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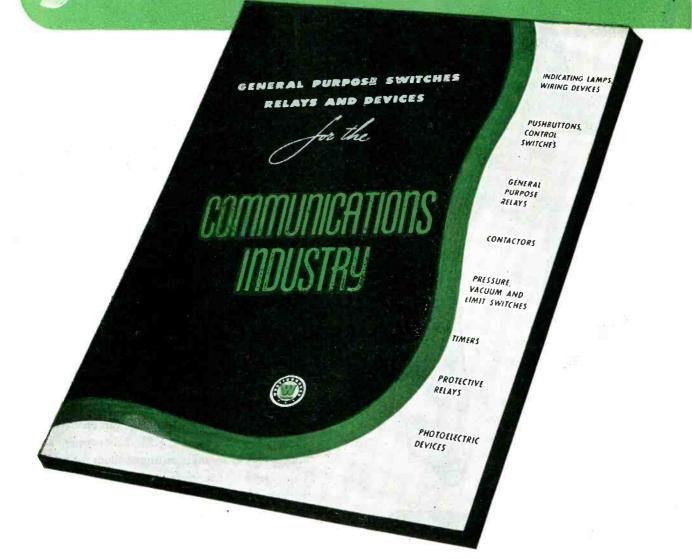
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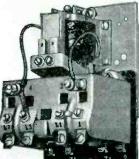
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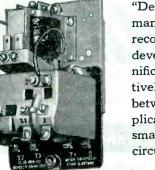
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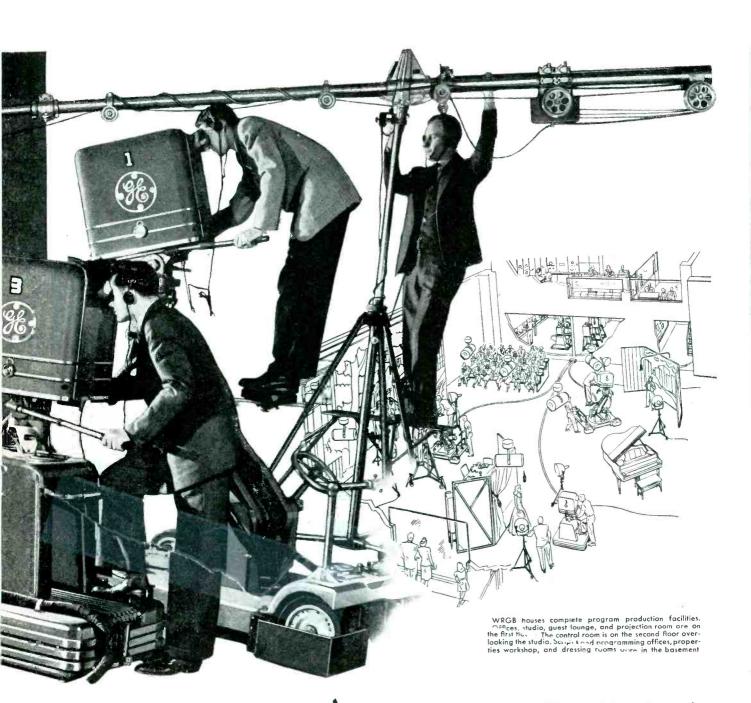
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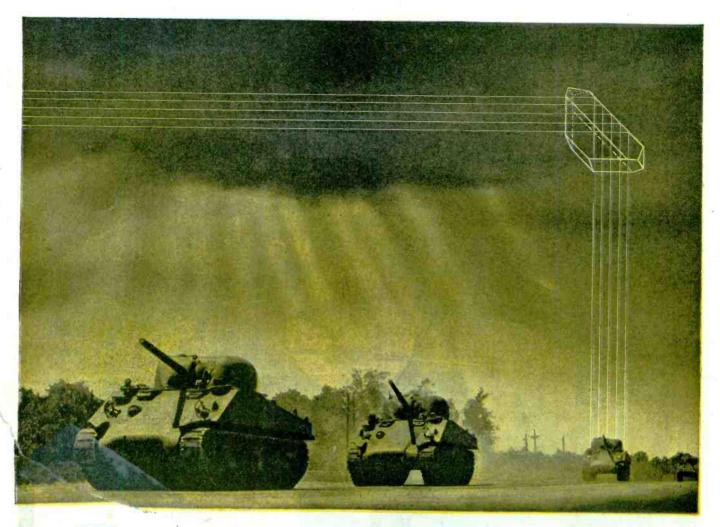


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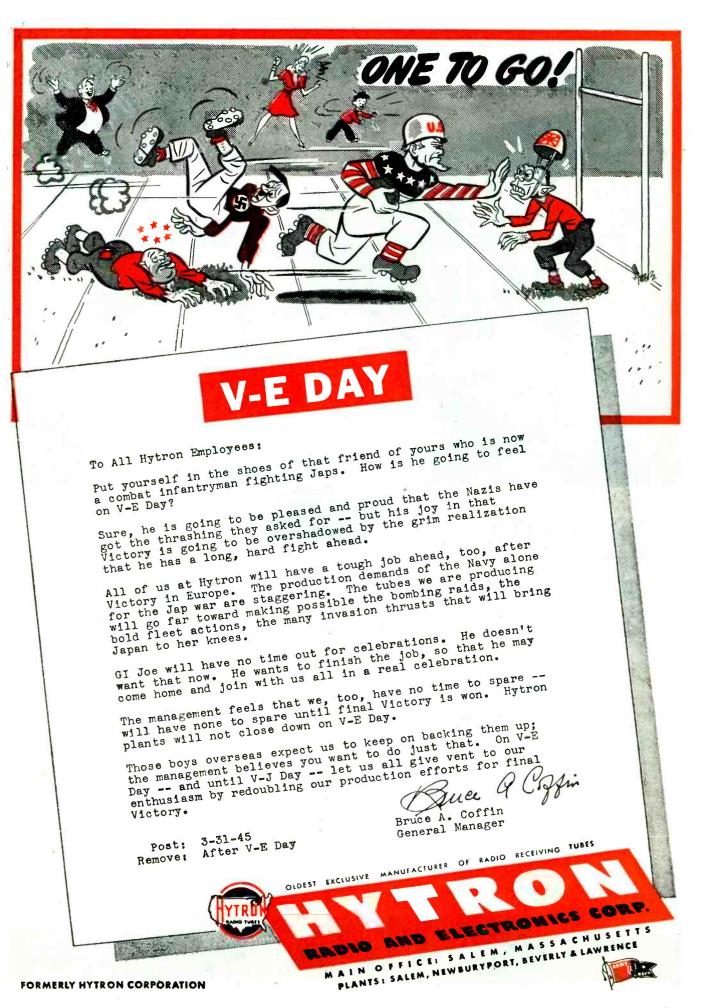
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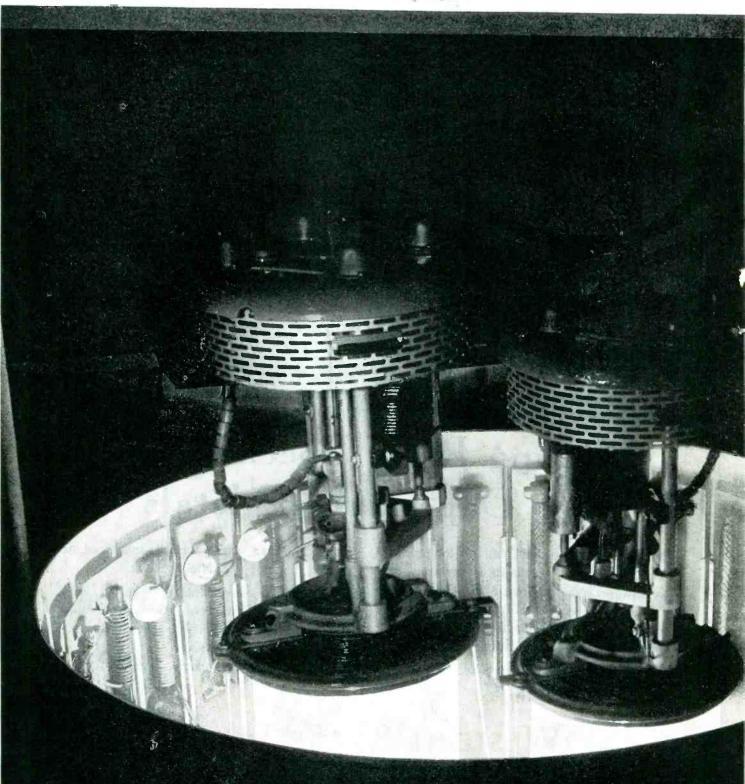
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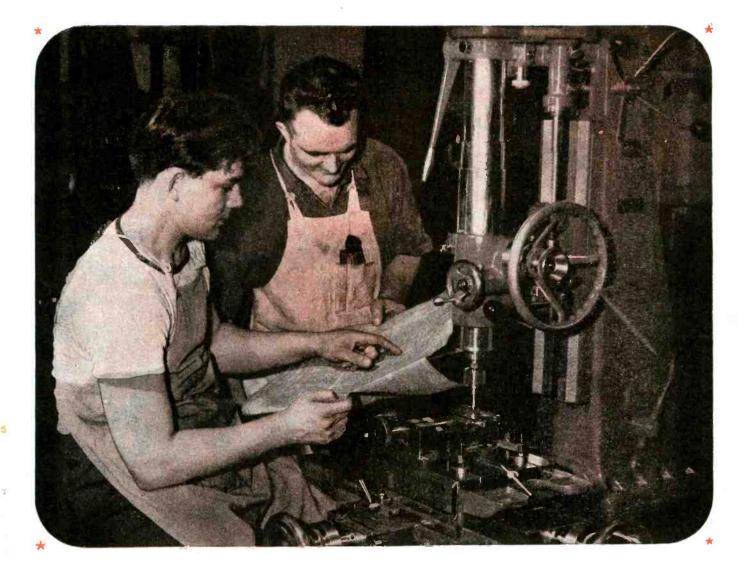
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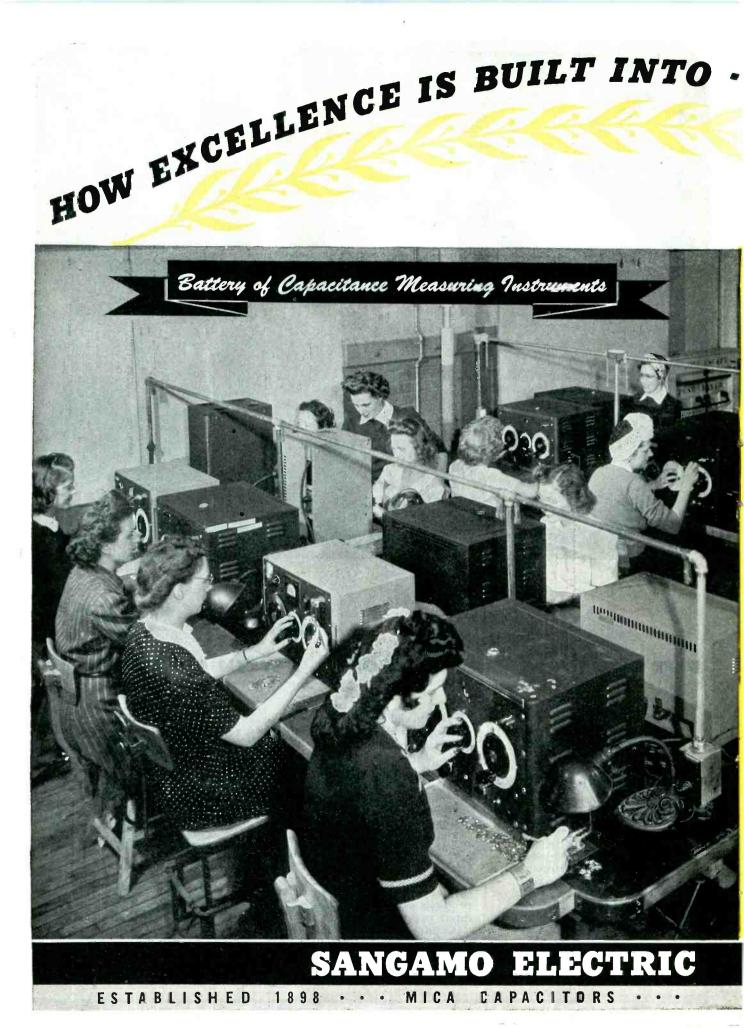
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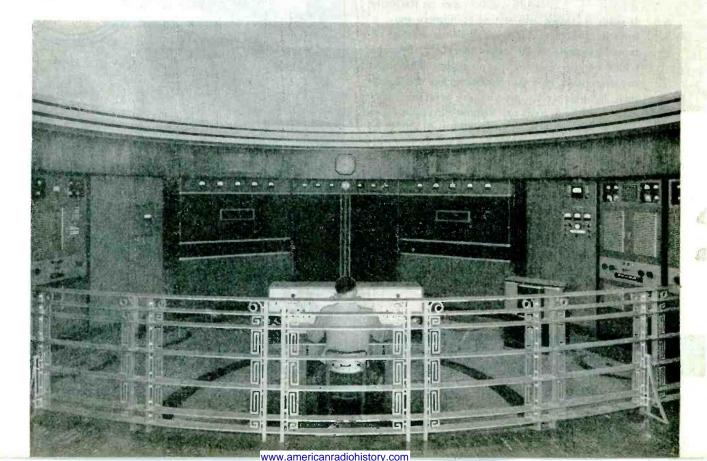




Left - The control room in the studios shared by FM station WSBF and AM station WSBT. Two RCA 76-B2 Consolettes handle the output of two studios. A master control console (center) provides monitoring and switching of outgoing lines to the two transmitters. The RCA 70-C Turntables may be seen in the foreground. In the studios RCA 44-BX Microphones are used.

Below-The FM-10-A Transmitter at WSBF is installed in the center of the operating room. This 10 KW Transmitter, presently operated at reduced power, will resume operation at full-power rating as soon as wartime restrictions are lifted. To the left and right of the FM transmitter are racks containing the AM and FM monitors; and beyond them, at either end, are the main and standby transmitters of WSBT.







Microphone to Antenna

WSBF, the FM station of the South Bend Tribune, uses RCA equipment throughout. In the studios are RCA 44-BX Microphones; in the control room are RCA 70-C Turntables, RCA 76-B Consolettes and a special RCA-built master control console. At the transmitter building are an RCA FM-10-A Transmitter and RCA frequency and modulation monitors. The antenna is an RCA-developed four-bay turnstile using concentric feeders.

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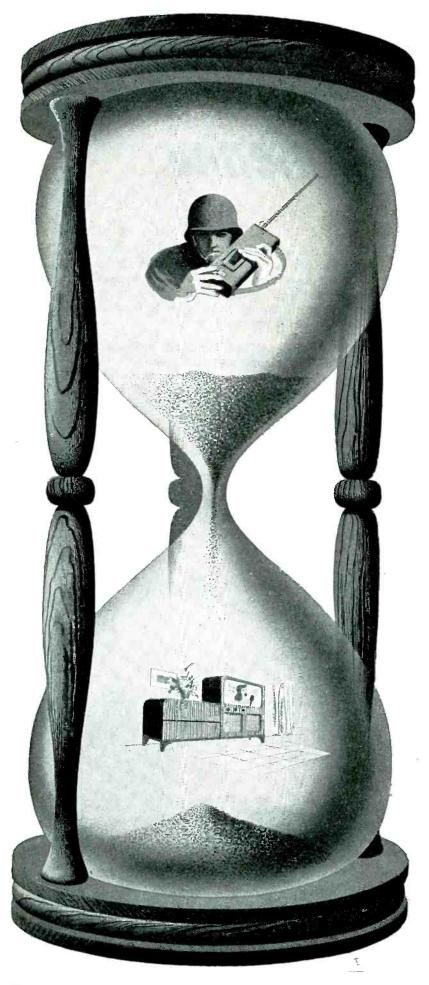
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Below—The Transmitter building and antenna system of the South Bend Tribune's dual installation. This building houses the 10 KW FM Transmitter of WSBF3-the 1 KW AM Transmitter of WSBT, an auxiliary AM transmitter, audio and monitoring equipment for both AM and FM systems and necessary maintenance facilities. The 4-bay turnstile of WSBF is mounted on the top of one of the towers of WSBT s 3-tower directional array.

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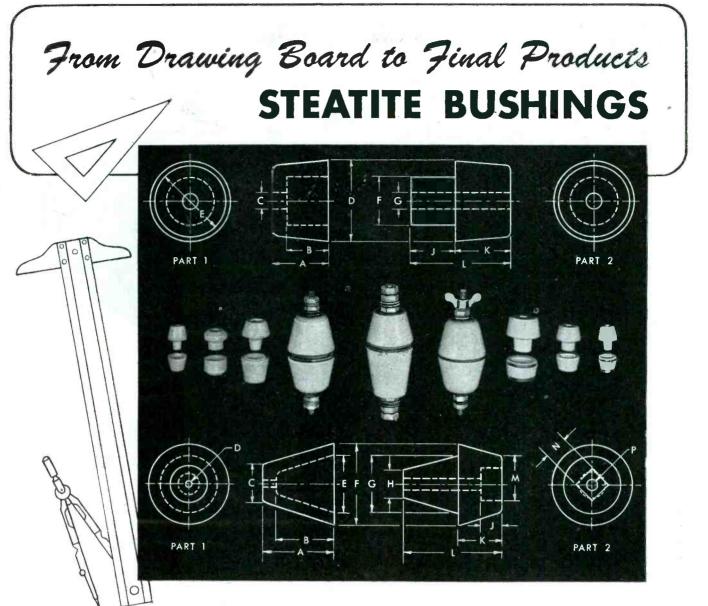
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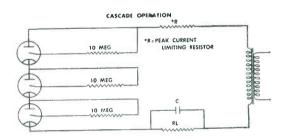
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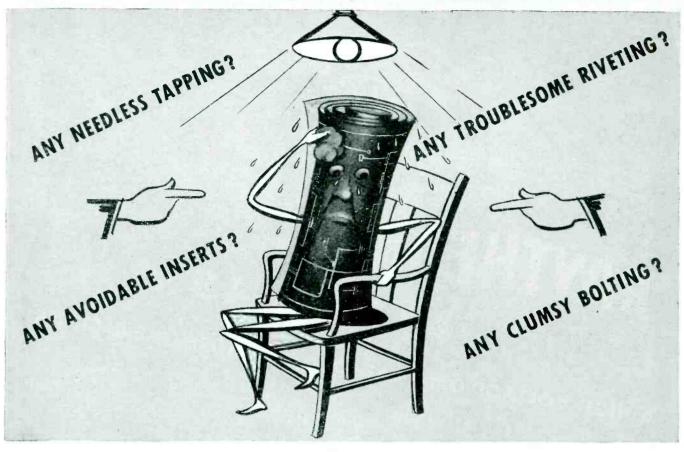


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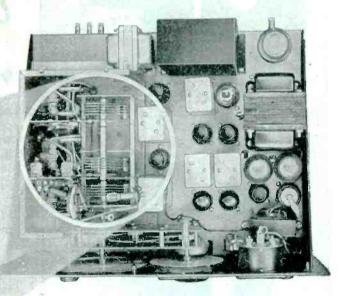
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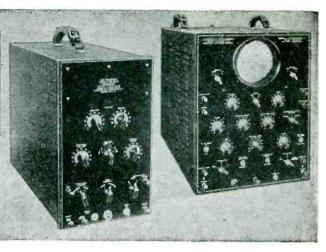
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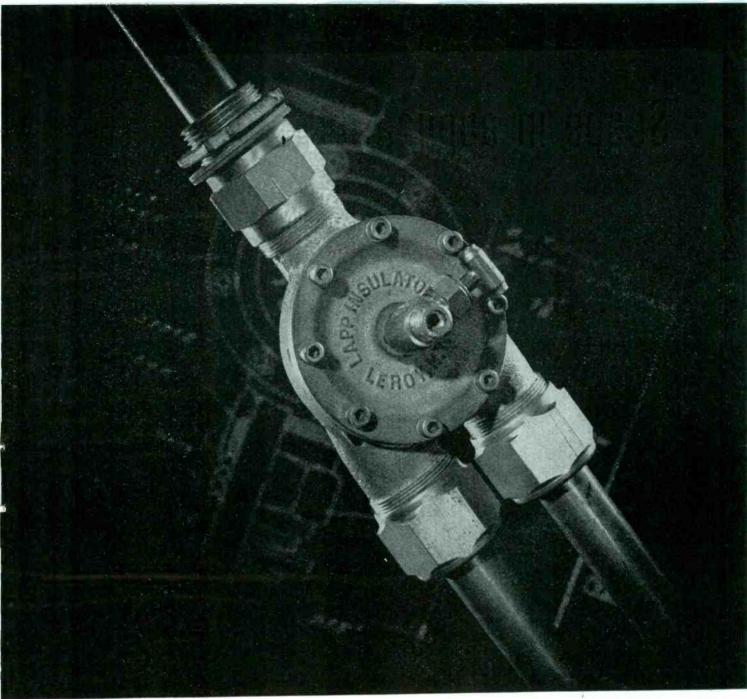
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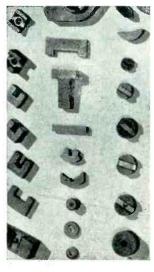
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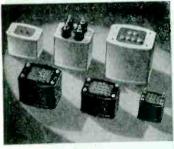


With G-E Type EB-2 terminal boards, you just strip the wire end, and screw the connector down on the bare wire. These solderless pressure connectors will take one No. 8 Awg stranded conductor, two No. 12 stranded, or three No. 12 solid conductors. Type EB-1 is the same as EB-2, except for connectors, which are the conventional washer-head screw type. Both boards are molded from strong, durable Textolite, both are available in 4-, 6-, 8-, and 12-pole sizes, and both come equipped with marking strips. Covers are available.

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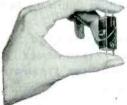
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In Thyrite^{*}, G.E.'s nonlinear, silicon-carbide resistance material, current varies as a power of the applied voltage (I varies as E^{*}). Doubling the voltage in a wire-wound resistor doubles the current. Doubling voltage in Thyrite increases the current

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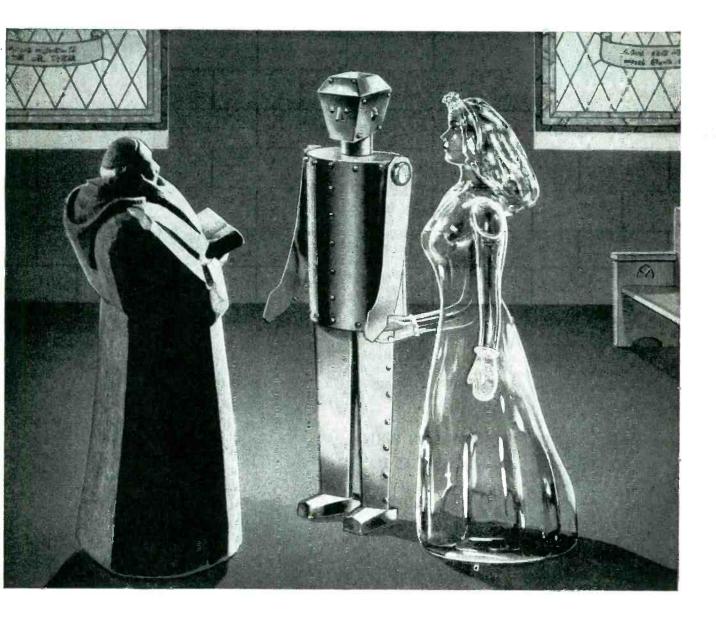
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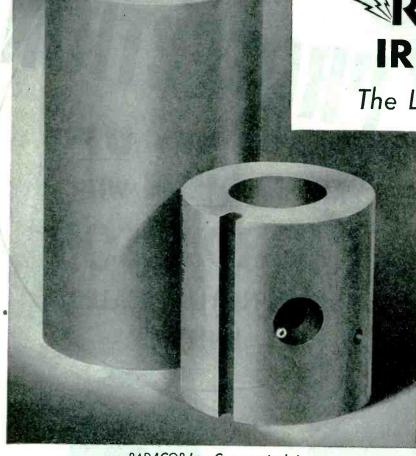
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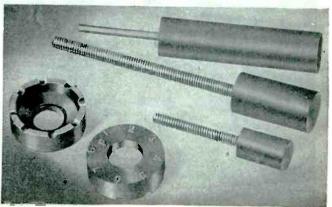
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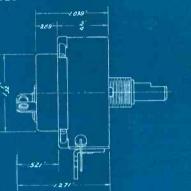


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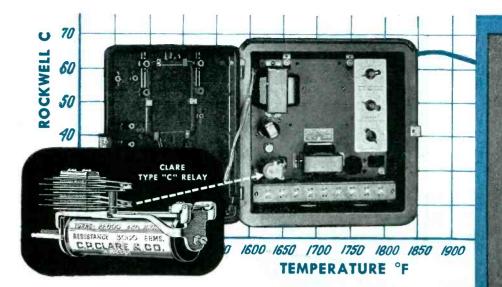
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CLARE "Custom - Built" RELAYS

Help Micromax Electric Controls Maintain Precise Furnace Temperatures

Clare Type "C" Relay is used to regulate the flow of electric energy in the Micromax Electric Control. This product of Leeds & Northrup Company of Philadelphia, Pa., proportions the duration of "on-heat" to "off-heat" which provides the precise, even heat control demanded in the operation of electric furnaces, ovens and baths.

To maintain precise temperature the Micromax Electric Control employs two electrical balances: one to measure temperature; the other to carry out control action. A knob on the control instrument is set to prevent temperature from overshooting the control point . . . especially important when a furnace is being brought to temperature under a full heat-head.

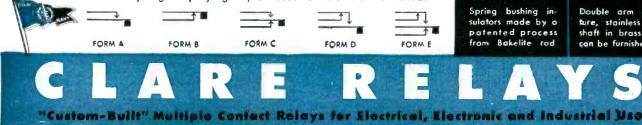
Whenever the temperature leaves the control point, a Clare Relay modifies the on-off action of the contactor to readjust heat-input and restores balance in the control circuit.

Leeds & Northrup engineers chose a Clare Relay for this important part of their control unit because the flexibility of Clare "custom-building" gave them the sensitive, positive action, the absolute dependability, and the accuracy to meet most exactly their requirements.

This use of Clare "Custom-Built" Relays to operate delicate controls is typical of the way in which engineers and designers everywhere are finding Clare the exact relay for the unusual application. The Type "C" Relay offers you a design that permits a wide range of contact ratings, the choice of five different contact forms or any combination of them, either flat or hemispherical contacts of rare metals or special alloys, coil windings to match the circuit and application. What is your problem? Let Clare "custom-build" a relay to

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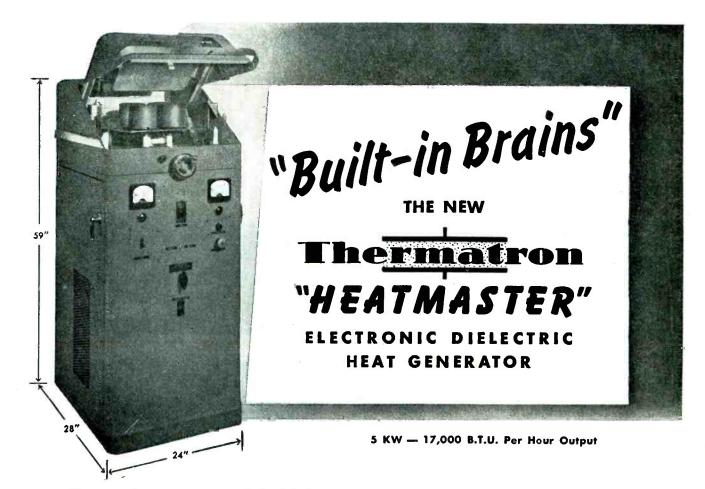
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HERE ARE A FEW of many types of the Navy's small craft which maintain communication with this Collins designed TCS radio transmitter and receiver combination. This equipment is so sturdy, handy and reliable, and packs so much power and sensitivity into so little space, that it finds numerous Naval applications ashore as well as afloat. Usually the first radio installation on the beach-head, it is also standard on fire, rescue and crash trucks, and is often used on jeeps and command cars. The TCS is another example of the variety and quality of radio communication equipment Collins will be able to supply to industry after the war. Collins Radio Company, Cedar Rapids, Iowa; 11 West 42nd Street, New York 18, N. Y.







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The inclusion of fluorescent lighting in the electrode cage — while only a detail — illustrates the carefulness of design. The use of new long-life radial fin tubes cuts down operation expense. It has power to heat a 3.3 pound preform in one minute — 5 pounds in 90 seconds.

For plastics or for general purpose use, for research or production, the **THERMATRON** "Heatmaster" with its rugged construction, simplified controls, and generous power represents an outstanding development in electronic dielectric heaters.

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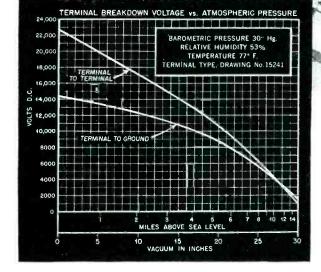
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Just another example of that outstanding Aerovox "know-how" that is saving time, money, headaches, for more and more critical capacitor buyers.



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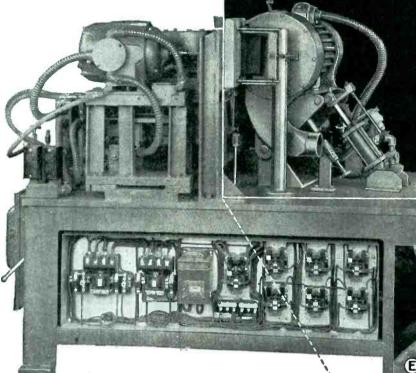
ADLAKE RELAYS SEALED IN GLASS with CALLITE 'MOLY' WIRE

The Adlake plunger-type mercury relay serves to protect transmitter tubes from high plate voltage. The Adlake Model 1040's contact mechanism is hermetically sealed in an armored glass cylinder proof against dirt, dust, moisture and explosive atmospheres. The Adams & Westlake Company uses Callite molybdenum twire as a lead wire which is sealed through the glass.

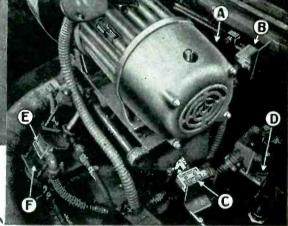


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Five Micro Switch snap-action switches, three of which are shown in the photograph, provide the automatic sequence for the operation. The first switch starts the sequence when the stock is pushed into cutting position and the outer switches complete the cycle. A switch with a roller actuator, not shown, holds the position of the carriage until the boring operation is completed.

The switches employed are of the die cast enclosed type, two of them with sealed plungers to protect the operating mechanism from dust and wood shavings.

These Micro Switch products were chosen as electrical controls for this impulse-sequence cycle because of their long life and rugged dependability, plus the fact that the compact housings made them easy to fit into the design. Micro Switch snap-action switches, with housings and actuators supplied to make them fully usable under every condition, meet the demands of design engineers who are looking for a precise, accurate, tiny switch that will handle substantial amounts of power at line voltage. Whether for use in delicate instruments and gages, or in heavy machinery, Micro Switch products can be easily adapted as an integral part of a device.

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Here is How it Works

Pushing the box end into the machine simultaneously saws the slot and moves rod "A" which contacts switch "B". This progressively operates a large contactor, solenoid air valve and cylinder to move the saw and drill carriage to drilling position.

At the end of this carriage stroke, the drill and hand hole cutter units move in unison to make their cuts. As the hand hole unit moves, switch "C" closes and through a contactor energizes stock clamp solenoid "D".

When the hand hole cutter bottoms in the cut, switch "E" is contacted by arm "F", reversing the movement of the cutter unit. As the cutter returns to the start position, switch "C" opens to de-energize the solenoid stock clamp.



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Another important point is this . . . in order to work at maximum efficiency and live up to its reputation for doing things better, faster and cheaper . . . electronic heating must be "tailored" to the job. That is why we never sell a Scientific Electric unit until it has been satisfactorily demonstrated. Regardless of the amount of time and effort required, our engineers will not release a single machine for sale until it has fulfilled every claim we make for it.

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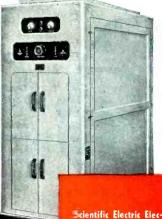
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Above: This practical, automatic brazing turntable powered by a 40 KW. Scientific Electric heather speeded up production 700%—cut costs 87% and reduced rejects by 90%.

Left: Close-up of the finished two-piece tube assemily after being brazed by induction heating. Three complete brazing installations have been built for Progressive.



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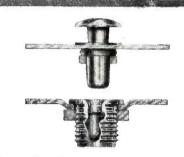
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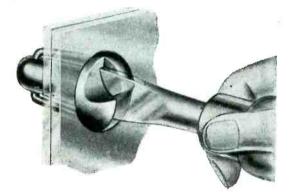


QUICK-LOCK

Only initial loads are carried by helical spring. Increased loads are taken by solid supports, assuring minimum deflection. 90% rotation locks or unlocks fastener. Stud is self-ejecting when unlocked. No special tools required for stud installation.

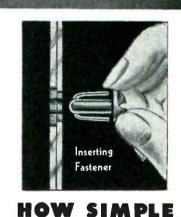


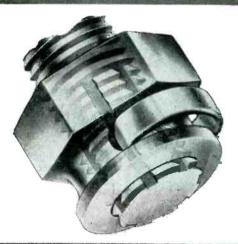
Standard studs can be used with air and water tight receptacle assemblies. Handles large range of material thicknesses by varying depth of receptacle-installation dimple.



SPRING-LOCK

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LOCK NUT

Double Duty Safety Nut-Lock Nut and Stop Nut.

AS A LOCK NUT. One end of safety ring engages nearest serration on bolt thread. With 7 serrations there are 14 locking positions per revolution.



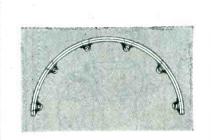
Safety Ring in unlocked position on long thread. Serrations on the bolt threads can be cut by a simple broaching operation on a production basis in a fraction of the time it takes to drill a cotter pin hole.

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Oval-Head Stud and Plate-Type Receptacle. Plate-type is interchangeable with all standard A-N Receptacles. No special tools required.



Tapered principle is particularly valuable in assembling curved sheets such as engine cowlings.

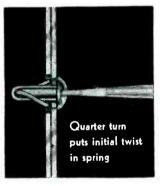
Adjustable fastener, using one stud and one adjustable receptacle fastens material thicknesses ranging from 1/32" to 5/16". By reversing flange, increased range 5/16" to 3/4" can be obtained.





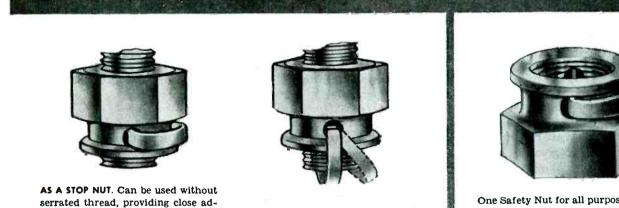
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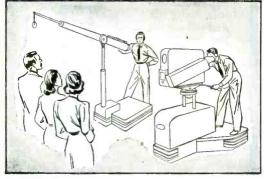


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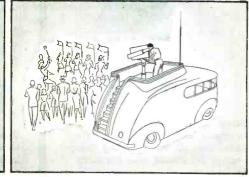
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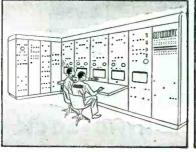
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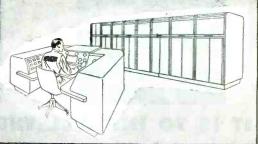
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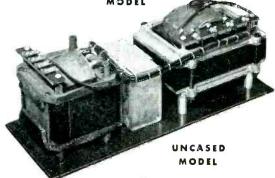
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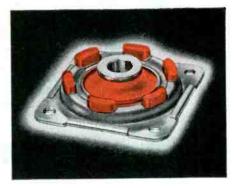
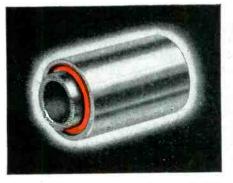
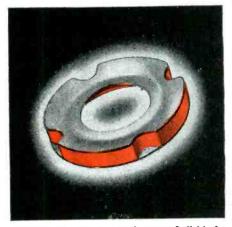


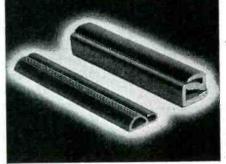
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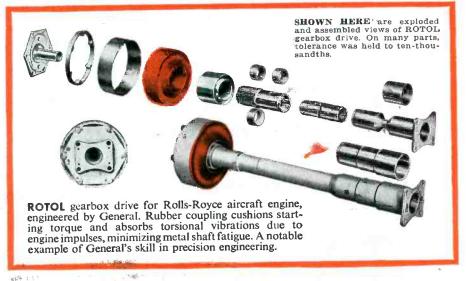
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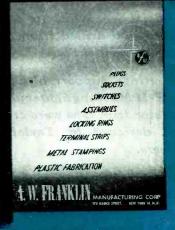
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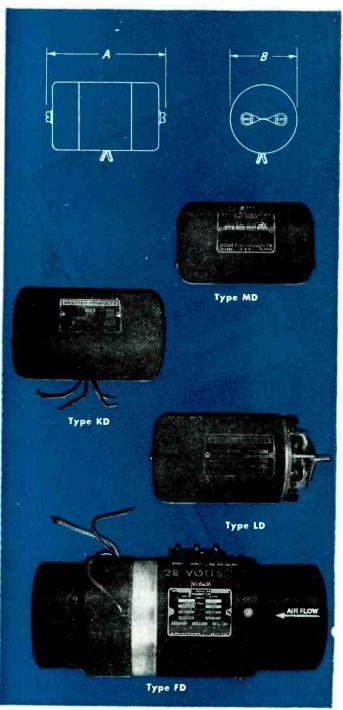
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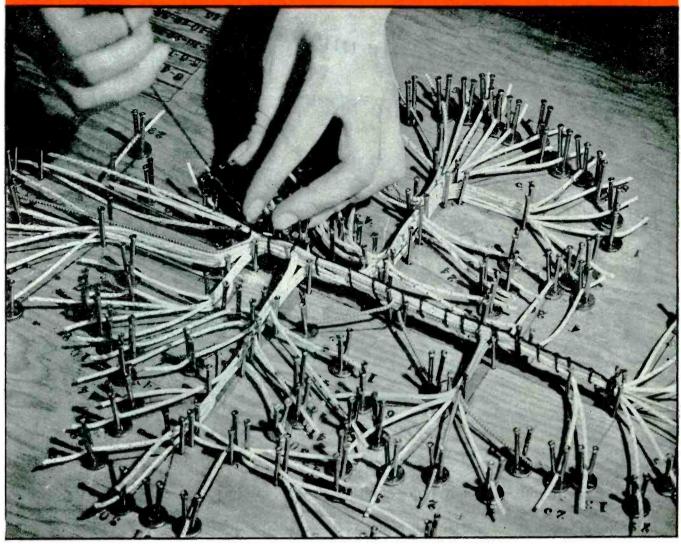
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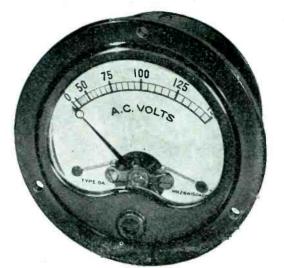


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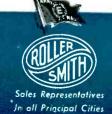
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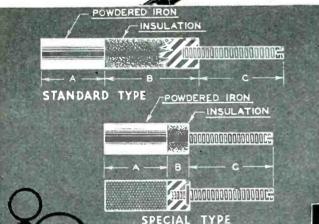
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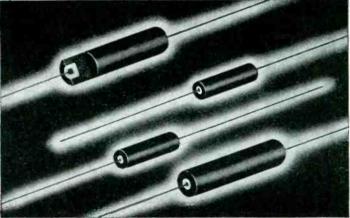


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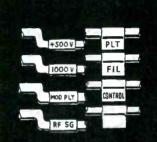
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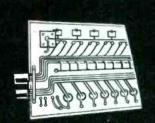
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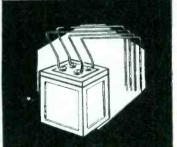
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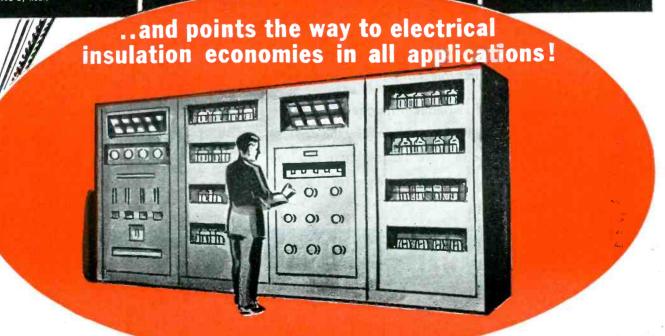
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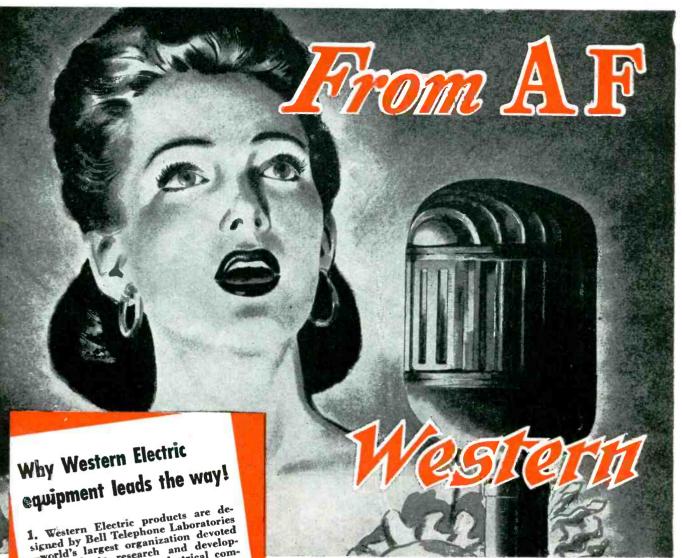


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First of these is the war against Japan. It still requires winning. Even without any help from others, the United States could make good this victory, but the war's duration will be speeded by the marshaled effort of the United Nations.

