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Electronics Division Forms Sound Equipment Committee

The Electronics Division of the Radio-Electronics-Television Manufacturers Association of Canada recently formed a Sound Equipment Section Commmittee. The aims of this new committee are to broaden the scope of operation and to evaluate the economic problems of the sound equipment business in addition to the discussion of technical problems in audio engineering. The committee will consider sound equipment relating to industrial audio, public address systems, intercommunication and custom-built home music equipment.

The formal objectives of the Sound Equipment Committee are as follows:

To investigate the stimulation of sales of Canadian-made audio equipment in competition with imported equipment.

To investigate carefully the possible development of the United States market for Canadian-made sound equipment.

To investigate ways of assisting architects and consulting engineers in acoustical problems by the preparation of RETMA of Canada engineering specifications.

To work toward the ultimate goal of having sound equipment tendered to general contractors on a separate contract and not as part of the electrical contract as is now the commonly accepted practice. If this were done, RETMA would be able to issue standards for the sound equipment segment of the electronics industry similar in scope to the standards set by the building industry. Also, it would greatly simplify the problems met by the consulting engineer and by the architect in specifying equipment and its installation.

RETMA's Engineering Activity

Perhaps the range and scope of the engineering committees of RETMA are not fully realized, even by those in the electronics industry. The Components Division has an Engineering Committee having twenty-four engineering sub-committees each of which deals with a specific component or groups of components. For example, there is a sub-committee dealing with the engineering problems relating to variable air capacitors, another on fixed paper capacitors, a separate sub-committee on mica capacitors, while others deal separately with resistors, transformers, vacuum tubes, wire, vibrators, sockets and printed wiring plates, dry batteries, switches, printed circuit units, knobs and shafts, plastics, connectors, television tuners, acoustic devices, solderability of components, metallic rectifiers and antennas.

The chairman of each sub-committee is a member of the Components Engineering Committee, and makes his report of the activities of his particular sub-committee at meetings of the main committee.

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RETMA REPORT

The Receiver Engineering Committee of RETMA is also very active. It too has sub-committees, one dealing with spurious radiation from television receivers and another on service voltage standardization. Various liaison representatives attend meetings of the Receiver and Components Engineering Committees to ensure that each group is kept informed of the activities of the other.

The Electronics Division is composed mainly of engineering groups. These are divided into sections which are sub-divided into committees. The main sections consist of the General Communications Section, having a Mobile Equipment Engineering Committee and a Microwave, Radio Relay, and Multiplexing Engineering Committee, a Broadcast Equipment Section, having a Radio and a Television Broadcast Committee, the Sound Equipment Section, possessing a Sound Equipment Committee, a Government Relations Section and the recently formed Instrumentation and Data Handling Section.

Annual RETMA-IRE Golf Tournament

The annual RETMA-IRE Golf Tournament is scheduled to take place on Tuesday, September 18, at the Cutten Fields Golf Club, Guelph, Ontario. This is a departure from the traditionallyscheduled Friday for this very popular event.

Transformer Engineering Sub-Committee

At a recent meeting of the Transformer Engineering Sub-Committee the subject of standardization of lamination test methods was discussed. Generally, members were in favor of the establishment of a test method, but while such a method might be acceptable to Canadian lamination suppliers, it might not be acceptable by United States lamination suppliers.

It was thought that a grade designation for laminations on a permeability basis was necessary in the industry, and it was acknowledged that the variation of characteristics of steel between different mills presented a problem to transformer designers and engineers.

It was arranged that members of the committee would make independent coded tests on the suitability of various specified gages of laminations for production purposes.

High Fidelity Sales Increase

More and more Canadians are becoming interested in high fidelity sound reproducing equipment for home use. Sales of this equipment have been steadily increasing over the past year with a consequent increase in the sales of recordings. A great variety of types of units is available, from small self-contained chambers, reproducers to installations with separate speaker chambers, amplifying and turntable units.

UHF Television

Television receivers with separate tuners and tuning controls for reception of UHF channels are now being supplied in Canada in readiness for the Buffalo, N.Y., transmission of UHF programs in the autumn. Such transmissions will be seen in the Southern Ontario regions of the Buffalo station.

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In view of the ever present danger of flying accidents and the possibility of an aircraft becoming lost, it is a little surprising that it has taken science so long to devise a means whereby the position of a crashed aircraft is automatically indicated by means of radio apparatus. Now, however, it is reported that such an apparatus has been designed and produced for this specific purpose and reports indicate that the Royal Canadian Air Force have adopted it for use in service aircraft.

The device, known by the name SARAH which stands for Search And Rescue And Homing, is a subminiaturized instrument that weighs three and one-half pounds and can be carried in a pilot's jacket pocket or attached to the flotation gear of an aircraft. According to descriptions of the equipment, it is designed to survive when everything else is lost and actual search operations with the equipment in Great Britain have proved its efficiency.

With the new instrument it is claimed that one aircraft can cover an area of thirty thousand square miles in four hours with the assurance of pinpointing the location of a crashed plane if it is within the area.

Here then is a device which promises to reduce the tremendous cost of carrying out search and rescue operations — search and rescue operations which, despite their cost and the efficiency of the organizations charged with this duty, have too often in past years failed to locate plane or survivors.

The instrument is claimed capable of working equally well during the darkness of the night, through smoke, snow, fog or haze. Insofar as survivors are concerned then, the development of such an instrument may be lauded as being equal in importance to the development of the sextant, because it is of little comfort for the survivors of a crashed plane or a disabled surface craft to be able to reckon their own position in the grim knowledge that searchers are totally ignorant of their whereabouts. This, especially so in the vast wilderness of Canada's northland into which aircraft are venturing farther and more frequently every year in the performance of air freight-lift operations and the need for transporting personnel into locations inaccessible by any other means than aircraft.

This new instrument then is an instrument through the use of which hundreds of thousands of taxpayers' dollars may be saved in reducing the cost of search and rescue operations. For this reason it is considered that federal authorities in the Department of Transport, under which civilian' flying regulations in Canada are administered, may well consider the value of legislation requiring all aircraft to be fitted with this instrument.

Though no figures on the cost of the apparatus are available, it is reasonable to assume that it would not be beyond the ability of commercial aircraft operators to afford. Insofar as private flying is concerned it is considered that flying clubs could easily afford the cost of one or two of the instruments which could be issued to flyers planning cross-country flights taking them over uninhabited, wooded or mountainous sections of the country in which they may be forced down to become as completely lost and as difficult to find as those unfortunate enough to be forced down in the vastness of Canada's northland.

The compulsory use of an instrument such as SARAH, through the required legislation, would surely not impose a financial hardship on anyone and may quite conceivably save hundreds of thousands of dollars of government funds in the years ahead and, what is more important, the lives of many who travel by air.

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 \star The Trans-Canada Telephone System have estimated that over \$3 billion dollars will be spent on expansion in the next 25 years by Canadian telephone systems. Citing the telephone industry as one of the best barometers of development, Thomas W. Eadie, chairman of the Trans-Canada Telephone System, recently commented that the national total of telephones and the daily average of calls have all more than doubled in the last 10 years.

 \star A technical school in Quebec City has become one of the first educational institutions in Canada to uso closed circuit television. Ecole Technique de Quebec has installed a system which consists of a camera and monitor tied to several TV sets in the various laboratories.

★ According to RETMA, there were 1,920,683 radios and 2,059,129 TV sets shipped to dealers during the first four months of 1956, compared with 1,577,483 radios and 2,329,449 TV sets in 1955.

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 \bigstar One of the largest electronic computers to be installed in Canada to date is that now in use in the engineering department of the Canadian Westinghouse Company in Hamilton. The computer is valued in the neighborhood of one hundred thousand dollars. A further computer is now on order for the University of Alberta's electrical engineering department, delivery of which is expected early in 1957.

★ Sales of radio sets dropped off in the period from 1952 to 1954, as the result of television's growing influence, but in 1955 radio staged a comeback. This is borne out by the fact that radio set sales increased in 1955 by 8.5 per cent and are reported up again this year. Furthermore two new broadcasting stations have recently been launched in Western Ontario. Manufacturers have devised new ways and places for using sets and the public has demonstrated that it still likes to listen to radio. One radio company official expresses it this way: radio "has shaken off the effects of a deep sleep".

 \star P. J. Casella, vice-president, consumer products, R.C.A. Victor, says that after a four year reign, TV has been nudged aside as the most wanted piece of home entertainment equipment. TV, Mr. Casella said, has been the undisputed number one choice until quite recently and is still a strong second but latest surveys in Canada show that more Canadians now have their sights trained on a newcomer: the high-fidelity record player. Despite this trend, however, Mr. Casella predicts that Canadians will probably buy three million TV sets during the next five years.

 \star A company chief engineer, addressing a management club conference recently, said that the "Electronic Age" has uncovered the need for a new type of salesman, a man who knows both engineering and salesmanship and can put the two together. "In the past," he said, "engineers have not been required to be vocal persons. They did the research and the development. Now there are wonderful job opportunities for those who possess the two qualifications knowledge of engineering and the professional know-how of salesmanship."

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 \star Beginning in September, an experiment will be tried out in Maryland whereby 6,000 pupils in two high schools and six elementary schools will get a large part of their daily lessons by closed-circuit TV. The project has been worked out between local school authorities, representations of RETMA, and other educational groups. The idea originated with the TV manufacturers, who hope to develop more flexible, easy-to-operate TV equipment for school use and overcome the increasing dearth of teachers.

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★ Reports emanate from Washington that the DEW-line radar chain across the Canadian Arctic is ineffective as at present planned. Efforts to improve the system will sky-rocket costs when SAGE is worked into it. SAGE (semi-automatic ground environment) is an electronic computer deluxe which assembles radar data, works out course and speed of attackers and directs defending planes or missiles towards them. Consideration is being given to a second DEW-line along the southern border of the United States.

 \star It has been suggested that the creative brains of electronic inventors might well work towards providing additional anti-accident devices in an effort to reduce the tragic toll of human life taken annually and hourly by automobile accidents. Electronic industries have produced many attachments and devices which have greatly assisted in the maintenance of road safety, but the ever-increasing amount of traffic on the highways calls for a continuous and vigorous campaign to devise ways and means of keeping casualties to a minimum.

★ Indicative of the growing importance of the Canadian electronics industry in foreign markets is the report from Canadian Aviation Electronics of Montreal to the effect that negotiations are now being conducted with firms in Switzerland, Sweden, the United States and the United Kingdom for the use of patents developed by Canadian Aviation Electronics.

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★ The forecast of Dr. B. G. Ballard, director of radio and electrical engineering at the National Research Council, is that professional musicians will be wiped out by electronic imitators. "It is possible," he said, "that the composer of the future will write his symphonies by punching holes in a tape." Electronics would imitate every instrument, and the orchestra would be conducted by an engineer pressing selector buttons.

★ Automation has made its debut in the accounting department of the Canadian National Railway with the installation of electronic equipment in the revenue accounting and expense accounting departments of the company's Atlantic region. In Moncton the automatic equipment is processing the 30,000 pay cheques of the company's employees in this region.

 \star In order to meet the ever growing demand for aluminum in the electrical field, Aluminum Company of Canada Limited have announced they will install equipment for producing insulated aluminum wires in their cable mill at Shawinigan Falls.

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With the passing of our President, each of us at Age Publications has lost a personal friend. For "King" was that kind of man. His very presence created an atmosphere of friendliness and goodwill. It was impossible to be in his company without being continuously aware of the deep sense of humanity which lay behind every word he spoke, every idea he expounded and every plan he proposed.

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A good piece of materials engineering may often help to bring a major development project into a practical reality and a good example of this is provided by the creation of a graphiteimpregnated laminated plastic material by the Synthane Corporation of Oaks, Pa. This piece of materials engineering helped to turn Research-Cottrell, Inc.'s development of improved electrostatic precipitation rapping equipment into a practical reality by the design and production of an

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resulted in a "puff" of fine dust going out of the power plant stacks, which was highly objectionable to the power plant's neighbors. So Research-Cottrell developed a new electronically controlled rapper system (Fig. 2) which provides small, frequent electromagnetically-applied rapping impulses. These impulses continuously remove the collected dust from the collecting plates into a hopper and thus prevent the formation of a thick. collected-dust layer on the plates, which stirs up dust clouds when broken off. The new system thus completely eliminates puffs of dust from the stack.

A considerable problem in the development of the new rapping equipment was the need of producing a hermetically sealed electromagnetic hammer (Fig. 3) that would apply rapping pulses at controlled intervals to the collecting plates and thus produce continuous removal of the accumulated dust from them.

The frequent blows of this sealedin hammer required that it be lubricated permanently at the time it was built. Also, the housing had to remain air tight despite the frequent, powerful blows of the hammer, to avoid failure of the hammer from accumulations of the everpresent dust, or from corrosion produced by the corrosive flue gases.

Research-Cottrell engineers referred the problem to Synthane Corp.,

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• Left: Fig. 1. Electrostatic precipitator system for dust removal. Dust-laden flue gas flows into electrostatic precipitator where electrical forces attract dust particles to vertical charged metal plates, leaving dust-free gas flow out through stack. Right: Fig. 2. Research-Cottrell's newly developed system for



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removing dust accumulation from electrostatic dust collector plates into a hopper without stirring up a local dust cloud that goes out through the smoke stack. Secret of the new system is applying small, high frequency "rapping" pulses to shake collected dust from plates before it forms a thick layer.



• (Top) Fig. 3. Sealed rapper unit. Exploded view of rapper shows its functional parts. Left to right: 1) the outside housing, (2) the coil form and coil winding, (3) the plunger, (4) plunger return spring, and (5) end cap. (Center) Fig. 4. Cutaway view of coil form in Research-Cottrell's sealed rapper unit for new electronic rapping system for electrostatic precipitators. (Bottom) Fig. 5. Secret of lifetime lubrication service provided by Synthane Corporation's special process graphite-impregnated plastic laminate. Conventional graphite-impregnated laminate (A), has graphite flakes only near fabric filler, provides spotty location of graphite layer with wear.

of Oaks, Pa., a leading producer and fabricator of laminated plastic materials for industry. Synthane devised the following solution. The sealed

hammer housing (Fig. 3) encloses a tubular structure of Synthane, a laminated phenolic thermosetting plastic. This laminated tubing provides the strength to resist the powerful, repeated impacts of a magnetic core (steel plunger) which is pulled powerfully forward every time a current impulse flows in a magnetic coil wound on the outside of the tube. The sudden movement of the steel plunger delivers a hammer blow to the housing's end piece and this blow is transmitted by a connecting rod to the collecting plates, knocking the collected dust from the plates into the hopper below.

