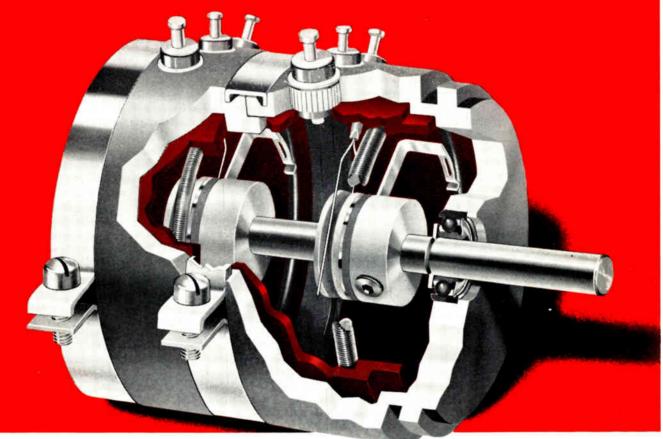
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# **AMERICAN INDUSTRIES ARE OUR CHALLENGE**

THE SEARCH TO EXPAND ELECTRONIC MARKETS outside the electronic industries is now taking a realistic turn. Last month, at EIA's Fall Conference, in New York, its Industrial Electronics Division was authorized and financed to explore electronic applications in other industries. Such marketing research is long overdue.

During the past twenty years the meteoric growth of the electronic industries has been chiefly due to defense spending. Now we have a backlog of electronic capability and capacity which had given rise to a Department of Defense buyer's market. This situation limits the future growth pattern of the defense-aerospace electronic business. To bolster the growth curve, we now must break into new high ground by putting our defense-funded technology to work creating new markets. Our best immediate prospects may be developed right in our economy's own backyard—the U.S. industrial complex.

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One of the big problems we face is that we have yet to resolve the technical communications between the electronic industries and their potential industrial customer. Engineers must learn how other industries work and how electronic technologies can best be applied to maximize industrial profits. This job is difficult, and challenging, but not insurmountable.

Since your future as an engineer may depend upon how soon industrial markets are developed, we support EIA's new effort and we solicit your suggestions as to how its newly funded committee can best accomplish its task. We suggest that members of other industrial engineering and management groups join with EIA in a united industrial electronic engineering-management-marketing effort.

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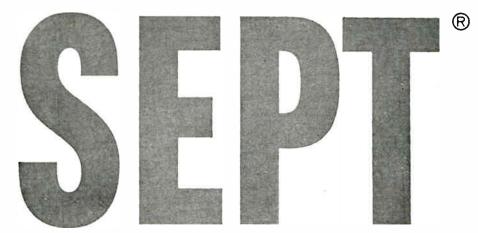


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**COVER:** The weather on the sun is reported to Earth by Orbiting Solar Observatory-1, the new satellite developed for NASA by Ball Brothers Research Corp., Boulder, Colorado. Its basic airframe is fabricated of Alcoa aluminum. The 440-pound OSO-1 is in two sections—a rotating three-legged base, and a fan-shaped sail. The wheel-like base structure is divided into nine compartments, containing satellite control systems, and most of the complex instruments now studying the sun. The OSO-1 was launched into orbit by a Thor-Delta rocket.

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#### Survey of Vacuum Technology

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High-vacuum environments are becoming increasingly high-vacuum environments are becoming increasingly important for space simulation and for production of high reliability electronic devices. This article will prove helpful to those who find it necessary to select and use high-vacuum equipment for electronic applications.

#### **Electronics Growth Brings Trouble for Labor**

When radio was young many unions were already old, though at the pinnacle of their power. The rapid growth of industrial and aerospace electronics has blown the fuse for some unions, depleted ranks in others while adding new members to a few. Labor now faces two chief dilemmas—changing skills and technology, and automation.



#### Improved Checkout For IR Detectors

The key to reliability in airborne IR packages is in the

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#### Well Regulated Battery-Solar Cell Charging 88

The terminal potential of a battery is a poor measure of its state of charge. Present methods do not give charge-rate information nor do they provide a reliable continu-ous indication of battery charge. Here is a system which permits deep discharge and safe, controlled high charging rate along with weight reduction.



#### Automatic Tracking Antenna Systems

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Ground-based antenna systems are being used for research and target acquisition, automatic tracking, com-mand and telemetry. The basic problems lie in physical size, noise and sensitivity. These are discussed along with performance and cost aspects of the various types.





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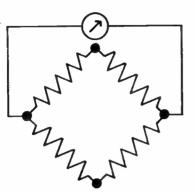
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Step 3. Fault on cable changes resistance on one side of the bridge; an operator at the central station adjusts resistance on opposite side of circuit to balance the bridge.

Step 4. When the galvanometer reaches the zero point, the operator reads amount of resistance in ohms required to balance the bridge.

Step 5. Turning from meter to map file, he consults a table to find the gauge of cable section under test.

Step 6. Operator calculates resistance of that gauge cable in ohms-per-feet.

Step 7. Resistivity of cable in ohms-per-feet is divided into ohms resistance required to balance bridge circuit.

Step 8. Dividend equals distance in feet from tie point back to cable fault (without compensating for changes in ambient temperature and humidity which can affect performance of the bridge circuit).

For further information on this widely used technique of fault-finding, collar any power engineer who has had extensive experience on a test board.

### MODERN



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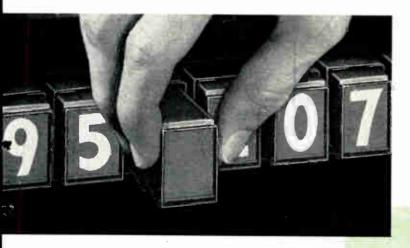


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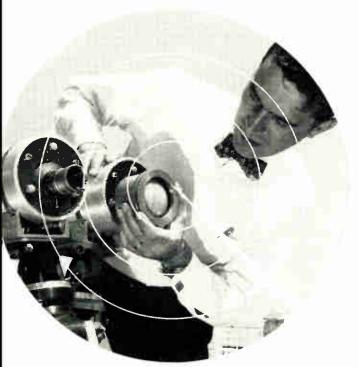
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Analyzing current developments and trends throughout the electronic industries that will shape tomorrow's research, manufacturing and operation



### ELECTRONIC HYDROGEN-FIRE DETECTOR

Detection system for liquid hydrogen rocket fuel fires made by General Dynamics/Astronautics uses two TV cameras. Special filter in one allows only IR radiation to pass to a sensitive vidicon tube to detect invisible hydrogen fire. Second camera is for surveillance. Lab man Leonard Showalter adjusts unit.

CO-OPERATIVE RESEARCH VENTURES be-

tween electronics firms and non-competing companies in other fields were suggested by Charles B. Thornton, board chairman of Litton Industries, as a means to reduce duplication and waste. He predicted the next ten years as a period of increased sales, continued mergers and decreasing defense orientation for the electronics industry. He declared that migration of electronics technology into other fields and industries is so great that the so-called electronics industry may lose much, if not all, of its identity. He noted that recent estimates put waste among the nation's R&D activities at around 50% owing to overlap and duplication. He laid most of the blame at industry's front door. "I believe there is an opportunity for furthering our technological progress through joint research efforts between non-competing companies." he said.

### SATELLITE COMMUNICATIONS CONTROL

is currently being studied by RCA for the Army's satellite program. The initial control center, according to the study, will be used to schedule available communications links through all satellites in the system. RCA Chief Defense Engineer Dr. Harry J. Watters, says the system will consist of a computer and the peripheral equipment needed to provide continuous data on available links provided by satellites. Data will allow Army ground terminals to aim antennas at the nearest satellite.

**INDEPENDENT ATOMIC MOTION** in crystals, reported by Westinghouse scientists, may help explain behavior of solid state devices and phototransistors. The motion is a shaking—or acoustic vibration —of a few atoms at scattered places where defects occur. It was once taken for granted that all crystal parts vibrated coherently. The discovery may lead to raising present operating temperatures of lasers and masers and explain peculiar effect of neutron radiation on fused quartz.

TELEMETRY STANDARDS TESTS are being sponsored by the Aerospace Industries Association. The proposed constant bandwidth FM standards would provide more efficient use of the available frequency space. Major programs of the DOD, NASA, and AEC are approaching hardware procurement phases using equipment that is neither standard nor applicable for general use. The tests are being conducted by Data-Control Systems, Inc., of Danbury, Conn. The proposed system provides up to 22 data channels at 0 to 1 KC, for use in the 1 MC wide UHF telemetry bands, or 11 data channels for the 500 KC VHF bands.

NUCLEAR POWER SUPPLY is currently under study by the Air Force and GE for possible use on manned and unmanned spacecraft. Scientists are now working on an experimental device to carry enough atomic fuel to continuously supply electrical power equivalent to the needs of one hundred average U. S. homes for more than two years, and yet be only three feet long and one foot in diameter. The device has no moving parts, and consists of a small nuclear reactor and a thermionic converter system—similar to thermionic diodes in radio—to change reactor heat into electricity. It would be used in space to power communications and life support equipment. Power ouput would be as high as 100,000 watts. STRONG MAGNETIC EFFECTS of chromium tribromide on light have been seen by Bell Labs scientists, who have obtained extremely large magnetic rotations of polarized light. In doing so, they have modulated light at higher frequencies than ever before, and have seen ferromagnetic resonance and magnetostatic modes in crystals for the first time. Lab work has also produced valuable spectroscopic data on electron energy levels of chromium tribromide, giving rise to theory explaining absorption association with large magnetic rotations, which could be useful in search for compounds with similar rotation and absorption properties.

HIGH FREQUENCY TRANSISTORS are strongly recommended by NASA for equipment that will operate in space. Researchers at Langley Research Center exposed germanium and silicon units to successive energy levels from 40 to 440 mev protons. Both silicon and germanium transistors sustained more damage from the lower 40 mev radiation than from the 440 mev. Transistors having higher alpha cutoff frequency were much more resistant to higher radiation.

### SOLAR TRACKER IN SPACE

Parabolic reflector petal, one of 36, installed in automatic tracking and solar collecting system designed by Electro-Optical Systems, Inc. The complete mirror, with 2000 sq. ft. reflecting surface, would be aligned with the sun by servo control and would give as much as 250 kw of thermal energy.





SOLAR PANELS FOR MARS MARINER

One of four Ryan-built solar panels, three by six feet, for NASA's Mariner Mars fly-by vehicle is examined by W. M. Cattrell, Ryan project engineer. Ryan is building structures for Cal Tech's Jet Propulsion Laboratory to capture sun's energy for power. Mariner is set for 1964 launch to Mars vicinity.

### CONDITIONED-REFLEX MACHINE that can

learn to recognize some 4800 previously learned visual patterns with 99.6% accuracy has been developed for the Air Force Systems Command at Wright-Patterson by Scope, Inc. Called Conflex I, the desk-top size unit includes a sensory field, discrimination cells and a memory device. It is capable of recognizing such patterns as pictorial displays, letters, numbers, geometric designs, and with a different sensor, it may be used to recognize speech, other audio and higher frequency patterns. It learns in a random fashion and its "intelligence" may be increased by adding memory units. At present, Conflex I is a research tool to develop pattern recognition techniques for aerospace use.

**CREATION OF HIGH FREQUENCIES** by multiple quantum transitions has been achieved at Kane Engineering Labs., of Palo Alto. Scientists achieved frequency multiplication by three (third harmonic) on the order of 80 watts output from 250 kw input. The conversion was from X-band to K-band. Through multiple quantum transitions, interaction of electromagnetic energy with a molecular system can convert power from one frequency to an odd harmonic of the basic frequency. Microwave frequencies can then be lifted to even higher frequencies. Approach may offer potential for reaching into the spectrum area between microwaves and infrared.

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developed by Raytheon is expected to have long life due to absence of a heater circuit. Still experimental, the tube may not be available in quantity for several years. It delivers continuous gain over its frequency range of 2 to 4 dc. Continued research on the TWT promises desirable features such as high current densities, low noise beams, instant starting and long life. Aside from the tube's cold tunnel cathode, its electron beam can be shaped and pre-focused during manufacture by use of masks while vaporized semiconducting material layers are deposited onto layers of aluminum, aluminum oxide, and gold. The beam image has been made in the form of a hollow circle for greater efficiency, reports Raytheon.

SYNCOM II AND 60-FT. ANTENNAS helped to make successful voice and teletype tests over 7,700 miles-the greater surface distance spanned between two earth points by communications satellite. says NASA. The tests linked the USNS Kingsport, anchored at Lagos, Nigeria, and Camp Roberts, Calif. Part of NASA long-range effort to explore world-wide communications, Syncom 11 at first beamed signals between Lagos and Lakehurst, N. L. with a 60-ft. Sylvania parabolic antenna at Fort Dix, N. J., backing up. As the satellite moved into line with Camp Roberts, signals beamed from Africa were picked up by the other Sylvania antenna at the Roberts station. The antennas can track an orbiting body 22,300 miles out within 24/1000ths of a degree accuracy.

EDP MOTHER TONGUE IS HERE, according to the American Standards Association. Some \$3 million in man-hours over four years were spent in developing the seven-bit coded character set now the electronic benchmark for information interchange between data processing machines and computers. Credit for hurdling the barrier in the search for a nationally accepted code goes to the Business Equipment Manufacturers Association and N3 sectional committee. In the newly approved American Standard Code for Information Exchange X3.4-1963, 128 possible coded characters are prescribed from 36 control functions and format effectors to the 64-character subset devoted to graphics. Pending further work, 28 characters remain unassigned.

# RADARSCOPE

### ELECTRON BURST FROM HOT TUNGSTEN,

allowing extra high current, may eliminate the moments of radio silence when astronauts re-enter atmosphere. A Cornell research team has found that heating a tungsten cathode with a pulsed laser beam generates 10,000 or more amperes per square centimeter as compared with 1 to 10 amps from conventionally heated cathodes. High frequency tubes using the Cornell technique would produce thousands of watts at 100 to 200 kmc as compared to the thousandths of watts now available at a limit of 100 kmc.

**FAST-FIRING LASER**, with continuing operation, has been developed by Maser Optics, Inc., of Boston. According to Dr. Harry Franks, firm's president, the new ruby laser, believed to be the fastest laser devised to date, fires one pulse of light energy every second. Heretofore, the fastest rate ever reached with a continuous-operation laser was about one pulse every ten seconds. The laser was developed for high-volume metalworking applications, such as welding, metal removal and metal perforation. Power output is up to 2 joules per pulse. Input is rated at 600 joules per pulse.

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#### ULTRA-THIN FILM GROWER

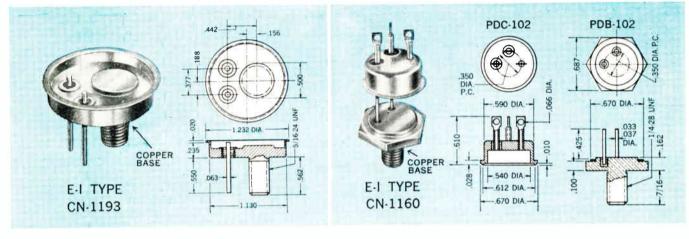
Being readied for an experiment by senior technician Paul Raygor, this ultra-high vacuum chamber is used by Westinghouse scientists to grow films only 10 atoms thick. Films are used in research on solid-state devices. Chamber can get pressures down to one - trillionth of one atmosphere.



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LOW-POWERED RADAR SYSTEM designed by General Dynamics/Electronics can do away with "hide-and-seek-games" with aircraft in close formation in any weather, day or night. Aircraft Station Keeper (ASK) radar system provides position data over a full 360° around the plane. It gives each plane using the system a pictorial display of all other craft within the flight pattern. Compact. low-powered, the system is mainly a combine of transceivers and display devices. The two units occupy only ¼ cubic foot of space, weigh 16 lbs. and drain 50 watts. ASK fits all types of military aircraft.

SMALL SPACE INSTRUMENTS and a new approach in getting research data and basic scientific information was suggested as the field our physicists should get into by NACA's Dr. Hugh L. Dryden. In effect, Dr. Dryden said, in an address at William and Mary College, following site presentation for Virginia Associated Research Center, that too many physicists today are still satisfied with nuclear physics - big machines, small particles, small distances. Now, space science has opened avenues into space physics, a field demanding new, exotic materials, miniaturized electronic instruments and other ultra-small devices to study interstellar phenomena of vast proportions. The need is for our creative physicist to think now in terms of small devices to measure and collect the wealth of scientific information from outer space.

UNIFIED CARRIER SYSTEM for spacecraft-toearth communications has been tested for a simulated Apollo mission for velocities of 36,000 ft/sec. by NASA and MIT's Lincoln Laboratory. A unified carrier approach is aimed at integrating ranging and communications functions, and uses phaselocked loop techniques in spacecraft to relate received and transmitted carrier coherently. Ranging is accomplished through a psuedo-noise code, demodulated at the craft and remodulated on the down-link carrier, and finally compared against transmitted code. Simultaneous lock-on of the carrier, telemetry, and code synchronization phaselocked loops have been observed in the background of noise expected during actual Apollo mission. Intensity spectrum of video modulation has been measured and compares favorably with theory.

# RADARSCOPE

**SOUND RECOGNITION MACHINE**, the Class Filter, was developed by ITT Federal Laboratories to recognize basic phonetic elements of speech, called phonemes. With training samples, the machine first "learns" the characteristics of the audible effects it is to recognize. When presented with an unknown sound later with the same characteristics as the "learned" pattern, the Class Filter will know the sound.

AGGRESSIVE RESEARCH PROGRAM for advanced aircraft design is urged by NASA's advisory panel. The panel cites a "serious threat by foreign competition to the U. S. lead in aircraft design." If the U. S. is to hold its lead, advisors note, we must conduct "hard-at-it" basic and applied research programs to permit the design of top aircraft, for military and commercial. The advisors also said that the U.S. must provide a means to allow scheduled flights to go through despite weather.

### WHAT'S MY ATTITUDE, NOW?

To help astronauts answer that question during Apollo flight, Honeywell built this trainer that includes a model of Apollo command module to mimic craft's instruments. Viewers can see in 3 - D actual attitude in varied flight conditions. Bernard Olson (left) and John Haaland conduct human - factors studies.





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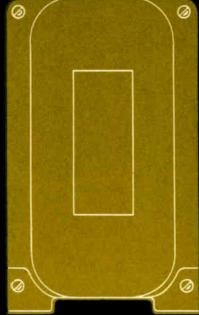
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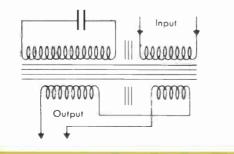


# marks Sola's 2-millionth voltage-regulating transformer

The sharp trend to transistors, advent of microelectronics, and related developments, obviously

### CV TRANSFORMER — AUTOMATIC ANSWER TO STRINGENT VOLTAGE PARAMETERS

Sola constant-voltage transformers are naturals for powering voltage-sensitive equipment - offer remarkable static and dynamic characteristics. Regulation is  $\pm 1\%$  for primary voltage variations of  $\pm 15\%$ . Response time, 25 milliseconds! Primary operates unsaturated, as in conventional transformers; secondary runs saturated so input changes cause negligible secondary effects. Sola's even counter outright load shorts! Sinusoidal types have less than 3% rms harmonics ... actually will improve poor input waveforms. And, there are no moving parts ... no tubes ... no maintenance. Ratings to 7500 va; custom designs also available in production quantities. Ask for Bulletin CV-100.



mean line-voltage fluctuations will be taking on *critical* significance. Thus the constant-voltage transformer is virtually a "black box turned to gold"... a *natural* for resolving tricky problems associated with input-voltage parameters.

Pictured is J. G. Sola (right) commemorating the two-millionth such unit off our line with the award of a golden Sola Transformer. Recipient is our first and still-continuing customer, Cenco Instruments Corp., producer of precision electronic instruments. Accepting for Cenco is Mr. Ralph Read, President. It was Mr. Sola's fundamental research in magnetics that produced this technological break-through in static-magnetic voltage regulation.

Significant improvements in ratings and construction inevitably followed. Yet the Sola CV's *leading original attributes* remain its leading advantages: inherent voltage regulation, maintenance-free operation, overload protection and cost savings!

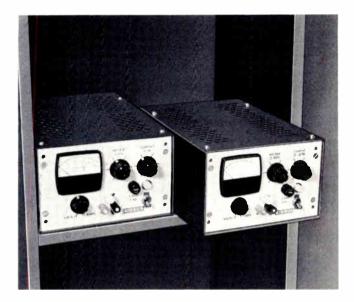


## New "Solavolt" delivers regulated d-c voltage and current, adjustable to zero

Solavolt adjustable-voltage supplies have recently broadened their selection to include a variety of economical new models. The additional units feature fingertip dialing from 0 to 90 volts, adjustable over entire range without step-switching. Ratings from 2.8 to 24 amps.

Voltage regulation, provided by integral Sola CV transformer, is  $\pm 1\%$  at maximum voltage, full load. Ripple, optimum for all ratings. The Sola transformer additionally affords short-circuit protection, through inherent current limiting.

New Solavolt adjustable supplies offer ideal flexibility where regulation isn't too critical. Operate from 100-130 and 200-260 volt inputs. Supplied ready for 19" rack mounting, they're a worthy complement to existing Solavolt choices (ranging to 400 v). Ask for Bulletin DC-105. Space saving "squeeze" play: New QSB Adjustable-Voltage D-C Supplies fit TWO in 19-inch rack, side-by-side



New QSB transistorized adjustable d-c supplies afford *extra compactness* and *more watts per dollar* than even our popular QSA! Provide instantly adjustable voltage and current for experimental and test purposes. Applicable to all fields of science, they're just half the width of QSA; so a pair of QSB chassis easily fits side by side in standard 19" racks.

These superlative power sources offer *remote* programing of current and voltage . . . remote voltage sensing . . . current and voltage stabilization . . . short-circuit protection . . . series and parallel operating flexibility.

Regulation  $\pm 0.005\%$  for line voltage  $\pm 10\%$  (0 to full load) ... as low as 0.02% for current (0 to full load). Ripple less than 15 mv rms. Recovery time just 50 microseconds to return within regulation envelope and remain there.

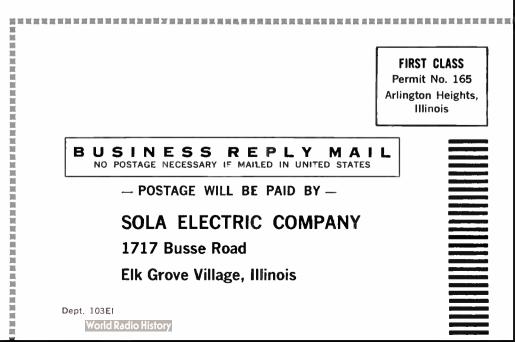
QSB's operate from 115-v nominal input, 47-440 cps, without troublesome voltage overshoot at turn-on or turn-off. All solid-state circuitry. Four choices of output to 80 vdc; 0.5 to 2 amps. Like its big brother QSA, the new, compact QSB is clearly the choice for *adjustable output with extremely precise regulation*. Send for Bulletin DC-132.



## New Sola solid-state inverter puts out 60 to 3000 watts of stable, sinusoidal a-c for emergency standby service

If you manufacture 120-vac equipment that also must operate from *standby battery power*, you'll find a priceless ally in this new Sola solid-state inverter. No moving parts to cause trouble; no costly maintenance. Sola inverters offer all inherent advantages of the sinusoidal'CV transformer: stable output; low harmonics; automatic current limiting and short-circuit protection.

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### Regulating voltage in kva ranges? Solatron pre-regulates voltage for kvarated equipment

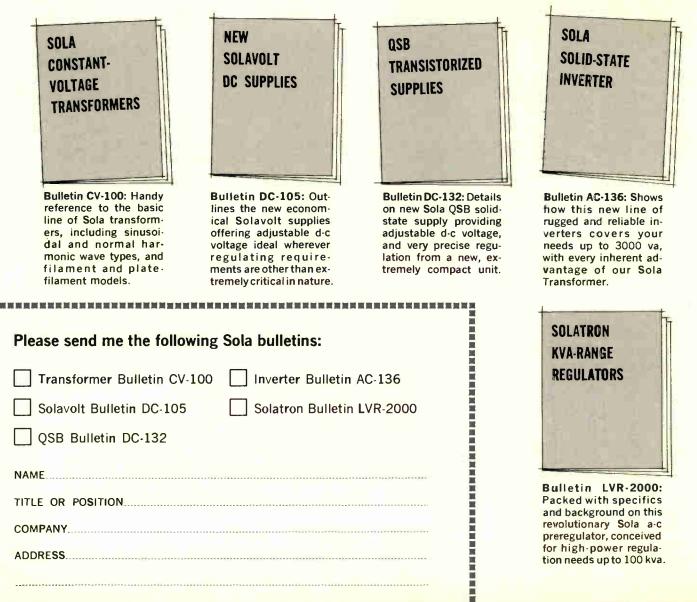
Electronic-design people find themselves increasingly confronted on one hand with big blocks of power for electrical and electronic equipment, and on the other hand, with line-voltage that won't stay within required limits. Ready to resolve this dilemma is the remarkable Solatron voltage regulator — a new concept in solid-state regulation in ranges of 1 kva and up.

Solatron spans power demand from 1 to 100 kva, single or 3-phase! Cleans up troublesome line fluctuations; or even better, can sense your entire

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# Send postcard below for details on these Sola self-regulating transformers and power supplies!





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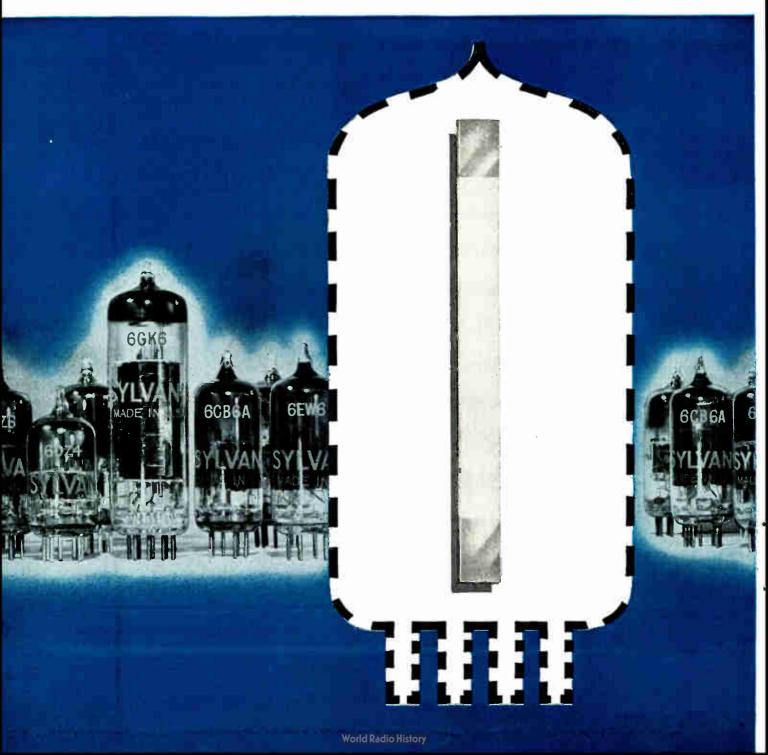
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Sylvania — first with the Sarong and Bikini cathodes — now announces a new development that <u>significantly increases</u> the reliability of Sylvania tubes. "Life Boost Cathode" is the name...the secret is an ultra-pure, uniform alloy made possible by Sylvania's leadership in powder metal technology. Contrasted to conventional melted alloys, the Life Boost powder metal alloy is so pure and uniform, with performance so predictable, that it eliminates any need for the usual "melt approval." Alloy uniformity inhibits the formation of leakage paths, which extends tube life. It also means better-controlled electron emission and regulated barium release throughout life—tube performance <u>stays</u> within specifications. Further, the new cathodes have 25% greater mechanical strength, which significantly reduces equipment failure in the field.

Precise control of alloy composition is the key. The basic pure nickel powder plus carefully controlled powdered reducing agents are thoroughly blended and immediately rolled into thin-gauge strip. Because no critical temperatures are involved, no impurities are introduced from crucibles and con-

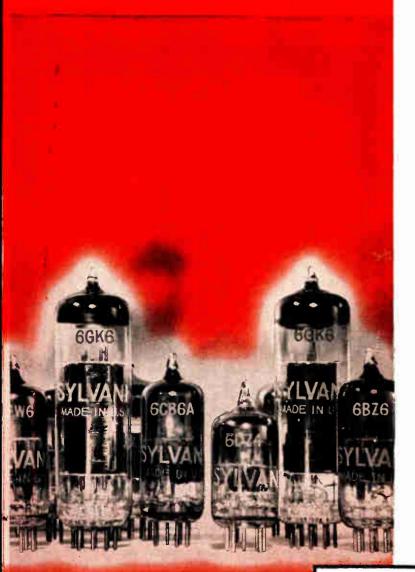
# New LIFE-BOOST\* Cathode gives increased life, stability and



tainers, forging hammers or hot rolling equipment. And the powder process permits previously impossible or hard to attain combinations of wanted properties, such as electrical passivity and modianical strength at high temperature.

A planned conversion of Sylvania fuber to the Life Boost Cathode is under way. For information on types available now, contact your Sylvania Sails Engment or write: Electronic Tube Division, Sylvania Electric Products Inc., Box 87, Buttalo, New York

# Sylvania Tubes uniformity



## 90 TYPES already have the LIFE-BOOST Cathode:

2AF4B; 3AF4B; 6AF4A, B; 2/3/6DZ4; 6GK6; 6BQ5; 6DQ5; 6/25CD6; 25DN6; 6/12/25BQ6GTB, A; 6V6; 12BZ6; 3/4/6CB6A; 4/6DE6; 6CF6; 3/6DE6; 5/6EW6; 6186; 7056; 5/6GM6; 32ET5A; 25EH5; 50B5; 6AH6WA; 6CU5; 6/12DT5; 6/12/25BK5; 6DT5; 6AU8, A; 6BH8; 7060; 8ET7; 6/8GN8; 10JY8; 6BL8; 6883A; 6080WA; 6080WB; GB-6080; 6AH6; 6BC5; 25F5; 35C5; 6AS5; 4/6BZ6; 6CB6A; 6082; 6GR7/SR-3213; 12BV7; 12BY7; 6/12DQ6B; 6J4WA; 12CA5; 12ED5; 50C5; 6BF5; 6CA5; 6ET7; 5687WA; 6AN5; 12DB5; 6K6; 6146; 6146A; 6159A; 6BL7GTA; 6/12AV5GA

### Here's evidence of what it can do:

### ...In 6DZ4 UHF oscillator:

### No failures, greatly improved stability

Test: 40 tubes operated at 130 VAC for 1500 hours in 40 TV sets (4 models, 3 manufacturers represented).

**Failures:** <u>None</u> resulting in set failure. (Statistical estimate: 1% per 1000 hours at 130 V, or about 0.3% per 1000 hours at 117 V.) Failure rate for same tube made with conventionally prepared cathode material: 13.1%.

Oscillator Grid Current: After 1500 hours at 130 V, 90% of LIFE-BOOST Cathode tubes had grid current between 550 and 950  $\mu$ A. Only about 38% of the tubes with conventional cathodes remained within these limits after period of test.

### ...in 6GK6, used for critical vertical output: TV set manufacturer reports improved stability

### Test: More than 1000 hours at 135 VAC line.

**Results:** No leakage problems, no slump in characteristics; tube can be used in vertical socket as well as other sockets of customer's TV set line.

Sylvania tests show significantly reduced sublimation (formation of leakage paths), and improved plate current stability under accelerated life test and heater cycling conditions with over-voltages applied.

### ... in RF pentodes:

### Reduced grid emission, no insulation breakdown

**RF** pentodes BZ6, CB6, EW6 and others, when subjected to life testing, showed reduced grid emission levels after conversion to the LIFE-BOOST Cathode. Insulation levels during and at the completion of life showed little or no change—an indication of improved stability—and endpoint failures due to breakdown were virtually nonexistent.

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### What salesman? A business magazine.

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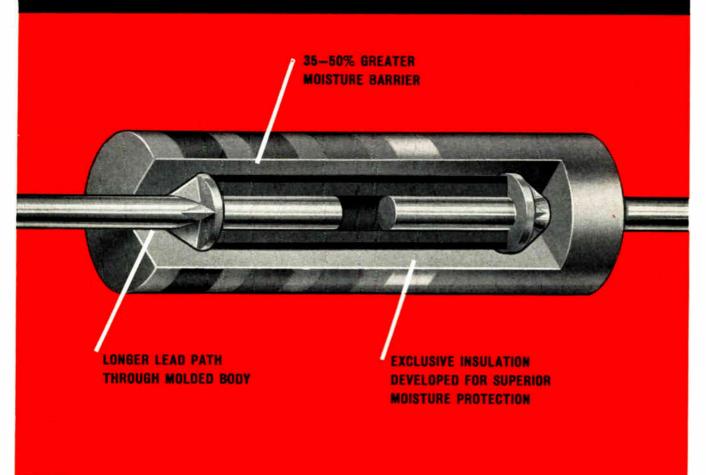
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### IRC Type GBT's also provide

- Lower operating temperature
- Better resistance-temperature characteristics

**PERFORMANCE ADVANTAGES** 

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- Ranges to 100,000 megohms
- Stronger termination
- Weldable leads



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# WASHINGTON TRENDS

FUNDS FOR NASA APPROVED — A record high \$5.3 billion for NASA was approved by Senate-House conferees. NASA originally asked for \$5.7 billion for the 12 months ending next June 30. The House cut this sum sharply to \$5.2 billion, but the Senate restored many cuts. Biggest single difference between the two chambers is project Apollo. The House had cut the Apollo program by \$120 million, and the Senate voted the entire \$1.2 billion asked. They split the difference and voted \$1.1 billion. As for the controversial electronics research center scheduled for the Boston area, the conferees accepted the House provision that NASA must justify the project before construction begins.

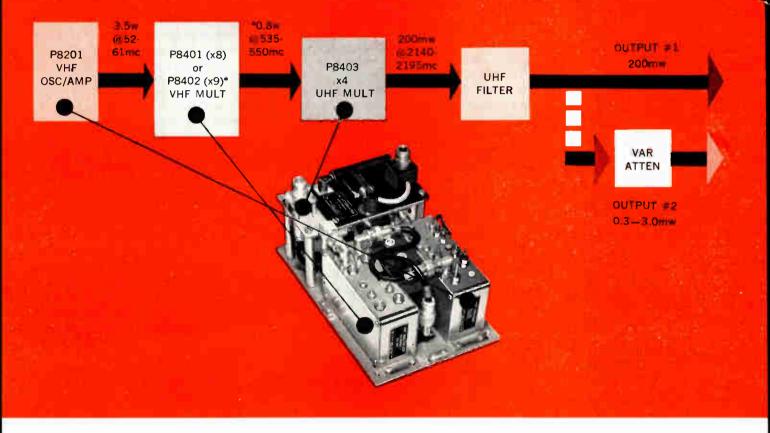
CSC TO SELL STOCK, SIGNS 3 FIRMS-Stock in Communications Satellite Corp. (CSC) will go on the board early in 1964. FCC, while nagging CSC about stock sale delays, has been threatening to stop further CSC borrowings unless half of the stock is put on sale to the public soon. CSC chairman Leo D. Welch tells FCC chairman E. William Henry to keep FCC nose out of CSC affairs. FCC authorized CSC to borrow \$600,000, with \$100,000 for operating funds and the other \$500,000 for research and design of a satellite system. Welch claims invasion of firm's managerial functions, and says he'll resist further FCC moves to inhibit his duties.-CSC has signed its first three contracts with AT&T, RCA, Hughes Aircraft for studies on multiple-access techniques for communications satellites.

FCC STUDIES SATELLITES — Federal Communications Commission wants to take a close look at the economic effects of worldwide electronic communication via space satellites. FCC is concerned that communications satellites may dilute competition among international radio and cable companies. The FCC study would show whether more competition or a series of mergers is needed among international carriers. One thing chairman E. William Henry is sure of: international telegraph carriers should be authorized immediately to handle voice transmission. These companies could then offer effective competition to the AT&T, which has a "substantial monopoly of pure voice communications." DEMAND FOR TECHNICAL MEN GROWING —The U. S. faces a critical shortage of scientific personnel over the next few years as demands from government and industry for technicians overrun the capacity of schools and colleges to produce them. The National Science Foundation warns, in a recent report, that two million scientists and engineers will be needed by 1970 but that colleges will likely produce only some 700,000. Demands for scientists and engineers, says NSF, have outrun general growth of the U. S. labor force.

EIA ASKS TARIFF CHANGES — Electronic products should be separate from electrical machinery in lists being readied for 1964 tariff talks, says Robert C. Sprague, chairman of EIA Electronic Imports Committee, and chief executive of Sprague Electric Co. Mr. Sprague said, "High-priced skills are required in R&D, design, and in producing new and improved electronic products. Capacitors. resistors, tubes and semiconductors, several of which may be held in the hand, and which sell for a few cents to a few dollars each, cannot be considered, for trade agreement purposes, on the same basis as an electric generator selling for several million dollars.-EIA also declared that removal of certain restrictive import regulations in other nations, including government purchasing practices and discriminatory specs, would do as much to increase exports of U.S. electronics as would lower tariffs.

ELECTRONICS EXPORTS PUSHED - U. S. Commerce Department is urging American electronics firms interested in developing a market in Britain to submit export proposals to a special electronics trade mission by next March 1. The mission will try to promote contracts for purchase of electronic products and services. The six businessmen making up the mission will be specialists in numerical control systems, industrial process control systems, measuring and testing, ultrasonics, and advanced high-performance components for equipment, including solid state devices. They'll seek applications in the chemical manufacturing, food processing, combustion engineering, metalworking. and electronic engineering fields. Proposals for exports by U. S. firms will be summarized in a booklet to be distributed ahead of the May-June mission.

# **Philco S-Band Power Source**



**New reliability standards** are inherent in the solid-state design of the new Philco P8001 S-Band Power Source. Fully engineered—it's available complete or in your choice of contained modules. The modules: a transistorized oscillator/amplifier; varactorized VHF multiplier; and varactorized UHF multiplier. New and fully engineered.



Philco C-Band Tunnel Diode Amplifier. Mount it at the antenna to cut cable loss and noise. No matter where you mount it, the new Philco P701 Tunnel Diode Amplifier will have a maximum noise figure of 4.5 db... plus the unusually wide bandwidth of 20% ... and 18 db typical gain. Operable to a 3,000-hour battery life (much longer, of course, on 110 Volts AC).

Get data on Philco Power Sources and Tunnel Diode Amplifiers. Write Dept. EI1063S.



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MARKETING

### Facts and Figures Round-Up

### EIA STARTS BIG EFFORT TO HALT IMPORT 'THREAT'

EIA has asked its members to support a "massive effort to prevent destruction of the U.S. electronics industry by rising imports from low-wage nations."

Robert C. Sprague, chairman of the EIA Electronics Imports Committee, and chief executive of Sprague Electric Co., asked all EIA divisions to back a request for a board appropriation to carry on a "constant and intensive" program in behalf of the industry.

The program includes preparation of data on the effects of imports on jobs, sales and output of U.S. firms bearing the brunt of foreign competition.

### 'CHECK WITH MARKETING,' MARKETEERS TELL ENGINEERS

Engineers were offered some friendly advice from marketing men at the 1963 Defense Industry Marketing Forum of the American Managment Association.

1. Don't simply engineer what you like as an engineer. Perhaps nobody wants it. Check the growing lists of guidelines—value analyses, costs analyses, allowable expenses and budgets, etc.—and check with your department head—who should have checked with market research or defense sales.

2. A top U.S. contractor surveyed R&D directors and found that five or six do not consult with marketing directors to determine market needs.

3. While engineers must develop new products, or improve old ones, the market research people find it equally important to develop new approaches, or improve old selling ways.

### COMPONENTS FACTORY SHIPMENTS RISE TO NEW LEVELS

Factory sales and shipments of components by U.S. electronics firms came close to the four-billion-dollar mark in 1962.

At least three-fourths of this total was earmarked for the aerospace/ defense market.

In the latest report from the Electronics Division, Business and Defense Services Administration of the Commerce Department, the total for all components is estimated at \$3.9 billion. This is a new high, more than 8% above the 1961 level.

Listed in the report, which does not include all components, are resistors, capacitors, connectors, relays, coils, power and special purpose tubes, receiving tubes, and TV tubes, plus semiconductors. The report also lists some complex items such as integrated circuit modules and plug-ins.

Total sales of electron tubes increased 1.7% over 1961 to a new level of \$875 million. A 10% increase in power and special purpose tubes more than offset declines of 1.7% in

### NEW MARKET LOOMING FOR USED COMPUTERS

A slow groundswell seems to be in the making for used, surplus electronic computers. While there is already a growing market for electrical and mechanical office machines being bumped by computers, some of the older vintage EDP units are being replaced.

First on the auctioneer's block was Bizmac—RCA's original EDP system which was sold by the Army from its Detroit arsenal. Another surplus military computer was Univac 1103, used for some years at Elgin Air Force Base. Florida. receiving tubes and 3.5% in TV picture tube output.

Although unit shipments of semiconductors increased 35% over 1961, the value of shipments showed only a 1% increase to \$571 million. This reflects a steady decline in unit prices of many transistor and diode types.

Relay sales recorded a 10% increase to \$201 million, which reversed the slight decline in 1961. The advent of advanced types was the chief cause for this increase.

Shipments of capacitors gained 16% to \$349 million, and resistors increased 23% to nearly \$350 million.

Connectors showed a gain of 30% to \$248 million.

Quartz crystals rose 29% to \$37 million and complex components went up a big 77% to \$67 million.

### MARKET MEN HIT DOD ON DOLLAR-TRIMMING WAYS

Defense and aerospace marketing officials are taking issue with Defense Sec. McNamara and the "loaded approaches" they say he used to trim \$1.1 billion from Pentagon procurement in FY 1963.

He was commended for economizing through greater use of excess inventories, switching from non-competitive to competitive procurement, shifting from cost-plus to fixed-price and incentive contracts, standardization and simplification procedures. Criticisms generally fall into two categories:

1. Price may be lower in some cases—but so may quality of product and/or service.

2. Comparison may be unfair. An example is the comparison of prototypes and production units.

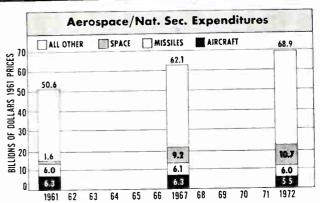
### THE TOP TEN IN AEROSPACE/DEFENSE

Top ten U.S. contractors by net value of aerospace/ defense prime contract awards for Experimental, Developmental, Test and Research work—fiscal year 1962  $(7.1)(4.1 \pm 6.6)(20.62)$ 

(//1/61 to 6/30/62).	Place of Contract Work	Approx. Dollars (Millions)
General Dynamics Corp.	San Diego, Calif.	\$508
Lockheed Aircraft Corp.	Sunnyvale, Calif.	500
Boeing Co.	Seattle, Wash.	497
North American Aviation	Los Angeles, Calif	. 401
General Electric	Philadelphia, Pa.	384
Martin Marietta Corp.	Littleton, Colo.	333
Western Electric Co.	New York, N. Y.	268
Aerojet-General Corp.	Sacramento, Calif.	202
Douglas Aircraft Co.	Santa Monica, Cal	if. 181
Sperry Rand Corp.	Syosset, N. Y.	152

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Projected costs within the security budget indicate that aerospace programs will rise from 1961's \$14 billion to more than \$22 billion by 1972. Most increases will be in space; aircraft and missiles will plateau, or fall a little. (Aerospace Management estimates \$22 billion aerospace for FY '64.) (Lockheed-Georgia Company) Designers of amplifiers, oscillators and frequency converters can now have the benefit of cutoff frequencies to 40 Gc, resulting from the high peak-current-to-capacitance ratios of Sylvania germanium tunnel diodes.

Uniform, stable equipment performance is aided by the tight tolerance control, low temperature coefficient and rugged construction of these units—and you have a wide choice. If one of the 120 standard types doesn't exactly fit your requirement, characteristics such as negative resistance, current-capacitance ratio and total capacitance can be tailored to your needs. Other performance benefits of these diodes are their low (1.30) noise constant, and ultra-low microphonic sensitivity.

Addition of the new, smaller package, with its low capacitance and low inductance, effectively raises selfresonant frequencies and opens many new application

# Sylvania Germanium Tunnel Diodes to 100 mA, new low-capacitance

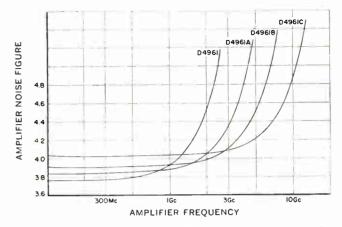


possibilities. To make it even more useful, Sylvania offers this new package with or without prongs. The standard package, too, is available with or without leads, bringing the package choice up to four.

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# offer I<sub>p</sub> from 1 mA package

### **Tunnel Diode Amplifier Noise Figure**



Calculated noise figure for a diode of each type. This is a conservative figure based on type minimums. Amplifier noise figure NF is computed as:

NF 
$$\frac{1 + N_s}{(1 - R_{s/rj}) - (1 - (f/_{fco})^2)}$$

Where N<sub>e</sub> is the typical value 1.30 for Sylvania germanium tunnel diodes, R, is maximum selection limit for series resistance, r, is typical negative resistance (65 ohms), f is the amplifier frequency and f n is the minimum specified cutoff frequency for the type.