Next, and not less important, is the task of establishing a basis for enduring peace. In this struggle our enemies are more formidable than any we have faced — national ambitions, prejudices, suspicions and distrusts, the staggering burden of tradition and debilitating cynicism born of past failure, the cleaving wedges of divergent languages, thought patterns, economic creeds and procedures — an array of difficulties as baffling as fog and as formidable as a deluge. They can be vanquished only by a continuance of the working accord between the United States, Russia, and Britain that was forged on the anvil of European conflict.

This high appraisal of the decisive importance of the Big Three in determining the destiny of the United Nations organization, in no way depreciates the importance of the role to be played by France, by China, or the other freedom-seeking nations represented at San Francisco. All of us are committed to the building of a genuinely representative security organization in the conviction that by such means alone can we possibly achieve a just and lasting peace. But the strength of any international machinery will depend upon the validity of Russian-British-American cooperation. If these three are able to achieve substantial harmony of aim and procedure, a world organization that includes them can operate with effective coherence. If they pull apart, the United Nations will break up into competing and jealously hostile blocs.

This is inevitable because of the sheer weight of these three nations in the world's affairs. Between them they account for perhaps half of the world's income and from two-thirds to three-quarters of its industrial output. Once Japan has been crushed, they will control an overwhelming preponderance of the world's armed might. Each of them will wield military power on a scale quite beyond the power of any embryo security league to hold in check. Only if all three are resolved to keep the peace and to enforce it through the Security Council, can that body hope to accomplish its aim.

Although there is a tendency on both sides of the Atlantic to indulge somewhat recklessly in mutual criticism, the ties between Britain and America are too firm to be severed by any foreseeable strain. But that has not been true of our relations with Russia. Even while fighting a war in which our respective ways-of-life were at stake, the inestimable services of each to the other were rendered as friendly but independent associates rather than as fully trusted partners. Now again, as we approach the difficult and vitally important task of building a world organization and of devising a European peace, the task of our delegates is complicated by national attitudes under which each hopes for the best from the other, while fearing the worst.

But the stakes for us both — and for the rest of the world — are too high to be played for in a diplomatic poker game. Russia has no inhibitions in demanding what she wants, and our own vital interests must be stated and upheld with undeviating firmness. Yet we both must face the stark fact that few advantages that either nation might gain at the cost of dissipating the good will of our wartime association could be worth the price thus paid.

The first steps toward establishing confidence lie in a frank recognition of what may contribute to the lack of it and in a definition of what can be done to restore it.

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1. Probably the greatest single area of reciprocal distrust between Russia and our own country is based on the fear of each that the other may try to interfere with its domestic, economic, and political affairs. Each purports to see the beam of meddlesome intervention in the other's eye, while it ignores the mote in its own. Thus the Soviet Union remembers that we participated in the foreign military intervention at the time of her civil revolution, and afterwards lent our support to successive boycotts of her trade, of her gold, and of her credit needs. For our part, we remember the Soviet Union's doctrine, and aggressive support, of revolutionary international communism.

We feel that Russia should find satisfactory evidence of our present willingness to have her develop her internal institutions as she will in the aid that we have given her during the war, and in the record of our good-neighbor policy as applied to Latin America. She, no doubt, resents our lingering suspicions in the face of her declared policy of 1941 to refrain from any attempt to influence the political or economic structure of foreign nations. Certainly, each of us will need the repeated reassurance that can come only through sustained performance by the other in the years ahead. Meanwhile, much will be gained if each will give to the other's good faith the benefit of the doubt, while it scrupulously guards its own conduct to avoid even the appearance of backsliding.

2. A second zone of suspicion is created by those measures which each of us interprets as natural and necessary bulwarks of national security when they are our own, but as evidence of dangerously aggressive imperialism when taken by the other. In our view, at least, such demands as we have voiced for island trusteeships or for other naval bases appear mildly conservative as compared with Soviet claims for annexation of territory and for a general orbit of influence, under governments friendly to her, throughout eastern Europe in particular.

There can be no easy solution to that problem. Bi-focal vision, by which one nation can look through a second lens ground to the prescription of another, seldom is achieved in international affairs. The success of the San Francisco Conference will provide a mechanism for international definition of principles and procedures which at least might relieve the inevitable strains. Most important will be the record of how each of us proceeds in our respective courses of action. Soviet performance thus far is highly unsatisfactory to us. While we have taken pains to clear our procedure with her, she has taken action in the Baltic, in Austria, and in Poland without even advance notice to us.

A major test of our ability to cooperate may be found in the Allied administration of conquered Germany. The proposed four-headed control of a four-way partitioned nation promises to be at best an extremely awkward mechanism of administration. At worst, it can result in continuous and dangerous bickering between the representatives of Britain, France, the United States, and Russia in the Berlin coordinating center, and in hopelessly divergent procedures in their several zones of administration. There will be a compelling need for all of us to exercise all of the wisdom and cooperative resolve that we possibly can muster.

3. A third testing ground for the future of American-Soviet relationships will be defined by the course of Russia in our continuing war with Japan. We are not unmindful of the toll paid by the Soviet Union in its magnificent European war effort. But we still are locked in a desperate struggle with an enemy that exemplifies the Fascism which America and Russia equally denounce. And that war is being fought in an area where Russian interests are importantly at stake.

Russia has an extraordinary opportunity to create good will by throwing her weight speedily and effectively on our side. There is no doubt but that the final Pacific settlement will generate problems comparable with those of the European peace, but it is equally certain that the continuation of the European comradeship in arms can do much to promote an enduring and confident postwar friendship.

4. A fourth, and highly important, potential source of suspicion and irritation is the intellectual blockade that the Soviet Union has maintained against the free flow of travel, intercourse, and exchange of ideas. We can understand the genesis of this policy and the reasons for its continuance while Russia entertained a constant fear of attack by powerful enemies. But the sustained perpetuation of such a quarantine by so strong a nation as the present U.S.S.R. could not be accepted as a protective measure. Inevitably it would generate suspicion that it was rather an instrument of nationalistic isolation or even of contemplated aggression. A way-of-living, at arm's length, with a nation that maintains such intellectual quarantines is possible; any whole-hearted partnership of effort is quite impracticable.

5. Trading between a free-enterprise nation and one that operates all foreign commerce as a government monopoly can give rise to many frictions. That subject is too complicated for exposition here. Suffice it to say that, while difficult, it is not impossible to conduct such trade with mutual advantage. We are in a position to help Russia greatly with her program of industrial rehabilitation and expansion at great saving of cost in terms of her current scale of living. In return, we must have assurance that her government monopoly trading will be conducted for commercial rather than political ends, and that it will be used to encourage rather than to restrict multilateral and non-discriminatory world trade.

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This is a representative list of the major areas in which misunderstanding and distrust may be generated, or allayed, in Russian-American relationships. No doubt, an equally honest list drawn by a citizen of the Soviet Union would be more heavily weighted by those features of our behavior which irritate and stimulate distrust on their side. If such a catalog were to be presented, it should receive our most searching and responsible consideration.

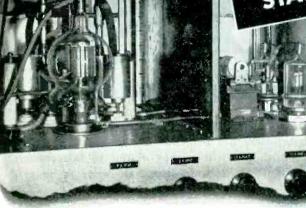
For it is of utmost importance that our two nations, in concert with the other United Nations, learn how to get along in mutual confidence and respect. Our understanding of each other now is so imperfect that our negotiations are punctuated with continuous irritations over *little issues*. This, inevitably, will continue until such matters are submerged in the general confidence that can be achieved only through satisfactory settlement of the *big issues*. We must succeed in this, or the defeat of Japan will merely mark the end of the Second in a series of World Wars.

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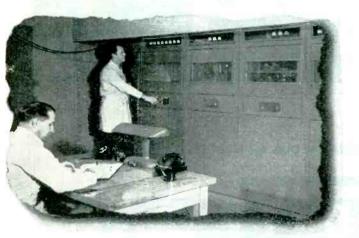
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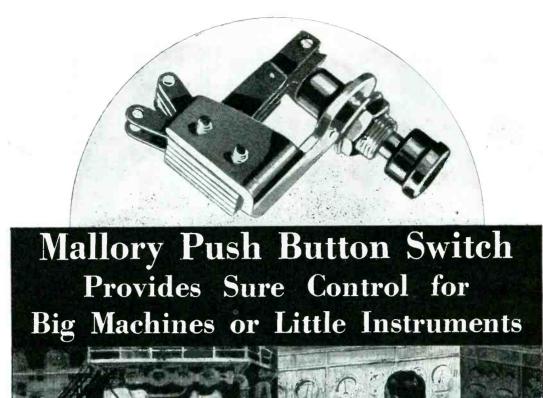
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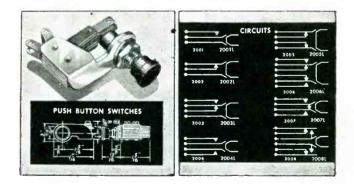
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► LAW ... Regularly throughout the years someone pops up with the idea that television, or some other form of communication, can be transmitted on a narrower bandwidth or in less time than is ordinarily believed possible. So far as is known all of these proposed systems have failed; in fact any such proposals nowadays are almost certain to damn the suggestion and the inventor before a fair hearing is had.

Through the courtesy of W. C. White of General Electric and Paul Findley of the Bell Laboratories, the following facts are presented.

The first publication giving the relationship between information, frequency range and time appeared in the *Bell Laboratories Record* of February 1926. At the International Congress of Telegraphy and Telephony, Lake Como, Italy, September 1927, R. V. L. Hartley of the Bell Laboratories delivered a paper entitled, "The Transmission of Intelligence." In this paper, published in the *Bell System Technical Journal*, July 1928, appears the first succinct and exact statement of the "law" which so many engineers seem bent on circumventing.

Mr. Hartley stated the matter in the following words: "The total amount of information which may be transmitted over a system whose transmission is limited to frequencies lying in a restricted range is proportional to the product of the frequency-range which it transmits by the time during which it is available for transmission."

This means, simply, that one must take longer to transmit a given amount of information over a narrow band than over a wide band, and conversely, to transmit more information in a given amount of time (finedetail television, for example) requires a wider frequency-range than to transmit less information (coarse-detail television.)

It seems impossible to determine just who first recognized these relationships. It is probably one of those things that workers in the field began to understand a little at a time, and was recognized and utilized in one way or another long before any complete formulation was attempted. Although it may be impossible—certainly most difficult—to prove that Hartley discovered this relationship, it is undoubtedly true that he was the first topublish a formulation of it. In the absence of knowledge concerning the actual discoverer of the "law", if indeed such a discoverer exists, it seems eminently fair that the relationship between bandwidth, quantity of information and time be known, henceforth, as the "Hartley law" and such honor to R. V. L. Hartley ishereby proposed.

► TIME ... Chauncey Depew is credited with the story of the scientist who invented a system of feeding hogsthat would require less time than the time-honored method of putting the swill in the trough only to havea farmer reply "What is time to a hog?"

Scientists, however, still take time very seriously. The early efforts to make quartz-crystal "clocks" that were "more accurate than the sun" seemed ratheracademic to many hard boiled engineers. But such accuracy, and all the circuits that made it possible, have borne fruit of major value during the recent years.

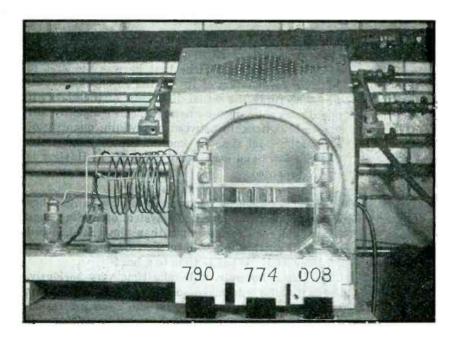
Radar, for example, involves a method of measuring time to an extremely high degree of accuracy. Radiowaves travel at a speed of approximately 1000 feet permicrosecond; that is, out to a target 500 feet away and back to the transmitter. An error of timing of one microsecond, therefore, might cause a shell to miss a target by what would not be called even a "near miss."

Time, therefore, as one of our essential "dimensions" is no longer of academic interest only.

▶ IRE . . . The fact that the campaign to raise funds: for a permanent home for the IRE headquarters has reached the half-way mark should indicate to all members who have not contributed their bit that the time to get busy is right now. Most of the contributions so far have come from industry. No real member of the Institute should let the opportunity go past without having his own share in this worthwhile campaign.

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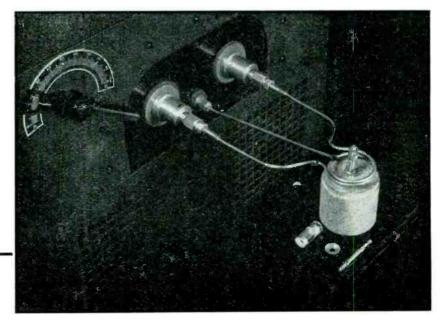
TN THE OPERATION of a modern glass factory, there are numerous problems in process control and regulation of automatic machines that offer a wide field of application for many types of electronic devices.

The glass art, however, is essentially the art of heating highly refractory materials to elevated temperatures where they ultimately

FIG. 1—Laboratory setup for the heating of glass by the dielectric-loss method. Three samples may be seen between the capacitor plates. Behind the samples is a source of polarized light later used to detect signs of strain

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FIG. 2—Experimental induction-heating equipment employed to test the efficacy of the eddy-current method. This type of heating is proving effective in heating metal-to-glass seal assemblies and in soldering or brazing to metallizedglass parts



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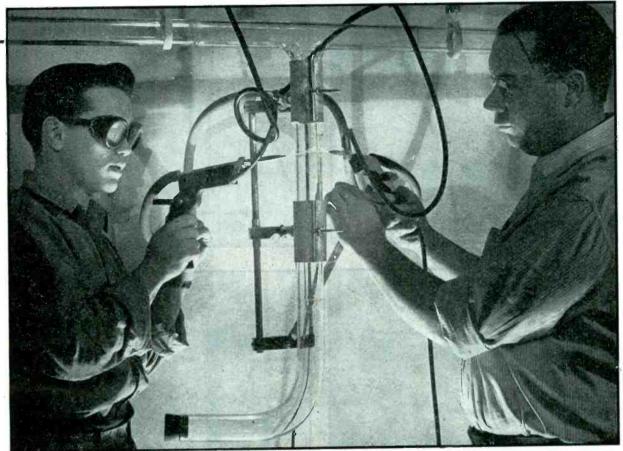


FIG. 3—Conduction heating lends itself admirably to the high-frequency welding of glass tubing. Current is conducted to two guns used as a cross-fire arrangement by means of cables and clips. Pin-point gas flames projected by the guns perform three essential functions described in the text

melt into glasses, and the subsequent working of these viscous plastic bodies into a wide variety of useful products.

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Glass may be heated in two distinctly different ways—through the surface, by conventional glassworking fires, or internally, by the transformation of electronic energy into heat within the glass itself. The latter method avoids the surface boiling and destructive loss of volatile constituents which definitely limit heating speed and the size and thickness of parts that can be heated.

Research with damped and undamped waves ranging in frequency from 60 cycles to many megacycles has shown that under proper conditions glass can be heated by dielectric loss between capacitor plates as shown in Fig. 1, by eddy current induction in coils or inductive links as shown in Fig. 2, and by conduction with special gas-flame electrodes such as those shown in Fig. 3.

Selection of one or more of these three basic types of internal heating is governed by the nature of the particular operation to be performed, the temperature range required, and the properties of the glass under treatment.

Included in the several different kinds of useful operations which can be performed on glass during or immediately following internal heating are: (a) Perforation of parts, or holepunching.

(b) Glass-to-metal seals and soldering operations on metallized glass.

(c) Welding together of parts.

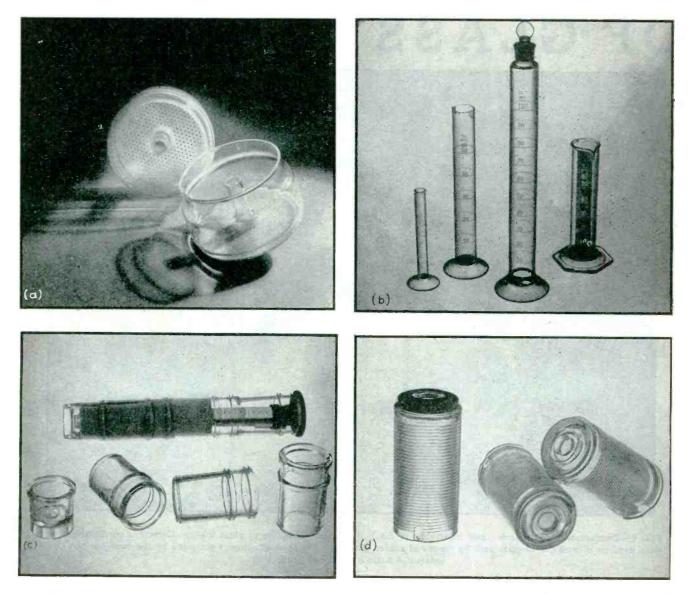
It is the last-mentioned operation, the welding of glass parts, which is the subject of this article.

High-frequency Welding

Superficially, electronic glass welding resembles arc welding, but in reality it is true resistance welding. Melting is accomplished by the passage of high-frequency heating current through the glass in restricted regions, where it is to be softened and flowed in the welding process.

What sometimes confuses the beholder is that pin points of flame

TYPICAL GLASS PRODUCTS INVOLVING ELECTRONIC PRODUCTION METHODS



(a) Two glass pieces are combined by an automatic seam welder to complete a coffee-maker basket. (b) Glass bases are welded to graduated cylinders. (c) Lightning arresters are built up of several glass segments. (d) Holes are punched in coil-forms at hot spots developed by electronic cross-fire guns

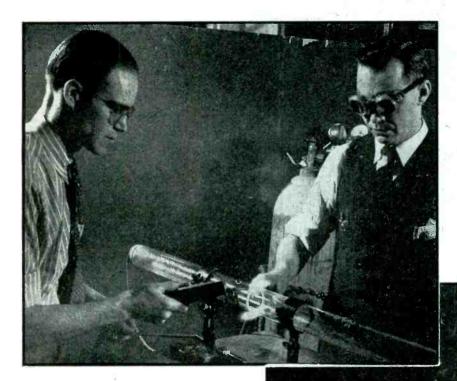
from small oxyhydrogen burners are often used on the tips of the high-frequency welding electrodes, as shown in Fig. 3, to serve a threefold purpose:

(1) They preheat the glass parts to be welded in the restricted areas of the surface to which they are directed. Since the flames are very small and sharp, restriction of the preheated area can be closely regulated. Although the preheater flames are too small to melt and work the glass, they can and do raise the glass temperature to the point where it ceases to be an insulator and becomes a high-resistance conductor. This happens at temperatures below the melting point and thus avoids destructive surface boiling.

(2) These same pin points of flame next serve as gaseous conductors to direct high-frequency currents from the metal burner tips to the conducting paths already established in the glass by the localized preheating operation. Since the pin points are velocity directed, they impart controlled direction to the high-frequency discharge passing through them to the glass, thus serving as flexible, non-sticking, electrical brushes.

(3) The flame-electrodes also serve as variable resistances in series with the glass load, and exert a certain degree of control over the flow of the high-frequency heating current as they are moved closer to or farther away from the glass. Since the high-frequency current passing through the preheated paths in the glass produces a much greater heating effect inside the material than the small preheat flames which started the process, variation of the welding current provides exact regulation of glass temperature.

A pair of flame-electrode welding



LEFT

FIG. 4(b)—High-frequency current is passed through flames into axially aligned glass-pipe interfaces, softening and melting restricted portions

BELOW

FIG. 4(a)—Glass pipe is prepared for electronic welding by removal of irregular edges with a conventional hot-wire crack-off tool

guns, manipulated by hand or mounted in opposition on a glassworking machine and excited by a high-frequency wave generator of suitable characteristics, constitutes one simple, effective solution of the difficult load impedance matching problem by reduction of the otherwise excessive range of variation in resistance.

High-frequency electric cross-fire systems have been applied with success, not only to hand-welding operations and to rotating electrical sealing lathes, but also to automatic machines.

Welding of Glass Pipe

The new products produced since the development of low-expansion, high-melting-temperature borosilicate glass exceed in number and diversity those of the preceding 4,000 years of glassmaking. The resistance to thermal abuse and chemical attack which resulted from this happy deviation from the traditional lime-soda-sand formula gives to new types of glass a dependability that has opened up a new era of widely expanded industrial uses.

Glass pipe lines, for example, show great promise. In one very important direction, however, there is still room for improvement. While the success of the glass pipe line has been due, in no small measure, to the cleverly designed and carefully engineered flangedjoint system by which convenient lengths are coupled and clamped together in the process of assembly, there remain certain types of service where an all-glass, one-piece pipe line system would have very definite advantages.

The high melting temperature of thick-walled borosilicate glass pipes makes the process of sealing together lengths of pipe with no other tool than a conventional glass-fire a tedious, time-consuming job requiring great skill on the part of the glassworker and resulting in a costly installation. One of the most important applications of the high-frequency cross-fire, therefore, has been in the recent successful welding of all-glass pipe lines. The simple portable equipment developed for this purpose makes possible for the first time the rapid installation, repair, and servicing of all-glass lines of any length in the field.

Glass pipe ends are prepared for welding by removal of irregular edges with a conventional hot-wire crack-off tool, as shown in Fig. 4(a). (The same instrument permits removal of a damaged section from a service line, preparatory to rapid repair by welding-in a new

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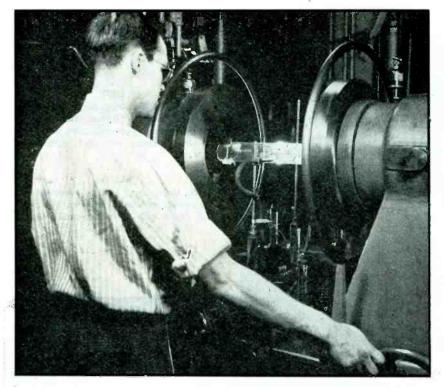


FIG. 5-Electronic cross-fire guns mounted on a glass-sealing lathe

section cut to length at the site of the installation.)

The pipe sections to be welded together are mounted in accurate axial alignment on a clamping jig with ends slightly separated by a distance which can be varied by means of a small toggle lever. This simple fixture permits free, easily controlled manipulation without loss of axial alignment and provides the necessary means for the smooth application of welding pressures, or for the application of stretching forces to remove excessive upset.

The two glass faces about to be welded are preheated by the pinfires at the tips of the welding guns until the glass becomes conducting. The operator and his assistant, located opposite each other so that both sides of the weld can be critically inspected at all stages of the operation, move the hand guns to and fro in slow rotary oscillation until the pipe ends reach a uniform, barely visible dull red.

High-frequency electric heating is then started and rapidly melts the two pipe sections together as shown in Fig. 4(b), while pressure is applied with the toggle lever and followed, immediately after the high-frequency power is shut off, by blowing and stretching to reduce the upset. After any electric glassworking operation, annealing is necessary to eliminate strains.

Welding With Rotating Machine

In the high-frequency hand-welding operations just described, uniform heating of the glass requires coordinated dexterity in the manipulation of the electrodes by skilled operators. High-frequency sealing on rotating machines demands less skill on the part of the operator since uniform heat distribution to the work is provided by the mechanically synchronized, regular, and continuous motion of the glass parts as they rotate in the cross-fire as shown in Fig. 5.

Judgment of glass temperature and experience in the systematic performance of a sequence of properly timed steps are still necessary, however, in the operation of highfrequency glass sealing lathes. Mounting and centering irregular pieces on the rotating heads accurately enough to avoid wobbling and fast enough to keep up with modern streamline production schedules likewise require practice.

Thus the high-frequency electrical sealing project would not be complete without the development of a fully automatic machine into which glass parts could be loaded and from which completely finished welded glass products could be unloaded. While this phase of the development is still relatively recent, such machines have been constructed and are in operation at the present time.

Economic Considerations

High-frequency sealing can be applied to many different glasses and many different kinds of glassware with important advantages over conventional methods. An equally important question remains to be answered, however, namely where not to use high-frequency methods.

Since high-frequency wave-generators cost considerably more than gas burners, there are many operations where the electronic heating method does not show sufficient improvement over gas to warrant the extra expense. In particular, when close heat restriction and control are unimportant, as when working with easily melted soft glasses where the total operating time is largely determined by incidental handling and not by the melting process, there is little to be gained from the new methods.

On the other hand, in operations where melting time is a significant factor in total production time and where accurately controlled and sharply localized melting can produce a superior article or perform a desirable operation which otherwise would be impossible, the highfrequency methods are unsurpassed.

As tested not only by numerous laboratory experiments but also by production operators in the manufacturing department over a period of several years, high-frequency welding has shown the following definite advantages:

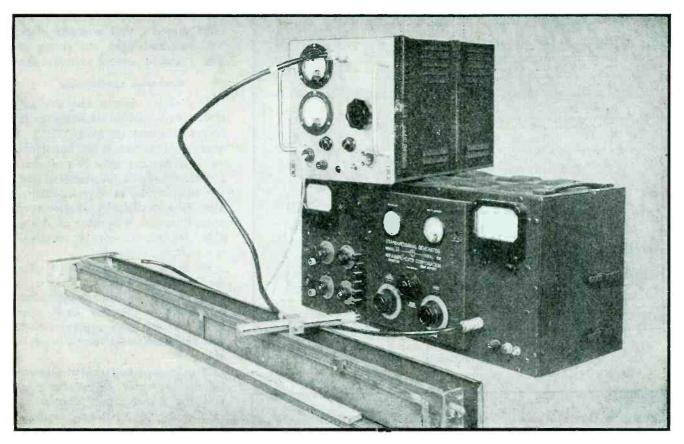
Production of stronger seals Reduction of shrinkage due to rejection Insurance of adequate penetration of

heat into thick sections of hard glass Sharp localization of heat and exact control of temperature pattern

Avoidance of injurious loss of volatile constituents

Freedom from deleterious reactions with products of combustion Higher melting speeds

Modern methods of research in glass have developed their modest inheritance from the primitive arts of yesterday into an amazingly versatile array of useful products.



High-impedance probe loosely coupled to a sensitive receiver, and a section of transmission line, enables impedance measurements to be made using low-power laboratory equipment

U-H-F IMPEDANCE MEASUREMENTS

By measuring standing waves on transmission lines, the terminating impedance can be determined. Low-power equipment can be used if the measuring probes have high impedance. Resonance and loose coupling are used to obtain high-impedance probes

M EASUREMENT of impedances at ultrahigh frequencies by the standing-wave method is well known. The majority of these measurements are made on power equipment where the energy consumed by the measuring device does not disturb the system.

When the power available begins to approach the power consumed by the measuring device, conventional equipment begins to decrease in accuracy until a point is reached where the measurements are mean-

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ingless. All types of receiving apparatus and receiving antennas fall in this latter group. Measuring the impedance of these devices calls for a new type of equipment.

Improved Equipment

The equipment described in this article is primarily a high-imped-

ance voltage-reading device usable at frequencies from 150 to 1000 megacycles. The average accuracy of these measurements is in the order of 10 percent, although accuracies of five percent are possible under optimum conditions.

An oscillator is used to excite a transmission line of known impedance. The unknown impedance is used to terminate the standard line. The standing-wave ratio and the positions of several nulls on the line are noted with the aid of a high-im-

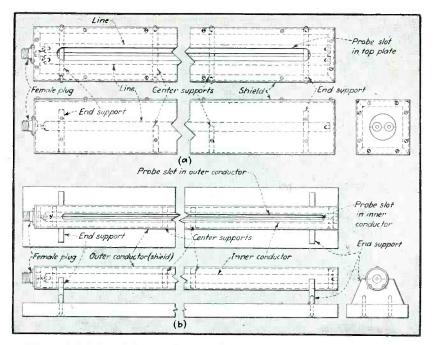


FIG. 1—(a) Balanced line used in impedance measurements, constructed in a trough for shielding. (b) Coaxial line construction

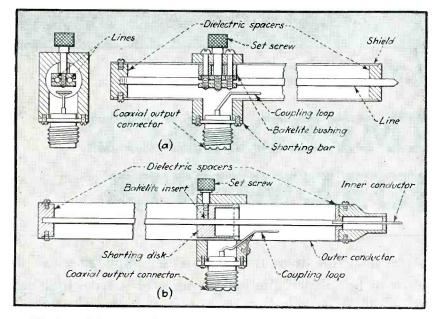


FIG. 2—(a) Balanced u-h-f probe construction provides a movable shorting bar and a pickup loop assembled inside a shield. (b) Coaxial probe is similarly constructed, with shorting disk and pickup loop inside the outer conductor of the probe

pedance probe coupled to the input of a receiver. A reference point for calculating the phase angle of the load is established by shorting the standard line at the termination.

Although designed primarily for the impedance measuring equipment, the high impedance probes were found useable for several other interesting applications. Voltage distribution and balance were accurately checked on dipoles, folded dipoles, loops and various other assemblies.

The standard lines in use are a 50-ohm coaxial line, and a 95-ohm balanced line. The coaxial line is slotted along its length to permit insertion of the probe. The balanced system is equipped with a mechanical means of marking nulls. The same system of indicating nulls could be applied to the coaxial system, but in the coaxial case it was

found relatively easy to measure the nulls directly with a meter stick. The standard lines are shown in Fig. 1 and in several photographs.

Generator and Receiver

The signal source may be any stable, well-shielded oscillator which covers the necessary range. The frequency calibration is not important as the frequency may be measured experimentally on the standard line, but an accurate, easily-read attenuator is essential. A single-ended output on the generator is desirable; for making coaxial measurements it is necessary.

In making measurements with the balanced system it is best to rely on an unbalance-to-balance converter to properly excite the lines, even though a generator with a so-called balanced output is available.

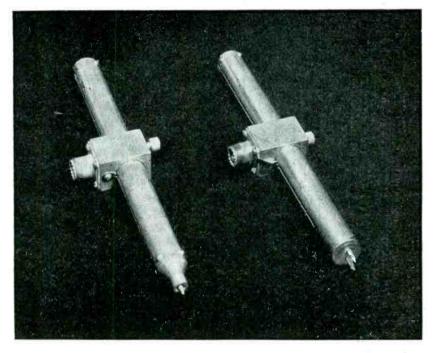
If a balance box (balance-to-unbalance converter, essentially a device for transferring from a coaxial system to a balanced system) is used when exciting any type of balanced system, the balance to ground will be preserved. This is generally safer than relying on the balance of the output of the generator, especially where accurate measurements are being made. Design data and general characteristics of this type of converter have already been discussed and analyzed.1 The balance box is shown in Fig. 4.

The receiver, like the oscillator, may be any model which will cover the desired range. Similarly, it must be well shielded. It should contain a diode-type output meter. This meter need have no special calibration as it is used only for indicating nulls.

High Impedance Probes

The probe which is connected to the receiver input is the critical part of the system. It must be an easily tuned, high-impedance device which will consume negligible power from the standard line. Two types are used. For the low-frequency range (150 to 350 megacycles) standard LC tuning is employed. In the high-frequency ranges (350 to 1000 megacycles) coaxial and balanced lines are tuned by means of sliding shorts.

The greater the characteristic



The probe at the right is used when impedance measurements are being made with balanced lines, and the probe at the left when measurements are made with coaxial lines

impedance of the shorted quarterwavelength line section of the probe, the less critical the tuning becomes. When the line is tuned to exactly one-quarter of a wavelength, the impedance is real and very high. As long as the input impedance of the probe remains in the order of twenty-five times the impedance of the standard line it will produce no detrimental effects (for standing wave ratios of five or less). This means that the characteristic impedance of the probe will determine the ease with which it may be tuned, as indicated by the relation $Z = jZ_0 \tan (2\pi l/\lambda)$. This, and the obvious mechanical limitations, set the value of the characteristic impedance of a practical probe at 100 ohms.

Output from the probe is obtained by loosely coupling to the high-current end of the quarterwavelength section with a loop connected to a coaxial line.

Loose coupling is necessary for several reasons:

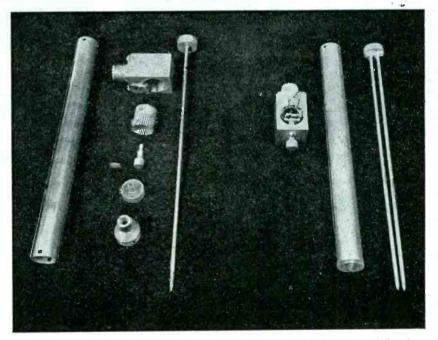
The probe can consume only a small amount of power from the standard line. The amount of power being consumed can be adjusted by varying the coupling to the receiver. The coupling can be adjusted by varying the pickup-coil size, distance from the center conductor, or its orientation with respect to the center conductor. The lowest value of coupling which will give a suitable reading on the receiver output meter is used.

Of secondary importance is the unbalance which the pickup loop introduces into the system. Each side of this loop presents a different impedance to ground. This lack of symmetry, if the coupling becomes excessive, will unbalance the tuned section. Consequently the balanced line begins to look like a coaxial line. The two lines look like the inner conductor, in conjunction with the shield, of a coaxial line. This produces several effects. As shield currents begin to flow, a solid connection to the standardline shield from the probe shield becomes essential to prevent detuning. When this connection does not exist, the circuit is completed by capacitance between the probe shield and the standard line. As the unbalpacitance is being constantly changed by the position of the operator, it is impossible to take an accurate reading.

Another effect of coupling is upon the standard line. As the unbalance increases, the two central conductors look increasingly like a single line, and introduce unbalance errors in the measurements.

In the event that extremely close coupling is necessary, the unbalancing effect of the loop may be removed by installing a balanced-tounbalanced converter loop as a pickup. This type of pickup **pre**sents the same impedance to ground from either side of the line.

When the probe is used in conjunction with a sensitive receiver, the coupling may be maintained at



Machined parts of the high-impedance probes shown in the drawings of Fig. 2

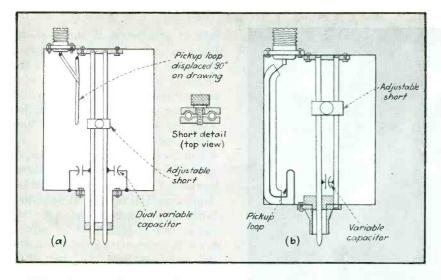


FIG. 3—For operation at v-h-f, capacitor-tuning supplements the shorting-bar tuning used at u-h-f as in (a) the balanced probe and (b) the coaxial probe

a value small enough to avoid any of the previously mentioned effects.

Construction

The size of the coupling loop is such that it will resonate at approximately 2000 megacycles. This eliminates sharp changes in sensitivity over the range of the probe due to resonance effects.

The tuning short of the probe is controlled by a knurled setscrew, which is used to lock and adjust it. This setscrew is an integral part of the block upon which the output plug and pickup loop are mounted. The pickup loop moves with the short, and is always at the low-current end of the dual line.

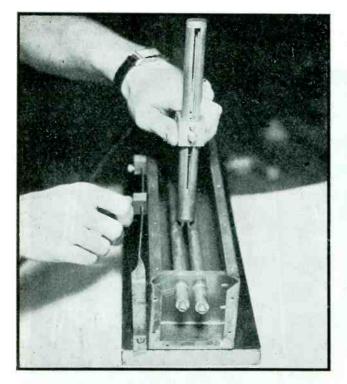
The balanced probe illustrated in Fig. 2(a) is basically a dual line with a shield. A short, controlled from outside the shield, may be used to tune this line to one-quarter of a wavelength between 350 and 1000 megacycles.

The probe used on the 150 to 350 megacycles portion of the range consists of a length of balanced line tuned with a variable capacitor as shown in Fig. 3(a). An adjustable short is shunted across the line to permit the probe to be used on several ranges with a low tuning capacitance.

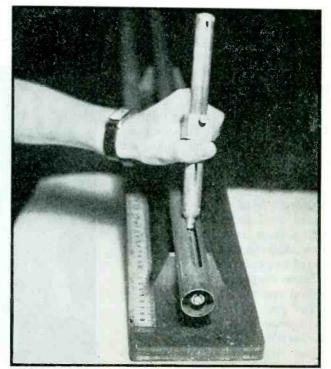
The coaxial probe is similar to the balanced probe in most respects. It consists of a single conductor, a shield, and a short controlled from outside the shield for tuning as shown in Fig. 2(b). Energy is removed by means of a pickup loop mounted directly under the short. The major axis of the pickup is on the shield diameter. The 150-to-350 megacycle coaxial probe is capacitor tuned as illustrated in Fig. 3(b).

Measuring Procedure

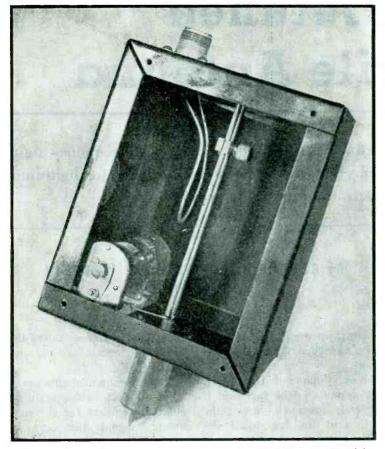
When making measurements, the standard line is shorted at the point where the unknown impedance is to be placed. The oscillator is fed into the standard line. The receiver-input cable is connected to an auxiliary pickup. This may be any device which can be used to couple loosely to the standard line. The best position is approximately half-



Use of probe on balanced line illustrates method of adjusting probe for maximum impedance



A slot is cut in the outer conductor of the coaxial line to admit the probe



Construction of the v-h-f high-impedance probe illustrated in Fig. 3(a)

way between points of maximum and minimum pickup.

With the auxiliary pickup in this position, any disturbance on the line will produce a deflection on the receiver-output meter. The probe may now be tuned by sliding it along the standard line and adjusting the short until no visible deflection is produced on the receiver-output When this condition is meter. reached the probe is tuned to onequarter wavelength and presents a high impedance to the standard line. The auxiliary pickup is now replaced with the probe.

With the short in place, the probe is used to determine the positions of several nulls.

If the receiver and oscillator are well shielded, the ratio of maximums to minimums should be extremely high. At the minimum, the voltage should be zero. If this is not the case, there is direct pickup between oscillator and receiver.

One of the ways of minimizing direct pickup is to run the oscillator at the lowest level consistent with accurate readings. Direct pickup has no effect on the positions of the

nulls, except to make them less pronounced, but causes a serious discrepancy in the measurement of the ratio of voltage maximum to voltage minimum.

After several nulls have been located the frequency may be calculated. These same nulls are used as reference points for measuring the unknown impedance. The short is removed and the unknown impedance is placed at the end of the line. The positions of the new nulls are noted. The relation of the null obtained when the line was shorted to the latter null is noted. It is also necessary to note whether the first null, obtained when the line was shorted, is toward the generator or toward the load in relation to the null obtained with the line terminated in the unknown impedance. It may be measured in either direction as long as the direction is noted.

The last piece of information necessary is the standing-wave ratio. With the short removed, the probe is placed at a minimum. The signal-generator attenuator setting and the receiver output meter reading are noted. The probe is moved to a maximum. The signal-generator attenuator is adjusted until the receiver output meter returns to its former reading. The signalgenerator attenuator reading is again noted. The standing-wave ratio is equal to the maximum signal-generator attenuator reading over the minimum attenuator reading. From the information obtained about the frequency, the null shift and the standing wave ratio, the characteristics of the load may be calculated.2, 3

When making measurements with the coaxial system the balance box is not used in feeding the transmission line. This is the only physical difference between the two systems.

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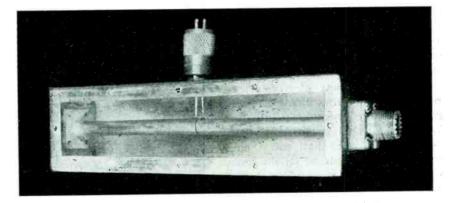


FIG. 4-Conversion transformer used to preserve balance when changing from a coaxial to a balanced termination

A Pretuned Turnstile Antenna

Electrical and mechanical design refinements provide an ultrahigh-frequency unit that can be adjusted before being erected. Elements are directly grounded for lightning protection and heaters are provided to prevent icing

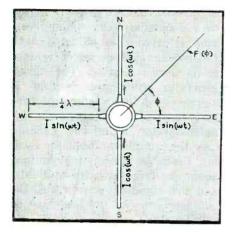


FIG. 1-Elemental turnstile unit

T HE PURPOSE of this paper is to describe a new turnstile antenna design for ultrahigh-frequency broadcasting.

