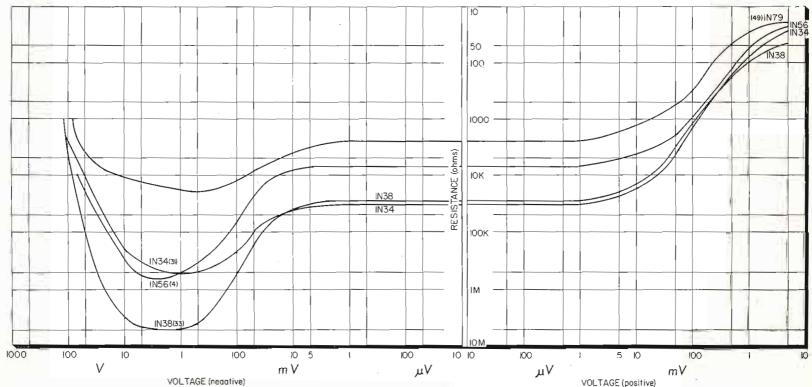
Fig. 6: Response curve for RC amplifier

the whole range from forward voltage through this mid-region to the inverse or negative voltage region. Measurements were taken through the forward and inverse regions with a conventional ac sweep circuit, a keying diode being employed for the back resistance data.

Since it is not practicable to use a linear scale for showing all three regions simultaneously (1 mv represents 0.1% of the usual one volt forward scale), as an experiment, an unconventional double logarithmic scale is presented in Fig. 7. Of course, it is fundamental that no logarithmic scale can ever go to zero, but let us forget this point, and compress the scale below  $10~\mu v$ .

The curve is drawn with increas-





#### CRYSTAL DIODES (Continued)

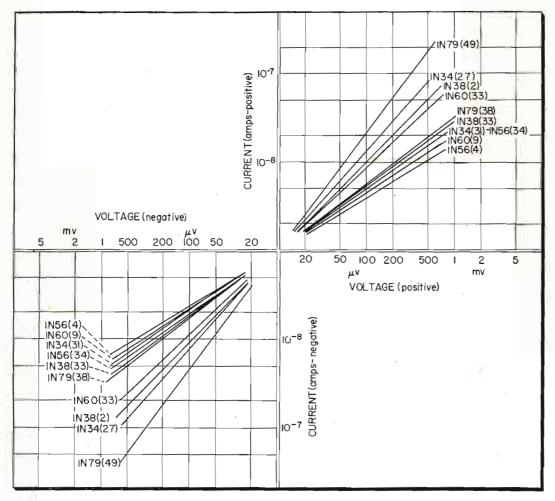


Fig. 8: Expanded mid-region curves indicate the constant resistance of crystals over small voltages

ing values of resistance downward so that a rough approximation to the conventionally appearing curves of forward and back characteristics can be indicated.

For points to the right of zero, we have a curve of values of resistance extending to plus five volts, whereas to the left of zero the resistance curve extends past -100 volts. These curves show quite clearly the midregion where the value of resistance is constant and also the voltages at which curvature commences and therefore rectification starts.

The next group of curves (Fig. 8) shows this mid-region expanded and indicates the constant resistance of the various crystals over these small voltages.

As one examines this data the interesting question arises—how does this constant resistance region correlate with rectification at low signal voltages? The wider the straight

portion, the higher should be the voltage at which rectification ceases. Hence, measurements were made of the voltage input for threshold output signals using a constant carrier frequency and percentage modulation, as shown in Fig. 9. The time constant of the crystal load, 5000 ohms, and 1000  $\mu\mu$ f is so large compared to the two MC frequency that circuit conditions are close to optimum for detection.

A reasonably large number of crystals of each of several types were measured for the threshold r-f input signal and then classified into groups of the same sensitivity.

Fig. 11 shows, as an example, a plotting of type 1N56 crystals for the

threshold two MC r-f voltage and the voltage indicated as the threshold for the commencement of curvature of the resistance characteristics in the mid-region (that is, the point at which the crystal begins to change resistance with increasing voltage). This correlation is more complete than one might have expected and shows definitely that the crystals which have a long mid-region require a correspondingly larger threshold of r-f voltage.

#### Threshold R-F Detection Voltage & Mid-Region Resistance Value

Next, the relationships between the signal voltage at which detection occurs and the magnitude of the resistance of a diode in the midregion were studied. Fig. 12 shows some interesting correlation between this threshold r-f voltage and the resistance value of a group of 1N56 diodes. This plot is of the magnitude of the mid-region resistance and the threshold r-f voltage, independently of the deviation voltage.

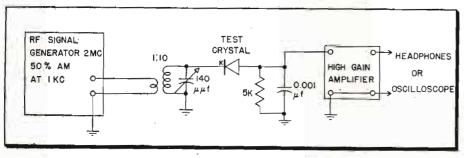
Having compared these characteristics for individual crystals of one type there is shown in Fig. 10 a summary of the threshold r-f voltage versus the magnitude of the midregion resistance, for five different types of crystal diodes.

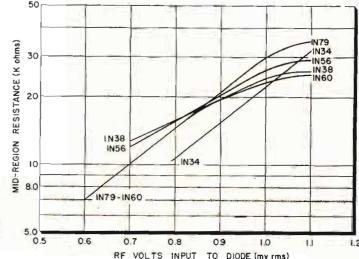
#### Voltage Selection Operation

Let us now return to the problem of the selection of the largest voltage by means of N diodes (Fig. 2). To simplify the analysis, consider only two of these circuits with the corresponding two diodes, as shown in Fig. 13. Here the voltage at point B indicated as  $V_{\rm H}$  is slightly greater than the voltage  $V_{\rm L}$  at point A, hence, diode #2 has a potential applied in the direction of forward conductance, whereas diode #1 has a small inverse voltage applied.

Fig. 16 indicates the back region for one crystal with the forward of (Continued on page 130)

Fig. 9: (Left) Low level (millivolt range) demodulation unit. Fig. 10: Curves showing mid-region resistance vs. threshold r-f input





## IRE Air Conference

Annual national meeting in Dayton, Ohio, May 12 to 14 will feature 84 technical papers and 44 exhibitors

N May 12-14, 1952, the Biltmore Hotel will again play host to the National Conference on Airborne Electronics in Dayton, Ohio. Some 44 exhibitors of radio equipment and components have arranged to present their displays during the threeday meeting. The annual banquet, plus two luncheons and a dance, will serve as the focal point for entertainment and sociability. The outstanding feature of the Conference will be the comprehensive coverage of 84 technical papers presented at technical sessions including communications systems, components, antennas, measurements, computers, transistors and vacuum tubes. The program for the presentation of these papers is given below.

#### MONDAY, MAY 12

9:00-11:00 A.M.—Technical Sessions

#### Computers

"An Integrated Data Recording and Statistical Analysis Computing System"—S. Charp, Franklin Inst.
"Aircraft Flight Path Control for Bombing"—H. Levenstein, W. L. Maxson Corp.
"The Varigear, A New Mechanical Integration"—J. H. Brick, W. L. Maxson Corp.

#### Systems Analysis & Reliability I

"Special Cooling Problems and Their Solution Within Subminiature Assemblies"—J. P.

USAF's project engineer J. S. Horrigan demonstrates Air Materiel Command's midget transmitter-receiver, URC-4. Unit designed for air-sea rescue is made by Hoffman Radio, Los Angeles



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Welsh, Cornell Aer. Lab., Inc.
"Reliability of Electronic Equipment"—I.
Mirman, Rome Air Dev. Center
"Electronics in Naval Aviation"—Cdr. M. A.
Mason, Bu. of Aeronautics
"Methods for Calculating the Reliability of
Pilotless Aircraft"—C. R. Gates, Cal. Inst. of
Technology

#### Techniques for Communication Interference Reduction

"Techniques for Radio Interference Reduction in Aircraft"—Dr. W. E. Voisinet, Jr., Frederick Research Corp.
"A System for Maintaining Zero Electrical Charge on An Aircraft"—R. W. Hendricks, Jr., Cornell Aer. Lab., Inc.
"Reduction of Precipitation Static on Aircraft Canopies"—J. A. Bartelt, Wright Air Dev. Center
"Radio Interference from Charged Rain Drops"—M. M. Newman, Lightning and Transients Inst.

#### Antennas

"Some New Antennas Producing Wide Beam, Circularly Polarized Radiation"—R. Krausz, D. L. Margerum, North Am. Aviation, Inc.
"Aircraft Antennas for Automatic Directing Finding Systems"—J. T. Bolljahn, Stanford Research Inst.
"Some Practical Aspects of Aircraft Liaison Antenna Design"—F. W. Bushman, Boeing Air. Co.
"Side Lobe Suppression by Pattern Multiplication"—R. Justice, Ohio State U., Research Found.
"VHF and UHF Stub Antennas for Light Aircraft"—E. A. Jones, Antenna Research Lab., Inc.
"The Theory of Multiple Layered Radomes"—E. O. Hartig, M. C. Horton, Goodyear Air. Corp.

#### Communication & Navigation

"Electronic Aids to Search and Rescue"—Saul Weisman, Wright Air Dev. Center "Pictorial Computers for Air Navigation"—L. E. Setzer, CAA "The Selectivity and Intermodulation Problem in UHF Communication Equipment"—J. F. Byrne, Motorola, Inc. "High Frequency Airborne Direction Finding"—P. S. Carter, Jr., Stanford Research Inst. "Distant Radio Communication from the Standpoint of Modern Communication Theory"—M. J. DiToro, Fed. Telecom. Lab., Inc.

#### **Electronic Instrumentation**

"Strain Gauge Telemetering with FM/FM Systems"—R. S. Butts, G. F. Stastny, Melpar, Inc.
"An Airborne Infrared Spectograph with Multi-channel Electronic Display"—C. W. Hargens, Franklin Inst.
"FM/FM Telemeter Receiving Stations at the Air Force Missile Test Center, Cocoa Fla.—R. W. Murray, Raymond Rosen Eng'g Prod., Inc.
"A Precision Range Rate Calibrator for Radar Test"—A. H. Eicher, Mo. Research Lab., Inc.
"Pulse Type Parachute Radiosonde System"—E. J. Diehl, Melpar, Inc.

8:30-9:30 P.M.—SYMPOSIUM.
"Electronics and the Air Lanes"
PARTICIPANTS:
Military and Civil Aviation Interests

#### TUESDAY, MAY 13

9:00-11:00 A.M.—Technical Sessions

#### Measurements

"Microwave Pulse Power Measurement Techniques"—W. H. Dobbertin, Convair



B-47 on JATO assisted take-off

"An Airborne Microwave Refractometer"— C. M. Crain. A. P. Deam, U. of Texas "Radar Video Signal Simulation"—R. C. Shaffer, K. A. Ringo, Goodyear Air. Corp. "Radar Display Photography"—P. W. Ryburn, L. A. Shaffer, Goodyear Air. Corp.

#### Systems Analysis & Reliability II

"Large Scale Missile Simulator Maintenance Problems and Techniques"—J. W. Rabb, B. H. Shuman, U. S. Naval Air Dev. Center "Electronic Equipment Reliability as Influenced by Packaging"—H. Z. Hardaway, J. G. Mathews, Bell Tel. Labs., Inc. "Heat Transfer Design Problems in Aircraft Electronic Equipment"—L. Katz, Raytheon Mfg. Co. "Performance of Airborne Electric Components under Environmental Conditions"—J. J. Beck. Raymond Rosen Eng'g Prod., Inc. (Continued on page 88)

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# Tape Recording

Multi-track tapes find shock and vibration

Fig. 1: Air Force telemetry facilities in the Bahamas record data from missiles in flight

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PRIOR to 1950, magnetic tape recording played a very small role in scientific research and development. Data and other information requiring study and analysis were usually stored by such means as recording oscillographs, pen recorders, discs, wire and optical film. However, these methods either proved to be too complicated or they contained too many technical disadvantages to meet an ever expanding scope of requirements. With the development of extended range magnetic tape recorders, new tools for scientific research came into being and a new industry was created. . . . Magnetic Tape Recording for Instrumentation and Data Analysis.

Some requirements of this new field have been readily met through simple modifications of standard audio frequency tape recorders. In other cases, special engineering projects have been undertaken to develop entirely new types of recorders with precision drive systems. Today, as a result of these projects, practically any type of information which can be converted into electrical terms can also be faithfully recorded and reproduced on magnetic tape equipment. Such special purpose recorders may be divided into three main categories under the general headings of telemetering, shock and vibration, and computers.

The first large scale trend toward magnetic tape for special applications was brought about by a system primarily designed for testing aircraft and other forms of airborne devices under pilotless flight conditions. Here a number of sensory elements are used to convert various types of information, such as acceleration, vibration, temperature, etc., into elec-

trical energies. These quantities to be measured cause changes in the frequencies of various subcarrier oscillators. Mixed together, these subcarriers FM a radio link as one composite signal and are transmitted to a ground station receiver. This technique is referred to as FM-FM telemetering.

Figs. 1 and 2 are Air Force photographs of telemetry facilities operating under tropical conditions in the Bahamas. Data is received from missiles in flight via an r-f link, recorded on tape at these down-range sites, and decoded and analyzed elsewhere

The three racks at the left are primarily receiving and recording units. The remaining racks are used to play back the information through banks of discriminators and computers. Fig. 3 is a close-up of the receiver, recorder and tape playback.

In an FM-FM system, the FM carrier is demodulated at the receiver and the composite subcarrier signal containing all information channels

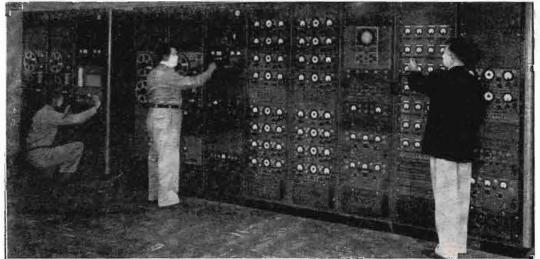
is recorded directly on the tape. During tape playback, individual information channels are separated by means of bandpass filters. Each filter has an associated limiter and discriminator that converts frequency changes into voltages proportional to the original quantities being measured. Thus as many as 16 channels of information may be recorded simultaneously on a single-track, wideband recorder.

This means that a considerable number of FM subcarriers must be crowded within the limited frequency spectrum of a single radio link. It follows, therefore, that the percent frequency deviation of each subcarrier must be considerably restricted if cross modulation or interference is to be avoided. Since subcarriers are usually deviated by only  $\pm 7.5\%$  of center frequency, stringent requirements are imposed upon the recording equipment. In other words, the signal-to-noise ratio of any FM recording system is limited by the ratio of maximum percent peak frequency deviation to maximum percent peak flutter. Obviously, the recorder and reproducer must be as free from wow and flutter as the art permits.

#### Advantages of Tape

Actually, no other recording device has been able to compare with magnetic tape in this respect. Nor has tape been equalled in wideband frequency response. Telemetering sub-

Fig. 2: Three racks at left are for receiving and recording while remaining units are used to play back information. Faces of operating personnel have been masked for security reasons



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applications in studies of guided missiles, aircraft and vehicular operation, tests, and computers. Recent innovations sharply reduce wow and flutter

carriers now cover approximately 350 to 80,000 cycles. This fact presents no problem to magnetic tape but it does preclude the use of other systems where this entire frequency band must be accurately recorded and reproduced. Tape offers additional advantages because of its characteristically low harmonic distortion. Cross modulation resulting from this source is reduced to a minimum since cancellation takes place on all even order harmonics and only a negligible amount remains in the third.

Of course, tape recording is not the only method for obtaining flight information per se. This may be done with direct reading meters calibrated in terms related to original data, but with certain basic restrictions. For example, trouble develops or some unusual phenomenon occurs, detailed study and analysis of from one to sixteen separate channels of information may be required. Therefore, permanent records must be made. One method which has had considerable use is the recording oscillograph which makes continuous multichannel records and permits detailed study and analysis at some later time. But in actual practice, this approach has proven to be both complicated and time consuming. Only an estimated 4% of usual flight tests are of particular interest. Therefore, reams of photographically developed oscillographic records must be taken for a small portion of data requiring attention.

Magnetic tape offers two simple solutions: First, all multichannel data may be stored on tape during time of flight. By monitoring the tape later, the small amount of pertinent information may be quickly located and transferred electrically from tape to the recording oscillograph at a great saving in time and materials. Second, and what is even more important, is the elimination of the recording oscillograph altogether. With the development of new types of computers, all flight data may be first recorded on tape and then played back directly into automatic data reduction equipment. Thus, a continuous flow of multi-channel

data may be reduced automatically without having to resort to the tedious analysis of numerous oscillographic traces.

The first standard tape recorder developed specifically for FM-FM telemetering use was the popular Ampex Model 302. At 30 inches per second (ips) tape speed, response is flat within 2 db from 200 to 30,000 cycles and is down no more than 10 db at 50,000 cycles.

In order to meet the growing need for recording much higher frequencies, Ampex developed the Model 307. This unit is a three speed recorder: 60, 30 and 15 ips, and replaces the earlier Model 302. Frequency response at 60 ips is  $\pm 3$  db from 200 to 80,000 cycles and is down no more than 10 db at 100 and 100,-

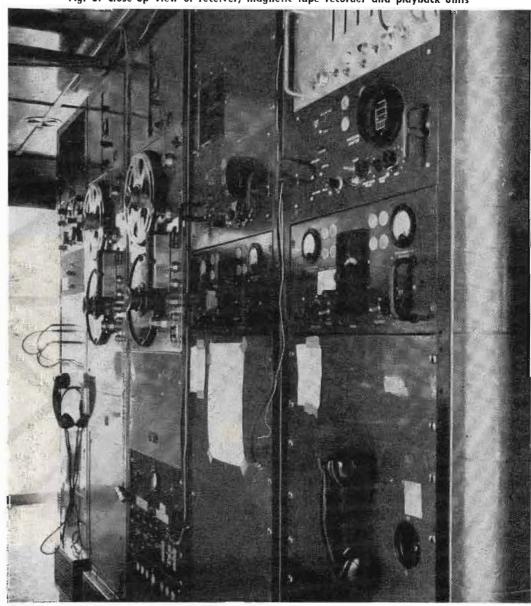
000 cycles. All existing telemetering subcarrier frequencies may, therefore, be recorded and reproduced with this machine.

Since some data frequencies may approach 100 kc, the bias has been been moved up to 350 kc in order to avoid objectional beats between bias and recorded data. Special record and playback heads were also developed which have very low loss out to 100 kc.

#### Planned as Basic Unit

Because of the great diversity of requirements, the Model 307 was planned to serve as the basic unit for a number of different applications. For example, the Model 307 may be quickly converted into a do

Fig. 3: Close-up view of receiver, magnetic tape recorder and playback units



#### MAGNETIC TAPE (Continued)

to 2,500 cycle recorder by simply plugging in a standard Model 306 FM electronics unit in place of the 307. With a Model 303 unit and a different plug-in head assembly, the 307 becomes a recorder for pulsewidth modulation data. Information may be recorded and played back at the same frequency or, by changing tape speeds, at one-half, one-fourth, twice or four times the original frequency. With a few minor modifications, the equipment may be used as a continuous-loop playback system for detailed study and analysis of recorded data.

Fig. 4. shows the airborne recorder model S-3079 which contains its own tuning for and power amplifier for self-generation of a stable tape driving voltage. It is a record only unit, since it is not required that information be played back during flight.

Fig. 5 illustrates the model S-3039 tank mounting recorder. It is shock and vibration proof, and operates with a 40 db signal-to-noise ratio.

Returning again to telemetering applications, all conventional types of magnetic tape recorders require

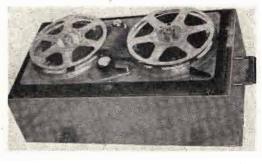


Fig. 5: Model \$-3039 tank mounting recorder

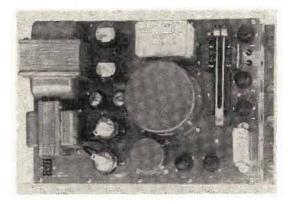


Fig. 6: Model 375 power amplifier provides stable 60 CPS voltage to operate motor drive

some form of electronic flutter compensation when recording FM subcarrier deviations of only  $\pm 7.5\%$ , if an overall system error of less than 1% is to be maintained. Narrow-band FM recording is extremely critical due to mechanical speed variations and, in this case, peakto-peak modulations are multiplied by a factor of 13.3 on the reproduced data.

#### Flutter Compensation

Electronic flutter compensation, such as the Raymond Rosen system. is accomplished by mixing one unmodulated signal from a stable crystal oscillator source with the composite carrier received at the ground station. These complex signals are recorded on the tape. During the record and playback process, the frequency stable or compensation carrier becomes frequency modulated by the small amount of mechanical flutter and wow present in the tape drive system. Identical modulations also occur on each subcarrier of the complex signal. When tapes are played back, the compensation frequency is fed in the usual way through a bandpass filter, limiter and discriminator. Output voltages of the compensation discriminator are then fed at opposite phase across the outputs of each subcarrier discriminator in order to cancel out wow and flutter products. In this manner, flutter reductions of as much as 5 to 1 may be expected.

For field as well as fixed recording installations, a thoroughly reliable (Continued on page 116)

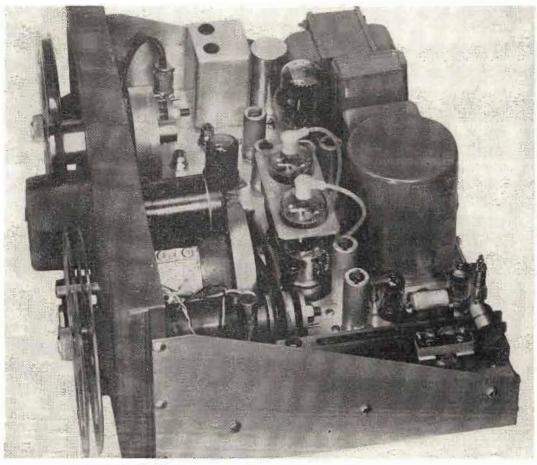
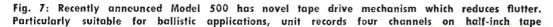
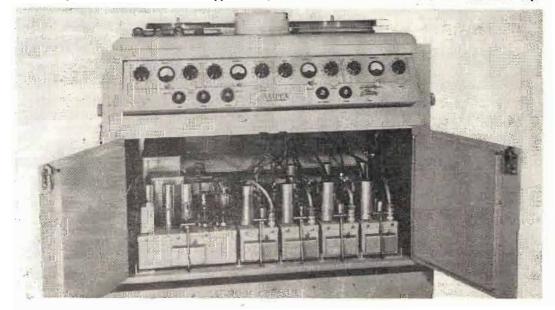
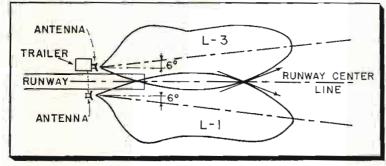


Fig. 4: Model 5-3077 airborne recorder contains tuning fork and power amplifier







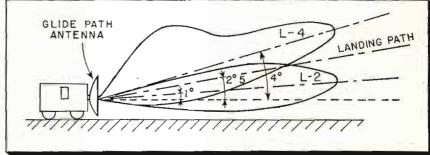


Fig. 1: (L) Antennas on both sides of runway radiate localizer patterns which provide horizontal guidance to aircraft making landing approach.

Fig. 2 (R) Lobes of glide path patterns emitted from single antenna combine with localizer lobes to map out landing path which is presented visually

# An Improved ILS for Aircraft

### Compact UHF localizer and glide path system developed in France provides continuously dependable landing information

M AJOR improvements in the field of non-visual aids to aircraft final approach and landing should be forthcoming as microwave techniques are applied to the design and operation of radio landing systems. The advances contained in an instrument landing system (ILS) developed in France by the Compagnie Générale de Télégraphie sans Fil (CSF) are sufficiently important to have moved the International Civil Aviation Organization to focus considerable attention on the system's potentialities.

The purpose of this improved ILS, called the ASV 23, is to provide guidance to aircraft under any weather conditions by giving the pilot visual indications without radio contact with the ground. The basic operation consists of one 1300 MC common carrier which provides localizer and glide path guidance information to an indicator in the cockpit, showing the aircraft's position with reference to a landing path.

The landing path is determined by pulses which are radiated successively along four lobes. The intersections of these lobes, in pairs, define the localizer plane and the

glide path plane. Pulse duration is approximately ½0 sec. and the four lobes shown in Figs. 1 and 2 radiate in the following order: left localizer (L-1), lower glide path (L-2), right localizer (L-3), upper glide path (L-4). The time interval between pulses is ½60 sec. A greater interval, about ¼0 sec., is provided at the end of the cycle of four pulses.

The two lobes for determining the vertical localizer plane are obtained from two parabolic antennas located on both sides of the runway. The other two lobes for the glide path plane radiate from a single parabolic "cheese" antenna comprising two exciters close to the focal point. It should be noted in Figs. 1 and 2 that lobes L-1, L-3, and L-4 have bulges which are produced by an additional exciter near the antenna focal points to increase coverage.

Successive pulses are formed by a 600 rpm distributor comprising a rotating cavity tuned to the carrier frequency and radiating through a slot passing in front of four waveguides. Each waveguide in the trailer-installed transmitter system (see Fig. 3) is connected to the proper antenna to maintain the pulse

sequence indicated above. The duration of the passage of the slot in front of each guide prescribes the emitted pulse time.

Each rectangular pulse is modulated at a different sinusoidal frequency. For particular lobes the frequencies are: L-1, 20 kc; L-2, 34 kc; L-3, 24 kc; L-4, 30 kc. Voltages are applied to a capacitive switch mounted on the same shaft driving the rotating distributor, thereby providing the specific modulation for each antenna.

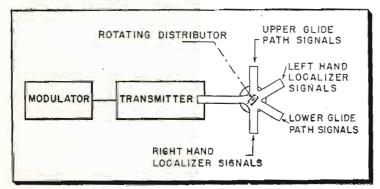
It should be noted that additional provisions are incorporated in the 200-watt transmitter for associated distance measuring functions.

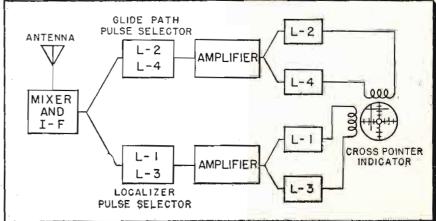
#### Airborne Equipment

Mounted above the pilot's cockpit, a receiving antenna, made up of three half-wave elements, and molded into a streamlined plexiglass housing, feeds received signals to an agc-afc receiver, as shown in Fig. 4. The receiver operates a cathode-ray tube or cross-pointer indicator to provide two fixed rectangular reference axes whose point of inter-

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Fig. 3: (L) ASV 23 system successively transmits four digerently modulated signals on one carrier frequency. Fig. 4: (R) Airborne receiver combines glide path and localizer signals on pointer indicator





### CUES for BROADCASTERS

Practical ways of improving station operation and efficiency

#### Talk-Back Console

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T WGGH there is a complete A Gates setup, which includes the SA50 console. This console includes two "talk-back" keys, which are set for use with an external amplifier. However, in view of the plentiful power available, the terminals which are supposed to feed the auxiliary amplifier were tied across the input of the monitor. This put the output of the microphone pre-amplifiers across the input of the monitor amplifier, skipping all gain controls, and providing plenty of volume for talkback, and guaranteeing that the mike used for this purpose will never get on the air. Associated relay circuits, of course, had to be altered. There are sufficient terminals on the talk-back keys to take care of these changes.

### Tape Recorder Modifications for Editing to Disc

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THESE notes refer to a Webster-Racine model 101-8 Ekotape used for recording and editing to disc. The signal-to-noise ratio was improved about 15 db by adding a filter and shielding to the first stage. The choke must have less than 0.3

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Readers are invited to contribute their own suggestions which should be short and include photographs or rough sketches. Typewritten, double-spaced text is preferred. Our usual rates will be paid for material used.

ohms resistance. The one actually in use is the 16-ohm secondary of a 15-watt output transformer.

This model machine has a twowinding record-playback head, but only one winding is in use. The other one was employed in an earlier model for the record current. By bringing the unused winding out to a jack, it is possible to monitor the bias voltage quite easily. The voltage ratio to the record-playback winding is 1:20; the inductances are about 0.185 and 74 mh respectively. A second use for this other winding is for introducing dc into the recording head to reduce the noise and distortion arising from a magnetized head or asymmetrical waveform of bias. Still another use is for monitoring during recording; however, careful attention to circuit details is necessary to avoid introducing hum into the tape.