### Performance Summary—Typical Units

	Peak Current I <sub>p</sub>	Typical Negative Resistance r <sub>j</sub>	Maximum Series Resistance R <sub>s</sub>	Minimum Cutoff Frequency Gc
D4961 D4961A D4961B D4961C D4962 D4962C D4962C D4963C D4963C D4965C D4965A D4965B D4965C	$\begin{array}{c} 2.0 \pm .2\\ 5.0 \pm .5\\ 5.0 \pm .5\\ 5.0 \pm .5\\ 5.0 \pm .5\\ 10 \pm 1\\ 20 \pm .5\\ 50 \pm .5\\ \end{array}$	65 65 26 26 26 26 26 26 26 2.6 2.6 2.6 2.6 2.	2.0 3.0 6.0 1.5 2.5 3.5 2.0 1.5 .25 .4 .8 1.2	5 9 14 24 4 7.5 12 20 18 16 2.5 4 6 11

Above characteristics are the same in D4971, D5061, D5071 series. Typical characteristics are:

Series	Package Inductance	Package Capacitance	
D4961	0.25 nh	0.65 pf	
D4971	0.25 nh	0.65 pf	
D5061	0.15 nh	0.30 pf	
D5071	0.15 nh	0.30 pf	



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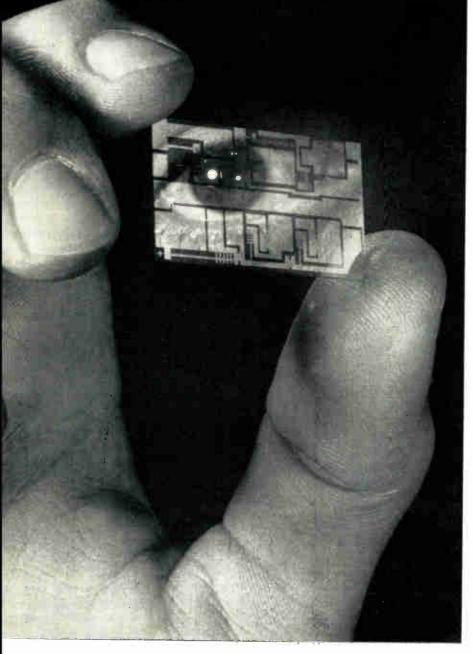
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# SNAPSHOTS... OF THE ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES



#### SPACE 'SIGNALS'

Hughes Aircraft Co. Syncom engineering team consisting of (1 to r) Chester Bjorgan, David Kamm, Thomas Mizote and Stanley Peterson examine the synchronous satellite which provides a 4-continent communications link-up.



### CRITICAL EYE

Microelectronic circuit forms 'mirror' for critical eye of researcher at Autonetics division of North American Aviation, Inc., Anaheim, Calif. Rectangles are resistors and capacitors with lines forming connections.

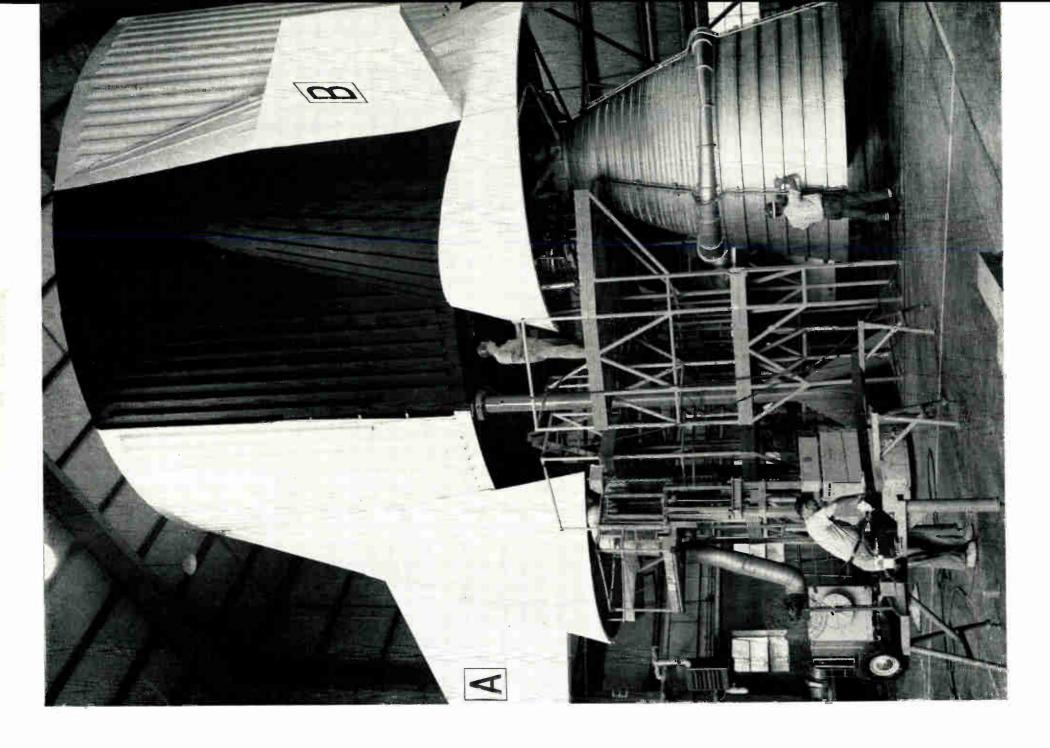


BRAIN MONITOR

Dr. Milton DeLucchi, (Major, USAF), and Dr. W. Ross Adey, UCLA brain scientist, examine components of a helmet designed to monitor brain activity in space. Helmet was developed at UCLA's Brain Research Inst.

### "BUSINESS END"

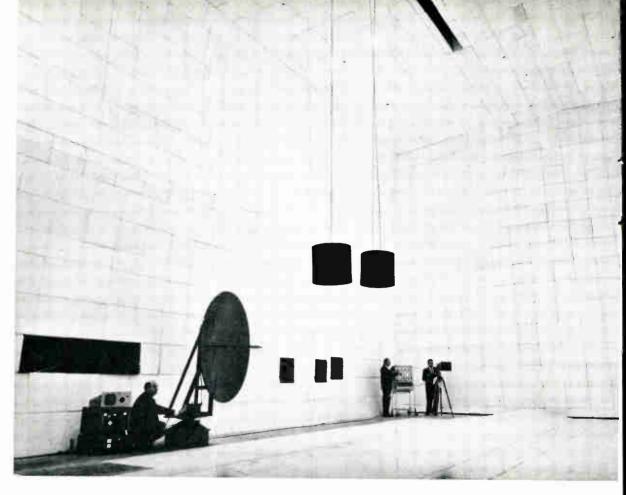
Mockup (r) of the S-IC stage thrust structure of the Saturn V moon rocket nears completion at the NASA center in Huntsville, Ala. The booster, 33 ft. in dia. and 138 ft. long, will be powered by 5 engines developing 7.5 million lbs. thrust. Two mock engines are shown mounted beneath the thrust structure.

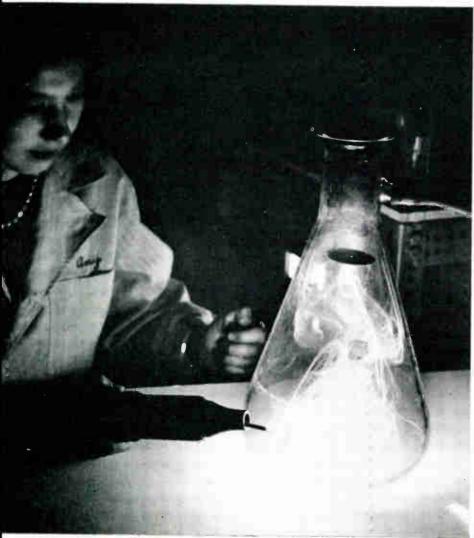


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#### "QUIET"

Personnel of Lockheed Missiles & Space Co., Sunnyvale, Calif., check out performance of new anechoic chamber. Objects hanging from ceiling are hooks for overhead hoist, shrouded in anechoic material to eliminate reflections. Hoist cables are nonmetallic for the same reason.





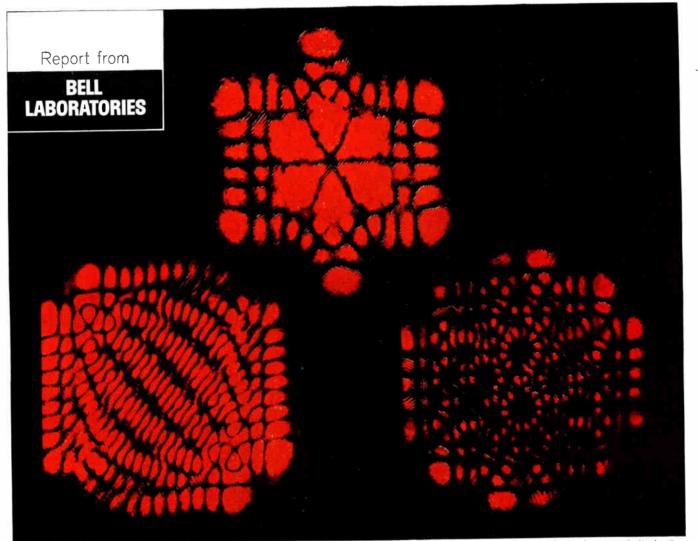
#### "READ OUT"

Glass fibers give off light when exposed to electron bombardment by Amy Jasinski in Owens-Illinois Glass Co.'s lab in Toledo, Ohio. Transparent glasses change to colored, but still transparent, glasses when exposed to electron beams or Ultra-Violet radiation. First use of these "O-1 Silicas" may be as "read out" devices for radarscopes and computers.

#### SPEEDS TRAINING

Jack Glaser, Hughes Aircraft Co. Dept. Mgr., explains AN MSQ-28 Modular Trainer Facility to Captain G. A. Hermes. The trainer will speed U. S. Army air defense group training.





To produce these mode patterns, the normal operation of a helium-neon optical maser is perturbed by placing a pair of wire cross hairs in the cavity. These wires interact with the mode structure of the unperturbed cavity, suppressing some modes and, in certain cases, coupling others together. By changing the angle between the cross hairs, this interaction can be altered and different mode patterns, as shown, can be produced.

### A STEADILY GROWING FAMILY OF OPTICAL MASERS

Scientists at Bell Telephone Laboratories are continuing extensive research programs to gain increased knowledge about optical maser (laser) action. The immediate goal of these investigations is more complete understanding of the phenomenon itself. In the long run, however, this knowledge will help us to evaluate better the communications applications.

One aspect of optical maser research is the study of the mode structures in laser cavities. The modes excited in a particular experiment can be identified by mode patterns, shown above, produced by directing the emergent beam onto a photographic plate.

Optical maser research at Bell Laboratories has resulted in a broad new field of radiation science. For instance, discovery of gas lasers also provided the first continuously operating laser. The active medium in this device is a mixture of helium and neon; its operation depends on the excitation of neon atoms by collision with excited helium atoms. Originally, this system emitted infrared light, but recently it has been made to produce visible red and yellow light.

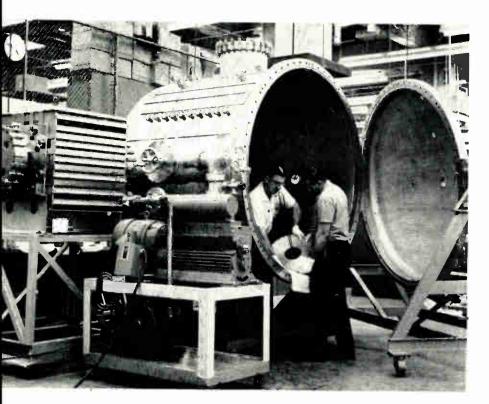
More recently, in another significant advance, our scientists have discovered two other new mechanisms for creating maser action in gases. One depends on the dissociation of oxygen molecules in mixtures of oxygen and neon or argon. The other takes place in pure noble gases—helium, neon, argon, krypton and xenon—and depends on a direct transfer of energy from accelerated free electrons to the gas atoms.

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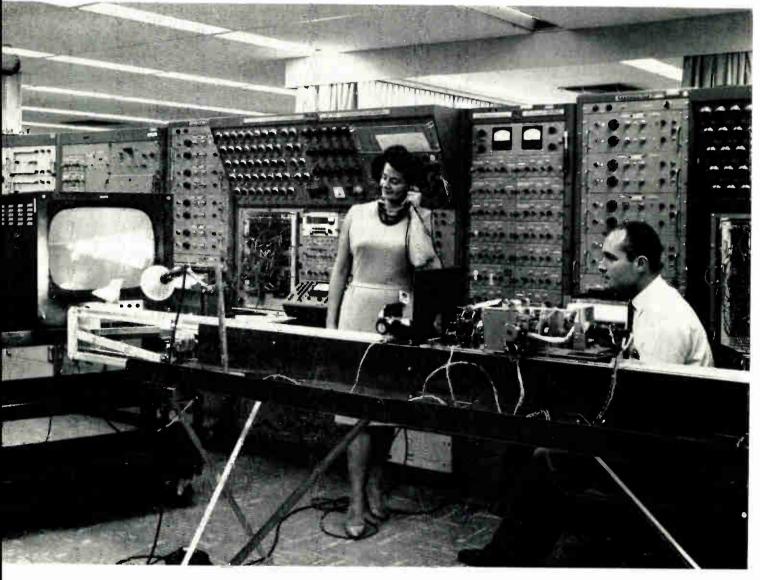
## SNAPSHOTS . . . OF THE Electronic industries (Concluded)

#### PRESSURE CHAMBER

Workers prepare to make use of space simulation chamber at Varian Associates' Vacuum Applications Center, Palo Alto, Calif. Chamber is capable of pressures below  $10^{-11}$  torr, which are normally encountered by satellites about 500 miles from the earth's surface.

#### SIMULATED FLIGHT

Terry Vasques and Bart Monge watch rendezvous and docking maneuver in a simulated space flight at General Dynamics/Astronautics, San Diego, Calif. TV monitor is similar to one in the company's manned spacecraft simulator in another building. Computer provides the instruction to drive the "zoom" lens runing on tracks. Miss Vasques is talking to the "astronaut" in the spacecraft simulator.



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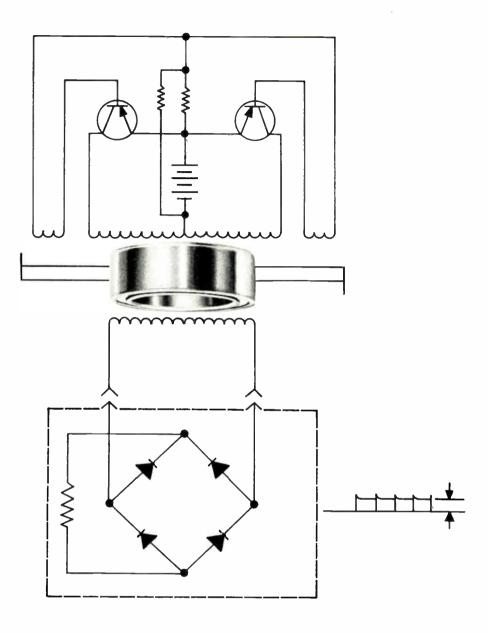
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### How to design a static converter/inverter

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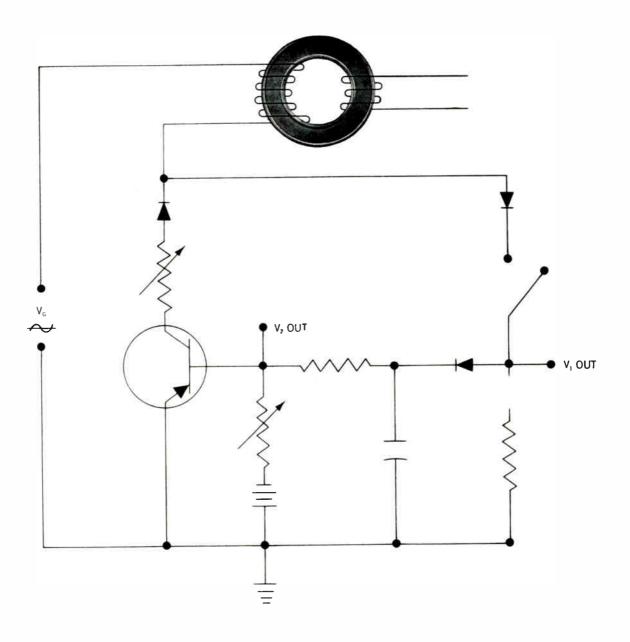
A Magnetics Inc. tape wound core is the *key* to perfect switching operation. The rapid change in core impedance in going from the unsaturated to saturated state forces the transistor switching. Thus, *a properly selected core* and the number of turns of wire on it become important, since this determines the operating frequency of the inverter.

Core material is important, too. For example, Magnetics Inc. Orthonol,<sup>®</sup> is ideal for most power applications where a given voltage and frequency are required. Where the design calls for a high voltage at low power levels, such as a d-c supply for photo tubes, Geiger tubes, or where high efficiencies are required under light loads, Magnetics Inc. Permalloy 80 should be selected.

Since power requirements, wire size, and frequency influence core size, Magnetics Inc. has a complete range of sizes and alloys available for complete design freedom.

To help you choose the core you need ... and for more details on this circuit, write for bulletin "Designing d-c to d-c Converters" to Magnetics Inc., EI-2. Butler, Pa.





# HOW TO GET 2 MINUTES TIME DELAY WITH 1% ACCURACY

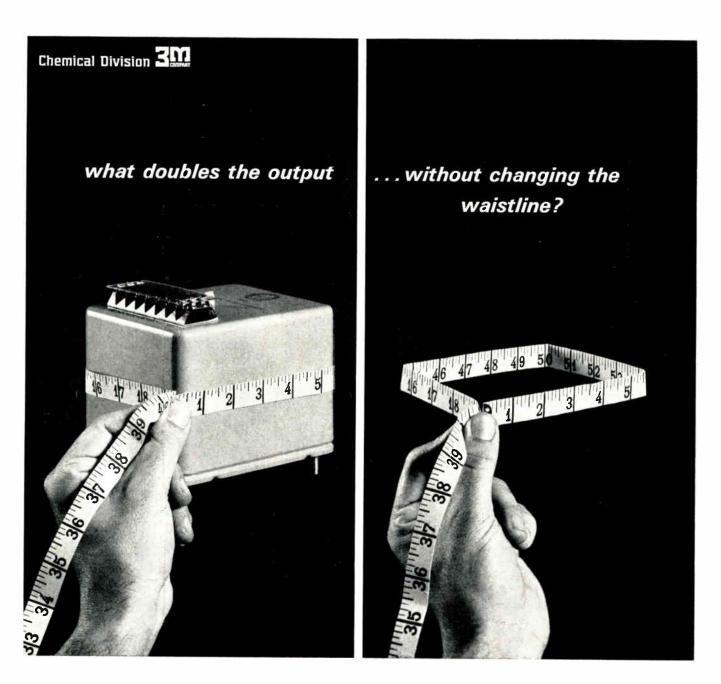
HERE'S AN ADVANCED DESIGN that uses alternate positive and negative volt-second signals to pulse an Orthonol<sup>®</sup> core to produce time delays up to 2 minutes with 1% accuracy. Key to extreme accuracy in this bi-directional trigger technique: the nearly ideal rectangular loop characteristics of Magnetics Inc.'s Orthonol<sup>®</sup> that permit switching sharply from the unsaturated to the saturated state.

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The device, made by Electro-Seal Corporation, was initially developed for the temperature control system of an electric oven. It can also be used as a static switch or as a continuously variable voltage control.

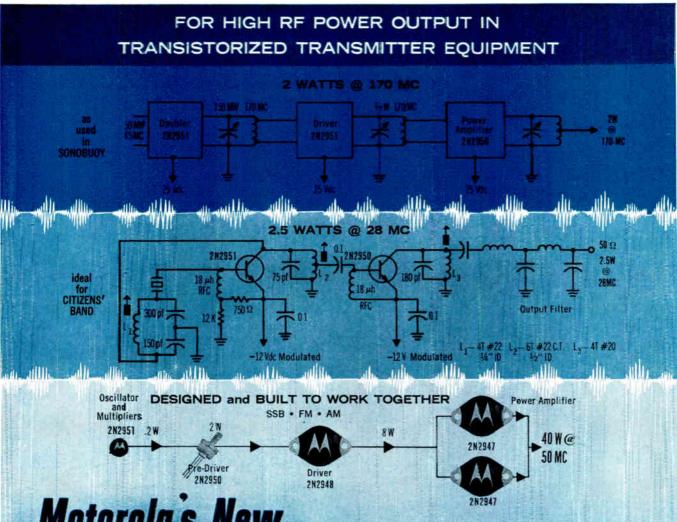
This control is just one of many dramatic examples of how FC-75 (and its companion, FC-43) helps designers "cool" space problems: Get more work out of the same space, or get

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2N2948	TO-3	10	7	60	80	40	1.5	25
2N2950	STUD	3.5	12	50	85	60	0.75	6.0
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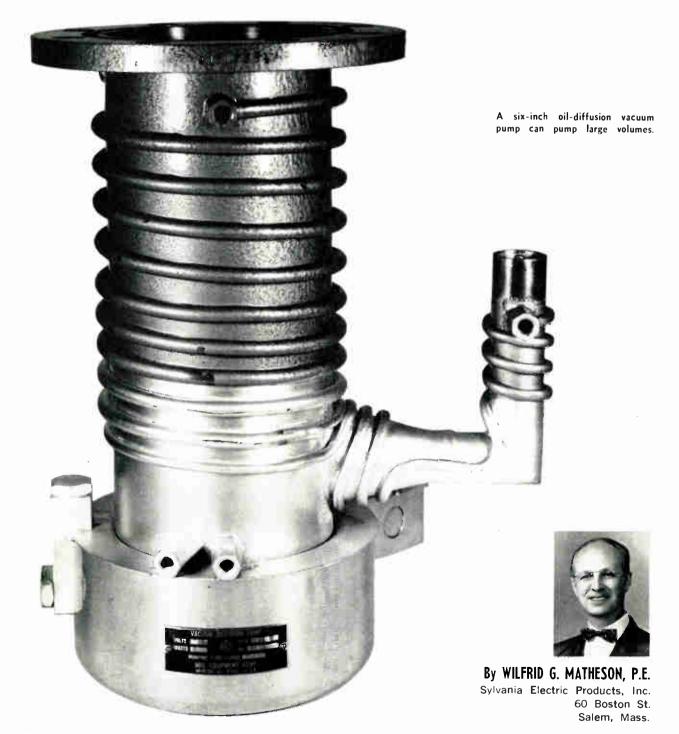
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# SURVEY OF VACUUM TECHNOLOGY

High vacuum environments are becoming increasingly important for space simulation and for production of high reliability electronic devices. This article will prove helpful to those who find it necessary to select and use high-vacuum equipment for electronic applications.



ADVANCED ELECTRONIC TECHNOLOGY often depends on increasingly high vacuum environments. How such environments may be achieved, how one copes with impurities introduced by the equipment, how long it takes to reach vacuum, and the cost of achieving vacuum are of increasing interest to electronic engineers. Yet, few of us have much training or experience in high-vacuum technology. This article, therefore, is tutorial in nature. It is designed to serve as background and reference material for those who find it necessary to select and use high-vacuum equipment for electronic applications.

The design of highly sophisticated vacuum systems, often needed for space simulation or for high reliability electronic device processing, is not for the novice. There are companies which specialize in highvacuum systems design that should normally be consulted where more than "rough pumping" systems are needed.

Details of ultra-high vacuum equipment, such as ion and cryogenic pumps, are covered in another article in this issue beginning on page 102.

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Vacuum is correctly defined as a state which exists in a completely sealed space from which all gases and vapors have been removed. Since no method of producing an absolute vacuum has yet been devised, progress toward that goal must be described in terms of "degree" of vacuum attained. Pressure attained is limited by the materials chosen to enclose such a space, nature of the gases and vapors to be removed, and methods of pumping used.

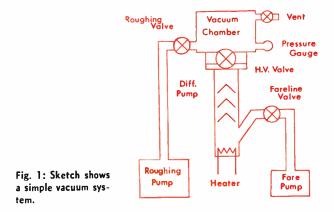
Degree of vacuum bears a definite relation to atmospheric pressure. (At sea-level this pressure is about 760 nm. of mercury).<sup>1</sup> The list below serves to show the relationship existing between the degree of vacuum and the pressure.

Condition	Pressure Range
Low Vacuum	760 to 25 Torr
Medium Vacuum	25 to 1.0 Torr
Fine Vacuum	1.0 to 1.0 $ imes$ 10 <sup>-3</sup> Torr
High Vacuum	$1.0 \times 10^{-3}$ to $1.0 \times 10^{-6}$ Torr
Very High Vacuum	$1.0 \times 10^{-6}$ to $1.0 \times 10^{-9}$ Torr
Ultra High Vacuum	$1.0 \times 10^{-9}$ and below Torr

Behavior of gases and vapors becomes more involved as conditions of pressure and temperature change. Ideal gases obey Boyle's law as well as Charles' Law, but non-condensable gases and vapors do not. Generally speaking, in any range of vacuum being used, one is confronted with a complex of gases and vapors. In a cubic centimeter of gas, at normal atmospheric pressure (760 Torr), there are about  $2.7 \times 10^{19}$  molecules. If we reduce the pressure to  $1.0 \times 10^{-7}$  Torr, we would have about  $2.7 \times 10^{9}$  molecules.

Molecules of air, under standard conditions, collide with each other after travelling an average distance of  $9.5 \times 16^{-6}$  cm. Average distance that a particle travels between successive collisions is called the Mean Free Path. At a pressure of  $1.0 \times 10^{-7}$  Torr, this increases to 14.0 meters. At ultra low pressures, such as in outer space, the molecules are very far apart. so that the average distance one must travel to collide with another is measured in hundreds of meters.

In the years between 1920 and 1940 much fundamental knowledge concerning vacuum physics was accumulated. World War II brought about an accelerated program to produce many new products and to improve existing ones. Amongst those in which vacuum processes played a major role were: Coating of precision optics, manufacture of reflectors for



optical systems, manufacture of penicillin, manufacture of vitamins, vacuum melting of metals, Radar--electron tubes, Cyclotrons, Betatrons, electron microscopes and atom fission.

Let us now consider some aspects of the production and measurements of vacuum. Fig. 1 shows a simple system. Essentially, it consists of a chamber, a pumping system, and a pressure measuring device, connected to permit the removal of gases, etc., from the chamber. The pressure level attainable is determined by the performance characteristics of the individual components.

One of the most confusing aspects of vacuum pumping is the selection of the correct vacuum pump for a particular use. This is not surprising when one discovers 32 different pumps defined in the *Glossary* of *Terms Used in Vacuum Technology*, issued by the Committee on Standards of the American Vacuum Society.\* There are a number of variations on these

<sup>1.</sup> In recent years, the term "Torr" has been generally accepted as the international standard term equivalent to a column of mercury 1.0 mm. high. ("Torr" is in honor of Evangelista Torricelli, who invented the barometer in 1643.)

<sup>\*</sup>This Glossary may be obtained from the Society by addressing Wilfrid G. Matheson, National Secretary, American Vacuum Society, P. O. Box 1282, Boston 9, Mass.

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pumps, particularly for exotic or unusual pumping needs. We shall consider here a few of the most commonly used pumps.

#### **Common Pumps**

Mechanical Oil-Sealed Rotary Pumps: This type pump is often classified as a "roughing pump." Pumps may be of single or 2-stage construction. Others may be duplex to increase volume and reduce vibration. (Various designs are available from a number of manufacturers.) Usual application range for these pumps is from atmospheric measure to  $1.0 \times 10^{-3}$ Torr. The greatest number are used for evacuation down to the Fine Vacuum range and to "back-up" diffusion pumps. The specially processed oil needed for lubrication and sealing of these pumps must have a low vapor pressure.

Within the limits of modern design and construction, the oil-sealed rotary pump produces a satisfactory vacuum for many purposes. Cold (refrigerated) traps often are used to reduce contamination from water and oil vapors in the vacuum chamber. Pressures lower than  $1.0 \times 10^{-8}$  are not uncommon. Fig. 2 shows the typical speed performance curve for single stage rotary type oil-sealed vacuum pumps.

Diffusion Pumps: The diffusion pump is an early development, dating back to Gaede, who in 1915 did the fundamental work which resulted in a basic diffusion pump. It was capable of pumping large voluumes of gas at relatively low pressures. The operating principle is that it uses a jet, or a number of jets, of mercury or oil vapor so placed as to provide a very low pressure above the jet. Into this space, the molecules from the chamber diffuse rapidly, and are captured and carried from jet to jet in successive compressive stages. They are then excelled into the atmosphere through a mechanical "back-up" pump connected to the foreline of the diffusion pump.

Many variations have occurred in the design of diffusion pumps. Research into pumping fluids has brought increased speeds and improved performance at all applicable pressure ranges. Various ejector type diffusion pumps have been developed for the higher pressure uses.

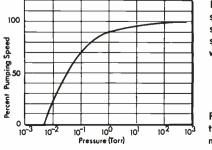


Fig. 2: A typical speed curve of a single stage oilsealed mechanical vacuum pump.

Fig. 3 (r): A Welch two-stage oil-sealed mechanical pump. Roots Blower Pump: This pump moves the gas by the propelling action of a pair of two-lobe interengaging impellers of special design. It is often called a mechanical booster pump when used in series with a regular mechanical pump and fills the gap between a mechanical and a diffusion pump. There is no fluid. However, the bearings must be lubricated. The Roots Pump is generally considered a "clean" pump.

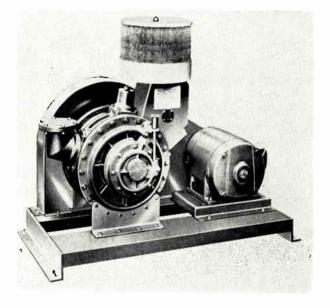
*Ejector Pump*: These are vapor pumps where the pumping action of each vapor jet depends mainly on the entrainment of gas by viscous drag and by diffusion of gas into the vapor at the boundary of a dense vapor stream. This stream carries the gas at supersonic velocities down a converging chamber (diffuser) and through a throat which is equal to, or smaller than, the cross section of the vapor stream.

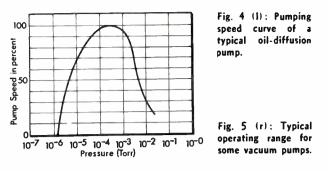
Ion Pump: An ion pump is an electrical device for pumping gas. It comprises a means for ionizing the gas and a system of electrodes at suitable potentials, and in some cases also a magnetic field, which causes the ions formed to move towards an auxiliary pump or trap. Ion pumps have relatively low pumping speeds. They are almost always used in conjunction with mechanical and diffusion pumps to achieve higher vacuum after these roughing pumps have reached their practical limits.

Sorption Pump: Such a pump is one with a renewable trapping surface which reduces the partial pressure of gases by adsorption, absorption, or by chemisorption. There are combinations of ion and sorption pumps.

Getter-Ion Pump: The familiar vacuum tube with its built-in getter is an example of getter pump action. The getter-ion pump is an ion-sorption pump in which a getter is continuously or intermittently vaporized and condensed on the trapping surface to give a fresh deposit of sorbent.

Dri-Vac Pumps: There are a variety of pumps





under this category. Turbo-molecular and evapor-ion pumps are forms of dri-vac pumps. Cryogenic pumps fall in this category.

#### Selecting A Pump

Fig. 5 shows relative pumping ranges for some typical vacuum pumps commonly used. Note that mechanical pumps are essential with few exceptions for first pumping from atmosphere pressure. As the speed of pumping decreases for a given pump, a more efficient pump for later pumping takes over. Not shown in Fig. 5 is the cryogenic pump, which like the evapor-ion pump, is a form of dri-vac pump and falls in the lower pressure region of the dri-vac pump range. The dotted portion of the diffusion pump range is an extension claimed by some makers of diffusion pumps.

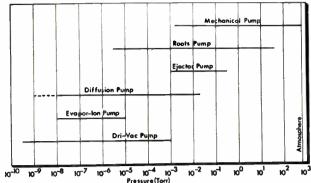
#### Leak Detection

A vacuum system or product will only be successful when its leakage rate is negligible. The helium mass spectrometer is considered to be the most reliable type of instrument for detection of leaks. The sensitivity is so great that the presence of one molecule of helium in one billion molecules of air is detectable. Workers in the field of vacuum must become familiar with leak detection methods as well as the types of leak detectors available for this work.

#### Vacuum Measurements

Measurement of vacuum in itself is complex because of the wide range of pressures involved and the composition of the gases present. Fig. 7 indicates a number of gauge types and the pressure ranges where they are applicable. This grouping includes absolute manometers, hot wire and ionization gauges.

The McLeod Gauge: This instrument is basic. Its readings are absolute, since they are calibrated from the dimensions of the gauge. The gauge traps a known volume of gas which is then compressed in a closed capillary of known cross-section. Comparing the height of this column and that of a second column of mercury (equal to the closed capillary height) makes it possible, but use of Boyle's Law, to find the pressure. Condensable vapors, however, cannot be measured by this instrument, nor are continuous and remote readings possible.



Hot Wire Type Gauge: This type of instrument is essentially a filament placed in a suitable envelope. The filament is heated by constant voltage. The resistance changes as a function of the number of molecules present and their nature. The pressure is read in milliamps. By calibration against a McLeod Gauge, a series of pressure curves may be drawn for different gases, or mixtures of gases. In modern gauges the indicating meter is calibrated directly for air. This instrument is useful for remote and continuous monitoring of a vacuum system.

*Ionization Gauges:* This type of gauge is generally useful in the highest ranges of vacuum. It depends on ionization of the gas molecules present, and measurement of ion current. The latter being proportional to the pressure in the vessel. Ionization may be started by a hot filament, or by a radio-active element in the gauge. Cold cathode types, such as the Penning and the Philips, are also widely used. Their operation depends on the magnetic field surrounding the discharge tube causing the electrons to move in long spiral paths on their way to the anode. This ensures a continuous ion current which is proportional to the pressure. These gauges are rugged, in that exposure to the atmosphere is not harmful, as would be the case in a hot filament type.

#### Why Employ High Vacuum?

The most important reason for using high vacuum is the need to remove from a vessel the requisite number of molecules, so that electrons, ion beams and evaporated molecules can be moved about in the evacuated space without undue interference.

Secondly, there is the need to remove gas and vapors from many substances. This operation can be most readily performed by heating in a vacuum. Also, many gas free components can be produced and sealed in vacuum to prevent corrosive action.

The most recent use—and it may well prove to be the most exciting of all—concerns the extensive and

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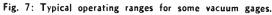
ever-widening study of space. In this we are concerned with the behavior of man and materials operating in a high vacuum.

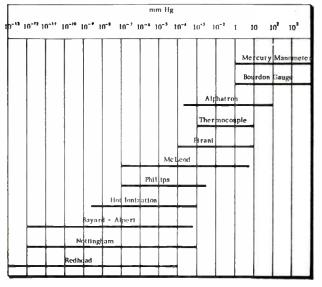
The earliest industrial use of a vacuum process was in the manufacture of the incandescent vacuum lamp. This quickly became a mass production item and continues to this day as a high speed pumping procedure. Development of the electronic industry is a further extension of mass production. High-speed equipment has been developed to such a degree that the normal pumping time for a 25 w. vacuum lamp is about 20 sec.

The deposition in vacuum of metals, alloys and compounds on various substrates covers a wide variety of products. In optics, we find coatings designed for high reflection or high transmission, from the ultraviolet through the infrared portion of the radiation spectrum, e.g., mirrors, filters, color control devices, beam splitters and decorative coatings. Resistors, capacitors, transistors and electrical circuitry may also be produced by the vacuum process. Presently, many scientists are engaged in the fundamental study of thin films.

In the field of metallurgy we have seen great advances. Physical, mechanical and chemical properties have been improved extensively. Pure metals have been made possible by vacuum melting. Gases have been removed effectively. Metals which when heated in air react violently are being melted successfully in vacuum. Castings made in vacuum have become commonplace and are generally superior to those produced by other processes.

Atomic and Nuclear physics depend on high vacuum, without which investigation into the ultimate nature of matter could not be made.





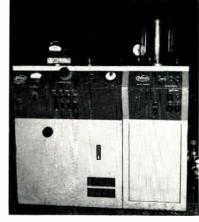


Fig. 6: A Helium mass spectrometer leak detector (VEE-CO).

In summation, for those who are working in industries which use the vacuum processes, it is essential to study and understand the fundamentals of vacuum physics. Selection of proper components for a vacuum system demands a careful analysis of the characteristics needed. After the materials have been selected, they must be expertly fabricated into a leak-free system, which is thoroughly clean. Maintenance of a vacuum system must be performed by properly trained personnel.

An understanding of these basic facts will aid greatly when making decisions involving new equipment and processes.

The American Vacuum Society is the largest technical society in the world devoted solely to the promotion of knowledge in the fundamentals and methods of vacuum science. The National Bureau of Standards has published a bibliography which is useful and several universities provide courses in vacuum science. Certain industries have established courses for their employees and training films are available. The American Vacuum Society is presently preparing a film on Leak Detection.

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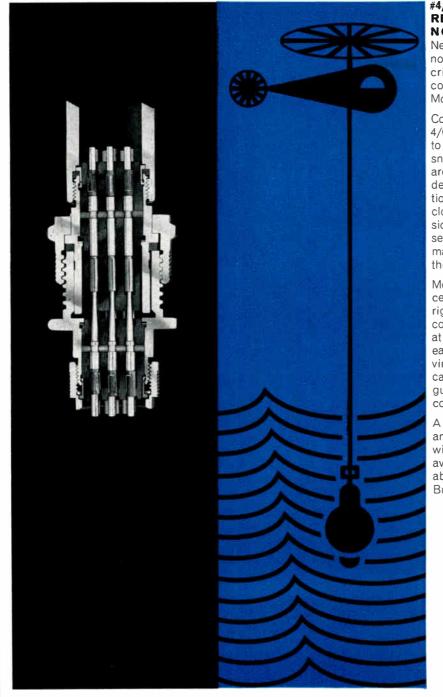




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HFF	6	1900	50 ohms to 75 Megs	4	9/16
HFG	10	3100	80 ohms to 100 Megs	61/2	%16
HFX	12	1250	20 ohms to 25 Megs	41/2	3/4
HFH	20	2750	35 ohms to 50 Megs	61/2	1 1/8
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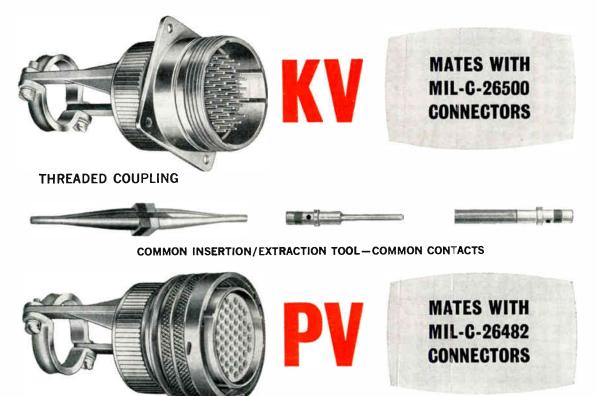
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Estimates of electronic workers vary from 700,000 to one million (some 300,000 unionized) depending on the source.



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#### GENERAL DYNAMICS ENGINEERS REJECT UNION

Results of a run-off election at General Dynamics Astronautics Division, San Diego, Calif., indicate the company's professional engineers overwhelmingly voted to reject continued union representation.

They followed the earlier example of the firm's engineers at the Pomona, Calif., location, who ousted the Engineers and Architects Association in June.

The run-off vote of 2,149 for professionalism and 1,388 voting for continued EAA representation is a stunning upset for engineering unions. In the first NLRB election on June 21, EAA received 1733 votes, the American Federation of Technical Engineers 286, and 1,592 voted "no union."

As EAA failed to receive a majority of the ballots cast, the run-off was held giving the General Dynamics engineers a clear choice.

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When radio was young many unions were already old, though at the pinnacle of their power. The rapid growth of industrial and aerospace electronics has blown the fuse for some unions, depleted ranks in others, while adding new members to a few. Labor now faces two chief dilemmas-changing skills and technology, and automation.

IN THE SEPARATE WORLDS OF LABOR AND MANAGE-MENT, there are strong forces affecting their respective futures. Management is making more concessions in union contract negotiations, while unions are losing ground through membership decline.

General Electric, for instance, has considered the union shops, arbitration, benefits, contract language, wage rates, security and other matters in negotiations with a number of unions for various employee groups. Current contracts in electronics include those covering some 70,000 workers of the International Union of Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers (IUE) (AFL-CIO) and 11,000 workers of the United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers of America (UE) (independent), which expire in October, 1963.

#### May Have Bleak Future

While GE and other firms let down the fences a bit more and raise others higher, there is little doubt that many unions and their members may have to face a somewhat bleak future in some areas of the electronics industry. Labor's struggle to keep its place in the industrial sun in the face of the spread of automation reminds old-timers of the early '30's depression. The cost-competition swirl of the 1960's has electronics firms making hardware and systems for automation that will either supplement or replace workers in many industries. Thus, union members are working against themselves.

"The cost of wages, salaries and fringe benefits amount to roughly one-third the total cost of the aircraft-aerospace end-product," states the Aerospace Industries Association (AIA), counterpart of the Electronics Industries Association (EIA). Accordingly, the skills of management negotiating a union contract become paramount if a firm is to bid competitively for new Government contracts.

R&D has the highest ratio of brain power and skills, with minimum production equipment and number of hourly-paid workers. As R&D rose from 5% to about 20% of the U. S. defense and aerospace

# ELECTRONICS GROWTH BRINGS TROUBLE FOR LABOR

budget, there was a steady downward slope in the employment of standard production workers, hence a slow exodus of union membership.

#### Labor the Costliest Ingredient

Engineering and production labor is the costlicst ingredient of much electronic equipment. High technical input into such equipment requires a high ratio of about one engineer for every three production-line workers. If the so-called shortage of electronics engineers develops further, there may be an increase in the ratio of technicians to each engineer.

Though some electronics and aerospace engineers are organized, especially in the defense-aerospace complex of the West Coast, the decline of engineermion power and membership has been somewhat spectacular over the past few years. Many engineerscientist unious—calling themselves "associations" but still labor organizations under the Taft-Hartley Law—have done an about-face, choosing professionalism and individuality over unionism and collective bargaining, which they once considered compatible.

Back in 1946, a small, energetic band of engineers kicked off a campaign to convince the profession that the salvation of the individual engineer was to organize and take up collective bargaining. As the years passed by, along with professional prestige, many unionized engineers began staggering disillusioned back to more "professional" circles.

#### Many Engineers Repudiate Unions

Then the engineers acted in a hurry to repudiate the union approach to the solution of their problems, once the necessity of choosing between the unions and professional status became obvious. Most of the larger engineer unions have either disbanded bit by bit, or have been voted out. The few remaining unions, mostly with limited memberships among small firms, plus a few big ones, chiefly RCA, Boeing and General Dynamics, no longer claim that they are not unions and some, in fact, have affiliated with the AFL-CIO. Since 1952, no major group of engineers

### **TROUBLE FOR LABOR (Continued)**

has voted for unionization. Among recent firms where engineers voted out their unions are Western Electric Co., Sperry Gyroscope, and two divisions of General Dynamics, according to the National Society of Professional Engineers.

Dr. Bernard P. Indik, social psychologist of Rutgers University, who is now conducting a survey of the problems of engineers in industry, estimates that of a total of about 800,000 engineers in the U. S. in all categories, about 4.2% are represented by unions of one sort or another, and about 3% are actual members.

Other sources place the number of union organizations representing engineers at from 20 to 35 depending on how organizations are defined. They include independents representing engineers only, independents representing engineers and technicians, those representing engineers and members of other professions, some representing engineers, technicians and other white collar workers, while the remainder are locals of well-known national and international unions, some affiliated with the AFL-CIO.

Out of 30.000 to 35,000 engineers represented by unions today, the number of electronics engineers represented is estimated between 12,000 to 15,000.

#### Looking For Better Times

American labor began stirring for better times in the 1820's as economic and social trends led to trade unionism, reform agitation and small local labor parties—which have not grown into the strong national political parties exhibited by other nations.

Out of about 35,000 engineers represented by unions today, electronics engineers unionized are estimated at 15,000.



When Marconi sent his wireless signal across the Atlantic in 1901, organized American labor as such had around two million members in total. As radio and electronics grew over the past 62 years, so did unions representing electrical and electronics workers.

Today, there is an estimated 18,000,000 total membership (13,000,000 in AFL-CIO) in U. S. labor unions, which is about one-third of the total available U. S. labor force, not including agricultural.

Electronics worker estimates vary from around 700,000 (Bureau of Labor Statistics) to 1,000,000 (EIA), depending on the source of data and how workers are classified, of which some 300,000 are believed to be union members.

Union relationships with electronics firms today vary with company history, size, capabilities, products, type of work or skills, geographical distribution of plants, and other considerations. Some small firms either have a company union, or they have no relations with any union. Others may deal with one or a host of outside unions. General Electric's 260,000 employees, including electronics, are represented by more than 100 unions.

Changes in the character and the scope of electronic and aerospace products have added to unemployment in some areas. The switch from producing thousands of airplanes to making hundreds of missiles and mere dozens of spacecraft has left many ex-aircraft workers idle. Employment by aircraft and parts firms rose from 338,000 in 1950 to 769,000 in 1955, reports the Department of Labor. By the end of 1961, this figure had fallen to 646,000, supplemented by some 140,000 missile workers, including those in electronics.