The original turnstile¹ was so constructed that the elements were fed by means of open wires twisting around the supporting mast. Adjustment of the phase relationships and current magnitudes was accomplished by means of two properly matched transmission lines cut to the proper lengths and combined in a common terminal. The adjustment of these lines at the base of the antenna proper was rather critical and involved a certain amount of patient effort.

With the advent of frequency modulation on the ultrahigh-frequencies, the turnstile antenna found many applications. It soon became apparent that many antennas would be placed on the tops of extremely tall supporting structures, where the matching and phasing adjustments become very difficult if not impossible. With

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these factors in mind, the development of a new type of turnstile was undertaken.²

The most important feature of the new antenna is the fact that it is completely pretuned during the fabrication of the individual elements so that no work of an engineering nature is necessary to put the antenna into operation.

The 90-degree phase relation is accomplished in the construction of the antenna elements themselves, so that no adjustments at the base are needed to obtain the circular pattern.

The antenna elements are so constructed that, while acting as insulated members for the radio-frequency signal, they are actually grounded to the pole to afford lightning protection. Because of the grounding feature, it is a simple matter to include sleet-melting units in each radiator.

Two concentric feed lines con-

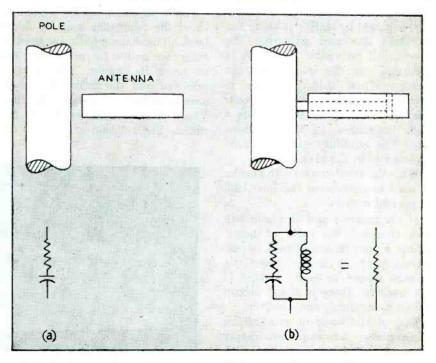
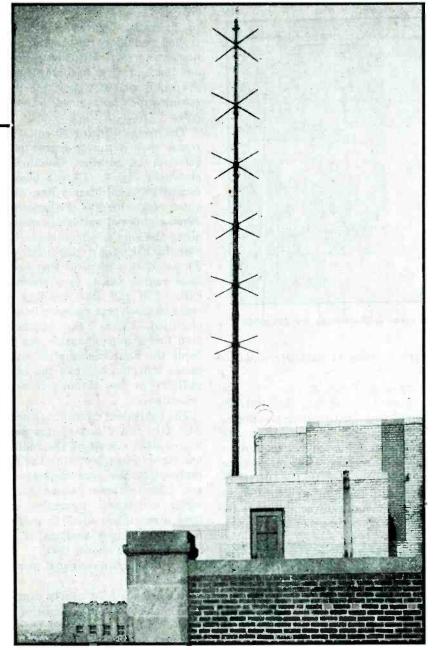


FIG. 2—By properly mounting antenna elements on the supporting pole impedances may be controlled and zero reactances obtained



A modern turnstile antenna, serving WCAU's f.m audience in the Philadelphia area

nect the several units, replacing the open wires formerly used. By means of standard concentric line, these two feed lines are fed in pushpull from a single concentric feed line which runs back to the transmitter. This feed line is terminated to eliminate standing waves.

Principle of Turnstile Antenna

The fundamental objectives of the turnstile antenna are twofold, first, to produce a radiation pattern which has circular symmetry in the horizontal plane, and second, to concentrate the energy in the vertical plane so that the signal strength toward the horizon for a given power input will be considerably greater than that obtained from a single half-wave vertical antenna with the same power input.

The principle involved in producing a circular pattern can best be explained by referring to Fig. 1, which shows an elemental unit that could be used to produce the required pattern. As can be seen, it consists of four quarter-wavelength radiators symmetrically oriented in space, carrying equal currents, and so phased that the East-West radiator voltages are out of phase with each other and in time quadrature with the North-South radiator voltages, which are likewise out of phase with one another. The field at any point in the horizontal plane, due to the East-West radiators, is equal to

 $F_1 = (60 I/r) \sin (\omega t) \sin (\phi)$ (1) where ϕ and r are the coordinates at the point. The field due to the North-South radiators is

 $F_2 = (60 I/r) \cos (\omega t) \cos (\phi)$ (2) The sum of Eq. (1) and Eq. (2) gives the total resultant field

$$\begin{aligned} (\phi) &= F_1 + F_2 \\ &= (60 \ I/r) \ [\sin(\omega t) \sin(\phi) + \\ &\cos(\omega t) \cos(\phi)| \\ &= (60 \ I/r) \cos(\omega t - \phi) \end{aligned} \tag{3}$$

= $(60 I/r) \cos (\omega t - \phi)$ (3) Thus the total field at any distance r is constant in magnitude and changes in phase as ϕ changes, giving a circularly symmetrical horizontal pattern.

The concentration of energy in the vertical plane is obtained by stacking a number of elemental turnstile units along the vertical axis. The vertical radiation pattern of n units spaced a half-wave length apart and cophased is equal to

$$F(\theta) = \frac{\sin \left[(n\pi/2) \sin \theta \right]}{n \sin \left[(\pi/2) \sin \theta \right]}$$
(4)

where

F

 $F(\theta) =$ vertical radiation pattern

n = number of layers $\theta =$ elevation angle measured with re-

spect to the horizontal plane,

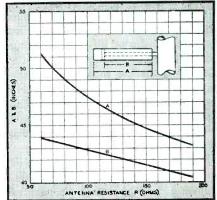


FIG. 3—By changing the antenna length and the shorting-plug position a wide range of parallel antenna resistance is available

Equation (4) shows that maximum radiation occurs for $\theta = 0$, or in the horizontal plane.

Radiator Elements and Feed Lines

The radiator elements for the new turnstile design were constructed from copper tubing having a two-inch diameter. One of these

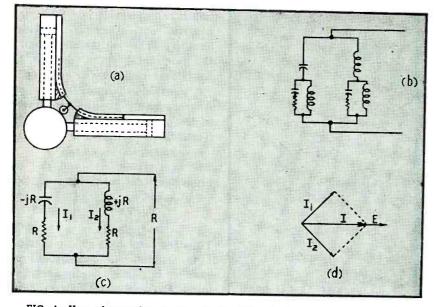


FIG. 4—How phase relations and current ratios in the dipoles are controlled

elements is shown in Fig. 2(a) in its proper position with respect to the supporting pole. Since the radiator is made slightly less than one-quarter wave in length, the impedance measured between the end adjacent to the pole and the pole consists of a resistance component and a capacitive component, as shown in the lower section of Fig. 2(a).

The method of supporting the antenna is shown in Fig. 2(b). Here a one-inch tube extends from the support pole out through the radiator, and a metal shorting-plug connects the inner tube to the outer sleeve. Thus the impedance of the radiator is shunted by the inductive reactance of the transmission line formed by the inner surface of the outer sleeve and the outer surface of the inner tube.

If the shorting plug is placed in the proper place, the entire combination will be tuned to parallel resonance and the impedance will be a pure resistance, as shown in the lower part of Fig. 2(b). The magnitude of this pure resistance will be determined by the length chosen for the outer sleeve. If R_* is the resistance of the outer sleeve and X_* is the capacitive reactance of this same sleeve, the parallel resonant resistance is

 $R = R_a^2 + X_a^2/R_a$ (5) and we see that R increases as the length is decreased.

The inductive reactance neces-

sary to tune to parallel resonance is

 $Xp = (R_a^2 + X_a^2)/X_a$

(6)

Figure 3 shows the antenna length and shorting-plug position as a function of the desired parallel resistance for a typical radiator in the neighborhood of 45 megacycles.

It will be seen that we have arrived at a radiator structure which may be metallically connected to the support pole and grounded to static

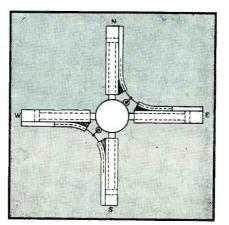


FIG. 5-A complete turnstile layer

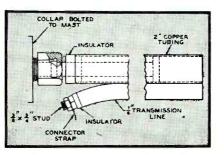


FIG. 6—Details of one radiator element

or lightning, yet offering a controlled resistance to the radio-frequency signal. Heating elements and the feed wires to these elements are easily placed within the inner tubing which is fastened to the flag pole.

The means of securing equal currents, with a ninety-degree phase relation, in adjacent radiators is shown in Fig. 4. Here a piece of concentric transmission line whose outer conductor has a diameter of seven-eighths of an inch is soldered along the side of the antenna. As seen in Fig. 4(a), the inner conductor of this piece of line on the East radiator ends in a short-circuit, while the corresponding element on the North radiator is opencircuited. Thus, the concentric feed line shown alongside the pole feeds the East radiator through a series inductance, while the North radiator is fed through a series capacitance.

The equivalent circuit is shown in Fig. 4(b). In Fig. 4(c), the parallel resonant circuit of the radiator and its shunt-support stub has been replaced by the pure resistance R, and the series-capacitance and series-inductance elements each have a reactance equal in value to R. In a previous analysis of this circuit^s, it was shown that

(1) I_1 and I_2 were equal in magnitude.

(2) I_1 leads I_2 by ninety degrees.

(3) The input impedance of the total circuit is a pure resistance of R ohms.

The first condition, equality of the two currents, is evident from an in spection of Fig. 4(c). A vector diagram of the currents and the driving voltage is shown in Fig. 4(d), and helps to show the quadrature relation as well as the fact that the input impedance is a pure resistance.

A complete single layer of a turnstile combination is shown in Fig. 5. Here the East and North radiators are fed from one concentric line, while the West and South radiators are fed by another concentric line, which is out of phase with the first line by 180 degrees. This arrangement fulfills the conditions required to give a circularly symmetrical horizontal pattern.

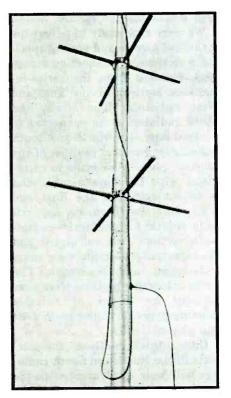


FIG. 7—Individual layers are connected together by means of two concentric lines which spiral around the pole. A simple matching network is also shown

Details of one radiator are shown in Fig. 6. It will be noted that a cylindrical insulator is added at the mouth of the antenna to furnish additional support and to seal off the interior of the inductive section. A smaller cylindrical insulator is used on the phasing section.

Figure 7 shows a photograph of the feed lines and coupling network of a typical turnstile antenna. It may be seen that the feed lines spiral around the support pole. This is necessary since the radiator layers are one-half wave apart and it is desired to feed these layers in corresponding phase.

The concentric feed lines are shown laid out in a plane in Fig. 8. It will be noted that the feed line on the left is one-half wave longer than the feed line on the right. This insures the necessary pushpull feed to each layer. Since each radiator has a resistance R, a resistance of R ohms is present at each little end-seal. The half-wave connecting lines transfer impedance without conversion, so that the impedance at point a on the righthand line is that of the four sets in parallel, that is, R/4. In the general

case, with *n* layers of radiators, the impedance at point *a* would be R/n ohms. The input impedance of a line which is one-quarter wave in length and of characteristic impedance Z_o is Z_o^2/Z out, so the impedance at point *b*, looking up the right-hand line, is $Z_o^2/(R/n)$, or nZ_o^2/R .

An equal impedance is seen at point b looking into the left-hand transmission line. Since these two impedances are equal, the total impedance at point b is $nZ_o^2/2R$. Now, if we choose the individual radiator resistance such that

 $R = nZ_o/2$ (7) the input resistance is equal to Z, and the main feed line is matched in its characteristic impedance. The following table shows the values of R which would be chosen for a number of layers of Turnstile:

| ABLE I | |
|-----------|---------------------------|
| | R(ohms) when |
| R/Z_{o} | Z_o is 70 ohms |
| 0.5 | 35 |
| 1.0 | 70 |
| 1.5 | 105 |
| 2.0 | 140 |
| | R/Z。 0.6 1.0 1.5 |

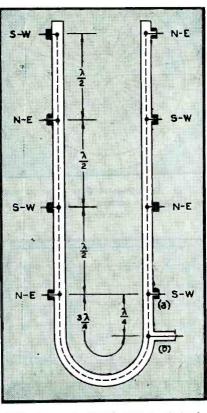


FIG. 8—A simplified layout of feed lines for four layers or less

While we could theoretically extend this procedure to many more layers, it was found that the antenna dimensions became quite critical when more than four layers were used. In order to obtain high parallel resistance, the radiators had been shortened to a point where the resistance changed a great deal with a slight change in antenna length.

A practical feed system used for six or more layers is shown in Fig. 9. Here the main feed line enters at a point midway in the antenna structure. To match the main feed line, the radiator parallel resistance must satisfy the condition

$$R = nZ_o/8 \tag{8}$$

The table below shows the appropriate value of R:

In order to provide a design

| TABLE II | | | | | |
|------------------|-----------|---------------|--|--|--|
| Number of Layers | | R(ohms) when | | | |
| (n) | R/Z_{o} | Z. is 70 ohms | | | |
| 6 | 0.75 | 52.5 | | | |
| 8 | 1.0 | 70.0 | | | |
| 10 | 1.25 | 87.5 | | | |
| 12 | 1.5 | 105.0 | | | |

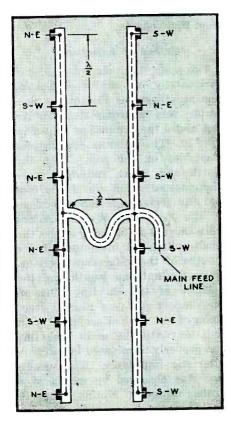


FIG. 9—A practical feed system for six layers or more

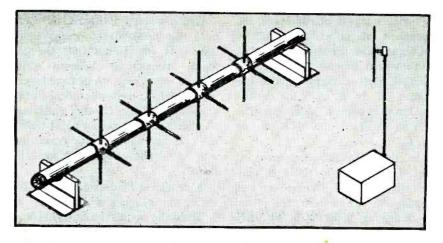


FIG. 10—Arrangement used for adjusting the new turnstile antenna on the ground

which would be installed in the field without adjustment, tests were made on typical arrangements to assure ourselves that close tolerances on dimensions were not necessary. Our objective was to adjust and test an antenna of, say, four layers at some frequency in the f-m broadcast band, learn what scale factor should be applied to each dimension in order to build an antenna for any frequency in the band, and provide charts so that any future antennas which were to be provided could be constructed from these charts.

Method of Adjustment

The main flag pole was laid out horizontally on two wooden supporting structures so that the pole center was approximately twelve feet above the ground, as shown in Fig. 10. The antenna system was assembled on the pole. Then the North and South radiators were disconnected from the feed lines and the series inductance sections of the East and West radiators were shorted out directly across the small cylindrical insulators at the mouths of the inductance sections. Next, the antenna length and the position of the shorting plug on the support rod (see Fig. 3) were changed on each East and West radiator until the main feed line was properly terminated in its characteristic impedance. This condition was observed by means of a probe voltmeter sliding along a slotted measuring line. The antenna length adjustment was made by sliding very thin-walled sleeves over

the end of the radiator, while shorting plugs with spring-contact fingers were used to adjust the shunt tuning inductance.

This adjustment insured that the correct value of R was present for each radiator. It should be noted that even though mutual impedance was present between radiators, this method of adjustment takes account of the mutual impedances without

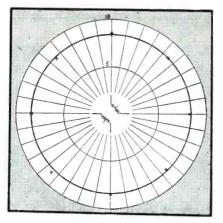


FIG. 11—Experimental data showing that the horizontal pattern of a turnstile is circular

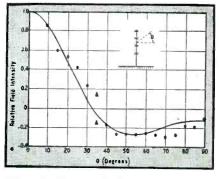


FIG. 12—Vertical field intensity pattern of a four-layer turnstile

even measuring the specific values.

We were now ready to adjust the series-inductance and series-capacitance sections. The shorting straps were removed from the series-inductance sections of the East and West radiators. The North and South radiators were connected to the feed lines. The North and South radiator lengths and position of the shorting plugs were made to correspond with the dimensions found to be desirable for the East and West radiators. Then, the approximate length for the series-capacitance sections was calculated and the capacitance sections were cut a little longer than this length. The series inductance sections were next adjusted by means of variable shorting-plugs until the main feed line was matched.

Under this condition, the currents in the North and South radiators will be in quadrature with the currents in the East and West radiators, but may be somewhat greater in magnitude than the latter. A field-intensity meter was placed a few hundred feet away from the antenna. The turnstile antenna was than rotated about the axis of the flagpole and observations of field intensity were made at the remote point. If the maximum field intensity was obtained when the North and South radiators were pointing straight up and down, it was necessary to shorten the capacitance sections to obtain a circular pattern. When the capacitance sections were shortened, the series-inductance sections were readjusted to again match the main feed line. Then observations were again made of the field intensity as the pole was rotated. Three or

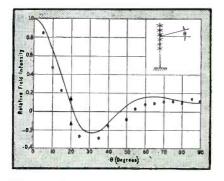


FIG. 13—Vertical field intensity pattern of a six-layer turnstile

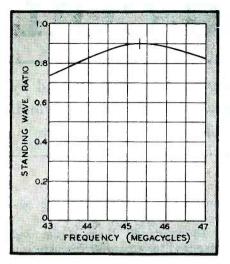


FIG. 14-Standing-wave ratio on the main feed line of a four-layer turnstile

four adjustments of this type are sufficient to obtain a circular pattern.

Measurements of a typical welladjusted turnstile are shown in Fig. 11. This may be regarded as the horizontal field pattern of the antenna.

Vertical Field Intensity Patterns

With the pole mounted horizontally above the ground, we were afforded an excellent opportunity to measure the vertical radiation pattern by simply moving the field-intensity meter on the circumference of a circle, where the center of the circle corresponds with the midpoint of the antenna.

Figure 12 shows the vertical pattern of a four-layer turnstile. The solid line is the calculated characteristic. The radiators are not quite one-half wave apart since the velocity of propagation on the feed lines is about ninety-two percent of the velocity in free space, and the feed lines were shortened to take this factor into account.

At an angle of thirty-five degrees, two experimental points are shown as solid triangles. It was not possible to tell from the field-intensity meter readings whether this point should be shown positive or negative.

A vertical field intensity pattern for a six layer turnstile is shown in Fig. 13.

Impedance Characteristics

After the antennas were adjusted,

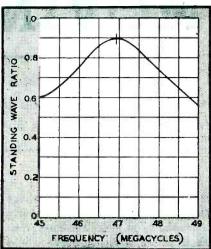


FIG. 15-Standing-wave ratio on the main feed line of a six-layer turnstile

observations were made of the standing-wave ratio on the main feed line, that is, the ratio of minimum to maximum voltage. This standing-wave ratio on a four-layer antenna which had been adjusted at 45.3 megacycles is shown in Fig. 14. Observe that the curve is rather hroad.

A similar curve for a six-layer turnstile which had been adjusted at 46.9 megacycles is shown in Fig. 15. It is seen that the curve is somewhat sharper for the six-layer turnstile than for the four-layer, but curves are more than adequate for transmission of an f-m signal.

Voltage and Currents on the Feed System

Since the feed lines twist about the pole, we are limited as to the size of the feed lines. It is quite possible to bend concentric lines whose outer conductor has a diameter of seven-eighths of an inch, but when one considers the possibility of using a tubing diameter of one and one-half inches, the prospects appear discouraging. It thus at first appears that this antenna design is limited in power-handling capabilities. An examination of the currents and voltages appearing on the feed lines and on the radiators will, at this point, prove interesting and illuminating.

Let us take, as an example, the case of a six-layer turnstile operating with a power of 10,000 watts. In the equivalent circuit (Fig. 4c) the resistance R is 52.5 ohms. Since the power into each radiator is one twenty-fourth of the total power, the voltage from each radiator to the flagpole is 149.0 volts, with a similar voltage across each seriescapacitance and series-inductance. The feed straps carry approximately 2.8 amperes, with a voltage from feed strap to ground of 209.0 volts. The voltage and currents along the feed lines are shown in Fig. 16. These values speak for themselves.

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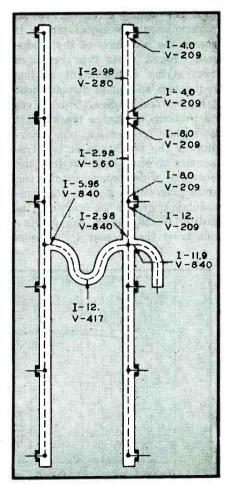


FIG. 16-Voltage and currents on the feed lines of a six-layer turnstile, operating with a power of 10,000 watts

MOVING-COIL

Problems involving mechanical resonance of phonograph reproducers can be solved by extending the frequencies at which it takes place to the limits of audibility or beyond. The pickup described achieves this and also makes possible light needle pressure

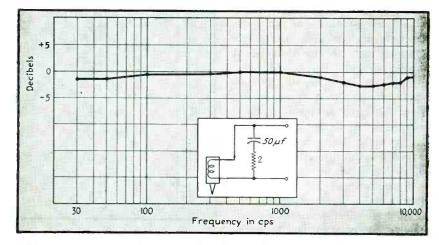
TN both lateral and vertical recordings, there are two basic recording characteristics, constant amplitude and constant velocity. In the former, the stylus is displaced equally at all frequencies. This would be ideal from the standpoint of recording time but, due to the limited groove speed, the higher frequencies present such a steep wave front that both the recording and reproducing stylus could not possibly produce and track such a groove.

In constant-velocity recording, the stylus velocity is constant for all frequencies at the point where it crosses the zero axis of the modulated groove. This type produces great stylus displacement at low frequencies and small displacement at higher frequencies. This solves the problem of stylus tracking at the higher frequencies, but unfortunately the amplitude at low frequencies becomes so great that the necessary wide groove spacing on lateral recording and a deep unmodulated groove on vertical recording would reduce the playing time from the present 15 minutes

on a 16-inch disc to a point where the playing time would be so greatly shortened as to make recording impractical. In addition, there would be mechanical problems of cutter and pickup design to properly track such extreme amplitudes at the lower frequencies.

At present, standard phonograph records contain constant-amplitude recording for the lower end of the frequency spectrum, crossing over to constant-velocity recording at around 500 cycles per second, although in the past this crossover point has varied from 250 to 1,000 cycles.

In lateral transcriptions for broadcast use, the standard characteristic is varied, in that preemphasis is applied to the cutter in the constant-velocity portion of the curve, increasing to 16 decibels at 10,000 cycles per second. The standard vertical characteristic calls for a crossover at approximately 300 cycles per second, and the preemphasis of the constant-velocity portion of the curve does not take effect until close to 2,000 cycles, from which point the curve rises to 18-db



Frequency response of moving-coil pickup with low-frequency correction as provided by the circuit shown

increase at 10,000 cycles per second.

Unfortunately there is no fixed standard for crossover frequency in general use, and the design of a pickup to respond to the several various characteristics with any degree of accuracy is almost an impossibility.

Crystal Compensation

Theoretically, an ideal crystal pickup would produce a constant voltage at all frequencies from a constant-amplitude recording, and all that would be necessary to achieve the desired results would be to introduce the proper electrical network to equalize the pickup output on the constant-velocity portion of the recording up to the output on the constant-amplitude portion of the disc. Practically, however, the mass of the stylus, stylus bearing, and drive fork, together with the considerable mass of the crystal, usually introduces a resonance peak in the neighborhood of 2,500 to 4,000 cycles per second. This peak is generally controlled to some degree by damping pads on both sides of the crystal and the result is that the rising characteristic up to this peak compensates for the reduced output of the constant-velocity portion of the recording.

At the same time, crystal stiffness, together with damping, introduce a resonance at the lower frequencies, usually at from 70 to 100 cycles per second. The peak may be lowered in frequency by the addition of a considerable mass to the tone arm. It has been found that a great deal of record wear takes place at this frequency, if not actual failure of the needle to track the groove at high amplitudes. In favor of the crystal pickup it may be said, however, that the voltage out-

PICKUP DESIGN

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put is usually sufficiently high to require little amplification and its performance is quite adequate within its frequency range.

The magnetic and moving-coil types of pickups in their ideal form would both be true generators; that is, their output would be constant at all frequencies from a constantvelocity recording. In the theoretically ideal unit of either type, the output on the constant-amplitude portion of the record would have to be equalized up at the rate of approximately six decibels per octave below the crossover point, to compensate for the corresponding downward slope of the recording characteristic.

Two Peaks

The upper resonance peak on most magnetic pickups, due to the physical mass of the armature, lies well within the audible spectrum, usually between 2,500 and 4,000 cycles per second. This peak must be suppressed by damping and also some means provided for keeping the armature centered between pole pieces in the magnetic gap. However, the damping block often lowers the needle compliance to such a degree of stiffness as to cause severe record wear and poor tracking.

Many magnetic pickup manufacturers use the resonance peak at the lower end of the response curve, caused by the natural period of vibration of the tone arm impinged against the stiffness of the stylus, to equalize the falling off below the crossover point of the recording. Such a method results in apparent "one-note bass" and severe record wear at frequencies near the resonance point of the arm.

The moving-coil type of pickup has one great advantage over the magnetic type; the coil has no af-



Resonance peaks below 18 cps and above 12,000 cps are a feature of this new pickup design. A pressure as low as five grams has been achieved

finity to the poles of the magnetic circuit. This makes possible maximum stylus compliance, and the physical mass of the coil and stylus assembly may be reduced to a point as low as mechanical strength and the electrical output desired will permit.

The writer has developed a new moving-coil pickup design in which reasonable mechanical strength and electrical output have been retained, with a natural high-frequency resonance of the order of 12,000 to 15.000 cycles per second. The coil itself pivots on its own center of gravity and the mass of the jeweled tip of the stylus determines the natural period. A resonance at this frequency is nearly above the audible range of hearing and amounts to only a couple of decibels in amplitude. The very slight cushioning necessary to maintain the stylus in a vertical position is ample to suppress this peak.

The higher order of stylus compliance coupled with a tone arm of usual mass places the natural lowfrequency resonance at about 18 cycles. This is below any frequency on the record and was purposely chosen to miss the 15, 30, 60, and 120-cycle components which might appear as vibration from the turntable motor assembly or hum components recorded into the disc.

Further, the very free displacement makes possible a much lighter needle pressure than formerly was practical.

Result of Tests

Experiments were run in which perfect tracking was obtained from flat and true-running records with pressures as low as five grams. Offcenter and warped records, and the possibility of the player being bumped or the floor being shaken by heavy footsteps or other jars, made a pressure this low impractical, and a pressure of 25 to 30 grams produced negligible wear and perfect tracking.

One rather interesting phenomenon was noticed on warped records at 78 rpm; the inertia of the arm increased the stylus pressure to as high as half a pound on the rising portion of the disc and caused the point to rise completely off the disc on the downward side of the warp. This problem was solved for lateral records by pivoting the pickup head as close to the record as possible, about an inch behind the stylus. With the arm held above the record at a predetermined point and the head floating vertically at the end, the necessary lateral mass and inertia is retained and the vertical inertia never sends the stylus pressure over 50 grams, even on badly warped records.

Moving-coil pickups have been used for some time on vertical recordings and their mechanical design for this purpose consists simply of a short stylus with a small coil mounted on the end opposite from the tip, the whole mounted upon two flexible flat springs so that the coil is in a magnetic field.

Vertical modulation from the record groove causes the stylus and coil to vibrate in plunger-like manner, thereby generating a current in the coil. Heretofore, a pickup of this type has not been generally available for lateral recordings.

These factors were kept in mind during development of the writer's design:

(1) The mass of all vibrating parts must be kept as low and as close to the axis of rotation as possible.

(2) The stylus must not reproduce vertical components in a lateral record or vertical vibration from the turntable.

Construction

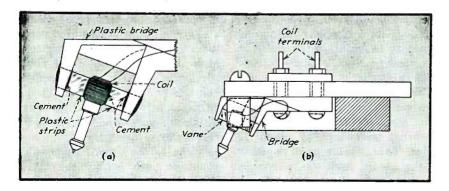
As no generally-used pickup bearing construction seemed to fulfill the above, a unique method of stylus pivoting was developed. The coil is wound directly over a very thin split sleeve of silicon steel, which in turn is mounted around one end of a short duralumin stylus. This coil is of No. 46 enamelled wire and has a direct-current resistance of 50 ohms.

Two thin plastic vanes extend at right angles to the stylus and di-

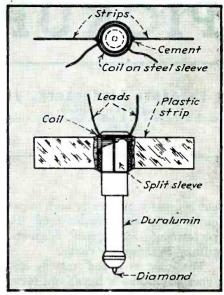
rectly opposite each other from opposite sides of the coil to the towers of a plastic supporting bridge where their ends are anchored securely. These vanes are in the plane of the stylus and are in line with the record groove. When the jeweled tip of the stylus engages the record groove, lateral modulation causes the vanes to flex on the center line of the vanes and coil. This results in an oscillatory motion of the coil on its center of gravity.

The poles of a small Alnico permanent magnet are adjusted close to each side of the coil, each pole having a thin cushion of very soft synthetic rubber facing it. These pads are brought into gentle contact with each side of the coil and serve both to hold the stylus vertical to the record laterally and prevent abrasion between the coil and the pole pieces. These parts are mounted on a heavy aluminum plate, and a chromium-plated copper case with a suitable opening for the stylus protects the head. An extremely thin tapered rubber diaphragm about the stylus at the opening in the case prevents the entry of foreign particles which might cause trouble within.

The stylus is tipped with a tiny diamond pin, ground and polished to a radius on the tip, which will couple the pickup most effectively to various types of recordings. Too much emphasis cannot be placed upon the importance of the proper stylus tip contour. The familiar steel phonograph needle is ground down by the record to fit the groove during the first few revolutions on all records sold for home use, an abrasive being present in the mix for this purpose. The diamond is the only material known which will



At (a) the method of supporting the coil and its associated cellulose-nitrate strips by means of a plastic bridge is shown. At (b) is a complete mounting



Construction of the stylus assembly. The coil is cemented to two cellulosenitrate strips for support

resist this abrasive action and its contour must be correct from the start.

Tone Arm Housing

The head is mounted inside a protective housing on the end of the reproducer arm and a suitable handle extends through a slot in the side of this housing so the reproducer head may be lowered gently to the record. When the reproducer head is raised by the handle from the record as far as the slot permits, the whole arm rises from an adjustable stop at the rear. Ball bearings at two points on the arm are provided for perfectly free tracking at low stylus pressures.

In general, the low frequencies must be equalized up to the crossover point of the recording and there are various means of achieving this. Provisions must be made, however, for altering this equalization to match the various recording characteristics now in general use. Mechanical resonance as a means of providing a low-frequency emphasis is to be avoided. Equalization in the amplifier which is used is one method of providing the necessary bass accentuation, but a simple unit to go directly in the pickup circuit would be more satisfactory, particularly if accurate means can be provided for switching to match the unit to various recording characteristics and for preferences of tonal balance.

ELECTRONIC SALES ENGINEERING

Selling electronic equipment to industry in the post-war years will not be easy, in spite of the progress that has been made during the war. It will require many young men, with technical as well as sales training, to do the job

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IN SPITE of the tremendous strides made during the war, the problem of selling industrial electronic products to industry in the postwar years will be no easy task.

Experience has shown the difficulties involved when introducing new things into the consumer market. Selling the industrial market is doubly difficult. It involves, first, the necessity of attracting the attention of more exacting people to a new product. Secondly it will require a marshalling of technical as well as economic facts relative to each item involved, and a proper presentation of these facts.

Salesmen Must Be Technicians

In the main, the man who must be sold industrial electronics is himself an engineer, or at least a technician. The men who sell him must, therefore, be at least technicians if not engineers.

All are agreed that the electronic developments of the war represent a fascinating story. Almost all who are aware of the problems involved in industry nevertheless agree that men with the proper technical and sales training are necessary to tell it. In fact, the use of electronic equipment in industry after the war will in the author's opinion advance in almost direct proportion to the number of capable sales engineers that are available to tell that story.

It would, of course, be impossible to quickly develop men capable of expertly handling all the problems involved in electronic sales engineering. Complete development usually requires years of practical experience along with a natural

talent for the work. It is not too soon to start developing such men now.

Need for Young Men

The greatest need immediately after the war will be for young sales engineers capable of making effective personal contacts in the field. Screening and carefully choosing applicants for this work as soon as possible will prove highly profitable.

Good sales engineers are difficult to make and it would be wise to start training with proper material. A study of the steps taken by other and older industries shows the careful attention directed toward the proper selection and schooling of youngsters. Courses which are carefully planned, extending from one month to two years, combining theoretical training and practical experience, have been employed extensively. The electronic industry must adapt a similar course of training. Actually, its need for such training is greater than that of any other industry today because of the almost complete lack of adequately trained personnel in the field at the moment as well as the tremendous scope of applications.

It is interesting to analyze what makes a good sales engineer "tick". Essentially, his most important qualification should be his ability to sell. Engineering can be taught, but sales ability is largely an innate characteristic. When choosing possible applicants, therefore, make certain the man has some natural sales ability.

The sales engineer must obvi-

ously know his product thoroughly. Time spent in training the young applicant before he goes into the field is extremely important

Probably the most important single qualification to develop in a man is an extension of any innate ability he might have to employ his techical and sales training in the right proportions. Such judgment is usually difficult to find.

Opportunities

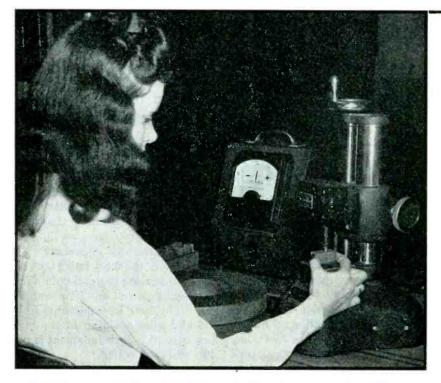
The term "engineering" covers much more than just design. Large industrial companies are looking more and more to the engineer for business management, market analysis, distribution leadership and selling.

The electronic sales engineer, particularly, will have very great opportunities after the war. Working in a widening market, and in constant contact with actual conditions in the field, he will necessarily enter into the planning of every phase of manufacture and distribution of the products he is selling.

A basic training in sales engineering offers the young technician an important background for future leadership in the electronic field. There is no substitute for the practical business experience gained from selling. It teaches a man to get along with others and develops a sense of economic right and wrong which must be inherent in good business management.

From a remunerative standpoint, the sales engineer also has a good future to look forward to. Men combining selling talent and engineering experience will always be at a premium and well paid.

Predimensioning



Measuring an edge dimension of a loaf of 100 crystal blanks with an Electro-Limit Gage during hand lapping of edge dimensions to a tolerance of 0.0002 inch. Each scale division on the meter of the gage represents 0.00002 inch

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THE Art method of lapping or beveling the edge of each individual quartz crystal plate to bring up activity has been used since the inception of quartz crystal cutting, and is still the most commonly used method in the industry today. This procedure, while effective, tends to produce crystal plates which show large differences in their behavior from unit to unit, particularly in respect to deviations in activity when subjected to considerable change in temperature.

Predimensioning, the alternative method of making crystal plates, is based upon the premise that the properties of crystalline quartz are consistent and insofar as piezoelectric and elastic properties are concerned, each mother crystal is similar to every other crystal. Therefore, it should be possible to cut and finish plates in such a manner that when all are handled in exactly the same way, equal performance can be expected from each of the resulting crystal plates without resorting to beveling.

Fluctuations in activity, indicated by a drop in the reading of a grid current meter, occur during temperature cycling as the various modes of motion interfere due to coupling between the different vibrations*. Since in the BT-cut plates the interfering vibrations are dependent largely on the edge or square dimensions, and the basic frequency-determining shear vibrations are dependent on the thickness dimensions, the several dimensions must bear certain proportional relationships that will create stable and uniform amplitude of vibration through the relatively wide ranges of unequal expansion and changes in elastic properties in

*For details of vibration theory and the particular interferences between modes which produce undesirable results, see Sykes, R. A., Modes of Motion in Quartz Crystals, the Effects of Coupling and Methods of Design. Bell System Technical Journal, XXIII, Jan., 1944. different directions that are due to changes in temperature.

Predimensioning is a technique for so determining dimensions of crystal plates of given orientation, made from crystalline quartz, that the crystal units will operate at the desired frequency and activity in a stable and uniform manner over wide ranges of temperature. It is a feature of this method that mechanical variables resulting in differences in the electrical or elastic characteristics must be held within close yet workable limits.

Principal factors governing the consistency of performance are found to be the uniformity of (1) orientation, (2) dimensions, (3) contour, (4) surface finish, (5) electrode characteristics, (6) cleanliness, and (7) perfection of the crystalline quartz.

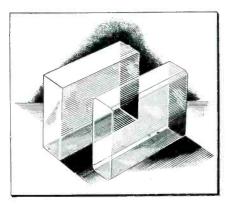
Advantages of Predimensioning

There are many advantages in using the predimensioning technique in addition to the elimination of undesirable coupling and the production of uniform activity over the temperature range. Outstanding among these is that predimensioning lends itself to mass-production methods, particularly in the finishing operation. It permits more uniform production and quality, requires only one size blank per frequency, permits contouring the surface for maximum activity, reduces the number of rejections at the calibrating positions, reduces tendency to lap or etch beyond the desired frequency, and avoids most of the failures in temperature cycling.

The basis of mass-production methods is the breaking down of operations in order to simplify them, thus permitting more units to be handled in a given time. With crystal plates made by predimensioning, all the blanks of a particular frequency are exactly the same at the finishing position, and it is therefore possible to calibrate large numbers of plates simultaneously. Production methods and procedures can be simplified, since

Quartz Crystal Plates

Loaves of blanks for a particular frequency are lapped to final square-edge dimensions within 0.0002-inch tolerance, permitting mass-production methods for final finishing and calibrating and giving better than 98-percent acceptance in temperature-cycling tests. Charts give optimum edge dimensions for square BT-cut plates from 4.5 to 8.1 Mc



Comparison of predimensioned crystal plate (having square edges) with a plate finished by the Art method (having beveled edges)

each blank is handled in exactly the same manner. This makes for greater uniformity and definitely increases the quality of performance obtainable at each operation. Since all crystal plates are alike, the process permits using a uniform contour for the surface of the crystal and obtaining this by automatic means.

One of the main causes for rejection when crystal plates are calibrated to frequency by the Art method is their loss of activity as the plate is brought into frequency. On the other hand, when a crystal plate has been dimensioned properly, no such activity dip will occur. As a rule, a dimension is not considered satisfactory unless at least 95 percent of all crystal plates maintain their high activity through the temperature cycling test.

Crystal plates of frequency for which sufficient production volume is needed to permit proper analysis can be economically dimensioned so that 95 to 98 percent of the production will prove satisfactory over the entire temperature cycle requirements from $-55^{\circ}C$ ($-67^{\circ}F$) to $+90^{\circ}C$ ($+194^{\circ}F$). At Philco Corporation such percentages have been maintained for over a year on crystal plates of the DC-30 and DC-31 types, which significantly have relatively high activity requirements in comparison with the better-known CR-1 types.

Frequency Constants

The frequency of AT and BT-cut crystal plates vibrating in highfrequency shear is controlled by the thickness of the blank, so that a reduction in the thickness of the blank increases the frequency. The frequency follows the formula f = K/t, where f is the frequency in kilocycles, t the thickness of the plate in millimeters, and K a constant. For AT cuts, K = 1670; for BT cuts, K = 2560. For Philco crystals the BT constant is 2560 over the frequency range of 4 to 8 megacycles when using appropriate contours for the sizes covered in the edge dimensioning charts now available.

Contouring Crystal Plates

Experiments prompted by problems encountered in mass production of quartz crystal plates have shown that surface contour is not only an important factor determin-

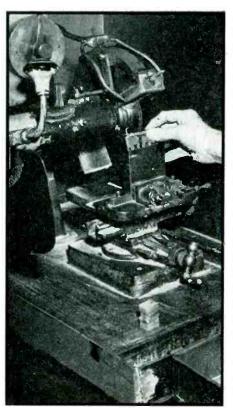


Checking the double convexity of an individual crystal plate with a visual gage on which each scale division represents 0.00001 inch

ing activity, but requires a critical specification within very narrow tolerances. The lower-frequency BT-cut crystal plates (4 to 5 megacycles) require somewhat greater convexity of contour than do the higher frequencies.

In order to determine the best contour for a given frequency, each finishing operator was required to save her most active crystal plate, with its electrodes, from each day's production for a period of four months. These plates were collected at the end of each shift and analyzed for contour, orientation, edge dimensions, electrode land heights and quality of the electrodes. From the resulting accumulated data it was found that the amount of double convexity required for maximum activity ranged from twenty millionths of an inch for 8-megacycle plates to eighty millionths of an inch for 4-megacycle plates, as shown in Fig. 1.

The measurements of surface convexity were made on a Sheffield visual ten-millionths gage by using the following procedure; (1) The gauge was set to read zero at the center of the plate; (2) the plate was then moved along its diagonal until the spindle was resting at a point $\frac{1}{2}$ inch in from the corner of the plate; (3) the number of divisions negative on the scale of the gage from the original zero setting was read to determine the extent



Trimming a crystal blank square in relation to its X edge in order to hold accurate edge orientation

of the double convexity. Each scale division for this instrument is ten millionths of an inch.

