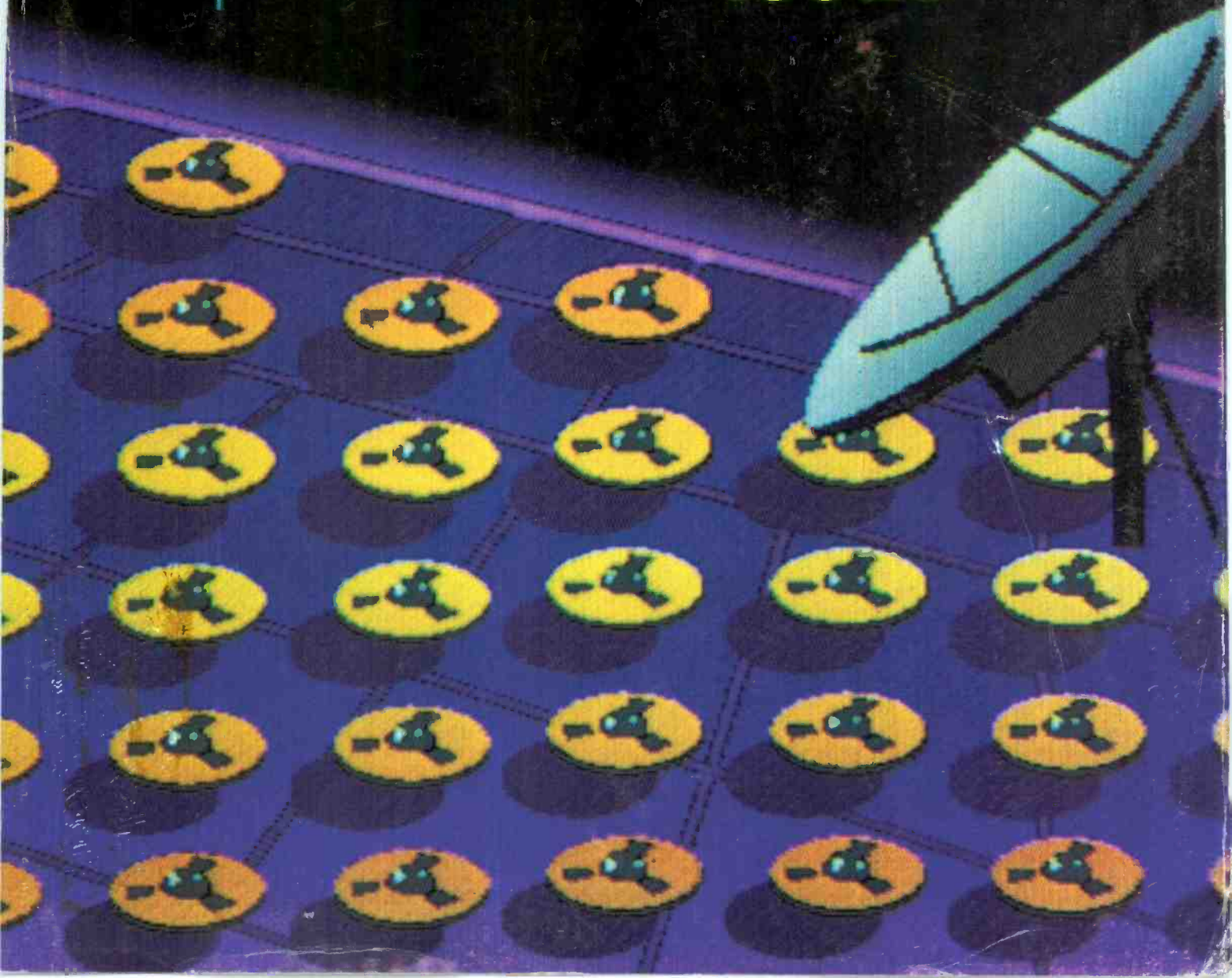
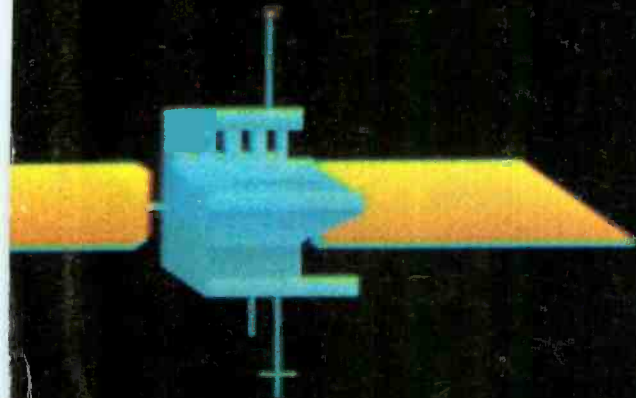


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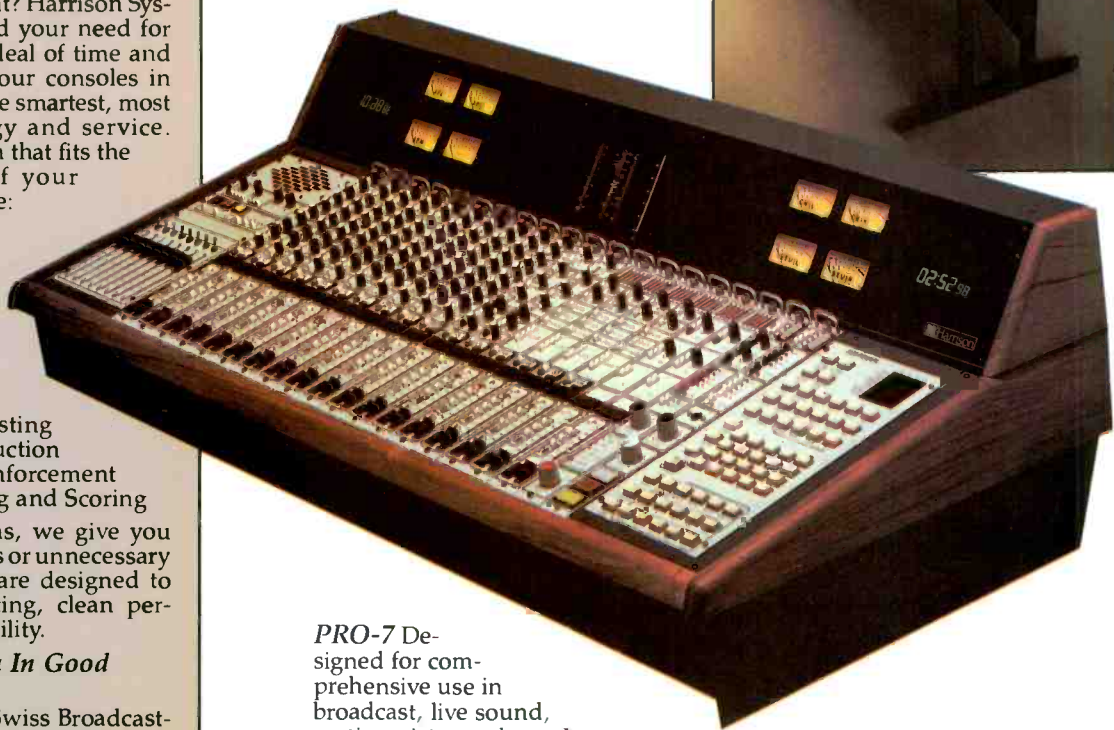
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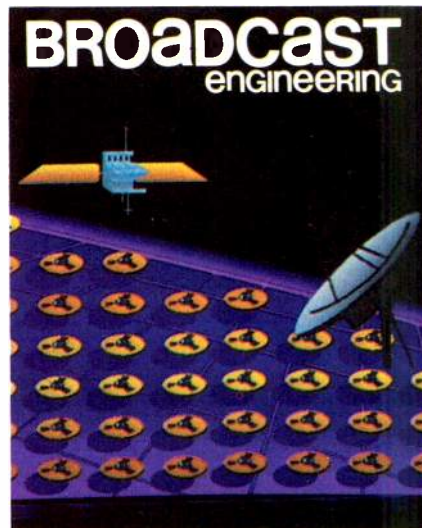
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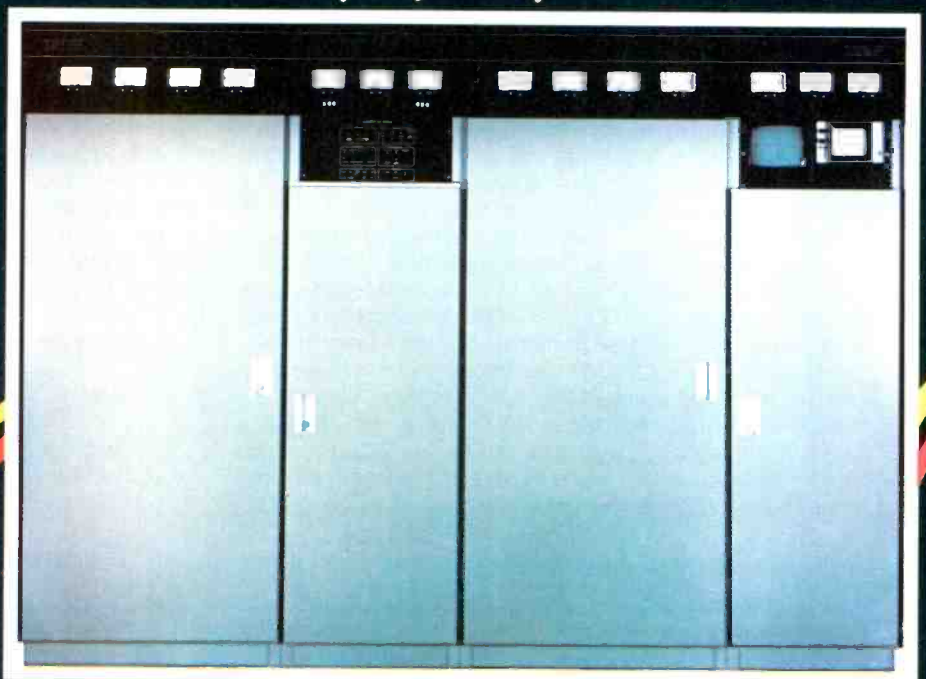
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FCC is asked to drop remote control rules

The NAB has asked the FCC to eliminate the current obsolete remote control rules and replace them with a single, simplified rule.

The NAB stated that instead of modifying existing rules and incorporating several new requirements, only two provisions were needed for transmitter remote control operation: to permit such operation and to restrict the control functions to those mandated by law, national security or public safety. All other aspects should be left to the discretion of the licensee, according to the NAB.

Noting that the present rules were formulated in an era in which there was a concern that broadcasters could lose control of their transmitters and cause interference, NAB said today's advanced technology made these concerns unnecessary. It said these rules were costly and unwarranted and, no matter how flexible, a technical rule could not adequately cover all the remote control variations stations might wish to implement in order to serve the public in the most efficient manner.

FM priority is requested for daytime-only stations

The NAB has asked the FCC to accord priority status to daytime-only AM licensees applying for full-time FM outlets to be made available under the Docket 80-90 "Omnibus Rule Making."

The NAB said preference should be granted even where there were other full-time local radio services available in the community. It said the commission should not require the daytime station to divest itself of the AM facility in order to gain priority, but if it chose to relinquish the station after obtaining an FM license, then a tax certificate should be granted.

The association also asked the FCC to consider granting certain benefits to other classes of stations seeking the new FM allocations. It cited Class A FM licensees seeking to upgrade to a higher class, Class IV AM stations and "stand-alone" AM stations seeking FM outlets.

The agency also was asked not to apply strict *ex parte* prohibitions to the purely policy elements of proceedings aimed at amending the FM table of assignments, saying that the commission may "unnecessarily restrict itself in the gathering of information and facts it needs to make its ultimate decisions on broad policy issues."

FCC gains support in promoting remote pickup

The NAB supports an FCC proposal to amend its rules so that they encourage spectrum efficiency and provide

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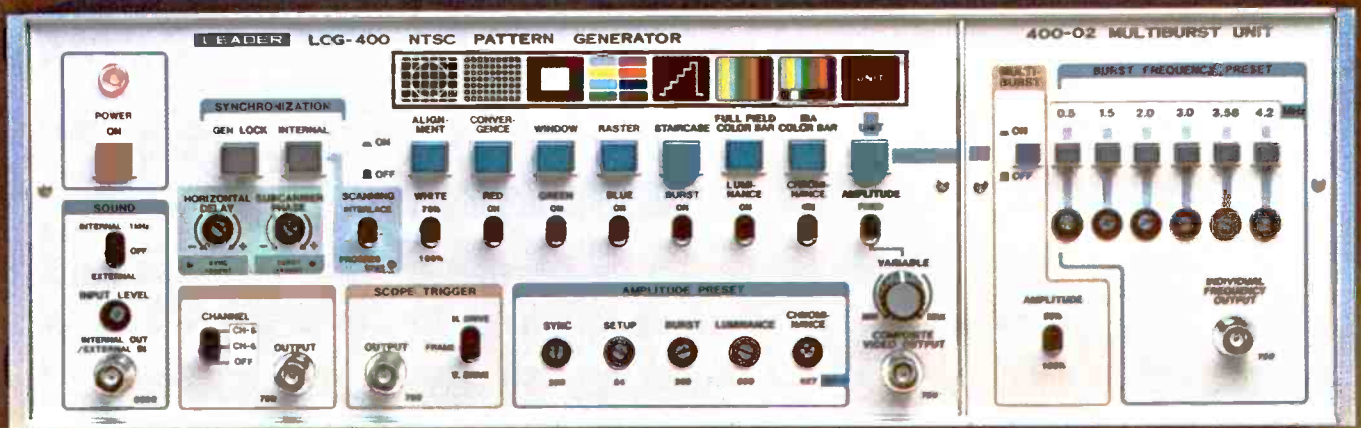
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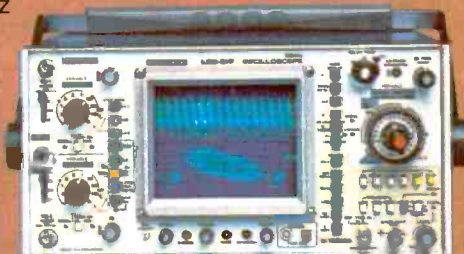


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FCC update

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Television deregulated

The FCC has eliminated programming guidelines, ascertainment requirements, commercial rules and policies and program logging requirements for commercial TV stations.

Programming guidelines, which previously required VHF and network-affiliated UHF stations to air 10% non-entertainment programming and at least 5% informational and 5% local programming, no longer are necessary, the commission said. The only remaining requirement is a general obligation to provide programming responsive to issues confronting the license community. Licensees may look to the programming of other TV stations, both commercial and non-commercial, in selecting issues to address.

Ascertainment surveys, previously used to determine community problems, no longer will be required. In situations where renewal applications are challenged, the commission will focus its inquiry on the responsiveness of a licensee's programming to local issues rather than on the methodology used in arriving at programming decisions.

With respect to excessive commercialization, the FCC said marketplace forces rather than governmental rules were the more effective restraint. For this reason, the FCC no longer will consider commercial levels in processing uncontested renewal applications, or entertain petitions to deny based on allegations of overcommercialization. In a related move, the FCC's ban on program-length commercials has been rescinded.

Program logging requirements, which are not necessary in this new regulatory scheme, have been eliminated. The commission will rely instead on issues/programs lists, which must be placed on a TV station's public file on a quarterly basis. Each list must contain five to 10 issues to which the station has given particular attention in its programming over the preceding three months, and an account of how each issue was treated.

Non-commercial radio and television deregulated

In another related deregulatory action, the FCC revised its programming

policies and eliminated its program log and ascertainment requirements for public radio and TV stations.

Non-commercial licensees still will be expected to serve the significant programming needs of their communities by providing alternatives to the programming of commercial stations. To ensure performance consistent with this general requirement, the commission said public stations would be required to document their performance by maintaining quarterly issues/programs lists.

Noting that ascertainment procedures unnecessarily emphasized the methodology used to determine community problems—rather than the responsiveness of the station to such problems—the commission decided that the remaining ascertainment procedures should be eliminated. Non-commercial licensees will be given the same wide discretion as their commercial counterparts to determine how community issues should be handled.

Public stations were reminded that they still were required to keep records of political candidates' appearances and notations that they had carried out required EBS tests.

Call sign procedures affirmed

In spite of strong protests by broadcast industry trade associations, the commission affirmed its action of December 1983, which revised procedures for assigning call letters to AM, FM and TV stations.

Most significant and controversial among the revisions was the decision to end FCC participation in the resolution of call letter disputes. NRBA and NAB argued that the FCC, rather than the local courts, was the best forum to decide what constituted a potential for public confusion in cases where a station adopted a call sign similar to one already used in the market. The commission disagreed, saying that local forums were likely to be more attuned to what constituted a potential for public confusion.

Also sustained were rule revisions eliminating the requirement that prior notice of call sign applications be given to other stations within 35 miles of the applicant's station and the re-

FCC's first of 50

The Federal Communications Commission, formed as a result of the Communications Act of 1934, marks its 50th anniversary in 1984. The commission was established when President Franklin D. Roosevelt signed the act on June 19, 1934. The first commission, officially organized on July 17, included a broadcast division, with Commissioners Hampson Gary and Thad H. Brown; a telegraph division, with Commissioners Irvin Stewart and George Henry Payne; and a telephone division, with Commissioners Paul A. Walker and Norman S. Case. Eugene O. Sykes was appointed chairman and served as a member of each division.

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July 31—First broadcast license denied to KGIX, Las Vegas, NV, for failure to complete construction as required.

August 1—Telephone carriers required to report current services, rates, contracts and stock ownership.

August 21—Current ownership information required from broadcast stations.

August 29—Totals for amateur radio licenses at 46,930.

September 7—Division director appointments: John Killeen, broadcast; Robert T. Bartley, telegraph; and A. G. Patterson, telephone.

September 28—Hearings held on non-profit educational broadcasting allocations.

October 9—State broadcast quotas revised into day (6 a.m.-6 p.m.) and night (6 p.m.-midnight) segments, with minimum daytime power raised to 5kW.

October 30—Allocations for clear and other channels with several stations operating simultaneously at night to be surveyed. A Texas station application denied for lack of financing.

December 12—First amateur license revoked.

December 24—The special temporary authorization renewal for WLW, Cincinnati, refused, ordering the station to reduce power from 500kW to 50kW to avoid interference with Canadian stations.

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Inquiry into loud commercials ended

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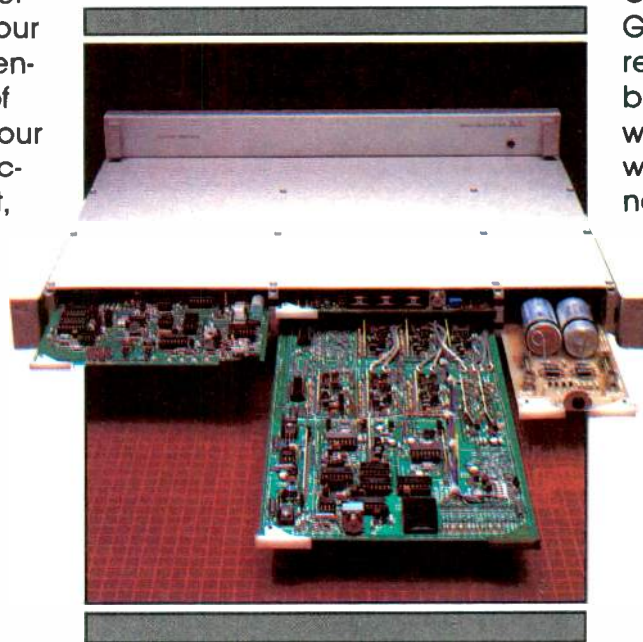
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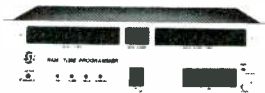
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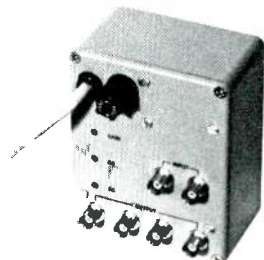
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The ES 206 has been designed to allow the addition of Time and Date information to a video signal. Two rear-mounted video jacks permit "looping" the video information through the 206 to add the data.



ES 207 VIDEO DISTRIBUTION AMPLIFIER

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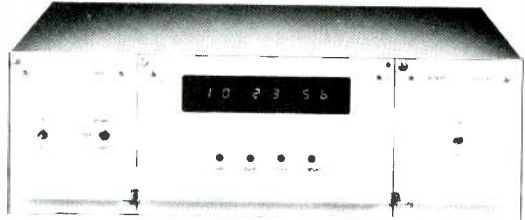
The ES 207 Video Distribution Amplifier answers the "one more unit" question with a versatile little package that can be tucked anywhere, either temporarily or permanently. Controls are available through the top plate with a miniature screwdriver for video gain, D.C level and HF equalization. A very wide range of chroma level control can be obtained with the DA. Output video is expected to be set for 0 volts D.C. on the blanking or porch level, with video extending positive and sync negative. Nominal input and output signal level is 1 volt p-p. Typical gain control range is from 1/2 volt to 1 1/2 volts p-p.

MASTER CLOCKS

ESE Masters provide a means of keeping all time displays in the system in agreement, through the use of a Serial Time Code. Only one pair of wires is needed to distribute the time code to all remote serial input displays.

An ESE Master Clock System can operate digital displays, clocks with sweep second hands, printers and, in addition, tell your computer what time it is.

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ES 160 Mounted in a 5 1/4" relay rack panel and chassis, displays six digits of information on 4" LED displays, in 12 hour format.

ES 160 has three second per month accuracy. Its standard output is serial BCD, CMOS compatible and can drive 100 ES 161, 166, 171, 991 or 993 Remote Displays without buffering.

Dimensions: 5 1/2" High x 19" Wide x 15" Deep. \$1103.

ES 160/1 One second per month version of ES 160. \$1286.

ES 192/194L

The most economical Masters, ES 192 (12 Hr) and ES 194 (24 Hr) are constructed using ES 112 or ES 124 digital clocks and adding the ES 167 Serial Time Code Generator to provide the output needed to drive Remote Serial Displays ES 161, 166, 171, 991 and 993. Displays are .55" gas discharge.

Dimensions: 2 1/2" High x 8" Wide x 6" Deep. \$341.

ACCESSORIES

ES 161 REMOTE DIGITAL DISPLAY Decodes serial time data and displays six digits of time on .55" Gas Discharge Displays, in either 12 or 24 hour format.

Dimensions: 8" Wide x 2 1/4" High x 8" Deep. \$173

ES 162 IMPULSE DRIVER Plugs into the ES 160 chassis, can drive 20 Impulse Clocks. Designed so that if power fails, impulse always comes on with the same polarity when power is restored. \$210

ES 164 REMOTE DIGITAL IMPULSE DISPLAY Similar to the ES 161 except that the ES 164 derives its count command from the ES 162 Impulse Driver, or any impulse clock drive circuits already installed.

Dimension: 8" Wide x 2 1/4" High x 8" Deep. \$256

ES 165 IMPULSE DRIVER The ES 165 Impulse Clock Driver was designed to provide synchronized power to the ES 166 Impulse Clocks. ES 165 is capable of driving 50 ES 166 clocks and will keep them running accurately through twelve hours of power failure. The ES 165 derives its synchronizing pulse from any one pulse per second source, such as an ESE Master Clock and can also accept the once per second, alternating 12 or 24 volt impulses from an existing impulse clock system.



ES 166 JUMBO 1" CLOCK DISPLAY Features six digits of one inch gas discharge displays in 12 or 24 hour format. Receives serial time code input from any ESE Master Clock or ES 167.

Dimensions: 10 1/2" Wide x 4 1/2" High x 6 1/2" Deep. \$267

ES 167A SERIAL TIME CODE GENERATOR An integral part of ES 160, 190 and 192/194 Master Clocks, this unit can be added to many other ESE products, including ES 112, 124, 162, 164, 992, 994, 750, 751, 753, 754 and all 780 Series Time Programmers. Drives ES 161, 166, 171, 991 or 993 Remote Display. \$153

ES 168 IMPULSE CLOCK operates from the 8pps output of the ES 165 Impulse Driver. As many as 50 ES 168's can be connected to a single driver, and they will continue to run during a power outage of at least 12 hours. The clock face is 12" in diameter, with a red sweep second hand and black hour and minutes hands. \$135

ES 171 CONSOLE MOUNT REMOTE DISPLAY Receives the serial time code generated by any ESE Master Clock, or any ESE product containing the ES 167 serial time code generator, and displays it on bright red 4" LEDs.

Dimensions: 2 1/4" High x 4 1/2" Wide x 4" Deep. \$166

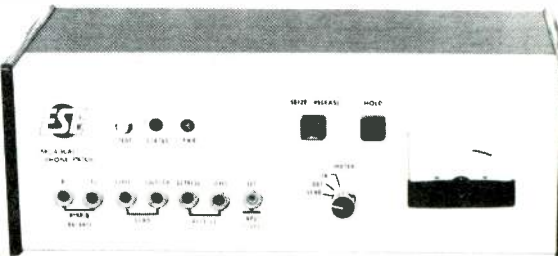
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ES 991 4 DIGIT SERIAL INPUT SLAVE DISPLAY Decodes serial time data and displays four digits of time on large 2" gas discharge displays.

Dimensions: 10 1/2" Wide x 4 1/2" High x 6 1/2" Deep. Desk Top Case \$341

ES 993 6 DIGIT SERIAL INPUT SLAVE Features four digits of 2" high gas discharge displays and two digits (Seconds) of 1" gas discharge displays. Receives serial time code input from any ESE Master Clock or ES 167A.

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ES 562/564 is a combination six digit clock and 24 hour timer with memory, allowing the user to set the clock to the correct time of day, switch to timer mode, then switch back to time of day by pushing one button; time of day will be correctly displayed. In hours, minutes and seconds. Six pushbutton controls are mounted on the top of the unit, near the front of the desk-top case. When panel mounting is specified, they will be mounted on the front panel, below the display. The controls may also be remoted, through two rear-mounted five pin connectors (Option R or Option D). These controls are Reset, Timer, Fast/Start, Slow/Stop, Hold and Clock. Display: Six digits of .55" Planar Gas Discharge Display.



ES 214 DYNAMIC AUDIO LEVEL INDICATOR

The ES 214 is a highly accurate audio level indicator which is designed to simulate the action of a conventional VU-Meter but with superior dynamic characteristics. The LED meter is five to one hundred times faster in responding to complex waveforms than the mechanical meter without sacrificing the familiar meter "movement".

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Number of Indicators: 14 LED Lamps in 3 color. Scale: +4, +3, +2, +1dB - Red. 0 dB-yellow, -1, -2, -3, -5, -7, -10, -15, -20, -25 dB - Green.



ES 280 AUDIO TIME CODE GENERATOR/READER

The ES 280 is a 10 Digit Audio Time Code Generator/Reader, capable of laying down a serial BCD time code on audio tape in the Generator Mode, and recovering and displaying it in digital form in the Reader Mode. The code has been designed by ESE. It is not a standard code, such as SMPTE or IRIX. The frequencies used to produce the code have been selected to be compatible with cartridge machines as well as other tape recording and playback equipment. Amplitude adjustment assures the right amount of signal for the particular machine being used.



ES 256 "SMART" SMPTE TIME CODE READER. The ES 256 is a bi-directional multi-speed, eight digit SMPTE Time Code Reader which displays Hours, Minutes, Seconds and Frames on .4" red LED's. The ES 256 incorporates a digital error detection system: When a bad frame of time code is detected, the unit will switch to a frame-counting mode.



70 SERIES CONSOLE MOUNT CLOCKS AND TIMERS

ES 172 SIX DIGIT - 12 HOUR CLOCK: Three setting controls - Fast Advance, Slow Advance and Hold. \$166

ES 174 SIX DIGIT, 24 HOUR CLOCK: Otherwise identical to the ES 172 \$166

ES 370 FOUR DIGIT, ONE HUNDRED MINUTE UP/DOWN TIMER: Six controls - Count Up, Count Down, Stop, Minutes Advance, Seconds Advance, Reset. \$211

ES 371 UP/DOWN TIMER: Similar to the ES 370 except with Leverwheel Preset capability for faster setting of the desired time. \$335

ES 570 FOUR DIGIT, SIXTY OR 100 MINUTE TIMER: Select 60 or 100 minute mode on rear connector. Start, Stop and Reset controls. Runs continuously unless stopped. Reset will return all displays to zero. Unit will run if reset while running or will stay at zero if reset when stopped. \$166

ES 572 SIX DIGIT, 12 HOUR CLOCK OR TIMER: Five controls - Start, Stop, Reset, Fast Advance, Slow Advance. Will run continuously to 12:59:59 Advances to 1:00:00 and continues as clock unless stopped or advanced. \$202

ES 574: A 24 hour version of ES 572. \$202

ES 575: Exactly like ES 570, with the addition of a "freeze" button. When the button is released, the display "catches up" with the correct elapsed time. \$202

Dimensions: 2 1/8" High x 4 5/8" Wide x 4 1/8" Deep



ES 112AL/124AL DIGITAL CLOCK

ES 112 (12 hr) and ES 124 (24 hr) are solid state, six digit clocks. Can drive 80 Series and 90 Series slaves. Displays are gas discharge. .55" high

Dimensions: 2 1/8" High x 8" Wide x 6" Deep.

ES 253 SMPTE TIME CODE READER: is an eight-digit SMPTE Time Code Reader displaying Hours, Minutes, Seconds and Frames. \$477

ES 254 SMPTE TIME CODE READER: is a bi-directional, multi-speed eight-digit reader, displaying Hours, Minutes, Seconds and Frames on .4" red LED displays. \$709

ES 255 is a bi-directional, multi-speed, eight-digit SMPTE Code Reader, that can add the information to a video stream for recording time code on the video portion of a tape, or for displaying it on a monitor. Reading speed is 1/20 to 20 times playback speed. \$1045

ES 257 SMPTE TIME CODE READER/COMPARATOR is capable of making two comparisons, as established by the two sets of thumbwheels located on the front panel. By specifying option "B" (four-line parallel BCD, 5V CMOS compatible), additional comparisons may be made by connecting one or more ES 258 "expander" units.

ES 258 SMPTE TIME CODE COMPARETOR has been designed as an "expander" for the ES 257. Two sets of eight-digit thumbwheels are located on the front panel, to allow comparison of two SMPTE code locations.

SMPTE TIME CODE GENERATOR: ES 281 is a pre-settable, eight-digit SMPTE/Time Code Generator, capable of Drop Frame or Non-Drop Frame operation. \$788



80 SERIES JUMBO CLOCKS AND TIMERS

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ES 182 - SIX DIGIT, 12 HOUR CLOCK: Three rear-mounted setting controls - Fast Advance, Slow Advance, and Hold. \$286

ES 184 - SIX DIGIT, 24 HOUR CLOCK: Otherwise identical to the ES 182 \$286

ES 380 FOUR DIGIT, 100 MINUTE UP/DOWN TIMER: Displays minutes and seconds, with rear-mounted connector to allow remote wiring of six momentary SPST CONTROLS - Count up, Count Down, Stop, Minutes Advance, Seconds Advance and Reset. Other features similar to ES 301. \$333

ES 381 UP/DOWN TIMER: Similar to ES 380, except that leverwheel preset is used. \$437

ES 580 - FOUR DIGIT, 60 MINUTE TIMER: Displays minutes and seconds. Rear connector allows remote wiring of three momentary SPST controls - Start, Stop and Reset. Reset returns all displays to zero, and timer will continue to run from zero if reset while running. \$239.

80 Series slaves are also compatible with other ESE clocks and timers: ES 112/124, 301, 302 and 510.

Dimensions: 4.45" High x 10.38" Wide x 6.58" Deep.



ES 301/302 100 MINUTE UP/DOWN TIMERS

ES 301 is a four digit, one hundred minute timer (99:59) with six controls: Count Up, Count Down, Stop, Minutes Advance, Seconds Advance, Reset. Counting can be activated up or down or set back to zero. When "Stop" control is pressed, the four digit display is held. Counting direction (up or down) can be changed or time can be reset to zero without stopping the count. The ES 301 can drive 80 Series and 90 Series Slaves. Displays are gas discharge. .55" high.

With the ES 302, the user can preset time much faster than with the ES 301, because lever-wheel type switches are used for the preset feature. The ES 302 can drive 80 Series and 90 Series Slaves.

Dimensions: ES 301: 2 1/8" High x 8" Wide x 6" Deep.
ES 302: 2 1/8" High x 10" Wide x 6" Deep.



ES 510L FOUR DIGIT 60 MINUTE TIMER

ES 510 is a four digit, sixty minute timer (59:59) with Start, Stop and Reset controls. If stopped, display will hold time reading and when restarted will continue with next count from last displayed figure. If reset while running, timer will continue to run. ES 510 can drive 80 Series and 90 Series Slaves.

Dimensions: 2 1/8" High x 6" Wide x 6" Deep.



90 SERIES 2 INCH DISPLAYS VIEWABLE AT 60 FEET

ES 391 - Presettable Up/Down Timer: 100 Minute Range - Displays Minutes and Seconds, uses Leverwheel Preset Controls are Count Up, Count Down, Stop, Reset and Preset. \$511

Dimensions: 4.45" High x 10.38" Wide x 6.58" Deep

ES 590 - Sixty Minute Timer: Displays Minutes and Seconds. Rear-mounted connector provides for wiring to user's single pole, momentary, push-button controls: Start, Stop and Reset. Reset returns all displays to zero, and timer will continue to run from zero if reset while counting. \$358

Dimensions: 4.45" High x 10.38" Wide x 6.58" Deep

ES 992/994 - 6 Digit Clocks: ES 992 (12 Hr) and ES 994 (24 Hr) - Hours and Minutes on Two Inch Gas Discharge Displays. Seconds on One Inch Gas Discharge Displays. Three top-mounted setting controls - Fast Advance, Slow Advance and Hold. \$471

Dimensions: 5" High x 12" Wide x 3 1/2" Deep



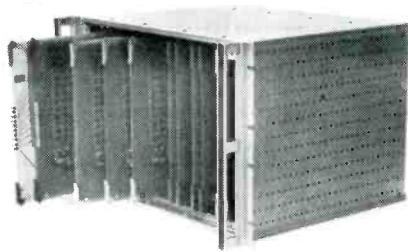
ES 232 TIME CALCULATOR

ES 232 is an eight digit, 24 hour, Up/Down Timer/Time Calculator displaying Hours, Minutes, Seconds and Frames (30 frames per second) on bright red .4" LED's. In the Calculator mode, data may be added or subtracted, or stored in memory, or recalled from memory. There are 10 memory locations available. Data may be added to or subtracted from the timer value, while the timer is counting either up or down, but not while the timer is stopped. When stopped, data moved from calculator to timer serves to preset the timer. In the timer mode, ES 232 counts up or down, and can be reset while running or stopped. It can be preset to any number in the 24 hour range. While timer is running or stopped, it is possible to enter the value into memory without disturbing the operation. It is also possible to recall a value from memory and add or subtract while timer is counting up or down. ES 232 uses 24 keys, mounted on a desktop case, measuring 5" wide X 6" deep X 2" high.



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AM subcarriers approved

The FCC has approved the use of AM carrier signals for any broadcast or non-broadcast function that does not interfere with main-channel programming or the signals of other radio stations. The action gives AM broadcasting the same freedom in subcarrier use that is now enjoyed by FM stations. This new freedom may, however, complicate the wide-scale implementation of AM stereo operation in the United States.

Motorola, developer of the C-QUAM AM stereo system, had urged the commission to proceed with caution in any move to expand the use of AM ancillary signals. The company said it "generally supports the concept that ancillary use of the AM broadcast spectrum be increased, where it does not conflict with other public interest considerations." The company provided documentation to the FCC showing how AM SCA signals could interfere with stereo pilot tones of the various systems now in use.

The commission stated that, although AM stereo may not be compatible with all uses of the AM carrier signal, the situation "was not so severe so as to warrant either a delay in authorizing additional uses for AM carrier signals or a requirement to protect the pilot tones of all AM stereo systems."

Although available for virtually any function, the AM carrier services are still limited to the hours authorized for main channel operation.

PMX demonstration at NAB

In our July NAB roundup issue, we inadvertently left out a description of the PMX AM stereo demonstrations held at the Continental Electronics booth on the convention floor.

Continental displayed its 302A AM stereo exciter and PMX-SM1 modulation monitor operating with a 5kW transmitter (Continental #315R-1) and four different AM stereo audio processors. The transmitter was operated at full power into a shielded dummy load and a different processor was used each day of the show. Processors lined up for the comparison tests were units from Urban Associates, Circuit Research Labs, Gregg Labs and Inovonics.

A demonstration of utility load management and other signaling or control applications was given using a CRT and associated equipment. Continental reports that the PMX system allows the use of its 5Hz pilot to transmit digital data without interfering with the main channel stereo performance. Test data taken by the company on the exhibit floor showed less than 1% THD in the left and right channels from 50Hz to 7.5kHz while the system was transmitting subchannel data at a 5 baud rate.

WOSU Conference looks at AM stereo

The topic of AM stereo received a fair amount of discussion at the recent WOSU Broadcast Engineering Conference, held July 17-19 at Ohio State University in Columbus. The conference, sponsored jointly by the WOSU stations and Broadcast Engineering, featured a detailed engineering paper prepared by two engineers at Broadcast Electronics, and exhibits of AM stereo equipment by Motorola and Delta Electronics.

The engineering paper, written by Stanley Salek and Edward Anthony, discussed the development and operation of the new Broadcast Electronics AM stereo exciter. The paper, titled "Second Generation Techniques for AM Stereo Exciter Design," also outlined transmitter interface considerations and audio processing requirements. Some of the exciter features highlighted in the discussion were the transmitter loss-of-drive protection circuit, remote control interface capability and a frequency lock provision that allows synchronization of the system with WWV. The frequency lock feature is designed to reduce nighttime interference from co-channel stations and platform motion problems that may occur under certain conditions. The circuit can also prevent the generation of false AM stereo pilot signals due to co-channel stations whose total frequency offset is 25Hz.

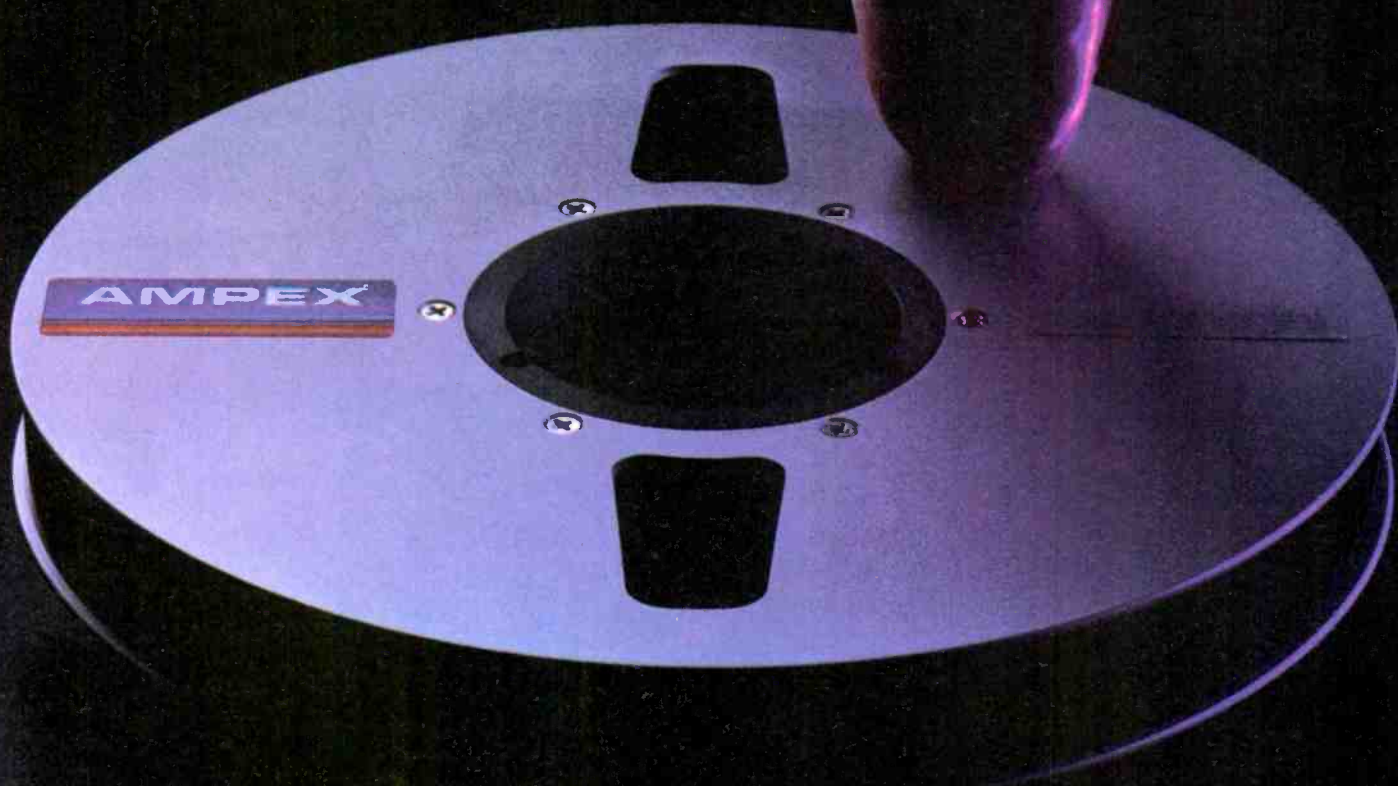
Both Motorola and Delta had demonstration AM stereo systems in operation at their exhibit booths. Motorola's display featured some of the C-QUAM AM stereo receivers currently available.

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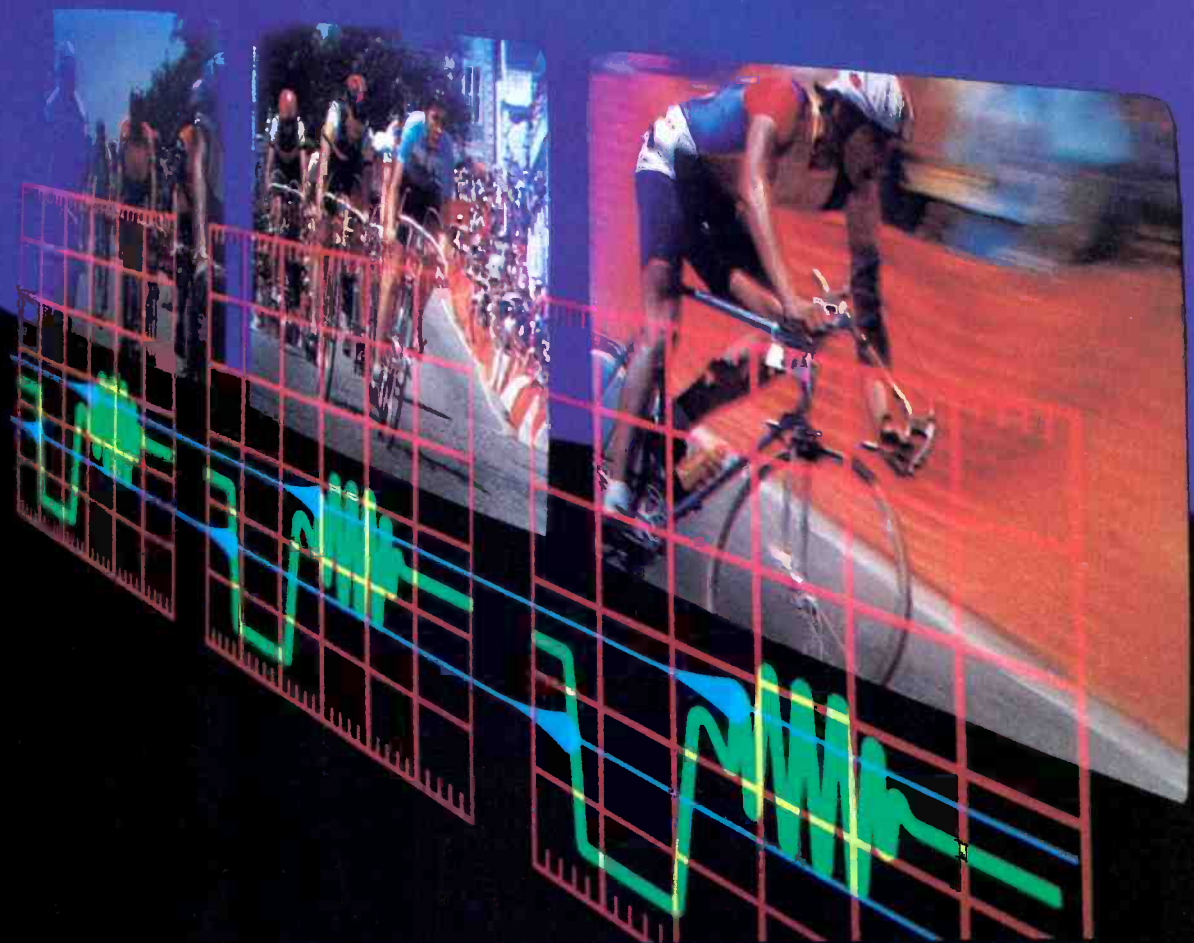
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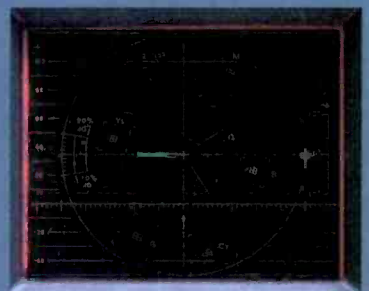
The Tektronix 1750 can help you regain control. By maintaining consistent SCH phase... or by seeing potential problems *before* a glitch occurs, you'll avoid the frustration of multiple passes and enjoy getting it right the first time. Saving time saves you money and makes the best use of your valuable resources.

SCH phase, of course, isn't the only parameter you need to keep on track, and SCH display is only part of the 1750's comprehensive signal monitoring capabilities. At the push of a button it also displays vector mode... or waveform mode, enhanced by digital line selection through the vertical interval... or R-Y/sweep mode for easy interpretation of differential phase distortions.

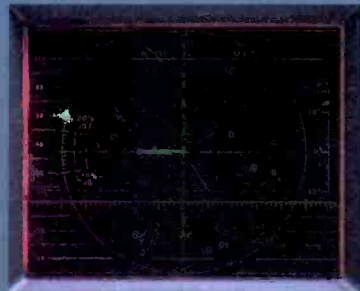
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Correct SCH phase relationship is clearly displayed on the 1750 when dot on the calibration circle is aligned with the vector on the -x axis.



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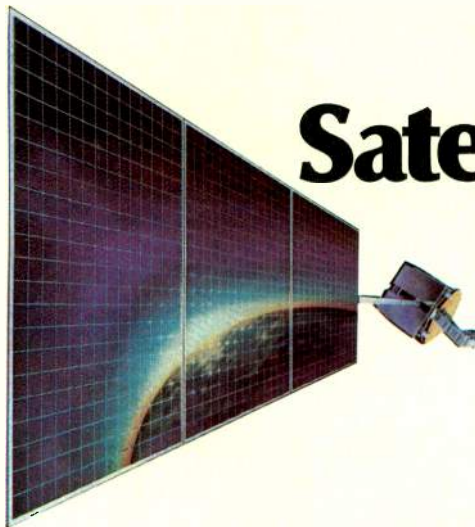
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Satellite update

By the BE staff

Dawn of DBS dims

The concept of DBS is inviting. Homeowners may use a small (approximately 2-foot diameter) roof-mounted dish antenna to receive various satellite-relayed programs. An improvement of picture quality over that provided by CATV companies may be expected. Power-related outages, which sometimes plague CATV, are avoided. The homeowners associations will not find the smaller antennas as objectionable to the beauty of the residential area as they do some of the 9- to 12-foot antenna systems currently in use. Other advantages of DBS include multiple-channel sound, high-definition pictures, a variety of screen/text services and individually addressable receiving systems for pay programming.

Although DBS is an interesting idea, the cost of providing the service has caused several potential participants to withdraw until later, perhaps indefinitely. When the first tier of applicants was granted construction permits, a year was given before a due-diligence filing had to be made. That filing was to show that firm commitments had been made toward providing satellite system facilities and that financing for the project was available. In the weeks before the July 17, 1984, due-diligence deadline, Western Union pulled out of the competition. RCA Americom changed its plans to include fewer lower-powered satellites. CBS ceased discussions with COMSAT's Satellite Television Corporation division. The result left an air of uncertainty about the TV medium of the future.

Explanations

To date, only one DBS attempt is operating in the United States. United Satellite Communications, Inc. (USCI) has been working with funds from

Prudential Insurance, General Instruments and other private investors. Prudential has indicated that it will offer no further funds. In a bid to locate additional money, USCI met with defeat on Wall Street. It now looks askance at its future.