To permit the plunger inside the housing to move without friction, engineers lined the tube with a layer of laminated plastic (Fig. 4) which is impregnated with graphite. The lubricating effect of the graphite permits the hammer plunger to slide back and forth with very little friction, thus provides built-in lubrication from the beginning to the end of the life of the sealed hammer or "rapper" unit.

Plastic Production

Ordinarily laminated phenolic plastics are produced by a standard process which consists of dissolving the plastic resin in a solvent, then impregnating a cloth with the dissolved resin. The solvent is then driven off by heating, leaving a cloth impregnated with resin. Sheets of this impregnated cloth are then put together in a stack or book which is cured under heat and pressure. In this process the resin polymerizes, producing a solid, hard sheet of plastic laminate with a cloth core to give it tensile and impact strength.

Producing a plastic laminate impregnated with graphite to reduce friction can be done by coating the resin-impregnated cloth with graphite flakes, then laying these flake-covered sheets together and subjecting them to heat and pressure to cure the resin. However, this results in a plastic laminate in which the graphite particles are concentrated in a thin coating on each side of the cloth (A, Fig. 5), thus providing a "spotty" lubrication effect. Furthermore, the graphite particles readily flake off so that their lubricating effect is quickly from the laminated plastic lost material. However, by a special process, researchers achieved a laminated plastic (B, Fig. 5) in which the graphite flakes are dispersed homogeneously through the entire thickness of the laminated plastic sheet. Moreover, the graphite flakes are securely bonded into the plastic material, and so do not flake off after a little wear. Instead, the graphite particles remain built into the laminate, and so provide continuing lubrication even as the laminate wears down. Therefore the lining of graphite-impregnated laminated plastic provides dependable lubrication for the life of the

rapper, and the rapper can be built as a sealed unit.

Engineers have found that the sealed rapper units using the graphiteimpregnated plastic have given such troublefree service that none of the units produced has ever had to be unsealed, despite the fact that in each one the magnetic core "hammer" may move back and forth as often as 1 to 6 times a minute, or 1440 to 8640 times a day for years at a time. And these units have given the same trouble-free service not only in power plants, but also in gypsum, iron cupola, open hearth iron ore sintering. and many other applications.

In fact, so successful have these sealed units been that engineers believe graphite-impregnated plastic material may be the key to many similar problems where an electromechanical actuating mechanism must be provided with built-in lifetime lubrication so that it can have long operating life in dust laden atmospheres. To put it in their own words, Since the rapper units may operate in dirty, corrosive, or moist atmospheres and must perform with an absolute minimum of maintenance, it was necessary to provide hermetic sealing with a permanent, dry-type lubrication. An eminently satisfactory solution to the lubrication problem was obtained with a bonded coil-form inner liner of graphite-impregnated phenolic material. This method has advantages of simplified assembly, few rejections, and low unit cost. combined with excellent performance.'

• Fig. 6. Cutaway view showing arrangement of dust collecting plates in Research-Cottrell's electrostatic precipitators, and magnetic impulse rappers (circles) which provide small, frequent pulses that produce continuous removal of dust from plates into hoppers. Improved system eliminates dust clouds formed by earlier systems.





• A coil winding machine taking wire out of steel pails is shown here in operation. Each pail replaces approximately 10 small spools, resulting in a great reduction in down-time due to changing spools. rethreading the machines and joining the wire.

A CCORDING to C. K. Hubbard, general manager of Jones & Laughlin Steel Corporation's Container Division, the use of the steel pail as a wire container results in manufacturing economies, simplifies material handling, eliminates a complete bookkeeping phase, and makes a package that provides superior protection against transit and storage damage for the wire itself.

The steel pail is being used with outstanding success by Rea in its packaging of magnet wire.

Magnet wire is the fine-drawn, filminsulated copper wire used in devices such as transformers, motors, generators. solenoids and coils which use an induced magnetic field.

Past practice has been to put the finished wire on spools of various sizes. These spools were shipped to the customer in cases. However, this has many shortcomings.

The size and capacity of the spools are limited by the tensile strength of the wire itself, since the wire is used to rotate the spool when it is taken off the spool in the castomer's operation.

The small capacity of the spools means that the winding machines at the wire-user's plant are shut down trequently in order to load them with full spools of wire.

The wire pail reduces machine down-time tremendously. A six-inch

• The capacity of a steel pail is evident in this photograph. The steel pail on the left holds 100 pounds of magnet wire, as much as is held by 10 of the six-inch spools on the right; one and a quarter as much as the 12-inch spool holds, and 20 times as much as the $4^{1/2}$ -inch spool.



A steel pail has solved three of the most troublesome problems in the magnet wire industry — packaging — shipping and de-reeling. The enthusiastic reception of this new wire container by manufacturers is an indication of its further application as a package for wires of all types.

Magnet Wire Industry Problems Solved By Use Of Steel Pails

spool holds 9 to 10 pounds of magnet wire. The steel pail holds 90 to 100 pounds. The use of the wire pail results in a 90 per cent reduction in down-time for each 100 pounds of wire used. Since many winding machines use several hundred pounds of wire in an eight-hour shift, the time-saving and economy are considerable.

The wire pail also eliminates the need for expensive, highly-polished cast spools and some complicated bookkeeping associated with the handling of these spools. These spools require a deposit by the customer which is refunded when they are returned. After being returned they must be inspected and reworked if damaged.

In contrast, the new steel pail, manufactured of 26 gage steel, is in itself an extremely rugged shipping container while its cost is such that it may be used as a no deposit, nonreturnable item. The manufacturer has perfected a way to make the welded seams of the pail perfectly smooth, providing an inner surface which cannot injure the delicate insulation.

In addition to eliminating the bookkeeping expense, the steel pail also releases capital previously tied up in spool deposits by the customer for more productive uses, and the wire manufacturer eliminates the cost of spool investment, inspection, and maintenance.

Since the wire pail uses an entirely different principle than the conventional spool, wire can be de-reeled from — that is, taken out of — the pails at amazing speeds.

The heavier sizes of magnet wire have been de-reeled from the pails at speeds up to 5,000 feet a minute. To facilitate de-reeling at speeds in excess of 2,000 feet a minute, Rea has developed a device which they make available to their customers at cost. It consists of a metal or plastic cone with a nylon guide. This can be attached easily to a pail, making it readily usable with any type of winding machine with little or no modification.

The new steel pail, which bears the trade name of JAL-PAK, has a deep-drawn bottom which accommodates a fiber core around which the wire is coiled. It is offered currently in sizes of from 2½ through 7 gallon capacity.

The pails are equipped with metal bails and wooden grips to facilitate handling. The design also permits safe stacking which is an advantage wherever storage space is limited. This feature, for example, makes it possible for the Rea Magnet Wire Company to palletize its shipments. Pallets of 18 pails, totalling 1800 pounds, are strapped together and efficiently loaded by fork truck into trailers. The pallets are unloaded in the same manner at the customers' plants.

• This is the steel container, which has met with such wide approval among the company's customers. The top and bottom of the pail have a deep draw which accommodates a seven-inch-diameter fiber core. The wire can be dereeled from the containers at tremendous speeds, as high as 5,000 feet per minute.





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A low cost (\$70,000) low power (150 watts) completely remote controlled television station which is operated with a staff of only one technician per shift may hold the answer to the economic problem of

Small Town TV

THE first "one technician per shift TV" installation in the nation has been in operation at KSHO-TV for the past ten weeks on a 24-hour per day schedule. First in the nation to operate on an around-the-clock schedule seven days a week, KSHO-TV is transmitting both live shows and film programs to residents of Las Vegas and Henderson, Nevada. The station has a crew of only four technicians — one for each shift plus a chief engineer.

All equipment, including cameras, are remote-controlled from a small master console. The operator can change focus and lenses on the cameras, start and stop the film chain, adjust the lights, monitor and switch audio circuits, adjust picture quality and perform the other technical work that, in high power stations, requires crews of a dozen or more men.

KSHO-TV is equipped with three Kay Lab model 1985 B camera chains: one live studio chain, one remotecontrolled live chain, and one film chain. A master console containing all of the remote controls is the heart of the operation.

Operating with 150 watts power, the station has an effective radiated power of 436 watts, transmitted through a 4-gain antenna 240 feet above ground, from atop the new 15-storey Hotel Fremont in Las Vegas. The signal is fed into the antenna system through a 400-foot line.

Primary coverage area is a radius of 15 miles. Programming is both live and film, with emphasis on the latter in six-hour blocks.

KSHO-TV has solved the problem of maintenance by installing two transmitter units, which are used alternately. In practice, the shift technician's time is taken up in large part with threading film projectors, and loading slide projectors.

The transmitter is said to be the answer to those who have wondered how small towns can have their own live television transmitters.

The investment required for such a station is estimated at only a fraction of the amount required to construct and place a high-power station on the air. This lower initial cost, plus the reduced costs for manpower, can be reflected in rates well within the economic means of businessmen and merchants in the smaller communities.

KSHO-TV's rate card goes as low as \$6 per spot, as against the \$50 or more for the higher-power stations and public reception has been good. As the only station operating around the clock in a city that has a large number of night workers, the audience — even in the wee, small hours — is big enough to pay-off economically.

According to the manufacturer this low-cost, low-power package also holds exciting possibilities for educational television. Cost of installation and operation is claimed to be well within the realm of possibility for many city school systems that have been frustrated by the high cost of installing high-power stations.

"The complete remote-controlled studio and transmitter of KSHO-TV is a logical development from the earlier pioneering work of the manufacturers in commercial and industrial TV, and one which they believe holds the exciting possibility of bringing live television to areas of the nation which, heretofore, have been by-passed or neglected because of the cost.

• (Top) About twenty-two of the 24 hours of KSHO-TV's daily programming are turned over to films, projected through film chains.

• (Second from top) This television camera in studios of KSHO-TV, Las Vegas, is completely remote operated by a technician in the master control room who can change lenses, focus and angle by turning a dial.

• (Third from top) KSHO-TV's operations manager studies the station's picture quality on a video line monitor in the master control room of the Las Vegas station.

• (Bottom) Operations manager of KSHO-TV, Las Vegas the nation's first completely remote controlled commercial television station, at the remote audio-video controls.



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A New Method For Obtaining Critical Flatness And Parallelism For Production Lapping Of Thin Crystalline Semi-Conductor And Piezo Electric Materials

C ONSTANT demand for new electronic devices to cope with a broadening horizon of applications continues to push present manufacturing techniques to the limit. This has led to the grinding, lapping and polishing of Germanium, Silicon, Quartz, Barium Titanate and Lead Zirconate to wafer thickness of only a few thousandths of an inch.

By FORREST E. LAYTON Crane Packing Company is fed by hand and drains through holes in the upper lap plate. Periodic transposing of the crystals in the carriers becomes necessary to achieve parallelism. Planetary lapping machines will hold from 3 to 80 blanks, depending upon their size. Periodic replacement of carriers, adjustment of the lap plate carrier support rings and reconditioning of lap plates by



• Fig. 1. Preliminary setting of diamond points on triangular shaped fixture used to produce thickness control to microinch accuracy when necessary.



• Fig. 2. Final setting of diamond point to microinch accuracy.



• Fig. 3. Typical germanium lapping fixture being set to an accuracy of .0001".

As thickness approaches .005 to .002 of an inch, flatness, parallelism and surface finish become correspondingly critical in their operational effects on the finished product. On some crystals such as Quartz, microinch control of thickness is necessary. Crystals of the more brittle type such as those of Germanium and Silicon must also be flat, parallel and have scratch free surfaces. With respect to this, wafer thin crystals of the before-mentioned materials can now be lapped to both flatness and parallelism of 10 to 20 microinches, and a new and valuable technique is now available to industry.

As far as is known several types of lapping processes are now being used in the crystal industry. Typical examples are the planetary lap, optical lap, drill press and the stretched carrier type drill press lap.

In the planetary lap, work is arranged in carriers so as to ride over the edge of the lapping surface of both inner and outer diameters. Crystal blanks can be lapped to the thickness of the carrier, usually about .015" and in some instances less. Crystals or wafers of different styles are accommodated by carriers of equivalent style. Abrasive and compound external means is necessary to keep the machines at peak efficiency.

The optical type lap employs a single lap plate. It is used, for a large part, in experimental lapping, with a trained technician attending the flat and parallel lap work, as well as keeping the lap itself in condition. Optical type laps will accommodate from 6 to 185 blanks per plate.

With the stretched carrier type lap, work is arranged in a carrier which has been stretched over a stretch ring. It has been used for lapping extremely thin crystals of one half inch or less in diameter. This machine usually handles from 8 to 20 blanks simultaneously. Even though this machine is simple in construction an operator must contend with a fair percentage of broken crystal blanks, as the process is not foolproof. If one or more crystals break in a carrier nest, scratching on adjacent crystals in the machine will usually be encountered. Periodic reconditioning of the lap plates by external means is needed to keep the lap plates flat.

The new method of obtaining critical flatness and parallelism involves the "John Crane" Lapmaster and a double lapping technique. With the use of the Lapmaster and its patented conditioning ring feature, flatness of the lap plate is assured at all times, since other conditioning methods such as truing plates and diamond dressing tool are completely eliminated.

The first side lapping operation is done with a standard pressure plate flattened to approximately 2 light thickness. For microinch setting accuracy, a Swedish Mikrokator comparator gage is used (see Figure 2). For a tenth of thousandth setting accuracy, a dial indicator type setting fixture is used (see Figure 3). The diamond points, being extremely resistive to aluminum oxide abrasive, act as positive stops — thus predetermining the lapping operation to the limit set, whether or not the machine is turned off.

Work under the new method is being done on both the 12" and 24" model Lapmasters. The only deviation from standard is the use of an unserrated lap plate to prevent snagging of the diamond points.