Such measurements should be made at all four corners. The thickness differences should agree at the four corners within one scale division, or 0.000010 inch. When a pro-

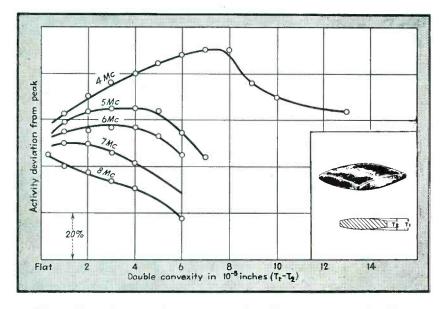


FIG. 1—Effect of convexity on activity at five different frequencies for BT-cut crystal plates. All crystal plates for a given frequency are alike in the predimensioning method, permitting production of a uniform surface contour for the plates by automatic means

cedure for maintaining proper contouring in lapping was developed, this specification for convexity was rigidly enforced, and played a large part in making possible the following results of production by the dimensioning process: (1) Rejections in final calibration and temperature cycling were reduced 13 percent on crystal plates ranging from 4 to 6 megacycles, and 30 percent on plates ranging from 6 to 8.5 megacycles (DC-31 and DC-30 types); (2) elimination of special reprocessing of rejected plates by trained operators; (3) a more stable crystal plate with a higher constant activity reading; (4) lapping by machine to within 1 to 2 kc of channel frequency, with its resulting increase in output per operator in the calibration department.

When hand lapping to frequency was replaced by etching to frequency, surface contouring assumed even greater importance.

Cleaning of Crystal Plates

Of all the requirements necessary in establishing a high degree of uniformity in production, cleaning is probably the most important because both activity and frequency are affected by traces of foreign matter. A quartz crystal plate is affected mechanically by the slightest change in loading and this shows up in its electrical performance. Since all materials and gases with which the quartz may come in contact are contaminated with foreign matter, it becomes a major problem to control this variable.

If one touches a quartz crystal plate with the fingers, the quartz becomes loaded with both organic and inorganic matter. The organic oils may be removed by a degreasing process, while the inorganic salts must be dissolved with water since the degreasing agents will not remove them. Actual brushing of the surface is required to remove many embedded particles. No chemical has yet been discovered that will clean quartz without scrubbing. (Contrary to common impression pure, clean hydrofluoric acid does not clean quartz.)

Scrubbing is aided by soaps, but a soap that lathers is not necessarily the cleaner soap, because of the need for greater care in rinsing. As soon as ordinary tap water contacts lathery soap, an insoluble precipitate is usually formed, which may load the crystal plate. There are a few powdered, latherless soaps on the market which go readily into solution in water to form a very fine scrubbing solution which is easily rinsed away. When it is necessary to rinse a crystal plate it should be spun dry and then handled only with ivory-tipped tweezers.

While it is believed that no crystal plate can be truly cleaned without scrubbing, it is also true that a hot chemical vapor degreasing treatment is equally essential. The use of hot vapors avoids the necessity of drying with rags or tissue, which is always poor practice. Cleaned crystal plates should not come into contact with dirty air, if ideal results are expected.

It is quite easy to determine whether a crystal plate has been properly cleaned by measuring its frequency after every cleaning operation, care being taken to replace the plate between its electrodes in the same orientation and position as when removed. When a crystal plate is clean, scrubbing, degreasing, stripping, boiling or any other cleaning method will not raise its frequency unless quartz is removed as by abrasive action. It is noted that many soaps and cleansing powders contain abrasives which will wear away quartz, even though the Mohs hardness of the abrasive particles is below that of quartz.

A good definition, therefore, for a clean crystal plate would be one which cannot be raised in frequency by any cleansing method which does not include abrasive action.

It is self-evident that the more nearly clean a crystal plate is, the higher is its activity. We have, therefore, a double check on cleanliness since both activity and frequency will increase with cleaning.

Surface Character

The character of the surface and the degree of polish on a crystal plate are dependent on the size, hardness and sharpness of the cutting material used in lapping, or on the method and degree of chemical reaction due to etching. The more regular and even the surface of a crystal plate, the better the stability and activity. To obtain good results a very fine abrasive, similar to optical powder No. 304, should be used for the final lapping and finishing operations. A fine abrasive should be used even when crystal plates are to be finished finally by etching to frequency, because a smooth surface is an important factor in insuring consistency in the rate of etching.

Numerous life tests on crystal plates have proven the great importance of good surfacing in order to obtain a constant frequency and activity performance over an unlimited period of time.

Pressure-Type Electrodes

Electrodes of the pressure type, commonly used for support of highfrequency shear-type crystal plates, are designed to support the crystal plate at its four corners. The supporting areas or lands are critical for the proper performance of the crystal plate.

The crystal plate is a vibrating electromechanical body, supported, coupled, and electrically driven by electrodes which are rigid and fixed. The supporting of the crystal plate by its four corners should be accomplished with the use of clamping areas as small as possible. The areas must be large enough, however, to provide stability and not to chip the corners of the plate. The supporting areas should all be in a plane to prevent torque stresses on the plate and should be well polished to indicate cleanliness and to insure good electrical contact.

The activity of a quartz crystal plate becomes greater as the effective electrode surfaces are brought closer to the surface of the quartz. This is by reason of the increased electrical effectiveness of the plates. On the other hand, when electrodes are so close to the quartz as to introduce mechanical damping, there is a reduction in activity. With extremely minute air gaps the problem of dust-free mounting becomes particularly serious because of the damping effects of minute particles in this constricted region. A further damping effect is that of acoustic waves when the air gap is an even quarter-wavelength of the supersonic wave. A minimum amount of acoustic damping is produced, however, when the air gap is exactly an odd quarter-wavelength.

Figure 2 is drawn to show as a function of frequency (based on a velocity of sound of 33,000 centimeters per second) the calculated values of the air gap for an odd quarter wavelength, and the allowable deviation from the optimum value. The region beyond the usable limits should be avoided in the design of crystal plates because of the increased damping produced by the acoustic waves.

The frequency change with land heights permits a vernier frequency-controlling method as shown in Fig. 3; however, this variation



Transferring finished crystal plates and electrodes from the hot-vapor cleaning rack into holders, using ivorytipped tweezers to prevent further contamination



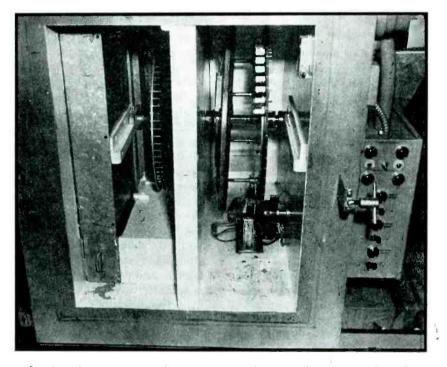
Machine-lapping a loaf of 100 crystal blanks on all four sides to a tolerance of 0.001 inch during rough predimensioning. The blanks are held together with wax during predimensioning

should still be in agreement with the allowable land height tolerances set by their effects on activity as shown in Fig. 2.

The metal used in electrodes should have a coefficient of expansion which is the same as that of the quartz of the given orientation and should be a metal which does not oxidize or corrode easily.

Natural Flaws in Quartz

Any breaking up of the molecular regularity in a quartz crystal plate will affect its elastic characteristics to some extent, even though the efand their effect on temperature cvcling and ageing. BT-cut crystal plates which had been rejected on a visual inspection for bubbles were used in the experiment. Forty-six percent of the plates containing bubbles passed on DC-31 specifications on temperature cycling. The location, size and number of bubbles definitely controlled the effect they had on activity. A bubble located in the center of the plate either made the plate dead or unusable for activity, but bubbles near the corners had only a small effect on the activity, and no noticeable effect on



Interior of temperature-cycling equipment, showing solenoid-actuated mechanism used to dab red paint on frequency rejects and green paint on activity rejects during the temperature-cycling test

fect may be too small to evaluate. There are, however, certain allowable tolerances in activity requirements which make it possible to use many types of flaws within certain degree of size and prevalence.

It is doubtful whether twinning of any size can be tolerated in a plate of high activity requirement, unless the twinned region be very small and located near an area of least motion, as under the lands.

An intensive study of bubbles was made to determine the regions in a plate which are most affected by the presence of bubbles, the types and sizes of these allowable, the type of activity curve in the temperature cycling.

Frequency and activity curves on crystal plates that contained bubbles but which had once passed frequency and activity tests did not reveal any effects or ageing beyond the specified limits caused by the presence of bubbles. The average frequency change in six months was minus 30 cycles on a 4.5-Mc crystal plate. In addition to the periodic checks on activity and frequency, these plates were overdriven at the end of 3 months for a period of ten minutes at twice their normal peak activity, with no resulting casualties.

One thousand plates in the eightmegacycle band were processed from heavily blue-needled quartz with no noticeable change in yield or percentage of rejections in temperature cycling. If in processing these plates the procedure had not been accurately controlled to exact specifications, a difference would probably have been noticed. Since there is a wide safety margin for activity in the design of the unit for perfect quartz a slight loss in activity was not critical.

Rutile is foreign matter which renders the crystal plate useless when such needles are present, because of extreme damping action.

Phantom areas in the quartz have no noticeable effect on the oscillating plate. Plates have been noted in production which are dark in one half and light in the other half, but which show a normal activity.

Other types of flaws may also produce undesirable effects, but the data now available on these does not permit drawing any definite conclusions.

Operational Requirements

For predimensioning to work satisfactorily it is necessary that certain tolerances be maintained in various operations. In sawing wafers a tolerance of ± 10 minutes of arc from the ZZ' and XX' is permitted. These limits are easily held, but in order to guarantee that the specification has been met, each blank is X-ray checked after trimming but before it is forwarded to the next operation. Holding this tolerance at the sawing operation guarantees that all blanks reaching the finishing room will be within ± 15 minutes on ZZ' angle and 15 minutes on the XX' angle. These tolerances should be the maximum variation allowed when plates are being designed to operate over wide temperature ranges with rigid activity and frequency requirements. There is, however, some leeway in these limits depending on the degree of control of other variables.

The required accuracy of edge orientation is determined by the type of crystal plate being manufactured. At Philco Corporation all crystal plates are held on the edge orientation to ± 15 minutes. However, if the ZZ' and XX' angles are

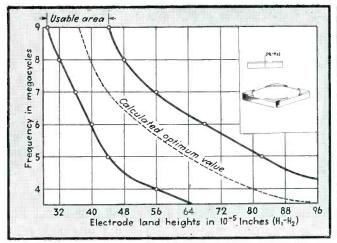
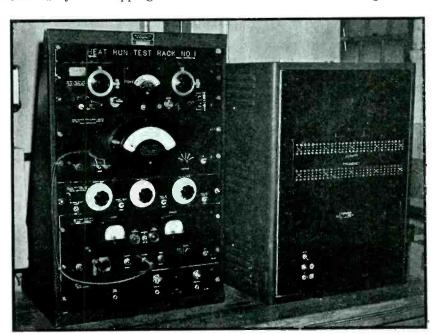


FIG. 2—Permissible range of variation in land heights for good activity performance at any frequency in the range from 3.5 to 9 Mc

close to the zero-tolerance condition edge orientation can be off as much as ± 45 minutes. Crystal plates that are beyond 45 minutes on this edge angle will not perform satisfactorily over the temperature cycle if the requirements on activity are rigid.

After the crystal plates have been rough-lapped, approximately one hundred are stacked in a loaf, with wax holding them together. This loaf is lapped by machine on all four sides until the loaf is within 0.001 of an inch of the final square edge dimensions desired. The last 0.001 inch of material is removed by hand lapping on a stationary lap. The tolerances usually specified in the hand lapping of the loaf on the length and width are ± 0.0002 inch for a crystal plate whose length and width are equal. Some frequencies offer difficulty in finding a suitable dimension with length and width equal for the 0.0002-inch tolerance and one must use a tolerance of ± 0.0001 inch. This is a tolerance which can easily be held when crystal plates are finished in loaves by hand. If it is felt in a given plant that this tolerance is too small or too critical or if it fails to give the desired yield in the temperature cycle, a pair of dimensions can be sought for a



Temperature-cycling instrument panel and separate control panel containing 120 indicating lights that show the temperature at which a reject occurs due to low activity or excessive deviation in frequency

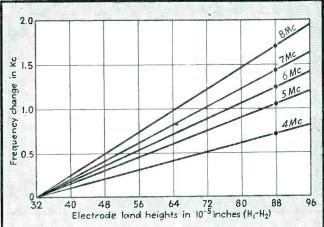


FIG. 3—Vernier adjustment of the frequency of a BT-cut quartz crystal plate by varying electrode land heights is entirely possible, as shown here

slightly rectangular plate. This involves the necessity of keeping track of the X' and Z' directions in the blanks.

Edge dimensioning charts can be prepared for rectangular crystal plates where the length and width are shown for the various bands; however, confining the charts to square plates avoids complicating the manufacturing process.

Temperature Cycle

Temperature cycling during edge dimensional investigations was carried out by observation of activity and frequency meters, with manual recording over the temperature range at a fairly rapid rate of change. This method was supplemented by cycling the units in laboratory apparatus capable of automatically recording activity, frequency and temperature of the units while the temperature was varied at a rate of 2°C per minute.

In order that the dimensions released by the laboratory for production runs could be properly evaluated by the quality control department, special automatic indicating equipment was designed. This equipment, used in conjunction with the temperature cycling equipment, has on its control panel on the side of the temperature box 120 lights connected through locking relays which keep an accurate record of all crystal plates and show when one is rejected during the temperature cycling test. A run may thus be checked at any time and the exact point in the tempera-

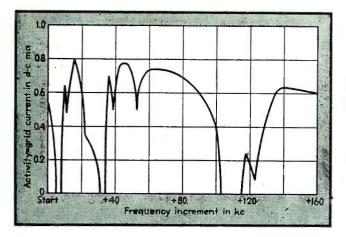
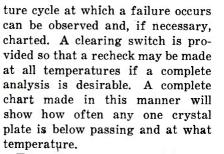


FIG. 4—Typical variation in the activity of a crystal plate when thickness is gradually reduced while edge dimensions are held constant. Note the three points at which the crystal stops oscillating



From the charts obtained in this manner the temperature at which any crystal plate is rejected makes it possible to determine whether the dimensions are too large or too small. From experience it is usually possible to estimate exactly how much of a dimensional change is necessary to make the crystal plate satisfactory.

In order to eliminate the human error in recording any failures while making the temperature cycling tests, automatic marking mechanisms were also provided inside the box. These are controlled by a limiting relay that marks each rejected crystal unit with a dab of colored paint. Frequency rejects are marked red and activity rejects are marked green; thus, during the temperature cycle all rejects are properly marked.

Chart Preparation

In arriving at our edge dimension channels for *BT*-cut (IRE standard orientation $\phi -90^{\circ}00' \pm 15'$, θ $-41^{\circ}00' \pm 15'$, $\psi +90^{\circ}00' \pm 15'$) quartz crystal plates, we restricted our investigation to the area between 0.6745 inches and 0.7120 inches square (18 mm) and frequencies of 4½ to 8½ megacycles. All plates were made in the manner and within the tolerances previously described.

The procedure followed in determining these channels was, first, selection of plates properly finished at a convenient frequency and edge dimension. Then this dimension was held constant and the frequency increased 1 kc at a time by hand lapping, recording the activity with each change of frequency. A portion of a typical activity curve obtained in this manner is shown in Fig. 4.

It was considered better to proceed in this manner rather than attempt to reduce the edge and keep the frequency constant. In reducing the edge, some quartz is usually removed from the major surfaces with consequent rise in frequency. Some quartz also might be removed from the edges when the blank is lapped on the major surface, but the effect on frequency will be extremely small since the thickness controls the frequency to a much greater degree than any other dimension.

Investigation was begun at a frequency of $4\frac{1}{2}$ megacycles, using crystal plates having the maximum permissible edge dimensions. By holding these latter dimensions constant and raising the frequency in steps of 1 kc, with all measurements taken at essentially the same room temperature, we were enabled to chart an accurate activity curve showing all frequencies covered at this edge.

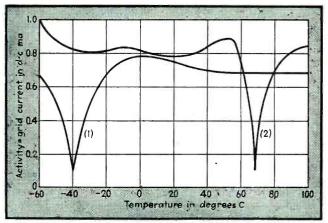


FIG. 5—Typical activity curves during temperature cycling, showing dips caused by incorrect edge dimensions. In curve (1) the crystal edges were too thin, and in curve (2) the crystal edges were too thick

The same procedure was followed with numerous smaller edge dimensions within the allowable range, thus giving us a composite picture showing at which frequencies any given edge dimension produced the highest consistent activity. From these results we were able to plot definite edge dimension channels showing the highest activity at all frequencies.

The channels shown on our graphs are only those considered wide enough for specifying a dimension that would prove satisfactory as to ease of manufacture and still provide constant activity throughout the temperature cycling from -55° C to $+90^{\circ}$ C.

In arriving at a final edge dimension for a given frequency, plates are heat-cycled starting at the largest edge dimension of the channel and re-cycled with a reduction of 0.0002 inch per run throughout the channel. With this method we are able to ascertain at exactly which edge dimension the activity is most nearly constant over the range.

It will be observed that as the edge dimensions are decreased, the most pronounced dips in activity will shift toward the hot extreme of the temperature cycle and finally go out beyond the range to be covered. In like manner, if a dip is noted near the cold end of the cycle, it may be moved out of the range by using a greater edge dimension. Typical curves showing these effects are given in Fig. 5.

Orientation of the plate, in par-

ticular with respect to the θ or complementary ZZ' angle, will influence the position of dips with respect to temperature in the same fashion. For example, a decrease beyond tolerance of the θ angle may result in bringing a dip into range.

Other possibly usable bands at the desired frequency are then explored in like manner and that dimension which results in the best overall characteristic is specified for a trial production run of 100 units. If these prove satisfactory in activity and the yield of passing crystal plates over the complete temperature cycle is 98 to 100 percent, the edge dimension is officially released for production use.

Although the edge dimension charts in Fig. 6 show usable areas as bounded by straight lines, they actually should be slightly curved (hyperbolas), with the slope of the line increasing as the frequency is increased. These charts, prepared for square BT-cut crystal plates, show that a great many choices of dimension are available for a fixed frequency. Exploring all of the possible usable bands may be worth while in order to obtain an edge dimension that will give an extremely high yield.

The preparation of the dimensional charts was carried on under careful engineering supervision, with considerable attention to details and extreme accuracy of measurements. The time consumed in making this investigation and compiling the charts for the 4 to 8-megacycle range BT cuts was upward of 10,000 man-hours.

Conclusion

Philco Corporation has manufactured over half a million crystal plates to meet high activity requirements using the predimensioning technique. From this experience it can be stated that when crystal plates are to be made in which exacting and difficult requirements must be met and guaranteed for any length of time under extreme conditions, it will be necessary to manufacture them by the predimensioning technique.

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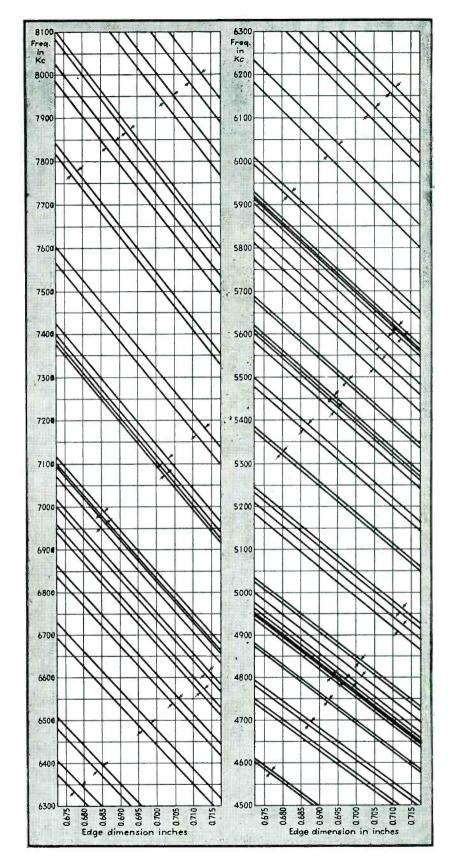


FIG. 6—Edge dimension charts for square *BT*-cut quartz crystal plates in the frequency range from 4.5 to 8.1 Mc, showing the areas, bounded by any pair of lines, from which the usable dimensions for a given frequency can be determined. Many choices of dimensions are available for a given frequency, and for the best possible performance all usable areas should be explored. Preparation of these charts involved over 10,000 man-hours of work

AUDIO MIXER DESIGN

N the design of studio equipment and public-address systems, it is usually necessary to incorporate circuits capable of mixing anywhere from two to eight or more input elements, and these circuits must operate in such a manner that (1) the input and output impedances will be constant for any setting of the controls, (2) there will be no crosstalk, and (3) a variation in the setting of one control will not affect the attenuation of the other positions.

Mixer circuits in use today fall pretty well into two classes, the high-impedance type used in public address amplifiers and the low-impedance type used in broadcast and recording equipment. Two of the most common networks of the highimpedance type are shown in Fig. 1 and 2. The first circuit utilizes a double triode, such as a 6C8G or a 6F8G, and is excellent for a twoposition mixer. It can also be used for three or four positions by using two tubes and, since all inputs are

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completely isolated from one another, there can be no crosstalk or other interaction.

As the plate resistances of the two sections are in parallel, one section sees a load consisting of the other section's plate resistance in parallel with the load resistance. giving an insertion loss whose exact value will depend on the circuit constants, but which will be not more than 6 db in the two position circuit shown. There is no real insertion loss, of course, since the tube amplifies, but it is obvious that the gain of the two sections connected as in Fig. 1 will be less than that of a single section alone and can never be greater than $\mu/2$, for the load resistance one section sees is always less than R_{P} . Similarly, for a three-position mixer $\alpha < \mu/3$, and for a four position mixer $\alpha < \mu/4.$

Figure 2 represents a circuit that

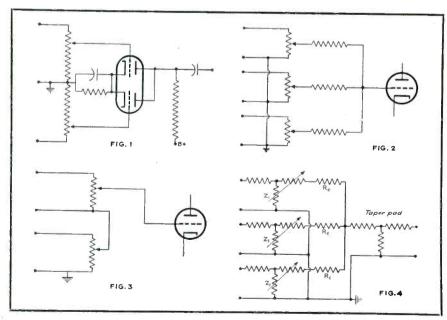


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- FIG. 1-Two-position high-impedance mixer feeding a double triode
- FIG. 3-Two-position high-impedance FIG. mixer, series-type

2-Three-position

4—Three-position low-impedance mixer, parallel type

works quite well for any number of positions. The series resistors should have the same value as that of the potentiometers, and the maximum insertion loss $= 20\log n$ where n is the number of positions in the mixer.

Insertion Loss

The main disadvantage of this circuit is that the insertion loss will vary, depending on the setting of the potentiometers; for a four-position mixer, for example, the insertion loss of one channel may be only 8 db if the other three controls are wide open, while it will be 12 db if they are all in the off position. However, the maximum variation in insertion loss any one potentiometer can cause will range from 2.5 db for a two position circuit to 1.7 db for an eight-position mixer. (These figures are obtained by assuming that position 1 is the generator, calculating the insertion loss with all the controls wide open, then calculating the insertion loss with one potentiometer closed, and subtracting one from the other.) This variation will be quite a bit smaller if the source impedances are low compared to the values of resistance used in the mixer, and, in general, this circuit is useful in sound systems where too exact control is not needed.

Another type of high-impedance mixer is one in which the controls are connected in series as in Fig. 3. Such a circuit requires that all inputs except one be ungrounded, but since this tends to develop hum and crosstalk, such networks should be avoided.

In these high-impedance circuits, there is no attempt made to match impedances; instead they are designed using potentiometers whose resistance is high (usually $\frac{1}{2}$ to 1 megohm) compared to the source impedance of the preamplifier, phono pickup, or microphone. A source whose impedance is very low

High and low-impedance circuits for mixing multiple inputs to an audio system. Features of the various arrangements are included, as well as possibility of cross-talk, hum problems, calculation of insertion loss and impedance matching

in relation to the mixer input impedance, such as an 8-ohm magnetic pickup, or a 250-ohm line, will require an input transformer.

Low-Impedance Types

There are many types of low-impedance mixers used and four of these are shown in Fig. 4, 5, 6, and 8. All four of these networks will give an exact input-to-output impedance match for any position of the controls.

Figure 4 is a parallel-type mixer where Z_1 is a variable, symmetrical T-pad whose input impedance = output impedance, as it is in all four low-impedance mixers.

Unit R_c is a fixed resistor, and a taper pad is used to convert the mixer's output impedance to the desired output impedance (this pad may be replaced by a transformer if one with the correct impedance ratio is available). For this network the following relations hold¹:

$$R_e = Z_1 \left(\frac{n-1}{n} \right)$$
$$Z_2 = Z_1 \left(\frac{2n-1}{n^2} \right)$$

Insertion loss = $10 \log(2n-1)$ where Z_2 is the impedance looking back into the mixer (without the taper pad connected), n is the number of positions, and insertion loss is the mixer loss in db, not including the taper pad.

Example

Thus if we want a three-position, 500-ohm input, 500-ohm output mixer, $R_c = 333$ ohms, $Z_2 = 278$ ohms, insertion loss = 7 db; and we would use three 333 ohm resistors and a 278 to 500 ohm taper pad (which would give an additional loss of about 7 db). The procedure for the design of taper pads is given in ELECTRONICS for November, 1941².

Figure 5 shows a series-type mixer and for this circuit

$$R_c = Z_1\left(\frac{n}{n-1}\right)$$

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$$Z_2 = Z_1 \left(\frac{n^2}{2n-1} \right)$$

As in Fig. 4, the insertion loss = 10 log(2*n*-1). This circuit differs from Fig. 4 in that it must be grounded at only one point, and thus only one input can be grounded.

Figure 6 shows a bridge-type mixer and is the best circuit for a four-position system, provided that the inputs can be ungrounded (although the system can be grounded at some one point). Figure 7 represents the equivalent circuit when position 1, for instance, is the generator. From this it can be seen that $Z_1 = R_c = Z_2$. Thus a master gain control identical with the individual attenuators can be used as an integral part of the mixer. If a master gain control is not used, the circuit should be arranged so that the mixer sees a resistive load equal to Z_1 otherwise the bridge will not balance. This circuit has an insertion loss of 6 db, which is less than that of any other four-position mixer.

The circuit of Fig. 8 can be used for any even number of positions from four up, and in this circuit':

$$Z_{2} = \frac{4Z_{1} (2n - 3)}{n^{2}}$$
$$R_{e} = \frac{Z_{1} (n - 3)}{n}$$

Insertion loss = 10 log (2n-3)The taper pad in this network is an ungrounded H pad. This is an especially good design to use for a six-position circuit for in that case $Z_2 = Z_1$.

Crosstalk

As to crosstalk in mixers, it may be said that circuits with grounded inputs, such as Fig. 1, 2, 4, and 8, will not develop any, but Fig. 3, 5, and 6 may develop some, depending on the physical design of the equipment (shielding, placement of parts, etc.).

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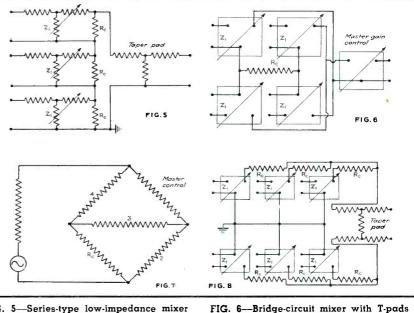


FIG. 5—Series-type low-impedance mixer for three inputs

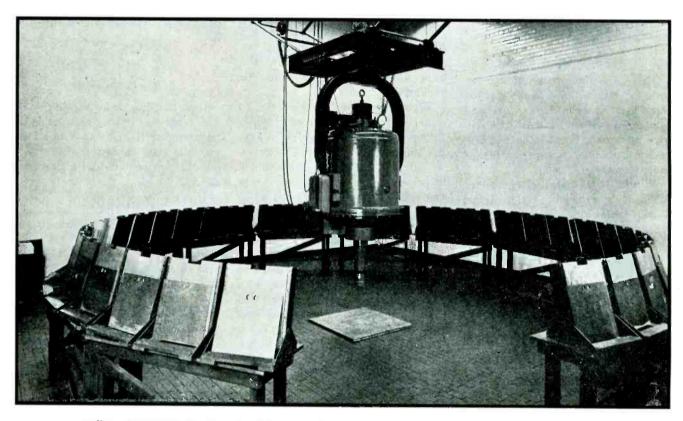
FIG, 7—Equivalent circuit of bridge-type mixer

for four positions

FIG. 8—Series-parallel mixer network of **T-pads**

Industrial Radiography

How x-rays and radium can be used most effectively in the factory for inspection of welds, castings, and finished products. Practical information for industrial readers, with explanations of how x-rays behave under various conditions



Million-volt General Electric industrial x-ray unit as used to inspect turbo-supercharger parts. The cassettes and objects are arranged in a circle around the machine and all are exposed simultaneously by adjusting the x-ray machine to radiate x-rays uniformly over 360 degrees in a horizontal plane

HEN x-rays are passed V through a metal casting, a weld, or a finished article like a hand grenade, the rays emerging on the far side of the object may be allowed to strike a photographically sensitive x-ray film. After the film is developed, it bears an impression of the object, showing details of its inner structure, and thus internal defects may be revealed. Such a film, after development, is called a radiograph, and the process of taking radiographs for industrial applications is called industrial radiography. Occasionally the gamma rays from radium are used in place

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of x-rays in the process just described. The word radiography is not a grandiloquent term for any process employing x-rays; there are many applications of x-rays not related to radiography.

Generation of X-rays

An x-ray tube is a special diode type of vacuum tube. The electrons thermionically emitted from the hot cathode of an x-ray tube are focused into a beam and accelerated to an enormous velocity by the high voltage applied between the electrodes. When these streaming electrons, called cathode-rays, strike a block of metal called the target, x-rays are generated at the spot where they strike. This spot is called the focal spot.

The x-rays radiating from the focal spot are generated by two distinct processes: (1) Those generated directly by the sudden stoppage of the cathode rays are called the continuous radiation; (2) those generated by the atoms in the target during their recovery from the ionized state in which they find themselves as a result of the cathode-ray bombardment are called the characteristic radiation.

The continuous radiation consists of a broad band of x-ray wavelengths. The shortest wavelength

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 λ , found in this band depends upon the peak voltage V applied to the tube, in the following way:

$$hc \frac{1}{\lambda_o} = h\nu_o = \frac{1}{300} Ve \tag{1}$$

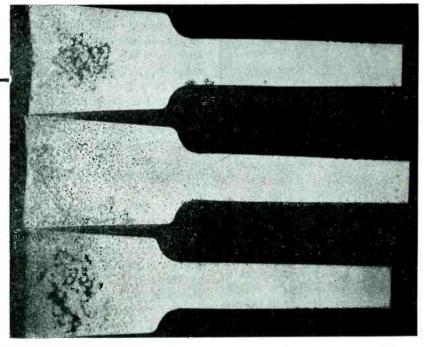
where h is Planck's constant, equal to $6.624 \times 10^{-s\tau}$ erg-second, c is the velocity at which x-rays or other electromagnetic radiation (such as ordinary light) travel in free space and is 3×10^{10} centimeters per second, λ_o is in centimeters, ν_o is the corresponding frequency in cycles per second found from the familiar relation

 $c = \nu \lambda$ (2) and e is the electronic charge, equal to 4.8×10^{-10} electrostatic units. Inserting these values, Eq. (1) becomes

 $\lambda_o = 12,400/V$ (3) where V is still in volts but λ_o is now in angstroms (one angstrom equals 10^{-8} centimeter).

The wavelengths present in the continuous radiation extend from λ_{\circ} upward to values several times λ_{\circ} , but the most intense part lies between about 1.5 λ_{\circ} and 2.5 λ_{\circ} roughly. One sees from Eq. (3) that an increase in the tube voltage V decreases the wavelengths of the x-rays, and this makes them harder or more penetrating. Soft rays, generated at lower voltages, are less penetrating. In actual practice, V is rarely less than 5 kilovolts or more than 2 million volts.

The characteristic radiation consists of a few definite discrete wavelengths, roughly analogous to the yellow light emitted from a sodium vapor lamp. In this line spectrum,



Radicgraph of three aluminum test bars cast under different conditions. With thin flat bars, radiography will reveal fine pin-point porosity as well as shrinkage cavities. All examples shown here are true radiographic duplicates, dark where the original film was dark, and light where the original film was light

the most prominent wavelengths or lines are designated as the K alpha and K beta lines. There are really two K alpha lines, called K alpha 1 and K alpha 2, and they have almost but not quite the same wavelength as indicated in Table I, which also lists the most prominent K beta line. The minimum tube voltage required to excite these lines, listed in the last column, depends upon the nature of the target element. Note the systematic variation of these quantities as related to the atomic number of the target element.

It is the continuous radiation which is of primary interest in most industrial radiography, and x-ray tubes for this type of work are usually provided with a tungsten target because of its high melting point and high atomic number. The intensity of the continuous radiation increases with the atomic number of the target element.

Absorption of X-rays

X-rays of a single wavelength, like the K alpha 1 line of molybdenum, are called monochromatic x-rays. When a beam of such rays strikes an object, such as a cedar shingle, 10 percent of them may pass straight through and emerge on the other side, and these transmitted rays may be made to strike an x-ray film and thus yield a radiograph of the shingle. If there is a worm hole in the shingle, 15 percent of the primary rays may pass through this region (as contrasted with 10 percent elsewhere), and so the defect is revealed as a dark place on the radiograph.

If one attempts to pass the same x-ray beam through two shingles instead of one, only 1 percent of the rays may be transmitted, rather than 10 percent for a single shingle. The relation is

| $I = I_o e^{-\mu_B} \tag{1}$ | (4 |) |
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where I is the intensity of the transmitted rays, I_o is the intensity of the primary rays as they strike the shingle, e is the Naperian log base, μ is the linear absorption coefficient of molybdenum K alpha rays in cedar (in this case) and x

TABLE I. CHARACTERISTIC WAVELENGTHS OF TARGET MATERIALS

| Target element | Atomic number | Chara | Characteristic wavelengths in angstroms | | Not excited |
|-------------------|------------------|-----------|--|----------|----------------|
| | indiffoet | K alpha 1 | K alpha 2 | K beta 1 | below |
| Iron | 26 | 1,9321 | 1.9360 | 1.7530 | 7.10 k |
| Cobalt | 27 | 1,7853 | 1.7892 | 1.6174 | 7.71 k |
| Nickel | 28 | 1.6545 | 1.6584 | 1.4970 | 8.29 kv |
| Copper. | 2 9 | 1.5374 | 1.5412 | 1.3894 | 8.86 kv |
| Molybdenum | 42 | 0.7078 | 0.7121 | 0.6310 | 20.0 k |
| Tungsten | 74 | 0.2086 | 0.2134 | 0,1842 | 69.3 k |

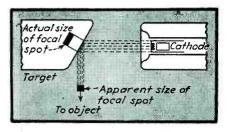


FIG. 1—Directing a long narrow beam of electrons at a sloping target gives an x-ray beam having a small focal spot

is the thickness in centimeters of the shingle or shingles.

Tables usually list the mass absorption coefficient rather than the linear absorption coefficient, but the latter is obtained by simply multiplying the former by the specific gravity or metric density of the material. In general, the absorption coefficient increases with the wavelength of the x-rays, and also with the atomic number of the chemical element or elements composing the absorbing material. This increasing absorption with wavelength is interrupted by discontinuities called absorption edges. For example, the mass absorption coefficient of iron increases from 325 for 1.54-angstrom x-rays to 410 for 1.65-angstrom rays. Then it drops suddenly to only 54 at the absorption edge for 1.74-angstrom rays, after which it resumes its rise to 71, 115 and 147 for wavelengths of 1.93, 2.29, 2.50 angstroms, etc., respectively.

Scattering of X-rays

From the exponential form of Eq. (4), one sees that as the thickness x of the object increases, the transmitted rays soon drop to an intensity I so low that the image on the x-ray film is much too faint, even after a very long exposure, say an hour. When one attempts to radiograph thick objects by using very long exposures, another difficulty arises. The x-ray film will be found to be fogged so badly that the faint image otherwise obtainable may be practically obliterated. The cause of this undesirable fogging is scattered and secondary x-rays.

Scattered rays may be tentatively defined as rays which emerge from the object travelling in directions different from that in which the incident rays entered. This definition is only tentative because it fails to rule out the secondary radiation, as will be seen. Part of the scattered rays have the same wavelength as the incident primaries, and are said to have been scattered coherently. The rest of the scattered rays have a wavelength exceeding that of the primaries by an amount depending on the angle at which the rays in question are scattered. These rays have undergone scattering of a type called Compton scattering or incoherent scattering.

If 5 percent of the primary x-rays are transmitted by the object and 10 percent are scattered, what happens to the other 85 percent? This portion is said to be truly absorbed by the object. The energy of the absorbed x-rays is transformed mostly into heat, but the absorption process also results in the emission of characteristic x-rays by the object itself, if the primary rays are somewhat harder than the characteristic rays in question (Table 1). These x-rays radiated by the object itself are called secondary x-rays. For example, if molybdenum K alpha primary x-rays pass through a piece of copper foil, the foil will radiate some copper K characteristic secondary rays having wavelengths of 1.54 and 1.39 angstroms,

TABLE II GENERAL RULES

TO INCREASE CONTRAST, as in radiographing welds in flat plate:

 Reduce tube voltage until fogging from scattered and secondary rays begins to appear
 Use long exposure time—1 minute or more
 Use line-grained film of non-screen type

TO INCREASE LATITUDE, as in radiographing irregular castings:

(1) Increase tube voltage

(2) Use short exposure time—a fraction of a minute
 (3) Use fast film

TO IMPROVE DEFINITION:

- (1) Increase tube-to-film distance
- (2) Keep film holder snug against object
- (3) Use fine-grained film

WHEN MAXIMUM VOLTAGE SEEMS INSUFFICIENT for thick dense objects: (1) Use maximum voltage

(2) Use fluorescent screens

(3) Use lead-foil filter in front of screens in cassette

(4) Use copper filter 1 mm thick or less at tube (5) Use blocking material

(6) Decrease tube-to-film distance as much as possible without violating requirements for definition and distortion

TO RADIOGRAPH THIN OBJECTS:

 Use voltage low enough so exposure time is at least one-half minute when usual tube current and target-to-film distance are employed
 Use non-screen technique

(3) Use no filters

(4) Fine-grained film usually preferable

since the molybdenum primaries (0.71 angstrom) are considerably harder than this.

In the above example, it is also found that electrons are photoelectrically ejected from the copper foil by the primary rays which are absorbed. Since the quantum energy, $h\nu$, of x-rays is high, these photoelectrons are quite energetic and are capable of exposing a photographic film if it is in intimate contact with the foil.

Tube Voltage and Current

The maximum tube voltage which modern industrial radiographic installations are capable of attaining is usually 75 kv, 110 kv, 140 kv, 200 kv, 220 kv, 250 kv, 400 kv, one million volts, or two million volts. Except for the last two, the operator may select a reduced voltage. For example, one may operate 200kilovolt equipment at 100 kilovolts. However, one may find it impossible to operate such equipment at 5 kilovolts because space charge will limit the electron current through the tube at such low potentials. At normal operating voltages, this tube current is limited by the thermionic emission of the cathode and controlled by the filament heating current.

The hardness or penetrating power of x-rays increases with the tube voltage. The intensity of the continuous radiation also increases approximately as the square of the voltage.

For industrial radiography, the tube current is usually somewhere in the range between three and thirty milliamperes. The intensity of the x-rays emitted is directly proportional to the tube current, for a given tube voltage. However, the tube current must not be increased above the rating of the x-ray tube, or the target may be melted or otherwise destroyed.

Focal Spot Size

Since flaws are detected by the shadows they cast in a radiograph, the quality and value of a radiograph improves as the size of the focal spot is reduced, just as a candle casts sharper shadows than a fluorescent lamp. As the focal spot size is reduced, however, the maximum permissible tube current also decreases because of the greater concentration of heat from the electronic bombardment of the focal spot. Nevertheless, it is possible to reduce the apparent size of the focal spot without reducing its actual size, by giving it a long narrow shape and working at a small angle to the target face, as indicated in Fig. 1.

Target-to-Film Distance

Ideally, the film holder or cassette should be placed in contact with the object on the side opposite the x-ray tube, perpendicular to a line from the focal spot T through the center of the portion being examined. This line should strike the center of the film at a point which may be designated as F. The greater this distance TF, the more nearly parallel are the rays passing through various portions of the object, and hence the less the distortion of the image. Likewise, the greater the distance TF, the more nearly parallel are the rays originating at various points of the focal spot and passing through any one chosen point in the object, and hence the less the blurring of the image and the better the definition. However, the intensity of the rays striking the film varies inversely as the square of the distance TF, so that the time required to expose the film is quadrupled when TF is doubled. Therefore the value selected for the TF distance must be large enough to give acceptable definition and distortion, yet small enough to give an acceptable exposure time.

If the long axis of the x-ray tube is north-and-south, the long axis of the object and the film should be east-and-west, for better uniformity of exposure over the film area.

Screens and Film

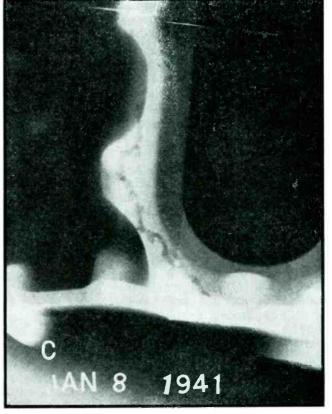
The film holder or cassette may be provided with lead-foil screens which make intimate contact with the front and rear faces of the film. The front screen, nearest the x-ray tube, is usually about five thousandths of an inch thick. The rear screen may be ten thousandths to thirty thousandths of an inch thick or more, and it serves to intercept scattered radiation from the floor or table or other objects nearby. The photoelectrons from the foil help expose the film and thus reduce the exposure time. The front screen also absorbs the undesired secondary and incoherently scattered rays more than it does the harder primary x-rays, and thus reduces film fogging.