Western Union says that it is a supplier of end-to-end communications services. WU's decision to pull out of the arena at this time was made because of a lack of program material. The void of software seemed to reduce the chances of enticing subscribers to make a paying service from the DBS endeavor.

CBS, a programmer, was exploring the formation of a venture with the COMSAT division. COMSAT's STC, in a position similar to WU, said it had hoped that CBS and other programming entities would join in the venture. USCI's problems in finding the \$40 million of funding it sought seems to have signaled the CBS withdrawal, along with the fact that no other programmers had come upon the scene to join that venture.

RCA's move, lowering transponder power from 230W to 100W on fewer transponders, was engineered to reduce the RCA investment by nearly half. As a result, it could offer channel facilities to prospective program sources at a more attractive, lower cost. RCA's application modification, filed with the FCC, also requested a delay in launching the first of the satellites from 1988 until late 1989. The effect that RCA's modified game plan will have on its entry into the FCC's overall plan is unknown at this time.

The Player Roster

Of the original eight players, five remained to file due-diligence. STC has qualified by initiating construction of an uplink facility in the Las Vegas area. STC has requested a modification of their permit, however. The original license granted permission

for four satellites. If the modification is allowed, six channels to cover the entire contiguous United States will emanate from one orbital location. The move would allow STC to trim about \$500 million from its costs and would ease the need of obtaining additional funding for the project.

Hubbard Broadcasting, owner of United States Satellite Broadcasting, has signed an agreement with RCA Astro-Electronics for two high-power satellites, at a price tag of \$160 million. No payment to fix the agreement was made at the June 25 signing, however. Dominion Video and Direct Broadcast Satellite Corporation have submitted due-diligence filings with the commission, while Graphic Scanning scrambled to make some final arrangements before the deadline date.

Meanwhile, seven second-tier applicants have filed for FCC consideration. If construction permits are granted, the seven will be given a construction permit with a 1-year limit, at which time they, too, will have to file the appropriate statements of intent.

A favorite DBS-related project of CBS, i.e., HDTV, has not been forgotten. The proposed 2-channel method of HDTV transmission by DBS carriers is temporarily off the launch pad. CBS plans to put its energy into developing a world standard for production of higher-definition imaging. If, and when, such a standard is a reality, CBS may reconsider the DBS transmission plan.

Direct-to-home transmissions have met with limited success in other parts of the world as well. Certainly cost is one aspect, but the European theater is also plagued with political ideological thorns, because the footprint of satellite signals is guaranteed to spill over the political boundaries of many smaller European countries. The result is that the medium of the future remains just that, and for many, perhaps even further into the future than was expected. [:-:~))]]

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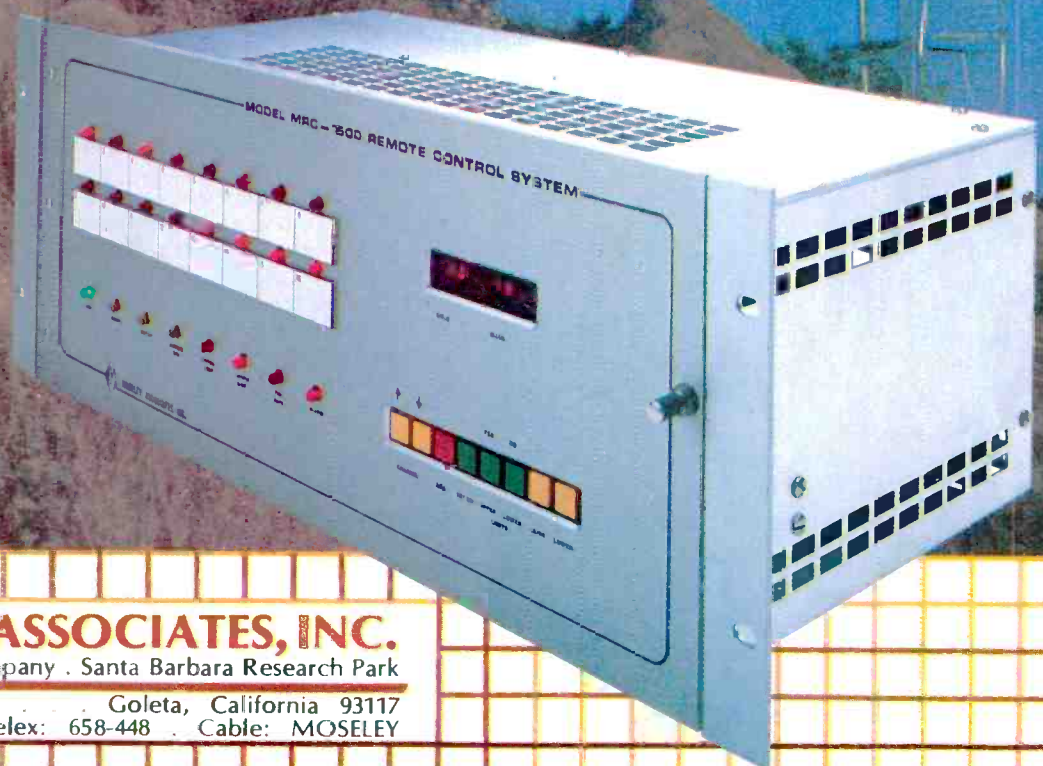
MRC-1600

Remote control is sometimes more remote than control. Not so with the MRC-1600 Microprocessor Remote Control. It's Moseley tough, Moseley reliable, and Moseley designed to give broadcasters flexibility at a not-so-tough price. Sixteen raise/sixteen lower command channels, coupled with sixteen status and sixteen telemetry channels, assure control and feedback of critical operation parameters to the station. Power-down problems? All setup data is stored in Moseley Memory. Plug-in modules adapt the MRC-1600 to two or four wire telco lines, subaudible, FM subcarrier or any combination thereof.

MRC-1600 operation is tailored to individual station requirements during setup. Status inputs may be set to alarm on rising, falling, rising and falling waveforms, or they may be muted completely. Upper and lower telemetry limits can be set or disabled independently. Each telemetry channel may be calibrated in one of four modes: power, indirect power, linear or millivolt. Should there be a disallowed change in status, or telemetry data exceed pre-set limits, visible and audible alarms are activated. When the operator acknowledges the alarm, the MRC-1600 automatically displays the data needed to correct the situation. The optional CRT gives the operator keyboard control of the transmitter and provides a clear-English display of all status and telemetry data, which is printed on the optional Logger. Tough remote site? Get Moseley tough.

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The need for planning by the broadcast industry cannot be emphasized too strongly. We have called in this column many times for attention to the technical quality of present-day facilities and planning for the broadcast facilities of tomorrow. This issue of **Broadcast Engineering** includes the second part of our BE Proof program for FM radio stations. (See page 22.) We want this program to be a starting point for future consideration of technical performance objectives for radio and TV stations. Broadcasters who let their technical plants slip behind the state-of-the-art run the risk of losing their audiences to other, more aggressive, stations and services that provide higher-quality performance. We have heard many times from broadcasters that they cannot afford to keep pace with the state-of-the-art. We fear, in reality, that stations cannot afford not to.

Survival in today's highly competitive marketplace requires excellence in technical performance and programming. Survival in the marketplace of the future, however, places even greater demands on the broadcast industry. This point was addressed eloquently by Joseph Flaherty, vice president for engineering and development of the CBS Broadcast Group, in a speech at the recent WOSU Broadcast Engineering Conference. (See "WOSU Conference replay," page 230.) He warned his audience that over-the-air broadcasting was poised for a technical explosion, and that the radio and TV industry must start planning for the future now, or suffer the consequences. Reprinted here are some excerpts from Flaherty's address:

"I submit to you that terrestrial broadcasting need not become a secondary service, inferior to its 21st century competition. But at the same time, I caution you that it surely will, if broadcasting surrenders its creative and technical leadership to the new and hungry competition.

"Over the years, 'broadcast quality' has come to mean 'the ultimate'—that to which all else is compared, and that from which all else is scaled. Our programs are the best, our news is the best and our technical quality is unsurpassed.

"Our programming colleagues nationwide are bringing, and will continue to bring, the best creative talent to broadcasting. This, of course, is fundamental, because people watch programs and not technology. Nevertheless, all of our programs—our total creative effort—are delivered solely through this vast and complex technical network, extending from the lens in the studio to the screen in the home.

"Heretofore, broadcasting set the technological pace. Technical quality and broadcasting were synonymous. Cable systems and VCRs were designed to match broadcast quality and to be as good as the home receiver. Pay cable programmers use broadcast equipment to originate their programs—to 'measure up' as it were. In short, we and our competitors use the same technology to deliver similar quality.

"But all this is changing! New and better technology is becoming available, and the technical quality of services delivered to the home will become an ever-increasing factor in audience appeal, and thus in audience size.

"As we evaluate the on-rush of new technologies, we must bear in mind that the standard of service enjoyed by the viewer today will not be his level of expectation tomorrow.

"I think that most of us here would agree that our intuitive measure of picture quality is the cinema—not television. What will our audience do when they can have wide screen, stereophonic cinema quality at home?

"The viewer's *expectation level*, not the present standard of service, will drive our future market.

"If we are to compete 15 years hence, we must undertake the enormous task of directing our television technology during these explosive few years. Many of the future directions are already clear.

"'Good enough' is no longer 'perfect' and may, in fact, become wholly unsatisfactory. Quality is a moving target, and our future judgments must not be based on today's performance.

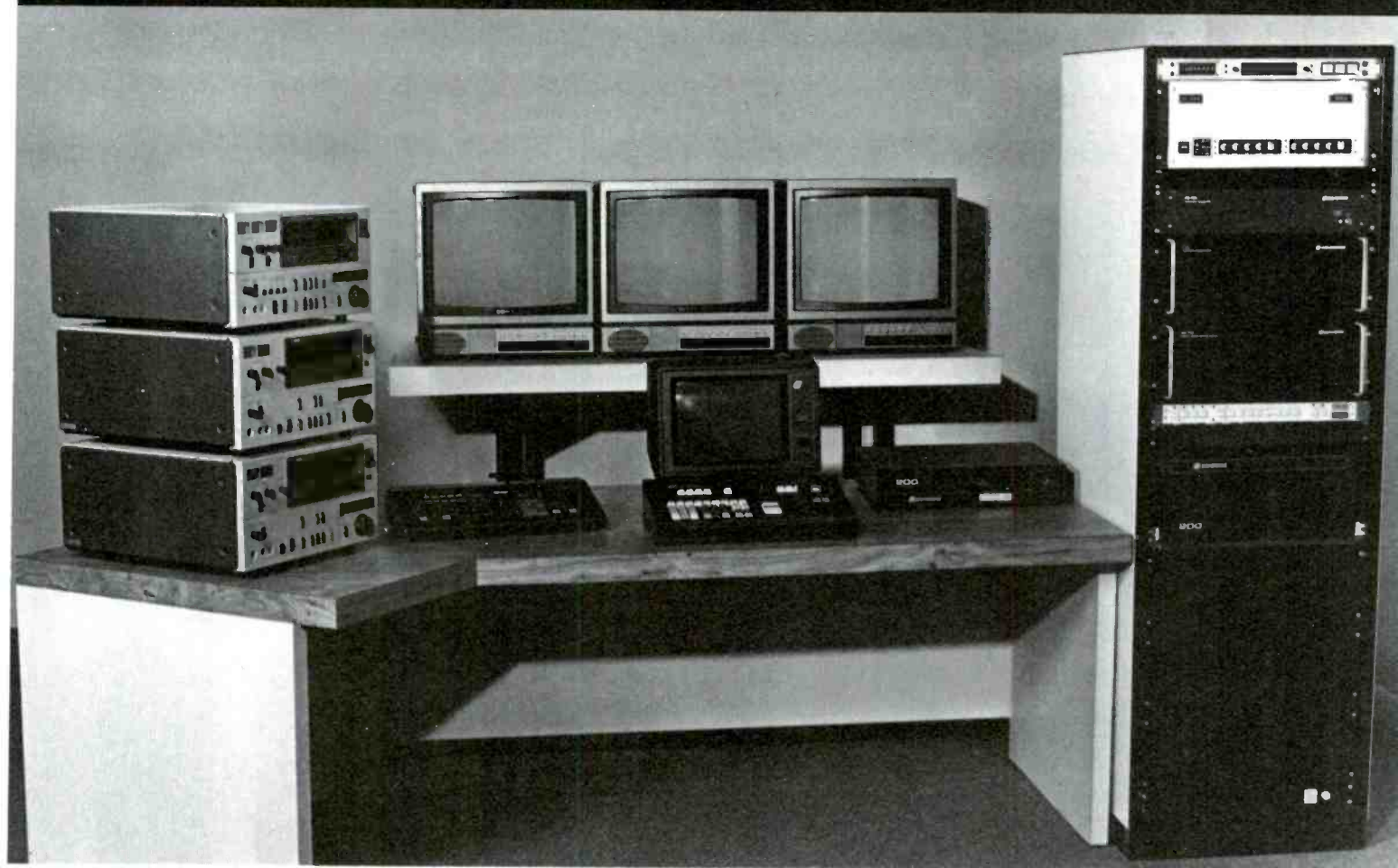
"What, then, must terrestrial broadcasters do in these countdown years to maintain their pre-eminent position?

"First, broadcasters must realize that they are in an era of rapidly expanding technology, technology that may favor new and competing systems. Thus, they must explore all the new technologies and adopt those that improve the quality, efficiency and audience appeal of broadcasting.

"Second, broadcasters must understand that the viewing public is becoming more technically sophisticated and has an increasing level of expectation.

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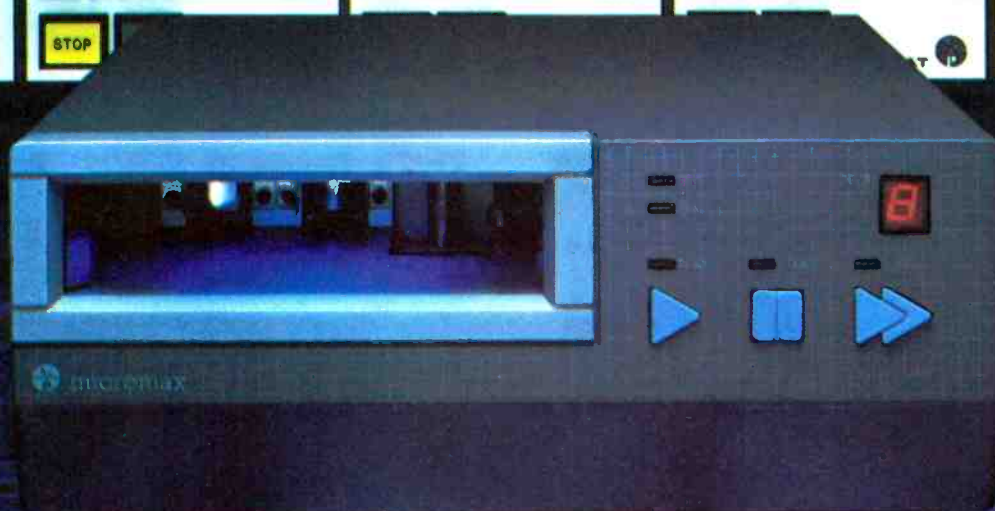
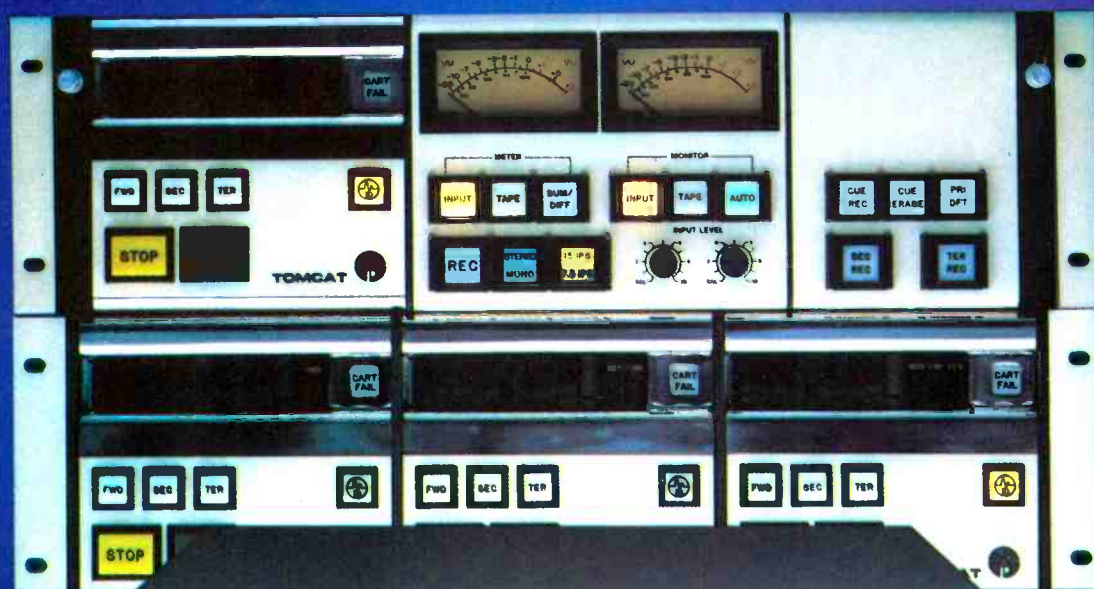
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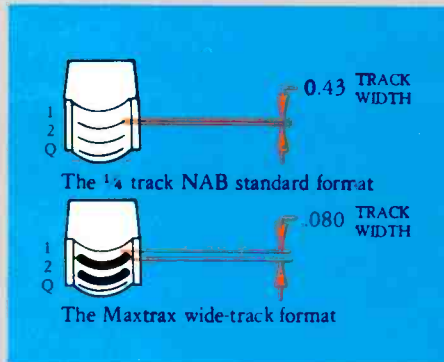
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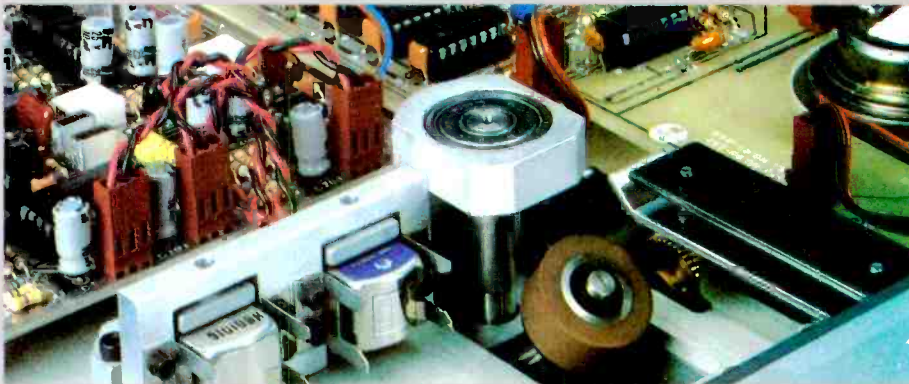
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Strictly TV

By Carl Bentz, television editor

ICPM – More than a buzzword

Stereo aural television will give viewers enhanced sound with their pictures. When all works well, viewers should experience at least a pseudo-improved fidelity from the new aural imaging. Separation should approach, if not equal, that of FM broadcast. With the good, however, comes the bad, ever-present buzz, which will require greater attention than with monaural transmissions.

Murphy's law of broadcasting states that *No matter how close the station operates to the FCC rules, it's wrong!* The corollary for the law adds *Every viewer's television is perfect!* Oddly enough, the same applies to CATV. Loss or variation of color, picture or sound is always blamed on the transmission source. So, too, are problems such as buzz, when saturated colors, titling and rapid luminance transitions occur in the picture.

Complaints of TV sound buzz may, however, result from both station and receiver faults. Any stage within the transmission/reception chain that exhibits a degree of commonality between video and audio is suspect. For example, from a common amplifier stage, as in multiplexed TV transmitters, LPTV systems, microwave repeaters and CATV systems, sync and video may cause a 60Hz buzz in the audio of the viewer's set. Separate audio and video amplifiers that are powered by the same dc source may cause a crossover of sync/video information to the audio, if the drive to the video amplifier is too great. Obviously, the two situations may occur in the home television as well.

The TV transmitter system is not without fault. Inadequate filtering of the visual sidebands near the aural carrier may result in buzz on the home receiver. Incidental carrier phase modulation (ICPM) within the transmitter may also cause the problem, even when separate aural and visual amplifiers are used with separate power supplies.

When phase-modulated components within the video signal are transferred to the aural signal, the

result is a low-frequency (ca. 60Hz) sound. Sync and vertical blanking components are prime causes. In normal monaural transmissions with typical mono receivers, narrow audio bandwidth circuits help to make the buzz component barely noticeable. The added subcarriers of multichannel TV sound add a complication, however. The higher the frequency of the subcarrier, the greater will be the vulnerability to sync/video-related noise components, or buzz.

FM is inherently less sensitive to amplitude changes, because of limiting stages and the type of detection that is used. In TV sound, just as in FM broadcast, equalizing or pre-/de-emphasis is used to reduce the high-frequency noise that would result from various sources, including thermal ones. In fact, thermal noise in the signal will increase by 6dB (doubled voltage) for an octave frequency increase (doubled). Thus, the stereo subcarrier for MTS will be more likely to experience problems than the regular (sum) aural; the separate audio program (SAP) channel will be worse than the stereo (difference) subcarrier; and the professional or engineering channel will be affected the most.

In the receiver

Most TV receivers in use today are designed after the intercarrier concept. In a single tuner (UHF and VHF count as one), a local oscillator signal beats with the received TV signal. Sum and difference signals result. As the set is tuned, the local oscillator frequency is changed, such that the resulting difference between the oscillator and received signals is better centered within the intermediate frequency (IF) response of the television. The sum signal is far enough away in frequency to be filtered out and may be ignored.

From the tuner, a single IF signal includes both visual and aural information. In the IF strip or amplifier section, the information is amplified and filtered with envelope-shaping to develop the best picture and color

response. At the output of the IF strip, the visual IF carrier becomes a second local oscillator to recover the audio in an envelope detector. The 46.25MHz visual carrier, beating against a 41.75 aural carrier, results in a 4.5MHz or intercarrier sound signal. Any amplitude variation of the visual is removed by limiting stages of the FM system. Any phase variation, however, is transferred directly to the aural carrier.

The intercarrier design concept came early in TV history. Originally, a split-sound system of reception used two separate processing paths for audio and video information. Two factors, however, prompted a different solution. Tube technology, and its associated heat, made it difficult to design sufficiently stable circuitry for use in the 40MHz region. The additional components needed for the dual paths added expense to the receiver. Intercarrier operation allowed a single collection of components to be used. The lower component count cost allowed increased component quality for stability.

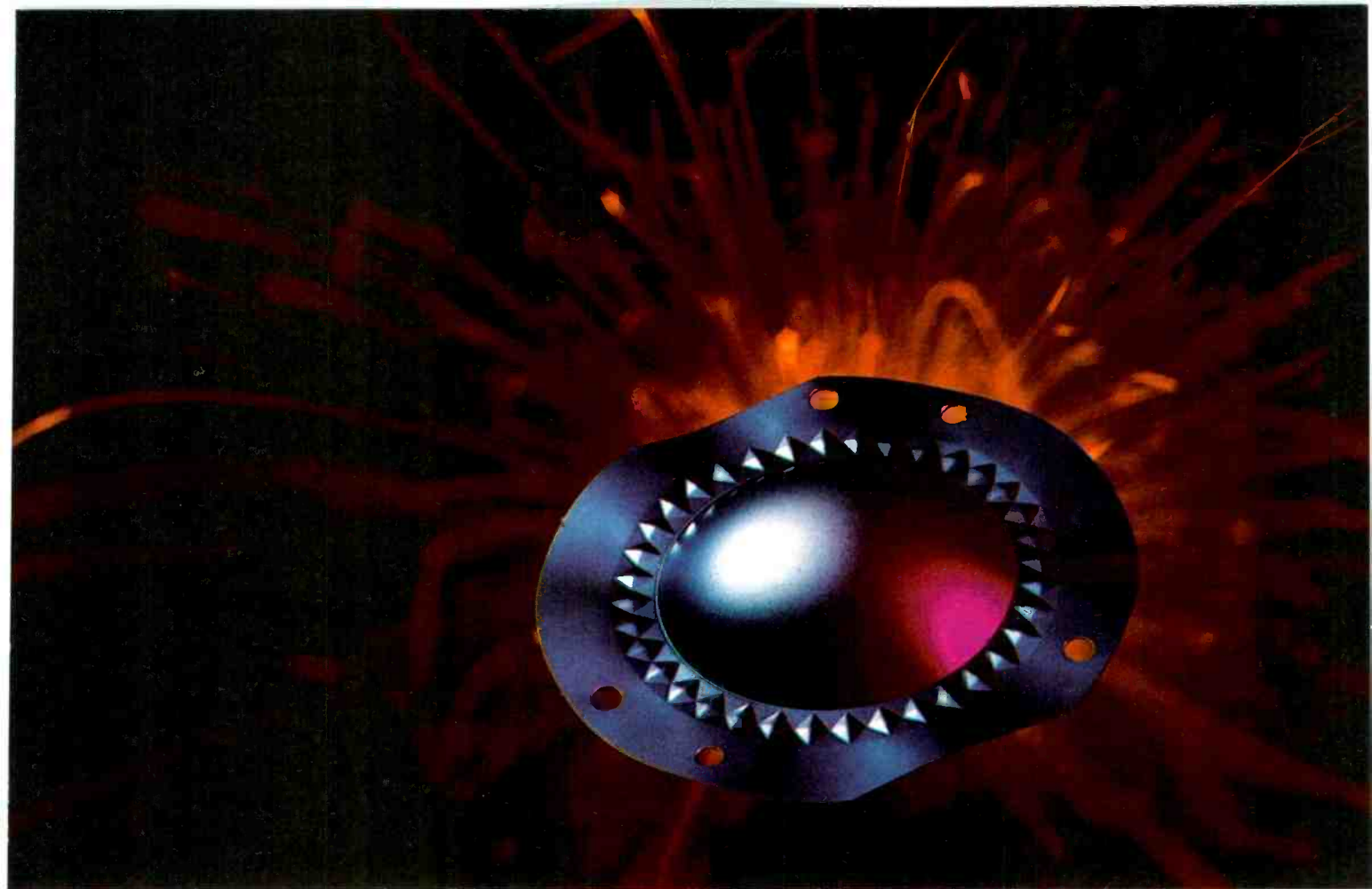
The inevitable result of intercarrier receivers is that the viewer's perfect TV set is flawed from the start, as far as buzz is concerned. Convincing several thousand viewers, however, could be difficult. Therefore, it is wise to correct as many problems at the transmission end as possible to reduce the receiver portion of the buzz.

At the transmitter

Within the plumbing between the transmitter final amplifiers and the antenna, several types of filtering are often used. Of these, the diplexer is a major source of filtering action to remove visual energy from the aural carrier location. Other filtering devices may also be used, as well as pre-correction networks.

Unfortunately, the visual amplifier is prone to introducing distortion. If the transfer curve for the amplifier were strictly linear, then nearly all problems would be eliminated. (See

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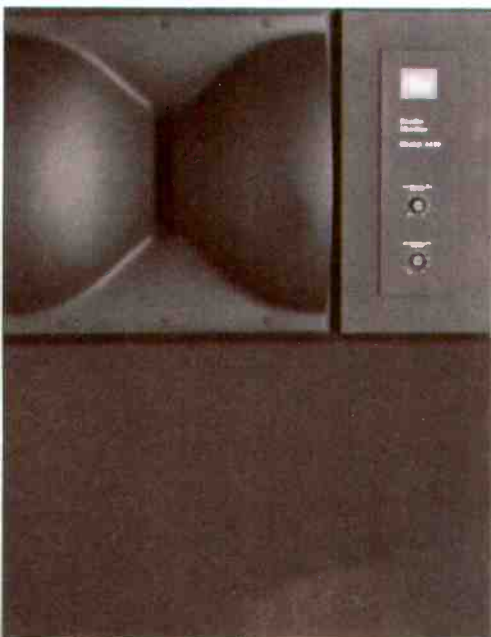
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Broadcast Engineering's Audio Proof Program

FM fidelity: Is the promise lost?

This article examines in detail the technical reasoning behind the **BE** audio proof of performance objectives outlined last month. The **BE** proof effort begins with FM radio and will be expanded to other services in the coming months. We welcome comments from readers on the concept of the program, which may include certification of outstanding technical facilities.

By Dennis Ciapura, **BE** consultant on technology

In the first part of this series, we traced the history of FM audio performance and proposed some tighter performance objectives for quality-conscious stations. In Part II, we will explain how the performance parameters were derived and suggest some measurement techniques.

In general, our specifications were based upon a balance between inherent FM performance limitations and a pragmatic approach to audio fidelity requirements for system transparency. A pragmatic approach is necessary because no transmission medium is likely to serve the needs of the super-purist who interconnects his audio components with 3-inch Heliac and runs ½-inch copper tubing to his speakers. Likewise, it would be futile to suggest performance objectives that defy the laws of physics relative to maximum expected system performance. To be realistic from a business standpoint, we also must consider the real-world requirement for effective average levels.

These factors form the triad of objectivity that drives FM broadcast system design:

- Practical fidelity requirements,
- Inherent system limitations, and
- The need for effective average levels.

The practical fidelity requirements were based upon actual experimental results reported by audio industry experts. Detailed references are provided in the bibliography so that you may review the background data and arrive at your own conclusions as to the validity of the assumptions behind the numbers. Like everything else on earth, audio fidelity does reach a point of diminishing returns. Improvement

beyond a certain point will be noticed by too few listeners to be of any practical consequence.

General test conditions

The objective here is to simulate as closely as possible the normal operating conditions of the station. Although we suggest sampling the system at the transmitter output, a high-quality off-air demodulator would be ideal, if available. An off-air demodulator has the advantage of taking transmitter and antenna bandpass irregularities into account. The demod must, however, be very flat to avoid invalid results. For stations with a modern wideband antenna and near-zero VSWR indications under static and modulations conditions, an output line tap makes the most sense.

Frequency response

Absolute frequency response accuracy over the audible bandpass does make an audible difference. Researchers exploring subtle differences in audio amplifier designs have found that errors as small as 0.2dB can be heard.^{1,2} As a matter of fact, if the levels and frequency responses of good-quality amplifiers are made equal, virtually no one can tell them apart in double blind testing. Therefore, very flat frequency response (strict adherence to the 75µsec non-Dolby or 25µsec Dolby pre-emphasis) is reflected in our performance objectives.

Because most musical content is in the 100Hz-10,000Hz range, we call for ± 0.2dB in the superior category and ± 0.5dB in the excellent classification. There is no reason that an FM broadcast system can't be absolutely flat



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Technical excellence in broadcasting is a full-time effort that demands careful attention to all links in the broadcast chain. The **BE** proof program provides guidelines to help engineers measure their systems against the capabilities of current equipment. Shown in the photographs are (1) announcer Terri Moore in the control room of KLSI, Kansas City; (2) the 445-foot transmitting tower of KUDL, Kansas City; and (3) the program automation equipment room at KUGN, Eugene, Oregon.

over this range, and in view of how critical flat response is to overall fidelity, it pays to optimize.

Somewhat looser tolerances are specified at the frequency extremes in recognition of practical highpass and lowpass filter considerations relative to sub-sonic warp components and 19kHz pilot filtering requirements. Fortunately, relatively little program material reaches the extremes of the band, so small response variations have less audible impact. As long as excessive frequency-dependent limiting is not employed, a station meeting the superior objectives would do extremely well against program input in a double-blind test comparing subjective frequency response. Most listeners would also have a tough time hearing any difference with the excellent parameters.

Although there has been much controversy over whether or not more than 15kHz response is required for perfect fidelity, many researchers have found little, if any, advantage to extension beyond 15kHz or 16kHz, even when the signal source is available for comparison.^{3,4} Snow's research results of 50 years ago are still valid today.⁵ As a matter of fact, I have conducted experiments wherein program material was passed through two cascaded 15kHz toroidal lowpass filters and no audible change could be detected, even with direct-to-disk sources and electrostatic headphones. A strong case, based on objective research, can be made for FM broadcast frequency response not being an audible limitation, if the response *within* the passband is optimally flat.

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processors, which do a superb job of preserving the high end while protecting against overmodulation. Because the super processors have most frequently been used as heavy artillery in the loudness wars, many users are not aware of how beautiful a psycho-

acoustic picture these units can paint when used with lower input levels, and a little audio artistry.

The recommended method for measuring response is as follows:

- Feed test tones into the line inputs used for music sources.

- With AGC voltages switched off, select a console level near 0VU that produces a convenient modulation level (50%, for example, at 300Hz).
- Vary the input frequency and record the difference in signal

Performance objectives

- System in stereo mode.
- Input signals applied to console line input(s) used for most program sources.
- System output sampled and demodulated at transmitter antenna output.
- All processing and EQ left in line and adjusted as usual.
- Operating level defined as 0VU or equivalent at console.

Frequency response Conditions

- AGC voltages switched off, not simply bypassed. Unfortunately, not all processors provide this feature. In such cases, use the bypass mode.
- Any convenient modulation level between 50% and 100%.
- Input level as required to maintain reference modulation level.
- Response error expressed as input level deviation required to maintain reference modulation level, compared to the 75 μ s characteristic for non-Dolby stations or 25 μ s characteristic with Dolby encoding.

Superior performance*

- \pm 1dB 30-15,000Hz
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Excellent performance**

- \pm 2dB 30-15,000Hz
- \pm 1dB 50-15,000Hz
- \pm 0.5dB 100-10,000Hz

*Superior performance is the first proposed BE spec representing the maximum performance capability of a state-of-the-art FM stereo facility.
**Excellent performance is the second proposed BE spec. Although it is tighter than the FCC numbers, it is attainable by almost any properly engineered station with typical equipment.

Distortion Conditions

- AGC switched on, input levels as required to produce specified console levels. De-emphasis in.

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- IMD = 0.5%, 60Hz & 7kHz 4:1

Excellent performance at standard operating level

- THD = 1% 50-7500Hz
- IMD = 1% 60Hz & 7kHz, 4:1 at operating level + 10dB
- THD = 1.5% 50-7500Hz
- IMD = 2% 60Hz & 7kHz, 4:1

Audio clipping Conditions

- Same as for distortion tests except that the input level is increased until left/right channel clipping is observed on an oscilloscope at the indicated test frequencies.
- Clipping level is defined as that level above operating level (0VU) required to produce visible clipping as the input level is increased.

Superior performance

- 30-5000Hz + 15dB

Excellent performance

- 50-5000Hz + 10dB

Composite clipping "A" conditions

- Composite output of the monitor demodulator viewed on an oscilloscope with the transmission system in the stereo mode (and 19kHz pilot on).
- Clipping level is defined as that level above operating level required to produce visible clipping of the total waveform.

Superior performance

- 15dB at 1kHz

Excellent performance

- 10dB at 1kHz

"B" conditions

- Switch pilot off, view waveform clipping as defined above.

Superior performance

- 10dB at 7.5kHz
- 5dB at 15kHz

Excellent performance

- 10dB at 7.5kHz

Noise Conditions

- Measured at each stereo audio channel output with all processing equipment in the line and adjusted for normal operation.
- Noise level is referred to the output level produced by an input signal at 0VU at the console.

Superior performance

- -60dB, 30-15,000Hz unweighted, de-emphasis in.

Excellent performance

- -56dB, 30-15,000Hz unweighted, de-emphasis in.

Separation Conditions

- Measured at each stereo audio channel output with all processing equipment in the line and adjusted for normal operation.

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Excellent performance

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generator output required to maintain the exact same modulation level.

- Compare the recorded results to the standard pre-emphasis curve in use ($25\mu\text{sec}$ or $75\mu\text{sec}$) to calculate the frequency response error.

An alternate method would be to feed the test signals at a low enough input level to keep the total modulation down around -20dB (excluding pilot) and measure the response at the de-emphasized audio outputs. This produces quicker results because response is read directly and no calculations are required. Obviously, this is not quite as accurate as the traditional method described above, because the monitor's de-emphasis networks will have some small error. If exact testing shows that the system is a little off and corrective EQ is required, the de-emphasized output route is a convenient adjustment tool. When everything looks flat, the final check can then be made by the traditional modulation sensitivity-vs-frequency method.

Distortion

Our distortion tests are based upon twin objectives:

1. Keeping the test tone frequencies

low enough so that at least the second harmonic of the highest audio frequency input will fall within the system's 15kHz pass-band. Therefore, no test time will be spent making harmonic distortion measurements at frequencies where the harmonics have been filtered out in the stereo generator, and possibly the test demodulator. Virtually everyone who has done an FM stereo proof is familiar with the phenomenon in which the distortion at 10kHz and 15kHz is the same whether the test tone is on or off. The test instruments are reading noise.

2. System performance is probed at two important levels:

- At operating level, because that is where most of the program energy is most of the time.
- At 10dB above operating level to be sure that most program peaks are cleanly reproduced.

When distortion measurements are being made, we have specified that the AGC voltages be switched back on. After all, that's the way stations broadcast, and that's what the listener hears. Excessively fast attack-time constants will produce low-frequency and IM distortion (in older limiter

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Although every chief engineer will have his own opinion as to what the optimum processor input level should be, high compression figures will make it more difficult to pass the $+10\text{dB}$ distortion tests. Consider the fact that if 0VU on the console is right at the threshold of limiting (under these conditions 6dB - 10dB of compression will be indicated with program material) a 7.5kHz input will be compressed by early 12dB due to pre-emphasis. If the level is increased to 10dB above operating level, 22dB of compression will result. Most systems should still provide fairly low distortion at 22dB of compression, although the 0.5% superior objective might be illusive. If 0VU at the console is 10dB above the threshold of limiting, the resulting total of 32dB of compression at 7.5kHz might let the signal get into the safety clippers.

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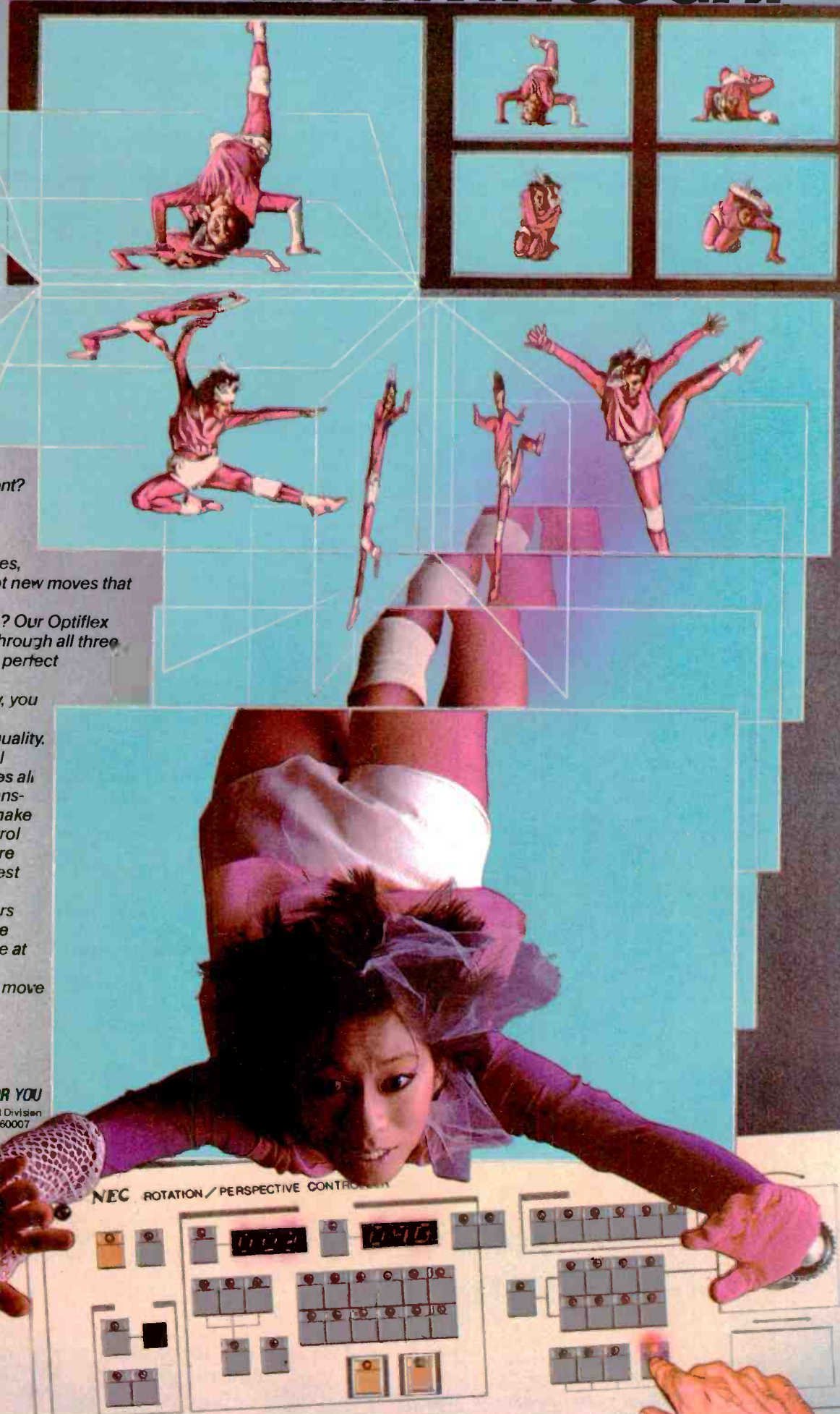
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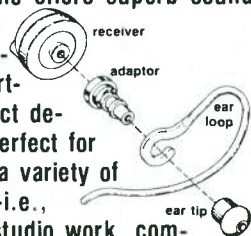


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vides loudness with a second breath. We assume here that the folks who subscribe to that school of thought abandoned us after Part I, paragraph one, and we make no apologies for suggesting that clipping should not be a routine event.

Although the IM tests are relatively impervious to system noise, the THD tests are limited by the noise floor. If the noise is 60dB below 100% modulation (mono noise measurement), the S/N ratio of either stereo audio channel is about 54dB (10% pilot + 45% for one channel leaves 45% remaining for the second audio channel). When most modern mod monitors make the FM Left or Right noise test, 6dB is added to the actual audio S/N ratio to refer the noise level to 100% modulation, as specified by the FCC rules. Distortion test readings are, however, susceptible to the noise floor below the recovered left or right channel audio voltage, thus a 6dB impairment. Actually, the lower figure measured at the de-emphasized audio output terminals is what the listener hears.

If a station is just making present FCC specs, a 54dB S/N ratio at the audio outputs would amount to a 0.2% residual reading when making the distortion tests. Our 0.3% superior and 1% excellent performance objectives recognize this fact. If a low-frequency spectrum analyzer is available, the distortion components can be picked out of the noise, and readings down to 0.1% are possible.

It is a worthwhile goal to try and get the distortion products down to the noise level, and the noise level down to -56dB to -60dB at the audio outputs. Although THD and IM tests alone do not check dynamic instability problems like TIM, careful selection of high slew rate components in the audio chain and THD/IM figures down in the noise floor will leave an audiophile audience impressed.

Clipping

The clipping objectives target audio clipping at the audio output, and pilot clipping at the composite output. Either will obviously cause distortion on peaks. The audible consequences of such clipping range from harshness to gross peak distortion. Because peak energy in music falls off rapidly above 5kHz, and the most irritating distortion components of higher frequencies will fall out of the audible pass-band, the audio clipping tests stop there. At 15dB above operating level and 8dB of pre-emphasis at 5kHz, this is a fairly severe test. The 2-tone composite clipping tests are also demanding, but important. Pilot clipping is difficult to detect visually (on an oscilloscope). It looks like slightly less

peak-to-peak amplitude of the pilot waveform as it rides on the composite audio wave peaks. The best way to ensure freedom from clipping is to vary the input to the clipper while watching the pilot on the main wave peaks to determine the clipper threshold. The threshold of clipping can then be noted and avoided.

The combination of very low distortion at operating levels and freedom from clipping at high peak levels under actual operating conditions results in audio transmission that is clean and open, with never a trace of harshness. It is the stuff that long listening spans are made of.

Noise

In many cases, system noise is the most frustrating parameter to bring under control. The opportunities for poor results are legion and the Telco/STL stories legend. Fortunately, many noise problems are in the STL and not the transmission system. Over the years, I have experienced more trouble with RFI in STL receivers and Telco closets than noise in transmitters.

Many engineers disconnect the Telco lines or microwave receiver and, upon finding that the noise goes away, conclude that the line or link is bad. A cavity filter on the microwave receiver antenna input or careful shielding of Telco loops can make a world of difference. If modulation monitor RFI infiltration is suspected, a quick test with a remote receiver will isolate the problem.

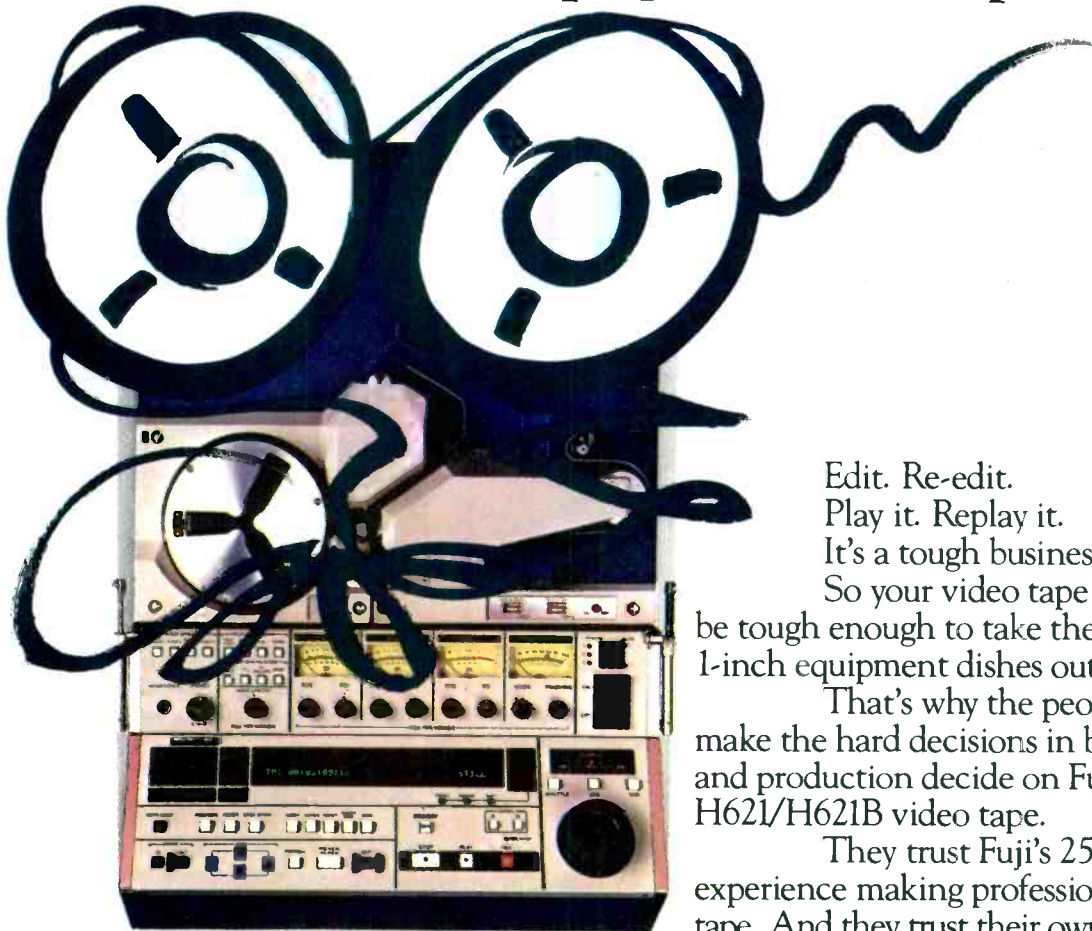
For many years, program source noise has been so much more audible than even a marginal FM station S/N that many engineers have become complacent about this area of performance. With CD digital source material proliferating, it's a whole new ball game. To make matters worse, popular home audio systems with sizzling highs accentuate any hiss.

Our superior objective reflects state-of-the-art transmitter performance (about -66dB) and assumes that the noise contribution from the audio chain and STL is minimal. Referenced to 100% modulation, -66dB noise at the transmitter means -60dB out of each audio channel. If the audio chain noise is kept down to -70dB or less, the overall S/N for the system will be close to 60dB. The excellent objective of 56dB is just 2dB better than that needed to make the FCC requirement. But every decibel of noise improvement is tough to come by.

