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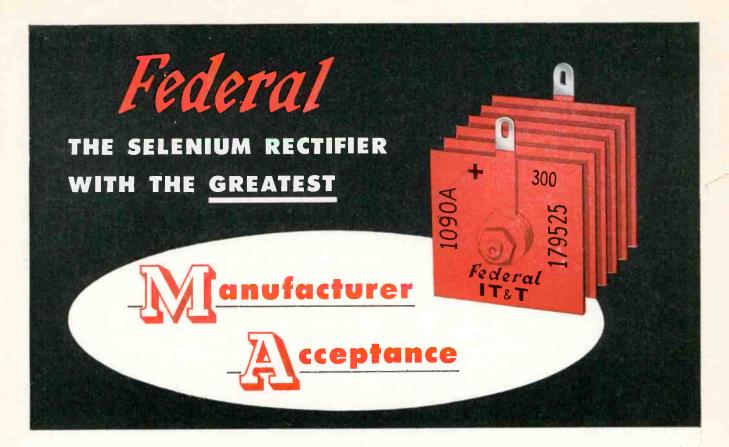
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(during period Apr.	30, 1955—Apr. 30, 1	956)
	1955	1956
Failures	26	29*
Av. Age of Companies (years)	6.5	11
Total Liabilities	\$14,460,000	\$11,055,000
* Products manufactured :	components, 17;	equipment, 8;

phonos, 2; recorders, 1; electronic organ, 1. From a report by Edward C. Tudor, chairman of the

Credit Committee, RETMA to the 32nd RETMA convention, June 12, 1956.

	On the Air	CP's	Applications
AM	2980	160	284
FM	490	57	7
TV	*{379 VHF 98 UHF	**{108 UHF 44 VHF	{107 VHF 26 UHF

\* Includes 16 VHF and 5 UHF non-commercial stations

\*\* Includes 14 UHF and 8 VHF non-commercial stations

#### **GOVERNMENT ELECTRONIC CONTRACT AWARDS**

This list classifies and gives the value of electronic equipment selected from contracts awarded by Government procurement agencies in June 1956.

		Kits, Modification	2,313,317	Relays, Rotary	28,780
Amplifiers		Loudspeakers	31,080	Relays, Solenoid	84,620
Amplifiers, RF	179,788	Magnetic Tapes	45,048	Simulators	74,498
Amplifiers, Servo	128,876	Meters	27,550	Simulators, Target	29,637
Analyzers, Spectrum	67,178	Meters, Audio Level	64,459	Solder	26,336
Antennas	1,690,222	Meters, Crystal Impedance	25,401	Studio Equipment, Broadcast	61,254
Antenna Towers	152,146	Meters, Frequency	508,045	Switches	815.770
Audio Oscillators		Meters, Noise & Field	62,400	Switches, Rotary	60,465
Batteries, Dry	1.538.382	Meters, Power	47,329		253,693
Batteries, Storage		Meters, Radiological Survey	499,400	Switching Assemblies	
Batteries, Zinc—Silver Oxide	74,301	Microphones	423,436		
Battery Packs	208,117	Monitors, Clear Text	382,266	Telemeter Transmitters	66,964
Calibrators	76.026	Monitors, Frequency	223,200		
Chargers, Battery	271,197	Monitors, Radar Performance	31,600	Telephone Switchboards	168,345
Code Generators	51,388	Multimeters	633,522	Telephones Switching Centers,	
Computers	763,900	Multiplexers	500,105	Transistorized	
Connectors	316,884	Oscillographs	44,502	Telephone Jack Assemblies	
Control Monitors	261.852	Oscilloscopes	904,876	Telephone Terminals	
Controls		Potentiometers	28,820	Teletype Units	4,983,207
Converters, Analog	40,923			Terminals	98,615
Converters, Frequency	241,700	Power Supplies		Test Sets	571,259
Countermeasures Sets	45,026	Radar Equipment	7,7/3,3/5	Test Sets, Audio	41,100
		Radio Beacon Communication	F ( 0, 00 )	Tests Sets, Electric Cable	61,500
Crystal Units	207,410	Sets		Test Sets, Impedance	66,810
Delay Measuring Sets	35,139	Radio Central Systems		Test Sets, Insulation	39,520
Diathermy Equipment	31,185	Radio Compasses		Test Sets, Radar	38,318
Dosimeters	330,460	Radio Direction Finders		Test Sets, Radio	357,183
Filters, Band Pass	329,397	Radio Receivers		Test Switchboards	34,614
Generators, Signal	91,607	Radio Receiver-Transmitters		Timing Sets	464,935
Handsets	548,376	Radio Sets		Transformers	45.522
Headsets	201,783	Radiosondes		Transmissometers	80.349
J. T. V. Systems	39,990	Radio Transceivers		Transmitters, Pressure	69,778
Indicators		Radio Transmitters		Transmitters, Rate of Fuel Flow	215.662
Indicators, Azimuth	60,284	Receivers, Anti-Jamming Test	97,749		
Indicators, Pressure	180,051	Recorders		Tubes, X-Ray	29,400
Inspection Sets, Magnetic	169,039	Recorders, Video Tape	75,021		
Insulators	50,988	Rectifiers, Metallic	131,850	Vibrators	
Intercom Units	186,889	Relays	60,080	Voltage Dividers	31,539
Inverters	197,340	Relays, Motor Driven	52,460	Windows, Electrically Conducting	30,556
Kits, Avionic Modification	296,074	Relays, Polar Telegraph		Wire & Cable	2,787,206

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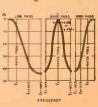
		TYPICAL	. IIEMS				
Type No.	Application	MIL Type	Pri. 1mp. Ohms	Sec. Imp. Ohms	DC in Pri MA	Response ±2 db (Cyc.)	Max. leve dbm
H-30	Input to grid	TF1A10YY	50*	62,500	0	150-10,000	+13
H-31	Single plate to single grid, 3:1	TF1A15YY	10,000	90,000	0	300-10,000	+13
H-32	Single plate to line	TF1A13YY	10,000*	200	3	300-10,000	+13
H-33	Single plate to low impedance	TF1A13YY	30,000	50	1	300-10,000	+15
H-34	Single plate to low impedance	TF1A13YY	100,000	60	.5	300-10,000	+ 6
H-35	Reactor	TF1A20YY	100 Hen	ries-0 DC, 50	) Henries-	1 Ma. DC, 4,400	ohms.
H-36	Transistor Interstage	TF1A15YY	25,000	1.000	.5	300-10.000	+10

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*\$\$0-1	Input	+ 4 V.U.	200 50	0	250,000 62,500	13.5	3700
SS0-2	Interstage /3:1	+ 4 V.U.	10,000	025	90,000	750	3250
*\$\$0-3	Plate to Line	+20 V.U.	10,000 25,000	3 1.5	200 500	2600	35
SS0-4	Output	+20 V.U.	30,000	1.0	50	2875	4.6
SS0-5	Reactor 50 HY at	1 mil. D.C. 44	00 ohms D.C.	Res.			
SSO-6	Output	+20 V.U.	100,000	.5	60	4700	3.3
\$\$0-7	Transistor Interstage	+10 V.U.	20,000	.5 .5	800 1,200	850	125

\* Imp Any between the values shown may be employed.

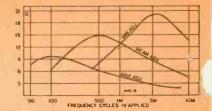
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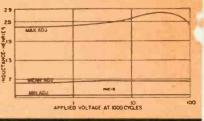
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TYPE No.	Min. Hys.	Mean Hys.	Max. Hys.	DC Ma
HVC-1	.002	.006	.02	100
HVC-3	.011	.040	.11	40
HVC-5	.07	.25	.7	20
HVC-6	.2	.6	2	15
HVC-10	7.0	25	70	3.5
HVC-12	50	150	500	1.5





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MQE-5	50	mhy.	50			+++			-		
MQE-7	100	mhy.	35	60		1	MOF-	7			
MQE-10	.4	hy.	17			* +		-			
MQE-12	.9	hy.	12	20	1		KC		1		
MQE-15	2.8	hy.	7.2	03	.5	1 5	10 15	20	25	30, 35	40

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TYPICAL ITEMS

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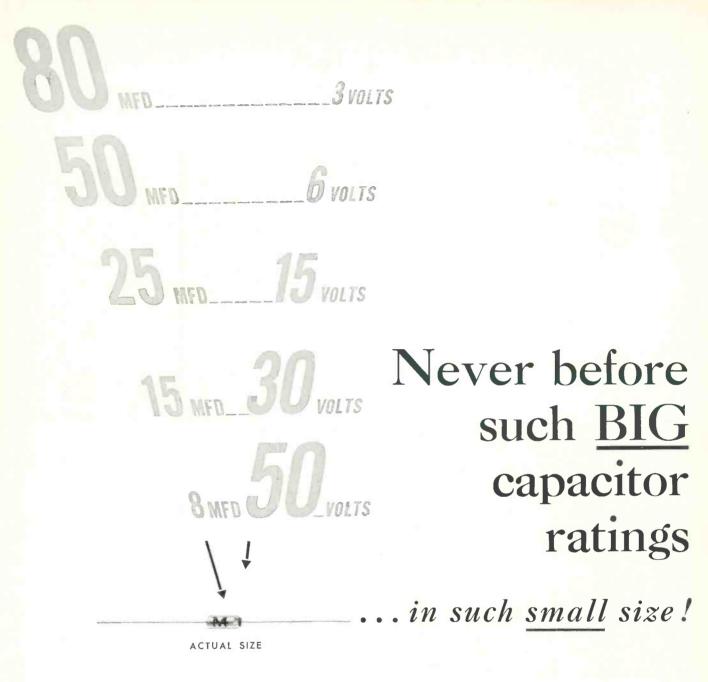
#### TYPICAL ITEMS

Type No.	Application *	Pri. Imp	Sec. Imp			
0-1	Mike, pickup or line to 1 grid	50,200/250, 500/600	50,000			
0-4	Single plate to 1 grid	15,000	60,000			
0-7	Single plate to 2 grids, D.C. in Pri.	15,000	95,000			
0-9	Single plate to line, D.C. in Pri.	15,000	50, 200/250, 500/600			
0-10	Push pull plates to line	30,000 ohms plate to plate	50, 200/250, 500/600			
0-12	Mixing and matching	50, 200/250	50, 200/250, 500/600			
0-13	3 Reactor, 300 Hysno D.C.; 50 Hys3 MA. D.C., 6000 ohms					

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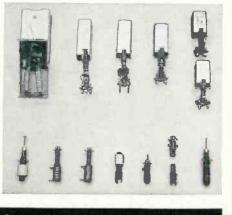
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Philip S. Fogg has become chairman of the board of Consolidated Electrodynamics Corp., Pasadena, Calif., and Hugh F. Colvin has succeeded him as president of the firm. Mr. Fogg will continue as Consolidated's chief executive officer.

James O. Burke has been elected president of Standard Coil Products Co., Inc., Melrose Park, Ill. He succeeds Glen E. Swanson, who becomes chairman of the board.

Robert S. Goodyear has been named president of Fenwal Electronics, Inc., Framingham, Mass., a new firm specializing in precision thermistor manufacture and in sensing elements incorporating thermistors.

C. Arthur Foy has been made manager of sales promotion for the Audio Div.; Albert J. Melrose is now manager of the Central Mid-West District, including metropolitan Chicago; and Ralph H. Sprague is manager of the newly-designated Mid-West District for the Audio Div., all of Ampex Corp., Redwood City, Calif. Foy is headquartered in Redwood City, while Melrose and Sprague are located in the Ampex Chicago offices.

Harold S. Geneen was recently elected executive vice president of Raytheon Mfg. Co., Waltham, Mass.

James J. Halloran has been elected secretary-treasurer of Electro Engineering Works, Inc., San Leandro, Calif. He is also vice president in charge of engineering for the firm. Mr. Halloran succeeds Alex W. Fry.

Mrs. Sylvia Anthony Nelson, of Mt. Vernon, Ohio, has been made chairman of the board of Electronics Equipment Engineering, Inc., Dallas, a new firm in the field of building airborne electronic accessories for civil and military aviation.

Amphenol Electronics Corp. of Chicago, has established an engineering and sales office at 5356 West Pico Blvd., Los Angeles, under the direction of a newly-appointed district manager, James Schaefer. Marshank Sales Co., Los Angeles, will continue to handle Amphenol business in its area. Wally Wasson has been named Chicago district manager for Amphenol,

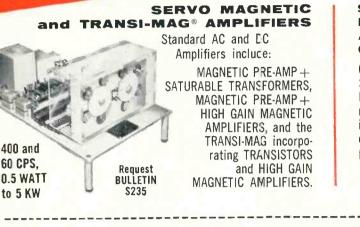
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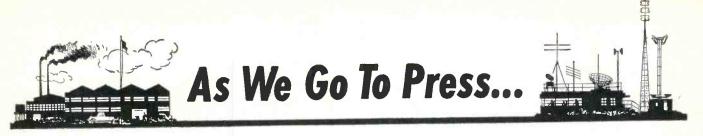
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#### World Radio Experts To Meet in Warsaw

Warsaw will serve as host this summer to about 500 radio-communications experts from all parts of the world. They convene in the Polish capital on August 9 for the Eighth Plenary Assembly of the International Radio Consultative Committee (IRCC) whose fourteen study groups will examine technical problems and operations.

The IRCC, with headquarters in Geneva, was founded in Washington in 1927 and is a permanent body of the International Telecommunication Union.

#### Air Force Receives New Ground Guidance Set

The United States Air Force has announced the delivery of new, airtransportable close-support ground guidance radar to operational elements.

This Close Support Control Set, called the MSQ-1A, was designed and built by the Reeves Instrument Corporation, a subsidiary of Dynamics Corporation of America, at a cost of approximately \$40,000,000.

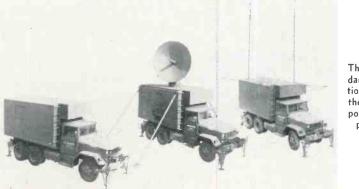
The Air Force indicates that the MSQ-1A system consists of three basic vans—radar, computer, and communications. The radar van tracks friendly aircraft and furnishes continuous data to the computer van for evaluation.

### Sylvania Centralizes Operations In Univac Processing Center

A nation-wide private wire system has been put into operation to link the seventy-one plants, laboratories, sales offices, warehouses, divisional headquarters, and executive offices of Sylvania Electric Products, Inc.

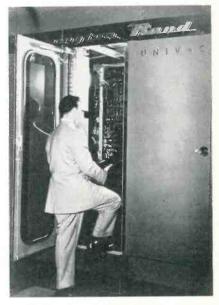
The versatile network, leased from Western Union, automatically routes coded messages to the appropriate station. Administrative messages are routed to telegraph printers where they are received ready for delivery to the department or person concerned. Coded data messages, however, are classified and transmitted automatically to the Data Processing Center in Camillus, where a "Univac" computer and subsidiary electronic equipment convert the information into summarized data on which can be based decisions at the corporate, divisional, or plant level.

In the case of a piece of data processing information originating at a Sylvania plant or other facility, the information is punched on paper tape. The tape is fed into electronic equipment which translates the message into electrical impulses that travel by the network from the transmitting point to the switching center, where the message is automatically punched on paper tape. Through a similar



These computer, radar, and communications vans are part of the USAF air-transportable Close Support Control Set process, the message is transmitted from the switching center to the Data Processing Center at Camillus.

At the Center, an electronic device again converts the information to paper tape, which in turn is converted to punched cards. The information on the punched card is conveyed to a unit which translates the information to metal magnetic



An 18,000-mile private wire system feeds all Sylvania data into this 10-ton central computer. Data correlation results previously requiring weeks can now be obtained in a matter of hours

tape. Then, a unit called a "Uniservo" carries the information from the magnetic tape into the "Univac" where computations are made in accordance with instructions fed into the computer. Magnetic tape then carries the completed computation, via "Uniservo," to a high speed printer, where the results of the computation are put on paper in readable form.

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# Sylvania develops a



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#### **POWER TRANSISTOR-**

provides 21/2 watts Class A output with \*5% total harmonic distortion

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Type 12J8-delivers 20 mw signal power output with \*5% total harmonic distortion

#### CHARACTERISTICS -

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# **low distortion pack** for HYBRID AUTO RADIO

#### combined engineering forces produce new power transistor and detector-driver tube—full line of 12-volt tube types completes auto radio complement.

SYLVANIA, in close co-operation with leading auto radio manufacturers, has just completed a full-time joint engineering project to develop a transistor-tube "power pack" for new hybrid auto radio designs.

Result of this combined engineering program is a new power transistor and the type 12J8 detector-driver tube especially designed to produce high current at low plate voltage for optimum power coupling to the output transistor.

Other important power transistor features include a heliarc-weld hermetic seal for ruggedness and a storage temperature of  $85^{\circ}$  C to eliminate heat problems under inoperative conditions.

Sylvania also offers a full line of 12-volt tubes to complete auto radio complements.

Designers of transistorized equipment will find Sylvania's new transistor highly useful in all power applications calling for a maximum collector dissipation of 10 watts.

#### **Engineering Sample Offer**

Sylvania will honor all bona-fide requests for engineering samples of the new hybrid "power pack" including the new power transistor and driver tube 12J8, plus

samples or information on 12volt types to complete your auto radio complement.

For samples of the power transistor for use in other applications, write on your company letterhead indicating your intended use.





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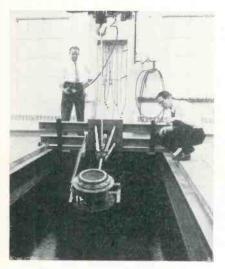
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#### Barium Titanate Sonar Transducer

A new type of sonar transducer element made of barium titanate, a non-strategic material, has increased ability to handle underwater sound energy, as compared to strategic materials (such as nickel) which were previously used.

Increased efficiency will result from the new transducer elements because the mechanical and electrical losses in barium titanate are lower than materials previously used. This means that smaller transmitting equipment may be used on shipboard.

Barium titanate also has a high dielectric constant and since it is a low impedance material the voltage requirements are low. This will permit high power operation without voltage breakdowns which have often limited sonar operations. The natural properties of barium titanate make it an ideal material for sonar transducer elements.



New sonar test facilities at GE

#### New Plant For Atlas Missiles

A new \$40,000,000 "Convair Astronautics" plant will be built in San Diego by Convair Div., General Dynamics Corp., for the manufacture of the Atlas intercontinental ballistic missile.

The Atlas is one of the three intercontinental missiles now under development by the U.S.



Gen. Walter Bedell Smith, of AMF Atomics, Inc., discusses new reactor with German officials

#### New Reactor For Free Europe

A "Swimming Pool" research reactor will be built by AMF Atomics, Inc., subsidiary of American Machine & Foundry Co., at Munich's Technische Hochschule, one of Germany's leading advanced technological institutes.

Unprecedented in free Europe, it will be the first reactor to be installed at a university for training engineering students in nuclear science, and will be the heart of a new nuclear research center at the university.

Construction of the one megawatt "swimming pool" type reactor is scheduled to start in October

#### Triggered Radar Beacon Aids Midair Rendezvous

A new flying aid is a high powered, airborne radar beacon that enables long range aircraft of the Strategic Air Command to locate each other and pinpoint the exact position in space of tanker planes, regardless of darkness or weather. Other tactical applications of the device for precisely accurate aerial rendezvous and reconnaissance still are unannounced.

Signals can be triggered automatically by the interrogating radar of fuel-hungry Air Force planes, to locate an individual tanker aircraft. Assured mid-air refueling can double or triple the effective reach of USAF's longrange aircraft.

#### TV Service Survey Shows Customers Usually Pleased

That an overwhelming majority of the nation's 36,000,000 television set owners are well satisfied with the promptness, quality, prices and courtesy of TV service technicians was disclosed in the latest nationwide survey conducted by Elmo Roper, market research expert, for the RCA Service Company, Inc.

The survey revealed that 91 per cent of the set owners interviewed were pleased with the quality of the serviceman's work, the same percentage reported the serviceman was pleasant and couteous, 83 per cent were satisfied with the price and 89 per cent thought their call for service was answered promptly. Eighty-three per cent said they would call the same service firm again.

Fifty-two per cent of all persons interviewed, who made calls for service during the past year, reported "same day" service: 18 per cent received service the next day; nine per cent during the next two days—or 79 per cent of all service calls were answered within two days of the call.

While the median cost of service calls increased in the past 15 months, reflecting the increased age of the average TV set, 83 per cent of the persons interviewed reported satisfaction with the prices charged, while 13 per cent said the prices were "not very good" and four per cent did not know or did not answer.

#### **Olympic buys Presto**

Olympic Radio & Television, Inc., of New York, has announced the purchase of Presto Recording Corporation of Paramus, New Jersey, as part of its continuing expansion in the electronics field.

Presto, a manufacturer of tape and disc sound recording and playback equipment for industrial and home use, will operate under its present management but as a wholly-owned subsidiary of Olympic.

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#### COLLINS 212F-1 STUDIO CONSOLE



Collins announces the new 212F-1 Speech Input Console an attractively styled, packaged unit featuring complete flexibility. It provides complete control over simultaneous broadcasting and auditioning from any combination of three out of eight possible inputs. The addition of two pre-amplifiers provides for mixing five of twelve possible inputs. The 212F-1 also provides for monitoring of program, audition, or remote lines, and control of speakers and warning lights. Available now — \$995.

#### Flexible

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- All components in console cabinet no additional rack space required
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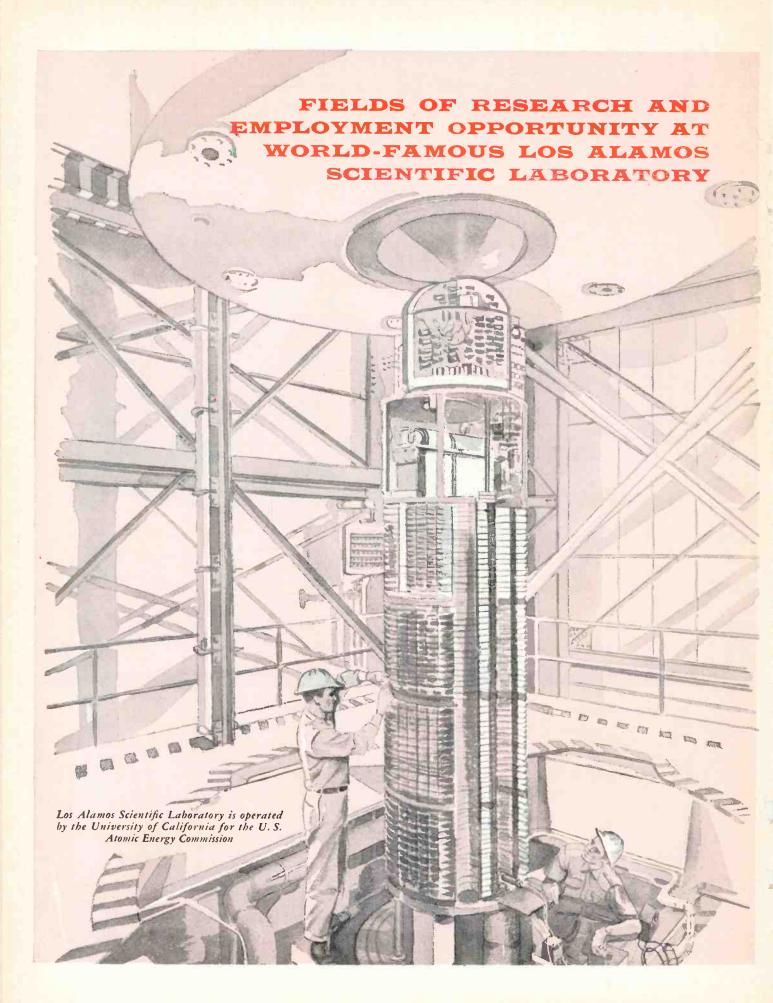
- Easy accessibility to all cabling, wiring and sub-units
- Front panel hinged tilts forward for instant inspection or removal of all amplifiers, power supply and relay unit
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#### Theoretical Physics and Mathematics

In the field of theoretical physics, the Laboratory carries on studies of nuclear theory, equations of state, mathematical analysis methods, hydrodynamics problems and various aspects of applied mathematics. The Theoretical Division is also concerned with the conceptual design of nuclear weapons, and supports many non-weapons activities such as the nuclear reactor and propulsion programs. The equipment used includes the Los Alamos-developed Maniac, the Maniac II, two IBM 704's and an IBM 701.

#### **Experimental Nuclear Physics**

Much of the work in experimental physics is concerned with nuclear properties of various materials. Fundamental studies are made of nuclear forces, neutron and charged-particle reactions and cross sections. Experimentation in controlled thermonuclear reactions is assuming increasing importance. Among the facilities available are three Van de Graaffs, two Cockcroft-Walton machines and a variable energy cyclotron.

#### Electronics and Instrumentation

The Laboratory is engaged in the design and development of nuclear physics research instruments, scintillation counters, fast pulse amplifiers, multi-channel analyzers, fast oscilloscopes, radiation detection instruments, electronic controls and control systems, and high-speed cameras which operate at 15 million frames per second. Electronics specialists also assist in the design of digital computers and of instruments for studying nuclear and thermonuclear detonations.

#### Nuclear Reactor Research

In connection with the peacetime applications of nuclear energy, the Laboratory is currently developing several advanced power reactors of unusual design. In addition, two research reactors are available for experimental studies. The remotely controlled critical assembly machines, known as Topsy, Godiva and Jezebel, constitute neutron research tools of a unique character.

#### Nuclear Propulsion

The Laboratory is actively engaged in the application of nuclear energy to the new and challenging field of self-propelled mobile reactors. There are studies in progress relative to engine design, heat transfer, controls and instrumentation.

#### Chemistry

Research in chemistry is devoted largely to inorganic and physical studies, especially of materials such as uranium, plutonium, deuterium and tritium used in nuclear energy systems. Radiochemical methods are applied in various investigations. Much work is being done on reaction kinetics, the effects of radiation on chemical reactions, complex ion formation and the determination of heats of combustion and solution. Extensive analytical studies include the use of a great variety of instruments, as well as the techniques of microanalysis.

#### Metallurgy and Metallurgical Engineering

Research activity and development in this field includes investigation of the metallurgical properties of materials used in nuclear energy systems; studies of extremely refractory substances, ceramics, cermets and plastics; the behavior of materials under extremely high temperatures and high pressures; studies of the properties of plutonium and its alloys, with increasing reference to their use in reactors, and of uranium and its alloys; development of fabrication techniques for various metals and alloys; and the high temperature properties of refractory metals tungsten, molybdenum, columbium, etc.

#### Weapons Physics, Design and Testing

Still the nation's principal institution for nuclear and thermonuclear weapons research, the Laboratory takes nuclear weapons from the concept stage to proved performance as determined by field tests. Activities in weapons research and development include the mechanics and dynamics of initiating a nuclear energy release; the behavior of supercritical systems; the testing of nuclear devices and weapons assemblies in Nevada and in the Pacific; engineering design of tests and prototypes of nuclear systems; and the design and development of nuclear weapons components and the techniques for their manufacture.

#### Explosives Research and Development

Work in this field includes study of fabrication, storage and stability problems of explosives; making and evaluating novel organic chemical compounds of possible use as explosives; mechanics and dynamics of explosive phenomena; and physical and chemical properties of explosive material using mass spectrometer, infra-red spectrometer, X-ray equipment and other analytical techniques. High explosives are employed in research on equations of state and shock wave phenomena.

#### Mechanical Engineering

Design and development work is carried on in connection with weapons design, field test facilities, the power reactor and propulsion programs, servo-mechanisms and remote control systems. High explosives systems are designed and manufactured. Other types of work are estimating, cost analysis and liaison between architectural engineers and contractors.

#### Chemical Engineering

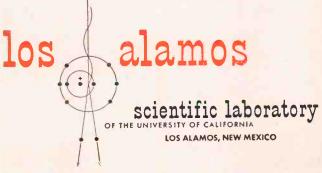
Chemical engineering work includes studies of heat transfer, fluid flow, solvent extraction, evaporation, distillation and systems at extreme temperatures and pressures. Problems supporting inorganic and physical chemistry research projects are also undertaken. Other activities are the remote control handling of radioactive materials and corrosion and erosion studies.

#### **Electrical Engineering**

Much effort is devoted to the design of induction heating systems for study of alloys at extremely high temperatures; of DC power supplies at currents up to 100,000 amperes; of servomechanism controls for nuclear reactors; and of high magnetic field systems. Work is done in planning, building and installing power distribution systems and their controls.

The Laboratory now has staff openings for technically qualified people interested in these fields of research and development. For additional information address your inquiry to

Director of Personnel Division 1105



#### Electronic Industries Boom in Puerto Rico

Since 1950, the manufacturing activities of electronics branch plants in Puerto Rico have expanded to a present level of \$11½ million a year. Products include radios, radar equipment, pulse generators, diodes, cathode ray tubes, sub-components, exposure and light meters, rectifiers, television antennas, carbon and steel gages, and crystal ovens. So far,



This plant, making exposure meters, is part of Puerto Rico's industrialization program

25 U. S. mainland firms have set up electronics branch plants in Puerto Rico, including Sperry Rand, Sylvania, Hermetic Seal, Weston, and Carborundum.

Mainland plants are finding component production in Puerto Rico offers many advantages including a ten year "tax holiday" on local taxes, no federal taxes, favorable wage differential, and various helpful inducements offered by the local government.

Further details can be obtained from Economic Development Administration, 579 Fifth Ave., New York 17.

#### 22-In. Color TV Line

A new line of color TV receivers, featuring a 22-inch rectangular all-glass color tube, has been announced by the television-radio div. of Westinghouse Electric Corp. At the same time, a new line of 21- and 24-inch black-and-white TV receivers, and several additional radio receivers were introduced.

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# **Coming Events**

A listing of meetings, conferences, shows, etc., occurring during the period July through October, 1956 that are of special interest to electronic engineers

- Aug. 20-21: The National Telemetering Conference, sponsored jointly by the IRE, the AIEE, the IAS, and the ISA, in Los Angeles, Calif.
- Aug. 20-24: Conference on Scientific and Technical Writing, by the Institute for Cooperative Research of the University of Penn., Philadelphia, Pa.
- Aug. 21-24: WESCON Show, Pan Pacific Auditorium, Los Angeles, Calif.
- Aug. 22-Sept. 1: 23rd Annual (British) National Radio Show, sponsored by the Radio and Electronic Component Manufacturers Federation, at Earls Court, London, England.
- Sept. 10-12: Inf. Theory Symposium, sponsored by IRE-PGIT and M. I. T.; at Cambridge, Mass.
- Sept. 11-12: Second RETMA Conference on Reliable Electrical Connections, at Irvine Auditorium, University of Penn., Philadelphia, Pa.
- Sept. 12-14: Third National Conference on Tube Techniques, sponsored by the Working Group on Tube Techniques of the Advisory Group on Electron Tubes; at Western Union Audit., 60 Hudson St., New York.
- Sept. 14-15: Prof. Gp. on Broadcast Transmission Sys., 6th Ann. Fall Symposium; tech. sessions at Mellon Institute Auditorium, Pittsburgh, Pa.
- Sept. 17-18: Adv. Gp. on Electron Tubes, Working Gp. on Semiconductor Devices—Transistor Reliability Symposium; at Western Union Audit., 60 Hudson St., New York.
- Sept. 17-21: Symposium on radiation effects on materials, sponsored jointly by The Atomic Industrial Forum and ASTM; at ASTM Pacific Area National Meeting, Los Angeles, Calif.
- Sept. 17-21: 11th Annual Instrument-Automation Conference and Exhibit, sponsored by the ISA, at the New York Coliseum, New York, N. Y.

- Oct. 1-3: 12th Annual Conference of the NEC; at the Hotel Sherman, Chicago, Ill.
- Oct. 1-3: Canadian IRE Convention and Exposition; in the Automotive Bldg., Canadian Natl. Exhibtn. Park, Toronto.
- Oct. 8-9: Second National Symposium on Aeronautical Communications, sponsored by the IRE Prof. Gp. on Communications Systems; at the Hotel Utica, Utica, N. Y.
- Oct. 9-10: Conference on Computer Applications, sponsored by Armour Research Foundation of Illinois Institute of Technology, Chicago, Ill.
- Oct. 15-17: Radio Fall Meeting, sponsored jointly by the IRE and RETMA, at the Hotel Syracuse, Syracuse, N. Y.
- Oct. 16-18: Conference on Magnetism and Magnetic Materials, sponsored by the Magnetics Subcommittee of the Basic Science Committee of AIEE, at the Hotel Statler, Boston, Mass.
- Oct. 25-26: Annual Display of Aircraft Electrical Equipment, by the Aircraft Electrical Society, at PanPacific Auditorium, Los Angeles, Calif.
- Oct. 29-30: Third Annual East Coast Conference on Aeronautical and Navigational Electronics, sponsored jointly by the Baltimore Section of IRE and the IRE Prof. Gp. on Aeronautical and Navigational Electronics; at the Fifth Regiment Armory, Baltimore, Md.

#### Abbreviations :

ASTM: American Society for Testing Materials AIEE: American Institute of Electrical Engineers

- IAS: Inst. of Aeronautical Sciences
- IRE: Institute of Radio Engineers

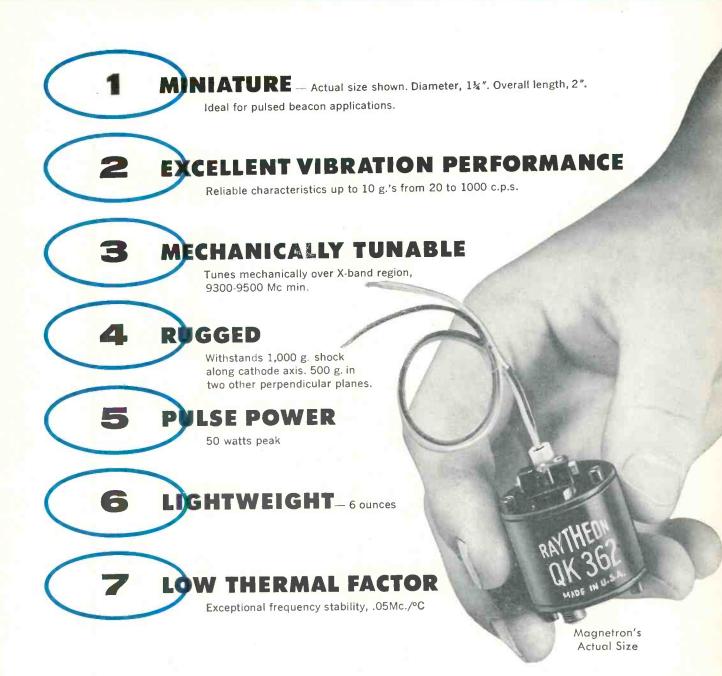
ISA: Instrument Society of America NEC: National Electronics Conference

RETMA: Radio-Electronics-TV Manufacturers

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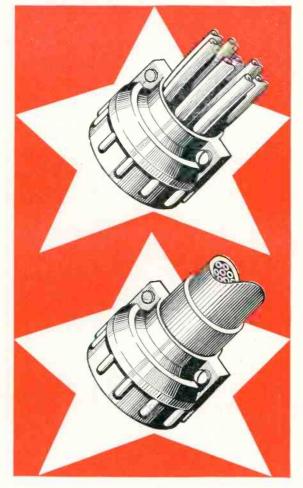
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**AN3057B** 





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conductor rubber-covered cable on the rear of a connector, or where moisture-proof entrance through a bulkhead or into an equipment box is required. Complete detailed information is available on request.



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#### **ITV for Atomic Plant Uses Color Wheel**

Scientists are now using specially-designed color television to help them perform work in radioactive areas at the Hanford plutonium plant, operated by General Electric for the Atomic Energy Commission.



Color TV guides the operator of a giant overhead crane in a radioactive area

Crane operators, who formerly observed their work by means of a periscope, now have a closed circuit color TV system. High image brilliance on the TV screens and added depth perception afford easier operation of giant crane hooks.

Color TV was chosen primarily because the remote manipulation problem involves color coded objects and also because it gives added depth perception and better object resolution.

The TV system uses the rotating color wheel principle because of the resulting simplicity, economy, color rendition, definition, and low maintenance cost.

#### **New SAGE Computer** Joins Defense Network

The first large-scale computer for the nation's vast new electronic air warning network is now being installed.

Our growing continental air defense system, known as the Semi-Automatic Ground Environment (SAGE) system, combines the (Continued on page 176)





#### UNCASED TOROIDS

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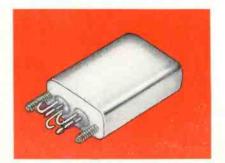
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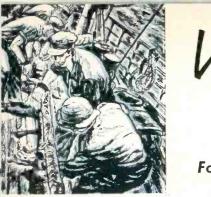
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For dependable service on the ocean floor AlSiMag precision insulators are used in the new Transatlantic Voice Cable

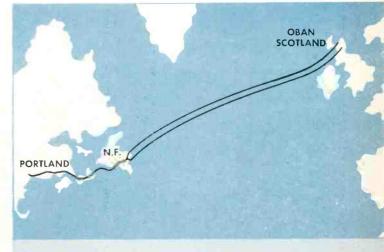
For 25 years communications engineers have studied the problems of laying a voice cable under the Atlantic Ocean to link the Americas with Europe. Today, the "voice" is nearing reality. The new link, a twin cable system, will be completed this year.