For editing it is desirable to be able to pull tape by hand. This re-

quires holding back the pinch roller from contact with the capstan. The figure shows a simple holdback clamp made from ½-in. brass rod. One end is flattened and bent to engage the pinch roller arm. The rod is held in the desired position by friction where the solder lug is screwed down, but more positive locking arrangements are easy to construct.

In editing, program material can be lost by accidental contact between the tape and the erase magnet. The latter should be removed for editing, or may be shielded by a piece of rubber tubing. The tubing is placed over the magnet in the orientation shown.

A simple editing aid can be made by breaking the serrated ends off a pair of plastic probing tweezers. Dress the raw surfaces, drill a hole, and cement in a piece of a phono needle. With this gadget the tape can be indented at the edit spot rapidly and positively making later identification of the spot easy.

For locating material, on the tape when programs have to be rapidly edited, a revolution counter engaged to the take-up shaft is invaluable. Because of the high reverse speeds on rewind, it is essential to lubricate the counter with graphite powder before using. The repeatability of the arrangement is so good that the editor need note only a few key words and the counter reading.

On playback a good indication of recorded level is obtained by advancing the "Record" control until the eye flickers. By recording at a series of levels, the settings corresponding to the distortion point are easily located.

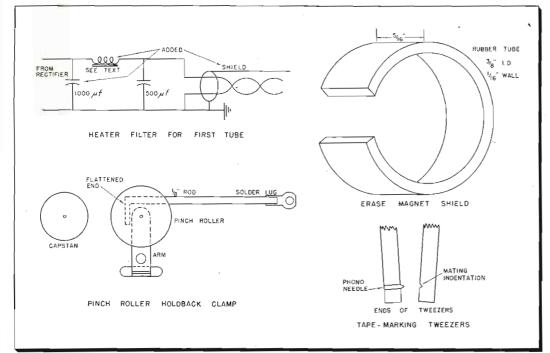
When the program signal is fed to the "High Level" input, local voice comments can be interpolated by inserting the mic plug just far enough into the "Low Level" input to make gentle contact. Complete insertion will open the high level input. These features have been used in the preparation of standard tapes and other test material.

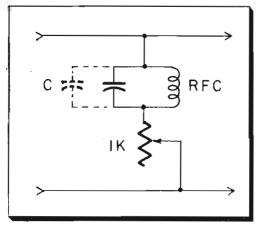
#### Simple Line Equalizer

GEORGE H. MARTIN,

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m EMOTE}$  and network lines can be easily equalized without resort to use of complicated or expen-

Gadgets for use with Webster-Racine Tape Recorder make operation simpler.





Circuit for "junk-box" equalizer for remotes

sive equipment. All that is needed is an r-f choke, one or more capacitors, and a potentiometer. The values of the r-f choke and capacitor should be chosen to resonate near the maximum frequency on the flat portion of the desired equalized response curve. The slope of the non equalized line's response curve at this frequency determines the value of the series resistance. The exact value is best determined by adjustment until a satisfactorily flat response is obtained in operation.

F 1,000 cps (approx.)	RFC millihenries	C microfarads
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9	1.0	.3
8	10.0	.04
7	1.0	.5
6	2.5	.3
5	2.5	.4

### Studio Stethoscope for Detecting Sound Leaks

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To detect sounds leaking from studio to studio, an Altec "salt-shaker" microphone was connected to a remote amplifier. This was set up in one studio while an audio oscillator and loudspeaker were placed in an adjoining studio. The oscillator was adjusted to various frequencies from 200 to 5000 cps and each time the microphone was moved back and fourth across the walls, doors, and windows.

This revealed that low frequency tones were vibrating the door panels, and high frequency tones passed through the cracks around the door, and through the air conditioning ducts. Sound passage through the air conditioning ducts was reduced by lining the inside of the ducts with more sound deadening material. It was noted that moving the microphone around the edge of the door caused the VU meter to rise and fall every few inches. These points were marked by pressing small

pieces of white splicing tape on the door. When the door was opened, it was found that these marks were in line with the tacks used to fasten the gasket material to the door frame. The gasket material, a round sponge rubber with a cloth covering fastened to the door frame, was removed as a result of this examination. In its place, a strip of flat sponge rubber was glued to the door frame covered with a small strip of felt. The felt was added to keep the sponge rubber from sticking to the door. This gave a lower, more uniform transmission of sound. Standing sound waves may be present in the room being checked. To prevent this from affecting the work, a piece of sound deadening material should be wrapped around the microphone.

The single channel remote amplifier proved no great problem for our carpenter to master and he was soon using the oscillator and amplifier to check the work as he went along.

### Remote Controlled Selection of Remote Telephone Lines

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W ITH the coming of television, AM broadcasting stations were faced with the problem of curtailing operations to meet expenses and at the same time make for flexible operations with a minimum of operations personnel. In most small stations this meant that since the studios and control room were located away from the transmitter, the announcer had to run the control room and announce. Locating the remote lines at the studio to either jack strips or control switches on console did not produce flexibility or smooth operation, especially when a recording had to be made while one line was being used for a program broadcast. Termination of remote lines at the studio gave the engineer no means of checking lines should trouble occur.

In order to give the announcer full control over a selection of lines, a system of remote control for all incoming remote lines was developed. All relays and impulsers are manufactured by the Automatic Electric Co., and the following parts are needed:

1 stepping relay, catalog #RA-77; 1 stepping relay, catalog #RA-67; 1 Dial phone impulse sender, type 24A36 Catalog #AK-14; 2 Quick acting pulsing relays, series AQA, Cat. #RA-15; 1 D.P.S.T. push button switch or lever switch; 25,000 ohm wire wound rheostats; 11 pilot lights and sockets.

The RA-77 (RY-2 in schematic) and RA-67 (RY-1) are identical except that the RA-77 has three wiper arms and the RA-67 has only one, since it is used only to control the indicating lights on control panel at the studio.

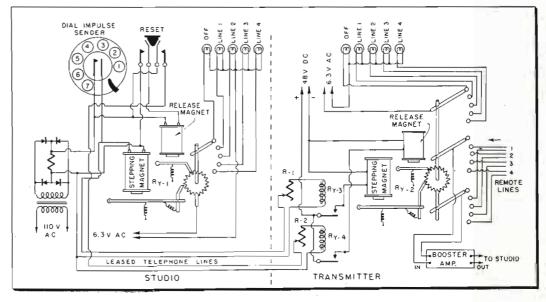
As first conceived, the remote control system consisted of one dial impulse sender and two stepping relays in parallel, both controlled by the dial impulse sender. Data on desired relays shows that these relays require heavy current at low voltage or low current at high dc voltages, both being undesirable.

With the following variables in mind the problem was discussed with engineers at the local telephone company and the system finally adopted as shown in the schematic:

a) what is the maximum dc voltage allowable on a leased Tel. & Tel. line?; b) what is maximum current allowable on a leased line?; c) what would be the dc resistance of these leased lines where we were approx. 2½ miles from studio? The relays operate from 48 v. dc at 300 ma.,

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Circuit makes flexible operation and selection of remote lines foolproof



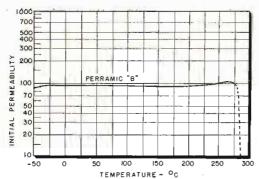


Fig. 1: Permeability vs. temperature at 10 KC

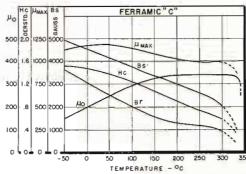


Fig. 2: Temperature characteristics of Ferr. C

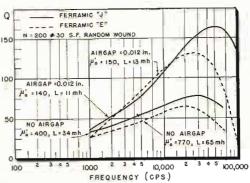


Fig. 3: Frequency vs. Q, Ferr. J-E cup cores

## Magnetic Properties of

Wide range of permeability, saturation flux density and merous magnetic core applications. Developmental types

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TERRITES, used as magnetic core materials, consist of oxides of metals, and are formed at high temperatures by means of solid state reactions. In general, a ferrite magnetic core is a polycrystalline substance of bivalent oxides and iron oxide.

The desired shapes are formed before the firing process by pressing or extruding. After firing, the material is hard and brittle, but cutting or grinding can be performed with adequate tooling. Such ferrites are black in color and have a specific gravity of about 5.

It is fairly well known that the ferrites can be used at higher frequencies than metallic magnetic materials since their high resistivities sharply reduce eddy current effects. This also eliminates the necessity for laminating ferrite cores.

The properties of seven grades of ferrite are shown in Table 1.

#### Ferramic B

Ferramic B has a relatively low permeability with an extremely stable temperature characteristic of initial permeability. The curve of initial permeability versus temperature is shown in Fig. 1. The calculated temperature coefficient of initial permeability from test data gives +0.04/° C. This measurement was performed on toroidal cores and so it is to be expected that the temperature coefficient will be smaller for magnetic circuits containing air gaps.

This temperature stability has proven useful in applications such as tuned or resonant circuits where the inductance should not vary with temperature.

Ferramic C is a higher saturation and relatively temperature stable material. Fig. 2 shows the variation of the magnetic properties over the temperature range  $-50^{\circ}$  C to the Curie temperature of about 350° C. These measurements typify the variation of the properties of any ferrite with temperature except for the shape of the permeability curves in Fig. 2. It is noteworthy that saturation, B<sub>s</sub>, for Ferramic "C" still is about 2000 gauss at 300°C, a temperature at which most other ferrites commercially available are no longer useful. Between 300°C and the Curie temperature, the saturation flux density decreases very rapidly. In addition, the maximum permeability subscript of this material is almost as temperature stable as the initial permeability  $\mu_0$ , of Ferramic B. Although the temperature curve

of  $\mu_{\text{max}}$  is not actually a linear function, the temperature coefficient of maximum permeability is  $-0.054/^{\circ}$  C from 25° C to 300° C, using these two points for the calculation. These properties of Ferramic "C" lend themselves admirably to high temperature, power handling applications

#### Ferramic E

Ferramic E has proven generally useful in low power applications where operation is at or about  $\mu_0$ level. The  $\mu_o$  of this ferrite is about 750. In tuned circuits or filters, circuit Q is of paramount importance. This circuit Q is a measure of the efficiency, or conversely, the losses that the circuit presents to the ac signal. Since capacitive components used in these applications usually have low losses, then the greater part of the circuit Q is due to the loss characteristic of the inductive component. Yet in addition to its Q, the size of the inductance both electrically and physically is often a

#### TABLE 1-TYPES OF FERRAMIC MATERIAL

		В	C	E	н	H-1	!	i j
PROPERTY	UNIT	90	159	212	419	1102	141	472
Initial permeability at 1 MC/sec	_	95	250	750	850	550	900	330
*Maximum permeability	_	183	1100	1710	4300	3800	3000	750
*Saturation flux density	Gauss	1900	4200	3800	3400	2800	2000	2900
*Residual magnetism	Gauss	830	2700	1950	1470	1500	700	1600
*Coercive force	Oersted	3.0	2.1	0.65	0.18	.35	0.30	0.80
Temperature Coeff. of Initial Permeability	%/°C	0.04	0.4	0.25	0.66	0.80	0.30	0.22
**Curie Point	°C	260	330	160	150	125	70	180
Loss Factor:								
At 1 MC/sec	_	.00016	.00007	.00008	.0003	.0004	.0003	.000055
at 5 MC/sec	-	.0011	.0008	.002	.0020	_	.005	.0004
at 10 MC/sec	-	.004	.004	_	_	-		.002
Volume Resistivity	ohm-cm	2×10 <sup>5</sup>	2×106	4x105	1x104	2x104	2x105	5×10 <sup>T</sup>

<sup>\*</sup>Measurements made on dc Ballistic Galvanometer with Hmax = 25 oersteds.

\*\*From measurements of initial permeability vs. temperature.

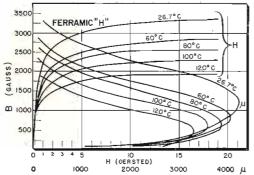


Fig. 4: Normal curves for various temperatures

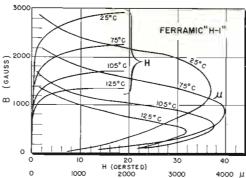


Fig. 5: Normal curves for various temperatures

## **Ferrite Materials**

#### volume resistivity make Ferramics useful in nushow promise for computer and memory systems

practical problem. The Q of powdered iron inductance is high, but the low permeability obviates any large inductances which are physically small. Ferramic E material is a compromise between Q and permeability. From Table I, the initial permeability,  $\mu_0$ , is found to be 750 and the loss factor,  $1/\mu_0Q$ , at 1 Mc is 0.00008. Upon comparing these values with those of the other Ferramics, it is seen that Ferramic E offers a relatively high  $\mu_0$  with a low loss factor.

Capitalizing upon these properties of Ferramic E still more can be gained when inductances are in cup coreshape. At the present time, about six sizes and variations in construction are available. The main advantages of cup core inductances are that a bobbin-wound coil can be used, the circuit is self-shielding, and the air gap is readily adjustable for tuning. One method used to accomplish the latter is to use a shim to set the air gap. Another method

unique to cup cores is to rotate onehalf of the cup core assembly with respect to the other half. When two rectangles notched in the outer rims are directly opposed, maximum inductance is attained. This method gives a very smooth vernier adjustment and is useful especially for sharply tuned circuits.

#### Introducing Air Gap

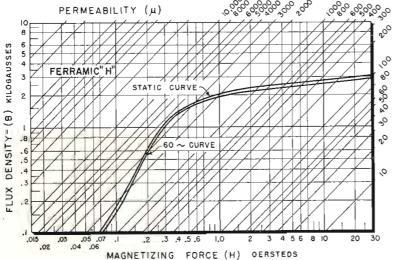
When an air gap is introduced into a magnetic circuit, the usable or effective permeability decreases and sometimes the losses are reduced or Q increases. For a metallic magnetic material with a specific air gap and coil, it has been found that a curve of Q vs. frequency (within the upper frequency limit of the material) reaches a peak at some point. If the air gap is changed, the peak will shift to another frequency, but the maximum Q will remain essentially constant. For powdered irons, however, the frequency of maximum Q

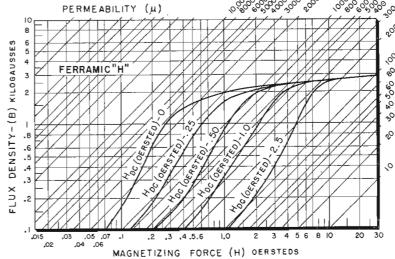
theoretically remains the same, but the maximum Q will vary as a function of various air gaps. Thus it is reasonable to expect that for the ferrites with eddy current loss characteristics and permeabilities in between the metals and powdered irons, the maximum Q and also the frequency at which it occurs will vary as a function of air gap. This has been found to be true by experiment. For any given ferrite core material, a set of Q vs. frequency curves can be found by using either air gap or coil inductance as a parameter for each curve. In general the peak of any one curve or optimum Q occurs when the magnetic losses are balanced out by copper losses.

Ferramic J is used for similar applications as is Ferramic E except that its losses are lower. The  $\mu_0$  of Ferramic J is about half of that for Ferramic F. It is useful for high Q circuits where large inductances are not necessary, such as antenna rods, tuning slugs, and cup cores. Fig. 3 shows curves of cup cores for Ferramic J and Ferramic E over a limited frequency range and illustrates a series of Q vs. frequency curves with and without air gaps. The curves do not necessarily represent maximum values possible.

Ferramic I is a material which combines high permeabilities and a low saturation flux density. Also, the retentivity (B<sub>r</sub>) is low with respect to B<sub>s</sub>. The ratio of retentivity to saturation, B<sub>r</sub>/B<sub>s</sub>, for this ferrite is lower than any of the other materials and is about 0.35. Certain useful applications have been found for these properties. It can be used as a gating or switching device, since at low power levels, the impedance is high due to the high initial permeability; but when driven with a relatively low pulse of exciting current, the impedance drops to a low value as it saturates quickly. The low B<sub>r</sub>/B<sub>s</sub> ratio of this material makes

Fig. 6: (1) Normal magnetization curves for Ferramic H toroids. Fig. 7: (r) Normal magnetization curves as a function of dc bias





#### FERRITE MATERIALS (Continued)

possible its use as a highly variable inductance remotely controlled by a dc winding. If a toroid is once magnetically saturated and then excitation removed, the core maintains retentivity or remanance. If a small ac signal is then applied, the permeability will not be the same as true

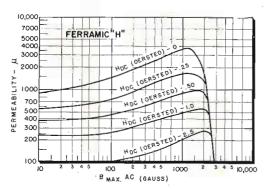


Fig. 8: Incremental permeability vs. ac flux

initial permeability but will be roughly one-half. If a dc bias is then added, this permeability will become smaller as the bias is increased. The change in permeability to a low power signal under these conditions can be as high as several hundred to one.

#### Ferramic H

Ferramic H is a ferrite of optimum magnetic properties for low frequency and communication work. It combines a high initial and maximum permeability with a fairly high saturation flux density for a ferrite. For these reasons, it has perhaps been used more than any of the other ferrites. In all cases where large inductances are the prime requisite, Ferramic H is the best choice due to its high permeability. In addition, this material has low power losses; the coercive force, H<sub>c</sub>, being of the order of 0.20 oersted. The normal magnetization curves and permeability curves, as a function of temperature, are as shown in Fig. 4. It has proved excellent for TV horizontal deflection cores vokes.

In recent months, Ferramic H has been replaced by Ferramic H-1 for non-military and TV applications. This latter ferrite represents a large saving of scarce nickel oxide with a relatively small reduction of magnetic properties and efficiency. The magnetic properties of this ferrite are shown in Fig. 5. Comparison of these magnetic properties with those of Ferramic H (Fig. 4) shows that H-1 material is almost equivalent in all respects. In actual use in TV

circuitry, the ferrite cores are almost always used with an air gap in the magnetic path. Since true magnetic properties are thus reduced by some factor, the very good properties of Ferramic H were not being utilized to the best advantage.

In certain applications, however, where the highest efficiency is necessary, Ferramic H is still the best choice for the designer. These applications include the following examples:

(1) Highest inductance per unit volume at either low level or power applications.

(2) Saturable reactors or magnetic amplifiers where the greatest degree of non-linearity of magnetic properties is

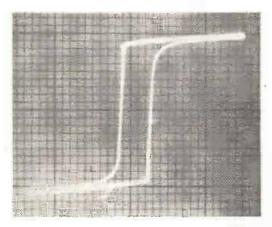


Fig. 9: Developmental ferrite (MF-1118) 60 cps rectangular hysteresis loop. Static properties:  $B_s=2350$  gauss;  $B_r=2140$  gauss;  $H_c=1.5$  cersted;  $\mu_o=43$ ;  $\mu_{\rm max}=700$ ;  $B_r/B_s=0.91$ 

desired, plus low power losses.
(3) Large inductance requirements with dc superimposed on the ac signal.

One illustration of the first example can be shown as follows: an inductance of 10 hy. at the  $\mu_0$  level was constructed using a Ferramic H cup core, about 1 in. in diameter. The same cup core would give about 40 hy. if operated at maximum permeability. The second and third examples are related and measurements of basic properties to aid the designer have been completed; that is, the variation of magnetic properties as a dc excitation component is added.

This measurement was made at a frequency of 60 cps by using a calibrated oscilloscope as a peak-reading voltmeter. The first approach toward accuracy was the correlation between this ac measurement with no dc excitation and the static measurements using a ballistic galvanometer connected as a fluxmeter. Fig. 6 shows these measure-

ments taken on the same Ferramic H ring. Similar measurements made on magnetic metals have shown larger variations in the same direction; that is, the ac permeabilities being less than the static dc permeabilities. The maximum difference between these two measurements for the ferrite core is about 5%, which includes any measurement errors as well as a frequency effect. This result was anticipated since eddy currents are negligible at this low frequency for Ferramic H. In addition, it is logical to assume that similar measurements of the other Ferramics would agree even closer since H material has the lowest resistivity or highest eddy current effect. Similar measurements at higher frequencies are planned.

Next the measurement of magnetic properties of Ferramic H as a function of dc bias was made. Fig. 7 shows a family of normal magnetization curves as a function of dc excitation. The bias was applied on a separate winding in series with a high impedance at 60 cps. Fig. 8 shows the familiar incremental permeability curves with ac permeability vs. ac flux density at various dc excitations. The largest value of dc used was equivalent to 2.5 oer-

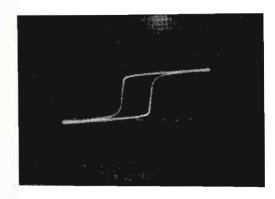


Fig. 10: Developmental ferrite (MF-805) 60 cps square hysteresis loop. Static properties:  $B_s=1500$  gauss;  $B_r/B_s=0.83$ ;  $H_c=2.34$  oersted;  $\mu_{max}=300$ ;  $\mu_0=40$ ; Curie Temperature over  $150^{\circ}$ C; Volume resistivity =  $4\times10^{7}$  ohm-cm

steds, which is more than 10 times as large as the coercive force. It is noteworthy that even with this large value of bias, the maximum permeability is still about 8% of that with no dc excitation.

During the last few years, research and development at General Ceramics and Steatite Corp. has been done on ferrite materials exhibiting rectangular hysteresis loops. A material exhibiting rectangularity (Fig. 9) can be defined in terms of its magnetic properties:

- (1) The  $B_r/B_s$  ratio should be as close to unity as possible.
- (2) The hysteresis loop should be steep, or the differential permeability, dB/dH, large.

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## WABD's New TV Transmitter

Installation atop Empire State Building in N.Y.C. employs centrally located console and U-shaped rack arrangement of equipment. VHF antennas permit flexible operation

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A FTER more than two years' planning and several months' construction, the DuMont Television Network, division of Allen B. Du Mont Labs., Inc., completed the WABD transmitter installation atop the Empire State building in New York City. The project has been engineered for the years ahead and designed to operate with little or no modification in the event of color, high power transmission, and UHF, as these are presently anticipated.

The entire transmitter installation occupies approximately 2500 sq. ft. in the NE corner of the 82nd floor of the Empire State Building. This area includes a 240 sq. ft. fully equipped workshop, supervisors' office, and crew living quarters. In case of emergency, cots and supplies are available so that the transmitter may be operated for several days even though the area were to be isolated. Figs. 1 and 2 show the "U" arrangement of the transmitter, transmitter console, auxiliary rack-mounted equipment, and emergency transmitter. All normal operating is done from the console, but the transmitter and all 13 auxiliary racks containing the speech amplifiers, video amplifiers, test equipment, and terminal equipment have been arranged for easy viewing from the console.

#### Video System

In the flexible video system, all amplifiers, signal sources, and switching units have both inputs and outputs appearing on a 120 jack jack-field made up of DuMont type 5246B panels. Since small "normaling plugs" make the necessary connections, the use of long patch cords is eliminated. R-F signals appear on a small patch-field in an isolated rack where they are interpatched and sent to other locations as desired.

Fig. 3 shows, in block form, the video equipment layout. A normal program signal may be routed in the following manner. The signal out of the telephone company terminating

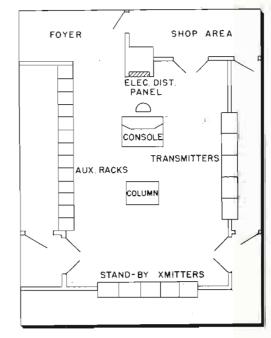


Fig. 1: WABD's operating console affords convenient view of the transmitter racks seen at the left

equipment goes to a picture distribution amplifier. Three isolated standard 1.4v. peak-to-peak composite video and sync signal outputs are obtained from the distribution amplifier which feeds the Du-Mitter, Telco cue transmitter, and, of course, cne section of the transmitter input selector switch on the transmitter console. From the diagram it is seen that two sections of the picture distribution amplifier are utilized in parallel to feed the Telco send line. Since longer lines must be terminated in their characteristic impedance at both the send and receive positions to reduce reflections, the amplifier works into a load of 37.5 ohms instead of the usual 75 ohms; consequently, it is necessary to utilize the second amplifier to maintain the signal at the standard level. The output of the console feeds a phase corrector designed to operate similarly to an FM pre-emphasis circuit, i.e., to slightly predistort the signal to compensate for transmitter distortion introduced primarily by vestigial side-band attenuation.

The video signal next appears at a special switch, located on the conscle, which instantaneously inserts either of two stabilizing amplifiers in the line feeding the transmitter. The special switching arrangement was developed for use here because the stabilizing amplifier is a critical component of the video system, and, to follow the pattern of providing a switch-in emergency unit for all electronic components of the system. It is in this stabilizing amplifier that the pulses are given a final check and reshaped, the amount of sync

Fig. 2: Operator sits in center of "U" layout formed by auxiliary racks, transmitters and standby transmitters. Area occupies 2500 sq. ft.



#### WABD's NEW TV TRANSMITTER (Continued)

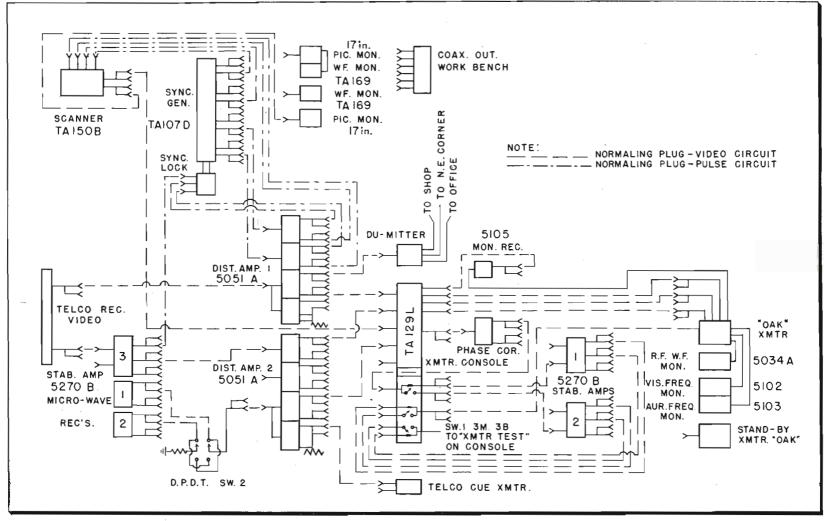


Fig. 3: Video equipment layout indicates how signal is routed from telephone lines through distribution amplifiers to the console and transmitter

signal adjusted, and the correct ratio of video-to-sync established. The monitor output of the stabilizing amplifier selected appears at the test selector switch on the console as "XMTR INPUT," since this is the last stage before the modulator. Through the patching system any of these units may be bypassed or others inserted. Provision is made also for patching a stabilizing amplifier on the incoming line to separate the sync from video before feeding the signal to the transmitter console. The separated sync is utilized to key

a line phasing device which synchronizes the local sync generator, which in turn generates new sync to be reinserted in the final stabilizing amplifier. Station reports have indicated that many long distance signals which are transmitted on many miles of common carrier cables or microwave relay units, arrive with the sync portion too distorted for broadcast transmission.

Test pattern and other test signals to be used either on the air or in the maintenance shop are generated at the transmitter location by a DuMont flying spot scanner and a type TA107B sync generator.

The audio system consists of a five line input selector switch and gain control, a patch bay, two complete sets of line and monitoring amplifiers, a limiting amplifier, tone generators, test equipment and associated transformers and wiring. The selector switches and gain controls for selecting and controlling the transmitter and monitor inputs are located on the operator's console for convenience. The patch bay and two independent amplifier layouts, one

Fig. 4: Simplified diagram of audio system which contains input selector switch, gain control, patch bay, two sets of line and monitoring amplifiers, tone generators and associated test equipment

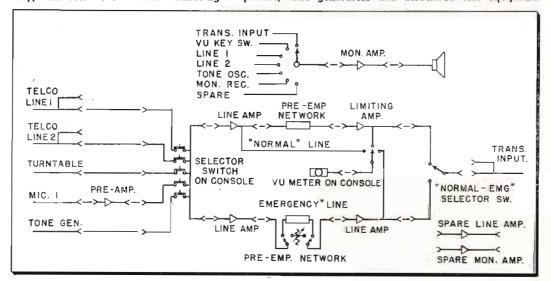
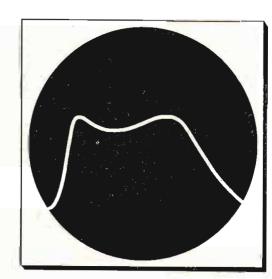


Fig. 5: Bandpass indicator wobbulator signal. Center frequency is  $\frac{1}{4}$  between peaks on left



for normal and one for emergency use, are located in two of the auxiliary racks; VU meters are in each rack and on the console. Test and measurement equipment includes signal generators, VU, multi, and VTVM meters, noise and distortion analyzer, and oscillographs. See Fig. 4.