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dynamic range isn't a limit at all unless the program input exhibits greater dynamic range.⁶ Most program material in most formats stays within a 20dB range most of the time. Another key factor is that the apparent loudness continues to increase as the threshold of limiting is exceeded and compression begins. The limiter may present a peak modulation barrier, but loudness forges ahead as density increases. Therefore, a station operating program levels a few dB under the threshold of limiting can present a somewhat greater apparent

dynamic range than is electrically possible.

A more important question is whether a 60dB S/N ratio provides a low enough noise floor at a receiver playing at high levels in the home. This leads to the subjective determination of how high is high. However, millions of audiophiles have found similar S/N ratios quite acceptable in Dolby-equipped tape decks. In practice, if one monitors a well-engineered FM station during a quiet period between program segments and adjusts receiver volume so that the residual

noise is just perceptible at the listening position (assuming full receiver quieting), a considerable din will be generated when the next segment reaches full volume. The hardest part of arranging this demonstration is finding a period of true silence, devoid of higher noise floors from various sources, especially if the console operator tends to leave pots open.

Stereo separation

The **BE** proof separation tests are made in the traditional manner by feeding tones into one channel while measuring the leakage into the other. Our low-end separation objectives are looser than for mid- and high-frequencies in recognition of the non-directional acoustic properties of long audio wavelengths, and the fact that the bass is usually mixed to center for disk production. In large orchestral recordings employing 2-microphone techniques, lower frequencies end up in both mics, even when not intentionally mixed to mono, because of the long wavelengths involved. In view of this, it seems silly to strive for more low-frequency separation than we have recommended.

In the mid- and high ranges, we look for more separation than the FCC specifies to preserve stereo imaging. Program sources rarely provide greater than 30dB of separation, so we suggest 6dB to 10dB more than that to ensure that the transmission system is not a limiting factor.

Recommended processing levels

Obviously, a station can test quite well under static conditions and sound mediocre because of excessive processing. Because it is the intent of the **BE** proof series to propose performance objectives that describe performance in the excellent to superior strata, completeness requires recommending processing targets. To that end, we suggest the following operating levels below the threshold of limiting (400Hz tone input to one channel):

- Classical/Fine Arts -6 to -10dB
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The fastest way to adjust for a given operating level-vs.-limiting threshold is to feed a test tone down one channel at a time, at a console level above 0VU equal to how far below the limiting threshold the operating level is to be. The processor input level for the active channel is then adjusted for the first sign of gain reduction. Normal console program levels will then cor-

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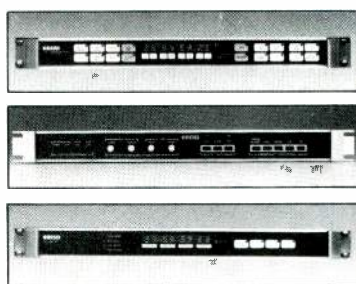
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Final thoughts

Achieving the fidelity objectives suggested in the **BE** proof program means more than simply providing outstanding FM audio. It means that participating stations are back in the high-fidelity business and ready to meet the challenges of the digital audio world creeping up on us. FM broadcasters will find improved source signals widening the gap between FM quality and home system quality, unless FM can once again establish itself as a high-fidelity medium.

It may well be that a whole generation of broadcast engineers who were reluctant soldiers in the loudness wars will respond to the call to serve under a new and more rewarding banner. For listeners fortunate enough to have these stations in their area, perhaps Dr. Armstrong's promise of FM fidelity will not be a promise lost after all.

Editor's note:

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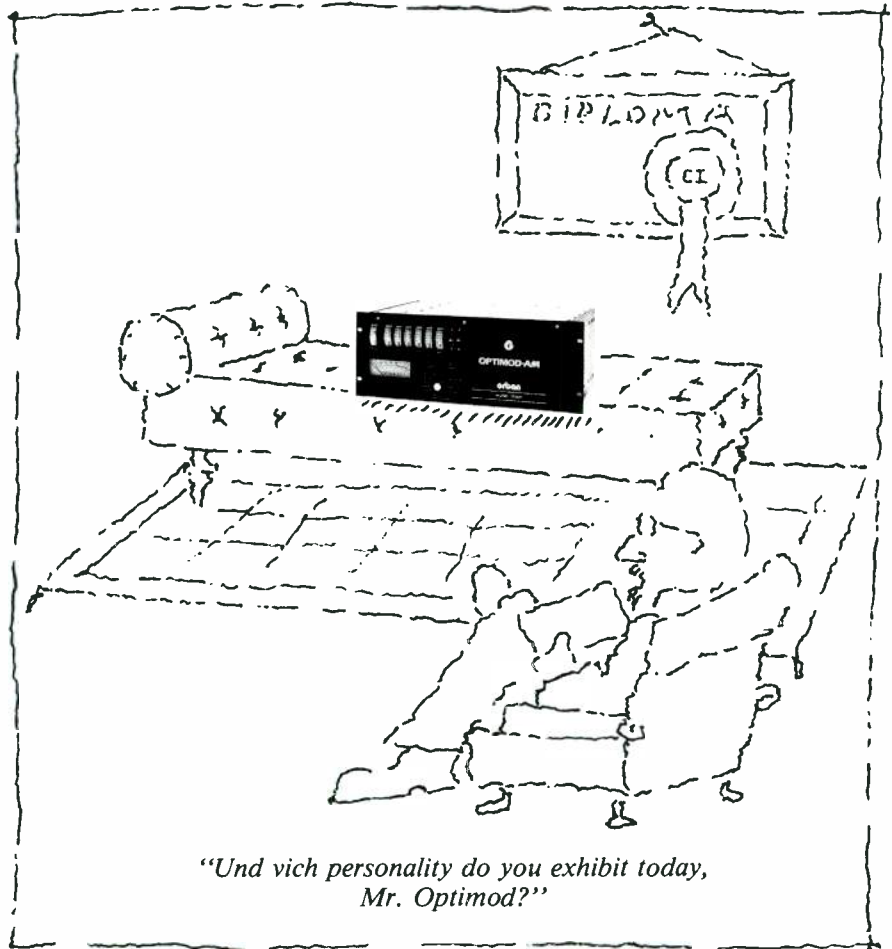
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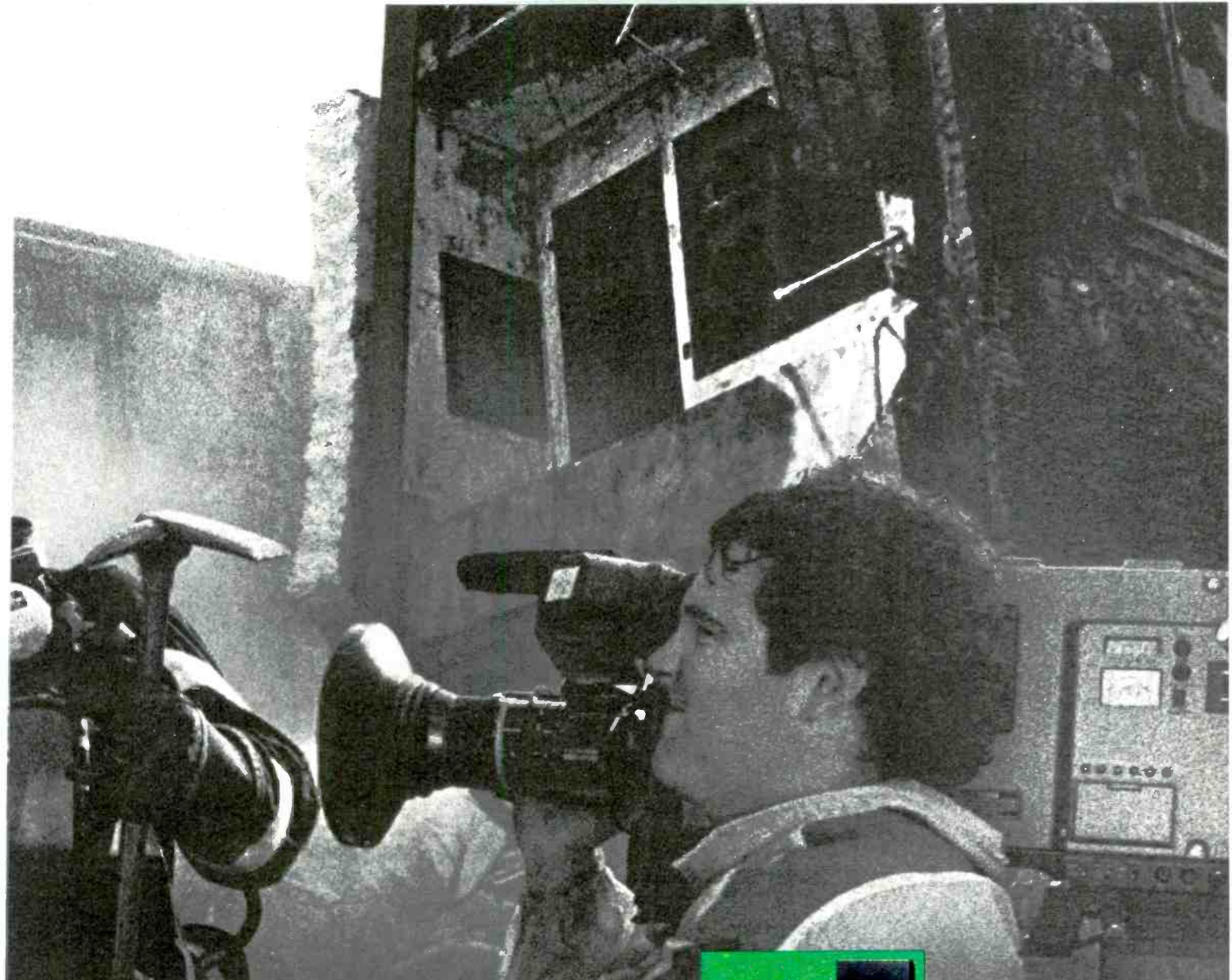
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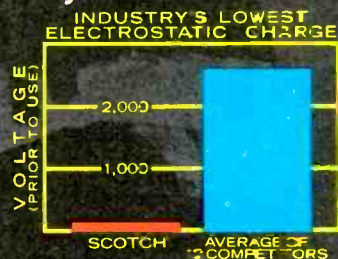


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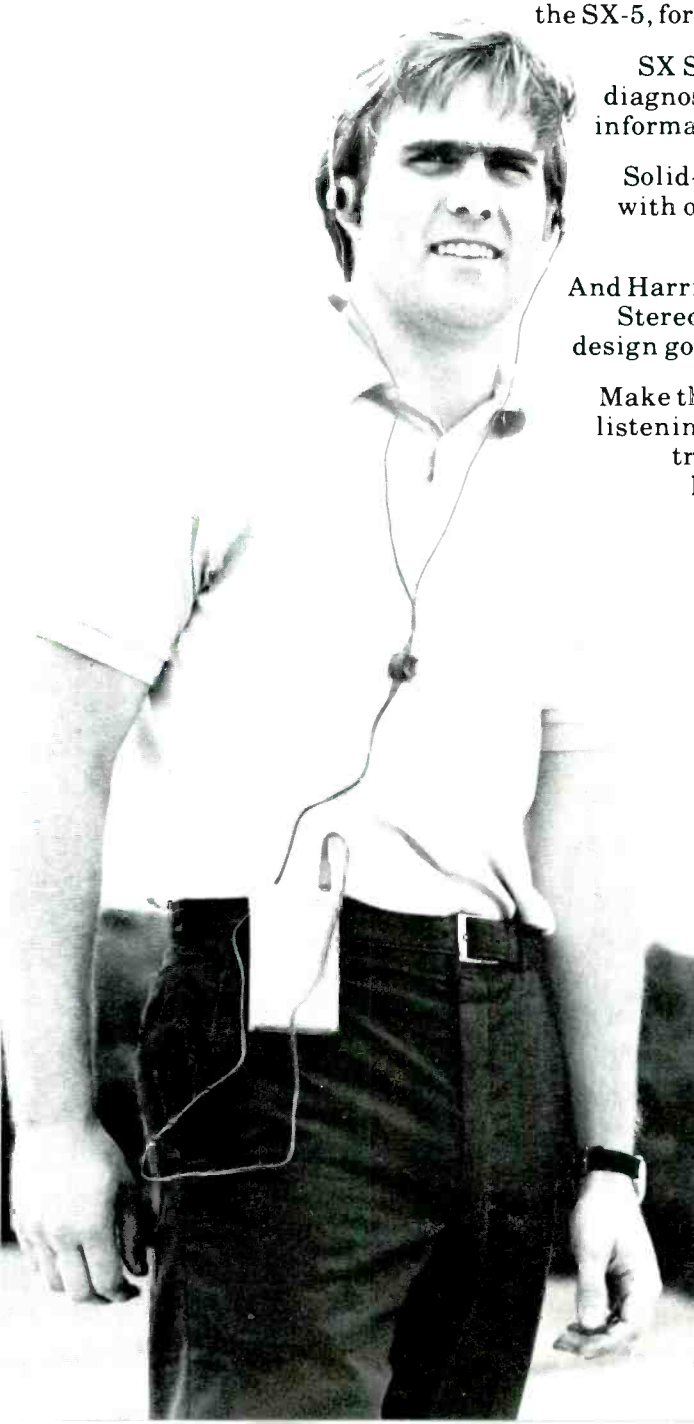
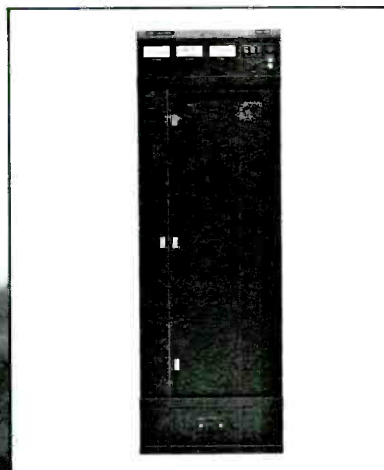
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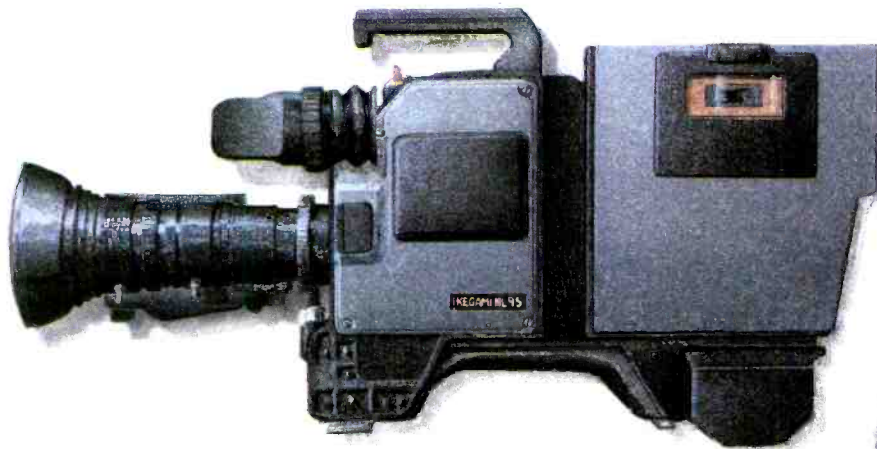
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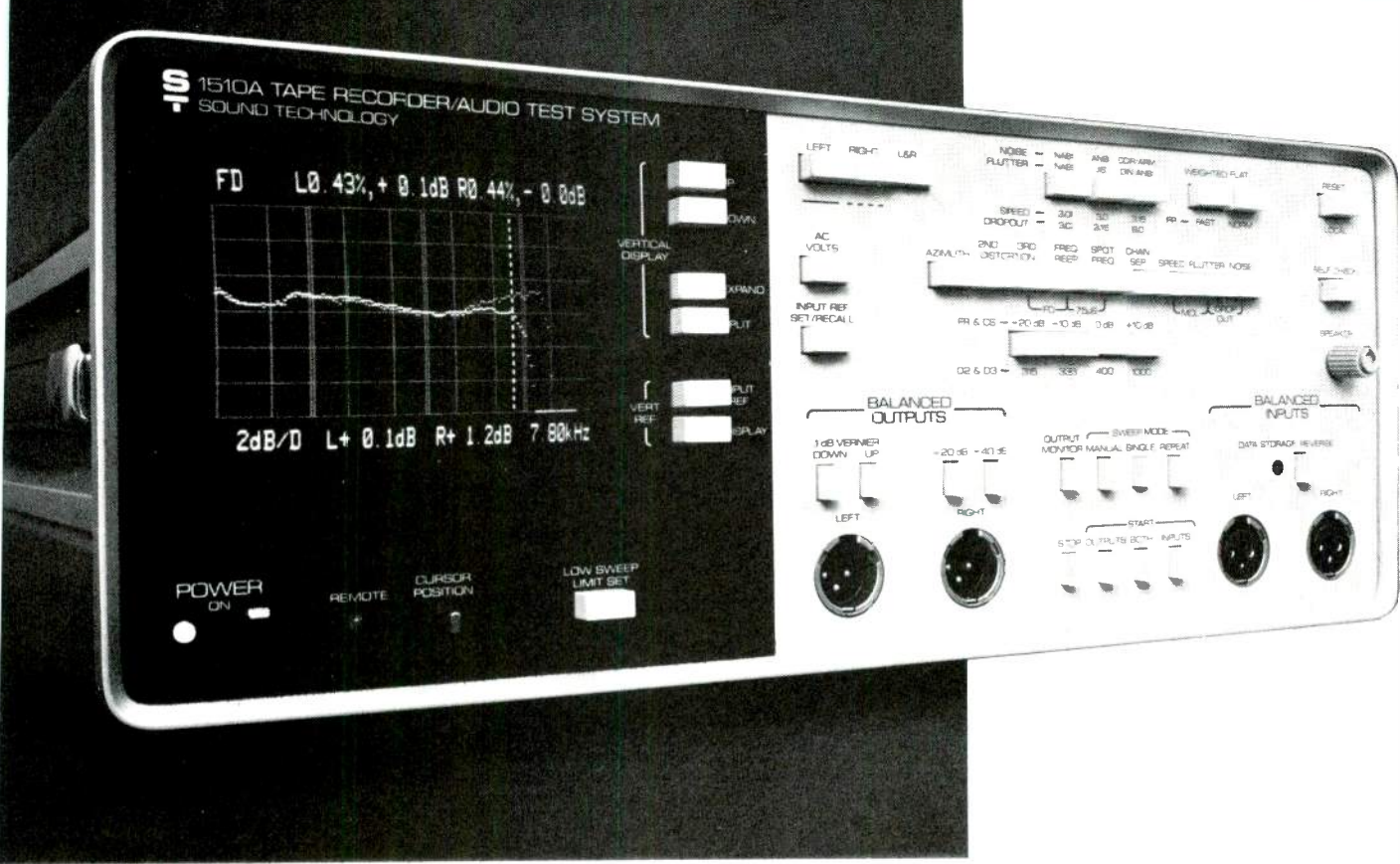
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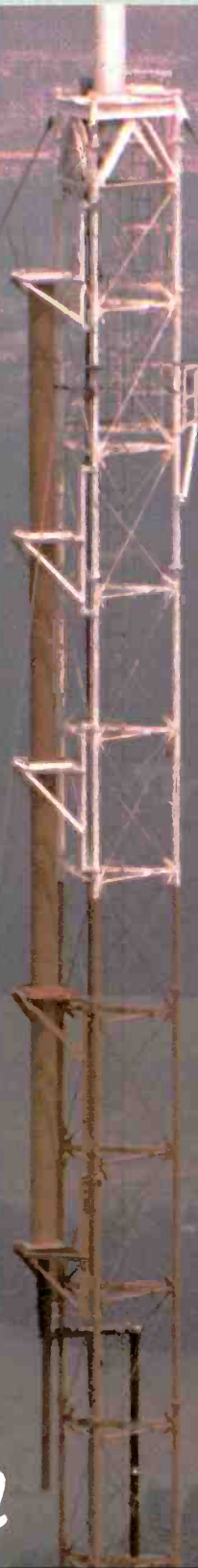
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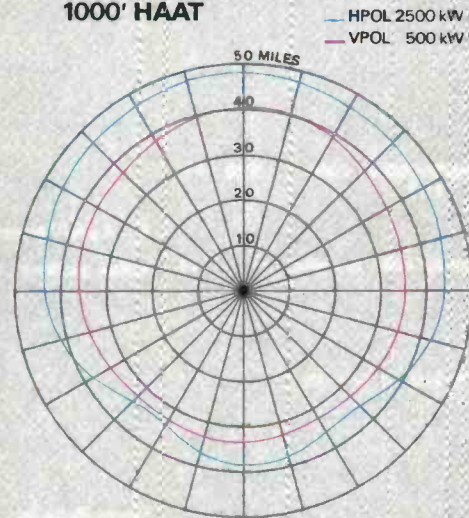
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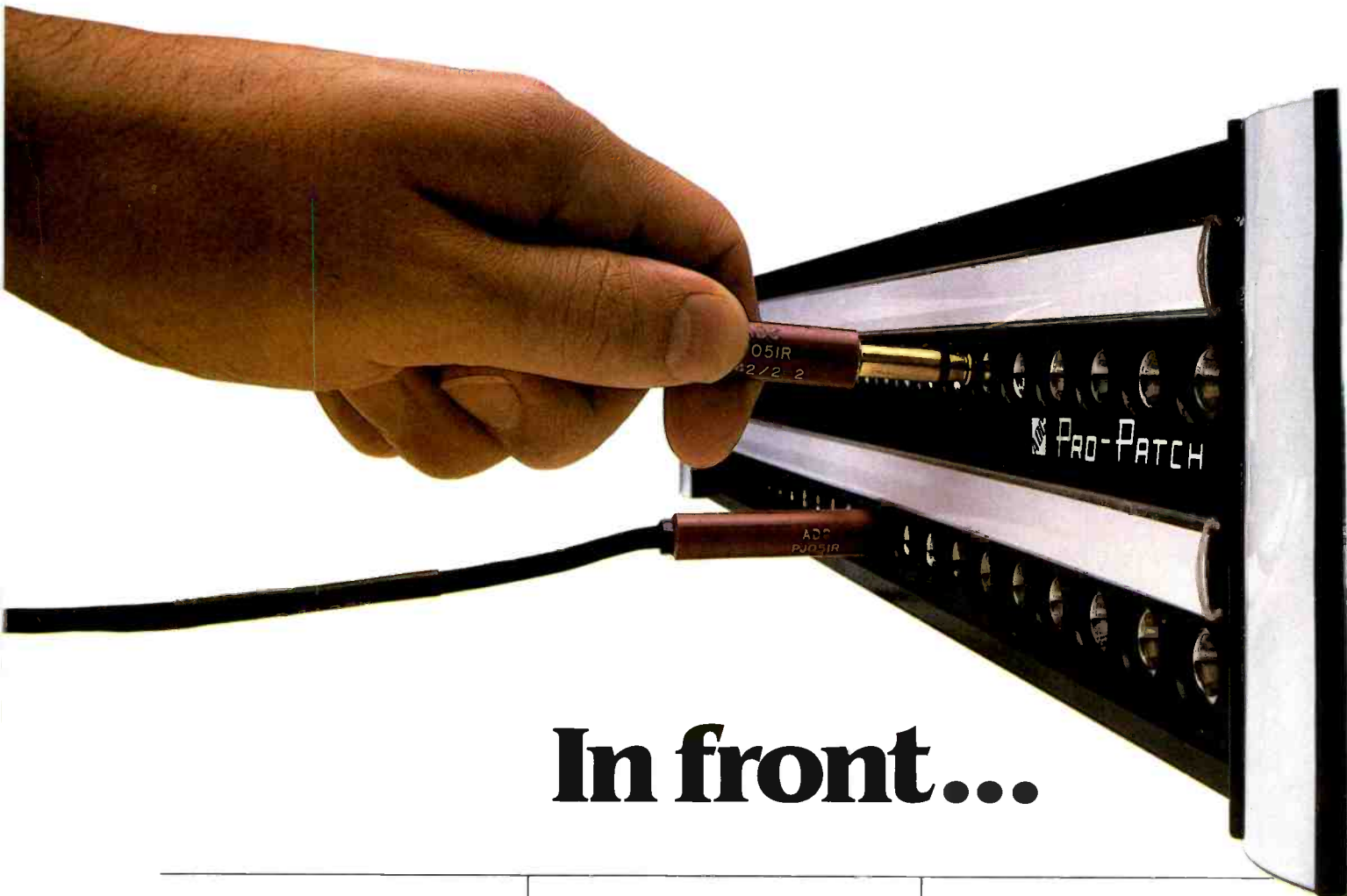
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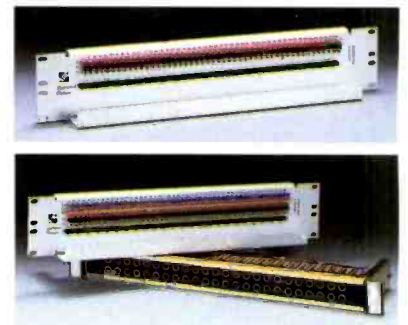


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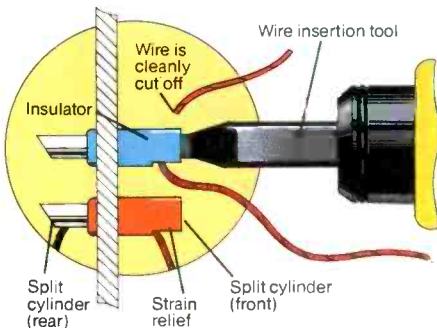
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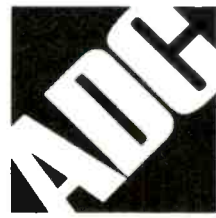
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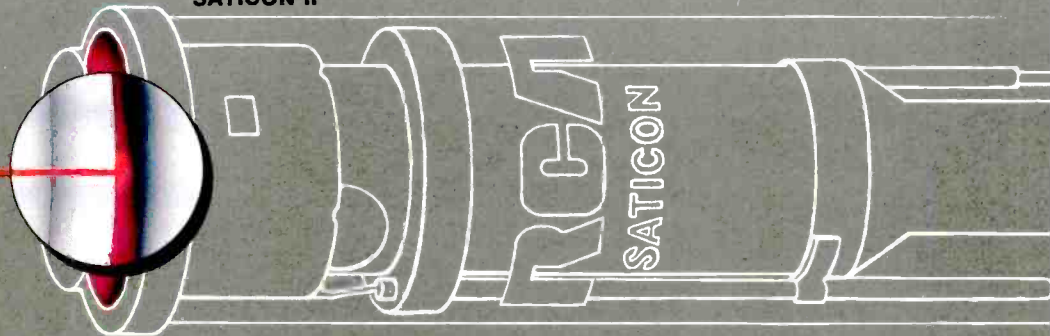
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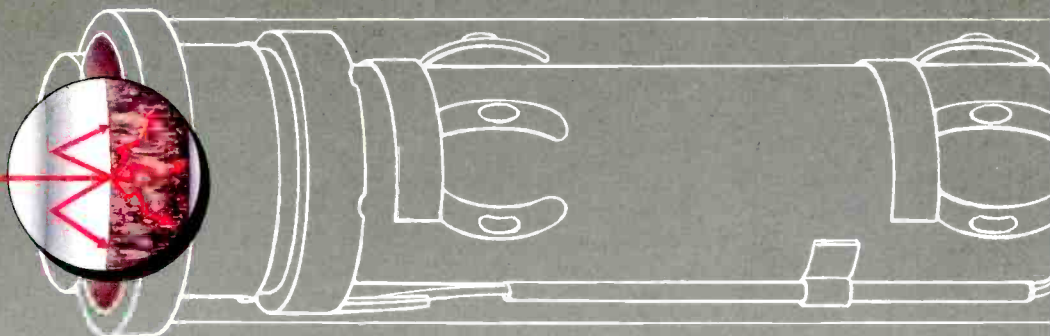
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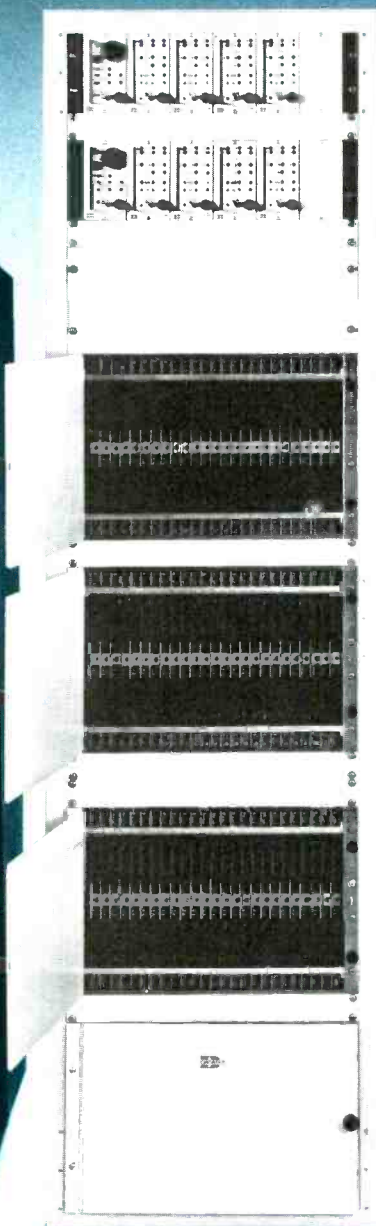
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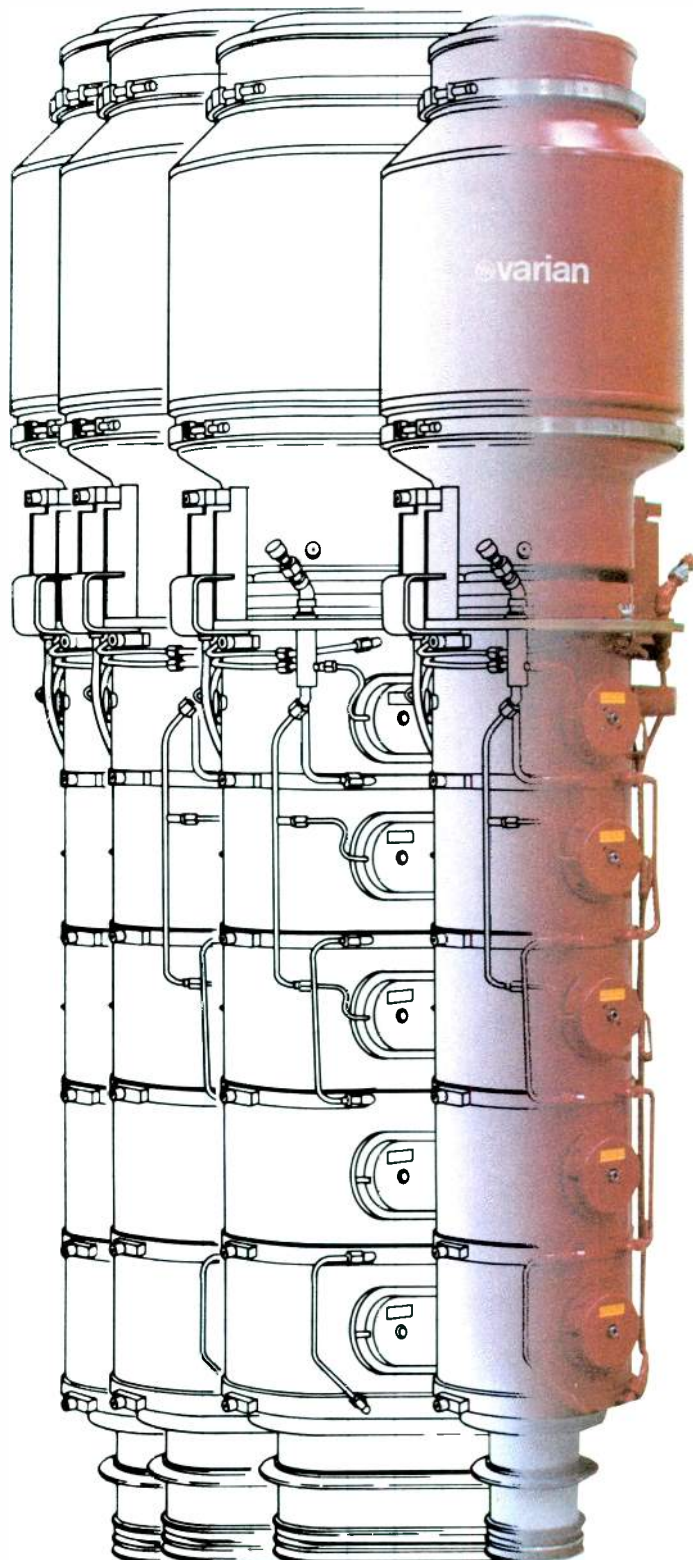
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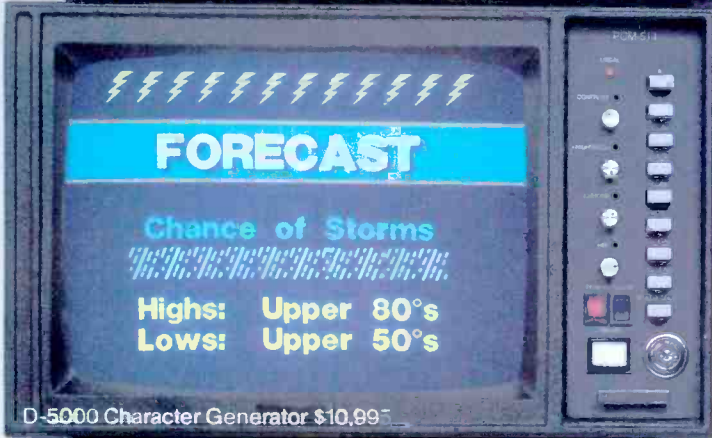
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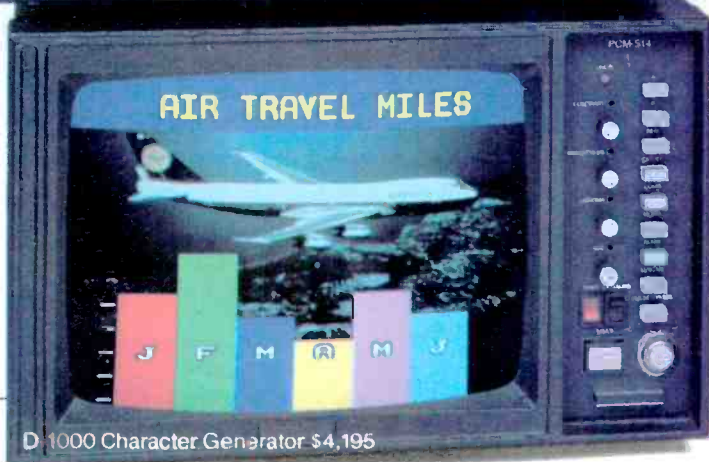
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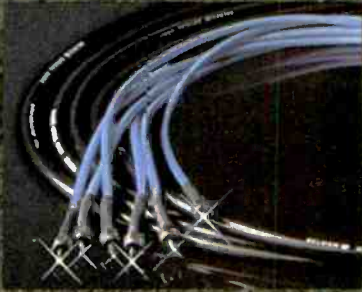
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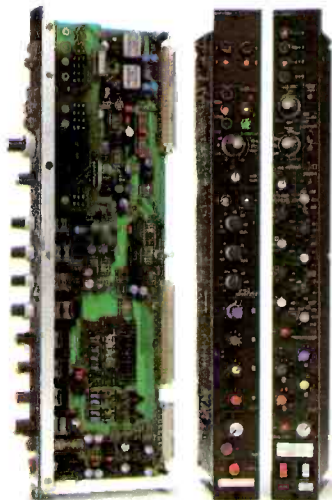
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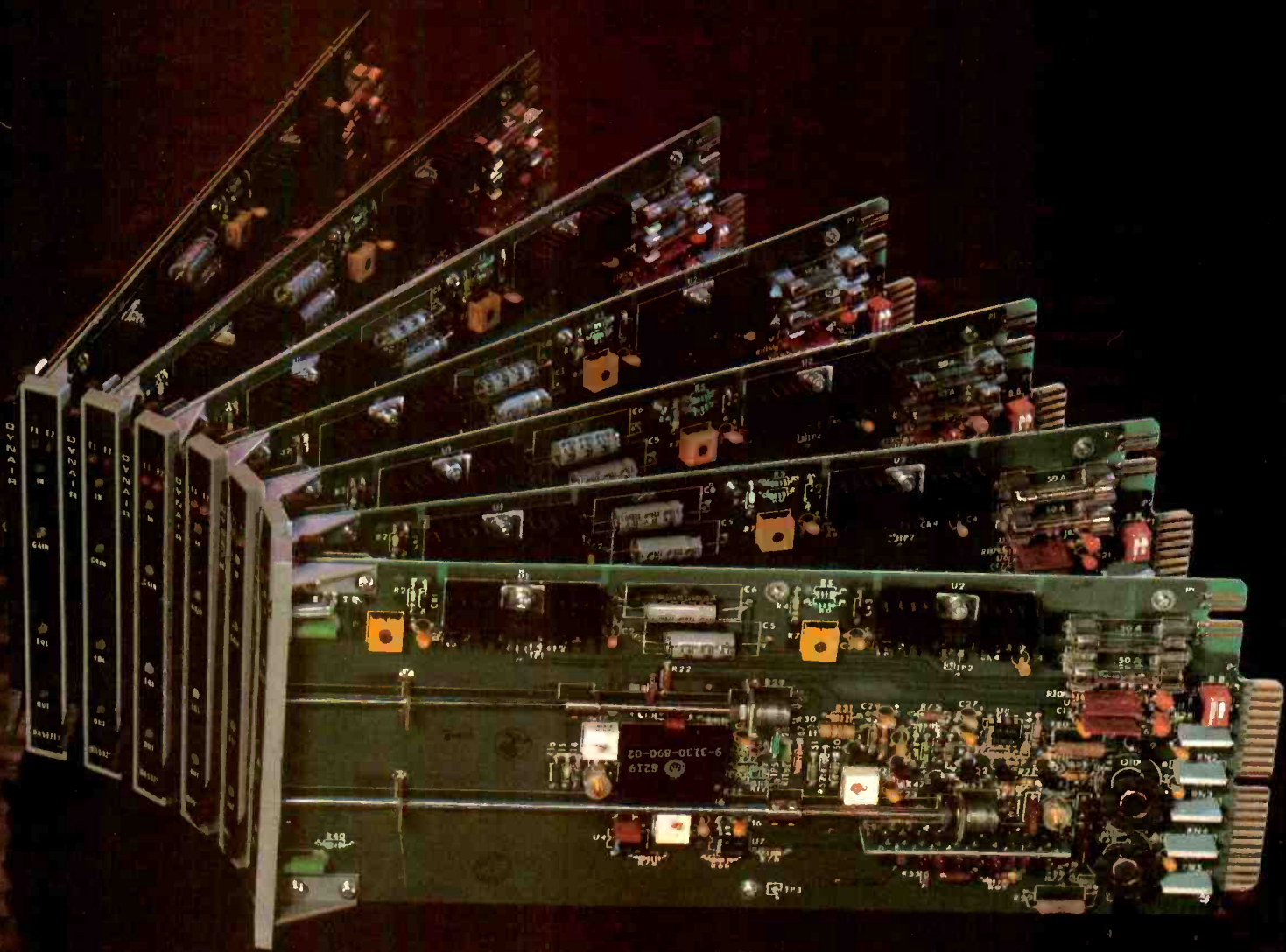
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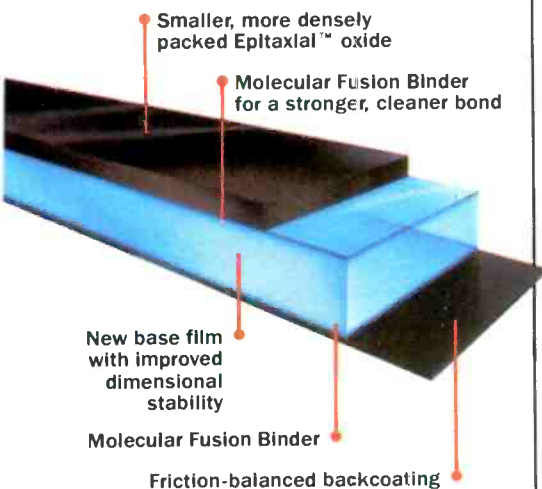