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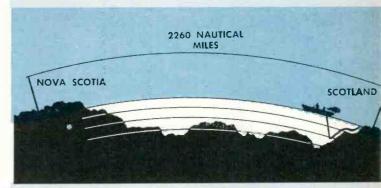
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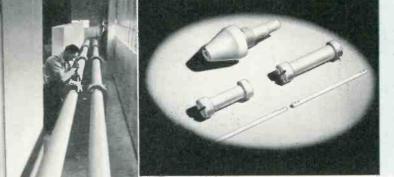
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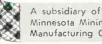
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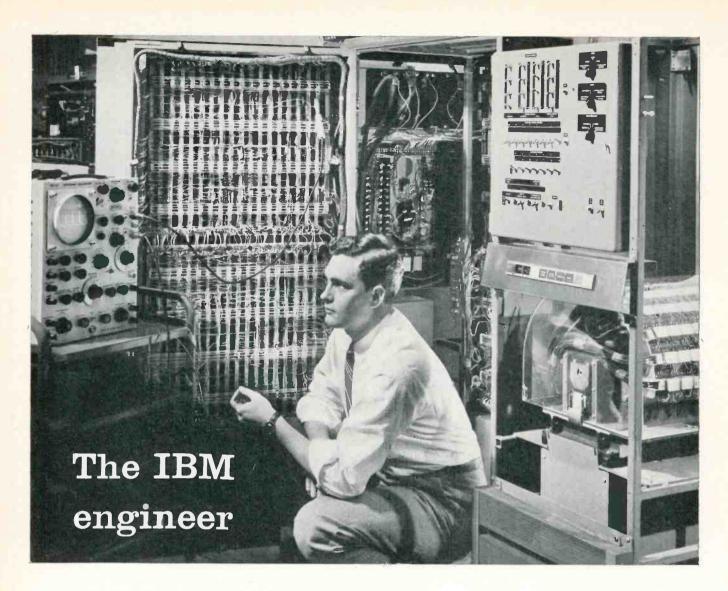
Basic Receiver: Model R-B Tuning Unit Frequency Ranges: Model RL-T: 950 - 2,040 mc Model RS-T: 1,890 - 4,320 mc Model RM-T: 4,190 - 7,720 mc Model RX-T: 7,260 - 11,260 mc Signal Capabilities:	Skirt Selectivity: 60 db — 6 db bandwidth ratio less than 5:1 IF Rejection: 50 db Input AC Power: 105-125 v., 60 cps, 440 watts		
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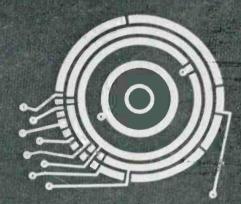
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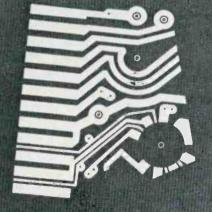


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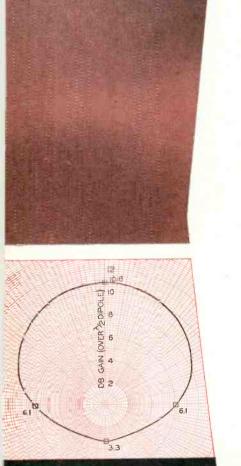
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Typical Existing System	Front	Side	Back
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Combined Antenna System	2.5	2.5	2.5
ANDREW Type 201 System			
Base Station, Type 201 Base Station Cable Loss, 100 feet	10.8	6.1	3.3
Type HO HELIAX Mobile Antenna, Type 233 (RG-8)	(1.0) 1.8*	(1.0) 1.8*	(1.0) 1.8 <sup>3</sup>
Combined Antenna System	11.6	6.9	4.1
IMPROVEMENT, db	9.1	4.4	1.6

\*Gain of Type 233 is relative to assumed 0 db gain of  $\frac{1}{4} \lambda$  whip with RG-58/U, and includes allowance for lower loss of RG-8/U feed cable.

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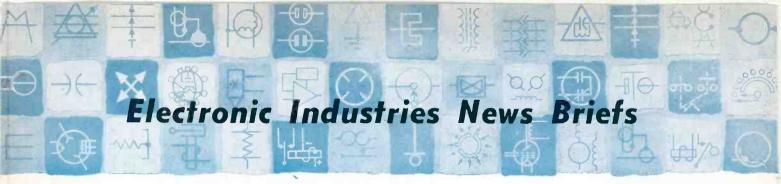
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ACOUSTICA ASSOCIATES, INC., Glenwood Landing, L. I., N. Y., has been awarded a substantial Air Force development contract in the guided missile field for ultrasonic cleaning equipment.

ALTEC SERVICE CORP. has changed its name to ALTEC COMPANIES, INC. There are no changes in the names of activities of the subsidiary companies.

AMERICAN BOSCH ARMA CORP. recently dedicated a new \$1,164,000 addition to their Columbus, Miss. plant of its wholly-owned subsidiary, American Bosch Arma Mississippi Corporation.

BENRUS WATCH CO. proposes the purchase of PIC Design Corp., Lynbrook, N. Y., manufacturer of precision instrument components. Plans for an expansion of PIC Design include a new plant in the Lynbrook-East Rockaway Area.

COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT SEC-TION, GENERAL ELECTRIC, will transfer its activities to a new plant soon to be constructed at Gainesville, Florida. Approximately 1700 personnel will be employed in the new plant.

CONSOLIDATED VACUUM DIV., CON-SOLIDATED ELECTRODYNAMICS CORP. has changed its name to Consolidated Electrodynamics Corp., Rochester Division, effective June 1, 1956.

CONSOLIDATED ELECTRONICS INDUS-TRIES CORP.'S Board of Directors has approved the acquisition of Technical Electronics Corp., Culver City, Calif., manufacturers of motors, system analyzers, and packaged electronic circuits.

DAYSTROM NUCLEAR DIVÍSION, DAY-STROM, INC. will supply and install a new nuclear reactor at Brookhaven National Laboratory, Long Island. Contract includes the core, process instruments, console and wiring, work to be concluded by 1958.

EMERSON RADIO & PHONOGRAPH CORP. has developed and built for the Air Force a trainer for teaching radar operators to guide aircraft to a target, bomb the target and return—solely through the use of SHORAN radar.

FEDERAL ELECTRIC CORP., Lodi, N. J., subsidiary of International Telephone and Telegraph, has been awarded the operation and maintenance contract for the "White Alice" communication network in Alaska by the USAF.

FEEDBACK CONTROLS, INC., has completed a consolidation of its Alexandria, Va. plant and its Cambridge, Mass. engineering office into new quarters in Waltham, Mass.

FENWAL ELECTRONICS, Framingham, Mass., affiliate of Fenwal Inc., has entered the field as manufacturer of precision thermistors.

GENERAL ATRONICS CORP., 125 City Line Ave., Bala-Cynwyd, Pa., has been established for the purpose of developing new products and techniques in electronics and in the physical and mathematical sciences. President of the new firm is David E. Sunstein, formerly head of the Government Research Dept., Philco Corp., Philadelphia.

INTERNATIONAL TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH CORP. and UNDERWOOD CORP. have announced that discussions with respect to a possible association of interests have been terminated.

GLENN L. MARTIN CO. of Baltimore, has been awarded a contract by the Dominican Republic for a nuclear-powered electrical generator system.

NORDEN LABORATORIES, White Plains, N. Y., division of the Norden-Ketay Corp., has been elected to membership in the Radio Technical Commission for Aeronautics.

RCA DEFENSE ELECTRONIC PRODUCTS has established a new department to handle administration, sales, and details of RCA custom-built spares for military electronic equipment. Heading the new activity is Herbert C. Elwes as Manager, RCA Defense Spares Marketing.

SOCIETY OF TECHNICAL WRITERS (STW) and the ASSOCIATION OF TECHNI-CAL WRITERS AND EDITORS (TWE) are working on plans for a merger of the two into a single organization. Initial plans call for a joint National Convention of STW and TWE on Nov. 15 and 16 at the Hotel Statler, New York.

SPERRY RAND CORP. will construct a new \$1,250,000 research and development facility at Salt Lake City, to be known as the Sperry Utah Engineering Laboratory.

F. J. STOKES MACHINE CO., Philadelphia, has changed its name to F. J. Stokes Corp. SYLVANIA ELECTRIC PRODUCTS INC.

SYLVANIA ELECTRIC PRODUCTS INC. has acquired a new plant in Hillsboro, N. H., to be used in the manufacture of transistors and crystal diodes. Sylvania has also established a new Microwave Physics Laboratory at Mountain View, Calif.

ULTRASONIC MANUFACTURERS ASSOC. has formed an engineering standards committee composed of members from seventeen leading ultrasonic manufacturers in the U. S.

#### MID-WEST

A.C. SPARK PLUG DIV., GENERAL MO-TORS, has changed its name to A.C. Electronics Division Corp.

AMERICAN PHENOLIC CORP., Chicago, announces a change of name to Amphenol Electronics Corp.

CARBOLOY DEPT., GENERAL ELECTRIC CO., will now be known as the Metallurgical Products Department, General Electric. Department headquarters remain in Detroit.

COOK RESEARCH LABS., Skokie, Ill., division of Cook Electric Co., will occupy a new plant now under construction in Morton Grove, Ill. The new 31.000 square foot structure will be utilized mainly for Radar Research.

EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION & RADIO CENTER, Ann Arbor, Mich., will acquire a new \$200,000 home on or about October 1. The two-story L-shaped building will provide more than 8500 square feet of floor space.

MAGNAVOX CO. of Tennessee has initiated a major building program which will add approximately 70,000 square feet to the company's facilities in Greeneville.

SHURE BROTHERS INC. has moved into a new \$1,000,000 building at 222 Hartrey Ave., Evanston, Ill.

TEXAS INSTRUMENTS, INC., Semiconductor Products and Components Divisions, have combined their engineering, manufacturing and marketing operations.



BERKELEY DIV., BECKMAN INSTRU-MENTS, has been awarded a contract by General Motors Allison Division for analog computer to be used in designing advanced jet engines at the Allison plant, Indianapolis.

JACQUES BIALEK has opened an office as Management Consultant to the Electronics Industry at 3631 W. Slauson Avenue, Los Angeles 43.

BJ ELECTRONICS, subsidiary of Borg-Warner Corp. has moved to new quarters at 330 Newport Blvd., Santa Ana, Calif.

CAL-TRONICS CORP., Los Angeles manufacturer of electronic test equipment, has formed a new Foto-Etch Circuits Division to develop and produce printed circuits. General Manager is W. G. Weigel. The plant is located at 2631 Southwest Drive, Los Angeles.

CONSOLIDATED ELECTRODYNAMICS CORP. has completed the construction of a \$1,500,000 3-story research, engineering and marketing building in Pasadena, Calif.

**ELECTRO ENGINEERING WORKS. INC.**, transformer manufacturer, has completed the move to their new 20,000 square foot building at 401 Preda Street, San Leandro, Calif.

G. M. GIANNINI & CO., INC. has opened a new electromechanical division at Sherwood Lane, Caldwell Township, N. J.

MARVELCO ELECTRONICS DIV., NA-TIONAL AIRCRAFT CORP., has established an electronic research and development center at 5063 Harbor Drive, San Diego, to handle projects in telemetering, data-handling and display, guidance-navigation, and computer research.

McCOLPIN-CHRISTIE CORP. announces the change of name to Christie Electric Corp. Organization and personnel remains the same.

PCA ELECTRONICS INC. has moved its Santa Monica factory to new quarters at 16799 Schoenborn Street, Sepulveda, Calif.

PERKIN ENGINEERING CORP., El Segundo, Calif., has opened a new regional Sales-Engineering office at 1060 Broad Street, Newark 2, N. J.

**TELEMETER MAGNETIC INC.**, subsidiary of International Telemeter Corp., has moved to new quarters at 2245 Pontius Avenue, Los Angeles 64.

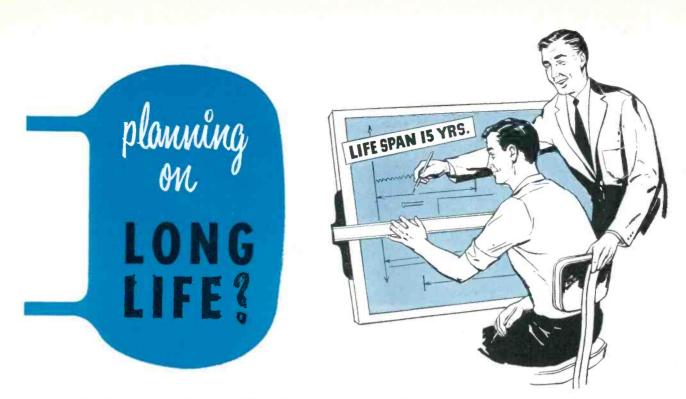
#### FOREIGN

KEARFOTT CO., INC., subsidiary of General Precision Equipment Corp. has arranged with R. B. Pullin & Co. Ltd., London, England, for manufacture of Kearfott's products in the United Kingdom. Equipment to be manufactured overseas will include servomotors, synchros, tachometer generators and servomotor-tachometer combinations.

PSC APPLIED RESEARCH LTD., Toronto manufacturer of instrumentation, has opened a new environmental test laboratory to test to aeronautical standards.

SUN LIFE ASSURANCE CO. OF CANADA has ordered a Univac tube computer from Remington Rand to be installed in its head office in Montreal.

TELESISTEMA MEXICANO S.A., Mexico City, has purchased a Philco, VHF, one-kilowatt TV transmitter with associated studio equipment to be installed at Guadalajara.



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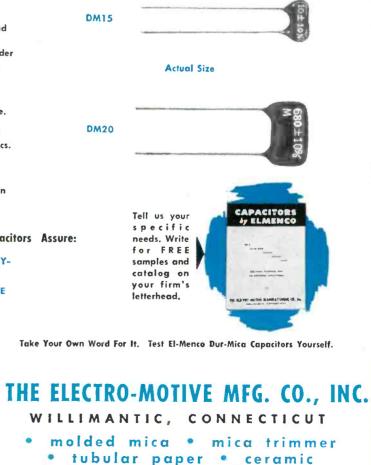
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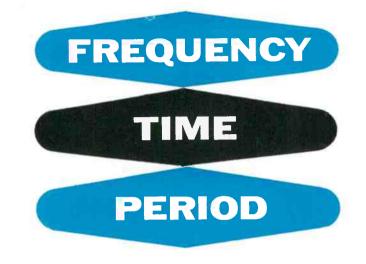
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DATA SOURCES

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Consider physical requirements next: Where you plan to use a system is an extremely important factor. To record data in a missile or jet, you will obviously need different equipment than would be used in a laboratory. But reel size, tape width, tape speeds, must also be selected. And heads, available for recording from 2 to 24 data tracks or even more, should be specified early. Keep in mind also the planned final disposition of the data, whether to a computer, direct writing recorder, or other equipment.

Finally, select system components and accessories: In FM carrier recording alone, you can choose from at least three recording oscillators, two reference generators, and several signal and compensation discriminators. Speed control servos, power supplies, and remote controls also require attention. Needless to say, much of this process of selection requires special experience, and should be placed in the hands of the competent data recording systems manufacturer. But the important thing to remember is that data recording on tape is a field in itself, with special techniques and special equipment that can be matched to virtually any recording need. The day when the problem had to be tailored to the equipment is long past.

More detailed information on recording systems and equipment, and how to select them, is provided in "The Role of Magnetic Tape In Data Recording," available on request to Davies Laboratories, Inc.



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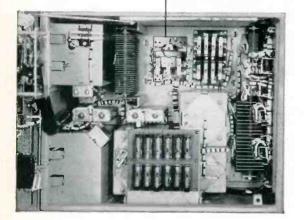
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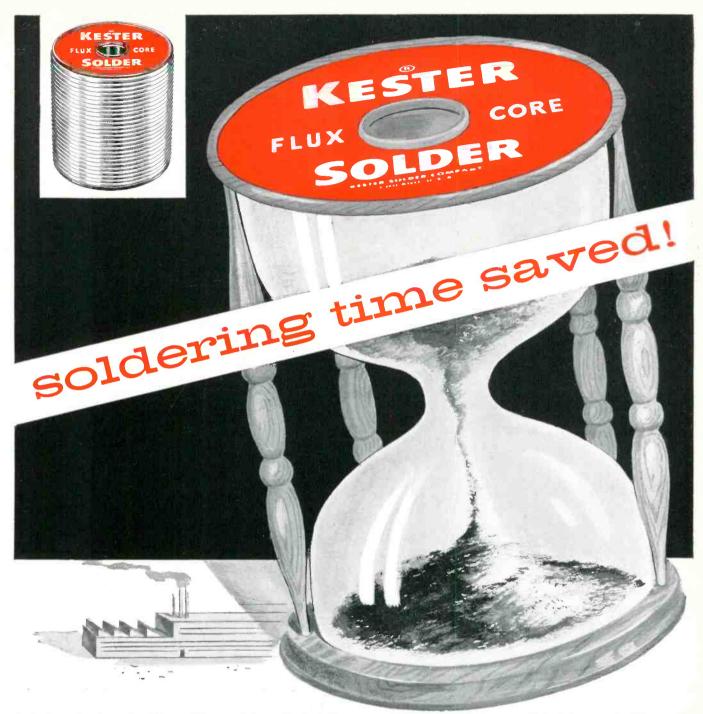
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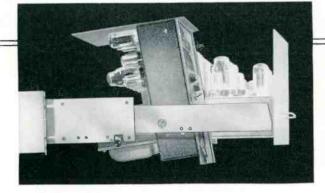
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#### **Robert Oakes Jordan**

In the article reproduced here, just as it appeared in the May 16 issue of "Down Beat", Mr. Robert Oakes Jordan reports his completely unbiased and impartial findings on the vitally important subject of tape quality. A leading authority in the highfidelity field, and tape recording in partic-ular, his comments are of interest to all users of tape recording equipment, professional and amateur alike.



#### By Robert Oakes Jordan

IT LOOKS AS though 1956 will be a year for magnetic tape recording. Perhaps it might be wise to review the

subject of tape. Looking back over the recent history of magnetic recording and its plastic tape medium, it is easy to see the progress in both.

The progress in both. Factors, more often than not over-looked, which are concerned with the use and storage of tape should be known and used by every person hav-ing a tape recorder. During the last year, one of the long-term projects at our laboratory in Highland Park, Ill., has been the inde-pendent study of magnetic recording tape. We are interested in finding out just which practises in its use must be observed and how the user can best assure the safekeeping of his recorded tapes. tapes.

SEVERAL HUNDRED reels of magnetic tape from all the tape manufac-turers were studied. Not more than 5 percent of this tape was submitted by nanufacturers as samples. The bulk was bought by the laboratory.



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In this a nontechnical report, we will tell of those factors considered most important for the tape user. It is our opinion that output consistency is the single most important factor governing the choice of any recording tape. Out-put consistency means that the tape must produce the same quality of sound as it is played back, month after month, year after year.

If the manufacturer has complete control of his tape production proc-esses, then serious variation should not occur. If there are variations in not occur. If there are variations in the thickness of the oxide, its compo-sition, or its method of application to the plastic base, then there will be a variation in the performance of the tape. If the user gets too little signal in playback or too much, either is a serious tape fault.

IT IS SELDOM possible for the tape IT IS SELDOM possible for the tape user to judge the quality of the tape he uses because faults and inconsis-tencies identical to tape failures may be caused by poorly adjusted or main-tained tape recorders. Virtually any brand of tape will provide adequate results from the majority of nonpro-fersional recorders now on the majority fessional recorders now on the market. However, if you want professional results, then reel-to-reel, batch-to-batch

output consistency is in portant. In the tests, we found some remark-able variations in marketed tapes for consumer use. Among those faults found most often are these: faults

• Nonuniformity of oxide coating, causing signal-level variations or "dropouts" in which little or no signal was recorded.

• Pits or pocket voids, where air bub-bles or dirt have caused very small pits in the oxide coating. In some cases the ring magnetization of the rim of these pits or holes will cause playback signal variation.

• Nonuniformity of plastic base sur-face, in which, if the plastic base has microscopic hills or valleys in its surface, the oxide coating, though perfect-ly smooth at the playing surface will vary in depth along the tape. This can cause that noise-behind-the-signal, per-plexing to professional recording en-gineers as well as amateurs.

• Uneven slitting, in which the mag-netic tape is processed and coated in wide rolls and must be slit to what-ever marketable width is desired. Large roller knives must be employed in the clitting the target target the target target the target targe Large roller knives must be employed in the slitting process. If these knives get dull or exhibit any heat change one to another, the tension of one slit edge of the tape varies from that of its other edge. This change of edge tension over the length of a reel of tape will cause erratic travel of the tape over the recording and playback heads. heads.

• Poor oxide adhesion to the plastic base. While this fault is becoming more and more rare, it is still a factor to consider when buying "bargain" or used bulk tape. The drawbacks to good recordings are evident in the clog-give affect of the located avide point ging effect of the loosened oxide pow-der.

After the tests, we chose Audio Tape Type 51, made by Audio De-vices, which through two years of tests and use, proved to be the most consis-tent of all the major tapes.

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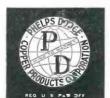
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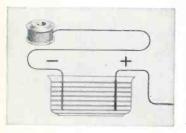
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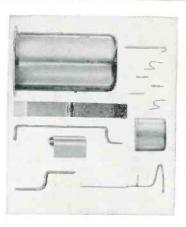
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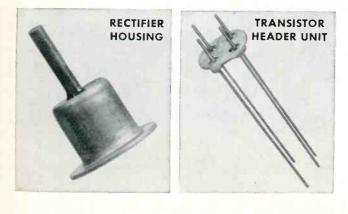
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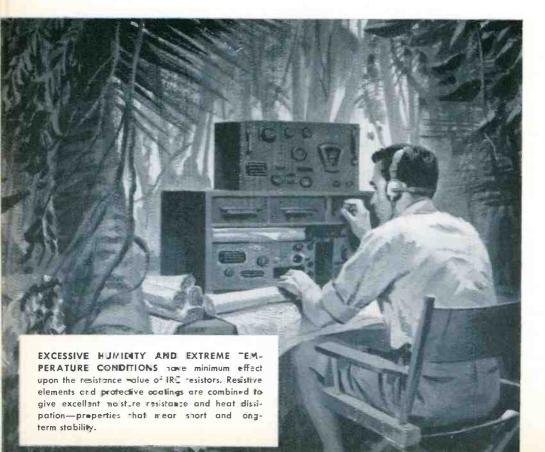
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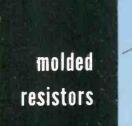


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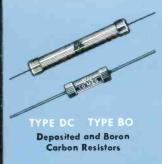
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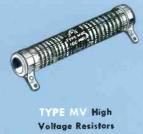


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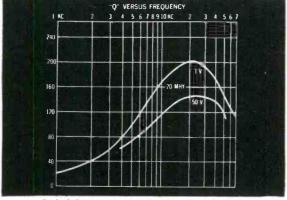
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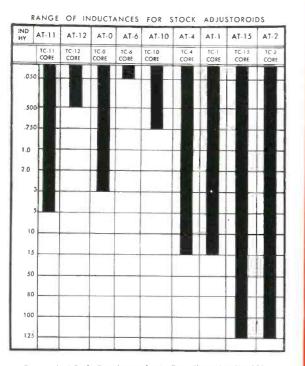
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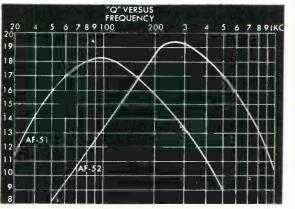


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By William D. Bevitt. Published 1956 by Prentice-Hall, Inc., 70 Fifth Ave., New York 11. 410 pages, price \$9.00.

This book sums up, in a practical manner, the most recent information on transistors, their circuits, and their applications in modern industry. The beginning chapters deal with fundamental concepts, and present the characteristics, measurements, circuit properties, and behavior of the different types of transistors. The last half of the book deals with circuits and applications, along with methods for circuit analysis.

Typical values of circuit elements are given wherever possible to exemplify good practice in circuit design. Included among the circuits covered are transistor radio and television receivers, as well as such items as relaxation oscillators, a-f and r-f amplifiers, modulators and demodulators, and many others. The appendix gives standard definitions of semiconductor terms and essential characteristics of the latest transistors.

Mr. Bevitt, himself a transistor application engineer, has done a capable job of presenting transistor information for design and development engineers in a most useful form. The presentation is clear and logical, and the complete index aids in locating desired information with a minimum of delay.

## Handbook, Preferred Circuits Navy Aeronautical Equipment NAVAER 16-1-519

By J. H. Muncy. Published 1955 by Government Printing Office, Washington 25. 204 pages, looseleaf bound. Price \$1.75.

The main purpose of this handbook is to encourage reduction of unnecessary circuit variations in military equipment. If standardization of electronic circuits, even in part, is realized, substantial economies will be achieved by both the manufacturer and the military services.

Made available by the National Bureau of Standards and the Navy Bureau of Aeronautics, the book consists of two parts: the Preferred Circuits Manual, and Notes to the Preferred Circuits Manual. The manual presents 32 circuits, complete with schematics, characteristics, and other information. The preferred circuits were derived after experimental measurements had been made on a large number of examples taken from both commercial and military equipment. The Notes, explaining the steps which led to the selection and design of each



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# Transistors and Low-Fidelity Portables

The transistor, which in the years to come is destined to be the heart of nearly all radio, might be getting an undeserved "black-eye" in today's portable radio receivers. Sort of a "guilt by association" condition—because neither the audio volume nor quality is as good on the average as in the vacuumtube portables. This is the recent finding of the radio testing laboratories of consumer research organizations.

After testing a number of well known makes of transistorized portable receivers, the consumer research laboratories have published reports that, in the majority of sets, the maximum output without intolerable distortion is only about 0.06 watts. Background hiss and noise also cause difficulties. These latter factors are directly chargeable to the transistor, but the audio reproduction limitation is mostly chargeable to the small loudspeakers employed. Transistorized portables can be considered as falling into two groups:

- 1. MEDIUM-LARGE, weighing over two pounds with speakers of more than three inches in diameter. (Even those in the medium-large group were not equal in fidelity to the average tube equipped portable—not a very high standard.)
- 2. POCKET-SIZED, weighing under two pounds, equipped with speakers under three inches in diameter.

Such consumer reports can upset public impression of the capabilities of transistorized equipment and even retard future sales. Every effort should be made to improve the deficiencies found in these designs. Further transistor and transistor circuitry developments could improve the hiss and noise problem. However, the invention of a new type of small but efficient sound radiator is sorely needed. Possibly bringing into use some of the newer permanent magnetic materials that can be molded or machined will be of assistance here. At any rate, while small size and low-energy demands of transistorized portables do interest the public, it is important, too, to realize that performance comparable to vacuum tube design should be the ultimate goal.

# Foreign Imports of Radios

The recent newspaper reports describing the spiralling increases in imports of Japanese portable radios for sale in the United States are extremely disturbing.

In 1955, for example, total Japanese exports of radio sets is reported at 212,000 units with a value of \$1,880,000. About 80 per cent of this total were portable receivers sent to the U.S. For 1956, totals of 25,000 sets in January, 24,000 in February, and 40,000 in March are reported. Japanese industrial leaders are aware of these increases and are said to be considering the possible imposition of a voluntary quota to forestall American complaints. On the other hand, reports also indicate that Japanese manufacturers are now competing with quality products in contrast to the low-cost, low-quality goods produced for the American markets prior to World War II. West European imports are also on a high level, and these, of course, add to the competition that an American manufacturer finds at the market place.

We have attempted to confirm the above-mentioned figures through official U. S. sources, but so far have been unsuccessful. Government statistical figures do not reflect the current conditions. Surprisingly, no RETMA member has yet complained, although their International Department is aware of the situation. This is also a time when several of the larger radio-TV manufacturers are going through major financial retrenchments.

Close watch on future imports of foreign products should be kept, lest we find some of our electronic industries going the way of the American watch manufacturers.

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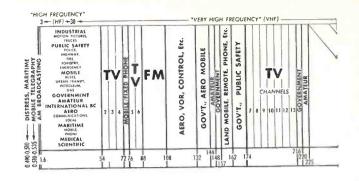
**NEW APPROACH** to the full utilization of their engineers' abilities goes into force at Sylvania as part of the program for their new Univac Data Processing Center. Full information on their engineers' education, experience, and other pertinent data will be kept on file for emergency situations requiring certain skills. In practice, an immediate need at any one of the 71 Sylvania locations would be flashed to the Processing Center at Camillus, New York, and through the facilities of Univac, the particular Sylvania engineer best qualified to handle the job would immediately by singled out. Company officials are extremely enthusiastic about the added engineering flexibility provided by the service.

FIRST MOVE to establish a new operating council of the West Coast Manufacturers' Association was made recently at a meeting attended by representatives of 12 companies in the San Diego area.

## SAGE DISPLAY CONSOLE



Picture of the air defense situation as picked up by SAGE network and analyzed by IBM computer, is flashed on this screen. With buttons and switches at sides, Air Force personnel make tactical decisions which are in turn carried out by the computer.

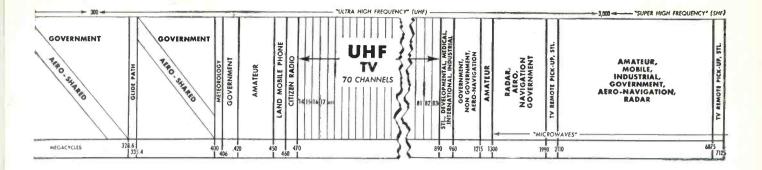


**PRICE OF SILICON** has been reduced \$30.00 a pound, bringing the price to \$350.00 per pound.

MAJOR BREAKTHROUGH in the field of semi-conductors is in sight as a result of recent investigations at Bell Labs. New intermetallic compounds are now being made which have a wider range of electrical properties than is obtainable with either silicon or germanium, making possible more versatile transistors and other semi-conductor devices. One of the most promising compounds being investigated at the laboratory is indium antimonide.

WOMEN ENGINEERS are getting more and more consideration as a partial answer to the engineer shortage. Dr. Charles J. Jolliffe of RCA recently pointed out that about 20 per cent of all the engineers in Russia are women, compared with less than 1 per cent in the United States. Women, he said, could make a very significant contribution in our life or death struggle for supremacy as laboratory technicians, and as graduate engineers.

**INDICATIONS ARE** that the long standing barriers to the interchange of technical information between Western and Iron Curtain countries are being removed. Within a few short months after Tele-Tech & ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES initiated its program of abstracting Russian technical journals, the Russians themselves included in one of their top ranking publications an English language abstract of the editorial content. This would seem to indicate that Russian technical journals are getting increasing dissemination outside the Iron Curtain. A noted German publication has been including for some time both English- and French-language abstracts of their technical articles. And as the latest step in this world wide program the Nation Science Foundation now announces a stepped up program for the translation into English of Russian Research literature. The new journals to be translated will be the Journal of Technical Physics, approximately 4,000 pages per year for which the subscription price will be \$90.00; the Acoustics Journal, approximately 500 pages per year, \$20.00; and proceedings of the USSR Academy of Sciences (physics articles only), approximately 900 pages per year, \$25.00.



**RETMA** has started a determined drive to collect accurate and timely data on the number of employees in the electronic industry, and their hours and earnings. The lack of information on these items was embarrassing to the RETMA Tax Committee recently in their request for relief from the excise tax, and an emergency survey had to be made within the space of a few days. To avoid a recurrence, and to provide industry in general with timely facts and figures, RETMA's statistical department is now distributing reporting forms which firms are being asked to forward on a regular basis to RETMA.

## LABOR MANAGEMENT

FRINGE BENEFITS are increasingly in the news, and are being increasingly misinterpreted. To clear the air, the Bureau of Labor statistics has come up with a list of ten items which are to be considered as fringe benefits. These are as follows:

- 1. Paid vacations.
- 2. Holidays and sick leave.
- 3. Premium pay for overtime.
- 4. Shift premium.
- 5. Pension program.
- 6. Insurance, health and welfare plan.
- 7. Old age and survivors insurance.
- 8. Unemployment compensation.
- 9. Workmen's compensation.
- 10. State temporary disability insurance.

# MILITARY CONTRACTS

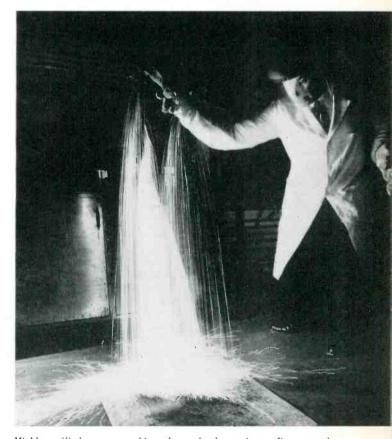
THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE is initiating a new program designed to encourage large military prime contractors to subcontract to small business concerns. Semi-annual reports will now be submitted by large business concerns participating in the program to show DOD funds received by these prime contractors and the payments made by them to small concerns for materials or services furnished in connection with the prime contract. The report will include both sub-assemblies fabricated to the prime contractors specification and "off the shelf" items purchased by the prime contractor for use in the performance of the contract.

Each military department will have the responsi-

bility for initiating the procedure with their own prime contractors. The prime contractors will be under cognizance of the military department which has Armed Services Procurement Planning Responsibility for the contractor. The first reports are to be made in February, 1957, to cover the last half of the calendar year 1956.

Military contract awards to small business concerns in the fiscal year 1955 were \$3,214,000,000. What is not known is the total value of business reaching small concerns through sub-contracts. There are indications that it may amount to \$2,000,-000,000. The new reports will furnish information on this important area.

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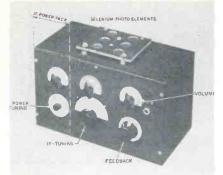


Fig. 2: Lab model of light-powered receiver

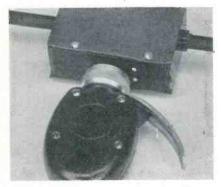


Fig. 3: Miniaturized transmitter for 250 kc.

THE first practical applications of the transistor followed fields which until then had been reserved exclusively for the vacuum tube. The competition of both active elements occurs mainly when space, weight, maintenance, and supply energy are limited, as, e.g. in the case of hearing aids which, limited in size and weight, are supposed to guarantee maximum battery efficiency, or as in the case of the giant electronic computers where thousands of tightly packed vacuum tubes require such a large amount of supply power that an extensive and expensive refrigeration system is required to prevent overheating.

In this competition between transistors and vacuum tubes, the transistor art is directed toward the development of improved transistors, with better power handling capacity, frequency response, temperature stability, and the like. On the other hand, it requires a little step to look for applications which, because of their minimum demand for driving energy, have become the sole domain of transistors.

In this direction, one finally arrives at various types of transistor apparatus which require no battery

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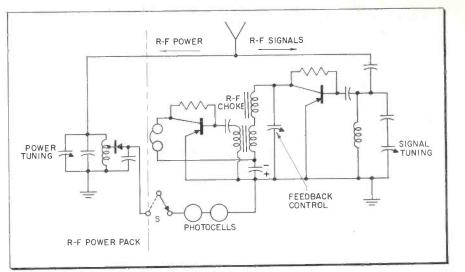


Fig. 1: Schematic of light-powered transistorized regenerative receiver

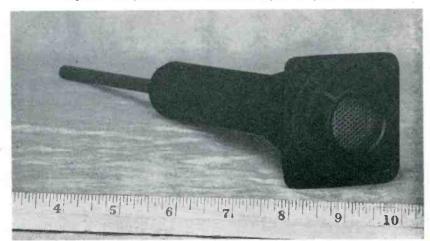
# Designing "Free-Power" Transistor Apparatus

or power supply whatsoever. Naturally, each active element needs some driving energy but this can be derived from natural or artificial energy fields around us and thus is freely available or at least without extra cost. Transistor apparatus fed by free energy, in this meaning of the word, is the topic of this article.

#### Free Energy

Before turning to the transistor apparatus itself, the term "Free Energy" may be defined somewhat more accurately. As is well known, the sun is the most important source of energy for our planet. As an average, the sun's radiation energy totals roughly 1 kw for each sq. yd. of the earth's surface. By the use of ordinary photovoltaic cells or photoelements, less than 1% of this energy is converted into electricity. The new "Solar Battery" developed by the Bell Telephone Co. boosts this poor efficiency up to 15% and more. In conjunction with wet cells which are charged via a rectifier to prevent discharging during the night, twilight, and dim daylight, a continuous supply of driving energy is obtained. In this way, a portable radio receiver may be fed by a

Fig. 5A: Voice-powered phone transmitter, requires no power source



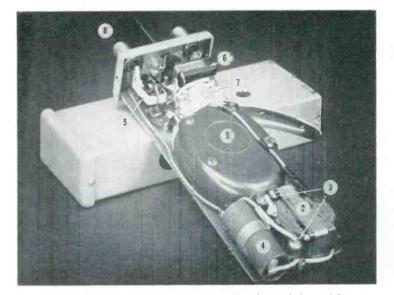
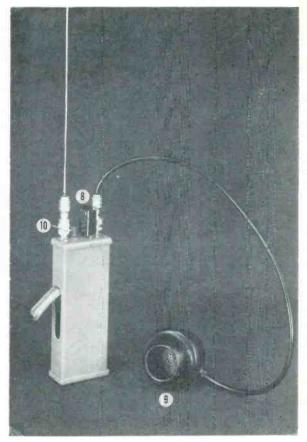


Fig. 4: Hand-powered phone transmitter. Complete unit is at right Low power requirement of transistors makes possible the design of receivers that utilize the electromagnetic radiation from broadcast stations, or solar energy, as operating voltages. Sound- and hand-powered transmitters are also described.



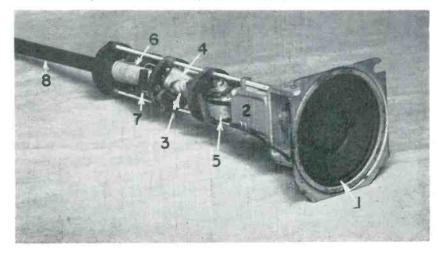
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multiplicity of silicon cells whereby nothing but the high cost of the solar cells prevents such a receiver from being available on the market.

Another form of energy which surrounds us is sound. Its level, however, is so low that even from the noise of heavy city traffic only a few  $\mu$ w/cm<sup>2</sup> can be recovered from the intercept area of an electroacoustic transducer. A more favorable condition is encountered if the sound source is approached immediately without the terrific attenuation of propagation through free space. In this respect, a sound-power microphone when addressed rather loudly is most interesting. Considering the articulation of speech, i.e. the distribution of the low energy consonants and the powerful vowels as well as the intervals between words and sentences, an average energy of approximately <sup>1</sup>/<sub>10</sub> mw can be produced by talking directly into the mouthpiece of a sound-power mike.

The human voice is the manifestation of the strength of our body which, therefore, has to be included into the realm of "Free Energy." However, in the era of transistors, it is no longer necessary to crank

Fig. 5B: Interior of voice-powered unit, PM speaker is driver



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the heavy generator of a tube-type transmitter. A mere touch of a small lever or push-button is sufficient to operate a sensitive transistor oscillator and thus generate short radio pulses.