The incoming telephone lines as well as local turntable, microphone, and tone generator sources appear first at the patch bay where preamplifiers are patched into low level lines. Five lines run from the patch bay to the transmitter input selector switch and gain control on the console. The selected line is matched to the first line amplifier in the "normal" amplifier line and bridged to the line amplifier in the "emergency" amplifier line. The second unit in both layouts is a standard 75 usec pre-emphasis network which boosts the signal approximately 3 db at 2 kc and 17 db at 15 кс; a shorting switch in the "emergency line" will allow this network to be bypassed when desired. The final amplifier in the "normal" line is the limiting amplifier; in the "emergency" line the final amplifier is simply a booster.

#### Maximum Protection

This layout gives the operator maximum protection against lost air time and the option of utilizing or bypassing the pre-emphasis network and limiting amplifier as the situation demands. The output of each line feeds a switch on the console which selects either one to feed the transmitter. The monitor amplifier selector switch, also located on the operator's console, is bridged across all incoming lines and local sources as well as the transmitter input. A VU meter on the console may be bridged across the output of either amplifier line or the first amplifier in the "normal" line by operation of a selector switch. VU meters located in both auxiliary racks may be bridged across the same three points plus several spare lines which may be patched across any amplifier or source.

A spare line and monitoring amplifier also appear on the patch panel for insertion in the system as needed. As in the video system, the inputs and outputs of all components of the audio system appear on a patch panel to facilitate rapid system maintenance. Should the line amplifier in the "normal" line fail, the operator at the console would switch to the "emergency" line and step over to the patch bay in the racks

where he would repatch the input and output of the non-operating amplifier to the spare amplifier. He could then switch back to the "normal" line whenever convenient. The disabled amplifier may be repaired in the racks or removed to the shop bench as proves necessary. In an extreme situation the operator could bypass both amplifier lines and patch the Telephone Co. signal directly into the transmitter from the gain control on the console; this (Continued on page 96)

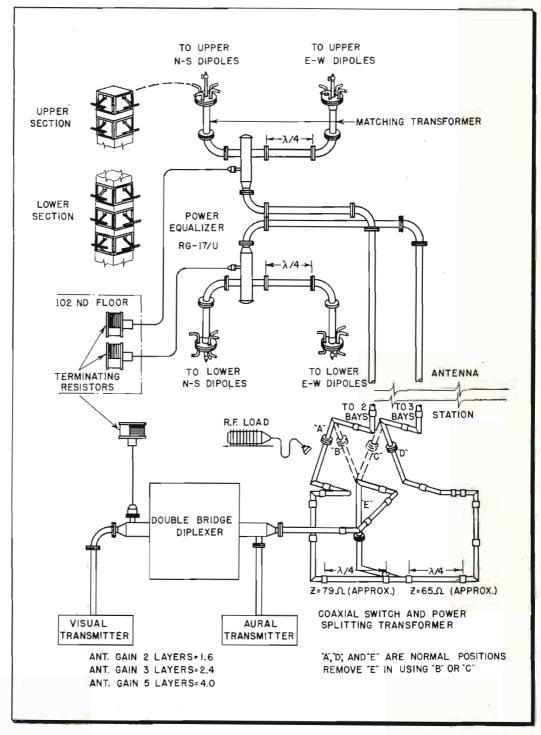
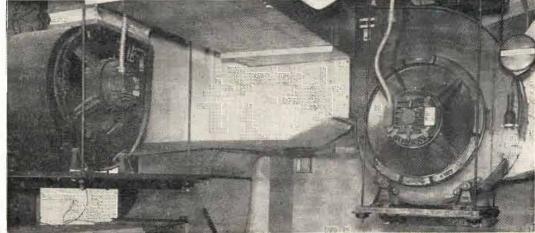


Fig. 6: R-F transmission system has switch which permits use of either antenna bay or both together

Fig. 7: Transmitters are ventilated by 1950 cfm fan on left; auxiliary racks by 5050 cfm fan on right



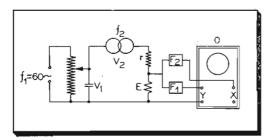


Fig. 5: Diagram showing arrangement of equipment for production of modulation figures

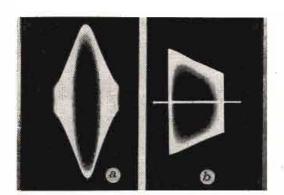


Fig. 6: Resistive AM oscillograms. Hexagon (a), under influence of a bias, assumes trapazoidal form (b). Center line is voltage calibration

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SINCE there is little known about polaresistivity, I would like to explain it in detail. The starting point is the so-called magnetic fluid9 and electric fluid.10 These are fine magnetic or dielectric particles suspended in oil. When acted upon by magnetic or electric fields, the particles attract each other and form metallic or dielectric fibers. The resulting fibration manifests itself in various ways. First, there is a mechanical manifestation in that the originally-fluid suspension solidifies. In other words, the viscosity increases. Second, there exist additional electrical effects which, according to dielectric constant and conductivity of the particles, are more or less pronounced. Besides a slight increase of the permittivity owing to the sluggish alignment of the particles, the fibers produce a semiconductive connection between two bounding electrodes, that means the resistivity drops from infinity to a relatively low value as soon as the fibers, under a certain threshold field, are formed. The resulting picture, however, is incomplete because the resistivity is nonlinear; that means the conductivity increases above its threshold value when the polarizing field increases. Whether this nonlinearity is caused

## Nonlinear Elements and

Saturable reactors, ferroelectric capacitors

Details of new nonlinear resistor, termed
resistive detectors, overload protectors,

by increasing forces of electrostatic attraction along the particle chains or whether electrostriction plays an additional role is debatable. Be that as it may, the frequency response of the polaresistive nonlinearity goes up into the microwave range.<sup>8</sup>

Now let us go a step further ahead. On the basis of the described phenomena in liquid suspensions, it is possible to transfer the polaresistivity into the solid state. This significant step may best be understood by remembering the prepolarization of the ferroelectric dielectrics which is nothing but a prepolarization of the dipole molecules above Curie temperature and then a freezing of this molecular array down to room temperature. If we apply this teaching to polaresistive suspensions, it is only necessary to freeze the semiconductive fibers once they are formed; in other words, to allow the liquid carrier to solidify. Suitable carriers are the cold-setting plastics known under the trade names Castolite, Plasticast, etc. Graphite particles and titanium dioxide powder have been found to be very sensitive.

#### **Parameters**

It is clear at once that stability, sensitivity, and other properties of the new polaristors depend on a multiplicity of parameters such as mix ratio, conductivity, size and surface properties of the particles; also on the amount of prepolarization, and finally on the arrangement of the electrodes which determines the strength of the polarizing field. For practical purposes it is interesting to note that a large range of zero conductivity can be covered merely by means of small or large electrodes while a high nonlinearity requires minute electrode gaps. The most sensitive polaristors result with the aid of minute slots which, similar to a diffraction grating, are cut into the silver layer of a mirror. Mirrorpolaristors containing ten slots per millimeter have been developed.

The sensitivity of any arbitrary substance may be characterized to an accurate degree by the "Nonlinearity Index" or simply the "Nonlinearity," denoting the maximum slope of the nonlinear characteristic at the optimum point of operation. Another determination is the ratio by which the bias value of the element or substance in question changes when the controlling force, in all our cases the impressed voltage, deviates from its bias value by unity.

In order to explain in full detail what the nonlinearity means, let us consider a polaristor. Its ac or differential resistance depends on the impressed voltage according to the curve shown in Fig. 4. The differential resistance decreases from its zero value  $R_{\rm o}$ , at low voltages in the form of a parabola, but after passing a point of inflection, asymptotically approaching a saturation value  $R_{\rm s}$ . The nonlinearity then is the maximum slope at this point of inflection, i.e.

$$NL = \frac{2 R' - R''}{\triangle V R' \rightarrow R''}$$

The formula, obviously, has the same form as that for evaluating the degree of amplitude modulation with the aid of a modulation trapezoid. Although the nonlinearity also may be evaluated from the aforementioned FM oscillograms, the analytical similarity suggests an amplitude modulation method.

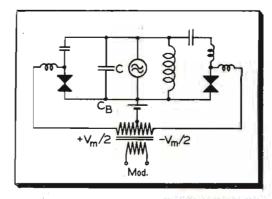


Fig. 7: Schematic of a resistive-reactive frequency modulator for push-pull action

The circuit depicted in Fig. 5 was found to satisfy all practical requirements. In particular, it allows not only the control of polaristors during fabrication but at the same time,

## Applications in AF and RF Circuits

and varistors comprise the three component groups. "polaristor" explained. Applications of these devices, as modulators, harmonic generators, mixers, etc. is discussed

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provides the required polarization. The nonlinear element E under test, combined with a fixed preresistor r, forms a nonlinear attenuator driven by two different frequencies, for example, by 60 cycles and 100,000 cycles. Both inputs of the cathode ray oscilloscope O are fed by the output voltages across the element E, but a high-pass filter F<sub>1</sub> and a lowpass filter  $\hat{\mathbf{F}}_2$  allow only either one of the two frequencies to deflect the beam in the X- and Y-axis. An alternate explanation is that the nonlinear element modulates the intermediate-frequency in the rhythm of 60 cycles. In such a manner, both

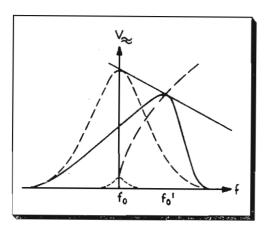


Fig. 8: Diagram illustrating asymmetrical deformation of a resonance curve.

frequencies produce a hexagonal figure, an example of which is depicted in Fig. 6a. With the aid of an additional bias half of the hexagon may be cancelled so that a trapezoid as shown in Fig. 6b remains. When the X-axis is calibrated in voltages, the nonlinearity may be easily evaluated according to our previous considerations.

Some data may explain the nonlinearity values of various elements. Crystal diodes exhibit nonlinearities up to 25, that means their differential resistance under the influence of a single volt would change at a rate of 2500 per cent or better, it decreases or increases by 2.5 per cent when the bias is changed by one millivolt. At the present state of development, the most sensitive polaristors reach similar values, but it is to be expected that further improvements will yield much higher values.

Thyrites, the non-ohmic silicon carbide resistors, give nonlinearities less than one.

In comparison to polaristors, ferroelectric capacitors show much lower nonlinearities. For example, a barium strontium titanate piezoid, 0.1 mm thick, exhibits only 0.5. On the other hand, saturable reactors reach nonlinearities up to some hundreds which may well be understood if we remember the very sharp knees of their hysteresis loops.

Only for the sake of completeness I would like to point out that the developed method is sensitive enough for disclosing small nonlinearities of modern high-Q capacitors and also of some types of carbon potentiometers, particularly if somewhat worn

#### Practical Applications

The three types of nonlinear elements offer a great variety of practical applications throughout the entire field of radio and audio-frequency engineering. Only for completeness, some well known examples may be mentioned very briefly.

1. Varistors may be used as overload protectors for sensitive instruments, for example, for galvanometers in bridge circuits. Moreover, vacuum-tube amplifiers may protected from overshooting, either by nonlinear grid resistors or by nonlinear coupling condensers, or even by combinations of both in the form of coupling networks. This action may be easily derived from Thyrites which originally were designed to be lightning arresters.

2. Varistors provide very simple stabilizers for dc and ac voltages. In cascade operation, they may even be utilized as limiters.

3. Nonlinear reactances are excellent frequency modulators, as we remember from the described FM method.11,12 Automatic frequency stabilization may be achieved, in particular, if the carrier frequency is generated by means of two heterodyning master oscillators, one serving for the purpose of FM and the other for the carrier stabilization.

4. A nonlinear reactance and a varistor, when driven by a certain

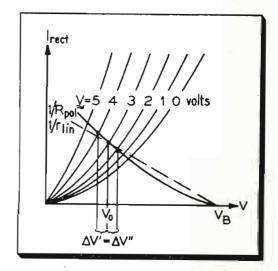


Fig. 9: Linearization of a square-law tector by means of a nonlinear load

frequency, modulates this frequency by itself. The result is a frequency tripling when the nonlinear element operates symmetrically around its zero value, that is, without bias, while a frequency doubling occurs as soon as the element operates at optimum bias on the linear portion of its characteristic. Consequently, only by means of the bias voltage, may either even or odd harmonics be generated, the one decreasing or increasing at the expense of the other. This phenomenon may be interesting for electrical music in order to change the timbre of the

5. Any nonlinear element provides a detector or mixer.13 In contrast to asymmetrical detectors such as crystal diodes, symmetrical varistors require a bias and then operate as square-law detectors. The same is true for nonlinear reactance. A saturable reactor as well as a ferroelectric condenser, under the influence of an impressed r-f voltage, changes its average reactance. In both cases, the output voltage or more accurately, the output power dissipated in a load resistor stems from the bias. If we consider a nonlinear condenser as detector and mixer, the circuit and the energy conversion is exactly the same as in the case of a condenser microphone. As soon as further developments allow the production of r-f iron alloys combining low r-f losses with sharp

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## A Microwave Polarization Switch

System design provides for independently determined cularly polarized. Switching is accomplished by changing

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THE desirability of obtaining a radiating structure in which the polarization of the radiating energy could be varied in a controlled manner, while providing a radiation pattern with invariant shape, led to the investigation which is the subject of this paper.

The primary requirements were to provide a stationary radiating device which would radiate either horizontal, vertical or circularly polarized energy, and which had a radiation pattern independent of the particular polarization chosen. A generalization of these requirements were analyzed, and it is shown that under certain conditions restricted elliptic polarization was obtainable, while under different conditions unrestricted elliptic polarization was possible.

#### **Switching Section**

Let us consider the effects of the various components which comprise this universal polarization device.

Fig. 1 shows a block diagram consisting of a feed section, a polarization switching section and a radiating section. The polarization switching section enables a linearly polarized wave which enters the section to emerge as either a linearly polarized wave with the same orientation (inclination of the major diameter of the polarization ellipse) as the entering wave, or a linearly polarized wave oriented perpendicular to the entering wave, or an elliptically polarized wave of restricted ellipticity and orientation. The theory of this polarization switching section is based upon the dependence of the phase velocity of a metallically bounded wave on the dimensions of the waveguide.

If we have a square waveguide as shown in Fig. 2, a and b, which is energized along a diagonal, the electric vector E can be separated into two components: one,  $E_a$ , perpendicular to the parallel walls "a," and one,  $E_b$ , perpendicular to the

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Fig. 1: Universal polarization device consists of feed, switching and radiating sections

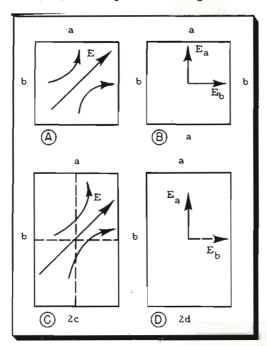
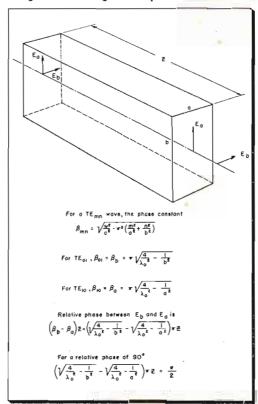


Fig. 2: Resolution of electric field into components for square and rectangular guides

Fig. 3: Effect of guide on phase velocities



parallel walls "b." The phase velocity of  $E_a$  is dependent upon the waveguide dimension "a," while the phase velocity of  $E_b$  is dependent upon the waveguide dimension "b."

If "a" = "b," as is the case for a square waveguide, the phase velocity of E<sub>a</sub> equals that of E<sub>b</sub>. Now, suppose the waveguide is rectangular as shown in Fig. 2, c and d, instead of square, and is energized by an electric field oriented 45° with respect to its walls. Again, the electric vector E can be separated into two components of equal amplitudes, Ea and E<sub>b</sub>, as before. Again, the phase velocity of  $E_a$  is dependent upon the dimension "a" and that of  $E_b$  dependent upon the dimension "b." However, since in this case "a" ± "b," these two phase velocities differ. In traveling along a fixed length of guide (Fig. 3) the relative phase of component  $E_b$  with respect to  $E_a$  will change. The amount of relative phase change is  $(\beta_b - \beta_a)z$ , where "z" is the length of guide.

Referring to Fig. 4, if one of the guide walls, say "a," is movable so that the dimension "b" can be changed, the phase velocity of  $E_b$  can be varied and hence the relative phase between  $E_b$  and  $E_a$  can be controlled. The movable wall can contain an r-f choke as shown in Fig.

Referring to Fig. 5, let us energize the polarization switch with an electric field polarized vertically and oriented 45° with respect to the walls, and investigate the nature of the electric field emerging from the polarization switch for different positions of the movable wall.

#### Positioning Movable Wall

If this movable wall is positioned so the polarization switching section is approximately square, both the  $TE_{0,1}$  and  $TE_{1,0}$  modes are propagated with equal phase velocity and combine in time-phase to produce a linearly polarized electric field which emerges oriented parallel with the exciting electric field and hence is also polarized vertically. If instead, however, this movable wall is positioned so that one of the components, say  $E_b$ , is  $180^\circ$  out of time-phase with

## and Universal Horn

radiation pattern horizontally, vertically or cirphase velocity in waveguide with movable wall

the other component,  $E_a$ , as they emerge from the polarization switching section, the resulting electric field will be linearly polarized and oriented perpendicular to the exciting electric field and hence polarized horizontally. At some intermediate position of the movable wall, one component will be in time-phase quadrature with the other component  $E_a$  as they emerge from the polarization switching section. This will result in a circularly polarized field.

For an arbitrary position of the movable wall, the component  $E_{\rm b}$  will be related to the component  $E_{\rm a}$  by an arbitrary time-phase as they both emerge from the polarization switch. This will result in an elliptically polarized wave of restricted freedom; that is, the ellipticity ratio (major to minor diameter of the polarization ellipse) is dependent upon the inclination of the major axis. Included in this restricted elliptical polarization are the two linear polarizations (horizontal and

vertical) and circular polarization (of both senses) already discussed.

#### Radiating Section

Let us now investigate the properties of the radiating section. It was stated earlier that the primary requirement was to obtain a radiation pattern which was independent of the three prime polarizations; namely, horizontal, vertical and circular. Since the radiation pattern is dependent upon both the aperture of the radiating section and the mode of the exciting energy, a compromise design is required.

For an aperture of dimensions "a" and "b" excited by an electric field perpendicular to "a," the half-power beamwidths are:  $BW_{az}=70~\lambda/a$  and  $BW_{el}=51~\lambda/b.$  If the aperture is excited perpendicular to "b," the half-power beamwidths are:  $BW_{az}=51~\lambda/a$  and  $BW_{el}=70~\lambda/b.$ 

Therefore the beamwidth in azimuth can be expected to vary be-

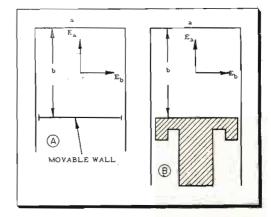


Fig. 4. Guide with movable wall controls relative phase of  $E_{\rm a}$  and  $E_{\rm b}$  by changing wall "b"

tween 70  $\lambda/a$  and 51  $\lambda/a$ , while the elevation beamwidth could vary between 51  $\lambda/b$  and 70  $\lambda/b$ . It would appear that for a compromise design  $BW_{az}=60~\lambda/a$  and  $BW_{el}=60~\lambda/b$  would be suitable.

A horn of dimensions  $0.90 \times 1.55$ 

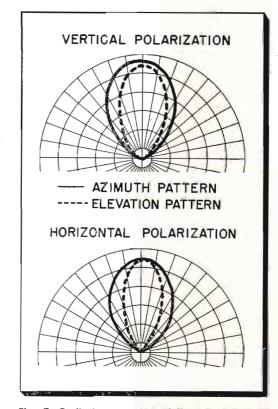
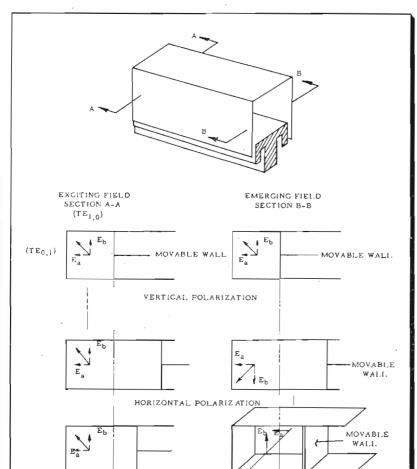


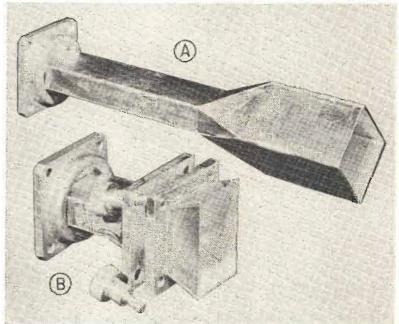
Fig. 7: Radiation patterns of linearly polarized hern illustrated in Fig. 6a shows both the horizontal and vertical components



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Fig. 5: Explanatory diagram of polarization switching section using movable wall

Fig. 6: (a) Linearly polarized horn, and (b) circularly polarized horn of same aperture



#### POLARIZATION SWITCH

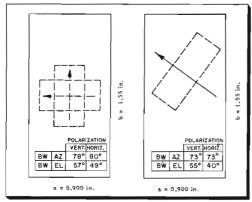


Fig. 8: (1) Beamwidth and electric field for linearly polarized horn. Fig. 9: (r) Beamwidth and field for circularly polarized horn

in., shown in Fig. 6a, was designed to give a radiation pattern approximately  $84 \times 51^{\circ}$ . The radiation patterns shown in Fig. 7 and tabulated

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in Fig. 8, show reasonable agreement with the design computations.

In the circularly polarized horn (Fig. 6b), a radiating section whose aperture is the same as that of the previously discussed horn was designed. This section is energized by an electric field oriented 45° with respect to its walls. Its length was computed by the method shown in Fig. 3 and adjusted so that the radiating energy is circularly polarized. The azimuth and elevation patterns (Fig. 10) were measured for both a horizontally polarized and vertically polarized detecting system. The half-power beamwidths are indicated in Fig. 9.

Let us now investigate the general case.

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Fig. 11: Vector analysis of overall system comprising feed, switching and radiating sections

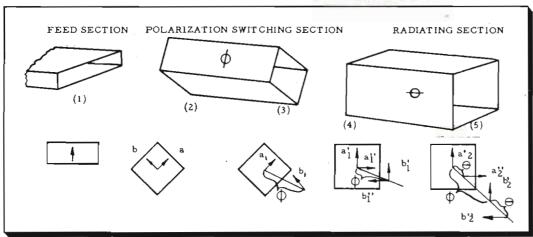
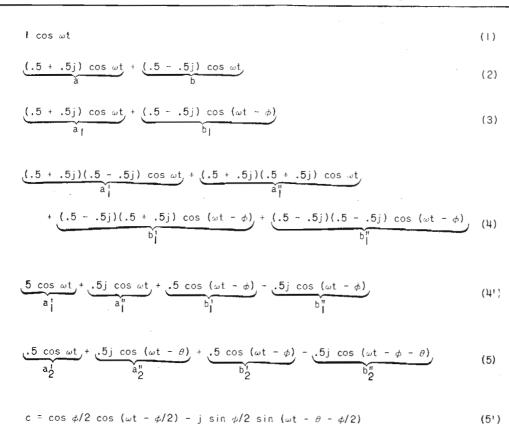


Table of equations describing vector components shown in Fig. 11



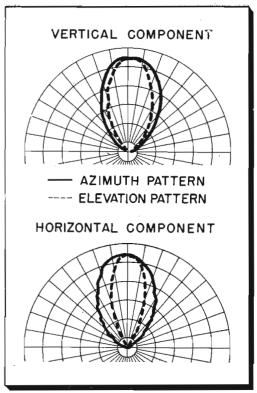


Fig. 10: Circularly polarized horn patterns

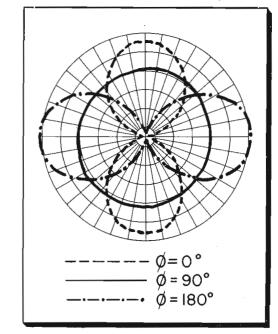
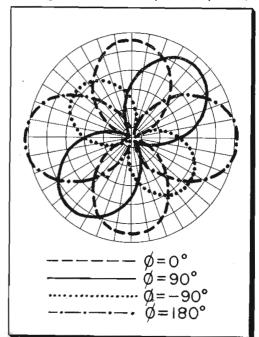
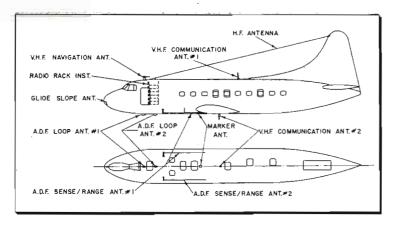


Fig. 12: Experimental polarization patterns for 3 values of  $\varphi;$  phase difference between radiating section vector components equals  $\pi$ 

Fig. 13: Experimental polarization patterns for 4 values of  $\phi$ ; phase digerence between radiating section vector components equals  $\pi/2$ 







Glenn L. Martin's Model 4-0-4 commercial airliner carries 10 antennas for communications, navigation and instrument landing systems

## Antennas for Commercial Aircraft

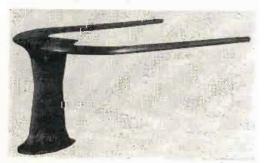
Modern airliners use 10 or more antennas operating between 100 KC to 423 MC for radio navigation and communication systems

IRLINE passengers are often un- ${m A}$  aware of the numerous antennas, mounted at diverse locations about the aircraft. These units which function in the radio navigation and communication systems operate to insure safe and efficient travel. Glen L. Martin's Model 4-0-4, pictured in the Eastern Airlines version illustrates a plane with 10 antennas for voice communication, visual omni-directional range vertical and lateral guidance (localizer) while landing, automatic visual bearing low frequency radio range, aural and visual marker identification and terrain clearance. The following describes in detail the antennas carried on the Model 4-0-4.

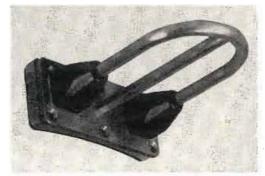
The *HF* wire antenna, extending from the forward crown to the vertical fin, provides for long range, two-way, voice communication between aircraft and ground stations in the 2.5–13.0 Mc range. The 3/32 in diameter stranded wire is made of phosphor bronze.

A modified Aeronautical Radio, Inc., mast type AN-104 antenna, installed on the top centerline in the

Collins 37J-1 VHF navigation antenna for 108-122 MC weighs 5.75 lbs, and is made of cast aluminum, tubular alloy and natural rubber. Dimensions are 12 x 17 x 27 in. SWR is 5:1



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Collins 37P-1 glide slope antenna for 328-336 MC weighs 1.4 lb., mounts on plane nose, is 5 in. high, and matches 52 ohm line. SWR is 2:1

aft section, provides 118-135 Mc voice communication. This VHF mast antenna is mounted by means of a clamp type base casting through the airplane skin for easy installation and servicing. A similar antenna at the midpoint of the underside fills the requirement for dual equipment. Location is dictated by minimum susceptibility to nulls and propeller modulation.

A Collins Radio folded dipole type 37J-2, for 108-122 Mc VOR and localizer operation, is used to receive horizontally polarized waves on some Martin craft. However, the EAL plane employs a similar Aircraft Radio Corp. type A-13, which has a straight dipole in addition to the folded dipole to act as a spare 328-336 Mc antenna for vertical guidance.