In the "first side" operation, crystals or wafers are waxed or lacquered to a pressure plate. A 24" Lapmaster pressure plate will accommodate about 300 one-half inch diameter blanks. Using one machine with three plates, up to 900 blanks can be lapped simultaneously. Lapping can be quired, this can readily be achieved by means of a special polishing operation on a polishing Lapmaster.

After completing the "first side" lapping operation, the pressure plate and waxed on crystals can be cleaned in an ultrasonic cleaner which will remove all grains of abrasive. The pressure plate with crystals still attached can then be placed in the polishing Lapmaster for the required 10 to 15 minutes to produce a finish in the range of .1 to .5 microinch.

To polish the "second side" of the crystals, the diamond stop points are retracted and cleaning is repeated as was done on the first side operation. The polishing step can then be repeated as was also done for the first side operation.

Crystals of Germanium, Silicon and Quartz have been lapped and optically polished to a thickness as low as .001" and parallel within .0001". Thickness tolerance can be controlled to .0001" on these very thin crystals.



• Fig. 4. Diamond fixture with germanium wafers attached being placed on Model 12 Lapmaster for final side lapping operation to a thickness of .003" \pm .00005".



• Fig. 5. Component parts of Diamond Lapping Fixture,



 Fig. 6. Average size and shape of typical germanium wafers.

bands (24 millionths of an inch). The second or final side lapping operation introduces a development known as a "diamond fixture" a patent of the Crane Packing Company (see Figure 1). This is a steel plate usually triangular in shape, the mounting surface of which is lapped to a flatness of 2 light bands or better. Preset diamond stop points at each corner limit the travel of the fixture during the lapping cycle. By means of a special adjustment working in conjunction with a suitable setting fixture, the diamond stops can be set to the desired crystal blank finish

carried down until sufficient material has been removed from the first side of all blanks.

In the "second side" or finish operation, the blanks are removed from the pressure plate and transferred to the diamond fixture for finish lapping. The actual process for final lapping is to clean the blanks after removal from the pressure plates and then wax down the first finished side of the blanks to the preset diamond fixture (see Figure 4). Special waxing and cooling techniques assure proper wax thickness control.

If polishing of the blanks is re-

After years of study by the laboratory staff of Crane Packing Company, it is the opinion that a waxing or lacquering down technique is the most foolproof and economical process to use for the production lapping of materials such as Germanium, Silicon, Quartz, Barium Titanate and Lead Zirconate. The capillary action of fluid wax during the hot stage of waxing permits complete encirclement of each wafer and blank and eliminates the possibility of small chips breaking off of a wafer or blank and causing scratching during the lapping cycle. An actuating mechanism capable of advancing as little as .000,001 inch at a time promises to revolutionize a large part of the metal working industry where precise fit requirements have, for years, demanded selective mating of components to compensate for machine inaccuracies.

Electronic Control To Millionths Of An Inch

A LINEAR actuator has been developed to fulfill the needs of industry for a powerful feed mechanism that is accurately controllable in the range of microinches. It is a logical successor to the lead screw in all mechanisms requiring microinch (.000,005" to .0001") dimensional control and has found its first large-scale application in the machine tool field, replacing the lead screws in centerless grinders producing precisely finished hydraulic components.

The name Inchworm has been applied to this revolutionary actuator, not just as an unusual title, but rather as a description of operation the Inchworm literally steps along (in microinch steps), expanding and contracting like its familiar green namesake. Employing a physical phenomenon called the magnetostrictive effect, the armature of the motor shrinks under the influence of an electromagnetic field, snapping back to original size when the magnetic field is de-energized. A pair of clamps co-operating with the armature convert the expansion and contraction undulations into forward or backward motion, reversing on demand without backlash.

Present day work tolerances require machine tools with cutting surfaces that can be positioned accurately with respect to the work hold-



• Front view of the control panel in the Piston Grinding operation.



• Grinding piston pins for Ford at the pilot run plant of Airborne Instruments Laboratories Inc., Mineola, L.I.

ing system. To avoid vibration problems and make a very rigid system, the machine tool generally becomes very massive. The cutting tools are generally mounted on a heavy member which slides on accurate ways which are formed as part of the machine bed. These ways or slides possess a phenomenon known as stick-slip. Stick-slip is the characteristic of a larger force being required to start two members sliding with respect to each other than the force required to maintain a slow. steady state velocity between the members. This phenomenon must be overcome or reduced to controllable timits before positioning in the millionths-of-an-inch region can be accomplished.

The Inchworm actuator has brought the stick-slip problem under control to the extent that the minimum increment of slide motion in typical installations has been reduced by a factor of 15 through Inchworm replacement of conventional feed mechanisms. These installations have consistently repeated to an accuracy ± 5 millionths of an inch under machine load conditions requiring a breakloose force of 300 pounds and a sliding force of about 220 pounds (Cincinnati Milling Machine Co. flat bed No. 2).

The Inchworm Motor is a linear actuator which produces a controlled increment of relative motion between its two moving parts. To provide relative motion between two bodies, (Continued on page 38)

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Increases in air traffic and the expected introduction of turbo-jet operations in the next few years have emphasized the need for improving aeronautical communications both between aircraft and ground stations and between one ground station and another. The need for such improvement has become particularly noticeable in the North Atlantic and has led to a

Need For Better Telecommunications

D URING the year, trials have been in progress in the North Atlantic areas using two new methods of securing better communications between aircraft and ground stations. One of these methods is to site ground stations very close to the seacoast and to use the highly efficient transmission of radio waves over sea water to obtain reliable signals on board the aircraft up to distances of 500 to 600 miles. The second method is to use very high radio frequencies and, by siting the ground stations at suitable locations and beaming the transmissions, it is possible to obtain reliable ranges of from 200 to 250 miles at normal flying heights. By means of a combination of these two methods, it should be possible in future to provide for reliable communications at all times between aircraft and ground stations in most parts of the Atlantic area.

Both methods normally require the ground stations to be located at some distance from the main communication centers, so that landlines or pointto-point radio links between the stations and the centers are necessary. It is, however, possible to operate the stations by remote control from the main centers with only occasional attendance of maintenance staff at the stations themselves.

In addition to the need for better airground communications, experience during the last year has emphasized the need for better and more rapid communications among air traffic controllers. Unless such means of communication are available, unduly large separations between aircraft must be maintained, with the consequence that flights must often be delayed to provide such separations. The basic need is for

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direct and immediate telephone communication between controllers in adjacent areas.

Provision of the needed communi-• cations presents a real problem, both from a technical and economic aspect. when the areas to be linked are widely separated. However, recent developments in new methods of using radio transmissions of very high frequencies may offer a solution of this problem on a reasonable basis and, in addition, provide more efficiently for other operational services. It seems likely that this new method of providing for radiotelephone communications between controllers and others will appear in future regional plans where the density of air traffic has given rise to acute air traffic and operational control difficulties.

Experience during the year has also emphasized the need for improved provision for the transmission of meteorological information, both between ground stations and between ground stations and aircraft. Much of the information required by aircraft is supplied on request from pilots or on the initiative of ground personnel, using the normal airground communication channels; some is provided by meteorological broadcasts. The volume of communication is large, and in some instances the capacity of the communication facilities available is severely taxed.

During the year, steps were taken to seek an alleviation of the problem in the North Atlantic by initiation of a project to provide radio teletypewriter broadcasting stations, one station at Halifax (Canada) and the other in the United Kingdom. These stations should be capable of providing reliable signals at all points on the

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principal North Atlantic routes, and aircraft with teletypewriter receiving equipment should be able to receive automatically in printed form all transmissions made. This method of handling meteorological and other information not requiring response from an aircraft may prove to be of major importance in alleviating the airground communication problems in other areas where the problems are rapidly becoming acute, and some degree of standardization by ICAO may become necessary in future in order to ensure that airborne teletypewriter equipment will be able to receive such signals from any station transmitting these broadcasts.

In the field of radio navigation aids, developments during the year have been mainly with respect to longrange facilities. Development of the systems which the Council had already noted as offering promise has continued, and full operational evaluations may be expected in the course of the next year. One of the new systems (Dectra) is likely to be installed by the United Kingdom on a trial basis for operational evaluation on North Atlantic routes between Newfoundland and Northern Europe.

A notable development in navigational science was the encouraging results that have been obtained with equipment for inertial navigation a system which does not depend on any communication with the ground, or require any observation of external bodies such as the sun or stars, but is entirely contained within the aircraft and determines the aircraft's position by analyzing its accelerations. The date when inertial navigation might be ready for use in civil aviation, however, can hardly be forescen as yet.

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For completely up-to-the-minute news coverage operating personnel of radio station CKRC, Winnipeg have taken to the road in a mobile take-apart radio station.

Tea-Wagon Transmitter

A 50-watt FM transmitter mounted on a "tea-wagon", along with "walkie-talkies" and a tape recorder assembly in a roomy Volkswagen van help keep CKRC (Winnipeg) literally on top of the news.

The fully-equipped mobile news unit permits direct broadcasting or on-the-spot recording of latest news events.

Main feature of the mobile studio is the "tea-wagon" transmitter which can be rolled on ball-bearing wheels to points where vehicles cannot go.

Operated from a six-volt storage battery, the 38.4 MC frequency transmitter was previously firmly mounted in a vehicle for use on outside broadcasts. It was found this limited its usefulness as many big news events happened where vehicles could not approach close enough for effective news coverage.

Not satisfied with this arrangement, CKRC chief engineer A. H. Hooper built the present "tea-wagon" assembly. The FM transmitter is now completely enclosed in a metal framework on wheels making it entirely independent and extremely mobile. A rugged metal whip antenna completes the unit.

The "tea-wagon" assembly fits snugly into a corner of the Volkswagen van chosen to accommodate the array of equipment. Easily removed bolts hold it firm when the unit is on the move. Actuality broadcasts can be made from the transmitter while the vehicle is parked or cruising about.

The news unit frequently picks up a call from the base control room with instructions to proceed to the scene of a fire or accident. If roads in the area are blocked to vehicles, engineers can quickly unbolt the "teawagon" transmitter and wheel it from the low bed of the VW van to a suitable vantage point. The unit is ready



• Approaching the scene of a major accident, Roy Maguire, of CKRC (Winnipeg) mobile news unit, is ready to leave the vehicle the moment traffic stops their van-studio.



• Comfortably seated inside the mobile studio, CKRC (Winnipeg) engineer Roy Maguire listens to a roving commentator using another "walkie-talkie". Behind him in a corner of the VW van is the completely mobile FM "tea-wagon" transmitter.

for broadcast at the flick of a switch, enabling interviewers to get immediate on-the-spot comment.

Back in the station studio, a receiver picks up the mobile unit which can be switched onto the regular station program for "late flash" news.

An AC tape recorder installed in the mobile studio is useful for gathering material for sports round-ups and similar programs. The AC power for the tape recorder comes from a convertor energized by a twelve-volt supply from heavy duty storage batteries in the VW van.

Half-watt walkie-talkies are used by roving commentators and in situations where broadcasts from two or more vantage points are desired. New highpowered walkie-talkies being brought into service will soon greatly extend the range of transmission.

Although extremely compact, most industrial and taxi-cab two-way units are equipped with carbon microphones with limited frequency range which are seldom up to broadcast standard. CKRC engineers have considerably improved voice quality by building a two-stage amplifier to accommodate the standard broadcast microphone.

A new microphone with a transistorized "pre-amplifier" built into the shell, now coming onto the market, is expected to still further improve transmission standards from portable units.

Contact with the mobile studio is maintained through a station transmitter operated from the main control room. The 60-watt transmitter, working on 38.4 MC, enables the station program director to re-locate the mobile unit and permits the control room to cue the unit for direct broadcast.

LINCOLN LABORATORY

50kw UHF SCATTER

INSTALLATION USES

EIMAC KLYSTRONS

Lincoln Laboratory uses Eimac klystrons again in its 50kw experimental tropospheric scatter installation at Round Hill. As a pioneer in this revolutionary new communication concept, Lincoln Laboratory, of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, has been instrumental in developments leading to reliable military and commercial scatter networks.

Engineers responsible for advancing the art of tropospheric scatter set forth exacting requirements. Eimac klystrons have met these requirements through each stage of the evolution of high power.

> Fourth in a series on the extensive scatter application of Eimac Hystrons.





EITEL-MCCULLOUGH, INC. SAN BRUNO CALIFORNIA The World's Largest Manufacturer of Transmitting Tubes Represented in Canada by THE AHEARN AND SOPER

COMPANY LIMITED P.O. Box 715, Ottawa, Ontario



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Labor Costs Cut 99% In Fruit Packing

A n electronic counting device, the first of its kind, has been developed exclusively for the fruit and nut handling industries. Initial reports indicate a phenomenal 99 per cent saving in labor costs, it is reported.

Two of these systems now at work, known as the Walkirt Pre-Set Fruit Counter process, totally automate production at two major citrus packing plants. One operation, using a seven-unit counter system, is located in Orange Cove, near Visalia, California. The other, an 8-unit system, has been installed for a plant of the Arlington Citrus Growers Association, near San Bernardino.

According to James B. Curtis of Fruit Equipment Service, Redlands, whose firm instigated the development and handling installation of the new pre-set counting systems, a remarkable two-way savings is reported by users in the one month they have been operating. At one plant it is reported that a single operator now does the work of 38, at the electronically controlled packing bins. A second savings, the loss of great amounts of fruit due to the necessity to overpack has also been corrected. The evolution of fruit handling has been and still is a costly process for management. The business was started by the hand-packing method wherein an operator picked and wrapped by hand, then boxed by hand at each station. The method of volume filling — a physical shakedown of fruit in the box — has proved unreliable. A further method, weight filling, was also employed by the industry. Its theory was that a given amount of fruit up to a certain weight (Continued on opposite page)



Electronic counters in operation at a California fruit packing plant.



Factory and Head Office: 213-219 Sterling Road, Toronto 3, Ont., Regional Offices: Montreal, Calgary

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should weigh so much per box. That method was frowned upon by the Food and Drug Commission, who required that each carton be specified with exact total count of fruit. Because of a \$10,000 fine liability for underpacking, fruit handlers were forced to overpack each carton, to play safe. This process, still employed by much of the industry, is proving an exceptionally costly one.