The philosophy of free power is incomplete without the mentioning of another type, namely the electromagnetic radiation of telegraph, broadcast, TV transmitters and the like as they are found in all civilized countries. Up to now, this radiation energy has been utilized exclusively for the control of active and passive receivers. However, a preliminary study reveals that a powerful transmitter, in particular our local broadcast station, produces an electro magnetic field of sufficient strength to permit an antenna wire to recover enough energy to feed one or more transistors.

Having outlined the general topic, several laboratory models of small transmitters and receivers will be described whose characteristic is that they are fed by the described forms of free energy. Since we enter a new field, it can easily be understood that this first survey has to be confined to rather fundamental characteristics and circuits. In other words, the article discloses what can be done rather than how it must be done.

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# **Vibrational Stability Tests for**

Clapper type relays are evaluated under vibrational conditions of 3 to 2000 cps and accelerations to 35 g. Prime areas of relay improvement are in the design of contact springs, contact supports, and relay mountings

FAILURES of magnetic relays, when subjected to vibration in airborne applications has led to a vibration-evaluation survey of relays. (See Note.)

Based on airborne requirements. 3 to 2000 cps has been established as the frequency range for vibration tests. The low frequency portion of the vibration spectrum (3 cps to about 35 cps) generally includes occasional transient excitations, with a low-damping factor. The low frequency range is overlapped by a higher frequency vibration (from about 20 to 2000 cps) which is interpreted as a continuous complex wave with unpredictable peaks at various frequencies. The effect of such peak excitations on equipment is approximately similar to that of sinusoidal vibrations at discrete frequencies.

## Acceleration

The maximum anticipated acceleration level is 15 g for most relays, although some relays are located where accelerations as great as 25 g may be expected. In anticipation of future requirements, acceleration effects beyond the present requirements have also been explored.

## **Test Methods**

Contact chatter during vibration exposure is the first parameter for study. Tests are made to note repetitive contact chatter of 100  $\mu$ sec or more, duration. The method (Fig. 3) for vibration testing utilizes a low-voltage 60 cycle signal connected through a protective resistance to the series-wired closed contacts. The vertical input of an oscilloscope is connected across the series of closed contacts, and the oscilloscope sweep oscillator is synchronized with the NOTE: Reported at the 4th National Conference on Electromagnetic Relays.

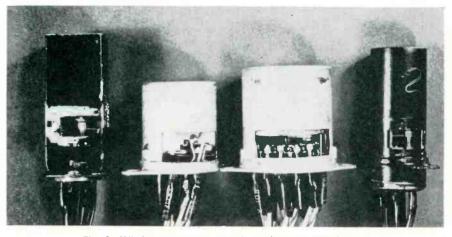


Fig. 1: Windows are cut to permit stroboscopic examination

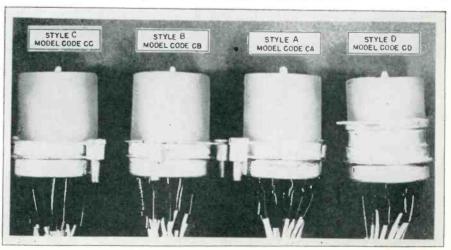
60 cycle voltage source. Any opening of the closed contacts results in a voltage to the oscilloscope until all contacts are again closed. Contact chatter is evidenced by vertical lines extending above or below the horizontal line.

## **Vibration** Modes

The relay is vibrated in each of its three mutually perpendicular axes with the coil energized to test the normally-open contacts, and with the coil de-energized to test the normally-closed contacts. The frequency (3 to 2000 cps) is changed at the rate of 100 cps per minute. Eight sweeps of the frequency spectrum are made, each at different constant acceleration levels starting with 3 g and increasing to 35 g (Fig. 4). At the low frequencies, the acceleration is limited to maintain a 0.375 in. total constant displacement.

During tests, the frequencies which excite contact chatter are noted and recorded. When chatter is observed during two acceleration level sweeps for an axis and

Fig. 2: Styles CC and CD showed improved operation



# **Magnetic Relays**

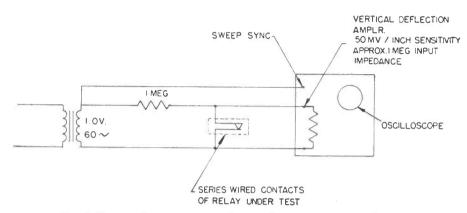


Fig. 3: Contact chatter is evidenced by vertical lines on the oscilloscope

a coil condition (energized or deenergized), the test for that axis and coil condition is concluded.

## Monitoring Acceleration

Monitoring the acceleration with the use of three accelerometers mounted in the three mutually perpendicular axes has been found necessary, since any unbalance of the mass on the shake table causes transverse acceleration forces to develop. The output of the accelerometer measuring the acceleration in the direction of the motion of the vibration table is used to maintain the acceleration level within  $\pm 1$  g. The remaining two accelerometers are read separately and indicate the magnitude of transverse acceleration vectors occurring in the two axes perpendicular to the motion of the table. The accelerometers are secured as close as possible to the relay attach points to avoid erroneous inputs caused by fixture or shaker resonance.

## **Transverse** Vectors

When chatter is observed, the magnitudes of the transverse acceleration vectors are noted. If the transverse force is greater than 30% of the acceleration in the axis of the motion of the vibration table, the balance of the reduce the magnitude of the transverse forces to 30% or less. The 30% limitation is established by the apparent optimum obtainable from present vibration equipment when a resonant free mounting fixture is used.

mass on the table is adjusted to

### Dynamic Analysis

For dynamic analysis, sample relays are frequently obtained with observation windows cut into the sides of the relay cases to view the switching mechanism (Fig. 1) during testing. A stroboscopic light source is synchronized with the motion of the shake table to illuminate the switching mechanism, and a 25-power microscope is used to observe the mechanism. By A. H. MASCHMEYER Autonetics Division, North American Aviation, Inc. Bellflower, Calif.

By making discreet changes in frequency and acceleration on the relay, contact chatter is produced and analyzed.

#### Contact Springs

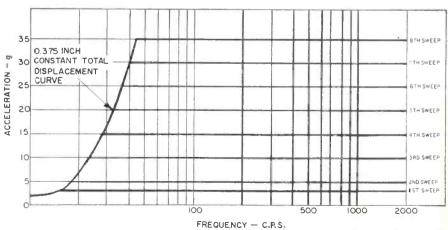
One design, recently observed by the stroboscopic technique, was a mechanism with the normally closed contact mounted on an ear bent from one side of the moving contactor as shown in Fig. 5. During vibration in the "V" axis, the mass of the normally closed contact imparted an off-center loading to the moving contactor and produced a twist which intermittently opened the normally closed contact. The manufacturer has been advised of the design inadequacy, and the resultant improvement is shown in Fig. 6.

Another design which has been studied is the conventional contact springs and arms in the general form of a cantilever beam with the contact at the free end. In such an arrangement, it is noted that rectangular contact springs appear to be more susceptible to vibration than tapered contact springs. The following analysis confirms the susceptibility:

#### **Deflection Force**

The force acting to deflect the contact spring during vibration results from the weight of the spring and contact assembly act-

#### Fig. 4: Vibration caused closed contact to open intermittently



# Magnetic Relays (continued)

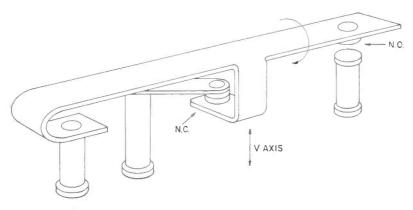


Fig. 5: Redesign eliminated torque of off-center mass

ing on its center of gravity. Accordingly, the energy is applied as a force-moment where the load is a function of the weight of the contact spring assembly, and the moment-arm is the distance from the center of gravity to the point where the contact spring is fixed. The center of gravity of a rectangular contact spring in contrast to a tapered contact spring is shown in Fig. 7.

#### Spring Shape

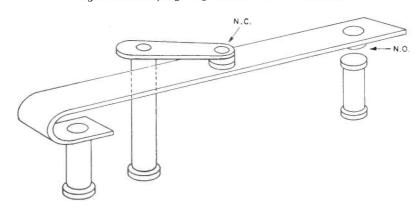
Analysis of the deflection from acceleration forces shows that a rectangular spring deflects 2.252 times as much as a tapered contact spring of equal base width. Further analysis shows that the armature force required to deflect the tapered spring is only 2/3 the force required to deflect the rectangular spring. Thus, the tapered contact spring not only has greater resistance to vibrational deflections but also results in decreased coil power requirements. In one instance where this change was made, contact chatter which previously occurred at a 10 g acceleration level did not appear until a 17 g acceleration was applied.

#### Mountings vs Chatter

The effects of various relay mounting designs contributing to contact chatter are also being evaluated. Among those under consideration are the four different mounting styles shown in Fig. 2.

- Style CA Manufactuers' standard in accordance with MS24115 (USAF) dimensions except shouldered studs are used in place of clearance holes. The relay is supported on the shoulders of the studs only.
- Style CB Manufacturers'

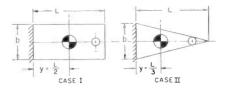
#### Fig. 6: Contact spring design affects vibrational reliability



standard in accordance with the triangular mounting per MS24115T (USAF) dimensions except shouldered studs are used in place of clearance holes and thru-bolts. The relay is supported on the shoulders of the studs only.

- Style CC Suggested modification of Style CA. This modification is identical to Style CA except the height of the shoulder of the stud is reduced to permit the relay to seat on the annular flange instead of on the two studs.
- Style CD Another modification of Style CA. Here, an annular two hole mounting flange is located near the center of gravity of the relay.

Four relays of each style (selected from a single production lot of the type) have been vibrated. Styles CC and CD (with the modified mounting flanges) did not exhibit contact chatter when tested at accelerations up to and including 35 g through the frequency range of 3 to 2000 cps;



#### CENTER OF GRAVITY

# Fig. 7: Center of gravity, rectangular and tapered springs

chatter was observed with six of the eight relays tested of type CA and CB relays. These tests indicate that mounting designs may contribute to chatter and, accordingly, further investigation appears warranted.

## Proposed Dynamic Testing

Since the majority of relay failures occur in a dynamic environment, instrumentation for evaluating relays under such conditions should be used. The instrumentation should incorporate an adjustable time measure so that only contact chatter with a separation time greater than a pre-(Continued on page 113)

# Simplified Cascode Design

The characteristics of a given cascode unit can be quickly approximated from the E<sub>b</sub> — I<sub>b</sub> curves of the triode employed



The test circuit shown in Fig. 1 could be used to obtain equivalent static characteristics of a cascode circuit. Given a value of the upper grid voltage,  $E_{c2}$ , a family of  $E_{\rm h}$ -I<sub>b</sub> curves could be found with  $E_{\rm c1}$ , the bias voltage, as a parameter. It is possible, however, to approximate these curves directly from the triode characteristic curves provided by the manufacturer.

Assume  $E_{c1}$  and  $E_{c2}$  fixed for the moment. As  $E_b$  is increased to sufficiently large values,  $E_{b1}$  will increase until it approaches  $E_{c2}$ , at which time it will level out to a value very near  $E_{c2}$  because of the clamping action of the upper triode.  $I_b$  will also level out to a saturation value  $I_b'$  corresponding to



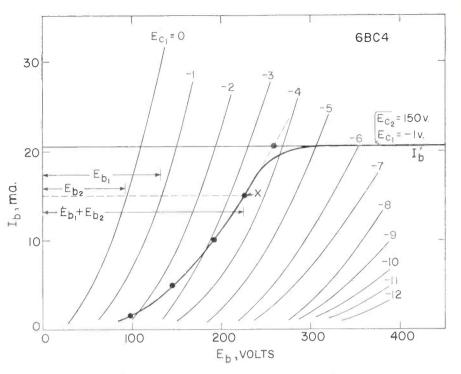
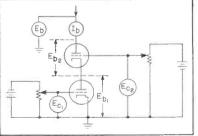


Fig. 2: Cascode characteristics are derived from triode curves

 $E_{b1} = E_{c2}$ . As  $E_b$  is reduced to sufficiently low values, the upper triode goes into grid conduction and the voltage  $E_{b2}$  is determined from the zero bias curve for the particular  $I_b$ . Once  $E_{c2}$  is set, then the cascode characteristic corresponding to a particular  $E_{c1}$  can be derived by determining  $E_{b1}$  on the  $E_{c1}$  bias triode line, and  $E_{b2}$  on the zero bias triode line, both as a function of  $I_b$  up to the saturation level  $I_b'$ .

An example is given in Fig. 2 for the 6BC4.  $E_{c2}$  is given as 150 v. For the particular curve shown in detail  $E_{c1} = -1$  v.  $I_{b}' = 20.5$  ma is shown as the value of  $I_{b}$  when  $E_{b1} = E_{c2} = 150$  v. The point "x" is obtained for  $I_{b} = 15$  ma.  $E_{b1}$  is defined by the triode curve to be 132 v. at this point. Since the upper triode is in grid conduction,  $E_{b2}$ from the zero bias curve is 93 v.  $E_{b} = E_{b1} + E_{b2}$  then is shown on

Fig. 1: A cascode test circuit

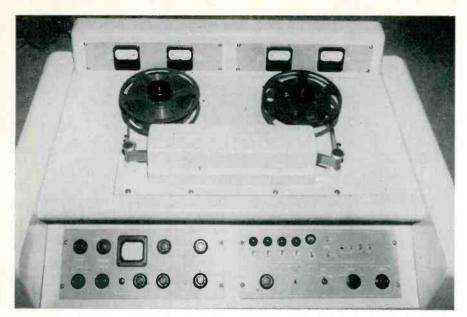


the point "x" as 225 v. Other points obtained in the same manner are shown and a continuous line is drawn through these and folded over at the knee to meet the  $I_{\rm b}$  line. Other curves for the family  $E_{\rm c2}=150$  v. can be drawn but are not shown here.

Characteristics obtained in this manner are not precise but should be well within the limits of the manufacturer's tolerances on  $g_{\mu\nu}$ , etc. The upper grid circuit may act as a plate load for the lower tube and tend to shift the lower part of the cascode curve in Fig. 2 to the left. In addition  $I_b$  should approach  $I_b'$  gradually—more so with low- $\mu$  tubes.

Increasing  $E_{c2}$  has the effect of spreading out the cascode curves vertically and thus increasing the  $g_m$ ; however, the knee will be shifted to the right and higher plate-supply voltages are required to get into the "pentode" region.

The  $I_b'$  saturation lines are usually the ones of primary interest. These can be found quickly by the intersection of the  $E_b = E_{c2}$  line with the triode curves. The knee can be located approximately by assuming grid conduction at  $I_b'$  and marking off  $E_b = E_{b1} + E_{b2}$  as before. Determining one knee should be sufficient, as the others occur at about the same voltage.



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Fig. 1: Top view of video tape recorder. Unit records 1 hr TV show on 14 in. reel of 2 in. tape

# **Ampex's New Video Tape Recorder**

Multi-headed disc, spinning at 14,000 rpm, records bandwidths up to 4 mc on a two-inch magnetic tape traveling 15 ips. Immediate application is program delay service for East-West TV; future applications include color TV and high-speed data recording

**L**OOKING at the advantages which magnetic tape recording had brought to the radio broadcast industry, many engineers visualized its application to TV, when a means might be found of recording the 4 mc video signal.

Several approaches were open to them, and each had its adherents. Basically, the problem involved packing enough information onto a reel of magnetic tape of manageable size to reproduce all the video information in a program of a halfhour or an hour in length. The rate information transmission is proportional to the complex product of the bandwidth and the signal-tonoise ratio. In TV, a satisfactory signal must be at least 4 mc-wide and over 30 decibels "deep."

## High-Speed Tape System

The maximum recordable frequency with a magnetic tape recorder is set by the effective gap width and tape velocity. The magnetic head "sees" substantially only that part of the tape which, at any

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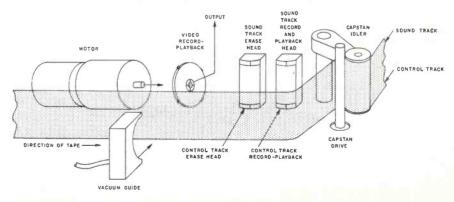
given instant, is in the head gap. So long as only a small part of a single cycle is in the gap at any moment, the head will "see" a changing flux, and its output will be proportional to the rate of that change.

But when one whole cycle appears in the gap, the average value of the positive and negative half cycles equals zero, and the output of the head is zero. Thus, the narrower the gap, the shorter the wavelength which that head can reproduce effectively, or, the higher the frequency it can reproduce at a given tape speed.

In audio recorders a magnetic head of .005 in. gap width can reproduce a wavelength as short as .001 in. along the tape, or 7,500 cps at  $7\frac{1}{2}$  ips. A quarter-mil head, on the other hand, will effectively reproduce a half-mil wavelength, or a 15,000-cycle signal at  $7\frac{1}{2}$  ips.

If we used a quarter-mil head gap, then, we might expect that we

Fig. 2: Diagram of multi-function head



would require a tape speed of 2,000 ips to reach an upper frequency limit of 4 mc. At that rate, a reel of magnetic tape 14 inches in diameter and 4800 feet long would record a little less than 29 seconds of program material.

The precision required to manufacture a magnetic head so that the entire length and depth of the two gap faces are separated by exactly .000125 in. is very great. Even so, with utmost care, under conditions of precisely controlled light, temperature, and machinery, heads with this effective gap can be made. Any improvement made in this direction, however, leads not only to exceedingly knotty production problems, but also in the direction of great delicacy of equipment, where ruggedness is greatly to be desired.

Furthermore, substantial reductions in the gap width must be accompanied either by decreased signal, with consequently decreased signal-to-noise ratio, or by decreased head life. This is because signal output is approximately proportional to gap width, and inversely proportional to gap depth. Therefore, if gap width is decreased, the signal must either decline, or the gap depth must be decreased, leaving less and less head material to be worn away in use.

#### Multi-Channel Systems

This impasse led to experiments with the possibility of "chopping up" the video signal into 2, 4, 6, or more blocks, of proportionately narrower bandwidth, and then recording these on wider tape, using multi-channel heads. There are a number of ways in which this approach might be implemented, either with filters or with a synchronized sampling system. Only an exceedingly complex breakdown system gave any hope of reducing the tape speed to a conventional speed for magnetic recorders.

### Transverse Recording

A third approach attains high relative speed between heads and tape by rotating the heads at high speed across the tape, and moving the tape itself only fast enough to avoid interference between successive tracks. The longitudinal tape speed required now depends

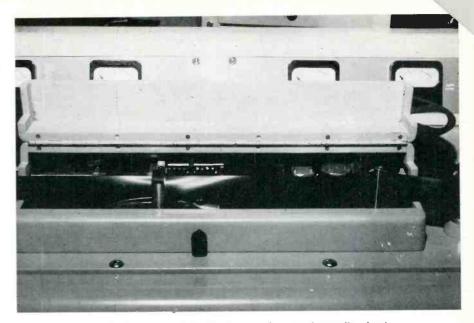


Fig. 3: Vacuum contours the tape to the curved recording head

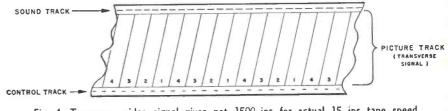


Fig. 4: Transverse video signal gives net 1500 ips for actual 15 ips tape speed

upon the required width of the individual tracks, the rotational speed of the head drum, the minimum spacing between adjacent tracks as determined by the effects of crosstalk, the stability of longitudinal tape speed control, and the effects on the output signal of errors in tracking. It proved possible, by this means to adopt a tape speed of only 15 ips, thus obtaining more than an hour of recorded program on a 14-inch reel of two-inch Mylar polyester based tape.

The equipment developed exceeds the FCC maximum rate of change of information standard of 0.15% per second. It is capable of holding the maximum horizontal line error to 0.1 msec, with only occasional minor adjustment during operation. The 15 ips tape speed is made possible by a special FM carrier system, a precision transport control system, and a unique head construction.

## Head Assembly

Four heads are mounted on a drum which rotates at approximately 14,000 rpm and is precise-

ly synchronized with the tape drive capstan. The net resultant speed for the application of video signals is approximately 1500 ips.

The two-inch-wide tape is held in conformity to the circular shape of the head drum by means of a vacuum system. During operation, one head is always in contact with the tape. Each head, in its turn, is connected to the electronic elements of the system by commutation, its timing under strict control. During the play-back process, the relation between the rotational velocity of the head drum and that of the capstan drive is maintained to within very narrow limits through the use of a control track along the lower edge of A reference signal is the tape. recorded on the control track and, during the playback, is amplified and used to control relative speed of the drum and capstan.

## Monitor Facility

After the incoming video signal has been amplified and used to modulate the signal to the heads, it (Continued on page 108)

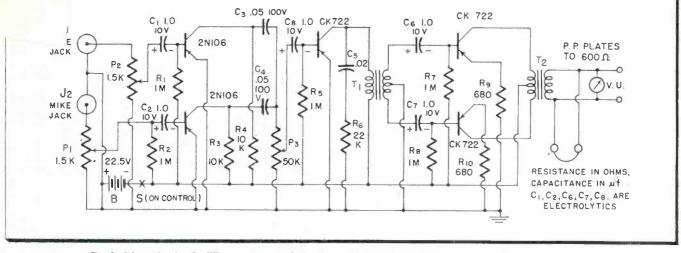


Fig. 1: Schematic of unit. Mikes are connected directly to the inputs of transistor pre-amps through gain controls

# **Transistor Remote Amplifier**

Small, battery-operated 4-transistor channel amplifier has two independently controlled mikes. Low-level mixing is employed. The noise level is 50 db down

THE small, self-contained transistor amplifier described in this article contains two microphone channels and is used for remote broadcasting of sporting events here at WFIN. Figs. 4 and 5 show the size and appearance of the unit, and Fig. 1 is the circuit diagram.

Two independently controlled mikes were considered necessary. Dynamic mikes with 250 ohms output were available and these are connected directly to the inputs of the transistor preamplifiers through the gain controls. The gain controls contribute very little mismatch, due to the high value of resistance. Low level mixing was decided upon because of the simplicity of the circuit. Two extra transistors or a bulky transformer type mixer would be required for high level mixing. Most



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controls will function very smoothly in the low level mixer.

## Design

Miniature transformer coupling was discarded because of poor low frequency response of these units, so the preamplifier transistors are resistance coupled to the second

Fig. 3: % distortion—250 $\Omega$  input, 600 $\Omega$  res. load, normal level

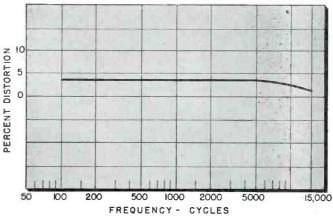


Fig. 2: Response—250  $\Omega$  input, 600  $\Omega$  resistive load, 1000 CPS

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stage. Difficulty was also encountered in trying to use miniature electrolytics for coupling the preamplifiers to the second stage, and we finally decided to use the .05  $\mu$ f. miniature paper type. Frequency response is corrected by C5 and R7 connected from collector to ground of the second stage.

The second stage is coupled to the push pull output stage by means of T1. This is a plate to 600 ohm line transformer, center tapped. The frequency response of this small transformer is adequate, and performance is very good when used in this way. The 300 ohms each side of the center tap to drive the final stage proved very satisfactory.

For the final stage we decided upon a push pull arrangement with (Continued on page 125)

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# **CUES** for BROADCASTERS

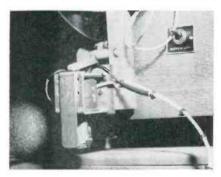
Practical ways of improving station operation and efficiency

## Booster Solenoids For Turret Rotation

# GEORGE PEPIN WMT-TV, Cedar Rapids, Iowa

THIS item will be of interest to TV stations listing among their equipment a Gray model 3A or 3B Telojector.

For some time we have had trouble with slide turrets failing to rotate in sequence. The trouble was caused by failure of the release



solenoid to pick-up sufficiently to release the turret allowing the next slide to move into position. Replacement of the solenoid and release pawl did not cure the trouble, but this idea did.

Another pair of solenoids was

ordered from the manufacturer and mounted in an inverted position on the case of the original solenoid just below the level of the manual release lever. This is shown in the photograph.

An armature was fashioned out of brass and mounted to connect from the solenoid plunger running along the outside frame and resting just below the manual release lever.

Electrically the two solenoids are in parallel so that, when the slide change button is pushed, both coils are energized and the release lever gets an added kick upward from the second solenoid as well as the downward pull from the original.

This has been in operation for about six months and has yet to fail.

Another addition to the Telojector is the removal of the momentary start switch on the projector and replacing it with a foot switch. This eliminates the necessity of holding the switch, checking copy and pushing the slide change button all at the same time. The switch can be mounted back under the pedestal out of the way to prevent stepping on it accidentally.

## **Battery Protective Switch**

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**P**ROBABLY most engineers and operators have had the unhappy experience of preparing to set up a remote pickup where there is no regular power available, and discovering, when the cover is taken off the remote, that the last operator neglected to turn off the battery switch, and the batteries are either dead or very weak.

After this happened at WGAW a few times, we decided that something should be done to prevent its happening again. The following method makes it impossible to assemble the cover to the remote unless the switch is OFF, and since making this change we have saved considerable money on batteries as well as a lot of worry.

We use a Collins Remote Amplifier Type 12Z, but the same idea could be used on other types having rotary switches.

The power switch knob was removed from the shaft and a deep groove filed into the back side of the knob, using a round file. This groove should be filed so that it is



# **Adjusting Spark Gaps**

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WHEN adjusting several spark gaps that activate an overload relay, such as used in the Collins 20-V, it is usually difficult to determine which one is arcing and causing the overload action. To make this adjustment easy, and to know which spark gap is set correctly, tape a piece of thin porous paper, such as cleansing tissue, in the spark gap areas. When an arc then occurs a hole will be burned through the paper indicating where the arc has occurred. When one gap has been correctly adjusted it may be temporarily blocked by carefully taping a small sheet of good insulating material between the spark gaps. This will make the other adjustments easier. When all adjustments are completed all insulation or paper will, of course, be removed.

at right angles to the edge of the case when the switch is ON, and offset from the hole so that it does not interfere with the shaft. A plastic rod, approximately  $2\frac{1}{4}$  in. long is obtained (we used the pointed handle of a cheap curler type comb bought at the five and ten). The groove should be deep enough so that the rod is flush with. or slightly above the back surface of the knob. The groove was then coated with service cement, the rod positioned in the groove and liberally covered with cement. A washer, having the same or smaller outside diameter than the knob but with a hole large enough to pass the shaft was then cemented to the back of the knob. When replacing the knob on the shaft push the knob back so that the washer is held firmly against the back of the knob by pressing against the switch hub or nut.

If the groove has been located properly the rod will extend over the edge of the case when the switch is ON, as shown in the photo, effectively preventing the cover from being assembled. When OFF the rod swings down out of the way.

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Pan Pacific Auditorium, Los Angeles-Site of the 1956 WESCON

TARTING its second decade S this year, WESCON (Western Electronic Show and Convention) is scheduled for Los Angeles' Pan Pacific Auditorium on August 21. 22, 23 and 24.

Some 30,000 engineers, scientists and business representatives are expected to attend the 1956 WESCON, which will show more than 700 exhibits and present at least 150 technical papers. C. Frederick Wolcott, of Gilfillan & Bros., Inc., Los Angeles, heads this year's eight-man board which administers the event.

The West Coast Electronic Manufacturers' Association and the Los Angeles and San Francisco sections of IRE, representing the 7th Region, are sponsors of WES-CON, which is held alternately in Los Angeles and San Francisco.

Five field trips are scheduled for the four-day 1956 WESCON, including a cruise aboard the USS Bremerton during which there will be an opportunity to inspect this aircraft carrier's electronic gear. Other trips include: medical electronics facilities at UCLA; a visit to the Pacific Semiconductors plant, where miniature diodes and transistors are made; a tour of the Radio Division of Hoffman Electronics Corp.; and a visit to the color studios of CBS-TV. featuring a special closed-circuit color telecast.

The All-Industry Luncheon is set for August 24 in The Ambassa-

# **WESCON 1956**

Over 700 exhibits and more than 150 technical papers will highlight the Los Angeles Show; some 30,000 are expected to attend the event

dor, the headquarters hotel, which will also be the site of the All-Industry Cocktail Party on opening day, August 21, starting at 5:30 p.m.

Special activities have been planned for wives and other guests of those attending the show and convention, including a getacquainted tea at the Beverly-Hilton Hotel and various events and tours.

American and Western Air Lines are cooperating in getting WESCON delegates and visitors to Los Angeles via "Operation Airlift." Special attention is being paid to travelers from East of the Rockies, and these airlines have promised priority for WESCON traffic.

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"Describing Function Technique Applied to the Analysis of a Non-Linear Control System Used in Space Stabilizing a Missile In Roll," Leonard Atran, Westinghouse Electric Corp.

"Statistical Theory and Analysis of Multiply-Instrumented Control Systems," R. M. Stewart, Jet Propulsion Lab.

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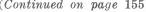
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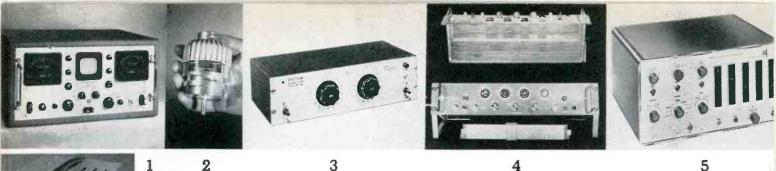


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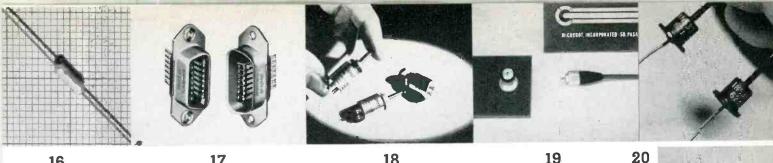
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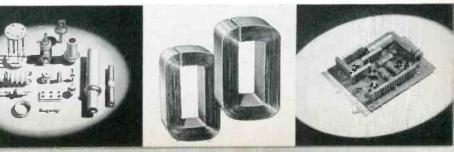
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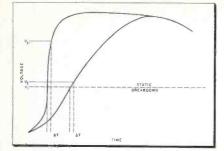


Fig. 1: Fast rise rates lead to higher break down voltages because of the avalanche effect

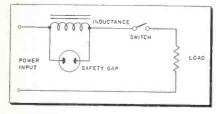
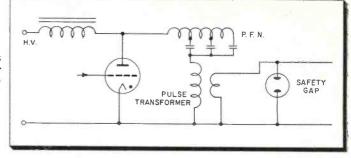
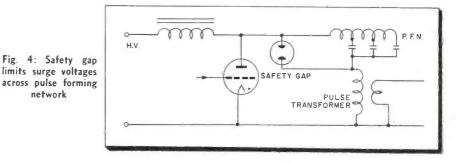


Fig. 2: Safety gap protects coil from surge damage

Fig. 3: Gap protects pulse transformer from damage in case of load failure

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### The Spark Gap— **New Circuit Component**

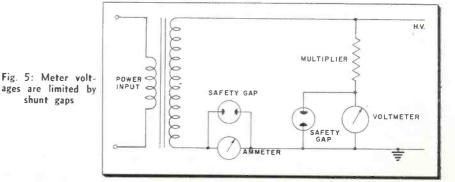
ALTHOUGH the spark gap as an individual electronic device has been known longer than any other electronic item, little is known by equipment engineers about its uses. If the spark gap is considered to have the same characteristics as a voltage sensitive switch its use as a circuit element can be more readily understood. As a switch, spark gaps are able to pass extremely high currents with a relatively low voltage drop, can handle high voltages in a small space, and can be made insensitive to wide variations in ambient temperature. They are also normally not affected by changes in pressure, altitude, or humidity. They can be used in either stand-by or safety circuit service or as an operational circuit element.

The voltage at which the gap will break down can be easily specified if it is under dc or low frequency ac conditions. However, if the gap is subjected either to high frequency, pulse, or sharp wave front conditions the breakdown voltage is not as predictable.

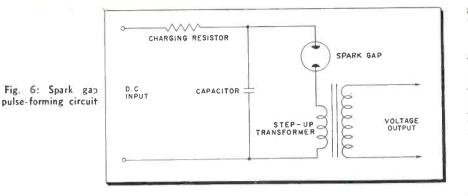
Spark gaps used as voltage-sensitive switches can handle extremely high currents with low voltage drop. Requiring small space, units can be made insensitive to ambient temperature, pressure, altitude, and humidity

Passage of current through the gap requires the formation of a conductive path. Formation of the path requires creation of an "avalanche" of electrons from one electrode to another. Any statistical delay in creation of the avalanche will result in overvoltage being applied to the gap and a resultant increase in the voltage at which breakdown occurs. In general the pulse or high frequency ac breakdown will be higher than the static or dc breakdown although this increase can be minimized for most applications by changes in the design of the gap.

Referring to Fig. 1, two pulse



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shapes are shown, one with a slow rate of rise and a second with a much faster rate of rise on the leading edge. If  $V_1$  represents the static breakdown of a spark gap and T represents the delay in formation of the avalanche, the graph shows how, with a slow rate of rise the voltage,  $V_2$ , at the breakdown is but slightly higher than the static breakdown, but with a rapid rate of rise, the voltage,  $V_3$ , at breakdown is much higher than the static breakdown.

In case of repetitive pulses, this rise is not as pronounced. Specified applications of spark gaps in typical circuits will serve to indicate the areas in which a spark gap can be used to advantage.

In protection service, spark gaps are designed to protect circuit components a g a in st damaging high voltage surges. Present operational and environmental requirements of modern electronic equipment do not always allow for a suitable safety factor in the design of components. As a result, transformers, capacitors, and other parts are often overstressed by unavoidable transients in the circuit. To protect operationally rated circuit elements from these transients, a safety spark gap should be included in the circuit.

The gap is designed to discharge at some point between the normal operating voltage to the circuit and the breakdown voltage of the component. The safety gap must have a stable voltage breakdown over a long period of time and a breakdown tolerance narrow enough to prevent firing during normal circuit voltage fluctuations, and yet allow the gap to fire before the voltage surge becomes damagingly high.

If the current through a choke or inductance is interrupted or changes rapidly, the collapse or rapid change in the magnetic field can cause excessively high voltages to appear across the winding. Insulation rupture may occur causing either a short to core, to case, or shorted windings. A safety gap as shown in Fig. 2, across the coil terminals can protect against the surge and maintain operation of the equipment.

Pulse transformers, modulation transformers, and other similar (Continued on page 123)

### The Selenium Diode in TV Design

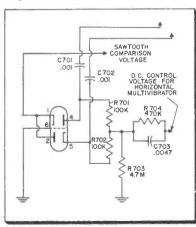
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WITH the advent of the selenium diode, the electronic design engineer has available a new series of semiconductor components that offer exceptional benefits for future circuit design. These selenium diodes are very rugged components, and offer many advantages over the conventional thermionic diodes. Selenium diodes are the smallest units in the selenium rectifier family. For example, the Types 1S1 and 1T1 measure only 0.120 in. in diameter x 0.210 in. long and are provided with pig-tail leads. Their small size makes them ideal for use where space is limited or where no vibration problems are encountered; no additional support is required because of their exceptionally light weight. They are particularly suited for electronic applications<sup>1\*</sup> where low to medium voltage is required at low current.

The most recent commercial application for selenium diodes has been in various television circuits, such as the horizontal AFC circuits. Of the three horizontal AFC

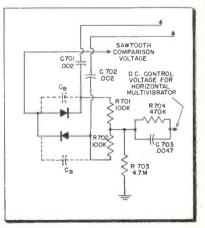
Fig. 1: Thermionic diode phase detector



circuits in general use today, the balanced phase detector type is the most common. Such a phase detector, Fig. 1, consists of two seriesconnected diodes. Positive horizontal sync pulses are applied to the free anode, negative horizontal sync pulses are applied to the (Continued on many 140)

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#### Fig. 2: Selenium diode phase detector



### High-Powered C-Band Klystron Amplifiers

Integral-cavity klystron amplifier delivers 50 to 100 watts with high efficiency and wide frequency range by use of ceramics in seals, fittings, and tuner

THE rapid growth of microwave relay communication systems has brought with it the need for new microwave tubes to meet the demands of longer station to station hops, improved fade margins, and less critical antenna alignment for mobile units.

While remarkable success has been achieved with receiver type reflex oscillators in the transmitters of many existing relay systems, one or more of the above demands have now become a 'must' in newer systems. The answer to these demands, of course, is greater power. But the increase in power must be obtained economically and simply; and it must be enough times greater than existing 0.1 to 1.0 watt systems to make substantial improvements in one or more of the urgent areas of need.

The most economical method of achieving these ends would appear to be an efficient amplifier which could use existing equipment as a driver. Why not just a more powerful reflex oscillator instead of an amplifier? Huskier reflex tubes have already been used to raise the power level from 0.1 watt to 1.0 watt. However, with a beam efficiency of 1 or 2%, the reflex types have nearly reached their practical limit at 100 watts input and 1 or 2 watts output.

The tubes to be described here have been designed to deliver 50 to 100 watts CW power output with a beam efficiency of 25% yet require only 10 MW of driving signal. They are linear 4-cavity klystron amplifiers for C-Band requirements from 5300 to 8000 MC. This frequency range has been covered with the three tubes pictured in Fig. 1.

#### Tube Description

The Eimac X563 series are integral cavity, magnetically focused klystrons having ceramic insulation throughout for the cathode and collector seals as well as for the r-f coaxial input and waveguide output fittings. The use of ceramic materials has been one of the keys to the success of the tube. The rugged, high temperature vacuum seals at the joints ceramic-to-metal permit simplified assembly techniques not possible with glass, and allow improved processing methods which insure cleaner, harder,

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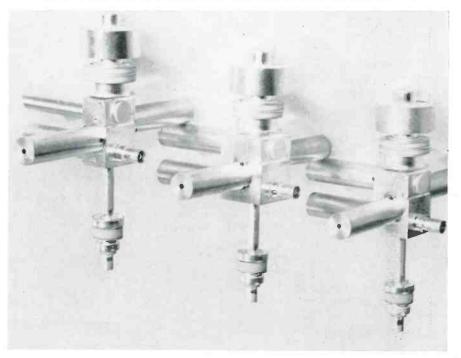
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longer-life tubes. In addition, the use of ceramic in the tuner mechanism has provided a novel method of tuning the tube which gives a much wider frequency range per tube than is usually found in integral cavity microwave tubes of this power level.