Primary vertical guidance is received by a *glide slope antenna* which picks up horizontally polarized waves during instrument landing. On planes made for TWA a Collins "bull-ring" type 37P-2 is used, while EAL craft carry two Bendix flush type MN-92A antennas recessed in the nose. The latter unit comprises four parallel elements, all grounded except for the

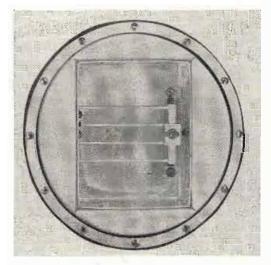
fed conductor. The conductors are resonated by an adjustable capacitor at the common end.

The automatic direction finding (ADF) antennas, installed on the bottom centerline in the forward section, consist of two Bendix loop type MN-60A antennas. Aural reception of radio range signals and automatic visual bearing indication lies in the (Continued on page 80)

Collins 37R-1 VHF antenna for 118-136 MC communication is omnidirectional, has swr under 1.5 and mounts externally on aircraft skin



Bendix MN-92A glide path antenna mounts flush in the plane nose. Unit comprises four parallel 1/g in. brass conductors and operates at 328.6-335.4 MC with 52 ohm impedance



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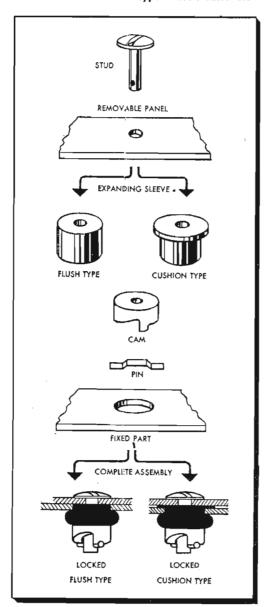
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#### **New Aircraft Fastener**

Named Vibrex Expanding Fastener by Air Associates, Inc., Teterboro, N.J., this new device was designed primarily for installations requiring permanent positive locking and easy disassembly for rapid access to instrument panels, inspection panels, access doors, or similar applications.

Present designs have established two basic types, namely "flush" and "cushion." The flush type locks parts firmly metal to metal. The cushion type utilizes a neoprene or rubber cushion between the parts to further absorb vibration or provide electrical insulation. Both types lock securely in place yet snap open rapidly and easily with a screwdriver.

Diagram showing complete assembly details of flush and cushion type Vibrex fasteners



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Readers are invited to contribute their own suggestions which should be short and include photographs or rough sketches. Typewritten, doublespaced text is preferred. Our usual rates will be paid for material used.

Tests are presently being conducted for aircraft applications. Present uses are being confined to quick-fastening methods for vibration proof mountings for instruments, radio, and other electronic equipment; also for aircraft interior trim, galleys, access doors, and similar applications where quick, easy removal of panels is desirable.

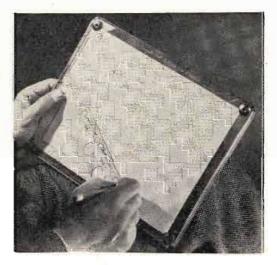
Two simple drilled or punched holes are used for each fastener—a small hole for the stud and a larger hole for the bottom portion. No additional rivets or grommets are needed and countersinking is not necessary. No special tools are needed for mounting. When installed, the Vibrex fastener can be opened or closed with a twist of a coin or screwdriver.

### Improving Germanium Diode Noise Figures

Extremely poor noise figures are usually the dividends of processing germanium crystals in rooms with high humidity. Seldom does a very good noise figure result when the humidity is much over 50%. In order to eliminate this often deleterious effect, several laboratories are making their units in a vacuum or in the atmosphere of an inert gas. Some of the mechanical obstacles of this technique are hurdled by mounting the crystals in steel racks so that they can be moved about in the vacuum housing by external magnets. Probes and syringes extend into the housing interior through vacuum seals. Although extensive correlation between humidity and noise figure have not been made public yet, the vacuum technique is considered sufficiently worthwhile since it eliminates one more parameter (and a disruptive problem) in a process which is badgered by its share of variables.

#### **Portable Drawing Board**

New portable drawing board molded from lightweight Bakelite styrene plastic is 93/4 x 121/4 in. Four corner clamps for attaching 81/2 by 11 paper are recessed into the plastic so that the triangle or roller can ride freely over them without interference. The two metal straight edges, one vertical and one horizontal, are retractable so that the triangles can be moved over all



New portable plastic drawing board weighs as much as 75 % less than conventional boards

four edges of the paper. A. Patrick Co., 9 Grave St., Westwood, N.J., manufacturers, report that the use of lightweight Bakelite styrene plastic has reduced the weight of the drawing board by as much as 75% over conventional boards. Retail price is \$3.95; with two 8 in. triangles to fit, \$4.95.

#### Shielded Production Test Stations

A completely redesigned type of shielded test bench to replace standard screened-in test booths has been engineered for use in Motorola's new Communications and Electronics Division plant in Chicago.

An individual radio unit, transmitter or receiver, is placed into a small screened box mounted in the surface of each of the benches. The unit to be tested is dropped into the box and the tip-back screened lid is pulled up from the back and over the unit. Adjustments are made through the screening.



New type of shielded test bench on assembly lines at Motorola's new Chicago plant. Adjustments to equipment are made through screening which tips back to allow insertion or removal.

Power supplies and test instrumentation circuits are contained within a screened-in section of the bench also. This section is double screened, first by the metal bench itself, and inside by a hardware clothe screen. Each test unit is operated from an AC power supply using selenium rectifiers to furnish 6VDC, 12 VDC and 117 VAC. These units are protected by means of an isolation transformer and special Motorola-designed filtering units.

Built into the shielded area of each bench, also, is a complete set of controls which are separated by isolated shafts. This permits selection and operation of all functions and circuits of the various types of radio units being tested.

The screened box-sections for holding the radio units being manu-

factured by Motorola for use with 2-way communications systems, permit 110 db attenuation for each unit or a total of 220 db attenuation between two units being checked in two adjacent benches.

### Manufacture of Mica Paper Insulation

R. L. Griffeth and E. R. Younglove of the Mica Insulator Co., Schenectady, N. Y., report that mica in the form of mica paper will soon make its appearance as a component of electrical insulation. The raw material for mica paper is Muscovite mica in the form of mine waste, scrap, or recovered mica. This is first heated to a temperature sufficient to induce partial dehydration of the mica, but not sufficient to produce total dehydration, and ex-

treme care is necessary to assure a very uniform temperature throughout the mass. For each mica there is a well defined optimum temperature and time of treatment.

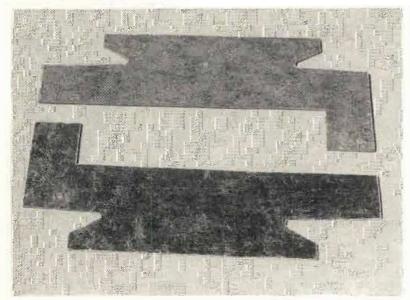
As the hot mica emerges from the treating furnace it is quickly immersed in a saturated boiling solution of sodium carbonate or bicarbonate, to expel the air from the interlamillar structure. Upon cooling, the mica appears as thin layers scarcely adhering to each other and retaining a large amount of the alkaline solution. It is then immersed in a strong solution of hydrochloric acid or sulphuric acid. The resultant gaseous reaction puffs the mica to a very great extent. Puffing in the order of a hundred times the original thickness of the mica film is common. The coherence of the strata of mica in this state is very weak and only washing and agitation are required to produce a pulp suitable for the formation of a coherent sheet of mica paper.

Mica paper is composed of a large number of mica layers of extreme thinness, of the order of a few hundred thousandths of an inch. Some of the mica flakes attain a surface area as large as one tenth of a square inch.

The mica paper as it comes from the paper machine has about one half the density of natural mica because of the interposition of air between the elementary layers. The tensile strength of the paper is variable and depends on the source of the mica and its treatment. Mica paper does not compare with mica splittings in mechanical or electrical properties as it comes from the machine, but in combination with suitable bonding agents, products can be made which are superior to conven-

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(Left) Comparison of mica and mica paper insulation. Upper is fabricated from mica paper, lower is from mica splittings. (Right) Roll of mica paper is silvery, extremely uniform in weight and thickness. Mica paper tapes wrap neatly and compactly on coils and bars.





# Servomechanism Techniques Applied

Test results in physical system show how servo methods more efficient use of process facilities, products having

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As manufacturing processes and their associated control problems become more complex, the need becomes apparent for systematic analysis, with the problem expressed in terms of numbers, to supplement practical experience. The so-called servo techniques seem to offer a powerful tool for expressing control problems in terms of numbers.

#### Origin of Servo Techniques

The search for a mathematical approach to process design and control application is not a new one. In the early stages, attempts were made to write differential equations for process and instruments to effectively define their operation. The complexity of equations and difficulties experienced in assigning numbers to the coefficients were sufficient to make the methods impractical. Methods based on empirical formulas, such as the transient or step change method1 were more practical and did receive some acceptance, although the size of the disturbances to the process required and the degree of accuracy attained led many to use intuition, good judgment and experience rather than any formalized approach to solve the problems.

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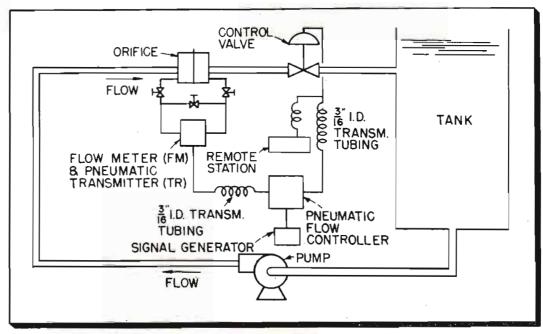


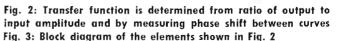
Fig. 1: Schematic of flow control loop constructed in laboratory for testing

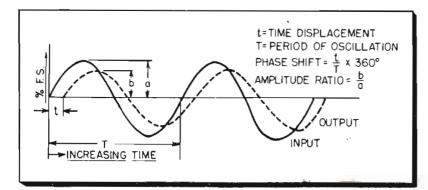
methods were taken from many fields including design of feed-back amplifiers and electrical filter circuits. Collectively these have become known as the servomechanism techniques. Since the factors involved in effectively laying a gun are very similar to those of process control, it is only logical that the servo theory should be applied to process analysis.

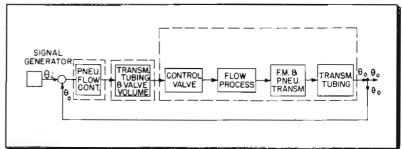
As occurs in the positional servo devices for anti-aircraft artillery, limitations of many physical components used in the process industries—such as pumps, heat exchangers, controllers, valves, measuring and transmitting devices—have combined effects on the quality and quantity of the end product. Naturally, for most efficient operation of a plant, each of the above components should be correctly specified for the job. Thus, the pro-

cess and its instrumentation must be considered jointly during the plant design stages rather than separately as in the old practice of designing the process and later adding the instruments. Naturally, compromises may have to be made since important factors other than the ultimate in performance must also be considered.

The experience of G. S. Brown and D. P. Campbell with the application of servo techniques to system design prompted them to propose the need for men trained in these many phases of process control and instrumentation to be called System Engineers.<sup>2</sup> Before system engineering is feasible, however, methods of analyzing the various components of the system and for predicting their combined behavior must be made available on a practical basis. As a vehicle for crossing the







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can be employed for predicting system behavior. Through greater uniformity and higher quality may be obtained.

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boundary between the process and instrumentation phases, servo techniques seem to offer many advantages. Most people, however, when confronted with the term servo techniques, think, immediately, of involved terminology and mathematicians equipped with computers. Such is not necessarily the case. This can best be proved by examining the techniques themselves.

#### What Servo Techniques Are

Each component or process to be tested is essentially an energy transferring or modulating device; that is, if a change is made to the input of the device, at some later time there will be a change in its output. Obviously, the nature of the input signal, the device construction, and especially the relative ability of the device to transfer energy will determine the amount by which the output lags or leads the input as well as the degree of amplification obtained from the device. This energy transferring characteristic is known, in the servo field, as the transfer function of the device. (In the case of an energy modulating device, such as a controller, the transfer function is a measure of the regulating ability of the device.)

One of the most practical ways of determining the transfer function of a device or process is to observe its response to a sinusoidally varying disturbance. This is commonly known as the "frequency response method." If the system under test is linear, the output response must also be sinusoidal with time; that is, the frequency of the response sinusoid must be identical with the frequency of the disturbing sinusoid.

It is realized that most systems are not linear. Non-linearities, due to valve characteristics, hysteresis, friction and other losses, exist in all processes. However, if the band of operation is kept within a relatively narrow range, the system will be sufficiently linear to permit the successful application of servo methods for predicting system behavior within this range.

If the sinusoidal disturbance is introduced, as above, the dynamic

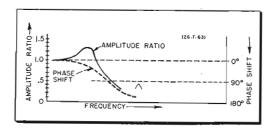


Fig. 4: Quarter amplitude recovery curve in system where set point changes are made to vary in a sinusoidal manner,

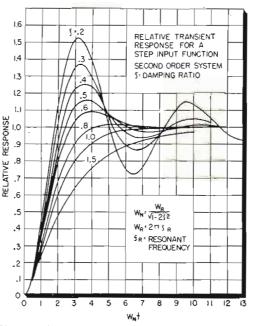


Fig. 6: Curves showing transient response in terms of damping ratio and natural frequency

characteristics of the component under test will determine the ratio of the magnitudes of the output to the input signal and will cause them to be displaced timewise. If the frequency of the disturbing signal is changed, a new magnitude ratio and a different amount of phase shift will occur after the transient has died out. The transfer function and hence the dynamic performance of the unit is determined by measuring the ratio of output amplitude to input amplitude and by measuring the phase shift between the curves over a range of input frequencies.

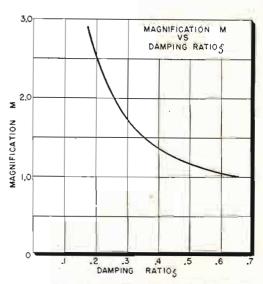


Fig. 5: Curve showing damping factor as a function of amplitude ratio magnification

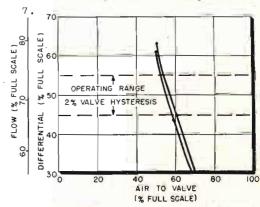


Fig. 7: Hysteresis curve for standard valve

This is shown diagrammatically, in Figure 2, for one value of input frequency.

#### Sinusoidal Disturbances

If sinusoidal disturbances are introduced into a process or component at different frequencies (such as by loading a valve in a process) a series of amplitude ratios and phase shift angles will be established. If plots are made of Amplitude Ratio and Phase Lag against frequency of disturbance, the resultant curves established the

Table	J—Flow	Control	Systems

Type of	Transi	nitter to	Cont	roller to
Flow meter	Controller*	Remoteset*	Valve*	Remoteset*
Mercury Meter	150 ft.	150 ft.	150 ft.	5 ft.
Mercury Meter	30 ft.	150 ft.	5 ft.	150 ft.
Dry Transmitter	150 ft.	150 ft。	150 ft.	5 ft.
Dry Transmitter	30 ft.	150 ft.	5 ft.	150 ft.
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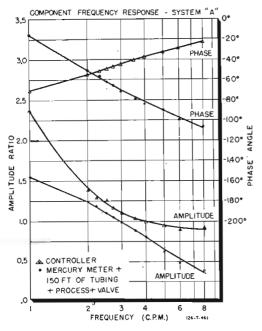


Fig. 8: Component frequency response—(A)

dynamic characteristics for the component or system under test. These plots are known as "frequency response plots."

Although the frequency response plots, themselves, give valuable information, as is shown later, some correlation to system performance, such as the response of a system to a change in controller set point, must exist so that the data has practical utility. Various methods are available for making this correlation, one of which is used in the analysis to be described. It is of interest to note that the transfer

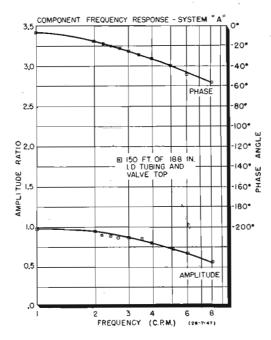


Fig. 9: Component frequency response—(A)

function plots themselves indicate the method to be chosen as well as the probable accuracy associated with the correlation.

Obviously the above is an over-simplified outline of the techniques, and does not indicate some of the physical difficulties involved. One difficult problem is the design of a signal generator and recorder capable of producing an undistorted sinusoid over a wide range of frequencies, with pneumatic, electrical and motion outputs. This has been accomplished and information concerning it will be published at a

future date. Similarly, necessity for evaluating the frequency data in terms of the previous process and control experience cannot be discounted, and this problem will be discussed later in the paper.

To facilitate testing, it was desired to have available a simple process control system having sufficient physical significance to be associated with actual processes. Experience indicated that a flow control system could be constructed in the laboratory to meet the above requirements. This flow control loop is shown schematically in Fig. 1.

A centrifugal pump is used to pump water around the loop and back into the sump tank. The flow is measured by conventional orifice methods. The length of connecting tubing between the meter, controller and control valve can be varied along with the appropriate side tubing lengths so as to show the response for a process mounted controller as well as for a controller mounted in the control house. In addition, flow meters of the mercury and dry type are tested with the controller in the locations mentioned above. The signal generator is the device which loads the system or system components with a sinusoidally varying disturbance.

#### **Analyzing Elements**

The various elements of the system of Fig. 2 may be represented as a series of blocks as shown in the block diagram of Fig. 3. The signal generator is an analytical tool only and forms no part of the automatic flow system. The breaking up of the system into the parts indicated by the blocks is done so that the parts may be isolated as needed for analysis and design. The ultimate objective is to identify or tag each of these blocks in such a way that we can determine what the design of each of the blocks should be for optimum performance of the system as a whole. This, in the language of the servomechanism engineer, is a method offering means for analysis of the elements or blocks that exist or synthesis of those yet to be designed.

It may be more convenient, in certain cases, to have the block represent two or more components in the system, such as the valve and process. The individual transfer function for the process could then be obtained if the valve transfer function (i.e., the response in valve position to valve pressure) was known. The dotted blocks, of Fig. 3, show one instance where transfer function across a group of compo-

#### TABLE II-SYSTEM "A" TRANSIENT RESPONSE

	Actual	Derived From Measured Closed-Loop Frequency Response	Derived From Predicted Closed-Loop Frequency Response
First Overshoot	29% at 9.6 sec.	25% at 10.2 sec.	35% at 9 sec.
First Undershoot	12% at 16.8 sec.	7% at 20.4 sec.	13% at 18 sec.
Second Overshoot	very slight	1.5%	2%

#### TABLE III—SYSTEM "B" TRANSIENT RESPONSE

First Undershoot 12 % at 13.2 sec. 10 % at 16.8 sec. 12 % at 16 Second Overshoot Very slight 3 % 5 %			30 % at 8.4 sec. 10 % at 16.8 sec. 3 %	35% at 8 sec. 12% at 16 sec. 5%
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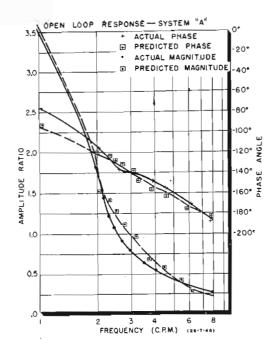
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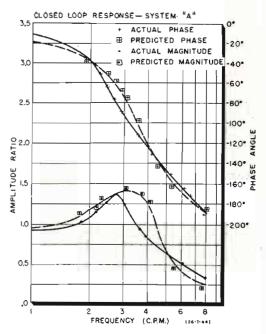
First Overshoot	45% at 3.0 sec.	51 % at 2.7 sec.	
First Undershoot	26% at 5.5 sec.	20 % at 5.6 sec.	
Second Overshoot	14% at 8.2 sec.	12 % at 7.8 sec.	

nents might be studied, rather than the individual transfer functions of the components themselves.

Before the use of the frequency response method on the flow control loop is described, its application to a hypothetical example will be considered to see what results might be expected. If the system under test acts, in certain respects, like a simple system, such as the common two capacity system, many useful approximations can be made. For example, such a system, if subjected to a sudden set point change, might have a damped oscillatory response, as evidenced by over and underpeaking, with each successive peak smaller in magnitude than the last. An example of this type of recovery is the well known quarter amplitude recovery curve. Such a system, if subjected to sinusoidally varying set point changes would have a closed loop frequency response as shown in Fig. 4.

Note the amplitude peak and the rapid change of phase at the resonant frequency. If the frequency response of the system under test





Figs. 10-11: (Left) Open loop response and (right) closed loop response for system A

resembles the response of the simple system in the region of resonance, some simple methods can be applied to approximate system transient response from the system frequency response. From the relative height of the amplitude peak and the frequency at which it occurs (the resonant frequency), the transient response can be approximated by the use of Figs. 5 and 6.

Fig. 5 shows the damping factor  $\zeta$  as a function of the amplitude ratio.

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### Radio-Controlled Airborne Lifeboats

A 30-ft life raft developed by Westinghouse, can be dropped by airplane to sea survivors and piloted to safety via radio controls located in the plane. The 3500-pound craft can hold 15 men, and has a 10-day food supply, fuel for an 800-mile cruise, a machine for distilling fresh drinking water from sea water, and a communications system for boat-to-plane contact.

If the survivors are not physically capable of navigating the lifeboat, they can turn control over to the aircraft by throwing a master switch. A transmitter-receiver system developed by the Wright Air Development Center takes over all steering and engine control.

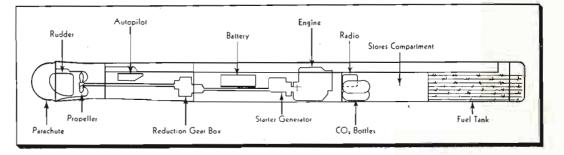
The system consists of an airborne transmitter operating at 73 Mc with five different modulating frequencies. The boat receiver picks up these signals and uses them to control various functions. A 955 CPS tone cranks the engine and jettisons the propeller and rudder guard; the 3000 CPS modulation shifts the gear into forward; 650 and 300 CPS tones steer the boat left and right respectively; and an emergency 1390 CPS tone bypasses the magnetic compass steering system if it is not operating properly.

A similar CO<sub>2</sub> inflated lifeboat, the (Continued on page 90)



Lifeboat equipped with Westinghouse control system is parachuted to "survivors" in test run. Using one carrier with five different modulation frequencies, transmitter in airplane will direct boat

Douglas' A-4 radio controlled lifeboat forms 21 ft. cylinder of 21 in. diameter. When waterborne, rubberized nylon flotation cells within the hull automatically expand to 5.75 ft. width



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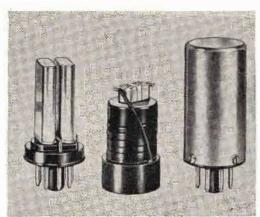
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# New Equipment and Components

#### Crystal Oven

A new miniature crystal temperature control oven (JKO-2T) provides temperature stabilization for crystal units normally in



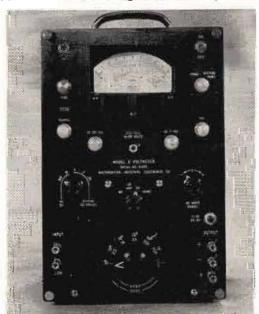
the frequency range of 16 to 200 KC. It provides a stable temperature of 75°C.±2° for one or two James Knights type H-17T (military type HC-13/U) crystal units in ambients from -55° to ±70° C. Standard octal base is used. Overall width is 1.28 in. Height, less pins, is 2.41 in. Heater is rated at 6.3c. av or dc at approximately 1.40 amps. Power consumed at ±25°C. is 3.3 watts; at -55°C., it is 6.8 watts. The JKOT-2 oven is electrically interchangeable with the JKO-2 oven, the two types providing temperature stabilization over the entire range of frequencies available in miniature, hermetically-sealed, military type crystal holders.—The James Knights Co., Sandwich, III.—TELE-TECH.

#### **Soldering Unit**

Suitable for soldering connections of radio parts, the Soldering Unit Model K-72 has an adjustable heat control which allows the carbon electrode to heat up to 1500°F instantly. The power unit is enclosed in a 4 x 5 x 6 in case and weighs 10 lbs. with 7 in handle. Cost is \$36.45.—Sunrise Products Co., P.O. Box 173, Hawthorne, N. J.—TELE-TECH.

#### Voltmeter-Amplifier

Model R voltmeter is primarily intended for measuring dc potentials from 1 v. to 1000 v. full scale in seven ranges with an accuracy better than 1%. Wirewound resistor input is 10 meg. Instrument also measures 1 to 1000 mv in seven ranges with input grid current less than 5 x 10-10 amps; ac voltage range covered is same as dc, with 3% accuracy and 10 to 100,000 CPS frequency response. Seven ohmeter ranges cover from zero to infinity within 2% accuracy. Distended ohms and dc voltage scales permits reading small values on standard scale with greater accuracy with-



out further adjustment. Built-in dc amplifier can drive 1 ma recorder, has gain of 200, frequency range 0-100 KC, and 50 v. peak output. Self-contained standard cell and regulated power supply are included in the 34 lb. unit. Dimensions are 13.75 x 10.25 x 9 in., and power requirements are 105-120 v. at 60 CPS, 80 watts. Price is \$620.00 FOB Houston.—Southwestern Industrial Electronics Co., 2831 Post Oak Rd., P.O. Box 13058, Houston 19, Texas.—TELE-TECH.

#### R-F Coaxial Switch

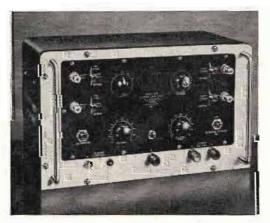
Model 10565 coaxial switch is actuated by a 24-28 v. dc rotary solenoid and meets rigid military performance specifications. At fre-



quencies to 11,000 MC it has a maximum vswr of 1.5 db and less than 0.2 db insertion loss. At 3,000 MC, cross-talk is in excess of 55 db. Power handling capabilities are 100 watts continuous cw at 3,000 MC. Actuation time is less than 0.5 sec. with a minimum life of 10,000 cps. Weight is 1.6 lbs. Catalog available upon request.—Thompson Products, Inc., 2196 Clarkwood Road, Cleveland 3, Ohio—TELE-TECH.

#### DC Preamplifier

The Cossor model 1430 is a directly coupled pre-amplifier of high stability which has been designed for use with a further amplifier or with a recording device. It covers a frequency range from dc to 30 KC; response being 15% down at 30 KC. The instrument may be used to amplify either balanced or unbalanced input signals, and will provide a balanced or unbalanced output as required from either kind of input



signal. Amplifier balance and the setting up of the recording device can be checked without disconnecting the signal input or output leads. A I my calibration signal can be switched to the preamplifier input terminals for the ac or dc calibration of the combination of preamplifier and recorder. The circuit consists of two stages of balanced amplification with a high impedance cathode-follower input and low impedance cathode-follower output. Direct coupling is used throughout. Maximum gain is 50, but two intermediate gains of 5 and 15 may be selected by means of a gain switch which is mounted on the front panel. Power is supplied by a standard 120 v H.T. battery and three 2-volt cells.—Beam Instruments Corp., 350 Fifth Ave., New York 1, N. Y.—TELE-TECH.

#### Tape Recorder for **Telemetering Applications**

Reproduction of 100 to 100,000 CPS with very low flutter and wow and less than 0.1% peak-to-peak limit is accomplished by



the Ampex model 500. Fabricated to conform to JAN specifications, provisions are made to record four individual data tracks. A signal-to-noise ratio is attained that is well over 40 db below 1% harmonic distortion when measured in 15% band widths. A new drive system eliminates any effect of tape backing and other usual causes of speed variation. No complicated auxiliary equipment for compensation is required as the model 500 introduces negligible error in the final data in the most stringent systems. The Ampex Speed-Lock unit included in this equipment eliminates any dc error by automatically adjusting the speed of the recorder during playback. Thus recorded frequencies are played back as originally recorded, regardless of tape dimensional changes, power line frequency variations or slippage of the tape. The tape is rigidly held to a capstan by vacuum, providing extremely reliable tape motion without introducing any flutter or wow by pressure rollers or slippage. Since both the record and playback heads contact the tape at the capstan, tape scrape and vibration are reduced to a minimum. The capstan is coupled directly to a damped flywheel which is belt driven by a high speed hysteresis synchronous motor. The tape is fed to the capstan under constant tension to eliminate any effect of differences in diameter of the tape reel. Tape capacity is up to 5000 ft. on 14 in. reels providing a playing time of 16 minutes at 60 ips. or 32 minutes at 30 ips.—Ampex Electric Corp., Redwood City, Calif.—TELE-TECH.