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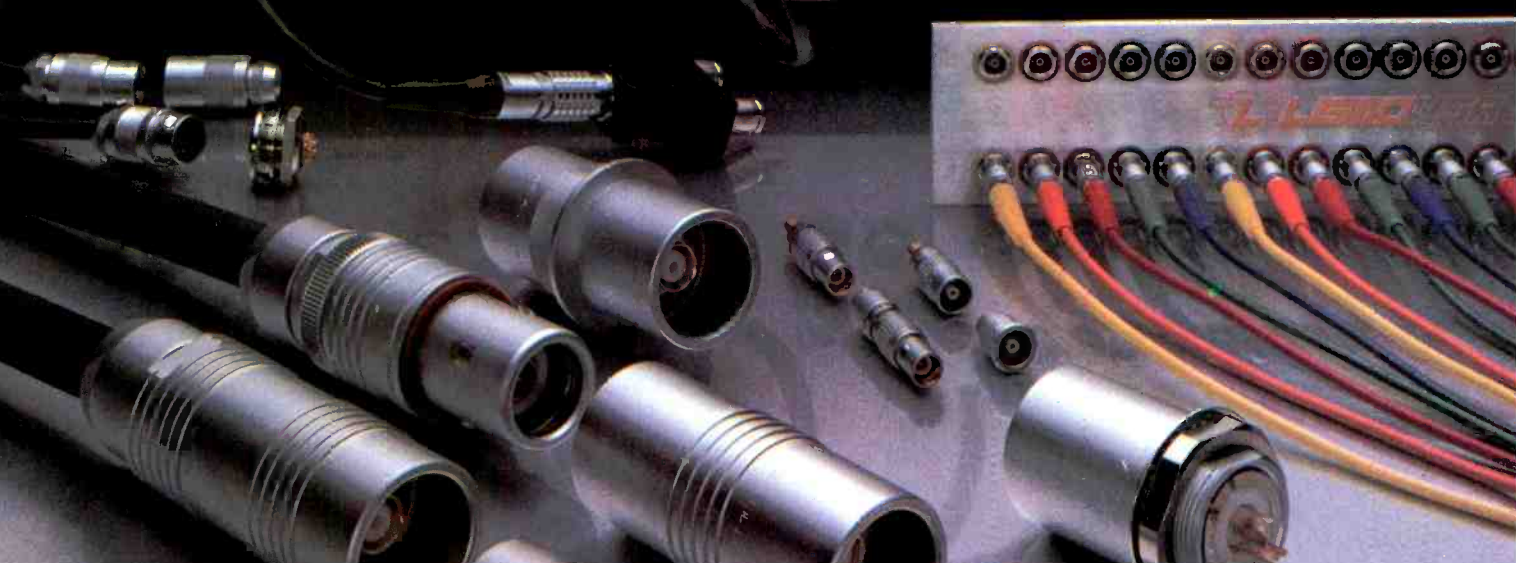
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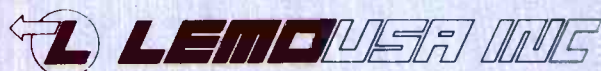
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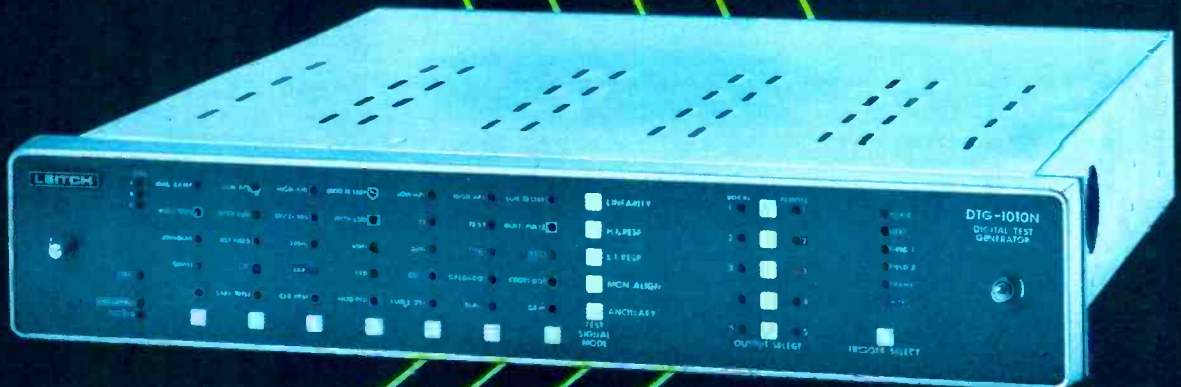
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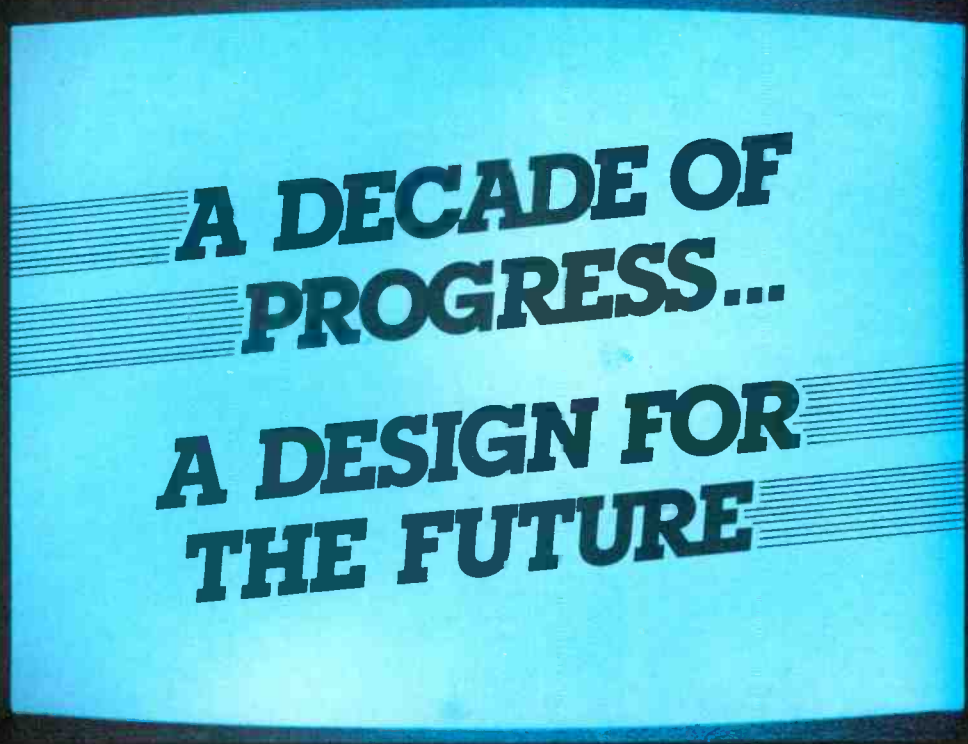
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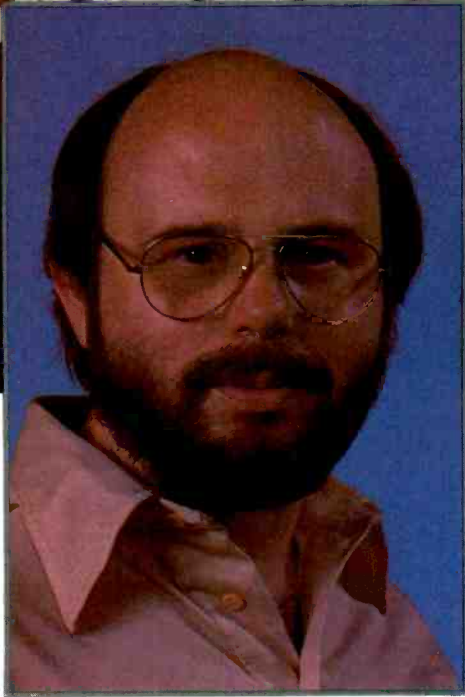
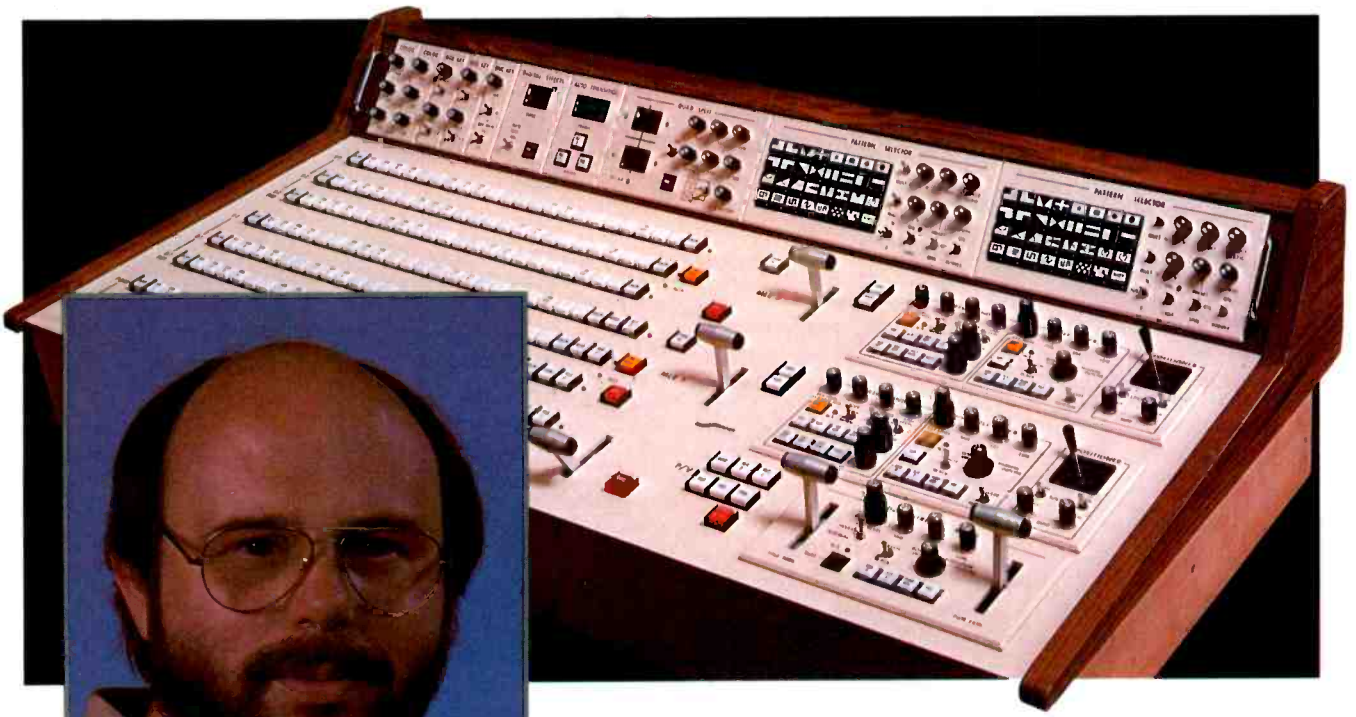
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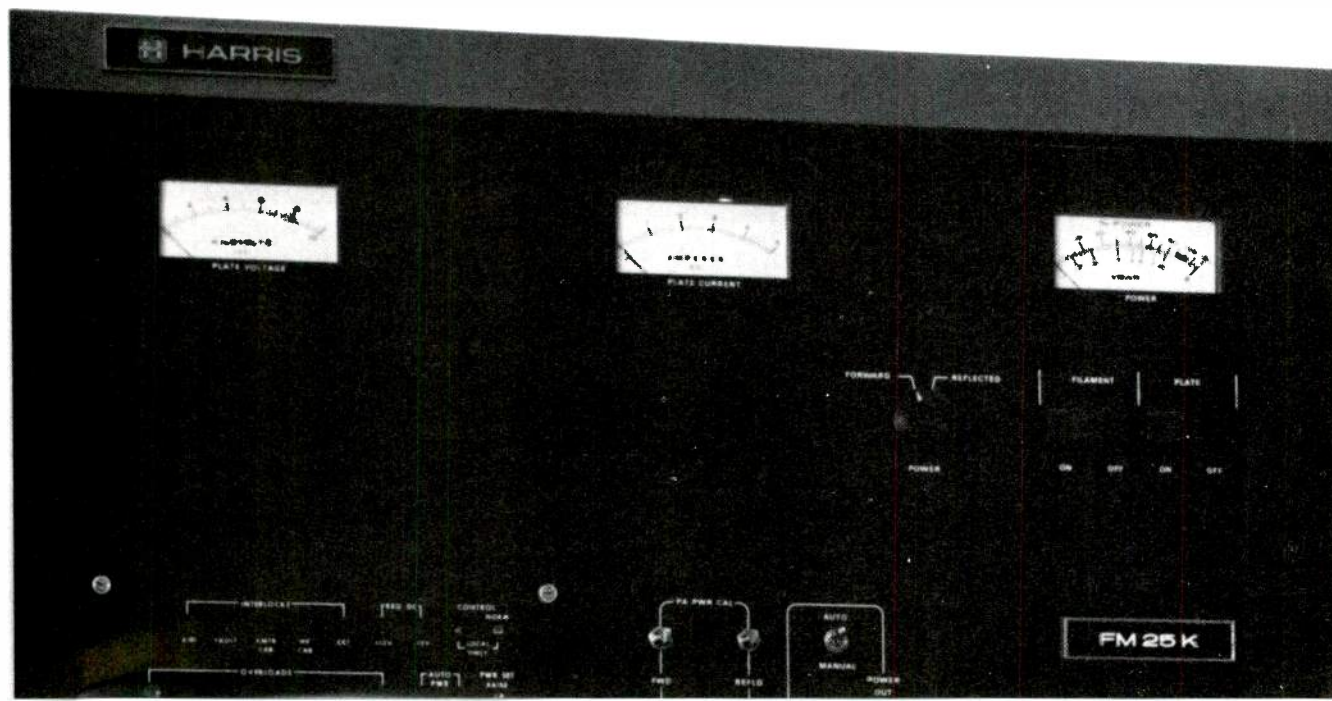
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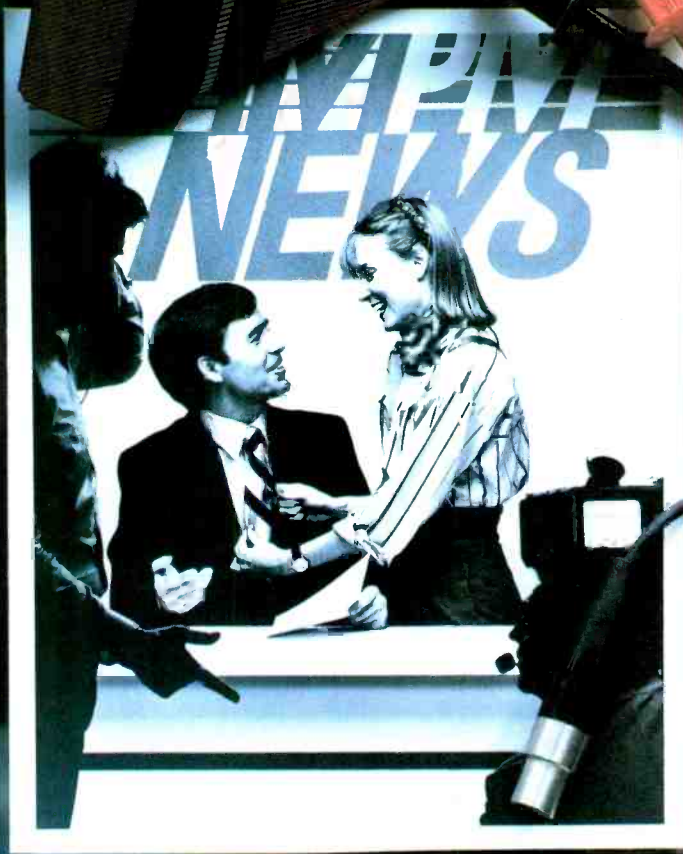
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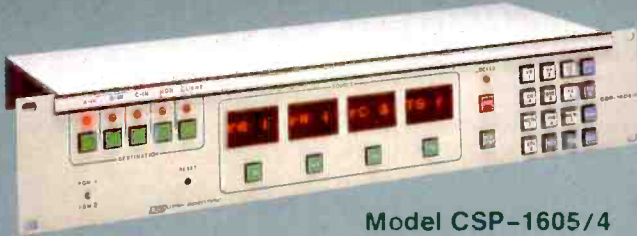
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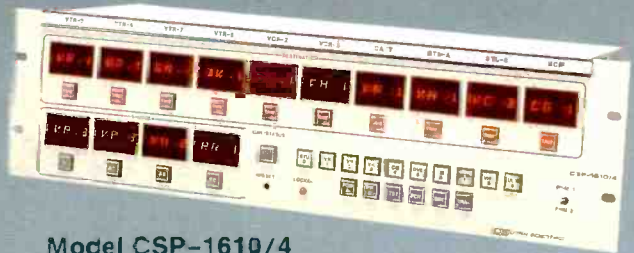
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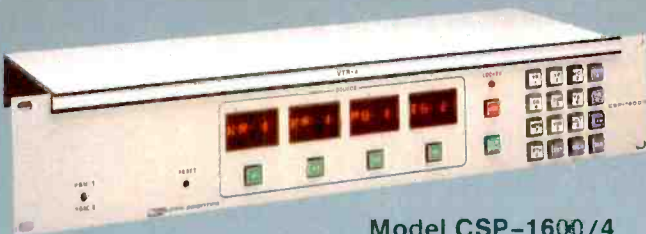
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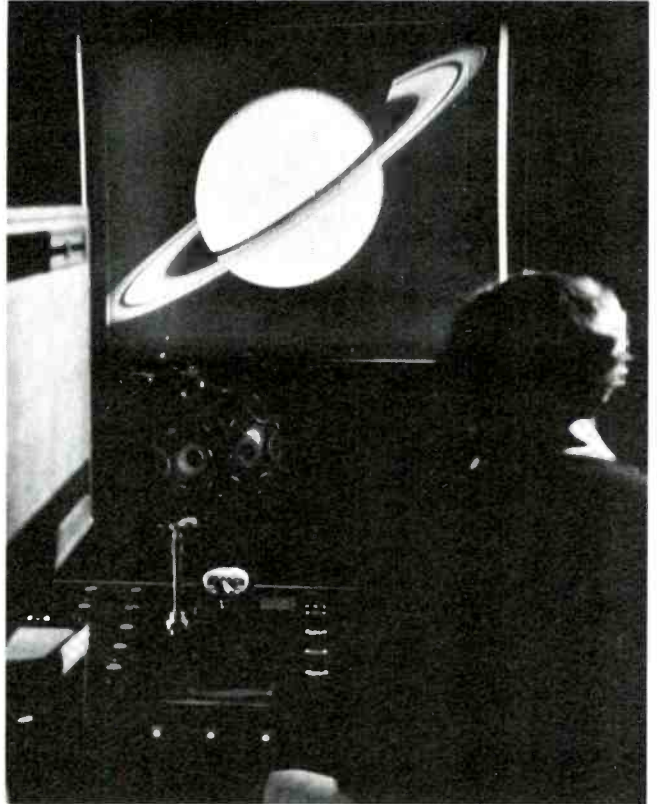
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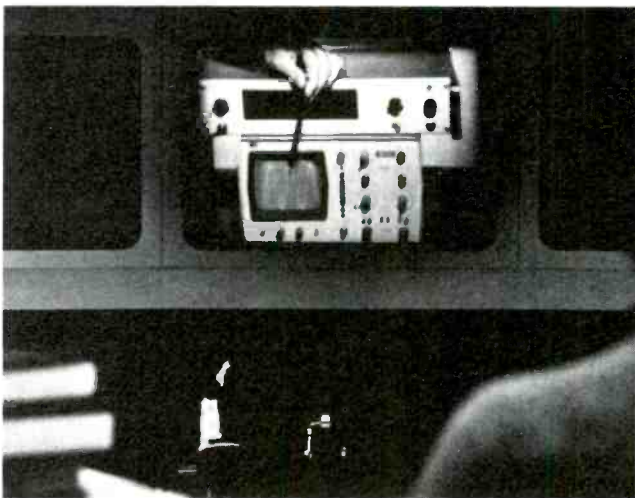
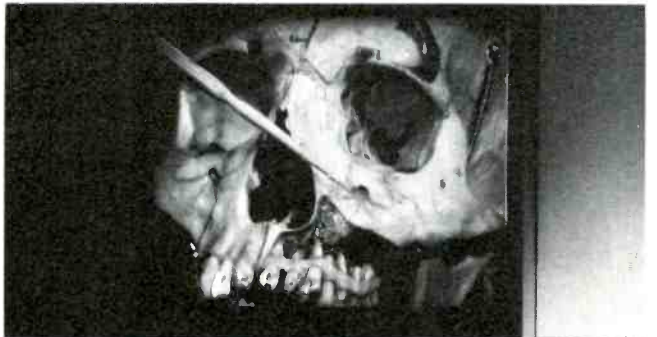
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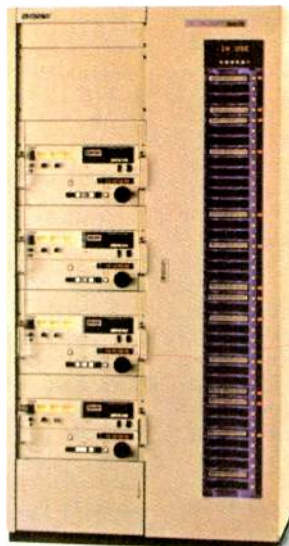
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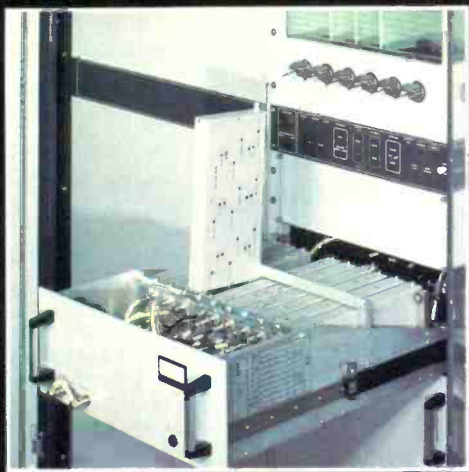


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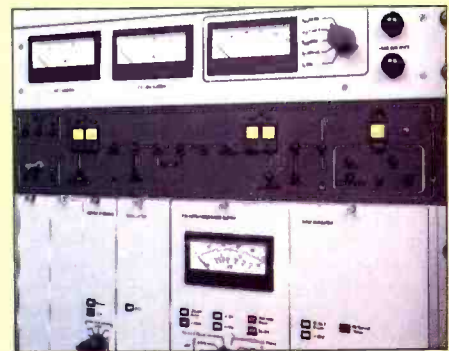
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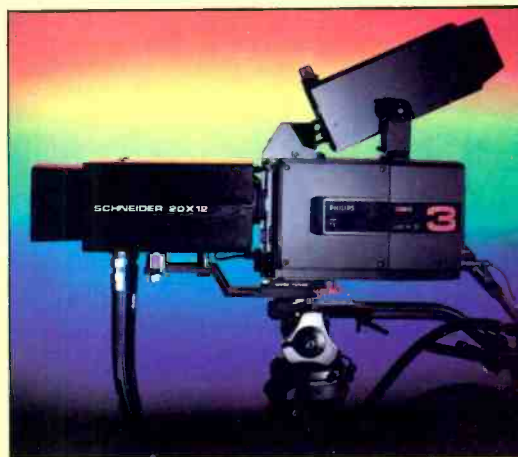
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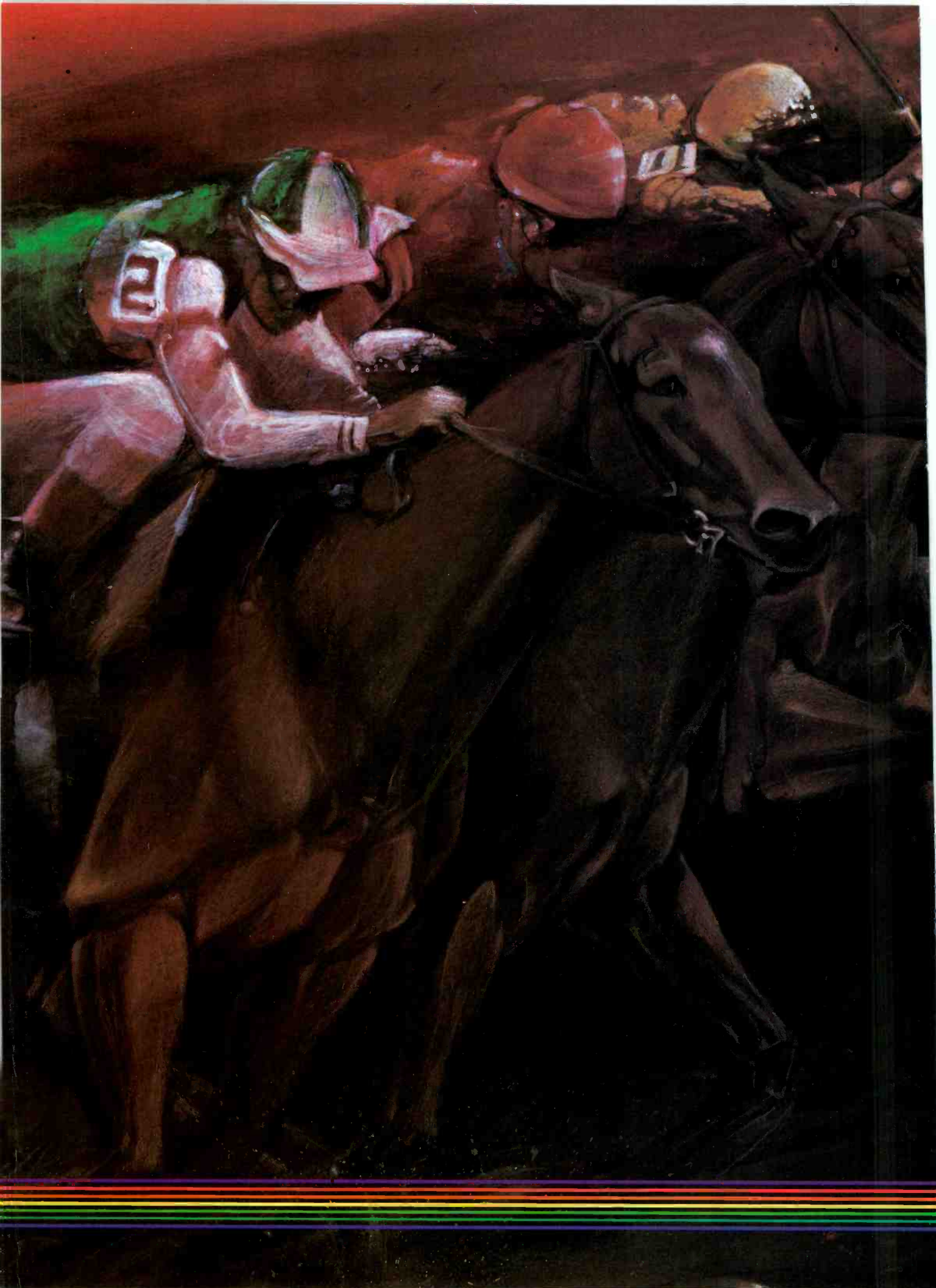
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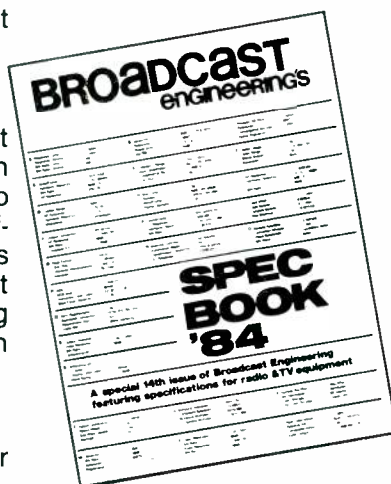
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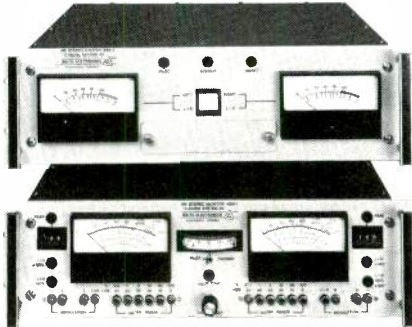
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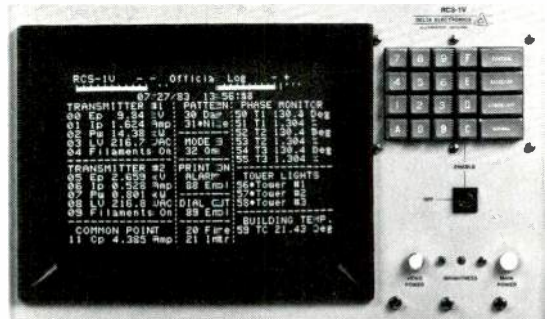
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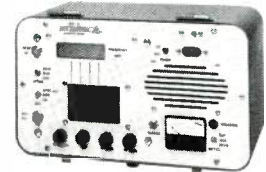
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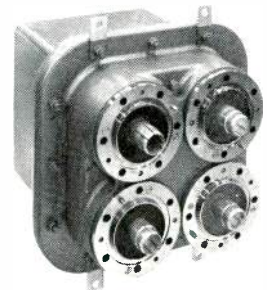
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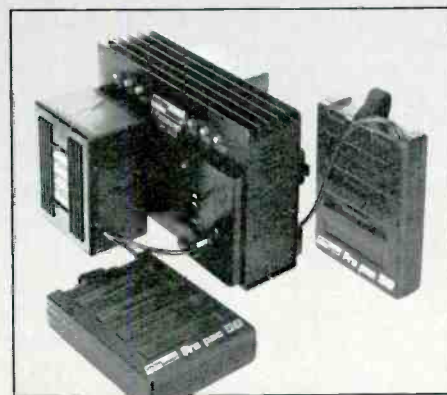
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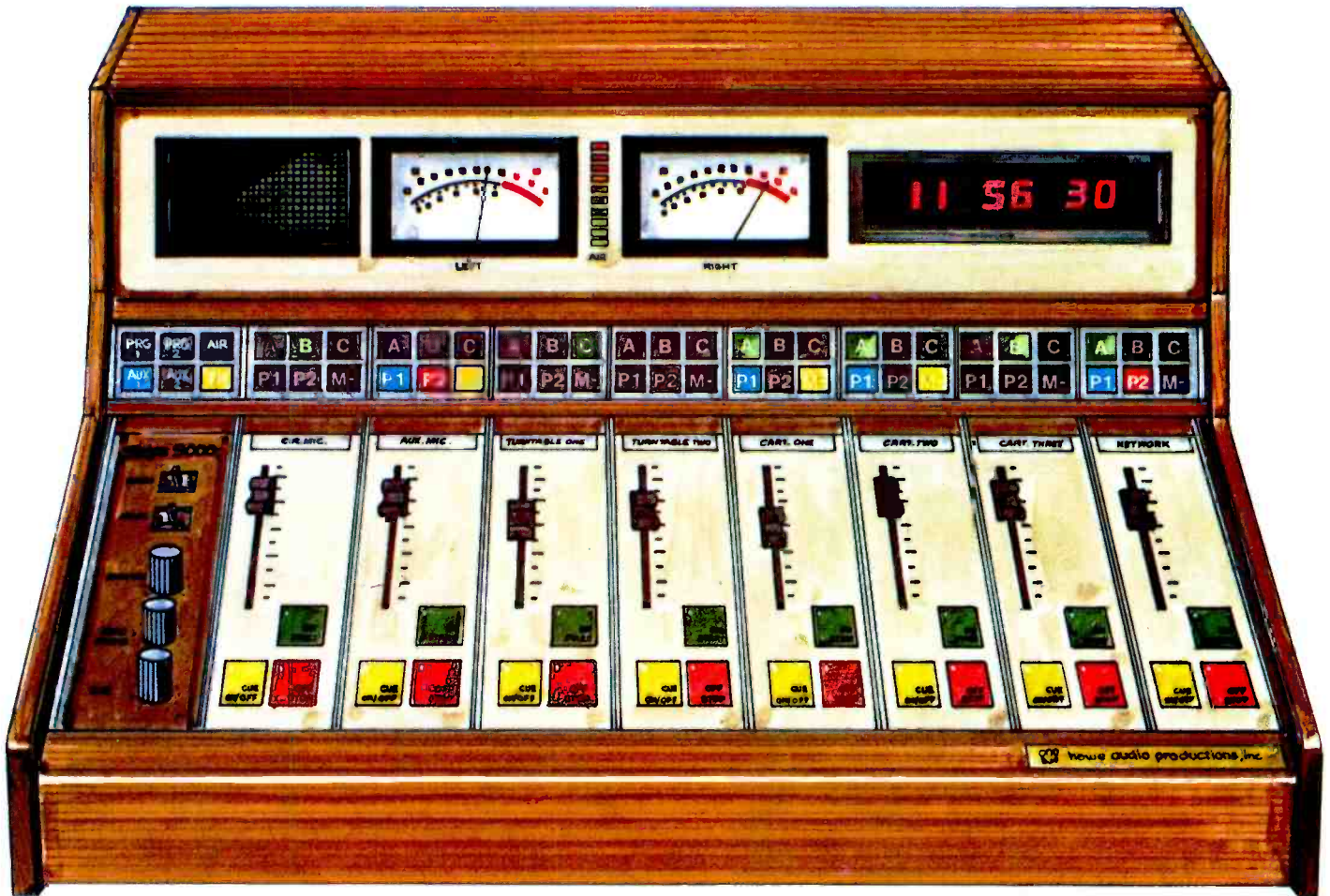
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An example of the typical dealer/distributor listing, the geographic area and products are included on this page to assist you. We think you will find that this section, along with the updated *Product Directory* and *Broadcast Product Manufacturers' Addresses* sections, make this issue the most useful and comprehensive purchasing aid for the broadcast industry.

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Sound Genesis, 2001 Bryant St., San Francisco, CA 94110 (415-285-8900) AK, AZ, CA, CO, HI, ID, MT, NV, NM, OR, UT, WA Audio for Video; Tape; Service & Repair; System Design; Used Equip.

Sound Investment Enterprises, Box 4139, Thousand Oaks, CA 91359 (818-991-3400) AL, AZ, AR, CA, CC, FL, HI, IL, IN, IA, KS, LA, MI, MS, MO, NV, NM, NC, OK, OR, SC, TN, TX, UT, WY Audio Equip.; Systems Design

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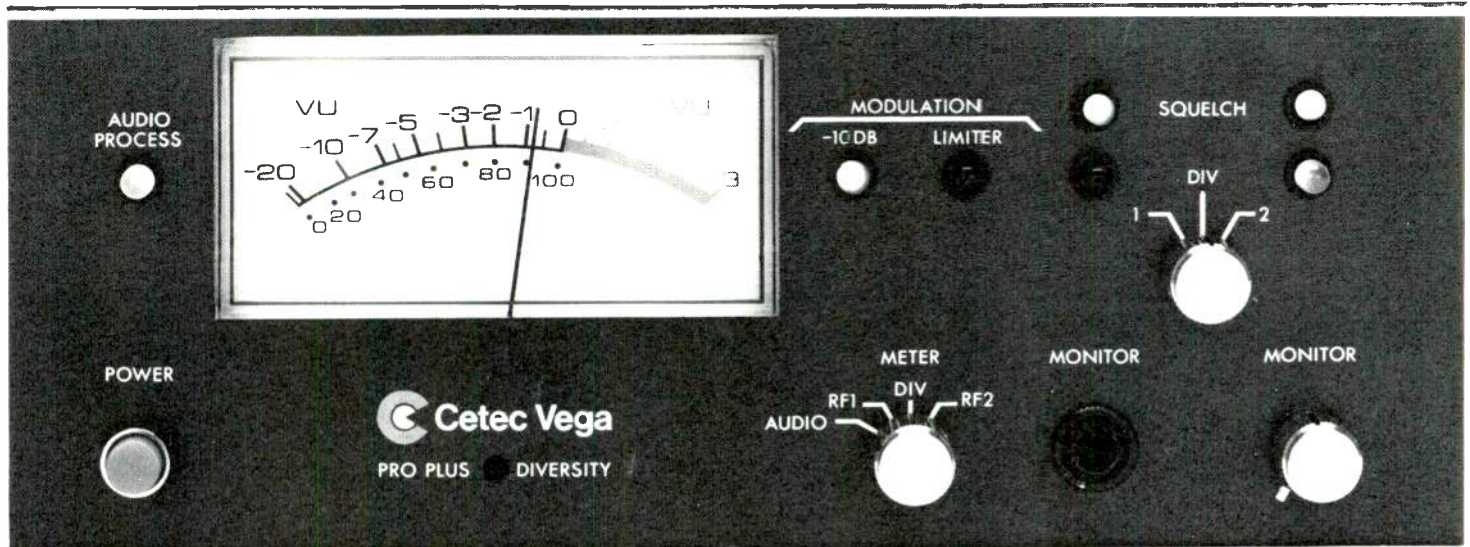
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Video Communications Corp., 333 Paseo Tesoro, Walnut, CA 91789 (714-594-2442) AZ, CA, NV Audio & Video Equip.; Test & Measurement Equip.; Service & Repair; System Design

Videomedia, Inc., 211 Weddell Dr., Sunnyvale, CA 94089 (408-745-1700) AZ, CA, CO, ID, MT, NV, NM, OR, UT, WY Editing Systems; Color Cameras; Monitors; Time Base Correctors; Video Tape Recorders, Projectors & Tape; Sync & Character Generators; Lighting; System Design, Fabrication & Training

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Videotape Products, Inc., 320 N. Madison Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90004 (213-664-1144) Worldwide Video Equip.; Tape; Test & Measurement Equip.

West Coast Audio, Inc., 1951 Gardena Ave., Glendale, CA 91204 (818-502-1980) U.S.A. Audio & Film Equip.

Western Broadcast Systems Inc., 1010 W. Fremont Ave., Sunnyvale, CA 94087 (408-730-1600) AK, CA, HI, NV, OR, WA Audio & Video Equip.; Test & Measurement Equip.; Tape; Film Equip.; Service & Repair; System Design

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Design Line Inc., 6204 Benjamin Rd., #209, Tampa, FL 33614 (813-884-1461) U.S.A. Audio Equip.; System Design

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Audities/2001, 2377 E. Mississippi Ave., Denver, CO 80210 (303-777-4595) AZ, CO, ID, MT, NM, UT, WY Audio & Video Equip.; Test & Measurement Equip.; Tape

Burst Communications, Inc., 7310 S. Alton Way, Suite C, Englewood, CO 80112 (303-773-9499) AZ, CO, NM, UT, WY Audio & Video Equip.; Test & Measurement Equip.; Tape; Film Equip.; Service & Repair; System Design

Colorado Magnetics, Box 713, Colorado Springs, CO 80901 (303-635-3660) AZ, CA, CO, FL, ID, KS, MO, MT, NE, NV, NM, ND, OH, OK, OR, SD, TX, UT, WA, WY Tape Cartridges; Broadcast Supplies

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Ellis Tower Co., Inc., Box 23217, Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33307 (305-566-6432) AL, AR, CT, DE, DC, FL, GA, IL, IN, IA, KY, LA, ME, MD, MA, MI, MN, MS, MO, NH, NJ, NY, NC, OH, PA, PR, RI, SC, TN, VT, VA, VI, WV, WI Transmitters, Antennas & Transmission Systems

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Gray Communications Consultants, Inc., 1657 N.W. 79th Ave., Miami, FL 33126 (305-591-3637) FL, PR, VI, Caribbean, Central & South America, West Indies Audio & Video Equip.; Test & Measurement Equip.; Transmitters, Antennas & Transmission Systems; Vacuum Tubes; Film Equip.; Vans & Accessories; Service & Repair; System Design; Used Equip.; Tape

Gray Communications Consultants, Inc., 1605 S. Bumby Ave., Orlando, FL 32806 (305-896-7414) FL Audio & Video Equip.; Test & Measurement Equip.; Transmitters, Antennas & Transmission Systems; Vacuum Tubes; Film Equip.; Vans & Accessories; Service & Repair; System Design; Used Equip.; Tape

Gray Communications Consultants, Inc., 5401 Southern Comfort Blvd., Tampa, FL 33614 (813-885-1411; 823-6840) FL, PR, VI, Caribbean, Central & South America, West Indies Audio & Video Equip.; Test & Measurement Equip.; Transmitters, Antennas & Transmission Systems; Vacuum Tubes; Film Equip.; Vans & Accessories; Service & Repair; System Design; Used Equip.; Tape

International Wholesalers of Miami, Inc., 17866 Ipco Rd., No. Miami, FL 33162 (800-327-0596) U.S.A., PR Audio & Video Equip.

Lita Broadcasting Distributors, 7154 N.W. 72nd Ave., Miami, FL 33166 (305-887-1223) FL, Central & South America, Caribbean Audio Equip.; Transmitters, Antennas & Transmission Systems; Tape; Vacuum Tubes

Media Concepts, Inc., 559 49th St. S., St. Petersburg, FL 33707 (813-321-2122) Worldwide Audio & Video Equip.; Tape; Service & Repair; System Design

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Pro Audio General Store, Inc., 1378 NW 100th Ave., Coral Springs, FL 33065 (305-752-0330) AL, AZ, AR, CO, DC, FL, GA, IL, IN, IA, KY, LA, MI, MN, MS, MO, MT, NE, NY, NC, ND, OH, OK, SC, TN, TX, UT, VA, WV, WI Audio Equip.; Test & Measurement Equip.; Transmitters, Antennas & Transmission Systems; Tape; Service & Repair; System Design; Used Equip.

Recording Studio Equip. Co., 14205 N.E. 18th Ave., No. Miami, FL 33181 (305-945-9774) U.S.A.; Export to So. America, Europe, Caribbean Professional Audio Equip.

Southeast Electronics, Inc., 1125 Roselle St.; Box 41308, Jacksonville, FL 32203 (904-356-3007) AL, FL, GA Audio & Video Equip.; Transmitters; Tape; Service & Repair; System Design; Used Equip.

Stage Equipment & Lighting, Inc., 124 Candace Dr., Maitland, FL 32741 (305-831-1772) AL, FL, Caribbean, Central & South America Video Equip.; Service & Repair; Used Equip.

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Vica Associates, 4296-A Memorial Dr., Decatur, GA 30032 (404-292-7506) AL, FL, GA, MS, NC, SC, TN Audio & Video Equip.

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John J. Harding Co., Ltd., 2825 Ualena St., Honolulu, HI 96819 (808-836-0941) HI and Pacific area Audio & Video Equip.; Test & Measurement Equip.; Transmitters, Antennas & Transmission Systems; Tape; Vacuum Tubes; System Design

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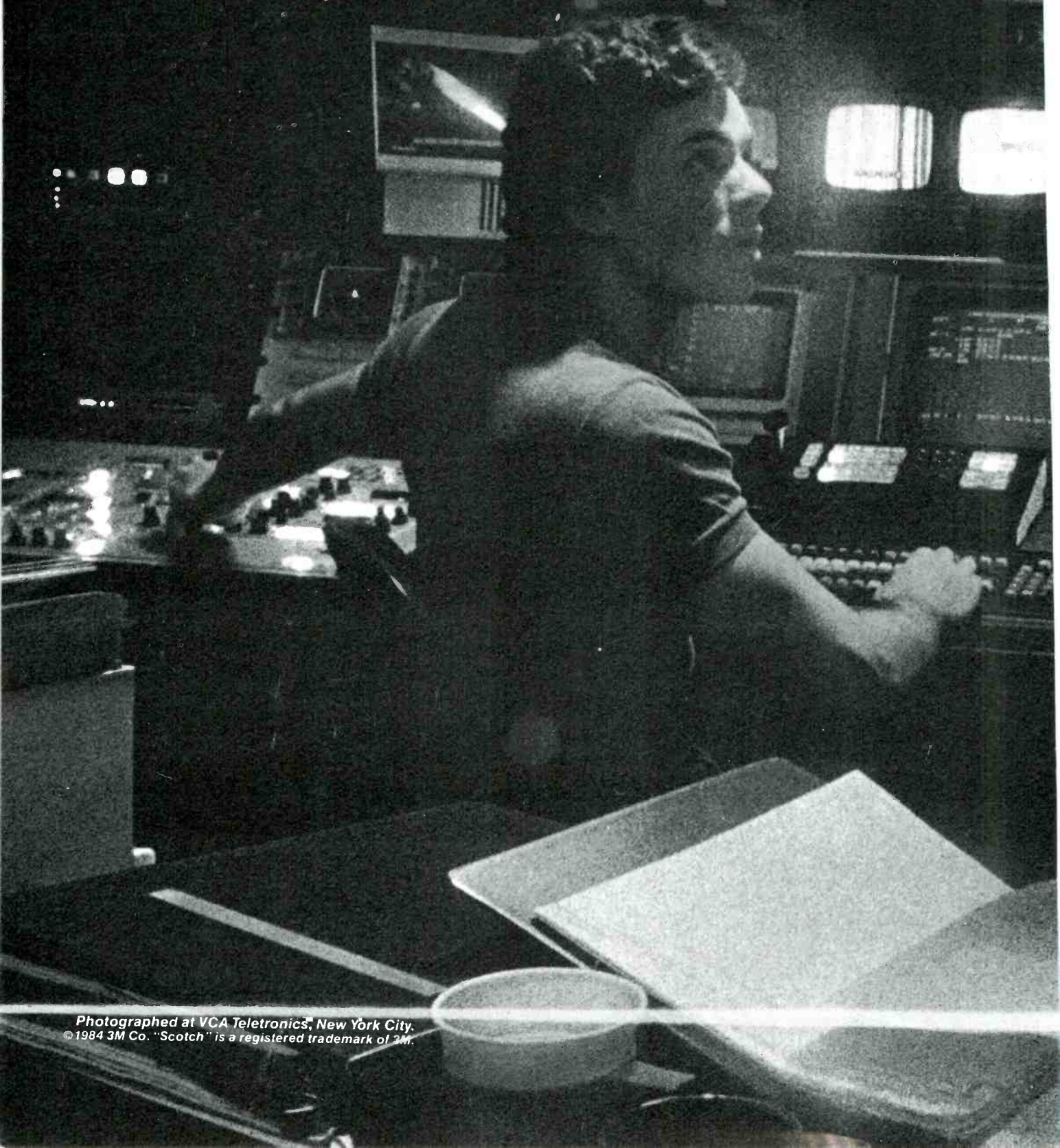
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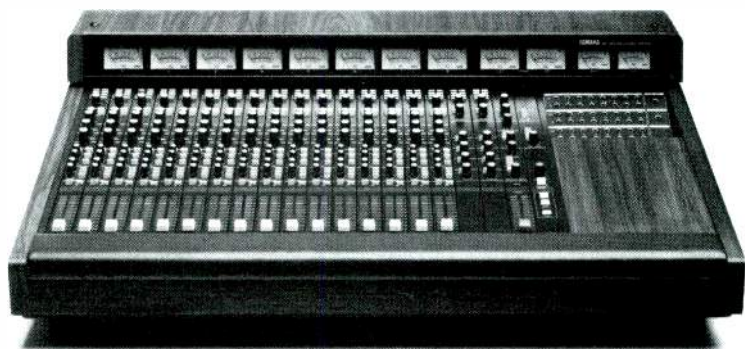


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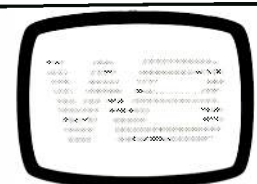
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Midwest Corp., Communications Systems Div., 535 Rochester Rd., Pittsburgh, PA 15237 (412-781-7707) PA Audio & Video Equip.; Test & Measuring Equip.; Tape; Film Equip.; Vans & Accessories; Service & Repair; System Design

Richard S. Pass Associates, Inc., 27 Oxford Dr., Langhorne, PA 19047 (215-757-6100) DE, DC, MD, Southern-NJ, Eastern-PA, VA Audio Equip.; Test & Measurement Equip. (Spectrum Analyzers) ENG Mixers & Associated Equip.

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Wilson Audio Sales, 6602 Hwy. 100, Suite 205, Nashville, TN 37205 (615-356-0372) AL, GA, MS, NC, SC, TN Audio Equip.

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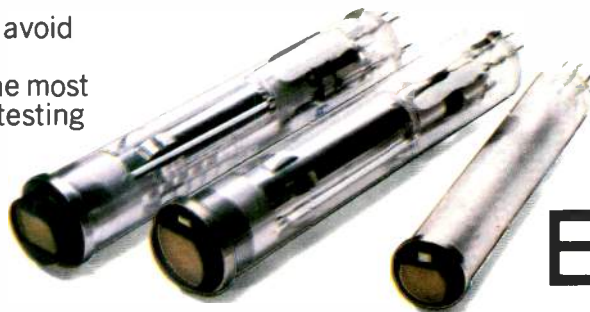
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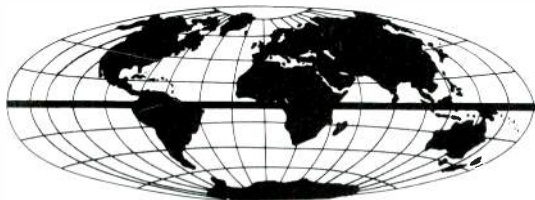
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By John Williamson, editor, *Communications Engineering*

CATV's year of action

If 1983 was the year of promise for CATV in the United Kingdom, 1984 should be the year of action. Barring accidents, a cable bill will follow the liberalizing telecommunications bill through Parliament and become law; a national cable authority will be formed; and some holders of pre-legislative franchises will be ready to transmit programs. By year's end, the United Kingdom will have a thriving cable industry.

In this context, the timing of the July Cable '84 exhibition and conference at London's Wembley Conference Centre was excellent. The second annual event attracted more than 70 major exhibitors, with the display area increased by 50% to meet demand.

In addition to terrestrial cable, the Wembley exhibition covered aspects of cables in the sky satellite communication. Although DBS on an

individual-subscriber basis is seen as directly competitive with cable, industry opinion questions the economic viability of such a service. Also, satellite television is regarded complementary to cable by many.

Conference Proceedings

One of the attractions of Cable '84 was a satellite dish display area. Visitors saw a number of TV channels broadcast live, relayed by three geostationary satellites. Included were two channels from the Soviet Union, via the Gorizont satellite; the Music Channel, Sky Channel, TVS and a German/Dutch channel, via the European Communications Satellite; and the TEN, TEG and Screensport, via Intelsat V.

The conference at Cable '84 featured about 100 experts from Britain, mainland Europe and North America. The

scene was set by an opening session in which government and industry spokesmen presented their views. The proceedings then focused on international developments and technology, day-to-day aspects of implementation and operation and the external political, regulatory and financial forces that make an impact on the industry and which will ultimately determine its success.

Switched-star system

Of 11 preliminary CATV franchises awarded in the United Kingdom last year, the national telecommunications administration—British Telecom—is to play a major role, as a shareholder and cable provider, in five of the projects. Mercury, the competitive telecommunications network service provider, was also featured in one of the awards. Both underline the govern-

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A satellite receiving antenna from Plessey/Scientific-Atlanta is only one of many CATV and satellite broadcast-related products shown at CABLE '84.

ment's commitment for cable to provide information services as well as entertainment.

Nine of the first franchises will use *switched-star* cable technology. A switched-star cable TV network is one in which services and programs are delivered to points located throughout the network, and each subscriber has a wideband link to the nearest switch

point. The subscriber signals his individual requirements to the switch point and, provided he is authorized, is switched through. There is no requirement for a decoder in the subscriber's premises, and both broadcast and individual services can be provided over the same network.

Tree branch distribution

Another alternative for CATV is the *tree/branch*, in which a decoder is used in the home to select a channel or service. There are three distinct levels of sophistication with *tree/branch* arrangements.

In its most rudimentary form, the subscriber selects the required channel with a tuner. If optional subscription channels are included, a blocking filter prevents unauthorized viewing. This setup has the advantages of simplicity and low cost of capital equipment. Disadvantages include the comparative ease of program theft and inflexibility—each time a subscriber changes his service options, his particular filter must be altered. Also, the provision of periodic pay-per-view services is impossible.

In more elaborate *tree* systems, the cable operator controls subscriber access to channels by signal scrambling at the head end. A set-top descrambler is enabled or disabled via signal that permits customers to be individually

addressed. A much wider range of programming options is possible with more security than the basic *tree*.

Program Options

The highest level of *tree/branch* sophistication involves the inclusion of a return signaling channel, allowing the subscriber to communicate his requirements to the CATV head end.

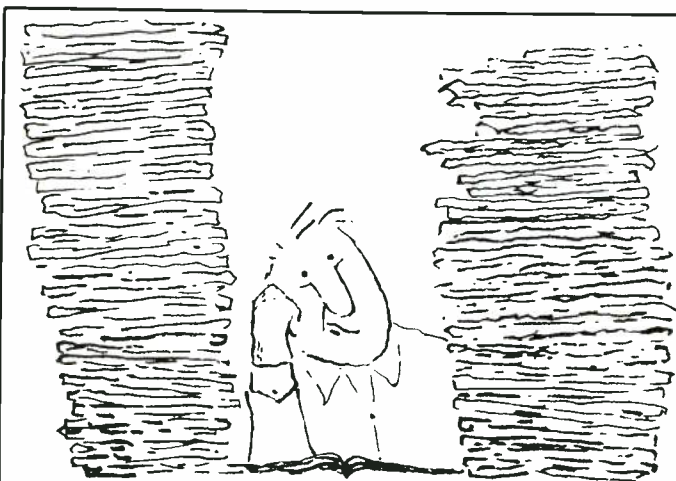
Most systems in North America and Europe are *tree/branch*. However, the *switched-star* systems can be more flexible. There is no impediment to the transmission of private data to specific locations without passing any other subscribers. British Telecom's *switch-star* systems will offer options such as:

- Programs on demand from a video disk library.
- Cable text, a video magazine service.
- Viewdata and photo viewdata.
- Tele-banking and shopping.

Coaxial cable is commonly used in *tree/branch* networks, while optical fiber is viewed as most suitable for *switched-star* setups. A hybrid system is also possible. Fiber-optic technology, with its broadband characteristics, could be used in trunk lines of a *tree* network, and coaxial, with its electronic compatibility, could form feeder lines to individual receiver decoders.

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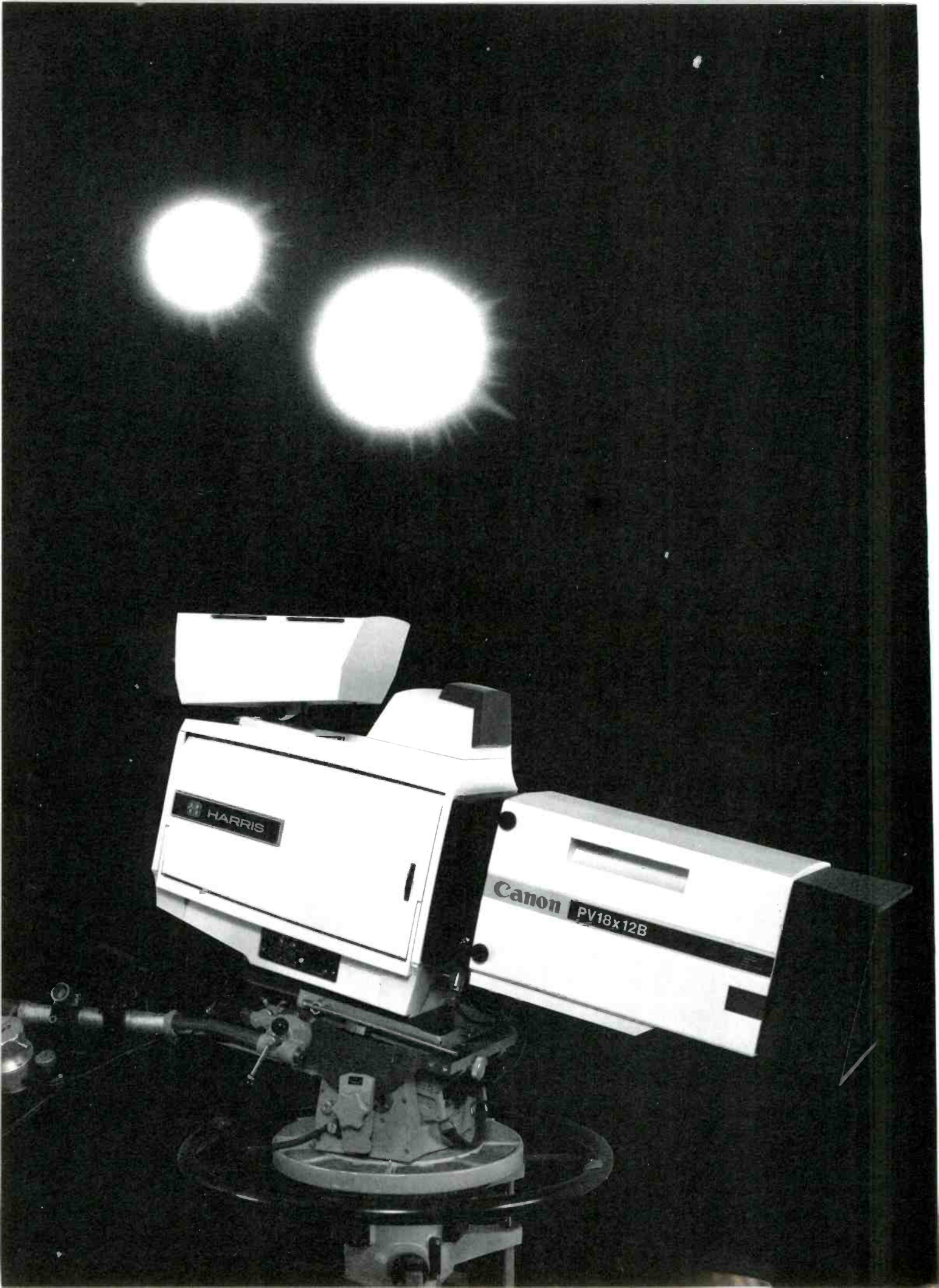
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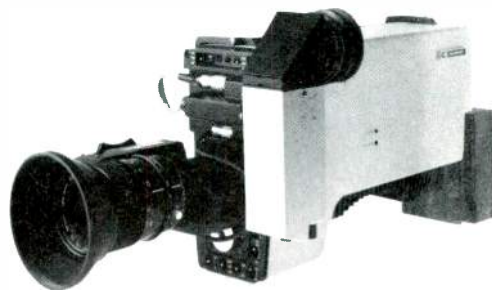
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EECO's corporate headquarters

EECO, Inc. - A corporate profile

By Carl Bentz, television editor

The EECO corporate headquarters are situated on a company-owned 19-acre site in Santa Ana, CA. With manufacturing facilities in Arizona, Minnesota, South Dakota and England, EECO designs and manufactures a diversified line of electronic products. Founded in 1947, the company became public during the 1950s.