The tuner has no contacts within the cavity (the bearing surfaces are all outside the cavity) and hence it is free of noise or similar problems arising from contact plungers. Neither the walls of the cavities nor the gridless reaction gaps are moved or distorted by the tuning action, thus permitting them to be ruggedly built for excellent frequency stability.

The tuning rate of the ceramic tuner is low enough to insure ease in tuning the klystron to any desired frequency within the band covered. For example, the X563H

Fig. 1: C-band klystron amplifiers cover 6500-8000, 53-5800, and 5900-6500 mc



	300 Watts Beam Power Input	400 Watts Beam Power Input
Frequency	6400	6400 (MC)
Beam Voltage	2700	3050 (V.)
Beam Current	111	131 (ma)
Beam Transmission (with RF drive)	82	84 (%)
Bias Voltage	—16	—18 (V,)
Top Magnet Current	2.5	2.8 (Amp.)
Bottom Magnet Current	3.4	3.5 (Amp.)
RF Input Power	10	10 (mw.)
RF Output Power	67	101 (watts)
Gain	38.2	40.0 (db)
Beam Efficiency	22.3	25.2 (%)
Bandwidth (3 db)	12	14 (MC)

covers the range from 5900 to 6500 MC in 13 revolutions of the tuning knob. By using high quality ceramic material for the tuner, relatively high cavity Q can be maintained over the entire tuning range. Values from 2500 to 3500 are typical for the X563 series with high alumina ceramics having a dielectric constant of 9.5 and a loss factor of 0.005 or less at these frequencies. Tuning curves in terms of ceramic plunger displacement are shown in Fig. 2 for the X563G, X563H, and X563F.

The cavities of the X563 contain gridless reaction gaps through which is focused a high density electron beam approximately .060 in. in diameter. This beam is initially formed by a Pierce-type electron gun and is confined within the drift tubes of the cavities by a magnetic field. The field is excited by two tape-wound aluminum foil electromagnets which are particularly economical both in space and power requirements. Approximately 80 watts to each coil will supply the required 850 gauss for proper beam focusing.

#### Tube Performance

The X563 series of tubes are rated for a maximum continuous beam input of 400 watts. Typical operating characteristics for the 300 and 400 watt input levels are tabulated above.

The above conditions represent the tube tuned for optimum power output. By stagger tuning the four cavities, the bandwidth may be substantially increased with a corresponding reduction of gain. For typical broadband operation, the drive requirement is increased to 40 or 50 MW and the -3 db bandwidth obtained is about 17 MC. At 1 db down, the bandwidth is 13 to 14 MC which is adequate for most TV and communication relay systems using an FM signal.

In addition to CW operation, the X563 series may be pulsed up to about 10 times the normal CW rating. Fig. 3 illustrates the performance of a typical type X563H at voltages up to 6000 v. with a 1% duty cycle. Pulsed power output in excess of 600 watts may easily be obtained with these tubes.

Besides the large increase in power afforded to microwave systems by these tubes, there are other advantages offered by the use of an amplifier. The troublesome effects of load variations on the frequency and output of a reflex oscillator are well known. The amplifier, which isolates the driver completely from load changes, is as stable as the input signal itself, and power changes due to load variations are small compared to those encountered with reflex oscillators. The high gain of the amplifier permits the use of a low power reflex tube as a



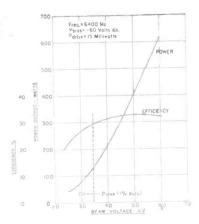
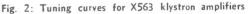
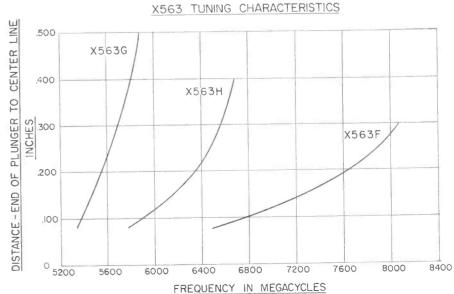


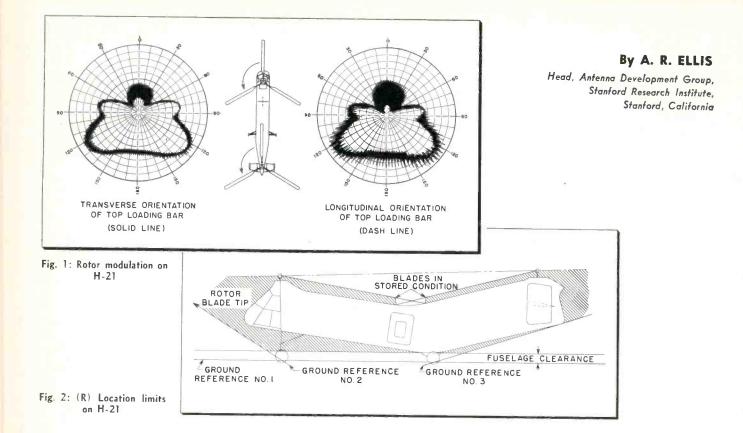
Fig. 3: CW and pulse performance of the X563H klystron

driver in which a higher numbered repeller mode (having too low a power output for use as a transmitter by itself) may be used for greater linearity of frequency modulation.





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# Helicopter Antenna Design

Unique problems have arisen from the configuration and function of helicopters. New methods and equipment have been designed to study radiation shielding, rotor modulation and harmonic ratios, and airframe resonance.

NTENNA design problems for helicopters differ in many respects from those for fixed-wing aircraft. Helicopters generally have slow speed, low ceiling, and short Typical design cruising range. speeds of today's rotary wing transports are in the order of 100 knots. 5,000 ft. altitudes, and operating radii of 100 nautical miles. Hence altitude, icing, and drag problems are not as serious as with fixedwing airframes. As a consequence, flush-mounted antennas are not necessary and, in fact, may not be desirable on helicopters because of the associated weight penalty. One ton is a typical payload of a helicopter today and any increase in weight required to strengthen the aircraft structure for insertion of flush mounted antennas would result in degradation of the helicopter utility.

#### Height Limitations

Although zero-drag antennas are not required, the permissible vertical height of antennas is limited by factors peculiar to this type of aircraft. The space occupied by the moving rotor blades restricts the location and size of antennas on the top of helicopters. (See Fig. 2.) Further restraints on antenna positions on the upper surface are imposed by the requirement for folding and tying down the blades when storing the aircraft. Ground clearance is important also. Antennas located in some areas on the bottom of the fuselage will be subjected to extremely high forces if they contact the ground or other objects while operating from landing strips in rough terrain. Hence the antennas should be sufficiently small and mounted in those areas on the aircraft which are least vulnerable

to this type of damage. Antennas can also be mounted on the side of the fuselage if they do not cause unnecessary inconvenience or compromise the operation or groundhandling of the aircraft by being susceptible to damage.

#### Location

For UHF and VHF communication antennas, the major problems are those of location. The requirement for omnidirectional patterns in the horizontal plane are the same as those for fixed-wing aircraft with the additional limitations imposed by the restricted clearances. Although a location under the cockpit may be satisfactory, the nonretractable wheels and associated struts may cause serious lobing in area of interest. (See Fig. 4.) In discussing operational problems with helicopter pilots, shjelding of

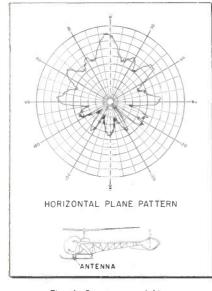


Fig. 4: Struts cause lobing

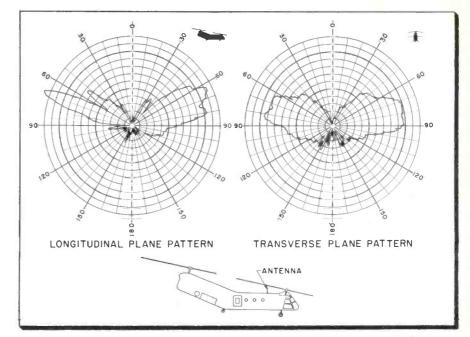
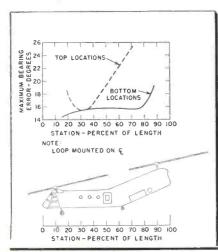


Fig. 3: Structural shielding of UHF

the UHF radiation by the aircraft structure frequently resulted in serious communication deficiencies. Sometimes this required flying the helicopter backwards while communicating. Although this was accepted more or less as a routine matter, it does leave something to be desired. Fig. 3 shows a typical example of shielding to the rear.

Although the small size of UHF stubs permit mounting in many positions where the clearance is restricted, the larger VHF antennas require additional consideration. One type of design which has proven satisfactory where the available vertical height is limited is the "L" or bent stub antenna. Pattern measurements show that the  $\mathbf{E}\phi$ 

Fig. 5: Bearing error on H-21

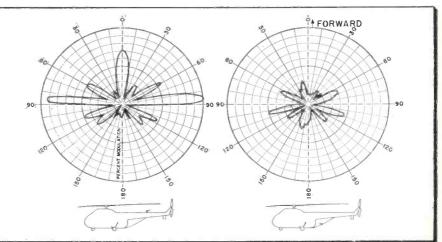


polarized radiation from the horizontal portion of the antenna reduces the  $E\theta$  signal in the horizontal plane by a maximum of about 1 db.

For lower frequencies (24-52 MC.), vertically polarized antenna design and location is more troublesome. Step impedance matching or ultimately automatic matching appears to be necessary for the required low-silhouette radiators to operate through this band, with efficiency, size, and weight being very important factors. In this frequency range, omniazimuthal vertically polarized patterns are difficult to obtain, since many of the fuselages and rotor blades are of resonant lengths and therefore will carry high radiation current densities, causing considerable power to be wasted in E $\phi$  polarization. This same effect occurs with larger fixed-wing aircraft at the lower hf frequencies but in that range the random polarization obtained from sky wave propagation permits utilization of both E $\theta$  and E $\phi$  components. The ionospheric reflection is a negligible factor in the 24-52 MC. range, however, and so any energy in horizontal polarization can be considered wasted energy.

For radiation resistances which permit step matching over 2 MC. steps, stub heights of at least <sup>1</sup>/<sub>8</sub> wavelength are required. At the low frequency limit (24 MC.) this re-(Continued on page 114)





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# **New Discriminator-Output**



Analysis of FM information is facilitated by triggered-pulse, frequency-to-voltage conversion system. New discriminatoroutput frequency meter measures 3 cps to 100 kc



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Fig. 1: Discriminator-output frequency meter measures 3 cps to 100 kc

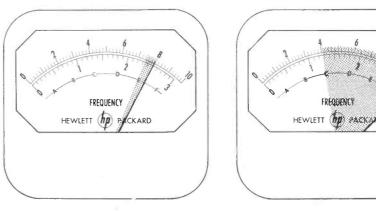
 $\mathbf{W}^{\mathrm{HEN}}$  information is recorded or transmitted in the form of frequency, transmission path configuration, path length, cable length, and frequency response all have diminished importance because amplitude changes which are likely to occur during handling become relatively unimportant. Partially for these reasons, many physical data such as airspeed, fuel flow, acceleration and control movement are commonly being converted into frequency variations for transmission purposes in FM/FM telemetering systems. In other cases it is often desirable to measure the magnitude of residual and incidental f-m in signals.

Analysis of such information is facilitated by a new electronic frequency meter which, in addition to indicating a measured frequency directly on a panel meter, converts the frequency into a proportional output current and voltage. This frequency-voltage conversion is accomplished in the instrument by using each cycle of the

input frequency to trigger a pulseforming circuit. Since the resulting pulses are of standard length and amplitude, an average voltage is produced which is proportional to the input frequency. Variations in the frequency are then easily observed or recorded as variations in voltage or current. Frequency modulation on an input signal, for example, is converted to an a-c voltage whose amplitude is proportional to the peak-to-peak frequency excursion of the input signal and whose frequency is equal to the deviation rate of the input. signal.

Fig. 1 shows the new discriminator-output frequency meter. The instrument measures frequencies

Fig. 2: Shadow shows normal deflection for 600 cps downward shift of 8 kc signal



in nine ranges from 3 cps to 100 kc to a full-scale accuracy of within  $\pm 2\%$ . Its ability to measure f-m can be extended well into the microwave range through use of standard auxiliary equipment. An output for operating a strip chart recorder is also provided.

#### Frequency Shift Measurements

In addition to its discriminator output, the instrument has the ability to expand its scale readings by a factor of 3 or 10 times, i.e., the pointer movement caused by a change in input frequency can be magnified up to 10 times. This feature permits frequency shifts to be measured with increased accuracy.

Fig. 3: Expanded operation gives movement over shaded area for conditions of Fig. 2

# **Frequency Meter**

When the expanded scale feature is used, the meter is still direct-reading as far as the change in frequency is concerned. Expanded operation involves the use of a panel control that permits the meter pointer to be positioned to any desired point on the meter scale for the initial reference reading.

The expanded scale feature can perhaps best be illustrated by an example. If a 600 cps downward shift of an 8 kc frequency were to be measured in normal operation on the most suitable range (10 kc) of the instrument, the meter pointer would move through the shaded area shown in Fig. 2.

When such a measurement is made in expanded operation, the meter pointer would be positioned with a panel control to full scale in this example, since the shift is known to be downward. The meter pointer would then appear as shown in Fig. 3. When the frequency being measured now changes as before, the meter pointer will move through the 10 times larger shaded area indicated in Fig. 3. Since 10 times expansion is used with the 10 kc range, the full swing of the meter represents 1 kc. Since the pointer has dropped 60% of full scale, the frequency has dropped 600 cps.

Three times expansion operates in a similar fashion.

Expanded operation has two advantages over conventional operation for the measurement of frequency shifts. In addition to reducing parallax errors by having a magnified motion of the meter pointer for the frequency shift, the measurement itself has increased accuracy. Instead of a possible 4% error (the maximum possible difference between two  $\pm 2\%$  measurements), 3 times expansion gives an accuracy within  $\pm 1.4\%$ and 10 times expansion gives an accuracy within  $\pm 0.7\%$  of the full scale frequency.

Expanded operation does not affect the discriminator output but does expand the recorder output in the same manner that the meter reading is expanded. More detailed information can thus be recorded.

#### Microwave Measurements Although the frequency meter

itself has a maximum upper limit of 100 kc, this limit can be extended well into the microwave region by the use of standard auxiliary devices such as a transfer oscillator using the heterodyne method. Such an oscillator converts a signal anywhere in the range from 100 mc to 12.4 kmc into a low (below 100 kc) intermediate frequency which contains the same frequency excursion magnitude contained in the original signal. These excursions can then be extracted for external analysis

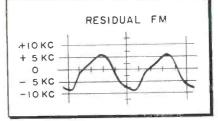


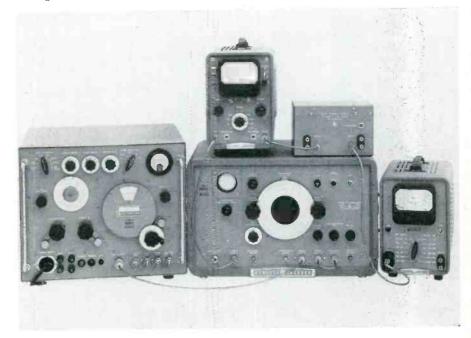
Fig. 4: Oscillogram of residual fm in klystron oscillator output

directly by the new frequency meter.

A typical example of the use of this feature of the frequency meter is shown in Fig. 4. This illustration is an oscillogram of the residual frequency modulation in a klystron oscillator caused by the use of a-c in its heater circuit. In making this oscillogram the oscilloscope gain was set so that each major vertical division on the graticule was equal to 5 kc of deviation. The peak deviation is thus seen to be equal to 15 kc. The fundamental component of this demodulated f-m is 60 cycles but there also exists a large amount of second harmonic. An accurate analysis of these components could be obtained by applying this waveform to a harmonic wave analyzer.

Fig. 5 shows the equipment arrangement used to view the modu-(Continued on page 121)

Fig. 5: Test set-up using heterodyne oscillator to extend range of frequency meter



### **Designing Microwave Equipment**

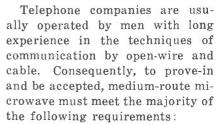
The requirements of a medium-route microwave system—handling up to 300 telephone channels—are examined with respect to installation costs, transmission quality and performance, reliability and compatability. Includes average installation costs and typical system characteristics

A microwave system for use in the telephone industry must be designed to permit its engineering, ordering, installation, and maintenance like any other telephone transmission system. This requires the incorporation of features and the provision of services which are often unfamiliar to the radio industry, but which are based on long established telephone engineering practices.

Medium-route microwave is the type of facility that is most applicable to the average telephone plant. (See Fig. 1.) There is no distinct division between mediumand heavy-route, or medium- and thin-route microwave; however, it is expected that the capacity of medium-route systems will eventually reach several hundred telephone channels. At least one system now in use can be expanded, in groups of 12 channels, to an ultimate capacity of more than 350 channels.

#### Frequencies

Two frequency bands are most commonly used for common carrier service. These are from 890 to 940 MC and 5925 to 6425 MC. A distinct advantage of the former is the ability to use relatively inexpensive flexible r-f transmission lines. This permits physical separation of the antenna and the microwave equipment and the resultant versatility with regard to installation of the transmitter and receiver. The 900-MC equipment can always be installed indoors. and consequently gets the advantage of routine maintenance at the system terminals. An advantage of the 6000 MC band is the wider available bandwidth, which permits larger numbers of channels to be transmitted without interference.



- 1. Installation cost should be below that of an open-wire or cable system capable of providing the same number of channels. Installation costs include all costs incurred up to the lineup of the microwave system.
- 2. Quality of transmission should be equal to or exceed that of an equivalent openwire or cable system.
- 3. Reliability and life expectancy should be comparable to that of other electronic equipment in the telephone toll plant, such as carrier telephone and telegraph equipment.
- 4. The microwave equipment must be mechanically and electrically compatible with other telephone equipment.
- 5. Maintenance cost should be equal to, or less than, that of an equivalent open-wire or cable system. Maintenance procedures should be simple enough that little extra training of maintenance personnel is required.

A microwave manufacturer, in attempting to meet these five requirements, must realize that the provision of microwave equipment is only the beginning in fulfilling a telephone company's needs. Many other factors concerned with the installation, operation, and maintenance of the system take on as much significance as the char-

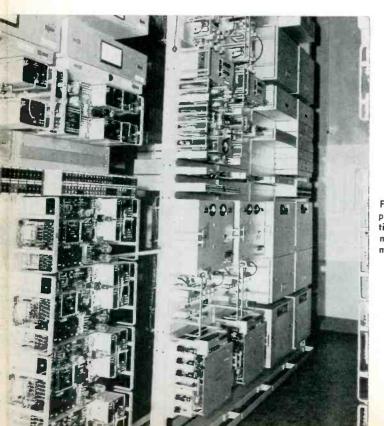


Fig. 1: Typical telephone office installation of medium-route microwave equipment.

**Basic** Requirements

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acteristics of the basic radio equipment itself.

#### Installation Costs

Installation cost is one of the most important of the five basic requirements of microwave for the telephone industry. An important part of the total installation cost may be the cost of the microwave equipment. This is especially true for relatively simple installations. In many cases however, particularly where large antenna structures, emergency power supplies, power lines, access roads, and buildings are involved, the cost of the radio and carrier equipment may be only of incidental importance. Fig. 2 shows a typical remote repeater station in which the cost of the transmitting and receiving equipment was only a small part of the total installation cost. Fig. 3 shows a simple pipemounted antenna for a relatively inexpensive microwave installation.

Of the many items contributing to the initial cost of a microwave installation, several factors under the control of the manufacturer are important in keeping the first cost as low as possible. These factors include the design of equipment especially for telephone use, the construction of equipment to promote ease of installation, and the provision of information and instruction material for telephone personnel.

Another factor which reduces initial cost is the availability of a completely engineered microwave system instead of component parts which then require expensive engineering coordination. Also, accurate and up-to-date engineering and ordering information supplied by the manufacturer saves time in writing specifications and requisitions, and assures complete delivery of the equipment.

An important reason for keeping the first cost of a microwave system to a minimum is to improve its competitive position with respect to open-wire and cable facilities. At present, the prove-in distance of a single-section microwave system may be as short as



Fig. 2: Typical remote repeater station. Cost of transmitting and receiving equipment is only small part of total cost.



Fig. 3: Simple pipe-mounted installation

15 miles. For distances less than this, cable and cable carrier still appears to be the most appropriate facility. In the future, however, improved and more economical microwave techniques can be expected to reduce the prove-in distance to even less than 15 miles.

An instance is known where a single-section 48-channel system was installed over a 17.5 mile path between two cities. At each end of the system antennas were mounted on pipe masts on top of the telephone company office buildings. In engineering the system, a comparison was made between the cost of the 48-channel microwave and an equivalent cable installation. It was determined that cable would have cost about \$4500 more than the radio and multiplexing equipment, installed and ready for service. In this particular case, the difference in cost was important; but the deciding factors were the expandability, reliability, and the ease and simplicity of installation of the microwave. Table 1 gives a comparison between the installation costs of an expensive and a simple installation.

Medium-route microwave usually is expected to provide transmission facilities for part of, or

#### **Microwave** (cont.)

all of, one link in the nation-wide toll network. It is therefore necessary that the microwave system have characteristics which maintain satisfactory toll-quality performance.

The four most important transmission characteristics of a microwave system are flat frequency response, level stability, frequency stability, and adequate signal-tonoise ratio. The first three usually are the least troublesome to the microwave manufacturer because they represent areas in which conventional radio engineering techniques are applicable.

The operational characteristic which gets the closest scrutiny by telephone engineers is the capability of the microwave to provide a transmission medium in which all carrier channels are within the noise limits prescribed by accepted toll standards. The noise contribution of the microwave is the factor which limits, more than any other single characteristic, the system's length and channel capacity.

In the engineering of links (toll trunks) for the nation-wide toll dialing system, a frequently quoted objective is the maintenance of total long-term<sup>1</sup> average noise below +31 dba;<sup>2</sup> The noise level per link may rise above this for small percentages of the time.

A link may be made up of combinations of cable, wire-line, and microwave in tandem. Therefore. the microwave system's noise contribution will be limited to a value which is the difference between the accepted standard and the added noise power contribution by the cable, wire-line, and channelizing equipment. Since each application of microwave involves different factors, it is necessary that the manufacturer provide accurate noise performance data to the telephone transmission engineer.

The noise contributed by the microwave system comes from three main sources:

1. The modulator of the transmitter (modulator noise).

TABLE 1: Comparison of Costs Between an Expensive and a Simple Installation

Expensive Repeater Installation	Simple Terminal Installation		
Land and Building \$25,000	Antenna Support \$ 500		
Access Road\$18,000	Installation and Accessory Equip. \$1,000		
Antenna Supports, \$ 6,000	Radio Equipment \$8,000		
Installation and Accessory Equip. \$90,000	<b>10</b> 500		
Radio Equipment \$20,000	\$9,500		
\$149,000	Radio Equipment Cost is 84% of Total Cost		

Radio Equipment Cost is 13.5% of Total Cost

In an average installation, the microwave equipment cost amounts to less than 50% of the total installation first cost.

- 2. Intermodulation distortion due to nonlinearities in the microwave equipment.
- 3. The head-end of the receiver (receiver thermal noise-of principal interest during fading).

The importance of the noise contributions from these sources depends upon the number of repeater sections in a system, the section lengths, and the propagation path clearances. The noise produced by each source must be kept as small as design and manufacturing techniques will allow because individual noise contributions are additive on a power basis.

Modulator noise can be minimized by good equipment design. but can never be eliminated. A typical microwave transmitter for telephone use will generate about +14 to +16 dba of such noise.

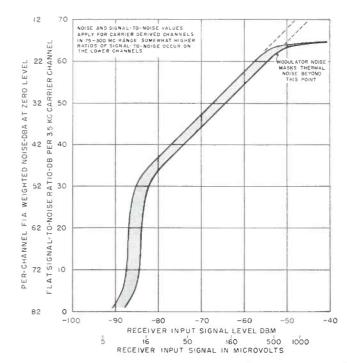
Intermodulation distortion is a more complex noise source. The linearity of the modulator, demodulator, and wideband amplifiers under peak load conditions determines the amount of noise contributed as intermodulation distortion. Loading depends upon the type of carrier system, the peak number of channels in use at one time, and the talker levels.

(1) Long term is considered to be more than 50% of the time.

(2) All noise measurements quoted are at a zero level transmission point with F1A weighting.

Complete and accurate information on the performance of the (Continued on page 126)

Fig. 4: Thermal noise characteristic of a Lenkurt Type 72B 900 MC FM microwave receiver.



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Page from an Engineer's Notebook

### No. 37—VTVM High-Frequency Error

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T very high frequencies the A VTVM indicates less than the peak applied voltage because of electron transit-time effect within the input diode. When travel time is a large percentage of the inputvoltage cycle-duration, some electrons may not pass from cathode to plate before plate potential falls below the value required to attract these electrons. The transit-time is proportional to the cathode plate spacing and to the shape of these elements. Furthermore, the error is inversely proportional to the square root of the applied peak voltage. For moderate to small errors the following relation apapplies<sup>1, 2</sup>

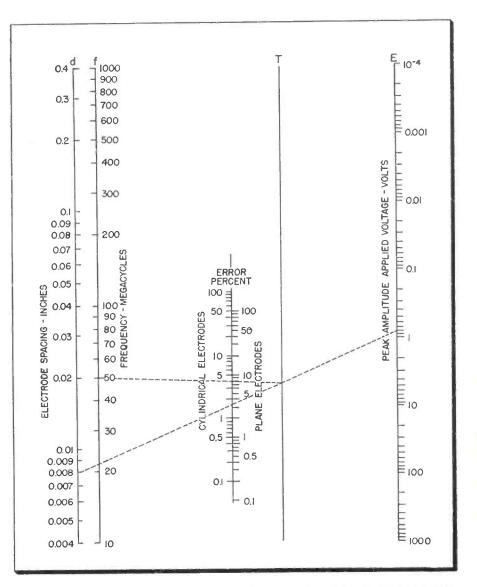
$$\text{Error} = \frac{0.847 \text{ fKd}}{\sqrt{E} \times 10^{10}} \qquad (1)$$

in which f is in CPS, K is approximately 1050 for cylindrical electrodes and 2100 for plane electrodes, d is the cathode-plate spacing in inches, and E is peak applied volts.

Engineers designing or using diode-voltmeters for high-frequency measurements may find it desirable to estimate measurement error for such instruments. This error depends upon applied voltage, frequency, and diode characteristics as shown by Eq.1. Repetitive evaluation of Eq.1 is simplified by the use of the nomograph shown in Fig. 1. To use this nomograph, select the electrode spacing in inches on the d scale and peak applied voltage in volts on the E scale. Connect these points with a straight line and locate a turning point where this line intersects the T scale. Locate frequency in MC on

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Nomograph provides a quick calculation of the error introduced by the transit-time effect in the input diode



the f scale and connect this point with the turning point by a second straight line. Where this line crosses the ERROR scale, read the error in per cent using left side for diodes with cylindrical electrodes and right side for diodes with plane electrodes.

As an example, assume that the input diode has cylindrical electrodes spaced .008 in. For an input of .8 v. peak at 50 MC estimate the instrument error. Draw a straight line from .008 on d to .8 on E and locate turning point where this line crosses T. From this turning point to 50 on f draw another line which crosses the left side of the ERROR scale slightly below 4%.

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#### **Design For A**

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### **Shock-Resistant Graphic Milliameter**

Reliable operation under shock conditions up to 30 g. such as exist in aircraft, is achieved by using transistorized servo amplifiers and heated ball point pens.

to be designed specifically for such a purpose, and must combine accuracy, reliability, simplicity of operation, and small physical size with ability to operate under widely varying conditions of vibration and shock.

#### **Electronic Section**

Fig. 1 shows the electronic section of a recording milliammeter designed for airborne applications. Designed for a full scale range of .5 ma, the unit is composed of a regulated power supply, the circuitry required to provide internal test

Sensitivity

Input Impedance

Frequency Response

**Dual Pen Recording** 

Paper Width

Paper Supply

Paper Speed

Case Size

Weight

Shock

Vibration

Temperature

Writing Time

**Power Input** 

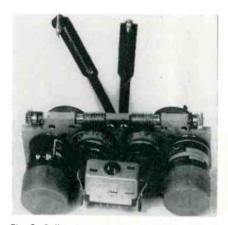


Fig. 2: Ball point pens are electrically heated at low temperatures

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Fig. 1: Switch at right gives on-off and 6 test positions

THE increasing complexity of modern aircraft brings with it an ever increasing need to record numerous functions while in flight. Attempts to utilize existing lab type recorders have had only limited success because of the excessive bulk, weight, and vulnerability to shock and vibration usually exhibited by such instruments.

It has become evident that a successful airborne recorder needs

TABLE I

±0.5 ma for full scale deflection 15.000 ohms Full scale to 3 cps 1/10 scale to 15 cps Red and green channels completely isolated one from the other and from chassis ground 4.25 in. total 4 in. writing width 1-15/16 in. diameter roll. 1,000 in. in length Manually set to 12, 3, or 3/4 ipm 5¾ in. wide x 7 in. high x 7 in. deep 8 lb. 10-55 cycles-±0.030 in. excursion 30 g for 15 msec duration, 3 directions -50° to +71°C. 5.5 hr (at 3 ipm paper speed) 115 v. 400 cps at .4 a. 28 v. dc at .25 a.

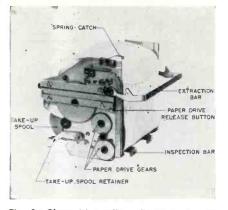


Fig. 3: Chart drive roller adjusts to prevent sideward "creep"

signals, and two plug-in transistor servo amplifiers.

#### Circuit

A circuit diagram of one-half of the unit is shown in Fig. 4. The power supply is a standard, full wave rectifier utilizing 1N256 silicon diodes with voltage stabilization by a type 5787WA regulator tube. Each plug-in transistor amplifier contains cascaded 903 and 952 silicon transistors driving a pair of 2N57 germanium power transistors.

#### Stabilization

The gain of the circuit is stabilized by means of negative feedback through a 100K resistor between the base of the 952 transistor and the collector output circuit of the 2N57. The introduction of negative feedback along with the degeneration introduced by the 2 ohm resistors in the emitter circuits of the 2N57 provides adequate stabilization over a temperature range of -55 to  $+71^{\circ}$ C. Each amplifier assembly is approximately the size of a package of cigarettes. The gain of each amplifier is 60 db; the input impedance is 60,000 ohms, and the output impedance is 200 ohms. A maximum average output of 3 watts is supplied to the control winding of the servo motor.

#### Pen Assembly

A photograph of the pen assembly is shown in Fig. 2. Each pen is driven by a two-phase servo motor through two stages of precision spur gearing. Servo followup voltages are obtained from individual potentiometers which are coupled into the gear train so as to rotate  $225^{\circ}$  for full-scale pen

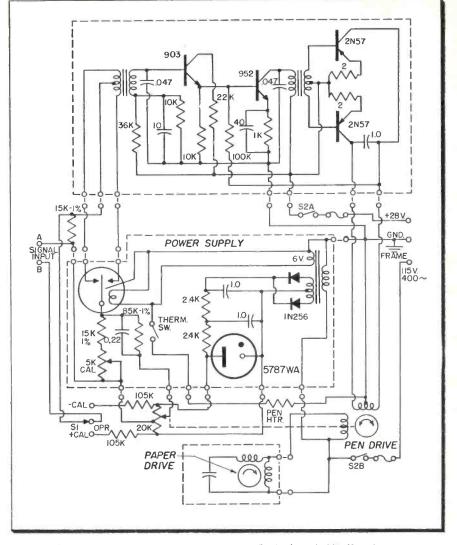


Fig. 4: Gain is stabilized by negative feedback through 100 K resistor

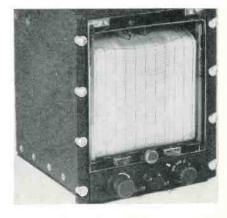
travel. The pens are zeroed by rotating the potentiometer bodies relative to the recorder frame.

As can be seen from Fig. 2, sturdy pen arms and rugged drive units have been provided to prevent malfunction due to vibration and shock. The design is such that vibrations of 10-55 cps produce no more than  $\pm .030$  in. excursion of the pen.

#### Chart Drive

The third subassembly, the chart drive unit, is shown in Fig. 3, and the complete unit in Fig. 5. Important mechanical considerations in the design of this recorder were provision of self-testing and calibration features, unit construction to facilitate accessibility and service, and a self-centering, sprocketless chart transport unit. Table 1 lists important characteristics of the unit.

#### Fig. 5: No shock or vibration isolators are required



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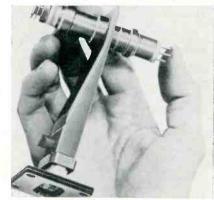
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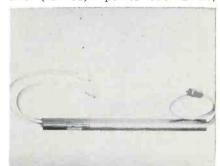
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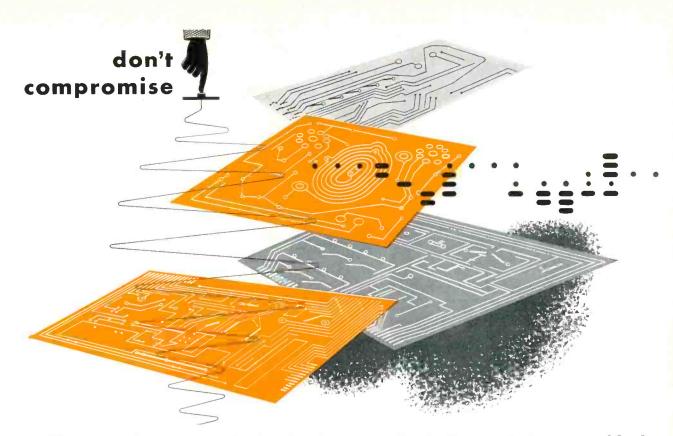
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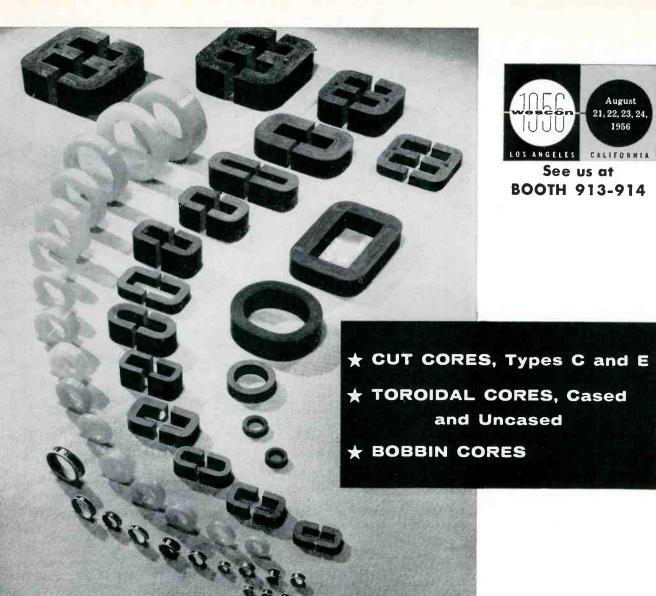
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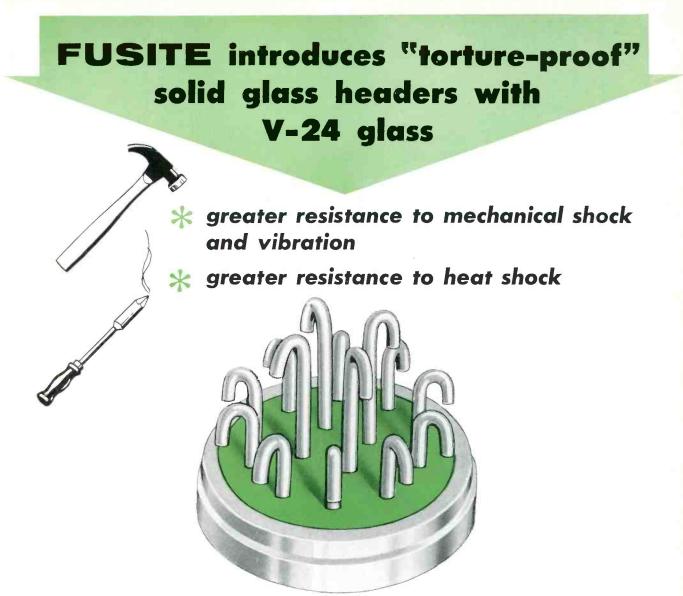
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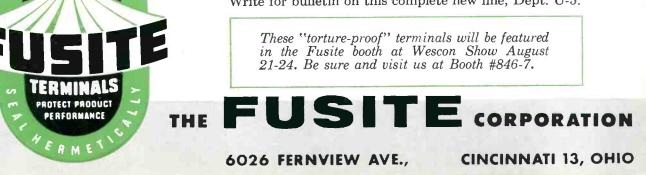
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#### Video Recorder

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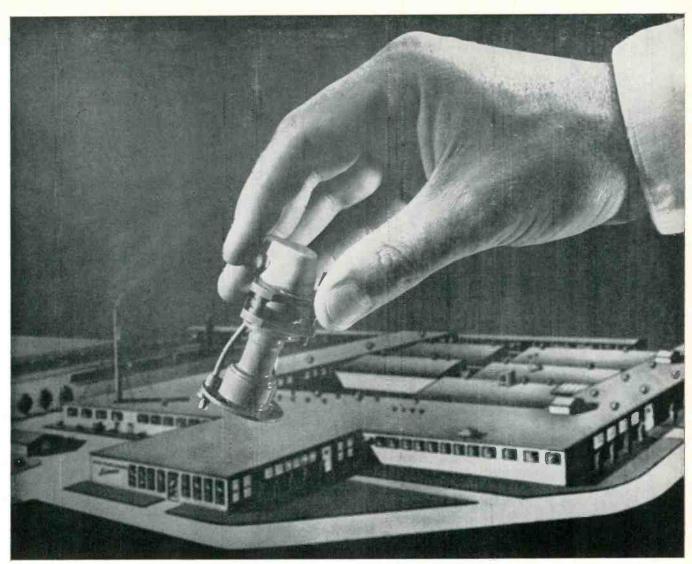
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Fig. 5: Two-in. video tape compared to conventional 1/4-in. audio tape

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# **Relay Tests**

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# New Designs

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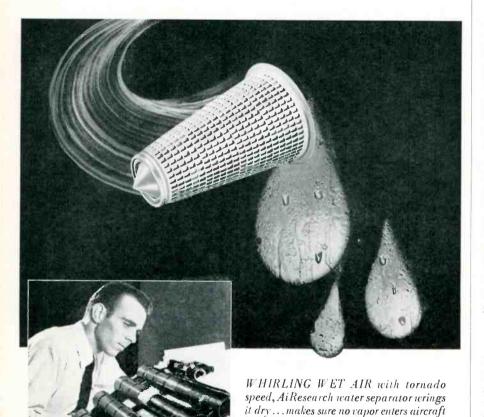
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# **Antenna Design**

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quires a length of about 5 ft.much too great for top or bottom locations. Several possibilities are indicated and their relative merits are being investigated at the present time. One location which appears attractive from the pattern standpoint is a vertical dipole in front of the helicopter, but this type of installation will cause some inconvenience for engine maintenance crews. Possibly a better alternative is two elements, one on each side of the aircraft fed in phase. The spacing between each element and the side of the aircraft must be sufficiently large so that a satisfactory radiation resistance can be obtained and yet not too large so that lobing in the horizontal plane occurs,

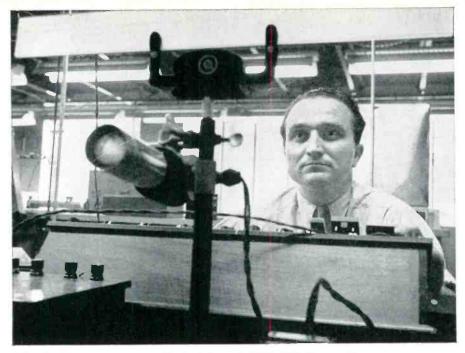
# Vertical Whip

Another possibility appears attractive with some aircraft which have hollow rotor shafts. Acceptable patterns have been obtained with a vertical whip projecting through the top of the rotor drive mechanism. With this arrangement, the clearance problem is eliminated except when storing the helicopter in space with limited vertical clearance. Possibly a simple disconnect device would suffice, however. If all of these approaches are found to be impractical, automatic matching may be the only remaining alternative. The weight penalties attached to this solution have not yet been assessed.