#### Worker Retraining Needed

Workers shifting from old skills to the new have generated a need for retraining older employees, and requiring the nation to sow a new crop of skilled younger workers. The job of filling this need to put workers in a better position to work—and to bargain —has fallen on labor unions, industrial managements and the U. S. Government alike. Many of the larger firms have already embarked on active and longrange programs to upgrade skills or retrain older workers where they desire. One such is Philco, which has had a technical school for a number of years and has recently stepped up its program to retrain workers who apply through its tuition refund plan.

The International Association of Machinists (IAM) (AFL-CIO) cooperates with the California Department of Education in teaching IAM members new skills in electronics. Labor also backs expanded

youth training programs proposed under the Manpower Development Training Act. Two other large unions active in electronics and in furthering worker retraining are the United Automobile, Aerospace and Agricultural Equipment Workers of America (UAW) (AFL-CIO) and the Communications Workers of America (CWA) (AFL-CIO).

#### Earnings Vary Greatly

Hourly earnings of electronics workers vary greatly with work, skill and training, as they do in most other industries. They also vary between plants according to location and the product. Bureau of Labor Statistics data show production workers in plants making radios, TV sets, radar and related gear averaged about \$90 weekly take home pay in January 1961. Workers making electron tubes averaged about \$85, or \$2.14 hourly. In January 1961, production workers in all manufacturing averaged about \$90, or \$2.32 hourly.

Figures from a number of union-management agreements show approximate ranges of hourly wage rates of workers in plants making electronic gear in 1960: (Continued on page 60)

#### UNIONS IN ELECTRONICS

Who's Who and What's What in electronic industries Labor Unions:

A GREAT, BUT GRIM INDUSTRIAL HISTORY marks unions in the electronics and aerospace industries. Electronics manpower varies between 985,000 to 1 million, according to EIA, and some 670,000 according to Bureau of Labor Statistics. Equally varying are figures of union membership, since certain unions represent workers in electrical, electronic, aircraft, aerospace, machine and other fields.

One source roughly estimates these figures covering biggest firms in electronics, with about 281,000 employees covered by contracts in three categories. There are 220,000 in AFL-CIO unions; 35,200 with no union, or a company union, and 25,500 in independent unions.

Historically, union membership growth pattern has been in leaps, up and down. At present, union membership has fallen off.

Some estimated union memberships, which include electronics workers among others, are: IUE: reported a high of 350,000 in 1951, down to 288,000 in 1960; 231,000 in 1961. UE: had 55,000 members in 1962, nearly half said to be in Canada. IAM: about 840,000. UAW: about 1,200,000, with small but growing ranks of electronics workers in aircraft, aerospace, autos and machines.

or electronics workers in aircraft, aerospace, autos and machines. IUE: International Union of Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers (AFL-CIO) has the largest electronics membership, and has "conference boards" for GE, General Motors, Westinghouse, RCA, Sperry Rand, and for radio-TV-parts, professional, technical and salaried groups. It has "councils" for Philco, Sylvania, and the battery, optical, lamp and skilled trades.

IUE appreciates that electronics aerospace industries may become the nation's largest around 1975. "If IUE lags 28% behind the national average, other unions can be expected to do the organizing."

Unions can be expected to do the organizing." UE: United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers of America (Independent), historically, is the arch foe of IUE. UE and IUE once were a single union with major control over electrical workers from 1936 to 1949. The "Communist faction" was expelled by the CIO in 1949, leaving two unions and much antagonism.

The original UE, a shadow of its former self, drew breath from Philco in 1933 as the "first successful strike of industrial unionism in the industry." UE has members in GE, Westinghouse, Minneapolis-Honeywell, Jerrold Electronics and others. IAM: International Association of Machinists (AFL-CIO) is possibly the oldest, founded in 1888 by 19

IAM: International Association of Machinists (AFL-CIO) is possibly the oldest, founded in 1888 by 19 machinists in a locomotive pit. It gained electronics membership as the aircraft-turned-aerospace industries gained more avionics work in the 1950's. IAM is both an old-time craft union (organizing workers by skills) and a modern industrial union (organizing workers by industry). Astute IAM and U. S. Industries, Inc., founded the U. S. Foundation on Automation and Employment to study the fate of men, machines and unions.

UAW: United Automobile, Aerospace and Agriculture Equipment Workers of America (AFL-CIO) gained fame and strength with "sit-in strikes" in Detroit auto plants back in the 1930's, and today often works with IAM in cultivating electronics workers in their respective industries.

CWA: Communications Workers of America (AFL-CIO) espouses a labor statesmanship in relations with management and society which observers attribute to the relatively secure, predictable communications-telephone-telegraph industries which are public utilities wedded and wired to growing customer publics. Other unions, depressed by "automation" prob-

Other unions, depressed by "automation" problems, point happily and hopefully to an American Cable and Radio Corp. (IT&T) contract with CWA which provides that workers displaced by automation be put in other jobs with equal pay.

Other AFL-CIO-affiliated unions active in electronic industries include:

**IBEW:** International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers.

IUOE: International Union of Operating Engineers.

**IBT:** International Brotherhood of Teamsters.

AFGWU: American Flint Glass Workers Union of North America.

EST: Electronic & Space Technicians.

AIWA: Allied Industrial Workers of America.

UBC&J: United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners. URCL&PW: United Rubber, Cork, Linoleum & Plastic Workers of America.

OCAW: International Union of Oil, Chemical and Atomic Workers.

USW: United Shoe Workers of America.

AIW: Aircraft Industry Workers.

USWA: United Steel Workers of America.

GBBA: Glass Bottle Blowers Association.

MESA: Mechanics Educational Society of America.

ICW: International Chemical Workers. Independent unions in electronics are:

#### IBTCWHA: International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Chauffeurs, Warehousemen and Helpers of America.

UWA: United Welders of America.

RCAU: Radio Communications Assemblers Union.

ICW: Independent Condenser Workers.

WEU: Weston Employees Union.

IMC: Independent Metal Craftsmen.

AMW: American Metal Workers.

#### **TROUBLE FOR LABOR** (Continued)

Occupation	Hourly Wage Rate
Machinist	\$1.90 to \$2.90
Troubleshooter	\$2.00 to \$2.60
Assembler	\$1.50 to \$2.45
Inspector	\$1.65 to \$2.70
Tester	\$1.50 to \$2.55

Highly experienced troubleshooters, testers and inspectors often earn wages much higher than scale. Electronic workers in general earn premium pay for overtime, Sunday and holiday work, plus a differential for evening and night-shift work. Most have health and life insurance plans.

Working conditions in electronics plants compare favorably with those in other industries, notes the Bureau of Labor Statistics. Plants usually are welllighted, clean, and the quiet is broken at times by piped-in music. Some plants are air-conditioned. There is a relatively low frequency of injuries in electronics manufacturing for each million man-hours worked. Rates are far below the national average in manufacturing, and injuries often are less severe.

#### More than 25 Unions Represented

Against the general background, there is no single pattern of union membership in electronics firms. More than 25 affiliated and independent unions active in electronics are represented, mainly among large and medium-sized firms. At the end of 1962, electronics firms with more than 50% of sales in the U. S. had union contracts. Of these firms, about two-

#### **BUGS IN OUTER SPACE**

Man's best friend in deep space may be colorless bacteria. Dr. Leonard Bongers, Martin Company, said that among life-support systems studied, one may be the best of all. A proposed "chemosynthetic" system would use "hydrogenemonas" bacteria to make food from human waste products.

An attached electrolysis unit would provide oxygen for breathing.

Algae, somewhat favored as life-giving substance for far-ranging spacemen, may be replaced. A bacterial system, says Dr. Bongers, for a threeman, three-month trip, would be less than 300 pounds. This would be only about 20 to 35% as much as algae units.

Standard food supplies for the same mission would weigh about 5500 pounds. Standard food and water are still good for short flights, say to the moon and back. For long flights our spacemen must be self - sufficient. Chemosynthesis seems to hold the best answers. thirds had contracts with the AFL-CIO, the rest with independent unions.

Thousands of new job opportunities beckon to new workers in electronics in the 1960's. Although electronics employment may not grow as fast as it did in the 50's, it may grow faster than other manufacturing. At this point, workaday projections of future workforces begin to border on marketing predictions, crystal gazing, defense requirements, possibilities of disarmament, and peaceful or military pursuits in space, as well as whether Americans or Americanmade instruments will go to the moon.

Seniority and security are foremost in the minds of union electronics workers, as in most industries, in view of some changing conditions. Microminiatur-

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ization will surely change or alter the character of component making. Cancelled and stretched-out defense and aerospace contracts affect workers adversely, while imports of foreign electronic products. especially consumer goods, actually represent imports of foreign labor and hardware. Consumer electronics factory sales are plateauing—\$2.4 billion in 1962 to an estimated \$2.5 in 1963—yet may be lifted by higher sales of color-TV sets.

#### Labor Wants Share of 'Security'

In the aerospace business which is getting deeper and deeper into more complicated electronic technologies and sophisticated hardware and systems, labor wants to share management's new "security." The recent Stanford Research Institute report on "The Industry-Government Aerospace Relationship" observes that unlike past feast or famine for aircraft, "for the first time in its history, the aerospace industry is experiencing a relatively high and stable sales volume."

Aerospace labor is asking for "more" as its "share" of these glad and happy times. Most recent union contracts in electronics include union security in some measure, with provisions for a union shop, an ever increasing controversy in aerospace and electronics. Most contracts have either clauses or riders outlawing strikes for the life of the contracts. Many contain statements of management rights, in effect, precluding union inroads into management by definition.

In 1962, non-union electronics firms kept out some unions by staying ahead of unionized firms in wages (Continued on page 62)



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by raising hourly rates an average of 17 cents. Raises averaged only 7 to 8 cents an hour for firms with union contracts. In 1960, non-union firms paid an average of 13.2 cents in hourly wage increases, while union firms all averaged increases of 7 cents.

However, pennies-per-hour tend to overshadow fringe benefits which have been "increasing faster than wages and salaries," reports the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia. In effect, the union vs. non-union relationship seems to be a trade-off of higher union security for higher wages—granted a certain amount of fringe benefits in both shops.

#### Firms Took Up Industrial Relations

In 1944, the Radio Manufacturers Association (now called Electronic Industries Association) formed its Employment and Personnel Committee which reported on labor matters to the board. In time many electronics firms took on a personnel or industrial relations manager. Paralleling this move, in 1954, the Radio-Electronics-Television Manufacturers Association (now also EIA) raised its labor committee into full status as one of its five service departments: the Industrial Relations Department.

Three important surveys conducted by this Department are: 1) contract expiration and opening dates, 2) analysis of industrial relations practices and supplemental benefits, and 3) survey of vacation plant shutdowns. It enables industry members to cooperate on industry-wide problems in employeremployee relations, manpower needs and legislation. The Department gathers no data on wage rates, though larger electronics managements may exchange and use such data, as unions obviously do.

Today, many unions face two major sets of problems:

1) External—government intervention, businessmen's call for more restraints on unions, and the growth of automation.

2) Internal—the need for unions to reorient themselves to survive and grow by serving their members, and yet not demand too much from management during the present stage of high unemployment.

The biggest single thorn-in-the-side bothering the U. S. Government and nearly all unions is unemployment. Spelled backwards, unemployment is supposed to mean "automation"—the other side of labor's really big bugbear. For the first time in our history more than 70 million Americans have permanent jobs—but more people are unemployed than ever before. The unemployment figure is about 5 million, or about 6% of the total labor force.

Dr. Simon Ramo, vice chairman of the board, Thompson Ramo Wooldridge, Inc., suggests provocatively that "by the 1980's we may find ourselves with a shortage of the unskilled—if too small a fraction of human beings in the coming technological age will be willing to apply themselves to the relatively unchallenging jobs."

Some jobs in electronics plants are being automated, but Government sources estimate that increasing expenditures for missiles, spacecraft and electronic products are expected to result in large employment increases in industries making these products.

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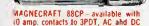
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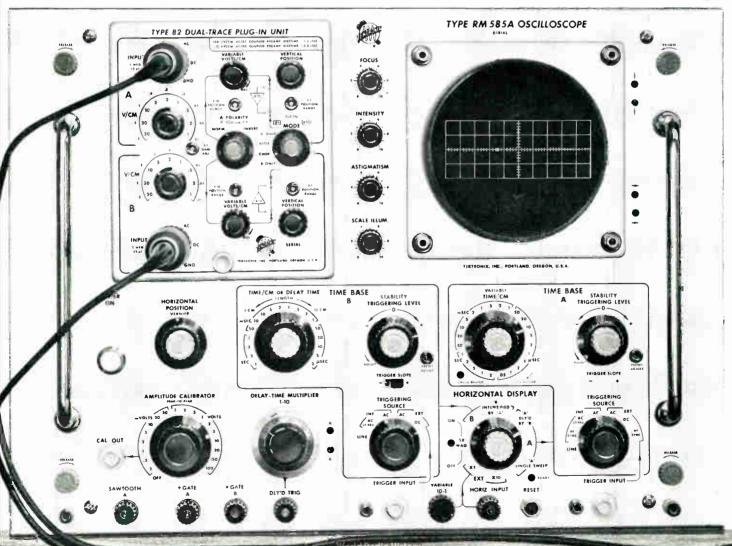
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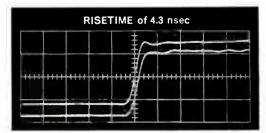
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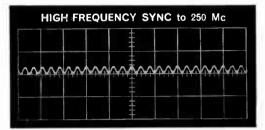
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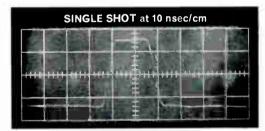
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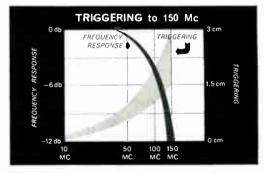
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#### **Outstanding Speakers**

Mr. William P. Roberts of Ampex Corp. will be the guest speaker at the Monday, October 28, NEC luncheon. At the Tuesday luncheon, the speaker will be Gov. George W. Romney of Michigan. Dr. William L. Everitt, Dean of Engineering, University of Illinois, will deliver the Wednesday luncheon address on "Engineering for Education."

Dean Everitt also will be honored twice at the Conference. He is to be initiated as an Eminent Member of Eta Kappa Nu, and will be presented the Mervin J. Kelly Award in Telecommunications. This award, for outstanding leadership and contributions in the field of Telecommunications, is presented each year on recommendation of the Recognition Awards Committee of 1EEE.

Research into Man's Attempt to Communicate with Other Species ("Some Problems of Research With the Bottlenose Dolphin") will be the subject of a special program on Tuesday, 7:00 P. M., in the Little Theatre of McCormick Place. Dr. John C. Lilly, M.D., will show, through a combination lecture, motion picture and sound recording presentation, the clear and definite attempts of dolphins to imitate human conversation.

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Three full sessions make up the Second Symposium on Adaptive Processes, covering adaptive statistical inference with emphasis on non-parametric sequential processes.

Texas Instruments, Incorporated and Motorola, Inc. will sponsor Solid-State Seminars on Reliability, Advanced Semiconductor Devices and Network Technology, Low-Noise, Low-Level Amplification, Silicon-Controlled Rectifiers, Integrated Circuits and Radio Frequency.

A panel of authorities will explore Manufacturer-Representative Responsibilities in Electronic's Marketing.

A total of ten papers make up a full-day program, Monday, on "Plasma Diagnostics and Plasma Engineering."

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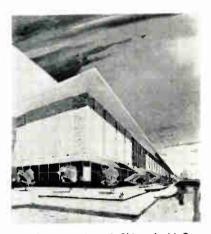
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The latest developments in products and systems will be shown by over 500 electronic firms whose displays will occupy most of the exhibition center.

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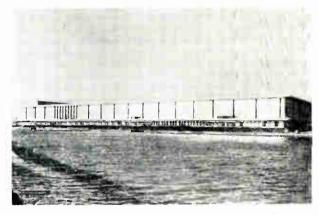
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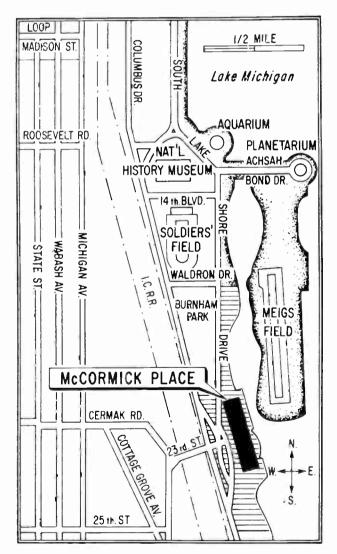
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A HIGHLY VARIED PROGRAM is set for NEREM '63, the 17th Northeast Electronic Research and Engineering Meeting to be held in Boston on November 4, 5 and 6. The program features more than 100 papers in 22 sessions on the more active electronic fields. They will be presented at the Somerset Hotel and the Commonwealth Armory.

More than 20,000 engineers are expected to attend some 300 exhibits in the Armory where millions of dollars worth of the latest in equipment and conponents will be displayed.

A variety of electronic subjects, covered by more than 130 authors and during the 22 sessions, will include such topics as space electronics, thermal energy conversion, biomedical electronics, and microelectronic techniques and uses. Other topics include microwave measurements, plasmas, antennas and feed systems, transistor circuitry, quantum electronics and modulation, and hydrospace communications.

#### **Meeting Highlight**

A highlight of the meeting will be an evening session on large-scale project management. Key members of U. S. agencies and industry will present an appraisal of our areas of major concern to everyone. The areas include the Polaris weapons system. NASA space effort, ComSat, and weapons system management.

As a tribute to the meeting, Gov. Endicott Peabody issued a proclamation declaring November 4-11 as Electronics Week in Massachusetts. He cited the impact of the meeting on industry and the sciences. He underscored the fact that engineers, scientists, technical personnel and members of the industry will come to reevaluate and survey advances made during the year and the outlook for the future.

The annual banquet, on Wednesday evening. November 6, also reflects the stature of the program. In a talk on the information revolution, G. L. Haller, vice president, General Electric, Defense Electronics Division, will assess broad developments from the early days of the industrial revolution to the present. The nation, the world, and science in general, are faced with a "spiralling information revolution, surely destined to create striking changes in our way of life."

#### NEREM Record

NEREM '63 is an IEEE event, under the sponsorship of the New England sections of the Institute. As in the past, all IEEE registrants will receive free of charge a copy of the NEREM Record, a report on all papers presented. The fifth volume in a series, with more than 200 pages and some 500 illustrations, this edition will include subject-author-indexing.

Cost of the Record to non-IEEE members attending NEREM will be \$2.00. After the conference, the price will be \$7.50, and copies will be available from : the Boston Section of IEEE, 313 Washington Street, Newton 58, Mass.

Other session topics to be covered include advanced radar technology, Information Technology, Coherent Propagation, Radio Astronomy, Instrumentation, Photovoltaic and electrochemical energy conversion, and automatic control.

#### **Project Management**

Four papers on large Scale Project Management, covering four areas in defense and aerospace, will be given. Rear Adm. I. J. Galautin, of the Navy's Special Projects Office, will present a report on the fleet ballistic missile system, how it evolved, its status and future. J. F. Shea, of NASA's Office of Manned Space Flight will discuss the NASA Space Effort. aims, purposes, current and projected effort.

Maj. Gen. C. H. Terhune, Jr., Electronics Systems Div., USAF, Hanscom Field, will discuss how management of weapons system programs differs from electronic system programs management. J. V. Charyk, of the Communications Satellite Corp. (Com-Sat), will review technical plans, programs and schedules of a single world-wide system of communications satellites. He will cover technical problems, plus international, political and economic aspects.

#### **Plasma Developments**

Plasma research and its snow-balling interest among scientists and engineers has become evident in recent months. In the paper "Plasma Measurements in Reentry Physics," E. Rolfe, of Raytheon Co., will compare plasmas, and application of plasma physics techniques to fluid dynamic and electromagnetic sheath parameters.

#### **Biomedical Papers**

In Biomedical electronics, a paper by G. L. Gerstein, Office of Computer Technology in Biomedical Sciences at MIT, discusses "Aspects of Sensory Coding in the Nervous System." The paper covers electrical activity of nervous systems in organisms and describes quantitative studies of these complex electrical signals. It treats with theory models of neural activity aimed at better knowledge of sensory data coding by the nervous system.

Another biomedical paper by A. T. Kornfield, Biosearch Co., Boston, deals with "Major problems and Concepts in Biomedical Electronics." The author, also chairman of the session, surveys current approaches to transducer design from living sensor models. Instrument development requirements for new classes of human performance variables, and new life support concepts requiring electronic techniques are also discussed.

#### **Microelectronics**

The current importance of microelectronic circuits and techniques is mirrored in papers on the topic.

"Design and Packaging of Miniaturized Digital Equipment," by F. Plemenos and W. McMorran of Raytheon Co., treats with choosing integrated circuits. Designers are faced with compromises in speed, noise immunity, power use, cost and type of package. The paper cites real cases on compromises and systems needs. Westinghouse engineers J. R. Cricchi, W. N. Jones and W. F. List will talk about "A Planar Diffused General Purpose Monolith." They describe the making and testing of a functional block that contains diodes, resistors and transistors.

A pair of Sylvania engineers, E. Rasmanis and J. E. Cline, will give their ideas on "Vacuum-deposited

Silicon Thin-Film Diodes and Transistors." The paper will cover vacuum-evaporated silicon thin-film diodes and deposition techniques.

#### Space Technology

Wherever you go, whatever meeting you attend, the heavy overtones are outer space. The session on Space Electronics, aside from the space-flavored topics in most of the other sessions, will include a paper by J. T. Mengel, Goddard Space Flight Center. The paper will describe NASA ground support networks, which now involve 40 ground stations and two ships. An interstation radio system and allied computing and data systems will also be discussed. The paper is titled "Satellite Ground Data Networks."

"Physics of the Interplanetary Medium" will be discussed by C. W. Snyder, Cal Tech's Jet Propulsion Laboratory. We once thought space empty. Recent tests and theories hint at proving space occupied by a medium made up of charged particles and magnetic fields.

James E. Shepherd, of the Sperry Rand Research Center, Sudbury, Mass., is General Chairman of NEREM '63, to be held on November 4, 5 and 6 at the Somerset Hotel and the Commonwealth Armory in Boston. Some 20,000 are expected at NEREM.



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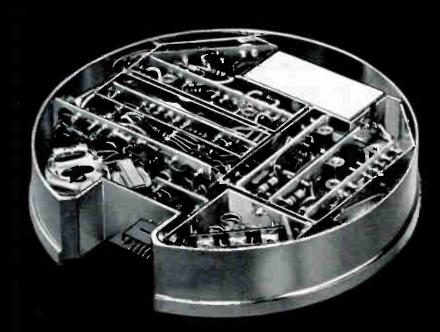
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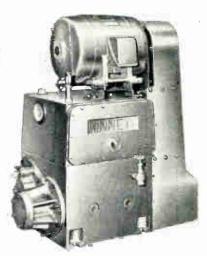
## **VIBRATIONLESS PISTON PUMP**

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Variety of multiple hole extrusion sizes is shown.

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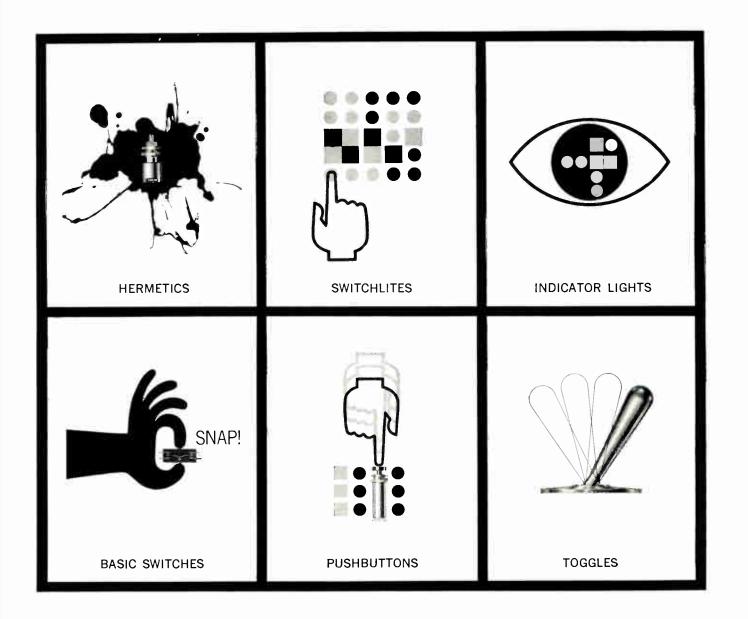


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# what's new

## LASER SYSTEM

ONE OF THE FIRST COMMERCIALLY AVAILABLE LASERS has been announced by TRG, Inc., Syossett, N. Y. This pulsed ruby laser system is capable of outputs up to 3 joules at 6943Å. Accessories are provided for Q-switching with pulse widths as short as 30 to 40 nsec. It has already been integrated with a Kulicke and Soffa micromanipulator to form a complete welding system for the semiconductor industry.

The Model 104 laser has the characteristics of controllability and repeatability, necessary if the laser is to be practical for fabricating and machining uses. Energy output of the 104 can be accurately controlled and the pulse outputs are of a highly reproducible nature. To extend its range of use it can be easily fitted with a Q-switch for use in machining, vaporization, and other uses.

The laser head has the following characteristics: Output: 3 joules normal, 1/2 joule when Q-switched Input: 1000 joules Lamp Cavity: Cylindrical optical reflector Lamp Type: Straight tube, 3 in. arc, 1000 joule rating Ruby Size: 7.3 cm long x 1 cm dia. Threshold: 250 joules input Output Wavelength: 6943Å

Duty Cycle: 10 ppm

Output Beamwidth: 10 milliradians

Cooling: Integral blower, 15 cfm room air

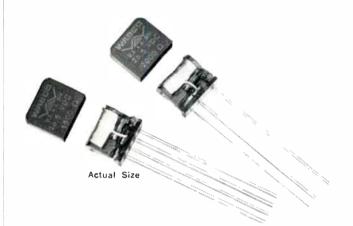
Q-Switch Provision: 104-003 Q-Switch mounts directly on rear of head. Blower remounts on Q-Switch

TRG 104 Q-Switched laser and laser power supply.



The complete 104 laser system consists of the 104-001 laser power supply, the 104-002 laser head, and the 104-003 megapulse Q-Switch. The system can be bought by itself or it can be integrated into customer systems to meet particular needs.

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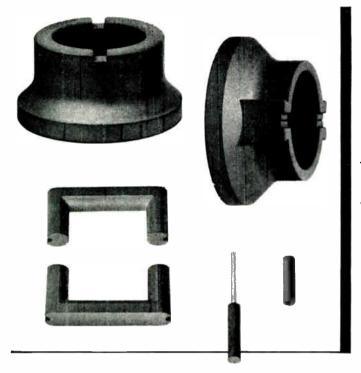


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# what's new

## "FOOLPROOF" CONNECTOR

NEW ENVIRONMENT-RESISTANT CONNECTOR that provides "go-no go" reliability in electronic circuits on airplanes, missiles and spacecraft has been announced by Amphenol-Borg Electronics Corp., Chicago, Ill.

This new connector, the Ultra-Mate, will prevent a circuit checking out on the ground and later malfunctioning due to connector failure. Either a connector checks out as operative or it doesn't. There is no chance that the connector will falsely show good contact being made.

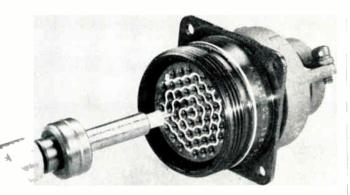
This increased reliability is due mainly to a new. hard-face dielectric insert. This insert has tapered entries to the female contacts. When the connector is mated like this, the male pin either goes into the female receptacle entry — making contact — or it doesn't go in at all. If it doesn't, the circuit will test out as negative, or "no-go."

Another advantage of this connector is front serviceability. You do not have to sort through a maze of back wiring to find the proper contact. Contacts can be removed from the front by using a simple tool.

The Ultra-Mate connector meets Military Specification MHL-C-26500. It is, in fact, an upgraded version of the MHL-C-26500 connector. It is completely interchangeable and intermateable with other MIL-C-26500 connectors and uses MS-26636 contacts.

A contact in the new connector may be removed with a simple extraction tool that never touches the contact's working mechanism. Thus the plated surface remains intact.

Amphenol-Borg has tooled up to produce this connector in all basic sizes and insert arrangements specified in MIL-C-26500.





### NEW 1/2-SIZE CRYSTAL CASE RELAY MODEL 902 (DPDT) Meets requirements of MIL-R-5757D **Rigid frame construction** Positive contact wiping action High-temp, coil wire rated +220°C Size: .80"L x .40"H x .40"W Weight: 0.3 ounce Contact arrangement: Form C Coil rating: 6, 12, 26.5, 48 VDC (others available) Contact rated load: low level dry circuit to 2 amps resistive to 26.5 VDC Contact life: 100,000 operations at rated loads Vibration: 0.1" D.A. or 20G peak, 10 to 2000 cps Temperature: -65°C to 125°C Shock: 50G for 11 milliseconds Dielectric strength: 1000 volts RMS except 500 volts RMS from coil to case and across open contacts

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MECHANICAL Number of Turns			25 ±2	25 ±2	22 ±5
Case Dimensions		Width	0.190	0.280	0.280
		Height	0 312 -	0.312	0.312
		Length	1.250	1.250	1.250
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# **IMPROVED CHECKOUT FOR IR DETECTORS**

The key to reliability in airborne IR packages is in the design and manufacture of the detectors themselves. and in the checkout procedures used to keep them in operating condition. Because the chemical and physical nature of IR devices creates inherent problems of stability and uniformity, the test measurements play a vital role in successful systems.

THE INCREASING NUMBER of airborne IR systems has brought a demand for increased sensitivity, efficiency and reliability of a wide variety of detector types. These include lead sulfide, lead selenide, indium antimonide, gold- and copper-doped germanium and other materials.

With growing sophistication in associated optics, reticles and electronics, the need for uniformity and reliability has made itself felt in IR airborne instruments. Thus, the key to real reliability in flyable IR packages comes back to the design, manufacture and checkout procedures used in the detectors themselves.

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As 1R systems have become more complex, the detectors themselves have become more complex. Hence, system needs are forcing the "state of the art" for detectors in sensitivity and geometry. As these detectors become more sensitive and complex, it becomes essential to design test equipment that is capable of correctly evaluating their performance. Basic needs for any test equipment are these: (1) Equipment must be, after adequate instruction, simple to use. (2) It must be reliable and easy to calibrate. (3) It should perform a complete evaluation.

#### **Equipment Beginnings**

With the above points in mind, let us take a brief look at the history of some IR systems and test equipment.

Earliest test sets were used in the chemistry labs where the detectors were made. One of the first crude sets amounted to an ohmmeter which monitored detector resistance. A flashlight was the source. If the detector had a ratio of dark-to-light resistance which exceeded a certain value when the flashlight was turned on and off, it was considered a good one.

You may be amused by a test as crude as this, but even today, the flashlight test is used on an advanced military weapon system, the Sidewinder Missile True, the flashlight is not used to select the highly sensitive detector or for the completed missile checkout. But in the fleet, as a final chickout prior to takoff, a ground crew member stands in front of the aircraft and shines a flashlight into the armed missile. If the missile is functioning correctly, the pilot receives an indication that tells him the system is operational.

From the raw beginnings of ohmmeters and flashlights, engineers began designing more complex IR systems. Absolute sensitivity of the detector thus became more critical. It was no longer enough to tell the systems designer that a detector had a particular dark-to-light resistance ratio when exposed to a flashlight. It was not even adequate to explain the calibration source as "chief chemist's flashlight with two D cell batteries, each less than 6 mon. old."

Detector measurement equipment has come a long way in the past several years. Fig. 2 shows the test station we used 10 years ago for obtaining data on thousands of detectors over a 2-year period. This test station was capable of evaluating detectors. Because of its intricacies and peculiarities, it could, however, be operated by only one or two people in the department.

Problems confronted the industry. Management would decide to enter the field of IR technology. An

engineer, or team of engineers, would tour the country to find out how other labs, already in IR work were equipped. After about a month of traveling the engineers returned to begin a lab equipment program. They ordered individual pieces of equipment and gradually built up a roomful of test instrumentation. They also enhanced their job security because only they knew the purpose of each piece of equipment and how it functioned in the test program.

Invariably, as soon as the test equipment and the 1R program for the company was running smoothly, the project engineer accepted a job with another company. Thus the cycle started again. Of course, the company he had just left was now in possession of a room full of equipment but without a knowledgeable operator.

As a result of this experience, managements of many companies were reluctant to develop IR programs because of the high cost of setting up an IR lab, to say nothing of the risks.

At present, a complete detector lab can be purchased in a single, compact, console. On this console, an operator can perform all the basic measurements needed by systems designers. In addition, system parameters can be simulated and detector performance, under these conditions, can be evaluated.

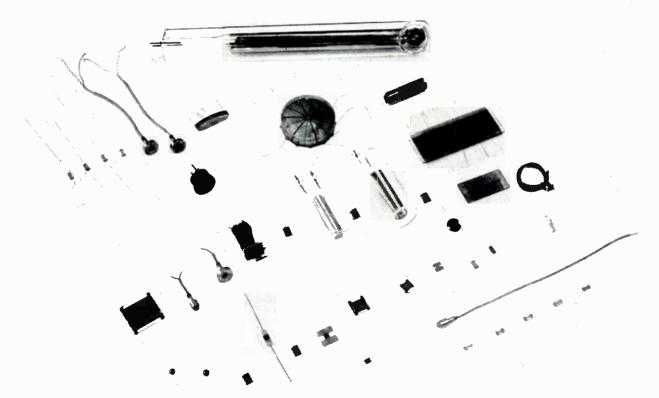
#### **Description of Tests and Equipment**

Since no two detector or systems manufacturers had the same test equipment, a group was formed at the U. S. National Bureau of Standards, later to become the U. S. Naval Ordnance Laboratory, Corona. Its purpose was to set up a facility that would provide 1R detector measurement data to the military. This program, known as The Joint Services Infrared Sensitive Element Testing Program, is still being carried out.

The program at Corona was the first big step toward providing detector manufacturers and IR systems designers with the type of information needed to figure system performance.

The IR detector tests and interpretation of data that are desirable from a system designer's standpoint are described in a report by Eisenman & Merriam of the U. S. Naval Ordn. Lab. Corona.<sup>1</sup> Without going into the details of the report, these parameters include: signal, bias, frequency response, spectral response and noise. Various figures of merit which are covered include: responsivity, noise equivalent irradiance, noise equivalent power and D\* (pronounced D star). A block diagram of equipment designed to make all of these measurements is shown in Fig. 5.

Fig. 1: Typical IR detectors that must be evaluated by detector measurement equipment are these cooled detectors, multi-element arrays, detectors on optical elements and hardware wound detectors. They are typical of the types the modern systems designer needs.



#### IR DETECTOR MEASURING (Continued)



Fig. 2: This equipment comprised an IR detector measurement station in 1953. Detectors to be checked were placed in the metal box +center of picture), which slides along an optical bench to position it in front of the various IR sources.

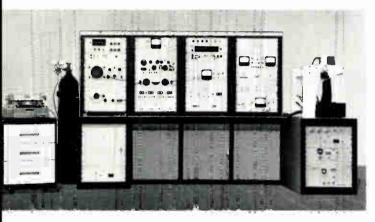


Fig. 3: Modern comprehensive detector measurement console for making a complete evaluation of an infrared detector.

Fig. 4: Fully-automatic checkout station for rapid production of single-unit or array-mounted IR detectors in large volume.

The blackbody temperature range could be varied from 50 to 1000°C. This temperature was monitored continuously with a precision pot and calibrated thermocouple which is built into the blackbody. The modulator housing and baffle assembly could be water-cooled. This might prove necessary for measuring long wavelength response detectors which are very sensitive to de background radiation. The variable speed modulator was operable over the range of 10 to 10,000 cps. Limiting apertures were mounted on a wheel so that the emitted blackbody energy on the detector could be varied. A set of monochromatic filters was provided for spectral response measurements. These filters are normally spaced at 0.5 micron intervals. Data obtained indicated the detector spectral response. However, it does not have the fine resolution obtainable from a monochromator.

Detectors to be tested were mounted on plug-in fixtures and inserted into a temperature-monitored compartment. Detector bias was supplied from a dc source that included 1% meters for both voltage and current monitoring. Monitoring of these 2 quantities indicated the stability of the detector under test.

Console electronics calibration could be done at any time by turning a switch. A precision microvoltage divider and oscillator made up the calibration equipment.

Detector signal and noise was amplified by a special low-noise preamplifier and the output was split into 2 readouts. One output went to a wave analyzer for narrow band signal and noise power spectra measurements. The other output fed through a variable tuned filter and into a broadband voltmeter to simulate actual system bandwidths. A noise integrator was included, to take the guess work out of noise readings.

#### **Detectors in Space**

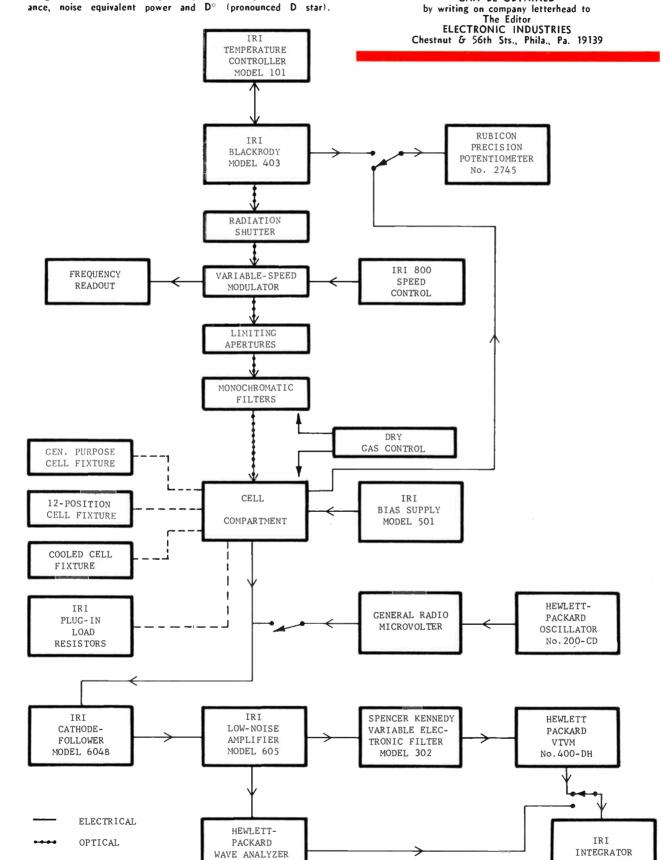
With the advent of space flight and satellites, new environmental variables affecting the detectors were introduced. These included vacuum, radiation bombardment and temperature.

There have been so many questions about the effects of space environment on detectors that until recently even the detector manufacturers, themselves, were not able to answer all of them.

Vacuum effects have been studied in large vacuum systems.

Radiation bombardment studies have been conducted in several labs, among them Lincoln Laboratory<sup>2</sup> and Lockheed Missiles and Space Co.<sup>3</sup> Data (which includes both electron and proton bombardment studies) is currently being taken under a USAF contract.

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#### IR DETECTOR MEASURING (Concluded)

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The temperature of objects in space varies with altitude, internal power dissipation, and radiation and reflection qualities of the surface.

To evaluate detectors for space systems properly, it suddenly became imperative to know the effects of temperature upon resistance, sensitivity, wavelength, frequency response, etc. In general, a whole new concept of testing was needed for evaluating the properties of spaceborne detectors.

Testing of individual detectors at low temperatures is now routine. The detectors are mounted in vacuum dewar flasks and a liquid coolant is poured into these flasks. This coolant in most cases is either liquid nitrogen or a slurry of dry ice and acetone. These 2 coolants produce temperatures of -196°C and -78°C respectively.

With the need for testing not only individual detectors but multi-element arrays, at temperatures varying from +20 to -100 °C, a complex problem arose. Measurement equipment had to perform all of the measurements described. It also had to include a temperature chamber which could bring individual detectors, or arrays of detectors, to a predetermined stable temperature and at the same time maintain a moisture-free atmosphere around the detectors and the IR transmitting window. (The latter was necessary to prevent frost from accumulating.)

Pieces of test equipment were built which used, among other means of temperature control, a resistance heater immersed in a heat sink which was cooled by a liquid nitrogen or carbon dioxide reservoir. This method was adequate for research lab studies ou single detectors, but was cumbersome for multi-element arrays and no good for production work.

To remedy this a multi-stage refrigerator compressor system was designed and built. This system, when coupled with the environmental detector chamber, provided an environmental chamber which could be controlled to any temperature, from +50 to -80°C.

Since some of these arrays contained several hun-

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dred detectors, the signal and noise processing alone became a big undertaking. Units were designed, built and operated. However, the sequence and the time involved in obtaining these first array measurements showed the pressing need for an automatic detector measurement console. As a result, the console shown in Fig. 4 was built. This console included automatic calibration and gain control which could be pre-programmed for recalibration as often as needed. Signal, noise, bias voltage and current, and s/n ratio were all read out directly on a digital voltmeter. At the same time they could be put on tape, typed on a Flexowriter, or punched into cards. A simple computer program could now provide the operator with all of the figures of merit.

Optimum bias at each temperature was determined automatically by programming a selection of bias voltages into the programmer. Noise integration time was selected to coincide with the noise bandwidth being used.

An optical focusing system enabled the operator to automatically measure contour sensitivity of the detectors. Contour output was printed on a strip chart recorder.

This console has been used successfully to measure entire detector arrays for reconnaissance type satellites.

#### Future of IR Detector Testing

The future of IR detector testing resides in the demands being made upon IR detectors by the military and civilian government agencies, as they step up their needs.

Research is now underway to examine the usefulness of IR detectors at greater and greater distances in space—with the attendant demands for continuing and improved high level performance.

An IR airborne instrument performing tasks and experiments on future programs involving millions of miles and under conditions of increasing difficulty, will have been made possible only by the continued refinement on the ground.

Bias supplies and amplifiers of even lower noise figures than currently available-control mechanisms insuring rugged detector structure yet maintaining delicacy of performance-these are the areas of research that continue on the ground, to make certain flying IR packages perform as intended.

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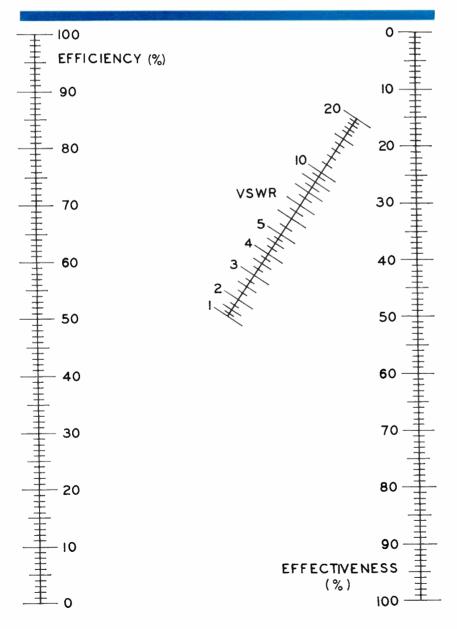
# ENGINEER'S NOTEBOOK

## **# 69 ANTENNA EFFECTIVENESS**

AN ANTENNA is usually judged on the basis of its radiation efficiency or its VSWR. But these two quantities, while both important, do not singly describe the actual effectiveness of an antenna.

The radiation efficiency is given by the ratio of the radiated power to the total power into the antenna terminals. The total power is the sum of the radiated power and the power lost in ohmic losses in the form of heat.

On the other hand, the power going into the terminals of the antenna is given by the power which the transmitter can put out less the power reflected due to



antenna mismatch.

If we define the "effectiveness" of an antenna as the ratio of the radiated power to the power which the transmitter can put into a matched load, i.e., the forward or incident power, the "effectiveness" of an antenna is given by :

Effectiveness =  $\frac{4N}{(S+1)^2}$  × Efficiency where *S* is the voltage standing wave ratio.

The nomogram is used to determine the antenna effectiveness (in percent) if the efficiency and VSWR are known. To use the nomogram, the points representing the antenna efficiency and VSWR on the appropriate scales are connected by a straight line, and the line extended to intersect the effectiveness scale. For example, a 60% efficient antenna with a 3:1 VSWR has an effectiveness of 45% compared to a perfectly matched, 100% efficient antenna.

In some instances, an antenna may be more effective by lessening its efficiency if in so doing the VSWR is reduced sufficiently.

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A REPRINT OF THIS ARTICLE CAN BE OBTAINED BY WRITING on company letterhead to The Editor ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES Chestnut & 56th Sts., Phila., Pa. 19139 The terminal potential of a battery is a poor measure of its state of charge. Present method, do not give charge-rate information nor do they provide a reliable continuous indication of battery charge. Here is a system which permits deep discharge and a safe, controlled high charging rate along with weight reduction.

A NICKEL-CADMIUM BATTERY CHARGE-CONTROL SYS-TEM is described for satellite power supplies that offers significant advantages over present control methods. The system integrates the charge and discharge currents of the battery, providing a continuous and accurate indication of the battery charge state. This permits deep discharge and a safe, controlled high charging rate with significant weight reduction.

Telemetry information describing the battery state of charge and the magnitude of charge or discharge currents can be provided.

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Existing solar-cell nickel-cadmium power source combinations control battery charge (to avoid high charging currents when the battery is fully charged) by sensing the battery potential or measuring temperature rise in the cells. Methods frequently used either limit the potential rise across the battery with a zener diode, or introduce an impedance between the battery and the solar cells when the battery potential or cell temperature rises to a predetermined value. Neither of these methods provides charge-rate information, but a more serious disadvantage is in not having any reliable, continuous indication of battery state of charge.