#### Seat Speaker

Model 1X156 speaker system for aircraft and vehicular communications mounts on the

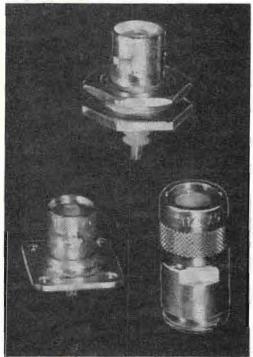


seat close to rear of head. Unit consists of universal matching transformer and two loudspeakers which provide constant volume with head movement. Price is \$29.50.—Mitchell Industries, Inc., P.O. Box 17, Mineral Wells, Texas.—TELE-TECH.

# for Designers and Manufacturers

### **Coaxial Connectors**

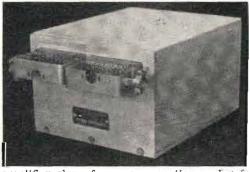
A new line of type C connectors features a quick connect-disconnect bayonet locking coupling. New electrical designs, with Teflon



insulators, produce a minimum vswr at frequencies up to 10,000 MC. Improved cable clamping and sealing furnish weatherproofing at temperature extremes. Plugs and jacks are available for all types of RG cables. Adapters to other types of connectors can be supplied.—Mendelsohn Speedgun Co., Inc., 457 Bloomfield Ave., Bloomfield, N. J.—TELE-TECH.

### Sampling Switch

A motor-driven sampling switch for zero drift correction of dc amplifier in analog computers makes possible the use of an ac



amplifier alone for zero correction and gain improvement of as many as 30 dc computing amplifiers. The unit has two poles, with 60 contacts per pole and the sampling rate is 3½ RPS. It has inter-contact resistance over 1,000 megohms. In tests, the switch has proved to have an extremely low noise level and a service life of several thousand hours. The same design and circuitry may be used for special sampling rates and contact configurations, as ordered.—Applied Science Corporation of Princeton, P.O. Box 44, Princeton, N. J.—TELE-TECH.

### Miniature Circuit Breaker

A new miniature circuit breaker provides overload and short circuit protection in communications equipment. Manufactured by El-



lenberger & Poensgen, Altdorf, Nurenberg (U.S. zone of Germany), it can prevent damage caused by failures in plate circuits when connected in the transformer primary. Separate auxiliary fuses in different circuits (plate and filament) are not required. Starting currents are handled without tripping. If the rated current of the device is properly selected, the risk of damage to the transformer due to short circuit or overload is eliminated. Rated voltages are up to 24 v. dc and 250 v. ac. Rated current is 0.15 to 2.0 amps. Opening time in case of short circuit in the plate circuit is 0.25 sec.—Radio Quality Supply Service, 3547 N. Wilton Ave., Chicago 13, III.—TELE-TECH

### Terminal Boards

A new line of terminal boards, designed by the Bureau of Ships of the USN, are made with 4, 12, 16, and 20 studs. The studs are made of special copper alloy having a high tensile strength and are securely molded into the plastic body. Slotted brass nuts made to navy specifications are supplied with the boards and come packed separately, unless otherwise ordered. Also supplied, when desired, are stud connectors for joining two opposite studs electrically. With the stud removed, the terminal board has twice the number of connection points indicated and is suitable for varied applications provided specified wire terminal is used.—Kulka Electric Mfg. Co., Inc., 633 South Fulton Ave., Mount Vernon, N. Y.—TELE-TECH.

### **Power Supply**

A new constant current supply provides a 10~ma output at 1.4~v. dc with a high degree of stability to well within the limitation of



± 1/10 of 1%. Units for other voltages and currents can be supplied on special order. Operating from a 115 v., 60 cps supply, this unit (model 50220) consists of a regulated input transformer, a 6x4 rectifier, a 5651 voltage reference, and a 6SN7 control tube. The special compensated feedback circuit allows a flat current characteristic over a wide input voltage range (80-140 v.).— Weston Electrical Instrument Corp., 617 Frelinghuysen Ave., Newark 5, N. J.—TELE-TECH.

### Microphone

Microphone

Ideal response for maximum clarity of speech, 100 to 4500 cps range, is claimed for the model 11M5 single button carbon microphone. Designed for convenient hand use, the 11M5 has a double-pole, single-throw switch, with relay and microphone circuits normally open (press-to-talk). It is adaptable easily to a wide variety of circuits and is recommended for a similarly broad variety of mobile transmitter applications and other hand mike uses. It will work into power output tubes without preamplifier stages, with use of step-up transformer. The carbon element is moisture- and fungus-proofed, to meet exacting military specifications. The switch control button is positioned for ease of thumb operation. A hang-up bracket, for holding the mike on wall, panel or dash, is standard equipment and has anti-rattle prongs which slip on or off a button on the back of the mike. Also standard is the four-conductor, self-colling cable with oil-resistant Neoprene rubber cover. It has a retracted length of 12 in., extended length of 5 ft. The conductors are color-coded, free ends stripped and tinned. A coiled spring cable protector is mounted at the microphone. The housing is die-cast, finished in grey Hammerlin.—Astatic Corp., Conneaut, Ohio.—TELE-TECH.

### Servo Stabilizer

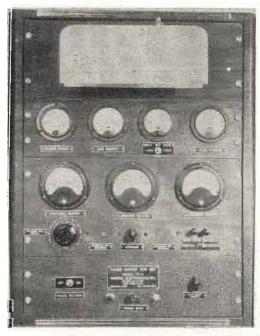
The Kay-Lab Twin-T Servo Stabilizer is a plug-in amplifier incorporating a stable and accurately balanced twin-T filter. It is not



critical to source impedance, load impedance or supply voltage. With the damping control set at zero, the only effect on a servo system is the introduction of a fixed insertion loss of 43 db. The model 104A Kay-Lab preamplifier (plug-in) may be used to offset this loss. Any desired amount of derivative voltage may be introduced by means of the potentiometer to give the proper amount of damping to suppress hunting. Center frequency tolerance is 0.3%, minimum is 50 db.—Kalbfell Laboratories, Inc., P.O. Box 1578, San Diego 10, Calif.—TELE-TECH.

### Power Output Test Set

Designed to measure the useful r-f power output of any vacuum tube oscillator, model TS-4 test set has a self-contained calibration



circuit and an interchangeable oscillator panel. There is provision for use of an external r-f bridge and the oscillator may be mounted in front of the panel or completely enclosed in the cabinet. Variable filament and regulated plate supplies are included.—General Electrosonics, Inc., 32 W. 22nd St., New York 10, N. Y.—TELE-TECH.



Ex-President Hoover addressing the Waldorf dinner to Dr. Lee deForest, April 8

### Industry Honors Dr. deForest

Unparalleled Turnout of Radio-TV Leaders and Notables Marks 45th Anniversary of Audion

Filling the Waldorf's great Starlight ballroom to overflowing, a huge audience of radio executives and engineers on April 8 heard ex-President Herbert Hoover and ex-Governor Charles Edison of New Jersey (son of Thomas A. Edison) pay eloquent tribute to Dr. Lee deForest, on the 50th anniversary of his entry into wireless and the 45th anniversary of his invention of the three-element electron tube, the audion, which underlies all present radio, TV, sound pictures, long-distance communications, and electronics.

Admiral Ellery W. Stone, president of American Cable & Radio, served as toastmaster, and Charles A. Rice, vice-president of United Electronics Co., headed the committee on arrangements. Seated at the long speakers' table, here shown with ex-President Hoover at the center rostrum, were the following, from left to right:

Earl I. Sponable, Past President, Society of Motion Picture and Television Engineers; John R. Binns, President, Hazeltine Corporation; Harold E. Fellows, President, National Association of Radio and Television Broad-casters; Dr. Alfred N. Goldsmith, Editor, Institute of Radio Engineers; Dr. Allen B. DuMont, President, Allen B. DuMont Laboratories, Inc.; Dr. Haraden Pratt, Telecommunications Advisor to the President of the United States; Walter P. Marshall, President, The Western Union Telegraph Company; Thomas Watson, Sr.; Chairman, International Business Machines Corporation; Dr. Mervin J. Kelly, President, Bell Telephone Laboratories, Inc.; Brigadier General David Sarnoff, Chairman, Radio Corporation of America; Hon. Charles Edison, Former Governor of New Jersey; Dr. Lee de Forest.

New Jersey; Dr. Lee de Forest.

Rear Admiral Ellery W. Stone, Toastmaster, President, American Cable & Radio Corporation; Hon. Herbert Hoover, Former President of the United States; Irving S. Olds, Chairman of the Board, United States Steel Corporation; Admiral W. F. Halsey, Vice-President, International Telephone and Telegraph Corporation; Rear Admiral John R. Redman, USN, Director, Communications-Electronics, Joint Chiefs of Staff; Dr. W. R. G. Baker, Vice President, General Electric Company; George H. Bucher, Director, Westinghouse Electric Corporation; Max F. Balcom, Chairman, Sylvania Electric Products Inc.; Robert C. Sprague, Chairman, Radio-Television Manufacturers Association; Elmo N. Pickerill, President, The De Forest Pioneers; C. S. Purnell, Vice President, American Institute of Electrical Engineers; William Dubilier, Vice President, Cornell-Dubilier Electric Corporation; George Bailey, President, The American Radio Relay League.

Unveiling the bronze bust of Dr. deForest, which was presented to Yale, from which the inventor was graduated in 1896. From left to right, Toastmaster Ellery W. Stone; Catherine Allaben, grand-daughter of Dr. deForest; Dr. deForest; and Ex-Governor Charles Edison of New Jersey, son of Thomas A. Edison



### **Coming Events**

May 4-8—Electrochemical Society, 50th Anniversary Meeting, Benjamin Franklin Hotel, Philadelphia, Pa.

May 5-16—British Industries Fair, Earls Court and Olympia, London, England.

May 5-7—IRE-AIEE-RTMA Symposium on Progress in Quality Electronic Components, Dept. of Interior Auditorium, Washington, D. C.

May 8-10—ASA, Semi-Annual Meeting, Hotel Statler, New York City.

May 10—New England Radio Engineering Meeting, Sponsored by the North Atlantic Region of the IRE, Copley (Sheraton) Plaza, Boston, Mass.

May 12-14—IRE National Conference on Airborne Electronics, Dayton-Biltmore Hotel, Dayton, Ohio.

May 16-17 Southwestern IRE Conference and Radio Engineering Show, Rice Hotel, Houston, Tex.

May 19-22—1952 Radio Parts and Electronic Equipment Show, Conrad Hilton Hotel, Chicago, Ill.

May 22-23—Symposium on Electronics and Machines, Sponsored by the Professional Group on Industrial Electronics of the IRE, Palmer House, Chicago, Ill.

May 23-24—Audio Fair in Chicago, Conrad Hilton Hotel, Chicago, Ill.

June 23-27—AIEE Summer Meeting, Hotel Nicolet, Minneapolis, Minn.

August 19-22—1952 APCO Conference, Hotel Whitcomb, San Francisco, Calif. August 27-29—Western Electronic Show

& Convention, WCEMA and IRE, Long Beach, Calif.

September 8-12—ISA, 7th National Instrument Conference and Exhibition, Cleveland Auditorium, Cleveland, Ohio.

September 22-25—NEDA, 3rd National Convention, Ambassador Hotel, Atlantic City, N. J.

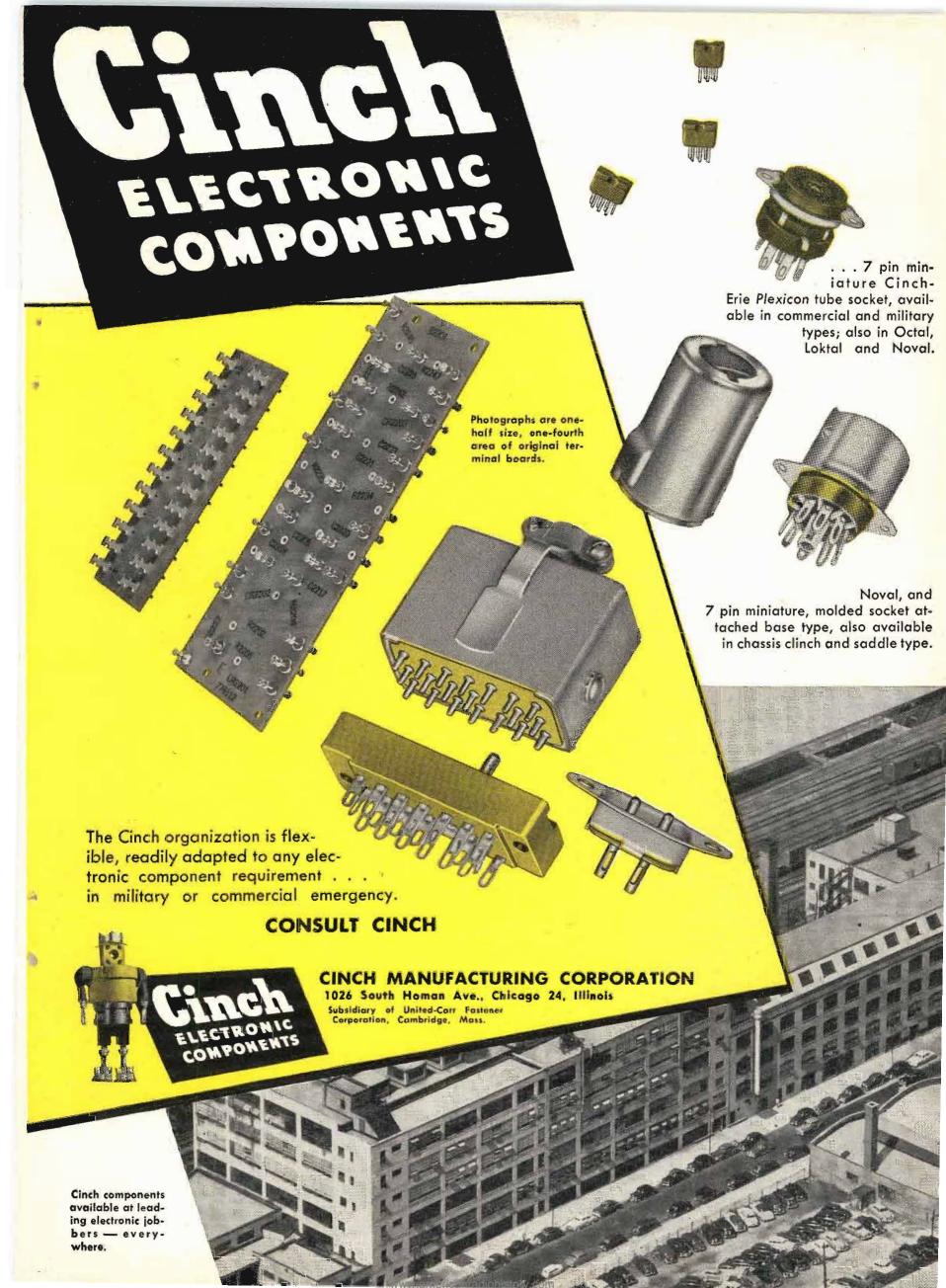
September 29-October 1—Eighth National Electronics Conference and Exhibition, Sherman Hotel, Chicago, Ill.

October 21-23—1952 RTMA-IRE Fall Meeting, Syracuse, N. Y.

AIEE: Amer. Institute of Elec. Engineers.
APCO: Associated Police Communication
Officers.

ASA: Acoustical Society of America
IRE: Institute of Radio Engineers
ISA: Instrument Society of America
NARTB: Nat'l. Assoc. of Radio & Television
Broadcasters.

Broadcasters.
NEDA: Nat'l. Electronic Distr. Assoc.
NEMA: Nat'l. Electrical Mfrs. Assoc.
RTMA: Radio-Television Mfrs. Assn.
WCEMA: West Coast Electronic Mfrs. Assn.





# WASHINGTON

### News Letter

Latest Radio and Communications News Developments Summarized by TELE-TECH's Washington Bureau

TOO LONG DELAY—The television freeze has at long last been lifted. But the FCC can not claim much credit for this action, because the more than three and a half years' delay in its thaw has set back the progress of television—universally admitted to be the most important medium of communication to the public in the world—most substantially in the United States. Spearheaded by its former Chairman Wayne Coy, the FCC had continued the freeze for these long years, because of its protracted controversial inquiry into color television. That was the major cause for the delay in the freeze thawing.

COMPLAINT FLOOD—The public in the areas without TV service, or with only one or two video stations, particularly through their Senators and Congressmen, have virtually inundated the FCC with complaints and censure about the long-delayed freeze lifting. There will be more to come, as the television-hungry populations of cities and larger towns without any or adequate TV service realize there will be only a handful—a score or so-of new television stations authorized during the remainder of this year. In dollars and cents, the delay has been, and is, most costly to the manufacturing industry. With production of TV and broadcasting sets and equipment now at about 50% of last year, the industry has been able to maintain itself on an even keel only through its procurement contracts from the military services.

SLOW ACTION NECESSARY—FCC Chairman Paul A. Walker who has made the TV task practically a daily assignment for consideration by the Commission since he took the FCC helm warned that television "will not gallop into its new frontier" but will proceed "at a snail's pace" with the lifting of the freeze. Hearings will be necessary for a great many of the thousand or more new station applications, Chairman Walker has cited, and with the inadequate funds and staff of the FCC confronted with the biggest workload in its history the proceedings will be lengthy and the authorizations will necessarily have to come slowly. But the FCC Chairman promised that the Commission and its staff would do everything possible to establish a firm and stable foundation for television.

BRIGHTER OUTLOOK—With the authoritative forecast by National Production Authority Administrator Henry H. Fowler before the National Association of Radio and Television Broadcasters at their Chicago con-

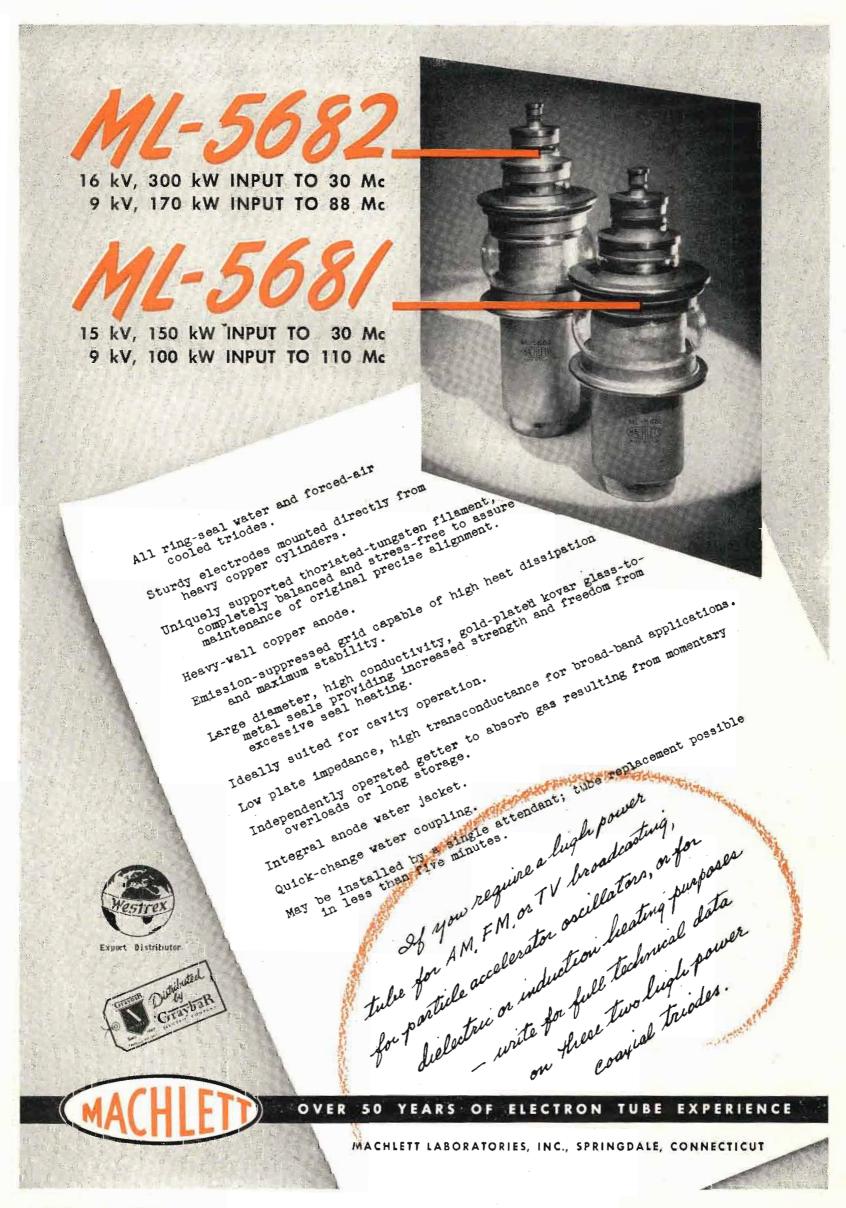
vention that the nation is well on the road toward overcoming the scarcities of metals like steel, copper, aluminum and other materials needed by the radio-television manufacturing industry, the raw materials problem after the FCC "green light" on new television stations with the increased demand for receivers is certain to be materially alleviated in 1953. In fact, barring a drastic change in the present materials situation, the Defense Production Administration and the NPA in their recent actions and in their third quarter allocations to the radiotelevision industry have indicated that all radio-TV station construction will be authorized some time after July 1 with assurance of materials by fall to complete any projects sought by broadcasters. By next year, if the present materials outlook at our press deadline continues, the Controlled Materials Plan will be largely eliminated except for some controls on materials such as copper and nickel.

AIR SAFETY PROGRESS-Much work lies ahead before a completely finished air navigation and radar control system is actually in existence, Civil Aeronautics Administrator Charles F. Horne stressed recently before the Radio Technical Commission for Aeronautics. Today's "very limited radar setup," the CAA chieftain pointed out, is "the forerunner of a more systematic network of tomorrow." Much has been done to improve the air navigation facilities in the airports, it was stressed to the RTCA. The development of air traffic control in the United States has already gone far enough to insure that, from almost any position in the air in the U. S., a plane reasonably equipped with communications and electronics apparatus should have little difficulty in maintaining continuous communications and navigation control with ground stations which should aid materially in the safety of flight.

ANTENNA TOWERS— Aviation industry and government agencies in that field have been critical of the heights of TV antenna towers even though the CAA rules require that airplanes fly not less than 1000 feet above the towers. All broadcast antenna towers above 500 feet have to be approved by the regional airspace committee of the city or town in which the broadcast or TV station is located. Broadcasters and telecasters in general feel that the fears about antenna towers as hazardous to flying are largely groundless.

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### 4th Southwestern **IRE** Conference

Reflecting the rapid rise of the Gulf Coast area of Texas as an important trade and manufacturing center, the 4th Southwestern IRE Conference and Radio Engineering Show will be held at the Rice Hotel in Houston on May 16-17, 1952. Some 50 exhibitors will display their wares, including an appreciable number of manufacturers who have never before directly exhibited in this regional Conference. In addition to a keynote address by Dr. Donald B. Sinclair, President of the Institute of Radio Engineers, the meeting will feature technical sessions covering instruments and geo-physics, communication and navigation, components, broadcast and TV, and microwaves. Following is a list of the technical papers program.

### FRIDAY, MAY 16, 1952

Keynote address—Dr. Donald B. Sinclair Student Papers

### Session A-Instruments & Geophysics

"A Continuously Recording Dielectric Meter"—J. Feagin, Humble Oil & Refining Corp.

"An Instrument for measuring Specific Gravity by Radioactive Methods"—(Speaker to be announced) Instruments, Inc.

"D C Amplifier Developments"—(Speaker to be announced) Leeds & Northrup Corp. "Nuclear Instruments in the Petroleum Industry" M. C. Burns, Berkeley Scientific

"An Electric Fourier Analyzer"—F. J. Mc-Donal, Magnolia Petroleum Corp.
(Title to be announced), G. Herzog, The Texas Co.

### Session B—Communication & Navigation

"An Integrated Flight System"—E. Hamilton, Collins Radio

"Mobile Radio Problems Brought About by New Techniques"—E. White, FCC "Mobile Communications"—G. O. Griffith,

"Monitoring as a Public Service"—W. R. Foley, FCC

"An Audio Circuit with Splatter Suppression"—J. Reinartz, Eitel-McCullough, Inc.

### **SATURDAY, MAY 17, 1952**

### Session A-Components

'Transistors''-J. Campbell, Jr., Bell Telephone Labs.

"Transistors"—J. S. Saby, GE

"Magnets"—J. Ireland, Thomas & Skinner Steel Co.

"High Temperature and Metallized Paper Condensers"—O'Donnell, Tobe-Deutschmann,

(Audio Papers to be Announced)

### Session B-Broadcast & TV

(Speaker and title to be announced)—General Precision Lab.

"Tall Towers for TV"—A. E. Cullem, Consulting Engineer

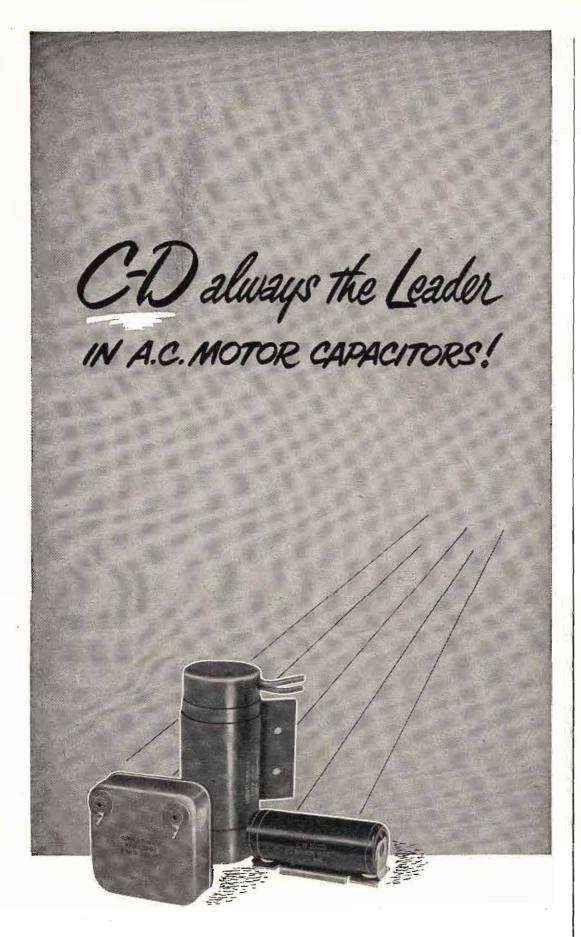
"Mechanical and Electrical Design Considerations in Speech Input Systems of the Highest Fidelity"—N. L. Jochem, Gates Ra-

A symposium in Microwave Communication—Col. S. Wolff, Federal Telephone & Radio Corp.

"The Microwave Relay Communications System General Technical Philosophy and Specific Engineering Solution"—H. Magnuski, Motorola, Inc.

"The Philosophy of Design and Operational Experience"—R. S. Dahlberg, Philos Corp.
"A Combined Microwave Communications and Control System for a Large Public Utility"—D. B. McKey and B. F. Wheeler, RCA Victor E. W. Kenesafe, GE 8:00 P.M.—Banquet "TV Spectrum Allocations"—Comm. T. A. M. Craven.





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### Don Fink to Philco as Co-Director of Research

In furtherance of Philco's expanding activities in electronic research and development, Donald G. Fink will resign as editor of "Electronics" to join Philco Corporation on June 1st as Co-Director of Research—Operations, it was announced by William Balderston, president.

"The scope of Philco activities in radar, television and industrial electronics is constantly increasing," Mr. Balderston said, "and the appointment of Mr. Fink will further strengthen our research organization headed by Leslie J. Woods, Vice President—Research and Engineering, David B. Smith, Vice President—Research, and William E. Bradley, Co-Director of Research. Philco today has one of the largest research and engineering organizations in our industry, and with the assignments we have accepted from the Armed Forces as well as the plans we have for expansion in civilian fields, the addition of Mr. Fink will add greatly to our research department."