The location of ADF loops follows accepted practice. Fig. 5 shows the results of electrolytic tank measurements on a H-21 helicopter. As can be seen, there is considerable freedom in location of a loop antenna assuming a possible compensation in the ADF set of 20°.

For sense antennas, a zero tilt angle (null directly downward) is very desirable. With single rotor helicopters the best location is usually near the axis of the rotor which may necessitate a bottom mounting. With restricted clearances, the standard "T" antenna may be undesirable. One possible solution is a faired-in top loading plate for a vertical antenna. A 17 in. square plate spaced about

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An interview with Dr. Rudolf K. Tenzer, scientist, The Indiana Steel Products Company

BECAUSE PERMANENT MAGNET remanence changes, resulting from varying temperatures, often necessitate corrections, compensations, or allowances, Dr. Tenzer undertook a series of studies on the subject. Some of the data used by him in answering the questions posed below resulted from work sponsored by the Wright Air Development Center of the U.S. Air Force. Reprints of an article by Dr. Tenzer on the subject are available by writing The Indiana Steel Products Co., Dept. N-8, Valparaiso, Ind.

Question: How does the remanence of permanent magnets vary with temperature?

Answer: Normally, remanence decreases with an increase in temperature . . . becoming zero at the Curie point, where all ferromagnetic properties vanish.

Question: Does a change in temperature result in a permanent change in remanence?

Answer: Not necessarily. Investigations which we have conducted show that temperature effects on ferromagnetic materials reveal both non-reversible and reversible variations.

Question: Can the result of these influences be evaluated?

Answer: Proper measuring techniques will evaluate the non-reversible variations as well as the reversible variations.

Question: Are non-reversible variations permanent changes in the remanence of a magnet?

Answer: Non-reversible variations are permanent until the initial remanence is restored by remagnetizing. This effect is not the same as irreversible metallurgical changes which prevent restoration of initial remanence by remagnetizing.

Question: What are reversible variations in remanence?

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Question: Can the amount of remanence variation with temperature be predicted?

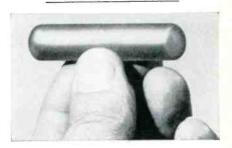
Answer: Our experiments in this field have produced quantitative results which can be used in predicting both the reversible and the non-reversible variations in remanence resulting from temperature change.

**Ouestion:** Over what temperature range can these measurements be applied?

Answer: Our initial work in this field has been carried out in the temperature range from -60°C to 350°C.

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# Rotor Modulation

An even greater departure from conventional fixed-wing antenna design techniques is caused by the movement of the rotor blades. Rotor modulation adds another factor to the basic variables of pattern and impedance characteristics which must be considered by the antenna development engineer.

Fig. 1 shows the amplitude modulation produced with a short vertical stub top loaded with a horizontal bar with two different orientations. Fortunately, laboratory measurements indicate that the effect of rotor modulation of this magnitude on present day FM receivers and transmitters is negligible. Operational experience confirms these measurements. Even amplitude modulated VHF and UHF communication does not seem to be greatly affected by the rotor movements.

# Modulation Plotting

Although in most instances, rotor modulation does not seriously degrade communication system performance, some navigational systems are adversely affected. Stanford Research Institute has developed equipment for automatically plotting both the modulation envelope and the harmonic components.

The modulation envelope is plotted by rotating the rotor blades while recording a pattern in the normal fashion. The model itself

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is rotated slowly and the rotor is rotated, by a small motor within the model, at a speed sufficiently slow so that the recorder pen will follow the maximum excursions caused by the modulation. The maximum usable model rotor speed will, of course, depend upon the modulation amplitude encountered with a given antenna installation.

# Harmonic Modulation

The percentage of modulation contributed by the fundamental frequency and each of its harmonics can be measured by the use of special equipment in conjunction with the polar recorder. This additional equipment consists basically of: (1) a synchronous motor which drives the rotor at a constant speed; (2) a high gain amplifier which contains an automatic gain control circuit and (3) a series of narrow-band filters by which the fundamental modulation frequency of any of its various harmonics can be selected. The automatic gain control circuit removes the effect of the pattern. In other words, it becomes a circle; hence, by selecting the desired filter the relative level of the fundamental harmonics can be plotted automatically as the model is rotated.

A noteworthy example of a system which is degraded by rotor modulation is the VOR, where the standard receiver compares the relative phase of 30-cps FM and 30cps AM components to obtain directional information. Any 30-cps modulation introduced by the rotor blades will cause an error in the indicated bearing. The H-19 helicopter is particularly susceptible to VOR rotor modulation interference (See Fig 6), because its threebladed rotor is driven at speeds near 200 rpm when cruising, thereby leading to a third-harmonic component of rotor modulation near 30 cps. A standard vor antenna installation for this aircraft utilizes a "ram's horn" antenna mounted on top of the tail boom. Radiation pattern measurements for this installation indicated that good omnidirectional coverage was provided, since the gain on the horizon was, on the average, only slightly less than an isotrope and never dropped to less than 6 db below isotropic gain. However, the critical thirdNEW. --- IMPROVED!



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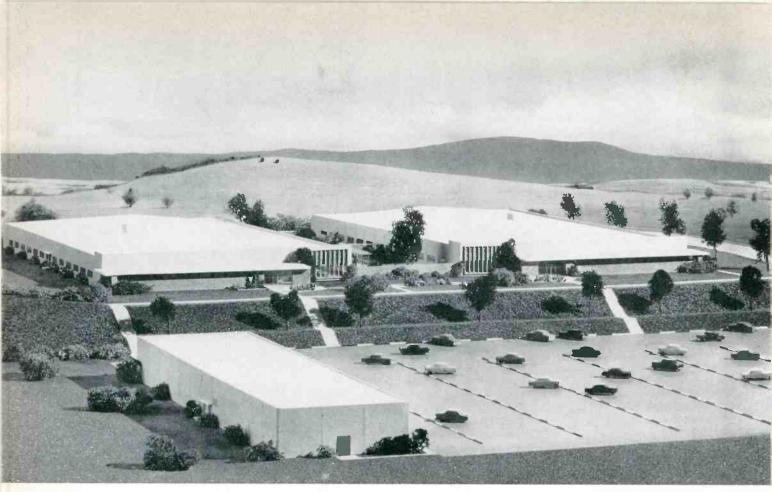
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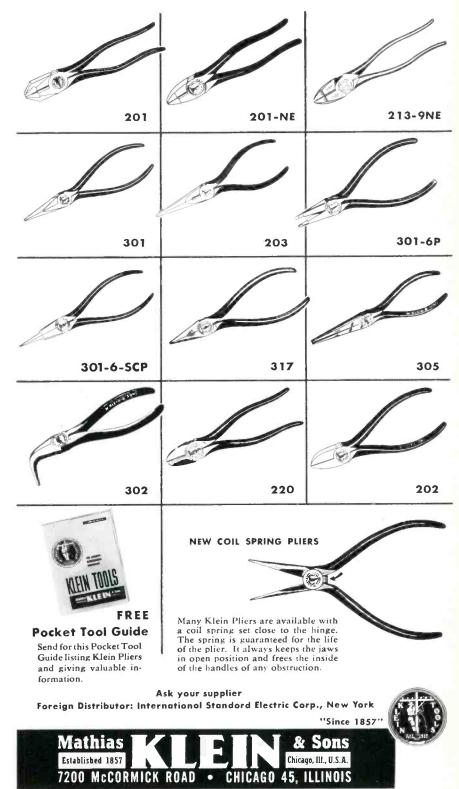
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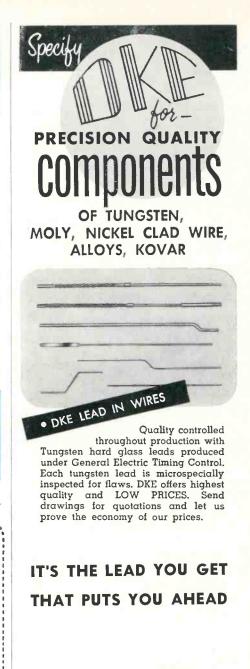
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# **Antenna Design**

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# **Freq.** Meter

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lation waveform of Fig. 4. The microwave output from the klystron was applied to the transfer oscillator. That instrument was then tuned so that the microwave signal was heterodyned down to 70 kc. This frequency contained the same frequency excursions present in the original microwave signal.

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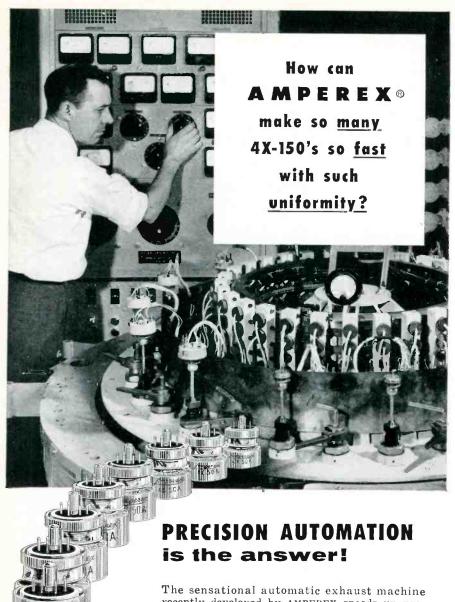


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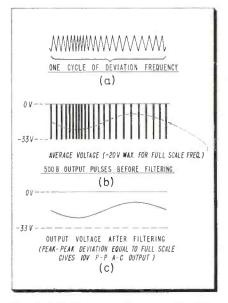


Fig. 6: Waveforms at (a) input, (b) pulse conversion stage, and (c) output of frequency meter

in a 7/10 full-scale reading on the 100 kc range or an output voltage of 0.1 volt d-c/kc. By measuring the peak-to-peak amplitude of the varying component of the d-c output with an oscilloscope, the deviation of 15 kc was obtained.

While the above approach to f-m measurements is not new, the versatility of the setup and the ease with which measurements are made are considerable. The lowest carrier on which f-m could be detected is fixed in the vicinity of 10 cps by the lowest range of the frequency meter. The highest carrier frequency can be above 12 kmc when a transfer oscillator is used. Readout is also simple since an oscilloscope or voltmeter can be made to read directly in kc per division. Non-technical personnel can thus make rapid measurements in production work, since the only judgment required is to determine whether the deviation exceeds a pre-determined level. If an oscilloscope is used, any unusual patterns will be seen and can be investigated.

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For laboratory work simplicity may not be the most valued feature of an f-m measurement setup, but flexibility is very important. The ability to measure small f-m deviations directly on almost any carrier frequency with ease and accuracy is valuable indeed. Further, the arrangement has the advantage over a peakreading modulation meter that waveform and frequency components can be determined.

# Spark Gap

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impedance matching transformers can also develop high secondary or primary voltages if the load fails or is removed for any reason. Protection against this type of damage is shown in Fig. 3.

Capacitors, pulse forming networks, and by-pass units may be protected against surges as shown in Fig. 4.

Instrument failure in high voltage circuits can cause dangerously high voltages to appear at unexpected points. In the circuit of Fig. 5, should the ammeter or the voltmeter develop an open, the total circuit voltage will appear across the meter terminals. This hazard can be controlled by safety gaps placed as shown.

In all cases of protection of components by safety gaps, the effect of the gap discharge on the circuit and the resultant fault current on the gap must be considered. In the case where the normal circuit operating voltage is below the extinguishing voltage of the gap, the circuit will probably recover after the surge has passed. This would be the condition normally encountered in Fig. 2, choke or inductance protection. The safety gap in this case need carry only the surge energy. In the case where a heavy

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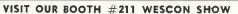
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follow through current will continue after the surge has passed, as might occur in Fig. 4, or a continuous fault current as in Figs. 3 and 4, the continuous dissipation rating of the gap must sustain this current long enough to permit a circuit breaker or a fuse to operate.

As a switch in an operation circuit, a spark gap can provide repeated operations with relatively little change in characteristics if it is run within its ratings. The circuit of Fig. 6 shows a method of

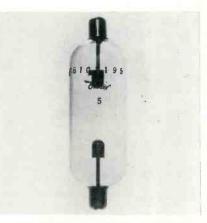


Fig. 7: Commercial spark gap unit

producing high voltage pulses. The capacitor charges through the resistance and periodically discharges through the spark gap. The pulse thus formed is stepped up through the transformer.

The addition of a third electrode to the spark gap produces a unit which can be triggered and becomes more like the conventional thyratron although capable of carrying much higher peak currents.

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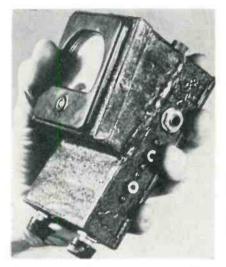
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# **Remote Amplifier**

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a 22 v. battery to get sufficient output with T2. A load line drawn for a 15.000 ohm load, for a CK722 transistor, shows a wide excursion of collector voltage with a relatively small base current and collector current change, indicating a small driving voltage is required and a very low collector current needed at the operating point. Also, operating voltage is not critical. Thus battery aging should not have much of an effect on distortion. The operating point for the collector of



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Frequency response of the amplifier is shown in Fig. 2. Measurement was made with 250 ohms input and the output loaded at 600 ohms. Distortion is shown in Fig. 3. Measurements were made at normal program output. Noise is very close to 50 db below normal program output.

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# Microwave

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microwave equipment with respect to intermodulation distortion must be provided by the microwave manufacturer. This data is needed by the transmission engineer before he can design a system consistent with the established transmission standards. A typical microwave system loaded with 120 telephone channels, operating in accordance with accepted loading statistics, will contribute intermodulation noise of about +16dba to each carrier channel during 1% of the busy hour.

# Thermal Noise

Thermal noise in the head-end of the receiver is caused by random motion of electrons in the input resistance and in components of the receiver located before the first amplifier stage. For an adequately designed microwave system, thermal noise will have no significance during normal propagation conditions. Thermal noise has to be taken into account only during the time that fading occurs. The thermal noise data for a receiver should be provided by the manufacturer. A set of curves such as that illustrated in Fig. 4 will give complete information.

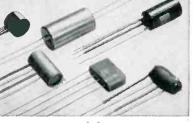
When the noise characteristics of the channelizing equipment, the modulator noise, the intermodulation distortion, and the thermal noise characteristics of the microwave equipment are known, the noise performance of the overall system can be calculated for both normal and faded propagation conditions.

With noise factors of the magnitudes described, microwave toll systems employing single-sideband suppressed - carrier channelizing can be extended to 10 or 15 repeater sections without resorting to the use of compandors or heterodyne repeaters. Section lengths up to at least 55 mi. are possible, depending upon the type of terrain to be traversed and the clearance which can be obtained.

Heterodyne repeaters, while capable of reducing noise in long systems, lack flexibility for dropping and inserting channels at

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repeater and branching points. Such flexibility has proved advantageous in many medium-route installations. Furthermore, maintenance is standardized when backto-back microwave terminals are used as repeaters.

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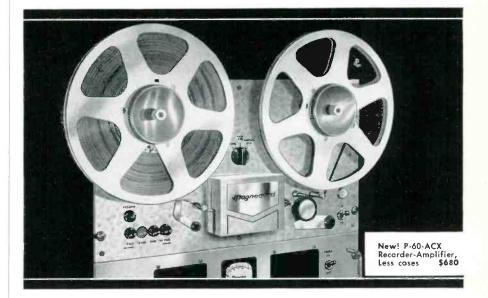
# Reliability

To provide the high degree of reliability required by the telephone industry, the microwave equipment must utilize the highest quality components. Adequate metering must be provided, power supplies should be conservatively rated and adequately fused, and the entire system provided with monitoring and alarm circuits so that troubles can be localized immediately. Equipment arrangements should be such that all components and panels are easily replaceable.

Where equipment is installed at unattended locations, and particularly where the need for exceptional reliability is important, a suitable remote control and supervision system should be installed. The remote control and supervision system should operate over a facility independent of the system it supervises. In the Bell system, the supervisory and control signals of many TD-2 routes are carried over paralleling openwire, cable, or radio systems.

Frequently, medium-route systems do not have adequate paralleling facilities, and may be required to carry their own remote control and alarm tones. Since a working system is needed to convey supervisory information and, since the most important information concerns unserviceable equipment, standby microwave becomes essential. In fact, for maximum reliability of service, standby microwave equipment and an adequate remote control and supervision system go hand-in-hand. Fig. 5 shows an array of microwave equipment and its associated remote control and supervisory equipment for use in the telephone network of the Hawaiian Islands.

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# Compatibility

Microwave equipment specifically designed for use in the telephone industry must include features not normally found in radio equipment used for other types of service. These features include:

- general mechanical 1. Same characteristics as other telephone equipment.
- 2. Circuit design and layout in accordance with conventional telephone practices.
- 3. Electrical characteristics coordinated with other telephone equipment.

The physical arrangement of microwave equipment should be such that it can be used anywhere in the toll plant. The advantages of housing microwave equipment without restrictions in any convenient location are immediately apparent. One of the hurdles which radio has had to overcome in the highly standardized telephone industry is its "special" nature. Special equipment, installed on a roof or in a hut, does not take advantage of the constant routine checking and maintenance procedures long established as standard telephone practice.

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# ANTENNAS, PROPAGATION

Interference Due to Reflections in Multi-Channel FM Radio Systems, by G. Bosse and M. Wagner. "Freq." May 1956. 6 pp. The effect of different maximum frequency deviation on different FM channels to compensate for expected variations in interference due to reflec-tions is studied by the method suggested by W. R. Bennett et al in Bell Tech. J. (1955). The results are graphically represented.

Problems of Aerophysics in the Hypersonic Region, by J. Bond, Jr. "Aero D." June 1956. 5 pp. At high hypersonic speeds, the dissociation and ionization of air in the immediate vicinity of a vehicle may influence its design. The transmission of radio signals through the shock layer becomes increasingly difficult as the velocity of the object increases. The determination of the power required to transmit a radio signal through the shock layer depends upon the signal frequency and on the distribution of electrons in the shock layer.

An Antenna System With a Reflecting Mirror, by V. D. Kuznetsov. "Radiotek." March 1956. 12 pp. The paper analyzes the operation of an antenna system with a reflecting mirror. It discusses the problems of the optimum shape for the surfaces of the antenna and mirror, the for the surfaces of the antenna and mirror, the efficiency of the energy transfer from the an-tenna to the reflecting mirror, the utilization of the surface of the upper mirror, the gain coefficient, the shape of the directivity pattern and the shielding action of the reflector. For-mulas are derived which permit design of the system

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Systematic Investigation of the Effect of the Systematic investigation of the Ellect of the Geomagnetic Activity on the Nocturnal Critical Frequencies of the  $F_{2}$ -Layer, by G. Lange-Hesse. "Arc. El. Uber." April 1956. 6 pp. A statistical examination of the deviation of the nocturnal critical frequencies of the  $F_{\rm er}$  layer establish its dependence on geomagnetic activity, sunspot cycle and season. Figures indicating the reliability of predictions of noc-turnal disturbances in HF radio transmission are derived.



## AUDIO

Ampex's New Video Tape Recorder, by R. Snyder. "T-T & El. Ind." Aug. 1956. 3 pp. Describes a new tv recorder using a multi-headed disc, spinning at 14,000 rpm to record 4 mc video signals on a 2-in. magnetic tape traveling 15 ips. Immediate application is program delay service for East-West tv; future applications include color tv and high-speed data recording.

Tape Doubles Response of Disk Recorders, by W. Gilson. "El." July 1956. 1 pp. A method is described for circumventing limited high frequency response of ordinary cutting heads of

disk recorders. Essentially, a tape recording is fed into the cutting head, both tape and disk units being run at half speed.

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Wide Range Meter Measures Flutter and Wow, by H. Wirth. "El." July 1956. 2 pp. A test in-strument is described which measures speed variations in tape recorder transport mechanisms. A simple system using an fm discriminator detects changes in the recorded signal.

Coupled Oscillations in Cavity Resonators hav-ing a Grid, by E. Kohlsdorf. "Hochfreq." April 1956. 3 pp. Sound absorbing structures comprising a grid, acting as a mass, and an air cushion between the grid and a wall, acting as a spring, are considered. The effect of mechanical oscillations of the grid structure which couples to the oscillations of the grid-air cushion combination is investigated.

On the Sound Level at Corners, at Edges and on the Walls of Closed Rooms in the Presence of Noise, by W. Woehle. "Hochfreq." April 1956. 3 pp. It is shown that, for specified assumptions, elementary calculations yield the differences in the sound levels at the corners, at the edges and along the walls of closed rectangular walls. Measurements show good agreement for a noise spectrum between 37.5 and 75 cycles in a room of approximately 60 m<sup>3</sup>.

The Acoustics of the Berlin Opera, by W. Reichardt. "Hochfreq." April 1956. 11 pp. A model of the opera (1:20) to be rebuilt has been studied. The results of diffusion, clarity, and echo measurements are reported; the reasons for unsatisfactory results pointed out and measures taken to improve such results are described. Results of measurements taken in the rebuilt building are compared to the model measurements.

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The Amount of Sound Absorption of Cavities and its Dependence on the Arrangement, by E. Kohlsdorf. "Hochfreq." April 1956. 3 pp. The behavior of sound-absorbing cavities, i.e., a grid structure arranged in front of an air cushion, is studied. Particular attention is given to the incidence of the sound, at right angles or diffuse, and of the arrangement of the cavities as it affects the sound absorption. Intelligibility of Amplitude-Limited Speech, by H. Schneider. "Freq." May 1956. 10 pp. A comparison of the various methods of limiting the amplitude of a speech signal, such as tilting of the spectrum, peak clipping, multi-band transmission, and frequency shift, is presented. Extensive measurements have been carried out and are reported.



#### CIRCUITS

Minimizing Noise in Electronic Systems, by R. Wendt "T-T & El. Ind." Aug. 1956. 4 pp. Internally generated noise is a constant problem to equipment designers. Discussed in this article are some causes of capacitive, leakage, conductive, and inductive noise pickup, and practical preventive measures.

Simplified Cascode Design, by F. Evans. "T-T & El. Ind." Aug. 1956. 1 pp. A method is presented for approximating the characteristics of a cascode unit, using the published Eb---Ib curves of the triode type employed.

Selective 1 CPS Bandwidth Amplifier, by W. Nonnenmacher. "El. Rund." May 1956. 4 pp. A high selectivity if-amplifier has been developed as part of a measuring amplifier for noise voltage spectroscopy. The high selectivity is produced by disattenuation of the resonance circuit by means of a feed-back cathode amplifier (Q multiplier). Bandwidth can be altered by adjustment of the feed-back factor. The required stability is achieved by the intense counter coupling of the cathode amplifier.

Remote Control of Electro-Acoustic Equipment, by H. Petzoldt. "El. Rund." May 1956, 3 pp. Remote control of switching operations in electro-acoustic main control centers is required owing to number and scope of simultaneous switching operations, to remoteness of operator, on account of mutual functional coupling or dependence of a plurality of switching operations. A new remote control equipment for the switching of 6 loudspeakers from a remote microphone speaker location under precedence to a circuit diagram.

Amplitude Limitation in LC-Oscillators Using Two Biased Diodes, by Z. Akcasu. "Wirel. Eng." June 1956. 5 pp. An LC-oscillator which includes two biased diodes in the grid circuit to limit oscillation amplitude is analyzed. Amplitude of oscillation and harmonic distortion are calculated and represented by curves. From these curves it is observed that oscillations can be modulated linearly; no frequency modulation occurs during amplitude modulation and harmonic distortion is very low.

Mathematical Treatment of Nonlinear Keying Operations, by F. Weitzsch. "El. Rund." May 1956. 4 pp. Networks exert electronic keying involves a time function of certain electric magnitudes. Their determination gives rise to some dificulty caused by the presence of such nonlinear elements as hysteresis-affected inductivities, etc., in the circuit. Normalized orthogonal systems are established and means of approximating their integrals are discussed.

Decade Counter Tube Circuitry, Part II, by J. Adams. "El. Des." June 1, 1956. Continuing a discussion of the basic operation of decade counter tubes (Part 1, "El. Des." May 15, 1956), the author presents a complete counter circuit for applications involving high speed counting. Analytical Method for Complex Transistor Circuits, by Ya. K. Trokhimenko. "Radiotek." March 1956. 7 pp. The paper briefly discusses the admittance matrix of a transistor and describes a method of analysis for complex circuits, which is based upon reducing the complex circuit to an equivalent fourpole and conducting the design according to the parameters of the fourpole.

Amplitude Stabilization of Self-Oscillations by an Inertial Nonlinearity, by E. O. Saakov, "Radiotek." March 1956. 11 pp. The paper analyzes the operation of the simplest circuits with nonlinear resistors having a thermal inertia, when such resistors are used to stabilize the amplitude of sinusoidal self-oscillations. Relationships are derived for the calculation of the steady-state amplitude of the oscillator output.

A Wide Range Photo-electric Automatic Gain Control, by C. Riddle. "El. Eng." July 1956. 5 pp. A photocell and tube are arranged in such a way that the output voltage is proportional to the light modulation, and independent of the value of the steady light flux. The circuit is extremely simple, and the range over which the light flux may vary is very large (100.000:1).

An Improved Type of Differential Amplifier, by J. Richards. "El. Eng." July 1956. 3 pp. A differential amplifier stage capable of giving a high rejection ratio with unselected tubes and components and without a balance control is analyzed, and a particular amplifier is described in some detail. The stage is particularly suitable for converting balanced to unbalanced signals.

A Variable Multiple Pulse-Stream Generator, by W. Woods-Hill. "El. Eng." July 1956. 2 pp. During the development of circuits intended for use in electronic computers there is a need for checking, with a minimum of apparatus, the logic of circuits which require numerous pulse streams for their operation. An apparatus for such checking is described.

A Less-Than-Minimum Phase Shift Network, R. Destebelle, C. Savant, and C. Savant, Jr. "T-T & El. Ind." Aug. 1956. 3 pp. A combination of a tuned amplifier and a phase sensitive demodulator is described which allows high Q without instability.

Synchronization of an Oscillator by Means of Radio-Frequency Pulses, by E. S. Voronin and G. N. Berestovsky. "Radiotek." March 1956. 7 pp. The paper theoretically and experimentally investigates the process of synchronizing a harmonic oscillator by means of rectangular radio-frequency pulses. Calculations are conducted for the process of establishing the phase and amplitude of the oscillations. The results are experimentally verified at 1 mc. It is shown that the time for establishing a steady state depends heavily upon the initial phase.

Interaction Between Signal and Noise in an Inertial Detector, by L. S. Gutkin. (Continuation of paper in Feb. Issue.) "Radiotek." March 1956. 12 pp. Detailed qualitative and quantitative analysis including thorough mathematical derivations. This second part of a twopart paper deals with the signal-to-noise ratio at the output of the detector. It includes: 1) evaluation of the internal resistance of the detector, 2) evaluation of the current from the equivalent low-frequency current generator, 3) evaluation of the noise voltage across the detector load.

The Frequency Dependence of Self-Excited Microwave Generators with Complex Load, by H. Paul. "El. Rund." June 1956. 4 pp. In this final section of a previous article, the changes in the Rieke diagram resulting from a load positioned several wavelengths from the plane containing the plate slot are treated. Mismatching is discussed, and a measuring method suggested.

Trailing Edge (Decay) of a Pulse in a Cathode Follower with a Capacitive Load, by M. L. Volin. "Radiotek." March 1956. 7 pp. The paper discusses the causes of the extended decay of the trailing edge of a pulse when it passes through a heavily loaded cathode follower. An experimentally verified method is given for calculating the decay time for the trailing edge. Circuits for increasing the slope of the trailing edge are analyzed.

The Origin of the Six-Terminal Network Curve, Its Graphical Evaluation and Its Application to Determine the Transformation Properties of Loss-Less Six-Terminal and Eight-Terminal Networks, by H. Lueg. "Arc. El. Uber." April 1956. 12 pp. The formulas for a six-terminal network are coordinated with a set of vectors rotating in the complex plane. It is shown how the curve for the six-terminal network permits the determination of the input impedance for any terminating impedance.

Bridge Stabilized Oscillators and Their Derivatives, by E. J. Post and J. van der Scheer. "J BIRE." June 1956. 6 pp. The bridge stabilized oscillator with unspecified amplifying section can be regarded as a source of a wide class of feedback oscillators. Simple operations such as crosswise interchange of bridge elements, as well as suitable unbalancing of the bridge, will lead to most of the available feedback oscillator circuits as the derivatives of the bridge device. Principles involved are studied.

The Impedance Concept, Part 2, by C. Mayo and J. Head. "Wirel. Eng." May 1956. 8 pp. In Part One it was shown how useful information on circuit behavior could be obtained within the 'p-world,' p being a variable closely associated with time differentiation which can be manipulated algebraically. A general condition for a polynomial  $P_n$  of degree n in p to be free from zeros with positive real parts was obtained, and applied to the case of a three-stage RC feedback amplifier. Part 2 determines the effect of adding extra "step-circuit" elements on the gain and maximum feedback obtainable.

Design Chart for Selective Cathode Traps, by K. Hillman. "El." July 1956. 2 pp. Equations are discussed for determining attenuation introduced at trap frequency and at other desired frequencies. A graph is presented for determination of values of R, L, and C for cathode traps.

Telemetering Demodulator for Wide-Band F-M Data, by T. Warzecha. "El." July 1956. 3 pp. The demodulator described converts fm to pfm for pulse averaging recovery of the signal. Also described is a means of recording the fm signal.

Regulator Stabilizes Infrared Detector, by H. Weisbecker. "El." July 1956. 2 pp. Bolometertype infrared detectors used on aircraft give ambiguous indication at intensity variation rates up to 25 cps unless the power supply is well regulated. A chopper-derived ac loop is described which can supplement more conventional de regulation and cut variations to less than a millivolt.

Automatic Tuning for High-Power Transmitter, by V. DeLong. "El." July 1956. 4 pp. A system is described by which a frequencyselecting dial operates a servo system which tunes transmitter stages and adjusts the loading of the final stage. A combination of wide and narrow band discriminator circuits pulls the servos into critical tuning positions over a wide range.



### COMMUNICATIONS

Designing Microwave Equipment for Telephone Companies, by W. Fisher. "T-T & El. Ind." Aug. 1956. 5 pp. The requirements of a medium-route microwave system—handling up to 300 telephone channels—are examined with respect to installation costs, transmission quality and performance, reliability, and compatibility. Data includes average installation costs and typical system statistics.

Transistor Remote Amplifier, by E. Smith. "T-T & El. Ind." Aug. 1956. 2 pp. A small, battery-operated 4-transistor channel amplifier using low-level mixing and having two independently controlled mikes is described. Complete circuitry and response-test results are presented.

Reducing Noise in Communications Systems, Part V, by W. Bennett. "E.I." July 1956. 4 pp. Transmitting information through noise can be accomplished by exchanging excess bandwidth for improved signal-to-noise ratio. Pulsecode modulation does this efficiently and permits regenerating pulses that have become distorted. Error detecting and correcting codes offer additional advantages.

Regulating Amplifier Corrects Slope and Level, by W. Chaskin and H. Kimball. "El." July 1956. 3 pp. A servo-control which automatically adjusts gain to accommodate changes in attenuation in long open-wire telephone lines is described. Pilot-tone pairs of 40 and 80 kc with 99 and 150 kc are employed to control gain.

Multipath Simulator Tests Communications, by A. Deuth, H. Ressler, J. Smith, and G. Stamps. "El." July 1956. 3 pp. The authors describe a system using an ultrasonic artificial ionosphere and crystal transducers operating at 150 kc in air to simulate radio fading.

Arcing at Telephone Relay Contacts, by P. Kisliuk. "Bell Ree." June 1956. 5 pp. Research now in progress is aimed at extending the useful lifetimes of relay contacts. Oscilloscopic studies are in agreement with earlier work, that arcs occur before there is any metallic contact. This article presents results of extensive investigation and experimentation with arcing.

Balanced Revertive-Pulsing Circuits, by E. Spack. "Bell Rec." July 1956. 4 pp. Revertive pulsing is the signaling method used to control motor-driven switches at a terminating office in the panel type of automatic switching system. When crossbar systems were designed, they included revertive pulsing for compatibility with existing offices, using relays to simulate the action of the mechanical switches. No. 5 crossbar has grown rapidly in suburban areas, and it has been found that ac interference in these areas can adversely affect the revertive-pulsing circuits. To prevent this, new balanced arrangements have been designed for both panel and crossbar incoming circuits.

Distortion of the Duration of Telegraph Pulses Due to the Effect of Fluctuating Interference in a Frequency-Modulated System, by A. M. Zingerenko. "Radiotek." March 1956. 11 pp. The paper derives a formula for the frequency variation which results when fm signals are transmitted in the presence of fluctuating interference. The mean-square distortion of the duration of the telegraph pulses is determined.

Application of Magnetic Null Devices to Telemetering and Registering Units, by A. M. Pschenichnikov. "Elek." Jan. 1956. 6 pp. A primarily qualitative analysis of the use of magnetic amplifiers as null devices. The paper describes their principle of operation, their chief properties and characteristics and the possibilities for their extensive use. Their use as inverters, in polyphase and bridge systems, and the use of second-harmonic induction are discussed. The lower sensitivity threshold is made a minimum.

Simultaneous Tuning of Tuned Circuits in Superheterodyne Receivers, by W. Rotkiewicz. "Hochfreq." April 1956. 11 pp. The difficulties encountered in simultaneously tuning two capacitively-tuned circuits in a receiver are studied. Equations for the tuned h.f. circuits and the associated oscillators are given. The errors are evaluated for tuning curves identical at two or at three points.

Visual Detectability of Signals in Noise, by J. Griffiths. "Wirel. Eng." May 1956. 3 pp. The effect of 'contrast' (in the form of a bias) on the detectability of signals displayed for visual observation in a noise background is very controversial, as many different considerations arise in different applications. This article is concerned with the effect of such contrast on a particular derived signal-to-noiseratio criterion, and it is shown that the results obtained agree. at least qualitatively, with experimental results on probability of detection in very simple systems.

Repeaters for Twelve-Channel Military Telephone, by J. Barstow, Jr. "Bel Rec." June 1956. 4 pp. A recently developed light-weight system permits transmitting twelve telephone conversations over a single four-conductor cable. Both attended and unattended repeaters have been developed which permit the terminals to be placed as much as 200 miles apart.

Effective Capacitance in Modulated Power Amplifiers, by R. Lee. "El. Des." June 1, 1956. 3 pp. Incidental capacitance has a marked influence on the electrical performance of high-level AM power amplifiers, particularly in the modulator. Several components of incidental capacitance are analyzed and their effects discussed.

Voice-Controlled Blocking Circuits in Telephone Signal Transmission by Radio, by K. Fischer. "El. Rund." June 1956. 5 pp. A voice-controlled blocking circuit is required at the junction of the radio transmission and the twowire line, provided the radio link cannot be stabilized. Various such blocking circuits are compared and their fields of application indicated.

The Reciprocity of Time and Frequency in Communication Engineering, by H. Marko. "Nach Z." May 1956. 7 pp. The Fourier transformation is applied to stationary phenomena, statistically known phenomena, and to nonlinear systems, such as modulators. Electrical phenomena and mathematical formulas are closely interrelated to facilitate understanding.

Radio Set AN/TRC-24: Exciter and Frequency Control, by G. Rodwin and N. Lund. "Bell Rec." July 1956. 4 pp. The radio portions of a compact and portable multi-channel telephone system are described. The exciter, with its associated frequency-control circuit, enables the radio transmitter to operate on any one of a large number of stabilized frequencies.



#### COMPONENTS

Nonlinear Ceramic Dielectrics, by N. Rudnick and G. Howatt. "Con. Eng." July 1956. 7 pp. The ceramic dielectrics have been put to many uses in the control field, chiefly as transducers that make use of their piezoelectric properties. They have still another, far less exploited characteristic. They are nonlinear in the same way as are ferromagnetic materials: they display a hysteresis loop. Because of this analogy they are called ferroelectrics. Nonlinear dielectrics can omplify electrical signals somewhat as magnetic amplifiers. Such dielectric amplifiers have several inherent potential advantages over magnetic amplifiers for voltage and moderate power amplifier applications.