When exposure times are short, and scattered and secondary radiation are comparatively feeble (as with very hard x-rays from million volt equipment, or in the radiography of "transparent" objects like plates less than $\frac{2}{3}$ inch thick or small aluminum or magnesium parts), lead screens are usually not desirable. Otherwise, they are.

When the x-ray equipment is being worked at or near the limit of its penetrating ability, as in the radiography of two inches of steel with a 200-kilovolt unit, exposure time with the above techniques will rise to impractical lengths, such as several hours. In other words, the equipment can not generate x-rays hard enough for the job. In these cases, one can sometimes obtain a passable radiograph by using fluorescent intensifying screens. These are pieces of cardboard coated with calcium tungstate which fluoresces and exposes the



Radiographic print showing cracks in a weld near its intersection with a second weld in armor plate



Radiographic print showing a long "worm hole" flaw extending irregularly through an aluminum casting

film by the visible light emitted.

Industrial x-ray films are duplitized; that is, they bear a photographic emulsion on both sides, in order to increase their x-ray absorption and hence their sensitivity.

When using fluorescent intensifying screens, use a film like Agfa Industrial, DuPont 504, or Eastman F.

When using no screens, or when using lead screens, the selection of the film depends on the size, shape, and composition of the object, and the hardness of the x-rays used. For objects of irregular shape, a wide-latitude film is required so that the thin portions will not be too dark and the thick portions will not be too light in the radiograph, especially if soft (low-voltage) xrays are used. Such a film is Agfa Non-screen, DuPont 506, or Eastman K.

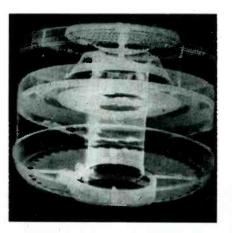
When fine detail and high contrast are desired, as in radiographing objects of uniform thickness like welded flat metal plate, film like Agfa Superay A or Eastman A should be used. These films are finer grained, but require about five times the exposure needed for the wide-latitude, ordinary-grain films. For still finer detail and contrast (at further sacrifice of speed), use Agfa Superay B or Eastman M. These films are quite useful for million-volt work, because the higher the voltage and the harder the rays, the less the contrast becomes, and with such powerful units slow film is no handicap.

The correct tube voltage, tube current, TF distance, type of film and screens, time of exposure, and the thickness of the object being radiographed (assuming that all objects are to be of the same material, such as steel) are all interrelated in a way that can be represented simply by a series of graphs on semilogarithmic graph paper, based on Eq. (4). Such graphs are customarily supplied with radiographic equipment by the manufacturer, and are called technique charts. An example is given in Fig. 2.

Improving Quality of Radiographs

When an x-ray unit is being used near the limit of its penetrating ability, especially when fluorescent screens are being used, the scattered and secondary rays reaching the film near the edges of the object have an intensity greater than that of the primaries. The resulting fog may be greatly reduced by pouring fine steel shot around the edges of the object, as described by Moriarty' and illustrated in Fig. 3. Blocking material of this sort is not necessary when very hard radiation is available, as with million-volt equipment, or when the very hard gamma rays from radium are used for industrial radiography.

Another procedure which sometimes improves the quality of the radiograph of a thick massive object nearly opaque to x-rays is to use a sheet-aluminum filter next to



Radiographic print of a welded automobileintake silencer and air cleaner, made to reveal whether or not the internal parts are properly aligned

the tube, with a sheet-copper filter between it and the tube. The aluminum should be about a millimeter thick, and the copper about a half or a quarter as thick. The copper absorbs the softer primary rays, allowing only the harder ones to reach the object. The aluminum absorbs the secondary radiation from the copper.

With 250 and 400-kilovolt units, an industrial version of the Potter-Bucky grid used in medical radiography is sometimes employed for the radiography of thick dense objects. This is a parallel network of lead ribbons which has a slow lateral motion during the exposure. It intercepts rays which deviate considerably from the direction of the primary rays, and thus greatly reduces the scattered and secondary radiation reaching the film. The grid is placed between the object and the cassette.

General rules for obtaining the best possible radiographs are summarized in Table II.

Inspection of Welds

In welding shops, industrial radiography reveals incomplete fusion, incomplete penetration, porosity, slag inclusions, undercutting, cracks, etc. If the technique is correct, any flaw having an extent of 2 percent or more of the thickness of the specimen will be revealed. Thus a cavity one fiftieth of an inch in diameter is readily detected in a weld in armor plate one inch thick. As a constant check on the technique, it is ordinarily required that a small piece of sheet steel (if the specimen is steel) having a thickness equal to 2 percent of that of the specimen, and containing drilled holes having a diameter of 2 percent of the specimen thickness, be laid on top of the specimen and radiographed with it. The small piece and the tiny holes in it must be visible in the radiograph. These test pieces are called penetrameters. Certain standard radiographic requirements have been established, such as the A.S.M.E. boiler code of radiographic inspection^a which sets forth the specifications which must be met if a weld is to be accepted.

The radiographic inspection of spot welds in sheet metal³ is usually performed at low voltages, such as 12 to 50 kilovolts, and fine-grained films are used, permitting subsequent enlargement to five or ten diameters.

Inspection of Castings

Radiography reveals blow holes, shrinkage cavities, cracks, pipes, slag inclusions, dross, cold shuts, shifted core, and similar defects. As with welds, the defect should have dimensions of roughly 2 percent or more of the thickness of the casting if it is to be revealed. Lead letters and figures are usually placed on the casting or portion of the casting or other object being radiographed for identification purposes.

For the inspection of a limited number of heavy castings, the purchase of million-volt equipment is not economical. In such cases, the

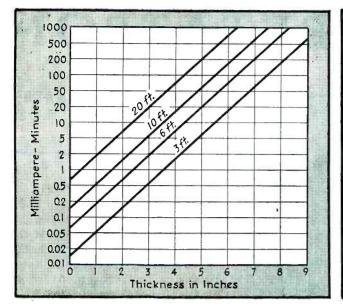


FIG. 2-Technique chart for million-volt x-rays produced by a General Electric unit in which voltage is fixed but current can be varied from zero to three milliamperes. Curves are shown for four different target-to-film distances when using 0.005-inch lead screens and industrial x-ray film having a film density of 1.0, for examination of rolled-steel plates in thicknesses up to 9 inches

rental or purchase of about 200 milligrams of radium' is often a practical solution. The gamma rays emitted from such a radium capsule have a line spectrum similar to that of characteristic x-rays, but the lines are of such short wavelength that the rays are about as hard as two million volt x-rays, although their intensity is very much less. This latter fact results in exposure times of many hours when using radium, but such exposures can usually be made overnight. The small size of a radium capsule permits suspending it inside thickwalled hollow castings and placing the cassettes around the outside-a procedure which is sometimes impossible with x-rays because of the large size of the x-ray tube.

Other, objects radiographed include die castings, forgings, bronze bearings, concealed assemblies such as welded auto-mufflers, wire-reinforced rubber belts, ceramic products, etc.

Various Types of Radiography

Semi-automatic radiographic cabinet machines with conveyors are sometimes employed for productionline inspection of thousands of identical parts per day, when the failure of a single part would be disastrous as in the case of a few critical aircraft parts.

Thin metallographic specimens are sometimes radiographed with characteristic x-rays from x-ray tubes having targets of molybdenum, copper, iron, etc. By using a film like Eastman spectrographic type 548-0, subsequent enlargement up to 100 diameters or more is possible. By proper choice of the tube target material, segregation is readily detected in alloys because of the phenomena of the absorption edge. This type of radiography is called microradiography."

By using a surge generator and a special field-emission type of x-ray tube, it is possible to take radiographic snapshots in a millionth of a second,^e showing how a bullet pierces a piece of armor plate.

By substituting an ionization chamber for the x-ray film, it is possible to make x-ray inspection entirely automatic in certain simple cases, such as hand-grenade fuses and table knives."

By substituting a fluoroscopic screen for the x-ray film, it is possible to inspect certain objects fluoroscopically rather than radiographically. This method is commonly used for the inspection of small ammunition, wire and cable (for breaks and for centering in the insulation), golf balls, fire brick, arc carbons, packaged foods such as corn flakes, candy, etc.,

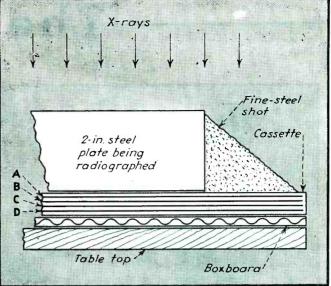


FIG. 3-Use of steel shot (about 0.015 inch diameter) as blocking material in the radiography of a small steel plate that can be placed directly on top of the cassette. Industrial screen film C is sandwiched between double fluorescent intensifying screens B and D, with a 0.005-inch thick lead-foil sheet \overline{A} on top to serve as a filter in the cassette. The boxboard merely serves to collect the shot when the cassette is removed

canned foods, vegetables in bulk, citrus fruits, meats, oysters, and clams. It is also employed to examine auto tires for injuries; to fit shoes in shoe stores; to locate concealed wires, pipes, reinforcing rods, etc; and to check the assembly of radio tubes, shell fuses, etc.

Precautions

Both x-rays and gamma rays are dangerous and injurious to persons not adequately protected and familiar with the necessary precautions. Before planning any x-ray or gamma-ray installation or undertaking any such activity, it is essential to learn the details of obtaining adequate protection. For this purpose, one may begin by reading U.S. Bureau of Standards Handbook 20 (X-ray Protection) and Handbook 23 (Radium Protection).*

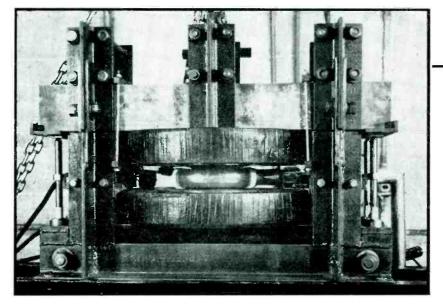
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The BETATRON



Closeup of Ohio State betatron, showing position of evacuated doughnut between the coils. Betatrons work with electrons whereas cyclotrons act on 1,800-times heavier protons, but both types of machines serve essentially the same purpose of imparting great speeds to atomic particles for x-ray generation and other tasks

THE BETATRON is an induction electron accelerator capable of generating electron beams of energies heretofore unattainable by any man-made device. The machine can produce the equivalent of hundreds of millions of volts, and promises to influence materially the course of many fields of engineering, of science, and of medicine.

The betatron represents the culmination of a decade of intensive study and experiment by scientists all over the world seeking to produce a high-potential induction electron accelerator.¹⁻¹⁰ Dr. Donald W. Kerst of the University of Illinois has brilliantly developed the machine into its present practical form¹¹⁻¹⁶ although Dr. Max Steenback of Berlin-Siemensstadt, Germany, claims credit for the prior invention.³⁷

Fundamental Theory of Betatron

In its manner of accelerating, the betatron is essentially a shell-type transformer carrying on the central core leg a few-turn primary consisting of two series sections, and a many-turn secondary wound between the primary sections. An instantaneous electromotive force

$$= -\frac{1}{c}\frac{d\Phi}{dt} \tag{1}$$

is induced in each turn of the secondary by the changing flux ϕ . The quantity c in the denominator of the right side of Eq. (1) represents the ratio between the numerical values of charge expressed in electrostatic and electromagnetic units respectively ($c = 3 \times 10^{10}$ cm. per sec). It is introduced in conformity with the Gaussian system of units which is employed throughout this article.

The significance of the minus sign in Eq. (1) may be appreciated

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from a consideration of Fig. 1. Magnetic flux is here depicted as directed upward through a circular loop of wire. The solid line of the loop indicates the portion nearer the reader, and the dotted line indicates the portion farther away. At the instant of examination the flux is assumed to be increasing in magnitude. Experimentally, with such a changing flux is associated an induced electric field whose direction at various points on the loop is as indicated by the arrows labelled Ein Fig. 1(a). An electric field so directed would accelerate positive charges around the loop in the same sense as that of the electric field, and the resulting current would give rise in turn to a magnetic flux which is directed downward through the center of the loop in opposition to the time-change of the original magnetic flux.

If the original magnetic flux had been assumed to be decreasing, al-

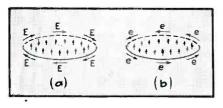


FIG. 1—(α) Electric field induced by timeincreasing vertically directed magnetic flux; (b) electron acceleration in the electric field of (α)

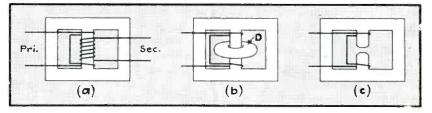


FIG. 2—(a) Shell-type transformer; (b) transformer of (a) with evacuated electron accelerating chamber D (called a doughnut) replacing the secondary winding; (c) betatron with doughnut removed, showing air gap in central core leg and tapered pole faces used to provide appropriate magnetic field space characteristics for simultaneous acceleration and confinement of electrons

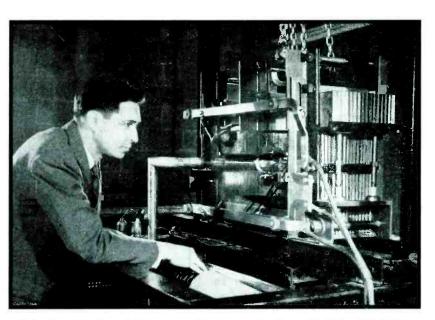
Basic design equations and analysis of pole-face shapes. In just one spinning push, a-c magnets bring electrons in an evacuated doughnut to the highest velocity created by man—185,000 miles per second—for transmutation of elements, generation of the most powerful x-rays known today, and and investigation of cosmic-ray effects

though still directed upward, or what is the same thing, increasing in a downward direction, the arrows of the electric field should then have been reversed, and the magnetic flux associated with the induced electric field should then have been up, again in opposition to the timechange of the original magnetic flux. It is the opposing effects of inducing and of induced magnetic fields—as expressed by Lenz's Law —which are indicated in mathematical symbolism by the minus sign of Eq.(1).

In this treatment of the betatron we shall consider only a time-increasing upward-directed magnetic flux. Under this condition positive charges which may be confined to a circular path are accelerated in the directions of the electric field arrows of Fig. 1(a), and negative charges e are accelerated in the opposite senses, as in Fig. 1(b). Because the betatron is primarily an electron accelerator, we shall henceforth refer to Fig. 1(b) for the space relationship of a time-changing magnetic flux and the associated induction electron acceleration.

Wire Path Not Necessary For Induced EMF

Now it is to be observed that an emf attributed to the time-changing magnetic flux is associated with any and with every closed path which surrrounds the changing flux regardless of whether the path coincides with a wire or simply lies in space. In the case where the path is that of a loop of wire, free electrons present in the wire are displaced along the relatively low-resistance conductor, and this electron manifests itself as a current flow by a reading on a meter joining the ends of the loop. In the case of a closed path in a vacuum where the path is not shared by a conductor but where the path, neverthe-



T. J. Wang, author of this paper, with the accelerating unit of the Ohio State betatron. Machines like this can produce the world's most powerful x-rays

less, encloses changing flux, there is still an induced emf which is given by Eq.(1), wherein by ϕ we here mean that flux which is enclosed by the particular path under discussion. Evidence that the existence of an emf in the latter case is real is perhaps best established by the successful operation of the betatron itself.

In the betatron the shell-type transformer as represented by Fig. 2(a) is modified to dispense entirely with the secondary winding, as shown in Fig. 2(b), and the iron of the central leg is interrupted as shown in Fig. 2(c). In place of the secondary winding is put the evacuated doughnut-shaped acceleration chamber D in Fig. 2(b), generally called the doughnut.

Electron Gun Is Injector

Electrons are introduced tangentially into the doughnut from a hot-cathode injector. The injector is similar to the electron gun of the ordinary cathode-ray tube and is provided with an accelerating electrode onto which a high-positivepotential pulse is periodically applied to shoot electrons in bunches into the chamber. Injection is electronically triggered to transpire for a few microseconds at the beginning of each cycle of the magnetic field, as at A and A' of Fig. 3. (Space charge repulsion within the electron beam sets the upper limit to the duration of effective injection pulses.)

During the quarter cycle following injection, acceleration of the electron beam is accomplished by the time-changing flux. Confinement of the beam to repetitive circular paths to permit extended acceleration up to the time of the peak of the cycle (when the electron energies are utilized) is achieved through the interaction of the electron velocity with the appropriately space-shaped magnetic field of the accelerating unit.

The centripetal force on a single electron is given by

$$F = H \frac{e}{c}$$

(2)

where H is the intensity of the magnetic field at the position of the electron, and v is the electron velocity. The interaction force is perpendicular both to the field and to the electron velocity, providing centripetal action in the horizontal median plane of the doughnut.

Equation (2) can be obtained directly from the common motor force relation for a conductor of length l centimeters which carries a current of I amperes in a field of Hgauss: F = HIl/10. Since I =A n e v, where A is the cross-section area of the conductor in square centimeters, n the number of electrons per cubic centimeter, e the charge per electron in coulombs, and v the velocity of the electrons in centimeters per second, we obtain F =HAnev l/10. If we take e in electrostatic units as in the Gaussian system, we get for the above expression F = H A n e v l/c. Now the total number of electrons in the length l is A n l, and on the average the force per individual electron in the wire is equal to the total force divided by the total number of electrons. Evaluation of the force per electron in this manner yields Eq. (2).

Power Factor Correction Needed

Incidentally, with the air gap essential for the correct magnetic field distribution through the doughnut, the betatron excitation voltampere requirements are considerably higher than those of a comparable closed-core transformer. Also, with the betatron as it is employed at present the secondary load contributes negligible reflected impedance into the primary so that from the standpoint of input the betatron more closely resembles a transformer at no load or simply a choice coil. In practice it is found cconomically necessary to employ a large power-factor-correction capacitor bank either in series with the line for series resonant operation or across the line for parallel resonant operation. This capacitor bank represents a major item in the initial cost of a betatron

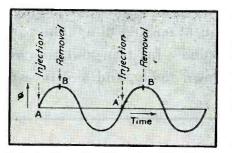


FIG. 3—Magnetic field cycle. Injection of electrons occurs at A, with the acceleration period lasting until B. The next burst of electrons is released into the chamber at A' of the following cycle

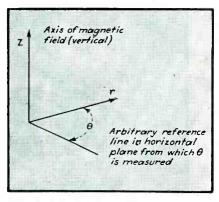


FIG. 4—Cylindrical coordinate system for analysis of betatron operation

installation. (General Electric's hundred million-volt betatron boasts the largest capacitor bank in the world.)

Equations for Betatron Operation

The general mode of operation of the betatron can be appreciated from a consideration of a few elementary principles. The central core legs, and consequently the magnetic field through the doughnut, are of cylindrical symmetry suggesting the use of cylindrical coordinates r, θ , and z for analysis (Fig. 4). We shall first assume the desired condition of a circular electron orbit of radius r_o in the median plane of the doughnut and see what restrictions this implies for the magnetic field. By Eq. (1) the emf -work per unit charge-induced around the circular path at any particular time is given by

$$\varepsilon = -\frac{1}{c}\frac{d\Phi}{dt}$$

Because of the radial symmetry of the magnetic field the electric force acting on a unit charge at any point in the circular orbit is independent of θ or, in other words, is the same as the force which the charge would experience if it were located at any other point in the orbit at the same time. Hence, we can say that the electric field—force per unit charge —at any point in the orbit is given by

$$E = \frac{\varepsilon}{2\pi r_o} = -\frac{1}{2\pi r_o c} \frac{d\Phi}{dt}$$
(3)

The symmetry property is essential for Eq. (3) because otherwise we could say only that at any given time

$$\mathfrak{c} = \int E \, dl \, \cos \, \alpha,$$

where dl represents an infinitesimal path length forming an angle α with E, and where both α and E conceivably vary in magnitude from point to point around the orbit.

From Eq. (3), the force on an electron at any instant is given by

$$F = \frac{\mathfrak{E} \, \mathfrak{e}}{2\pi \, r_o} = - \frac{\mathfrak{e}}{2\pi \, r_o c} \frac{d\Phi}{dt} \tag{4}$$

For the present we are concerned only with the magnitude and not with the sense of direction of F, so the minus sign of Eq. (4) may be dropped. Equating the magnitude of the force to the time derivative of the momentum of the electron in accordance with Newton's Second Law, we obtain

$$\frac{d(mv)}{dt} = \frac{e}{2\pi r_o c} \frac{d\Phi}{dt}$$
(5)

Integration of Eq. (5) gives for the momentum of the electron at any instant

$$u v = \frac{e}{2\pi r_o c} \left(\Phi - \Phi_o \right) \tag{6}$$

where ϕ_{\circ} is the flux through the orbit at the instant corresponding to zero momentum, that is, at the beginning of the magnetic field cycle. At this time the flux is zero, and hence Eq. (6) becomes

$$n v = \frac{e\Phi}{2\pi r_o c} \tag{7}$$

At this point it may be well to note that in Eq. (5), d(mv)/dt is specifically employed instead of m dv/dt, inasmuch as the mass of the electron is a function of its velocity relative to the observer in accordance with the relation

$$m = \frac{m_o}{\sqrt{1 - (v/c)^2}} \tag{8}$$

In Eq. (8) m_{\circ} is the so-called rest mass of the electron. In what follows it will be tacitly considered that, except possibly for the first few revolutions following injection where the speed of the electron is relatively low (i.e., where v/c<< 1) and where, consequently, $m \cong m_o$, any reference to the mass of an electron will imply mass as expressed by Eq. (8).

In order that the electron may be confined to the circular orbit of radius r_o while it is simultaneously accelerated, it is essential that the magnetic field H_o at the position of the orbit at each instant satisfies the centripetal force relation

$$H_o \frac{e}{c} v = \frac{m v^2}{r_o}$$

or the equivalent relation

$$m v = H_o \frac{c}{c} r_o \tag{9}$$

With the maximum (in time) field intensity H_o limited by the characteristics of the magnetic steel, a machine which is to yield high final electron momentum must be necessarily large in size in accordance with the high value of r_o demanded by Eq. (9). A 50 million-volt betatron would have an orbital radius of about 2 feet; a 500 million-volt betatron would have an orbital radius of about 15 feet.

The 1:2 Field-Flux Condition

Equation (9), the confining relation, together with Eq. (7), the accelerating relation, impose the necessary field-flux condition for simultaneous acceleration and radial confinement:

$$\frac{e \Phi_o}{2\pi r_o c} = H_o \frac{e}{c} r_o$$
$$\Phi_o = 2\pi r_o^2 H_o$$

 $\Phi_o = 2\pi r_o^2 H_o$ (10) Equation (10) shows that at all times during the acceleration cycle the space configuration of the magnetic field through the doughnut must be such that the flux enclosed by the orbit is just twice that which would obtain if the magnetic field was uniform across the doughnut and of strength H_o at each point. Following Steenbeck,⁶ we shall henceforth refer to Eq. (10) as the 1:2 condition.

Shape of Pole Faces

A not unnatural procedure in the design of an induction accelerator of the betatron type might be to shape the pole pieces in the general manner of Fig. 5(a), with a taper from wide to narrow gap in the di-

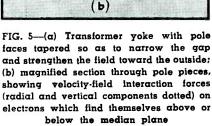
rection of increasing radii. With this design the magnitude of the magnetic field in the median plane of the doughnut is radially increasing, corresponding to the radially decreasing reluctance of the outwardly narrowing air gap. Intuitively, the radially increasing field strength makes for increased centripetal force at large radii, which should presumably self-compensate for any tendency of the electron beam to spiral outward at high speeds. This type of field configuration, however, fails to satisfy the 1:2 condition, and, thus, fails to provide a possible orbit, at any radius within the confines of the pole faces. It was employed by several investigators before Walton first indicated the necessity of the 1:2 relation and was even employed by some designers after this,^{8, 9} partly accounting for the unsuccessful operation of many otherwise ingenious machines.

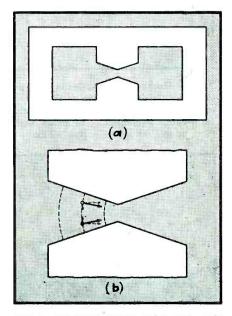
An additional serious disadvantage of the field configuration which results from the pole shape of Fig. 5(a) is an inherent vertical instability of the electron beam. This is evident on examination of Fig.

(a)

5(b) wherein are shown the directions of the field-velocity interaction forces for electrons which are traveling in the manner specified by Fig. 2(b) and which are above or below the median plane of the doughnut. For an electron which happens to stray a small distance above or below the median plane (for example, through collision, or through space charge repulsion from the remainder of the beam), the interaction force provides a component which shifts the electron even further away and in short order causes the electron to collide with the walls of the vessel.

In Fig. 6(a) are shown pole faces which taper so as to produce a radially increasing reluctance of the flux through the doughnut and, hence, a radially decreasing medianplane field. The corresponding fieldvelocity interaction forces for electrons which deviate from the median plane are shown in Fig. 6(b). These forces are such that an electron which strays either above or below the median plane experiences a vertical component of force which acts to restore it to the median plane. Strongly tapered pole faces





yoke with pole narrow the gap oward the outside; interaction forces ponents dotted) on mselves above or an plane FIG. 6—(a) Transformer yoke with pole faces tapered so as to widen the gap and weaken the field toward the outside; (b) magnified section through pole pieces, showing velocity-field interaction forces electrons which find themselves above or below the median plane

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produce bowed field lines and, hence, provide best vertical focusing. Horizontal (no-taper) pole faces provide vertical field lines throughout the doughnut and so provide no vertical focusing.

Requirements for Stable Electron Orbits in the Doughnut

To exactly what extent the field should be caused to fall off with the radius in a practical machine depends on the limitations of the simultaneous radial and vertical focusing requirements. These requirements are: (a) at least one possible orbital radius (that is, at least one value of r within the chamber for which the 1:2 condition is realized); (b) radial stability (in order to maintain the beam at the position of the 1:2 radius in spite of

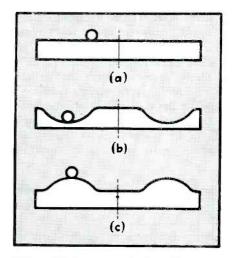


FIG. 7—Mechanical analogies of three possible equilibrium conditions in the betatron, involving a marble on a circular table.
(a) Neutral equilibrium; (b) stable equilibrium; (c) unstable equilibrium

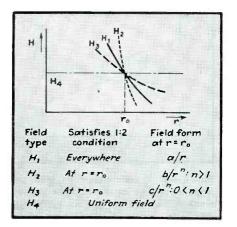


FIG. 8—Relationships of magnetic field H to electron orbit radius r for a betatron

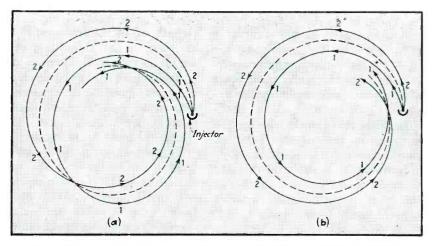


FIG. 9—(a) Vertical projection of trajectories of individual electrons immediately after injection. Extreme edges of beam are labeled l and 2, and center of beam is shown dotted; (b) electron orbits on first revolution following injection for the case of median-plane field intensity proportional to $r^{-0.75}$. The focusing forces produce an image of the injector adjacent to the injector on each revolution of the beam

radial components of space charge repulsion and collision forces); (c) vertical stability (in order to maintain the beam in the median plane of the chamber against vertical components of space charge repulsion and collision forces).

Because of the cylindrical symmetry the magnetic flux ϕ which is included within the radius r in the median plane of the doughnut may be expressed as the summation of the elementary fluxes included within individual median-plane ring elements, each of area $2\pi \rho d\rho$. Thus,

$$\Phi = \int_{\rho=0}^{\rho=r} H 2\pi\rho \,d\rho \qquad (11)$$

A median-plane field configuration, H = f(r), which is such that it satisfies the 1:2 condition for all values of r may be obtained then by writing

$$\int_{\rho=0}^{\rho=r} H \, 2\pi\rho \, d\rho = 2\pi r^2 \, H \tag{12}$$

and solving for H as a function of r. To solve Eq. (12) for H we differentiate with respect to r, obtaining

$$Hr = 2rH + r^2 dH/dr$$
 or $\frac{dH}{H} = -\frac{dr}{r}$ (13)
Equation (13) integrates into

 $\log H = \log a - \log r$ (14) where *a* is the constant of integra-

where a is the constant of integration. Equation (14) yields

H = a/r (15) Equation (15) then represents a median-plane field configuration which satisfies the 1:2 condition for all values of r. In a field of the type given by Eq. (15), electrons within the doughnut can take up stable orbits at any and at every radius. This type of field presents a condition of neutral equilibrium as far as concerns radial displacements of electrons. An analogous mechanical system is that of a marble on a flat table wherein every position on the table is one of equilibrium, as in Fig. 7(a).

Three Conditions of Equilibrium

What is desired in the betatron is a condition of stable equilibrium at a particular radius; that is, a condition wherein the 1:2 relation is satisfied at the orbital radius and where, for radii in the neighborhood of the orbital radius, restoring forces exist at all times during the accelerating cycle and tend to return straying electrons to the position of the orbital radius. The analogous mechanical case with the marble would be obtained with an annular depression in the table at the desired orbital radius, as in Fig. 7(b).

A third possible condition—an obviously undesirable one—is that of unstable equilibrium wherein although the 1:2 relation is satisfied at a particular radius, the field forces in the neighborhood of this radius act in such a manner as to increase any displacement of electrons from this radius. The mechanical analogy is provided by an annular ridge on the table as in Fig. 7(c).

The first type of equilibrium with respect to radial displacements neutral equilibrium—is obtained, as we have noted, with the inverse radius type of magnetic field. The second and third types of equilibrium—stable and unstable—can be obtained with slightly different field configurations.

In Fig. 8 are shown three possible field-radius relationships, labelled H_1 , H_2 , H_3 . These are taken such that at the desired orbital radius, r_0 , $H_1 = H_2 =$ H_3 . H_1 represents the inverse radius function which satisfies the 1:2 condition for every value of r. H_2 and H_3 are presumed to satisfy the 1:2 condition at the one abscissa $r = r_{\circ}$ but not necessarily at any other radius. In the neighborhood of the radius r_o both H_z and H_{a} decrease with increasing radius but with

$$\left|\frac{dH_2}{dr}\right| > \left|\frac{dH_1}{dr}\right| > \left|\frac{dH_3}{dr}\right|$$
 at $r = r_o$

For radii slightly greater than r_{o} , where H_2 is less than H_1 , H_2 is too small to satisfy the 1:2 condition; for radii slightly less than r_o , where H_2 is greater than H_1 , H_2 is too large to satisfy the 1:2 condition.

The net result is that with a field of the type of H_2 an electron which for any reason drifts outward from the normal orbital radius experiences a reduction in centripetal force with consequent further outward drift, and an electron which drifts inward experiences increased centripetal force which in turn encourages the inward motion. Thus, a field such as H_2 provides only unstable equilibrium at $r = r_o$. The situation corresponds to the mechanical analogy of Fig. 7 (c). On the other hand, a field such as H_{s} provides genuine radial stability corresponding to the mechanical analogy of Fig. 7(b), for in this case an outward drift of an electron is counteracted with an increased centripetal force, and an inward drift is counteracted with a decreased centripetal force. There is no need to consider any field with a positive gradient at $r = r_{\circ}$ because such a field, as we have seen,

fails to provide vertical stability for the electron path.

Geometry of a Practical Betatron

To summarize, we have arrived at the necessary geometry for the median-plane field of a practical induction accelerator in which we have an equilibrium orbit and both radial and vertical restoring forces: (a) the field must be such that in the neighborhood of the equilibrium orbit

 $H \propto 1/r^n$, where 0 < n < 1 (16) and (b) the flux of this field contained within the equilibrium the 1:2 condition. Equation (16) was first specifically pointed out by Steenbeck.⁵

The limits on n in Eq. (16) are in accord with the following considerations. It will be noted with reference to Fig. 8 that greatest radial restoring action is obtained for those type H_{a} fields which in the neighborhood of r_o have slopes approaching zero, corresponding in Eq. (16) to the exponent n approaching zero. Low values of n, however, mean gradual radial decrease of reluctance of the air gap through the doughnut as provided by gently tapered pole faces, and this we have seen in connection with considerations of Fig. 6 implies poor vertical focusing. On the other hand, a value of n equal to unity in Eq. (16) yields best vertical tocusing and no radial focusing.

It might be presumed that an optimum value of n would be $\frac{1}{2}$ in order to compromise between radial and vertical stability. However, considerations there are other which affect the choice of n, as shown by a detailed study of the transient trajectory phenomena presented by Kerst and Serber.¹⁴ In the analysis of the transient state of affairs just following injectionor just following any displacement of an electron from its normal equilibrium orbit-it is shown that the path of the electron is approximately as depicted in Fig. 9(a). Here not only does the electron orbit as a whole shift toward the equilibrium radius, but during the time of this shift, the electron executes local oscillations, oscillating radially in and out across the equilibrium radius and vertically above and below the equilibrium plane. The oscillatory motion is occasioned by the radial and vertical focusing forces. These forces increase with time as the magnetic field rises during the cycle, so that the amplitude of the oscillations decreases with time.

Making the Electron Beam Clear the Injector

Kerst and Serber demonstrate that for pole faces which are shaped

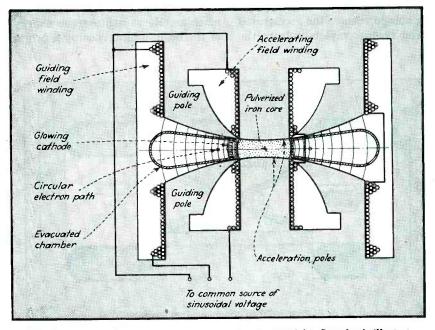


FIG. 10--Section through electron accelerator designed by Steenbeck illustrating use of two pairs of a-c energized coils

to give a field of the type $H \propto r^{-3/4}$ in the neighborhood of the equilibrium orbit, the radial oscillatory motions of the electrons in an injected pulse are such as to vield images of the injector (in the manner of optical images) at, and only at, points which are adjacent to the injector. The nature of the orbits within the beam for the first revolution following injection is shown in Fig. 9(b). This type of electron beam action is highly desirable in that it means that if one electron of the beam clears the injector on coming around the doughnut, then all electrons of the beam clear the injector. This is particularly useful inasmuch as it is obligatory to locate the injector reasonably near to the ultimate equilibrium orbit in order to insure capture within the orbit of a practical percentage of the injected beam.

With any type of field other than $r^{-3/4}$ a certain number of electrons would very likely collide with the back of the injector on each revolution even though the main portion of the beam might be adequately clearing.

Use of Saturation

The beam may be displaced laterally within the doughnut by upsetting those magnetic field conditions which make for confinement at a particular radius. In the hopes of being able to remove the accelerated electron beam completely from the chamber near the peak of the magnetic field cycle Steenbeck so designed his iron structure as to cause magnetic saturation to set in earliest at the outer rim of the pole faces.

A section through Steenbeck's pole pieces is shown in Fig. 10, based on his American patent.⁵ With this arrangement, for a short time in the cycle following the onset of saturation at the outer rim of the pole face the field at the normal position of the beam rises only slightly, while the flux through the unsaturated center still continues to rise in proportion to the exciting current. The result is that the field at the orbit is then too weak to provide the necessary restraining force demanded by the 1:2 condition, and the beam shifts outward.

Kerst^{18. 18} improved the differential saturation technique by using central caps of iron dust on simple tapered pole pieces. The cross section through Kerst's accelerator, shown in Fig. 11, is based on his U. S. patent.¹⁶ The central pole caps, having a lower density than the rest of the iron, saturate earliest in the cycle and cause the beam to spiral inward.

Target in Doughnut

Being aware of the focusing difficulties of attempting to remove the intact beam completely from the machine, Kerst utilized the energy of the beam by interposing a target

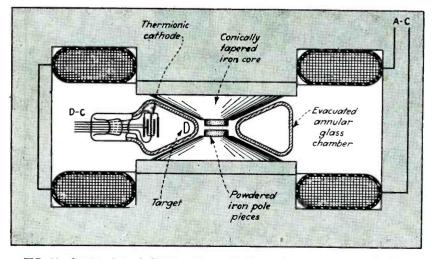


FIG. 11—Section through Kerst's first accelerator, using one pair of coils like those on the Ohio State betatron

in the path of the inwardly displaced accelerated beam within the doughnut. Collision of the electrons with the target gives rise to x-radiation which passes, unmolested by the magnetic field, directly through the walls of the chamber.

In Kerst's second machine¹⁵ he expands rather than contracts the orbit, and he uses the back of the injector as a target. Expansion is accomplished at any desired time in the cycle, and hence at any desired electron energy up to the maximum of the machine, by electronically discharging a capacitor through a pair of single-turn coils which are mounted directly onto the pole faces above and below, and slightly toward the center of the normal equilibrium orbit. The momentary surge of current through these coils causes a strengthening of the central flux with little change, however, in the field at the position of the orbit. As a consequence, the field at the orbit becomes inadequate to retain the electrons, and the beam spirals outward.

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Artificial Delay-Line Design

Design of artificial line for signal delay is facilitated by a chart. Permissible delay per section is determined from equations on the basis of tolerable distortion of the signal by the line. This information is used with the chart to determine line components

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U SE of low-pass filters to delay^{1, 2} and generate⁸ rectangular pulses is well known. Design of such filters, while not difficult, is often tedious due to repeated computations which must be made to satisfy performance specifications with available components. A graphical method for designing the low-pass filter type of delay line will be developed which materially reduces the labor involved.

Permissible Distortion

The first step in design of an artificial delay line is to fix the degree by which the wave shape of the response may differ from that of the driving force. This step is important because the greater the variation which can be tolerated between driving force and response, the fewer sections there need be in the filter, other factors being equal. The most practical approach is to analyze a delay line with ideal characteristics, and then estimate the per-

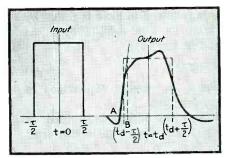


FIG. 1—Rate of rise of the resultant pulse from the delay line is taken as the distortion factor in determining maximum delay per section

formance of actual delay lines in terms of their departure from the ideal.

An ideal delay line is one in which the response function, which is the ratio of the response voltage to the driving voltage for steadystate sine-wave excitation, is a complex number with constant amplitude K from 0 cps to f_i , the cutoff frequency, and with a phase function θ which is given by $\theta = 2\pi f t_a$ over the same limits. Outside the limits $0 < f < f_1$ (more properly $-f_i < f < f_1$) the amplitude of the response function is zero.

When a rectangular pulse of voltage is applied to the input terminals of a line with these ideal characteristics, the output voltage has the form of the following equation ^{4, 5}

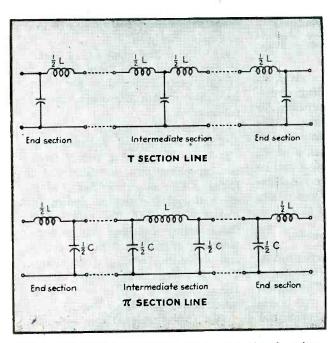


FIG. 2—Artificial line used for delay consists of end sections and as many intermediate sections as are necessary to produce the required delay

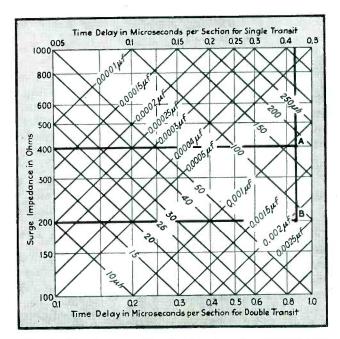


FIG. 3—The final operation in designing the artificial line is to read reactances from the chart as illustrated here for the example in the text

$$e(t) = \frac{EK}{\pi} \left[Si \, 2\pi f_1 \, \tau \left(\frac{t - t_d}{\tau} + \frac{1}{2} \right) - Si \, 2\pi f_1 \, \tau \left(\frac{t - t_d}{\tau} - \frac{1}{2} \right) \right]$$
(1)

where

- E = amplitude of original pulse
- K = amplitude of response function
- $\tau =$ pulse period
- t_d = time delay introduced by the line. This quantity is equal to the slope of the phase function
- Si =symbol for the sine integral

$$Si x = \int_0^x \frac{\sin u}{u} du$$

- e(t) =output voltage
- $f_1 =$ cutoff frequency of line
- = time, measured from center of the applied pulse

If Eq. (1) is solved, it is found that the form of e(t) more nearly approaches the input wave form as the product $f_1\tau$ is made greater. This is equivalent to stating that as the cutoff frequency of a line is raised the form of the output approaches more closely that of an input of arbitrary shape.

Transient Distortion

If it is required that a line pass a rectangular pulse with less than a specified amount of distortion, it is necessary to define distortion. A convenient criterion is that the rise time shall be held within certain limits. Rise time can be defined as the time which a pulse, with a slope in the rise period equal to the first derivative of Eq. (1) at the instant $t = t_a - \tau/2$, takes to rise from zero to an amplitude EK. According to this definition the rise time can be found from

$$T_r = \frac{EK}{(de(t)/dt)_{t-t_d-\tau/2}}$$
(2)

where $T_r = rise$ time.