Battery potential is a poor indication of the state of charge of a battery for the following reasons:

1. Nickel-cadmium batteries have a temperaturedependent flat voltage characteristic over most of their range of charge and discharge.

2. The individual cells of multi-cell batteries may have different voltages caused by varying electrolytic concentration, cell temperature, or internal construction.

Thermal time lags seriously limit the value of temperature sensing.

The inadequacy of the potential and the temperature measurement methods usually forces the use of a low charging rate and thus a low depth of discharge to compensate for the uncertainty of the battery state of charge.

# WELL REGULATED BATTERY-SOLAR CELL CHARGING

The battery charge-control system being described integrates the charge and discharge currents of the battery, thus giving a continuous indication of the battery charge state. This permits deep discharge and a safe, controlled high charging rate with its resultant weight reduction.

#### System Advantages

Telemetry information describing battery state of charge and the magnitude of charge or discharge currents is also available with this system. The following is a summary of the advantages of such a system :

1. Greater battery depth of discharge is used. This avoids the battery passivation that is common to the shallow depth of discharge now used in nickel-cadmium battery systems.

2. Total battery weight is reduced because of the greater depth of discharge. For example, this system would permit a payload orbiting at 500 statute miles with an average power load of 400 w to reduce its required battery weight by a factor of 4.5 (from about 200 lbs. to about 45 lbs.).

3. Continuous indication of battery charge or discharge current and battery state of charge is available for telemetry to the ground.

4. Destructive battery overcharging is avoided, if, by some equipment malfunction, the load is removed from the solar cells at a time when the battery is at full charge.

#### **Charge-Control System**

General: A generalized satellite solar-cell nickelcadmium power source consists of a combination of solar cells and nickel-cadmium batteries powering

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MR. STEIN now presides over Stein Electronics Laboratory, Huntington, L.I., N.Y.; MR. PRIGOZY is with Electrical Energy Conversion Corp., Bethpage, L.I., N.Y. an equipment that has a specific power demand versus time profile. The solar cells are exposed to the sum for some period of time during each orbit and have a power and voltage capability that varies with inclination to the sun. The batteries receive their charge while the solar cells are exposed to the sun, and power the equipment during the remainder of the orbit.

Existing battery systems for space use usually limit the maximum charging rate to about 10 hours. This is due to uncertainty in determining the battery 100% charge state. The system being described uses a high charging rate until it senses that the 100% charge state has been reached. The charging rate is then reduced for the remainder of the charging time.

Fig. 1 indicates the amount of battery use possible with existing systems, in circular orbits, as a function of orbital altitude. Fig. 2 shows the battery weight saving factor possible with the suggested systems as a function of orbital altitude. This curve is based on a 10-hour charging rate for the existing systems and a 50% depth of discharge with the charge-control system.

#### System Description

1. Introduction : The battery charger and controller, which comprise this system, must be of high reliability and accuracy. It must also contain inherent flexibility to adjust to the nonlinearities and variables known to occur in storage batteries.

The charger and controller must be able to perform the following functions:

a. Accurately monitor the ampere-hours discharged from or charged into the battery.

b. Apply a charging "efficiency-factor" to account for the fact that more ampere-hours must be delivered to the battery than are removed from it to restore it to a particular state.

c. Apply a temperature and battery age correction to item b.

d. Reduce the charging rate to a safe value after the 100% charged condition is reached.

e. Increase the charging rate when the battery drops below the 100% charged condition.

f. Provide an alarm if the battery charge decreases below a safe level. (Continued on following page)

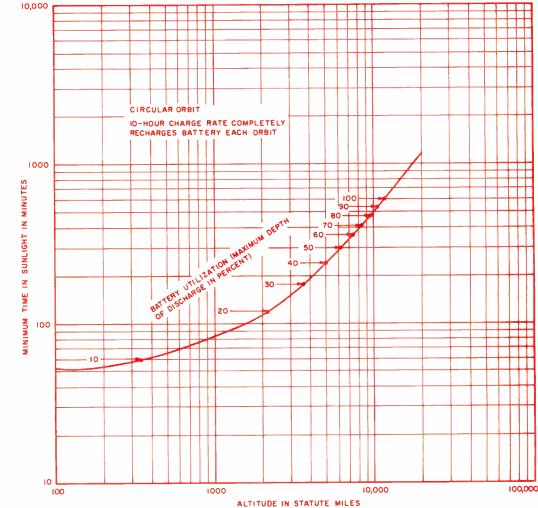


Fig. 1: This graph shows the optimum use which can be made of a satellite's battery. This depends on the time during which the solar cells are facing the sun and altitude of the orbit.

### **BATTERY-SOLAR CELL (Continued)**

The battery charger and controller described can fulfill the above conditions and can be integrated into space power-supply systems. Fig. 3 is a block diagram of the suggested system.

2. Battery Current Sensing and Dynamic Range: The battery current flows through a shunt that produces a dc voltage whose magnitude is proportional to the instantaneous magnitude of the battery current, and whose polarity indicates current direction. A shunt that produces 50 mv. at maximum current may be used. A dynamic range of at least 50:1 is practical.

3. Amplification of Shunt Voltage: To provide drift-free amplification of the mv. dc signal, a chopperstabilized amplifier can be used. The shunt signal is modulated by the chopper at a 2 kc rate. It is then amplified with an ac amplifier and demodulated to a dc voltage of proper polarity.

The 2 Kc signal is chosen as the modulation frequency to minimize the size of components, consistent with good design practice.

The chopper is a solid-state device.

The ac amplifier consists of two stages of R-C

coupled common emitter transistor stages with gain stabilizing unbypassed emitter resistors followed by an isolating emitter follower.

The demodulator is similar in appearance to the chopper. Its output will be suitable for the telemetering of battery current data.

4. Battery Current Integration: The current integrator requires a time constant of at least 20 sec. to allow a maximum integration period of about 1 sec. with an error of less than 5%.

Thus 1 sec. is allowed for the minimum expected current to accumulate to 1 unit of battery capacity. The extreme situation will occur when the entire battery capacity is discharged or charged at the minimum current. For this case, assuming a 20 ampere-hour battery and a minimum current of 0.4 a.,

 $\frac{20 \text{ amp-hrs.} \times 3600 \text{ sec.}}{0.4 \times 1 \text{ sec.}} = 180,000 \text{ or more charge units,}$ are needed to ensure an error of less than 5%. In practice, this low current would flow for considerably less than 20 hrs., thus giving errors much less than 5%. For example, the same battery with a continuous 5 a. flow will register 1 charge unit in  $\frac{0.4}{5} = 0.08 \text{ sec.}$ 

The error for this measurement is in the order of

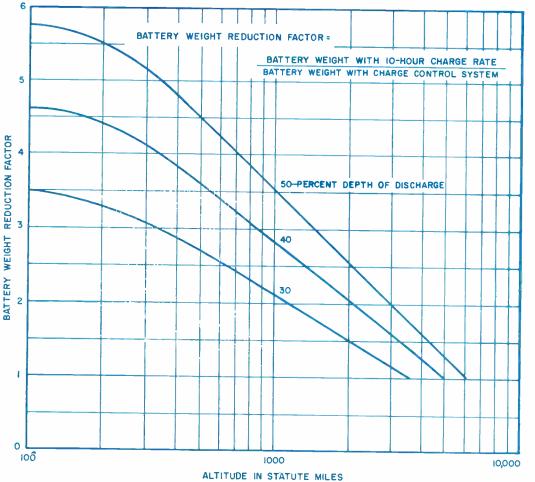
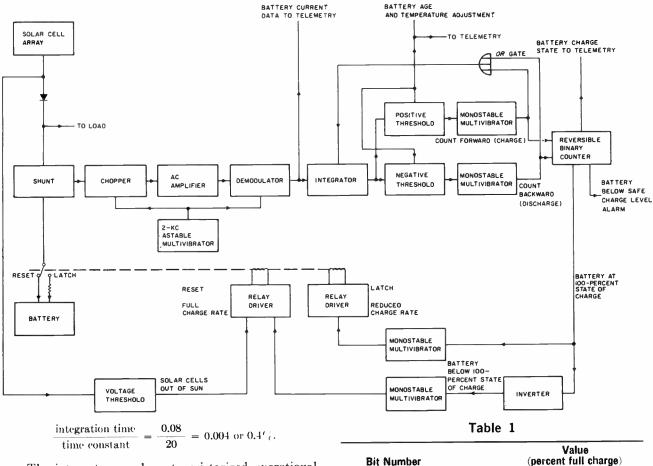


Fig. 3 (right): Block diagram of the battery charger and controller. Its various functions are described. Telemetry data on battery's charge and discharge currents is available.

Fig. 2 (left): Graph shows how the charge control system can save battery weight due to its high, safe charging. With its variable, fast rate to maintain 100% charge, fewer batteries are needed by allowing greater depth of discharge.



The integrator can be a transistorized operational type amplifier with capacitive feedback.

5. Charge Increment Detector: The charge increment detector senses when the integrator output has reached 1 unit of charge. Two voltage threshold circuits, one for charge and the other for discharge, each followed by a monostable multivibrator or Schmitt trigger, can provide this function. The multivibrator pulses can be of the order of 1 msec. and will step the charge state indicator and reset the integrator.

The charging threshold is adjusted (relative to discharge threshold) to compensate for the "charging efficiency" and may be varied by a temperature signal from the battery if necessary.

6. Charge State Indicator: The charge state indicator consists of a 17-bit reversible binary counter that is advanced 1 count each time the battery is charged 1 unit, and is retarded each time the battery discharges 1 unit. Data in Table 1 indicates the significant counter bit values.

The counter is unambiguous but must be restricted from overflowing when all bits are "ones." The least

significant bit represents  $\frac{100}{2^{18}} = 0.0004\%$  of battery

capacity. This represents one charge unit.

An additional function of the charge state indicator

may be to provide an alarm if the battery charge falls below a safe level.

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7. Charge Rate Control: Proper system operation requires that the charge rate be decreased to a low level after the battery reaches 100% charge. This is effected by a latching relay driven by outputs from the charge state indicator. When 100% charge is reached, the relay is latched and a current limiting device is inserted in the battery circuit. When the charge state decreases below 100%, the relay is reset and the current limiting device is shorted out, thus returning to the high charge rate.

Accumulation of errors in the integration of charge is thus avoided by converting to a safe trickle maintenance charge at the indicated 100% point. This effectively resets the charge integration system once each charge cycle.

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Ground-based antenna systems are being used for search and target acquisition, automatic tracking, command and telemetry. The basic problems lie in physical size, noise and sensitivity. These are discussed along with performance and cost aspects of the various types.

THE AUTOMATIC TRACKING ANTENNA SYSTEMS being considered here are normally the ground end of an r-f communications link between a vehicle (such as a satellite, missile or deep space probe) and ground. They are not skin tracking radars; there is no need for rapid scan, tracking multiple targets, or very high peak power.

The final goal of most space missions is to collect useful data on the ground. The data may be scientific measurements from experiments conducted on the vehicle, vehicle status data, TV or other communications data either produced aboard the vehicle or relayed from another ground station, or combinations of the above. In any case, the ground tracking antenna system provides a basic function in receiving data, sending command information, and collecting angle-tracking data.

For obvious reasons it is highly desirable to minimize the size, weight, and power requirements of the space borne r-i equipment. One method of doing this is to maximize the sensitivity of the ground antenna

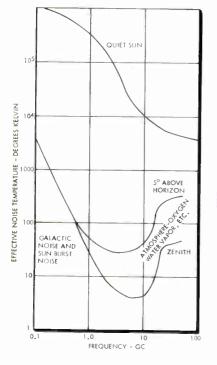


Fig. 1: Curves of the factors contributing to background sky noise.

# AUTOMATIC TRACKING ANTENNA SYTEMS

system. This is mainly true of deep space missions and high altitude satellites. The sensitivity of an antenna system varies directly with the gain of the antenna and inversely with the antenna system noise temperature. Maximum sensitivity therefore, points to greatest aperture size, minimum receiver and antenna noise, and lowest background sky noise.

#### **Background Noise and Frequency**

Fig. 1 is a plot of effective sky noise temperature in degrees Kelvin against frequency. The curves show that background sun bursts and galactic noise are the primary contributors to antenna noise temperature at frequencies in the range of 100 MC to 1 GC. Above 10 cc, noise from oxygen and water vapor absorption becomes the prime offender. A minimum sky-noise background exists from about 1 to 10 GC when the elevation angle of the antenna is more than 5° above the horizon. It should be remembered that noise stars, the sun, and even the ground will radically increase antenna noise temperature if the antenna is allowed to receive noise from these sources. From the curves in Fig. 1, it is apparent that a major part of frequency assignments for r-f links between space and ground will be in the 1-10 GC frequency range. Since a system noise temperature can never be less than the sky background noise, the background noise places a theoretic limit on sensitivity for autennas of a given size.

#### **Physical Size and Surface Tolerance**

System sensitivity can be increased by expanding

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the physical size of the antenna aperture. There appear to be 3 fundamental limits to aperture size, and probably the most important is cost. Fig. 2 is a plot of reflector diameter as a function of frequency, on which has been spotted the estimated max, frequency (based on surface tolerances) for a number of typical large antenna systems. Neglecting fixed costs of such as the receiver and the servo system up to the drive motors, the structure's weight and cost vary closely with the diameter to the 2.7 power, and the cost is about \$2 per pound.

Steerable antennas with hemispherical coverage have thus far been cost-limited to diameters less than 300 ft., as seen in Fig. 2. The 600-foot radio telescope proposed for West Virginia was abandoned and the unduly high cost was certainly one of the deciding factors. The new 210-foot diameter antenna, shown in Fig. 3, will be among the world's largest when it is completed.

A second limiting factor on physical size is the ability to maintain reflector surface tolerances when the size of the reflector becomes thousands of wavelengths in diameter. Not only is it necessary to fabricate the surface to a tolerance of nearly  $\pm 1/16$  wavelength, but the surface must be well-supported to maintain the surface contour tolerance under extreme conditions of position, motion, environment, etc. A munher of relatively new methods of fabricating reflector surfaces are now in development or available. Reflectors with thousands of wavelengths in diameter may be relatively commonplace in the future.

The third limiting factor on physical size involves the variations of the relative propagation qualities of the received signal over various portions of the aperture. To be effective the phase coherence of all the energy striking the reflector should be extremely good. For very large antenna apertures however, propagation anomolies cause phase perturbations over the reflector surface which reduce gain even though the reflector surface is acceptable. This factor is thought to become significant when the diameter of the antenna is in the order of 1,000 to 10,000 wavelengths. Thus, a practical limit is placed on maximum gain.

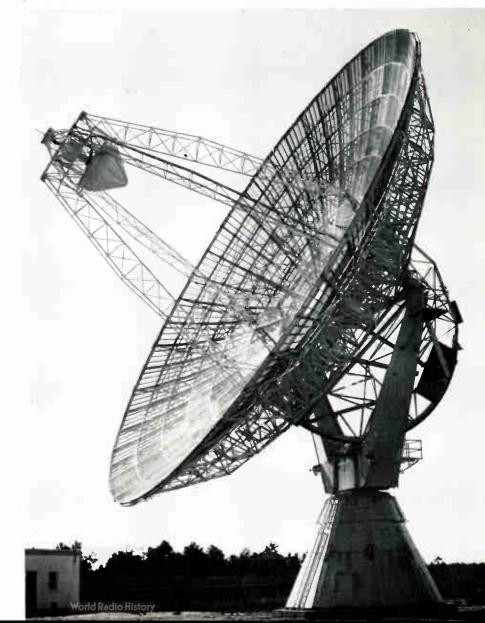
#### Economics

A second approach to large physical apertures involves slaving a number of small antennas together, each with its own preamplifier, and combining their received signals coherently by means of phase-locked circuitry. The relative economic advantage of this procedure depends upon many factors, but can be analyzed qualitatively as follows:

Assume the cost of an antenna system can be expressed as:

Variable costs include the structure and the drive system. Fixed costs include such items as the receiver.

Here is seen the 85-foot diameter broadband automatic tracking antenna system. This equipment is being supplied by Radiation, Inc. for AFMTC.



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servo system, and control console. The total cost per unit aperture area is obtained as follows:

$$\frac{\text{Total Cost}}{\text{Aperture Area}} = \frac{5 \text{ (DIA.)}^{2.7} + (\text{Fixed Costs})}{\frac{\pi \text{ (DIA.)}^2}{4}}$$
$$= \frac{20 \text{ (DIA.)}^{0.7}}{\pi} + \frac{4 \text{ (Fixed Costs)}}{\pi} \text{ (DIA.)}^{-2} \text{ (2)}$$

If the above assumptions apply, the minimum cost per unit area for a specified fixed cost can be determined by differentiating the total cost per unit aperture area with respect to reflector diameter and equating the derivative to zero. This expression reduces to

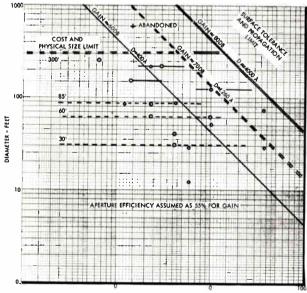
$$Costs = 1.75 (DIA.)^{2.7}$$
(32)

Solving Eq. 3 for diameter will yield the reflector size for minimum cost-to-aperture ratio.

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Fig. 4 is a plot showing relative costs of 1, 2, 4, 8, and 16 antennas to provide a given physical aperture. In this example, the assumed fixed costs were 200 thousand dollars per antenna and a reflector diameter of about 80 ft. is near optimum. From the curves, if a total aperture equal to about a single 80-ft. diameter reflector is required, a single antenna is most economical. When an aperture approaching the area of a 160-ft. diameter reflector is required, it is more econonnical to utilize four 80-ft. antennas. The aperture corresponding to 225 ft. in diameter can be most economically provided by eight 80-ft. diameter antennas. In this case the total cost is only 68% of that

Fig. 2: The estimated maximum useful frequency, based on the surface tolerance of various large antenna systems.



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of the single antenna. Another advantage of many small antennas might be in better over-all utilization, where each could be used on separate missions when maximum sensitivity is not required. Also, they could be slaved together for those missions requiring full sensitivity. A third advantage involves redundancy; i.e., if one receiver fails, the remaining units could function with relatively little degradation. A fourth advantage may involve the ability to coherently combine signals from a group of small apertures rather than a single large aperture. The requirement for phase coherence applies only to the smaller apertures because phase differences between these individual apertures can be corrected by the phase-locked circuitry.

The above analysis is performed only to indicate trends and makes many assumptions such as : negligible costs and degradation in performance in coherently combining the signals from the smaller antennas and also no price advantage in quantity purchasing.

A different approach to the very large aperture problem is use a number of feeds, each of which illuminates only a part of a large reflector surface. In this way, phase coherence need only be maintained over the small area "seen" by one feed and the phase errors between feeds can be minimized with phaselocked loops. The multi-reflector array on a single pedestal (similar to the Radiation Inc. Telscom antenna seen in a photograph) lends itself to this type of operation.

#### Antenna Noise Temperature

Low noise antennas, that is, antennas with noise temperatures approaching the background and sky noise, can be obtained by using some of the low noise techniques now appearing. One approach involves careful feed design in connection with Cassegrainian optics (see Fig. 3). A second is the big horn (Bell Labs) approach. Both of these systems have been very successful in achieving very low antenna as well as system noise temperatures. The lower curve in Fig. 5 is a calculated average antenna noise temperature for a high quality, large antenna system (approaching the state of the art) under "average" sky conditions.

#### **Receiver Noise**

Probably the most fruitful area for increasing system sensitivity per dollar lies in the development and application of low-noise solid-state receivers and preamplifiers. In Fig. 5, the average antenna noise temperature is combined with several types of receivers to provide an estimated system noise temperature. The advantage of liquid-helium cooled masers is evident in the frequency range from about 500 Mc to 10 GC or higher. At 800 MC, for instance, the maser has about twice the sensitivity of a parametric amplifier and about ten times the sensitivity of the same antenna with a vacuum-tube amplifier. At higher frequencies the improvement is even more pronounced. These curves show that the use of masers or other equivalent low-noise receivers is an excellent method of achieving greater over-all system sensitivity.

#### Tracking Accuracy and Target Acquisition

Two problems associated with system sensitivity are tracking accuracy and target acquisition. High sensitivity normally means a large aperture and very small antenna beamwidth, frequently much less than 1° between half-power points. When the antenna is used for angle tracking and the readout data are used for orbital calculations, guidance, etc., tracking accuracy is relatively important. Tracking accuracy is a function of static mechanical parameters (such as static deflections, alignment, thermal expansion) and dynamic factors which involve the accelerations and velocities in the system.

Other contributing factors are error-signal generation as a function of off-target angle which normally varies directly with frequency, wind loading, and environmental effects. Typical tracking accuracies reported today for 85-foot antennas in the 200 to 2300 mc range are between 0.05° and 0.1°. Somewhat better accuracy has been reported for the Bell Labs horn. The dynamic pointing accuracy of the Haystack Radar Antenna is quoted as 0.005°.

When an antenna beamwidth narrows to a degree or less, target acquisition becomes a problem, and frequently a combination of methods are logically employed to assure target lock-on. Some methods employed involve computed coordinate location by coordinate conversion from other tracking systems or by the use of ephemeris data. A second technique is to use a sector, circular, elliptical, or spiral scan which covers a line or solid angle where the target is expected to appear. A third method involves slaving the narrow beam antenna to a relatively broad beam acquisition aid antenna which initially acquires the target and then the track can be transferred to the principal antenna.

Most of the previous discussions relate to highperformance, large antennas and these usually operate in a relatively narrow frequency band. With these high-performance systems, error-signal generation for auto tracking may be accomplished by means of sequential lobing (conical scan) but is more fre-

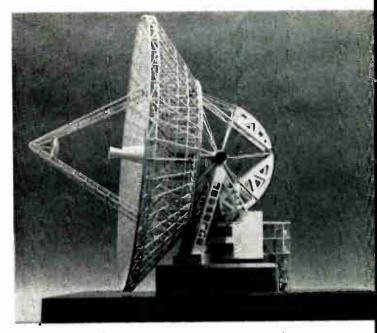
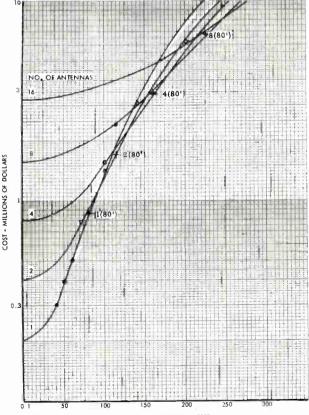


Fig. 3: Model of the new 210 ft antenna being procured by Caltech Jet Propulsion Laboratory for the NASA.



DIAMETER OF SINGLE REFLECTOR - FEET

Fig. 4: Curve showing relative cost of providing a given aperture with a single reflector or using several smaller antennas. Fixed costs were assumed at \$200,000 each up to 80 ft.

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Broadband "Telscom" (Telemetry, Surveillance and Communications) automatic tracking antenna system developed by Radiation, Inc.

quently achieved by simultaneous lobing techniques (amplitude monopulse or phase monopulse).

#### **Frequency Coverage**

A large number of the tracking problems associated with missiles and low-altitude satellites do not require maximum sensitivity of the ground antenna system because of the relatively short ranges involved or the availability of higher vehicle transmitter powers for relatively short periods of time. Frequently, the ability to switch frequencies rapidly or provide simultaneous frequency coverage on a number of relatively widely spaced frequencies is of prime importance. Polarization diversity may also be an important requirement. To meet these requirements. a number of relatively broadband automatic tracking antenna systems have been developed and are making their appearance.

One such system is the 85-foot diameter antenna (see picture). This system covers a frequency range from 100 to 2300 Mc. The feed system consists of two conical spirals that are offset from the axis of the parabola. One spiral is right circular and the other is left circular and the entire feed structure is rotated to develop error signals by the conical scan approach. Since the spirals are oppositely polarized, both right-circular and left-circular polarization can be received simultaneously.

A second approach to the broadband tracking antenna problem is represented by the Telscom antenna system (see photo identified). This system consists of an array of reflectors, each of which contains a broadband feed system. The array can be conically scanned by introducing a variable phase shifter in series with each element, or the elements of the array can be connected in a phase-monopulse arrangement such that orthogonal error signals may be generated in the difference channels corresponding to the directions of motion of the antenna. The Telscom autenna is capable of operating over a frequency range from 216 to 2300 Mc and orthogonal linear polarization is available throughout the entire band. These

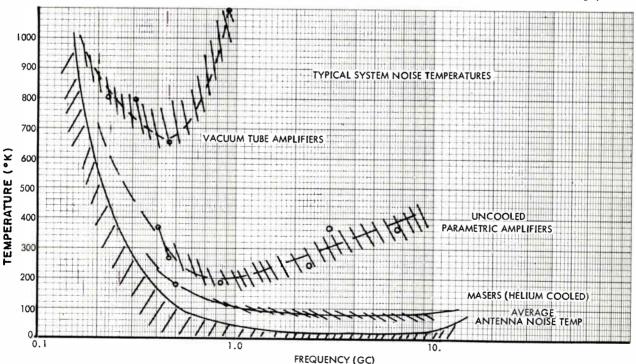


Fig. 5: Curves showing system noise temperature expected with well-designed antenna (average conditions and various receiving systems).

signals can be combined as required to produce simultaneous right- and left-hand circular polarization.

A third approach to the broadband tracking problem involves the use of an array of four frequency independent antennas. These antennas have a gain that is essentially constant with frequency and must be arranged such that the effective phase center separation is essentially constant in terms of wave lengths. This implies that the effective aperture varies directly with the wavelength squared and hence the gain of the system is essentially constant. For arrays of log-periodic or log-spiral elements the gain is about 12 db.

#### **Future Trends**

It is the author's belief that one of the most significant factors in defining future automatic tracking antenna systems lies in the area of cost versus performance trade-offs. Low-noise receiving equipment will undoubtedly come down in price and its frequency coverage and versatility will increase. New ideas in structures and antennas will permit increased sensitivity for less cost. For a given requirement many factors have to be weighed carefully to arrive at the best system for a given cost. Frequently, antenna companies have capability and solutions to problems that are proprietary and hence unknown to the general public. One method of stimulating trade-off studies and encouraging ingenuity is to specify tracking antenna systems in terms of over-all performance requirements and stating the fixed-price budget for the job. It is quite possible that this procedure might also result in a better system for lower cost, in many instances.

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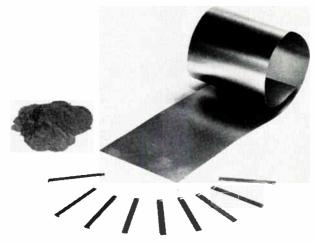
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# WHAT'S NEW

## POWDER METAL CATHODES

Receiving tubes with powder metal cathodes have been announced by Sylvania Electric Products Inc., New York, N. Y. The powder metal strip cathodes increase reliability and the life of components.

This material was developed jointly by General Telephone & Electronics Laboratories Inc., and Sylvania's Electronic Tube Div.



Process involves rolling the basic material carbonyl nickel powder (1) and additive powders into a thin gauge strip (r) which is necessary for normal cathcde cleeves (foreground).

The expected failure rate of Sylvania's 6AF4, based on many tube hours of evaluation, has been reduced from 13.1% per thousand hours at 130v. line with the previous material (a selected premium vacuum melted material) to 1.5% per thousand hours under the same conditions when a special blend of the powder nickel alloy was put into the cathode.

Blended powders of basic carbonyl nickel powder and additive powders are rolled into a thin gauge strip. This prevents contamination which normally occurs in cast material during the melting, pouring, forging and hot-rolling operations. The powder rolled material is densified by cold rolling and annealing, and following densification, is treated in the same manner as normal cathode strip.

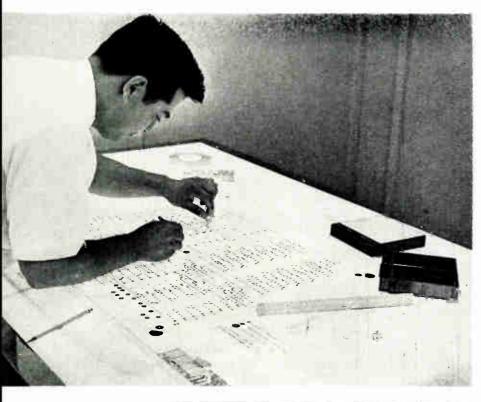
This type of preparation allows a large number of alloys and compositions to be made, some of which would be difficult or impossible to combine in any other manner.

GOV'T ELECTRONICS TO COST \$10 BILLION

From a total aerospace/defense project expense of \$55 billion, that includes NASA, FAA, and smaller agencies, for fiscal 1963-1964, the U.S. Government is expected to spend a little more than \$10 billion for electronic goods and services. (EIA and Aerospace Management)

An instrument for space use must have minimum volume, minimum weight and small power consumption. Unfortunately, these requirements are not always congruous with greatest equipment reliability. Maximum reliability can be obtained by using the five important avenues in design and fabrication presented here.

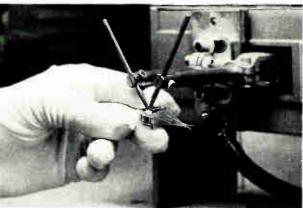
# BUILDING RELIABILITY INTO SPACE INSTRUMENTS



Mechanical reliability depends on a design that will be spaceworthy, can be built with no human error and can be easily reworked or changed in late stages.

Component evaluation identifies and rejects those whose characteristics can be correlated to potential failure.





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THE SCIENTIST WHO WISHES TO INVESTIGATE physical phenomena in outer space needs an instrument that will measure the phenomena of interest, and then perform such functions that are needed to provide output signals compatible with a telemetry unit.

The scientist sometimes solicits the aid of an engineering and fabrication group to execute the detailed instrument design and to assemble the hardware. This group must satisfy the scientist's measurement needs as well as provide an instrument which is compatible with the spacecraft design philosophy. An increasingly important measurement need is that of operational reliability for extended periods. Five phases of reliability are considered in this article.

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Reliability is often defined by the space scientist not just in terms of total instrument failure, but more significantly in terms of the stability of measurement accuracy over the mission duration.

#### **An Engineering Solution**

Consider the tasks confronting the engineer who must accomplish the instrument design. Laboratory instrumentation which might normally occupy several racks must be packaged into a volume about the size of a coffee can. Delicate sensors must be made impervious to launch shock and vibration environment. The instrument must withstand the rigors of hard vacuum, high and low temperatures, nuclear radiation and dust particle impact. At the same time it must not create static or oscillating fields which would interfere with performance of other instruments. Most important it must have inherent measurement stability when subjected to the severe environment conditions of space.

In the design of a space instrument, the needs for smallest volume, minimum weight, least power, and greatest reliability are not always compatible. Often a compromise must be affected which best satisfies the space scientist's needs. Yet, under given constraints, it is the responsibility of each member of the engineering and production team to provide an instrument with the highest possible reliability.

#### **Five Phases of Reliability**

It is easy to agree that reliability must be "built-in" and not just "tested-in". It is somewhat more difficult to choose those procedures which will "build-in" the maximum degree of reliability under a given set of ground rules. Five important avenues toward "built-in" reliability are considered to be (1) proper electrical design, (2) proper mechanical design, (3) component evaluation, (4) workmanship to high standards and (5) quality control. Although the measures described below for implementation of these 5 phases have yielded good results, it is not to be inferred that these procedures either are unique or produce the greatest reliability attainable under all conditions.

#### **Electrical Design**

Circuit operation reliability depends heavily on both engineering conservatism and attention to detail during overall instrument "electrical system" design and individual circuit design.

During development of a block diagram, much can be done to enhance the ultimate instrument reliability. Three examples are: (1) Rearrangement of circuits or substitution can sometimes result in simplifications. (2) A thorough look at input and output points and an evaluation of the noise that could exist at these points will often lead to the establishment of conservative specs for input and output circuits. External noise has sometimes proved catastrophic to the operation of an otherwise well designed instrument. (3) A check of all possible conditions of a logic unit, considering both unusual timing and non-normal states caused by noise or existing after initial turn-on, can prevent situations where a logic unit becomes "hung-up" internally.

These examples are shown in Fig. 1. It is postulated that a circuit must be designed to produce an output pulse delayed from an input "start" pulse by exactly 13 clock pulses. Fig. 1a shows the desired timing. A circuit which provides the desired function is shown in Fig. 1b. The isolation amplifier was placed in series with the output line because a oneshot multivibrator, without buffer, can be particularly susceptible to noise on the output line. NAND and flip-flop set inputs are designed to have high thresholds for rejection of noise on the input lines. The circuit may be simplified and improved as shown in Fig. 1c. Not only are 2 blocks eliminated, but also the reset circuitry on the binary counter chain can be eliminated. Total parts saving is about 25% with an attendant increase in reliability. The circuit shown in Fig. 1c will also "self-clear" automatically should a noise transient introduce a false count into the binary chain prior to a "start" pulse, whereas the circuit shown in Fig. 1b would give the wrong output on the next readout under the same noise transient condition.

There are those who use redundant circuit blocks in cases where the reliability of a particular circuit block is not as great as the others. Although the merit of this concept may be sound, limitations of weight, power, and volume may often preclude the

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use of circuit redundancy for all but a few circuits. It is not unusual for the engineer to attempt to find ways of increasing the circuit block reliability rather than use a redundant circuit.

From block diagrams analysis of instrument operation comes the criteria and specs for design of the individual circuits within each clock.

Success in attaining reliable circuit design depends to a large extent on the design engineer's knowledge of the components to be used. Components of sturdy design and proven reliability must be used. It is also essential that the peculiar characteristics, and their changes with change of environment be recognized for each component, and taken into account during circuit design.

Other ways to build-in reliability in the circuit design phase are by component derating, use of redundant components in special cases, and most important, using a "worst-case" design. The "worstcase" philosophy assumes that the parameters of all components of a circuit will simultaneously change in the worst conditions. Some engineers consider the design to be relatively safe if a circuit is designed to operate with a safety factor greater than 100% under these "worst-case" conditions.

In illustration of the "worst-case" philosophy, Fig. 2 is drawn to show a simple saturated transistor inverter. Under the conditions that  $i_L = 2$ ma, minimum value of  $E_{in}$  in the "true" state is  $\pm 4$  v., all resistors  $\pm 5\%$ , a typical value of  $V_{ce,sat}$  for the transistor is 0.2 v., and a typical value of  $V_{be}$  is 0.6 v. for collector saturation. Required minimum  $\beta$  for the transistor may be found such that the collector shall remain solidly saturated at all temperatures down to  $\pm 55^{\circ}$ C. First, the "worst-case" philosophy is applied to component parameters as follows:

All resistors shall change in the worst direction by 10%.  $V_{ce-sat}$  shall be 0.3 y.

 $E_{in}$  shall be 3 v.

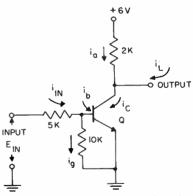
 $\beta_{sat}$  at -55 °C shall be  $\frac{1}{2}_2$  of  $\beta_{sat}$  at +25 °C,  $\beta_{sat}$  shall be 50% of the linear (active region)  $\beta$ .  $V_{be}$  shall be 0.9 v.

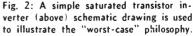
Second, the currents are then calculated as follows:

$$i_a = \frac{5.7}{1.8 \text{K}} = 3.17 \text{ ma}$$
  
 $i_c = i_a + i_L = 5.17 \text{ ma}$ 

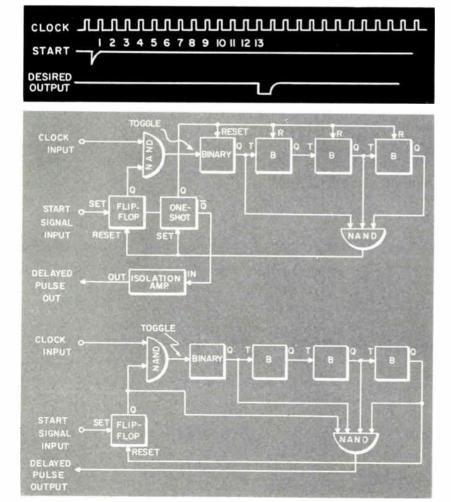
Fig. 1a: Timing for a circuit that must be designed to give an output pulse delayed from an input pulse by 13 clock pulses.

Fig. 1b: The isolation amplifier was placed in series with the output line because the multivibrator, without buffer, can be very susceptible to noise on the line. Fig. 1c: The circuit shown in 1b can be simplifed by eliminating 2 blocks and the reset circuitry on the binary counter chain.





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$$i_g = \frac{0.9}{9\text{K}} = 0.1 \text{ ma}$$
  
 $i_{in} = \frac{2.1}{5.5} = 0.382 \text{ ma}$   
 $i_b = i_{in} - i_g = 0.282 \text{ ma}$ 

The degree of conservatism indicated by these "worst-case" design tenets may yield circuit stability beyond that needed by the space scientist. By increasing the stability, the engineer is only increasing the confidence level that the original measurement stability needs will be met over the mission duration. The extent to which conservatism may be used to dictate increased stability is limited by other items such as budget, schedule, weight and power.

A frequent and informal design review is used by many engineering groups as a means for minimizing errors and checking design validity.

#### Mechanical Design

Others have stated that the 3 basic needs of a reliable mechanical design are that; first, the instrument, when assembled per the design, must be spaceworthy from a mechanical standpoint; second, the design and process specs must be such that assembly can be done by experienced personnel with best workmanship practice and no errors; and third, the final instrument can be opened, after assembly, for change or rework without impairing reliability.

The first need suggests an analysis of both structural and thermal design to ascertain that the stresses of shock, vibration, acceleration and temperature affect neither the structure itself nor internal elements. Heat dissipation may be a problem in certain space environments, needing an analysis of best conduction path and surface treatment to provide an acceptable internal temperature.

These factors, along with questions of shielding against nuclear radiation or r-f interference or the degradation of surfaces due to space dust particle impact, are all important factors in the mechanical design of reliable instrumentation. Many considerations not mentioned here, such as the design of bearings which must operate for long periods in a vacnum, are peculiar to certain instruments and need investigation prior to design use.

The second need of a reliable design calls for thoroughness on the part of the design team to think through each assembly step. Poor workmanship can be built-in to instruments by designing a unit which is almost impossible to assemble or by calling for processes which can be properly done by only the most highly skilled person. From this standpoint, it would seem that an "open," easy-to-work-on, package design is desirable; yet, an "open" design philosophy

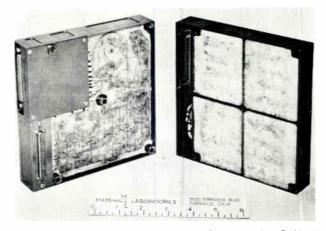


Fig. 3: Modularized magnetometer was built for the Coddard Space Flight Center to be flown on the EOGO space craft.

is almost always inconsistent with weight and volume needs. Sometimes such a dilemma can be resolved by designing a "tight" package, and at the same time designing manufacturing jigs and fixtures which ease or automate assembly.

The third need for ease of circuit change, rework, or repair seems to be an admission that the engineering team has no faith in their own efforts toward designed-in reliability. It must be recognized, however, that in the interim between initial concept and launch, measurement criteria, interface specification and engineering concepts have a way of being modified.

An example of a design fulfilling these 3 needs is an experiment shown in Fig. 3, which was built for the Goddard Space Flight Center to be flown on the EOGO space craft. The circuitry was modularized, with modules interconnected by a multilayer welded matrix. Final interconnections to the modules were made on the outer layer for case of module replacement. Each of 2 such matrix assemblies were contained in surface-treated magnesium housings which plugged together to form the circuit interconnections. Lightweight encapsulant was used to give mechanical rigidity and a cushion against shock.

As in the case of circuit design, frequent design reviews may be used to advantage in ascertaining that reliability goals are met or exceeded.

#### **Component Evaluation**

Selection of reliable components which meet size and operational specification is done during engineering design. The purpose of component evaluation is to identify and reject those components which could fail. Often the evaluation process is done on *all* parts and components destined to become flight hardware rather than on a statistical basis.

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The emergence of vacuum deposition methods of circuit manufacture has spurred interest in improved vacuum pumps that can quickly and efficiently develop pressures down to 10<sup>-9</sup> torr. This discussion reviews the capabilities of two of the most popular devices, ion pumps and the cryogenic pumps. Additional details are given on the problem of vacuum analysis, determining the composition of the residual atmosphere.

# OBTAINING HIGH AND ULTRAHIGH VACUUM

HIGH AND ULTRAHIGH VACUUM are spreading throughout today's science and technology at a fast rate. Pressures of  $10^{-9}$  torr and below, (Torr: the pressure of 1 mm, of mercury at 0°C, and standard gravity) formerly obtainable only in very small laboratory systems, are now achieved in chambers of many cubic feet in volume. Dynamic, demountable vacuum installations made mainly of stainless steel, ceramics and high-grade synthetics are providing vacuum capability which, at one time, was limited to static, sealed glass tubing of small diameter. Processing time and bakeout needs have been minimized.

This article will describe some of the most recent developments in high and ultrahigh vacuum equipment and technique, as related to creating and measuring vacuum. The capabilities and limitations of modern equipment will be discussed and possible future trends explored.

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The emphasis in our discussion of pumping will be on condensation methods, such as ion pumping and cryogenics. These techniques allow the system to be isolated from the roughing system with a valve after high-vacuum pumping begius. This eliminates any atmospheric access and avoids problems which would otherwise arise in case of a power failure. They also have the virtue of pumping in a clean, oil-free manner. Older and more conventional kinds of equipment, using oil and mercury diffusion pumps, have been treated at great length by many authors over the past 50 or more years. Except for historical references, these are outside the scope of this article.

Oil diffusion pumps have been and still are used in many applications. However, there is an increasing number of areas in which hydrocarbon backstreaming, even if minimized, is detrimental. Other desires also, such as sealed-system operation, low maintenance, and minimum operating cost, have spurred the development of ion pumps and cryogenic devices.

#### Ion Pumps

Present-day ion pumps stem from F. M. Penning<sup>1</sup>, of Philips Laboratories, Eindhoven, Holland. He developed the technique of a cold-cathode discharge in a magnetic field by which the discharge is maintained, even at high vacuum.

The use of sputtered metal films in producing high vacuum was mentioned in one of Penning's patents.<sup>2</sup> The ions formed in the discharge sputtered cathode material onto the walls of the device, and the sputtered films trapped gas, resulting in a pumping effect. This is the effect which forms the basis for today's ion pumps. Out of all the many forms of ionic vacuum pumps,<sup>3,4</sup> the Penning-type pump has emerged as the one in widespread use today. In the short space of five years, a multimillion dollar industry has developed around it.

Since ion pumps, like cryogenic pumps, are storage devices, it is reasonable to ask how they can have long life. As it turns out, they are intrinsically long-lived devices and, at this date, there is no known case of failure due to exhaustion of cathode material. In any case, pump elements are replaceable, while the pump casing is stainless steel and almost indestructible. The operating life of ion pump elements increases directly with decrease in pressure. For example, at pressures of  $10^{-8}$  torr and below, it is measured in hundreds of years.



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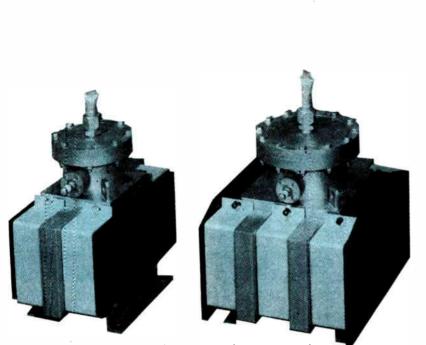
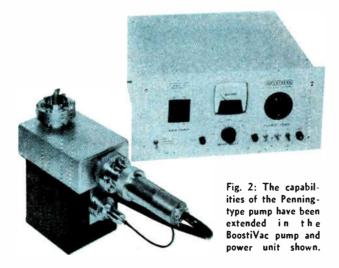
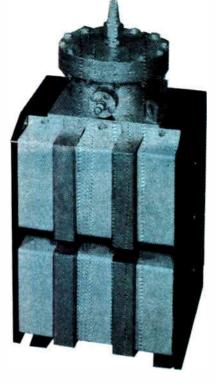


Fig. 1: Ion vacuum pumps are becoming popular. Here are three pumps by Ultek that range in size from 50 to 200 liters/second.

#### The BoostiVac

A recent Ultek invention, with the trade name of BoostiVac\*, has extended the capabilities of the Penning-type pump. It is a combination of an ion pump and an additional, independently operated source of reactive metal. In the ion pump, the coldcathode discharge produces great quantities of activated neutrals which saturate the sputtered films as fast as the films are formed. There is thus a large surplus of these active atoms and molecules at all times. Because they are neutrals, they do not aid in sputtering. Hence, they do not provide the material which would result in their own trapping. They can, however, be trapped much more easily than stable, unexcited molecules, if an additional source of titanium is available.





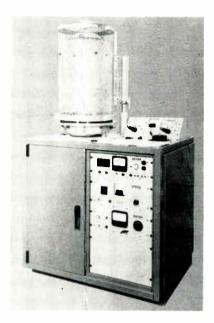
The BoostiVac thus provides an effective pumping arrangement. Great numbers of gas molecules are activated by the pump, and those which are not trapped inside the pump itself are captured by the evaporated titanium film. This interaction between ion pump and evaporated film is highly non-linear. Pumping speeds attainable with the combination are much greater than the sum of the individual pumping speeds of pump and film separately.