Spark Gap—New Circuit Component, by J. Johnstone. "T-T & El. Ind." Aug. 1956. 2 pp. Use of spark gap units as voltage-sensitive switches handling extremely high currents with low voltage drop is described. Units can be small and can be made relatively insensitive to temperature, pressure, altitude, and humidity. A spark gap pulse generator circuit is illustrated.

Specifying Toroidal Reactors, by R. Edgar. "El. Des." June 15, 1956. 2 pp. Molybdenum permalloy powder toroidal cores have been used extensively in recent years because of high Q stability over a wide range of voltages and good stability with respect to dc magnetization. However, it is often desirable to know just how a toroidal reactor is affected by the core used in order to specify these reactors correctly. The article describes a typical toroid and points the way to improved design. A Guide to Applying Resistance Pots, by H. Gray, Jr. "Con. Eng." July 1956. 14 pp. Since the potentiometer used often spells the difference between a workable and unworkable system, or between a complex and greatly simplified one, the selection procedure is important. The author presents information in the form of a guide to selection of pots for specific uses.

Ultrasonic Delay Lines, by J. May, Jr. "Bell Rec." June 1956. 5 pp. As modern electronic equipment is called upon to perform increasingly intricate operations, electrical signals must frequently be delayed within a circuit. Most methods of providing such delay require considerable space or equipment. This article describes ultrasonic delay lines which occupy a relatively small space, and can provide time intervals ranging from a fraction of a  $\mu$ sec to several thousand  $\mu$ sec.

Factors Affecting Resistor Tolerances, by F. Paul. "El. Des." June 1, 1956. 1 pp. Minimum circuit design tolerances for resistors must often be much greater than the rated resistor tolerances specified by manufacturers. Recommended minimum design tolerances are given.

Transit-Time Accelerometer, by L. Jones. "Rev. Sci." June 1956. 4 pp. An omnidirectional transit-time accelerometer, developed for measuring the drag acceleration of spheres dropped from rockets, is described.



#### COMPUTERS

Binary Conversion for A-D Converters, by I. Resnick. "El. Des." June 15, 1956. 2 pp. Serialization of parallel data may be desirable or necessary for minimization of the number of recording channels required, telemetering on a single channel, and preparation of data for further processing. This article describes a shift-register system used to convert data coming in parallel form into serial form, and a means of converting cyclical-binary code into conventionary-binary code.

Factors in Selecting Data Handling Systems, by A. Hix. "ISA J." June 1956. 4 pp. This is a discussion of industrial data handling systems from the standpoint of operational control, cost-accounting and inventory control, preparation of operating and managerial reports, and engineering studies.

Mechanized Memory and Logic—What Electronics Can Do, by J. Felker. "Bell Rec." June 1956. 6 pp. Despite its seeming complexity, electronic switching promises a wholesale simplification of telephony and, it is believed, more economical telephone service. This article presents simplified definitions of the basic concepts of such systems.

Practical Analog-Digital Converters, by M. Klein, F. Williams, and H. Morgan. "Inst. & Auto." June 1956. 9 pp. The authors present a list and descriptions showing the state of the art and the types of commercially available converters designed for shaft position conversion with binary output, shaft position conversion with uncoded output, shaft position conversion for direct data printing, data loggers with all-electronic conversion, and allelectronic high-speed conversion.

Designing Analogy Circuits from Test Data, by G. D. McCann. "ISA J" June 1956. 5 pp. The author discusses direct synthesis of analogous circuits from tests such as influence coefficient or normal mode shake tests.

What's Inside Transac-I, by A. Cavalieri, Jr. "El. Des." July 1, 1956. 3 pp. A transistorized automatic computer using surface barrier transistors is described. It is capable of performing about 416,000 additions per sec, and can multiply two six-digit numbers in about 48 µsec. Typical circuit units are illustrated and described.



Optimizing with a Computer, by J. Strong. "Auto. Con." June 1956. 3 pp. Combining advanced mathematical techniques with a careful analysis of the controlling factors and objectives in scientific, industrial, or business situations, Operations Research can sometimes produce new answers or viewpoints in what were previously considered unsolvable problem areas. Several mathematical tools, such as linear programming and queueing theory are discussed.

New Computer Method for Obtaining Optimum Area, by J. Tyroler and C. Smith. "Rev. Sci." June 1956. 2 pp. An automatic computer method for obtaining the optimum area for any fixed interval under a transient is described and discussed. This method automatically chooses the point on the transient where integration of the area is initiated and a preset timer stops the integrator after the selected time interval has elapsed.

Electronic Methods of Analogue Multiplication, by Z. Czajowski. "El. Eng." July 1956. 5 pp. The author presents a general survey of the principles used in analog multiplication. An attempt has been made to classify the different methods of approach to the problem and to compare all systems as to accuracy, speed, aud complexity. This article deals with those devices which perform multiplication directly by application of some mathematical or physical formula.

The Simple Bridge Can Solve Equations, by W. Pease. "Com. Eng." July 1956. 1 p. By properly including the variables in the arms of a self-balancing bridge circuit, a single amplifier can serve to solve an entire equation. With precision components the overall accuracy can be as high as .01 per cent. The solution of a slant range equation is used for illustration.

Digital Storage Using Neon Tubes, by M. Raphael and A. Robinson. "El." July 1956. 4 pp. A means of providing inexpensive storage for digital data using a neon-tube matrix is described. The memory uses multiplier-phototube read out.

How to Design Reliable Computers, by F. A. Ordemann. "El Eq." June 1956. 4 pp. Reliability, a major consideration in the design of all electronic equipment, assumes extreme importance in computer development. This article outlines the steps taken by one major computer manufacturer to enhance the dependability of his product.



## CONTROLS

Electronic Step Actuated Integrative Control Equipment with Approximately Continuous Performance, by G. Weitner. "El. Rund." May 1956. 3 pp. Control equipment with approximately continuous integrative performance permits adjusting motor control via conventional mains contacts and control button adjustment of the adjusting velocity and the permanent deviation. Its temporal performance and basic design circuits are discussed with reference to an actual equipment example using a thyratron in combination with a relay.

Photoelectric Amplifier for Flame Guards, by E. Suchel. "El. Rund." June 1956. 2 pp. The flame guard photocell controls an alarm which sounds when the flame of an oilburner dies down. Circuit requirements are stated and a specially designed circuit is illustrated and discussed.

Control Techniques for Nuclear Reactors, by W. Whitehead and H. Lamonds. "Auto. Con." June 1956. 3 pp. The accelerated rate at which nuclear power reactors are being developed has led to the evolution of many new reactor types, but, as this article points out, the control systems for all these are based on a few fundamental principles and employ familiar hydraulic, pneumatic, and electronic control elements. Relays for Control Applications, by W. Lockwood. "Auto. Con." June 1956. 2 pp. A general discussion of types and suitability of relays for a variety of applications.

Cascade Control Systems, by N. Gollin. "Con. Eng." July 1956. 5 pp. Proper choice of the control arrangement improves the performance of the control system. If this arrangement involves the adjustment of the set-point of the controller in a control loop by means of another measured variable, it is called Cascade Control. The type of cascade control system considered here is one where the two measured variables are related through the process. By block diagrams and transfer functions of the system's elements, cascade control systems can be analyzed to show how much they improve control of the process.

Capacitor Type Fuel Gages and Controls, by S. Solarez. "Aero D." June 1956. 4 pp. Modern aircraft fuel gage systems can allow for disposable fuel tanks, fuel programming to maintain aircraft stability, and indicators to show tank-full during in-flight refueling.

Structural Constant for Magnetic Amplifiers, by S. Ya. Dunayevsky. "Elek." Feb. 1956. 6 pp. The paper develops an approach to designing magnetic amplifiers, which is intended for those cases when the amplification factor is one of the main indices of the amplifier. The output power and the control power are included in the specified data. Complete design procedure is analyzed.



# INDUSTRIAL ELECTRONICS

Application of Magnetic Amplifiers to Electric Drives, by A. G. Efanov, B. M. Gutkin, Yu. R. Reingold. "Elek." Feb. 1956. 6 pp. Paper discusses the use of magnetic amplifiers as intermediate amplifiers for the purpose of raising the gain of rotary amplifiers whose characteristics have been stabilized by negative feedback. Coupling circuits between the magnetic and rotary amplifiers are analyzed, static and dynamic characteristics are given, coil data is specified for the magnetic amplifiers and specific industrial examples are given.

Experimental Investigation of the Dynamic Properties of a Rotary Amplifier and the Design of Its Parameters, by E. L. Ettinger and Yu. R. Reingold. "Elek." March 1956. 9 pp. Experimental frequency responses of a rotary amplifier are used to analyze the effect of internal feedback, mutual inductance between the control coils, the degree of compensation and the load upon the dynamic properties of the amplifier. All of the basic parameters are then found for both no-load and load conditions. A simplified transfer function is derived, and the coefficients of the transfer function are calculated for various conditions. The method is generalized to include other typical elements of an automatic drive. It is shown that complex systems can be reduced to combinations of elementary members.

The Short-Interval Timer, by G. Hitchcox. "El. Eng." July 1956. 4 pp. Many industrial devices operate so rapidly that electronic time measurement is required, both in designing and in testing them. Examples are: fuses and contact-breakers, high speed relays, camera shutters, and explosive caps. This article describes the factors which govern the specification and design of a modern short interval timer intended for general purpose uses.

Gear Gage Controls Automatic Hobber, by R. Miles. "El." July 1956. 5 pp. An electronic inspector uses probes attached to the cores of linear variable-differential transformers to measure the pitch diameter and the root fillet of gears. Dimensional deviation signals are stored and compared electronically to determine corrective measures based on trends, ignoring individual variation. Corrective signals cause automatic readjustment of the gear-cutting machine. Voltage Control of a Hydraulic Alternator of 36,000 KVA by Magnetic Amplifiers, by J. Fourner. "Hochfreq." April 1956. 16 pp. The circuit diagram is shown and explained; performance data are given in great detail. Good stability and rapid control have been obtained. Application of Magnetic Amplifiers to an Automatic DC Motor Drive, by S. S. Royzen and K. Ya. Goasen. "Elek." March 1956. 8 pp. Theoretical discussion of the use of a magnetic amplifier in place of the rotary amplifier which is in the feedback loop of a dc motor speed regulator. The amplifier provides the necessary gain needed to maintain sufficiently accurate speed regulation with less bulk, less complexity and less loss. Systems with generator and rectifier supplies are analyzed, and experimental results are cited.

A New Circuit for Regulating the Load on an Electric Blooming-Mill Drive, by V, I. Ark-hangelsky. "Elek." March 1956. 8 pp. The March 1956. 8 pp. The present device used for regulating the armacurrent of the drive motor is a rotary ture amplifier that suffers from the following dis-advantages: a) there is no continuous control of the acceleration of the loaded motor during start, b) the regulator does not affect the field of the motor properly when the motor is slowed down from its maximum speed, c) the regulator has an unsatisfactory law of variation for the reference voltage as a function of exciting current. The new circuit overcomes these drawbacks. The loaded motor can be operated so that optimum characteristics are obtained with full utilization of overload capacity.

Vapor-Pressure Analyzer Computes Liquid Concentration, by L. Griffith. "Con. Eng." July 1956. 2 pp. A simple analyzer detects a liquid's vapor pressure and temperature and performs a computation on these two process variables to yield a continuous direct reading of concentration.



#### MATERIALS

Basic Insulating Materials, by G. Moses. "Insul." June 1956. 4 pp. A number of basic material components are used either separately or as combinations in composite insulation products. This article contains a general description of solid, non-resinous materials including asbestos, fiber glass, synthetic textiles, and mica; and reviews the peculiar characteristics of each which fit it to specific uses and limit its use in other applications.

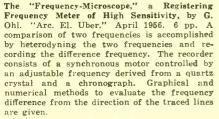
Cathode Ray Tube Phosphors, by R. Millet. "El. Des." June 15, 1956. 2 pp. Specification of the correct CRT screen phosphor for a particular design application is often difficult. A design analysis of phosphors, including characteristics and suggested applications is presented.

A New Method of Electric Welding of Copper Cable Joints, by W. Ruecker and P. Raphael. "Nach. Z" May 1956. 3 pp. A 6-volt battery is applied to the carbon electrodes spaced 0.1 mm apart. A series of conical openings is provided in the circumference of the two circular electrodes, each electrode having half-conical recesses. The wire ends are placed into these openings and the weld is shaped like a small cone.



# MEASURING & TESTING

Discriminator-Output Frequency Meter, by D. Marshall. "T-T & El. Ind." Aug. 1956. 3 pp. Circuitry and performance of a discriminatoroutput frequency meter for 3 cps to 100 kc are described. The meter analyzes fm information by use of a triggered-pulse, frequency-tovoltage conversion system.



Vibrational Stability Tests for Magnetic Relays, by A. Maschmeyer. "T-T & El. Ind." Aug. 1956. 4 pp. Clapper type relays are evaluated under vibrational conditions of 3 to 2000 cps and accelerations to 35 g. Prime areas of relay improvement are found to be design of contact springs, contact supports, and relay mountings.

A Ruggedized Graphic Milliameter, by G. Walters. "T-T & El. Ind." Aug. 1956. 3 pp. Considerable difficulty has been experienced in using existing graphic recorders in airborne installations due to improper operation in the presence of shock or vibration forces. This article describes the techniques employed in designing a ruggedized instrument suitable for operation under the extreme environmental conditions specified by the military.

Method for Eliminating Omegatron Radial Field Errors or for Direct Measurement of Mass Ratios, by H. Woodford and J. Gardner. "Rev. Sci." June 1956. 4 pp. An omegatron having two pairs of ion-accelerating plates instead of one and using resonance absorption detection has been used successfully to obtain simultaneous cyclotron resonances of two different ion species in the same field. When used in conjunction with a nuclear resonance probe, the method effectively eliminates errors due to perturbing radial electric fields in the omegatron; alternatively, if radial electric fields are considered negligible, the method permits the direct measurement of mass ratios.

An AC Potentiometer for Measurement of Amplitude and Phase, by M. J. Somerville. "El. Eng." July 1956. 2 pp. A simple ac potentiometer circuit using ac coupled amplifiers is described. The design utilized enables the generation of in-phase and quadrature components which remain accurately in quadrature with one another, even though substantial phase shifts will occur in the ac couplings involved.

Fast Timing of Scintillation Pulses, by H. Ticho and J. Gauger. "Rev. Sci." June 1956. 6 pp. Some modifications of the conventional chronotron circuit are discussed. Using such a modified chronotron, time interval distributions due to two liquid scintillation counters have been studied under various experimental conditions. These studies suggest that even when counters with sensitive areas of approximately 300 cm<sup>2</sup> are used, a precision of  $\pm 0.25$ µsec in an individual time interval measurement can be achieved if the distance between the particle trajectory and the photosensitive surface is known.

An Electronic Timing Unit, by N. B. Acred and G. Bishop. "El. Eng." July 1956. 7 pp. This article describes in some detail the design and construction of equipment for measuring the time intervals encountered in determining the speed of an aircraft flying over a straight course of known length. The primary requirement was that the timing unit should measure and display time intervals between 1 and 99.999 sec with an accuracy of 1 part in 10<sup>4</sup>. This, and other factors which influenced the design are discussed.

Photoelectric-Optical and Thermoelectric-Optical Amplifiers, by B. P. Kozyrev. "Elek." Feb. 1956. 8 pp. The paper analyzes the design and construction of photoelectric-optical and thermoelectric-optical amplifiers used with galvanometers for high-sensitivity measurements. Detailed design parameters and dimensions are given for existing standard amplifiers, and design equations are derived. The transformation of a photoelectric-optical amplifier into a thermoelectric-optical one is discussed. Aural Electrocardiograms, by A. Gemant and D. Burch. "Rev. Sci." June 1956. 2 pp. In heart surgery the need arises for electrocardiograms that do not require visual attention. This has been achieved by converting the voltage wave pattern into a sound pattern of varying pitch; the latter is an exact reproduction of the voltage wave. The apparatus used for the conversion is described.

Extending the Limits of Resistance Measurement Using Electronic Techniques, by G. Hitchcox. "J BIRE" June 1956. 11 pp. In general, the article is confined to a discussion of devices and techniques which are suitable for inclusion in commercial instruments, rather than of those which, by their complication, delicacy, or specialization, are restricted to the laboratory. It opens with a description of the basic chmmeter in its two dual forms, refers to three low resistance systems, two using direct and one alternating test currents, and then goes on to describe what is thought to be a novel instrument which can measure very low resistance using pulsed test currents to reduce thermal dissipation in the test sample.

Diamond, a Practical Radiation Counter, by W. Cotty. "J BIRE" June 1956. 15 pp. The properties which make diamond an attractive material for a practical conduction counter are discussed and the general theory of conduction counting is outlined. The counting property is thought to be a structural property and this also is responsible for the ill effects of polarization; diamonds, however, have been found which have the natural ability to maintain a steady counting rate for long periods and a method for selecting them is given. The principles of amplification are described in detail.

A Phase Meter for 50 Cycles to 30 MC, by O. Macek. "Freq." May 1956. 6 pp. The phase meter consists of two identical amplifiers and a CR tube displaying an elipse. Alternatively the signal to be compared may be mixed with an oscillation between 1 me and 30 mc to result in a suitable beat frequency. A phase difference of 1° can still be read. Various methods are discussed.

Determination of the Amplitude Distribution on Plane Surfaces from the Directional Distribution of Their Radiation Fields, by K. Feher. "Arc. El. Uber" April 1956. 10 pp. This continuation of a previous article describes the experimental set-up and the evaluation methods. The results for an aluminum plate vibrated by a piezoelectric crystal and for a plate vibrated by waves incident at a specified angle are reported.

Four-Place Timer Codes Oscillograph Recordings, by S. Dorsey. "El." July 1956. 3 pp. A timing generator is described which creates a pattern indicating time in increments of .001 seconds.

Group-Delay Measurements, by C. Heuvelman and A. van Weel. "Wirel. Eng." May 1956. 7 pp. A description is given of a simple groupdelay meter which, in combination with any conventional wobbulator generator, gives the group-delay characteristic directly on an oscilloscope.

A Five-Band Recording Spectroradiometer, by C. McCamy. "NBS J" May 1956. 7 pp. An accidental fire in an aircraft engine compartment can be dealt with successfully only if the fire is detected within a few seconds after it Devices that respond to the radiant enstarts. ergy from flames have received considerable attention because a single unit can detect fires anywhere within a large space. Such detectors must be able to discriminate between flame and sun or hot engine parts. To accomplish this discrimination, the use of two characteristics of flame radiation has been proposed : the spectral distribution of energy and the fluctua-tions in the radiant intensity known as "flicker." In order to explore some of the possibilities, the instrument described in this arti-cle was built to record the radiant intensity of flames in several broad regions of the spectrum and to determine the frequency distribution of flicker.

A Mechanical-Electronic Transducer for Low Range Pressure and Force, by B. McKay. "ISA J" June 1956. 3 pp. Article gives circuitry, construction, application, and performance details of the RCA type 5734 transducer tube for measurement of pressures and force or weight, with particular mention of specific applications in the biological field. Past work is cited and new applications suggested.

Advances in the Design and Application of the Radio-Frequency Permeameter, by A. Rasmussen, A. Enfield, and A. Hess. "NBS J." May 1956. 8 pp. Improvements are described for increasing the frequency coverage, accuracy, and ease of application of the r-f permeameter developed at NBS to measure initial complex permeability of toroidally shaped ferromagnetic materials of low conductivity.

Slideback Electrometer, by N. Doctor and P. Franklin. "Inst. & Auto." June 1956. 3 pp. Low-leakage resistance paths in terminal boards, in laminates which bear etched wiring circuits, and in potted assemblies can seriously alter operation of electronic systems. An instrument is described for measuring resistances between  $10^{10}$  and  $10^{15}$  ohms. The instrument is in part a slideback voltmeter employing an electrometer tetrode.

Low Distortion and Low Noise in Small-Amplitude Motions, by B. McFadden. "Con. Eng." July 1956. 2 pp. Distortionless, noisefree mechanical motion at sinusoidal double amplitude of .01 deg is produced by a table designed to simulate aircraft motions for instrument testing. The table has a noise threshold below one second of arc.

Balloon-Borne System for Tracking the Sun, by H. Edwards, A. Goddard, Jr., M. Juza, T. Maher, and F. Speck. "Rev. Sci." June 1956. 5 pp. A balloon-borne system for tracking the sun both in elevation and azimuth is described. Phase-Angle Measurement, by C. Vincent. "Wirel, Eng." May 1956. 5 pp. This article discusses the method of phase-angle measurement due to Fleming, in which X and Y deflections are adjusted for equality, and the phase difference is deduced from the proportions of the resulting ellipse. A thorough analysis is made of the geometrical factors which might lead to error in this method.

CAMA-Automatic Trunk-Test Circuit, by R. Dusenberry. "Bell Rec." June 1956. 4 pp. In a Centralized Automatic Message Accounting installation, trunks from local telephone offices are periodically tested by a circuit which can automatically test 2,000 incoming trunk circuits, without interrupting busy circuits. The author discusses necessary test functions and describes the operation of the tester.

Electrostatic Particle Size Analyzer, by H. Yoshikawa, G. Swartz, J. MacWaters, and W. Fite. "Rev. Sci." June 1956. 4 pp. This article comprises the theoretical analysis and physical description of an Electrostatic Particle Size Analyzer (EPSA) for determining the particle size distribution of aerosols in the 1- to 20micron size range.

Wide Amplitude String Galvanometer for Direct Recording, by L. Browder. "Rev. Sci." June 1956. 5 pp. By employing an Einthoven or string galvanometer rather than the usual D'Arsonval galvanometer in a direct-writing oscillograph a considerable reduction in inertia of the moving element is obtained. The use of compliant end supports makes possible very large deflections so that a 10-cm long string having a resonant frequency of 230 cps can be made to move through an amplitude of 2.5 cm.

Automatic Scanning Device, by L. Holm. "Rev. Sci." June 1956. 5 pp. The driving mechanism and the control and recording circuits of an automatic device for repeated, continuous, unidimensional scanning of radioactive objects are described. The scanner can run at several different speeds from 4.10X10<sup>-3</sup> up to 1.32 mm/sec. It is shown theoretically and illustrated with actual examples that it is possible to construct "equilibrium curves", i.e., curves corresponding to an infinitely low scanning speed. from those recorded with finite scanning speeds.





#### RADAR, NAVIGATION

Radar Doppler-Frequency Nomograph, by G. Baker. "El. Des." May 15, 1956. A design tool relating doppler frequency, radial velocity, and transmitted wavelength.

Three-Dimensional Radar Video Simulator, by P. Pielich. "El." July 1956. 3 pp. Terrainclearance radar data is presented as threedimensional oscilloscope display by using simulated-video generator and conventional flying-spot scanner. The mechanization of such a display was found to be a relatively simple matter.

Electrical Altimeters for Airplanes, by E. Roessler. "El. Rund." May 1956. 3 pp. Diverse kinds of electrical altimeters, especially capacitive, pulse echo, and frequency modulation types, are described in detail with reference to the historical development. The combination of weather radar, a collision warning radar, and a pulse altimeter finally is regarded as a possible technical solution of the pertinent problems of aeronautical engineering.

Transmission of Radar PPI Pictures with Reduced Bandwidth, by H. Meinke and H. Groll. "Nach. Z" May 1956. 8 pp. The received Radar signals are fed to a linear electronic memory by a modulated electron beam. The electronic memory is based on the charging principle and will be additive. A slower moving scanning beam transfers the added signal to an output resistor via a collector and transmitted. This system is discussed and radar pictures are shown.

Designing a Simulated Rate of Climb Indicator, by R. Neunes and P. Stein. "ISA J" June 1956. 4 pp. Instrumentation of an altitude test facility led to the development of an equivalent rate of climb indicator comprising a completely self-contained, portable unit containing a transistorized dc amplifier, built-in calibration device, and zero-suppression for extended range use. The design employs commercially available transducers and measuring instruments.

The Distant Field of a Paraboloid Having Rotational Symmetry in Combination with a Dipole at Right Angles to the Plane of the Opening, by F. Mueller. "Hochfreq." April 1956. 4 pp. The surface currents in the reflectors are computed from the distant field of the distant field of the assembly. The result indicates a split direction for the main beam; the field is similar to the distant field of the  $E_{\rm oi}$ -wave of a circular wave guide.

The Night-Effect on Direction Finders, by P. Miram. "El. Rund." June 1956. 4 pp. Fluctuations of this effect and possibilities for its remedies are considered. The various pictures received are discussed and a table is included in an effort to systematically correlate the disturbances and their cause.



#### SEMICONDUCTORS

Intermetallic Semiconductors, by H. Hrostowski, "Bell Rec." July 1956. 5 pp. There is a class of semiconductors other than silicon and germanium about which our knowledge is as yet incomplete. Recent investigations show that we can make intermetallic compounds with a wider range of electrical properties than is obtainable with silicon and germanium, and thus it may be possible to produce more versatile transistors and other semiconductor devices. What Type of Degenerative Feedback for Transistors? by R. Hurley. "El. Des." June 15, 1956. 3 pp. The greater the number of stages per feedback loop, the greater is the predictability of the transistor amplifier gain at mid-frequencies for given overall gain. However, for more than two transistor stages per loop, instability results, the suppression of which reduces bandwidth. Experimental data is presented: results show that a two-stage transistor amplifier using current feedback is "some sort of optimum," as to midband gain predictability and bandwidth.

Superregenerative Transistor Oscillator, by R. Kircher and I. Kaminow. "El." July 1956. 2 pp. Equal on-off intervals of 500 cps audio frequency are obtained at a rate of 7 cps using a junction transistor in a basic self-quenching oscillator circuit. Effects of circuit parameter variation on the performance of the oscillator are given.

Transistor Circuitry in Japan. "El." July 1956.5 pp. Japanese transistorized products including four different types of broadcast receivers, a portable tape recorder, and a hearing aid are reviewed.

Transistors Telemeter Small Missiles, by C. Kortman. "El." July 1956. 3 pp. Spin information is placed on a subcarrier channel of an fm/fm system, using a germanium photocell and transistors.

Automatic Curve Tracing Aids Transistor Circuit Design, by N. Goldich. "El Des." July 1, 1956. 2 pp. Curve tracers can be effectively used to evaluate transistors in circuit design. They are particularly useful in analyzing changes in transistor characteristics with load, operating time, and environmental conditions. This article is a delineation of a typical curve tracer and explains how it can be used as a design tool.

Transistor Circuit Design with Intermediate Connections Terminal, by A. Jorysz. "El Des." July 1, 1956. 3 pp. Recently, a new class of transistor circuits has been developed, which exhibits interesting and quite useful properties. The new circuits are more general and allow better control of impedances and amplification properties of the transistor. The most general form of the new circuit may be considered as a parallel-series or series-parallel combination of a transistor and an impedance bridge. The author discusses a group of three simple circuits: the "intermediate emitter-base," the "intermediate emitter-collector," and the "intermediate base-collector."

Designing "Free-Power" Transistor Apparatus, by H. Hoffmann. "T-T & El. Ind." Aug. 1956. 3 pp. A discussion of equipment deriving its power from natural or artificial energy fields is given. Transistor equipment using light, sound, and rf energy for power is described.

Designing Transistorized Test Equipment, by T. Lommasson and K. Hardin. "El. Des." July 1, 1956. 2 pp. Replacing vacuum tubes with transistors requires particular consideration of temperature effects, drive and impedance matching requirements, and frequency response. Some of the design problems encountered in the design of a small transistorized test set are discussed in this article.



#### TELEVISION

Designing Storage-Tube Equipment, by J. Buckbee and A. Luftman. "El." July 1956. 5 pp. Special cathode-ray tubes for storing information are useful in frequency-bandwidth conversion, mti radar, and data storage and analysis. High-voltage power supply, video amplifiers, sweep and blanking generator. focus-current regulator and staircase raster generator used with storage tube are described. Typical use is tv transmission over telephone lines. Color Television on the L1 Coaxial Carrier System, by H. Hey. "Bell Rec." July 1956. 4 pp, The advent of color tv with its more stringent transmission requirements, made it necessary to modify existing L1 tv channels. To fill this need, existing B2 and C2 tv terminals have been integrated into B3 and C3 color tv terminals by the addition of new equipment.

Eidophor May Revive Lagging Theatre-TV Operations, by N. Wasserman. "Int. Proj." June 1956. 3 pp. A new closed-circuit TV system, capable of producing a wide-screen color picture with a high degree of clarity was originally developed by the Swiss and is now undergoing final development. An arc lamp projects a beam through a condenser to a schlieren lens. The light which is deflected strikes a reflector which is coated with an oily Eidophor liquid. When agitated by the scanning beam of an electron gun, this oily liquid forms tiny ridges or prisms which alter the reflective pattern of the light in such a way as to form an image. Only that light which is diverted by electron-agitated portions of the Eidophor liquid is reflected so as to pass through the schlieren lens and through the projection system to the screen.

projection system to the screen. Raising the Selectivity of Television Receivers, by Ya. I. Efrussi. "Radiotek." March 1956. 10 pp. The paper analyzes circuits for the intermediate amplifier stages in television receivers. These circuits permit an increase in selectivity and a simultaneous decrease in the number of tuned circuits. It is shown that in order to retain high video quality the selectivity must not exceed a specified value.

The Selenium Diode in TV Design, by J. Cataldo. "T-T & El. Ind." Aug. 1956. 2 pp. Applications for semi-conductor components, particularly selenium diodes. in tv receiver design are described. The horizontal phase detector circuit is analyzed, with both selenium diode and conventional vacuum tubes and comparative performance figures are given.

On the Theory of Mertz and Gray, by H. Schoenfelder. "Freq." May 1956. 6 pp. An analysis of the pulses in the frequency spectrum of a television signal is presented to illustrate the results of the theory of Mertz and Gray (Bell Tech. J. 1934).

Color Television Transmission Systems, by K. Teer. "Nach. Z" May 1956. 3 pp. The Philips system is compared with the N.T.S.C. system. The Philips two AM-sub-carrier system (T.S.C.-system) transmits a 3.6 mc carrier (2 mc wide) the red color component and a 4.6 mc carrier (1 mc wide) for the blue color com-ponent. A control signal to adjust the ampliponent. tude relationship between the signals, correspondence ponding to the burst signal, is also transmitted. Design Project for a Television and Radio City in Bogota, Colombia, by W. Duschinsky. "BC News" June 1956. 14 pp. How to build proper centralized radio and television facilities in a growing city like Bogota is a problem which is all too familiar to broadcasting and television enterprises in many parts of the world. The Government of Colombia has formally approved the project described in this article, and is proceeding with extensive streamlining of its communications facilities, including radiotele-phone and radiotelegraph, as well as broadcast

Chrominance Circuits for Colour Television Receivers (Part 2), by B. Osborne. "El. Eng." July 1956. 5 pp. This article is a brief review of circuit techniques applicable to the chrominance section of a color ty receiver designed to receive an N.T.S.C. type signal.

Design of Industrial Television Equipment, by W. Mayer. "El. Rund." May 1956. 4 pp. Resistron and Vidicon-tubes, owing to their simple design, have been adopted generally as camera tubes for industrial tv equipment. Circuit design depends on due consideration of special qualities of the camera tube resistance screen. Conditions are discussed determining the production of inertia-free images (small signal plate voltage and adequate electron jet current values), also problems of resolution power, noise, focusing, and aperture loss.

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# TRANSMISSION LINES

Ferrites in Waveguides, by G. Thompson. "J BIRE" June 1956. 18 pp. The gyromagnetic mechanism which controls the permeability of a ferrite at microwave frequencies is investigated theoretically in several simple cases, and the tensor form of the permeability in the general case is indicated. The theory is first applied to circular waveguides containing a ferrite magnetized along the axis. Applications of the effects in the construction of isolators and circulators are described. These include resonance and reflection isolators for circularly polarized modes, and also devices which make use of Faraday rotation. The effects of transcussed. Applications in rectangular guide in the form of resonance isolators, non-reciprocal phase circulators, and field displacement devices are described.

The Frequency Dependence of Self-Excited Micro-Wave Generators Under Complex Load, by H. Paul. "El. Rund." May 1956. 4 pp. The influence of frequency alterations due to a complex load on the operation of a transmitter, especially a magnetron transmitter, is examined with reference to the Rieke-frequency diagram. In the present paper, instability regions for certain kinds of load and their origin are discussed. Maximum admissible misadaption for certain cable lengths is calculated, also the frequency operation of the transmitter near stability limits.



#### TUBES

Klystron Control System, by R. Reeves. "Wirel. Eng." June 1956. 9 pp. The concept of a "control plane" is introduced to illustrate klystron properties, and the automatic tuning problem is recast as one in two dimensions. Provision of afc for primary radar is described in detail. The article describes test equipment which presents the control plane on the face of a crt and maps either klystron mode areas and frequency contours or servo-trajectories onto the plane. The afc system described takes cognizance of oscillation strength while searching for, or tracking the required frequency. A sampling technique for mode centering is introduced which affords minimum disturbance to the controls and provides a slightly better error criterion.

Modern Reflex Klystrons, by R. Hechtel. "Arc. El. Uber." April 1956. 6 pp. An introduction on the design considerations for reflex Klystrons is followed by a description of the Raytheon RK 5976, (6250 to 7425 mc), the Western Electric 431 (3700 to 4200 mc) and the experimental Telefunken reflex Klystron (3600 to 4200 mc). Tables and charts facilitate the presentation of tube characteristics.

Ceramics in Electronic Tubes, by G. Gallet. "Rev. Tech." April 1956. 13 pp. This article gives an account of the development possibilities of electronic tubes through the use of ceramics. Different cases are listed where the use of ceramic products brings about an improvement either in the manufacture or in the characteristics of the tube. A review of the mechanical, electrical, and thermal qualities which govern the choice of ceramic is included.

Hydrogen Thyratrons, by J. Chantereau and P. Leduc. "Rev. Tech." April 1956. 20 pp. A detailed description of the manufacture and testing of thyratrons is given, together with a review of the advantages of hydrogen thyratrons and the characteristics of TH-6345, 6485, 6522, and 6907 tubes. Reliability as a Design and Maintenance Problem, by R. Matthews. "El. Eng." July 1956. 3 pp. Attention is drawn to the critical importance of reliability in complex electronic equipment. Tube performance is suggested as being largely responsible, and an estimate is made of this factor in equipment failure. A design philosophy is proposed which could improve operational reliability, provided it was backed by the appropriate maintenance system. Tube by tube negative feedback and marginal checking techniques are then examined as related solutions to the problem.

Experimental Verification of the Theory of Reflex Klystrons, by R. Musson-Genon. "Rev. Tech." April 1956. 92 pp. The theoretical determination of the characteristics of the circuit with localized constants equivalent to a resonant cavity is reviewed. A description is given of different experimental methods with or without electronic beam. A review is presented of the theoretical determination of the different parameters arising in the expression of the second order of the admittance of the electronic beam: finite transit times in the H.F. space, non-uniform retarding field, multiple paths, phase aberration. Description is given of the various experimental methods defining these parameters.

High-Powered C-Band Klystron Amplifiers, by R. Haegele. "T-T & El. Ind." Aug. 1956. 3 pp. Need for increased power in microwave is met by a line of linear four-cavity Klystron amplifiers for 5300 to 8000 mc. Described here are the designing highlights: ceramic-to-metal techniques, novel tuning methods, and unique input and output fittings.

Very High Frequency Triode TH 021, by F. Hulster. "Rev. Tech." April 1956. 18 pp. Beginning with the phenomenon of power drop in triodes with an increase in frequency, the physical principles to be observed in the construction of vhf triodes are then more generally set forth, and in particular the principles which result from the phenomena of transit time and of interaction of the tube with the resonant circuit.



### U. S. GOVERNMENT

Total Cross Sections for 14-MEV Neutrons-Comparison of Measured Values with Values Calculated From the Complex Square-Well Model (PB 111853), by W. McGarry, J. Elliot, and W. Faust, NRL. Dec. 1955. 5 pp. 50¢. (OTS) A comparison was made between measured 14-Mev neutron total cross sections and theoretical values calculated from the complex square-well model of the nuclear interaction. The theoretical parameters used in the calculations were obtained from previous work on 14-Mev neutron differential elastic cross sections. The comparison shows that the calculated cross sections are low, indicating either that a greater nuclear radius parameter is required (in contradiction to the differential elastic scattering data) or that the theoretical model utilizing a square well is an oversimplification.

Systems Engineering (PB 111801), by J. Warfield, Pennsylvania State U. Aug. 1955. 30 pp. 75¢. (OTS) To provide useful material for the systems engineer in any industry, technical considerations are eliminated and only material common to most systems problems is included in the book. An introduction to systems engineering is given, the factors surrounding a typical systems-engineering problem are enumerated, and the systems design process is outlined.

Units and Systems of Weights and Measures (NBS Circular 570), by L. Judson, NBS. April 1956. 29 pp.  $25 \not{e}$ . (Govt. Printing Office, Washington 25, D. C.) This circular brings tozether much of the information previously available in separate mimeographed leaflets.

Monte Carlo Reactor Calculation (PB 111865), by S. Podgor and L. Beach, NRL. Dec. 1955. 10 pp. 50¢. (OTS) The Monte Carlo method was used to estimate the slowing down of fast neutrons in a spherical homogeneous mix-ture of  $U^{235}$  and  $H_2O$ . The estimated proba-bility distribution of thermalization was compared favorably with those of other calculational methods and with experimental measurements. These probability distributions were used to calculate the critical ratio of U235 to H2O for both bare and reflected core reactors. Debunching in UHF Velocity-Modulated High Density Electron Beams (PB 111799), by M. Weinstein, U. of Illinois. April 1955. 112 pp. \$3. (OTS) The role of space charge of large beam current densities in field free drift re-gions of a velocity modulated electron beam is investigated, with particular attention to space charge "debunching." A beam analyzing system, enabling the observer to see the velocity distribution of electrons during the complete cycle at a point of interest along the beam, was employed to obtain experimental knowledge about the velocities in each phase increment of a complete modulation cycle.