Assuming that $f_1 \geq 4/\tau$, which will be the case for a line which gives at least a fairly good reproduction of the applied emf, the first derivative of the second sine integral in Eq. (1) can be neglected for practical purposes, and

$$(de(t)/dt) \underset{t=t_d-\tau/2}{\overset{t=2}{=}} \cong 2\pi f_1 E K/\pi \quad (3)$$

From Eq. (2) and (3)
$$T_r \cong 1/2f_1 \quad (4)$$

 $T_r \cong 1/2f_1$

(5)

This result allows the rise time of an ideal filter to be expressed in terms of cutoff frequency. For a physically realizable filter it is necessary to include a constant M in Eq. (4) to take care of the difference between actual and ideal characteristics:

$$T_r = M/2f_1$$

Figure 1 shows the rise time for the actual pulse output from a delay line with rectangular-pulse input. The rise time T_r is given by the length AB. For this particular filter and pulse, M = 1.4 in Eq. (5). Quite frequently $1.4 \leq M \leq 2.0$ for actual delay lines.

Delay-Line Design Equations

It is of advantage to rewrite Eq. (5) in terms of the delay per section, T_{*} , instead of f_{1} . Thus $T_{*} =$ $A/\pi f_1$, where, as in a low-pass filter, $f_1 = 1/\pi \sqrt{LC}$, and A is unity for a single transit, and two for a double transit (these terms will be explained later). Now Eq. (5) can be written

$$T_{\bullet} = (2A/\pi M) T_{\tau} \tag{6}$$

If the maximum allowable rise time is given, the maximum delay per section can be computed by means of Eq. (6).

The number of sections which the line is required to have is found by dividing the total delay T by T_{i} , as found in Eq. (6)

$$N = T/AT_{\bullet} \tag{7}$$

where N = number of sections in the delay line.

Additional equations needed to complete the design of the line are:"

$$T_{\bullet} = A \sqrt{LC} \tag{8}$$

$$R = \sqrt{L/C} \tag{9}$$

where

R = characteristic impedance of the linein ohms

L = inductance per section in henrys

C = capacitance per section in farads A = constant of unity value for single transit, and equal to two for double transit

Using a value of R as given by Eq. (9) for the terminating resistance of the line, the conditions for minimum reflections are met. If the external circuits do not impose any very stringent requirements on R, the value of this resistance can be so chosen that the other specifications are met with commercially available values of L and C.

Single or Double Transit

The constant A is inserted in Eq. (8) to take care of the two ways of using a delay line: The initial pulse may be allowed to travel down the line to the opposite end from which it is applied, and, if the latter end is terminated in the characteristic impedance R of the

line, there will be no reflection. Such a pulse is said to make a single transit of the line. On the other hand, if the end of the delay line is open- or short-circuited, the pulse upon reaching the end of the line is reflected back along the line. In this case the pulse makes a double transit of the line. In the double transit case it is, of course, necessary to terminate the input end of the line with the characteristic impedance R and take the delayed pulse from the input end. Double transit gives twice the delay for a given line that is found for single transit, so its use is of advantage if the presence of both the incident pulse and the delayed pulse can be tolerated at the same point in the external circuit.

Design Procedure

The following steps are necessary to design a delay line.

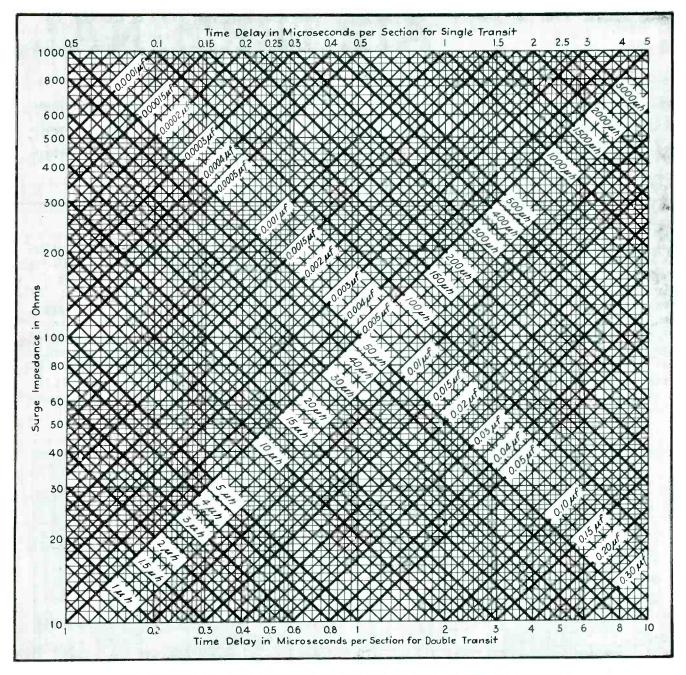
(1) Specifications of the line are established. These include the delay time T, whether or not single or double transit is to be used, the maximum allowable rise time T_r (if $T_r \leq \tau/8$ distortion will not be excessive), and the limits within which R must be kept. If standard components, particularly capacitors, are to be used, this fact should be stated.

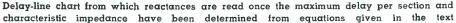
(2) Substitute the value of T_r from the specifications into Eq. (6). This gives T_s . The constant M in Eq. (6) can be taken as 1.5 unless a better value is known from experience with delay lines similar to the one being designed.

(3) Using the value of T_s found in Step (2), find N from Eq. (7). If this computation does not yield an integer, use the next largest integer for N.

(4) Solve Eq. (8) and (9) for Land C. The value of T, from Step (2) is needed, and A and R from the specifications in Step (1). Either a T or π section filter of middle and end sections as shown in Fig. 2 can be used. The solution of these latter equations can be considerably simplified with the artificial delay-line computation chart. This is particularly true if standard components are to be used in constructing the delay line.

(5) The completed line consists of N - 1 T or π sections terminated at each end in a half-section as shown in Fig. 2.





The procedure will be demonstrated by an illustrative example. Let it be required to design a single transit delay line which will delay a 10-microsecond pulse by 8 microseconds. The rise time shall be not more than one microsecond. The surge impedance of the line is to lie between 200 and 400 ohms. Commercially available capacitors are to be used, but the inductors may have any value. From Eq. (6) $T_s =$ $2AT_r/1.5\pi = 2 \times 1 \times 1/1.5\pi = 0.432$ μ sec, and from Eq. (7) $N = T/AT_{\star}$ $= 8/0.432 \cong 19.$

The problem is now stated in a form which allows the use of the artificial delay-line chart. We have 200 < R < 400, and $T_s = 0.432~\mu$ sec for a single transit. Substitution in the chart, illustrated in Fig. 3, shows that a range of solutions lies over the line segment AB. At any point of AB the values of inductance and capacitance given by the intersecting diagonals is a solution. Recalling that the capacitor is to be of a commercially available size, Ccan be fixed at 0.002 μ f, giving $L = 93 \mu h$

 $C = 0.002 \, \mu f$ R = 214 ohms

The complete delay line consists of 18 full sections with $L = 93 \ \mu h$ and $C = 0.002 \ \mu f$, and two half sections with $L = 46.5 \ \mu h$ and C =0.001 μf .

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AIR TERMINAL

How an up-to-date sound system was engineered to solve the problems peculiar to the busy Lockheed Air Terminal at Burbank. Special features include the use of six 20-watt amplifiers, speech compression, instant operation, and standby units. Circuit-checking equipment is built-in

A^T Lockheed Air Terminal in Burbank, Calif., one of the major Pacific-Coast airports, a modern sound system has been installed. Former equipment involved use of a number of microphones by various individuals and a circuit which required a wait for tubes to warm up. The general character of operation has been markedly improved by making all announce-

ments from the PBX switchboard. Seven hundred or more announcements are now made daily with less than 15-sec time lapse between the announcement and the request that originates it.

In the design and engineering of the new system, these requirements were established in advance: (1) 120 watts of audio power; (2) Microphone input from one or more locations without cross interference; (3) Speech compression at high input levels; (4) Music distribution to selected areas; (5) Speech distribution to all areas, mixed with music at selected areas; (6) Automatic fader control of music with push-to-talk operation; (7) Instant operation; (8) Adequate circuit-checking method; (9) Spare amplifiers for speech chan-

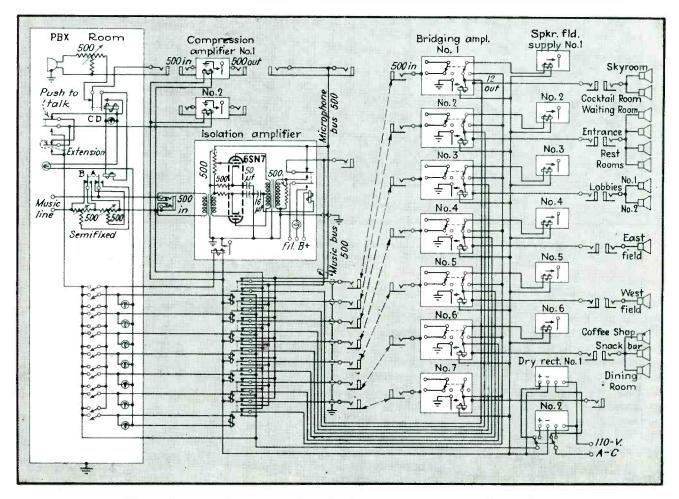


FIG. 1—Control-circuit diagram relates functions of compression amplifier, isolation amplifier, and bridging amplifiers with associated switching, relays, and power supplies

SOUND SYSTEM

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nels; (10) Wide-range two-way speaker systems; (11) Modern mechanical design; and (12) Continuous trouble-free service.

Main Amplifiers

Six 20-watt bridging amplifiers are used to supply the areas designated in Fig. 1. A seventh is used as a spare and is normally tied to the bridging bus. The use of several low-power units instead of one large unit provides flexibility of distribution as well as spare units for emergency operation.

These amplifiers, shown in Fig. 2. are of conventional design, using a 6SJ7 pentode, a 6SJ7 triode phaseinverter, and push-pull 6L6's operating Class A. Each amplifier has its own power supply and all tubes are operated from a pre-heated condition. A control relay shunts out a resistance in series with the power-transformer primary and also completes the high-voltage supply circuit to ground when the system is in use. This series resistance is so adjusted as to reduce voltage on the filaments 20 percent in the standby condition.

Fifteen-decibel negative feedback is employed. The frequency characteristics are minus $1\frac{1}{2}$ db from 20 to 20,000 cps. The gain is 50 db from a 500-ohm bridging bus. Harmonic distortion is held to less than 2 percent due to the special design of the output transformer.

Associated with six of the bridging amplifiers are speaker field power supplies adequate to take care of all speaker units operating with each individual amplifier. To reduce the possibility of failure of any of these speaker power supplies, two 5U4-G tubes are used in each unit.



Sound-system problems at the Lockheed Air Terminal in Burbank include coverage of dining rooms as well as large field areas outside. Music and speech are mixed in some areas, not mixed in others

A special switching arrangement associated with the power switch of each bridging amplifier provides automatic switching of the associated speaker-field power supply to the spare amplifier when the bridging amplifier is turned off and the spare bridging amplifier is turned on. (See Fig. 1)

Pre-Amplifier and Compressor

The compression amplifier or microphone pre-amplifier shown in Fig. 3 is of the feedback compression type* and was selected for smoothness of operation and lack of thumps. It has a self-contained power supply and associated relay with the same function as that of the previously described relays incorporated in the bridging amplifiers and speaker-field power supplies.

This amplifier, which will compress up to 13 db, has a gain of 65 db with 25 db of feedback on the first two tubes. It is normally operated with 6 db of feedback. The frequency characteristics are flat from 50 to 20,000 cps and minus $\frac{1}{2}$ db at 20 cps. Harmonic distortion is less than 2 percent with no compression and 1 percent with 8 db of compression.

A 6F5 and one section of a 6SN7-GT are the pre-amplifier section. A second 6SN7-GT is used in push-pull for the compression section of the amplifier. A 6H6 operating as a full-wave rectifier supplies the bias for the two 1612 or 6L7 variable-impedance feedback control tubes. The second section of the first 6SN7-GT is used as an amplifier for the compression circuit control.

The microphone feeds directly into the 500-ohm input. The output of the amplifier feeds into an artificial line of 500 ohms which is designated as the microphone bus. On the control relay that normally shorts out the artificial line a set of contacts breaks after all others make. This reduces clicks when the push-to-talk switch is operated.

Isolation Amplifier

Hill-and-dale type of recorded music is supplied to the system by Muzak over leased lines from Los Angeles, 15 miles distant, and goes into an attenuator control at the PBX board. The music is then fed into an isolation amplifier (Fig. 1) located on the rack. The music is sent at zero level and has a flat

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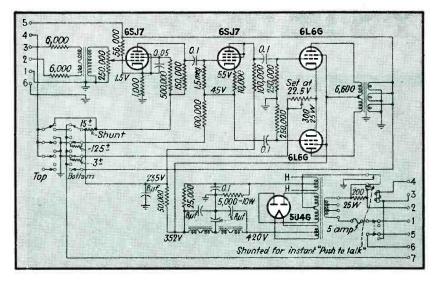


FIG. 2—Six bridging amplifiers, each with this circuit, normally supply the 120 watts of audio power required. A seventh stands by as spare

characteristic. A 2-db rising characteristic is added at the rack to compensate for reproduction at lower than normal levels.

The isolation amplifier acts as a music booster and mixing amplifier. The music is fed into a 500-ohm input to one half of a 6SN7-GT. The microphone bus feeds into the second section of the 6SN7-GT. The plates of the tube operate in a plate current bucking connection into a push-pull-to-line transformer.

The voice section of this amplifier is adjusted for zero gain. The output of this isolation amplifier is terminated to a 500-ohm artificial line designated as the music bus. The characteristics of both sections of this amplifier are equal to those of the compression amplifier.

A plate-circuit relay operates when the tube heats sufficiently to draw plate current. The isolation amplifier is coupled to the music bus when this plate circuit relay is energized. Normally, the microphone and music bus are in multiple to provide for normal microphone operation in case the isolation amplifier should fail.

Also, a pilot light associated with the relay is used as a check on plate-circuit operation of the amplifier. This amplifier operates only when music is required and is therefore not operated from a pre-heated condition. Another relay is used to turn on the power to the isolation amplifier.

After the main power switch at

the rack is turned on, all other control of the system is at the PBX board. A control box is mounted alongside the board for use by the telephone operator. The microphone is mounted upon the PBX board.

An attenuator for music and an attenuator for the microphone are located on the control panel. So are seven music distribution switches and associated pilot lights, a pushto-talk key, an "in use" pilot light, and an additional switch to control the speaker in the spare dining room.

The music distribution switches (lower left-hand corner of Fig. 1) operate seven relays on the rack. The music-distribution-relay contacts normally connect the seven bridging amplifiers to the microphone bus and the seven bridging amplifier power relays to the pushto-talk line.

When any of the seven music distribution switches at the control box is turned to the "on" position, a pilot light indicates on the control panel and the associated relay on the rack operates to connect the designated bridging amplifier to the music bus and also turn it on.

Any one of the music-distribution switches at the control panel will also operate the power relay on the isolation amplifier and put it in operating condition. Any one of the music distribution switches will also put the system in operation to reproduce music in any one of the designated areas associated with the respective bridging amplifiers.

Should an announcement be necessary while music is being reproduced through any one or group of the bridging amplifiers, the manually-controlled music attenuator at the control box is replaced by a preset attenuator. A relay operating in multiple with the "push-to-talk" line makes this possible.

Adjustment of the contacts of this relay is such as to avoid clicks in the system. Contacts A (Fig. 1) make before break and contacts Bbreak before make. In operation, this relay-operated attenuation gives the effect of a manually-operated fader if the difference in level is not too great.

Circuit Checking

The bridging-amplifier plate circuits are checked by means of a common meter and a series of interlocking push-buttons. The amplifier to be checked is first selected by a push-button located on the meter panel and then the circuit to be checked is selected by the proper push-button on the bridging amplifier panel.

This common meter also is used for a volume indicator and push buttons are used to select the ranges. A monitor speaker is bridged across the output of the bridging amplifier under check when the volume indicator is in use. The volume indicator is also used to check the level at the microphone bus.

The compression amplifier has a self-contained meter associated with an interlocking circuit-selecting switch. The meter is calibrated to read percent of normal plate circuit current, and degree of compression in db.

The voltage outputs of the speaker power supplies are checked by means of an interlocking selector switch and a voltmeter. The dry rectifier voltage of the relay power supply is also checked by this meter. A spare dry rectifier is placed in operation by rotating a single switch. All power supplies—six speaker supply units and two dry rectifier units—are mounted on sub-chassis assemblies. All relays operate on 6-volt dc supplied by the dry rectifiers.

Any number of microphones can. if desired, be operated individually through this system. A relay associated with each microphone normally connects each microphone to a common microphone line. When any of the push-to-talk keys associated with each of the microphones is pushed, all the relays operate except the one at the operated location, thus only one microphone is on the line at a time. A pilot light in multiple with each relay indicates when the system is in use but besides, the relay circuit makes it impossible to take the system away from anyone when it is in use.

An extension of the microphone position at the PBX board is provided for use when a speciallytrained sound system announcer is on duty. This extension is located in a special acoustically-treated section of the PBX room.

Speaker Systems

Wide-range two-way "Tru-Sonic"* speakers are used throughout the terminal except in the rest-rooms, entrance, and spare dining room, which use standard cone type units.

Three types of systems are used: The east and west fields use 800cycle crossover networks, 800cycle two-by-four multi-cellular high-frequency horns with heavy duty metal diaphragm drivers and 15-inch heavy-duty-cone low-frequency speakers mounted in sixfoot directional baffles.

The snack bar has a specially designed coaxial-type wide-range speaker. This speaker has a 1500 cycle crossover network, and a 1500-cycle concentric circular-cell high-frequency horn with a metaldiaphragm high-frequency driver. The circular-cell high-frequency horn is located in the center of the 15-inch low-frequency cone. Both high- and low-frequency driving units use the same speaker field and pole piece.

This is an experimental model and has proved to be very satisfactory.

All other speaker systems are designed to operate with a 1000cycle crossover network and use a two by four multiple-cell high frequency horn and metal-diaphragm high-frequency driver. These systems use a 15-inch cone-type lowfrequency unit with reflex baffles and mounted in recesses covered with decorative grills.

Mechanical Design

The mechanical design of the sound system includes a number of new features. Standard rack-andpanel dimensions are used. The recessed-pan chassis are mounted on flanges recessed one inch behind the panel. This construction allows for front-of-rack harness-wiring and greatly facilitates construction and service. The rack is built to form the gutter for wiring and removal of all panels and gutter facings leaves the wiring accessible without lacing through holes.

Each chassis has an individually removable panel. All fuses and relay contacts can be reached from the front of the rack by removing the right hand dial plate and switch. This dial plate is held in place by means of spring ball catches and a light pull loosens it. The groups of relays are accessible by removal of a panel mounted with knob and screw assembly. All routine service and checking is immediately accomplished from the front of the

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rack, to facilitate maintenance.

The 61 tubes in the system are reached from the rear of the rack by removing a one-piece chimneytype dust cover. Only seven tube types are used in the whole system. The terminal air-conditioning plant operating in the amplifier room aids in cooling the system.

Operation

Control of the system, once it is turned on, is in the PBX room. Paging and announcements of arrival and departure of planes are made in both English and Spanish by PBX operators or a sound-system operator at the extended microphone position.

Timing of announcements is aided by calls on the telephone from the radio control tower, airline offices, and landing gates. The system operates on a twenty-four hour basis.

Original requirements were set up by M. E. Tait, supervisor of communications, Lockheed Air Terminal and the unique and very successful operating technique developed for this sound system is due to the foresight and capable management of Dudley M. Steel, airport manager.

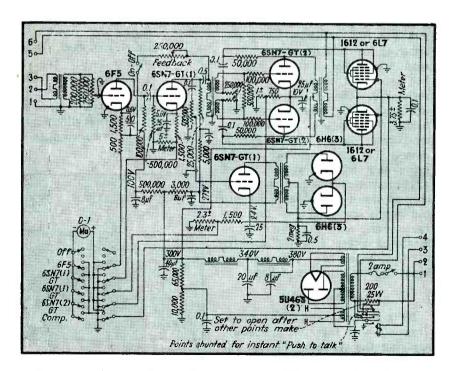


FIG. 3—Compression type microphone pre-amplifier is capable of compressing 13 db. Under normal operation, feedback is 6 db and response is flat from 50 to 20,000 cps, ½ db down at 20

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Measuring R-F Power

With a known capacitor across the load, currents at full power are measured with r-f ammeters and their ratios applied to accompanying chart and formulas to determine r-f resistance of load. A computation of I^2R then gives power. Uses include checking directional antenna systems

N r-f wattmeter as simple and accurate as the wattmeters used in 60-cycle power systems would receive universal acclaim by engineers in all branches of radio and electronics, but as yet no single instrument meets the requirements. The three-ammeter method described here for measuring r-f impedance and power is by no means as simple as might be desired, nor is it suitable for universal application, but nevertheless it has proven highly satisfactory and quite useful on several occasions at broadcast frequencies.

It is an accepted fact that power at radio frequencies can be determined by I^2R . Meters of acceptable accuracy for measuring current are readily available so the only problem is one of measuring the r-f resistance. The resistance-measuring methods in common use (r-f resistance bridge, substitution, etc.) have several disadvantages, namely (1) measurements can be made only with very low power, (2) measurements must be made only at times when the impedance can be disconnected from its driving source, and (3) there is no means of determining the stability of the impedance with varying input or over a period of time.

Ammeter Circuit

By simultaneous current measurements with three r-f ammeters, applying the resulting current ratios to a chart, constants are obtained from which the R and Xcomponents of the unknown load impedance are readily calculated.

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The measuring arrangement used is shown in Fig. 1. Here r-f ammeter I_a measures the current in the unknown load Z. Ammeter I_2 in series with a known capacitance X_c gives the value of the source voltage E, since $E = I_2 X_c$. For greatest accuracy, X_c should be somewhere near the value of Z. From these two meter readings and the value of X_c the absolute value of Z can be determined:

$$Z = \frac{E}{I_3} = \frac{I_2 X c}{I_3} = \frac{X c}{I_3/I_2}$$
(1)

The third r-f ammeter, I_1 , is used in conjunction with the other meters to determine the relationship between R and X. Since I_2 and I_3 must always equal I_1 when added vectorially, it is not difficult to establish the angles between the three current vectors.

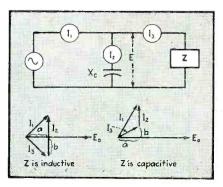


FIG. 1—Circuit for measuring the reactance, r-f resistance and power drawn by an unknown load Z, with vector diagrams showing current relations for two types of loads

If the relationship of one of the current vectors to the voltage can be determined, then any of the vector angles can likewise be determined. Since I_2 is the current through a pure capacitive reactance its phase angle with the voltage is 90 degrees leading. This then is the relationship needed in order to determine the phase angle of I_3 or I_1 .

Mathematical Solution

The following mathematical method may be used for determining R and X, but the graphical solution shown later has the advantage of speed and simplicity and its accuracy is within the accuracy of the ammeters themselves.

The vector diagrams in Fig. 1 show the phase relationships of the three currents for an inductive load Z and for a capacitive load Z. In both cases the currents are related as follows:

$$I_1^2 - (I_2 + b)^2 = a^2 = I_3^2 - b^2$$
 (2)
Solving in turn for a and b.

$$u = \sqrt{I_3^2 - I_2^2}$$
(3)
$$I_1^2 - I_2^2 - I_3^2$$
(3)

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$$b = \frac{I_1 - I_2 - I_3}{2I_2}$$
(4)

Since the current triangle having sides a, b and I_s is proportional to the impedance triangle having sides R, X and Z respectively, these relations also exist:

$$R = \frac{a}{I_{a}}Z$$
 (5)

$$X = \frac{b}{I_{\rm a}}Z \tag{6}$$

Since it is usually more convenient to work with current ratios, let $B = b/I_2$ and let $A = a/I_2$, then

with THREE AMMETERS

divide both sides of Eq. (3) and (4) by I_2 and simplify:

$$B = \frac{b}{I_2} = \pm \frac{1}{2} \left[\left(\frac{I_3}{I_2} \right)^2 - \left(\frac{I_1}{I_2} \right)^2 + 1 \right]$$
(7)
$$A = \frac{a}{I_2} = \sqrt{\frac{I_3^2 - b^2}{I_2^2}} = \sqrt{\frac{\left(\frac{I_3}{I_2} \right)^2 - B^2}{I_2}}$$
(8)

Similar substitutions in Eq. (5) and (6) give

$$R = \frac{AZ}{I_2/I_2}$$
(9)
$$\boldsymbol{X} = \frac{BZ}{I_2/I_2}$$
(10)

Graphical Solution

The graphical solution presented here is an easy method of determining the values of A and B. To use the chart in Fig. 2, find the intersection of the ratios of I_1/I_2 and I_s/I_s (a draftsman's compass is very useful here) and pick off the values of A and B corresponding to the point of intersection. These values, when substituted in Eq. (9) and (10) after measuring the currents and finding Z from Eq. (1), give actual values of R and X.

It should be pointed out here that although the resistance of thermocouple elements is usually negligible the reactance is not necessarily so. This means that the value of X_c as determined from $X_o = 1/\omega C$ must be corrected by the reactance of meter I_z . Likewise the reactance of I_s will be included in the measurement of Z and must be compensated for. It was found that the Weston type 640 r-f ammeter thermocouple has approximately 0.5 microhenry inductance.

This circuit has been found useful in a broadcast-frequency directional-antenna system, being used here to aid in properly terminating the transmission lines to the antennas. In this case the capacitance is considered as part of the terminating equipment and the three equations for R, X and Z have I_1/I_2 in their denominator in place of I_3/I_2 . A new scale C is now used

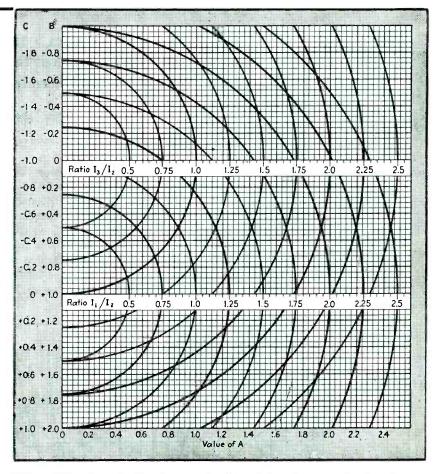


FIG. 2—Chart for converting current ratios into factors A and B (or A and C for transmission line terminations at antennas) from which the r-f resistance, the reactance and the load power may readily be computed

in place of B in Fig. 2 since the origin is different for this vector.

The circuit has also been found useful as a means of determining and maintaining a continuous check on the input impedance to a directional antenna system at the point of common feed, as any change in the current ratios is indicative of a change of input impedance. There are naturally many other useful applications for this circuit.

Example

Find the r-f power being delivered to an unknown load Z, if the meter readings give ratios of 2.38 for I_1/I_2 and 1.8 for I_2/I_2 when using a reactance X_c of 33.8 ohms in the circuit of Fig. 1. Solution: Set the

compass point at 0 on the I_s/I_2 scale of Fig. 2, adjust its radius to 1.8 on this scale and swing an arc. Set the compass point next at 0 on the I_1/I_2 scale, adjust the radius to 2.38 on this scale and swing another arc. From the intersection of the arcs, read on the bottom scale the value 1.66 for A. From Eq. (1), Z = 33.8/1.8 = 18.75 ohms, and from Eq. (9) $R = 1.66 \times 18.75/1.8 = 17.3$ ohms. With this value and the measured value of I_s the power can now be computed from $P = I_s^2 R$.

If the load reactance value is desired, read the value of B in Fig. 2 corresponding to the intersection of the arcs as B = -0.69, then use Eq. (10) to find $X = -0.69 \times 18.75/1.8 = 7.2$ ohms.

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COMPUTING Mutual Inductance

VARIOUS types of apparatus, such as i-f transformers, electric wave filters, and tank circuits of radio transmitters, use mutually coupled coils. The value of mutual inductance required between such coils is usually determined experimentally or by circuit analysis. After this is done, the remaining problem is the design and layout of a suitable coil geometry with the desired mutual inductance.

Exact and complicated approximation formulas are available for computing the mutual inductance between coaxial circular coils of small and thick cross section, and coaxial solenoids.^{1, 2, 3} It has been Chart gives a factor from which the mutual inductance of two coaxial circular coils can be readily determined by a simple multiplication

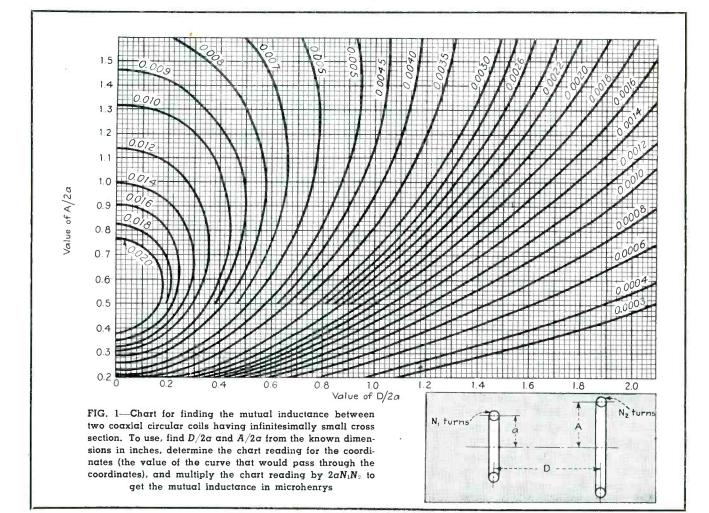
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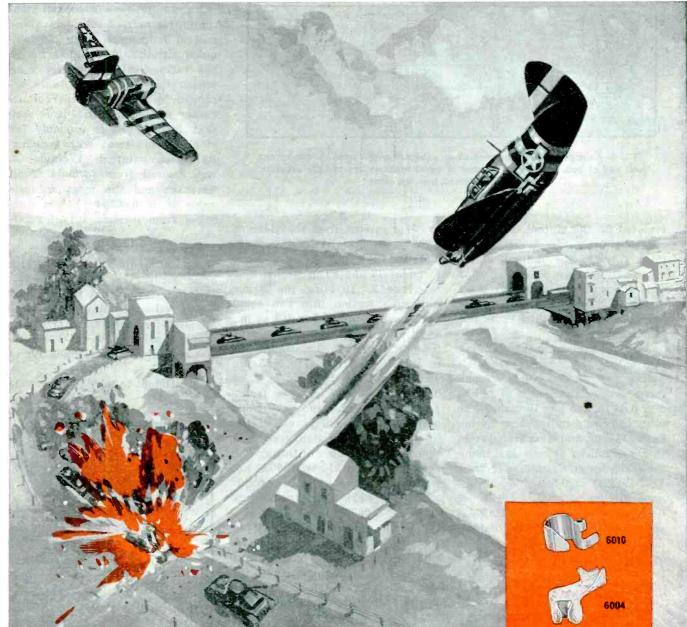
the author's experience, however, that these fail to meet the designers' needs because of their complexity. If an attempt is made to simplify the formulas at the expense of accuracy, the result is a collection of assorted formulas which are not very accurate, and are useful only for extreme or impractical ranges of coil configurations. Moreover, the formulas give no simple physical picture of the way in which mutual inductance depends upon the physical geometry of the coupled coils.

Mutual Inductance Chart

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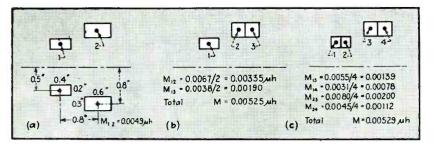


FIG. 2—Examples illustrating method of subdividing the cross section of one coil and of both coils into a number of equal areas to improve the accuracy of values obtained from the chart

removed by the mutual inductance chart shown in Fig. 1. This chart gives directly the mutual inductance between two coaxial circular coils of small (infinitesimal) cross section. Later, the application of the chart to coils of thick cross section is shown.

As an example, consider finding the mutual inductance of the following two coaxial coils of small cross section. One coil is of radius a = 0.85 in. and has 10 turns. The other coil has a radius A = 1.6 in., has 100 turns, and is separated from the first coil by D = 1 in. Using the chart, for an abscissa of D/2a = $1/(2 \times 0.85) = 0.589$, and an ordinate of $A/2a = 1.6/(2 \times 0.85) =$ 0.942, a chart reading of 0.0078 is obtained. The desired mutual inductance is then the chart reading multiplied by 2a N_1N_2 , or 0.0078 \times $2 \times 0.85 \times 10 \times 100 = 13.2 \ \mu h.$

Coils of Thick Cross Section

When both coils have cross-sectional dimensions smaller than about 15 percent of the coil diameter, it is sufficiently accurate to determine the mutual inductance from that of circles at the center of the cross sections. For coils of larger cross sections, however, this method is not accurate enough. More accurate results may be obtained by subdivision of the cross section into a number of equal areas.

To show the process, consider the problem of finding the mutual inductance between the two thick cross-section coils shown in Fig. 2(a). As the number of turns of the coils does not affect the computation, it is assumed that each coil has one turn. For no subdivision, the chart indicates a value of $M_{12} = 0.0049 \ \mu$ h. This is in error by -8.4 percent from the value of 0.00535 uh obtained from accurate and lengthy computations using formulas 77 and 89 in section 2 of reference 2. Dividing the larger coil cross section into two equal parts each of area 0.3×0.3 sq in., as in Fig. 2(b), the inductance of the part nearer to the smaller coil is $M_{12} = 0.0067/2 = 0.00335 \ \mu h$, while that of the other part is $M_{13} =$ $0.0038/2 = 0.0019 \ \mu h.$ The factor appears because the subdivided portions of the coil have half the total coil cross section area, and thus half the number of turns. The sum of M_{12} and M_{13} is 0.00525 μ h, which is in error by -1.9 percent.

Further calculations indicate values of 0.00529 μ h, or -1.3 percent error, for subdivision of both the small and large coil into two equal parts, as in Fig. 2(c). A nine-point calculation using the chart and formula 89 of reference 2 gives an answer of 0.00538 µh, or +0.6 percent error. From this it is evident that for large crosssection coils, subdivision into equal areas of the thicker coil or both coils gives results consistent with the accuracy of the chart. Only in cases of extremely thick coils it is justified to use the more complicated nine-point formula.

Coaxial Solenoids

For a solenoid, or coil whose length and diameter are much greater than its thickness, the chart may still be used. The results, however, will not be as accurate as for coils whose cross section is almost square. In general, the accuracy decreases with increase in the ratio of coil length to diameter. More accurate results are obtained for coaxial solenoids which are also concentric.

Figure 3 shows a coaxial nonconcentric pair of solenoids whose mutual inductance is to be computed with the aid of the chart, with the various calculations for computing the mutual inductance arranged in increasing order of accuracy and complexity. It is seen that formula M_2 is probably the simplest consistent with complexity of computation. Formula M_{π} was derived from formula 89 of Terman², and the more accurate value $M = 0.00354 \ \mu h$ was computed from formula 191 of reference 1.

For coaxial concentric solenoids, as in Fig. 4, the chart values give better accuracy, as is to be expected. It is interesting that the most accurate value is obtained with the simplest formula (M_1) . The more accurate value of $M = 0.00878 \ \mu h$ was computed from formula 192 of reference 1.

An attempt to solve the above ex-

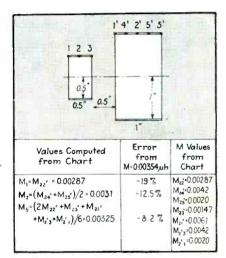


FIG. 3—Comparison of results for coaxial nonconcentric solenoids

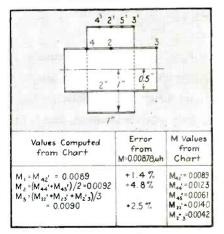
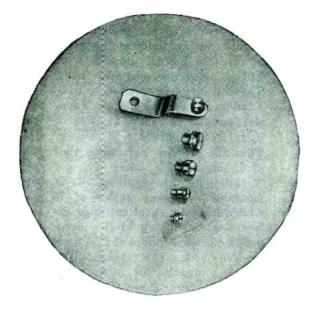


FIG. 4—Comparison of results for coaxial concentric solenoids

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amples with the usual complicated formulas will show the time-saving feature of the chart. It should be noted that the chart also gives a physical picture of the way in which the mutual inductance varies with the geometry of the two coupled coils. For this reason, a scale tracing of the coils superimposed on the chart will simplify the calculations.

Derivation of Chart

The derivation of the chart is outlined in Fig. 5. It is based upon the well-known formula for the mutual inductance between the two coaxial circular coils shown in Fig. 5(a). The factor F is a function of R, the ratio of the smallest to largest distance between the two circles. Tables have been computed^{1, 2} giving F vs. R for various coil dimensions.

The coordinates are first transformed, for simplicity of calculation, to the nondimensional system shown in Fig. 5(b). The construction of the chart is based upon the fact that the loci of constant values of R are a family of circles whose centers lie on the Y axis at a distance k from the origin, and whose radii are equal to r, where k and r are the functions of R shown in Fig. 5(b).

To show the chart construction in detail, consider finding the locus of constant mutual inductance of 0.01 uh between two coaxial circles. The first circle is assumed to have a radius of 0.5 in. or 1.27 cm. From the formulas of Fig. 5(b), M/a = $0.01/1.27 = 0.007874 = F\sqrt{1 + y}$ Thus the problem reduces to that of finding suitable values of y and F satisfying this equation. It is desirable to choose values of Fwhich differ by equal ratios or db increments. Using 1-db increments, the three values of Fig. 5(c)are obtained. The corresponding values computed for y are also shown

From the tables of F vs. R, the values of R are computed, and the corresponding loci of constant R are drawn, as indicated in Fig. 5(c). Horizontal lines are drawn for the values of y. The intersection of these horizontal lines with the family of circles, such as points 1, 2 and 3, are points on the locus of $M = 0.01 \mu$ h.

Other diagonal points such as 4.5 and 6.7 are next obtained. These points lie on the loci of constant M for values of M one db above and below $M = 0.01 \ \mu h$. Thus for 4 and 5, $M = 0.01122 \ \mu h$, and for 6 and 7, $M = 0.00891 \ \mu h$. By proceeding in this manner for other values of M, all the loci of constant M differing by 1-db intervals, are found. From these, the curves of the chart in Fig. 1 were drawn. These curves are not in equal db steps, but are rather in equal arithmetic increments, in order to facilitate interpolation.

In the more useful central portions, accurate test calculations show that the chart accuracy is better than 2 percent. For extreme regions, i.e., large coil separation and small diameter of the second coil, the error is not over 5 percent. It is felt that this is sufficient accuracy for most design applications.

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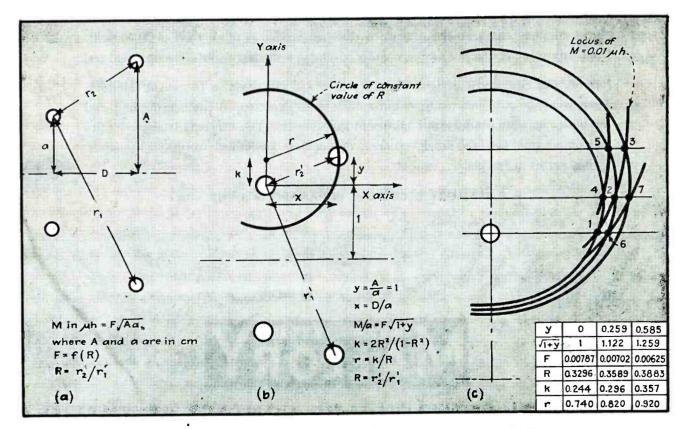
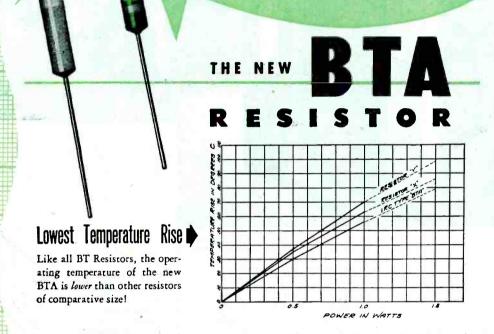


FIG. 5-Method of constructing the curves for the mutual inductance chart in Fig. 1



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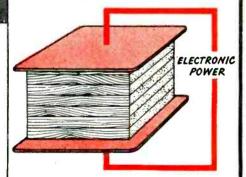
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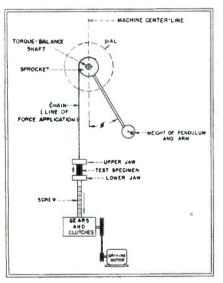
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Tensile Testing of Textiles with Electronic Control

IN THE TEXTILE INDUSTRY, testing of single-end varns and light-weight fabrics under constant rate of loading conditions has been confined to the inclined-plane type of testing machines. Recent developments now permit tests under constant-rateof-load conditions on heavier varns and fabrics to be handled on pendulum-type testing machines of the type shown in the photograph. In these, the fabric to be tested is stretched under increasing load between two metal jaws. Although a single-speed driving motor causes the lower jaw to move downward at a constant rate, the pendulum arm which increases the loading



Elements of pendulum-type testing machine used in the textile industry

bumps its way through the loading cycle and does not provide a constant rate of loading. Also, fabrics of different stretch characteristics cause the pendulum to move at correspondingly differing average rates.