Using the BoostiVac in bell-jar systems, as shown in Fig. 3, has enabled pressures in the 10<sup>-10</sup> torr scale to be achieved in glass bell jars with Viton A gaskets and without bakeout. Systems of this kind are useful for thin film deposition because of their high pumping speeds and freedom from oil.

This pumping combines the good features of evaporator and cold-cathode pump. It makes possible much higher pumping speeds than were previously obtainable with ion pumps, and without a great increase in cost. New kinds of ion pumps and ion-pumped systems now become feasible, and will be economically competitive with oil pumps.

#### **Cryogenic Techniques**

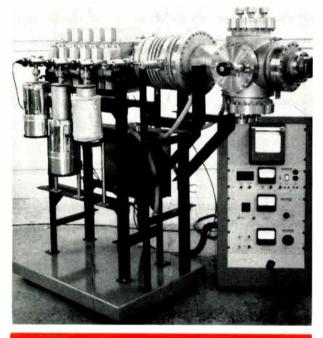
Cryogenic pumping, i.e., the trapping of gas molecules in refrigerated surfaces, is an old technique which has experienced a strong revival. It was first reported by Dewar,<sup>6</sup> who created a vacuum by cooling activated charcoal with liquid air. The charcoal has a very high surface area and at liquid air temperature can trap large quantities of gas. Recent adaptions of Dewar's technique have used zeolites,

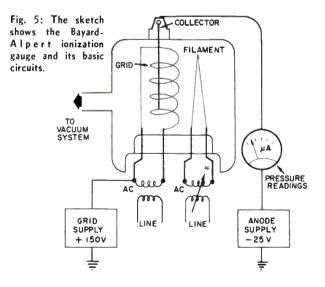


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Fig. 3: Ultrahigh vacuum system enables pressures in the 10<sup>-10</sup> Torr scale.

Fig. 4: Vacuum system below is for the  $10^{-11}$  Torr range.





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the so-called "molecular sieves," and have been used chiefly as a substitute for mechanical roughing pumps, rather than as a high vacuum technique.

Cryogenic methods can be of great value when combined with ion pumping or with the BoostiVac technique (ion pumping plus evaporation). As shown by Clausing<sup>7</sup> and others, the pumping speed of an evaporated titanium film increases with decreasing temperature. Provision is made in certain kinds of ion-pumped systems to deposit titanium onto the surfaces of liquid nitrogen-cooled shrouds. Fig 4 shows such a system, designed for mechanical testing of metals.

#### The Bayard-Alpert Ionization Gauge

The Bayard-Alpert gauge,<sup>8</sup> introduced in 1950, is the mainstay of the high vacuum field. Fig. 5 shows a line drawing of the gauge and its basic circuits. In operation, electrons are attracted by the transparent grid (anode) which is held 100 to 200 volts positive, with respect to the filament. Ions are formed by collision with gas molecules, and these ions are captured by the collector. The current represented by the arrival of ions at the collector is measured in the external circuit and is proportional to pressure.

The Alpert gauge, in various modifications, is used to measure pressures from the  $10^{-4}$  scale down to below  $10^{-9}$  torr. Its accuracy decreases below the  $10^{-9}$  range because of the X-ray photo effect. This effect comes from X-rays created by the electrons striking the grid. The X-rays thus formed propagate in all directions, and those which strike the collector liberate photoelectrons. The resulting current in the external circuit provides a constant background level, independent of pressure. The lower the pressure, the more serious this background photocurrent becomes, since the ion current varies directly with pressure.

#### **Recent Developments in Gauges**

Pumping capability has now surpassed gauging. Available ion-pumped systems, for example, have attained pressures which cannot be reliably measured by gauges now on the market. In one such system, after baking above  $650^{\circ}$  C., the pressure as indicated by pump current and rate-of-rise measurements was estimated at 2 x  $10^{-12}$  torr or below. Like results have been obtained with other ion-pumped systems, such as that shown in Fig. 4, after a 300° C. bakeout of most of the chamber. Results of this kind are spurring the search for new and improved ultrahigh vacuum gauges.

One of the latest devices for use in the ultrahigh vacuum realm, the Redhead Gauge, was invented by P. A. Redhead.<sup>9</sup> A ruggedized, bakeable modification developed by W. S. Kreisman is shown in Fig. 6. The operating range for this gauge, as quoted by its manufacturer, The Geophysics Corporation of America, is from 10<sup>-3</sup> to 10<sup>-14</sup> torr. There is no X-ray limit, but it requires a magnetic field.

A very interesting approach to the X-ray limit problem in hot-cathode ionization gauges was conceived and tested by W. C. Schuemann.<sup>10</sup> This device, the Schuemann Photosuppressor Gauge, is shown in Fig. 7. The shield intercepts X-rays from the ionization region and prevents their reaching the suppressor. Ions pass through the hole in the shield and impinge on the collector. The negative bias on the suppressor rings prevents photoelectrons from escaping from the collector, and prevents any photoelec-



Fig. 6: The Kreisman gauge has an operating range from  $10^{-3}$  to  $10^{-4}$  Torr. It requires a magnetic field to operate, trons ejected from the inside of the shield orifice from getting to the collector. Schuemann states that the N-ray photocurrent is entirely suppressed by this gauge, and pressures of  $2 \ge 10^{-12}$  torr have been measured. The Schuemann gauge is the most positive approach taken to eliminate the X-ray effect, and its further development will be watched with great interest.

#### Vacuum Analysis

Vacuum gauges, as described earlier, can only give information as to the total pressure existing in the vacuum system. They tell us nothing about the composition of the residual atmosphere, and their readings become increasingly difficult to interpret as the pressure decreases, because they are calibrated in terms of a single gas—usually nitrogen—at pressures much above ultrahigh vacuum. In dealing with high and ultrahigh vacuum we need to know more about

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what gas species are actually present and in what amounts. For example, in an unbaked vacuum system the principal gas is water vapor, while in a baked system it may be carbon monoxide.

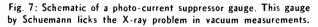
Devices which give information as to the kinds and amounts of residual gases are called mass spectrometers or vacuum analyzers. One of the most interesting mass spectrometers for vacuum analysis was developed in Germany by Paul and Raether.<sup>12</sup> This is called the mass filter, and is shown in Fig. 8. Some of the advantages claimed for the mass filter are:

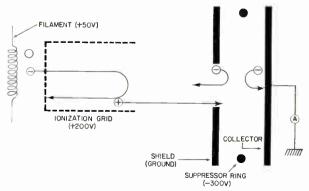
- 1. No magnetic field
- 2. High sensitivity
- 3. Rapid scanning
- 4. Compact
- 5. Can be entirely bakeable

These points make it very attractive for use in analyzing transient processes, as for example in monitoring changes in the residual atmosphere which occur during bell-jar operations, such as thin film deposition. The sensing head can be installed inside the bell-jar and, therefore, monitor the gases, including condensibles, which are evolved or already present during thin film evaporation and deposition. According to Boehm and Guenther,<sup>14</sup> the range of mass numbers from 2 to 100 can be scanned in two seconds.

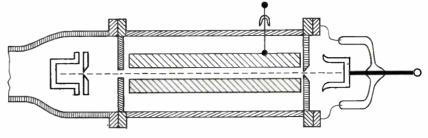
#### Future Trends

The applicability of ion pumps and cryogenic devices increases as the pressure decreases, hence it can be predicted that as we go to higher and higher vacuum their use will become even more widespread. Pressures which are too low to measure, but which are estimated at less than  $2 \times 10^{-12}$  torr have been





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#### Fig. 8: Sketch shows a mass spectromoter that is used for vacuum analysis.

achieved by cold-cathode ion pumps unaided at room temperature, in single-walled vacuum chambers. Adding the BoostiVac technique and cryogenic panels gives even better performance in these bakeable systems.

The vacuum system of the future for thin film deposition will probably contain, in addition to condensation type pumps and an ultrahigh vacuum gauge, a built-in mass spectrometer for analysis of gases present in the chamber during operation. Further refinements may include servoing the deposition process to the signal from the mass spectrometer.

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## **MICROBALANCE MEASURES ULTRATHIN FILMS**

Unit determines thickness of thin film coating. One of two crystals is exposed to evaporant the same as substrate. Frequency on exposed crystal is beat against other crystal. Difference in frequency, due to coating, indicates the film thickness,

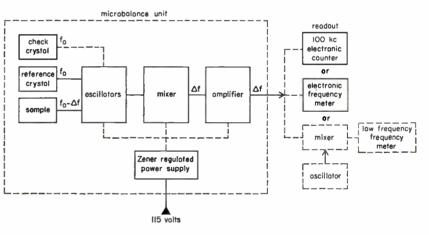
#### AN INSTRUMENT DESIGNED to measure evaporated films as thin

as 10<sup>-8</sup> grams/cm<sup>2</sup> is now available from the Westinghouse Scientific Equipment Dept., Pittsburgh, Pa. The Model-701 quartz-crystal microbalance measures changes in mass deposited on a crystal surface by measuring the corresponding change in resonant frequency of the crystal.

The instrument can measure directly the mass of extrathin films, either metal or dielectric, without correction for any other physical properties. It can also measure these films over a range of 0.05 to 40,000 angstrom units with an accuracy of better than 1%.

Another important feature is the instrument's electrical readout. The readings may be used either to measure or to control the process rate of deposition.

The microbalance represents a valuable tool for many investigations in surface physics studies, such as oxidation, absorption and reaction rates, sputtering yields, studies of films formed by other methods,



and measurement of deposited film thicknesses and preparation rates.

Measured films, either conducting or insulating, may have been formed by evaporation, sputtering, chemical reaction, or other means. The unit can be used with electronic readout counters or frequency meters.

#### HOW NASA HAS GROWN

Growth of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration since it was created Oct. 1, 1958, is illustrated by the following table:

Fiscal Year	Appropriation (in millions)	Employees (Fiscal year)
1959	\$339	9,235
1960	524	10,232
1961	967	17,471
1962	1825	23,686
1963	3674	30,339
1964	5351*	32,500 (proposed)

\*Authorization

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Methods which have been successfully used to upgrade component reliability by the "weeding-out" process include (1) operational run-in at elevated temperatures under high power, (2) thermal cycling. (3) thermal shock, (4) mechanical shock and vibration. (5) mechanical shock at low and high temperatures, and (6) X-ray examination. For most of these tests, pertinent parameters are monitored for detection of erratic behavior. Along with these tests, microscope inspection of construction and workmanship is needed to discover flaws which may lead to deteriorated performance.

Certain high reliability programs call for component monitoring and evaluation procedures which go much further than the above test. Although the measures adopted in such programs are desirable, typical space mission schedules often preclude the use of these "high-rel" parts.

#### Assembly Workmanship

Workmanship practices are established in an engineering group through the processes of hard experience and common sense. These practices dictate acceptable methods of soldering, welding, routing cables, preventing cold flow, attaching connectors, cleaning circuit boards, conformal coating, and so on. Presumption is that if these methods are used with skill, quality workmanship is the result. Unfortunately this is not always true.

It seems fair to assert that skilled assembly people are needed if quality workmanship, the need for perfection, and a clear understanding of the methods to attain quality of workmanship must be communicated to the group who are expected to assemble a reliable instrument. Lectures, training programs, blown-up diagrams and, perhaps most important, qualified supervision are factors and devices which have been found successful in promoting excellence of workmanship.

#### **Quality Control**

Primary role of the QC group is to ascertain that the provisions of the reliability program, relating to hardware, are met. In one sense, the QC function in the flight hardware fabrication area is similar to the design review function in the engineering area.

Control of flight hardware quality is exercised through the processes of vendor surveys, receiving inspection of incoming parts or components, component evaluation, certification of weld schedules, inprocess inspection of the completed flight unit.

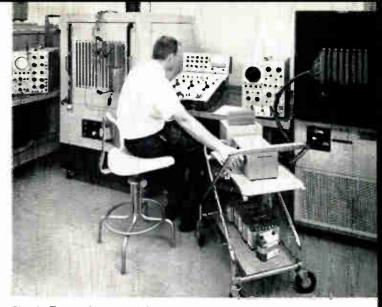


Fig. 4: The quality control function in hardware fabrication is similar to the design review function in engineering.

The QC group is sometimes also assigned the task of maintaining measurement standards by which part or component conformance to accuracy and stability are determined.

#### Conclusion

Providing built-in reliability is the responsibility of each member of the engineering manufacturing team. Evidence that the team has been successful in providing a space-worthy instrument is available only after the space scientist has obtained satisfactory data to the end of the spacecraft life.

#### AEROSPACE/DEFENSE FIRMS DISTRIBUTED BY STATE

From an estimated total of 6685 U.S. industrial firms now engaged in some way in the aerospace/defense industry and market, the following table indicates the distribution of numbers of firms by state, as of June, 1963:

Alabama	21	Nebraska	10
Arizona	34	Nevada	12
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Arkansas		New Hampshire	28
California	1606	New Jersey	521
Colorado	41	New Mexico	25
Connecticut	417	New York	880
Delaware	15	North Carolina	33
District of Col.	35	North Dakota	1
Florida	115	Ohio	374
Georgia	13	Oklahoma	34
Idaho	2	Oregon	15
l!linois	459	Pennsylvania	414
Indiana	134	Rhode Island	38
lowa	18	South Carolina	7
Kansas	21	South Dakota	4
Kentucky	14	Tennessee	22
Louisiana	4	Texas	112
Maine	11	Utah	14
Maryland	109	Vermont	12
Massachusetts	450	Virginia	55
Michigan	244	Washington	43
Minnesota	76	West Virginia	
	2	Wisconsin	-
Mississippi			111
Missouri	64	Wyoming	6
Montana	1	Alaska	1
		TOTAL	6635

(Aerospace Management)

A prime requisite in manned space programs is near-perfect communications. For the Apollo program an S-band radio system has been developed which is capable of handling both digital data and voice. The system is described here, with attention to the unusual aspects of its design.

## A COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM FOR "APOLLO"

S-BAND RADIO will maintain two-way contact with the Apollo spacecraft throughout its journey to the Moon and return. A transponder will receive uplink digital data and voice. It will transmit voice, digital data, and TV signals on the down-link, and will provide phase-coherent turn-around of the carrier and re-transmission of ranging signals for navigation.

The official designation for the transponder is "Unified S-Band Equipment" (USE). The ground terminals of the two-way circuit will consist of several transmitter/receiver stations similar to the DS1F Stations currently used.

The transponder is similar in electrical design to those used on the Ranger and Mariner missions. However, the bandwidth, sensitivity, and operational modes are tailored for the Apollo mission. Principal differences are in the transmitter, which will handle wide-band FM, narrow-band FM, and wide-band phase modulation.

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The Unified S-band Equipment (USE) consists of a transmitter and phase-lock receiver. The

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transmitter may be excited coherently with the received carrier signal or by either of two internal oscillators.

Three transmitter output modes are provided. The 300 mw. S-band output of the all solid state transmitter is fed to the spacecraft antenna through a diplexer, or through a TWT amplifier providing either 5 watts or 20 watts.

#### The Receiver

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In the receiver, a voltage-controlled crystal oscillator (VCCO) is used as the reference signal for the local oscillator multipliers, and as the reference signal to the phase detectors. Phase lock on the received carrier is maintained by using the output voltage from the phase detector to control the frequency of the oscillator. Fig. 1 shows a block diagram of this loop. In operation, up-link phase lock is obtained by slowly sweeping the ground transmitter through the frequency region of the receiver input, which is about 2106 Mc. Down-link telemetry shows when up-link phase-lock has been achieved.

The USE receiver has a carrier tracking thres-



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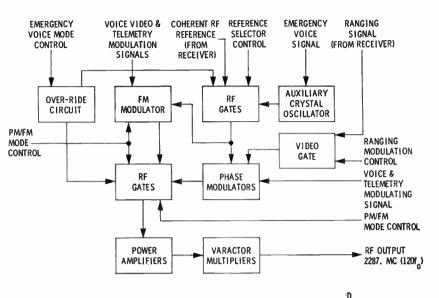
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Fig. 2: Block diagram is a simplified drawing of the transmitter operation.



hold sensitivity of -132 dbm, a tracking loop noise bandwidth of about 1,000 CPS: at operating

signal levels, and an Automatic Gain Control (AGC) dynamic range of 80 db. The receiver uses dual frequency conversion. The 1st i-f is 50 Mc.

The 2nd i-f consists of two parallel amplifiers, a wide-band and a narrow-band amplifier operating at 10 MC. The narrow-band amplifier uses a 10 KC bandpass quartz crystal filter. Its output drives two phase detectors in quadrature, the phase-tracking detector and the AGC or amplitude detector. The AGC signal is fed through a Miller integrator-filter-amplifier back to control the gain of the 1st i-f amplifier.

The output of the tracking phase detector is fed through an R-C "lag" network to the VCCO. The output of this oscillator, is used as the reference signal to the phase detector, to the local oscillator frequency multipliers, and as the coherent r-f reference for the transmitter.

The wide-band 2nd i-f amplifier is simply an R-C coupled video amplifier with input and output L-C filters. The wide-band amplifier output is fed to a wide-band phase detector or demodulator, nominally phased at quadrature with the reference signal to detect phase-modulation on the up-link. This output contains both the up-link voice and data sub-carriers and the ranging signals.

The following outputs are available from the receiver:

1. The wide-band up-link information (voice, digital data and ranging signals)

2. An r-f reference signal output at 2/221 of the incoming signal frequency (used in the transmitter)

3. A measure of received signal strength (AGC voltage)

4. A measure of the ground transmitter's apparent frequency offset from the tracking crystal oscillator's natural resonant frequency (Static Phase Error)

#### The Transmitter

The USE transmitter operates as an adjunct to the phase-lock receiver. In the coherent mode, the transmitter output is at a carrier frequency of 240/221 times the incoming signal frequency. In other modes, the transmitter output is nominally at this same frequency, about 2287 Mc. Fig. 2 illustrates the operation of the transmitter.

For coherent transmission, the r-f reference signal from the receiver is fed through R-F Gates, the Phase Modulators, additional R-F Gates, the transistor Power Amplifiers, and finally through the Varactor Multipliers to the output. In this mode only phase modulation is available. Voice and telemetry signals are modulated onto subcarriers for transmission to earth. Ranging signals may be modulated in a similar manner onto a cascaded phase modulator, provided the ranging modulation control is actuated, thus closing the Video Gate.

If the receiver is not locked to a ground station, the receiver's VCCO will be "noisy," since it will be modulated by low frequency receiver thermal noise, passed by the "lag" filter. A "clean" signal must be generated for transmission back to earth to enable ground stations to lock onto and angle track the spacecraft, preparatory to search and lock of the transponder receiver. Therefore an Auxiliary Crystal Oscillator is included in the transmitter.

In the Auxiliary Oscillator mode, modulation capabilities are identical to that of the coherent mode. A corollary mode of operation is "Emergency Voice." This does not refer to a spacecraft emergency but rather an alternate mode for voice communication. In this mode, all other modulations are gated off, and the voice signal is used to narrow-band frequency modulate the Auxiliary Crystal Oscillator.

The transmitter also operates in a wide-band FM

mode. In this mode an L-C voltage-controlled oscillator is modulated by a composite waveform of TV video and sync, and telemetry and voice sub-carriers. Modulation response is about  $\pm 0.5$  db from 5 cps to 1.5 Mc. Frequency stability is achieved by an automatic frequency control-AFC-system that periodically compares the output frequency to a reference frequency and slowly varies the output frequency to reduce the difference. Either the r-f output from the receiver VCO or the Auxiliary Crystal Oscillator may be used as a reference.

The output of the transmitter modulators, either phase or frequency modulated, is fed through a final r-f gate to a series of transistor power amplifiers, varactor frequency multipliers and out through a microwave filter.

A problem of some concern is corona from the high frequency circuits of the transmitter. High Q traps in 5 w. r-f circuits can generate considerable voltage.

#### **Power Supply**

The power supply converts 115 v., 3 phase, wyeconnected, 400 cycle power to +15 and -15 v. dc.It is a conventional, unregulated supply. Output ripple with specified maximum line unbalances is less than 3 mv, RMS. Critical transponder circuits, such as oscillators, are independently zener regulated at the circuit. Power supply efficiency is 80%. Overall power consumption is 16 w. (into the supply).

#### Reliability

Analytically, the reliability of the transponder has improved two-fold during development. A single transponder, including power supply, is now calculated to have an MTBF of greater than 30,000 hours based on a parts count and accepted component failure rates.

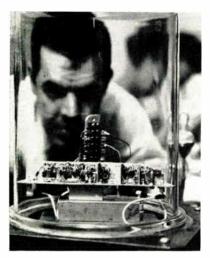


Fig. 3: An engineer is observing the discharge effects in the transmitter r-f circuitry at low pressures.

#### Mechanical Description

The complete transponder and spare are one integral package. The package consists of power supply, receiver and transmitter modules, bolted to a duplicate set of modules. A front plate is attached to one end, and a top plate covers the cableway.

This arrangement forms an active unit bolted to a complete spare transponder. To actuate the spare transponder, the front panel is unbolted (it is held by captive bolts) and rebolted to the opposite end of the symmetrical assembly. The complete unit is now identical to the arrangement using the normal unit. It may now be turned around and replaced into the equipment rack.

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The USE outward mechanical shape is determined by the standard equipment compartment in the spacecraft. Inside its compartment, the USE is clamped snugly against a heat exchange plate.

Within the housing of the receiver and transmitter are "Tee Section" modules. The Tee chassis construction is a well-proven technique. The Tee section module design is used in cavities to reduce all signal levels at the surface of the module to less than 10 microvolts into 50 ohms. Normal r-f signal amplification and processing is done on one side of the Tee. Power supply lines are decoupled as they pass through the web of the Tee from power distribution lines.

At least one other level of decoupling is obtained as the power lines are fed through the top of the Tee. The RFI level of 10 microvolts is a good conservative figure for these uses. However, the transponder is more sensitive to some frequencies. In the case of these frequencies, even further isolation is needed.

1-F and VIIF signals are transmitted through miniature double-shielded coaxial lines. Microwave signals are fed through solid copper tube type cables —*Coaxitube*—and through larger flexible coaxial cables.

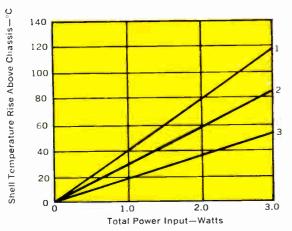
R-F output and input signals are fed through slideon TNC connectors at the rear of the transponder. Power connections, control lines, monitor and test leads are brought out through plugs mated to the back side of the front panel.

The complete dual transponder weighs 34.5 lbs, and occupies a volume of 861 cubic inches. Components alone weigh about 22 lbs, giving a weight ratio of electrical parts to structure greater than 1.7 to 1.



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PC Board Stand-off type Nuvistor Socket



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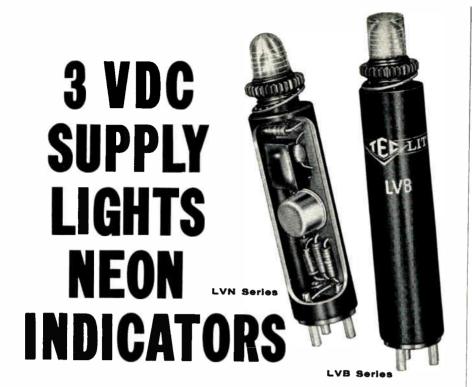
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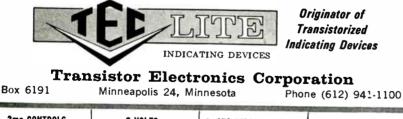


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NEW TECH DATA

#### Vacuum System

The Model 120 ultrahigh vacuum system produces and maintains a guaranteed pressure of 2 x  $10^{-10}$  mm Hg as measured pressure of  $2 \times 10^{-10}$  mm Hg as measured by a modified Bayard-Alpert type gauge. The base pressure of the system, when measured by an ultrahigh vacuum cold cathode gauge and control, is in the low  $10^{-11}$  mm Hg range. These low pressures are attained without additional bakeout during the pumpdown cycle and without cryogenic surfaces inside the chamber. Additional information contained in data sheet 120.1 from Ilikon Corp., Natick Industrial Ctr., Natick, Mass.

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#### Vacuum Measurement

This data describes the model 509 which measures in the  $10^{-6}$  to  $10^{-6}$  Torr. Using standard ionization techniques and adaptable to many popular tube gauges, it meters both emission and vacuum read-ings. Model 509A is available with a meter and strip-chart recorder. RIL Electronics, Box 143, Southampton, Pa.

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#### Vacuum Oven

The HB-1 is designed for use in controlled atmosphere production systems such as transistor fabrication. Particularly notable is a 10 in. cylindrical, stainlesssteel muffle that distributes even heat to the work load in the shortest period of time. Heaters mounted in the door and time, reaters mounted in the uoor and curved heaters enveloping the muffle length provides max, temp, uniformity, Temp, level is controlled by a thermo-couple, Philco, subs, of Ford Motor Co., Lansdale, Div., Lansdale, Pa.

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#### **Pressure Meter**

A meter that measures both vacuum A meter that measures both vacuum and pressure with accuracies to 0.05% or better is described in this illustrated bro-chure from MKS Instruments, Inc., 45 Middlesex Tpk., Burlington, Mass. In-chuded in the illustrated brochure are a broad range of applications for measur-ing controlling and energing measure ing, controlling and recording vacuum, ultra-low differential pressure and gage pressure. Detailed electrical and mechanical specs are also included with a circuit schematic.

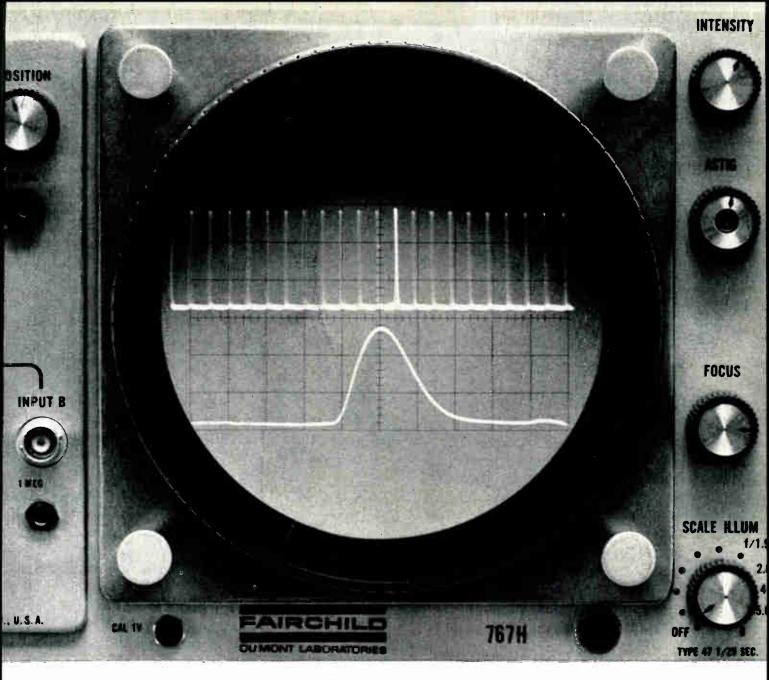
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#### Electron-Beam Welder

Model 2406 produces high-power den-sity variable spot sizes and offers adjustable beam alignments, rapid pump down, and precisely controlled, repetitive welds in single pass operations. Welds of up to 10 to 1 depth-to-width ratio have been made in 3/4 in. thick stainless steel. Spot sizes produced can be varied from 0.020 in. to more than 2 in. dia. The operator may view the spot on a test piece to obtain the best conditions for each application. The unit's high concentration of power is comparable to that of lasers. Additional data available from National Research Corp., 70 Memorial Dr., Cam-bridge 42, Mass.

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### What's the delay here?

The delay here is what happened to a 10-nanosecond radar pulse on its way through a Fairchild Type 767H Oscilloscope. The trace is a multiple exposure of a strobed delaying sweep and the magnified delayed sweep. Its clear, "locked in" display was made with the Delaying Sweep Plug-In unit of this new Fairchild solid state scope. The 50 mc Plug-In used to make this trace has a rise time of 7.5 nsec, sensitivity of 50 mv/cm. Other available plug-ins provide many other capabilities – enough to replace half a dozen or more special purpose scopes.

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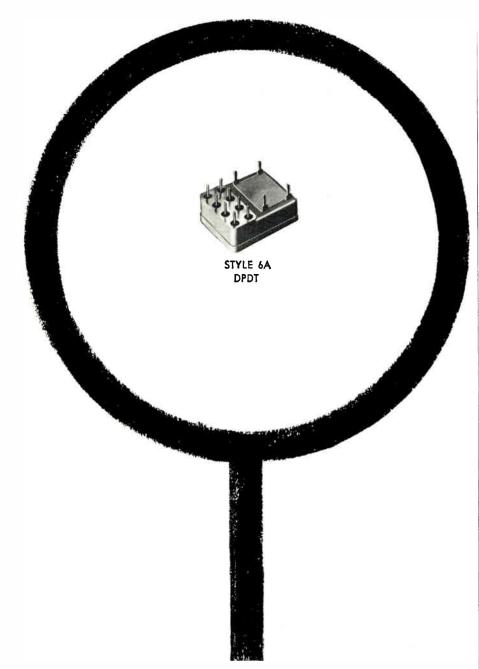
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#### Vacuum Encapsulator

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#### **High-Vacuum Furnace**

The 1100°C (2000°F) "cold wall" fur-nace has an all nickel "suspended nuffle" and reflective shielding. The 1100°C temp. is achieved in 28 min., using graphite cloth heating elements. Additional data from Tri Metal Works, Inc., 1600 Ban-nard St., Riverton, N. J.

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#### **Dry Ice Pulverizer**

This dry ice pulverizer takes the full 50 lb. 10 in. cube blocks of dry ice and pulverizes them for use in vacuum traps. The crushed output size is adjustable. The machines occupy less than 3 ft. sq. floor space, Franklin P. Miller & Son, Inc.. 30 Meadow St., E. Orange, N. J.

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#### **Diffusion Pump**

Model FPS-800 pump can be integrated with any pumping system having standard 4 in. ASM high-vacuum manifold flanges. It features 800 liters/sec. pumping speed : low backstreaming without baffles; high forepressure tolerances — 650 microns; and fractionating 5 pumping stages. Bul-letin 6322 available from High Vacuum Equipment Corp., subs. of Robinson Technical Products Inc., Hingham, Mass.

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#### High Temp. Furnace

Model 1064 is a high-temp. physical testing furnace capable of attaining 3000°C in helium or hydrogen and higher in a vacuum. Unit is capable of vacuums to 1 x 10° Torr. It has a portable pump-ing system. Data is available from Vacu-um Furnace Div., Richard D. Brew and Co., Inc., 90 Airport Rd., Concord. N. H. Circle 169 on Inquiry Card

#### Vacuum Gauge

Spec. Sheet No. 306 describes the model SL-1 which provides absolute pressure measurements in the range of 10<sup>-2</sup> to 10<sup>-2</sup> nim Hg. Measurements are continuous and practically instantaneous. A voltage regulating transformer eliminates inaccuracies from line voltage variations. Hastings-Raydist, Inc., Hampton, Va.

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#### Thermal Impedance Chart

Wakefield Engineering, Inc., Wakefield, Mass., offers a chart showing the thermal impedance values, case-to-sink, for var-ious semiconductor case sizes.

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120	1.75	0.132	Portable	VT2F		120	6.0	0-120/140	w/voltmeter, gnd, conn.	VT8GCV
120	1.6	0.120	Fixed Mtg.	VT2NE		120	6.0	0-120/140	w/volt. & ammtr., gnd. conn.	VT8GCVA
120	2.0	0.120	Portable	VT2NF		120	6.0	0.120/140	w/volt. & wattmtr., gnd. conn.	VT8GCVW
120	2.8	0.140	Fixed Mtg.	VT4E		120	10.0	0.120	w/voltmeter, gnd. conn.	VTBNFCV
120	3.5	0.140	Portable	VT4F		120	10.0	0.120	w/volt. & ammtr., gnd. conn.	VT8NFCVA
120	3.5	0.140	VT4F w/gnd. in. & out.	VT4FC		120	10.0	0.120	w/volt. & wattmtr., gnd. conn.	VT8NFCVW
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120	4.75	0.120	VT4NF w/gnd. in. & out.	WT4NFC		120	16.0	0.120/140	w/volt. & wattmtr., gnd. conn.	VT20GCVW
120	6.0	0.140	Fixed Mtg.	VTBE		120	25.0	0.120	w/voltmeter, gnd. conn.	VT20NFCV
120	7.5	0.140	Portable	VT8F		120	25.0	0.120	w/volt. & ammtr., gnd. conn.	VT20NFCVA
120	7.5	0.140	VT8F w/gnd. in. & out.	VTBFC		120	25.0	0.120	w/volt, & wattmtr., gnd, conn.	VT20NFCVW
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#### **Transformer Catalog**

Catalog TR-63/64 lists transformers for industrial and military users. Complete specs., dimensions and prices for more than 1150 transformers are included in the 48-page catalog. Triad Distributor Div., Litton Industries, 305 N. Briant St., Huntington, Ind.

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#### Voltage Dividers

Catalog Sheet C-44 describes Models DT 68, DT 58 and DT 47 Dekatran voltage dividers—6, 5 and 3 decade units providing accuracies to 1 ppm. Features, detailed specs., performance curves, dimensional drawings, and application drawings are given. Electro Scientific Industries, 13900 N.W. Sunset Science Park Dr., Portland, Ore.

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#### **Control Devices**

This bulletin provides application data, specs, and mounting dimensions for crystal oscillators, tuning-fork oscillators, ac voltage standards, crystal ovens, component ovens, freq. standard systems and freq. dividers. Delta-f, Inc., Crystal Lake. Ill.

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#### **R-F Filter**

Type RF1070, r-f interference filter is designed for installation on shielded enclosures. Nominal insertion loss is 100db throughout the freq, range of 14Kc to 106c. The filter can be installed in a 2 wire, 6000 line. The pass-band attenuation is less than 1db from 0 to 3500cps. Further information from RF Interonics, Inc., 15 Neil Court, Oceanside, N. Y.

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#### Semiconductor Guide

A new quick reference guide on semiconductor (Form T481B) contains complete data on the company's silicon rectifiers, and both power and switching transistors. Also included is a full listing and data on Tung-Sol's Dynaquads, which are pnpn 4-layer germanium devices. The guide covers all basic types of semiconductors, including low, medium and highcurrent silicon rectifiers rated from 500ma to 250a, pressure fit and cold-welded, sub-miniature case construction models. Tung-Sol Electric Inc., 1 Summer Ave., Newark 4, N. J.

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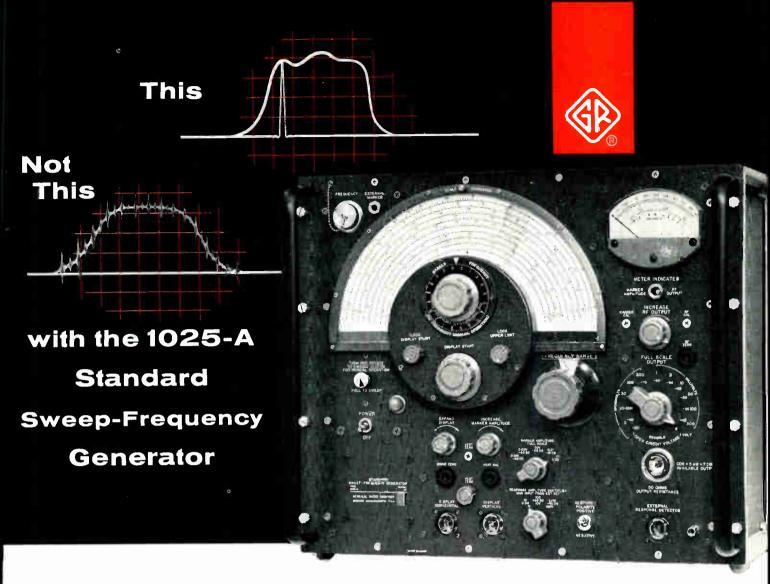
#### Neon Indicator

Data Sheet #292 describes the LVN Series low-voltage neon indicator, which internally steps up de supplies as low as 3vde to high-voltage ac to fire the lamp's electrodes. Lamp is switched on and off by signals as small as 2v. Data includes mechanical, electrical specs, circuitry and mechanical, options, plus applicable Mil or federal specs. TEC-LITE Dept., Transistor Electronics Corp., Box 6191, Minneapolis 24, Minn.

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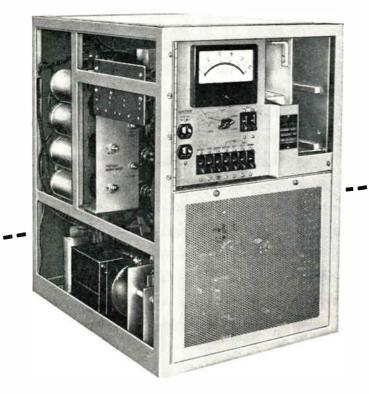
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#### **Tantalum Capacitor**

Bulletin GET-2985 includes dimensional drawings, charts of typical performance curves and tables of standard ratings and catalog numbers. Application data and complete specs, are given. Available in 4 case sizes from 6 to 50v. and 0.0047 to 330mfds. General Electric Co., Schenec-tady 5, N. Y.

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#### **PNPN Testing Bulletin**

Bulletin 5200 includes circuit diagrams with component values, as well as de-tailed procedural instructions for measuring all parameters applicable to pnpn switching devices. Solid State Products, Inc., 1 Pingree St., Salem, Mass.

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#### X-Y Recorder

The F-80 X-Y recorder has independ-ent servo-operated X and Y axes. Both use null-balance potentiometric principle use null-balance potentiometric principle to provide precise X-Y recordings. Specs: Accuracy, 0.2% range to range; repro-ducibility, 0.1%; pen speed, 17 crs (both axes); and writing speed, 15 crs. Data available from Varian Assoc., Recorder Products Group, 611 Hanson Way, Palo Alto Calif. Alto, Calif.

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#### Switch Catalog

Catalog 34, 25 pages, covers a line of snap-action and limit switches. A free sample of the S800B snap-action switch is included. The Milton Ross Co., 2nd Street Pike, Box 274, Southampton, Pa. Circle 183 on Inquiry Card

#### Miniature Relay

This general-purpose miniature relay The Series 5003 is rated at 5a, and is 26vdc resistive. Information from Cor-nell-Dubilier Electronics Div., Federal Pacific Electric Co., 50 Paris St., Newark 1. N. J.

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#### TARZIAN DESIGN IDEAS

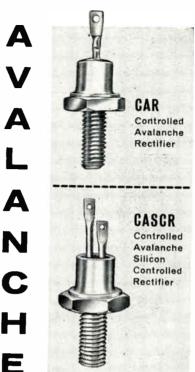
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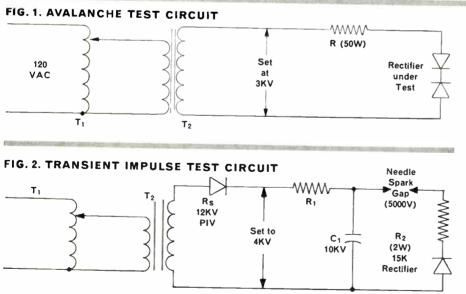


Fig. 1. This circuit tests the ability of the rectifier to operate within ratings in the avalanche region. The value of R is established by maximum steady state wattage rating of the unit under test. Using a 12 watt unit, Tarzian type ST2A60 rated 12 amperes dc, 600 piv, determination is as follows: 12

$$I \max = \frac{12}{600} = 20 \text{ ma}$$
$$\frac{3000 - 600}{R} = 120,000 \text{ ohms}$$

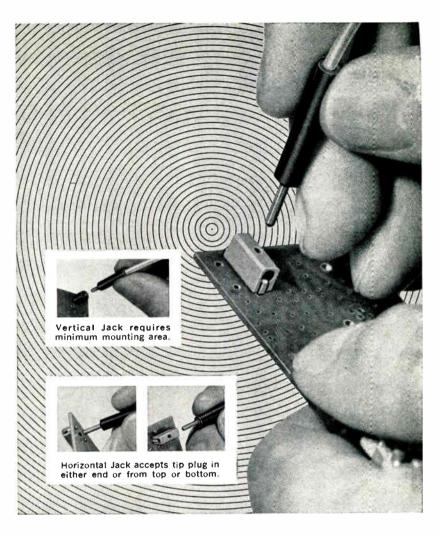
 $T_1$  = autotransformer;  $T_2$  = 3KV, 90VA transformer. Provide adequate cooling to prevent thermal run-away.

Fig. 2. This circuit tests for transient overvoltage conditions with steep wave fronts that provide high electron acceleration. Current limiting is achieved by R<sub>2</sub>, selected for the peak power rating of the unit tested. R<sub>S</sub> = Tarzian type S-5505; R<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>1</sub> = determinents of proper time constant (RC factor approximately 1-3 seconds); T<sub>1</sub> = autotransformer; T<sub>2</sub> = 4KV, 40 VA transformer.

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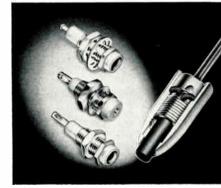
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A 24-page reliability report presents the results of environmental and life tests for functional electronic blocks. Sections are devoted to the audio amplifier product line, r-f amplifier product line, the line of digital logic blocks and the flat pack-ages. Westinghouse Molecular Electron-ics live P(Q) Roy 1836 Pactimere Filt ics Div., P.O. Box 1836, Baltimore, Elkridge, Md.

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#### **Capacitor Catalog**

Catalog 203B1, 24 pages, describes Type QE aluminum electrolytic capacitors. Ap-QE aluminum electrolytic capacitors. Ap-plications include computers, power-sup-ply filters, energy storage, telephone net-works, etc. Standard ratings are listed for Type QE 61 (65°C) and Type QE 71 (85°C) units. Aerovox Corp., New Bed-ford Div., New Bedford, Mass. Circle 296 on Inquiry Card

#### Ceramic Capacitor

TR-324 is a certified summary test re-port for the "V-LAM" ceramic capacitor. Tests performed in compliance with Mil-C-11015 showed 230,000 hrs. of life testing at 200% rated voltage determined a catastrophic failure rate of 0.6%/ thou-sand hrs. at a 90% confidence level. Vit-ramon, Inc., P. O. Box 544, Bridgeport, Conn.

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#### **Klystron Booklet**

"Introduction to Klystron Amplifier," is written for those who work with equipment using power klystrons. The 28-page booklet describes, in simple terms, the theory of klystron amplifier tubes, the equipment used with them, and general operating methods. Microwave Tube Group, Varian Associates, 611 Hansen Group, Varian Associa Way, Palo Alto, Calif.

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#### Voltage Regulators

Magnetic voltage regulators are described in this consolidated data folder that lists 40 tubeless units with outputs stabilized to within  $\pm 1\%$  for input changes of up to 15%. Standard models listed range from 10 to 3000va. Compo-nent and apparatus styles are illustrated and described with complete electrical and mechanical specs. Raytheon Co. Industrial Operation, Richards Ave., So. Norwalk, Conn.

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#### **Plug-In Relays**

Data sheet No. 551 describes 2 sizes of telephone-type relay assemblies, including the type-J relay, plastic dust cover, and special mounting socket. Other devices are covered. Complete electrical and Mechanical characteristics are included. C. P. Clare & Co., 3101 W. Pratt Blvd., Chicago 45, 111. Circle 300 on Inquiry Cord



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#### **Test Instruments**

This brochure describes an automatic transistor tester, a diode and rectifier tester, a resistor tester, and a zener diode tester. Data includes photos, descriptions, Summer St., Boston, Mass. Circle 185 on Inquiry Card

#### **Glass Cloth Laminate**

"CuClad Lamicoid" No. 6099 is de-signed for mechanical and electrical uses where low, controlled dielectric constant is not critical. Uses include computer circuitry, seals, bearings, etc. Informa-tion available from Dept. W3-342, Mico Div., 3M Co., 2501 Hudson Rd., St. Paul 10 Minut 19, Minn.

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#### **Highly Flexible Computer**

The PB440 uses 2 memories, one of which stores basic logic. This logic can be changed to equip the PB440 to per-form radically different programs which would require different types of com-puters. It can run Fortran II, and perputers. It can run rottian 11, and per-form fixed-point addition in  $3\mu$ sec. Ad-ditional data available from Packard Bell Computer, a div. of Packard Bell Elec-tronics, 1905 Armacost Ave., Los Angeles 25, Calif.

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#### **Disc** File

This brochure includes description and specs. for the Model 800 Random Access Disc File. Storage capacity is from 20,-160,000 on a single disc to 161,280,000 bits on 8 discs. Modular construction allows more discs to be added as needed. Anelex Corp., 150 Causeway St., Boston 14. Mass.

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#### **Glass Components**

These components include fixed capacitors, resistors, trimmers, and inductors. The brochure includes value ranges, voltage ratings, tolerances, physical dimen-sions, and Mil. Specs. Corning Electron-ics, Raleigh, N. C. Circle 189 on Inquiry Card

#### Slide Rule

An electromechanical coupling coefficient slide rule for piezoelectric ceramics is available. This rule is intended for engineers involved in piezoelectric transducer design and similar applications. Electra Scientific Corp., Electra Way, Fullerton, Calif.