Faced with these problems fruit packers sought a logical answer in electronics. The outgrowth is the Walkirt Pre-Set Fruit Counter devices. These units, positioned at counter height in the center of each bin, automatically start movement of fruit into box. Dials can be pre-set to any three digit number. When exact total is reached, the counter automatically stops fruit loading equipment, then starts conveyor belt which moves out the filled box. The electronic unit then automatically sets new box into position for filling to prescribed number of fruit as determined by the pre-set dial. These standardized Pre-Set Fruit Counters, are housed in attractive blue wrinkle-finish cabinets. Overall dimension is 17" x 11" x 10". All principal circuitry of the electronic unit is of a plug-in type, recognized for serviceability and ease of maintenance. Units are embedded in tough epoxy resin. Compactness is stressed - total power supply is composed of only ten tubes, including circuitry. The three digit controls on face of unit use glow tube counters and all external control functions plug into the rear of unit which weighs approximately 25 pounds.

According to the manufacturers the units will soon be installed for the handling of shell nuts, particularly walnuts and claims of the manufacturers indicate that the equipment is adaptable to handling any type of non-citrus fruit.

Philco Exhibit For IRE Convention

The Philco Electronic Training Materials which have been used very successfully by the Armed Forces and Industry in the training of electronic personnel will be displayed in conjunction with an industrial television system. The industrial television system will be used to obtain a picture of the people at the exhibit. This picture will then be transmitted through a microwave relay link constructed of Philco Electronic Training Materials. By inserting his hand in the microwave beam, a viewer will be able to remove his picture from the final display monitor.

The transistor display will feature surface barrier transistors having excellent uniformity of characteristics and capable operation at high frequencies (40-60 mc's), as well as the various audio frequency transistors manufactured by Philco. New Honeywell <u>High Gain</u> Weld-Seal **TRANSISTORS**



TYPES H5, H6, H7, AVAILABLE NOW!

They're welded—so you can build new ruggedness and durability into your equipment! And the new line of Honeywell transistors gives you superior electrical performance and high, uniform power gain over a wide range of collector current values. You get long life, outstanding stability and performance. Take advantage of these new and improved transistors *now*. Mail coupon for full information today!

A COMPLETE LINE OF POWER TRANSISTORS TO MEET YOUR SPECIFIC NEEDS.

Input Resistance Power Conductance Current Gain, Median	H5 24-48 ohms 17.5-35 mhos 30	H6 27-54 ohms 35-71 mhos 40	H7 30-60 ohms 71-141 mhos 60
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(for collector current of 2 amps.)



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business briefs & trends -

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★ Senator Warren G. Magnuson, of Washington, chairman of the Senate Commerce Committee states that the committee will recommend the removal of the federal excise tax on color television sets in the United States.

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* Closed-circuit TV is being found to have infinite applications. A department store recently installed such a system as a silent witness of shoplifting, and it worked, too. In its first hour of operation a theft in the men's furnishings department was averted.

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★ Expectations are that, before 1956 has run its course, almost 10 billions of dollars will have been expended by corporate treasuries in the United States for industrial research. Much of this will have been spent within the respective companies' own laboratories, but each year a larger proportionate share goes to the independent research laboratories whose work supplements that being done by individual companies. -:-

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* At the International Labor Congress held at Geneva in June it was unanimously resolved that study should be given to the "profound impact" that technological changes are having on the world today. Automation was declared to be "an effective means of providing expanding national economies, rising employment, and higher standards of living for the peoples of the world."

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★ In the eight years ending December, 1956, persons engaged in the rapidly expanding electronics industry will have increased approximately 1,100 times. It is the considered opinion of Eric L. Palin, head of the electronics department of the Ryerson Institute of Technology, that Canada's population is not growing fast enough to support the continued growth of the electronics industry.

* Those in a position to know report that there is an acute shortage of electronics personnel in the R.C.A.F. Staff officers, in addition to understanding flying itself, must be equipped nowadays with a sound knowledge of telecommunications, which includes radio, radar, electronic computers and weapons systems.

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★ More than 7,300,000 overseas telegrams, totalling 188 million words, were carried by the radiotelegraph circuits of RCA Communications, Inc. in 1955. A record number of 104,000 international Teleprinter Exchange Service (TEX) calls were also handled.

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* An aerial tramway is being built this year on Dog Mountain, near Hope, B.C., to provide access to the summit for radiotelephone engineers and construction crews, faced with the task of building and maintaining a relay station for part of the B.C. portion of a trans-Canada microwave system. Of the 13 sites in B.C. ten are located on mountain-tops. \$ 0

CASCADE RESEARCH CORPORATION	FERRITE COMPONENTS TEST EQUIPMENT VACUUM TUBES						
Wave Oscillator	Corporation introduces a new, more rugged and efficient microwave oscillator.						
SPECIFICATIONS:Frequency8 - 13 kmcPower Output1 Watt minimumFirst Anode Voltage (to cathode)1500 voltsSecond Anode Voltage (to cathode)500-1500 voltsBeam Current30 milliamperesFocusing Field1100 GaussHeater Voltage (including magnet)0.6 amperes	 FEATURES: 1. The frequency of oscillation is variable over the entire X-band by the adjustment of the second anode voltage. No mechanical tuning is necessary. 2. The power output of 1 watt makes it ideally suited for microwave measurements, for test purposes and for microwave relay applications. 3. Frequency of oscillation is relatively unaffected by the load. 4. It operates at a nominal 6% efficiency which is better power utilization than can be obtained with most low power oscillators. 5. The tube is of extremely rugged mechanical construction. It is made entirely of ceramic and metal parts. It has no fragile glass parts or precision wound helicies. 						
For Further Information Write To	MICRO TOWER LIMITED						

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Are old-fashioned inside wiring methods wasting your time, money and energy?

Arrow gun tackers cut costs up to 70%

The Arrow Gun Tacker shoots staples at least 10 times faster than the old hammer method. This means you can cut up to 70% of your tacking costs. And the cost of Arrow staples is *cheaper* than hammer staples!

Easy, one-handed operation leaves the operator's other hand free to steady the *object* being tacked . . . instead of the tack. Also, the principal of "double-leverage" insures maximum driving power with a minimum of hand pressure. Maximum handle movement is only 1 inch.

Much safer too. There's no danger of damaging wires or causing short circuits. Built-in groove at the base of the tacker is especially designed to envelope the wire and insure accurate penetration of the staple. And there are no possibilities of accidents with loose staples.



The Arrow T-25 Gun Tacker is equipped with high-power compression springs for easy action and tremendous driving force. It also has a patented non-clogging mechanism, and can be re-loaded in a few seconds. Yet it costs far less than any comparable gun tacker!

Call your nearest Automatic Electric office for complete details, Save time and money with the Arrow T-25 Gun Tacker. (Incidentally, Automatic Electric also supply station wire, hooks, brackets. ... in fact everything for inside wiring !) Head Office: 185 Bartley Drive, Foronto 16, Ontario. Branches in: Montreal, Ottawa, Brockville, Hamilton, Winnipeg, Regina, Edmonton and Vancouver.



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SALES (CANADA) LIMITED

Origin, Observation and Present-Day Control of "Boinng!"*

This phenomenon probably began long before recorded time and, at present, gives every indication that it is here to stay. First recognition is almost universally credited to the Cro-Magnon man who attempted to describe the combined sound

and tingling sensation in his palms after he had laid asunder an enemy skull with his club. His chiseled inscription, handed down to us through the ages and still used today, tells us with eloquent simplicity what he heard and felt — "Boinng!"



Scholarly minds since then, at odd intervals, have added to the body of scientific knowledge concerning "Boinng!". A Mr. Newton, in fact, added a rather loud, squashy one just prior to the evolving of The

L. of G. (An identical, and somewhat more familiar observation, was made by

the operatic team of W. Tell & Son.) It is interesting to note that "Boinng!" has been nearly all things to all men; sometimes with overtones





And so, like the axe-wielder, like Sir Isaac, and like the fiend in olive drab, Sigma offers a small – but not unworthy – contribution to the cause of "Boinng!" vs. Relay Efficiency. We have watched it become a national worry, and have heard the voices crying out.

Since our policy obviously could not be avoidal, we chose to make

it sinusoidal, with 10 g's to 2,000 cycles our initial goal. The achievement is formally known as the Sigma Series 22 Relay, and basically offers the following: --

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5g to 2,000 cps		10g to 2,000 cps
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* Technical paper by Herr Doktor Ing. Helmut N. Greindloutten presented at the 1956 World Conference on the Forces of Ricoverbrigational Pingschafft in Hamburg.

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69 Pearl Street, So. Braintree, Boston 85, Massachusetts Canadian Representatives: Samuel C. Hooker (Can) Ltd., Montreal and Toronto. Ron Merritt, Vancouver, B.C.

ELECTRONIC CONTROL

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each body is connected to one of the Inchworm parts; either part can be stationary depending upon the particular application. A very rigid con-nection between the members is accomplished because no lead screws, split nuts, or bearings are in the path of force transmission. In addition, since no lead screw is employed, there is a positive improvement in the system spring constant due to elimination of the torsional strain factor customarily introduced by the lead screw member. The resultant system is extremely rigid, yet reversible and free of backlash. It enjoys the benefits of anti-friction design and freedom from the wear inducing lost motions encountered in oscillatory or vibrating systems.

The Inchworm lends itself well to the automation trend in the machine tool field in that it will, through a simple converter, respond directly to gage signals. In this manner, machines may be made continuously responsive to tool variations as well as material hardness variations and the many other variables that enter into precise machine finishing.

The Inchworm Motor promises to revolutionize a large portion of the metals working industry where precise fit requirements have, for many years, demanded selective mating of components to compensate for machining inaccuracies. The components can now be manufactured to the precise dimensions required. Elimination of the selective fit requirement opens the door to automatic assembly and the many economic advantages known therein to lie.

Canadian Admiral Enters Industrial Field With New Electronics Division

Stuart D. Brownlee, executive vicepresident of Canadian Admiral Corporation Ltd., recently announced the formation of an electronics division. The new Canadian Admiral Electronics Division will be devoted to research development and production of electronic products outside the home entertainment field, including the industrial and military application of electronics.

The new Canadian Admiral division will be headed by Len Irvine. Mr. Irvine has been with the Canadian Admiral engineering department for the past four years. Before joining Canadian Admiral he was with the Defense Research Board in Ottawa. Mr. Irvine also had five years wartime experience in radar with the R.C.A.F.

The Canadian Admiral Electronics Division will be located at 501 Lakeshore Road, Port Credit, Ont.

Switchboard efficiency to meet your needs!

No. 555

PRIVATE BRANCH EXCHANGE

This is a modern switchboard with the new "plug-in" type units, permitting actual service requirements to be closely met.

Available in capacities of

60 and 120 Station Lines 14 Central Office Trunks 15 Cord Circuits

Two positions may be installed side-by-side to increase the maximum capacity to 240 lines.

The low design makes it convenient for attendant-receptionists to converse with employers' visitors or client over the top of the switchboard.

No. 507

PRIVATE BRANCH EXCHANGE

A small compact switchboard with a capacity of

12 Station Lines

- 5 Central Office Trunks
- 5 Connecting Circuits.

Requires about the same amount of space as the average typewriter.

Convenient and simple to operate by an attendant with other duties.



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CAE Appoints N. J. Sims Director Of Sales

The appointment of Mr. Norman J. Sims as Director of Sales, effective July 1st, has been announced by Canadian Aviation Electronics Limited,



(CAE). He will be mainly concerned with the marketing activities of CAE's Consumer Products Division, manufacturers of CAE DUMONT television sets and High Fidelity radio phonographs. The crea-

N. J. SIMS

tion of this new position signifies an expansion of the company's activities in the consumer field.

Mr. Sims has more than 25 years' experience in the marketing of consumer products in Canada and joins CAE from the RCA Victor Company where he held the position of general sales manager.

Len Finkler To Represent Workman TV Inc.

John E. Galbraith, sales manager of Workman TV Inc., Teaneck, N.J. has announced the appointment of Mr. Len Finkler, 1505 Park Royale Blvd., Port Credit, Ontario as Canadian representative in the Province of Ontario. According to the announcement, Mr. Finkler will stock a complete line of the company's TV products for immediate delivery to all jobbers in his territory.

W. F. Kelly Retires From Electronic Business

William F. Kelly for the past twentyfive years Eastern Canadian representative for the Triplett Electrical Instrument Company of Bluffton, Ohio, has retired from active business, it has been announced.

Mr. Kelly was one of the first manufacturers' representatives to sell electronic equipment in Canada, being established as a manufacturers' representative in 1920. In 1923 Mr. Kelly sold electronic components for the Pilot Radio and Tube Corporation of Brooklyn, N.Y. before complete radios were being sold on the market. Later Mr. Kelly represented such well known firms as Centralab, a Division of Globe Union, and Electro Voice, both of the United States.

Canadian Developed Equipment Exhibited Abroad

The airborne profile recorder of APR, a Canadian-developed electronic aerial survey device, was featured at the International Congress of Photogrammetry in Stockholm, Sweden, July 17th - 26th. It has been used extensively in mapping remote areas of Canada in recent years.

Also featured was the Gamble plotter, a new Canadian map-making machine that is expected to save 30 per cent of the time required to draw contour maps; a special high-speed tri-film processor developed for the RCAF and other users; and a new type of aerial positioning camera. All these pieces of equipment were developed in Canada for aerial photography and map-making, a field in which Canada has acknowledged leadership.

The Canadian photogrammetric equipment was displayed by the associated Toronto companies, The Photographic Survey Corporation and PSC Applied Research Limited, which developed them. The latter company manufactures and markets these equipments.

Desser Representing Sightmaster

Desser E-E Limited, 441 St. Francois Xavier, Montreal and 1512 Eglinton Ave. W., Toronto, have been appointed Canadian representatives for Sightmaster Corp., New Rochelle, N.Y., manufacturers of fuses, according to an announcement by Mr. Herbert Desser.

Under the agreement, Desser will handle all Sightmaster sales in Canada except British Columbia.

Sightmaster Corp. produces an entire line of small dimension indicating and non-indicating quality fuses for aircraft, electronics, instruments, appliances, industrial, and automotive use.

Electronic Component Information Service

Announcement is made of a new firm, Derivation And Tabulation Associates, Inc., which has been organized to serve the growing need in the electronics industry for quick access to specific component data — without necessitating the present expenditure of engineering time and effort.