Behavior of Brittle-State Materials, Part 1 (PB 111987), Part 2 (PB 121002), by O. Salmassy and others, Batelle Memorial Institute. June 1955. Part 1, 153 pp. \$4; Part 2, 161 pp. \$4.25. (OTS) Part 1 investigates the factors influencing the fracture of brittle ceramic materials with emphasis primarily on the effects of size and stress state, as well as the effects of strain rate and temperature. Part 2 sets forth principles for the selection, evaluation, and design of brittle materials from a statistical and probability viewpoint. The entire distribution curve of fracture stresses was indicated to be a function of size and stress state of a brittle body. All materials investigated showed the same qualitative effect of size and stress state.

Industrial Preparedness Study: Transistors and Transistor Manufacturing Equipment, RCA May 1955. Vol. 1 (PB 111822), 200 pp. \$5. Vol. 2 (PB 111820), 42 pp. \$1.25. (OTS) Necessary manufacturing equipment and facilities for a point-contact switching transistor and a general purpose junction transistor were designed, built, and operated in a pilot run. Vol. 1 reviews engineering development and summarizes design features. Pilot production problems are discussed, and complete manufacturing instructions are included. Vol. 2 contains descriptions and photographs of the mechanized equipment developed for point-contact production.

Energy Distribution in Luminescence Spectra of Orranic Compounds (PB 111872), by F. Germann, Colorado U. Nov. 1954. 163 pp. \$4.25. (OTS) As a result of the frequent use of solutions of fluorescent materials in scintillation counters, interest in the phenomenon of energy transfer in phosphor systems has been greatly stimulated. A new system for the detection of infrared radiation (7,000 A-20,000 A) is described. It uses a lead sulfide photoconducive cell and a high gain AC amplifier. With this new detector, infrared phosphorescence of a number of different substances was studied. Phosphorescent emission was found for a series of cadmium sulfide-zinc sulfide phosphors up to a wavelength of 9,000 A.

Evaluation of Antistatic Agents on Nylon Parachute Cloth (PB 121141), by J. Sweeney, Lowell Technological Institute Research Foundation. Sept. 1955. 71 pp. \$2. (OTS) Justification was found for the utilization of fabric surface resistance as the measurable parameter. Special instrumentation was developed to provide the desired test conditions of  $-30^{\circ}$  F and 10 percent RH and permit the required range of resistance measurements. No permanent antistatic agent was found to be effective at low temperatures, but specific non-permanent agents gave the treated material a surface resistance at test conditions which was comparable to the resistance of untreated nylon fabric at standard test conditions of 70° F and 65 percent RH. Engineers • Physicists Man Us

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## PATENTS

Phase Shift Oscillator, No. 2,749,441. Inv. D. A. Kelly. Iss. June 5, 1956. A voltage feedback is applied to a multistage phase inverting amplifier. Series-connected L-sections are used as a phase-shift tuner in the feed-back path reversing the phase at the operating frequency. Degenerative feedback is also supplied.

Direct-Reading Frequency Meter, No. 2,749,515. Inv. P. G. Hansel. Assigned Servo Corp. of America. Iss. June 5, 1956. The output frequency of a wide-range continuously-tuned oscillator is compared to the harmonics of a crystal-controlled oscillator, each frequency coincidence being counted for each tuning sweep. The unknown frequency is similarly compared to the output of the continuouslytuned oscillator and applied to the same counter. The counter being stopped at simultaneous counts, giving an indication of the particular harmonic frequency swept just before attainment of the unknown frequency.

Electromagnetic Horn, No. 2,749,545. Inv. J. A. Kostriza. Assigned International Telephone and Telegraph Corp. Iss. June 5, 1956. Dielectric material is positioned between two parallel conductors of a transmission line. The conductors having a first section of uniform width leading to a terminating section flaring outwardly to provide an impedance transition between the uniform-width transmission line section and free space.

Transistor Oscillator with Current Transformer Feedback Network, No. 2,748,274. Inv. A. R. Pearlman. Assigned Clevite Corp. Iss. May 29, 1956. Two transistors are coupled in pushpull and their output fed to a transformer coupling to a load. The primary of a feedback transformer is supplied by the load, and the secondary of the feedback transformer serves as input to the transistors.

Intercarrier Wave Translation Circuits, No. 2.-745.954. Inv. G. F. Devine and R. F. Foster. Assigned General Electric Co. Iss. May 15, 1956. The different carrier frequency AM and FM waves received in a TV receiver are intermodulated in a two-control grid tube. The AM wave is derived and detected from the first-electrode cathode circuit. A filter circuit between the plate and the cathode derives the intermodulatel wave for limiting and demodulation.

Semi-Conductor Signal Generator, No. 2.745,-960. Inv. B. D. Griffith. Assigned RCA. Iss. May 15, 1956. A resistor and capacitor in series are connected between the collector and emitter electrodes of a point-contact type semiconductor. Another capacitor and variable resistor are connected in parallel between the emitter and the base electrode. The variable resistor controls the current of the emitter and thus the oscillation frequency. Suitable bias voltages are provided.

Vacuum Tube Shield and Heat Radiator, No. 2.-745,895. Inv. E. J. Lideen. Iss. May 15, 1956. The shield and heat radiator is a grounded corrugated metal cylinder closely surrounding the tube. At the bottom, where it rests on the socket, small openings are provided for the entrance of cooling air which then progresses along the vertical corrugations. The shield can be mounted by sliding it over the tube.

Television Receiver Circuit, No. 2,745,899. Inv. R. A. Maher and Ch. C. Pfitzer. Assigned Avco Manufacturing Corp. Iss. May 15, 1955. In a color television receiver the phase of the color subcarrier oscillator output is compared with a received color burst signal for synchronization of the oscillator. This oscillator controls the elements of a color grid aligned with the horizontal strips of phosphors of different color. At least one low harmonic of this oscillator output is applied to a beam intensity modulating electrode. T-Connected Stub Filters for Use on Very High Frequencies, No. 2,751.557. Inv. B. M. Sosin. Assigned Marconi's Wireless Telegraph Co., Ltd. Iss. June 19, 1956. The connecting arm of a T-connected stub is not a multiple of a quarter wavelength at any operating frequency. This connecting arm is connected in parallel to the two other arms; one arm is open-circuited at its other end and an odd multiple of a quarter wavelength, while the other arm is short-circuited at its other end and shorter than a quarter wavelength.

High Frequency Capacitor, No. 2,751,560. Inv. E. F. Brinker. Assigned Lavoie Labs, Inc. Iss. June 19, 1956. Two sets of stator blades are mounted respectively at the end of two spaced rectangular conductors of a transmission line and extend in the direction of the line. Two electrically connected groups of rotor blades, interleaving respectively with the two sets of stator blades, are rotatably mounted.

Color Television Synchronizing Apparatus, No. 2,748.188. Inv. R. J. Stahl and N. L. Heikes. Assigned Color Television Inc. Iss. May 29, 1956. A tunable synchronizing frequency oscillator is controlled by a voltage derived from a phase comparison of a subharmonic of its output with another voltage. This comparison voltage is derived from a frequency stabilized oscillator tuned to a harmonic of the half-line frequency.

Television Color Synchronization, No. 2,751,430. Inv. G. E. Kelly. Assigned RCA. Iss. June 19, 1956. The color synchronizer comprises a color sampler driven by a crystal-controlled oscillator. The phase of the received burst signal is compared with the phase of the oscillator output to derive a control signal which is applied to the piezoelectric crystal controlling the oscillator.

Signal Translation System, No. 2,751,437. Inv. C. H. Hoeppner. Arsigned Raytheon Manufacturing Co. Iss. June 19, 1956. The receiving antenna of a communication system supplies a plurality of frequency signals, the frequencies representing the intelligence. These frequencies are converted into pulses, divided and recorded. A reproducer feeds a magnetic string oscillograph.

Automatic Gain Control Circuit for Transistor Amplifiers, No. 2,751,446. Inv. C. C. Bopp. Assigned Avco Manufacturing Corp. Iss. June 19, 1956. The gain control circuit for a main transistor amplifier is a direct current transistor amplifier. The bias voltage source of the collector electrode of the main transistor amplifier is connected in series with the collector electrode to transmitter electrode path of the direct current transistor amplifier. The collector electrode to transistor electrode impedance of the direct current transistor amplifier is variable.

Superregenerative Transistor Broadcast Receiver, No. 2,751,497. Inv. R. S. Duncan. Assigned Bell Tel. Labs., Inc. Iss. June 19, 1956. A transistor oscillator with a regenerative feedback is used. This feedback is controlled to compensate for the current gain factor of the transistor which decreases with frequency over the operating band so that the oscillator will alternately start and stop oscillating.

Cathode-Ray Tube, No. 2,750,525. Inv. R. C. Palmer. Assigned Allen B. Du Mont Labs. Iss. June 12, 1956. The face plate of a cathoderay tube is made of light-sensitive glass which may assume different colors. This plate is photographically fixed to provide a series of strips effective as color filters for different color. These filter strips can be arranged to provide, for instance, alternating blue and red filters.

Intercarrier Sound System, No. 2,750,441. Inv. K. Schlesinger. Assigned Motorola, Inc. Iss. June 12, 1956. An intercarrier 4.5 MC wave is frequency-modulated by the audio signal and amplitude-modulated by low-frequency pulses of the video signal. This wave is limited and mixed to produce a 300 kc to 600 kc FM wave which is fed to a blocking oscillator. The blocking oscillator output is demodulated by a filter supplying the audio output. Superregenerative Superheterodyne Wave-Signal Receiver, No. 2,748,267. Inv. D. Richman. Assigned Hazeltine Research, Inc. Iss. May 29, 1956. The heterodyned wave is supplied to a regenerative oscillator having a quench circuit. Further, the regenerative circuit supplies another heterodyne signal in response to the heterodyne signal and the signal supplied by the regenerative oscillator. This signal is fed to a frequency-selective circuit.

Direct Current Amplifier, No. 2,750,453. Inv. R. L. Pritchard. Assigned General Electric Co. Iss. June 12, 1956. A varying resistance which is to be measured is connected to the base electrode of a transistor having a current amplification factor less than unity. A dc voltage source and an output resistor, having a resistance which is small compared to the one to be measured, are connected between the collector and the emitter, the free end of the varying resistance being connected to the common terminal of the voltage source and the collector electrode.

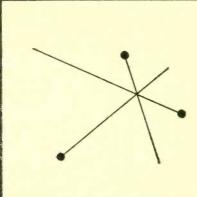
Device for the Amplification of Both Voice and Signalling Voltages, No. 2,749,394. Inv. L. B. Person et al. Assigned Telefonaktiebolaget L. M. Ericsson. Iss. June 5, 1956. In a device for the amplification of voltages above a given frequency, a feedback low-pass filter, passing frequencies lowen than voice frequency, is connected to the cathode of a tube. A high negative voltage is applied over a large resistor to the other terminal of the network. A grounded voice by-pass capacitor is also connected to this terminal, while a biasing voltage is applied thereto over a diode.

Trigger Circuit, No. 2,749,437. Inv. W. G. Parr. Assigned Pye Ltd. Iss. June 5, 1956. A plurality of flip-flop connected double tubes is arranged in series. A resistor is interposed between the grids of one of the tubes and ground. The control grid of another tube is connected to a resistor and grounded rectifier in series, resetting pulses being applied to the junction of the resistor and rectifier. The input is applied to a cathode and the output taken from a plate.

Multivibrator Trigger Circuit, No. 2,745,955. Inv. B. L. Havens. Assigned International Business Machines Corp. Iss. May 15, 1956. Each grid of the two multivibrator trigger tubes is connected to a rectifier and a resistor having their other terminals at a constant potential. This limits the negative voltage excursion on the grids, whereby the recovery time is reduced. A rectifier is connected to the grids in such a manner that the control pulse will trigger only the more positive grid. Trigger Circuits, No. 2,745,959. Inv. A. R. Kilbey and G. E. Tucker. Assigned Raytheon Manufacturing Co. Iss. May 15, 1956. A reactive impedance is inserted into the cathode lead of an electron tube and another reactive impedance is placed in the plate circuit. During conduction of the tube, the two impedances will resonate. The control signal is applied to the grid of the tube.

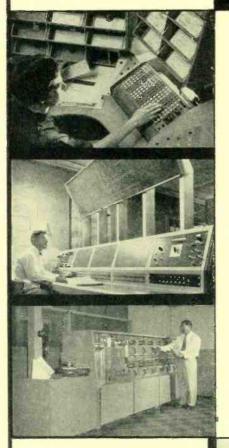
Radio-Frequency Controlled Plasmatron, No. 2,-750,455. Inv. H. J. Geisler. Assigned International Business Machines Corp. Iss. June 12, 1956. Two pairs of opposing electrodes enclosing a common space are mounted in a gaseous discharge tube. An ionizing de potential is applied to one pair of electrodes through a choke coil filter grounded over an output resistor. An amplitude-modulated high-frequency oscillation is fed to the other pair of electrodes which are balanced with respect to ground.

Color Television Transmitter, No. 2,750,439. Inv. R. D. Kell. Assigned RCA. Iss. June 12, 1956. A full band-width panchromatic signal and two color component signal trains are developed. The low-frequency component of each of the color signals is combined with the lowfrequency panchromatic signal. This combination signal and the low-frequency components of the two color signals are consecutively and cyclically sampled at a comparatively high frequency and the resulting signal is mixed with the panchromatic signal to produce a composite signal for transmission.





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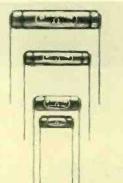
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# **New Printed Circuit Components**

# MINIATURE RESISTORS

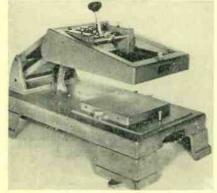
The new Dalohm Type RLS miniature power resistors, designed for printed circuit applications, are basically the same as the Type RS resistors, except that



they have radial instead of axial leads. They come in 6 sizes and 4 wattages, 2, 5, 7, and 10 w. Max. resistance values are 4.4K, 15.5K, 22K, and 55K, respectively. Temperature coefficient: 0.00002/Deg. C; di-electric strength of 1000 VAC. V block test; tolerances: 0.05% to 3%. Dale Products, Inc., Columbus, Neb. Tele-Tech & ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES (Ask for 7-1)

# **SCREEN PRINTER**

Screen Process Printer for printed circuits will print an actual area of up to  $6 \times 6$  in. on copper clad laminates of any thickness. The screen is closed to the work by an air cylinder, while the squeegee is operated by a simple hand motion. Pressure, angle of squeegee, and registration locks

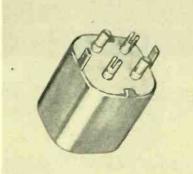


are provided leaving nothing to operator judgment. 200 impressions per hr. are readily achieved. Mech-Tronic Equipment Co., P.O. Box 510, Silver Spring, Md. Tele-Tech & ELECTRONIC INDUS-TRIES (Ask for 7-143)

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# **COIL FORM**

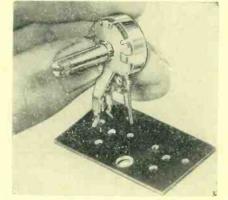
Shielded coil form for printed circuits, designed as LS-12, has a square shaped plated brass housing, whose dimensions are  $\frac{1}{2}$ x  $\frac{1}{2}$  x  $\frac{1}{2}$  in. Inside the housing is



a coil form with an internally adjustable powdered iron core, tunable from top or bottom. The LS-12 mounts by two tabs that can be inserted through a printed circuit board and can be dip-soldered from one side of the board to complete installation. Thermionic Corp., 445 Concord Ave., Cambridge 38, Mass. Tele-Tech & ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES (Ask for 7-20)

# **SNAP-IN CONTROL**

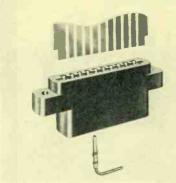
Self-supporting, snap-in variable resistor for printed wiring known as the Stackpole Type LR-70, measures 57/64 in. dia. and stands  $7_8$  in. off the mounting board. It is supported by four legs—the three regular voltage taps, and a larger, case ground leg. Sin-



gle or double-pole snap switches are available with ratings from 15 a., 15 v. dc; to 6 a. at 125 v. acdc. Electric Component Div. of Stackpole Carbon Co., St. Marys, Pa. Tele-Tech & ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES (Ask for 7-90)

# CARD RECEPTACLE

Line of double-row, printed card receptacles, designated as Series UPCR-DTP, feature beryllium copper contacts with taperpin terminals embodied within a



high-compression solid molding. Available in 6, 10, 15, 18 and 22 contacts per row, for 1/16 in. and 3/32 in. printed cards, receptacles have an insulation resistance of over 100,000 megohms and voltage capacity of 2200 v ac (RMS) at sea level, and 600 v ac (RMS) at 60,000 ft. Components, Inc., 454 E. 148th St., N. Y. 55, N. Y. Tele-Tech & ELECTRONIC INDUS-TRIES (Ask for 7-31)

# **CIRCUIT DRILLING**

Speed-up in the drilling of printed circuit plates is now possible with a newly-developed pneumatic attachment to the New Hermes pantograph. Machine enables an unskilled operator to increase the drilling operation to more than 100 holes per min. A master template from which the

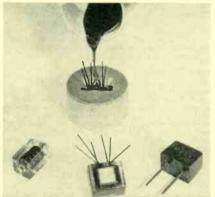


drill pattern is reproduced, shows a number of dots representing the amount of holes to be drilled. New Hermes Engraving Machine Corp., 13-19 University Place, N. Y. 3, N. Y. Tele-Tech & ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES (Ask for 7-26)

# **New Microwave Products**

# **EPOXY RESINS**

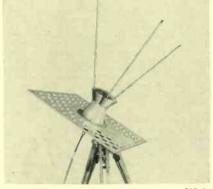
"Family" of epoxy resin systems are marketed under the trade name "Randac." Randac R-4060 exhibits nearly constant values for volume resistivity, loss or dissipa-



tion factor, and dielectric constant from room temperature to 130° C. R-4059 is a 100% reactive, mineral-filled, thermosetting liquid designed for room-temp. application which, in the cured state, is semi-flexible. R-4053 a 100% solid resin is thermoplastic until cured. Mitchell-Rand Insulation Company, Inc., 55-A Murray St., New York 7, N. Y. Tele-Tech & ELEC-TRONIC INDUSTRIES (7-72)

# ANTENNA

Patterned after a Signal Corps design, the new 91280-1 Discone Antenna fully meets the requirements of specifications MIL-I-11683A and MIL-S-10379A. Used in conjunction with the Stoddart NM-30A Radio Interference-Field Intensity measuring equipment, it is suitable for making broad-band



interference measurements within the frequency range of 40 to 400 MC. Stoddart Aircraft Radio Co., Inc., 6644 Santa Monica Blvd., Hollywood 28, Calif. Tele-Tech & ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES (Ask for 7-98)

# MICROWAVE SYSTEM

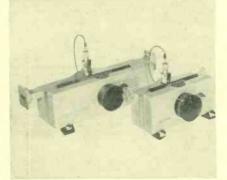
This new and compact 2,000 MC microwave relay system for TV combines for the first time outputs of separate aural and visual transmitters into a common antenna.



The complete system weighs less than 200 lbs. and comprises 2 transmitting and 2 receiving units, and 2 parabolic antennas or "dishes." The system will be available in 2 models; the TL-3-A, including both aural and visual equipment; and model TL-3-D, visual equipment only. General Electric Co., Electronics Park, Syracuse, N. Y. Tele-Tech & ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES (Ask for 7-12)

# STANDING WAVE DETECTOR

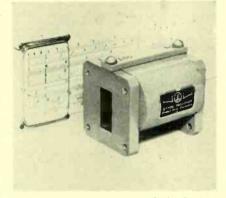
Consisting of only three basic units—the carriage and drive section, the block, and the probe, Type DB-825 can measure all standard microwave and ultramicrowave frequencies, from 5.8 KMC to 90 KMC. The slot is built



perfectly parallel to the waveguide axis, and probe travel is held parallel to the waveguide axis. **DeMornay-Bonardi**, 780 S. **Arroyo Pkway., Pasadena, Calif.** Tele-Tech & ELECTRONIC IN-DUSTRIES (Ask for 7-159)

# FERRITE ISOLATOR

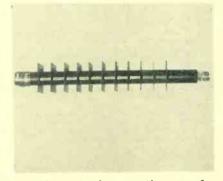
The new Model X110 Ferrite Load Isolator is designed for use in X-Band systems where space and weight are at a premium. Unit weighs 1 lb. and is 2 in. long



and 2 in. wide. Nine db isolation is provided at 100 kw peak power over a bandwidth of 8600 to 9600 mc. It provides a compact solution to "long-line" effects and other loading problems caused by lengthy transmission lines or excessive VSWR's. Litton Industries, Components Div., 336 North Foothill Road, Beverly Hills, Calif. Tele-Tech & ELECTRONIC IN-DUSTRIES (Ask for 7-18)

# COAXIAL TERMINATION

New high power coaxial termination for the 900 to 10,000 mc range, Model 369, has a power rating of 200 w. average and 50, 000 w. peak. Capable of withstanding temperatures in excess of 500°F., it is useful for terminating directional couplers and other devices in high power sys-



tems in actual operation or for test purposes. The unit is 11 in. long and is available with a type N female connector. Narda Corp., Mineola, L. I., N. Y. Tele-Tech & ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES (Ask for 7-8)

# Western Manufacturers **Offer Technical Data**.

# (Ask for WC-1)

Diodes, transistors and deposited carbon re-sistors are shown on catalog sheets. Engi-neering data sheets, and catalogs showing wire-wound resistors, precision carbon-coated resistors and copper oxide rectifiers, also available. (Nucleonic Products)

### (Ask for WC-2)

Motor brochure on rotating electrical equip-ment, including data sheets and photos, and a performance specification on a new instru-mentation camera (35mm type-MPSC35-100) are offered. Engineering drawings included in both brochures. (Bill Jack Scientific Instru-ment) ment)

#### (Ask for WC-3)

(Ask for WC-3) Etched circuitry and related electronic com-ponents and assemblies are described in a four-page brochure. Material includes photos and brief descriptions of components; back cover has graphs relating to current carrying capacity and voltage drops expected for vari-ous weights of copper used in printed cir-cuitry. Charts have been incorporated in the Standards Manual at North American Avia-tion. (Graphik-Circuits Div., Cinch Mfg.)

## (Ask for WC-4)

(Ask to the sets offered are: special cathode ray tubes, vacuum gage tubes, vacuum measuring equipment, spot and seam welders, and frac-tional cycle timers. Engineering bulletins available include: phosphor characteristics, and welders. (Vacuum Tube Products)

### (Ask for WC-5)

Pulse handling instruments line is described in eight catalog sheets and specification sheets. Items include: two time delay generators, a digital time delay generator, pulse generators, a marker generator, and a pulse forming unit. (Rutherford Electronics)

## (Ask for WC-6)

(Ask for wC-6) Fluoroplastics Kelon-T (Teflon) and Kelon-F (Kel-F, Fluorothene) are described in angineer-ing bulletins. Kelon-T and Kelon-F are used to make back-up rings, standard O-rings, piston-rings, scraper rings, valve packings and stand-off and feed-through insulators. Wide variety of applications for these fluoroplastics is listed, and bulletins include specs and draw-ings. (W. S. Shamban)

#### (Ask for WC-7)

Cinema encapsulated resistors, wire-wound fixed, are described in a bulletin which includes scaled drawings and specifications for each type. Military types and series for printed circuits are included among the available resistors. (Cinema Engineering)

#### (Ask for WC-8)

(Ask for WC-8) Plug-in catalog includes a special section on plug-in units and an application chart for quick reference in applying plug-in units. Special section of plug-in units involves: counting and frequency division (digital count-ing and analog counting); pulse and sweep generators; time selection; squaring circuits; pulse amplifiers; and linear amplifiers. For systems designers, the catalog is concerned with standard plug-in units for military and commercial users, as well as special plug-in units fabricated to customer drawings. Cata-log has photos, engineering drawings, specs and price list. (Eeco Production)

### (Ask for WC-9)

(Ask for WC-9) Application case history No. 113, describing use of rubberized abrasive for deburring and polishing component metal electronic tube parts, and industrial catalog and price list are offered. Case history gives details of problem and its solution. Catalog, illustrated, gives specs, uses and operating suggestions on wheels, points, blocks, sticks and cones, for burring, smooth-ing and polishing. (Cratex Mfg.)

## (Ask for WC-10)

Engineering-drawing aids are available for three specifications: free space attenuation

nomograph, thermal noise nomograph, and noise figure vs. frequency for high frequency triodes. (Interstate Electronics)

(Ask for WC-11) Digitizer data are included in Data File 661, which contains technical bulletins with ap-plication data, spees, photos, and schematic diagrams used in building up digital readout systems. (Coleman Engineering)

#### (Ask for WC-12)

(Ask for WC-12) Dictionary of carrier and microwave terms, and monthly company magazine, The Demodu-lator, are available upon request. Dictionary contains charts and nomographs especially for communications engineers. Magazine features factual information on carrier telephone, car-rier telegraph and microwave communications; material is slanted for both non-technical man-agement and the experienced communications engineer. (Lenkurt Electric)

#### (Ask for WC-13)

Monthly technical publication discussing major technical developments and new catalog is of-fered upon request. Called The Tracerlog, mag-azine recently announced a new catalog of technical services and radioactive chemicals, which is available upon request without charge. (Tracerlab)

### (Ask for WC-14)

(Ask for WC-14) Fluorescent paints, inks and dyes are among the products described in a brochure which lists daylight materials and black light materials. Wide variety of luminous materials and prod-ucts such as phosphorescent paints for signs are offered. Price list is offered for paints and crayons; black light lamps and fixtures and filters; Hi-Brite oil base color and Ultra-Brite signal color; inks and textile colors; and mis-cellaneous non-packaged items, such as lumi-nous paper, penetrant fluids, magnetic powder and luminous pigments. (Shannon Luminous Materials) Materials)

## (Ask for WC-15)

Major television chassis components are listed in a chart which includes all chassis made by the company. Correct replacement part stock numbers are provided, for quick reference, under component headings and chasis numbers are given in both right and left margins. A model-chassis index is also provided to help locate chassis number if only model\_number of receiver is known. (Radio Div., Hoffman Electronics)

#### (Ask for WC-16)

A circuit designer (Model C-38) and stack-up connecting leads are described in two flyers. Material on the circuit designer is illustrated, gives specs and lists accessories. Leads are illus-trated and features and model details are given. (Pomona Electronics)

#### (Ask for WC-17)

(Ask for WC-17) Micaply Epoxy-Glass, a laminate, is described in detail in a booklet. Product applications in-clude etched circuits, commutators, binary code discs and lighted panels, for clad material; for unclad material, applications include electrical insulation, mock-up boards, gaskets and high R-F grounding insulation (copper or aluminum sandwiched in laminate). Micaply Epoxy-Glass is made in three grades—military, industrial and punching. Price lists are given in booklet, (Mica Corp.)

#### (Ask for WC-18)

(Ask for wC-18) Sub-miniature and other switches are described in data sheets. Products covered in detail in-clude: sub-miniature, snap-action basic switch; auxiliary actuators for sub-miniature switches; push button and toggle switches; and a sub-minature high amperage switch. A description sheet, price list and definitions of technical terms are also available. (Milli-Switch Corp)

### (Ask for WC-19)

Technical bulletins are offered as engineering aids and include engineering drawings in some instances. Subjects include: triax and double shielded coax; index of engineering data draw-

ings; cellular polyethylene cables; hermetic seal connectors; pressurized connectors; color coding connectors; pricing of cable assemblies; "terminals" for cable center conductors; "lock-ing terminals" for Microdot receptacles; cable specifications; cross index of Microdot coaxial connectors; and printed circuit receptacles and connectors. (Microdot, Inc.)

### (Ask for WC-20)

(Ask for wC-20) Infrared spectroscopy reprints may be obtained in a handy package which serves as an intro-duction to the field. Thirteen articles, including a basic introductory article, are in the package, plus a bulletin on the Beckman IR-4 Infrared Spectrophotometer, a copy of Infrared Notes, and an index of all infrared reprints now avail-able. (Scientific Instruments Div., Beckman Instruments) Instruments)

#### (Ask for WC-21)

Precision instrument hardware, connectors, con-nector application notes, micro-miniature ter-minal lugs and rivets, and a miniature indica-tor lamp are among the subjects described, with illustrations and detailed specs, in a series of flyers. Features, ratings and specs are included. (Circon Component)

#### (Ask for WC-22)

(ASK 107 WC-22) Catalog of index books for accumulation of re-ports, technical information, spees, background data and clippings is available. These visible index books provide quick reference and porta-bility, and may also be used for personal lists, sales contracts, cataloging references, sales con-trol or follow-up, and inventory. (Recordplate Co.)

#### (Ask for WC-23)

(Ask for WC-23) Magnetic servo amplifiers and miniature power type DC voltage references are two items of de-scriptive literature for standard products. Am-plifier 400 cycle MS series literature features a selection chart in selecting a standard magnetic amplifier to drive a standard 400-cycle servo motor. Both products are described in detail; charts and photos are included. (Timely Instru-ments & Controls)

#### (Ask for WC-24)

(Ask for wC-24) Antennas, antenna systems and transmission line are described in a 100-page catalog which contains the product description and engineer-ing data of over 500 products. Twenty pages are concerned with system engineering data, and related information, especially for engi-neers working in this field of electronics. Cata-log, available upon request, is fully illustrated with charts, photos and engineering drawings, plus specs. (Andrew California Corp.)

#### (Ask for WC-25)

(Ask for WC-25) Data files, catalogs and spec sheets. describing methods of using various instruments, are of-fered. Data files include: electronic timing, fre-quency measurement, electronic control, pres-sure measurement, programming operational equations for analog computers, and an intro-duction for operation of analog computers. A short form catalog describes the full line avail-able, and another booklet discusses industrial systems engineering. New data files are in preparation. (Berkeley Div., Beckman Instru-ments)

#### (Ask for WC-26)

(Ask for WC-26) A summary data sheet, reprints of nine techni-cal papers read or published, and an external house organ are available upon request. Data sheet lists and compares the entire line of pre-cision potentiometers, and the house organ car-ries certain technical information and miscel-laneous information. Reprints include these from Tele-Tech & ELECTRONIC INDUS-TRIES: "Computing with Servo-Driven Poten-tiometers, Bradley & McCoy (Sept., 1952); and, "Accuracy of Potentiometer Linearity Measure-ments," McDonald & Hogan (Aug., 1953). (Helipot Corp., Div. of Beckman Instruments)

## (Ask for WC-27)

"What's New with the Electron . . . 1956" is the title of an illustrated brochure, which dis-cusses vacuum tubes, stacked ceramic tubes,

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and new ceramic receiving tubes. New ceramic power transmitting tubes are also described. (Eitel-McCullough)

#### (Ask for WC-28)

"Ultra-Violet Lamp in Scientific Research," by Jack DeMent, research chemist of Portland, Ore., is offered as one of a series of bulletins. Catalog sheets on various ultra-violet lamps and equipment, illustrated and giving specs, also available upon request. (Ultra-Violet Products) Products)

#### (Ask for WC-29)

Data sheets on scopes and meters, plus a small photographic reference handbook, will be sent upon request. Data sheets include: Digital vac-uum tube volt-ohmmeter, oscilloscope (several types), digital printout systems, digital radi-ometer and an oscilloscope instruction sheet. (Hycon Mfg.)

### (Ask for WC-30)

(Ask for w C-30) A technical bulletin and an external informa-tion bulletin are available. Tech. bulletin 3010A, 8 pages, describes an electronic data processing system; the No. 5 information bul-letin tells about computer applications, com-pany facilities and personnel. (ElectroData Corp.)

### (Ask for WC-31)

(As for wc-31) Electric power drives and electric motors are described in product catalogs. Multi-mount re-ducers, slow-speed geared electric power drives, and explosion-proof motors are among the products described in available catalogs. Photos, darwings and specs are included. (Sterling Electric Motors)

#### (Ask for WC-32)

Long life L. M. Ericsson miniature electronic tubes are described in an illustrated brochure that includes graphs, charts and engineering drawings of various tube types. Features and tube quality tests are described, as are more than a score of different tubes. (State Labs)

#### (Ask for WC-33)

(Ask for WC-33) A report entitled "Project Datum, an Inte-grated Data Collecting and Processing System for Air Force Flight Test Center, Edwards AF Base, Calif." has been issued containing illus-trations and drawings. The 58-page brochure includes these sections: central data processing system, airborne data acquisition system, rocket engine test station data acquisition system, and ground data acquisition system for radar pho-totheodolite. Report is based on a completed Air Force contract. (Electronic Engineering Co.)

#### (Ask for WC-34)

Four engineering bulletins discuss various elec-tronic developments and products. Theoretical Analysis of Accuracy of Ratio Transformers points out that theoretical analysis of a perfect autotransformer used for stepdown purposes shows that if leakage inductance and winding resistance are uniformly distributed and the shows that if leakage inductance and winding resistance are uniformly distributed and the turns can be accurately tapped, the accuracy as a voltage divider for no load is perfect. Bul-letin No. 2, Use of Gertsch Standard Ratio Transformers for Low Impedance Voltmeter Calibration, discusses the PT Series Standard Ratio Transformers that are useful for AC voltmeter calibrations. The system, basically, consists of a standard voltage source driving Selected publications, bulletins and catalogs, that are both useful and that have a permanent reference value for engineers, scientists and technicians, may be obtained from West Coast manufacturers upon request

the RatioTran which in turn drives the meter to be calibrated. Accuracy Calculations for Gertsch Standard Ratio Transformers (Bulletin No. 3) states that these Standard Ratio Trans-formers have accuracy specified by a formula which gives the maximum error which could be expected in the indicated ratio; this would give the error as a percentage of the output if the input is perfectly known. This accuracy is applicable to a bridge circuit, since the source voltage is common to both branches of the bridge circuit and variations of source voltage cause no error. The accuracy specification is given as a formula. Bulletin No. 4 shows the Use of Standard Ratio Transformers in Bridge Circuits, and discusses the use of a shielded bridge transformer. All bulletins are illustrated with engineering drawings or charts. (Kertsch Products, Inc.)

### (Ask for WC-35)

Free subscriptions are available for the Audio-Free subscriptions are available for the Audio-Record, a house organ published quarterly and containing news and information about sound recording materials. New products and uses of products are described in feature articles which are illustrated with photos. Each issue carries a technical discussion, illustrated, on recording problems and solutions. (Audio Devices, Inc.)

## (Ask for WC-36)

Major developments, new products and other pertinent information, are included in Ampex Playback, a house organ published monthly. Material is illustrated with photographs. (Am-pex Corp.)

#### (Ask for WC-37)

Electric generating plants are described in an 8-page, 3-color catalog which has been designed to simplify the selection of the proper type of generating plant and appropriate accessories. Full details are given with each illustration of various electric plants. Individual spec sheets for all models are listed as being available. (D. W. Onan)

#### (Ask for WC-38)

The Experimenter, published monthly, gives in-formation on new products, technical informa-tion, and development news. Illustrated with photos and engineering drawings, the publica-tion is sent to interested individuals upon re-quest. (General Radio)

#### (Ask for WC-39)

An illustrated bulletin (No. 1000) in color de-scribes and lists industrial shock and vibration mountings for all types of electronic controls and machine tool protection. Detailed specs are included. (Robinson Aviation)

#### (Ask for WC-40)

(Ask for WC-40) "Tubes That Can Take It" is the title of a brochure, based on a new motion picture de-scribing a stacked ceramic receiving tube--a small electronic tube that can withstand envi-ronments found in airborne and missile appli-cations. A flyer in color is also available, giving illustrations, drawings and specs on four dif-ferent ceramic receiving tubes. (Eitel-McCul-lough)

#### (Ask for WC-41)

Bulletins, illustrated, describing various prod-ucts and equipment are available. Materials include specs and illustration of an antenna kit, a standard frequency comparator, and an article discussing standard time and frequency broadcasts. (Specific Products)

## (Ask for WC-42)

(Ask for wear) Synchros available for electronic applications are described in a 16-page illustrated brochure which includes drawings and spece. Specific applications and detailed descriptions are in-cluded. (Clifton Precision Products)

#### (Ask for WC-43)

Bulletin M562 describes the M562 Strain Gauge Power Supply, 5 v at 1 amp continuous. Unit is illustrated in bulletin and specs and applica-tions are included. (Perkin)

#### (Ask for WC-44)

"It Pays to Specify 'Mylar'" is the title of an 8-page booklet (MB-8) available upon re-8-page

quest. Material details experiences of manufac-turers in using Mylar. (duPont)

#### (Ask for WC-45)

Technical descriptions in brief of the portable Series 3000 DC overpotential testers are in-cluded in the reprint of "Resume of DC Over-potential Testing," available upon request. (Beta Electric)

# (Ask for WC-46)

(Ast lot view) Catalog sheets of four products are offered. Products are: Transconductance Analyzer and Circuit Designer, Transistorized Voltohmmeter, Frequency Modulation Monitor, and FM Signal Generator. (New London Instrument)

#### (Ask for WC-47)

Printed Circuit Connectors are described in a new bulletin (No. 101). (Elco Corp.)

## (Ask for WC-48)

Printed circuit tube-sockets are described and mounting dimensions given in Bulletin 102. (Elco Corp.)

#### (Ask for WC-49)

A new 6-page bulletin, "Microwave Noise Sources," describes noise tubes, waveguide mounts and attentuators. (Waveline Inc.)

## (Ask for WC-50)

Bulletin No. T-505 gives specifications and op-erating characteristics of thermal time delay relays. (Curtiss-Wright)

#### (Ask for WC-51)

A 4-page bulletin (No. B-5) lists comprehen-sive data, tolerances, dimensions and tempera-ture coefficients of insulated wire wound resis-tors. (International Resistance Co.)

#### (Ask for WC-52)

A new 12-page booklet describes materials han-dling methods and equipment, including de-scriptions of 28 different containers. (National Vulcanized Fibre Co.)

#### (Ask for WC-53)

"Multi-Track Magnetic Recording/Reproducing Heads" is the title of a new bulletin (No. 55-B) describing magnetic tape data recording and reproducing heads. Specifications and operating characteristics are included. (Davies Laboratories)

#### (Ask for WC-54)

TV transmitting antennas for low power TV stations are described in bulletin 432. (Pro-delin Inc.)

# (Ask for WC-55)

Tubeless high voltage airborne radar power supplies are discussed in a recent bulletin. (Perkins Engineering Corp.)