To extend the working range of the instrument, a new electronic control has been designed and successfully applied as an attachment to the standard pendulum-type tester as shown to permit constantrate-of-load tests to be run.

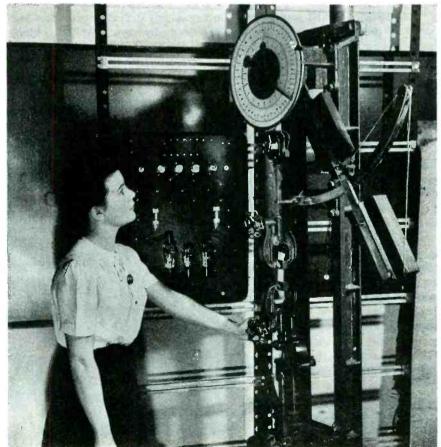
Control Voltage

Since many of the factors involved in determining the load or pull through the sample are fixed quantities, it was concluded that the load varies as the sine of the angle made by the pendulum arm from the machine center line. An induction voltage regulator provides the means for continuous measurement of sin ϕ . The two pole windings are energized from a 115-volt a-c line and by transformer action they induce a voltage in the rotor winding.

When the rotor is positioned so that its coil axis is parallel to the flux path between the two stator poles, the induced voltage is a maximum; when the rotor is in a position 90 deg from this setting, the voltage is a minimum. Plotted values of voltage versus rotor position, when plotted over the intermediate range (0 to 90 deg), lie on a sine curve.

If the shaft of this regulator is connected directly to the torquebalance shaft of the pendulum machine, moving the pendulum through its arc will cause an increasing voltage to be generated, increasing in direct proportion to the sine of successive values of ϕ .

An electronic rectifier tube is used for conversion of the alter-



Tensile strength of textiles is determined by this pendulum-type machine. Addition of the electronic equipment in the background permits constant-rate-of-load tests to be run

nating current to direct current which is then applied to the capacitor. The magnitude of the current passed by the capacitor varies as the product of the value of capacitance, which is fixed, and the rate of change of voltage inpressed on the capacitor. The latter is determined by the rate at which the pendulum arm swings through its arc, i.e., the rate of increase of sin ϕ . The resulting voltage drop is applied to the grid of the speed control tube.

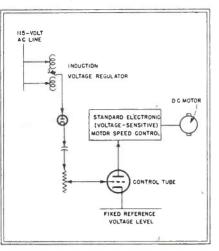
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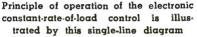
The driving motor always attempts to run at constant speed and will do so as long as sin ϕ increases at a uniform rate. Should the test specimen have a high-stretch characteristic, movement of the lower jaw will tend to be largely absorbed in the stretching, and the pendulum will tend to move at a rate slower than required. But when this lag develops, current passed by the ca-

IN FOUNDRIES, molds have been poured by means of a manually operated buggy ladle handled by an operator who was subjected to intense heat from the iron and occasional burns resulting from iron splash. By using phototubes, one operator, working from a remote station, now controls the pouring of several ladles simultaneously. The hazards encountered in hand pouring are completely eliminated and several molds are now poured in less time than was needed to pour one by the former method.

As each of the group of empty molds moves into position before a ladle, a Photoswitch photoelectric control mounted directly above watches through a viewing tube. When the molds are in place, the operator, through pushbutton control of the hydraulic actuating mechanism, tips the ladles of molten iron and the whitehot metal flows into the molds. As it reaches the riser of each mold, the brilliant light thrown off signals the phototube that the mold is full. The electronic unit causes the ladle to drop back and the pouring automatically stops.

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pacitor decreases, as does the current and the voltage impressed on the grid of the speed-control tube. The motor is thereby immediately called upon to increase speed. As a result, the lower jaw is driven downward at a more rapid pace and the rate of travel of the pendulum is caused to increase to that required to maintain a constant rate of loading.

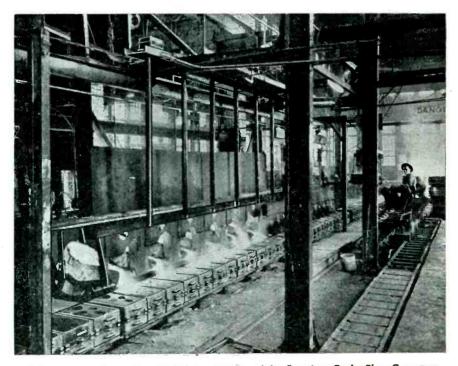
Conversely, if the specimen has a low-stretch characteristic—as is the case when a high-count fabric is tested at short gage-length—the pendulum attempts to move along too rapidly, and the control operates to decrease motor speed. The corrective action is completed within a few cycles.

The electronic control is capable of handling fabrics covering a wide range of stretch characteristics.

As described by R. J. De Martini, G-E textile application engineer, in *Textile World* for March 1945, the electronic control is designed for application on standard pendulumtype machines of capacities up to 2000 lb and requiring driving motors rated at $\frac{1}{2}$ hp or less. By adjusting a dial on the panel, the operator may select the rate of load he requires. The total range available on the panel is 3.5 to 1.

Automatic Metal Pouring in Foundries

other widely differing processes are provided by type A20C control made by Photoswitch, Inc., because of its ability to detect minute changes in light intensity. An adjustment on the control housing may be set so that the control will remain inoperative at one level of illumination, but will be actuated when the amount of light reaching



Photoelectric control units installed in a foundry of the American Brake Shoe Company. The phototube views the mold through vertically mounted tubing and is actuated by light from the molten metal as it appears in the riser of the mold. As each mold is filled, the pouring ladle is automatically tipped back by the Photoswitch control



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Defrosting Frozen Food for Bakeries

DIELECTRIC HEATING, which has done war service in dehydrating army K-rations, has now been successfully applied by A & P Food Stores as a high-speed defroster of frozen foods in bulk. The bakery division of the company has been experimenting in the new field for nearly six months.

The new technique is being pioneered by Dr. William Cathcart, head of the food chain's bakery laboratories, working in conjunction with Federal Telephone and Radio Corp.

The most recent test of dielectric heating conducted by Dr. Cathcart at Federal's Newark laboratory resulted in successful quick-thawing of fully ripened peaches, among the most highly perishable foods. When frozen solid, thirty-pound cartons of the fruit, normally require 20 hours to defrost safely. They were thawed in less than fifteen minutes with Megatherm equipment.

Technique

The new defrosting method uses an oven whose floor and ceiling are insulated metal plates which are connected to the high-frequency generator. Frozen food is placed between the plates and is subjected to dielectric heating to reach the core of the frozen substance as well as its surfaces and provide uniform defrosting.

It has been found that if the defrosted food is allowed to remain eggs and other ingredients move through quick defrosters into dough and batter mixers. Besides cutting time and space outlays, the new method prevents decomposition and discoloration which often occur when frozen foods are defrosted in water or at room temperatures.

It has been found that different foods require different amounts of

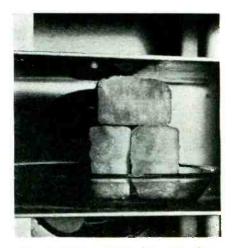


Eleven seconds after cubes of frozen peaches were placed in the dielectric heating unit, they were completely defrosted and ready to eat. Dr. William Cathcart of A & P bakery laboratories, shown sampling slices, expects the new method of defrosting to save thousands of hours annually at company's 37 bakeries

between the plates after it is fully thawed, it actually begins cooking. Food prepared in this manner would be done in much shorter time and be uniformly well-done or rare throughout.

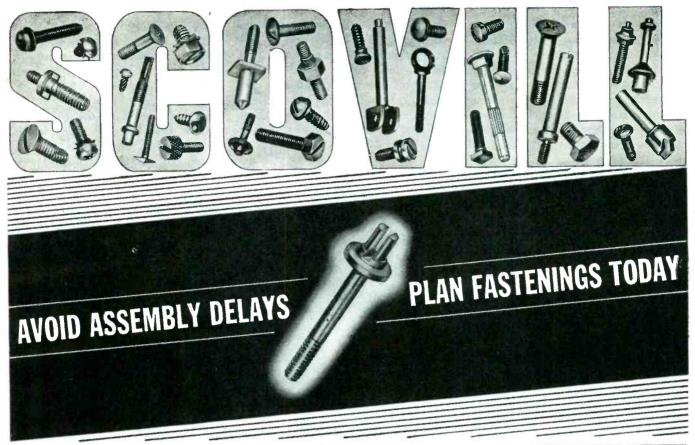
Electronic defrosting is achieved so rapidly that there is no chemical breakdown in the structure of the food such as occurs under normal thawing procedure. Thus, it is possible to retain the firmness and texture of tree-matured fruits and vine-fresh berries.

Storage of frozen eggs requires considerable space in large-scale bakery operations, and additional room is necessarily tied up by the tedious defrosting process. Dielectric heating is expected to save thousands of hours of waiting time annually at A & P bakeries as frozen thawing time and that the quantity of a food being defrosted also affects the timing. Thus, a barrel of



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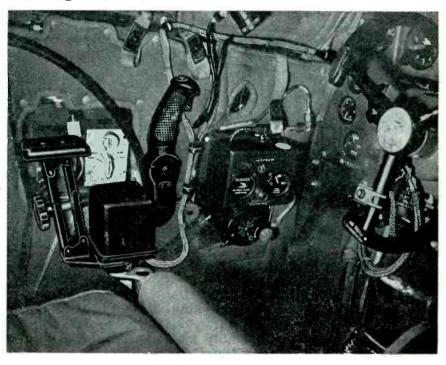
Electronic Joy Stick for Large Aircraft

AS AN AID TO PILOTS flying heavy airplanes, research engineers of the aeronautical division of Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Company in cooperation with armament laboratory engineers of the Air Technical Service Command have developed a completely automatic, electronic control stick. This new one-hand pistol-grip control lever, illustrated in Fig. 1 and first installed on Consolidated Liberators and now in use on the B-29 Superfortress and other four-engined bombers, reduces pilot fatigue and increases controllability. On postwar transport aircraft, it will improve smoothness of flight and increase safety.

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In the present war-time application to heavy bombers, the control to one hour, with level defrosting throughout the barrel. When precise time schedules are worked out for various foods, the technique will probably involve placing cartons or barrels on conveyor belts which will pass through the oven at a speed to be determined by the type of food being frosted.

stick enables pilots to fly their bombers with an ease and accuracy hitherto unattainable even in smaller planes. With it, pilots can fly tighter formations thereby obtaining greater security for the flight against attacking enemy planes, can arrive over the target less fatigued, and better able to maneuver their planes during evasive action.



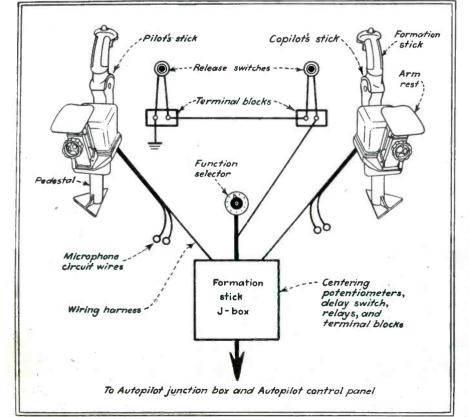


Fig. 2—Mounted beside the co-pilot's seat in a Consolidated Liberator B-24, the formation stick with its arm rest reduces pilot fatigue by its simplicity and ease of control and the relaxed position from which it is operated

Fig. 3—Schematic diagram shows how pilot and co-pilot have direct one-hand control of the plane's autopilot. A few changes in the wiring of the autopilot junction box and control panel are all that are necessary for the addition of the formation sticks to aircraft already equipped with an autopilot

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Formation Stick Operation

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Fig. 1—Formation stick, operated by pilot in joy-stick fashion, controls heavy bombers through electronic amplifiers and servo motors

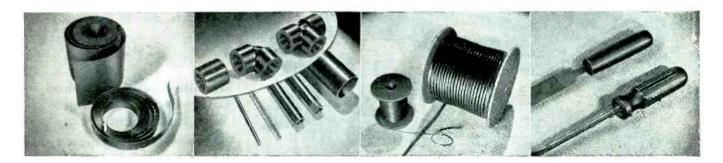
that operate the control surfaces of the bomber. The airplane is thus moved by the servo motors in the same direction and to the same degree as the stick is moved by the pilot.

The servo system which the control lever governs as illustrated in Fig. 3 is the electronic flight-control system developed by Minneapolis-Honeywell as the autopilot. Used to hold the plane on a set course during bombing runs, at which time it is under the bombardier's control, this autopilot is now made to maneuver the plane during flight under the pilot's control.

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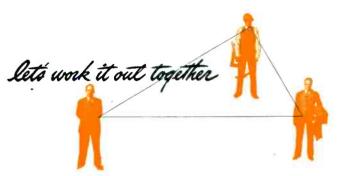
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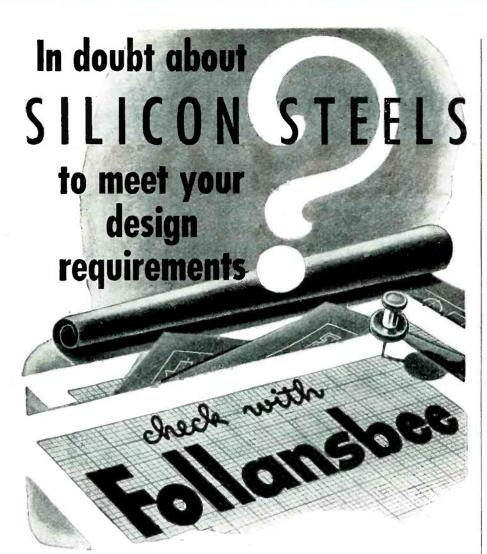
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been added to the Autopilot to give "feel" to the control stick in the hand of the pilot so that, although the formation stick interposes a servo motor between the pilot and the plane's motion, it does not interfere with the pilot's being aware of that motion. Other changes in the basic circuit have also been made to obtain this greater flexibility.

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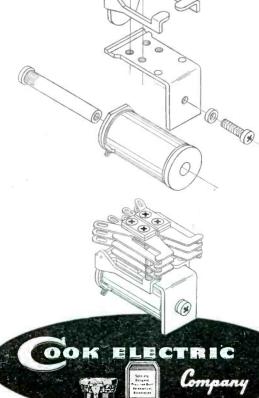
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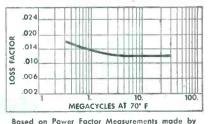
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Figure 1 shows the elementary construction of the wire structure. The frame is rigid and compensated for temperature changes so that it will expand and contract at the same general rate as the tungsten wire which is stretched across the frame.

The vibrating wire is suspended between two insulated terminals, the lower of which is mounted on a hinge member, which is pressed back by the action of the calibrated

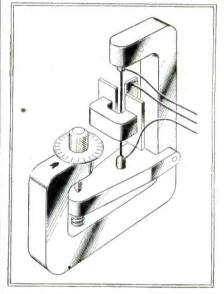


Fig. 1—Basic construction of the Vibratron. Although the lower support for the wire is shown mounted on α pivot, α hinge has been found preferable in practice

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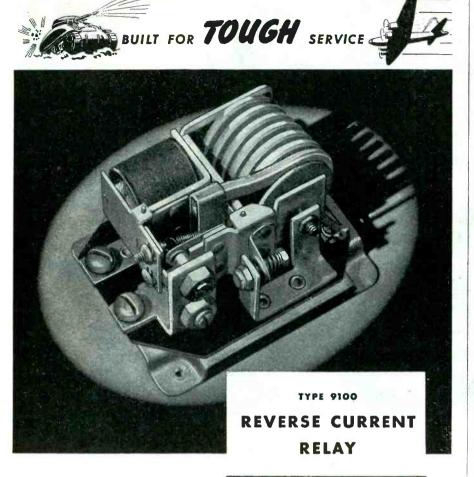
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Bridge Circuit

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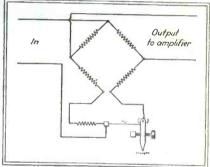


Fig. 2—The vibrating wire is connected in one side of this bridge circuit and a second wire is installed in the same case and connected in the opposite side for compensation

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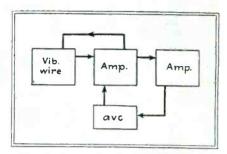


Fig. 3—Arrangement of electronic amplifier to feed back energy to maintain oscillations of the vibrating wire at the proper amplitude

to the input circuit of the amplifier, the net result being that the amplifier drives the wire continuously at its own resonant frequency. An automatic volume control of a conventional sort is indicated in the diagram of Fig. 3 and serves to keep the amplitude of vibration within appropriate limits.

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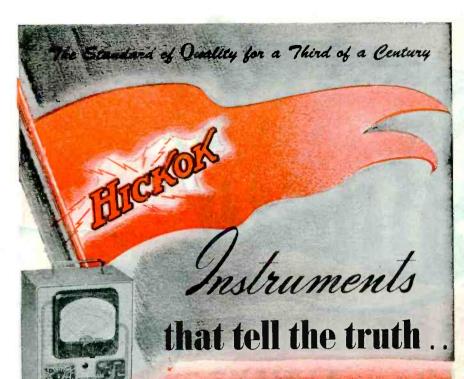
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In the second drawing of Fig. 4 the uper two magnets are placed in the same flux relationship, while the lower two magnets are reversed in the direction of their field. Under these circumstances, the wire will vibrate as shown in the second

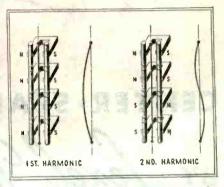


Fig. 4—Composite rods of brass and magnetized Invar form multipolar fields for generation of harmonics

mode. If the magnets are alternated in direction to the series, the wire will vibrate in its fourth mode. The first mode of wire vibration covers a frequency range from 1,-500 to 3,000 cycles, the second mode from 3,000 to 6,000 cycles, and the fourth mode from 6,000 to 12,000 cycles.

Complete Assembly

Figure 5 shows an instrument constructed around a barometric capsule used in one of the higher grades of aviation altimeters. Motion of the capsule is coupled, by a properly designed lever, to cause extension of the wire. The coupling ratio should preferably be made such that a change in air pressure is divided evenly between elastic deformation of the capsule and elastic deformation of the measuring wire. The bellows is shown at the lower part of the assembly, while the two plates seen in front define the poles between which the wire vibrates. The wire is mounted on a column of Mikroy with provision for correcting the slight differential between the coefficient of expansion of this

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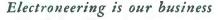
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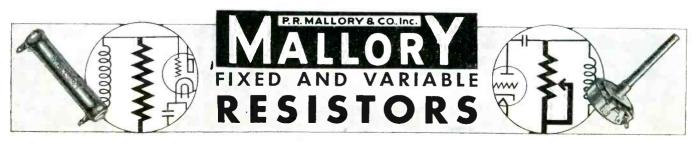
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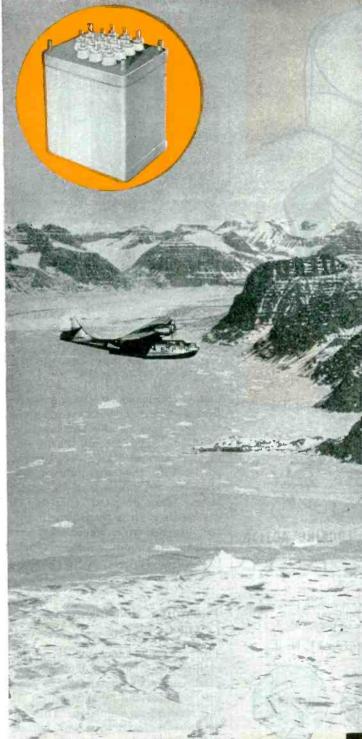
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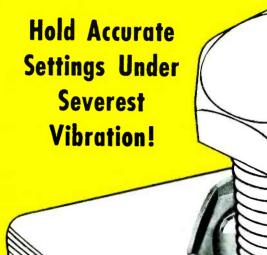
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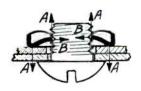


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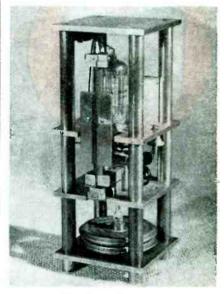


Fig. 5-Compact assembly of the vibrating-wire unit and radio transmitter for radiosonde use

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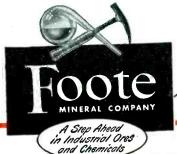
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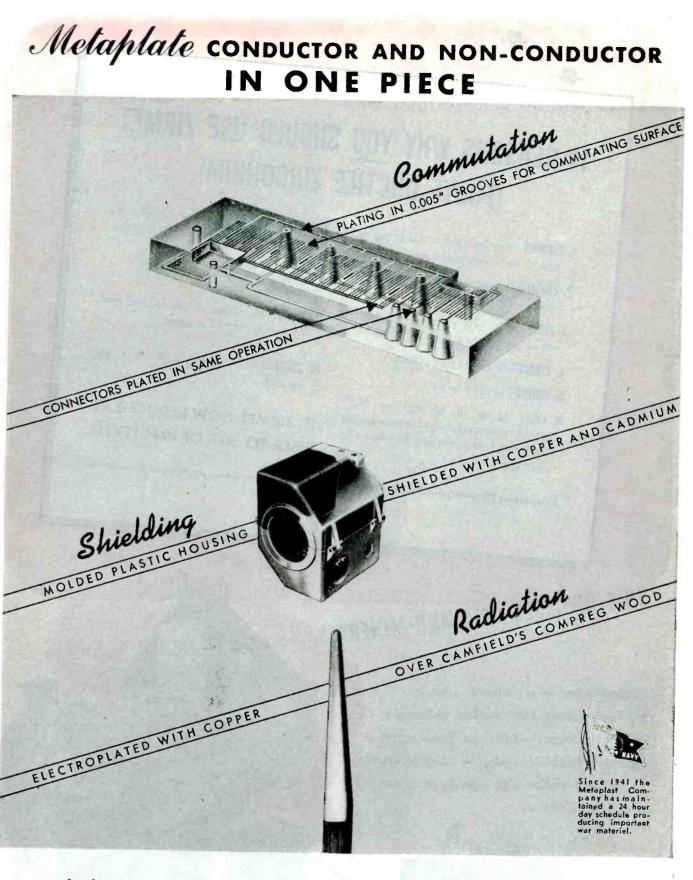
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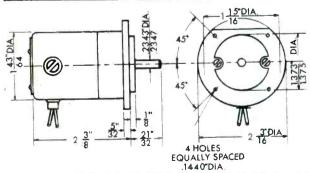
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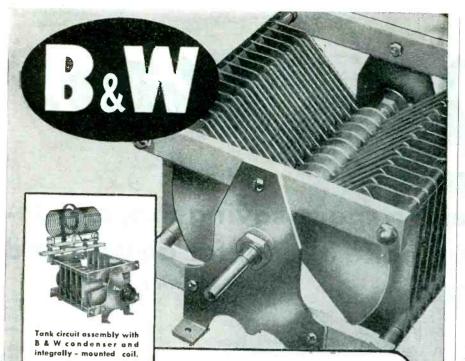
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Turbidimeters with photocells and galvanometer or cathode-ray balance detectors were studied, and calibrated with various turbidity standards. In the most successful instrument, two opposing photocells are used to measure the difference in light transmission of the air and of turbidity standards or of a cuvette containing the test sample. A cathode-ray indicator tube serves to detect the balance point.

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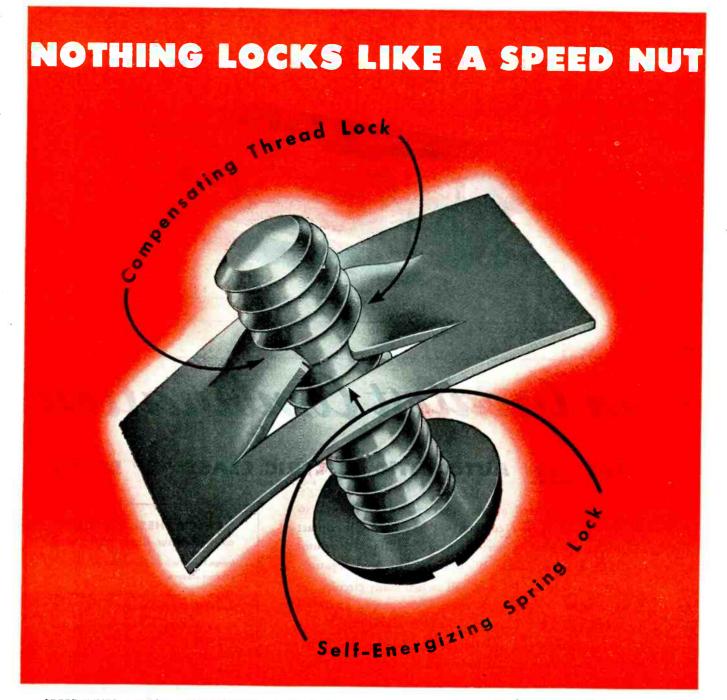
The meter is insensitive to tilting, vibration, and shock, and may be calibrated readily by any of the types of standards developed at the Bureau. The readings of the instrument are reproducible to 0.05 ppm of oil, and the steadiness appears to be quite satisfactory. The calibration of the scale, which can be graduated to read directly in parts per million, is linear and does not shift with time. Likewise, a humidity of 100 percent does not affect the operation of the electric circuits of the turbidimeter.

Three Standards

Three types of turbidity standards that can be turned out by mass-production methods have been developed. The first consists of films of gelatin in which colloidal carbon is dispersed uniformly in amounts giving decreased transmittancies corresponding to 0.6, 1.6, 1.7, and 2.3 ppm of oil. These films are cemented with Canada balsam between borosilicate glass sheets.

In the second type, rectangular blocks of crown borosilicate glass, with four 25 by 40-mm faces, A, B, C, and D, were polished to give graded light transmittancies. In the standardization, incident light strikes face B, passes through the 40-mm length of glass, through

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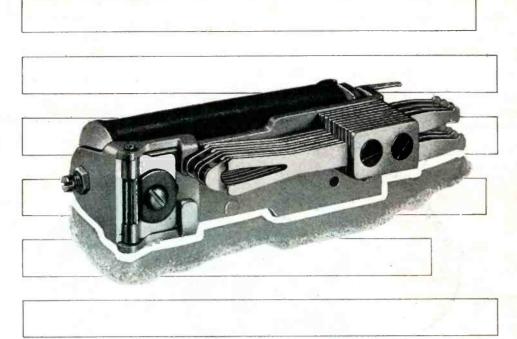
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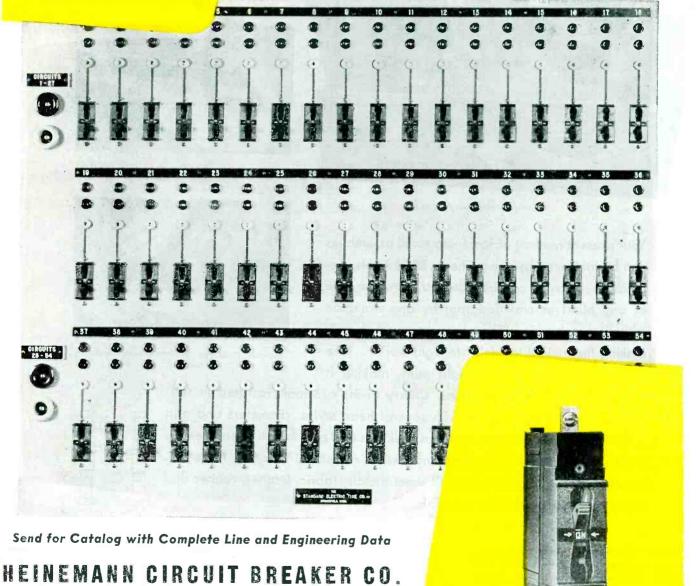
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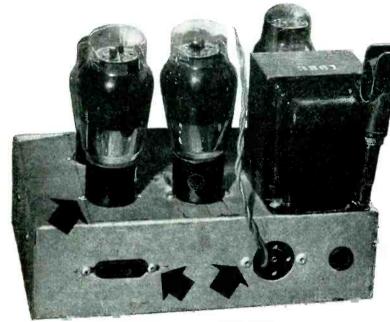


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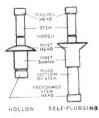


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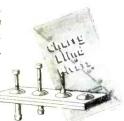


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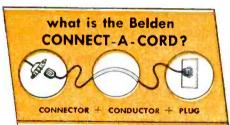
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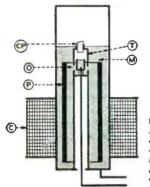
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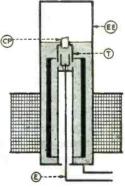
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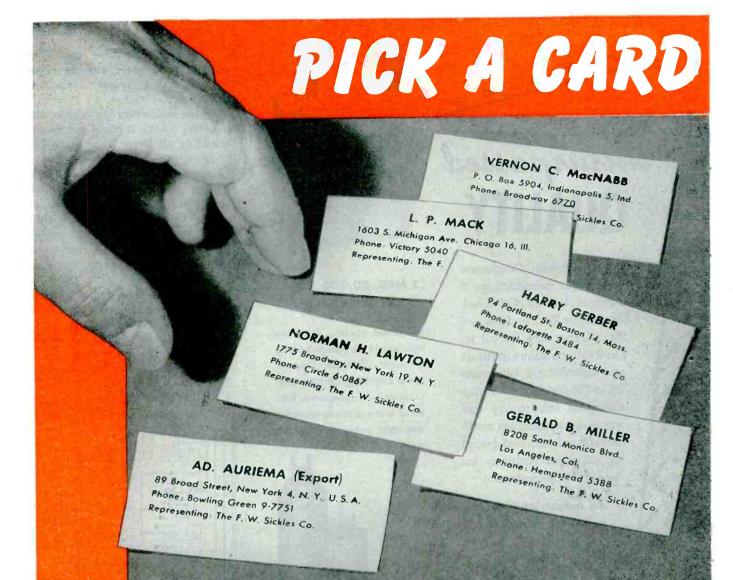


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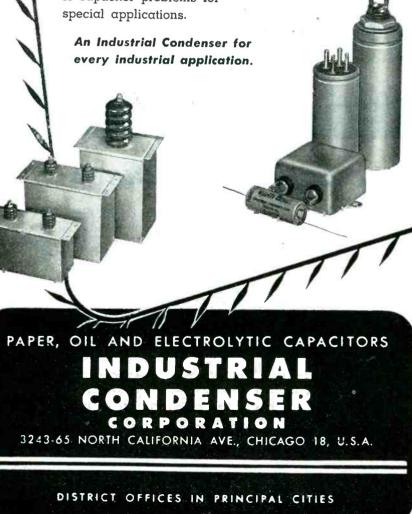
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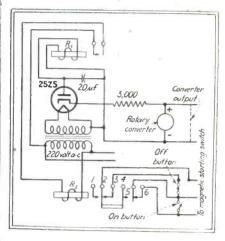


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the negative to the pipe line. This polarity must never reverse since damage would result from increased-electrolysis.

It was necessary to locate the converter where it could not be attended at all times. Since the polarity of the output is not always the same when starting, an acrossthe-line magnetic starting switch was used. With the power shut down, this magnetic switch falls open. An attendant must then go out and restart the converter so that the proper polarity is maintained.

It was found that with the power shut off, the back emf produced by ensuing rotation of the converter would retain the holding coil closed for about 10 seconds. During this time, the converter would often change its output polarity due to



Circuit of electronic unit for correcting the output polarity of a rotary converter used in preventing electrolysis of an underground pipe

the phase relation going out of step with the proper commutator segment at a given instant. An electronic control was installed to overcome this condition and at the same time make the starting-up process automatic and maintain the desired output polarity.

Control Circuit

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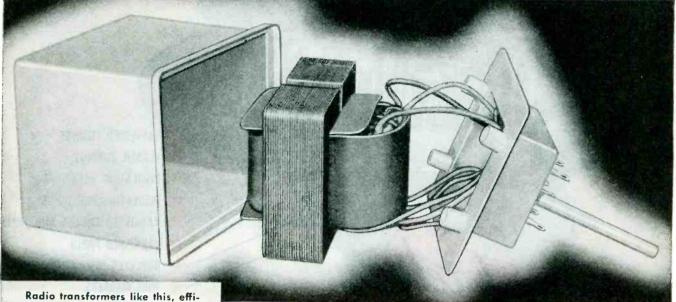
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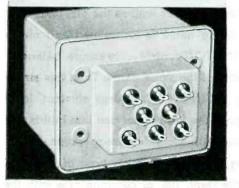
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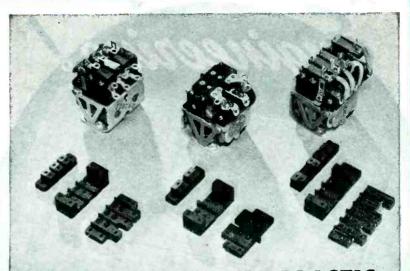
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found necessary in the positive lead. to the cathode, and a 22-µf, 150-volt capacitor was used across relay R_1 in order to prevent minute changes in current direction from energizing relay R_1 until the converter has increased its speed to build up enough potential in one direction or the other. Before the capacitor and resistor were added, considerable chattering of the relays took place.

Relay R_1 is a 5000-ohm d-c relay requiring very little current to operate. Relay R_2 is a quick-acting. double-pole, double-throw a-c relay with contacts 2-3 and 5-6 normally held closed with spring tension. These terminals are connected across the start and stop buttons which operate the holding coil of the magnetic switch.

Operation

When the converter is running with output polarity shown in the circuit nothing happens in the electronic control due to the fact that the negative plate and positive cathode do not pass any current to operate relay R_1 . But should the output of the converter be of opposite and undesired polarity, causing the cathode to be negative and causing the plate (through the relay R_i) to be positive, the resulting current flow in R_1 closes the contacts which energize relay R_2 .

This in turn opens contacts 2-3 and 5-6, shutting off the power to the converter. The unique part is that R_1 will hold open just long enough for the polarity to change due to the loss of speed in the converter. This action is very rapid. In the event of a line change in which the converter holding coil might stay closed momentarily, and if the output changes polarity, the tube and relays would immediately rectify the change.

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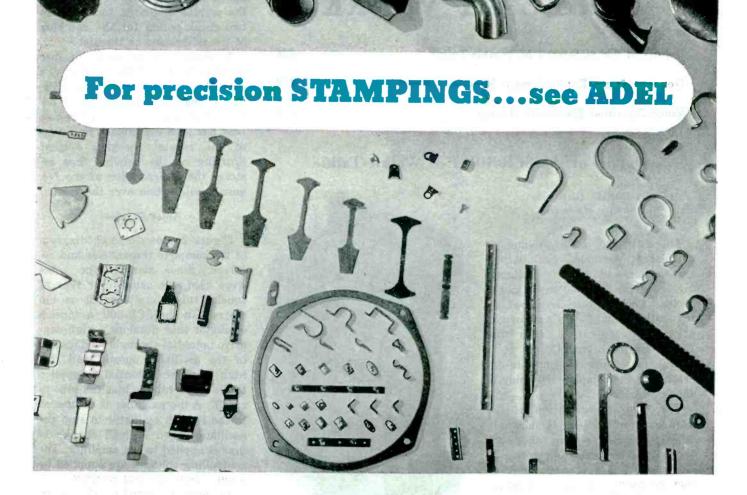
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Details of the SCR-300 F-M Walkie-Talkie

By DANIEL E. NOBLE Director of Research Galvin Mfg. Corporation

The SCR-300 is a frequencymodulated portable, back-packed transmitter and receiver designed for operation from 40 to 48 megacycles. The set was developed by the Galvin Manufacturing Corporation in cooperation with the United States Signal Corps. It is capable of netting, is simple to operate, and the complete assembly is shower-proof.

The final interpretation of the military specifications is shown in Fig. 1. A capacitor gang tunes both the transmitter and the receiver so that the set can be tuned rapidly to any frequency in an eight-megacycle band. The use of separate oscillators for the transmitter and the receiver in a single control system proved impracticable, since the tendency of the two oscillators to drift apart resulted in transmission and reception on different frequencies. To overcome this defect, a circuit was developed in which the single oscillator-modulator circuit was used for both the receiver and the transmitter.

The oscillator was adjusted for the proper operation of the first receiver-converter and with this arrangement the modulator became the automatic frequency control.

For transmission purposes, the afc reactance tube became the modulator, and the modulated output was mixed in a converter circuit with a crystal output whose frequency was equal to the i-f of the receiver. This placed the transmitter output carrier on the same frequency as the receiver.

The i-f crystal serves a dual purpose by tying in with the pushbutton control shown in the upper righthand corner of the control

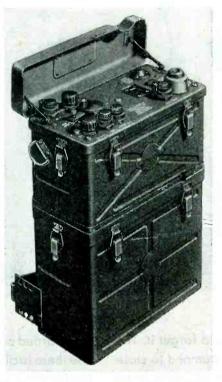


Fig. 1—SCR-300 walkie-talkie. When used by paratroopers, it is harnessed to the trooper's side or thigh. For long hikes, it can be fitted with a packboard

panel. Pressing this button starts the crystal oscillator and provides two check points for the checking of the calibration on the dial.

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Noise Squelch

Figure 2 shows a block diagram of the complete transmitter and receiver. Since filament-type tubes were used, the usual lever type of squelch tube circuit cannot be employed. In the SCR-300, a squelch oscillator tube develops a high negative potential through rectification of the oscillator output, and this high negative potential is applied to the audio tube to bias the tube to cutoff. A d-c amplifier is connected to the squelch oscillator to stop the oscillator when a small change in bias is applied to the amplifier. The controlling voltages are supplied by a noise amplifier and rectifier.

In normal operation, the frontend noise of the receiver is amplified and passed on to the noise amplifier. The rectified output voltage of the noise amplifier is sufficient to maintain the d-c amplifier at a potential which insures the continued operation of the squelch

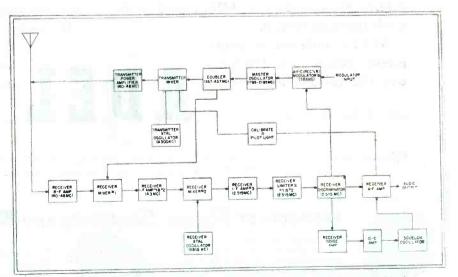


Fig. 2—The complete circuit of the walkie-talkie is illustrated by this block diagram. The transmitter power output is less than a watt; the receiver portion operates on a signal field of less than a microvolt per meter

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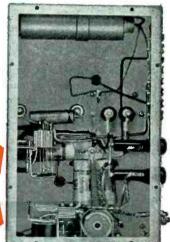
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| Bulb | -51/2 |
| Base-Miniature Button, 7-Pin Mounting Position- | -Any |
| D-C Anode Supply Voltage, Minimum, Volts* | 185 |
| D-C Operating Current | |
| Continuous Maximum, Milliamperes | 30 |
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| Ambient Temperature Range, Degrees C55 to | +90 |
| D-C Starting Voltage, Approx. Volts | 155 |
| D-C Operating Voltage, Approx. Volts | 15 0 |
| Regulation (5 to 30 Milliamperes), Volts | 2 |
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oscillator. With no signal input to the receiver, the noise thus effectively maintains the squelch oscillator in operation so that the audio output from the receiver-amplifier is not permitted to reach the earphones. When a carrier is received, the normal reduction in noise which is characteristic of the f-m receiver action results in a reduction of noise at the receiver noise amplifier. The resulting change in the voltage applied to the d-c amplifier stops the squelch oscillator and permits the audio-frequency amplifier of the receiver to assume its normal bias.

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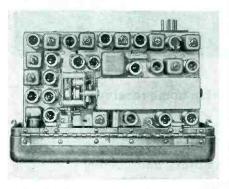


Fig. 3—Compact construction of the SCR-300 walkie-talkie

at the panel squelch control knob without affecting the operation of the receiver, other than to permit the noise to reach the earphones during stand-by periods.

The SCR-300 becomes a transmitter with the addition of two tubes and a crystal. No antenna switch is employed to change from transmit to receive. The single tuned circuit used for the transmitter power amplifier is also employed as the receiver r-f amplifier input circuit.