Henry Tulchin, president of DATA, Inc., has been associated for a number of years with the secretariat of the Advisory Group on Electron Tubes which functions under the office of the assistant secretary of Defense (Research and Development). Formerly, Mr. Tulchin served as a project engineer with the Sperry Gyroscope Co. He holds a master's degree in electrical engineering from the Polytechnic Institute of Brooklyn.

L. F. Herbert Patent Manager For Eitel McCullough

Leon F. Herbert has been appointed manager of the Patent Department of Eitel-McCullough, Inc., San Bruno. In this capacity he will carry on patent activities begun by the late Harold Sorg, former director of research.

Herbert, who joined the Eimac staff in June, 1955, was formerly with the law firm of Watson, Cole, Grindle and Watson in Washington, D.C. He holds an aeronautical engineering degree from the Catholic University of America and an LL.B. degree from Georgetown University.

Eitel-McGullough is represented in Canada by Ahearn and Soper with offices in Ottawa.



PRECISION ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS (1956) Ltd. 50 Wingold Ave.

Toronto

Triplett Electric Appoints Four New Sales Representatives

Triplett Electrical Instrument Company of this city, through its sales manager, Norman A. Triplett, has announced the appointment of four new sales representatives. Triplett manufactures electrical measuring instruments and test equipment.

According to Norman Triplett, the firm will be represented by the following new appointees:

George Petitt Company, 349 Ashland Avenue, River Forest, Illinois. Mr. Petitt's company will handle distributor sales only for Triplett in Chicago and northeastern Illinois.

Al Quackenbush, 2629 North 77th Court, Chicago, will handle distributor sales only in eastern Wisconsin, eastern Iowa and northwestern Illinois.

Knoblock & Malone of 4000 West North Avenue, Chicago, will handle industrial sales only in eastern Wisconsin, northern Illinois and castern Iowa.

Len Finkler, 1505 Park Royale Boulevard, Port Credit, Ontario, will handle Triplett sales in Quebec, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island, Newfoundland and Ontario excluding the cities of Ft. William and Port Arthur.

R. Chamberlin Manager EIMAC Receiving Tube Div.

Richard Chamberlin has been named manager of the newly-created Receiving Tube Department of Eitel-McCullough, Inc., San Bruno, California, manufacturer of Eimac electron power tubes. Under Chamberlin, this organization will handle production of Eimac's new line of stacked ceramic receiving tube types.

Chamberlin, employed at Eitel-Mc-Cullough, Inc. for the past 13 years, was formerly administrative assistant to the manager of manufacturing. He will supervise pilot-plant production recently begun on the Eimac 33C3A2 twin-triode. Pilot-run production on this tube and other ceramic types already developed will involve only a few hundred tubes per week. However, Chamberlin will also be responsible for full-scale manufacturing operations using Eimacdeveloped automation equipment to meet a production target of 900 tubes per hour.

The establishment of this new Eimac department marks the advent of the world's largest manufacturer of transmitting tubes into the receiving tube field for the first time. A complete line of stacked ceramic tube types is planned for the future.

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NEWS

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W. W. Janney Export Manager For National Vulcanized Fiber

National Vulcanized Fiber Co., Wilmington, Del., announces the appointment of William W. Janney as manager of its Export Department. He succeeds C. V. Geisler who retired on July 1st after 43 years of service.

Mr. Janney has been associated with National since May, 1934. He joined the Export Department in 1936 and after serving in several clerical capacities became assistant export manager National, the largest and oldest manufacturer of vulcanized fiber in the world, has plants located in Wilmington, Yorklyn, and Newark, Delaware; Kennett Square, Pa.; Chicago, Ill.; Johnson City, N.Y. and Toronto, Canada. Sales offices are



Standard Telephones & Cables *Mfg. Co. (Canada) Ltd.* 9600 ST. LAWRENCE BLVD., MONTREAL

located in Toronto and Montreal, Canada, London, England and all principal cities of the United States and sales agents in most countries of the world.

Canadian Westinghouse Announces Engineering Appointments

Two appointments within the engineering department of the Defense Apparatus Division of Canadian Westinghouse have been announced by L. C. Sentance, manager of the department.

J. M. Bester has been named manager of product engineering. Formerly section manager, Industrial Motors and Generators, he will be responsible for product design, planning, administration and operation of the department.

At the same time, the appointment of M. K. Riddell to the post of senior project engineer was announced. Mr. Riddell joined Westinghouse in 1955 as advisory engineer. He graduated from the University of Toronto in 1948 and spent six years with the Royal Canadian Navy as chief engineer, Electrical Control and Machinery Section. He will be responsible for technical liaison, specifications, technical direction of tests, approvals, systems analysis and customer trials.

Successful Canadian "EM" Equipment Being Exported To U.K. And Australia

A Canadian-developed mineralhunting device which has been responsible in little over a year's operation for discovering millions of dollars worth of exploitable sulphide ores in New Brunswick is being "exported" for use throughout Europe, Africa and Australia.

The airborne electromagnetometer or EM developed by Aeromagnetic Surveys Limited of Toronto, Ontario, is now ready for use by the Toronto company's English associate, Hunting Geophysics Limited, of Boreham Wood, Hertfordshire, throughout the United Kingdom, Europe and Africa. Another "EM" installation is being flown to Australia for use there by another associate, Adastra Airways (Pty.) Ltd., of Sydney, New South Wales.

The EM equipment, designed by Vaino Ronka, of Oshawa, Ontario was recently awarded a Blue Ribbon Mining Award as a result of a competition judged by outstanding American mining officials. A variation of this EM equipment for use by a helicopter in precipitous areas inaccessible to a fixed-wing aircraft has also been introduced by Aeromagnetic Surveys Ltd.

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It can cost you much more to settle for less than this Clare Relay

This ad was all but written by a Clare customer. Here is the story as he told it:

"I shopped around for relays for continuous-duty, high-speed switching service. Clare engineers recommended Type HG Mercury-Wetted Contact Relays. They said they were ideal for this application. I thought so, too; but they do cost a little more than some other relays, and I thought I couldn't afford to use them. I thought the extra cost, multiplied by the large number of relays in my machine, would run my price too high. So I built a model with cheaper relays. In just a few weeks the relays wore out. I knew that Clare Type HG relays would last for years under the same conditions, and it didn't take me long then to decide that I couldn't afford not to use them."

Ask yourself whether you, too, don't have jobs for which no other relay is good enough. Consider that the life of a Clare Mercury-Wetted Contact Relay is measured in <u>billions</u> of <u>maintenance-free operations</u>. Compare the cost per flawless operation with that of other relays: this is the crux of the matter a vital, basic point.

The price is very reasonable, and <u>delivery</u> is <u>quick</u>—one to seven weeks, depending on the particular assembly desired and the size of the order.

FOR COMPLETE INFORMATION on CLARE Mercury-Wetted Contact Relays for single or multiple circuits contact your nearest CLARE representative or address: C. P. Clare & Co., 3101 Pratt Blvd., Chieago 45, Illinois. In Canada: C. P. Clare & Co., 659 Bayview Avenue, Toronto 17. Cable address: CLARELAY.

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Canadian IRE Convention October 1, 2 and 3, 1956

General Information

Marking the 30th Anniversary of the Institute of Radio Engineers in Canada, this convention and exposition constitutes the largest and most dynamic program of its kind ever presented in Canada. Thousands of engineers, executives, educationalists, technicians and buyers will attend this history making event from Canada, the United States and abroad.

Convention centre is the Automotive Building at Exhibition Park, Toronto, which provides the ultimate in accommodation under one roof. In addition to the 90,000 square foot exhibit hall and meeting halls for presentation of the 132 technical papers, facilities for delegates and exhibitors will include a complete restaurant service, cinema, industry lounge and ample parking space.

Technical Program

The nation's leading engineers and scientists will present 132 papers in 26 sessions during the three day convention. The papers, both practical and theoretical, have been carefully selected by the committee to include the latest research and developments in the field of electronics and nucleonics.

Exhibits

A comprehensive exposition of the newest products and techniques in the electronic and nucleonic industries will be presented by over 130 leading manufacturers, distributors and government bodies.

Convention Banquet

All delegates, exhibitors, and their wives, are invited to attend this outstanding social event of the Convention, which will be held at the Royal York Hotel on Monday evening, October 1st, at 7.30 p.m. A cocktail hour will precede the banquet. The speaker of the evening will be announced later. Tickets are \$6.00 each, and should be ordered in advance, as accommodation is limited.

Registration

IRE members and all those engaged in the electronic, nucleonic and associated industries are welcome to attend the convention and exposition. The registration desk will be open during convention hours at the Automotive Building. Registration fee, including technical program and exhibits, is \$1.00 for IRE members and registered professional engineers; \$1.50 for others. Students of universities and accredited technical schools will be registered without charge on presentation of school registration or student IRE membership cards.

Hotel Accommodation

Accommodation for delegates is available at a number of Toronto hotels and motels. Reservations should be made in advance. Registration cards are available from the Canadian IRE Convention, 745 Mount Pleasant Road, Toronto 12, Ontario.

Transportation

Arrangements have been made with Trans-Canada Air Lines to extend reduced fares to delegates and dependent members of their families. Reduced Fare Certificates are available through IRE Section Chairmen, or by writing to the Convention Manager.

IRE Region 8 Committee Meetings

The Regional Committee will meet under the chairmanship of Dr. John T. Henderson during the Convention. A meeting of the Regional Sub-Committee of the Education Committee, under the chairmanship of Professor F. S. Howes, will also be held. Dates and times to be announced.

Ladies' Program

Luncheons, tours and teas are being organized to ensure an enjoyable convention stay for the ladies. Registration may be completed, at no charge, either at the Automotive Building or the ladies' suite, Royal York Hotel. Ladies are also invited to attend the Convention Banquet on Monday evening.

Public Day

To accomplish a public relations job for the electronic and nucleonic industries, and to encourage students to enter these fields of study, the exposition only will be open to the general public from 3 p.m. to 10 p.m. on the last day, October 3rd.

Convention and Exposition Hours

Monday, October 1st 9.30 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Tuesday, October 2nd 9.30 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Wednesday, October 3rd 9.30 a.m. to 10 p.m.

NEWS

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D. E. Haig Western Region Manager For Phillips Wires And Cables

Mr. F. W. Barnhouse, general sales manager of Phillips Electrical Company Limited, Brockville, announces the appointment of Mr. D. E. Haig as manager, Western Region, Winnipeg.



D. E. HAIG

In his new position, Mr. Haig will be responsible for sales in Saskatchewan, Manitoba and North-Western Ontario. Mr. Haig, who has been sales engineer for the company in the West, is a graduate of the University of Manitoba. He brings to his new position a wide background of previous experience with the Electrical Utilities in Manitoba; and is well-known throughout the industry.

Second West Coast Plant Opened By Filtron

A completely-equipped new plant for the manufacture of radio frequency interference filters, capacitors, pulseforming networks and delay lines has been built by the Filtron Company, Inc. at 4625 Leahy St., Culver City, Calif. The new facilities, which include engineering laboratories, screen rooms and test equipment, are housed in 14,000 square feet of floor space. The plant is expected to employ 200 additional people, and will be used to supplement the firm's original west coast factory, built last year. Mr. William Lana will be general manager of both units.

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D. C. Appleton, Manager Electronics Corp. Of America (Canada) Ltd.

Douglas C. Appleton has been named to the newly-created post of office manager at Electronics Corporation of America (Canada) Ltd., 98 Advance Road, Toronto.

In his new post, he will be responsible for all office functions at Electronics Corporation of America (Canada) Ltd., which serves the entire country through nine district sales offices with the following products:

Fireye flame safeguard and programming control systems for commercial and industrial oil, gas or combination burners, produced by the Combustion Control Division; photoelectric and electronic controls for automatic counting and inspecting in industry manufactured by the Photoswitch Division; and electronic fire detection and extinguishing systems for industry and aircraft, products of the Fireye Division.

In another move, E.C.A.'s British Columbia district representative, Pacific Controls Ltd., has opened a branch office at 620 Queens Avc., Victoria. The firm's main office remains at 1042 Davie St., Vancouver.

Malcolm E. Adams, president, has appointed Douglas G. Donald as branch manager at Victoria. Like the Vancouver headquarters, the new office carries the complete line of Fireye flame safeguards and controls. The firm has been Fireye distributor in B.C. since 1950,



R. D. MACLEAN

• R. D. Maclean, whose appointment as Sales Manager of the Casting Division of Aluminum Company of Canada, Ltd. is announced by Mr. F. W. A. Baulch, Manager of Alcan's Casting Division.



• General Edmond H. Leavey, of New York, N.Y., who has been elected president of International Telephone & Telegraph Corporation, New York, N.Y., worldwide electronics and telecommunications manufacturers, in succession to the late General William H. Harrison. General Leavey is a director of Standard Telephone & Cables Mfg. Co. (Canada) Ltd., Montreal, the Canadian operation of I. T. & T.

RCA Official Sees Women Filling Engineering Positions

Technical training of women as a solution for the serious shortage of engineers in Canada was recently suggested by J. L. McMurray, RCA Victor Company, Ltd. He claims that more women could and should be induced to enter the engineering profession.

Himself an engineer and vice-president, Mr. McMurray forecasts that the skill of women engineers and scientists will be increasingly required in Canada.

"While this company is not suffering at the moment from the general shortage of engineers and scientists, we know that there will be a shortage soon. With new electronic devices now being developed, our engineering products department alone anticipates needing double its staff by 1960." he says.

RCA Victor, which employs highly trained women in several key posts, finds them quite as good as $m \in n$, says Mr. McMurray.

"A woman unquestionably has as much gray matter as a man. Female architects and airplane designers are quite as good as their male colleagues. And for tedious and repetitious tasks, women work out better than men. They've more patience," declares the executive.

Because nearly all women have a strong creative sense and are natural improvisers, those who make engineering or the physical sciences their profession usually do well at it, he says.



THESE seven-ton bulldozers are truly research tools, for they are taking part in an exhaustive program for the study and revision of accepted methods of oscillographic recording system design and manufacture.

Yes, Sanborn Company is on the move! The instruments above are levelling off small mountains of earth and rock in preparation for a new and modern Sanborn plant near Boston, Mass.