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#### Memory Technique

Technical Data Bulletin No. 2400 describes how phase modulation method of information storage offers advantages of economy, reliability and low-noise level operation. Technique insures a min. of Laboratory for Electronics, Inc., 107 Commonwealth Ave., Boston 15, Mass. hit 1079

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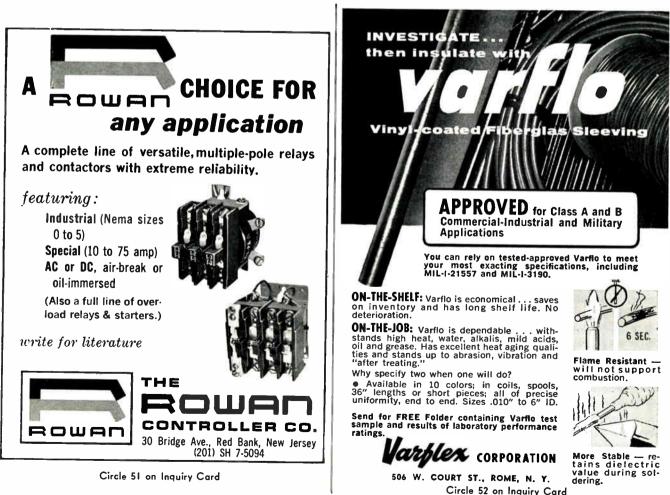
#### **Card Puller**

CDS Card-Out facilitates the rapid removal of printed-circuit cards from their receptacles. Recommended for cards having 1/8 in. I.D. grommets in the ex-traction holes. Information available from Correlated Data Systems Corp., 1007 Air Way, Glendale 1, Calif. Circle 192 on Inquiry Card

#### **Computer Terminology**

This 12-page brochure listing defini-tions of terms commonly used in the computer and process industries is avail-able from TRW Computer Div., Indus-trial Computers, 8433 Fallbrook Ave., Canoga Park, Calif. More than 200 terms are defined.

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## **New Precision Ceramics!**

A virtually new technology has been developed to increase the strength, precision and adaptability of ceramics, giving them almost unlimited possibilities.

Newly developed precision ceramics offer dimensional tolerances to 6-millionths of an inch, surface finishes to 2 RMS micro-inch, and electrical properties including high dielectric strength and high piezoelectric constants. These results have been achieved through a continuing program of materials research.

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#### **Instrument** Catalog

Catalog No. 6201-A, 20 pages, 2 colors, lists a line of revised rectilinear instruments that utilize the RECTIGraph translating mechanism. Listed are types, applications, case styles, chart drives, and measuring elements. Esterline Angus Instrument Co., Inc., Box 596, Indianapolis 6, Ind.

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#### **Mica Capacitors**

Bulletin 528 presents specs, on miniature mica capacitors. Available in feedthru and stand-off styles, they offer a 31.5% reduction in size when compared to the conventional Button® mica capacitors. Available in 5pf thru 1000pf; closed tolerance to  $\pm 20\%$ ; 250vdcw. Erie Resistor Corp., 644 W. 12th St., Erie, Pa.

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#### Thermistors

"VECO Rod Thermistors," gives detailed information on rod thermistors with Beta values from 1200 to 4170 and resistance values from  $2\frac{1}{2}\Omega$  to  $2\frac{1}{2}$  megohms. Specs, resistance-temp, tables, resistance-temp, characteristics graphs are given. Victory Engineering Corp., 124-28 Springfield Ave., Springfield, N. J.

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#### Coaxial Cable

This sheet lists RG-189/U to RG-306/U numbers applicable to air dielectric coaxial cable. Forty-seven government designations are matched with the manufacturer of the appropriate cable and its designation. Phelps Dodge Electronic Products Corp., 60 Dodge Ave., North Haven, Conn.

for Engineers.

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#### Pin and Connector Guide

This 12-page booklet is the result of an intensive study into the needs of those using crimped pin and socket connections. It contains a step-by-step illustrated discussion of the field, including the latest in tools. It makes a comparison between the advantages and disadvantages of soldering vs. crimping. Buchanan Electrical Products Corp., Hillside, N. J.

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#### Transistor

The 2N2887 delivers 10w. of r-i power at 100 Mc with a collector efficiency of 50% min. from a 45v. power source. It features an isolated collector in a doubleended power package. Detailed specs. are available from TRW Electronics/Pacific Semiconductors. Inc., 14520 Aviation Blvd., Lawndale, Calif.

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#### **Crystal Detector**

This bulletin covers the Model 148 crystal detector used as a readout device for operation in the 30 to 1200Mc range with 50Ω coaxial lines. It also operates as a demodulator for amplitude or pulse-modulated waves. VSWR ranges from less than 1.2 to 1.5 across the full freq. range. Sensitivity and vSWR curves are given. Sierra Electronic Operations, Philco Corp., Menlo Park, Calif.

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#### Regulated Soldering Tip

This temp.-controlled soldering iron has a solid-state device in the tip to regulate power. Temp. and power inputs can easily be read on instruments connected to the iron. The iron can "idle" at low temps, and produce high-heat input when needed. Data from General Electric Co., 901 W. Burlington Ave., Western Springs, Ill.

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#### Transistorized Power Supply

Data sheet describes 1 cu. in. power supply which gives isolated 28v regulated dc from 115v, 400 cps source. It can supply current up to 200ma Kearfott Div., General Precision Aerospace, Little Falls, N. J.

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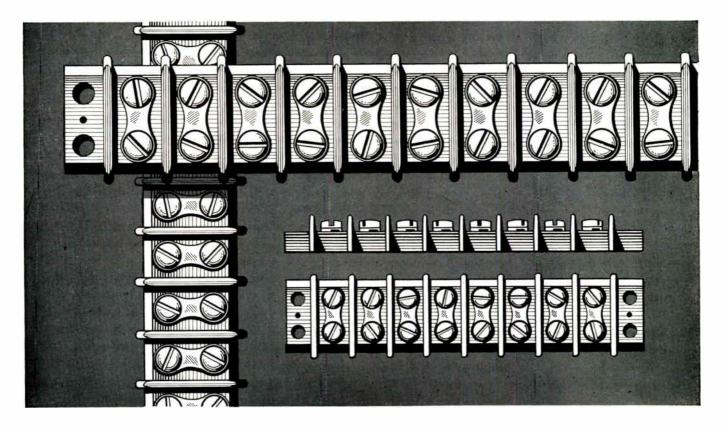
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#### POWER MODULE

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Model G6D is an unregulated unit that uses true hermetic sealing, full encapsulation, silicon-type semiconductors and transformers. It meets the environmental needs of Mil-E-5272C. Power rating is 60w. Abbott Transistor Laboratories, Inc., 3055 Buckingham Rd., Los Angeles 16. Calif.

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In overall height of 0.531 in. makes it ideal for miniature chassis.



The ST-SM-27-TUR Press-Fit Teilon<sup>60</sup> standoff terminal has a 3 turreted lug separating the areas for wire soldering. It can be inserted into a 0.238 in.  $(\pm 0.002 \text{ in.})$  dia, hole countersunk  $60^{\circ}$ for metal chassis 0.040 in. or thicker. For chassis under 0.040 in thick, an 80° countersunk hole 0.260 in. (+0.010 in. -0.000 in.) in dia. Sealectro Corp., 139 Hoyt St., Mamaroneck, N. Y.

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#### MICROCHOPPER

May be plugged in or soldered; can be driven from dc to 100 kc.

The Model 20 fits into a standard 5 pin transistor socket. The encapsulated unit connects and disconnects a load from a signal source. It may be used as a synchronous demodulator to convert an ac signal to dc. Solid State Electronics Co., 15321 Rayen St., Sepulveda, Calif.

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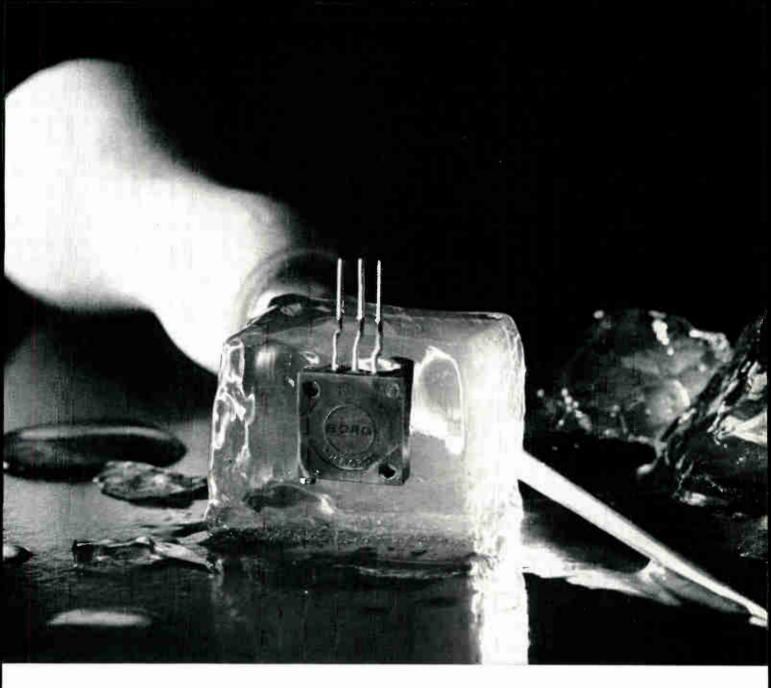
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#### CAPACITOR

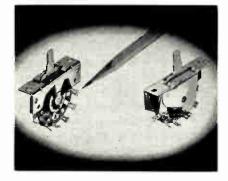
Temp. coefficient is  $0 \ (\pm 25ppm)$ ; capacitance from 10 to 1000pf  $\ (\pm 5\%)$ .

The VY-Z capacitor has end radial lead configuration for use where board space is critical. Conforms to Mil-C-11272. Operates at 50vdc; temp. range is  $-55^{\circ}$ C to  $+125^{\circ}$ C. Vitramon, Inc., P. O. Box 544, Bridgeport, Conn.

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#### LEVER SWITCH

Current-carrying capacity is 9a.; current rating at 115vac is 230ma.



The PA-222 lever switch is available in 2 or 3 positions—positive detent and spring-return with up to 12 contacts/ switch. At 12vdc the make-and-break resistive load is 3.5a.; average initial contact resistance is 5 milliohms. Centralab, The Electronics Div. of Globe-Union Inc., 900 E. Keefe Ave., Milwaukee 1, Wisc.

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#### **VIDICON TUBE**

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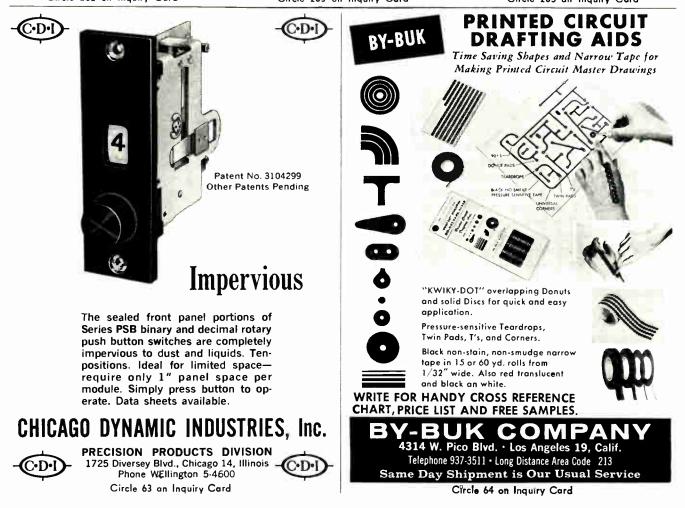
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HR20-5A	0-20	0-5			\$299
HR40-2.5A	0-40	0-2.5	0.01% line 0.01% load	0.5 mv	\$299
HR40-5A	0-40	0-5			\$349
HR60-2.5A	0-60	0-2.5			\$379

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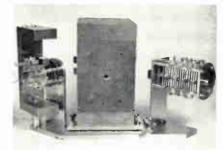
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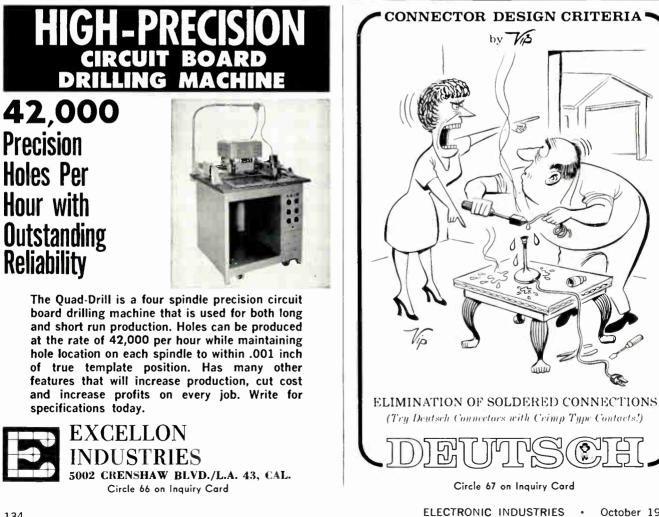
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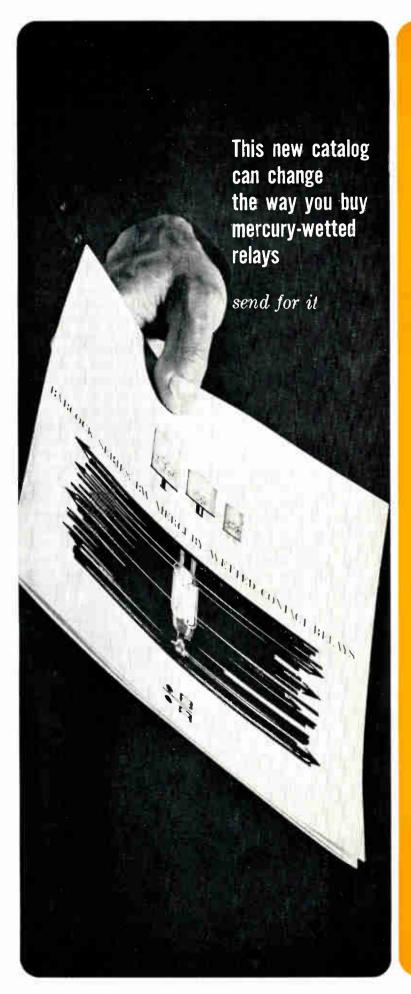
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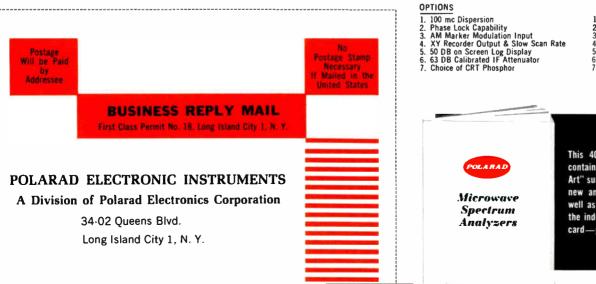
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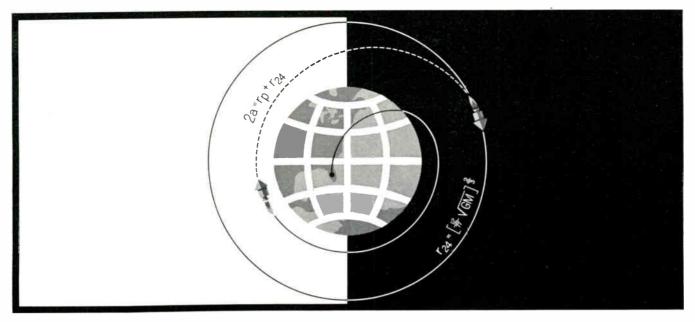


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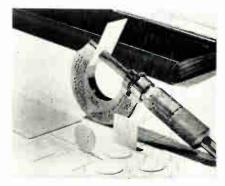
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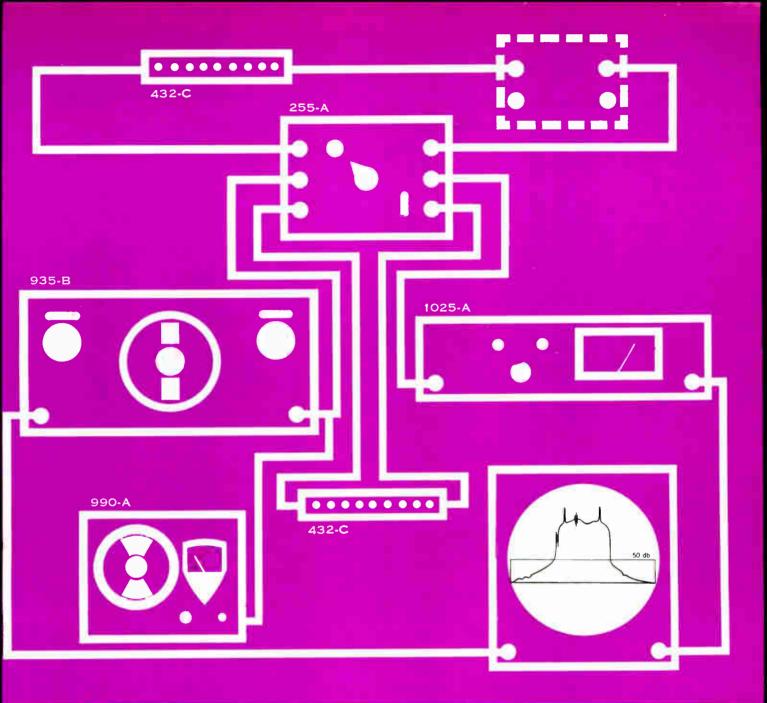


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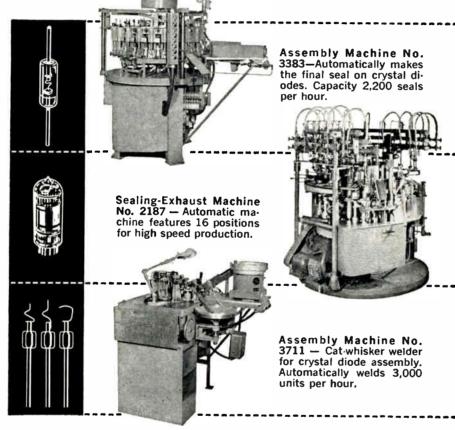
	turning	drilling	tapping
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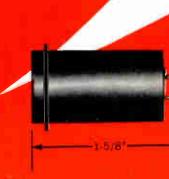
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New 3/4" Motor Model 75S



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M-Series 4-stzes: 2-1/2", 3-1/2", 4-1/2", 5\*

#### SHIELDED BAR-RING MOVEMENTS

ALNICO MAGNET IS MOUNTED INSIDE SOFT IRON RING: FULLY SELF-SHIELDED-

Not affected by magnetic panels or substantially by stray magnetic fields for D.C. More Torque Lower Terminal Resistance Faster Response Exceedingly Rugged and Accurate

DIE CAST ONE-PIECE FRAME HOLDS IRON CORE IN EXACT ALIGNMENT



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#### **OSCILLATOR-OVEN UNIT**

Available at 1.0 MC; it is calibrated  $\pm 1$ x  $10^{-9}$ ; daily aging 1 x  $10^{-9}$  or better.

JKTS-1000 is suited to lab. and equipment uses requiring an ultra-stable signal source. It is a large-dia. INC crystal, glass-enclosed with an oscillator-buffer, voltage-control and oven-control circuitry all housed in a double proportionallycontrolled package. External voltage can be applied for external trimming or coutrol of exact freq. The James Knights Co., Sandwich, III.

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#### STATIC INVERTER

Supplies 800va continuous power, or 200ra for 1 min., from standard 28vdc source. Model 1S102 features 90% (min.) efficiency and has a capability of 250% sustained overload for motor starting needs. It uses a crystal reference circuit to assure a stable freq. output. Output voltage is precisely regulated 115vac RMS ±1%. The basic model is available for 800-cycle, 400-cycle and 60-cycle systems. Microdot Inc., 220 Pasadena Ave., So. Pasadena, Calif.

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#### TIME-DELAY RELAYS

Accepts spade terminals; increased reliability by no soldered connections.



The TER series of solid state electronic timers are compact.  $1.5 \ge 2.0 \ge 2.8$  in., and extremely versatile. They are unconditionally guaranteed for 3 years. Life of each unit is a min. of 10 million operations. Syracuse Electronics Corp., Box 566. Syracuse, N. Y.

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#### MINIATURE RHEOSTATS

RP06 is rated 121/2w. and RP07 is rated 6.25w. as required by Mil-R-22B.

Miniature rheostat styles RP06 and RP07 of military spec. Mil-R-26C arc available. The new sizes have slotted shafts only—either with ¼-32 standard or locking-type bushings in various lengths. Locking bushing types are available for styles RP10 through RP30 now listed by Mil-R-22B. Additional information is contained in Military Catalog 50C. Ohmite Mfg. Co., 3650 Howard St., Skokie, III,

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#### **TEMPERATURE CONTROLLERS**

Features: Null balance input and continuous cold-junction compensation.

Micro Sentry temp, controllers feature a measuring circuit made up of a highgain magnetic amplifier and a SCR. The units respond to furnace temp, changes of less than  $\pm \frac{1}{2}$ % of full scale 1000°. They are non-indicating devices designed for precision on-off temp, limit applications. Operation is from a thermocouple sensing element. Magnetics Inc., Butler, Pa.

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## How Taylor copper-clad quality control



**One of the many instruments** used by Taylor to check product quality is the Profilometer. Here a quality-control specialist is inspecting surface finish on a composite sheet.

You get clean copper-clad material. The copper-clad laminated plastic, used in making etched printed circuits, is prepared for pressing in Taylor's dustfree "white rooms."



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#### FIXED CERAMIC CAPACITORS

Each unit has a minimum Q of 3000; overlapping ranges from 5 to 10,000pf

Unicerams® are 1/10 the size of units of comparable capacitance values and have a ceramic sandwich construction and exceed Mil-C-11272B. Temp. coefficient (ppm/°C) at 1Mc through the range from  $-55^{\circ}$ C to  $+125^{\circ}$ C is 90 (±15). Insulation resistance is a min. of 10<sup>6</sup> at  $+25^{\circ}$ C: at 125°C it is 5 x 10<sup>5</sup> (or 500Ω farads). JFD Electronics Corp., 15th Ave. at 62nd St., Brooklyn 19, N. Y.

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#### COLLET KNOB

Configuration permits identification of pointer direction by touch alone.

Molded as a single unit of styrene for use on 1/4 in. D-shafts, part No. 3008 double-locks by means of a tapered aluminum collet fitting that contracts on the D-shaft when the collet screw is tightened. The screw, in turn, is locked by a nylon plug when tightened. Cambridge Thermionic Corp., Cambridge, Mass.

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#### PRESSURE TRANSDUCER

Thermal sensitivity shift is within 0.005% of full range output/°F.



The Type 4-354 pressure transducer operates under acceleration, vibration, and shock at temp, ranging from  $-459^{\circ}$ F to  $+300^{\circ}$ F. Thermal zero shift is within 0.01% of full range output/°F over the compensated temp, range of  $-320^{\circ}$ F to  $+250^{\circ}$ F. Measures absolute and gage pressures of fluids in ranges from 0-100psi to 0-5000psi. It provides a 20mv output. Consolidated Electrodynamics Corp., a subs. of Bell & Howell, 350 Sierra Madre Villa, Pasadena, Calif.

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#### DC SUPPLY

Ranges are from 0-35 to 0-90v. output, at from 2.8 to 24a.

Four Solavolt dc power supplies are continuously adjustable from zero to max. voltage, over their entire range without step-switching. Regulation of  $\pm 1\%$  at max. voltage and full load is provided by a constant-voltage transformer which also provides current-limiting and shortcircuit protection. Sola Electric Co., Div. of Basic Products Corp., 1717 Busse Rd., Elk Grove Village, Ill.

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#### SYNCHRONOUS MOTOR

It provides 75 oz.-in, starting, 70oz.in, pull-in, and 130 oz.-in, pull-out.

Model 374HP1 is said to be 1/3 the size of its conventional hysteresis motor counterpart; it starts and reverses in half the time, provides 2 to 3 times the damping, has 1/5 as much jitter, and requires no extra cooling. Operates on 60CPS 10, 115vac with a speed of 1200 RPM. Electro Products Div., Western Gear Corp., Pasadena, Calif.

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## provides high reliability in etched circuits



**Every precaution is taken to protect the surface.** Before leaving the "white rooms" for the laminating presses, copperclad loads are covered with plastic film to prevent dust or other foreign matter from contaminating the surfaces of the material.

Taylor copper-clad laminates are custom-engineered to provide assured performance by combining thermosetting resins, reinforcing materials, and copper foil in carefully formulated combinations.

Composite sheets are made in atmosphere-controlled layup rooms under strict quality control (MIL-Q-9858 qualified). All have low moisture absorption, excellent chemical resistance, and high mechanical strength, combined with good dielectric strength, high surface resistivity and insulation resistance.

The standard glass epoxy grades shown in the table meet most of the critical requirements of today. If you are working on requirements for tomorrow, let Taylor assist you by developing a copper-clad material engineered to your planned application. Bulletin 8-1B gives technical information about our standard grades. Write for your copy today.

TAYLOR GRADE	NEMA GRADE	MILITARY	PRINCIPAL
Fireban 1011-E	G-10, G-11, FR-4, FR-5	MIL-P-13949 Types GE, GB, GF, GH	Combines all desirable properties of G-10 (GEE) and G-11 (GEB), plus flame retardance in one grade.
Fireban 600-E	G-10, FR-4	MIL-P-13949 Types GE, GF	Self-extinguishing. Ex- cellent electrical prop- erties under high hu- midity conditions. Ex- tremely high flexural, impact and bond strength.
GEC-500-E	G-10	MIL-P-13949 Type GE	Extremely high flex- ural, impact and bond strength. Low moisture absorption. High insu- lation resistance.



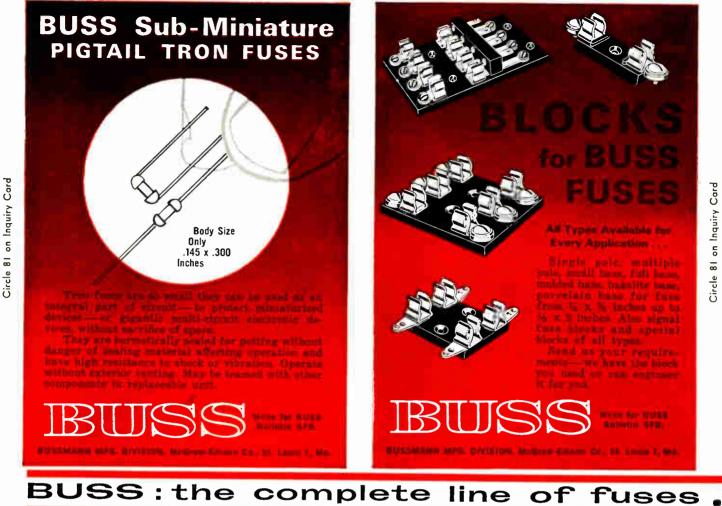
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VALLEY FORGE 53, PA.

WEST COAST PLANT: LA VERNE, CALIF.

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#### COAXIAL CABLE

Solid-sheath, semiflexible, and flexible coax. available with different jackets.

The Alumiline and Copperline series have seamless aluminum or seamless copper tube as outer sheaths. They are available with either Polyethylene, Teflon® FEP or Teflon TFE, and a broad range of optional jacketing materials including polyethylene. Times Wire and Cable, Hall Ave., Wallingford, Conn.

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#### **PLUG & SOCKET CONNECTOR**

Right-angle plug and socket connector is for printed-circuit boards.

Series 683-40 and 41 have 19 solderless wrap-plug and 38 taper-pin socket terminations. Each wire-wrap termination has 2 taper receptacles in common when the connector is mated. Contact spacing is staggered and the center-to-center dimension is 0.250 in. Guide pins and guide sockets are polarized to prevent improper mating. Continental Connector Corp., 34-63 56th St., Woodside 77, N. Y.

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#### FLUX-SENSITIVE RESISTORS

Operating temp. range is from absolute 0 to +100°C.; values, 0.1 to 10K.



MistoR<sup>TM</sup> MR-A magnetic flux-sensitive resistors change resistance directly as a function of applied magnetic-flux density. These miniature, thin-film magnetoresistors are available in 4 sizes. The elements are 0.004 in. thick. Sensitivity is approx. 4% change in resistance/kilogauss at room temp. American Aerospace Controls, Inc., 123 Milbar Blvd., Farmingdale, N. Y.

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#### CERAMIC CAPACITOR

Range: 1000pf - 10,000pf. 100vdc over the range  $-55^{\circ}$  to  $+125^{\circ}C$ .

In V-Lam ceramic dielectric and platinum electrode materials are laminated in alternate layers and molecularly fused to form a dense, homogeneous unit. This provides ruggedness and stability. Ideal for coupling and by-pass applications. Conforms to Mil-C-11015. They are 0.1 dia. x 0.280 long. Solderable and/or weldable leads. Vitramon, Inc., P. O. Box 544, Bridgeport 1, Conn.

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#### INSULATED SCREWDRIVER

Dipped blade coating has good dielectric properties. Available in four blade lengths.

Series 620 shank screwdriver has the blade insulated with hard plastic, highly resilient to cutting, cracking or chipping. It is thin enough to permit using the screwdriver in confined places. Tip of screwdriver is exposed 1/8 in. beyond the plastic. Available with 3, 4, 6, or 8 in. blade. Mathias Klein & Sons, Inc., 7200 McCormick Rd., Chicago 45, Ill.

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#### NOISE ANALYZER

Features 1/10-octave, 1/3-octave, and all-pass bandwidths.

Freq. range of the Type 1564-A sound and vibration analyzer is 2.5CPS to 25KC. High-input impedance (25 megohns in parallel with 80pf) permits use directly with microphones and vibration pickups to measure sound pressure levels from 44 to 150db re 0.0002µbar and acceleration from 0.0005 to 100g. Lower levels can be measured if the analyzer is used with a sound-level meter or a vibration meter. It can be used as a tuned filter after a random-noise generator to produce 1/10or 1/3-octave bands of random noise. Unit may be operated from either ac lines or a rechargeable nickel-cadmium battery. General Radio Co., West Concord, Mass.

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#### SELENIUM HV RECTIFIER

Max. RMS input ratings range from 45 to 17,600v. (res. load).



These half-wave selenium cartridges provide peak-reverse voltage ratings of 63v./cell. All units are assembled in new, lightweight housings. International Rectifier Corp., 233 Kansas St., El Segundo, Calif.

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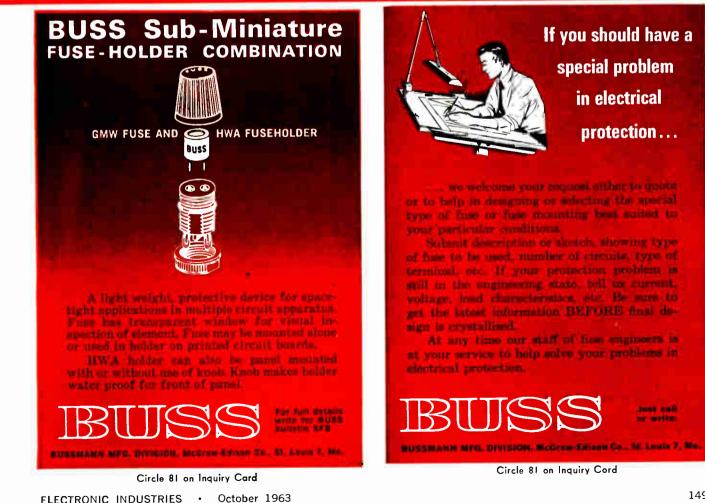
#### I OG VOI TMETER-CONVERTER

Features 70db range with 0.2db accuracy; dc output is 1mv/db or 0.1mv/db.

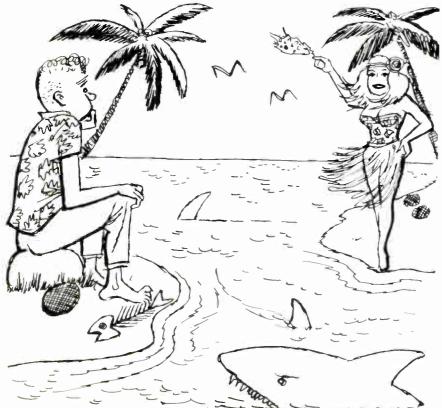
The HLVC-150 gives continuous measurement and conversion of voltages. A reading of 70db corresponds to a range of 1mv to 3.16v. or 100mv to 316v; either range is selectable with an attenuator. Readings are indicated on a logarithmically-divided upper scale and a lower scale calibrated in db. The upper 3.5 decade true logarithmic reads accurately regardless of level. The lower scale is moveable, allowing any arbitrary level to be chosen as the 0 db point, thereby eliminating subsequent additions and subtractions conducive to error for 0 db reference correction. Houston Instrument Corp., 4950 Terminal Ave., Bellaire 101, Tex.

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## GOT A CONTACT PROBLEM? | NEW PRODUCTS



### PROBLEM: To select a contact material for currentcarrying hinge rings for power circuit breakers.

A current carrying movable joint in a power circuit breaker requires contacts of low contact resistance so that they can operate at the continuous rating with a minimum generation of heat. They must also be capable of withstanding fault current surges without welding. They must slide against each other under considerable force with low wear and friction.

ANSWER: Gibsiloy NC-205 contact rings. Silver is selected as the principal ingredient because of its high conductivity. Nickel is added to increase the hardness. Graphite is added to provide self lubrication and increase the non-welding characteristics. The resulting material-Gibsiloy NC-205 - has the right combination of properties for this application - low contact resistance, resistance to welding, ability to withstand sliding action under heavy pressure without galling. This

is a good example of how powdered metal contact materials can be "engineered" to provide specific combinations of properties.

OTHER APPLICATIONS: Because of these desirable properties, Gibsiloy NC-205 (and other Silver-Graphite Gibsiloys) have found application in disconnect switches, contactors, relays, rheostats, and various sliding contact applications.



Write for Catalog C-604 and Bulletin TB-507



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#### VACUUM POTTER

Degassing and casting chamber can be heated to 300°F (max).



The Model 5A-R is for: mixing and degassing the resin and catalyst prior to casting, evacuation of components prior to potting : and provision for casting all under mitial vacuum. Max. resin and catalyst capacity is approx. 1 pt; ultimate vacuum during degassing and casting cycles, 0.1mm Hg; max. height of mold or shelf, 8 in. Hull Corp., Hatboro, Pa. Circle 206 on Inquiry Card

#### WAVEGUIDE TERMINATION

Short, low vswr terminations for use over range of 2.6 to 40.0 gc.

These terminations absorb virtually all of the applied power and assure min, vswR values. The resistive block used to absorb power is of min. size and stable under varying conditions of temp, and humidity. Over the full operating freq. range the vswr is 1.02 max; power-handling capacity is 1w. average. Waveline Inc., Caidwell, N. J.

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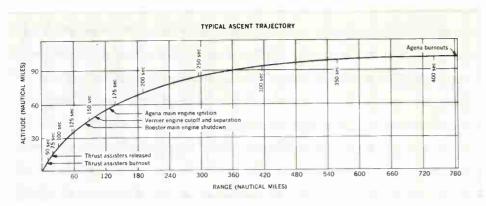
#### SEMICONDUCTOR TESTER

Measures beta with as low as 500 emitter-to-base loading.

Model #245 In-Circuit Tester is used for quantitative trouble-shooting of diodes, rectifiers, and transistors, either inor out-of-circuit. It weighs less than 10 lbs. and operates on standard flashlight batteries. It measures: beta over the 1-1000 range, (±10%): resistance between semiconductor electrodes (power limited to 1µw) independent of semiconductor loading; shorts and opens in diodes and rectifiers with resistive loading of 200; transistors for 1cBo; and diodes and rectifiers for reverse leakage. American Electronic Laboratories, Inc., Box 552, Lansdale, Pa.

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Trajectory analysis, directly affecting payload capability, is vital to any satellite flight. As Lockheed Missiles & Space Company is responsible for the orbiting of over 60% of all U.S. satellites, considerable effort has been given to the study of vehicle dynamics-performance problems.

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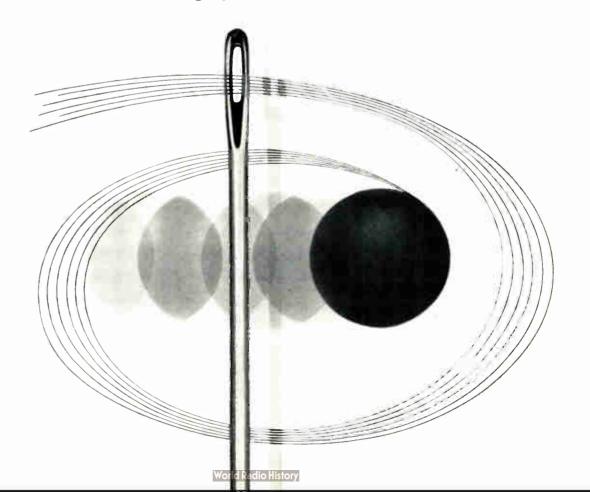
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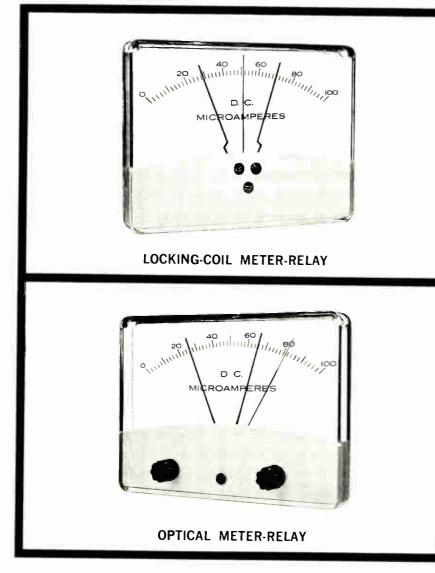


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### WHICH ONE IS BETTER?

It all depends on the control job you have in mind.

For manual-reset (limit) operation where there is sufficient open-circuit voltage between contacts the old standby, the API locking-coil meter relay, is your best bet. Circuitry for this type of operation is simpler and, generally, the cost is lower.

But for control requiring automatic reset, our new optical meter-relay clearly has the edge on both counts-simplicity and cost. In addition, it gives you continuous indication over the entire scale. Control deadband is only 0.25 percent f.s. (adjustable deadband optional). Set-points, on double set-point (high/low) models, are adjustable to as close as 2 to 3 percent f.s. And you have a choice of three control outputs: on-off, time-proportioning, or SCR triggering.

The API optical meter-relay is probably as notable for the complications it avoids as it is for the advantages it provides. It uses sealed fiber-optic light pipes and so does not require a light-tight meter case. It has a minimum of moving parts. It doesn't need an interrupter (no contacts). And it is inherently fail-safe.

Both our locking-coil and optical meter-relays are available in a number of new and striking case styles, and both can be furnished as controlling pyrometers.

The choice, then, is up to you. But we'll be glad to supply all the help we can. For a starter, we suggest you look over our new Bulletin 33-B. It gives detailed technical data and price information on our line of optical meter-relays. For information on our locking-coil meter-relays, Bulletin 5-C is the one to ask for. A quick note or phone call will bring either or both.



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## NEW PRODUCTS

#### OMEGATRON

Used as an appendage tube for measuring gas amb. in vacuum devices.





The SY 1301 Omegatron is a mass spectrometer analyzer tube which operates on the same principle as the cyclotron. Gas molecules ionized by electronic bombardment are accelerated in a cycloidal path under the influence of r-f and magnetic fields. Under conditions of resonance, ions with a certain mass-tocharge ratio are collected and the resultant output recorded as one peak of a gas spectrum. Sylvania Electric Products Inc., 1100 Main St., Buffalo 9, N. Y.

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#### DC TO AC SUPPLIES

Output power: 15 to 75va at any power factor from 0.95 lag to unity.

Model SHX-46 is a 75va, 400 CPs inverter which operates on 25-29vdc and produces an output of 115v RMS (±5%); output current is 0.65a. Input ripple current is 0.3a p-p. Output voltage regulation of 105-125v RMS is unaffected by varying loads from 15 to 75w., or changing the input from 25 to 29vdc. Meets environmental requirements of Mil-E-5272D; operating range is -55°C to +71°C. Units drive roll, rate, yaw, and pitch gyros. Arnold Magnetics Corp., 6050 W. Jefferson Blvd., Los Angeles 16, Calif.

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#### PHOTOSENSITIVE TRANSISTOR

Input sensitivity is 5µa/µw; spectral response is 0.4 to 1.1 microns.

The P-102 PHOTOFET (photosensitive field-effect transistor) consists of a diffused, passivated, silicon photodiode functionally integrated with a high-impedance, low-noise preamplifier in a windowed TO-18 package. Specific detectivity of 1010 cm-CPS1/2/w. (equivalent input noise power of 10<sup>-12</sup>w./CPS<sup>1/2</sup> @ 1KC) can be obtained with the detector output operating into a 2K to 10KΩ load. Dark current is 10na (max); amplifier transconductance 1000µmhos min; and amplifier noise figure ( $R_0 \equiv 1 \text{ meg}$ , 1kc) 1.0db. Ideal for high-impedance, high-output transistor systems. Siliconix Inc., 1140 W. Evelyn Ave., Sunnyvale, Calif. Circle 211 on Inquiry Card

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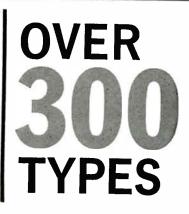


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### TO MEET HIGH VOLTAGE CIRCUIT DESIGN PROBLEMS

Of course this unusually large selection didn't just happen overnight. It represents the accumulation of twenty years experience in the manufacture of vacuum capacitors. During this time Jennings has developed exclusive vacuum processing techniques. Examine the representative types shown below, all of them proven successful in thousands of applications.

#### **HIGH VOLTAGE**

Туре	VMMHHC
Capacitance Range	25 to 200 mmfd
Peak Voltage	
RF Current	125 amps RMS
Length	20¼ inches

#### **HIGH CURRENT**

Туре VMMHCW
Capacitance Range
Peak Voltage 55 kv
RF Current
Length

#### HIGH RATIO OF CAPACITANCE CHANGE

Type UCSL	
Capacitance Range 7 to 1000 mmfd	
Peak Voltage 5 kv	
RF Current	
Length	

#### SMALL SIZE

Туре	ECS
Capacitance Range	
Peak Voltage	
RF Current	
Length	

Our radio frequency laboratory with 12 functioning transmitters ranging from 17 KC to 600 MC and up to 100 KW CW power is at your service to test our products under your particular circuit conditions.

Write for our special brochure describing our complete line of vacuum capacitors.

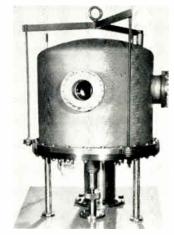
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## NEW PRODUCTS

#### VACUUM SYSTEM

Provides working pressures of 1 x 10<sup>-8</sup> Torr; volume is over 3200 cu. in.



Model 125 is composed of a bell jar and base plate made from stainless steel, a high-vacuum oil diffusion pump, a roughing manifold with an ejector and a 2-stage roughing vacuum purip, valving and associated instrumentation and controls. The chamber can be baked to 450°C and/or cooled to -196°C with liquid nitrogen. By cooling with liquid nitrogen, pressures of approx. 1 x 10-9 Torr are possible within 2 hrs; under a 16-hr., 400°C bakeout cycle, pressures of 3 x  $10^{-10}$  Torr or less are obtained. Cooling to -196°C permits 1 x 10<sup>-11</sup> Torr. Westinghouse Scientific Equipment Dept., P. O. Box 868, Pittsburgh 30, Pa.

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#### PRESSURE CALIBRATOR

Generates pressure of 0.0005psi resolution in a 0-50psia range.

Model PCS pressure control system is manually adjustable to generate precise pressure in open or closed systems. In a 0-500psi range, resolution is equal to the resolution of the pressure sensing element. If used with the companion TI precision pressure gage, resolution is 1 part in 100,000 for pressures up to 200µsi and 1 part in 25,000 up to 500psi. Texas Instruments Incorporated, P. O. Box 66027, Houston 6, Tex.

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#### **TEMPERATURE CHAMBER**

Eliminates conventional heater-power relay and cycling about control point.

Model SD8 is a 2.6 cu. ft. bench-type chamber which operates over the range of  $-100^{\circ}$ F to  $+525^{\circ}$ F. It has a control accuracy of  $\pm \frac{1}{24}^{\circ}$ F. It features 24 lineal inches of calibrated set-point scale, with temp. readout by means of a deviation meter calibrated in 1° increments. Statham Instruments, Inc., 12401 W. Olympic Blvd., Los Angeles 64, Calif.

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#### BREAKS THE NOISE BARRIER!

A⊃PLICATIONS: Beldfoil is effective over the entire audio frequency range. Typical applications include instrumentation, data processing, and telemetering equipment, and any information and measurement circuits.

#### QUIET PERFORMANCE!

Yes, Beldfoil\* shielding definitely breaks the noise barrier. It breaks the noise barrier by *being* a noise barrier. Beldfoil gives *total* shielding . . 100% isolation between adjacent pairs. For audio and radio frequency, it completely eliminates cross talk, spurious signal impulses . . and it's ideal for stationary or limited flexing. Beldfoil is lighter in weight, requires less space, and is usually lower in cost.

#### MINIATURIZES!

Beldfoil shielding reduces the diameter of multi-conductor cables . . by as much as 66%3%. It gives design engineers extra space . . extra conduit space, extra raceway space, extra console and rack space. Beldfoil shielding means that you can "think small."

ASK FOR DATA SHEET. Get your copy of newly published bulletin 8-63-A and technical data sheet. They give complete information on Beldfoil shielding. Write Belden Manufacturing Company, 415 South Kilpatrick Avenue, Chicago 44, Illinois.