### DuMont Program for UHF Broadcasters

DuMont has announced a three-point program to get UHF broadcasters on the air as rapidly as possible when FCC authorizations are issued. Combining the action of the Transmitter Div., Receiver Div., and TV Network, the program calls for prompt filing of applications for uncontested UHF channels, ordering studio and transmitting equipment, and negotiating early for a network affiliation or program service. Concurrently, potential audience interest will be built up by making UHF converters and UHF-VHF receivers available, and by instituting an aggressive promotional campaign through public displays and advertising.

### ABC Opens New AM Centers

The American Broadcasting Co. has recently expanded its AM studio facilities by opening three radio centers in New York, Chicago and Los Angeles at a total cost of \$3,000,000. The new plants will centralize operations in three of ABC's five outlets, WJZ, WENR and KECA. New York's \$1,250,000 installation at 39 W. 66 St. includes 11 studios with spacious control rooms. Four of these studios are two stories high and have been designed to accommodate TV equipment with a minimum of renovation should it be desired to utilize these studios for telecasting.

In Los Angeles, the center at 1539 N. Vine St. has 12 studio and announcers' booths, including three audience studios which can seat an average of 321 persons. The six modern studios at 400 W. Madison St., Chicago, cost approximately \$500,000, and will be used in addition to the large ABC Civic Theatre.



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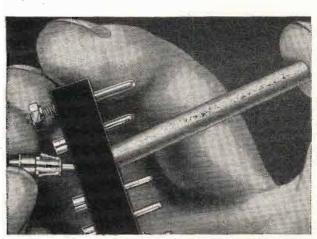
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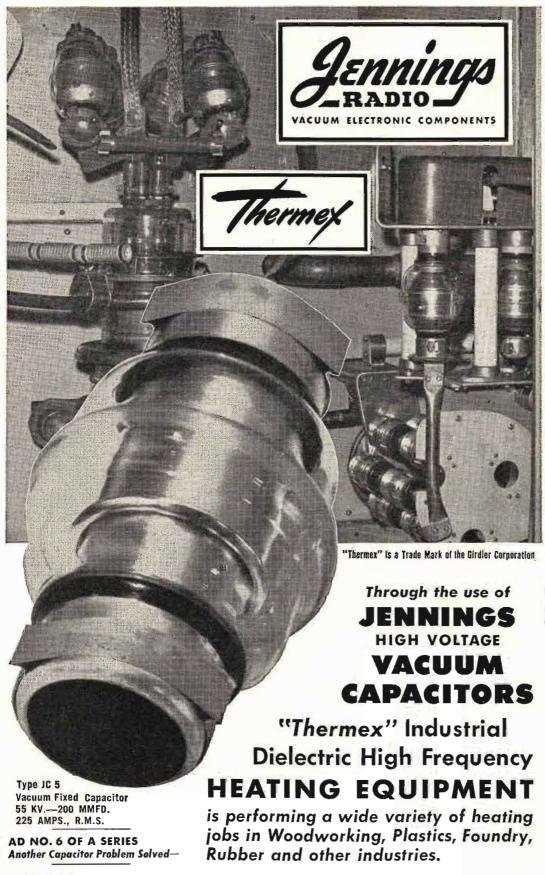


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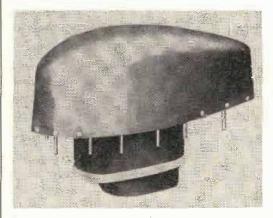
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### Aircraft Antennas

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100-1750 KC range. The hermetically sealed loop antenna comprises an iron core loop, center tapped and electrostatically shielded, a drive motor, and an autosyn transmitter.

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A terrain warning indicator antenna, a Hughes modified off-center fed dipole type HA-3C, is installed on the bottom centerline of TWA aircraft for transmitting and receiving 423 Mc signals. Aural and visual indication of proximity to terrain enables the pilot to maintain a safe preset altitude.

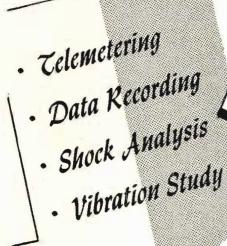
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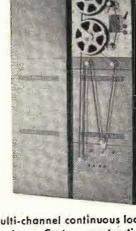
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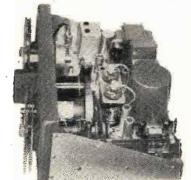
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### Ferrite Materials

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- (3) The corners of the hysteresis curve should be sharp.
- (4) The coercive force should be low.
- (5) Saturation flux density should be high.

Magnetic materials having these properties have found particular applications in computer and mag-

netic memory systems.

In general, the function of square loop cores in such a system operates as follows: The core material is magnetized and then excitation removed so that the magnetic state of the core is at retentivity  $(B_r)$  or at remanance. If a current pulse of short duration and suitable polarity is then applied which is large enough to drive the material in the opposite direction, a voltage output

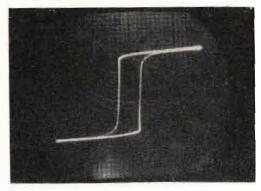
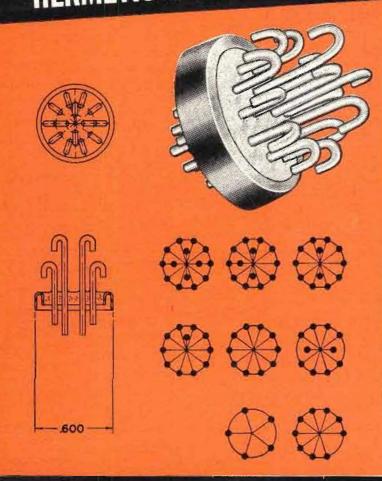


Fig. 11: Developmental ferrite (MF-1147) 60 CPS square hysteresis loop. Static properties:  $B_s$  = 1500;  $B_r/B_s$ =0.87;  $H_c$ =1.51;  $\mu_{max}$ =700;  $\mu_o$  = 1200

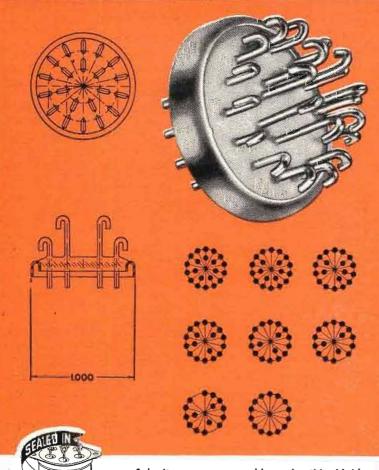
on a separate winding can be taken off due to the change of flux in the core. By arranging a set of these magnetic cores in some kind of array, basic mathematical operations can be performed. Certain magnetic metals can be used if very thinly laminated, but the eddy current losses and shielding effects make the response time of these materials relatively slow. On the other hand, the square loop ferrites with their high resistivities have shortened the response time of magnetic memory systems by a ratio of about 40 to 1, thus allowing the systems to be operated at much higher speeds.

The square loop ferrite which has been evaluated with respect to response time is called MF-666. It has a switching time of about 0.5 µ sec, and is similar in magnetic properties to MF-805 which is shown in Fig. 10, The three ferrites on this figure and the one on the preceding figure (MF-1118) have not been evaluated for response time. They represent four of the most promising compositions made in the laboratory and are

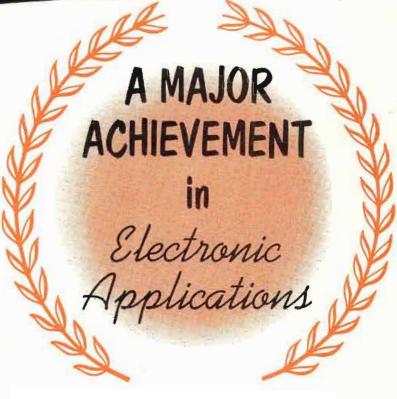
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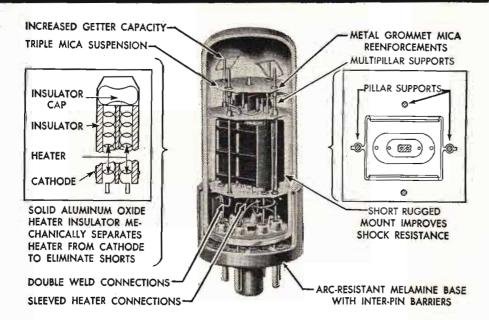
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not to be considered as the end of this developmental effort. Further work is being done to improve these types of ferrites in all respects.

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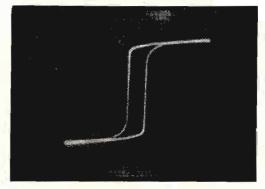


Fig. 12: Developmental ferrite (MF-1128) 60 CPS square hysteresis loop. Static properties:  $B_s=3000;~B_r/B_s=0.82;~H_c=1.21;~\mu_{\rm max}~1200;~\mu_o=185$ 

unknown or uninvestigated properties of these ferrites open unexplored fields for the various Ferramics or new ferrite materials as they are developed.

### **Polarization Switch**

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Referring to Fig. 11, we have the feed section, phasing section and radiating section. The phasing section is oriented 45° with respect to the feed section and the radiating section is oriented 45° with respect to the phasing section.

The output of the feed section shown in (1) is given in Eq. (1).

At the input (2) of the phasing section, this reference vector is resolved into two orthogonal components, "a" and "b," normal to the waveguide walls, and are represented by Eq. (2).

At the output (3) of the phasing section, a relative phase,  $\phi$ , exists between component "b" and component "a." These components are now designated as  $a_1$  and  $b_1$ , and are expressed by Eq. (3).

At the input (4) of the radiating section, the components  $a_1$  and  $b_1$  are further resolved into orthogonal components  $a_1'$ ,  $a_1''$ ,  $b_1'$ ,  $b_1''$ , normal to the walls of the radiating section. These components are expressed by Eq. (4). This can be simplified to Eq. (4').

At the output (5) of the radiating (Continued on page 86)

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section, a relative phase,  $\theta$ , exists between the components  $a_1$ " and  $a_1$ ' and also between the components  $b_1$ " and  $b_1$ '. These components are now designated as  $a_2$ ",  $a_2$ ',  $b_2$ ", and  $b_2$ ' and are expressed by Eq. (5).

The vectors  $a_2$ ' and  $b_2$ ' can be combined into one vector c', while the vectors  $a_2$ " and  $b_2$ " can be combined into another vector c". Then the resultant vector, c = c' - jc", gives the simplified expression of Eq. (5').

In studying Eq. (5') we observe the following:

A. For  $\phi = 0$ ,  $c = \cos \omega t$  for all values of  $\theta$ . Hence, we have vertical polarization for all lengths of the radiating section.

B. For  $\phi = 180^{\circ}$  c = j cos  $\omega t$  for all values of  $\theta$ . Hence, we have horizontal polarization for all lengths of the radiating section.

C. For  $\phi = 90^{\circ}$  and  $\theta = 0^{\circ}$ ,  $180^{\circ}$ ,  $360^{\circ}$ , etc., we have circular polarization.

Therefore in order to obtain all three polarizations by having a fixed radiating section, its length must be such that the relative phase between emerging  $TE_{01}$  and  $TE_{10}$  components must be  $n\pi$ , where n is any integer including zero. Fig. 12 shows experimental data which modifies the theory and substantiates the conclusions.

D. An extremely interesting case occurs when the length of the radiating section is such that the relative phase between the emerging  $TE_{01}$  and  $TE_{10}$  components is  $\frac{n\pi}{2}$ . Linear polarization results for all angles of  $\phi$ . The inclination or orientation of the linearly polarized field is  $\phi/2$ . Fig. 13 shows polarization patterns for various angles of  $\phi$  which also verify the theory and substantiate the conclusions.

E. All other combinations of  $\phi$  and  $\theta$  give elliptical polarization.



Fig. 14: Polarization switch and universal horn used to obtain data for Figs. 12 and 13

The polarization switch and universal horn used to obtain the data for Figs. 12 and 13 is shown in Fig. 14.

In conclusion, it has been shown that the universal horn described in conjunction with the polarization switch described can radiate energy which runs the gamut of elliptical polarizations.

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### General Session

"System for the Measurement of Transmission Loss in Radio Propagation at Frequencies between 92 and 1047 MC"—C. R. Chambers, Central Radio Propagation Lab. "Output Errors in Complex Devices Due to Component Inaccuracies"—R. S. Raven, Westinghouse El. Co. "A New UHF Television Transmitter Equipment Designed for Airborne Military Service"—W. F. Fell, RCA "Automatic Calling System"—WOJG, J. M. Mayer, Wright Air Dev. Center "Application of Statistics to Communication Systems"—H. M. Thaxton, Sylvania El. Prod. Inc.

### Magnetic Amplifiers

"A Magnetic Amplifier Frequency and Voltage Regulator for Aircraft Inverters"—C. B. Grady, W. L. Maxson Corp.
"Airborne Applications of Magnetic Amplifiers"—F. S. Malick, Westinghouse El. Corp.
"Application of Magnetic Amplifiers to Airborne Remote Positioning System"—D. B. Kleason, C. Johnson, Minn.-Honeywell Reg. Co.
"Servo Systems with Magnetic Amplifier Motor Control for Airborne Applications"—H. A. Helm, L. W. Stammerjohn, Bell Tel. Labs., Inc.
"Evaluation of Magnetic Core Materials for Electronic Applications"—S. R. Hoh, Wright Air Dev. Center

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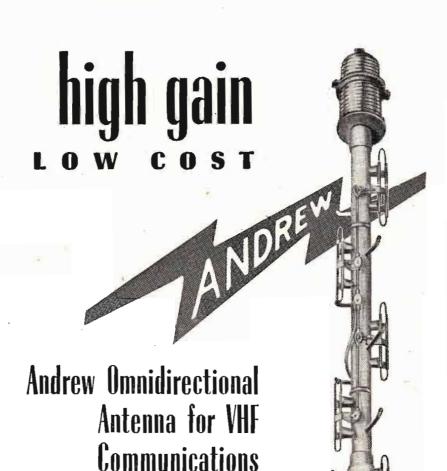
"Operational Practices, Facilities and Philosophy"—S. P. Saint, Air Transport Ass. of America
"Short Distance Navigation, Approach and Landing"—F. Brady, Air Transport Ass. of America
"Voice and Visual Ground to Air Communication, Radar Safety Beacons, Ground Base Aids to Long Distance Navigation"—V. Weihe, Air Transport Ass. of America

### Human Engineering

"A Dynamic Aircraft Simulator for Study of Human Frequencies Response Characteristics"—A. M. Pichitino, W. H. Deily, I. Glassman, Franklin Inst.
"The Spectral Destiny Approach to a Perceptual Motor Task"—E. S. Krendel, Franklin Inst.
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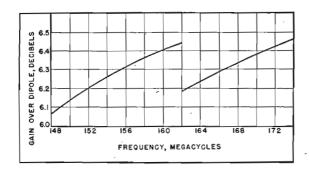
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"An Analysis of Ground-Air Communication from the Standpoint of Human Engineering"—R. H. Henneman, L. S. Reid, U. of Va.

### Vacuum Tubes

"New Ceramic Tubes for the VHF and UHF Frequencies"—R. P. Watson, R. E. Manfred, GE
"Shock and Vibration Considerations in the Design of Industrial Electron Tubes"—H. N. Price, GE
"The Production and Qualification Contractor Aspects of Premium Subminiature Tubes"—R. W. Slinkman, Sylvania El. Prod. Inc. "A Planar Triode Frequency Multiplier for UHF"—H. R. Holloway, Ol Saulborn, Sylvania Prod. Inc.

2:00-5:00 P.M.—Technical Sessions

### Circuits

"I.F. Amplifiers Employing Crystal Lattice Structures"—W. C. Vergara, Bendix Radio Corp. "A Modulated Error Servo"—R. E. King, "A Modulated Error Servo — R. E. RCA
"A 20 CPS Bandwidth, 27-Channel, Airborne
Navaglobe Receiver"—M. Dishal, Fed. Telecom. Lab., Inc.
"Subminiaturization of Servo Amplifiers"—
A. C. Smith, Minn.-Honeywell Reg. Co.

### Components & Techniques

"Unitized Packaging and Miniaturization Through Plastic Embedment"—D. G. Heitert, Emerson El. Mfg. Co. "Mechanical I. F. Filters"—M. L. Doelz, J. C. Hathaway, Collins Radio Co. "Coaxial Switches, Their Availability and Performance"—T. C. Noon, Thompson Prod., Inc. "Microphones for Use in High Ambient Noise"—W. A. Beaverson, Electrovoice, Inc. "Twin Gyro Rate Tables"—A. E. Hayes, A. Zalon, Minn.-Honeywell Reg. Co.

"Rotary Linear Microwave Phase Shifters"— Simpson, A. Sawelson, W. L. Maxson M. Simpson, A. Sawelson, W. L. Maxson Corp.

"A Modern Airborne Navigational Radar"—
F. G. Suffield, RCA

"Practical Notes on the Effect of Radomes on Airborne Microwave Antennas with Emphasis on the Boresight Problem"—M. H. Paiss, U. S. Naval Air Dev. Center "Radiation from an Open-ended Coaxial Line"—E. O. Hartig, Goodyear Air. Corp. "A Frequency Stabilized Microwave Signal Source"—R. C. Lee, Boeing Air. Co.

### Airborne Lifeboats

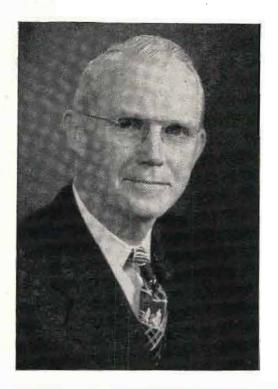
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A-4 has been developed by Douglas Aircraft to carry eight survivors for five days. This 19-foot, 1650-pound craft may be remotely radio controlled by a standard AN/ARC-3transmitter with a five-tone modulator unit manufactured by West Coast Electronics Co. of Los Angeles. The R438/ARW/26AY receiver on the boat, in conjunction with an autopilot steers the boat on a compass-set course.

The modulator circuit consists of a Wein-Bridge oscillator followed by two power amplifier tubes in parallel. A control switch changes RC elements in the oscillator to produce the various audio signals. A thermostatically controlled heater limits the temperature of these frequency determining elements.

The 100-156 Mc receiver, manufactured by Setchell-Carlson, Inc., New Brighton, Minn., has been widely (Continued on page 92)

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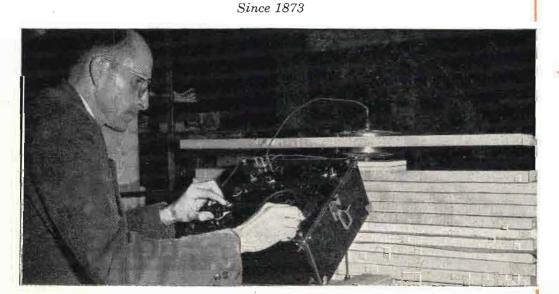
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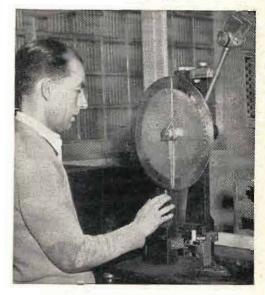
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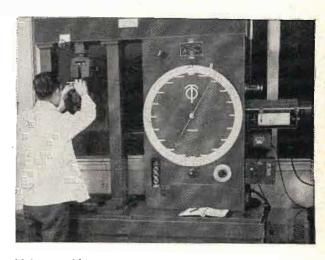
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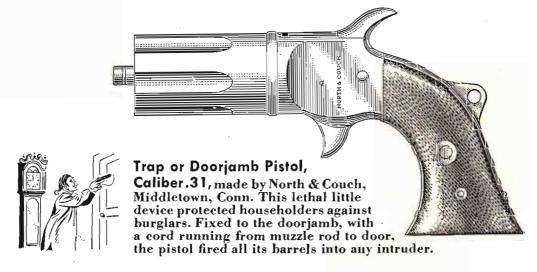
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used in controlling target drones. Reception of one of the modulated signals causes a relay to close a circuit to ground. Each one of five relays is therefore capable of controlling a particular steering or power operation.

The autopilot used to provide automatic steering is a miniature version of the "Iron Mike" used by fishing boats to relieve helmsmen. The device is produced by Metal



Push button controls enable weakened survivors to operate craft. Single master switch turns control over to aircraft radio operator

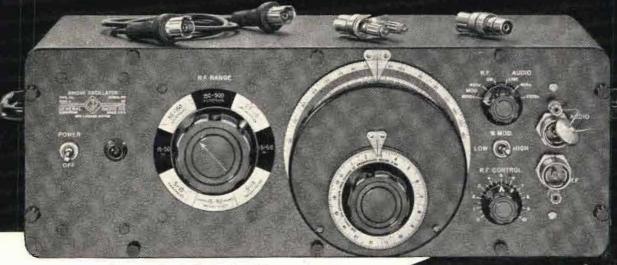
Marine Pilot, Tacoma, Wash. Essentially it consists of a compass sensing element which has its low voltage output amplified to actuate two relays controlling the direction of rotation of a compound wound reversing motor. This electric motor, through a reduction gear train, causes the rudder to move to the left or right. To cause movement of the compass sensing element, the compass bowl is rotated by a chain drive to the steering motor. This causes the steering motor to rotate in an opposite direction each time the compass is moved off course by rudder action.

### Kirk o' Shotts TV Transmitter

Scotland's first TV transmitter has recently been placed in operation at Kirk o' Shotts, midway between Glasgow and Edinburgh. Programs are received from London 400 miles away by coaxial cable and microwave relay, and fed to a 750 ft. high antenna which is 1600 ft. above sea level. Later in the year when the station will change from medium power to high power transmitters, the potential audience coverage will reach 4,000,000, thereby extending TV service to a total of nearly 80% of Great Britain's population.



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ADEQUATE OUTPUT — r.f. is 10 volts, open circuit; 1 watt into matching 50-ohm load — audio is 12 volts, open circuit, ¾ watt into matching 50-ohm load

Oscillator unit removed from cabinet. Oscillator section plugs into rest of instrument. Coiled cable (shown in storage position) permits operation and servicing of instrument while removed from cabinet.

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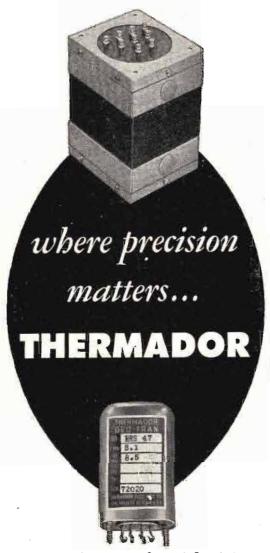
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### CUES for BROADCASTERS

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which was too much current to pass through a telephone line. So, it was suggested by the telephone company engineers that the dial impulsing device be used to operate quick acting Class "A" relay located at the transmitter, since it requires low current, which could be used to trip the heavy duty stepping relay RY-2.

Stepping relay RY-1, located at the studio, is operated directly from the impulsing device, as its current does not flow through the leased lines which are used to control the relays at the transmitter. This impulsing device must, however, simultaneously control RY-1 and RY-2. Relay 2 is therefore controlled by RY-3, which is a low current relay, requiring only 10 v. dc for its operation at 12 ma. Since the pulsing relays RY-3 and RY-4 require only 10 v. dc and the stepping relays RY-1 and RY-2 require 48 v. dc. One dc source is needed at the studio. This can be any suitable selenium rectifier which will give the desired 50 v. and current requirements. The 50-v. source is keyed by the impulser, so that any number of pulses, depending upon number, dialed up to 10, are available. Each pulse will cause the stepping relays to step up accordingly so that if the number three is dialed, three pulses are developed which cause RY-1 to step-up three places and at the same time the quick acting pulsing relay RY-3 will be tripped three times, causing stepping relay RY-2 to step up three places. Relay RY-1 will now cause pilot light number four, which is marked line three "ON" to glow indicating that line three is ready for broadcasting.

Since Relays 3 and 4 operate from 10 v. and the available dc voltage from the rectifiers at the studio is 50 v., (the voltage needed for RY-1,) a 3333 ohm resistance is needed.

Part of this resistance consists of the dc resistance of the leased telephone line between the studio and transmitter, the balance is taken care of by the rheostats R-1 and R-2. These rheostats are adjusted so that RY-3 and RY-4 latch in on pulses.

The dial impulser is capable of sending 10 pps or one pulse every .1 sec. The pulsing relays RY-3 and RY-4 require 002 sec. to operate and .025 sec. to release or a total operating cycle of .027 sec.

Mounted on the studio panel are the dial phone impulse sender, a "Home" or "Reset" push button and eleven panel lights. The first light is

green and should be marked "Off." The remaining ten lights are red and should be marked 1, 2, 3, etc., or marked "Network," "Boston," "Dover," etc.

### Reset Button

The reset push button is used to reset relays RY-1 and RY-2 to their off-normal positions. This is accomplished by an additional magnet located on each stepping relay, which when energized releases its detent holding ratchet wheel. In this position there is located a set of "offnormal" springs which automatically

opens release voltage.

Every time a new line is selected, the reset button must first be depressed so that the stepping relays will reset to their off positions; otherwise, dialing the number (2) with the purpose of setting up line (2) when the relay already is in its third position, would cause both stepping relays to move up two additional positions, bringing them to rest on their fifth positions.

A program to originate from "Line 3" or "Network," and the operating cycle is as follows:

a) Dial the number three on dial impulsing device. This will cause three pulses to be transmitted to relays one and three. Relay one will immediately step up to its number three position and the red light marked "Line 3" will glow. At the same time, Relay 3 will latch in three times, causing Relay 2 to step up to its third position. This will cause red light marked "Line 3" to glow at the transmitter end and at the same time line three is fed to its input of the booster amplifier which feeds the boosted output to the studio.

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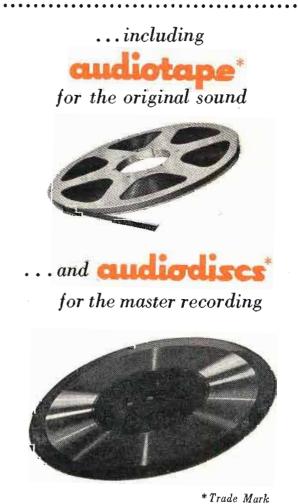
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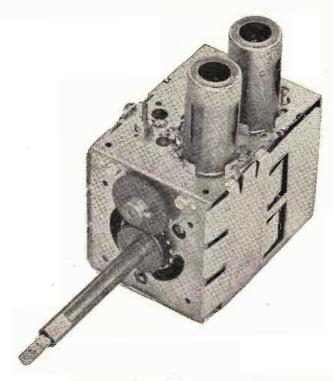
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### WABD Transmitter

(Continued from page 55) would eliminate all electronic circuits prior to the transmitter.

The transmitters are the new DuMont 5 kw aircooled Oak series. These units occupy five cabinets on the north side of the room and have all operating controls duplicated at the operator's console. Briefly the transmitters are designed as follows: the crystal controlled visual exciter feeds a pair of 4X150A tetrodes which are grid modulated with video by a pair of 4E27A tetrodes in parallel. This signal is amplified by a pair of 4X500A tetrodes in push-pull to approximately 800 watts maximum and feeds a final pair of 3X2500A3 triodes in push-pull to boost the power output to a full 5 kw. The aural transmitter, being FM, is modulated in the exciter; the driver stages also multiply the crystal frequency to carrier frequency and feed a pair of 4X500A tetrodes which supply 250 watts into the final power amplifier, a pair of 3X2500A3s built similarly to the visual final stage for economy of spares and maintenance. Provisions have been made for adding another power amplifier to boost the visual transmitter erp to 100 kw, and the aural to 50 kw erp (effective radiated power, the figure obtained by multiplying the gain of the antenna system times the transmitter output, less losses sustained between the transmitter and antenna terminals).