Completion of the structure late this year will mean vastly improved facilities for research, manufacturing and other operations. This will directly and immediately benefit not only the work Sanborn does, but also the people who use Sanborn systems, amplifiers, recorders and other components. It will make possible more rapid development and production of new instruments, and increased opportunity for a larger number of people to apply their skills to the problems of modern instrument design and manufacture.

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Left to right: J. A. Maloney, MPP; D. W. Stewart Jr., Mayor of Renfrew; Dr. J. J. McCann, Minister of National Revenue; S. M. Findlay, manager of the new plant at Renfrew; and F. R. Deakins, president of RCA Victor, pause during their tour to watch work underway on a radio at RCA's new Renfrew, Ontario, plant.

Campbell, Kerr Named Westinghouse Vice-Presidents

Geo. L. Wilcox, president, Canadian Westinghouse Company Limitcd, recently announced the election of John D. Campbell and James W. Kerr as vice-presidents. The newly-elected vice-presidents have both served with the company almost from the outset of their careers.

John D. Campbell, after early business training at Hamilton in banking and retailing, joined Westinghouse in 1934, first as a time study and methods supervisor at Hamilton, moving later to the sales department. During war years he served overseas with the Royal Canadian Ordnance Corps and held the post of deputy assistant director of ordnance services for the 1st Canadian Corps at the conclusion of the war. Returning to the company, he won rapid promotion in appliance sales and later became manager of the appliance division, the electronics division and general manager of the Canadian Westinghouse Supply Company. He is now in charge of the consumer products group, which includes the appliance, TV-Radio, lamp and tube divisions. He is currently serving as president of the Radio-Electronics - Television Manufacturers Association of Canada.

James W. Kerr, after graduating from the University of Toronto in 1937 with a B.A.Sc. in electrical engineering, enrolled in the Canadian Westinghouse graduate engineering course before starting on a career as a sales engineer in the Toronto district. He served overseas with the R.C.A.F. from 1942 to 1945, ranking as a squadron leader at the close of hostilities. His rapid postwar climb began as manager, transformer sales, later becoming assistant manager, central station sales, and then manager. In 1949, Mr. Kerr became manager of apparatus sales. In 1952 he was made manager, power products division and is now in charge of the apparatus products group, which includes the power products division, the defense apparatus division and the district apparatus division. J. W. Kerr is a native of Hamilton where he received his early education.



• One of the largest analog computors in Canada which has recently been installed in the Electronics Division of the Canadian Westinghouse Company. Designed and built by Electronics Associates Inc. of New Jersey, the equipment will play an important role in the company's advanced electronic engineering program.

Westinghouse Suggestion Awards Pass Quarter Million Dollar Mark

The Canadian Westinghouse Company's suggestion awards prize money to employees recently topped the quarter-million dollar mark. A small \$26 cheque, number 23,063 pushed the total over the historic milestone 14 years after the initiation of the plan.

The suggestion plan, put into effect in October 1942, was initiated as a means of stimulating interest and participation in the company war effort production. Only 900 suggestions were received the first year with awards totalling about \$10,000. Last year Westinghouse paid out \$41,000 for ideas, and in one month this year placed the stamp of approval on more than \$7500 worth of winning suggestions.

Like all other companies Westinghouse kept the names of applicants a deep dark secret in 1942. This veil of secrecy was not lifted until five years later, when the acceptance of the plan became company-wide despite bitter union resistance. Now suggestions are discussed openly by the applicant and his supervisors. Westinghouse points to "creative satisfaction and a sense of participation" being equally important to monetary gain, in the success of the suggestions awards plan.

"When industry was in the handmanufacturing stage the person engaged in production could take a personal pride in his handiwork. However, as we moved into the machine age with its resultant less manual work, we sacrificed some of that personal pride in the product", said Jack Craig, supervisor of the Westinghouse Suggestion Plan.

"The suggestion awards plan gives everyone a chance to become an important part of the production picture. An awards winner can take pride in suggestions for he has contributed in a creative manner to the product he is building. Participation in this manner is healthy and profitable for both the essential man in the shop and the company," he said.

Appreciation of this fact is evidenced in the response of employees that is growing every year. It is expected that 3000 ideas will be forwarded to the awards committee this year for consideration, bringing the grand total to more than 30,000 suggestions in the past 14 years. During that time slightly less than 17,000 have been rejected as unfeasible.

The largest single award was handed out in 1954 to a die-setter for an improved method of producing punchings. His award hit the record high of \$3,052 and it is estimated that his idea saved the company more than \$15,000 in the first year. Westinghouse awards are based on 20 per cent of the saving over the first year of using the suggestion, and there is no ceiling on the amount awarded.

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A. DENAULT L. Office Manager As office Manager of the Contracts and Sales Dept., Miss Denault brings with her six years' experience in the Sales Department.



F. J. BALL Sales Representative Quebec and Eastern Provinces, previously asso-ciated with Contract Ad-ministration, Purchasing and Expediting Depts. Will work out of Head Office



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Varian Associates of Canada Ltd. has announced a 1000 square foot extension to the electronics firm's present klystron tube development and manufacturing plant at 45 River Drive, Georgetown, Ontario. The new work space will house special development engineering work planned by the company.

The addition is part of the company's general expansion plan and represents a 10 per cent increase in floor area within the first year of operation. The new construction has already been started by the McNally Construction Company of Georgetown and is scheduled for completion August 1st.

The Georgetown company opened for business on October 21st of last year. The plant now has 43 employees and is producing approximately 150 klystron tubes per month.

The company is a subsidiary of Varian Associates, a California corporation with headquarters in Palo Alto. The parent company is one of the world's largest manufacturers of klystron tubes and special laboratory instrumentation. Specialists on loan from the parent company have been supervising the initial operation of Varian Associates of Canada and have been training Canadian personnel in the specialized field of klystron development and manufacturing. It is



• The above photograph shows the existing plant of Varian Associates at Georgetown, Ontario, to which will be added a further extension providing an additional one thousand square feet of floor space. The addition will represent a ten per cent increase in floor area within the first year of operation.

planned that management and operating functions will be assumed by an all-Canadian staff after the completion of the necessary training program.

In keeping with this policy, the appointment of B. H. Breekenridge to the position of assistant general manager has been announced. Mr. Breckenridge has been business manager for the company.

The first of the parent company personnel scheduled to return to California will be R. F. Woodward, who has been in charge of the Test Department in Georgetown. He is returning to Palo Alto in September.

Pye Canada Limited Open Ottawa Branch

Pye Canada Limited have announced the opening of a new branch office at 78 Bank Street, Ottawa. This new sales office will be under the supervision of Mr. Eric Sullivan, manager of the Scientific Instruments Division.

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EW PRODUCTS

New Product specifications published in Electronics and Communications have been briefed for your convenience. If you require further information on any of the items published you may readily obtain such by using our Readers' Service, Page 61. Just mark the products you are interested in on the coupon on Page 61 and the information will be in your hands within a few days.

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This kit comprises individual parts with which to assemble any type of 7-pin turret assembly or 7-pin miniature chassis or in-line cable connectors. The component parts are housed in a sturdy plastic box with separate compartments for each item. On the inside lid of the box are drawings illustrating the assembly and usage of each part, also the list price of each individual nart part



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• Catalog Of Waveguide Components

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ponents while undergoing measurement. Specifications, listed in the sheet, cover details on the meter scales, the cathode-ray indicator, the klystron oscillator, the bi-directional coupler, the calibrated load, and the output arrangements for use with an Esterline-Angus Recorder. System accuracy of ± 2 per cent is indicated phycical of \pm 2 per cent is indicated, physical arrangements and dimensions are given, and the price is included.

Microwave Standing Wave Indicator

Item 1175 The new Elliott Type B433 Microwave Standing Wave Indicator for 3.2 cm wave-band (10,000 Mc/s) is extremely accurate. At any wavelength within a 12% band centered on 3.2 cm the overall voltage reflection coefficient obtained when measuring a perfectly matched load is not worse than 0.003.

Total enclosure eliminates dust and ensures long life and suppression of radia-tion problems. A unique Hybrid Tee probe matching transformer eliminates reactive component errors.

Component errors. Other features of the unit are: main-tenance of uniform coupling to the probe as it moves along the waveguide; and slow-motion, two-speed drive for probe movement.

The companion Type 443 Rotary Atten-uator brings a new standard of precision to measuring and a new ease in reading.

• Half-Mil Stylus For "Fluxvalve" Pickups

Item 1176 A new high precision in the playing of microgroove recordings can be attained by owners of "Fluxvalve" pickups through the use of a stylus with one-half mil tip radius.

The half-mil stylus can be installed in any "Fluxvalve" simply by placing in the pick-up the proper plastic insert, a job which the owner can complete in a second or two without the use of tools.



The ultra-small tip of the stylus shows up particularly well in reproducing the reup particularly well in reproducing the re-markable top sheen and definition of the newest recordings, which carry recorded frequencies as high as 15,000 c.p.s. In addi-tion, the small tip reduces wear on these new "miracle" recordings, since it is able to follow around the tiny twists of the top frequencies, rather than plowing through them through them.

Another discovery made by users of the half-mil stylus is that it makes old records sound new, by "riding" lower down in a portion of the groove that has not been worn in use. The combination of the half-mil stylus with the "Fluxvalve" is parti-cularly appropriate, because of the very high compliance of the pickup, which allows it to track at two or three grams. This low tracking force is a necessity with such a sharp stylus.

Single Meter Vacuum Gage Item 1177

A new single meter type vacuum gage, with a range of 0-100 microns Hg full scale, has recently been announced. The instrument has a four inch indicating

meter with knife edge pointer for direct reading on a logarithmic mirror meter scale. Half scale on the dial face is 15 microns, providing excellent readability for low micron measurements. The instrument is highly accurate throughout the entire range.



An improved design of the gage lube, incorporating the Hastings patented temperature compensated noble metal therperature compensated notile metal ther-mopile, provides greater sensitivity and higher accuracy in the low micron range. The noble metal thermopile is housed in a nickel plated gage tube, thus affording freedom from outgassing, system contami-natiom and corrosion. The gage tube is extremely rugged, has quick response, and is not demondo by relevant temperature. is not damaged by release to atmospheric or positive pressures. The gage tube need not be removed during cleaning of the vacuum system. The instrument operates on 115 volt a-c

and includes an internal voltage regulator to eliminate any effects from line voltage variations. The basic circuit is the same

variations. The basic circuit is the same circuit which has been successfully em-ployed in other Hastings vacuum and pressure measuring instruments. The manufacturer also reports the pro-duction of two other new single meter model instruments . . . a vacuum gage with a range of 0-1000 microns Hg, and an obsolute pressure indicator with a range absolute pressure indicator with a range of 0.1-20 mm Hg. These instruments are suitable for laboratory use or industrial instailations.

Dimensions of the sloping front instrubinersions of the sloping from instru-ment case are $5V_4^{''} \times 5^{3}4'' \times 7V_2''$ and it is also available for panel mounting. The gage tube has a standard V_6'' i.p.s. male thread coupling for connection to the vacuum system.

• Illuminated Probe

Item 1178 "Probe-lite", a new illuminated probe, combines both a probe and a source of illumination in one simple device no larger than the probe alone, thereby filling a longfelt want of technicians, service men and experimenters. The device eliminates the necessity of

holding an extra flashlight, usually in an awkward position, and in effect gives the user the benefit of an extra hand.

Operation is simple: the tip of the cord set is inserted in jack of the "Probe-lite" and instantly a brilliant, prefocused light is available right on the work. "Probe-lite" has an extra long, slender

probe tip to provide easy access in difficult areas. This durable light weight device uses a standard pre-focused globe and a Penlite battery, No. 912 Eveready, or equal.

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• Potted Transformers Use Heat-Conducting Compound

Item 1182 A newly developed heat-conducting com-pound is making possible better and more conomical transformers for usc in television receivers.

television receivers. It is common practice to depend on air circulation around the outer surface of the transformer for cooling, but conven-tional construction provides a very poor path for the heat traveling from the inner windings to the outer surface of the unit. A typical television power transformer of conventional construction may have a difference in temperature from the inner windings to the outer surface of 20°C to

windings to the outer surface of 20°C. to 25°C. when measured according to RETMA standards.

When this transformer is potted with the When this transformer is potted with the new heat-conducting compound, this dif-ference is reduced to about 10°C. to 15°C. Thus the heat is moved from the inner windings to the outer surface where it can be dissipated by air circulation. Potting compounds of various types have been used for many years, and the term "potted transformer" has come to suggest heat outality and low price. With this com-

"potted transformer" has come to suggest best quality and low price. With this com-pound it is possible to have the advantages of a potted transformer at the same cost as a conventional unit, and, in certain cases, to realize a cost saving. In general, potting is most effective in transformers of 100 volt ampere capacity and larger. With color television coming into its own, the more complicated elec-tronic circuits will require larger trans-formers, and the advantages of a heat conducting compound can be utilized to a greater degree. greater degree.

۲ High Speed Light Pulsing Modulation Apparatus

Modulation Apparatus Item 1183 Light pulses in the microsecond range and modulated light beams at variable frequencies from D.C. through the video region are easily obtained with a new model high speed light pulsing and modula-tion apparatus. Applications for this equip-ment to date include use in such areas as sound-on-film, video-on-film, polarimetry, densitometry, photography, photometry, in-terferometry, measurement of semiconduc-tor parameters, psychological experiments and biological studies.



The light modulator, a crystalline ana-logue of a Kerr cell, is made up of a Z cut (001) plate of ammonium (ADP) or potassium (KDP) di-hydrogen phosphate. The crystal plate is placed between elec-trodes which will allow light to pass in the same direction as the applied electric field. For normally incident collimated light, the unit has the properties of a polarization retardation plate, with mag-nitude of retardation directly proportional to the applied voltage. When the crystal device is placed between polarizers, a light beam can be intensity modulated in accorbeam can be intensity modulated in accor-dance with the voltage applied to fre-quencies well beyond the video region.

For further data on advertised products use page 61.