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WHAT IS BELDFOIL? It's a lamination of aluminum foil with Mylar\*\* that provides a high dielectric insulation. A patented Belden method of folding\*\*\* gives definite benetits. An inner fold

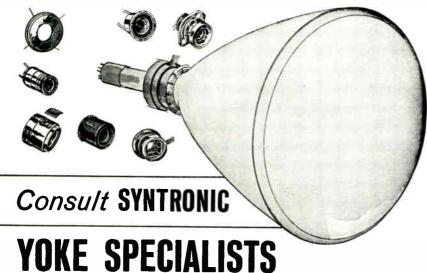
gives definite benefits. An inner fold creates a continuous metallic path around the surface of the cable. This eliminates any possible inductive effects. An outer fold tucks the cut edge of the aluminum under the Mylar. This gives complete isolation from other adjacent shielded cables.



Typical cross section looks like this. \*Belden Trademark Reg. U S. Patent Office \*du Pont Trademark \*\*\*U.S. Patent 3,032,604



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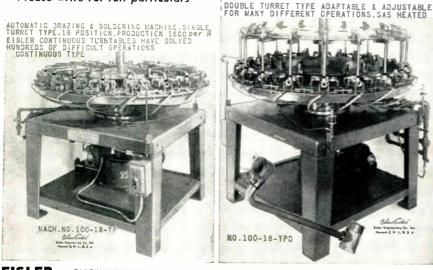
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#### **RACK/PANEL PLUG**

Operates in a temp. range of  $-57^{\circ}F$  to 257°F. Accommodates three wire sizes.

The DPJMB98 is a miniature environmental rack/panel plug incorporating the Little Caesar rear release system. The plug is keystone-shaped for polarization and accommodates wire sizes #20, 22, and 24. A moisture-proof peripheral seal and a grommet cemented to the rear of the insulator provide environmental sealing for high-altitude uses. Cannon Electric Co., 3208 Humboldt St., Los Angeles 37, Calif.

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#### PATCH BOARDS

Receptacle panel can be used as a patch board with patch cord wires.

The terminations on the back of the WASP receptacle panel are for wirewrapping. Patch plugs may be used. The patch contact can be supplied loose for a crimp tool or in chain form for a crimping machine. Contacts cover wire from 16-26 AWG., and all 6 wire sizes can be crimped without changing or adjusting the crimping machine. Shrinkable tubing (105°C) insulates the crimp barrel and is a strain relief. Malco Mfg. Co., Dept. ES-2, 4025 W. Lake St., Chicago 24, Ill.

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#### SPECTRUM MONITOR

Converts microwave receiver to spectrum analyzer; 150KC to 25MC dispersion.

Model DM-1 has an input freq. of 140Mc and can be used with RI/FI meters to provide spectral displays in accordance with Mil-I-11748B and proposed Mil-STD-826. It provides spectral characteristics of pulsed AM and FM signals, display and measurement of multiple r-f signals, detection and identification of spurious signals, and rapid determination of signal bandwidth. Logarithmic display for relative amplitude measurements over large dynamic ranges is readily achieved. Polarad Electronic Instruments, 34-02 Queens Blvd., Long Island City 1, N. Y.

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#### PANCAKE RESOLVER

Total primary requirement is 0.030w; input voltage is 28v. at 800 cycles.

Model 48DRU816 is a 2-speed unit which provides 16- and 1-speed outputs. Accuracy is better than 10 sec. for the 16-speed output and 3 min. for the 1speed. Phase shifts are 14° and 2.4° respectively. Reeves Instrument Corp., Garden City, N. Y.

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#### SPACE SIMULATOR

Designed to provide an ultimate vacuum capability of  $5 \times 10^{-9}$  torr.



The ultra-high vacuum chambers can simulate temps. from  $-320^{\circ}$  to  $+400^{\circ}$ F, and produce combined space environments that simultaneously simulate solar radiation, random, or sine vibration at vacuum to 1 x 10<sup>-4</sup> torr. Each chamber provides test space  $2\frac{1}{2}$  ft. dia. x  $2\frac{1}{2}$  ft. deep, and 12.3 cu. ft. in volume. Cook Electric Co., Technological Center Div., 6401 W. Oakton St., Morton Grove, Ill.

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#### AC RATIO STANDARD

Min. ratios to -0.0111111. and max. ratios to 1.111111.

Required values on model 1011R are set by means of 7-in. line-control knobs. The output is kept connected while settings are being changed, virtually eliminating switching transients. Unit operates over a freq. range of 50-10,000 crs. Terminal linearity is better than 0.0001% (1ppm). Designed for standard rack mounting, instrument measures 19 x 5¼ x  $7\frac{1}{2}$  in. Gertsch Products, Inc., 3211 S. La Cienega Blvd., Los Angeles 16, Calif.

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#### PRECISION POTENTIOMETER

Independent linearity is  $\pm 0.25\%$ , and absolute linearity is  $\pm 1\%$ .

The Series 65 is used in accelerating voltage circuits for CkTs and other high-voltage uses. Long leakage paths within the 3 in. dia. produce a 4000vdc to ground rating. Available with insulated or metal shafts. Resistance ranges can be specified to 200K. Dual assemblies are also offered. Available with continuous rotation or with stops. Mounting is either bushing or tapped hole. Clarostat Mfg. Co., Inc., Dover, N. H.

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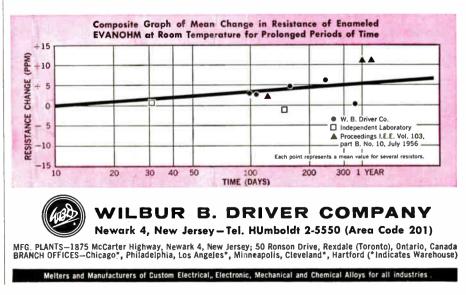


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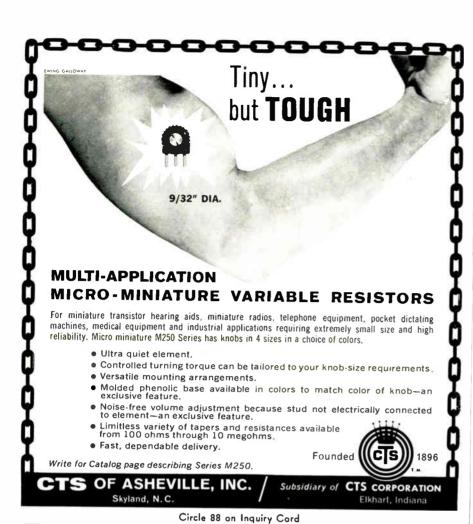
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#### PHASE-SENSING RELAYS

Intended for monitoring 3-phase 280°, 60 and 400 CPS current.

The P and Q units provide protection in the event of phase failure or phase reversal. The P-characteristic maintains closed contacts only when all 3 phases are energized in proper sequence. The Qcharacteristic provides the additional feature of de-energizing if any input terminal is disconnected or grounded. Contact rating is 32vdc, 2a. or 115vac, 1a. Hi-G Inc., Bradley Field, Windsor Locks, Conn.

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#### ADJUSTABLE TIME DELAYS

Time delay range is 0.1 to 200sec.; nominal voltage is 20 to 30vdc.

The Model 3900, a dpdt time-delay relay encased in a package measuring 0.4 x  $0.8 \times 1.3$  in., employs an electromechanical relay capable of switching 1a. resistive at 26.5vdc. The Model 3907, a solidstate switch in a 0.4 x  $0.8 \times 1.0$  in. case, features an internal spno solid-state device rated at 250ma resistive at 26.5vdc. Trimpot Div., Bourns, Inc., 1200 Columbia Ave., Riverside, Calif.

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ACTUAL SIZE

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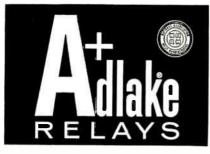
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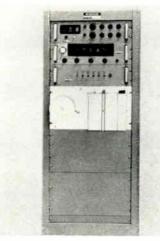


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#### DATA LOGGING SYSTEM

Measures and records voltages from 0.0000 to ±999.9v.



The 864-100 is a basic, medium-to-highspeed dc voltage logging system with high-input impedance. Information consists of 4 digits, polarity, range indication, and channel identification, and can be logged at rates up to 400 channels/min. A closed-loop system control automatically adjusts the system logging rate in accordance with the component requirements. Accuracy is 0.02% of full scale +0.01%of reading; temp. coefficient is less than 0.002% of full scale/°C over the operating range of +10°C to +40°C. Cohu Electronics, Inc., 5725 Kearny Villa Rd., San Diego 12, Calif.

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#### TAPE VIEWER

Makes visible the data recorded on magnetic tape without damaging the tape.



Tape Viewer No. 600 is used to check recorder-head alignment, track placement, pulse definition, inter-block spacing and dropout areas in computer and instrumentation work. It also can be used to examine and synchronize the audio track on video tape and the pattern of recorded sound on audible range tapes. Viewer determines whether tools, heads or guides are magnetized. 3M Co., 2501 Hudson Rd., St. Paul 19, Minn.

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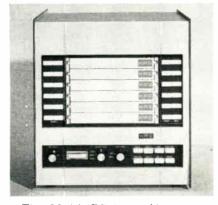
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#### **PRESSURE TRANSDUCER**

Can withstand exposure to 1200°F; radiation resistance is 10<sup>18</sup> NVT.

The Variable Mu Pressure Transducer converts mechanical input pressure to an electrical voltage output which is a linear function of the applied pressure. It has no moving parts and operates from  $-320^{\circ}$ F to  $800^{\circ}$ F; provides a 0.2v. output into a  $10K\Omega$  load ( $800^{\circ}$ F unit), or 0.5v. into a  $50K\Omega$  load ( $500^{\circ}$ F unit), or 0.5v. into a  $50K\Omega$  load ( $500^{\circ}$ F unit); withstands 500g shock in an axis. Pressure ranges from 0 to 400 up to 0 to 10,-000psi for inputs of 4 to 6v., 400 to 5000CPS. International Resistance Co., 401 N. Broad St., Philadelphia, Pa.

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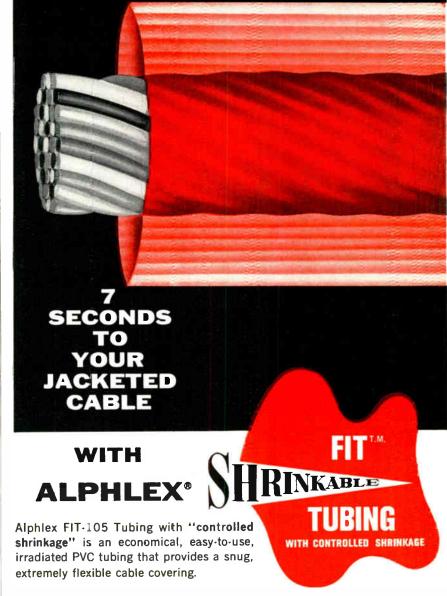
#### MINIATURE INDUCTOR

Nominal inductance is between 0.006h. and 150h.; min. is 0.0054h., max. is 165h.

The HVV Variductors<sup>TM</sup> are used where precise matching to other components, such as tuning to capacitors with standard 10% tolerances is needed. Units are hermetically sealed to Mil-T-27B, Mil type TF4RX20YY, and provide a vernier inductance variation of  $\pm 10\%$  of nominal value through an adjusting screw with a 900° range. United Transformer Corp., 150 Varick St., New York 13, N. Y.

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Cable cores may be pulled through FIT-105 Tubing with ease and shrunk down to form a jacket with all the qualities of the finest extruded plastic jackets. The tubing is supplied in expanded form and in continuous lengths and shrinks 50% upon application of heat (325°F). Heat may be applied through the use of the Alpha Heat Gun, or other heat sources. FIT-105 conforms to MIL-I-631C (105°C).

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EFFICIENT, RUGGED AND LOW COST FOR CONTROLS, COMPUTERS, INSTRUMENTS, AUDIO AND VIDEO!



Self-latching for locking mated fittings together securely
Wide variety of mountings

#### STRAIGHT CORD PLUGS

3 and 4 conductor plugs with socket or pin contacts feature cable relief spring entry, satin nickel finish.

#### RECEPTACLES

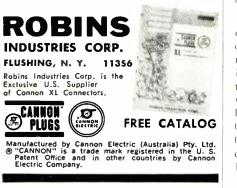
Socket and pin type 3 and 4 conductor, for wall or panel mounting. Panel units can mount on panels from  $\frac{1}{22}$ " to  $\frac{1}{24}$ ".

**SINGLE GANG AND 2-GANG** Assembled to single or double wall plate. 3 and 4 conductor, with socket or pin contacts.

MICROPHONE OR 90° MOUNTING RECEPTACLES 3 conductor with pin contacts.

#### ADAPTOR RECEPTACLE

3 conductor with pin contacts mounts in or on to microphone and other units. The Cannon XL connectors are interchangeable with and mate with Cannon XLR connectors.



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## NEW PRODUCTS

**TIME BASE COUNTER** Freq. range is 1CPS - 120KC; input sensitivity is 10mv RMS, 3CPS-120KC.



This solid-state, variable time-base counter has an integral 6-channel, timebase programmer. Readout display is a wide-angle, long-life Nixic®. An integral 6-channel selector switch permits readout of any input channel. Each channel has an independently adjustable time base and can be set from 0.0001 to 99.99 sec, by 4 thumb wheel switches and a 3-position range multiplier switch. Anadex Instruments Inc., 7617 Hayvenhurst Ave., Van Nuys, Calif.

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#### PRESSURE TRANSDUCER

Pressure ranges from 0-100 to 0-6000 psig; static-error bands above  $\pm 0.75\%$ .

In model PT-101 series gage-pressure transducers, a cermet potentiometer replaces the standard wirewound, carbonfilm or conductive-plastic types. A builtin fusing mechanism prevents damage to the element in the event of high-surge currents. Intermediate linkages and bearings are eliminated by transmitting the motion of a temp, stable Ni-Span-C bourdon tube directly to the potentiometer through multiple fingered wipers. Tectron Electronic Corp., P. O. Box 222, Jamaica, N. Y.

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#### POTENTIOMETER

Sine-cosine unit is accurate to 0.25% absolute of p-p input voltage.

The Type 754SC (Model 754-6046) offers this accuracy in a resistance range of 10 to 50K $\Omega$  ( $\pm$ 5%/quadrant). Accuracy is absolute in accordance with Mil-R-12934. Specs: life is 1 x 10° revolutions; spec. is less than 0.1% of the input voltage; operates at 70°C temp. and 95% humidity; angular resolution is 0.1° to 0.3°, and voltage resolution is 0.035% to 0.1%. Fairchild Controls, div. of Fairchild Camera and Instrument Corp., 225 Park Ave., Hicksville, N. Y.

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#### FEATURES

- Periodic permanent magnet focusing on all tubes
- Ruggedly built for long service
- Continuously variable gain controls
- CW, pulsed or AM modulated operation

#### CHARACTERISTICS and PRICES

T601	T607	T608	T609	T610
2.16	1-2	2-4	4-8	8-12
1*	1	1	1	1
50.0*	36.0	30.0	30.0	36.0
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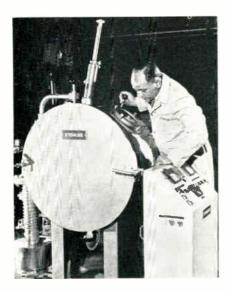


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#### CASTING FURNACE

Unit can be adapted for operations at 2800°C; capacity is 3-12 lbs.



Model 519 has a vacuum chamber that is 30 in, in inside dia, x 15 in, deep. All operating controls are placed where they can be easily reached or observed by the operator. The upper chamber surface allows attachment of bridge-breaker, additions-maker, thermocouple-immerser, and a long-bore sight glass for an optical pyrometer. The vacuum pumping system consists of a 4-in. "Ring-Jet" oil booster pump backed by a Microvac mechanical pump; it can be adapted to several other pumping options-such as a 6 in, diffusion pump, an additional cold-trap, etc., without removing the other components. F. J. Stokes Corp., 5500 Tabor Rd., Phila. 20, Pa

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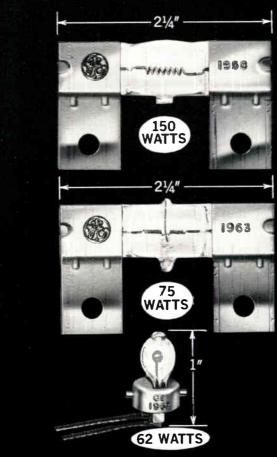
#### RESISTORS

Risc times as low as 100nsec.; ranges to 20 mcg.; wattage to 2.5w.

Series RT are for use in computing, data processing, process control and other related systems. They provide good h-f performance and can be supplied with rise times as low as 100nsec. (from 10% to 90% of peak pulse amplitude with a 100kc pulse input), depending on resistance values and physical configurations. Available in axial lead, radial lead, and lug types, they are rated at 0.15w. to 2.50w, based on a max, amb, temp, of 125°C, derated to 0w. at +150°C; max. resistance ranges from 560K to 20.0 meg : tolerances are 1% through 0.005%. Kelvin Sales Co., 5919 Noble Ave., Van Nuys, Calif.

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## New G-E Quartzline lamps pack 60 to 150 watts into less space than ever before!



General Electric's use of quartz bulbs and a regenerative iodine cycle make it possible to package high wattages in small spaces.

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For complete specifications on the entire line offered by General Electric's Miniature Lamp Department, write today for Bulletin 3-3407. General Electric Co., Miniature Lamp Dept. M-316, Nela Park, Cleveland, Ohio 44112.



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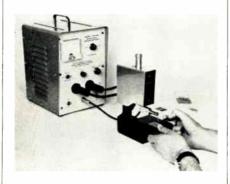
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#### WELD HEAD

For interconnecting micro components or integrated microcircuit leads.



With the model UTA-62 "Split Electrode" weld head, common lead materials in ribbon or wire configurations, ranging in thickness from less than 0.0005 in. to 0.010 or more, can be bonded to copper, gold, nickel or Kovar laminates or to fired-on metallic frits or other films down to 0.0005 in. Hughes Aircraft Co., Vacuum Tube Products Div., 2020 Short St., Oceanside, Calif.

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#### LONG LIFE CAPACITORS

Expected useful life is in the order of 10 years or more.

Type 34D series of tubular aluminum electrolytic capacitors have ratings from 10,000µf at 2.5v. to 70µf at 450v. They employ welds at all critical anode and cathode terminations. Elimination of riveted or pressured connections insure no open circuits even when operated in the my or µy signal range. Protection against drying out is assured by a molded phenolic end seal and synthetic gasket design. Sprague Electric Co., Marshall St. No. Adams, Mass.

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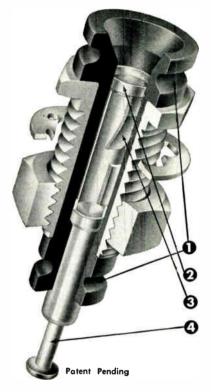
#### **IONIZATION GAUGES**

Sensitivity of 100µa/micron with a grid current of 4.0ma.

Gauges have 2 filaments which will not suffer burn-out or emission decay if exposed to atmospheric pressure during operation. Each filament is capable of 3000 hrs. life when the gauge is operated at a pressure of 10<sup>-6</sup> Torr or better. Heater power is 7w. Gauges are capable of pressure measurements between 10-8 and 2 x 10<sup>-11</sup> Torr. The X-ray limit is 2 x 10<sup>-11</sup> Torr. Resitron Laboratories, Inc., Vacuum Products Div., 3860 Centinela Ave., Los Angeles 66, Calif. Circle 251 on Inquiry Card

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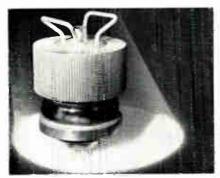
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#### BEAM PENTODE

Handle facilitates insertion and removal; driving voltage is 110.



The PL-195 is capable of over 5kw of useful power output in Class AB<sub>1</sub> linear amplifier. The tube uses a coated unipotential cathode and requires 102w. of heater power. Cooling requirements with the tube operating at the full rated output are 70 CFM of air at a pressure drop of 0.26 in. of water column. Max. plate voltage rating is 5kv; 2.0a. is the max. plate current. Length is 8.25 in. and dia. is 5.53 in. Penta Laboratories, Inc., 312 N. Nopal St., Santa Barbara, Calif.

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#### DIGITAL DELAY GENERATOR

Interval range of 0-9999nsec. in Insec. steps; no  $\pm 1$  count ambiguity.

Model 610 has an input sensitivity of 1v. min., with 0.1v. risetime, and output pulse risetime of 1v./nsec., 5v. max. Delayed output is always referenced to the Start channel pulse. Trigger modes are manual, remote, external pulse, and internal 2 $\kappa$ c multivibrator. Provision can be made for extended delays to 10<sup>e</sup>nsec. Eldorado Electronics Co., 1832 Second St., Berkeley 10, Calif.

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#### ZENER DIODES

Temp. compensated at 5ppm/°C; voltage ranges from 8 to 200v.

These hermetically-sealed silicon zener diodes have a power dissipation of 1.5 to 2.5w. With voltage drops independent of current over a wide current range, they are effective in regulating de voltages, low impedance de level changing, elipping, limiting and surge protection within their max, rating areas. They are temp, aged and scope-tested to check stability: temp, range is  $-55^{\circ}$ C to  $+100^{\circ}$ C. Units meet environmental requirements of Mil-202. Methods 103A, 106A, and 202A, and Mil-E-1D. Tighter tolerances and higher voltages are available. Solitron Devices, Inc., 500 Livingston St., Norwood, N. J.

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## **NEW!** BALLANTINE SENSITIVE TRUE-RMS RF MILLIVOLTMETER

Measures 300 µV to 3 V from 0.1 Mc to 1,000 Mc

Measures True-RMS regardless of Waveform and Voltage

High, Uniform Accuracy and Resolution over entire 5-inch scale



Ballantine's new Model 340 is an extremely sensitive RF millivoltmeter designed for accurate True-RMS measurements with high resolution. Its 5-inch voltage scale spreads out the readings logarithmically so that you can make measurements to the same high resolution and accuracy at the bottom as at full scale. This advantage means that you can not only measure voltages accurately, regardless of waveform, but also calibrate the 340 using a signal source that may be far from sinusoidal. The new 340 is now available in both portable and rack versions.

#### SPECIFICATIONS

- Voltage Range...... 300  $\mu V$  to 3 V Frequency Range...... 0.1 Mc to >1,000 Mc; calibrated to 700 Mc
- Indication..... True-RMS on all ranges, all voltages
- Accuracy....% of Reading
  - 0.1 Mc 100 Mc, 4%;
- 100 Mc 700 Mc, 10%;
- above 700 Mc as sensitive indicator
- / Crest Factor.... 100 to 3 depending on voltage
  ; range
  - Scales.....Two.logarithmic voltage scales, 0.95 to 3.3 and 3.0 to 10.6. One decibel scale, 0 to 10
  - Mean Square DC Output... 0.1 V to 1.0 V dc. Internal resistance 20 kilohms. (For connection to recorder.)

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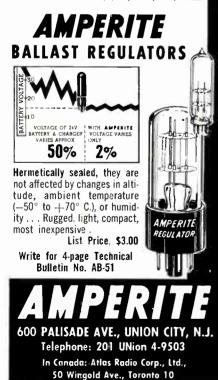
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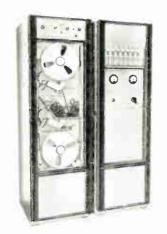
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#### RECORDER

Analog correlation is accomplished in recl-to-recl or continuous-loop.



The Delta-Tau 480 series is a dualcapstan, time-delay recorder/reproducer used for sophisticated applications of auto- and cross-correlation. Other applications include overlap data editing, 1pass capture of PCM data, and continuous-loop monitoring and infrequent data. Accurate, fixed or continuously variable time delays are made possible by a lightmass drive and speed control system at each head station. Data can be recorded at high speed and simultaneously or later played back with a greatly expanded time base. Sangamo Electric Co., Electronic Systems Div., Springfield, III.

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Provides 30 Mc or 60 Mc output. Wideband and narrowband models available.

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#### THERMAL WRITING SYSTEM

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Model 15 1784 70 is an 8-channel pressure-thermal writing recording system that permits long-term monitoring at extremely slow chart speeds. Thermal pens exert a constant force of 25gm on the chart paper. They eliminate the effect of extraneous vibrations that might be transmitted to the pens. If the heat to the pen is accidently turned off, the pen's force is sufficient to make a trace. System produces a sharp, uniform, rectilinear trace even where transients of extremely high rise time exist. System accuracy is 1/2% full scale, static and dynamic. Brush Instruments div. of Clevite Corp., 37th & Perkins, Cleveland 14, Ohio.

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Models 5236-5 and 5236-10 are modular solar heat-flux simulation radiant heating units. They have 5 and 10 in. lighted lengths and are rated at 500w. @ 120v. and 1000w. @ 200v. respectively. They can be arranged in a space simulation chamber to produce from near zero to approx. 300w./sq. ft.  $(\pm 10\%)$  of programmable simulated solar or albedo radiant heat-flux density on the test-vehicle surface. Units satisfy the general solar heat and albedo heat-flux test conditions and can be reused and reoriented to provide a variety of test set-ups. Research, Inc., P. O. Box 6164, Edina Sta., Minneapolis 24, Minn.

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## LETTERS

to the Editor

#### "Photoconductive Devices —"

Editor, Electronic Industries:

Your article, "Photoconductive Devices in Control Circuits," in the June 1963 issue of ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES was read with great interest, especially the references to CdS photocells.

We are currently working on the development of an electronic fire simulator for Defense Atomic Support Agency, and in our prototype a CdS cell was used as the radiant energy sensor. You state that "all types of CdS and CdSe photocells are limited to a maximum operating temperature of 70° to 80° C."

While our device will actually operate at a normal ambient temperature, after it is triggered the cell may be exposed to temperatures around  $600^{\circ}$ F. Since the cells are made by sintering, we are curious as to what temperatures are used and what the consequences of repeated high temperature exposures might be. They could easily be cut out of the circuit at such times if desired.

If this information is not readily at hand, we would appreciate your suggestions as to a suitable source.

Lester A. Eggleston Senior Research Engineer Fire Research Section

Southwest Research Inst. 8500 Culebra Rd., San Antonio, Tex.

Ed: This letter was directed to Dr. F. E. Jaumot, author of the article. Other readers' comments would be welcomed.

#### "Mathematical Models-"

Editor, ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES: If available, I would appreciate a reprint of the article entitled "Mathematical Models for Engineers" which appeared in the September 1963 issue of ELECTRONICS INDUSTRIES.

F. A. Edwards, Principal Engineer, Maintenance Engineering Division Directorate of Maintenance,

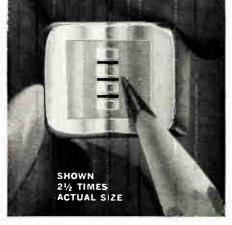
Washington 25, D. C.

Editor: We anticipated a large number of requests for reprints of this article, and we have not been disappointed. Fortunately, we still have a good number on hand—enough to fill any reasonable requests.

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New! Low-cost Instrumentation Head tooled for high volume ...fast prototype delivery!

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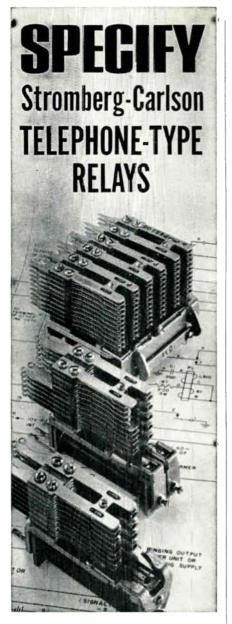
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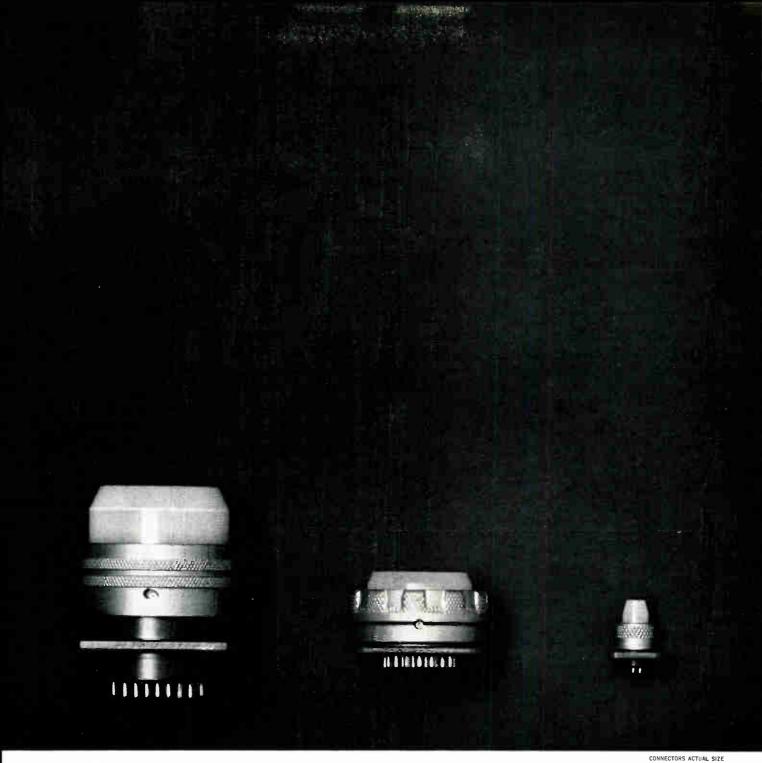
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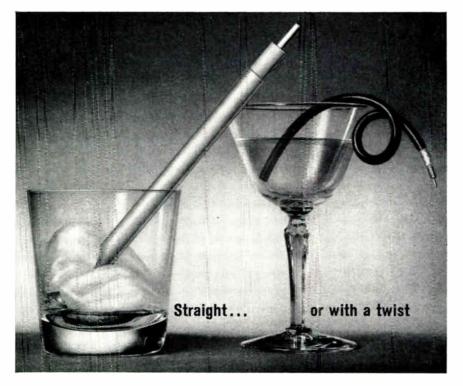
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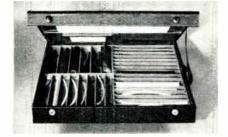
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## LETTERS

to the Editor

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#### "What About the NSPE?---"

Editor, ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES:

Your editorial of April 1963 states "Many technical societies now serve the electronic industry, but so far they have not sponsored any national programs to develop engineering professionalism."

I would like to call your attention to the National Society of Professional Engineers which has as its goal the provision of the services not met by the technical societies. These services include promoting professionalism, political awareness, community activity, public information, etc. NSPE is engineering's counterpart of the American Medical Association.

However, your point is well taken, and it is indeed true that we have failed to maintain our public image as demonstrated by the fact that the editor of a major engineering magazine does not know of the existence of NSPE.

> Philip A. Jarvis Registered Professional Engineer

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Portland 23, Oregon

Ed: We are hardly unaware of the NSPE. But by definition, it represents only *professional* engineers. There are many, many other engineers —by far the majority—who are not being adequately represented.

#### "Congratulations-"

Editor, ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES:

Congratulations on your State-ofthe-Art Reference Issue! A real job. One point we would like to make:

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to the Editor

#### "State-of-the-Art" Issue -----

Editor, ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES: I have just finished reading the June 1963 "State-of-the-Art Reference Issue" of ELECTRONIC INDUS-TRIES. You are to be congratulated on covering such a broad technical field

with completeness and effectiveness. ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES has been interesting, informative and a valuable source of reference. Keep up the good work.

I would appreciate receiving eight (8) reprints of the article "Testing without Direct Electrical Connections' by David M. Goodman. These reprints will be distributed to the engineers of our Branch who are working on new and unique testing techniques.

Edward C. Wilgus, Chief Checkout Design Branch, Analysis and Design Division, Directorate of Reconn. Engrg. Aeronautical Systems Div., AFSC, USAF

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#### "Thanks --- "

Editor, ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES:

I had occasion to call your Readers' Service Department for some information that was difficult to locate. Your Miss Mover took my call and was instrumental in arranging to provide me with back issues of ELECTRONIC INDUS-TRIES so that I might have the information at hand for future reference.

It was refreshing for me to find people in your organization willing to go "the extra mile" when one more or less expects "the quick brush off" when any extra effort is called for in business life today.

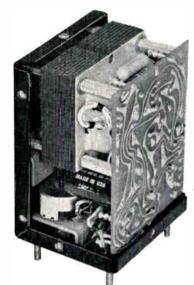
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Electronic Maintenance Supervisor, Dept. 985

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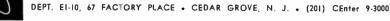
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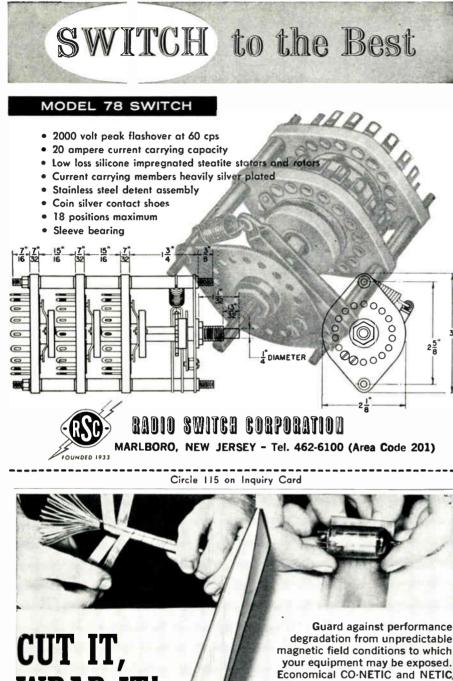






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- Oct. 14-17: South Central Reg. Conf., NACE; Oklahoma City, Okla. Oct. 14-18: 15th Annual Fall Conf. &
- Exh., Audio Eng'g Soc.; Barbizon-Plaza Hotel, N. Y.
- Oct. 14-18: Nat'l Mtg., Soc. for Applied Spectroscopy; El Cortez Hotel, San Diego, Calif.
- Oct. 15-17: 9th Tri-Service Conf. on Electromagnetic Compatibility, IIT Res. Inst., U.S. Army, Navy and Air Force, IEEE (PTG-RFI); III. Inst. of Tech., Chicago, III.
- Oct. 15-17: Int'l Conf. on Nuclear Phys-ics with Reactor Neutrons, U. S. AEC. Argonne Nat'l Lab; Argonne, 111
- Oct. 15-23: Anglo-American Conf., AIAA Canadian Aeronautics & Space Inst., Royal Aeronautical Soc.; New Ocean House, Swampscott, Mass.
- Oct. 16-18: Nat'l Symp. on Vacuum Technology, Amer. Vacuum Soc.; Statler-Hilton Hotel, Boston, Mass.
- Oct. 16-18: 16th Annual Gaseous Electronics Conf., Div. of Electron Phys-ics. APS, NBS; Pittsburgh, Pa.
- Oct. 21-23: East Coast Conf. on Aerospace & Navigational Electronics, IEEE (PTG-ANE); Emerson Hotel, Baltimore, Md.
- Oct. 21-24: NEMA Annual Mtg.; Edgewater Beach Hotel, Chicago, III.
- Oct. 21-25: ASM Metals/Materials Exp. & Cong., ASM; Sheraton-Cleveland Hotel, Cleveland Hotel, Cleveland Public Hall, Cleveland, Ohio.

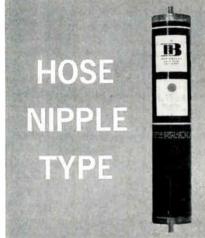
#### '63-'64 Highlights

- NEC, National Electronics Conf., Oct. 28-30, IEEE; McCormick Place, Chicago, III.
- NEREM, Northeast Research and Eng. Mtg., Nov. 4-6, IEEE; Boston, Mass.
- IEEE Int'l Conv., Mar. 23-26; Coliseum, New York Hilton, New York, N. Y.
- WESCON, Western Electronic Show and Conv., Aug. 25-28, IEEE, WEMA; Sports Arena, Los Angeles, Calif.

Oct. 25-26: Mtg. on Theoretical Physics, Univ. of N. C.; Chapel Hill, N. C. Oct. 28-30: "Plastics Packaging and

- Custom Molding" Conf. & Eng'g Exh., SPE; Sheraton Dallas Hotel, Dallas, Tex.
- Oct. 28-30: 19th Nat'l Electronics Conf., IEEE, III. Inst. of Tech., Univ. of III., Northwestern Univ.; McCormick Place, Chicago, III. Oct. 28-Nov. 1: Business Equip. Exp.,
- BEMA Annual Mtg. & Conf., BEMA; New York Coliseum, New York, N. Y.
- Oct. 29-31: 10th Annual Mtg., PTG-NS, IEEE (PTG-NS); El Cortez Hotel, San Diego, Calif.
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- Div., APS; San Diego, Calif.
- Nov. 6-9: Mtg., Acoustical Soc. of America; Univ. of Mich., Ann Arbor, Mich.
- Nov. 11-13: Radio Fall Mtg., IEEE EIA; Hotel Manger, Rochester, N. Y.
- Nov. 12-14: Fall Joint Computer Conf., AFIPS (IEEE, ACM, Simulation Councils, Inc.); Conv. Ctr., Las Vegas, Nev.
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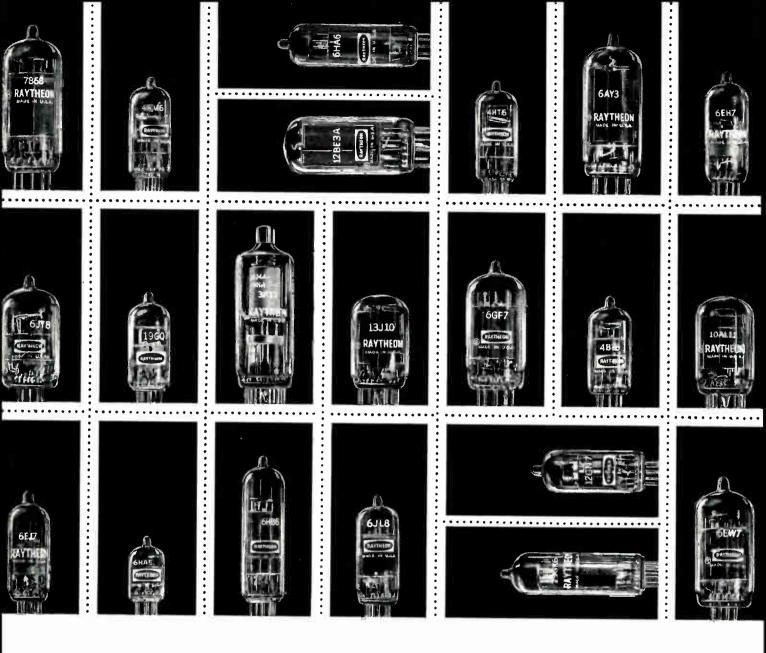


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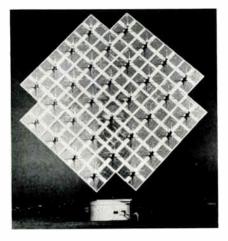


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The Army Electronic Command awarded a contract to Sinetics Corp. to develop a family of integrated circuits that operate in the 10MC range. The line of diffused silicon circuits will use diode and transistor logic. Five circuits will be developed: a gate, gate expander, power gate, binary element, and a one-shot multivibrator.

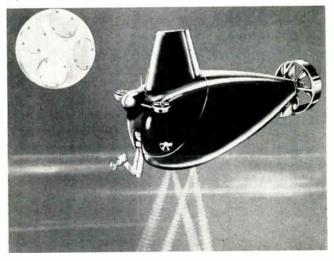


Five glass ultrasonic delay lines will serve as shift registers in the guidance computer for Gemini. Operating speeds are 1.0 megabit/sec., and delay times are 27.11, 45.11, 50.61, and 110.61#sec. Storage capacity is between 2000 and 2250 bits. Peak drive voltage required is 25v.; output voltage levels range from 500 to 900mv. In operation, a transducer attached to the glass line converts a digital pulse to an ultrasonic signal. The inherent slowness of this signal is used as storage time for the digital pulse; hence, the delay line acts as a memory. When the signal reaches the end of the delay line, an output transducer converts it to an elec-

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The Commissariat a L'Energie Atomique, Paris, France, has leased an S-C 4020 high-speed computer recorder from General Dynamics/Electronics-San Diego. Working with an IBM 7090 it will record calculations onto 35mm microfilm or  $9\frac{1}{2}$  in. wide photorecording paper. The recorder utilizes electron beams to translate computer output into graphic form. It converts digital language into curves, maps, drawings, complex charts or alphanumerics. The results will appear, in French, on the face of the CHARAC-TRON<sup>®</sup> shaped-beam tube. Time is an independent variable in correlating data with position. Erroneous time readings are of real concern. An error detection and correcting time decoder has been designed for use with the data reduction at Goddard. Time codes, methods of data handling, systems approach to detection, and the complete system are discussed here.

THE DATA REDUCTION FACILITIES AT THE GODDARD Space Flight Center process magnetic tapes containing data received from the scientific satellites. The time code, which indicates the data reception time in Universal Time, is produced by a time encoder located in the tracking station. It is serially recorded on a channel of the tape adjacent to those on which the incoming data are being recorded.

Tracking networks and supporting computer facilities correlate the satellite's location in space with time, and receiving networks and data reduction facilities correlate the satellite's data with time. Since a majority of the data from the satellites thus use time as an independent variable in correlating data with position, erroneous time readings are a source of genuine concern.

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To reduce the time reading errors to a minimum, an error detecting and correcting time decoder has been designed. It is for use with the data reduction facilities at Goddard.

#### **Time Codes**

The two time codes adopted for use are the Serial Decimal (SD) time code and the Binary Coded Decimal (BCD) time code.

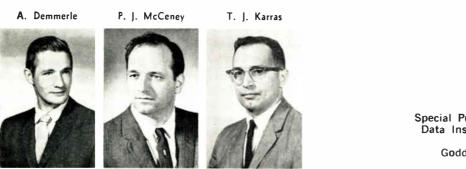
The Serial Decimal Time Code—the SD time code consists of time data in digits from tens of seconds through tens of hours. Fig. 1 shows this code. The resolution of the serial decimal time code is 1

## Error Handling in ... TIME DECODING FOR SATELLITE TRACKING SYSTEMS

sec.; however, the resolution can be improved to 1 msec with the use of a linearizing (reference) frequency, which is either 100  $\kappa$ c or 10  $\kappa$ c and is derived from the same tracking station precision oscillator from which the time code is derived. FM is used for recording this signal on tape.

The BCD Time Code—The BCD time code presents time data in digits from seconds through hundreds of days. This includes 4 bits per sec. of "station data" to identify a magnetic tape recording by including, e.g., station identification, satellite identification, the year of recording, etc. The resolution of the BCD time code is 1 msec. because the 1 KC carrier frequency is a part of the code. A binary zero is represented by about three to one increase in the voltage amplitude of the carrier for two complete cycles. A binary One is represented by a similar carrier voltage increase for 6 complete cycles.

Fig. 1 shows the 1 KC coded carrier. The spectrum of the BCD time code includes no significant energy more than  $\pm 400$  cycles away from the 1 KC center frequency. Therefore, this code can be mixed with other signals on a single channel of a tape recording to conserve channels. At present, the servo signal, which is 60 CPS modulation of 18.24 KC, is mixed with the BCD time code. The decoders previously available, however, did not do a reliable job of decoding this time code, because the signal strength and signal-to-noise ratio have had wide variations among the ensemble of tapes received from the re-



By ALAN DEMMERLE Head, PAUL J. McCENEY Engineer, And THOMAS J. KARRAS Engineer,

Special Purpose Equipment Design Sec. Data Instrumentation Development Br. Space Data Acquisition Div. Goddard Space Flight Center, NASA Greenbelt. Md. ceiving stations, and the decoders have been unable to cope with these variations.

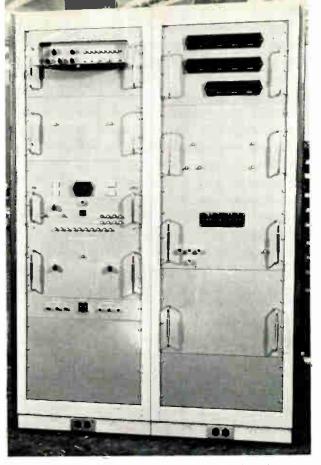
#### Present Methods of Time-Data Correlation

In the data reduction process at Goddard, the two methods previously used for correlating time with data are the multiple-read-in and the single-read-in methods.

In the multiple-read-in method the decoder collects the time data from the magnetic tape and formats the data as a single time reading; once every 10 sec. for Serial Decimal, or once per sec. for BCD. This reading is updated by 1 KC pulses until another full time reading is collected. The main disadvantage is that any temporary perturbation in time signal appears as an error in the time reading.

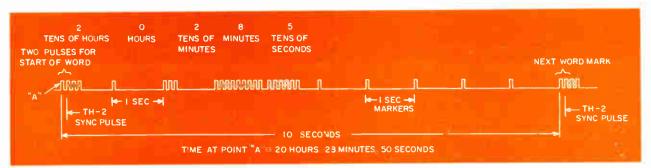
In the single-read-in method the operator observes the register display and when it appears to be monotonically increasing, he transfers the decoded time word from the decoder into a register where it is updated with 1 KC pulses. The main disadvantages of this method are that only one time reading is actually correlated with the data, and that potentially valuable data are lost each time the register is reset, since the operator must wait several seconds to be sure that the decoder output is increasing monotonically before setting the updating register.