## (Ask for WC-56)

An 8-page catalog (No. 257) describes a wide variety of antenna accessories for TV antenna intercom, etc. (Javex)

#### (Ask for WC-57)

Commutation switches for telemetering and similar applications are described in an 8-page illustrated booklet. (Mycalex Electronics)

#### (Ask for WC-58)

A general discussion of the properties of Nickel and Nickel Alloys is included in a new 20-page catalog of Nickel and Nickel Alloy tubing. (Superior Tube)

#### (Ask for WC-59)

Infrared radiometry is the general topic of a booklet now available. In addition to tech-nical discussions, a line of infrared systems and components is described. (Barnes Engineering Co.)

#### (Ask for WC-60)

(Ask for webb) Solid tantalum capacitors are described in a new bulletin (No. 6.110). The bulletin lists 24 standard ratings from 1 mfd at 35 working volts de to 350 mfd at 2 working volts. (Fan-steel Metallurgical Corp.)



# WASHINGTON

News Letter,

# Latest Radio and Communication News, from The National Capital, and Previews of Things to Come

**EXCELLENT SUCCESSOR**—The succession of Commissioner T. A. M. Craven, who had been on the FCC from 1937 to 1944 and had previously been its chief engineer, to veteran Commissioner E. M. Webster, also a leading Government radio engineer and "father" of Coast Guard communications, was heartening to the communications and radio industries under FCC jurisdiction. Commissioner Craven is recognized particularly as an authority in frequency allocations and has specialized knowledge of broadcasting and television engineering. Commissioner Webster, who holds the retired rank of Commodore in the Coast Guard, ended 47 years of service in the Government.

STRENGTHEN TV SERVICE—In its long-range plan ultimately to shift all or a major portion of TV operation to the UHF band in the next ten years, the FCC has presented a blueprint for television to promote more competitive operations to strengthen and expand TV service throughout the Nation. The television industry has been asked to submit comments on the plan by Oct. 1. It is estimated that the FCC will need possibly two years to reach a final decision. For the immediate implementation of UHF television service, the Commission increased maximum power of UHF stations from 1000 to 5000 kilowatts, effective Aug. 1, and plans interim considerations for eliminating in 13 different areas of the nation of VHF channel assignments to create improved opportunities for UHF TV broadcasting.

BIG ENGINEERING TASK-The FCC plan on UHF television presents a substantial task for radio engineers and research scientists. The Commission expressed the belief that a program of expedited research and development should be launched at once to achieve the maximum possible increase in the range, and the reduction of shadow areas, of UHF stations. The research and engineering development, the FCC advised, should be concentrated upon UHF transmitters with emphasis on increased transmitting power and feasibility of use of such techniques as UHF boosters and satellites, and upon receivers and receiving antennas with the aim of increasing the sensitivity of and reducing the noise factors of receivers as well as improving their selectivity to permit reassignment of UHF channels with a minimum number of restrictions on station separations.

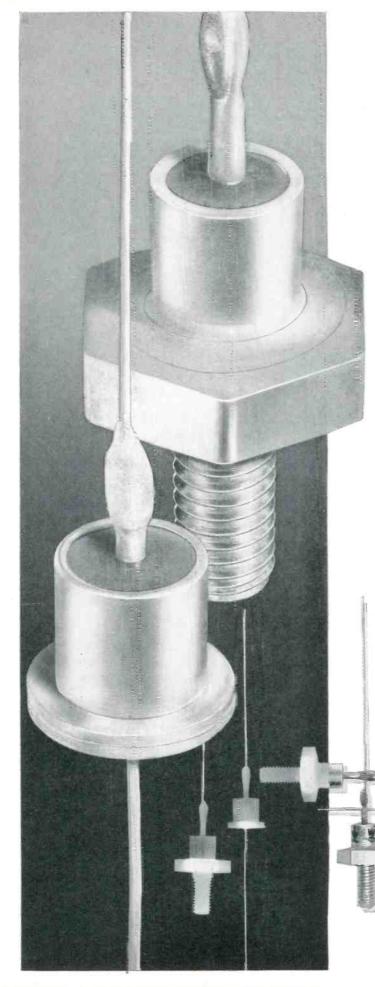
TV ANNIVERSARIES—The first of July marked the 15th anniversary of the birth of regular television broadcast service and the fourth anniversary of the lifting of the TV "freeze." The Nation has 647 video stations currently authorized, of which 477 are on the air—457 commercial and 20 educational TV stations. More than 90% of the Nation's population is within range of at least one TV station, and over 75% are in service areas of two or more stations. Three out of every four American households have TV sets. So, the television industry can be proud of the tremendous progress made in serving the American people in this short span of time.

**MOBILE RADIO PROSPECTS**—The UHF television plan of the FCC holds out prospects for more frequency space for the important and continuously growing land mobile radio services. In fact, the Commission UHF report mentioned land mobile radio as a possible beneficiary of any VHF television frequency space to be abandoned in a switch to all-UHF. The FCC report also cited the possibility of the use of ionospheric scatter transmission in portions of the 30-60 MC frequency band, portions of which are being heavily used by present land mobile services. The Commission noted that the need and demand of land mobile radio for more space promises to increase further as the industrial uses of radio continue to develop.

HUGE VOLUME—The tremendous volume of operations in the safety and special radio services was depicted by FCC Chairman George C. McConnaughey in a recent letter to a Congressman. The FCC during this fiscal year, which ended June 30, had a total receipt of applications of 172,000 for the year, compared to 88,000 in 1949. As of the beginning of July, there were 340,000 stations authorized—more than double the 153,000 in 1949.

**COMMUNITY TV**—The most pressing question in the community television antenna field—whether the CATV operators are violating property rights of telecasters when they circulate to their subscribers programs received from TV broadcast stations—may soon be the subject of a "friendly suit" filed by the National Association of Radio & Television Broadcasters against the National Community Television Association, which represents most of the community TV systems.

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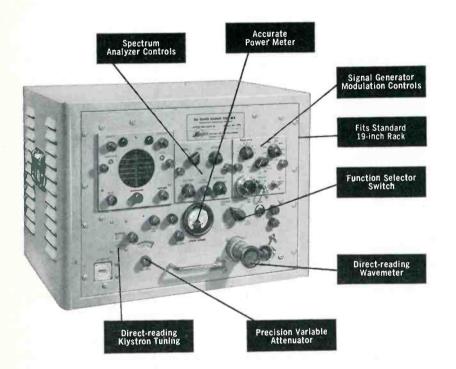
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# Microwave

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Experience is proving that microwave equipment, easily accessible in the central office and simply tested, is maintained as easily and performs as reliably as its associated carrier equipment. To make such routine maintenance possible drawings, engineering information, and maintenance practices along lines standardized by the telephone industry must be made available by the microwave manufacturer.

Conventional telephone engineering practices should be followed in the design and construction of the radio equipment to facilitate installation, troubleshooting, and maintenance. Also, the equipment should incorporate all necessary safety practices to protect personnel from the risk of shock.

Electrical coordination requires the impedances and levels, particularly on the drop side of the microwave equipment, to be identical to those encountered in the connecting carrier equipment. The microwave supplier should provide, on a coordinated basis, the necessary junction filters, amplifiers, equalizers, pads, impedancematching transformers, and other accessory items that permit the telephone company to achieve the utmost flexibility in the use of the microwave equipment. Also, some means should be provided to monitor the microwave circuits, to switch automatically to standby microwave equipment, and to provide alarms to indicate that the equipment has failed.

Apart from reliability, the actual cost of maintaining the microwave system must be kept as small as possible. This requires equipment that can be checked and adjusted by telephone craftsmen as part of their routine duties. Maintenance practices should be provided which enable nonspecialist craftsmen to localize troubles and make repairs. Here again, it is extremely important that any changes in design be coordinated with changes in instruction material so that the equipment and the drawings agree in every detail.

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# Engineering and Installation Services

In the telephone industry, the engineering load on operating companies is often relieved by placing orders with the supplier for entire communication links. The supplier then takes on the responsibility for engineering the system into the telephone company's plant, ordering all items of equipment, and installing and lining-up the system. After completion of line-up, the working system together with suitable technical data is turned over to the telephone company. At least two suppliers are currently involved in providing such service to the telephone industry.

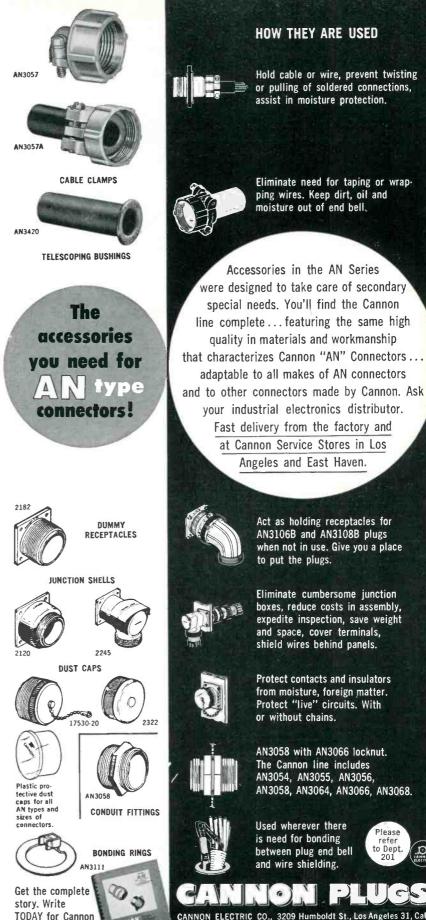
# Typical Microwave Systems

It is possible here to provide statistics only on Lenkurt microwave systems. These statistics should be of some interest however, because they account for more than 40% of the mediumroute microwaves systems in use by the telephone industry.

Table 1 gives statistics for the Lenkurt microwave systems installed or under construction at this time. Of 31 Lenkurt systems, 18 have been for Independent companies and 13 have been installed by the Bell System operating companies. The average section length is 23 mi, with the maximum length at 56 mi. and the minimum at 5.5 mi. The average system consists of two sections and requires one repeater. Almost 40% of the repeaters have branching or dropoff arrangements-a provision not conveniently obtained with heterodyne repeaters. The cost of the microwave equipment may range from about 10% to over 80% of the total cost of the installation. Most systems thus far installed use separate antennas for transmitting and receiving, but several have been equipped with r-f directional filters to permit transmission and reception on a common antenna.

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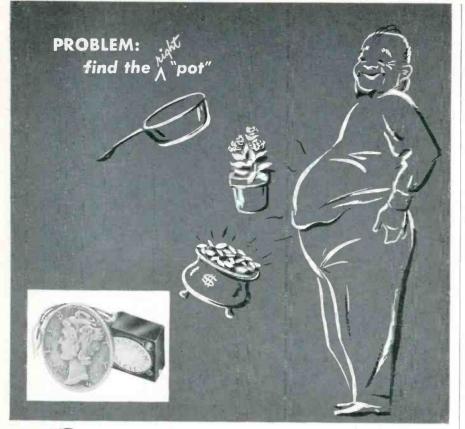


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Dr. Carlo L. Calosi has been elected a Vice President of Raytheon Mfg. Co., Waltham, Mass., and will participate in the management of the company's microwave and power tube operations.

G. Lupton Broomell, Jr., is now Assistant Director of Engineering at Leeds & Northrup Co., Philadelphia. He is also Acting Head of Engineering and Inspection.

John E. Meade is the new Director of Engineering, Electronics Div., American Machine & Foundry Co., Boston



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Henry F. McKenney has been appointed Vice President for Engineering at Electronics Corp. of America, Cambridge, Mass.

Albert A. Chesnes has been named Technical Director of Chromatic Television Laboratories, Inc., New York, responsible for color development and military electronics activities. Other appointments: Sy Krinsky, to Chief Engineer; Paul Neuwirth, to Department Chief, Color TV Dept.; and Albert Jacobs, Department Chief of Government Research and Development.

Charles D. Branson is now Asst. Director of Research at the Research Center, Robertshaw-Fulton Controls Co., Irwin, Pa.

James Van Horne Lawrence is in the newly-created post of Director of Engineering Orientation, and George A. Crowther is Chief Engineer, at Ford Instrument Co., Div. of Sperry Rand Corp., Long Island City, N. Y.

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## **Diode Design**

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free cathode and a sawtooth waveform from the horizontal output with the polarity shown (Fig. 1) is applied to the anode-cathode junction. The control voltage for the horizontal oscillator is obtained from the center tap of a high resistance load between the free anode and free cathode. In this circuit a 6AL5 duo-diode is normally used as the detector.

The circuit of Fig. 1 offers an ideal application for selenium diodes. For example, a pair of International Type 1U1 selenium diodes, series connected, can be readily used as replacements for the 6AL5 tube, as shown in Fig. 2. A dual

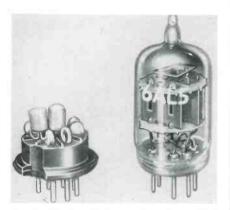


Fig. 3: Selenium diode circuit replaces 6AL5

unit Int'l. Type D-3086, which is essentially a doubler, can also be used as a replacement.

Due to the relatively high short capacity of a selenium diode compared to a thermionic diode, lowimpedance sources must be used for the sync pulses and referenced sawtooth. Such a source for the sawtooth waveform is best obtained across a low value resistor in the low potential side of the horizontal deflection coil.

### Shunt Capacitance

The Type 1U1 diode has an inherent shunt capacitance of approximately 170 mmf. Therefore, during the non-conducting half cycle, a capacity voltage division takes place through the 0.001  $\mu$ f capacitor and the diode shunt capacitance in series. Approximately 83% of the initial voltage will appear across the 100 K resistors. To recover this voltage loss, the 0.001  $\mu$ f capacitor may be increased to 0.002  $\mu$ f as shown. The recovered voltage is greater than 90% as compared to 83% prior to the change in capacitor value.

Although the Type 1U1 selenium diode can be used as direct replacement in some TV receivers, there are several voltage values which should be considered to obtain the best operation of the horizontal AFC circuit. The sawtooth voltage from the horizontal output system should have a value of approximately 15 v peak-to-peak. The positive and negative pulse voltages from the phase inverter are equal and should have a peak value of about 18 v. Obviously, these voltage values will change with input signal and any B-plus variation. However, these changes are not large in most TV receivers which have reasonable AGC operation.

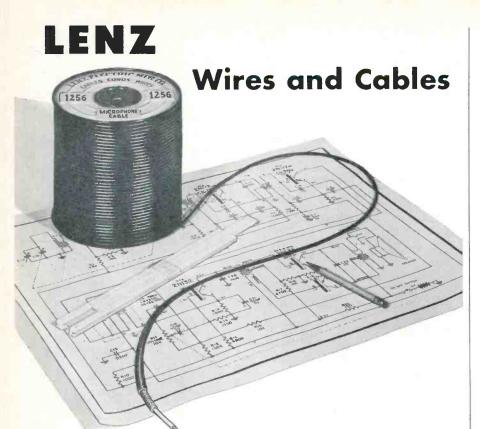
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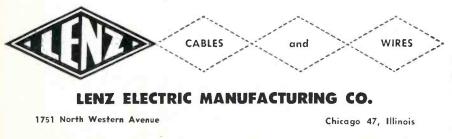
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# "Free-Power"

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### Light-Powered Oscillators

The overall performance of an active element under operating conditions is tested by means of its selfexcitation because the production of oscillations in a feedback circuit is based on a power gain somewhat greater than unity. The simplest oscillator circuit is the Hartley type whose transistor is inserted into a tank circuit with a center-tapped coil.

In the a-f range, such an ocillator starts oscillations at a supply energy of  $\frac{1}{3} \mu w$  and, therefore, can easily be fed by a small photocell. This, by no means, has to be exposed to full sunlight. Assuming the brightness of diffused daylight or artificial illumination as 500 lux, this then equals an energy of 75  $\mu w/cm^2$ . A selenium photocell with an efficiency

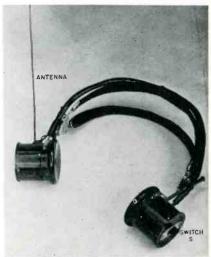


Fig. 6b: Compact CW monitor

of only 1% requires, for example, a surface of only 1.5 cm<sup>2</sup> to cause a transistorized a-f oscillator to burst into oscillations.

However, the available potentials in the vicinity of a few tenth's of a volt limit the self-excitation of today's junction transistors to relatively-low frequencies. As a rule of thumb, we may say that the maximum oscillation frequency increases with the driving voltage so that higher frequencies can only be obtained with higher collector voltage and thus more driving power, until the breakdown or avalanche voltage and thermal dissipation sets a limit. The following examples will disclose what frequencies can be produced under the various operating condi-

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tions and with the aid of different forms of free energy.

### **Light-Powered Receiver**

Having found that modern junction transistors operate satisfactorily at a power level of a fraction of a mw, the thought occurs to build a multistage regenerative receiver sensitive enough so as to be fed by a few selenium cells or solar batteries. Fig. 1 is the circuitry of the first laboratory model whose photograph is shown in Fig. 2. The receiver contains a detector transistor with feedback from collector to emitter via a tickler coil, and control is performed by means of a variable condenser which provides a varying by-pass for the r-f choke in the collector circuit. In the broadcast band from 500 to 1600 KC, the receiver begins to operate with only 40 µw driving energy which can easily be produced by the 6 selenium photocells arranged on top of the housing and subjected to diffused daylight or artificial illumination. Under these operating conditions, the audio amplifier produces only earphone volume but greater photocells or solar batteries may drive a little "power amplifier" and loudspeaker. The device illustrated at the left of the dotted lines in Figs. 1 and 2 will be discussed later.

Although a regenerative receiver is the simplest form requiring a minimum of transistor stages and driving power, a heterodyne receiver was built with a single i-f stage and a single a-f amplifier. Such an active receiver, of course, begins to operate satisfactorily with a minimum of 1 or 2 mw, and therefore needs a multiplicity of selenium cells or a powerful solar battery.

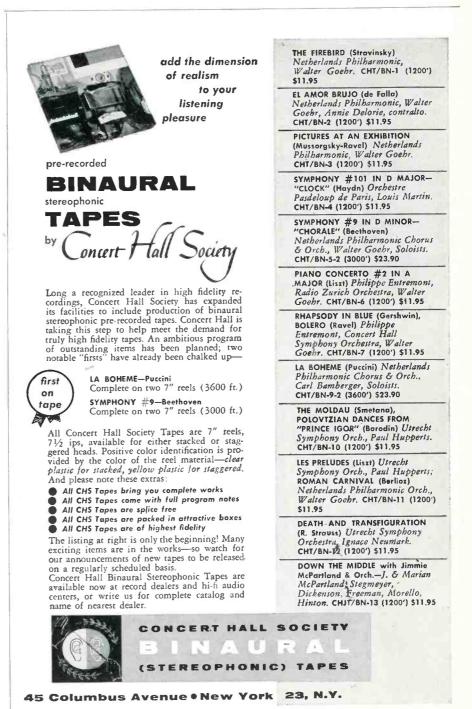
### Hand-Powered Transmitters

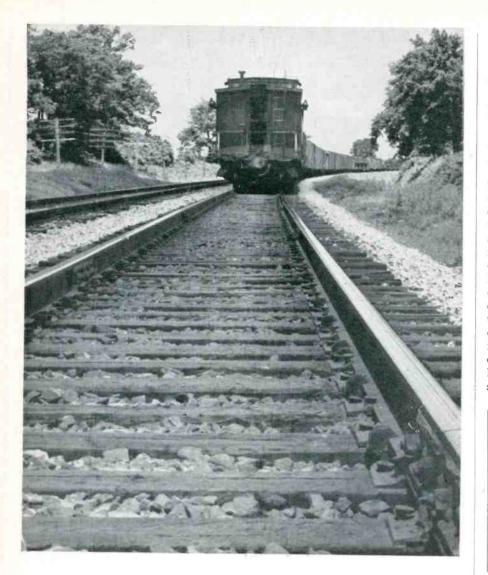
A small flashlight generator or hand-dynamo easily produces between  $\frac{1}{4}$  and  $\frac{1}{2}$  w., which is sufficient to generate useful r-f energy. Fig. 3 is the photograph of a miniaturized transmitter for 250 KC. The ac from the hand-dynamo is rectified and converted into dc, but a relatively small filter capacitor provides a hum modulation by the fluctuating driving frequency. A satisfactory antenna efficiency is obtained by a ferrite core loop antenna. If the radiation of the small oscillator is picked up with a sensitive receiver, the a-f signals can be utilized to actuate a relay for the remote control of house and garage doors, radio and TV receivers, and the like. Moreover, the hand dynamo can be miniaturized further and brought into the form of a flip generator which is actuated by merely pushing a button. Such a miniaturized transmitter having the size of a cigarette lighter then is a "Radio Key" in the true meaning of the word.

By the use of a hand-dynamo, one is not limited in frequency as before. Fig. 4 shows the outside and structure of a hand-powered telephone transmitter with built-in generator, crystal stabilization at approximately 4 MC, and AM with the aid of a sound-power mike driving a diode modulator. In open terrain, the small transmitter covers a range of a few miles. Its advantage as compared with other and more powerful transmitters is that it requires no maintenance and has no shelf life problems, but is ready for use at all times, provided the user is physically able to push the generator lever and to address the microphone.

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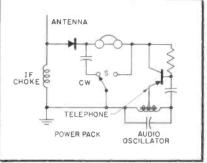


Fig. 6a: CW monitor circuit

hundred yds. High-sensitive transistors, having an avalanche voltage in the vicinity of 1 v., permit the generation of several MC, which extends the range up to a mile.

### **Earphone Monitor**

Of all types of free energy, the driving of transistor apparatus with r-f energy has yet to be discussed. An illustrative example is the CW Monitor described by means of its circuit diagram in Fig. 6A, and its photograph in Fig. 6B. In the vicinity of a telegraph transmitter, there is such a strong radiation field as to permit a short antenna wire to recover sufficient energy to drive an a-f oscillator. As long as the station is on the air, the oscillator is energized and its a-f can be heard in the earphones. Morse telegraph signals or automatic keying signals produce associated tone signals without the necessity of any tuning, as in the case of beat frequencies. Furthermore, practical application is

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facilitated in that the minute r-f power pack as well as the a-f oscillator are built into the enlarged capsules of the double-earphone. The operator or amateur has his station under continuous control without being handicapped by a cord.

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### Semi-Passive Receivers

The novel principle of converting incoming r-f energy into dc power and then reconverting this energy into "new" r-f energy opens an entirely new field. In most cases, the primary carrier will be deprived of its modulation signals so that the new carrier may be said to be generated by "secondary" energy.

The principle of secondary energy is demonstrated most convincingly by means of the aforementioned transistor receiver. For this purpose, the receiver illustrated in Figs. 1 and 2 contains, at the left of the broken line, an r-f power pack which replaces the previous photoelements. It can easily be seen that the power pack is an efficient crystal set having such a large filter condenser that a pure dc voltage develops across the terminals. As pointed out before, the dc voltage may be stabilized by means of little wet cells.

A receiver driven by secondary power represents a new category which combines the advantages of gpassive receivers such as crystal sets, and those of active types characterized by the relay action of their active network elements, vacuum tubes or transistors. Since the new receiver has its place between passive and active types, it may be called a "Semi-Passive" device. Semi-passive receivers offer no maintenance or shelf-like problems but their sensitivity, selectivity, and power handling capacity are great enough to permit the detection and amplification of weak radio signals of distant stations far below the level of the powering transmitter. In other words, a semi-passive receiver utilizes the energy of a powerful radio station, for example, the local broadcast station, for the detection and amplification of weak signals from remote transmitters. In the vicinity of the local station, with the aid of an efficient antenna, sufficient energy can be recovered to feed a small loudspeaker.

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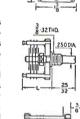
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### Conclusions

The principle of secondary power is by no means confined to semipassive receivers. Another application is a secondary-powered transistor oscillator driven by the rectified r-f amplitudes of a supply transmitter. In this way, the incoming r-f is converted into another frequency band. At the same time, the new carrier can be subjected either to AM or FM by the incoming signals so that these are reradiated at another carrier frequency and with the same or another type of modulation as the primary signals. addition, secondary-powered In transmitters and semi-passive receivers may be combined so as to form transceivers or walkie-talkies the range of which is confined, of course, to the vicinity of a powerful supply transmitter. In this way, many problems offer themselves to the transistor expert whose consequences can hardly be predicted.

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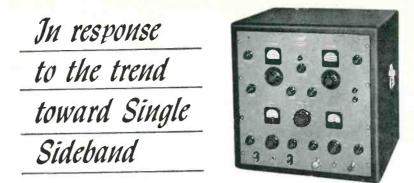
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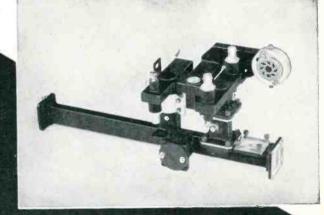
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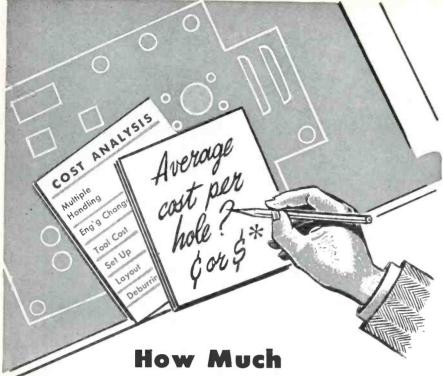
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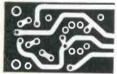
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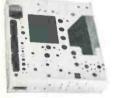
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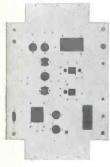


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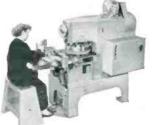
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"Automatic Computation of Fourier Expan-sion Coefficients by Analog Means," R. W. Hubbard and W. E. Johnson, National Bureau of Standards, Boulder.

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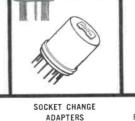


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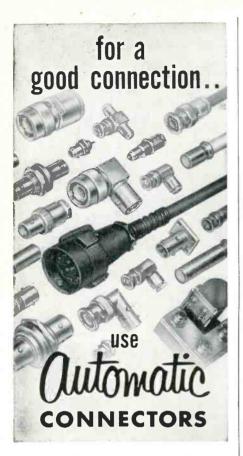
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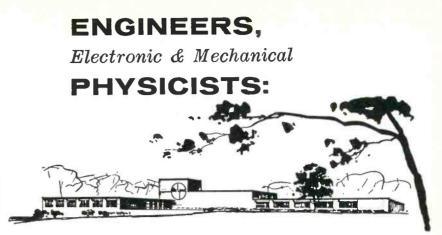
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"Investigation of Problems Using Analog-Digital Computer Combinations," Herbert E. Salzer, Convair, San Diego. "The Synthesis and Analysis of Digital Sys-

tems by Boolean Matrices," J. O. Campeau, Hughes Aircraft.

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Rees, General Electric Co., Palo Alto. "A Duplexer for Sweep-Frequency Pulse Transmitters," R. Silberstein, National Bu-reau of Standards, Boulder. "The Triport Conical Scan Antenna," E. Wantuch and L. A. Kaiser, Raytheon Manu-facturing Co., Bedford.

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"A Miniature Silicon Diode for Both Power and Circuit Applications," Arthur L. Rossoff, Radio Receptor Co., Inc.

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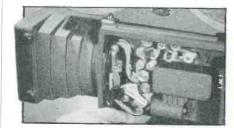
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"A High Speed, Precision, Large Quantity Data Processing System; IDIOT II," Martin L. Klein, Rocketdyne Division, North American Aviation, Canoga Park.

"A Centralized Data Processing System for the Air Force Flight Test Center," O. F. Electronic Engineering Company of Vogel, Calif., Los Angeles.

### AIRBORNE ELECTRONICS

Chairman : C. A. Ripinski, Electronic Industries. Burbank.

"Thermal Design and Evaluation of an Air-borne Electronic System," Richard E. Burton, Collins Radio Co., Cedar Rapids. "Flight Control Systems for Jet Transports,"

H. Miller and R. H. Wagner, Sperry Gyroscope, Great Neck.

"Electronic Problems Encountered in High-Speed Commercial Jet Aircraft," Dick Hedges,

Douglas Aircraft, Santa Monica. "Bearings and Their Properties as a De-sign Consideration in Electronic Systems," H. F. Stern, Industrial Tectonics, Inc., Los Angeles,

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Chairman: Maurice Kennedy, County of Los Angeles.

"Communications with Moving Trains in Tunnels," Newton Monk, Bell Labs. "New Developments in Two-Way Communi-cations," Aungus MacDonald, Motorola. "Railroad Communications," D. L. Kesselhuth, Bendix.

#### INFORMATION THEORY

Chairman: Richard H. DeLano, Systems

Laboratories Corp. "Synthesis of the Linear Time-Varying Predictor for Stationary Signals," Cheng Ling, Minneapolis-Honeywell.

"The Relationship of Sequential Filter Theory to Information Theory and Its Application to the Detection of Signals in Noise by Bernoulli Trials," Herman Blasbalg, Johns Hopkins Univ. "Theory of Weighted Smoothing," Louis A.

"The Response of a Phase-Locked Loop to a Sinusoid Plus Noise," Stephen G. Margolis,

Jet Propulsion Lab. "Autocorrelator for Radioactive Sample Noise Generator," G. W. Anderson and James E. Murrin, J. B. Rea Co.

#### PRODUCTION CONSIDERATION OF ELEC-TRONIC EQUIPMENT

Chairman: Marvin Whitney, Hoffman Eleotronics Corp.

"Problems of Semi-Automatic Assembly of Electronic Test Equipment," C. S. Selby, Hewlett-Packard.

"Eyelet Failure in Etched Wiring," W. J.

Hodges, Hughes Aircraft. "Mechanical Design Considerations in the Erma System," R. W. Melville, Stanford Re-search Inst., Palo Alto.

"The Selection of Coatings for Printed Cir-cuits," R. A. Martel and L. J. Martin, Hughes Aircraft.

### Personal

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William D. Bell has been retained as Consulting Engineer for Beckman Instruments' new Data and Control Systems Dept., Fullerton, Calif. He is head of Mellonics, sales and engineering consultants for electronic data processing.

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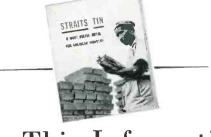






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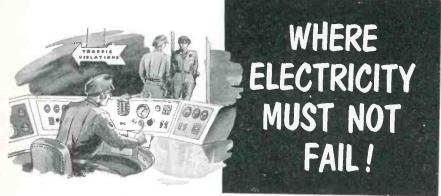
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W. L. Cunningham & Associates has been established at 435 Addison Ave., Elmhurst, Ill., to represent manufacturers of electronic equipment in the Chicago area. The new firm will represent Hammarlund Mfg. Co., New York, and Electrical Communications, Inc., San Francisco.

Syntronic Instruments, Inc., Addison, Ill., has named two new reps to handle its line of military and specialpurpose deflection yokes and focus coils: Charles Segal Co., Boston, will handle the New England states, and Massey Associates, Washington, will cover the District of Columbia, Eastern Pa., Delaware, Md., Va. and Southern N. J.

McCarthy Associates, Los Angeles reps for Perkin Engineering Corp., El Segundo, Calif., now also cover No. Calif., Ariz., and Nevada, and have opened a San Francisco area office at 441 W. California Ave., Palo Alto

Tel Instrument Electronics Corp., Carlstadt, N. J., has appointed two manufacturer sales reps for its TV studio and production test equipment: McCarthy Associates, Los Angeles area, will handle Calif., Ariz., and Nevada; Ken Meyers, Park Ridge, Ill., will represent TIC in Illinois, Wis., Ohio, Indiana, Michigan and Eastern Iowa.

Hugh Marsland & Co., Chicago, has been named sales rep for 12 Mid-Western states by Non-Linear Systems, Inc., Del Mar, Calif. Robert A. Waters, Inc., Wayland, Mass., has been named New England representative for Non-Linear Systems, Inc., of Del Mar, Calif.

Eugene Black has joined Land-C-Air Sales Co., Tuckahoe, N. Y., as a sales engineer.

Jack Berman has become sales representative for British Industries Corp., Port Washington, N. Y., in So. Calif., So. Nev. and Ariz. Harry A. Lasure has closed his sales office, which formerly represented B. I. C.

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James B. Lansing Sound, Inc., Los Angeles, has appointed two factory reps: Delzell-Maynard Sales Co., Dallas, for Texas, Okla., Alabama and Louisiana; and Dougherty Enterprises, Lanikai, T. H., will handle Hawaii.

Oak Mfg. Co., Chicago and Crystal Lake, Ill., is now using industrial distributors, instead of selling direct. Frank A. Emmet Co., Los Angeles, will cover Calif., Ariz. and So. Nevada. The Emmet firm has added 7000 sq. ft. to its Pico Blvd. office and warehouse, and plans to add display booths for products of manufacturers they represent.

Egbert & Fields Co., New York, has been reorganized. Samuel S. Egbert Co., 97 Reade St., New York 13, will specialize in industrial, radio, TV and Government markets for electronics sales, while Jack Fields Sales Co., 5 Howard St., Verona, N. J., will service high fidelity and radio parts jobbers in the New York Metropolitan and New Jersey areas.

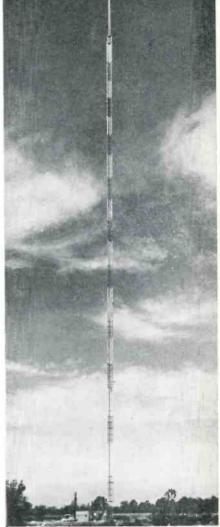
RMC Associates has moved from 170 East 80th St., New York, to 236 East 75th St., New York 21.

Frank O'Keefe and George H. Weiland have been named representatives of Central Transformer Co., Chicago. O'Keefe will cover Ohio and Indiana, and Weiland is assigned to Metropolitan New York and New Jersey.

William Richter Corp., Rochester, N. Y., has opened two new offices: in Syracuse, operated by Charles V. Hinxman; and in Hanson, Mass., for the New England states, with Robert L. Richter in charge.

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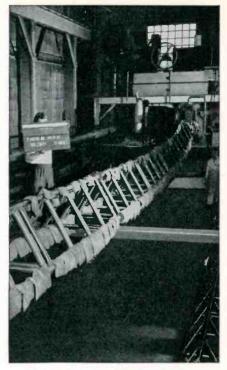
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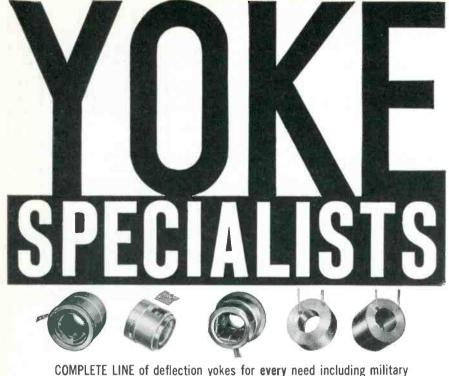


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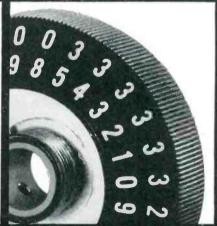
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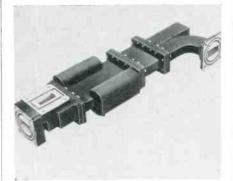
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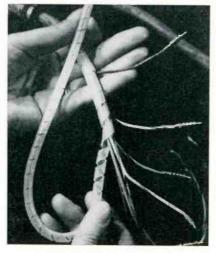


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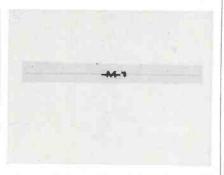
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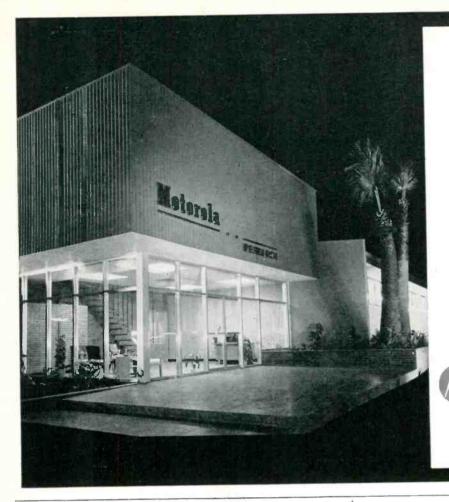
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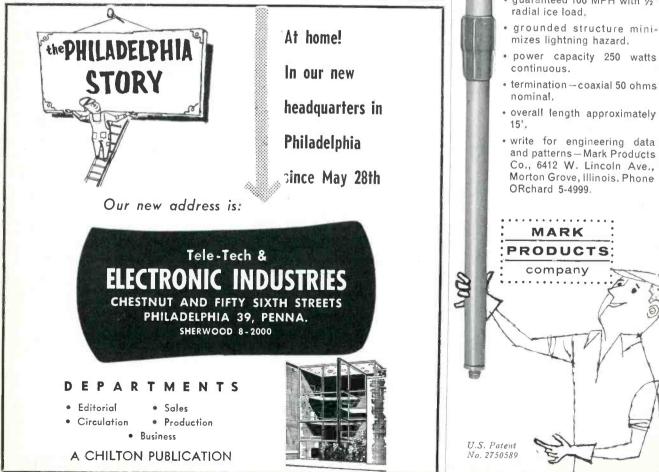
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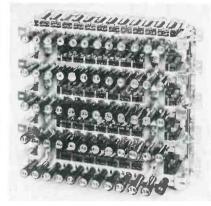
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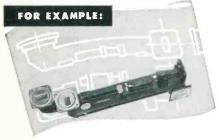


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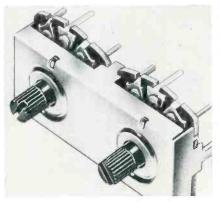




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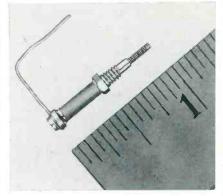
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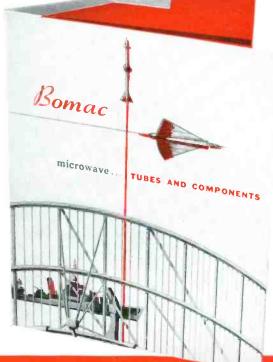
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