Five models of the light modulator are available to meet a wide range of operat-ing requirements. Baird. - Atomic says one of its models — JV.2 -- provides the highest degree of versatility since it fea-tures a moderately large angular field, has low voltage requirements and is designed for use at frequencies from D.C. to 10 megacycles per second. Modulators of special crystal or case dimensions can be supplied on order. When used with a high voltage pulser, Five models of the light modulator are

When used with a high voltage pulser, the light modulator "floats" between the plates of two 5C22 thyratron tubes. Initially, this system is at the same potential as the this system is at the same potential as the power supply which has charged the high voltage plate condensers. At the beginning of the pulse, one of the 5C22 thyratrons is fired, bringing one electrode of the light modulator to ground potential. The pulse is terminated with the firing of the second thyratron, which brings the other end of the crystal to ground potential. Both thyratrons then extinguish, and the charg-ing process begins again.

ing process begins again. Two models of high speed pulsers are available, both of which incorporate a vari-Two models of high speed pulsers are available, both of which incorporate a vari-able high voltage power supply and a trigger rate generator which is set to approximately 20 c.p.s. The two units differ principally in-output pulse lengths and rise and decay times. **Type JK** produces pulses having a rise and decay time of approximately 0.2 microsecond and con-tinuously variable widths from 50-1000 microseconds. **Type JS** produces pulses having a rise and decay time of approxi-mately 0.1 microsecond and a length of 2 microseconds. Both require approxi-mately 0.0 watts at 115 volts, 60 cycles. Pulse amplitudes are continuously vari-able from 2-5 kv. Special models with different pulse widths or repetition rates can be built on request. For signals of arbitrary shape, special modulating ampli-fiers can be supplied for audio or video bandwidths. Tuned amplifiers requiring very little power are adequate for fixed or variable single sinc wave light intensity modulation.

• "Teflon" Tape Insulation Miniaturizes Transformers

Miniaturizes 1 ransformers Item 1184 A new line of high voltage transformers has been developed which utilizes Teflon tape to meet aircraft requirements for smaller, lighter and more rugged units. The transformers are used for airborne radar and electronic applications. The manufacturers of the transformers report that the high dielectric strength and high heat resistance of the Teflon tape in-sulation permitted them to produce a 42, 000 volt transformer weighing only 1

nigh heat resistance of the Teflon tape in-sulation permitted them to produce a 42,-000 volt transformer weighing only 14 pounds. A 20 pound minimum weight was required using other insulation. In the case of a smaller transformer, the weight was reduced from 11 to 3 pounds. Teflon tape can be continuously used up to 550°F. This heat resistance greatly assists the miniaturization since smaller trans-formers have higher temperature rises. This tape may be used in thicknesses of .002", .005" and .010". These thin sections of Teflon tape have a high dielectric constant of 2.0, and a dissipation factor of .0002. These values are unaffected by high temperature operation. The tape is used for interlayer insula-tion, wrapping of hypersil cores, wrapping the lead wires, as pads, for "U" insulation and for case lining to house the trans-formers.

formers.

Teflon tape is used without fear of field failures because it will not generate a conducting carbon path due to arcing; it has a volume resistivity of 1015 ohm-cm and

has a volume resistivity of 10¹⁵ ohm-cm and a surface resistivity of 10¹³ ohms at 100% relative humidity; it has zero water absorption and is fungus resistant. A thermo-setting fiberglass wrapping is used over the Teflon to permit liquid resin impregnation of the units. This im-pregnation prevents internal movement as well as moisture and dirt penetration.

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• Electronic Analog Computers

• Electronic Analog Computers Item 1185 A 16 page, fully illustrated catalog describ-ing the complete line of Philbrick Elec-tronic Analog Computers has just been released. Complete descriptions are pre-sented on the following: Areas of Applica-tion in Industry. Military and Business; Modular Concept of building new or ex-panding existing installations; Exclusive Philbrick Electronic Graph Paper for in-stantaneous and automatic calibration of both voltage and time on the oscilloscope and simultaneous display and precise com-parison of as many as five variables; K3 Series of Analog Computing Components (both linear and non-linear) for rapid set-up of problem where operator has mini-

mum knowledge of electronic circuitry; New Stabilized Units; Central Signal Com-ponents; Regulated Power Supplies; K2 Series of Plug-in Components offering the most computing per dollar invested; New Function of Two Variables Component; Delay Line Synthesizer and other miscel-langeus computing equipment laneous computing equipment.

Rack Mounting Autograf ٠ X-Y Recorder

X-Y Kecorder Item 1186 Development of the Model 4, Autograf X-Y Recorder is announced. Built speci-fically for rack mounting, the Model 4 in-corporates many special features in addi-tion to those found on the widely used Models 1, 2, and 3 Autografs. Occupying 19¹⁴, inches of standard rack space the Model 4 Autograf accommodates either 11 x 16¹₂ or 8¹₂ x 11 standard graph paper on

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Paper size: 11 x 16¹2 or 8¹2 x 11 stand-ard graph paper. Recording speed: 12 second for full scale travel, Y axis; 1 second speed on X axis. Voltage ranges: 5 millivolts full scale to 100 volts on Y axis; 7.5 millivolts full scale to 150 volts on X axis. Other ranges available on request. Input resistance: 200.000 ohms per volt up to 10 volt range; 2 megohms on all higher ranges.

higher ranges. Accuracy: Better than .25% of full scale; resetability better than .1% of full scale. Available as curve follower without ex-

ternal attachments. Power: 115 volts, 60 c.p.s., 100 watts. Other voltages and frequencies available.

Transistorized Power Line Carrier

Item 1187

A new transistorized power linc carrier or use in telemetering and control has for

for use in telemetering and control has recently been announced. The new unit is designed to permit maxi-mum utilization of the crowded power line — carrier frequency spectrum (40-200 Kc. s). A communication channel for sub-audio sine wave signals or on/off signals is available in any 500 cycle portion of this spectrum. this spectrum. Outstanding features of the new carrier

Outstanding features of the new carrier include transistorized receiver and trans-mitter and a built-in power supply. Only two vacuum tubes are contained in the equipment and these are used in the power output stage of the transmitter. Unique circuitry in this part of the carrier provides reliable operation should one of the two tubes fail. The built-in power supply of the new product operates from AC or DC primary power. Both sides of the input line are fused for complete protection of the primary source.

The several types of signals which can be sent with the carrier include telemeterbe sent with the carrier include telemeter-ing, teleprinting, telegraph, load control, remote control, remote signalling and supervisory indications. FM detection provides constant receiver output despite wide range variations in power line attenuation characteristics.

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High Power Variable Reactance Instrument Item 1188

Model 910, a new versatile high power variable reactance for the 8.20-12.4 (kmc) frequency range, has recently been developed. This instrument is used to introduce a standing wave of desired magnitude and phase in a waveguide transmission line.



Model 910, rated at 300 kw. peak power in matched line, operates directly at any power level up to the breakdown power level of the waveguide. Model 910, according to the manufacturer, reduces testing cost by eliminating low power measurements and set-ups in development and production.

The magnitude of the standing wave ratio in the line can be varied from 1.02 to 2.0 by means of a micrometer adjustment on the top carriage. The residual V.S.W.R. is less than 1.02 and the phase of the standing wave is separately variable by the movement of the carriage. Phase adjustment is greater than one-half guide wavelength at the lowest frequency. The phase scale offers direct reading to 0.5 mm with vernier reading to 0.5 mm. Applications of the Model 910 are: high

Applications of the Model 910 are: high power breakdown studies, plotting Rieke diagrams, determining characteristics of high power magnetrons and klystrons, and determining breakdown power of system components.

The overall length of the Model 910 variable reactance is 12 inches, Conducting surfaces are silver plated and mechanical parts are of stainless steel or chrome plated. Plain cover flanges mate with UG cover or choke flanges.

• Multi-Use Plug-In Kits

Item 1189 These flexible Vector assembly kits provide simple readily wired packages utilizing Vector Lip-Loc cases and Deck-Turrets which may be arranged to mount various circuit assemblies. For example, Vector Kit 4-EK3, with its accessories, may be set up



to mount 1 to 3, either 7 or 9 pin, miniature sockets in any order using adapter rings to accommodate different socket diameters. Socket holes are 3_4 diameter with slots

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for saddle screws. Plug buttons are supplied to close socket holes where tubes are not required. 7 or 9 pin sockets are supplied, and also an equal number of JAN type shield bases of each type. An extra undrilled base is supplied so that larger plugs, such as the "Blue-Line" may be mounted. Kit is assembled with two Decks with ZIP terminals, 9 pin sockets, and an 11 pin octal type plug-in case. One extra third deck is supplied as a loose part which may be inserted in the stack if desired. Overall height of 3, 4 and 5 socket plug-in units is 3".

New "G-Line," Low Power Replacement For Coaxial And Waveguide Transmission Line Item 1190

The G-Line, a new economical single wire surface wave transmission line assembly designed to eliminate coaxial transmission line and waveguide in low power microwave and television broadcasting has been announced.

Designed for high efficiency operation at frequencies from 1700 to 2400 megacycles, the G-Line assembly consists of a modified copper wire, coupled at each end with identical RF field transformers datuncher and collector). The transformers serve to couple the transmission line ends to the coaxial feed line and provide an efficient transition between the radial field on the wire and the transverse electric field in the coaxial feed line. A simple, highly efficient de-icing system is built into each RF transformer.

Power rating is equal to RETMA 7_8 " 50 ohm air dielectric line. Operating wire loss is extremely low \pm 0.5 db per transformer. The new G-Line is simple to install – requires no elbows, bends or complicated

requires no elbows, bends or complicated plumbing. It has the lowest wind loading of any line currently available, requires no pressurization and little maintenance.

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28 Foot Parabolic Antenna For Tropospheric Scatter Item 1191

Availability of a new 28 foot parabolic antenna for tropospheric seatter transmission has recently been announced.

Antenna feeds have been designed for use in the 450 to 2700 mega-cycle range. These new units are the only large tropospheric antennas on the market for which actual verified manufacturer's pattern and gain measurements are available. Quality control tests are made on these antennas with Prodelin's new scatter site turntable Tacilities.



Utilizing an aluminum mesh reflecting surface and back-up support, a 65 lb. wind load rating is provided. The new 28 foot parabolic antenna achieves excellent struc-tural stability through the use of popular tower "K" frame construction using all aluminum members. aluminum members.

A unique new design feature permits the raising and lowering of the antenna feed to facilitate installation and maintenance. To eliminate transportation problems and minimize damage normally attendant to the shipment of large crate items, this antenna is shipped in 12 sections each of the reflecting surface and "K" frame members and then enclosed into two easy to handle shipping boxes.

• 50% Smaller Mica Capacitors From New "K" Gaged Mica

Item 1192

Tiny mica capacitors, having the same capacity but only $\frac{1}{2}$ to $\frac{1}{4}$ the size previously used in transistorized and other viously used in transistorized and other printed circuits, may now be manufactured from new "K" gaged mica which has re-cently become available, "K" gaging is a new electronic method of accurately gag-ing mica film which permits utilizing smaller area mica to obtain pre-determined connective. Any desired tolorance can be capacity. Any desired tolerance can be held on electronically "K" gaged mica film including tolerances as close as the mechanical equivalent of .00025. After sil-vering, costly time-consuming hand adjusting or scraping on mica may be entirely eliminated because capacity is accurately pre-determined by "K" gaging. In addition, wastage is cut 40% to 50% by using "K" gaged mica. "K" gaged mica is offered to design engineers as an aid in creating new transitionizad myinted dimnitic utilizing transistorized printed circuits utilizing

much smaller components than formerly possible

Vulcanized Fiber And Laminated Plastics Bulletin Item 1193

A new 4-page bulletin entitled "Engineer ing Materials To Improve The Design and Performance Of Your Product" describes and illustrates the physical properties and and indistrates the physical properties and use benefits of two basic engineering materials – National vulcanized fiber, a converted cotton cellulose, and Phenolite laminated plastic, a family of thermosetting high pressure laminates.

Sixteen photographs and drawings illu-strate a few of the many industrial uses of these materials: noiseless gears, thrust washers, cams, terminal blocks, armature slot insulation, shock plates in gun mounts, printed circuits, abrasive wheels, textile bobbins, waste baskets, fuel pumps, car-buretors, propeller pitch controls, athletic equipment, luggage, and material handling receptacles. Tables list fiber and Phenolite grades, specifications, characteristics and applications

Rack And Panel Connector Catalog Item 1194

The new R2 Catalog issued by Amphenol The new R2 Catalog issued by Amphenoi Canada Limited gives a complete listing of the rack and panel connectors manu-factured by this company. Blue Ribbon connectors, in standard, miniature and circular types, pin and socket connectors, and printed circuit connectors are included. Dimensions, current ratings and availability are given for each type.

New Rotary Solenoid Weighs 11/2 Ounces

Item 1195 Smallest of eight basic sizes, the new

Smallest of eight basic sizes, the new Model BD1E rotary solenoid weighs 1¹/₂ ounces and has a diameter of one inch. Starting torques for the entire line now range from the new model's .2 lb.-in. to 54 lb.-inches, based on ampere-turns for nor-mally intermittent duty cycle and rotary stroke of 45 degrees.

Standard rotary strokes for the new solenoid are 25, 35 and 45 degrees, either clockwise or counter-clockwise rotation. Most of the features available on the other seven models are also available on the BDIE. Voltage requirements of from two to 200 volts D.C. can be accommodated with coil wire gages ranging from No. 25 to No. 40



All eight models employ the same principle of operation. The magnetic pull moves an armature along the solenoid axis and this linear action is efficiently converted into rotary motion by ball bearings on inclined races. The resulting snap-action power can be harnessed with a minimum of linkages.

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New polyester-backed (Made from DuPont's "Mylar"*)" Extra Play" Tape 150 for extra strength. Years ago "SCOTCH" Brand pioneered tough polyester-backed magnetic tape for experimental government orders. Now you can enjoy the same benefits of "SCOTCH" Brand research and development with new "Extra Play" Magnetic Tape 150. "SCOTCH" Brand's extra-strength polyester backing assures you long-lasting recordings...perfect tape performance in all weather, all climates—(It's "Weather-Balanced"!) "SCOTCH" Brand's exclusive highpotency oxide coating guarantees you superior recording quality on any machine. *"Mylar" is a registered Du Pont trade-mark.