Fig. 2 shows various possible errors in, and conditions of, a decoder's output. Undetected errors in the time readings associated with data can increase the cost of the data reduction process. In later processing of the data, general purpose computers are used to perform such operations as scaling, converting, sorting, and other special arithmetic or format-

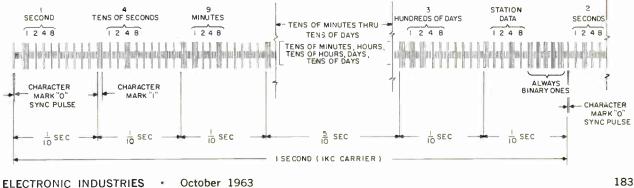


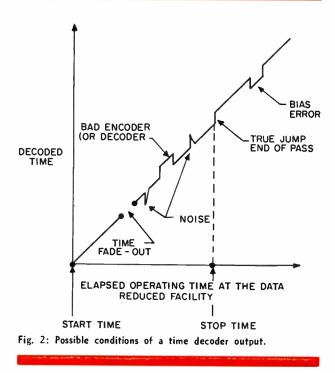
The completed error detecting and correcting time decoder system is shown here in its rack mounted cabinets.

ting operations needed for a specific set of data. If undetected errors in the time data are recorded on the digital magnetic tape, computer time must be spent in searching for these errors. For PFM telemetry, the digital tape is formatted to have a time reading once per frame, which occur at approximately constant time intervals. The computer measures









#### Table 1

Conditions of the signal arriving in the Data Reduction Facility

- I. The BCD code exists:
  - 1. It is correct
  - 2. It is incorrect sporadically
  - 3. It is incorrect regularly (bias)
- II. The BCD code does not exist:
  - 4. temporarily
  - 5. permanently
- 111. The SD code exists:
  - 6. It is correct
  - 7. It is incorrect sporadically
  - 8. It is incorrect regularly (bias)
- IV. The SD code does not exist:
  - 9. temporarily
  - 10. permanently
- V. The Linearizing frequency exists:
  - 11. It is correct
  - 12. It is incorrect sporadic
  - 13. It is incorrect regularly (bias)
- VI. The Linearizing frequency does not exist:
  - 14. temporarily
  - 15. permanently

The conditions can exist in only 8 possible combinations

Category	H & IV & V	Category II & I	V & VI
**	11 & 111 & V	" II &	III & VI
**	I & IV & V	" I&I	V & VI
63	I & III & V	" І&І	11 & VI

the difference between two consecutive time readings; and if this difference falls outside certain tolerance limits, an error is indicated.

#### The Systems Approach

The engineering problem is in choosing and designing a system which, while minimizing operator intervention, optimizes the trade-off of cost-complexity vs. index of confidence in its output readings. The ideal system would be one that could provide correct time readings regardless of errors in the input signal. A more realistic system is one for which the output can be assigned an index of confidence which is a function of the condition of the input signal and the cost and complexity of the system. The final choice of an optimum system depends upon the statistics of the probability of occurrence of any given type of error.

#### **Categorizing Errors**

The design of a system which deals with errors requires categorizing those errors. There are several ways to classify these errors, e.g., firstly, those caused by the encoder, decoder, by transmission link; secondly those caused by equipment, or by the operators.

Most useful seems to be the various conditions which can be assumed by the signal at the input to the decoding system. Malfunction of the decoding equipment is equivalent to some of these input signal conditions. With this in mind, the listing Table 1 was prepared.

The other combinations are impossible because categories I & II, categories III & IV, and categories V & VI are mutually exclusive.

#### An Identification and Correction System

This system detects and identifies errors and corrects certain types of errors. Also, it provides time readings as pure binary numbers which express either the number of elapsed milliseconds of the year, or the number of elapsed milliseconds of the day and the day of the year, as well as the mixed modulus system where time is put on the digital magnetic tape as a BCD number indicating the day of the year, hour of the day, minute of hour, etc. Providing both formats helps eliminate costly conversion time later in the data analysis process.

The time decoding system, which is being built, has been designed to consider: 1. a low signal-tonoise ratio at its input, where noise includes white noise, impulsive noise, and stray modulation; 2. genuine errors in the input signal which may be caused at the encoder; 3. signal fade-out; and 4. decoder malfunction.

There are only 4 combinations of bad input signal in Table 1 which will render incorrect output readings without the system recognizing that its output is incorrect. These 4 combinations are: 1. (3,8) a BCD bias error and a SD bias error where the two bias errors are equal.

2. (3,10) a BCD bias error and no SD code anywhere on the tape.

3. (5,8,11) no BCD code anywhere on the tape, a SD bias error.

4. (5,8,14) no BCD code anywhere on the tape, a SD bias error, and the linearizing frequency missing for very short periods of time.

The seriousness of these limitations, of course, depends upon the nature of the input signal, the frequency of occurrence of the unmanageable input signal combinations, and the consequences of allowing uncorrected errors. After a careful thought, it was presumed too expensive to design features into the system to compensate for these.

There are 3 inputs to the system; 1, the BCD time code, 2. The Serial Decimal (S.D.) time code, and 3. a linearizing frequency.

The following is a brief description of the proposed system (See Fig. 3).

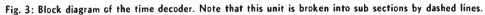
A. Band Pass Filters: These filters were designed to extract the BCD time code from the incoming signal, which can also contain an 18.24  $\kappa$ c carrier with 60 cycles AM for tape speed control. The filters attenuate both the carrier and the servo signal at time compressions of 1, 2, 4, 8, and 16, (i.e., tape speed-ups). The band width of the 1 KC filter is 800 cycles. These filters are conventional T-type capacitor and inductor low pass-high pass filters.

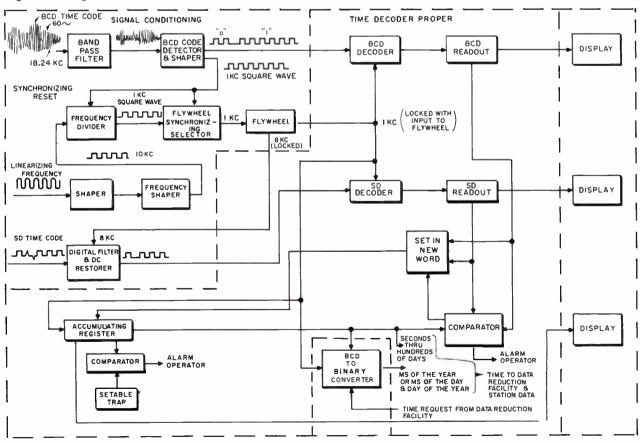
**B.** BCD Code Detector: This code detector accepts and adequately deals with amplitude variations of the input signal. It will handle variations of from 2.0 to 13.0 v pk-pk. It also demodulates the time code from the carrier.

**C. BCD Decoder:** This unit discriminates between the Ones and Zeros of the BCD time code and presents this decoded time to the read-out circuitry. The BCD decoder contains a One detector circuit, sync shift pulse generator, sync pattern recognizer, sync shift register, logic counter, binary input error detection logic, binary shift register, and a binary word generator.

**D. BCD Readout:** This unit receives the decoded BCD time word in parallel form from the shift register in the BCD decoder unit and holds each decoded word for display and for making comparisons. **E. Display Units:** Each decoded word is displayed to facilitate operation and maintenance. Each display unit contains Nixie<sup>TM</sup> drivers, binary-to-decimal converter units, and miniature Nixie tubes for display.

F. Shaper, Frequency Selector, Frequency Divider, and Flywheel Synchronizing Selector:





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Two different "real time" linearizing frequency signals, 100 KC or 10 KC may be available to the time decoder. They are shaped with a Schmitt Trigger circuit. If the input is the 100 KC signal, it is divided down to 10 KC in the frequency selector. If the input is the 10 kc signal, it is passed straight through this selector. The 10 KC out of the frequency selector is again divided by 10 in the frequency divider to produce 1  $\kappa c$ . The frequency divider is reset by the 1  $\kappa c$ carrier from the BCD code detector to assure that synchronization exists between both 1 kc signals entering the flywheel synchronizing selector. This selector supplies 1 kc to the flywheel from the linearizing frequency if that signal is present. If, however, the linearizing frequency fades out, the 1 KC from the BCD detector will automatically be used to drive the flywheel.

**G. Flywheel:** The purpose of the flywheel is to produce a nominal 1 KC signal which is phase-locked to its input, if there is an input, and to maintain an output at the frequency of the last input if the input disappears. The flywheel has a selectable bandwidth of  $\pm 5\%$  or  $\pm 10\%$ . This means that the standard frequency at the input can vary as much as the selected bandwidth and yet the output of the flywheel will continue to maintain phase-and-frequency-lock with its input. This compensates for input tape stretch, or input tape recorder speed variation, etc. The flywheel also supplies the 8 KC signal to the SD decoder front-end circuitry.

H. Digital Filter and DC Restorer Units: The SD code signal consists of pulses which are 40 to 45 msec wide and occur at a rate of 10 pulses/sec. Such a wide-band signal is susceptible to degradation by impulsive and white noise which makes the reading of this code susceptible to error. Digital techniques are used to extract this signal from the noise. The dc voltage of the base line of these input pulses varies between +0.5v. and -0.5v. A dc restoring circuit is used to assure a constant bias level to the input of the decoder.

**I. Serial Decimal Decoder:** The decoder is used to find synchronism in the SD time code and present the decoder time to the readout register. It also checks the SD system by way of a word generator.

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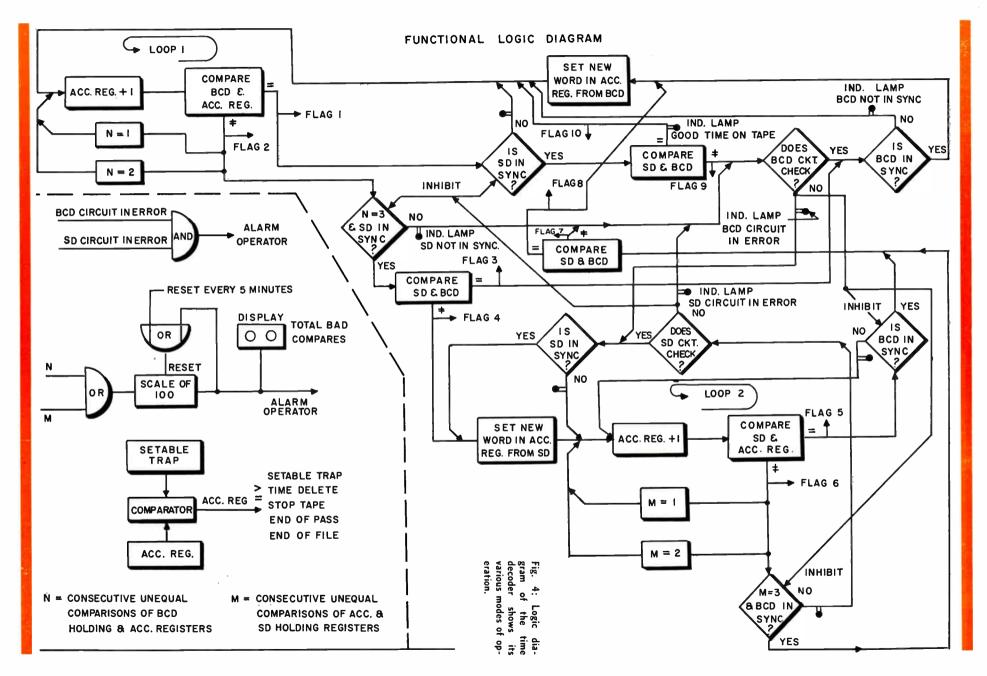
J. Serial Decimal Readout: This unit receives the SD decoded time word in parallel from the Serial Decimal Decoder and holds this information for ten seconds for display and for making comparisons with the decoded BCD word or the accumulating register. K. Accumulating Register: The use of an accumulating register prevents possible sporadic errors in either of the decoded time words from being passed to the rest of the data reduction facility. The time, as decoded in either the SD or BCD decoders, is automatically set into the accumulating register at the beginning of each data reduction run and/or when the mode of operation switches between loops 1 and 2. The register is then updated by the 1 kc output of the flywheel. This accumulated time is available as an output and is also sent to the BCD-tobinary converter which presents time (msec of the day and day of the year or msec of the year) to the data reduction facility. The BCD output of the accumulating register is programmable.

L. Comparator and "Set in New Word": The Comparator compares the decoded time with the accumulated time in the accumulating register. It also serves to make comparisons between the serial decimal and BCD decoded time words. The "set in new word" unit operates with the comparator to set a new word in accumulating register when the accumulating register is deemed incorrect. The comparator detects errors in the input signal and errors in the equipment itself, and is, therefore, one of the most basic elements of the system.

**M. BCD-to-Binary Converter:** This unit converts the time word in the accumulating register (sees. through hundreds of days) to a binary number representing either msecs. of the year or msecs, of the day and day of the year. This converted time word is presented to the data reduction facility upon electronic request. The format of this output is programmable.

The converter is designed to make an automatic internal test for component malfunction prior to every conversion. If the automatic test procedure indicates a component malfunction, an error light will warn the operator and the output will be flagged. The light will remain lit until the malfunction is repaired and then it will go out automatically.

**N. "Settable Trap":** This trap aids the operator in locating a specific time among the ensemble of incoming time words. It consists of a Digiswitch and a comparator. A number is set on the Digiswitch and a comparison is made between this number and the word in the accumulating register. When the number in the accumulating register is equal to or greater than the number on the Digiswitch the operator is alerted. (*Continued on page 188*)



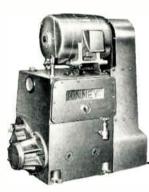
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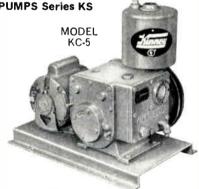
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The logic diagram, Fig. 4, of the time decoder shows its various modes of operation. If the system has been reset, either by the system normalizer when

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the power is first turned on, or by pushing the master reset button, operation will begin in loop 1. In this loop, the decoded BCD time word will be compared with the accumulating register. If they compare, flag 1 will be presented to the buffer together with the time word. If they do not compare, flag 2 will be presented to the buffer accompanied by the time word.

In this loop the decoder will also determine if the serial decimal circuit is in synchronism with the incoming serial decimal code. If the serial decimal circuit is in synchronism with the incoming signal, the appropriate part of the incoming BCD time word is compared with the serial decimal time word. If they do not compare favorably (flag 9), the BCD circuit is automatically checked for circuit malfunction.

If the circuit is okay, a check is made as to whether or not the BCD circuit is in synchronism with the incoming BCD time code. If it is in synchronism, a new BCD time word is set in the accumulating register and updated. If there is a BCD circuit malfunction, the BCD circuit operation is inhibited and the decoding function is shifted to loop 2. Another way to shift the decoding function to loop 2 is to have the BCD time word and the accumulating register not agree for a number of consecutive times, where the number is selective. Initially the number has been set for 3 times.

Operation of the decoding function in loop 2 is similar to that in loop 1, except that the SD code is used in place of the BCD code. However, since the BCD loop is the more desirable loop, the decoder will continually determine if operation in loop 1 is possible; and if so, it will shift the decoding function back to that loop.

#### Conclusions

An error detection and correcting time decoder has been designed for use with satellite data reduction facilities to cope with the large number of erroneous time readings. This decoder is an improvement over the straightforward instance-by-instance time decoding (called multiple read-in) because short-term perturbations in the time code will not produce an incorrect output from the decoder. This decoder is an improvement over a single read-in method of data-time decoding updated by a standard frequency because it continually correlates the time words with the data.

The decoder further decodes both a SD time code and a BCD time code, compares them with each other and with the accumulating register, and "flags" each time reading to show the amount of confidence the experimenter can place in its accuracy. It also has self-checking circuits to reduce the probability that a malfunctioning decoder component will provide an incorrect time reading.

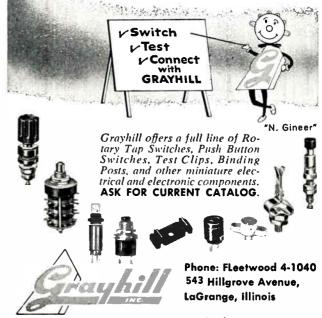


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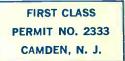
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#### EJC REPORTS ON ENGINEER PLACEMENT, ENROLLMENT AND GUIDANCE METHODS

The Engineering Manpower Commission of the Engineering Joint Council is taking issue with the U.S. Employment Service's efforts to increase its professional placement services. Their position is that a "third party" between employer and job seeker on a professional level is neither desirable nor necessary.

The EMC resolution states that graduating engineers should negotiate directly with employers, within the college placement framework.

If the USES expands to the point of displacing normal college placement functions for engineering graduates, the best interest of the students, employers, and professional societies will not be served, says the Commission.

A similar resolution was passed recently by the Scientific Manpower Commission.

In other activity, an EMC subcommittee surveyed various guidance publications and practices.

In addition to upgrading the public image of engineering, the subcommittee recommends joint effort by professional and technical societies to produce one and only one guide booklet, supplemented by an official list of additional materials published by private sources, colleges and industries.

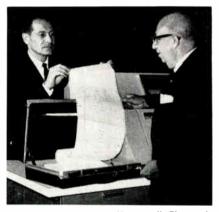
The committee believes that the sheer weight and diversity of material now placed in the hands of high school students tend to defeat its own ends.

In another report, recently completed, the EMC points out that large numbers of well-qualified students are dropped out of engineering schools. High attrition rates cause disillusionment, which reacts against engineering and is one of the principal causes of declining freshman enrollments.

Students, according to the report, ask themselves, "Why take engineering if the odds are stacked against you?"

Engineering deans were asked to comment on the problem by Dr. Arthur

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F. Bronwell, dean of engineering, University of Connecticut, and chairman of a Commission subcommittee. The report, based on the comments, concludes that there are effective ways of reducing student attrition if colleges face up to the problem. Suggested remedies are:

1. More effective pre-selection and guidance to trim number of weaker students.

2. Greater curricular flexibility for freshman to allow for variations in academic backgrounds — to help the faltering but conscientious student.

3. Positive program of tutorial help to lift the student over initial hurdles.

4. Experiments on more effective counseling methods. Most students now do not seek out counselers.

5. A more conscientious program for engineering freshmen and sophomores to develop a sense of identification with the profession and a feeling of engineer pride.

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#### TECHNICAL RECRUITING TAKES DOWNWARD SLOPE IN JULY

A sharp downtrend in demand for technical people was seen in July. The Engineer/Scientist Demand Index showed 84.9, down 13.5 from June. This is the lowest figure for July in the history of the index.

The drop is part of a steady decline that began in February, marked by a slight upturn from 94.8 in May to June's 98.4. The July figure is the lowest since December, 1960. It is more than 30 points below last year's level.

Causes for this steady downtrend and sharp drop during July are not clear. In part, the usual mid-summer break in demand for technical people is a factor, with the spotlight on field interview trips.

#### NSPE SECTION PUBLISHES PRIVATE PRACTICE INDEX

A compilation of material on consulting engineering called "Professional Index of Private Practice" has been published by the Professional Engineers in Private Practice, part of the National Society of Professional Engineers.

The Index is in eight sections including Ethics, Fees, Competitive Bidding, Contracts, NSPE Policies, Organization of the Functional Sections, Professional Liability Insurance, and Federal Laws Affecting the consulting engineer.

#### CHARITY OFFERS EDP CLASS TO HIGH SCHOOL QUITTERS

A program of on-the-job training in electronic data processing for high school dropouts was announced by Altro Workshops and the Association of Data Processing Services Organization (ADAPSO) in New York City. The program provides training in computer operation, key punching, and related EDP techniques. The program is being conducted by Altro, a nonprofit rehabilitation agency affiliated with the Greater New York Fund. There is considerable disagreement throughout the engineering community as to what constitutes a technical writer. While some personnel managers seek a pigeon-hole combination of graduate engineer and professional writer, another camp observes that the ideal man is simply a writer who understands the basic principles of science. Here are some comments on the matter.

# TECHNICAL WRITING: SUPERSTITION AND FACT

A CHARACTERISTIC OF OUR SOCIETY is its preoccupation with measurement and classification. Almost as soon as the need for a new breed of specialist is recognized, we begin searching for a conventional label to describe his job.

The rub is that many of these labels are misnomers. But, human nature being what it is, it is easier to eling to the misnomer than it is to rename the job.

The term "technical writer" is just such a misnomer. Subject matter may be technical, but the primary purpose is the same for all writers—to communicate ideas.

Most technical writers have sought professional acceptance by emphasizing the word "technical." Because the space age has so enhanced the prestige of science and engineering, the temptation to line up under the scientific-technical banner is almost irresistible.

There is nothing really wrong with this little fiction, except perhaps the consequences. Many personnel recruiters have accepted this technical writer as "just another kind of engineer." They have accepted it primarily because, like most of us, they don't really know what a technical writer is or does. And besides, it limits the search to ME or EE degree holders.

#### **Closed Profession Challenged**

Fortunately, this tendency toward a closed profession is being challenged. William Gilman in his book "The Language of Science" has this to say: "Whether the technical writer comes from the science or English corner of the campus matters less than his having a reasoning mind and ability to explain. Here, then, is a new specialty which is not so highly specialized after all. It isn't so much being 'strong in science and weak in English,' or vice versa, as having what a good writer and a good scientist share—awareness of the reader and willingness to work for clarity."

If Mr. Gilman's viewpoint is correct, then why

haven't more people accepted it? The opposing argument can be reduced to the following statement: any writer not professionally trained in the field in which he is writing cannot do a thorough and accurate job of presenting information because he must depend on others to check the technical accuracy of his writing.

#### Mistaken Idea of Tech Writer

This assertion is based on an erroneous conception of technical writing. Usually the people who offer this argument see the technical writer as one who refines a batch of raw engineering data sheets into polished technical documents. This individual usually writes instruction books and proposals exclusively. Most want-ads specify this kind of person. The trouble is that instruction books and proposals are only two of the many facets of technical writing. Ignored are such chores as editing symposium presentations, converting research findings into reports and signed articles, editing technical house organs, and preparing press releases and speeches.

A good share of industry's technical writing is not original work by the writer. It is instead a professional give-and-take relationship between a technical writer and an engineer with the writer assisting the engineer in documenting his ideas and the engineer checking the work for technical accuracy. Under these circumstances the technical writer is 90% reporter and 10% author.

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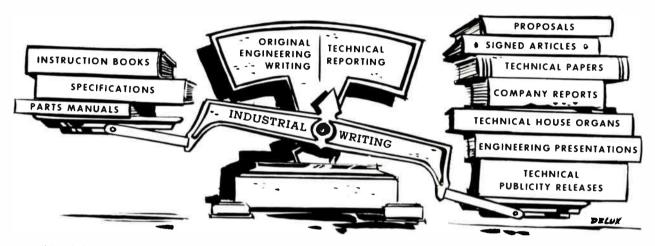
#### Must Recognize Reporter Role

The technical writer must be aware of his role as a reporter. Today, more than ever before, the technologist, because of the demands and complexity of his work, finds it difficult to communicate with the layman, or even with fellow engineers in different specialities. As a result, he finds himself living and working only with those "who speak the same language." Here is one important area where the technical writer contributes to the information exchange.

In this relationship the writer's own technical background is important only so far as it permits him to understand the engineer's intent. Indeed, in some inneers who write well enough to do it for a living, and of the few who are good enough, writing generally plays second fiddle.

Another reason is that experience shows these twin qualifications do not necessarily guarantee good technical writers. This is more a question of the broadness of the writer's responsibilities than it is of the writing inadequacies of transplanted engineers.

Most technical writers today are jacks-of-all-thewriting trade. Besides the familiar instruction books and proposals, they are frequently asked to edit technical reports, symposium papers, signed articles, engineering presentations, and other writings.



Most industry technical writing today is technical reporting (right scale) rather than original engineering writing (left).

stances this background can even be a liability, as in the case when the writer chooses to question the engineer's work, until empathy gives way to open hostility.

Although want ads for technical writers lead one to believe that industry is hiring only experienced engineers with a flair for writing, this is not really the case.

In one survey of technical writers reported at last year's Professional Group on Engineering, Writing and Speech symposium, 31 of some 82 respondents did not have a college degree. Of the 51 with degrees, 18 were EE's and 7 had assorted "hard science" degrees for a total of 25 technical backgrounds. The remaining 26 respondents had degrees in the humanities.

#### **Engineer-Writer Hard to Find**

A good reason for the discrepancy between the want-ad stereotypes and the actual hires is that the stereotypes are hard to come by. Engineering and writing are opposite interests. There are few engiSuch responsibilities imply a broad, flexible person whose chief talent is conveying ideas clearly. Fortunately, or unfortunately, there is no *one* background —or degree—that will produce such a person. We should not perpetuate the myth that there is.

In practice, the writer's broad responsibilities result in some interesting problems. Consider the engineer-writer relationship. At best, this is an area fraught with potential misunderstandings and resentment. At worst, it is open conflict.

#### Bears Considerable Responsibility

A technical writer bears considerable responsibility for the content and style of handbooks and proposals. In this rather formal relationship, however, in which the engineer supplies raw technical material and the writer translates it into printed pages, both parties are able to preserve a degree of anonymity even within the organization.

But an engineering presentation, or a signed article, is another matter. The engineer, besides giving (*Continued on page* 197)

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#### **TECHNICAL WRITING (Concluded)**

birth to his raw material in long, painful labor, will forever be *personally* identified with both content and style.

Under these circumstances, he is generally more resistant to the technical writer's changes. Besides his skill as a technician, the technical writer must now become a specialist in human relations.

Another problem for the technical writer is orienting his own style to the varied kinds of material he is called on to write. There is a vast difference in acceptable style and tone for the Journal of the Acoustical Society and for a management presentation to a group of visiting school teachers. Yet the writer may very well work on both kinds of material in the same day, with a section of a proposal thrown in.



Want-ad stereotype of a technical writer suggests a combination of Ernest Hemingway, Werner Von Braun, Norman Rockwell.

#### Writer Must Analyze, Observe, Perceive

What is needed is a man acquainted with the broad principles of science, one who can analyze, observe, and perceive scientific relationships. A thorough knowledge of the theory and application of communication principles is also essential; these are the writer's tools. Beyond this there should be no neat pigeon-hole for his job description.

The only real measure of a tech writer's success is his ability to communicate technical ideas to his audience. If he cannot-regardless of his background, regardless of his degree-he is not a technical writer.

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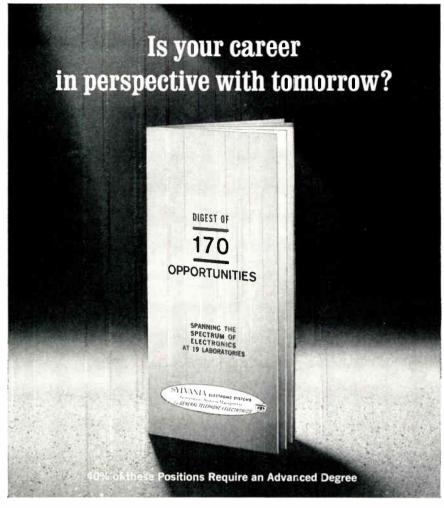
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## EDITOR'S MAIL BOX

'OUCH' TOLERANCE and personality are now under scrutiny by Republic Aviation psychologists. If you don't like dentist's chairs, chances are you won't like a ride to the moon either, Republic's Dr. Julius Peters reports a relationship between ability to endure pain and the limited use of the senses. Dr. Peters said findings tend to refute the theory that the man most sensitive to pain could best cope with reduced sensory environment in a space capsule. He concludes that some persons have highly developed endurance to pain or any other abnormal situation, and further study could provide valuable criteria for astronaut selection.

TWINKLE-LESS STARS ain't the job of engineers of Westinghouse Baltimore Defense Center at Lakehurst Naval Air Station, but they are working on a way to take "twinkle" out of Echo II when orbited by NASA later this year. This "twinkle" is caused by random reflections of radio and radar waves from Echo's skin. If the 135-foot diameter varies more than two inches, returning signals become distorted and unusable. If the signals are unclear, experiments using Echo II as a passive, reflecting satellite will be worthless.

YOU DID IT when you were a kid balance an upright broom on your hand. A machine called MADALINE can do it, too. So, there! A simple but brainlike system of Multiple ADAptive L1near NEurons, MADA-LINE does it by electronically observing how a human does it and then copying his actions. Only a year and a half old, MADALINE is the brainchild of Bernard Widrow and his research team at Stanford. MADA-LINE's raison d'être—to demonstrate that a teachable machine is possible.

**RADIO BIRD WATCHERS** of the Montana Fish and Game Department around Shonkin, Mont., can track their sharp-tailed grouse with mounted miniature transmitters. FCC has waived a couple of rule sections concerning call letters and physical control of transmitters. Only six of the tiny transistor units will be used at a time. Each will operate on a different frequency, one for each bird. With two or more receivers and triangulation methods, birds can be pin-pointed.

**RECORDED AMERICAN MUSIC** gives lowered morale a much needed needle to troops in the Vietnam jungle. A U. S. captain wrote to Vincent Barreca, Admiral Corp. head, asking for a new morale-building phono system. Barreca said "yes," but ran into a broken record finding a way to get the thing from Chicago to Quang Ngai, South Vietnam. After quite a turn-table of events, it was finally handdelivered by Admiral to Sixth Army HQ and then coptered in to the Vietnamese regiment, where the morale-builder was put to work building morale-building morale-building morale-building morale -building SQUAWK.

R&D ON REPAIRS YET! Westinghouse has a special lab to look in on problems of fixing heavy electrical equipment and apparatus-this does not include your toaster, either. Work done by the lab will extend the jobs of 40 around-the-nation repair plants and relieve production men of timeconsuming repair consultation. The lab's job is to examine industrial applications and operating conditions that impose unusual and severe stresses on electrical gear, and to make faster, more up-dating repairs. This includes study of new repair materials, methods, tools, facilities, tests and answers to specific customer problems.

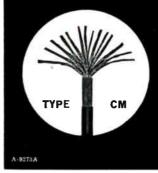
CONCEALED INTERCOMS in trash receptacles are stopping New Yorkers in their tracks-and helping to keep city streets free of litter. The specially wired trash receptacle, known as "Lively Louie" draws crowds by asking passers-by, friendly but firm, to place litter in trash baskets. Conversations can sometimes be wild as suprised pedestrians respond in varied ways. The system consists of a standard two-station set-up by Executive, Inc., with the master placed in a concealed office overlooking the street area and a slave (Louie) in the trash receptacle.

**AN ELECTRONIC SWITCH** now can tell people whether the sun was out during the day and for how long without looking out the window, or raising the shade. Developed by Carter Products, Inc. and Science Associates, both of Princeton, N. J., a unique, sensitive switch and recorder enables St. Petersburg, Florida, newspapers to inform readers the exact hours and minutes of daily sunshine. Because of the device, St. Petersburg is now ready to dispute, with statistical authority, any other city's claim to being sun capital of the U. S.



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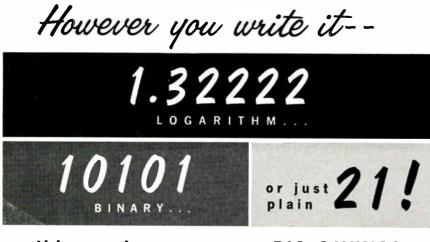
CONFLEX I recognizes 4800 different patterns, including pictorial displays, letters, numbers and geometric patterns. Test patterns to be learned are viewed with a 35nm slide projector or manually-fed negatives. The value assigned a test pattern is called stimuli.

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Once trained, the system will classify --with 99.6% accuracy--any stimulus it has seen before. Unit was built by Scope Inc., Falls Church, Va.

#### INDIANS OK NEW PLANT

A building-and-loan agreement for more than \$1 million, including a 40,-000 sq. ft. electronics plant at the Laguna Indian Reservation, Laguna, N. M., has been signed between Burnell & Co., Inc., Pelham, N. Y., and the Pueblos of Laguna.



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#### U.S. AEROSPACE R&D IS AID TO INDUSTRY, STUDY FINDS

Government - sponsored missile and space research has benefited the commercial side of industry and the benefits will increase according to a study by the University of Denver.

The study findings will help in accelerating transfers of technology from NASA research programs to the commercial sector of the national economy by identifying extent and ways in which past transfers have been made. The survey showed 127 actual transfers and 58 potential transfers.

Some facts revealed in the study are: transfers from government-sponsored R&D in terms of technology are the most important contribution, and spacerelated R&D stimulates basic and applied R&D of improved materials, processes and techniques, plus new test and laboratory equipment.

The study also showed that R&D output contributed to cost reduction in both commercial manufacturing and fabrication methods.

#### COMPACT TRANSPONDER GIVES RE-ENTRY COMMUNICATIONS

A compact transponder, called Azusa C-T, and made by General Dynamics/ Astronautics has succeeded in communicating through the ionization layer surrounding a space vehicle on re-entry.

The Azusa C-T, mounted in the missile, transmits at 5,000 MC. It is only  $9 \ge 9 \ge 4.7$  in., weighs but 21 lbs. It reportedly performed without failure on over a dozen recent missile tests from Cape Canaveral.

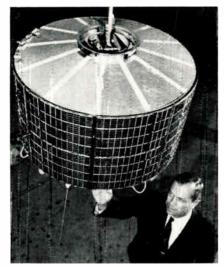
Signal exchange between transponder and Azusa ground station at the Cape provides data to predict vehicle re-entry and impact. Before this, position and velocity for range safety and orbit are determined.

### GERMAN TRANSMITTER WILL WORK WITH RELAY, TELSTAR

The German Government will buy a portable space communications station that can work with both Relay and Telstar. ITT Federal Laboratories, Nutley, N. J., will supply it for the German Post Office Dept.

The station is to have two transmitters, one for Relay and one for Telstar. It will be able to handle 12 two-way voice channels, facsimile, multi-channel, teleprinter and highspeed data transmission.

#### WORKHORSE SATELLITE



Syncom 2, first synchronous satellite now hovering 22,300 miles out in space, has logged more message time than all other satellites combined since it was orbited nearly three months ago. It has been receiving and transmitting an average of 15 hours a day. With Syncom above is Dr. Allen E. Puckett, Hughes Aircraft exec.

#### AF, SPERRY CONTRACT SEEKS VERSATILE RANGE CENTER

Range control equipment to permit simultaneous countdown for two missile launches and global range support of another orbital vehicle is now on the design board for the Air Force, according to a contract awarded to Sperry Piedmont Division of Sperry Rand Corp.

Plans call for about 64 men at 137 electronic consoles in a new Range Control Center at Cape Canaveral to be able to control simultaneously 800 range instrumentation status displays, four missile trajectory plots, three impact prediction plotters, three separate countdown and timing systems and a network of communications to direct the operations of ships, planes and range instrumentation stations along the 10,000-mile Atlantic Missile Range.

The Center will have command and control equipment needed for worldwide activities in support of missile, orbital and deep space launchings from Cape Canaveral.

Equipment will provide visual display of the state of all range instrumentation systems including radar, telemetry, optics, instrument ships, aircraft, and recovery forces along the entire Range.

Thirty-four TV monitors and a number of cameras will allow operators to monitor launch pad operations, meteorological display, in-flight missile performance, and other remote displays.

#### FAILURE STUDY INDICATES CONNECTORS MORE RELIABLE

A recent study shows that high-performance electrical connectors compare favorably with other electromechanical parts in failure rate.

The study, by a leading aircraft maker and offered by Amphenol-Borg Electronics Corp., evaluated field failures on commercial jet aircraft for 11 months. The study showed connectors meeting Mil Spec M1L-C-26500 failed at a rate of 0.048 failures per million hours.

The comparison was with compo-

nents such as diodes (0.564 failures per million hours), wire wound resistors (0.087 pmh), power relays (0.3 per million cycles), germanium power transistors (0.6 pmh), and ceramic capacitors (0.02 pmh).

Also covered in the study were connectors meeting MIL-C-5015 and MIL-C-26482 specs. Failure rate for MIL-C-5015 was about 10 times higher than that for MIL-C-26482 units.

MIL-C-26482 had failure three times higher than MIL-C-26500.

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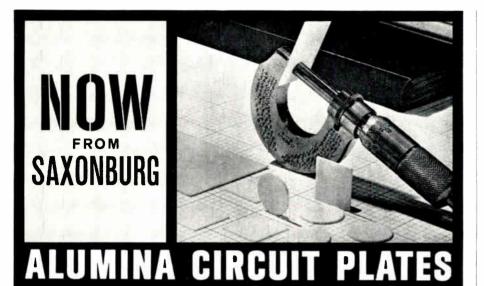
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#### TWO COMPANIES INK HYBRID COMPUTER PACT

Joint marketing and systems engineering in designing, making and installing large hybrid computing systems have been disclosed by Packard Bell Computer and Computer Products Inc.

Both firms point out that the growth of hybrid computing uses require a more intimate combination of the analog and digital elements of the computing system than has been available.

Equipment most likely for hybrid systems are Computer Products Mark III Analog Computer and Packard Bell's PB440 Digital Computer.

#### RCA DEVELOPS VIDEOSCAN OPTICAL CHARACTER READER

RCA has developed an optical character reader that combines the scanning ability of the TV vidicon tube with the data handling capacity of the RCA 301 computer.

Called Videoscan, it picks data off up to 90,000 printed documents an hour by multiple scanning of printed characters. The data is then put in computer code and fed to the computer.

The system processes accurately such documents as gas and telephone bills, insurance premiums, tax notices and magazine subscription blanks. Processed documents can be from 2.5 to 8.5 in. wide, 2.5 to 4 in. high, and from .003 to .01 in. thick. Documents 4 in. wide or less can be handled at 1,500/min.

#### X-RAY-SENSITIVE TV MAY AID INDUSTRIAL TESTERS

An X-ray-sensitive vidicon TV system developed by Picker X-ray Corp., Cleveland, Ohio, promises to aid industrial component testers.

The TV system has a scanning rate of 830 lines/frame, helped by a 20 mc/sec. bandpass. This compares with the 525-line scan rate and 4.4 mc freq. response for standard broadcast TV.

The unit has a fixed-potential beryllium window 250 kv. X-ray tube with 0.7mm. focal spot. Focal spots of 0.3mm. are available with berylliumwindow 150 kv. equipment.

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#### MOON PACKAGE



Westinghouse Defense Center designed this model of a lunar logistics system communication payload. The package is intended to make the arrival of Apollo astronauts safer and their work more useful. It may be on stand-by on the moon for a year; it would relay voice and television messages from lunar vehicles back to earth.

#### ASTRONAUT SPACE TRAINER

A dynamic trainer at the Manned Spacecraft Center, Houston, Tex., gives Gemini astronauts and Apollo candidates practice in docking and rendezvous-ing with another orbiting object. The trainer consists of two vehicles: the Gemini cockpit in which two astronauts can perform a rendezvous "mission" at the same time, and the Agena target vehicle.

The trainer has 6 degrees of freedom. The Agena "vehicle" has 100 ft. travel longitudinally, and  $\pm 16.5$  ft. vertically. The Gemini "spacecraft" has  $\pm 24$  ft. travel laterally, and pitch, roll and yaw capability to  $\pm 45^{\circ}$ .

Air bearings on the trainer give the two vehicles minimum friction and maximum smoothness during "response" to pilot control.

#### FLAME-RETARDANT LAMINATE

A copper-clad laminated plastic— Fireban 600—with built-in flame-retardant properties has helped RCA upgrade the quality of printed wiring boards and shave production costs.

Taylor Corp., Valley Forge, Pa., produces the glass-base epoxy-resin laminate—equivalent of NEMA Grade G-10—which has supplanted Grade G-11 primarily because of cold punching and machining operation advantages.

The less brittle quality of Fireban 600 is attributed by Taylor to the resin system it employs in the laminate's manufacture.

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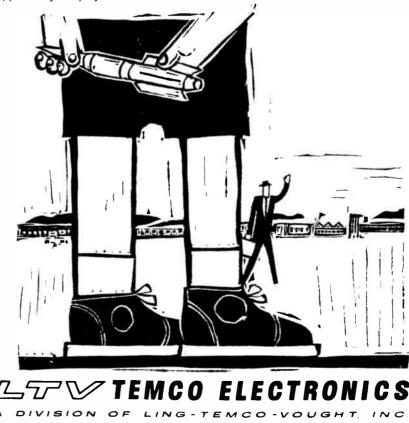
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A series of light, compact, low-cost, high-power laser units with separate power supplies are offered for purchase or lease by Boston's Maser Optics, which claims the broadest line of high and low power lasers on the current market.

High-power pulsed lasers from Maser Optics are rated from 20 to 300 joules output, and range in price from \$3500 to \$15,000. Compact laser heads are hand portable and are easily accessible for adjusting. The 300-joule units include light weight multicavity laser heads. Power supplies, 3 to 5 KV, are priced \$3500 to \$30,000.

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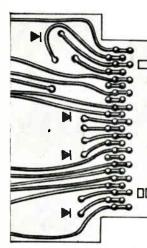
A revised Bibliography of Magnetic Recording, covering years 1954 to 1961 inclusive, has been published by Kinelogic Corp., Pasadena, Calif.

The 20-page bibliography list 762 papers and articles from more than 120 technical journals — foreign and domestic. Complete names and addresses of cited journals, and a separate cross-index of 626 authors are included.



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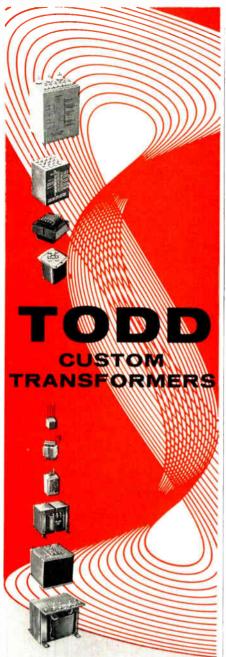
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SPACE STATION



Rene A. Berglund, Chief, Space Vehicle Design Branch, Space Technology Division. MSC, is shown with models of the award winning space station concept he designed. Berglund received a \$400 award from NASA Inventions and Contribution Board. The circular model represents modular space station concept erected in space. The other model denotes a space station ready for launching.

#### NEW VIDEO MONITORS OFFER **APARTMENT HOUSE SECURITY**

A multi-purpose video protection system called "Videosentri" with applications in scores of areas has been announced by Industrial TV Utilities, New York City,

The Videosentri features a hi-definition vidicon camera and a proprietary video distribution technique with hidefinition, low-cost, eight-inch monitors. Two series of video systems are available

One system, designed specifically for multiple dwellings, provides a hi-definition camera for mounting in lobby directory panels. When a visitor presses a call button he is unknowingly revealed instantly on the tenant's eightinch monitor.

The other system is for commercial houses, industrial plants, security zones, distribution points, shipping docks, warehouses, and other places where a number of guards are needed.

#### TV SERVICE EXPANDING

Color TV will result in the servicing industry assuming a larger role in the home entertainment industry in coming years, predicts R. W. Saxon, president of RCA Sales Corp.

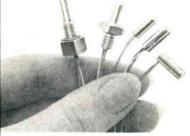
He stressed the need for a healthy and vigorous independent service industry to be ready for the expansion of color television and the "new products taking shape in laboratories."

He said that independent servicemen now account for more than 94% of the service business on RCA TV sets. The independent servicing industry handles 99% of the retail TV industry's servicing requirements, he added.

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- Routine core memory exercising, test, and device development.
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#### SPACECRAFT HANDLERS



Putting spacecraft in "space" is almost routine with these NASA Manned Space Ctr. engineers. Here they roll Mercury model into vacuum chamber at Houston facility, to test environmental control system. ECS is life - sustaining system within craft. It cannot produce weightlessness, but it can evacuate air pressure to space levels. Heat pads on craft simulate solar heating.

#### **TELSTAR RECOVERY BEARS OUT WESTINGHOUSE STUDY**

The recovery of Telstar confirms a recent study of the failure of electronic devices recently conducted by Westinghouse for the AF Rome Air Development Center.

The Westinghouse study, though unrelated to the Telstar project, explains transistor failure due to surface charge, and says the transistors recover when the charge leaks off or is removed.

Westinghouse scientists, beginning in July, 1961, found the temporary failure of a transistor due to a charge from ions on its surface has several causes: Transistor surface charge may result from space radiation effects, electrical discharge, static charging of a transmitter by a nylon-clad assembler, transmitter exposure to ultraviolet light, or even in some cases from transient pulses during operation.

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Pilot Radio Corp will produce color television receivers this fall in a new \$2,000,000 plant.

Color sets will be incorporated in Pilot's expanding line of stereo consoles.

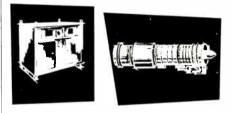
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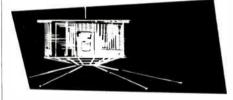
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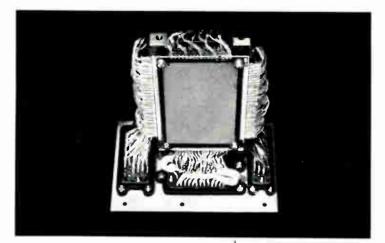
With the hp 214A: Positive or negative pulses to 100 v into 50 ohms (2 amps) at rep rates to 1 mc. Rise times 10 to 15 nsec. Pulse width continuously adjustable to 10 msec. Internal triggering, 10 cps to 1 mc continuously adjustable, external, dc to 1 mc, level and slope selectable. Gated feature for pulse bursts, double pulse, single pulse, square wave capabilities. Ideal for high current applications. Price, \$875.

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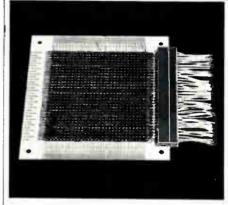
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