The company products fall into two



Quality assurance testing of EECO's in-flight entertainment product line.



EECO's Computer-Aided Design (CAD) facility.

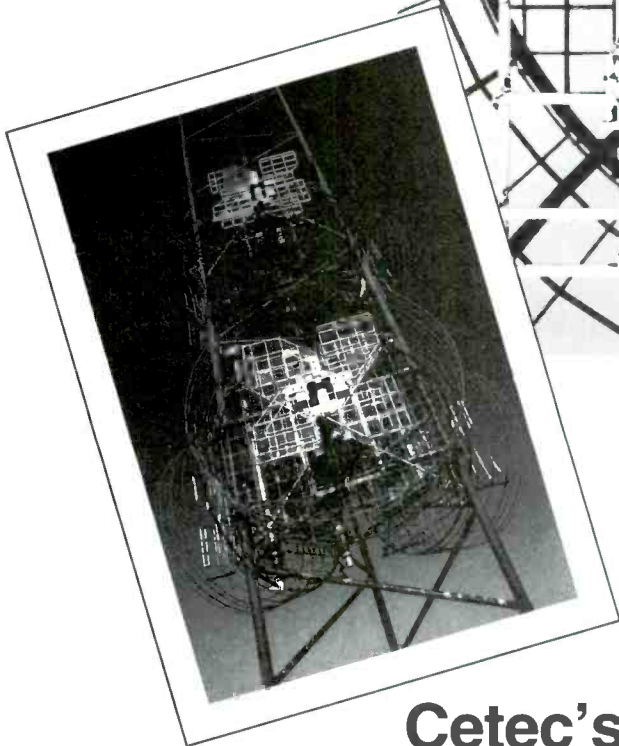
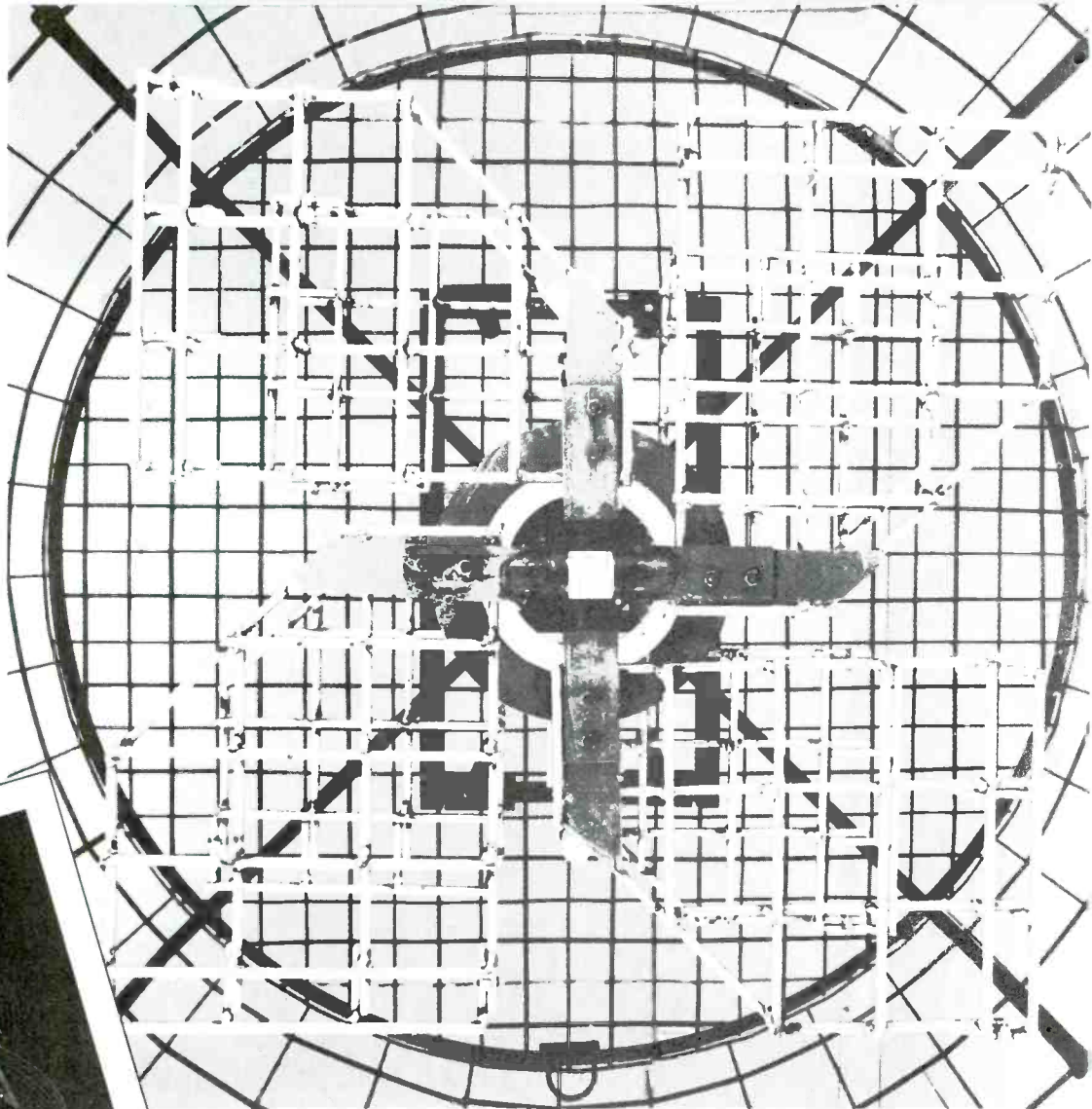
major categories: electronic components and computer technology-related products and systems. Actually, there are four product lines, including switch products and avionic

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Component products

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Also familiar to many are products for avionics. Passenger seat arm controls to select movie and stereo audio channels, adjust sound volumes, actuate reading lights and call the flight attendant are systems provided by EECO. More recently, some aircraft cockpits include an instrument display with a computer-controlled radio management system designed for both commercial and military use.

EECO Computer

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Video products division

To broadcasters, EECO stands for computer-based editing, time code systems and, most recently, videodisc equipment. The products are distributed through a network of OEM contracts and authorized distributors, targeting TV and professional video communications markets.

The first commitment to video post-production came in 1967 with the "On Time" time code editing system. Pioneering efforts in time code products have had a major impact on video techniques. Close coordination with SMPTE resulted in the establishment of recommended practices for both longitudinal (LTC) and vertical interval (VITC) time code standards.

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EECO grew in technology and expertise with the development of several synchronizer products, a CMOS time code generator IC and editing control products designed jointly with RCA (RE-600 and RE-800) and Ampex (Mantis and the STC-100 accessory). The developmental work earned an Emmy award for outstanding achievement in engineering of time code equipment, as well as an Academy Award citation for the application of code and control systems to interlock non-sprocketed film and tape media for motion picture production.

Video product growth has continued into 1984 with the standard EECO IVES desktop editing system, sporting options for PAL standards use and A/B roll functions. The A/B roll enhancement may be added to existing systems, providing three VTRs with effects capability through a bridge and accessory package. In addition, interfacing is available for IVES to support Panasonic's AU-300 M-format equipment.

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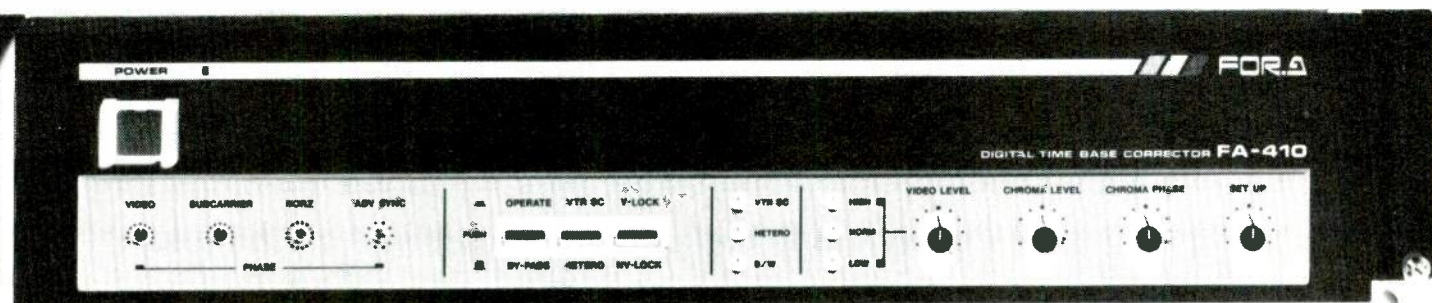
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A recent collaboration with the engineering team at Swiderski Electronics, Elk Grove Village, IL, has resulted in the EECO multimachine editing system—EMME for short. The background of the design group includes over 100 years of experience in post-production, as well as hardware, software and system design of several

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Predictions

The entire product base of EECO involves microprocessors, computer control devices and related products. The company's financial situation allowed 11.4% of 1983 sales, approximately \$4 million, to be committed back to research and development across the company's range of interests. During the first half of 1984, the video product division accounted for about 10% of the corporate sales. Approximately 14% of the profits were returned to the continuing search for computer-based applications that will spell out EECO's bright future. [:-?-)]]]

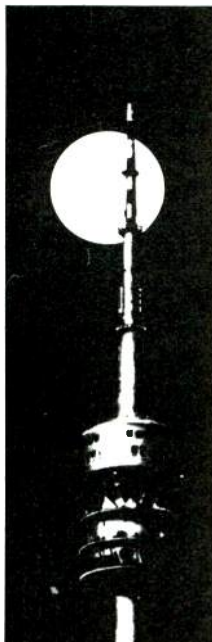


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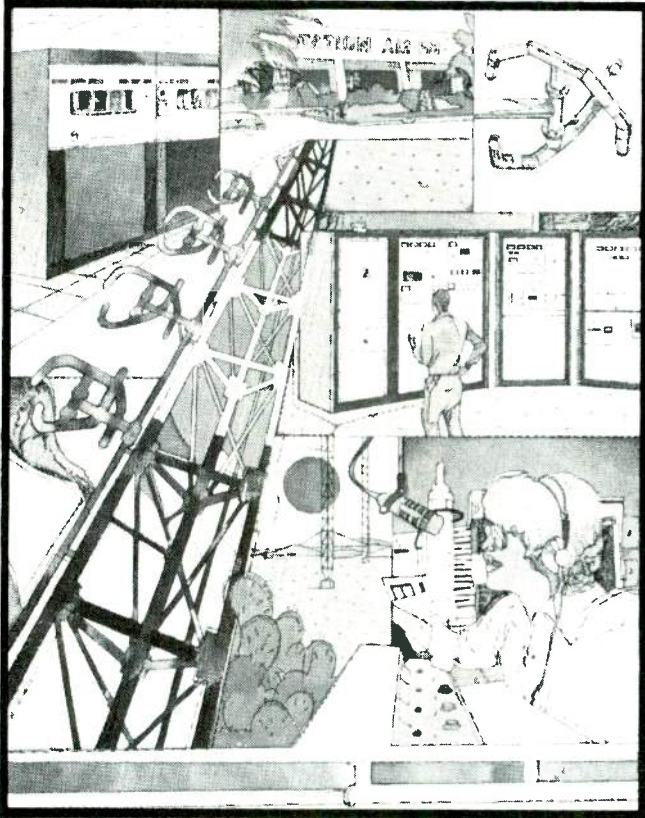
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Reaching for the sky

By Warren Small

In 1981, WGIR (Knight Radio) entered the satellite age when we installed our first earth station to pick up the United Press International wire service. We knew it would only be a matter of time before our radio network, NBC, would also be coming from the sky. We didn't know, however, what we would have to do to accomplish the rather routine task of installing a dish and pointing it in the right direction.

When the announcement came that all three major radio networks were going to be using transponders on Satcom 1-R, we began to plan our installation. At first, there was some question as to whether NBC would really be prepared to cut the phone lines by December 1983. All doubts were removed, though, when the net-

work gave us an ultimatum in April 1983 to install a dish or cease affiliation by the end of the year.

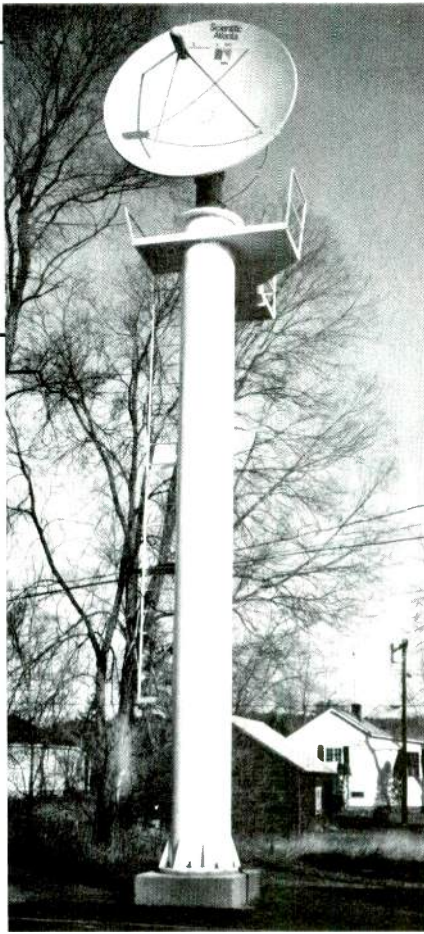
Because of the local terrain and the low look angle to Satcom 1-R from our position, we hired the John T. Hills Engineering consulting firm, Manchester, NH, to survey our site and determine the bird's exact position in the sky. The consultant's measurements showed the satellite look angle at nearly 12 feet below the top of some trees on a nearby ridge. This was not exactly good news and so—with the network's ultimatum in hand—we contracted with a local engineering firm experienced in satellite installations (Goldberg-Jacobsen Engineering, Inc.) to design a structure that would hold the dish high enough to "see" over the trees.

Our criteria for the dish mount not only included functionality, but appearance and ease of maintenance as well. Based on the surveyor's data, in order for the dish to receive Satcom 1-R and allow for tree growth over the projected life of the antenna, our designer told us the structure would have to hold the dish 29 feet above the ground. This was more than twice what we had originally estimated, and we began to worry about what type of ungainly structure might begin to rise next to our parking lot.

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The work platform at the top of the

structure provided the greatest number of design problems. A full octagonal platform was first proposed, but this was deemed too costly. Goldberg-Jacobsen proposed an alternate plan that cost less but was inadequate in terms of serviceability of the dish. The final solution called for two small extensions to the north and south and a 7-foot platform to the east. This provided adequate space for moving the dish and servicing the LNA. The final design was submitted to the contractor (Pro-Con, Inc., Manchester) in early August 1983.

Construction of the tower itself was delayed while the fabricator waited for materials to arrive. This delay set the project back by almost a month. We were still optimistic, however, of meeting the Sept. 5 deadline we had

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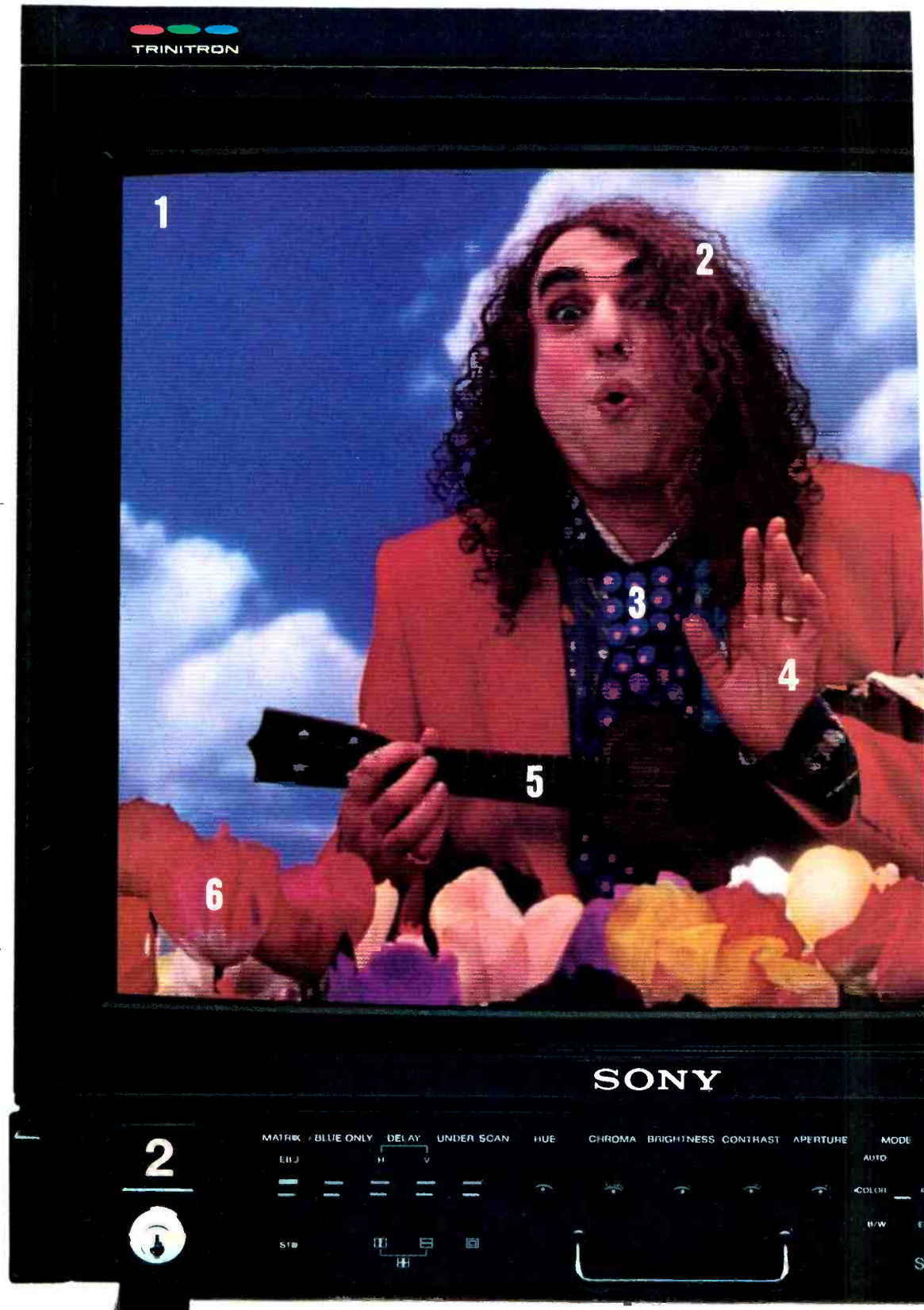
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The WGIR radio ROSAT antenna is moved into place by a crane. The top platform on the supporting structure was designed to provide adequate room for adjustments and maintenance.

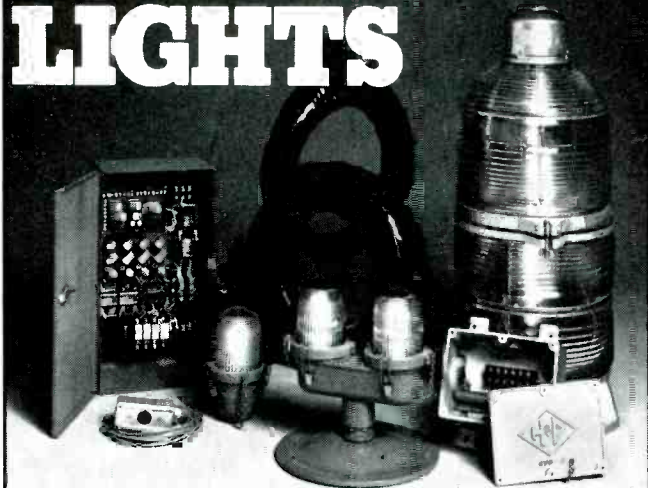
set for the project. That optimism was short-lived, though, as other delays prevented further work on the structure and base.

The concrete for the base was finally poured during the week of Sept. 19. First the 10-foot square, 16-inch thick, steel-reinforced footing was poured six feet below the ground. Then, the nearly 5-foot tall, 4-foot square base was poured around a web of reinforcing bars. Eight 2-foot long anchor bolts were provided to fasten the tower to the base. When completed, the base weighed about 18 tons and, with the dish and tower together weighing only two tons, this gave us an extremely bottom-heavy structure to satisfy the wind loading requirements.

The steel tower was constructed by Novel Iron Works, Portsmouth, NH, and was shipped ready-to-install on Sept. 29. After a crane lifted the structure into place, it was leveled and bolted into position. The dish had been assembled on the ground and the crane was used again to lift the entire antenna to the top of the structure. The coax line to the indoor Scientific Atlanta equipment was then connected, and the antenna positioned.

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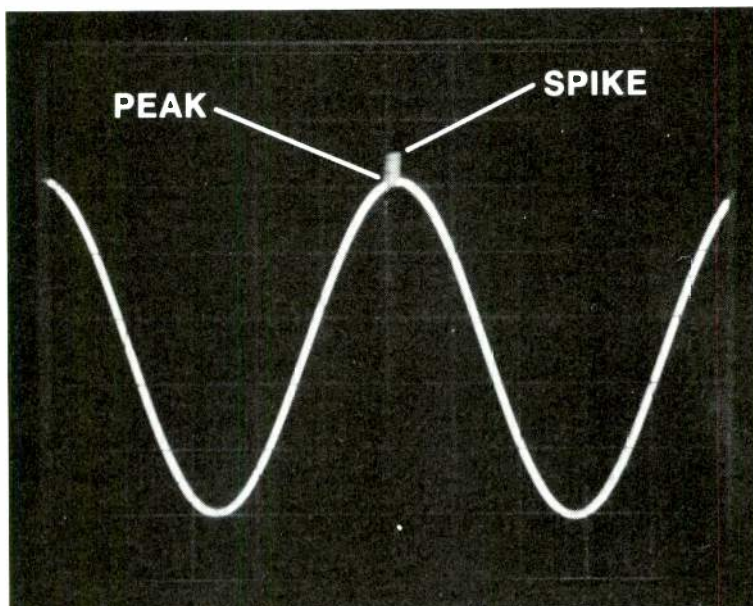
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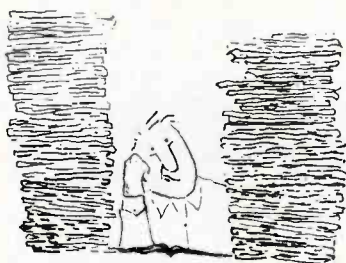
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Expanded use of AM carrier signal

In line with similar deregulatory actions for FM and TV stations, the commission has amended its rules for AM broadcast stations to permit them to expand the uses of their carrier signals.

Under the revised rules, AM stations will be able to use their carrier signals for any broadcast or non-broadcast function that does not interfere with their main channel operations or the signals of other stations. Under previous rules, AM carrier

non-broadcast uses were restricted to remote control telemetry and utility load management.

Possible new uses include paging and subscription services. If common carrier uses are planned, however, authorizations would have to be sought from the FCC's Common Carrier Bureau, as well as from state public service commissions.

FCC affirms cable system exemption from local rate regulation

The FCC has affirmed its November 1983 decision exempting non-basic CATV services from rate regulation.

Such non-basic or tiered services include pay programming, commonly provided in tiers, offered to subscribers at a single package rate distinct from the rate charged for regular subscriber services. Under the commission's decision, local authorities may prescribe rate regulations only with respect to a cable system's basic service package, which consists primarily of off-the-air broadcast signals.

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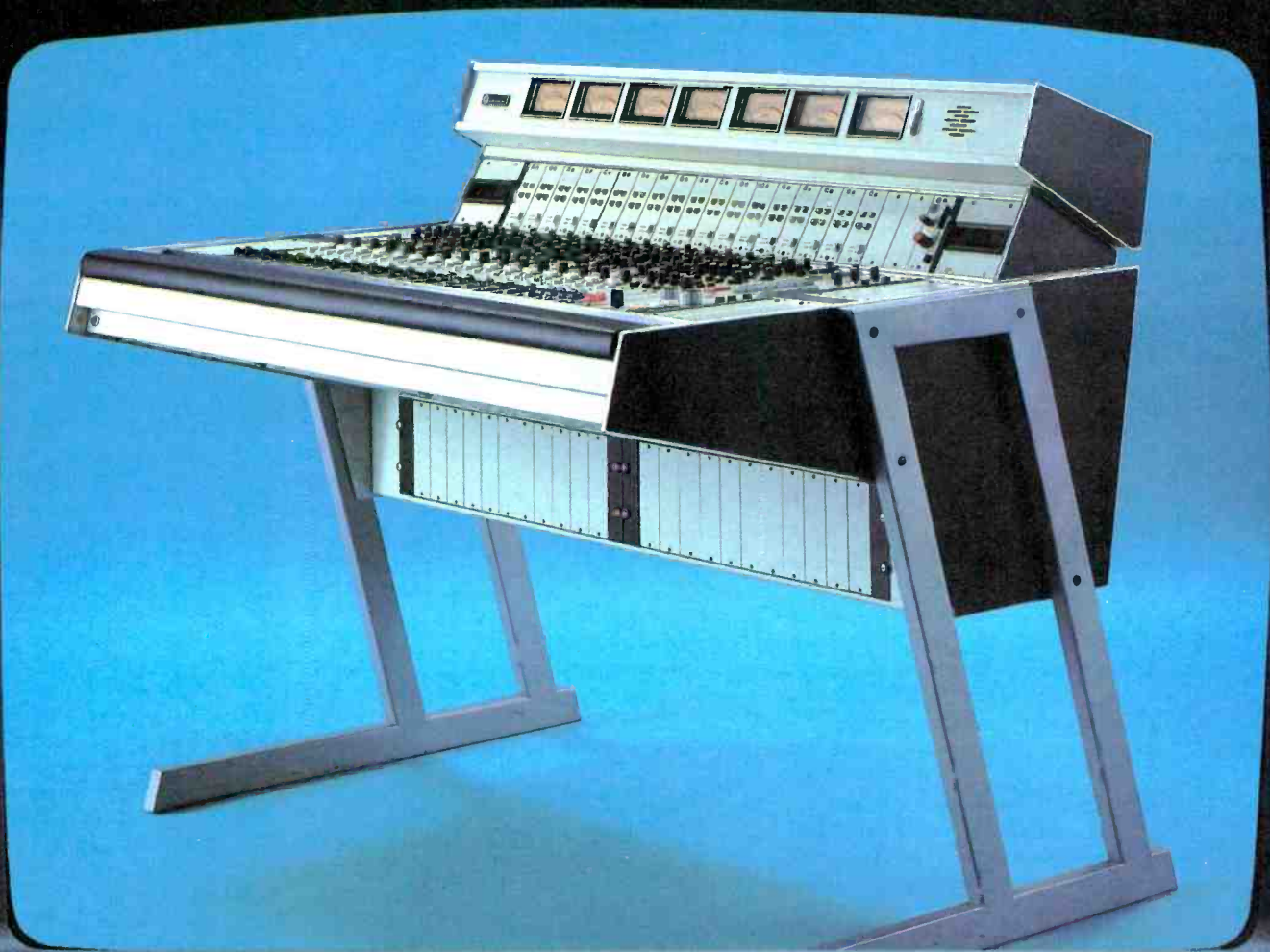
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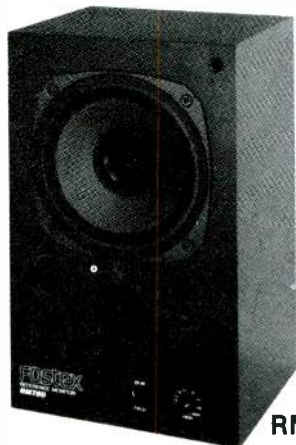
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Digitized terrain data

The FCC has proposed rules that would standardize the acceptance of computer-generated antenna heights above average terrain (HAAT). Also, the commission issued a Public Notice specifying interim procedures to be followed for the use of such data pending adoption of the new rules.

The proposal involves specification of a particular data format, but no single data source. The agency said it believed the 30-second file, which typically contains 16 discrete elevation points in an 8-mile segment, was adequate for HAAT calculations when making interpolations to produce 50 points. In this connection, the FCC noted that the 30-second point format appeared to be the most available and convenient due to variations among sources. Use of digitized data in generating HAAT will be an option only, and the manual method, using topographic maps, will continue to be the standard in cases of dispute.

In the interim, before new rules are adopted, applicants will be allowed to use any data file with equivalent or greater accuracy than the 30-second point file of the National Geophysical Data Center. In submitting applications under the interim standards, applicants must identify the file being used. Also, the commission specified that applicants must use the FCC's linear interpolation techniques, contained in a commission program, for calculating HAAT.

Class I-A clear channel application freeze lifted

Effective July 17, the FCC lifted its freeze on the filing of applications on the 25 Class I-A clear channels.

The freeze, announced in early 1982, was imposed to resolve incompatibilities between assignments proposed on the U.S. I-As by the United States and Canada.

Lifting the freeze on applications on the I-A clears does not affect the freeze separately imposed on June 5, 1984, on the filing of applications on the Canadian clear channels (690, 740, 860, 990, 1010 and 1580kHz).

Cable registration of added signals deleted

The FCC has also eliminated the requirement that cable systems file registration statements when they add a TV signal to their systems.

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Advances in AM radio design

By Martin Giles,
applications manager,
National Semiconductor Corporation

Although AM radio has been around for many years—or perhaps because it has been around for so long—not much attention has been paid to receivers, other than efforts to make the electronics smaller and less expensive. Extensive use of transistors in the '60s certainly made smaller size and lower cost practicable, but it wasn't until the introduction of dedicated integrated circuits (ICs) in the '70s that performance improvements could be made without increasing the price significantly. Even then, the thrust of design was primarily to keep the cost down, usually by combining AM and FM circuits in a single IC, sometimes to the extent of sharing the same IF amplifier for both radio services. In fact, many people attribute the general low quality of AM radios to this continuous drive for lower cost. Today, with the introduction of AM stereo and sophisticated phase-locked-loop (PLL) tuning systems, the AM radio may be due for a change. Nevertheless, the receiver designer faces several significant problems other than cost in attempting to produce higher quality AM radios.

The AM receiver

Because of the greater range advantage that AM broadcasting has over FM broadcasting, AM long has been a popular service in automotive radios, and it is in this area that many advances are being made. This is particularly true of IC designs for the signal processing and tuning stages. Push-button tuning in an automobile is not so much a luxury as an important safety factor. Once the driver has programmed his favorite stations, he can keep his eyes on the road, instead of watching the radio dial as he adjusts the tuning knob. New ICs have been developed recently that make the programming task both simple and convenient.

A typical PLL synthesized frequency tuning system is shown in Figure 1. Essentially, the crystal oscillator provides a reference frequency, which is divided down to give one input to a phase detector. This input frequency is chosen to be either the exact radio frequency (RF) channel spacing—10kHz in the United States or 9kHz in Europe—or a sub-multiple of the channel spacing, such as 1kHz or 500Hz. This input frequency is compared with a similar input from a programmable divider driven by the radio's local oscillator (LO). If the two frequencies match, the phase detector control voltage will be fixed. However, if the frequencies do not match,



New developments in integrated circuit technology have made possible significant advances in the design of AM receivers. Although the marketability of higher-performance, and higher-cost, AM radios has yet to be tested on a large scale, the promise of hi-fi AM is welcome news to station managers and engineers alike. On the leading edge of receiver technology are the integrated circuit manufacturers.

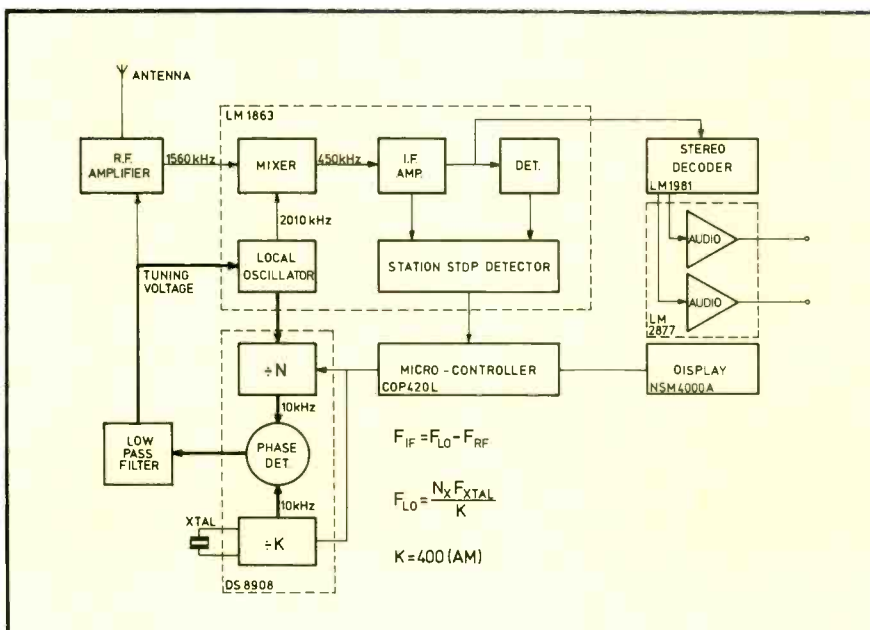


Figure 1. The basic PLL synthesized tuning system for an AM radio using an advanced microcontroller IC for circuit management.

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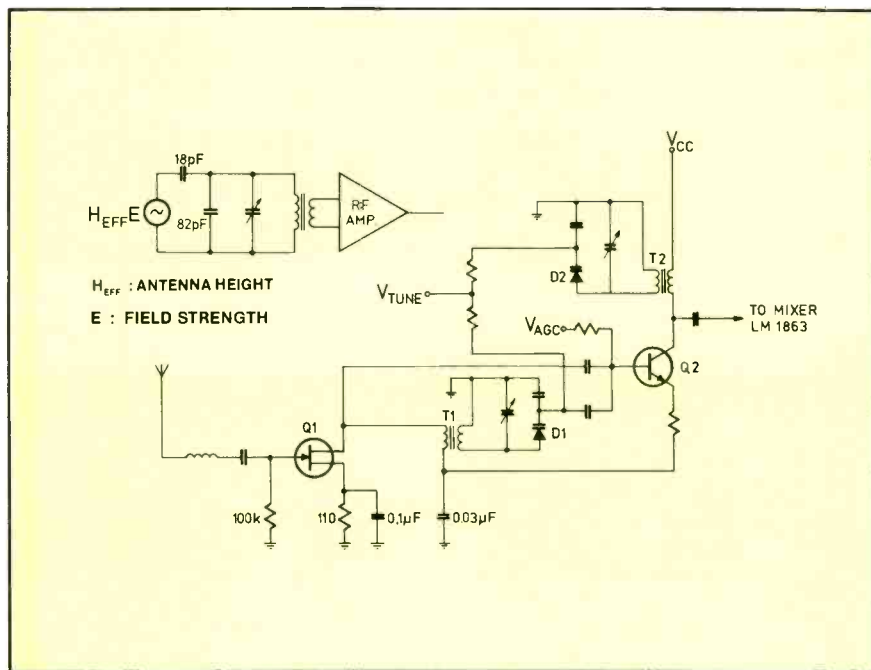


Figure 2. A conventional AM radio antenna input stage (top) compared with an improved active RF input stage (below). Use of an active RF input stage and advanced IC circuits enables the design of an AM receiver with wider audio bandwidth, lower distortion and improved S/N performance.

the phase detector will generate a change in the control voltage that will retune the LO until the two signals agree.

For example, with a reference oscillator frequency of 4MHz, a fixed divider (K) of 400 will provide a 10kHz input to the phase detector. Similarly, when the LO frequency needs to be 2010kHz (in order to mix a 1560kHz RF signal down to a 450kHz IF), a divide by N of 201 will also produce 10kHz at the phase detector input. Should the LO attempt to drift, the detector will produce a control voltage proportional to the instantaneous phase difference between the two divider frequencies, and thus pull the LO back on the correct frequency. Simply incrementing or decrementing the programmable counter N by 1 will retune the LO to the next lower or higher station frequency.

In the example we have chosen, each integer change in N will move the LO by 10kHz, thus ensuring that all the AM station frequencies can be addressed. To accommodate the medium wave band in Europe, a 9kHz shift is needed. Changing the reference oscillator frequency to 3.96MHz will allow both 10kHz and 9kHz shifts to be programmed, or alternatively lower phase detector inputs such as 1kHz or 500Hz can be used. Now, the factor N is changed by 10 or 20 to increment the station tuning frequency. Even so, it is desirable to keep the input frequencies to the phase detector as high as possible, because this will affect the amount of filtering needed at the phase detector output.

The lowpass filter at the detector

output serves to help determine the dynamic characteristics of the loop and remove the input frequency components from the control signal. Too much filtering because of relatively low input frequencies will necessarily cause the loop to be slow, extending the time required to lock the LO onto a given station frequency. On the other hand, insufficient filtering of the unwanted phase detector products will degrade the LO phase S/N ratio. This is an obvious problem in FM, but also applies in AM for the AM stereo formats that use angle modulation of the RF carrier. The low peak deviation of the AM stereo carrier (typically less than 1 radian) means that particular attention must be paid to future AM LO designs.

To avoid the user having to remember the N number for a particular station frequency, a micro-controller IC can be used, such as the National Semiconductor COP420L-HSB. This device can store pre-selected stations in memory and provide a serial data output to the frequency synthesizer for station scanning. At the same time, another serial output from the micro-controller drives a display device giving the selected station frequency. Introduction of the micro-controller allows several features to be added to the radio, including a real-time clock with an output to the same display.

One further input to the micro-controller becomes important. In the station search mode, it is necessary to be able to identify when a valid station frequency has been reached and that a modulated RF carrier is present. This is called a stop indication and is pro-

vided by the radio signal processing circuits. A stop indication causes the micro-controller to begin an algorithm to determine whether to actually stop scanning. Typically, the micro-controller waits 10ms after incrementing the station stop frequency (10kHz in the United States) and then samples the signal stop output 10 times within the next 40ms. If none of these samples indicates that a stop signal is present, the synthesizer is incremented to the next station frequency. However, if at least one of the samples shows that a stop signal is present, the micro-controller waits another 200ms and then resamples the stop output. This procedure allows the radio RF/IF/AGC circuits to stabilize at the new tuning frequency before the scanning process is interrupted. Even so, to provide a stop output within 50ms while maintaining low THD in the detected audio output puts severe constraints on the radio AGC circuits.

The receiver environment

Despite the capability of most AM broadcast transmitters to generate an RF bandwidth in excess of $\pm 15\text{kHz}$, the typical AM receiver today exhibits an audio bandwidth (-3dB) of between 1.5kHz and 2.5kHz. In part, this is attributable to cost-conscious design efforts, but even so, the receiver manufacturer is restrained from building radios with a full 15kHz audio bandwidth for a number of other reasons. To see why this is the case, we must examine each stage of a modern AM radio.

The limitation to wide audio bandwidth can start right at the antenna. Depending on the radio type, automotive or home model, two kinds of antennas are used extensively: the capacitive whip antenna, for automotive; and the ferrite rod antenna, for home use. Ferrite rod antennas are popular in home and portable radios because of their relatively high sensitivity, coupled with compact size. Unfortunately, to get this sensitivity and provide adequate RF selectivity, the antenna matching circuit Q is usually high—from 80 to 100. (The RF/antenna circuit must be able to reject unwanted RF carriers spaced 455kHz above the LO frequency, which can generate a mirror or image signal in the IF amplifier and cause interference with the desired RF carrier located 455kHz below the LO frequency.) This simply means that the bandwidth is no more than $\pm 8\text{kHz}$ at the upper end of the band, falling to less than $\pm 3\text{kHz}$ at the lower end. Therefore, at best, the audio bandwidth is 8kHz, and at worst, only 3kHz.

The IF amplifier filter is the next stage that limits the effective audio bandwidth. Although there has been

widespread introduction of ceramic ladder filters for this function, typical filter -3dB bandwidths range from $\pm 2\text{kHz}$ to $\pm 5\text{kHz}$. Even at this point, it appears we will be lucky to get a 2.5kHz audio bandwidth at the detector. The reason for such a relatively narrow filter bandwidth is the need for an exceptionally fast roll-off in response (steep filter slopes) in order for the radio to give satisfactory reception under a wide variety of conditions. One of the biggest reception problems is adjacent channel rejection, and the IF filter is usually the only protection against adjacent channel interference in the receiver.

Adjacent channel problems are caused by the close frequency spacing of U.S. AM broadcast transmitters. Allocations are made at 10kHz intervals and the wide propagation range of AM carrier frequencies means there is always a chance for interference. At night, sky-wave propagation multiplies the range and, therefore, the number of potentially interfering stations. The modulation components produce a background noise effect called *monkey chatter*, and an adjacent channel transmitter carrier can produce a 10kHz beat with the desired transmitter carrier. To minimize monkey chatter and



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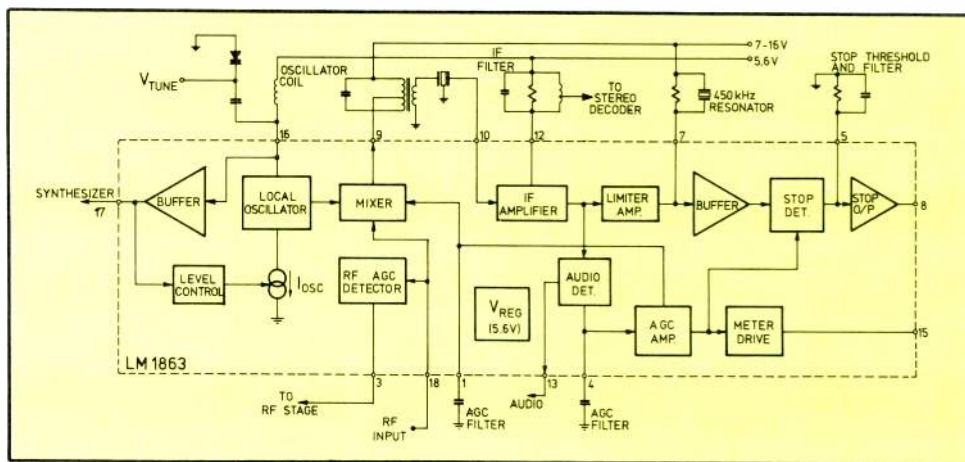
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Figure 3. A design example (using the National Semiconductor LM1863) of an AM radio based on current integrated circuit technology.



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avoid using a 10kHz high Q notch filter at the detector output, radio manufacturers have traditionally used narrow-band, steep-slope filters, which also help with the reception of weak, distant stations in the presence of strong, local stations.

With a ferrite rod antenna in close proximity to the rest of the radio circuits, a third limitation on audio bandwidth can occur. If products of the IF appearing at the detector output, along with the desired modulation envelope, are radiated back to the antenna, they can beat with the RF carrier to produce an audible phenomenon known as *tweet*. To prevent this, the detector stage has filters to reduce the level of IF harmonics, often starting to roll off the detector response at 3kHz.

Fortunately, circuits following the detector are not likely to be a problem. For many years, semiconductor manufacturers have been supplying monolithic audio amplifiers with bandwidths in excess of 20kHz and power output ranges from milliwatts to tens of watts.

New receiver designs

Having discussed some of the present radio design problems, we can now appreciate how a modern AM radio IC design can overcome (or at least mitigate) these limitations.

As mentioned earlier, one area in which AM has always remained a popular service is in the automobile. This is because AM has a greater satisfactory reception range and is not subject to the multipath problems of FM stereo. Because AM can offer a comparable or better service than FM in the automobile environment, it is in the automobile radio that the AM section is getting a lot of attention. This is not to say that problems do not exist—they do. In fact, an automobile radio raises problems of its own.

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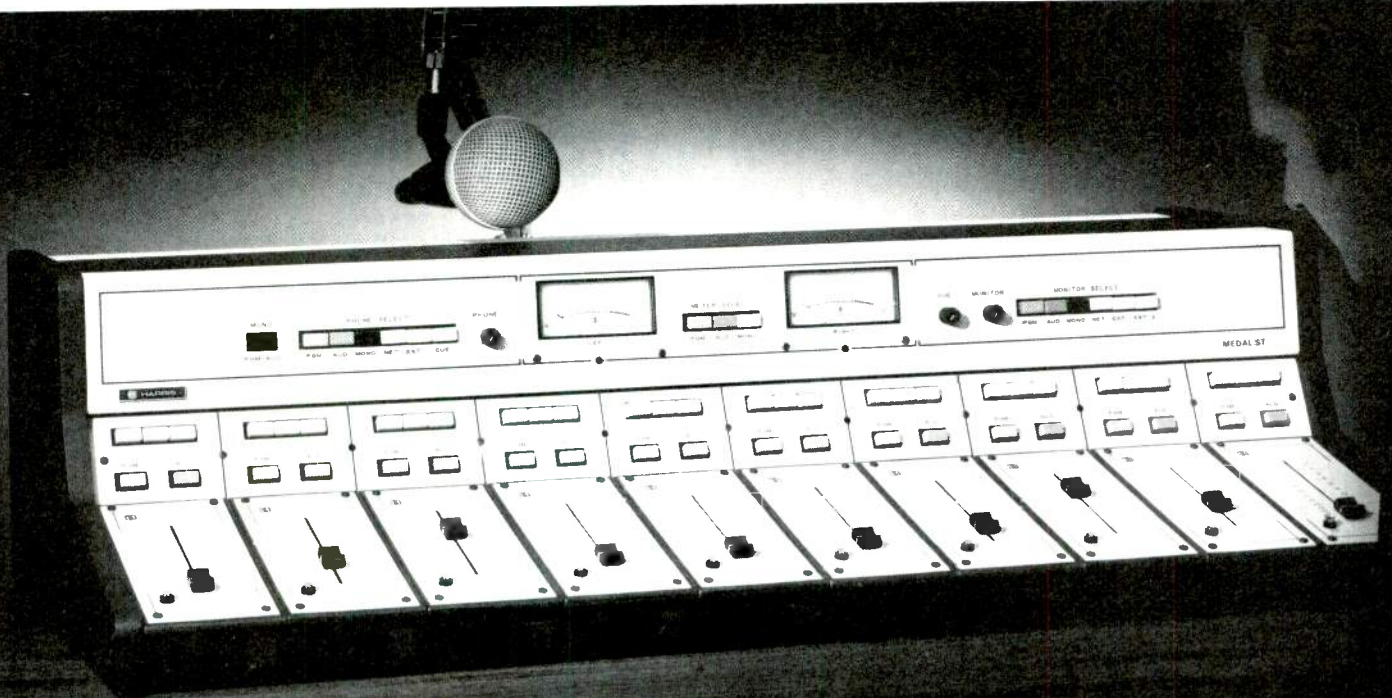
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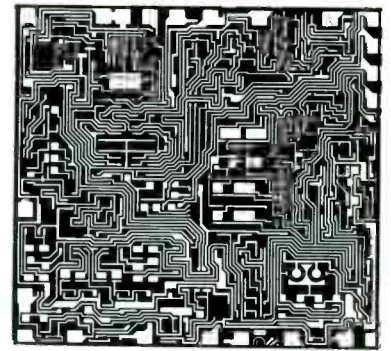
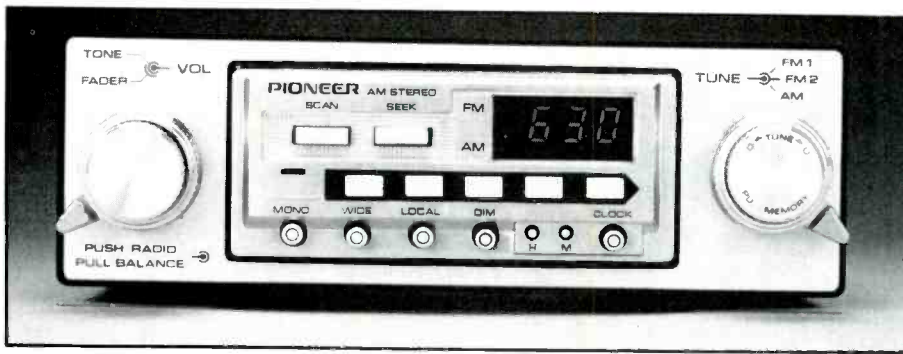
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A micro-photograph of the LM1981 AM stereo decoder chip.

sensitivity and image rejection. Unlike the ferrite rod, the whip antenna with an associated coupling cable is highly capacitive and, thus, tuning the matching circuit with a varactor is impractical. Also, the signal field strength at the antenna can vary widely (or wildly) as the automobile moves around, with very strong unwanted signals simultaneously present while the radio is tuned to weaker, more distant stations. Because a tuned circuit cannot be used between the antenna and the RF input, the RF amplifier stage must be resistant to overload by strong signals.