For simplified routine maintenance, a video wobbulator which generates an FM signal and bandpass indicator were made an integral part of the DuMont transmitter. The center frequency is made coincident with the stage of the transmitter to be checked and is frequency modulated to swing 10 MC at a 60 cycle rate. The bandpass indicator is essentially an FM receiver and oscillograph. The horizontal base line of the oscilloscope is developed at the 60 cycle modulation rate so that it may be calibrated in MC to synchronize with the wobbulator. The vertical deflection plates are energized by the FM receiver signal. The width and height of the pulse seen on the oscillograph face will be a direct function of the bandwidth and amplification characteristics of the unit or stage under test. See Fig. 5. The lower sideband attenuation for vestigial sideband transmission, required by the FCC for TV transmitters, is obtained by stagger tuning and a final filter in the Oak transmitter.

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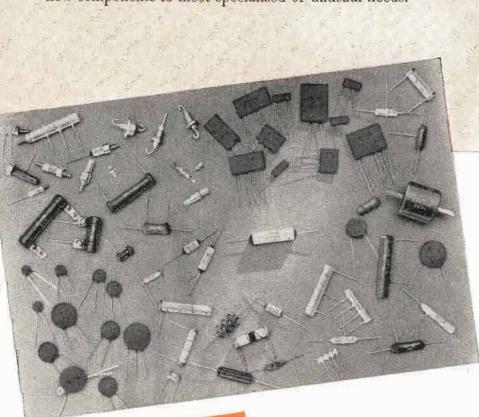
<sup>\*</sup> Except channels 2-3 and 4 of 41 mc. tuners.

<sup>\*</sup> In the UHF position, the tuner is changed to an amplifier for the UHF I.F. Power is applied to the UHF tuner which may be either a FULL-RANGE CONTINUOUS TUNER or a single channel UHF tuner. In either case, a separate UHF antenna input is provided.

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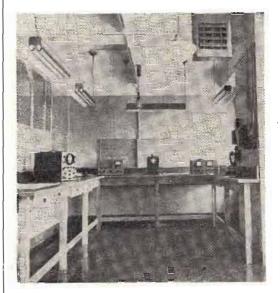


Fig. 8: Maintenance shop contains tube checker, wobbulator, signal generator and small tools

r-f stages, modulation and deviation measurements, and ac line voltage measurements. The design allows space on the console for the addition of switches or pilot lights as may be desirable in individual installations. To provide a more concentrated control center for the operators at the Empire State installation, switches for selecting either of two transmitter input stabilizing amplifiers, and either of two microwave receivers, are mounted on the console.

### Antenna & Transmission Line

The antenna is the supergain type, consisting of sections of dipoles and reflectors stacked one above the other with radiators spaced slightly less than 1/2 wavelength apart. Here, each section is made up of four units, one facing in each direction, north, south, east, and west. One unit is formed by one dipole mounted 1/4 wavelength in front of a screen. Five of these sections are stacked to give a gain of 4.1 (compared to a dipole). The circular pattern is obtainable by feeding the east-west and north-south elements in quadature, i.e. 90° current phase difference.

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On March 3, Rauland unveiled the first "giant-screen" tube that makes attractive cabinetry possible.

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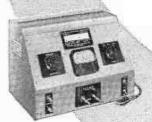
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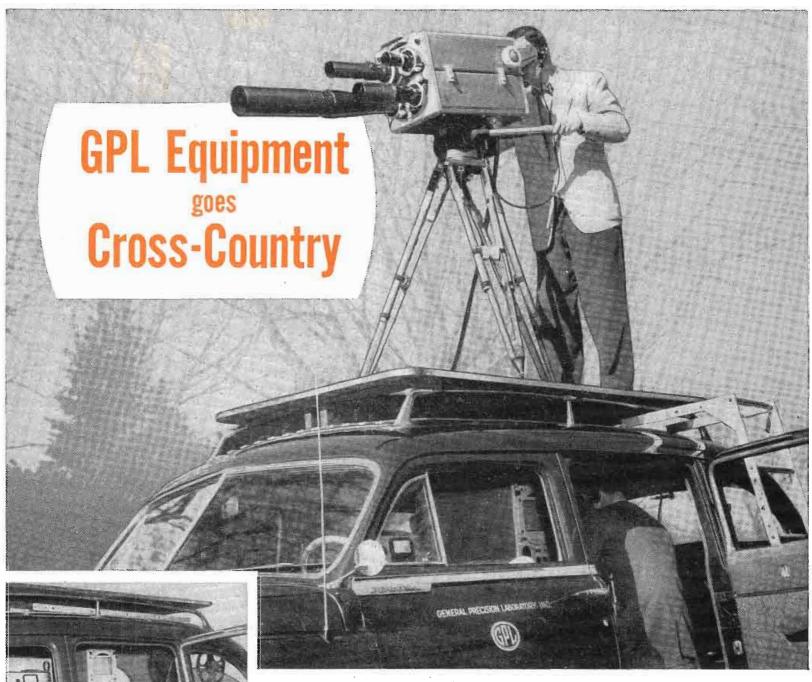
The antenna system is split into two groups, the upper of two sections and the lower of three; each group is fed by an individual transmission line. By the use of a unique manual switching arrangement and power splitting coaxial transformer, all or only part of the antenna system and both or either transmission line may be used. This feature would be utilized in the event breakdown should develop in one transmission line or one antenna group. See Fig. 6. Both transmission lines are exactly the same length to prevent any phase shift (time delay) between the upper and lower groups of the antenna system, and consequent alteration of the vertical pattern. These lines are constructed of 414 ft. of 31/8 in. coaxial tubing and operate with an efficiency of approximately 88%. Other approximate efficiencies are: feed cable 95.4%; power splitting transformer 99%; and diplexer 98%. These factors reduce the overall gain of the antenna system to 3.4, giving an erp of approximately 16.9 kw for the visual transmitter and 8.3 kw for the aural.

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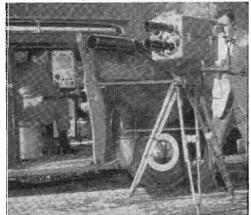
A thermostat is located at the intake grill of one of the cabinets; if the incoming air temperature drops to 50° F., dampers in the intake and outlet vents to the outside are closed, or partially closed, automatically to reduce the entrance of outside air into the plenum until the thermostat rises above 50° F. A similar system utilizing a 5050 cfm fan

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Included in cross-country demonstration unit is the GPL Utility Projector, with "3-2" intermittent which permits use with I.O. camera for film telecasting from remotes.



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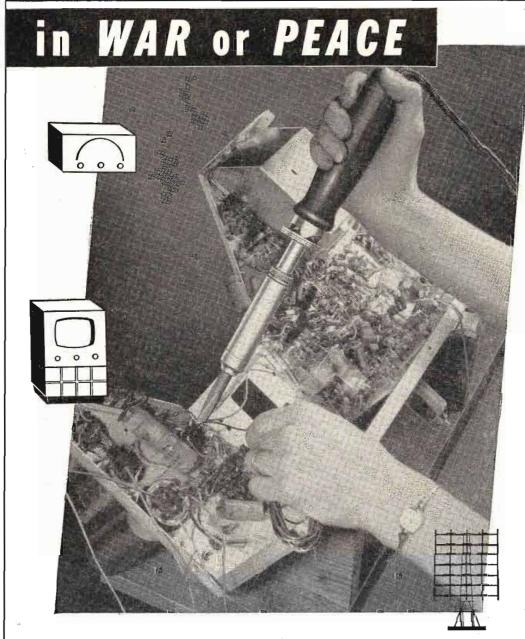
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serves the auxiliary racks, except that the thermostat is located in the plenum area rather than a cabinet. The fourth system, using another 1950 cfm fan serves the operating area for the comfort of the men on duty. See Fig. 7.

### Microwave Relays

On account of the height and three-sided exposure, the transmitter location at the Empire State building is excellent for microwave relay operations. Two receiver and one transmitter control units are permanently mounted in one of the auxiliary racks with cables running to the two building corner locations. Normally "remote" signals will be picked up here and relayed via Telephone Co. lines to master control for program integration. However, the signal will also appear at the transmitter input switch to be put directly on the air instantly in case of telephone line or master control failure. The outputs of both receivers are fed, through the video patch section, to a "flip-flop" switch on the operator's console which alternately terminates one line while feeding the other to a distribution amplifier. Refer to Fig. 3.

### Test and Maintenance

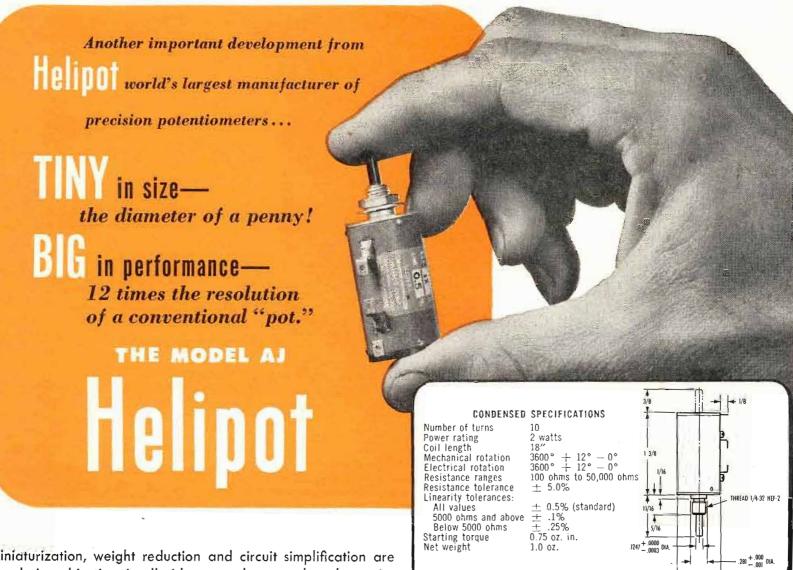
Some of the test and maintenance equipment is rack-mounted to be utilized through the patch sections.

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### TYPHOON MISSILE MODEL



H. G. Tremblay, Acting Supt. of the Analytical and Computer Div. (L) and Dr. W. A. Boghosian of the U. of Pa., consultant to the ACD, study the missile model used in conjunction with the analog Typhoon (see front cover) recently installed at the Naval Air Development Center, Johnsville, Pa. The model simulates the missile's three dimensional flight attitudes for a particular design being analyzed mathematically by the computer. The model in this official Navy photograph has controls which manipulate flight surfaces in accordance with Typhoon computations.



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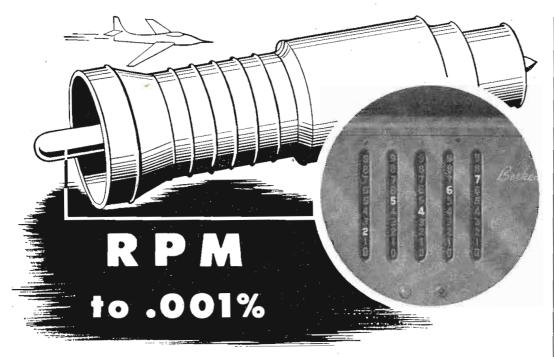
Each coil is individually tested to rigid standards, then is permanently anchored in grooves that are precision-machined into the case. Slider contacts are of long-lived Paliney alloy for low contact resistance and low thermal e.m.f. . . . and precious-metal contact rings are used to minimize resistance and electrical noise. All terminals are silver plated and insulated from ground to pass 1,000 volt breakdown test.

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MECHANICAL COUPLING is made to primary rotating element. As shaft and gear revolve pulse is generated each time a gear tooth passes magnetic sensing element. Thus 60 pulses are generated per revolution of primary rotating element. These pulses are transmitted to EPUT meter which counts for precise 1 second interval and displays result in direct-reading form in terms of

or automatically.

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MODIFICATIONS: Although the Model 554T electronic tachometer ordinarily operates on the basis of a 1 second sampling period, modification can be supplied to provide 0.1, 0.5, and 10.0 second sampling periods, either individually or selectively. Remote indication can be provided when necessary. The entire equipment can also be supplied in standard explosion-proof housings for industrial installations.

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ACCURACY: 1 event (cycle or fraction of a cycle, depending upon number of pulses generated per revolution) to maximum of .001%.

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DISPLAY TIME: 1-5 seconds variable.

TIME BASE: 1 second standard (see modifications). **DIMENSIONS:** 2034" wide x 101/2" high x 15" deep. **PANEL:** 19" x 834" standard rack panel.

WEIGHT: Approximately 68 lbs.

PRICE: \$875 plus, depending upon modifications and special requirements.

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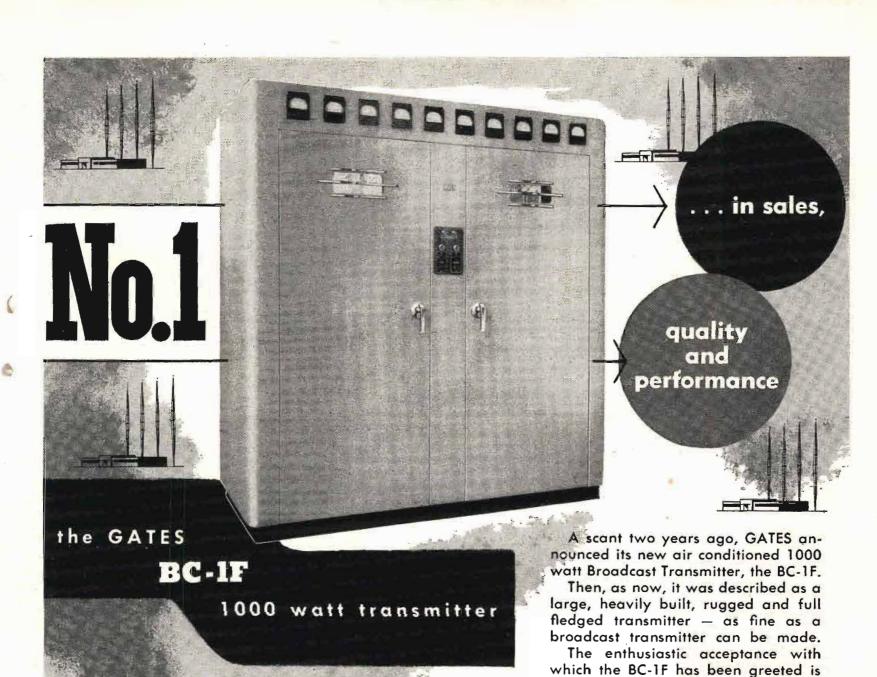
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This procedure is especially convenient for the audio, video, and r-f signal generators. Two picture monitors and two high quality waveform monitors are also rack-mounted and connected to the patching system for flexibility of operation. However, two dollies will be equipped with a DuMont type 303 oscillograph and other test equipment for emergency trouble shooting and routine maintenance of the equipment. Bench repairs will be made in the maintenance shop which is fully equipped with small tools, a tube checker, wobbulator, signal generator, drill press, and meters. Six coaxial lines are brought to an outlet box over the work bench from the video patch section; four of these lines will normally carry the four sychronizing signals and two are spares. See Fig. 8.

A 1600-ampere ac service has been made available at the transmitter. However, only one-half of this service is utilized for present operations; the balance is a reserve for operation of the 30 kw amplifiers and associated equipment required to operate the visual and aural transmitters at 100 kw and 50 kw erp respectively. The system contains a main distribution panel and two secondary panels. The main panel feeds the transmitters, antenna de-icing elements, and the secondary panels. One secondary panel is located near the operator's console and feeds the console and auxiliary racks. The second secondary panel is located in back of the standby transmitter and distributes power to the ventilating fans and crews' living quarters appliances. The auxiliary racks and transmitter cabinets are fed ac from the top into utility outlets. Two DuMont type 5208C power distribution panels service all the regular operating equipment in the auxiliary racks, and are so located that the operator may readily view them from his console. If a fuse is blown, a lamp on the 5208C panel identifies the equipment which is out of service.

To prevent ice from forming on the antenna and altering the electrical characteristics, five banks of eight 500-watt heater elements are installed as an integral part of the antenna. These units are operated automatically with provisions for manual operation if necessary. At the base of the tower a thermostat and humidastat are located which send a low voltage signal to the transmitter room when the combination temperature and humidity conditions indicate a danger of ice forming. This signal will light a lamp

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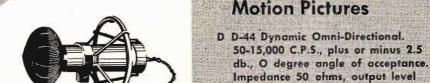
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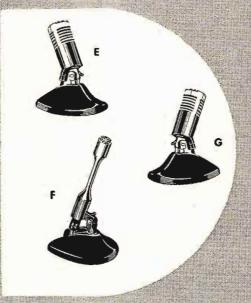


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in one of the auxiliary racks, in view of the operator, as well as actuate a small 24-volt relay which in turn actuates the larger 110-volt relays to apply power to the heaters. A lamp on the same panel as the signal lamp informs the operator that power is being applied. A meter in combination with a selector switch is provided to check the current being drawn by each bank of heaters.

project was completed through the cooperation of several groups. First a "primary" committee was formed to determine the type of tower construction and antenna to be utilized and coordinate the work of the five licensees. The DuMont antenna and transmission line installation was handled by the primary committee, Dr. Goldsmith, and Mr. Sayer of the research division of DuMont Labs. The transmitter center design was handled by Mr. R. D. Chipp, Director of Engineering, and Mr. R. F. Bigwood, Chief, General Engineering Dept., DuMont TV Network, with W. T. Meyer architect.

### **New FCC TV Allocations**

On pages 68 and 69 of this issue, we list the new TV allocations released April 14 by FCC, providing for 2053 new stations in 1291 communities. About one-eighth of the assignments will be educational and non-commercial. Some 25 cities will have certain of their present VHF assignments shifted. This includes Chicago which trades Ch. 4 for Ch. 2, and adds Ch. 11. Pending are 521 applications, expected to be swelled to over 1000 by the time assignments are made in July.

The new FCC TV report contains 600 pages and over 50 charts, but follows closely the third FCC engineering report. Allocations are based on the following engineering principle:

Minimum Co-Channel Spacing:

ZONE UHF VHF

1 (Northeastern U.S.) 155 miles 170 miles
2 (Areas outside Zones 1, 3)
175 miles 190 miles
3 (Within 150 miles of Gulf Coast)
205 miles 220 miles

Maximum Effective Radiated Power:
VHF Ch. 2-6, 100 kw. Ch. 7-13 316 kw.
UHF All channels. 1000 kw.
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Zone 1 UHF 2000 ft. VHF 1000 ft.

Zones 2 and 3 UHF & VHF 2000 ft.

In cases of antenna heights above the maximums just listed, the antenna power must be decreased as height increases.

Processing: Starting April 14, there will be a two-and-a-half month period for the filing of new applications and amending old applications. Processing of applications will begin July 1. Present applications will not be thrown out, but amendments for each are required and this will demand the use of a new form.

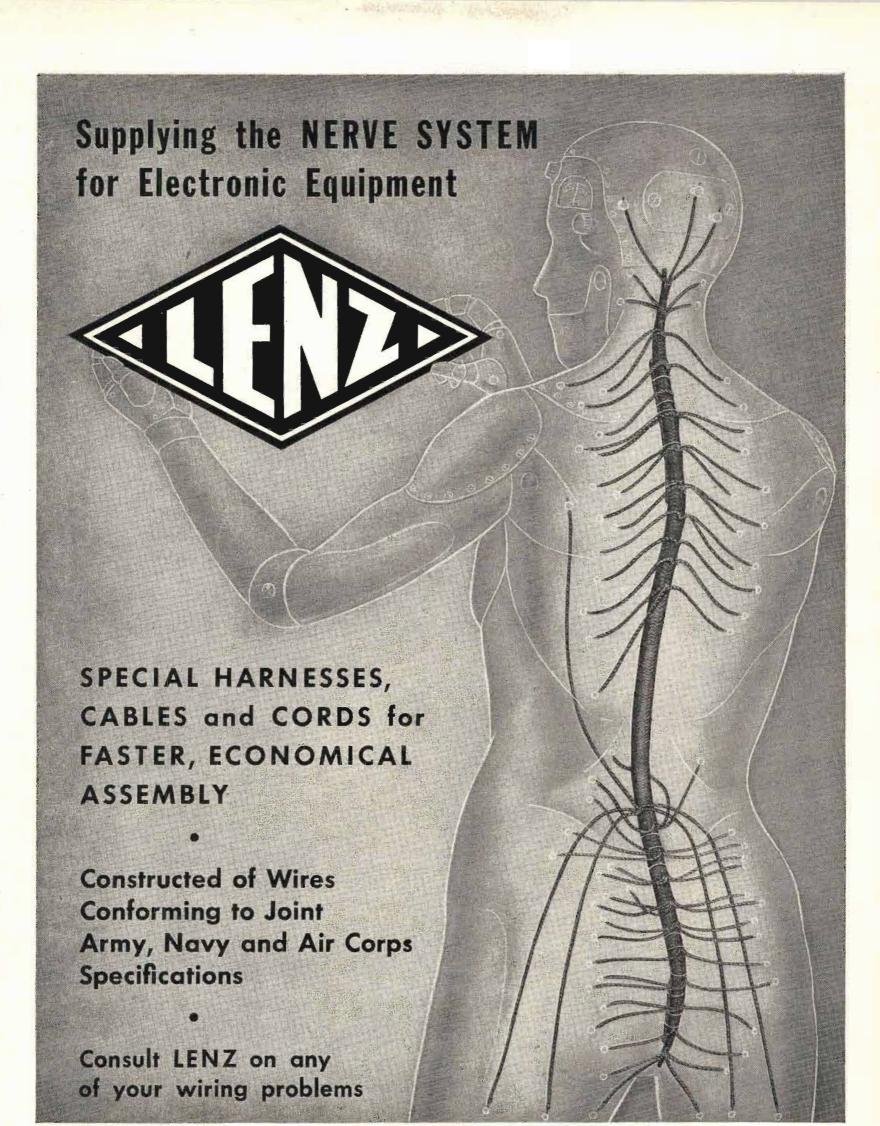
Priorities: A system has been set up to process high-priority applications first. Priorities will be based on need. For instance, the larger cities having no or very limited services will have the highest priorities. At FCC there will be two processing "lines" operating in parallel.

Applications: Applications will be considered on a channel-by-channel basis. That is, there will be no hearings "lumped" by cities.

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Construction Permits: Actually it is expected that construction permits on some applications requiring no hearing, can be issued the first week in July.

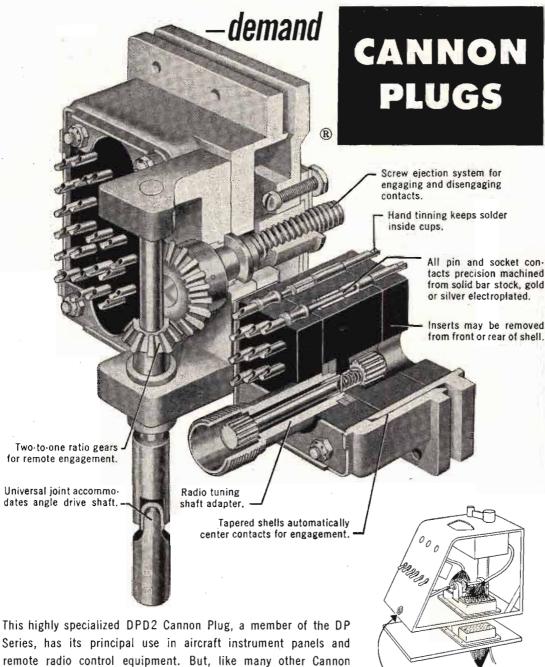


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Originally this 2-gang connector was designed to assist in the standardization of radio and instrument assemblies so that such equipment might be interchanged between similar aircraft. It allows for compact design in close quarters with access from the front only. This type of application and variations of the fittings are shown at right. Any Cannon DPD insert may be placed within the shell, with or without tuning shaft, coax, twinax, large or small contacts, provided the separation forces of both halves are similar.

This plug typifies the close attention to important detail that distinguishes every Cannon Plug—the world's most extensive line. If you are looking for real value, regardless of the field you work in, your best bet is Cannon.

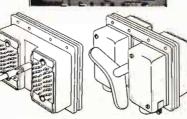
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Connector is separated by turning slotted shaft here. Complete unit may then be removed from pedestal shown below.





(Left) Same Cannon Plug without tuning shaft. Straight drive instead of 90° gear. (Right) Similar DPD2 with Dzus wing nut extraction method and junction shells. There are several other variations, Write for details.

# For Manufacturers

(Continued from page 63) tional electrical insulation now being made.

Tapes can be made from mica paper in almost all of the combinations where mica splittings are now used. In discussing the value of mica paper tapes the emphasis is on the thickness uniformity of the mica paper obtained since it allows a very neat and compact wrapping on coils and bars. The dielectric strength of mica paper tapes does not show the wide variations, and does not have the voids that have long proved a source of trouble to both manufacturer and consumer.

### **Aluminum Conservation**

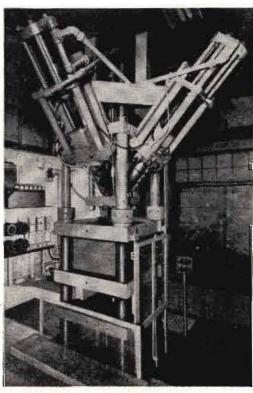
The Aluminum Association, 420 Lexington Ave., N.Y. 17, N.Y., has announced the publication of the booklet "Conservation of Aluminum" which contains material on the efficient use of available supplies of this strategic lightweight metal as well as proper handling of scrap.

### **Giant Plastic Moulder**

A giant vertical moulding machine designed and developed by Worcester Moulded Plastics Co., Worcester, Mass., is said to possess 25% more moulding capacity than any known plastics moulding machine in existence. Four huge pre-plasticizing units preheat the plastic material to give it greater flowing properties, which together with 25% greater locking pressure on the dies, permit the moulding of pieces in large sizes never before possible.

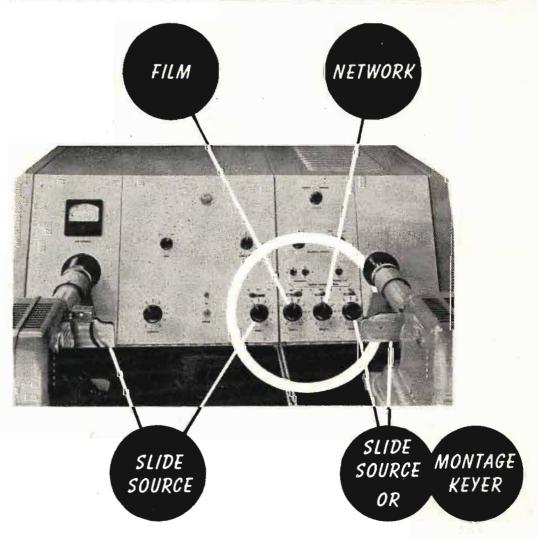
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Giant moulding machine developed by Worcester Moulded Plastics Co., Worcester, Mass.



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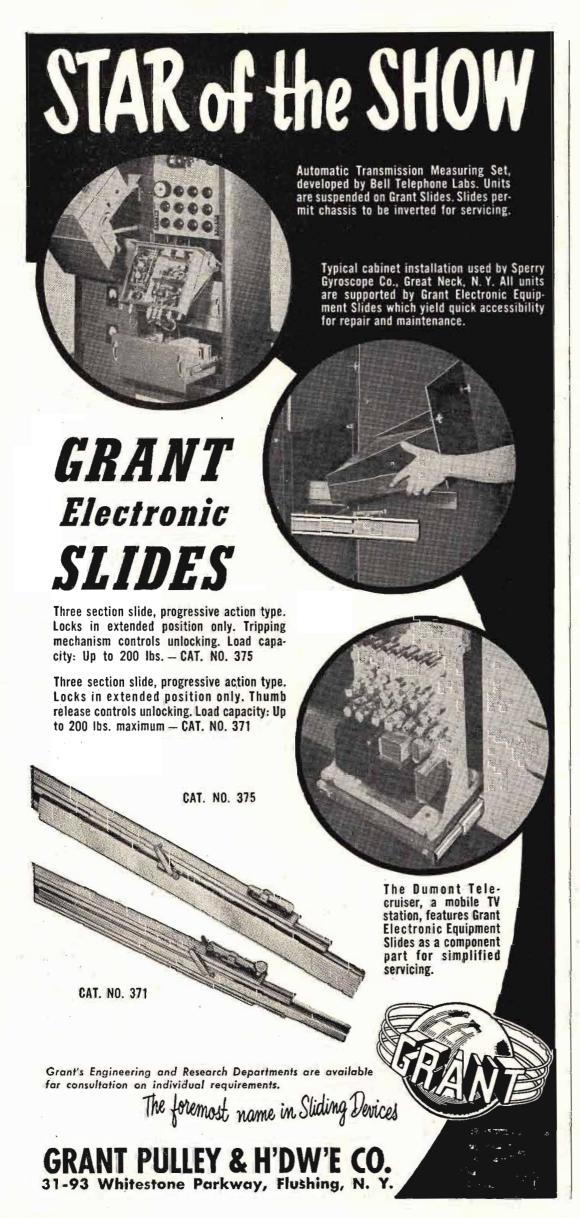
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## **Printed Circuit Stethoscope**

The technical details of the "Lectron-O-Scope," manufactured by the Electronic Stethoscope Corp., 1316 Sherman Ave., Evanston, Ill., are of considerable interest. It is the smallest electronic stethoscope on the market, complete self-contained and pocket sized. Only 51/4 in. long and 15/16 in. in diameter, it weighs only 8 oz. including the "A" and "B" batteries. A contact microphone is employed that is sensitive to frequencies ranging between 40-2000 cps. The amplifier is a printed circuit using three sub-miniature pentode tubes. Power is supplied by a 11/2 v. mercury "A" battery and a 221/2 v. "B" battery. The Lectron-O-Scope has two controls—a combination "ON and OFF" switch and vol-ume control, and a tone control, so the listening frequency can be selected.