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The Model 4201 Program Equalizer has been developed to provide utmost versatility for the compensation of sound recording and broadcast channels. High and low frequencies may be boosted or attenuated while the program is in progress with negligible effect on volume levels. It may be switched in or out instantaneously to permit compensation at predetermined portions of the program. This feature is especially useful in tape dubbing work



NEW PRODUCTS

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• Professional Radiation Counter Kit, Model RC-1 Item 1196

This radiation counter provides design advantages found only in units costing several times its low kit price. It incorporates features essential to the serious prospector. High sensitivity is provided, with ranges of 0-100, 600, 6,000, and 60,000 counts per minute, and 0-02, 1, 1, and 10 milliroent-gens per hour. A type 6306 Bismuth tube is employed in the probe, and the probe and a radiation sample are included in the kit price. The circuit employs 5 tubes (plus All price. The circuit employs 5 tubes (price) a transistor) to assure stable and reliable operation. High quality, $41/2^{"}$ 200 micro-ampere meter eliminates "guess work" and indicaates radiation level directly in c.p.m. or mR/hr. In addition, transistor oscillator provides surel signal from nanel-mounted speaker. High voltage power supply is "packaged" pre-built unit with reserve capacity above 900 volt level at which it is regulated. Merely changing regulator tube would allow use of scintillation probe if desired.

Fulfills requirements of those who want a prospecting instrument that can be relied upon. Has selectable time constant, to allow for different rates of travel over the area being investigated. Measures only $9\frac{1}{2}$ " high x $6\frac{1}{2}$ " wide x $6\frac{1}{4}$ " deep, and weighs only $6\frac{1}{2}$ lbs. Not to be confused with novelty radiation detection devices on the market. A top-quality instrument, yet simple to build.

Telescoping Antenna Mast

Item 1197 A completely new type of telescoping mast was introduced recently. The mast, available in 30, 50 and 100 foot hydraulic or pneumatic models, may be mounted respectively to station ways on the telescopic definition of the telescopic of tel respectively to station wagon, small trailer or truck, or used as an independent field unit.



The mast is ideal for mobile radio, broadcast or microwave survey work; TV broad-cast remote pickup and for emergency communications. The patented valve sys-tem incorporated into each model provides co-ordinated sequence of sectional elevation for quick and easy guying. The 100 foot mast may be raised to full extended height in 15 minutes. The 30 foot car-top model nests 18 inches above roof-top and is operated from the vehicle's electrical system. Pictured here is the self-contained 100 foot portable model, supplied complete with trailer, an ideal unit where the mast is to remain erected for an extended period of time, yet must be mobile for quick relocation

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• GT-66 — A New Phototransistor

Item 1198

A new germanium P-N-P alloyed junction three-lead phototransistor has recently been produced. Known as type GT-66, it is a miniature, light-sensitive photocell intended for use in circuits employing AC



amplification for modulated light. It may also be used as a two-lead device with DC (unmodulated) light. Even though it is a miniature, it is capable of performance at a level sufficient to operate a relay.

Some possible applications include: automobile headlight dimmers, tape and punch card reading, optical sound play-back, liquid level control, television receiver automatic brilliance control, industrial safety devices, automatic door openers and other ingenious applications. It is also sensitive to relative position of the light source, making it useful in positioning controls

• 1.1 MC Frequency Counter ltem 1199

A new multipurpose electronic counter measuring frequency 10 c.p.s. to 1.1 MC, period 0.00001 c.p.s. to 10 KC, and time interval 3 microseconds to 27.8 hours has recently been announced.

The new counter, Model 523B, presents The new counter, Model 523B, presents direct reading results in seconds, milli-seconds, microseconds, or kilocycles. Accuracy of frequency measurement is ± 1 count \pm crystal stability of 2 parts per million per week. A special pulse output permits Z-axis modulation of an oscilloscope to visually observe time interval start and stop points on an input waveform, shown in the figure as bright spots on the input signal.

The instrument includes a wide selec-tion of gating and display times or may be controlled manually. An automatic illuminated decimal point facilitates interpretation.

The use of compact etched circuitry and conservative component ratings increases both reliability and portability. The etched circuits are laid out for optimum visibility and their sectionalized design, together with trouble localizing lights in the circuit. greatly eases servicing.

Model 523B is designed for maximum dependability and operating simplicity and may be used readily by non-technical as well as semi-skilled or professional personnel, the manufacturer states.

Remote Indicating And Mechanical Counter Item 1200

Two new mechanical totalizing counters have been designed for use for remote indication and control shaft position, telemetering by radio link, direct readout to card punching equipment, remote control of communications equipment, and as components of analog and digital servo systems.

Known as the Digicon and Digipot, the counters have ten contacts or a potentiometer coupled to each visual indicator wheel. They are rated for continuous duty at 1,000 r.p.m., or at 2,000 r.p.m. intermittent duty. Life without mainnance is claimed in excess of 50,000,000 counts.

Size is small — one and three quarters inches wide for the three digit unit, and two and three quarters inches wide for the five digit unit. Number wheels are lighted. Additional features claimed are high speed operation from either step or shaft rotation inputs, and extreme stability under adverse environmental conditions.

• Dynamic Force Gages Item 1201

A new series of force gages are now available for the accurate measurement of dynamic forces in any system or structure. New methods of dynamic testing are claimed through the use of this device, which provides a voltage output proportional to dynamic force. Applications include the testing of plastics for their dynamic properties, measuring the dynamic driving forces of electro-dynamic vibration tables, and measuring the transient shock forces in ejection type mechanisms and shock absorbers.

The Endevco Model 2103 and 2104 force gages provide large, self-generated outputs of approximately five volts full scale. They are available in full scale ranges of 100, 500, 1000 and 5000 pounds. The unloaded natural frequency of the units ranges from 20 kc to 50 kc, providing flat frequency response to at least 5000 c.p.s. The physical design of the gage permits its inclusion as part of the support structure or coupling linkage. The basic electro-ceramic sensing element of the pickup is a new development claimed to provide large output and linearity with temperature from $-65^{\circ}F$ to $+230^{\circ}F$.

• 3-Watt Axial-Lead Vitreous Enameled Resistors Item 1202

A tiny 3-watt axial-lead, vitreous-enameled resistor is now available in a wide range of resistance values, from 1 to 10,-000 ohms. The stock line now consists of three sizes rated at 3, 5, and 10 watts. The 3-watt size is only $\frac{1}{4}$ inch in diameter and $\frac{1}{6}$ inch long.

Axial-lead resistors are simple to mount by their tinned wire leads and occupy small space because of the absence of mounting brackets. Axial-lead resistors, particularly the very small sizes, are especially suited for printed circuits, terminal board, and point-to-point wiring applications.

These small, power-type resistors with axial leads are wire-wound units with steatite cores and a special-formula, vitreous-enamel coating. The resistance wire and terminal lead are both welded to the end cap, thus assuring perfect and permanently stable electrical connections. All parts of these axial-lead resistors —

All parts of these axial-lead resistors core, resistance wire, vitreous-enamel coating, and terminal bands — are "thermally balanced," so as to expand and contract as a unit. This enables the resistors to stand up under high operating temperatures without loosening of terminals or cracking, and subsequent entrance of moisture.

Fast, accurate VOLTAGE MEASUREMENTS 10 cps to 700 MC

Hewlett-Packard, leader in electronic test instruments, offers 3 precision vacuum tube voltmeters that provide coverage for almost all voltage measuring needs. Together these three instruments cover frequencies 10 cps to 700 MC, and measure voltages from 0.1 millivolts to 300 volts. Each has high sensitivity, wide range, simple operation and broadest usefulness in research or production testing. Construction is sturdy and of highest quality. Accessories extend voltage range to 30 kilovolts and make possible measurements from 1 microampere to 3 amperes.



NEW! -hp- 400AB Vacuum Tube Voltmeter

Here is a new precision instrument for general ac measurements that can be the most useful equipment on your bench. *-hp*- 400AB covers frequencies from 10 cps to 600 KC, and measures voltages from 0.3 mv to 300 v. Accuracy is $\pm 2\%$ from 20 cps to 100 KC. A high input impedance of 10 megohms with 25 $\mu\mu$ f shunt insures that circuits under test are not disturbed. Readings are direct in volts or dbm. \$200.00



This instrument's frequency coverage is 10 cps to 4 MC, voltage range 0.1 mv to 300 v. New amplifier circuit provides 56 db of feedback (mid-range) for highest stability. Input impedance is 10 megohms to prevent disturbance to circuits under test. Readings are direct in dbm. Condensers are sealed or long-life electrolytic. \$225.00

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Toggle Switch Boots With Rigid Hex-Nut

Item 1203 APM part No. N-1030B toggle switch boots are a new, improved version of the company's standard HENSEAL design. Constructed with an integral hex-nut, they can be tightened with ordinary pliers eliminating the need for special tools. They entain the one ninge construction of the retain the one-piece construction of the standard HEXSEALS, and also the excel-lent qualities of the silicone rubber. The boots will withstand temperature varia tions from -125 F to 500 F and remain unaffected by salt-water, acids or ozone

Design of the N 1030B permits the toggle switch bat to be exposed while the high pressure seal is maintained. Sealing takes place at three places; a double "O-ring" construction formed in the neck of the boot provides firm sealing against the bat handle of the switch (two distinct seals) and effective panel sealing is ob-tained by a gasket rib formed in the base of the helding has not (1) while one has of the holding hex-nut. All units are pre-hubricated at the factory and supplied ready to install. (Mounting thread is 15-32-

32NS2; measures 5 8" across flats). APM part No. N-1030B has been designed for standard toggle-switches in accordance with MIL-S-3950, JAN-S-23 and MIL-S-6745. The boot also meets all the requirements of the recently issued military standard MS24371 and recently revised MIL-B-5423. This new standard supersedes the AN3223 drawing for single-hole mounting boots

• Standard Barretter Bridge

Item 1204 Model 202-C Standard Barretter Bridge Model 202-C Standard Barretter Bridge has been designed to accurately and re-liably measure the voltage and power of high-frequency signals. This instrument, engineered for maximum simplicity of operation, measures voltages from 20 to 70 millivolts r.m.s. and power from 8 to 100 milerowatts in 50 obeys over 5 from 100 microwatts in 50 ohms over a fre-quency range of 2 Mc. to 1000 Mc. Resistive pads can be used to extend the volt-

The pads can be used to extend the volt-age and power ranges upward. No special input probes or tuning for frequency correction are necessary. The Bridge network of the Model 202-C contains a Bolometer, sensitive to high frequency currents, which produces a re-sistance unbalance proportional to the in-put signal. The Bridge is re-balanced by adjustment of a dial directly calibrated in millivolts, microwatts and DBM. High senmillivolts, microwatts and DBM. High sensitivity is achieved by amplification of the Bridge unbalance error signal which is indicated on a null meter. The Bolometer leg of the Bridge is enclosed in a thermistor-controlled oven in order to insure good

The Model 202-C Standard Barretter Bridge is recommended for calibrating signal generators, checking transistor oscillators, and measuring the signal out-put of other low-power apparatus.

Standard Test Set For Transistors

Item 1205

Item 1205 Model 505 Standard Test Set for tran-sistors is available for rapid evaluation and testing of junction transistors. This portable, battery-powered instrument is designed to conveniently determine impor-tant parameters of PNP and NPN small-signal, medium-power and switching transistors. transistors

Two test positions for both PNP and NPN units permit multiple testing of tran-sistors operating in the common-emitter configuration. Short-circuited junctions are indicated by a panel meter which also indicates collector cut-off current with base open, or collector-to-emitter leakage current, in three ranges up to a mixumum of 10 milliamperes.

D-c current gain (d-c Beta) up to a maximum of 200 is directly indicated. The Model 505 also measures incremental or (Turn to page 70)



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dynamic current gain; intrinsic transcondynamic current gain; intrinsic transcon-ductance, Gm; and emitter forward re-sistance. D-c characteristics of switching transistors are determined at saturation and cut-off conditions by selecting the proper position of the panel control. Ex-ternal plug-in jacks are provided to facili-tate the use of auxiliary test equipment for the measurement of "h", "r", or "hybrid Pi" parameters, and emitter and base currents. base currents. The Model 505 meets the urgent need

for a standard required by quality con-trol, production and engineering groups to rapidly and accurately test transistors.

Single Unit **Resistor-Capacitor**

Item 1206 A new single unit resistor-capacitor that requires only the space of a tubular capa-citor alone has been developed. It is called TUBE-R-Cap. The miniature combination is a standard

The miniature combination is a standard size CC32 tubular ceramic capacitor that also incorporates, on the same body, a ceramic base resistor in parallel. It is designed to permit greater performance and cost saving in applications where space is at a premium. Tests have shown that this miniature unit lends itself to many electronic assemblies, and it is described as perfect for antenna line applications. Maximum length of the TUBE-R-Cap. is .900" maximum with an approximate diameter of .280". It is rated as 470 mmf; GMV-1500 volts A.C. test per U.L. specifcations. 1_2

tions; resistance 1/2 megohm nominal, 1/2 watt.

The TUBE-R-Cap. body is of ceramic, impervious to moisture, unaffected by heat, vibration, or common acids. A double coating of Durez phenolic provides insulation.

Two Cable Connectors Of Novel Design

Of Novel Design Item 1207 Two radio frequency cable connectors with novel design features have recently been announced. The 83-850 is a com-pletely solderless Series UHF plug; the 83-851 is a semi-solderless Series UHF plug; the 83-851 is a semi-solderless Series UHF plug. Both connectors completely eliminate the necessity of soldering the center conduc-tor of the cable to the connector contact. No special tools are needed for assembly. Both connectors are re-usable and are therefore ideal for laboratory and service use where they may be assembled and dis-assembled for different projects. Electrically similar to the widely-used

Electrically similar to the widely-used 83-ISP plug, the 83-850 and 83-851 are made of brass with a durable cadmium plate finish; contacts are silver-plated for peak conductivity; dielectric material is mica-filled bakelite.

• Multichannel Radio Relay Equipment

Kelay Laupment Item 1208 A new RBB 44 series of 450 Mc s Multi-channel Radio Relay equipment designed to provide an economical transmission facility for voice, alarm, telemetering and control channels has recently been an-nounced. Tandem operation of several links carrying up to 24 high quality voice chan-nels is possible. The equipment contains built-in metering facilities as well as path and equipment failure alarms. and equipment failure alarms. This new, high quality Radio Relay equip-

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