A discrete FET RF stage is generally preferred to a bipolar integrated RF

amplifier, which has a poorer overload capability, for the RF gain stage. Because this discrete stage will isolate the antenna capacitance, tuned circuits can be used to couple the signal to the mixer. (See Figure 2.)

A design example

Figure 3 shows an example of a modern IC AM receiver circuit, the LM1863. The signal level at the mixer input is detected, and above a certain threshold level the device supplies an AGC voltage to reduce the gain of the RF stage in the presence of strong signals. This is done via transistor stage Q2 (see Figure 2), which also forces FET Q1 into its resistive oper-

ating region, attenuating the antenna signal and preventing excessive modulation on varactor tuning diodes D₁ and D₂. Using two tuned circuits with an RF gain stage to compensate for insertion loss provides excellent sensitivity (2.2uV), along with better than -70dB image rejection and exceptional bandwidth (± 14 kHz).

The local oscillator of the LM1863 is unusual in two respects. First, there is a feedback loop around the oscillator to control its amplitude. This is done because the tuned L/C circuit that sets the operating frequency maintains a relatively constant Q across the AM band. Because the operating frequency changes by a factor of 2:1, the load



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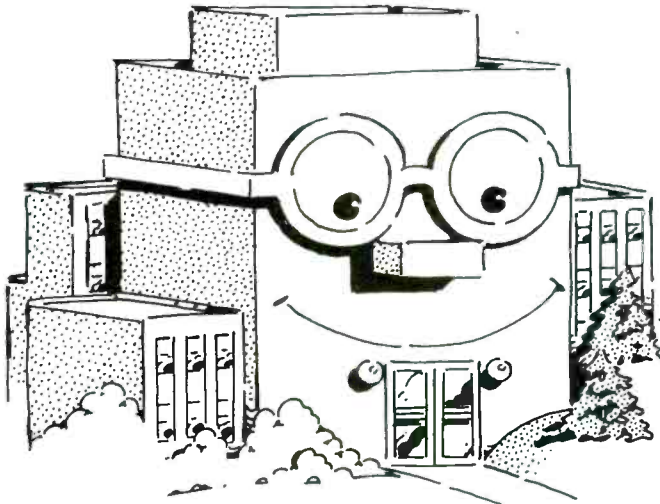
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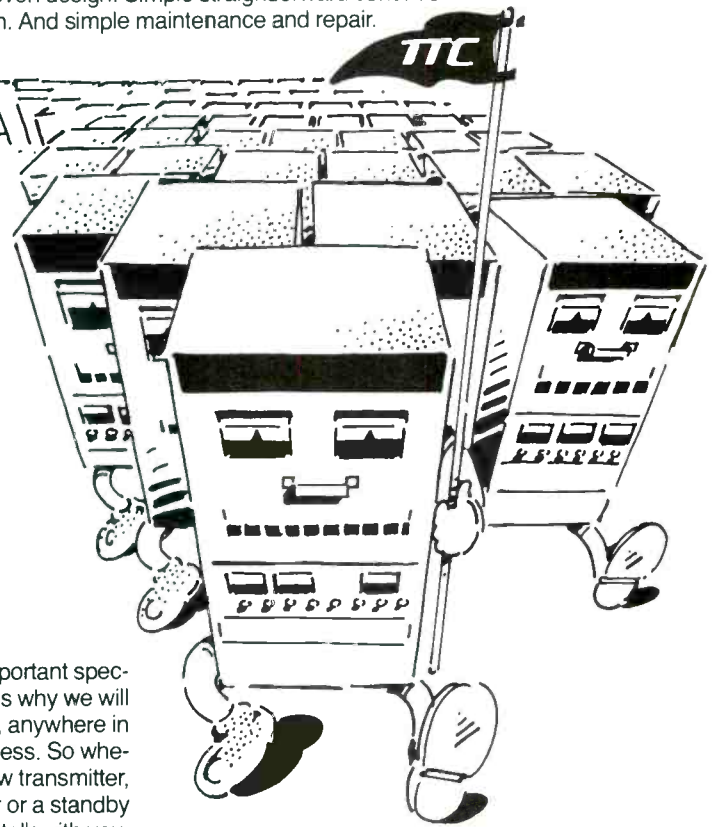
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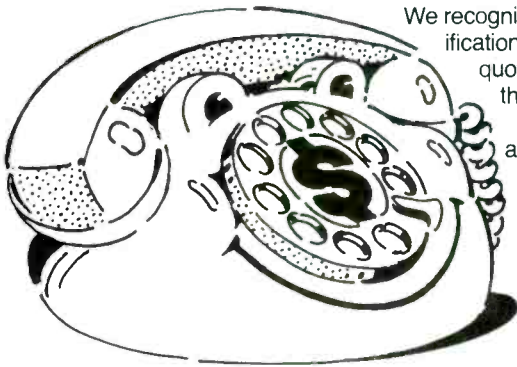
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impedance presented by this tuned circuit also changes by 2:1, with a corresponding 2:1 change in the oscillator waveform amplitude across the circuit. This amplitude change is enough to modulate the varactor diode, which is controlling the operating frequency, and would normally require a slight compensating shift in the varactor control voltage. The same control voltage is supplied to the RF tuned circuit varactors, and they would, therefore, become mistuned as the operating frequency shifted across the band. By using an amplitude-controlling feedback loop, this tracking problem is avoided.

The second, and not so obvious, difference in the LM1863 LO is that it has been designed for low phase noise operation in anticipation of the angle-modulated RF carriers for AM stereo broadcasting. The phase noise of this oscillator is better than -60dB , referenced to 1 radian peak deviation of the RF carrier, which compares favorably with the phase noise level of crystal-controlled oscillators. Unfortunately, this noise performance will be impaired by noise modulation from the varactor tuning control voltage source, putting emphasis again on good filtering in the PLL system. Finally, the LM1863 LO has a buffered

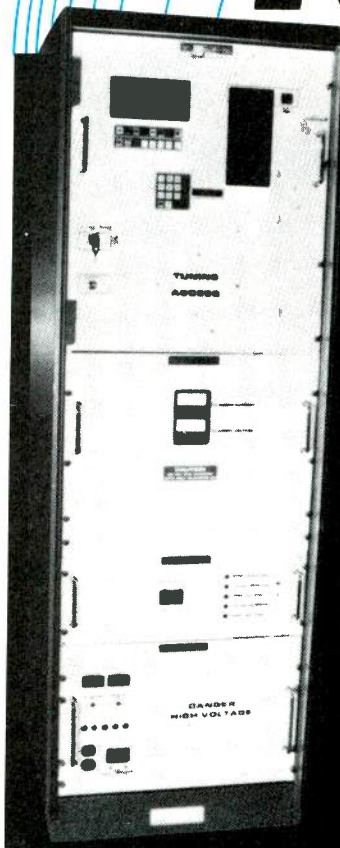
output suitable for driving the PLL programmable divider chain.

Between the mixer and IF amplifier is the main IF selectivity element—a ceramic filter. A single filter is shown in the Figure 3 circuit. It is likely that the majority of radios will continue to be built with a single, relatively narrow bandwidth filter for the previously mentioned reason of interference rejection. For a high-quality receiver, a switched-filter IF amplifier can be used. A relatively narrow filter is used for nighttime reception and for listener preference on some heavily processed signals, with a wider bandwidth filter being switched in for hi-fi reception. Ceramic filter manufacturers are working on wider bandwidth filters with low passband ripple and steep filter skirts, yet these are still in the ± 6 to $\pm 8\text{kHz}$ region. Systems with bandwidths beyond this will probably be limited to a few home receivers with good antenna systems.

In a stereo receiver, the IF signal is tapped from the IF amplifier output and directed to the stereo decoder, which needs this signal in order to extract the stereo difference information. The decoder IC (LM1981, for example) has an envelope detector built in, so the on-board detector of the LM1863 can be used to generate the AGC control voltage and signal strength meter drive. The IC has up to 20dB AGC range on the mixer and IF amplifiers before gain reduction is transferred to the RF stage. This helps maintain the RF stage noise figure while the signal is weak and dominated by antenna noise. The dual AGC scheme permits an excellent 54dB overall S/N ratio with a 30% modulated carrier.

Another function provided by the LM1863 is *stop detection* for the PLL frequency synthesizer system. In order to recognize a valid station, two criteria must be met. First, a signal must actually be present on the station frequency. This is determined by feeding the IF amplifier output through a limiter stage, followed by a 450kHz tuned circuit. An inexpensive ceramic filter that can be damped with an external resistor is used to set the window of frequencies that are allowed through to the stop detector, thus ensuring that the proper IF signal is present. Interestingly, this can also be done by monitoring the excess phase detector output on the stereo decoder IC (LM1981), which allows scanning for stereo-only channels. The second criterion is that the signal must be strong enough to obtain a satisfactory S/N ratio. This is done by measuring the AGC voltage. The threshold level is set by an external resistor. When both criteria are met, the stop detector is activated, signaling the PLL microcontroller to stop scanning.

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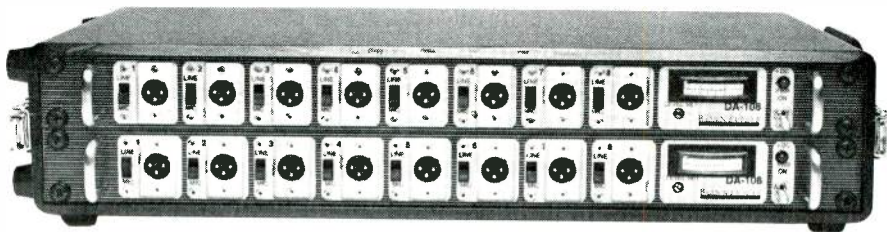
Already we have suggested that designs for increased audio bandwidth to best use the proposed AM stereo formats may not go as far as a hi-fi buff would expect. This doesn't mean improvements are unfeasible, however. Techniques to cancel interfering signals that can appear as the bandwidth is increased already exist, especially when synchronous or product AM detectors are used. These are, of course, more expensive than the common envelope detector and will undoubtedly introduce some problems of their own. However, the extensive use of product detectors in FM shows that this can be done. A more likely barrier to widespread use of such systems is the consumer's perceived value, and how much he is prepared to pay. As implied in this article, the major developments are currently related to auto radio, rather than home radio, and this will be the area to watch.

There is one problem the receiver manufacturer cannot solve alone, and that is compatibility. Any effort to produce a high-quality, wide audio bandwidth AM receiver will result in a certain amount of customer dissatisfaction, because on some stations it will sound strident or screechy. This is because many broadcasters are employing signal processing to enhance the sound of their stations, usually involving a lot of compression and emphasis of the mid to high frequencies.

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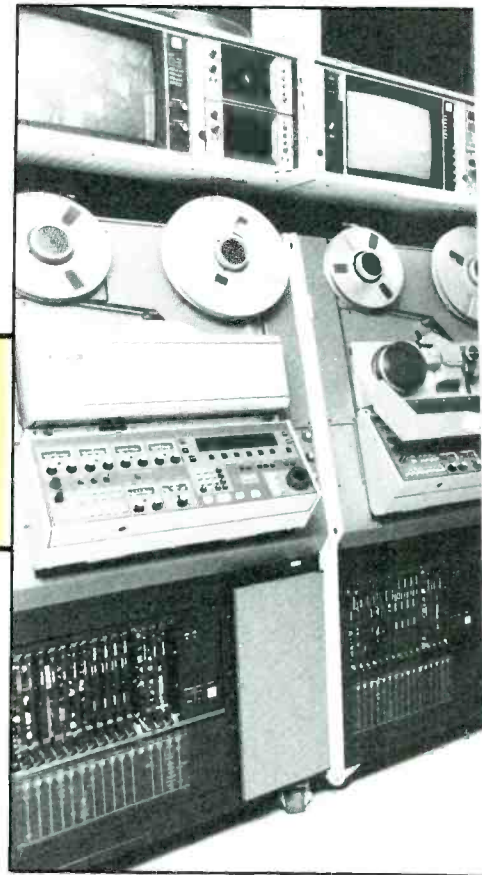
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By Joseph Mahedy, chief engineer, Modern Telecommunications, New York

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use. By centering the needle on the SC/HI meter, virtually all H-shifts will be eliminated.

The audio system is designed specifically with the operator in mind. I/O ports for output processing make interfacing a noise-reduction or time-compression/expansion system as easy as plugging the external equipment into the ports. Also, full-stereo monitoring, an audio confidence head in record and the capability of mixing channels 1 and 2 at the output are included.

One engineering feature, *auto set-up*, will automatically optimize three different tape stocks and store the data in memory. There is an auto tach phase and the capability to put artificial sync pulses on a non-sync recording. The operator may change almost any parameter via a menu. Diagnostics are planted to troubleshoot problems down to a component level.

Technical evaluation

Often when a newly purchased machine arrives, it is not working up to specifications, or not working at all. Having recently received our fourth VPR-3, I can honestly say that all four

worked out of the box. No repairs were made, nor any adjustments performed before the VTRs went on-line within hours after they had arrived.

On inspecting the machines, I found I could gain access quickly to virtually any area. I found high-quality parts throughout the machine on well-laid out printed circuit boards. Having several of the first production machines after ABC, I found the documentation, although preliminary, to be 95% complete, with only some parts lists incomplete.

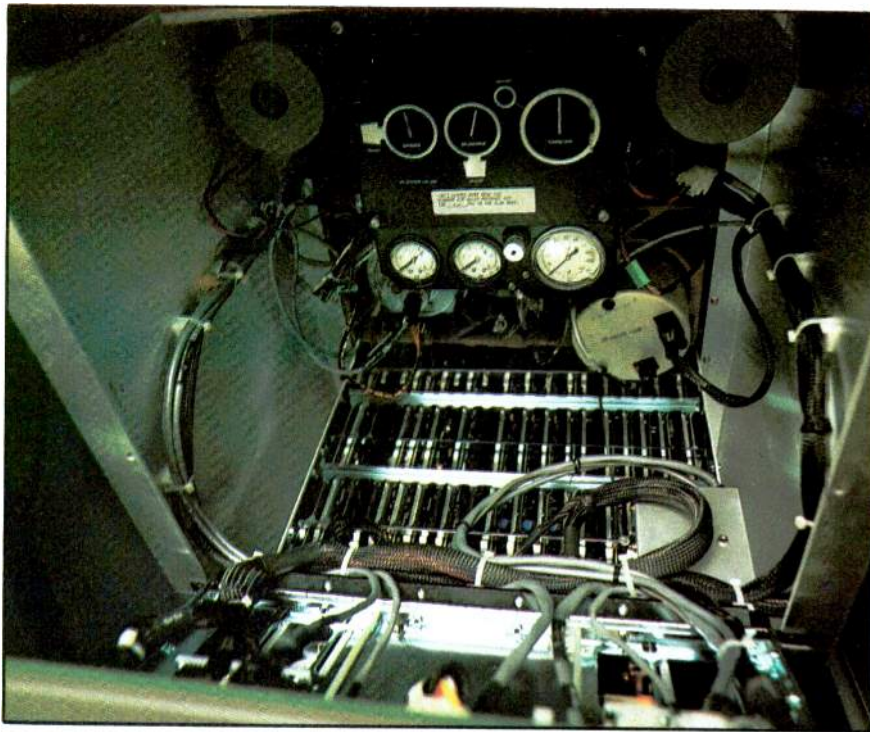
Elimination of most of the mechanical assemblies makes the transport less prone to failure and should drastically reduce preventative maintenance costs.

The video input stages have clamping, a selectable low-pass filter (for users with RF problems) and an input cable equalizer to peak up input signals that suffer from high-frequency roll-off. This is handy for any facility. Also included is a calibration pulse to aid proper adjustment of input and demod levels.

The most significant evaluation performed was trying to fool the tape handling system into destroying a tape. The battle was lost. Any reel size can be loaded and the transport will handle it without fear of tape stretch or run-off. Several air guides on the transport eliminate friction, which causes the tape to stretch. A vacuum capstan replaces pinch rollers to give accurate control of the tape in any mode of operation. The continuous use of the capstan permits a coupling servo to monitor both tension-arm positions and adjust the capstan acceleration in conjunction with the reel servos.

The heart of the VPR-3 is the control system. There are two Z-80 microprocessors; one for system control, the second for I/O functions. A third Z-80 is used on an optional time code reader/generator card. We have experienced no problems with the micros.

The auto set-up is remarkable and saves much engineering time by allowing the operator to set up bias



Access to circuitry and components is possible from the back of the machine.

levels easily. By selecting auto set-up mode on the menu, the VTR automatically goes into a sequence to optimize record currents, bias currents, equalization and predistortion for all

three audio channels. It then adjusts video record bias for peak RF. You can see what is happening during the optimization mode by looking at a bar graph on the menu display. I had my

audio engineer check all the levels that the computer had set. He found that all parameters were correct and accurate. Memory in the computer allows storing and recalling any one of three different tape stock parameters, so the optimization procedure does not have to occur. Of course, at any time you can manually optimize the machine as well.

The auto-scan tracking (AST) system on the VPR-3 is practically the same as the one on the VPR-28 at first glance, but some improvements have been made. A high-frequency tach on the vacuum capstan sends a reference to the AST servo to give faster lock up than on the older machine. Additionally, electronics in the TBC will give locked pictures in shuttle mode (50x play speed). The AST system and TBC work very well from -1x to +3x play speed.

I am disappointed in what Ampex decided to use as the TBC. The TBC works very well, but with the most sophisticated 1-inch VTR in existence today, they did little in the way of the TBC. I think Ampex should have offered somewhat better than an 8-bit, 3x subcarrier unit. The TBC-3 seems to be an updated TBC-28 with some extra features.

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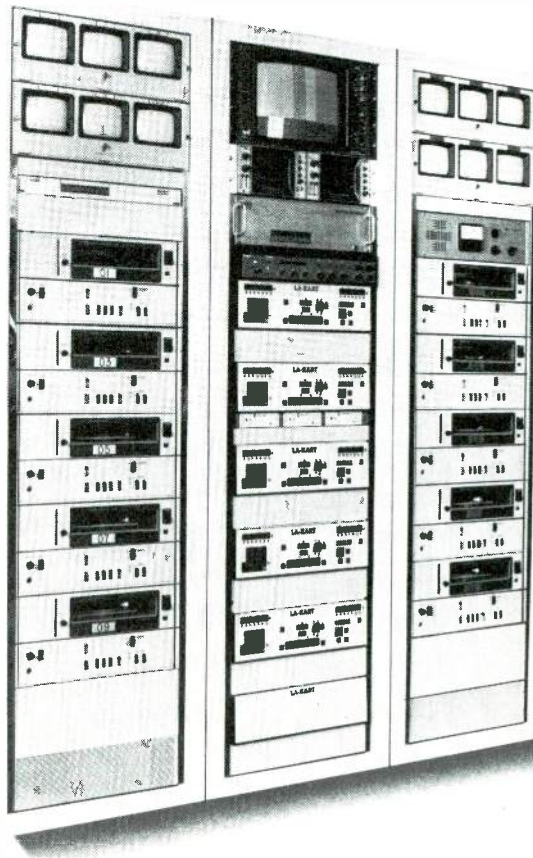
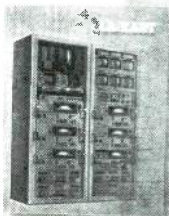
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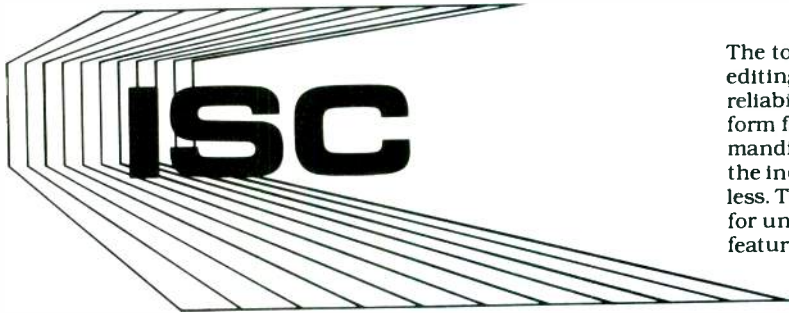
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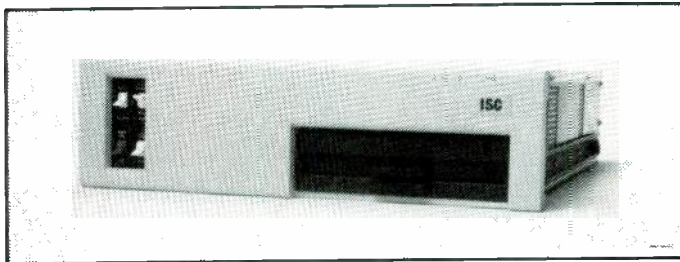
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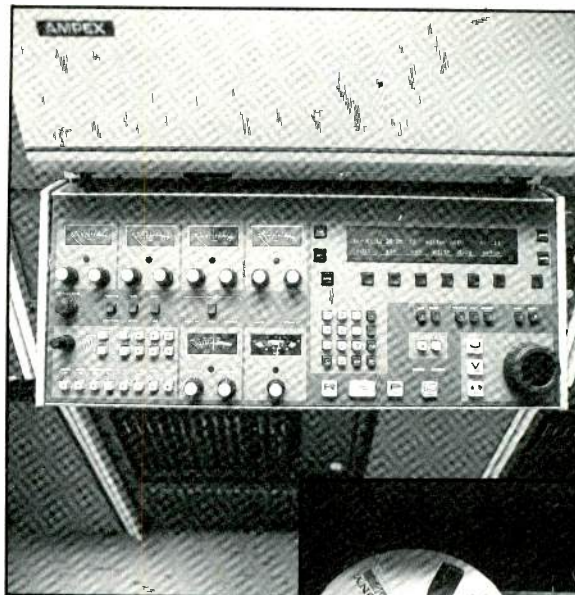


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(Above) The operator's control panel of the VPR-3.

(Right) A close-up of the vacuum capstan area.



very similar to earlier VPR designs, so your engineers should feel right at home, although there will be data buses almost anywhere you look.

The software is the brains of the machine. Ampex has recently released version 2.0 software to eliminate some minor bugs in version 1.1. Also changed was a software command for audio muting. In the earlier software, in all modes except normal play speed, audio would be muted, making it impossible to use a time compression/expansion system. This has been corrected in version 2.0, which seems to be trouble free.

Operational evaluation

Most of the operator's interface is done through a menu and six soft keys. The soft keys are used to create dialogue with the computer in the VPR-3 in order to do a number of varied operations. From the menu, you can select sub-menus, depending on your choice of edit, varispeed, search-to-cue, diagnostics or set up. It is very difficult at first to remember where all the software switches are, but the more it's used, the simpler it becomes. The menu gives the operator

all pertinent information needed to do a specific task, whether it is search-to-cue, tape time or time code, varispeed percentages of real time speed, selection of color frame, and so on. To be competent on the machine, you must know and understand the menu.

The operator's panel is well-laid out and can be conveniently positioned at an angle or practically flat. On it, the audio system controls are planned for the operator. Separate record and playback audio levels include a unit/variable switch. Audio has full stereo capabilities and any combination of monitoring methods can be accomplished.

There are separate video input and demod level controls on the front panel, along with a calibration pulse enable to set the levels. Also located on the panel is an SC/H meter, which aids in setting VTR for proper SC/H phase.

A numeric key pad is used to enter edit numbers into the menu and may also be used for time code calculations. Below the menu display are standard edit and preview switches, and below that are normal machine controls.

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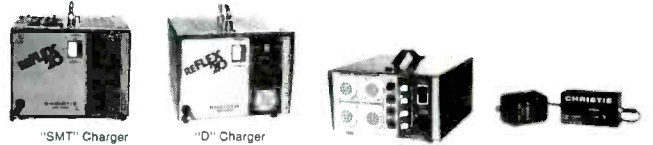
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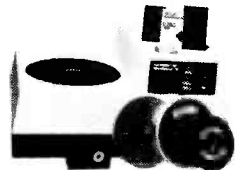
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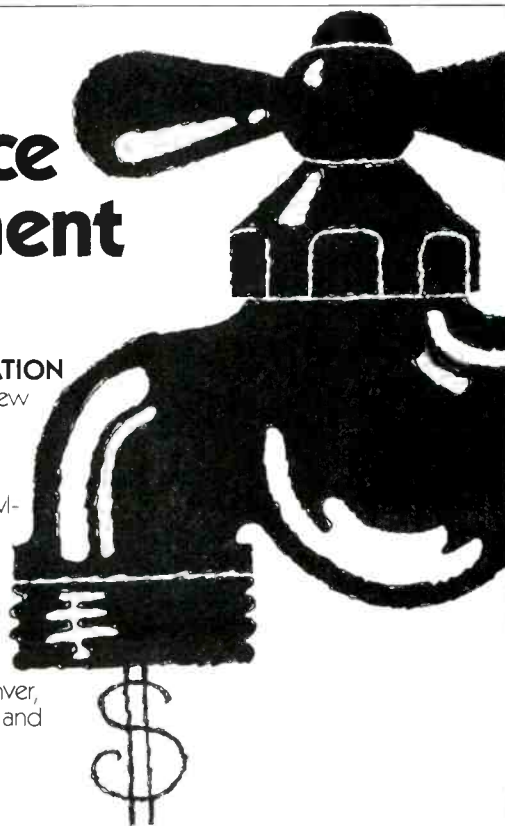
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The VPR-3 has two serial remote ports to communicate to external controllers. In MTI's configuration, port 1 interfaces to an ISC editing system, while port 2 is used to control another VPR-3, in an editec mode. It is useful to have the control panel of the record machine controlling the playback machine as well.

Having worked with all types of C-format machines, I find the VPR-3 is the easiest to thread. The first few times it was difficult, because there is no threading diagram on the machine. The take-up reel can be either A-wind or B-wind, depending on the polarity of a jumper, located near the lower right of the take-up reel.

On the TBC, the video, black and chroma phase adjustments use control knobs, but the H phase and sub-carrier phase are still screwdriver adjustments. Control knobs for the two functions would save a good deal of time.

A problem I have with the VPR-3 is not being able to see E/E easily. For E/E mode through the machine, you must shut down the scanner. I find this to be a hindrance, and it is a condition I hope they correct in the future.

Edit interfacing and RS-422 serial remote

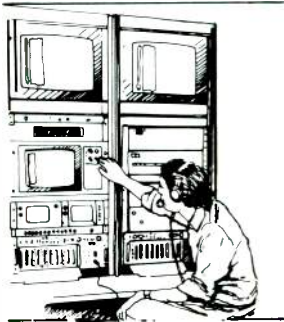
Although ABC had several ISC editing systems married to the VPR-3s for the '84 winter Olympics, MTI was the first teleproduction house with a VPR-3 editing system. Chuck Heuer, director of engineering at MTI, did the actual interfacing.

"At a physical level, interfacing is simple (RS-422)," Heuer said. "At a language level, there were a few hitches. Ampex's continuing evolution of software, a later revision than ABC's, had become slightly incompatible with the ISC editing software. ISC quickly modified its program to run with the new revision of VPR-3 software so there would be good communication."

Another hitch Heuer found was a definite time delay between when the command was given by the external controller to when it was actually completed. For example, using an external editor, the machine cannot make an edit of less than four frames. This is because of the time it takes for the command to pass through the two Z-80s to actually complete the command. Heuer explained, "The editor in the VPR-3, in fact, can do single field editing, but this cannot be done by the ISC editor at this time. While it is possible to avoid this 4-frame problem by sending the machine an out time as a deferred event, this is a trade-off introducing other operational problems

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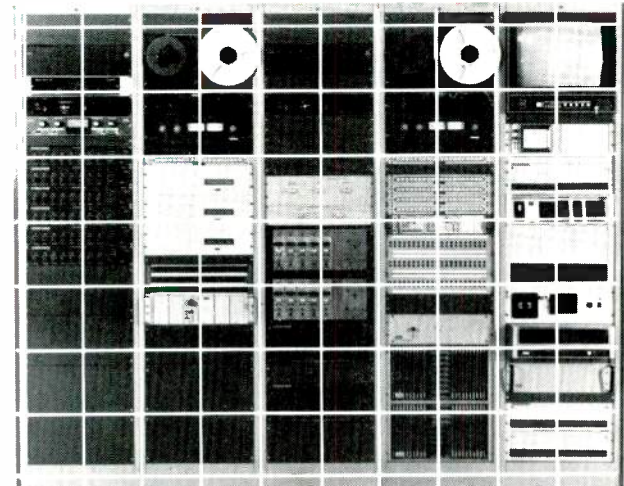
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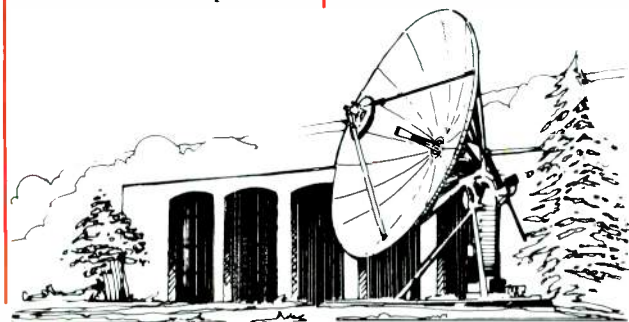
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to the editorial operation." According to Heuer, the parallel port on the VPR-3 is limited and provides only the basic machine controls. Otherwise, the RS-422 ports on the machine do work well communicating serially.

It should be noted that LEDs on the control board indicate whether serial data is present.

Pros and cons

A list of various features shows how the engineering and operational staff at MTI votes for the VPR-3.

Engineering Pros

- Very few mechanical parts, reducing replacement part costs and preventive maintenance costs.
- Diagnostics make troubleshooting easier and faster.
- Software can be easily upgraded.

Operational Pros

- Tape handling is best.
- Ability to control the variables in the machine, via the menu.
- Very fast search-to-cue.
- Improved monitoring.
- Excellent audio system.
- Under external computer control with the ISC system, the ability to use job and slo-mo eliminate the need for VITC.



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Field report:

TASCAM 122-B cassette recorder



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The addition of a new cassette recorder to a broadcast station is usually nothing to shout about. With more than 150 cassette recorders on the market now, the differences between them can't be all that great—right? Wrong!

Figure 1. (Left) A close-up of the 122-B front panel is shown. Note the front-panel bias adjustments below the level-control knobs and the operating-mode switches on the right side of the panel.

Figure 2. (Below) The front panel controls of the TASCAM 122-B studio cassette recorder/reproducer.



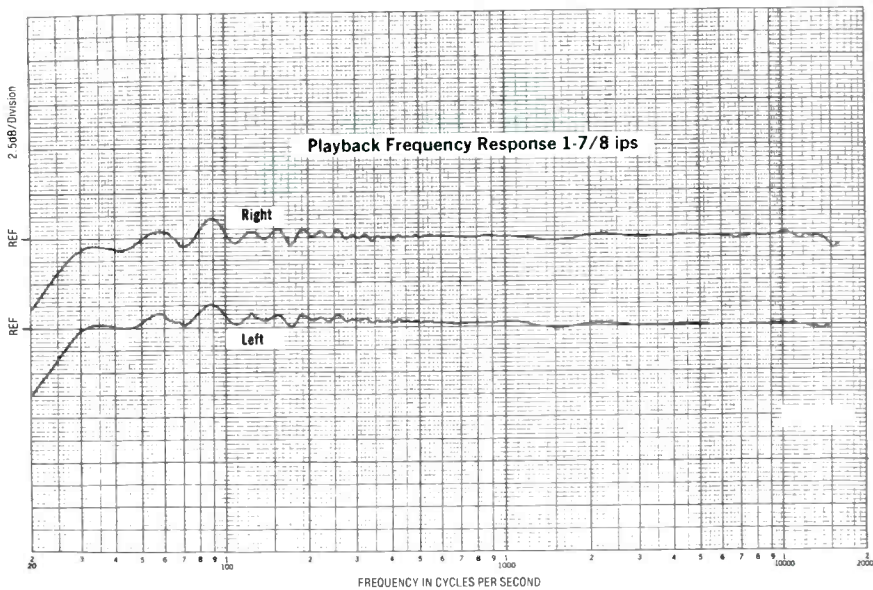


Figure 3. Playback frequency response of the tape deck at 1 7/8 ips.

KANU recently had the opportunity to evaluate the new TASCAM 122-B cassette recorder. This particular unit should not be confused with the TASCAM 122, which is the consumer version. The 122-B is a professional-grade cassette recorder with full XLR

connector and broadcast-level compatibility.

At first glance, one doesn't notice much difference between the 122 and the 122-B. In fact, some vendors apparently have not heard about the 122-B. One set of bids issued for three

TASCAM 122-Bs showed eight vendors agreeing to supply the 122, yet not one bid for the 122-B. Some bidders noted that an XLR-type cassette recorder was not available. Through the cooperation of David Oren, marketing representative of TASCAM, we were able to obtain one of the new units for evaluation.

This station had been using two of the most expensive cassette machines for several years. One persistent problem with these machines had been the capstan pressure roller tension. Despite constant adjustment, cassettes regularly were being damaged by the machine.

One significant difference between the machines we had and the TASCAM 122-B is the single-capstan drive mechanism. The TASCAM uses the more common single-capstan system. This type of drive has proved over time not only to be more reliable than dual-drive systems, but with new motors the wow and flutter is not appreciably higher (typically 0.06% vs. 0.04%, NAB weighted).

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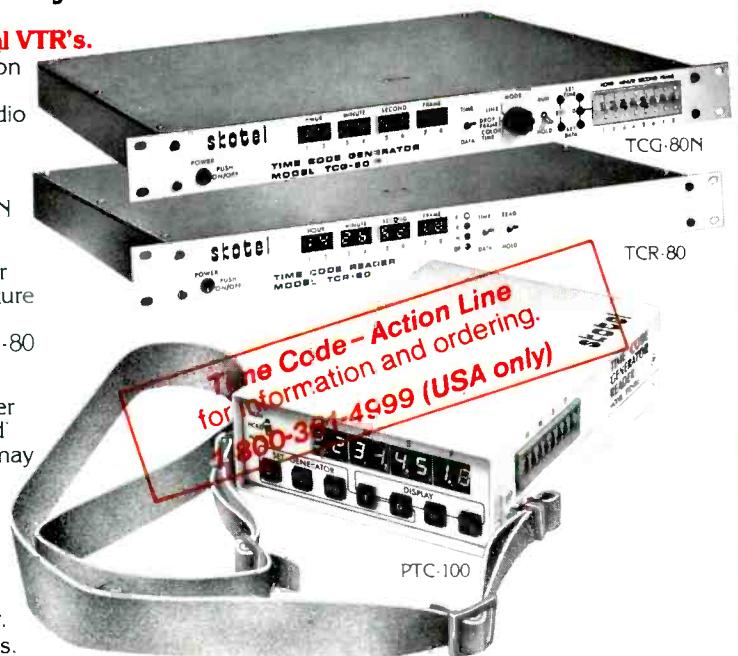
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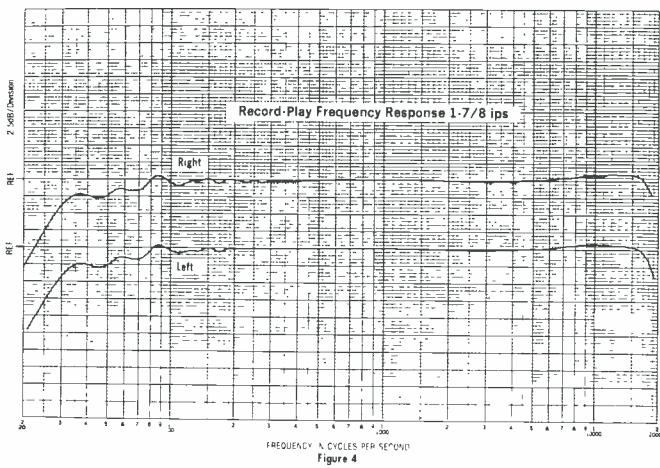


Figure 4

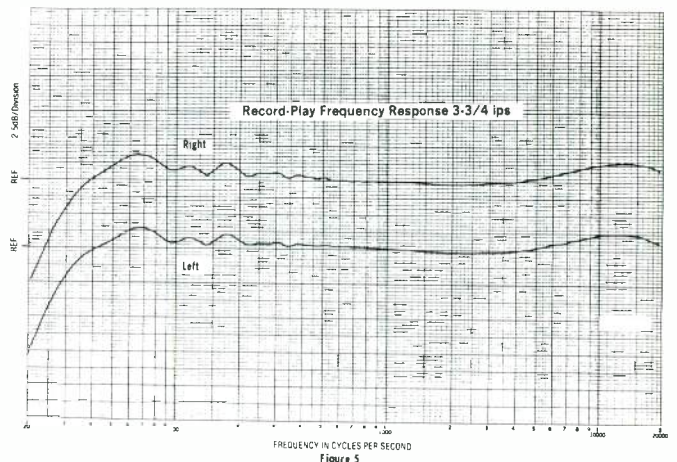


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Figure 4. (Left) The record-playback frequency response of the unit at 1 $\frac{7}{8}$ ips.

Figure 5. (Above) The record-playback frequency response at 3 $\frac{3}{4}$ ips.

sional use. The first is the machine's capability of recording at 3 $\frac{3}{4}$ ips. The high-speed feature provides reel-to-reel quality in almost every respect. Granted, the maximum time for recording is only about 22 minutes per side on a C90 cassette, but at this speed the production possibilities are greatly expanded.

The second professional feature is the full XLR input and output capability. The ease with which the machine can be interfaced with professional equipment is refreshing. The XLR provision is not just a connector difference. The outputs and inputs are active-balanced circuits. The outputs are capable of +6.5dBm before clipping. The inputs are high-impedance and fully balanced. These inputs are designed to directly interface with nominal console output levels of +4dBm.

In some small production rooms, the cassette machine may need to be interconnected with auxiliary equipment that uses RCA PIN jacks. This is no problem for the 122-B. The front panel contains a pair of high-level RCA PIN jack inputs. For operator convenience, either the front-panel RCA PIN jacks or the rear XLR inputs can be selected with a front-panel switch. See Figures 1 and 2.

The rear panel also contains RCA PIN jacks for inputs and outputs. A rear-panel switch allows the user to select either of the two sets of rear-panel jacks (RCA or XLR). The RCA PIN jack inputs and outputs are identical to those on the standard 122 machine.

Front-panel access is provided to either the input or output signals for monitoring purposes. The front-panel output level controls affect only the output level, not the metering level.

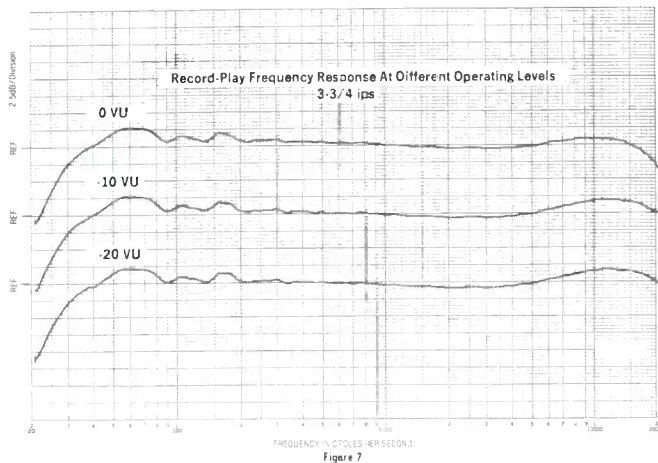
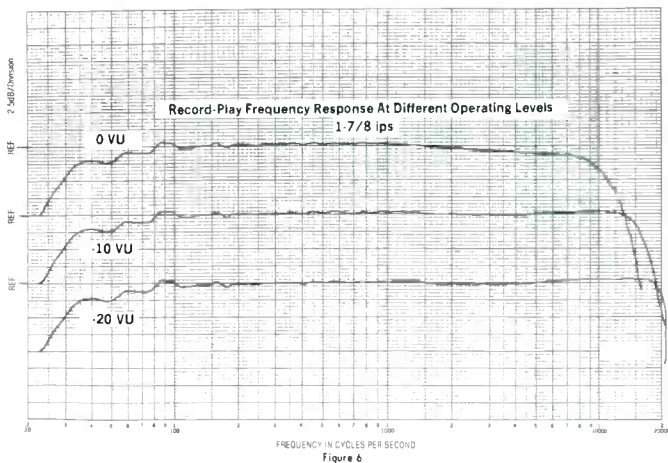


Figure 6. (Above) The effects of operating level on record-playback frequency response performance at 1 7/8 ips.

Figure 7. (Right) effects of operating level on record-playback frequency response performance at 3 3/4 ips.

The operator can also select the equalization and bias for a particular type of tape—normal, cobalt (Co) or chromium dioxide (CrO₂). Also, the front panel provides access to record-bias calibration controls for a fourth set of parameters. A small push-button switch selects these controls for user optimization of performance. The equipment manual provides clear and concise instructions on how to set the controls for best recording performance.

Standard features

Other front-panel controls provide the standard types of features that are expected on such a machine—memory stop and play, headphone level adjust and motion controls. The machine is fully solenoid-controlled and a remote-control box, model RC-90, is available. For those engineers wanting to mount the remote controls for the cassette recorder in a console or custom cabinet, I suggest buying the RC-90. The unit comes apart easily, and the remote-control bezel can be used as a cover plate for a custom housing.

The recorder provides the necessary interface for an external RX-8 dbx noise-reduction system. The RX-8 encoder/decoder control and audio signal lines plug directly into jacks on the rear panel. Selecting the dbx noise-reduction system with the front-panel switch automatically interfaces the necessary circuits in the dbx noise-reduction unit to the audio circuits in the 122-B.

You might expect Dolby noise reduction also to be available. Although it is included, it is a new Dolby circuit. This noise-reduction system is referred to as Dolby System/NR + HX.

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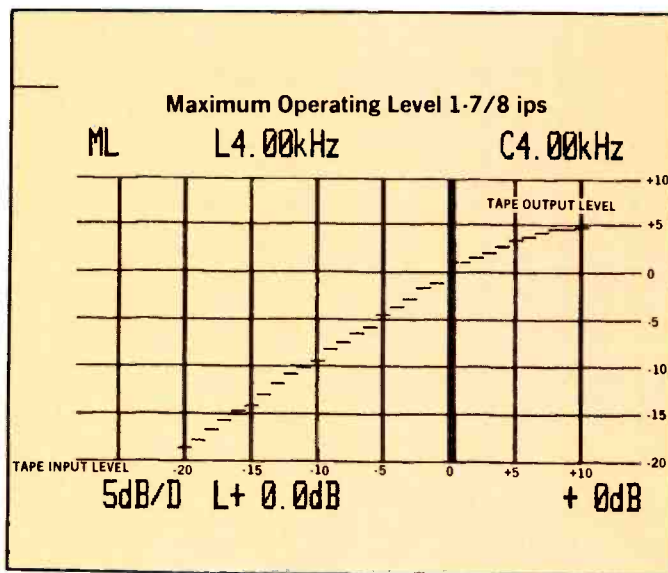


Figure 8. The charted results of the maximum operating level test at 1 7/8 ips.

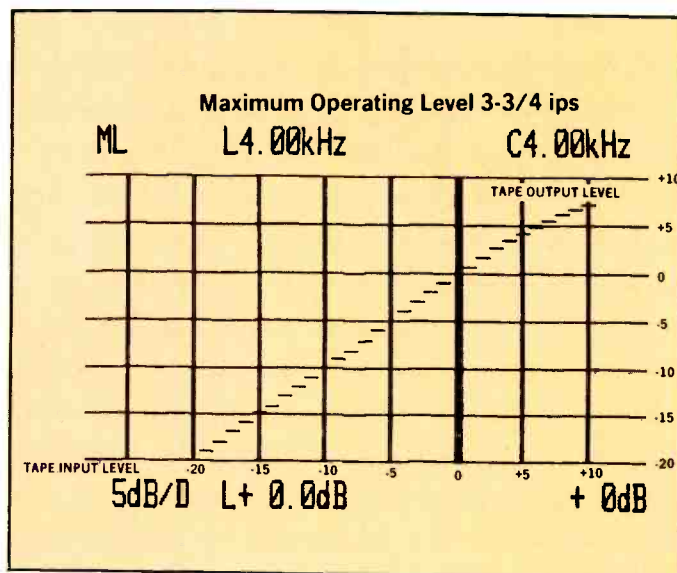


Figure 9. The charted results of the maximum operating level test at 3 3/4 ips.

The new Dolby circuit provides the standard Dolby noise reduction, plus greater headroom in recording. Tapes recorded with the switch in this position can be played back on normal Dolby machines, as well as those with the Dolby HX circuits. The operation of this circuit is explained later in this

article. (See page 220.)

The switch you might not expect on a cassette deck is the speed switch. This machine runs at both 1 7/8 ips and 3 3/4 ips. This feature is regularly used at KANU to provide clients with high-quality copies of their performances in one half the normal time.

Performance

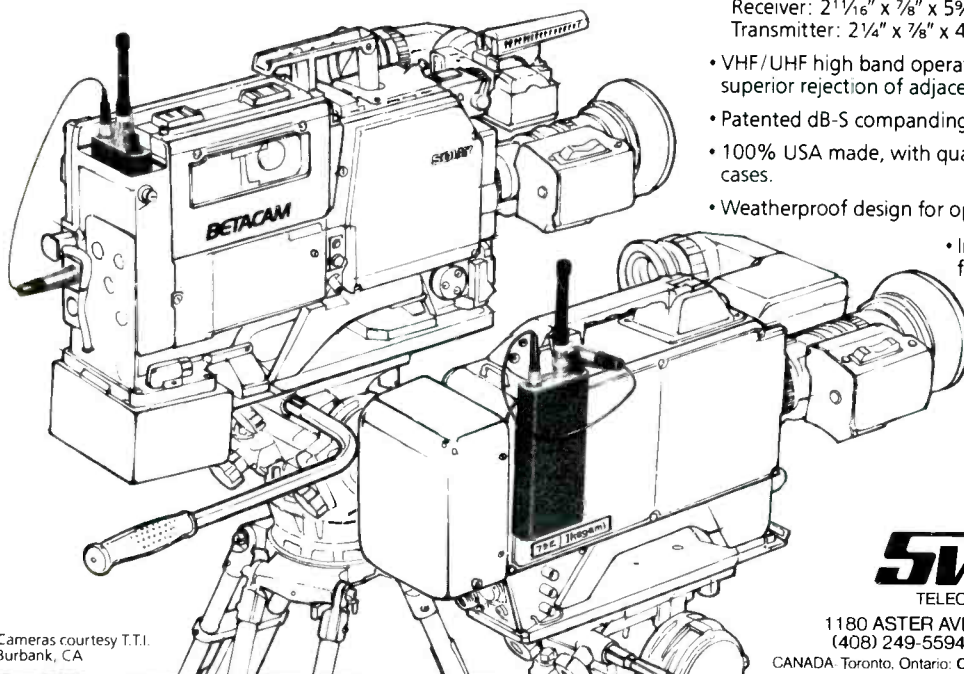
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Figure 3 shows the playback fre-

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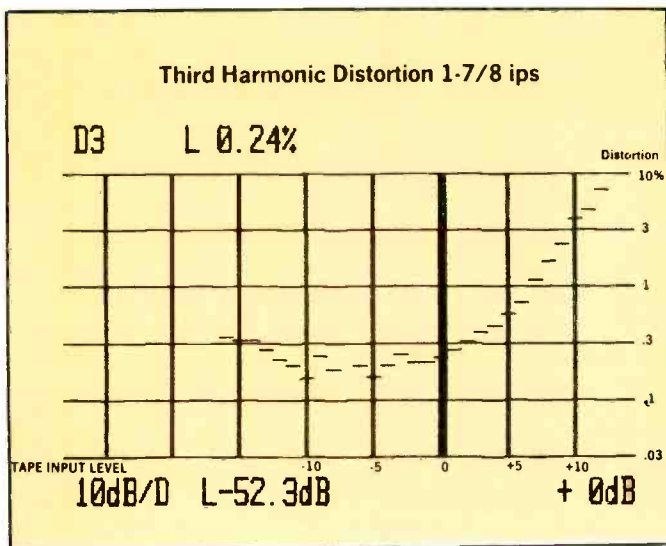


Figure 10. The charted third harmonic distortion results at 1 $\frac{7}{8}$ ips vs. input level. Standard operating level is designated by the heavy 0dB vertical line. The test frequency is 1kHz.