Sounds picked up by the contact microphone placed against the patient's skin are amplified up to 72 db and put out through the doctor's binaurals by a small speaker in the main housing. The Lectron-O-Scope is available from any surgical dealer and the price is \$99.50, including leather case and extra "A" battery.

Construction details of medical stethescope that uses three stage printed circuit audio amplifier and has self-contained batteries





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Milton E. Gamble has resigned as chief engineer of the rectifier division of P. R. Mallory & Co., after seven years in that position, to become an associate of Robert O. Whitesell, 2208 E. Washington St., Indianapolis, Ind., engineering representative for manufacturers of electrical products. Mr. Gamble is a registered professional engineer in Indiana, and holds degrees from Purdue University.

G. S. Marshall Co., Pasadena, Calif., has become representative in California, Arizona and New Mexico for Eastern Air Devices, Brooklyn, N. Y., makers of small motors and blowers.

Neely Enterprises, Hollywood, Calif., has become representative for Markel Products Co., Buffalo, N. Y., makers of record changers in a 4-state western area.

Kenneth E. Hughes, manufacturers representative of 17 West 60th St., New York City, has announced that Paul W. Leighton is now associated with him. Mr. Leighton, who is a graduate of Cornell University and a licensed Professional Engineer, will assist Ken Hughes in covering industrial accounts in the Metropolitan-New York area.

Roy Magnuson, Chicago, representative for Helipot Corp., So. Pasadena, Calif., in Illinois, Indiana and Wisconsin, has now added Iowa and Minnesota.

George Davis, Los Angeles representative, 5259 E. Beverly Blvd., has changed his business name to George Davis Co.

The Astron Corp., 255 Grant Ave., E. Newark, N. J., manufacturers of electrolytic, metallized paper and other fixed capacitors and r-f noise suppression filters, have appointed the Dick Hyde Co., manufacturer's representatives, 3879 Tennyson St., Denver, Colorado. The Hyde organization will represent Astron to the jobbing and industrial trade in New Mexico, Colorado, Utah, Wyoming and South Dakota.

E. J. Baughman, who has been in electrical engineering and sales in the Far West for over 30 years, has been named as the West Coast representative of General Precision Laboratory for television equipment sales. He will handle sales of GPL image orthicon camera chains, video recorders, switching and control units, projectors and various specialized TV components. Headquarters for this West Coast office will be at 350 South Central Ave., Los Angeles.

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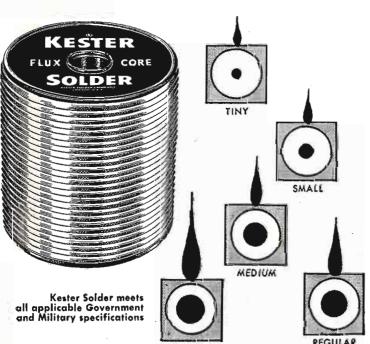
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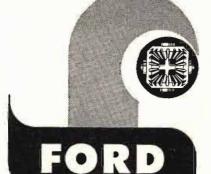


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## Servomechanisms

(Continued from page 67) magnification. With the damping ratio established, Fig. 6 shows the transient response in terms of the damping ratio and the natural frequency. As shown in the diagram, the natural frequency is related to the resonant frequency by the equations below.

$$\omega_n = \frac{\omega_r}{\sqrt{1-2\zeta^2}} (1)$$

where  $\omega_{\rm n} = 2\pi f_{\rm r}$ 

ω<sub>n</sub>=natural frequency (radians/min) ω\_=resonant frequency

(radians/min)

f,=resonant frequency

(cycles/min)

Thus the height of the resonance peak indicates the degree of damping and the resonant frequency indicates the time for recovery. A high peak, showing a relatively low damping ratio, would indicate that the transient response to a set point change would have large over and undershoots as indicated for the smaller values of, on Fig. 6. A system having high resonant frequency would require a shorter time for recovery than one having a low resonant frequency.

Thus the curve is easily dimensionalized with respect to time by observing the value of  $\omega_n$  for the point in question. Time is given by

the expression:

 $t = \frac{\omega_n t \text{ from Fig. 6}}{\omega_n t \text{ from Fig. 6}}$  (2)

The closed-loop frequency response can be measured or it may be derived from the frequency response of the components used to make up the closed loop. If for example, A, B and C are components for which we know the transfer functions, the over-all open-loop transfer functions can be determined by multiplying the amplitude ratios and adding the phase angles. Thus, the open-loop frequency response for one frequency is shown below.

 $M_S = M_A \times M_B \times M_C$  (3a)  $P_{S} = P_{A} + P_{B} + P_{C} \quad (3b)$ where M = Amplitude Ratio P = Phase Lag

With the amplitude ratio and the phase shift established for a number of these frequencies, the open-loop transfer function of the system comprised of the components is, in effect, predicted. The conversion from the open-loop frequency response of the system to the closed-loop frequency response is easily accomplished graphically or by charts which will not be discussed here.

Thus, it has been shown that the (Continued on page 116)





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closed-loop frequency response which is representative of the system transient response can be measured on an existing system or computed from the component responses.

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# Magnetic Tape

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source of 60 cycle supply current such as the Ampex Model 375 amplifier (see Fig. 6) is essential. A stable 60 cycle frequency source is generated by a tuning fork which is accurate to 5 parts/million/°C. The amplifier portion of this unit delivers 60 watts, ample to operate the synchronous drive motor. Any sudden change in frequency or power loads that may normally occur in the supply source will be completely isolated from the critical tape drive mechanism. Therefore, instantaneous power line fluctuations cannot affect the accuracy of the recorded data.

The new Ampex Model 500 (see Fig. 7) incorporates exclusive features which radically depart from previous concepts of tape drive mechanisms. Because of this development, wow and flutter have been reduced without flutter compensation equipment to the point where the playback of recorded tapes will actually duplicate original test data in every practical respect.

Actually, more than 5 to 1 flutter improvement has been achieved over the best available tape recorders and typical measurements indicate only 0.052% peak-to-peak. However, since no well defined standards for measuring wow and flutter have ever been established for magnetic tape equipment, the full significance of this statement may be overlooked. For example, conventional flutter bridges 'only measure rms conditions over a frequency range that does not exceed 200 or 300 cycles. In tape recording, flutter produces instantaneous as well as bursts of peak deviations which may far exceed average or rms values. Therefore, serious short time errors may be present in a recording system which will go undetected with rms measurements.

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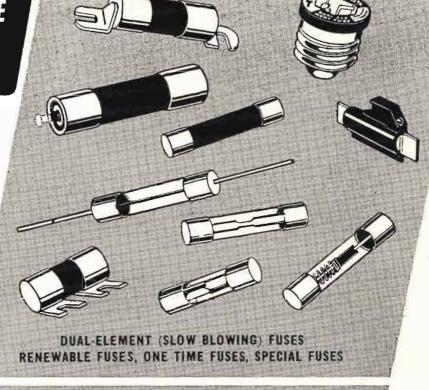
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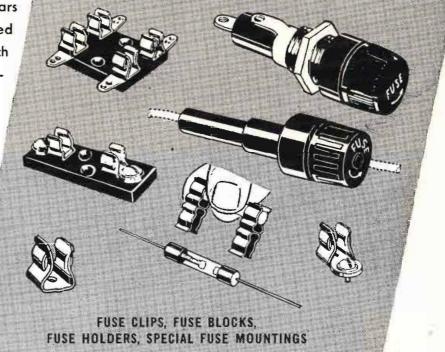
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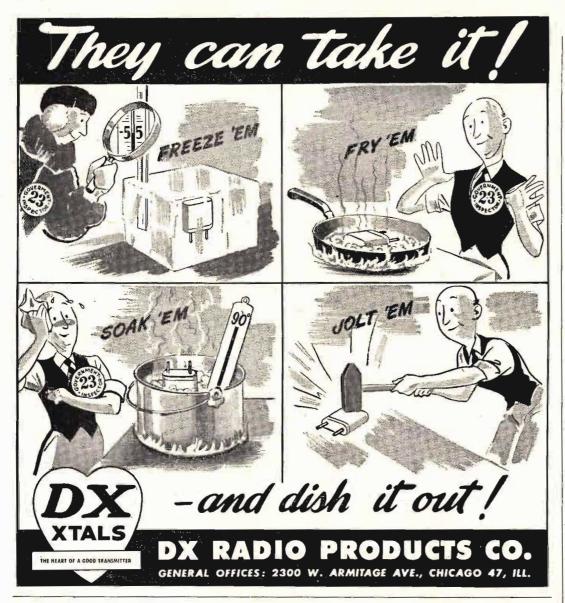
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# ILS for Aircraft

(Continued from page 47) section gives the position of the aircraft in space. The pilot need only keep the intersection within the center circle of the indicator by manipulating the plane's controls, and his glide path will coincide with the one mapped out in space by the UHF lobes.

### Performance Tests

Over 200 approaches or transverse passages were observed. Photographs were taken of the landings and recordings of cross-pointer indications were made. Descents were also made using the receiver output signals to control an automatic pilot. Results indicated that the required 40 km range was exceeded over a horizontal sector of 60° centered on the landing path. Satisfactory operation resulted up to 100 km from the runway over sections within 15° on either side of the landing path.

Localizer coverage over the 40 km range was more than  $\pm 30^\circ$  about the landing path for an angle between 0.75° and 7° above the horizontal, which was more than covered by the glide path. Localizer accuracy under manual or automatic piloting was about 0.3°, while glide path accuracy approximated 0.1° and 0.05° for manual and automatic, respectively. Approach-to-runway accuracy was better than  $\pm 12$  m.

### Systems Comparison

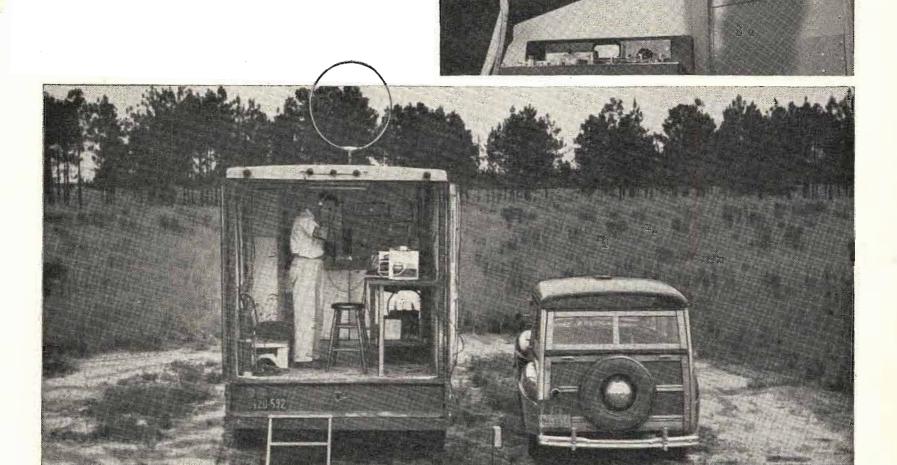
Comparison of CSF's ASV 23 with conventional ILS highlights the advantages of the French system. In ILS, the glide path is obtained by utilizing the ground reflection of horizontally polarized waves, with the possible introduction of interfering fringes which cause ridges on the descent path. The CSF system employs highly directional antennas, does not rely on reflected waves, and results in a more uniform path unaffected by terrain conditions.

Equipment-wise, ASV 23 requires one transmitter, one receiver and three antennas, all operating on one frequency. In contrast, ILS employs two transmitters, three beacons, and three receivers operating on three frequencies.

Distance information with ILS is given at three specific points corresponding to the positions of the beacons located along the path at 7 km, 3 km and at the approach end of the runway. With the CSF system, distance is provided continu-

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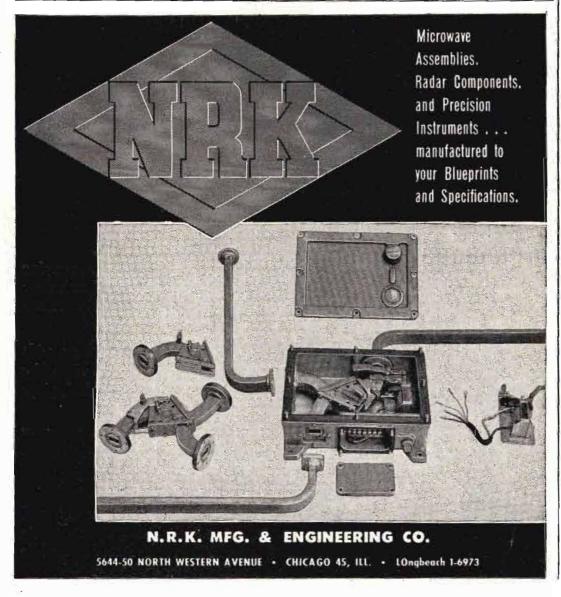
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Finally, a small course deviation in ILS (as little as 0.9° for a 60 m wide runway) is sufficient to place the descending airplane off the field because azimuthal guidance is given by a transmitter located on the extended center line of the runway about 2 km from the stop end. The fact that the pilot brings his plane in between two course antennas located on each side of the runway in the CSF system, allows a course deviation of about 3° without presenting any major difficulty.

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## FILM SCANNER SYSTEM

DuMont has presented a preview of their 16 mm flying spot scannercontinuous motion film pickup system which will be available in 1954. TV broadcasters may operate the mechanism at variable speeds as a projector, or may use the system as a recorder to photograph pictures from the CRT face in the local station. The unit is gamma corrected for grey scale, requires no phasing to the sync generator or power line, needs no shading or rim and back lights, and may be adapted to any future color system. The continuous motion mechanism eliminates intermittent film movement.

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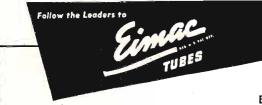
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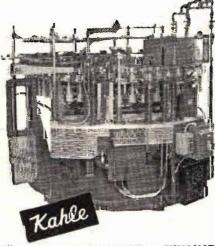
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Instead of controlling the varistors by means of an external supply voltage, asymmetrical diodes may simply be loaded with fluctuating resistors or resistive transducers such as carbon microphones, carbon pickups, or strain gauges. The external supply source then is replaced by the rectified dc current; in other words, the transducers are actually fed by the plate voltage of the oscillator tube via the r-f energy and the subsequent detector action.

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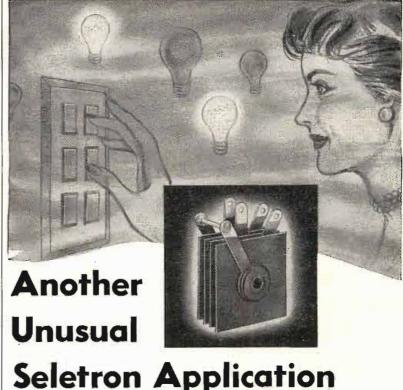
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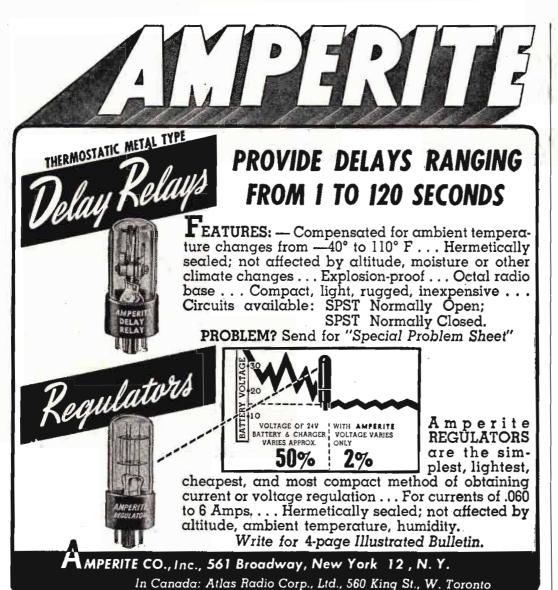
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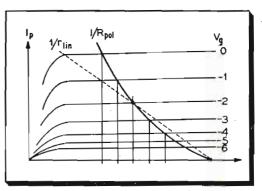


Fig. 10: Linearization of a pentode amplifier by means of a nonlinear plate resistor

ance curve in Fig. 8 is symmetrical around the resonance frequency  $f_o$ . At higher r-f amplitudes, however, the average reactance of the modulator changes and the resonance frequency of the tank circuit is shifted accordingly, as illustrated by the dashed characteristic of Fig. 8. The combination of both curves results in a deformation of the original resonance curve which, in our example, assumes the solid form. By means of this diagram, the transformation of AM into FM may easily be seen.

8. Besides the shifting of fo, we see the resonance curve being asymmetrically deformed in that one flank becomes steeper than the other. Under a sufficiently high nonlinearity, the one flank may assume an infinitely great slope or even a negative slope so that the tank circuit becomes unstable. Without going into greater detail, I only want to point out a new possibility for developing asymmetrical band filters in which several of the described nonlinear resonance circuits are coupled. Such asymmetrical band filters may be useful for single-sideband transmission.

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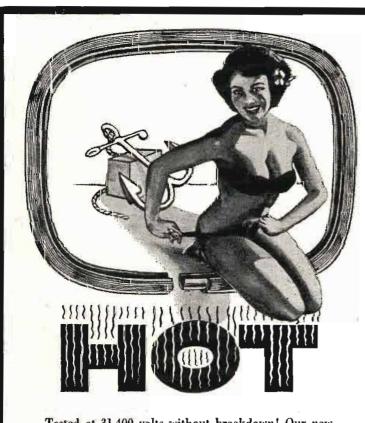
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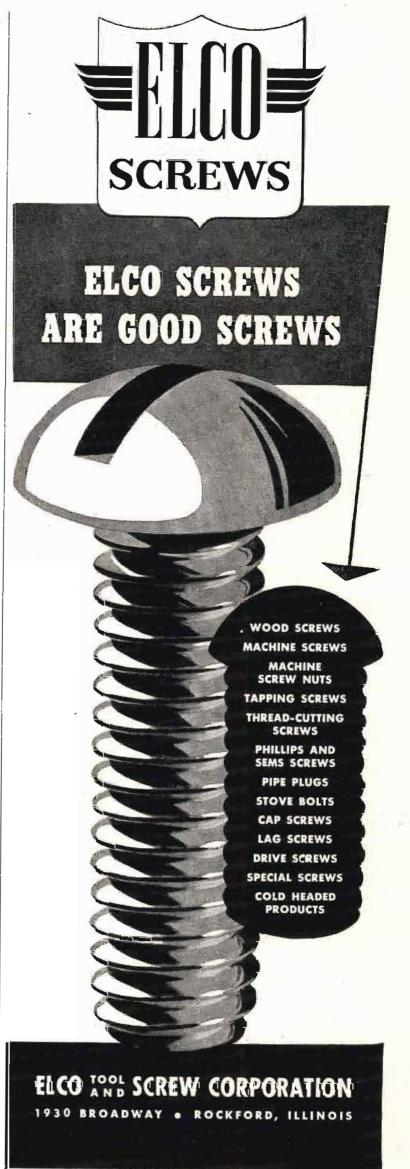


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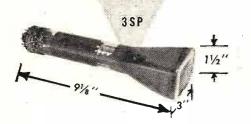
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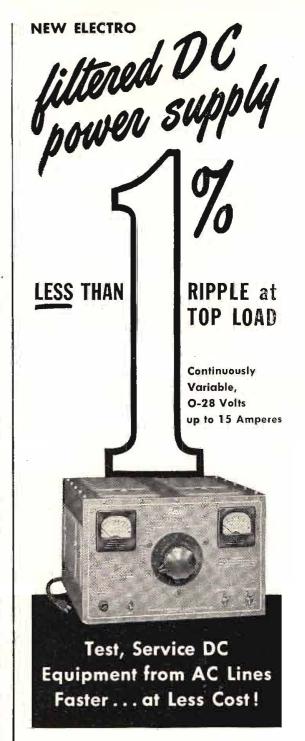
9. Let us turn back to a polaresistive detector, the function of which may be illustrated by means of the detector characteristics depicted in Fig. 9. When loaded with a fixed resistor, illustrated by the dashed loadline, the output voltages across the load follow a square law. This nonlinearity, however, is reduced when the square-law detector is loaded with a second varistor as can easily be seen by means of the solid load curve. The nonlinearity of the detector itself is canceled by that of the load resistor.

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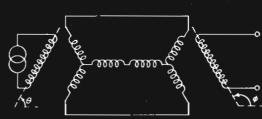
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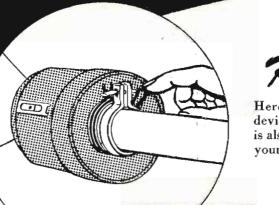


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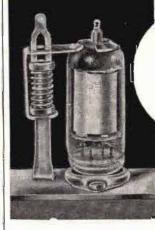
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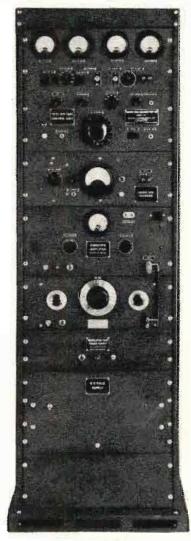
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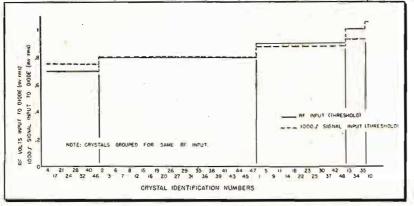
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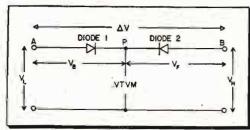


Fig. 13: Diagram showing peak voltage selector for only two of the n circuits

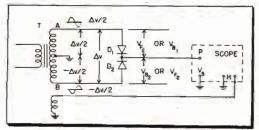
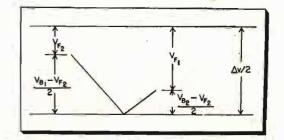


Fig. 14: Selector diode analysis circuit

another (noting, of course, that the shape of these curves indicates voltages somewhat in excess of the midregion). The low portion, Fig. 17, indicates a combination voltage curve for both diodes simultaneously, where  $\triangle V$  on the base line is the sum of the  $V_{\rm F}$  of one crystal and the VB across the other. It is easy to see that the same current is flowing through both diodes and therefore these two curves cross at the same current value.

Another representation of this voltage selection analysis is shown in Figs. 14 and 15 where two crystals are placed in opposing polarity across a balanced ac voltage source. The trace on the oscilloscope shows as a letter V which will have arms of the same length when the two crystals are alike. In the example, diode #1 has a higher forward resistance than diode #2.

Fig. 15: Oscilloscope representation



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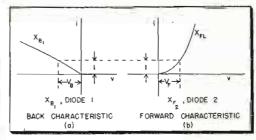


Fig. 16: Curves showing back region for one crystal compared with the forward of another

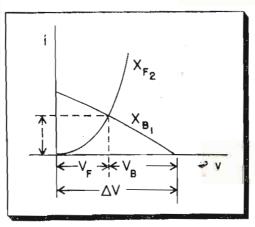


Fig. 17: Combination E-I curve for both diades

This brief account of some measurements of crystals at low voltages may encourage further detailed analyses. Since no diodes yet measured will rectify at voltages below approximately one millivolt, more emphasis may be placed upon further research in new materials suitable for lower voltage rectification.

The authors express their appreciation to E. H. Ulm of the Electronics Division for his encouragement of this experimental work. They are also glad to acknowledge the assistance of N. P. Salz during the beginning of this project and of E. J. Cuddy and E. F. Prufer of our laboratory in making numerous measurements.

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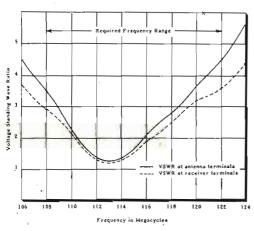


Fig. 8: VSWR characteristic of mounted antenna

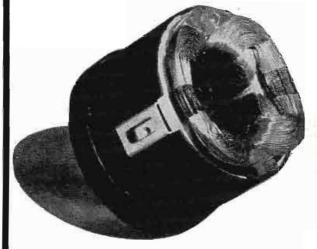
After the radiation pattern study showed that a wing tip antenna gave a relatively omnidirectional pattern, a full scale mock-up was constructed including all details of the left wing tip. The mock-up was such that it extended approximately one and one-half wavelengths from the antenna location, and was made of wood spars covered with terne metal and soft soldered as shown in Fig. 6. The measurement of the vswr on the full-scale prototype antenna was carried out with the mock-up approximately the same height above ground as the actual wing tip of the aircraft. Conventional slotted line (Continued on page 134)

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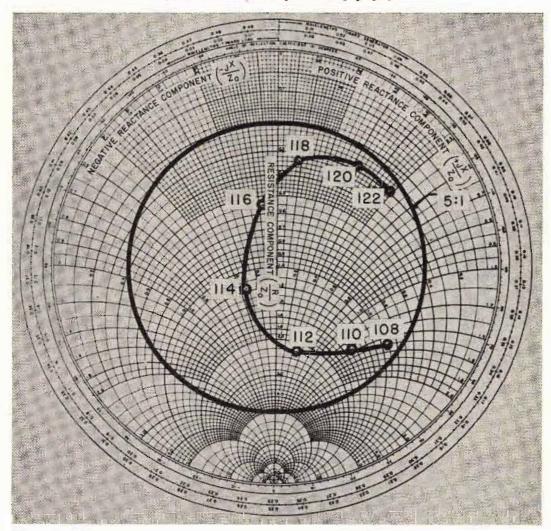
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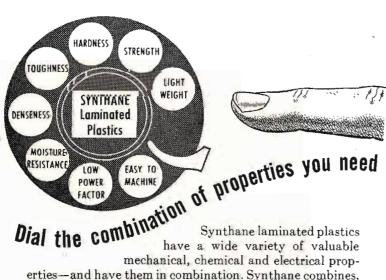
technique employing a precision slotted line was used to obtain the vswr measurements.

Numerous models of a shunt fed quarter-wave element were investigated using tubing, flat strip and rectangular bar for the radiating element, and the final choice of material was a flat strip of 24SO aluminum. A fiberglas supporting member, also within the fiberglass wing tip, necessitated the use of a plastic support near the aft end of the radiating element and the capacity loading effect of both this support and fiberglas rib made it possible to shorten the antenna several inches. The final prototype antenna was mounted on the mock-up as shown in Fig. 7, and an impedance curve is given in Fig. 9. It may be seen from the vswr characteristic of the mounted antenna, Fig. 8, that the specification requirement of a vswr of 5:1 is satisfied and that the vswr is less than 4:1 over 86% of the frequency band.

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Fig. 9: Impedance curve of wing tip prototype antenna on mock-up plotted on Smith chart



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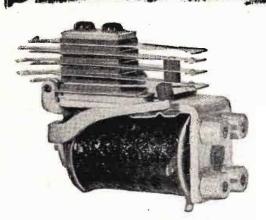
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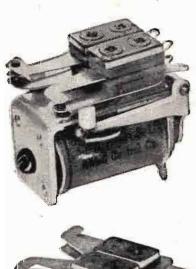
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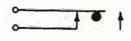
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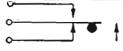
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