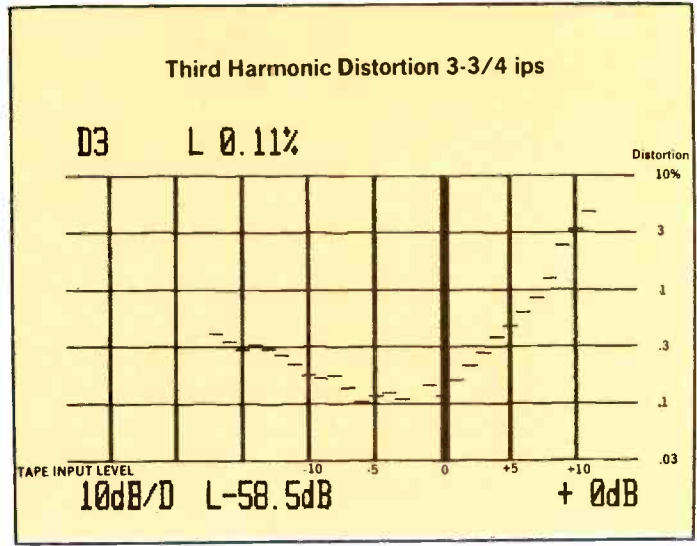


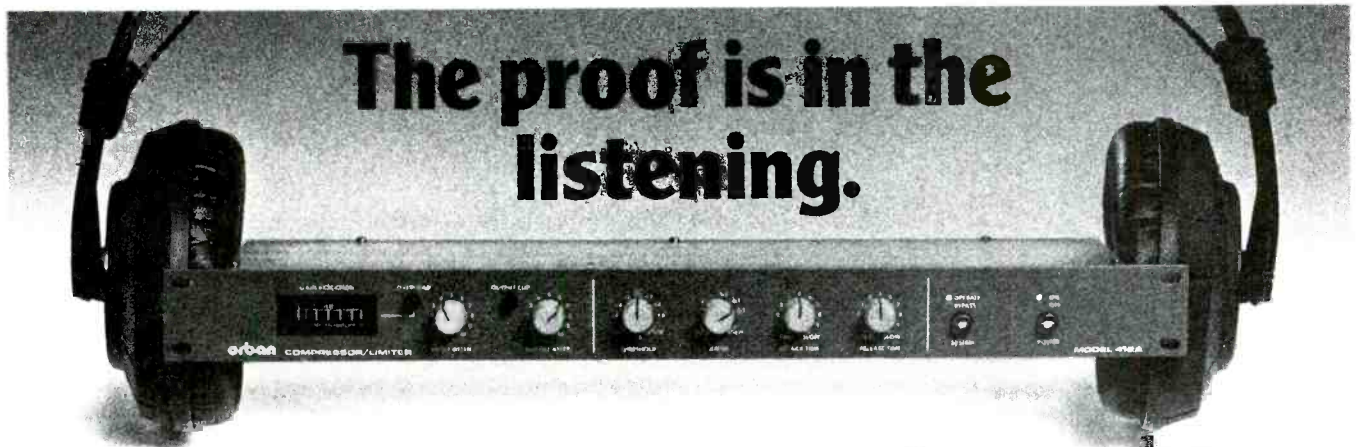
Figure 11. The charted third harmonic distortion results at 3 $\frac{3}{4}$ ips vs. input level. The heavy vertical line at 0dB represents the machine's standard operating level. The test frequency is 1kHz.

quency response for each channel. The upper graph represents the right channel, the lower graph the left channel. The uniform response is good and was measured only at 1 $\frac{7}{8}$ ips. So far, no playback frequency test tapes are available for 3 $\frac{3}{4}$ ips. The graph only goes out to 15kHz, but that is because

the test tape only goes to that frequency.

Figure 4 shows the record-playback frequency response measured at 1 $\frac{7}{8}$ ips. The factory settings were used with a TDK C-60 cassette. The top-end -3dB point is about 19kHz for each channel.

The 3 $\frac{3}{4}$ ips record-playback frequency response is shown in Figure 5. At this higher speed, the -3dB point is completely off the graph. A normal-bias tape was also tested at this speed, and although the performance was not quite as good as the chrome tape, it exceeded the performance that



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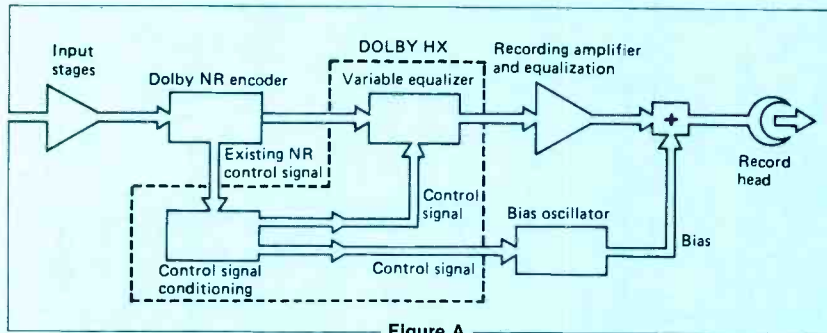


Figure A

Figure A. The basic block diagram of the Dolby HX noise-reduction system used in the TASCAM 122-B tape deck. New circuitry (shown within the dashed lines) takes a control signal from the Dolby B-type noise reduction encoder and, through control circuits, employs the signal to vary the power going to the bias oscillator and adjusts the record equalization as needed.

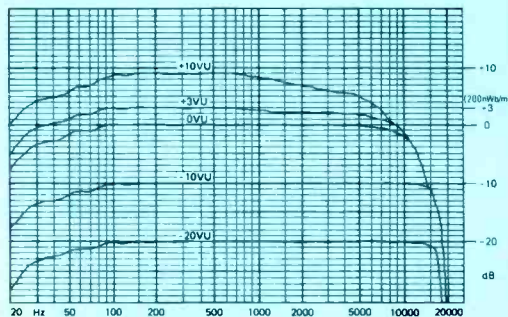
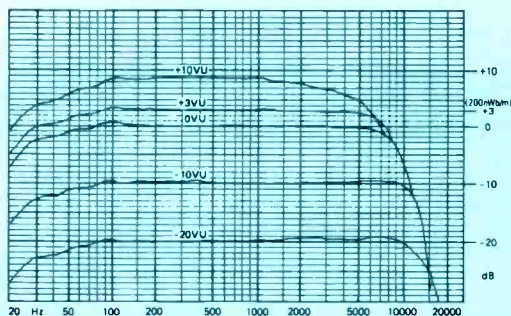


Figure B. The effects of Dolby HX noise reduction on frequency response. The top chart shows a high-quality cassette deck recording using conventional techniques. The bottom chart shows the same tape and the same deck, but with the Dolby HX noise-reduction circuit employed.

The TASCAM 122B tape machine has the standard Dolby noise-reduction processing as well as a Dolby HX (Headroom Expansion) feature. This new type of noise reduction provides greater headroom in recording. Tapes recorded in this mode can be played back on standard Dolby machines, even if they do not have the HX feature.

The basic Dolby HX process is shown in Figure A. The extender process works by constantly adjusting the bias level to increase the amount of energy that can be placed on the tape. To maintain a flat frequency response at these different bias levels, the record

equalization is adjusted along with the bias. In the playback mode, the frequency response is flat, as though a constant amplitude bias had been applied when the tape was recorded.

The dramatic effect of this feature is shown in Figure B. The upper graph shows a high-quality cassette recording without the HX feature. Notice how the high frequencies are rolled off as the input level is increased. The lower graph shows the same recording tape with the HX feature in place. Notice the improvement in high-frequency performance with the HX circuit in operation.

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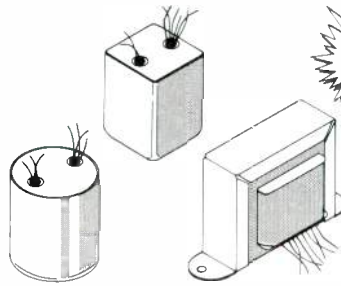
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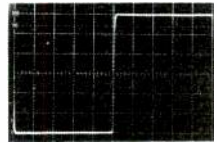
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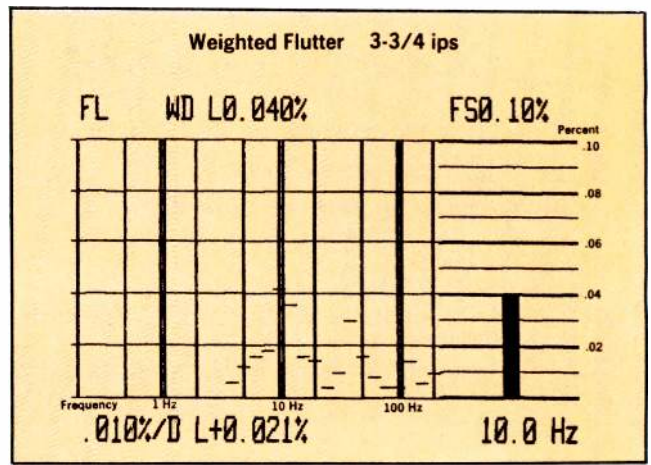
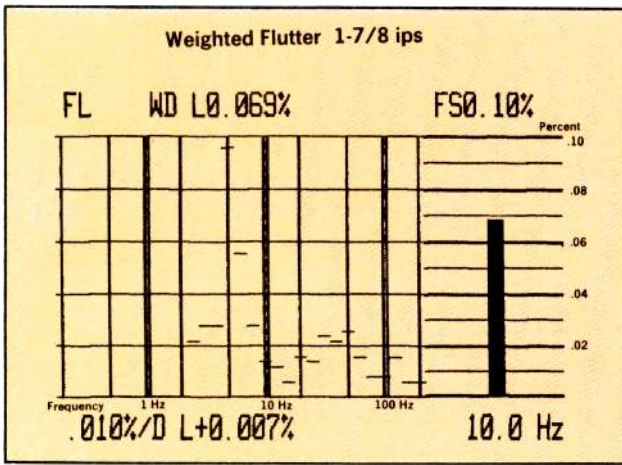


Figure 12. (Left) The measured weighted flutter performance of the tape deck at 1 7/8 ips.

Figure 13. (Above) The measured weighted flutter performance of the tape deck at 3 3/4 ips.

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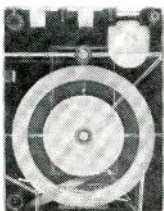
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could be expected from many reel-to-reel recorders.

One of the problems with using a cassette machine for serious recording is the poor signal-to-noise ratios usually encountered. Cassette machines notoriously have been unable to handle the necessary levels to obtain high-quality recordings. Usually, some form of noise reduction system is added just to get the noise down to an acceptable level. However, with the advantage of the higher speed, a whole new world of possibilities is created.

Figure 6 shows the respective frequency-response curves from a chrome cassette tape running at 1 7/8 ips, measured at three different levels; 0 VU, -10 VU and -20 VU. These traces clearly show the loss of top-end performance at the higher record levels. This phenomena usually forces the user to lower the input levels to avoid the loss in high frequencies with a corresponding loss of signal to noise.

One way to get more audio on the tape is to simply pass more tape across the heads in the same amount of time, ie. higher tape speed. The TASCAM 122-B, running at 3 3/4 ips, exhibits little high-frequency roll off, even at 20kHz. Figure 7 shows the record-playback frequency response as measured on a chrome tape at 3 3/4 ips. Again, the -3dB point is not even on the graph.

Another example of the recorder's capability of putting more audio on the tape is shown on the printed output of a Sound Technology 1500A. Figure 8 shows an automated test of maximum record level for the recorder. The test set inputs a high-level fixed frequency tone and then de-

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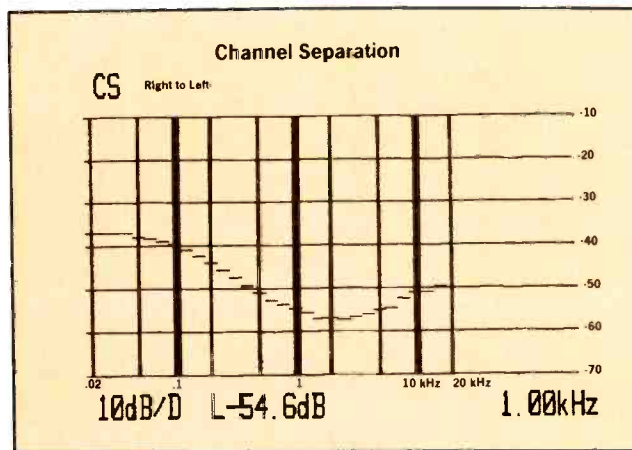
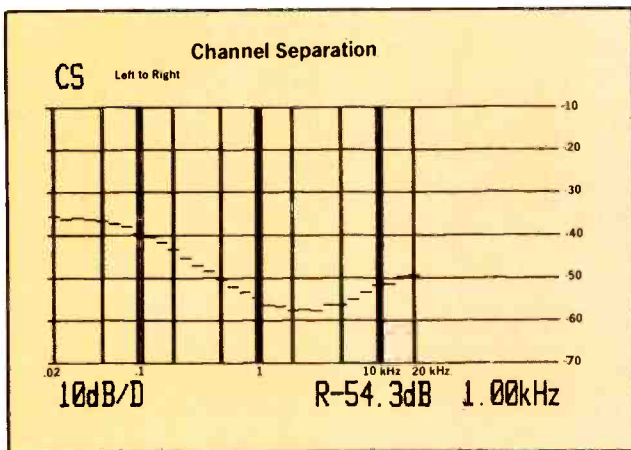


Figure 14. (Above) The channel separation (left-to-right) vs. frequency of the TASCAM 122-B.

Figure 15. (Right) The channel separation (right-to-left) vs. frequency for the cassette deck.

creates the input level while measuring the output level. The output level vs. the input level is plotted on the CRT screen of the 1500A. This test was run at 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ ips. Notice the slight roll off in output level as the tape reaches saturation. This saturation will show in the loss of high frequencies. Figure 6 also shows this loss of high-frequency response as a result of tape saturation.

The advantage of higher tape speed is shown in Figure 9. Here, the recorder was running at high speed, 3 $\frac{3}{4}$ ips. The plot from the 1500A shows much less tape saturation at the higher input levels. Figure 7 shows how this higher speed affects frequency response. Compared to the lower speed, the frequency response is much better.

The distortion characteristics of the 122-B are good. Figures 10 and 11 show how the machine performed at 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ ips and 3 $\frac{3}{4}$ ips, respectively. The low-speed distortion was 0.24%, and the high-speed distortion was 0.11%. Keep in mind that these figures were obtained with a full 0 VU input level. The actual measured noise level is shown on the same graphs. Unprocessed signal-to-noise ratios were measured at 52.3dB and 58.5dB.

An interesting display of the flutter performance of the recorder is shown in Figures 12 and 13. The graph shows not only the weighted flutter measurement, but also the flutter components at specific frequencies. Figure 12 indicates a weighted flutter level of 0.069% at 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ ips. However, an inspection of the graph shows most flutter components to be quite low. The only high-flutter component is at 5Hz. Most of the flutter components were well below 0.030%.

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The effects of ac line disturbances

Every electronic installation requires a steady supply of clean power in order to function properly. Recent advances in technology have made the question of ac power quality even more important, as microcomputers are integrated into a wide variety of broadcast products. The high-speed logic systems prevalent today can garble or lose data because of power supply disturbances or interruptions.

With this article, **Broadcast Engineering** begins an in-depth look at the effects of ac disturbances on broadcast equipment.

By Jerry Whitaker, radio editor

The ac power line into a broadcast plant is the lifeblood of any operation. It is also, however, a frequent source of equipment malfunctions and component failures. The utility company ac feed contains not only the 60Hz power needed to run the facility, but also a variety of voltage sags, surges and transients. These abnormalities cause different problems for different types of equipment.

An ac voltage sag is generally defined as a decrease of 10% to 35% below the normal line voltage for a period of 16ms to 30 seconds. A surge, on the other hand, is a voltage increase of 10% to 35% above normal, lasting 16ms to 30 seconds. (See Figure 1.) Sags and surges may occasionally result in operational problems for the equipment on line, but generally automatic protection or correction circuits will take appropriate actions to ensure that there is no equipment damage. Transients, however, are not so easily identified or eliminated. Many devices commonly used to correct for sag and surge conditions, such as ferro-resonant transformers or motor-driven auto transformers, are of limited value in protecting a load from high-energy, fast rise-time spikes on the ac line.

The scope of the problem

Transient suppression is important to broadcasters because the sensitive, high-speed, solid-state equipment in use today can be disrupted, or even destroyed by random short-duration spikes riding on the ac waveform. If

not attenuated, these brief pulses, which are sometimes only a few microseconds in duration, can destroy semiconductors, disturb logic operations or latch up microcomputer routines.

Experience in the computer industry has shown that the vast majority of unexplained problems resulting in disallowed states of operation are actually caused by transient overvolt-

ages on the utility feed. With the increased use of microcomputers in broadcasting, this warning cannot be ignored. The threat to broadcast facilities is compounded by the fact that microcomputers are being used at critical stages in the transmission chain, including program automation equipment and transmitter control systems.

The subject of transient over-

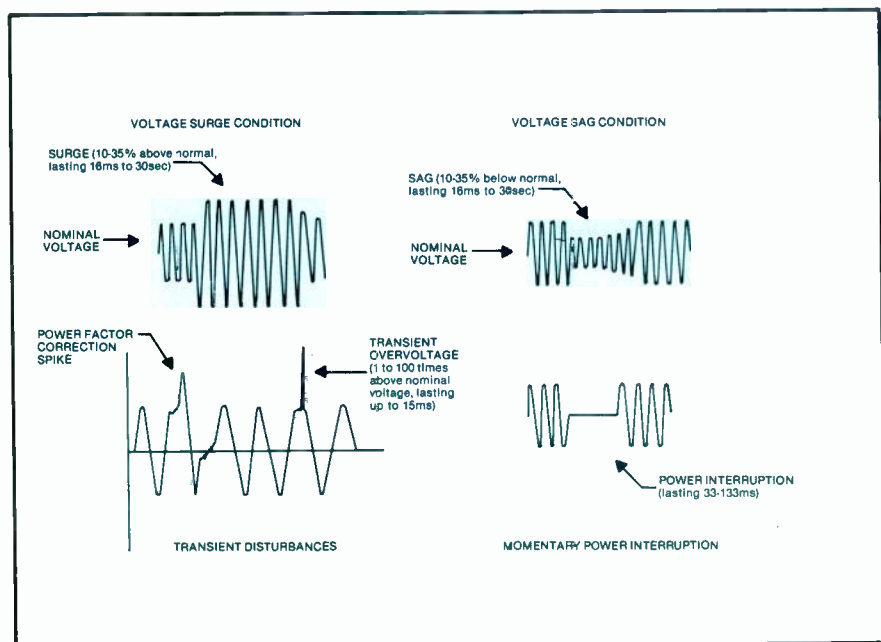
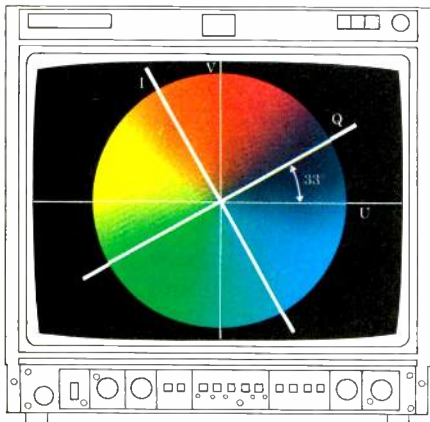


Figure 1. Various classifications of power-line disturbances. Voltage sags and surges can garble data and stress hardware components. Momentary power interruptions can cause a complete loss of volatile memory and severely stress hardware components, especially if the ac supply is allowed to surge back automatically. Transient disturbances can cause a wide variety of operational problems, from logic errors to complete system failure.

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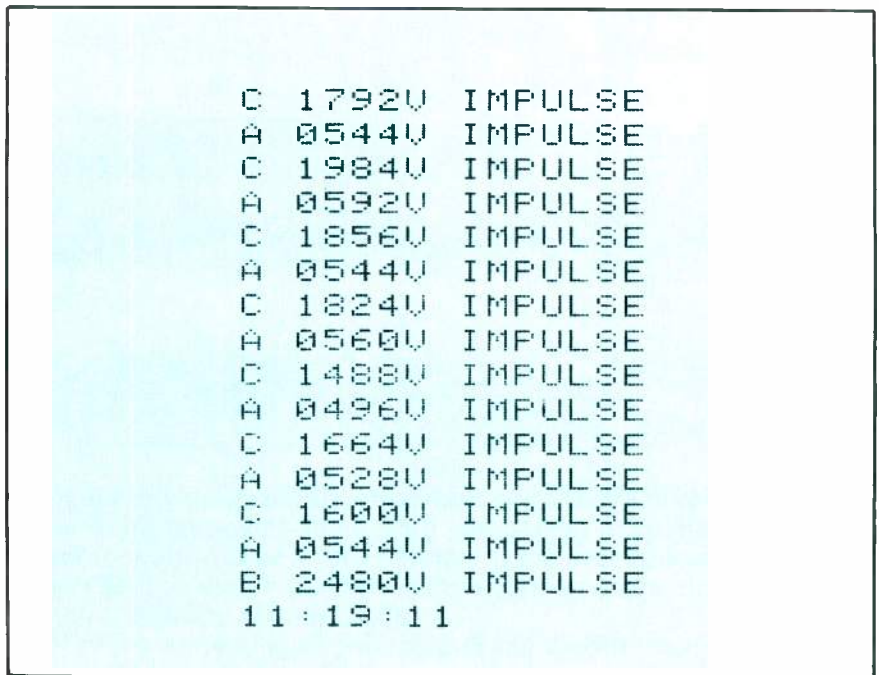


Figure 2. A portion of the ac monitor readout from the San Francisco area power-quality study. The first column indicates on which phase (A, B or C) the spike occurred. The second column is an actual readout of the transient (impulse) magnitude in volts.

voltages has been extensively studied in the computer industry. A pioneering effort by the IBM Systems Development Division in 1974, conducted by George Allen and Donald Segall, showed that voltage spikes lasting between 10 and 100 μ s in a frequency range of 10kHz to 100kHz can occur more than 50 times per month in a typical commercial environment.

Other more recent studies have shown that power line transients caused by utility company switching, distribution system faults, large loads going on- and off-line and lightning, can occur as often as 900 times per month. These spikes can reach 2kV (or more) and last up to 30ms.

Assessing the threat

Someone once jokingly said that the best transient eliminator was a transient monitor. Anyone who has monitored primary power service lines with an oscilloscope for any length of time would surely agree with that statement. Recent developments in digital technology, however, have changed the business of assessing the threat posed by unprocessed ac from an educated guess to a fine science.

Sophisticated monitoring equipment can give the user a complete, detailed look at what is coming in from the power company. Such monitoring devices can provide a wealth of information on the problems that can be expected when operating data processing, transmitting or

other sensitive electronic equipment from an unprotected ac line. Typically, the power at a facility to be protected is monitored for a week or more. Then, an assessment is made as to whether ac processing equipment is needed at the installation.

As a case in point, a recently completed study for a San Francisco Bay area company planning to install a new data processing center graphically demonstrates the scope of the transient problem.

The firm wanted to determine the extent of transient activity that could be expected at the new site so that an informed decision could be made on the type of power conditioning needed. A Dranetz Engineering Laboratories model 606-3 ac line monitor was connected to the 480V dedicated drop at the new facility for a period of six days. During this time, the monitor recorded thousands of spikes, many exceeding 2kV, on one or more of the three phase inputs. The transient recording threshold was 460V above the nominal ac voltage level of 480V, phase-to-phase.

An expert from the report summary states that, on one particular day, the facility was plagued by many high-level transient periods, stretching from 8:30 a.m. until 3 p.m. In fact, the transient counters overflowed on the monitor's daily summary printout. The highest voltage recorded during this period was 4.08kV. (This transient activity occurred during periods of

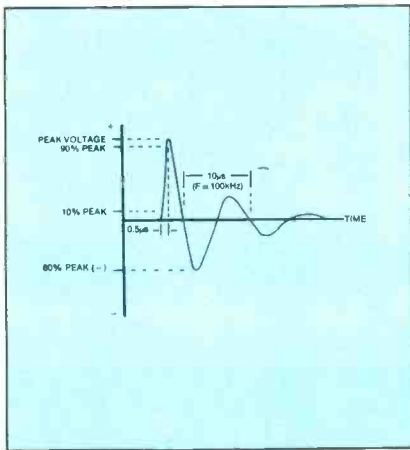


Figure 3. The suggested IEEE indoor-type transient overvoltage test waveform (0.5µs-100kHz ring wave, open-circuit voltage).

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Figure 2 is part of the printout from this study. The data covers transients exceeding more than twice the normal line voltage that occurred within a period of just 30 seconds. Even though these transients were brief in duration, any sensitive equipment connected to the power line would suffer damage in a short period of time.

Although this is certainly a worst-case example of dirty ac, it points out the need for a minimal amount of spike protection on all incoming power lines. Studies such as the one detailed here should not be construed to be an indictment of utility company engineering standards. Few power drops are as bad as the one analyzed in this study. Further, most transient activity on ac lines is generated by power customers, not utility companies.

Standards of measurement

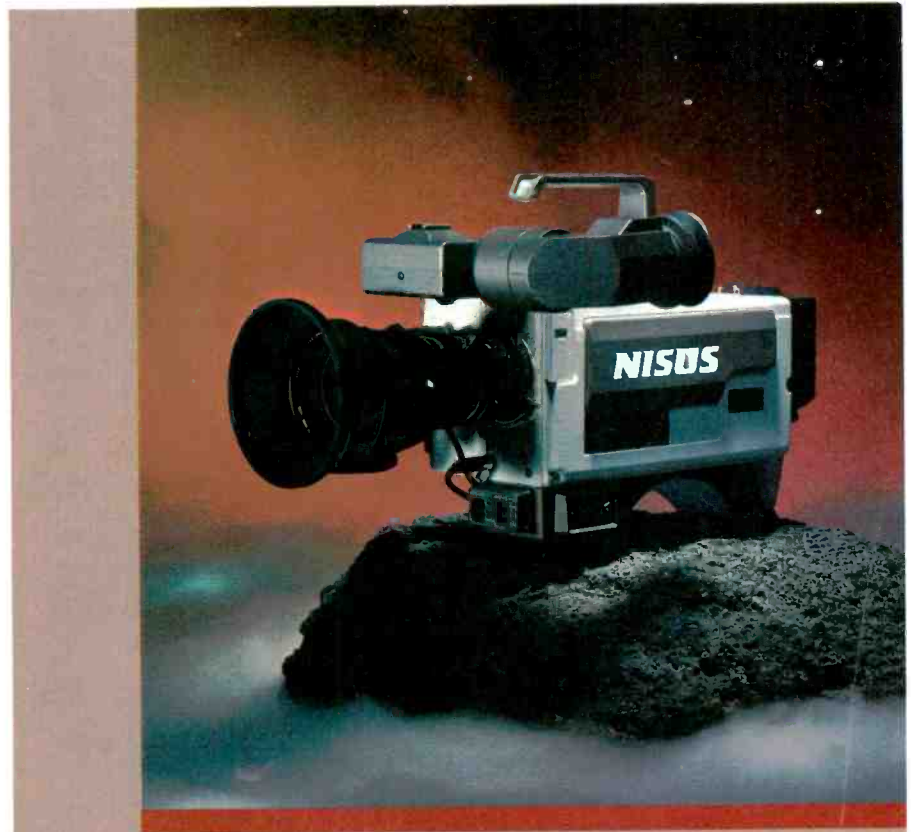
It is difficult to assess the threat posed by transient disturbances without a guideline on the nature of spikes in ac power systems. To this end, a working group of the Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers (IEEE) has suggested two waveforms, one unidirectional and the other oscillatory, for measuring and testing transient suppression components and systems in ac power circuits with rated voltages of up to 277V line-to-ground. The guidelines also recommend specific source impedance or short-circuit current values for transient analysis.

The voltage and current amplitudes, waveshapes and source impedance values suggested in the IEEE Guide (now ANSI/IEEE Standard C62.41-1980) are designed to approximate the vast majority of high-level transient disturbances, but are not intended to

be worst-case conditions—a difficult parameter to predict. The timing of a transient overvoltage with respect to the power line wave is also an important parameter in the examination of ac disturbances. Certain types of semiconductor exhibit failure modes that are dependent on the position of a transient on the 60Hz ac system sine wave.

Figure 3 shows the ANSI/IEEE representative waveform for an indoor-type spike (for 120V to 240V ac systems). Field measurements, laboratory

observations and theoretical calculations have shown that the majority of transient disturbances in low-voltage indoor ac power systems have oscillatory waveshapes, instead of the unidirectional wave most often thought to represent a transient overvoltage. The oscillatory nature of the indoor transient waveform is caused by the natural resonant frequencies of the ac distribution system. Studies by the IEEE show that the oscillatory frequency range of such disturbances extends from 30Hz to 100kHz, and that



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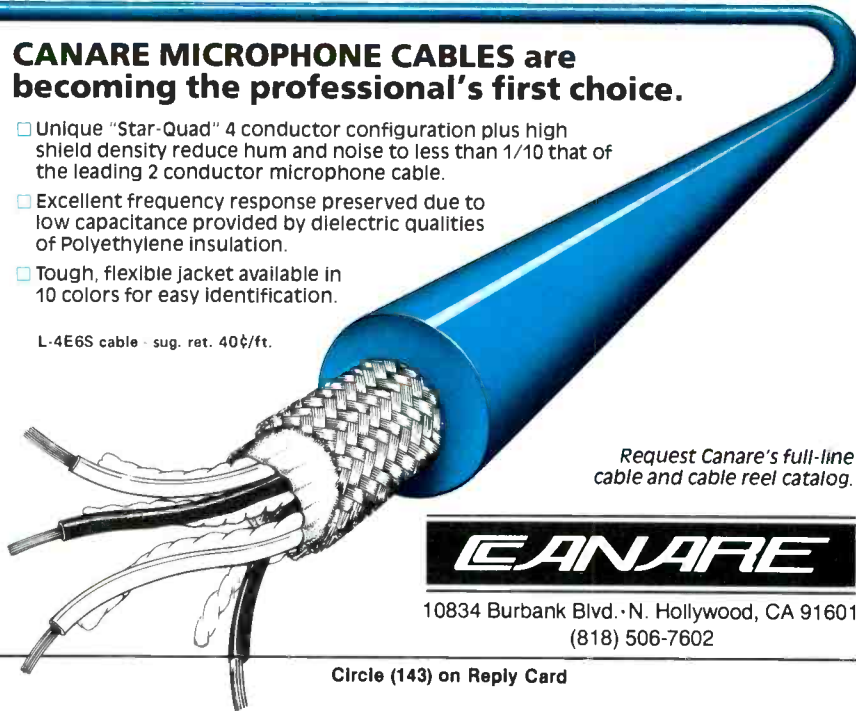
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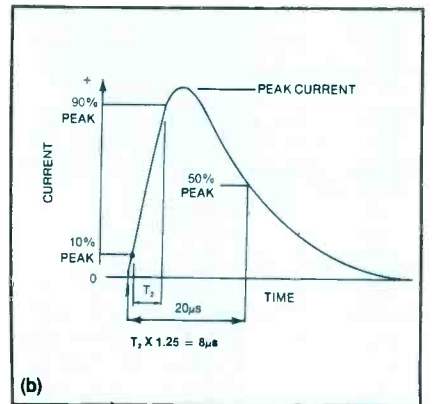
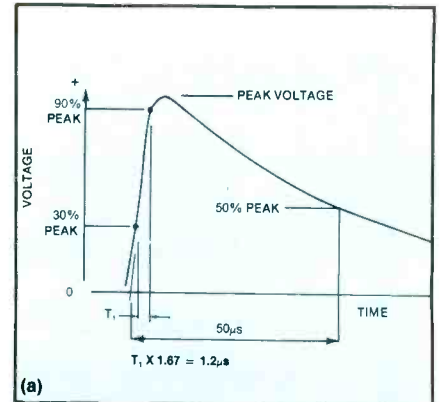


Figure 4. The unidirectional waveshape for outdoor-type transient overvoltage test analysis based on ANSI Standard C62.1. Figure (a) shows the open-circuit waveform, and Figure (b) shows the discharge current waveform.

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the waveform changes depending upon where it is viewed in the power distribution system.

The waveform shown in Figure 3 is the result of extensive study by the IEEE and other independent organizations of various ac power circuits. The representative waveshape for 120V and 240V systems is described as a 0.5µs-100kHz ring wave. This standard indoor spike has a rise time of 0.5µs and then decays while oscillating at 100kHz. The amplitude of each peak is approximately 60% of the preceding peak.

Figure 4 shows the ANSI/IEEE representative waveform for an outdoor-type spike. The classic lightning overvoltage pulse has been established at a 1.2/50µs waveshape for a voltage wave and a 8/20µs waveshape for a current wave. Accordingly, the ANSI/IEEE standard waveshape is defined as 1.2/50µs for the open-circuit voltage (voltage applied to a high-impedance device), and 8/20µs for the discharge current (current in a low-impedance device).

The outdoor waveshapes, while useful in the analysis of components and systems, are not meant to represent all transient patterns seen in low-voltage ac circuits. Lightning discharges can cause oscillations, reflections and

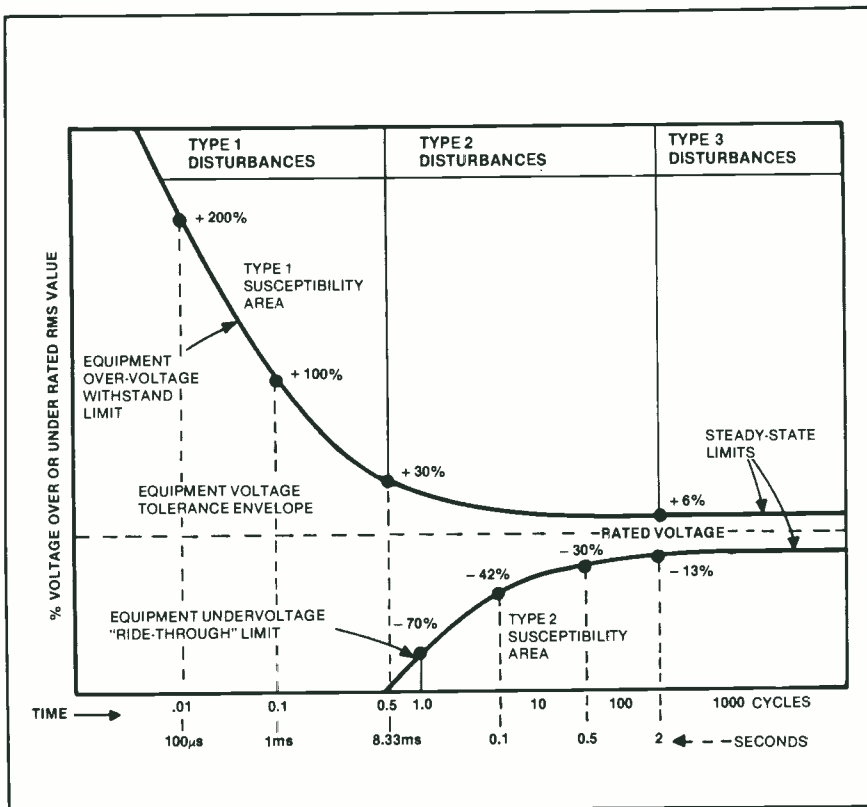


Figure 5. The recommended voltage tolerance envelope for computer equipment. This chart is based on pioneering work done by the Naval Facilities Engineering Command. The study identified how the magnitude and duration of a transient pulse must be considered in determining the damaging potential of a spike. The design goals illustrated in the chart are recommendations to computer manufacturers for implementation in new equipment.

other disturbances in the utility company power system that can appear at the service drop entrance as decaying oscillations.

Other considerations

Another fault condition associated with the utility company ac power supply is single-phasing. This is caused when one or more lines of a multiphase system is (are) open. Multiphase equipment, particularly motors, not protected against such occurrences will generally overheat, and sometimes fail.

Unfortunately, the power-quality problems affecting many areas of the country are becoming worse, not better. Broadcasters cannot depend upon power suppliers to solve the transient problems that exist. Utility companies are rarely interested in discussing ac disturbances that are measured in the microseconds or nanoseconds. The problem must be solved, instead, at the input point of sensitive loads.

Utilities have traditionally checked the quality of a customer's service drop by connecting a chart recorder to the line for a period of several days. The response time of such recorders, however, is far too slow to document any transient spike. Slow-speed analog recorders will only show long-

term surge and sag conditions (as earlier defined), which can generally be dealt with by the regulated power supplies or high-voltage protection systems normally used in broadcast equipment.

The degree of protection afforded a radio or TV facility is generally a compromise between the line abnormalities, which will account for better than 90% of the expected problems, and the amount of money available to spend on that protection. Each installation is unique and requires an assessment of the importance of keeping the system up and running at all times and the threat of transient disturbances posed by the utility company feed to the plant.

Part 2

In an upcoming issue of *Broadcast Engineering*, we will examine the sources of transient disturbances and how they are coupled into the broadcast plant.

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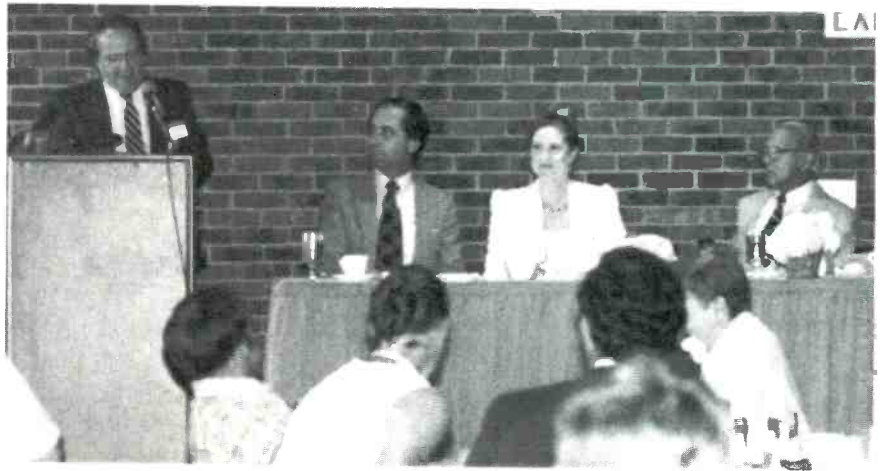
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WOSU Conference replay

By Jerry Whitaker, radio editor

The fourth annual WOSU Broadcast Engineering Conference has concluded with another successful year. The conference, co-sponsored by the WOSU stations and **Broadcast Engineering** magazine in cooperation with the Office of Continuing Education at Ohio State University, was held July 17-19 in Columbus, OH. Nearly 300 engineers from across the country attended the WOSU conference to hear 27 separate engineering papers. The speakers list numbered more than 40, and included John Reiser and John Sadler of the FCC; Joseph Flaherty, vice president, engineering and development, CBS Broadcast Group; Wally Johnson, president of Moffett, Larson and Johnson, Consulting Engineers; Walter Jung, author, and audio consultant; Michael Rau of the National Association of Broadcasters; Don Markley, consulting engineer; John Kean, director of engineering for National Public



The highlight of the WOSU Broadcast Engineering Conference was the banquet address by Joe Flaherty, vice president, engineering and development, of the CBS Broadcast Group. He warned that failure to plan for the future could have serious consequences for the broadcast industry.

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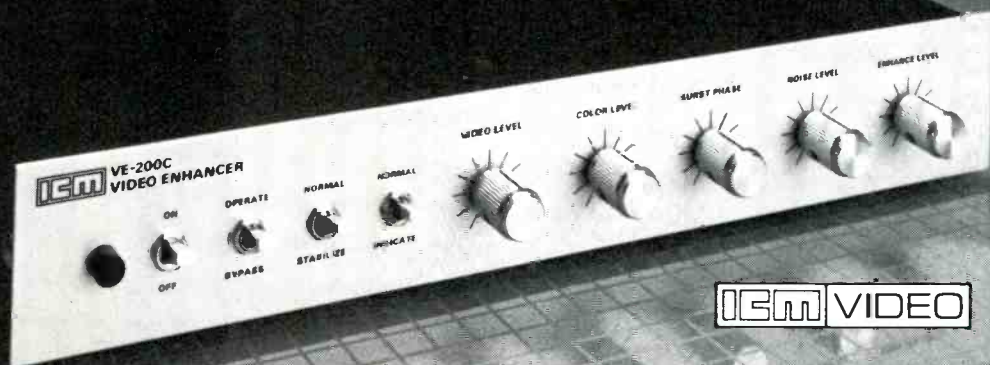
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the broadcast media. He told the capacity audience, "Broadcast technology is poised for a technical explosion... Technological advances will continue to accelerate, producing a bewildering array of equipment—both for the professional and the consumer; and the consumer will adopt many of these technologies more quickly than ever before."

Flaherty warned that, "The broadcaster's monopoly of video channels to the home is gone, and gone forever! The (new) television of abundance competes directly with the broadcaster for the attention of the viewer." He added that, "Complacency now would see us rumble on into 21st century oblivion."

Flaherty warned that by the year 2000, just 16 years from now, over-the-air television as we now know it may be relegated to the position of being a secondary service to other, more advanced delivery methods. He also stated that HDTV was "not as far away as many in our industry would like to think."

Flaherty urged those in attendance to make long-range goals and plans to both identify and meet the challenges of a changing marketplace for radio and TV broadcasting. He urged greater cooperation between the



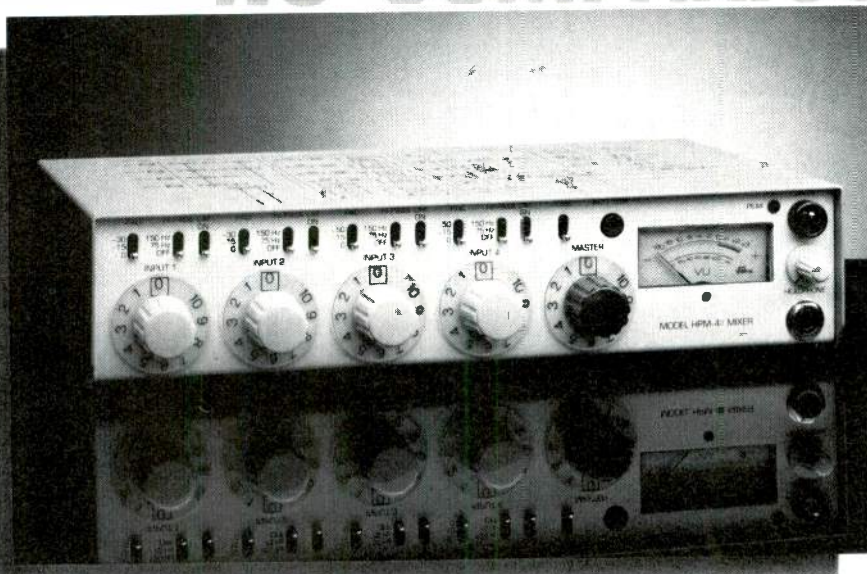
One of the most popular engineering sessions was the FCC Forum. Engineers in the audience were invited to question a panel of FCC representatives, shown here, about Commission rules and policies. The forum was moderated by Wally Johnson (standing).

broadcast and consumer electronics industries as a means of ensuring orderly development of new transmission systems. Flaherty also urged broadcasters and broadcast industry manufacturers to cooperate on the development of new standards and technologies. He used the continuing battle over the AM stereo as an example of the results of in-fighting among manufacturers, which has hurt the in-

dustry. Flaherty reminded the audience that the concept of using a marketplace solution to AM stereo did not originate at the FCC, but instead came from the broadcast industry.

Flaherty went on to suggest that the National Association of Broadcasters increase its efforts in the technology field. He urged the Association to devote more effort toward meeting the challenges presented by the current

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technological explosion, since these new developments will pose problems as important as the political ones the NAB faces today.

As in the past, one of the most popular sessions at the WOSU Conference was the FCC Forum, in which the audience was invited to fire questions at a panel of FCC representatives.

The FCC Forum panel consisted of Robert Greenberg, John Reiser and John Sadler of the FCC in Washington; Irby Tallant of the FCC in Detroit; and George Sklom of the FCC in Chicago. The panel was moderated by Wally Johnson. The session de-

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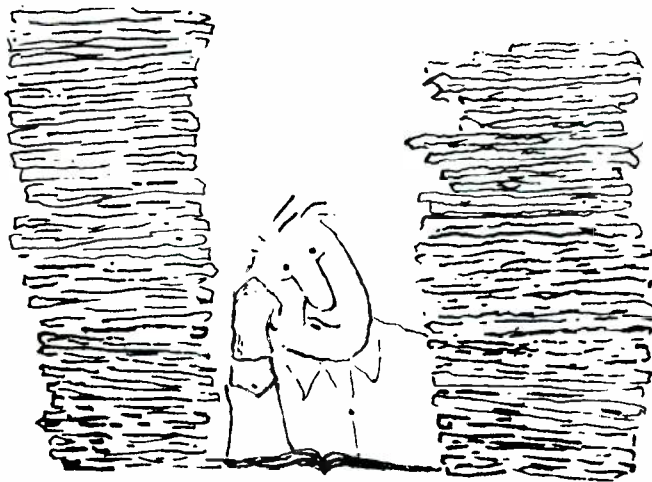
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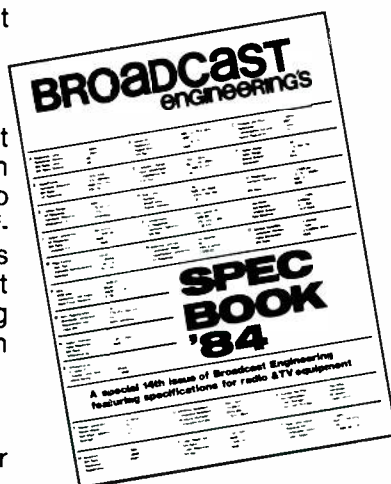
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termined that a major problem was keeping abreast of the commission's latest rules and policies. The panel suggested that each year engineers purchase a government publication that includes all updated rules and regulations of the FCC. The publication, titled "The Code of Federal Regulations—Title 47, Parts 70 to 79," can be ordered from the government printing office at a cost of about \$13.

Hot topics of discussion that the commission is currently studying are VHF drop-ins, AM broadcast band extension, LPTV, new remote control rules, AM station power allocation and operator licensing.

Sadler told the audience that the commission was taking a "hard line" on City-of-License and Construction Permit questions. He said that no program tests would be granted unless the facility in question had been built in accordance with the station's Construction Permit.

Reiser discussed planned changes in the remote control rules for transmission equipment. He said many of the existing Automatic Transmission System (ATS) provisions were likely to be incorporated into the revised remote-control rules.

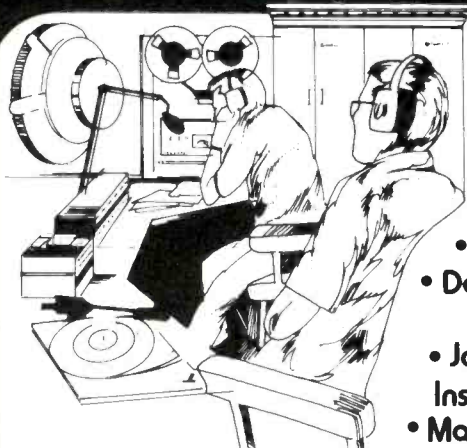
In an engineering session paper delivered by Reiser, it was disclosed that a Notice of Proposed Rule Making would be forthcoming that will propose to modify the methods specified in the commission's rules for determining transmitter power output.

Technical sessions presented at the WOSU Broadcast Engineering Conference ranged from detailed discussion of data transmissions via FM carriers to a review of VHF and UHF propagation. The sessions provided engineers with a wide variety of topics that dealt with everyday maintenance and installation practices, as well as new technology. Special sessions were also presented on TV equipment, directional AM antenna systems and audio engineering developments.

Luncheon addresses were given by Wally Johnson; John Kraus, professor emeritus at Ohio State University; and Larry Cervon, president of Broadcast Electronics. In his presentation, Cervon incorporated taped interviews with about 15 industry pioneers and patent holders who have made significant contributions to broadcast technology. Included in the presentations were comments from:

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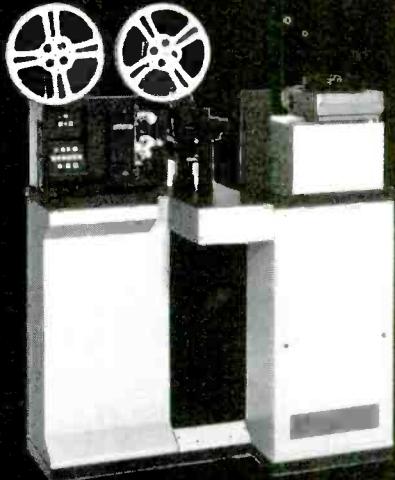
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- Prose Walker (now retired), vice president for engineering of the National Association of Broadcasters during the 1950s, when the FCC was studying many landmark issues relating to broadcasting, including remote transmitter control and FM stereo.
- Carl Smith, the well-known directional AM antenna design engineer.
- Hilmer Swanson, senior scientist for advanced development at Harris. Swanson holds the patent for the Pulse Duration Modulation (PDM) technique.
- Jim Aurand of Varian, who developed the patented 1/2-wave folded-cavity power tube design while working at Broadcast Electronics.
- Bill Moulic, president and founder of SMC Corporation, who holds the patent on the 1kHz cue tone technique used in virtually all tape cartridge equipment.

Planning has already begun for next year's WOSU Broadcast Engineering Conference. The location will be the same—Fawcett Center for Tomorrow, Columbus, OH—and the scheduled date is July 23-25.

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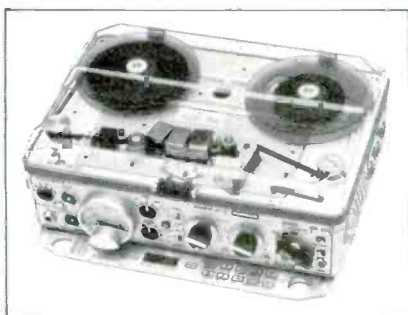
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NAB said that it supported the use of ACSB or other narrowband technology in the broadcast RPU bands, provided such use was voluntary, not mandatory, and was administered by Local Frequency Coordinating Committees (LFCC's). While generally supporting the FCC's proposed channel-splitting plan, NAB suggested reservation of one or two nationwide wideband channels.

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The SMPTE working group on digital TV tape recording met on May 4, 1984, at the Las Vegas Hilton Hotel. The meeting followed the NAB Conference, where experimental digital TV tape recorders were demonstrated by two equipment manufacturers.

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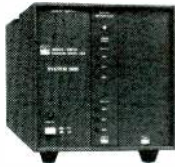
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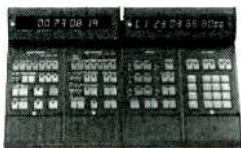
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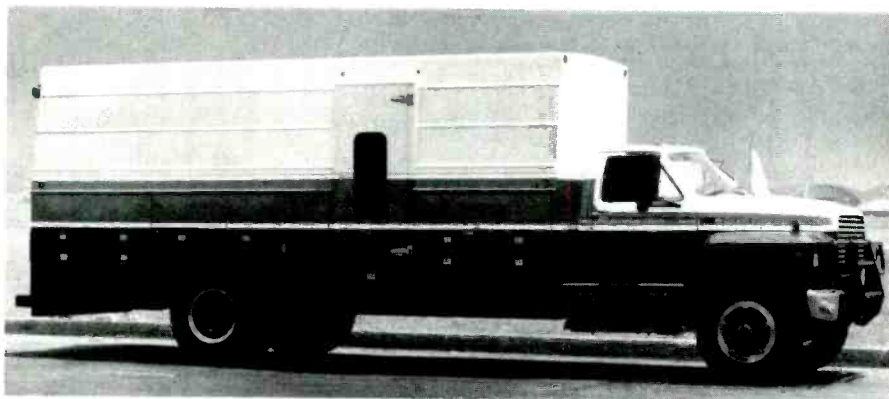
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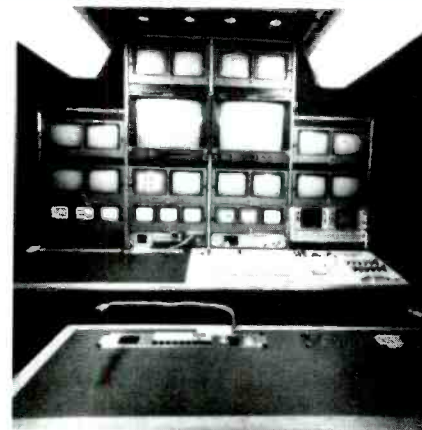
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Special purpose cameras

The DX series (monochrome) and RX series (color) solid-state cameras

by AFP Imaging are designed for many industrial purposes, including restricted space monitoring.

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Stereo delay compensator

The Lexicon model 1300 stereo digital audio delay synchronizer precisely compensates for video delays, when digital video processing or satellite transmission mandates recovery of lip sync.

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Group delay equalizer

GDE-73 and -143 adjustable IF group delay/amplitude equalizers from LNR are designed for use with satellite transmit/receive and terrestrial microwave terminals using analog (FM-FDM) or digital (QPSK, TDMA or 16QAM) transmission.

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Slide projector

Model 4320, a new dual drum 35mm slide projector from Laird Telemedia, uses microprocessor control for simple, versatile operation. It features lamp dissolve and slide superimposing.

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STL stereo demod

The PowerPak SCD-40 stereo composite demodulator uses phase lock loop technology to recover discreet left and right channels from a wide-band, composite stereo STL signal. 15kHz low-pass filtering is used and dual LED bargraph peak modulation indicators are provided.

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Shrink tubing

Cole-Flex Corporation, offers a irradiated polyolefin shrinkable tubing with a shrink ratio of 4:1. Type ST-421 tubing is suitable for insulating irregular shapes, connector assemblies and for cable field repairs. ST-421 assists with difficult industrial, electronic, electrical and aerospace applications where shrinkable insulation must fit over large and small objects. The type ST-421 can be used as a boot over rectangular computer and telephone connectors to seal out moisture and prevent tampering.

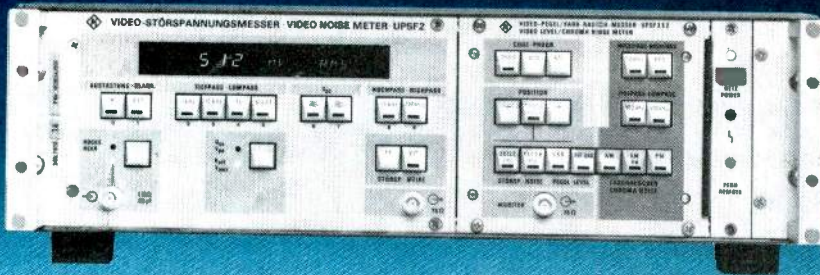
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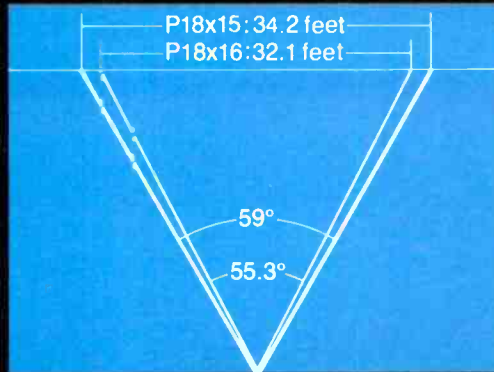
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modate ½-inch or front-loading ¾-inch editing equipment. This console features two shelves with full 13-inch extension for VCRs or storage. Slide-out shelf glides in and out, allowing editing controller to be out of the way when not in use. Monitor bridge tilts up to 5 degrees and adjusts to three comfortable heights. Locking front flip-up doors and rear access panel provides safe, secure storage of equipment.

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Power amplifier

RF Gain, Ltd., expanded its amplifier line into low-band, mid-band and 800MHz. The new frequen-

cy ranges are 35 to 50MHz, 66 to 88MHz and 806 to 890MHz, in addition to its present ranges of 136-174MHz and 420-475MHz. Amplifiers are also available in these frequency bands in a 100% duty cycle repeater configuration for 19-inch rack-mount.

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Adjustable TV table

Bretford Manufacturing announces a TV table with an adjustable top shelf and a lockable storage cabinet. The TVCA3654 has a (24" x 28") top shelf which adjusts to 10 heights: 36, 38, 40, 42, 44, 46, 48, 50, 52 and 54 inches.

The table includes a lockable cabinet which provides a storage space 25" x 17" x 21". The table, adaptable to a variety of video applications, accepts an optional slant bar which, when attached to the top shelf, allows the television to set at an angle, thus eliminating overhead light glare. The electrical unit with two outlets, a 20-foot, 3-wire cord with a grounded plug and built-in cord winder can be mounted on the TVCA3654.

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Cable reels

Cable reels for video/audio/co-ax and power, from manual to power driven, are available from Nalpak Video Sales. Several models are suitable for many applications of cable handling.

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Portable uplink

Modulation Associates offers an all solid-state satellite uplink. This SU-10 portable is also suited for regional radio networks and corporate data networks, as well as for temporary telephone service and compressed video teleconference origination. It can be used for either two independent SCPC uplink channels or for stereo transmission. The design incorporates a 10W solid-state, microwave high power amplifier, and is available with audio or data processors, frequency agile modulators, dual-channel upconverters, dual HPAs and an audio monitor.

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Video microwave system

M/A-COM's MA-23CC system is a solid-state video FM microwave radio system that provides full bandwidth video and audio links in the 21.2 to 23.6GHz frequency band. The MA-23CC system applications include common carrier and broadcast ENG.

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Digital processor

Audio + Design offers a 16-bit digital processor, the PRO 701. This unit has XLR connectors and is fully balanced with operating levels up to +22dBm. The PRO 701 also incorporates Coincident Time Correction (CTC), which gives the channels a coincident output in both the analog and digital domains. Input level controls are replaced with a 12-position input/output unity gain control that sets operating level in 2dB steps from +22dBm down to -2dBm. Additional features include switching for PAL/NTSC recording, record pre-emphasis and

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copy prohibit, as well as digital input/output facilities, which enable direct digital-to-digital connection of machines and other processing equipment including 1610 and EBU formats.

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Data capture and processing system

CEC Instruments Division of Transamerica Delaval offers System 1298, a multichannel waveform acquisition, measurement and processing system centered on a 16-bit microcomputer. Under the control of MALPAK2, the system's supervisory program, a DL1200 programmable waveform recorder is combined with an HP9816S computer and HP9121D dual 3½-inch disk drive into an integrated workstation. System 1298 will replace or augment more traditional oscillographic or tape recorder installations with a computer-based system.

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Video editing disk system

The Greco Systems FDS-800 Minifile is an intelligent, high capacity data storage system used for processing editing decision lists and providing file and disk compatibility with CMX-based systems. The Minifile is self-contained in a metal enclosure with a 8-inch disk drive, power supply, microprocessor-based computer system, serial interfaces, operator keyboard and display. System functions include capabilities in support of video edit controls for storing, up-loading and down-loading edit decision lists.

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Line-voltage meter

The NLS MA-2 is an ac digital voltmeter for fast, convenient measurement of ac line voltages of 110, 220 or 440Vac. Large, high-contrast LCD readouts require no interpolation of readings, no application of scale factors, and no variation in readings from person to person.

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Monitor speakers

Auratone multidriver sound monitors include five new models: the T5 Ultra-Compact 2-Way, T6 Sub-Compact 2-Way, T66 Compact 2-Way, QC66 Quality Control 3-Way and RC66 Road Cub 2-Way. The systems feature polypropylene low frequency drivers, wide dispersion dome midranges, tweeters and super tweeters.

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Illuminance meter

The Minolta illuminance meter is suitable for measuring illuminance instantaneously and continuously. The meter features a sensitive silicon photo cell, combined with a sophisticated microprocessor and easy-to-read LCD. The illuminance meter also calculates integrated illuminance over a period of time, and measures illuminance deviation between sources.

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CRT tester

The Leader Instruments LVG-1601 programmable video generator

features simplified push-button operation for testing high resolution CRT displays. The unit generates 11 standard patterns in RGB with sync signals for testing monochrome and color CRT displays.

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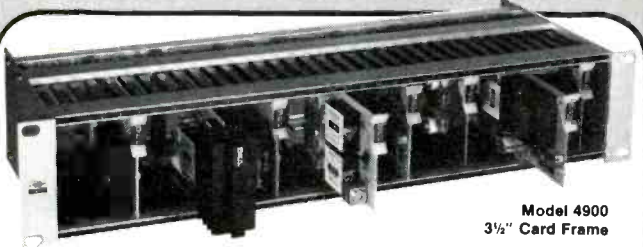


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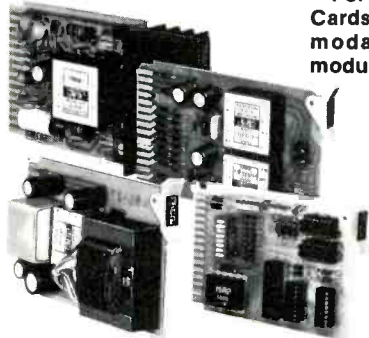
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Intelligent oscilloscope

Hitachi Denshi America introduces the V-1070, a low-cost version of the recently introduced V-1100 100MHz portable oscilloscope with built-in frequency counter/DVM, CRT readout, and ground level display.

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Test patterns

Accu-slides test patterns, distributed by Nalpak Video Sales, provide the same accuracy for use with telecine set-up and alignment as the standard Accu-chart system. Accu-slides are available in either a positive or negative image. They are mounted in a 2" x 2" glass protected format which is supplied with approved pin registered TV mounts and anti-Newton ring optical glass. The Accu-slide set consists of the color bar, gray scale, registration, linearity and resolution test patterns.

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Focus and test chart kit

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VP0255	0-255	1.0	Toggle	.15	.3	16	4 3/8 x 2 3/8 x 1 1/16
VP0317	0-317.5	2.5	Toggle	.15	.3	20	4 3/8 x 2 3/8 x 1 1/16
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VP2075	0-2075	25.0	Toggle	*3.00	.5	40	7 3/8 x 4 1/16 x 2 3/16
VS0315	0-315	5.0	Strap	.25	.4	28	4 x 2 x 1 1/4
VS0635	0-635	5.0	Strap	.60	.5	33	5 x 2 x 1 1/4
VS1275	0-1275	5.0	Strap	1.25	.5	33	5 x 3 x 1 1/4
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VRS0317	0-317.5	2.5	Strap	.40	.5	26	1 1/4 x 4 1/8 x 4
VRS0635	0-635	5.0	Strap	.75	.5	35	1 1/4 x 4 1/8 x 6
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Digital memory Newsmatte available

Newsmatte, introduced by *Ultimate Corporation*, offers the capability to composite smoke, fog, glass, shadows and fine hair detail and to eliminate edge crawl and cut-out looks. Once set up, the automated controls continually track to maintain a perfect composite. Newsmatte-2 is also available, and includes digital memory, which permits lock-in of the automated control set-ups.

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Audio level metering

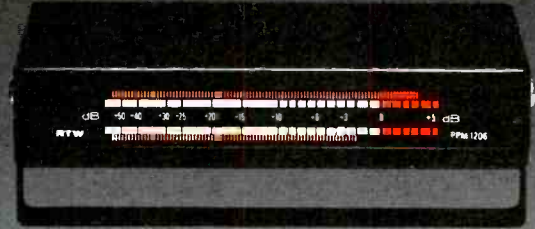
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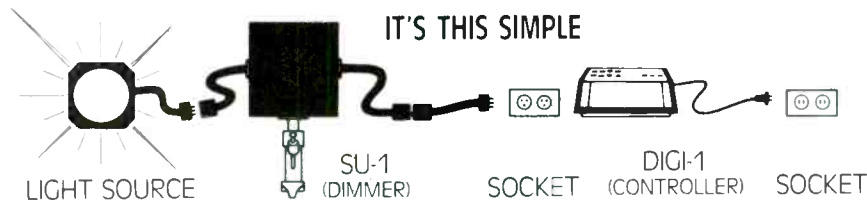
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mount supports the camera over the 9-inch imaging monitor, providing balance over the tripod camera head.

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Audience opinions tally

Measurements of telephoned audience responses to issues of public concern raised during programming are now available with CallCount from JBI. The CallCount system consists of two or more line concentrators, a digital recording device and a CallCount tabulation/transcription device. CallCount hooks into any basic phone system, up to 200 lines,

and can handle 15 calls per telephone line per minute.

As a question is posed during a broadcast, two phone numbers are provided for callers to voice their opinions and cast their ballots. Through an RS-232 interface, tallies are immediately displayed and continuously updated on screen or can be read from the readouts on the Call-Count unit.

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TV camera

The XC-800II professional video color camera from Sharp Electronics Cor-

poration features resolution improved to 650 lines horizontal and S/N enhanced to 57dB. It is compatible with Sharp's XC-803TX Triax System and offers optimum video performance up to one mile from the base station.

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Instrument shuttle

The Tektronix K117 instrument shuttle, a rugged transport for delicate electronic test equipment, assists field service technicians by also serving as an on-site work station. The K117 is compact, lightweight and easily maneuverable. It provides shelves for extra tools, documentation and repair parts.

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Digital reverberator

A new version of the Ursa Major digital reverberator, the 8X32-MkII, is available with increased flexibility. The 8X32-MkII features four additional user-modifiable reverb programs: cask, percussion plate, chamber and reverse reverb.

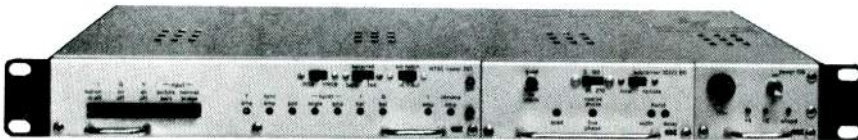
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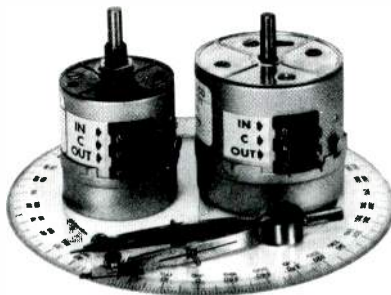
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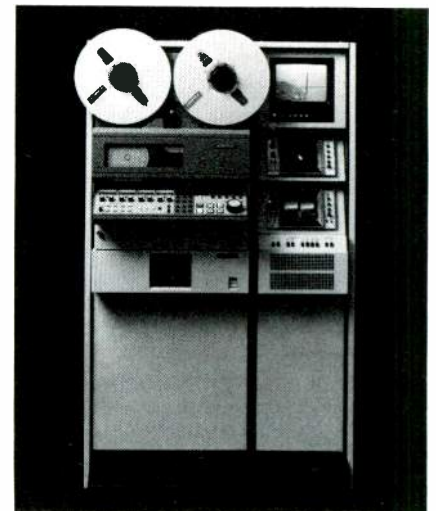


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mode to protect the six individually replaceable scanner heads. Auto scan tracking and audio/video confidence are standard features. Options include a sync channel and the 4th EBU audio channel in Europe. The new VTR system, in various configurations, will be ready to ship after the IBC-'84 exhibition in late September.

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Arabic/Latin character generator

Careful keyboard design and sophisticated software results in the Aston 3 character generator capability to produce high quality, fully accented, proportionally spaced Arabic text. Software ensures that the correct form of the character is selected as the text is entered. Dual-engraved keys show both Arabic and Latin characters, while mode switching is handled by two keys.

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PC phone jacks

Low-profile and right-angle features are included in the Switchcraft PC-mount phone jacks for use in telecommunication, audio and data processing applications. The 2- and 3-circuit units allow high-density packaging in sturdy molded housings.

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"Third, we must compete in a free marketplace environment. A benevolent FCC, who for 50 years promulgated broadcast technical standards, will do so no longer!

"We, in our scientific and trade organizations, must produce whatever standards there will be, and we must do so at a time when the pace of technological advance defies the very concept of standardization.

"As to standards, our record is not unblemished. Indeed there would be an AM stereo standard and a teletext standard if the NAB and EIA respectively had been able to recommend one to the FCC. There would be a small-format ENG standard had the SMPTE been able to find consensus.

"The CCIR agreement on a world-compatible digital video standard and the recent EIA recommendation on a television stereo standard is progress, but progress only if we support the standards.

"Success in future standardizing work, such as that under way at the ATSC (Advanced Television Systems Committee), depends absolutely on our wholehearted support in cooperation with the manufacturers of both professional and consumer equipment.

"In this regard, broadcasters must recognize that improvements in quality and the introduction of new services depend heavily on the cooperation of television set manufacturers. The introduction of stereo sound demodulators and teletext decoders are recent examples of this.

"Therefore, I believe broadcasters

should open a formal dialogue with the receiver industry, since none exists today. This can help ensure that both ends of the broadcasting chain work toward similar goals in a timely and cost-effective manner.

"Finally, while we must continue to upgrade our plants to improve near-term quality, we must look further ahead to the all-digital plant and to the transmission of enhanced and even high-definition television.

"To this end, we must stimulate, and share the cost of, research to develop

compatible digital sound and HDTV transmission systems for VHF and UHF services—a development that will certainly require an 'intelligent receiver.'

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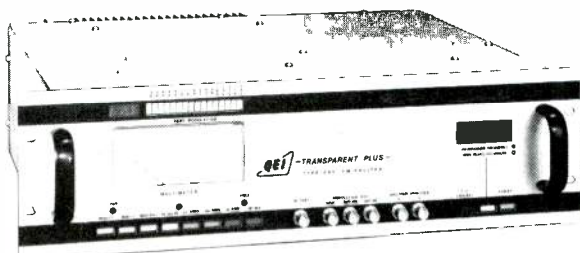
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Crown International has announced the addition of **D. B. (Don) Keele Jr.** to the Tecron Division, Crown International, Elkhart, IN.

BASF Systems, Bedford, MA, has named **Gay F. S. Spiegel** product manager for audio magnetic products. Also **Rocco J. Rotolo** has been appointed regional sales manager for the Midwest.

Larry G. Waterhouse has been named vice president of administration for the Texas Cable Network. Waterhouse is responsible for personnel, financial and facilities management for the statewide network with offices in Austin, Houston and Dallas.

Virgil Lowe has been elected to a 2-year term as a section manager for SMPTE's Atlanta chapter. Lowe is executive vice president and director of advanced development for Fortel.

Victor Duncan, Irving, TX, has announced that **Richard Crandall** has joined the sales department as sales representative.

Steven D. Briggs has been promoted to manager of product marketing for Mycro-Tek, Wichita, KS.

Robert E. Klein has been appointed senior scientist at Townsend Associates, Westfield, MA. Klein, previously with the Harris Corporation, Quincy, IL, served as staff engineering consultant in Harris' Broadcast Products Division.

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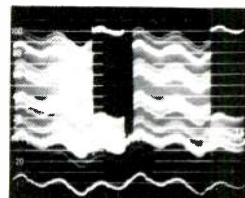
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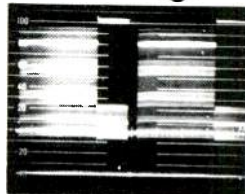
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Delta Electronics, Alexandria, VA, has announced the appointment of **Russell E. Geiger** as president. Geiger replaces retiring president and Delta co-founder Stephen Kershner.

Audio Services Corporation, Hollywood, has announced that **Henning Moller** has joined ASC as director of engineering. Moller comes to ASC from Bruel & Kjaer Instruments, where his most recent assignment was the introduction of the 4000 series line of professional recording microphones into the United States.

One Pass, San Francisco, has announced the appointment of **Kathleen McGlaughlin** as chief financial officer.

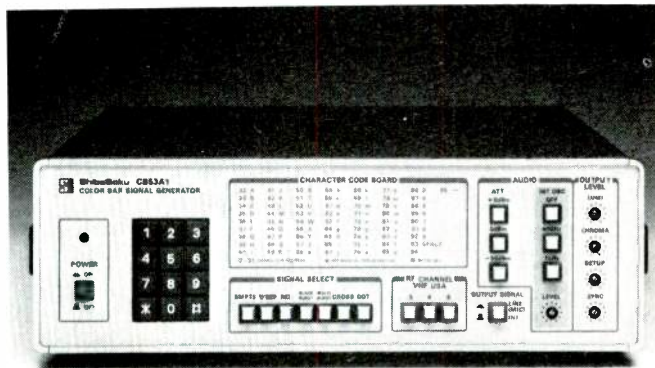
Aries Productions, Grand Prairie, TX, announces the addition of **Christopher Robbins** and **Dana Wilson** as new staff members, and the promotion of **Joe Wilson**, staff producer, to vice president/director of marketing.

Michael J. Rowny has been promoted to the position of senior vice president, finance, for MCI Telecommunications, Washington, DC.

Paul A. Hulbert has been named president of Halcyon Communications, San Jose, CA. Hulbert previously held the position of executive vice president and general manager.

Noreen Williams has been appointed an assistant treasurer of Viacom International, New York. She will be responsible for investor and shareholder relations, corporate insurance and public financing.

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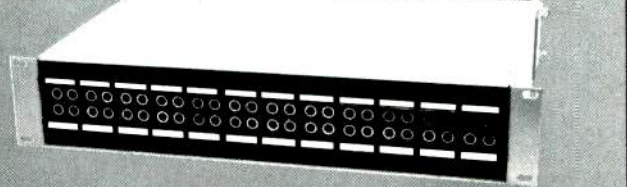


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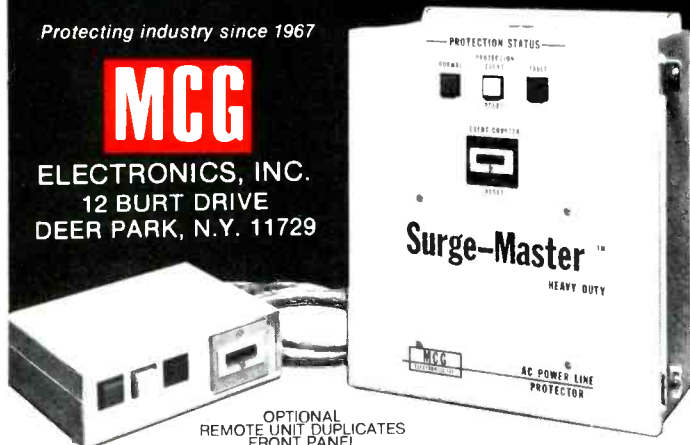
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Augat, Attleboro, MA, has announced the promotion of **Domenic B. Rignanese** to regional sales manager for the northeast region.

Comsearch, Reston, VA, has promoted **Michael K. Morin** to vice president of the Mass Media Services Division. Comsearch Mass Media Services provides engineering and consulting for cellular radio, multipoint distribution systems, digital termination systems and other over-the-air telecommunications systems.

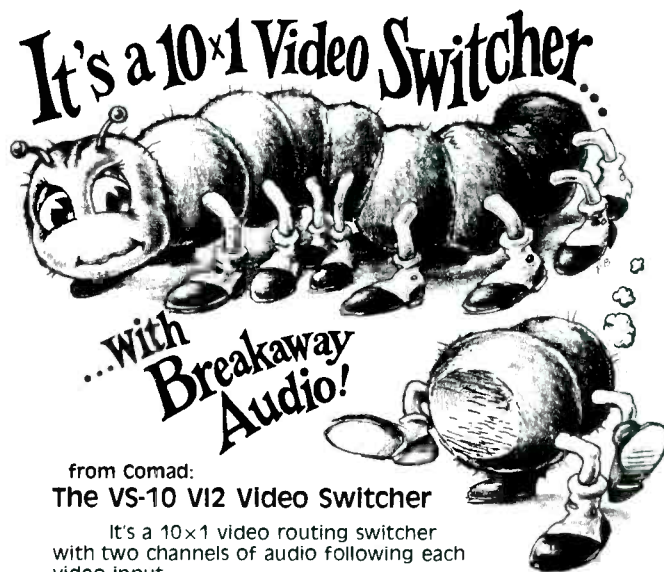
Moseley Associates, Goleta, CA, has announced the appointment of **W. R. "Terry" Sheffield** U.S. sales manager.

Robert C. Hagerty, operations manager at Digital Equipment Corporation's computer products manufacturing plant in Phoenix, has been appointed manager of Ampex's video products manufacturing facility in Colorado Springs, CO.

Scientific-Atlanta, Atlanta, GA, has appointed **J. Benson Furqueron** as sales support manager, Optima Division.

Yoichi "Sonny" Kawakami, has returned to the Tokyo headquarters for Mitsubishi Electric's North American Digital Audios' operation to coordinate worldwide marketing strategies.

Yong T. Lee has been appointed president of M/A-COM MVS, Burlington, MA. He has held both line and corporate staff positions at M/A-COM. Most recently, Yong was division vice president of M/A-COM's Microwave Defense Subsystems Group.



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Harry N. Larkin has been appointed vice president and director of marketing of Belar Electronics Laboratory.

Vicon Industries has announced the appointment of **Marvin Harlan** as Eastern sales manager for its CCTV security equipment.

Telemet, Amityville, NY, has announced the appointment of **Leo Lazarus** to the post of customer service manager.

Christopher Pettit has been appointed managing director of Eddystone Radio Ltd., a member of Marconi Communication Systems Ltd., Chelmsford, U.K.

Charles J. Bierbauer has been appointed chief White House correspondent for Cable News Network. In addition to covering the White House, he will provide political news analysis and moderate CNN's Election Watch, a roundtable discussion with members of the press on the week's election developments.

The Magnetic Tape Division of Agfa-Gevaert has announced the appointment of two technical sales representatives and a laboratory engineer. **Gerald J. Mahler** has joined the company as a technical laboratory engineer. **James G. Hamilton** has been appointed technical sales representative for the Midwest. **Brian J. Kelley** has been appointed technical sales representative for the Atlantic region.

Stanley H. Burg has joined the Jerrold Division of General Instrument Corporation, Hatboro, PA, as vice president of marketing for the Distribution Systems Division.



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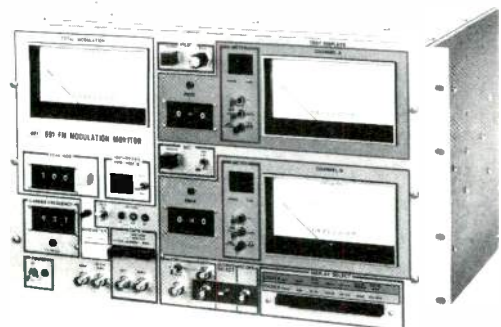
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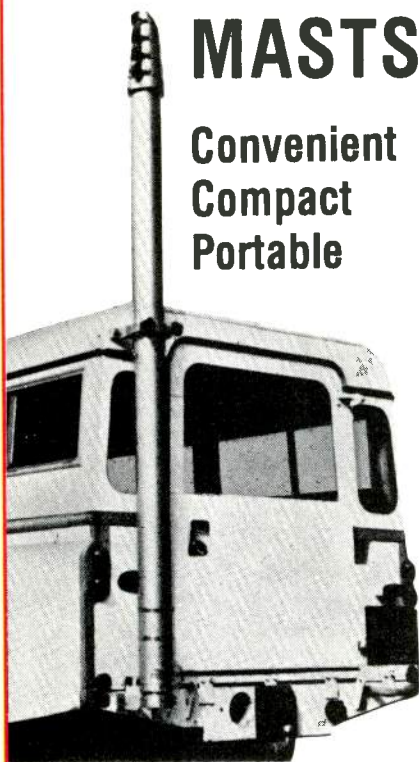
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Wilke is chairman and CEO of Hubert Wilke, Madison Avenue, a communications facilities consulting firm, internationally recognized for design and engineering projects for audio-visual audio, TV and telecommunications systems.

Tektronix, Beaverton, OR, has named EIL Instruments as distributors for the 2200-series portable oscilloscopes, as well as all TEK scope accessory probes, carts and CRT cameras.

Chroma Digital Systems, Los Gatos, CA, has announced an 18-distributor network to handle its recently introduced Chromaflex 766, a unit that combines TBC, synchronizer, frame storage and digital effects capabilities.

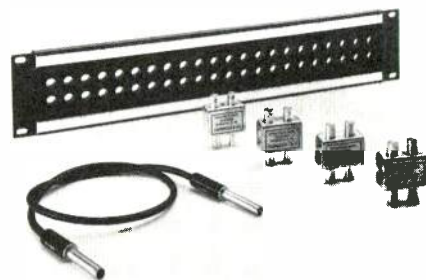
ADDA Corporation, Los Gatos, CA, is manufacturing the AC-21 PAL dual-channel TBC and frame synchronizer in a new manufacturing facility in Waterford, Ireland, UK.

Interactive Motion Control, Culver City, CA, assisted **Optimus**, Chicago, IL, solve some special animation and keying problems in commercial productions with their computer-controlled animation stand.

The Elcon 254 dedicated 1-inch videotape cleaner/profiler, available through **Television Equipment Associates**, South Salem, NY, is rejuvenating videotape at CBS, Disney, Modern Video and other facilities.

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tified. We provide them here with correct identification of Fuji staff. Again our compliments to Fuji Photo for their work for the industry over the years.



1982. In September, Bernie K. Yasunaga, vice president of Fuji Photo Film, received the EMMY from John Cannon (left), NATAS president, for his contribution in developing color negative and positive materials. In March, Fuji won an Oscar for the same achievement, becoming the first company to earn these top honors from both the motion picture and TV industries.



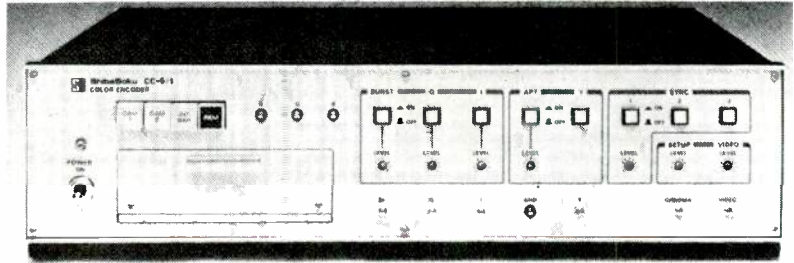
1982. Hirozo Ueda, senior managing director of Fuji Photo Film, receives the SMPTE Kalmus Gold Medal from Charles Anderson (left), SMPTE president, for his efforts in developing color films.

ADC Magnetic Controls, Minneapolis, has received the 1983 *Ad of the Year Award* from **Broadcast Engineering** for having created the most effective ad to appear in the magazine during 1983.

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RCA Astro-Electronics, East Windsor, NJ, has installed a worldwide, ground-based network to carry out launch operations for communications satellites. The network includes a satellite operations control center (SOCC) at the Astro facility, a transfer orbit station (TOS) on the Island of Guam, and a tracking, telemetry and control (TT&C) station that will be located in the New Jersey area.

D/FW Metroplex, Irving, TX, will gain dimension and flexibility in communications by satellite as Uplinks Unlimited inaugurates services to link the Metroplex to any location around the world. Uplinks Unlimited, the first independent satellite carrier in the Metroplex, offers video, data and audio uplinking to any satellite.

Turner Engineering, Mountain Lakes, NJ, now serves as a distributor for Datum, Anaheim, CA. It distributes SMPTE/EBU longitudinal and vertical interval time code products in New York City and northern New Jersey.

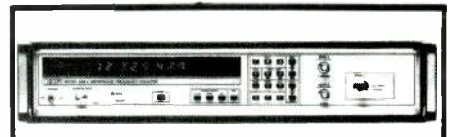
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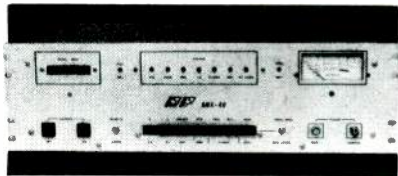
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Marconi Communications Systems, Ltd., Chelmsford, UK, commissioned two containerized 11-14GHz satellite earth stations for the Mercury Communications Ltd., London, Isle of Dogs site. One of the systems will work through an Intelsat satellite, providing international TV services to the United States. The other is designed to work to an Eutelsat system for dedicated TV transmitting services to European CATV users.

Arriflex Corporation, Blauvelt, NY, provided two unmodified 35-3 cine cameras for the space shuttle flight in February. One was used for in-cabin filming activities, while the second was used to record cargo bay, extra-vehicular and satellite deployment activities.

Conus Communications, a division of Hubbard Broadcasting, has enjoyed a flurry of activity for their NEWSTAR transportable Ku-Band uplink unit, including stations KPRC-TV, Houston; WLS-TV, Chicago; and KSTP-TV, St. Paul, MN.

Modulation Associates, Mountain View, CA, is providing SU-10 solid-state uplink equipment for the Kavouras (Minneapolis) satellite data network. For airlines, broadcasters, utility companies and governmental agencies, the network receives 56kbit/second data through Data-SAT downlinks.

RCA Laboratories, Princeton, NJ, has selected **United Media's** Commander II video editing system for manufacturing in-house videodiscs. Other Commander II sales include **Mark III Productions**, Miami, and **Sperry Cor-**

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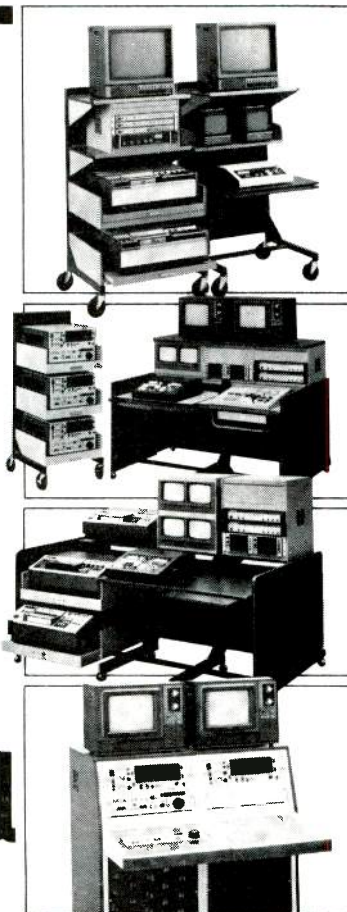
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Cosmos Broadcasting Corporation, Greenville, SC, has recently purchased the Vidifont Graphics V character/graphics system, manufactured by **Thomson-CSF**, Stamford, CT, for each of the group's six stations.

Burbank Studios, home of Warner Brothers and Columbia Pictures, selected a Mitsubishi X-800 32-track digital recorder for its Scoring Stage #1. The Mitsubishi machine will be used primarily to record the musical portions of motion-picture soundtracks.

Broadcast Equipment Rental Company, Burbank, CA, has boosted its business with three complete Sony Betacam camera/VTR systems. Among the first uses of the new 1/2-inch camera/VTR system was taping last year's *Johnny Carson's Greatest Practical Jokes*.

Custom-built for **Film/Video Equipment Service Company**, Denver, the Dual-Truck remote production system consists of a self-contained engineering vehicle and a control-room vehicle, and can be split up or used as one unit in various configurations. It was recently used in downtown Denver by Midtown Video to cover a Mobil Oil annual employee meeting.

Pye TVT Ltd., the broadcast company of Philips, is supplying more than \$30 million in TV broadcasting equipment to Mexico's Televisa S.A. to cover the World Cup in 1986. The contract includes more than 100 of Philips' LDK 6 cameras, 60 LDK 14 portable cameras and nine completely equipped outside broadcasting vehicles.

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Figure 1.) The linear portion of the curve will not produce the greatest efficiency, however. As a result of constantly increasing power costs, many transmitters have been adjusted for maximum efficiency.

The aural transmitter PA has been relatively easy to handle. Because only a relatively narrow bandwidth is

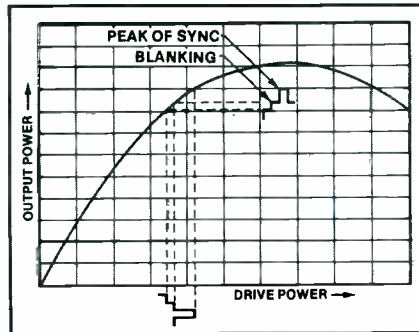


Figure 1. Output power and sync response of a klystron properly tuned for visual service. An increase in drive results in sync compression distortion.

required, a synchronously tuned klystron (in UHF service) can be adjusted for a reasonable efficiency figure. All cavities are essentially tuned to the same frequency and the drive is adjusted to just below the klystron saturation level. (See Figure 2.) Saturation for the klystron is that input power level beyond which an increase in input power results in a decrease in the output level. Your transmitter book should properly describe the method for your system.

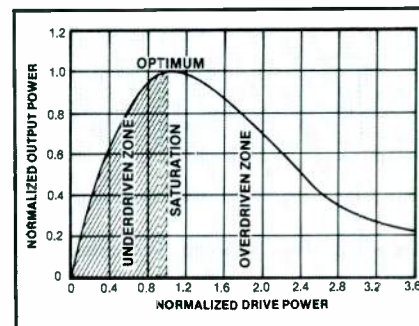


Figure 2. RF output power as a function of RF drive power. Proper drive levels fall in the cross-hatched area.

In visual service, however, the situation is somewhat different, particularly for UHF systems. A broadband response is essential to cover the band of frequencies required for the TV visual information. Suddenly, each cavity must be tuned to a certain point within the bandwidth of the signal in order to achieve picture detail and color fidelity. (See Figure 3.) The ideal

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response of the amplifier and klystron is flat for white to blanking (black) picture levels. For sync and saturation, peaking of the response occurs at the visual carrier frequency.

Proper tuning takes time and patience. Then, when the input power

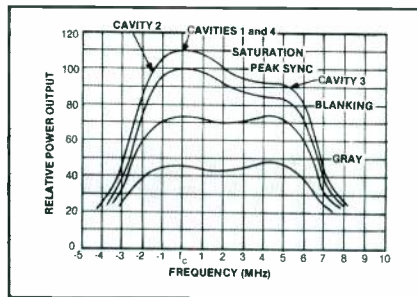


Figure 3. Output response for a klystron properly tuned for visual service.

drive level is adjusted to slightly less than the saturation point, all should be well. Note! All should be well, but may not be. The difficulty now depends on the theory of operation of the klystron. (See Figure 4.)

Inside the klystron, electrons are generated by heating the cathode. Ultimately we want the majority of the electrons to arrive at the collector. Biasing voltages and current are used in magnetic assemblies and on the cathode, anode and collector to focus the electrons into a narrow beam as they pass through the tube. Information is applied to (and excites) the input cavity (1). Depending upon its polarity, electrons passing the cavity

gap as 1 may be momentarily slowed down or speeded up. Thus, a change occurs in the density of what was a homogeneous stream of electrons.

As the electrons pass gap 2, the tuned circuit of cavity 2 begins to pick up energy from the electrons. The tuned cavity, however, also begins to cause an additional bunching of the electrons in accordance to its frequency. Similar action occurs at the gaps of cavities 3 and 4, providing gain as a result of the increased and decreased electron densities caused by each cavity's resonant frequency.

At cavity 4, a coupling device is inserted into the tube to extract energy from the bunched electron stream. The extracted energy is routed through the coaxial plumbing to the diplexer and then to the antenna. With all adjustments properly made, the electrons are grouped according to the amplitude of the driving signal.

Enter ICPM

As sync pulses occur in the input, however, the drive is suddenly increased, and may result in saturation or overdrive. (Remember that maximum modulation occurs during the transmission of the sync tip.) When this happens, some of the electrons are thrown out of step or phase with the rest. When such phase changes occur at the 60Hz sync rate, a consistent phase error in a few of the electrons results. The error is carried on to the output, the antenna and, eventually, to the IF strip of the receiver. When the

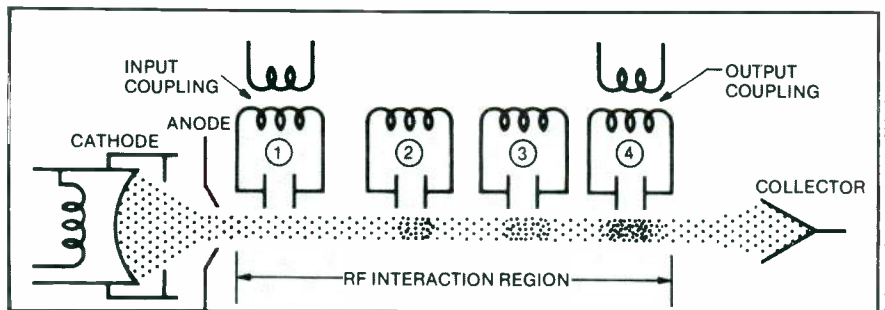


Figure 4. Schematic equivalent circuit of a 4-cavity klystron.

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visual information in the received carrier is used to mix with the sound information, the newly introduced phase errors are mixed into the detected sound, resulting in a buzz from the speaker.

Although most problems occur with UHF, VHF transmitters are not immune to ICPM problems. The wide-band response needed for the visual information is developed with the circuitry surrounding the typical tetrode final amplifier. Proper adjustments of bias and drive, however, must still be observed for acceptable operation.

Once ICPM is introduced into the signal, it is difficult to remove completely. Some receivers have used a narrow bandwidth detection system, which effectively reduces the phase distortion. The need for a wider aural bandwidth in MTS transmissions, however, places new requirements into the system.

Cures

Getting rid of ICPM, or at least reducing the phase error, in the transmitter is possible, according to Carl Eilers of Zenith. In older transmitting systems, careful adjustments may help. A pre-correction network may also be possible.

Newer systems, particularly those using low-level modulation, can be aided by optimum adjustment of the carrier injection levels into the amplifier chain. The use of a small amount of quadrature (90° shifted) carrier around the modulator may also be needed.

High-level modulation transmitters must be approached differently. Pre-correction is almost always required. Such pre-correction may be found in newer exciter models as several levels of correction relative to visual modulation. Sync-level correction is included.

Conclusions

The problems of ICPM and buzz are not new. Their interplay in MTS transmissions, however, suggests a new look at their causes and cures. Without attention to adjustments and transmitter setup, you may expect to hear from many of your viewers, whose perfect televisions are suddenly producing a most annoying buzz. Reduction, and perhaps elimination, of the distortion is possible at the transmitter now. Perhaps the future will also bring receivers that are not susceptible to these distortions.

As you approach the problems of buzz and ICPM in your station, start by contacting your tube and transmitter manufacturers. Both will have advice on the proper methods to be used in your particular situation. (:-:~)))))



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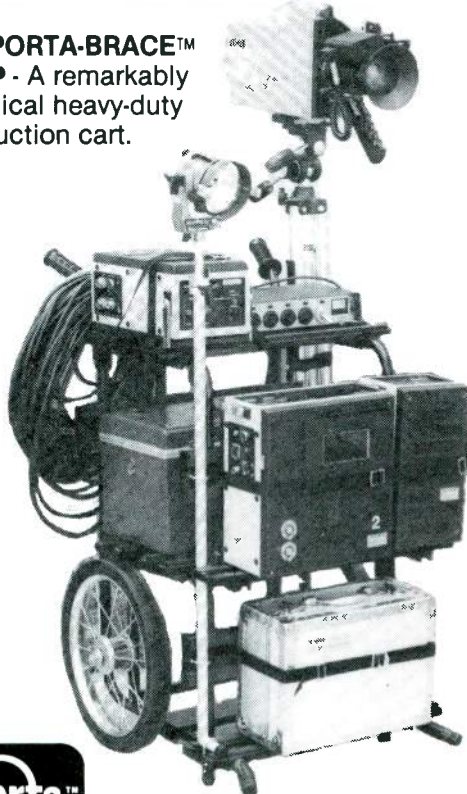
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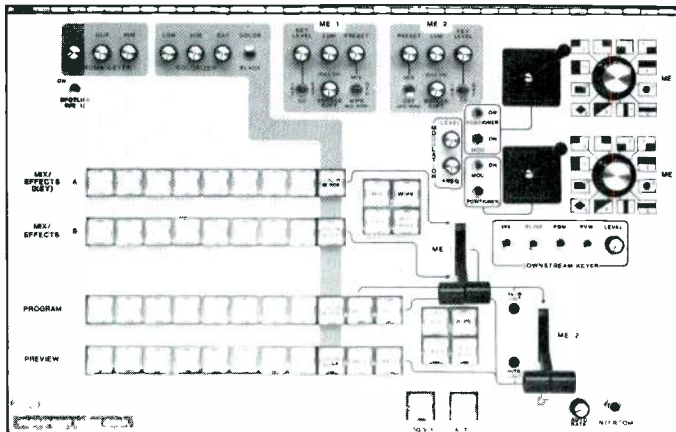
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