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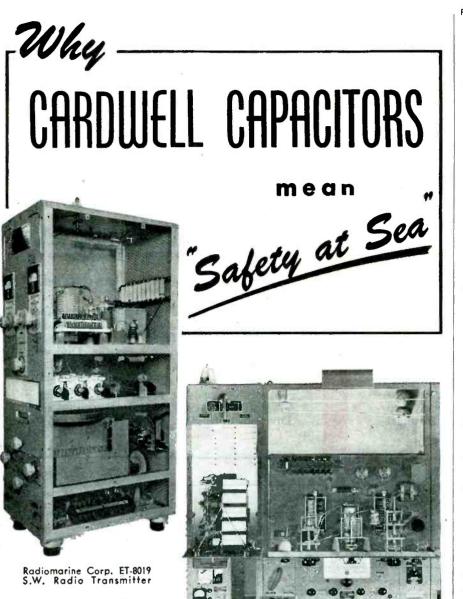
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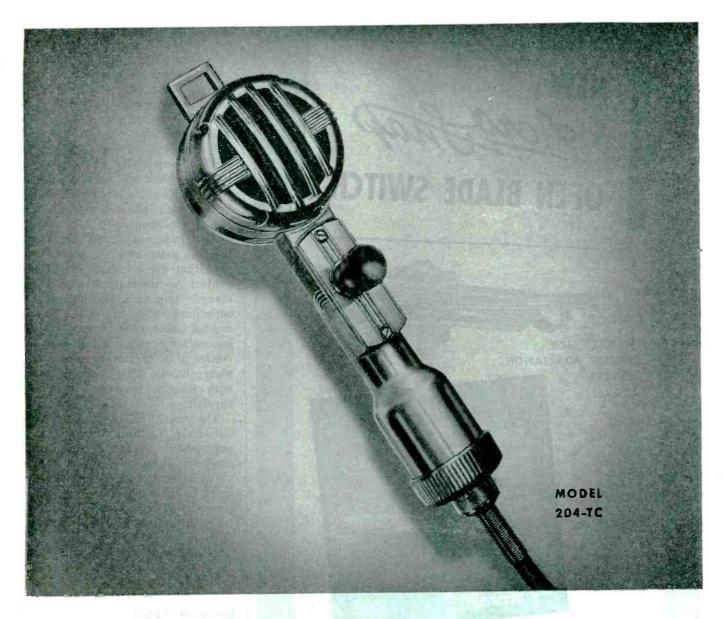
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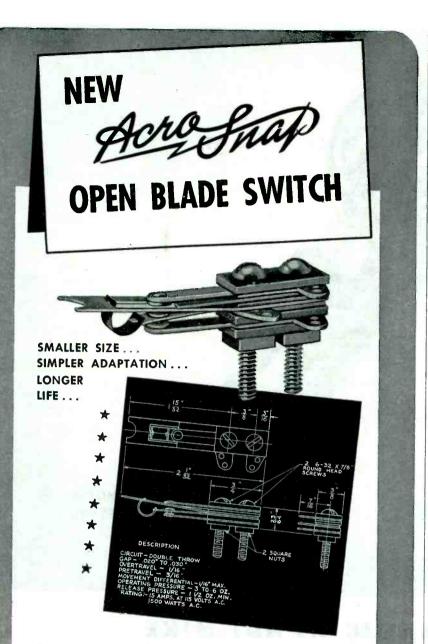
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The weight of the basic transmitter-receiver unit with top cover but without case is 9 lb, and of the complete station and accessories with large battery is 38.23 lb. Power input to the receiver is 2.25 watts from the B battery and 1.35 watts from the A battery. When transmitting, the respective power inputs are 9 watts and 2.25 watts.

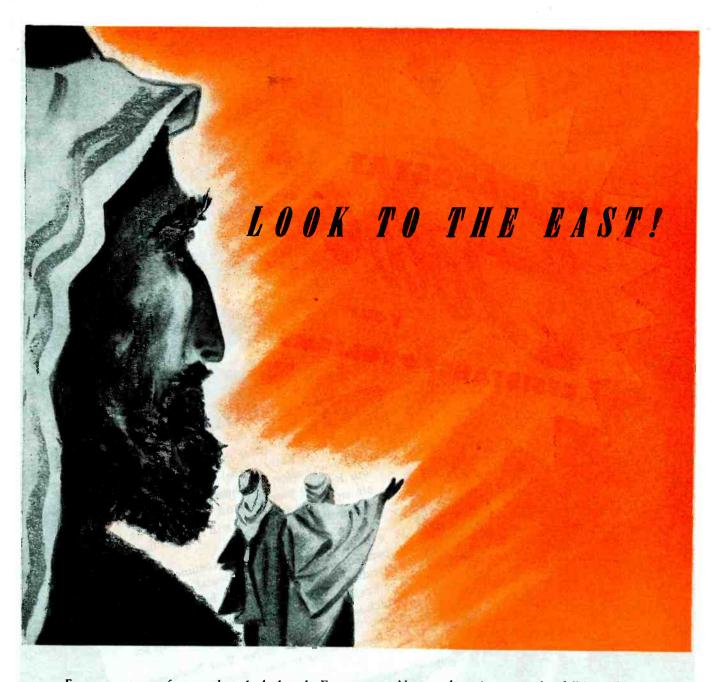
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German Army Entertainment Receiver

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THE RECEIVER provided for the entertainment of the German troops is not on a par mechanically and electrically with that of German military field sets but its operation is very economical and versatile. Outwardly, it resembles the field sets but the chassis reveals commercial technique awkwardly adapted to meet a semi-military requirement.

The receiver has the usual long, medium, and short-wave bands (the latter covering 6 to 15 Mc). It is capable of world-wide reception, but the handbook and cover plate carry a warning of what happens to soldiers who listen to foreign broadcasts. Self-contained dry batteries are provided, but the receiver also works off the a-c or d-c mains,

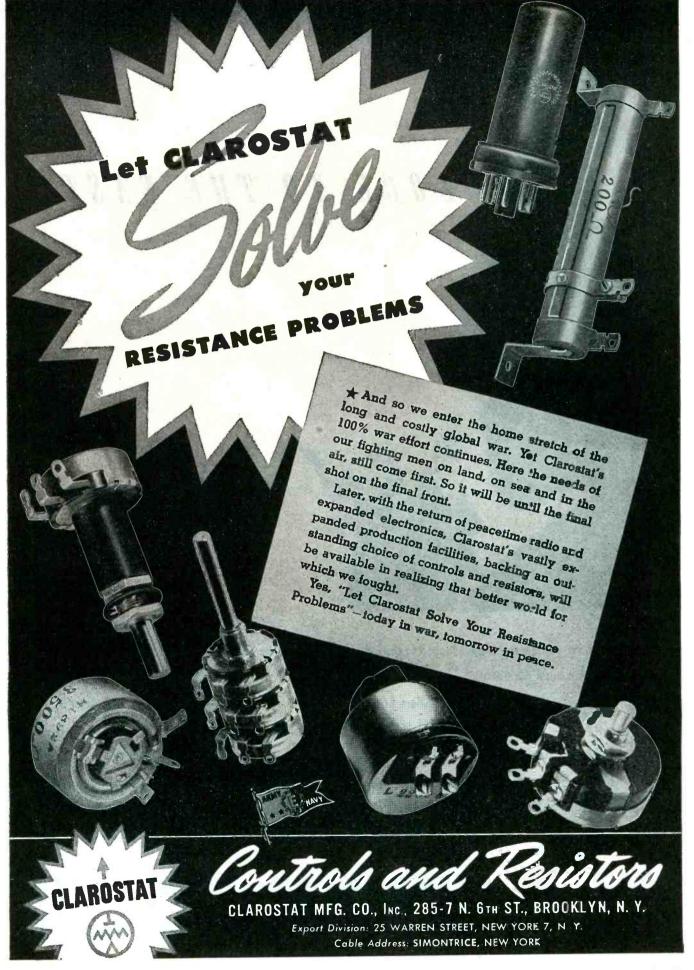


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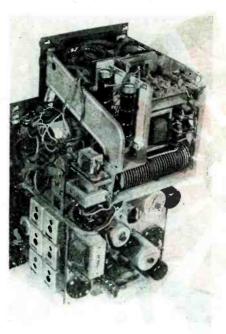
between voltages of 90 and 250.

Provision is made for microphone and gramophone reproduction, and for an additional speaker, and so the public address aspect is not overlooked. However, microphones, speakers, and playback units have not been found with the receivers captured in the African campaigns.

Mechanical Design

Neither German commercial nor military practice are evident in the layout. The horizontal chassis of the commercial set is not employed, neither are the intricate, carefully thought-out, die-cast subchassis assemblies of the military set. Instead, the chassis consists of a number of thin, pressed-steel structures. clumsily bolted together, with odd little brackets stuck on here and there. It seems to be an attempt to make a specialized receiver at a commercial receiver price, in a factory that is used to making intricate unit-constructed military sets.

The accompanying photograph shows a thin steel front panel upon which the sub-assemblies are mounted. When the panel is unscrewed from the box, it flexes, causing the sub-assemblies to twist in an ominous manner. The r-f, i-f and l-f components are mostly located within a framework which is bolted to the bottom of the panel. This framework also carries a verti-



Pressed-steel brackets support most of the components in this German receiver designed for entertaining troops

cal plate upon which the plug-in coil assemblies are mounted. Although these coils are plug-in units, wave bands are changed by switching S_a . The lower framework also carries a vertical plate at the back, upon which all seven valves are mounted. This plate also carries the i-f transformers and an l-f transformer. An empty socket hole in this plate suggests a change of design at the last moment. Most of the small resistors and capacitors are located on a large paxolin panel, which, being inadequately supported, is unstable.

The top of the set consists of the loudspeaker and the power supply components. These are similarly located on odd pieces of steel sheet, some of which are bolted together and others spot welded. The chief components of the power unit are the voltage selector switch, S_i , the selenium half-wave rectifier, five electrolytic capacitors, about four l-f chokes, sundry vitreous resistors, two relays and the neon lamp and chemical baretter (which corresponds to the Metrovick Metrosil).

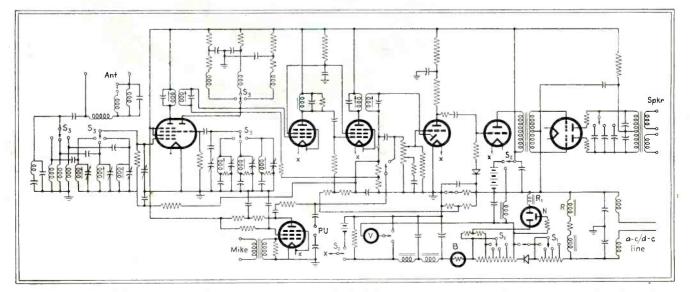
Components

The valves have continental octal 8-pin bases and metal envelopes. They are heated directly by 1.1 volts, and draw 60 ma. They are very light on plate current, being just over 1 ma. per valve.

The i-f coils are poorly constructed. They are wound on a \sharp inch paxolin tube. Threaded dust cores fit inside the tube, which is not threaded inside. A slot is made in the tube, and a piece of twine wound around the tube and in the slot. Thus, the strands of twine act as a thread which holds the dust core.

The r-f coils are similarly constructed, and have built-in silvered ceramic trimmers.

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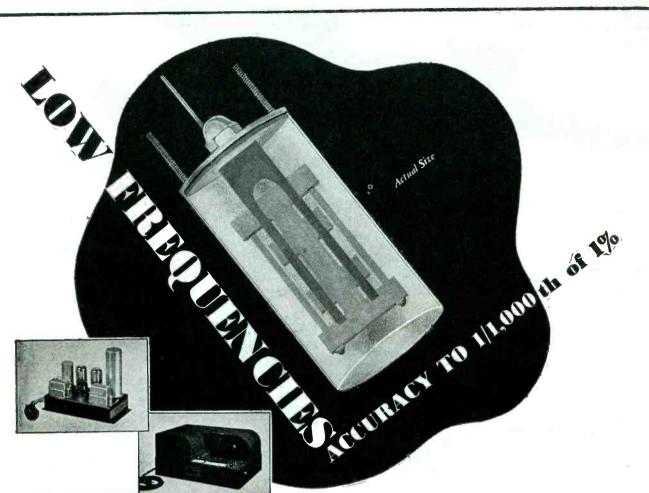
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switch, but the shaft carries wiper arms. The shaft also carries a lever which connects with one of the safety relays. This sets the trip on the relay as soon as the main switch is actuated. The trip is relatively heavy to operate and the relay mounting bracket is flimsy, so when the trip is set, the whole assembly moves. The battery on-off switch S_2 is located close to, and actuated by the main switch shaft. This switch consists of an ersatz circular molding, which carries fixed contact arms. The moving contacts are carried on a laminated Bakelite disc which rotates within the fixed contacts. Connections to moving contacts are accomplished with pigtails.

The metal rectifier is a selenium half-wave type, and has 30 plates each 1² inches in diameter.

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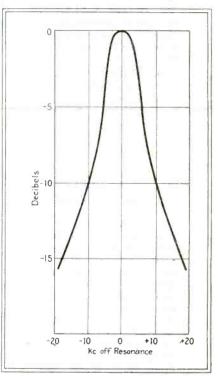
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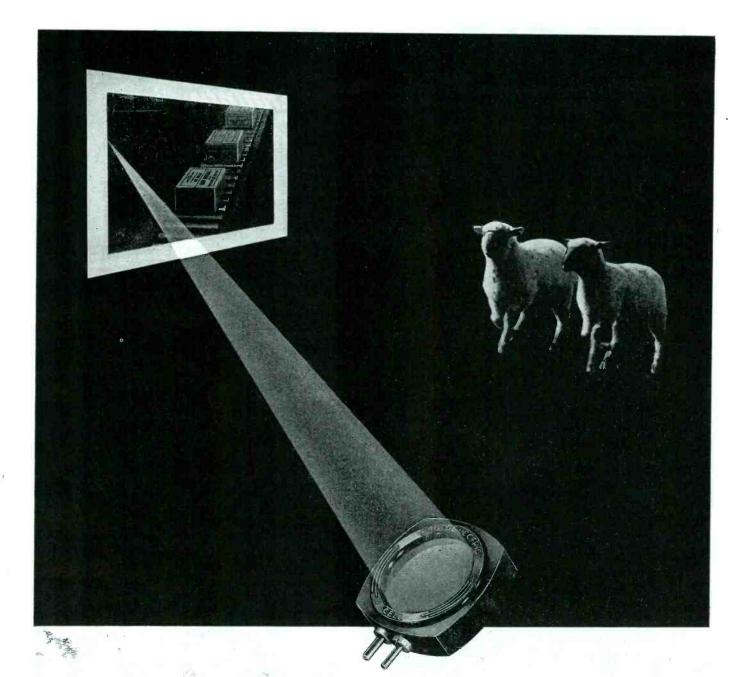
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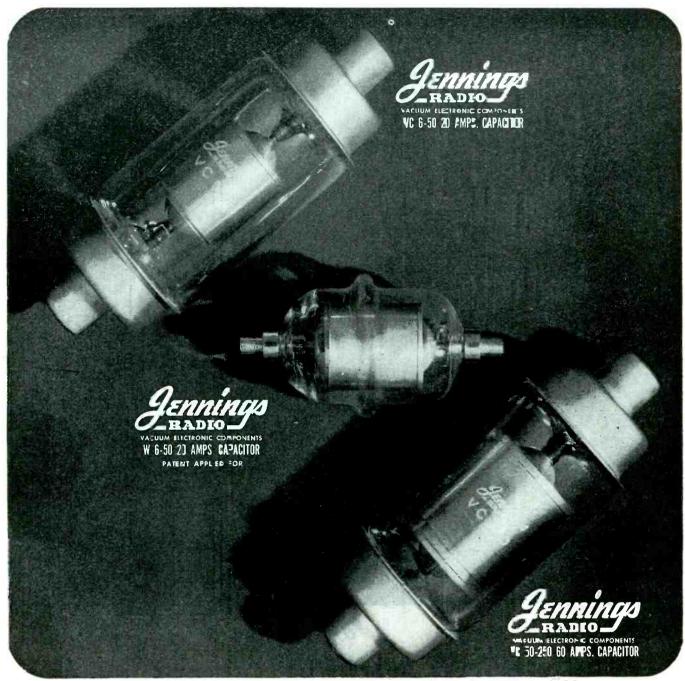
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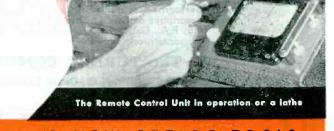
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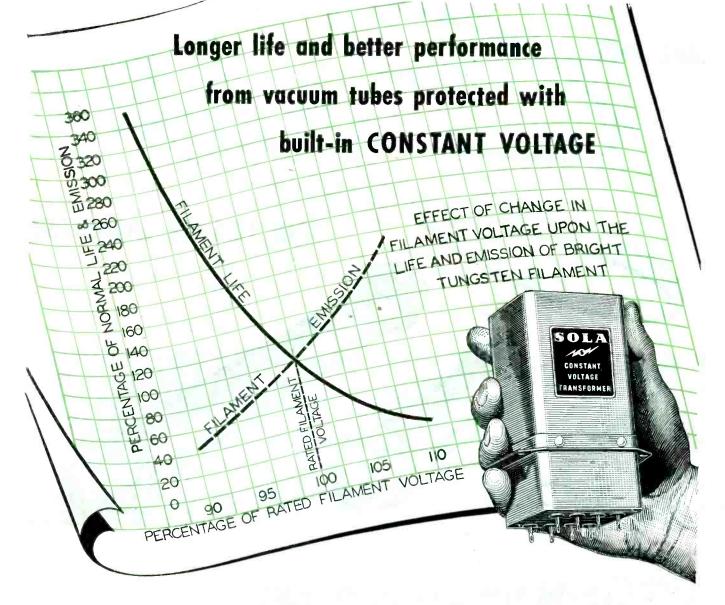


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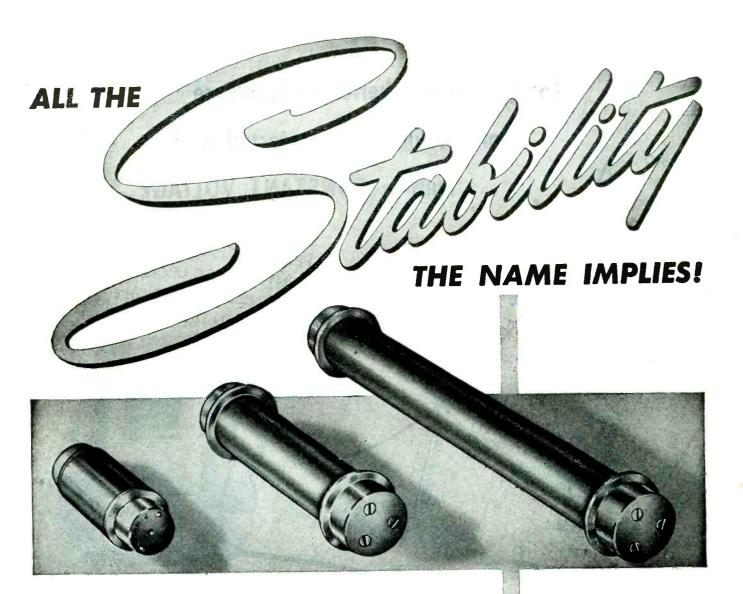
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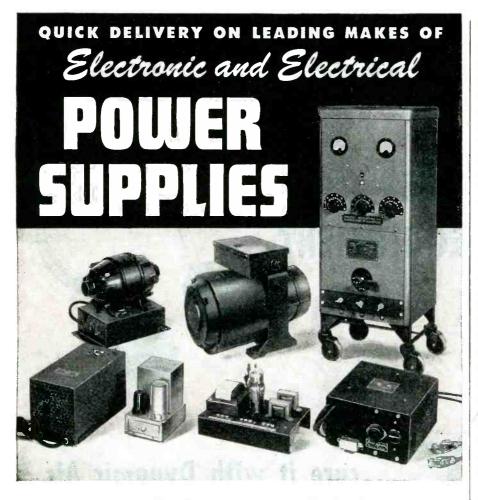
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Performance

The receiver tested had weak valves but the set was realigned and checked for performance. The sensitivity, on short waves, was 20 to 90 μ v input for 50 mw output. On medium waves, it was 8 to 10- μ v input for 50- μ v output. Image rejection, on short waves, was 16 to 30 db and on medium waves, 24 to 40 db. The maximum output was about 200 mw.

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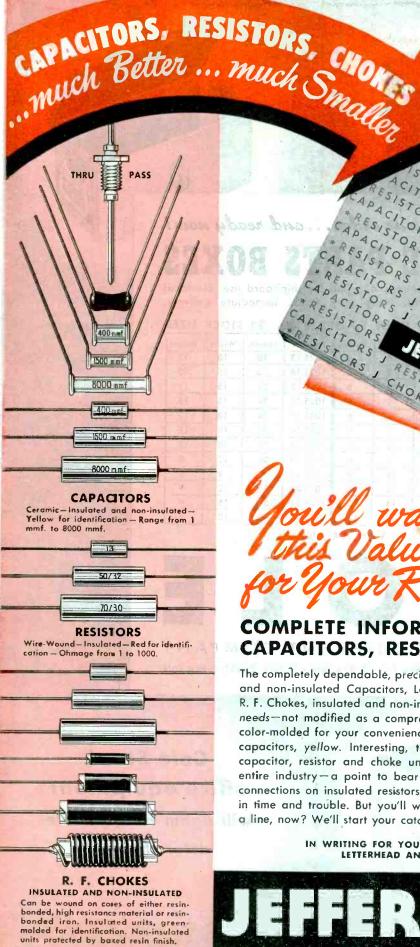
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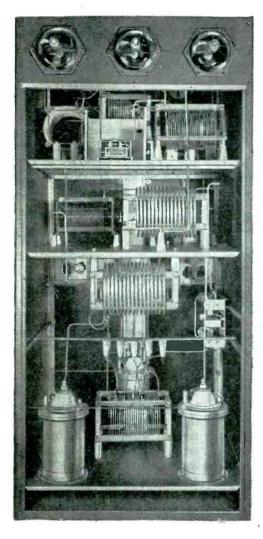
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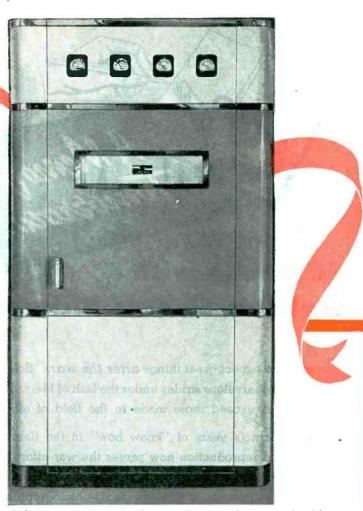
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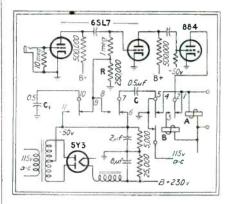
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The current that energizes relay A flows through the normally closed contacts of relay B. Thus, if these contacts become open, relay A will be deenergized and likewise the con-



Circuit of electronic relay for actuating equipment by voice signals

trolled equipment will be turned off. To turn off the controlled device, it is necessary to energize relay B, thus opening its contacts. For this reason, when relay A becomes energized, the plate of the 884 is disconnected from the coil of relay Aand connected to the coil of relay B, so that when the 884 is fired again, it energizes relay B instantaneously, opening its contacts and deenergizing relay A.

Operation

To turn on the controlled equipment, the following sequence takes place: a single word is spoken into the mike and the resultant voltage is amplified by the 6SL7 and applied to the grid circuit of the normally cut-off 884, overcoming the bias and causing it to fire. Since the plate-cathode circuit of the 884 is in series with the coil of relay A through contacts 1 and 2 of re-

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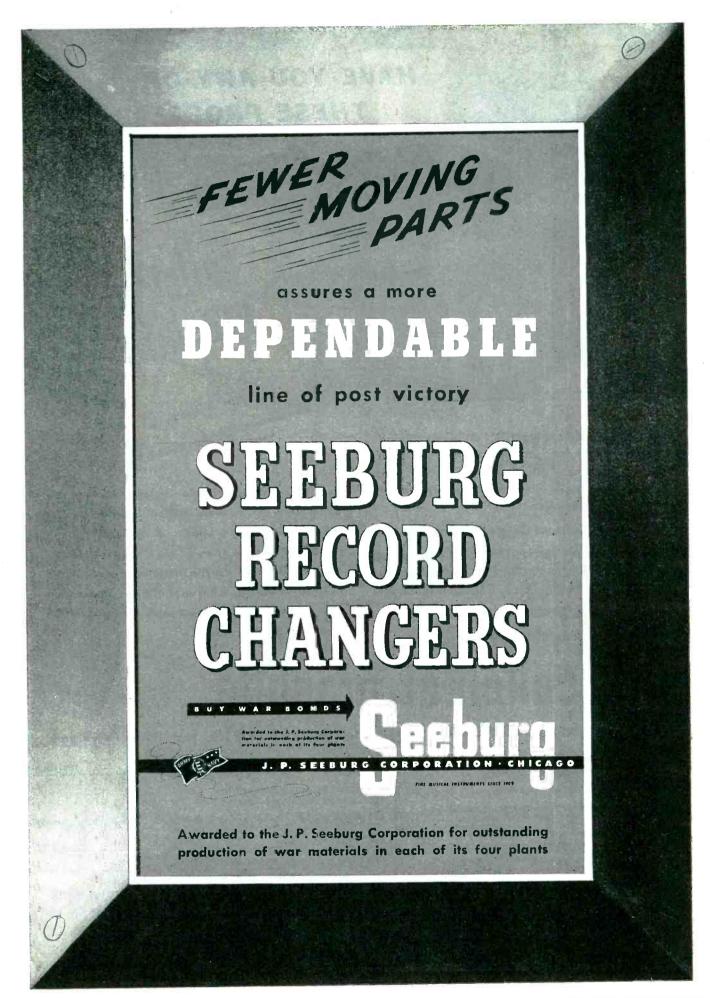


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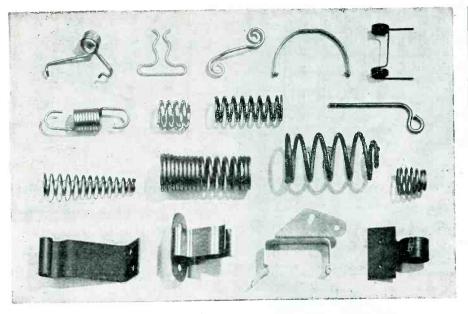
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To turn off the controlled equipment, the above sequence of events is repeated, except that this time the 884 plate-cathode circuit is in series with the coil of relay B, so when the 884 is fired, it energizes relay B and opens its normally closed contacts, thus deenergizing the main relay and returning the controlled device to the off position.

In order to stabilize the operation of this circuit, some means must be provided to prevent the 884 from becoming ionized when it is switched from one relay coil to the other. It is very difficult to speak even one syllable before the main relay switches the 884 to relay Bor back again, for if sound is still entering the microphone after the 884 is switched, then the 884 would become deionized again and switch the circuit back to the position it maintained before the sound was applied to the mike.

Stabilization Circuit

A "decaying bias" circuit is used to prevent the possibility of the above-mentioned instability from occurring. This circuit consists of two 0.5- μ f capacitors designated C and C_1 and resistor R. One capacitor is used when the controlled equipment is turned on, to prevent the 884 from ionizing twice from one sound impulse and turning the controlled device off again. The other capacitor is used in the same manner, except it is used when the equipment is turned off, to prevent it from being turned back on from the same sound impulse with which it was desired to turn it off.

The circuit works in the following manner: during the period when relay A is deenergized, capacitor C is connected to the minus 50-

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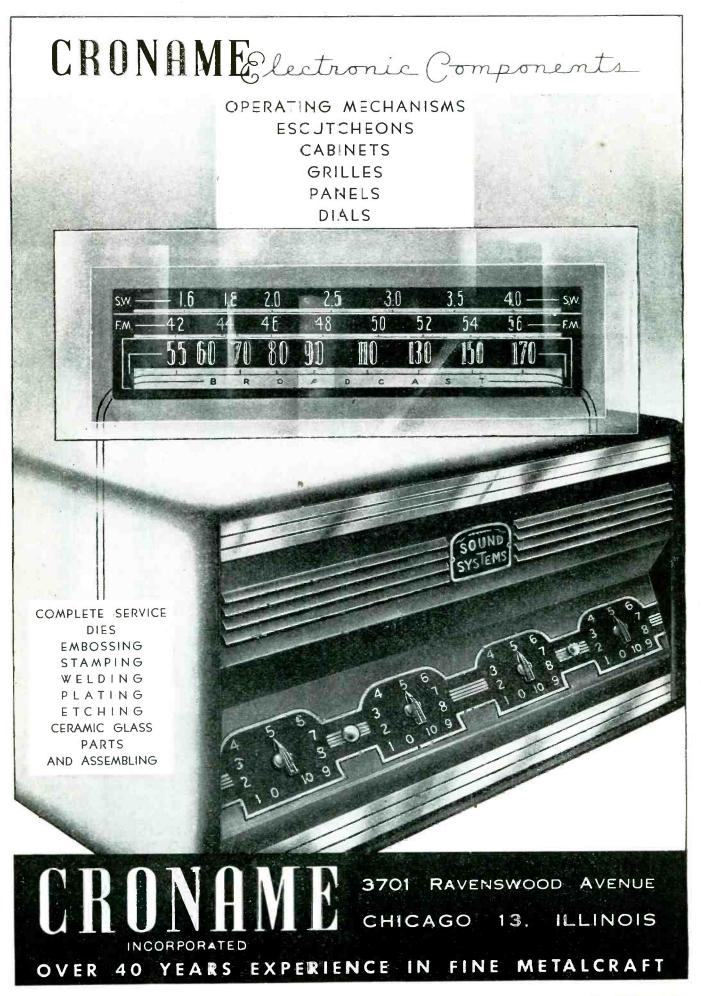
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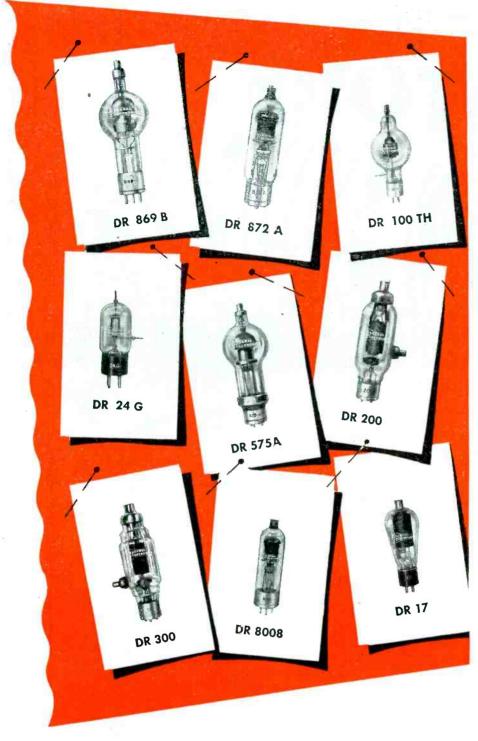
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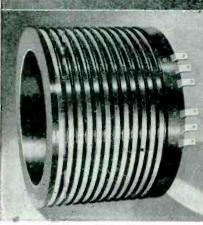
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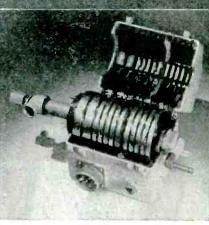
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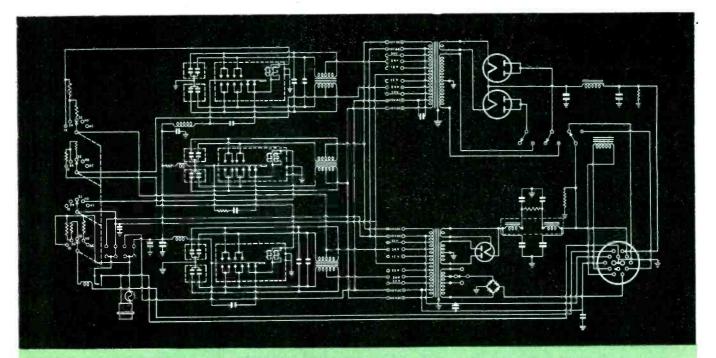
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Rapid Technique for Measuring Line Characteristics

A METHOD OF MEASURING u-h-f characteristics of lines which takes only twenty minutes in production testing is described by F. Jones and R. Sear in *Wireless Engineer* (Dorset House, Stamford St., London S.E. 1) for November, 1944.

A test line is brought to resonance. A section of cable in excess of an integral number of half-wavelengths is attached to the test line and brought to resonance by cutting the far end. A meter reading is taken; the test line is then detuned first in one direction, then in the other to the point where the meter

Characteristics of Steel During Induction Heating

A DISCUSSION of the peculiar effect of striated heating, produced when steel is heated by induction methods, is given by George I. Babat of Moscow in *Journal of Applied Physics* for December, 1944. The strias appear as bright orange bands against a cherry-red background when a cylinder of magnetic steel is heated by induction means.

The striated heating effect is observed only with materials having high values of permeability. It is most pronounced in the case of soft iron, and appears in carbon steel of the ferrite and pearlite types. Steels with low permeability show a much weaker effect. Moreover, the striated heating effect depends upon the preceding thermal treatment of steel (hardening, annealing). When heating non-magnetic materials such as austenite steel or graphite—the striated heating effect is not observed at all.

The effect described may be explained by the redistribution of current during the heating procedure. A multiturn heating coil produces a non-uniform distribution of currents on the surface of steel. Places under the middle of gives half its resonant deflection. From scale readings on the test line and capacitance measurements made at a low frequency, the characteristics of the line under test are calculated.

Special precautions are given for corrections for unbalance in velocity of propagation on dual lines. The method is accurate to 2 percent, and has the added advantage over other systems of using relatively short cable lengths. The paper describes the test line construction, the meter circuit, and wavelength measurements.

the conductors are the first which attain the Carie temperature and the resistance of these places becomes much less than that of the surrounding metal. Currents from the neighboring places gather in these strips so that current density here sharply increases. The specific power in these places may exceed many times that in the surrounding metal. The surface of the steel reflects the luminous pattern of the heating coil.

The power absorbed by the sample is proportional to $(\rho\mu)^{1/2}$, and most of this energy is concentrated in a layer whose thickness is proportional to $(\rho/\mu)^{1/2}$. Because of the change in these parameters the rate and depth of heating are variables depending on the composition of the sample and its temperature. Figure 1 shows these variations.

Resistivity, ρ , increases with temperature, the initial value and rate of increase depending upon the particular iron alloy and composition, until the Curie point is reached. Above this point the resistivity is $(120-130)10^{-6}$ ohms for all alloys of iron.

Permeability, ρ , beside depending upon composition of the sample and its temperature, depends on field strength, ranging from 100 to 10,000 for low carbon steels at medium field strengths. Permeability decreases with temperature, and above the Curie point iron alloys are non-magnetic.

Current Distribution

As illustrated in Fig. 2, a multilayer coil produces a non-uniform distribution of currents resulting in non-uniform heating. If the power delivered to the work is high so that local heating takes place more rapidly than it can be uniformly distributed by conduction, rings of high current reach the Curie point first. The resistivity of these rings

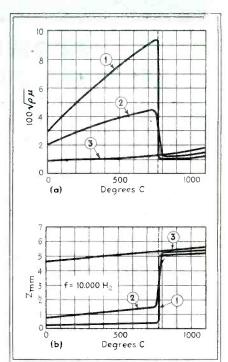


FIG. 1—(a) Relative power absorbed by the work as a function of temperature, and (b) depth of penetration during heating for (1) carbon steel with 0.8-1.2-percent C, (2) chrome steel, and (3) steel containing 18-percent Cr and 8-percent Ni

falls and as a consequence they receive still larger currents. The result is a striated heating effect. Even where the current is uniformly induced into the work, surface irregularities will produce striated heating. Such heating is only observed in materials of high permeability.

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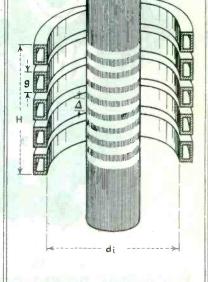


FIG. 2-Multilayer coil used in induction heating produces striated heating at high rates of power delivery

and thin. After formation they spread out, the temperature in the middle falls, while the bands washing out the darker intervals between strias remain bright. Strias are visible while the surface layer having a thickness about twice the depth of penetration is passing through the Curie point.

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BY R. L. PEEK, JR.

IN IMPEDANCE computations, it is frequently necessary or convenient to express an impedance $R_{*} + jX_{*}$ in terms of a resistance R_p and reactance X_{p} which have, when connected in parallel, the impedance $R_* + jX_*$. The reverse operation is similarly frequently required. It is the purpose of this note to describe a simple geometrical construction that represents the relation between these impedances. This relation is:

$$X_p = R_s^2 + X_s^2/X_s$$

and $R_{_{p}} = R_{_{s}}^{_{2}} + X_{_{s}}^{_{2}}/R_{_{s}}$ The corresponding geometrical construction is shown in the illustration. Here R_{i} and X_{i} are the sides of a rectangle, of which Z is

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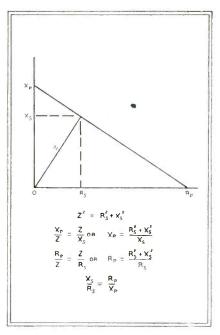
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the diagonal. The perpendicular to Z cuts X, and R_s prolonged at X_p and R_p respectively. The proof that the relation between X_s and X_p and R_s and R_p is that given by the above equations follows from the equal ratios of corresponding sides of similar triangles, as noted in the figure.

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Simple geometrical figure for representing impedance relations

cross-section paper, this construction may be used to determine X_p and R_p when X_* and R_* are given or vice versa. Aside from its utility in computation, the construction permits visualization of the relative magnitude of the four quantities involved, including the useful corollary that $X_*/R_* = R_p/X_p$.

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Stroboscopic Depiction of Electron Motion on Transmission Lines

By 'J. F. Kline Instructor, Dept. of Elect. Eng. University of Michigan Ann Arbor, Mich.

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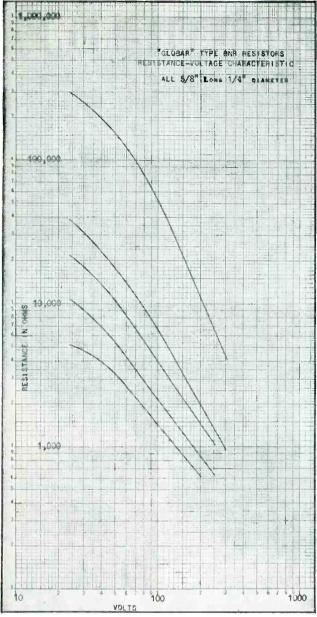
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Visual Aid

The device has been used by the author as a visual instruction aid to supplement Lecher wire experiments in the electronics and communications laboratory, where it has helped students to learn and remember the behavior of the currents and voltages in these standing wave phenomena.

Strobograms, of course, may be used to demonstrate other phenomena such as electron flow and space charge in tubes.

This particular strobogram is designed to operate on a standard 78.26-rpm phonograph turntable under a 60-cps stroboscopic light. The strobogram shown in Fig. 2 is for 33.33 rpm and 20-cps-light. If the reader has equipment for both types of operation, he will

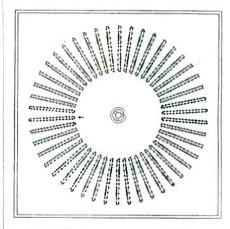


Fig. 1—Strobogram for use on 78.26-rpm phonograph turntable under 60-cps stroboscopic illumination

do well to choose the latter, since the longer period of 1.8 seconds in the 33.33-rpm strobogram is far easier for the eye to follow.

It is suggested that an enlargement of either Fig. 1 or Fig. 2 be stapled to a cardboard disc centered upon the turntable. (It is important that the disc be accurately centered, and in this connection it is easier to cut a triangular center hole than it is to cut a circular one.)

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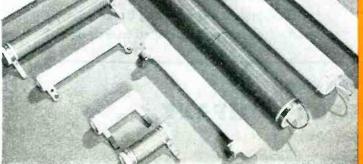
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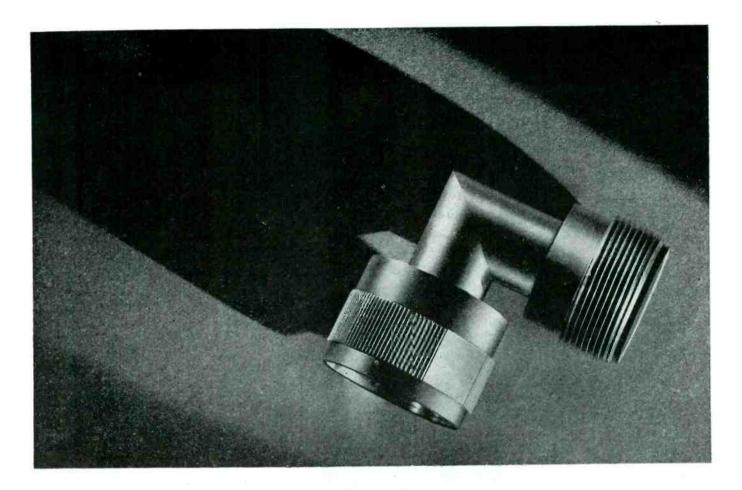
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ing, it is not as difficult as the preparation of a motion picture film which will do the same work; and when it is finished the strobogram, turntable, and light are somewhat easier to handle than a motion picture projector, film, and screen.

Stroboscope Principle

The illusion of a moving picture is obtained by viewing a series of pictures in rapid succession, each picture being slightly different from its predecessor. In this application, the method used to do this is to rotate the strobogram and flash the light upon each picture as it passes a certain reference point. The synchronizing of

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Fig. 2—Strobogram for use at 33.33-rpm rotation under 20-cps illumination

picture and light is accomplished by synchronizing both light and turntable motor with the common line frequency, although direct control which works at any turntable speed can be applied. For example, the author has punched holes in the edge of a strobogram card and, using these to modulate a beam of light directed to a photocell, controlled the stroboscopic light.

There are stroboscopic light sources on the market which are suitable. Fluorescent lamps and thin-filament incandescent lamps, although usable with turntable speed-checking discs, are not at all effective when used with the strobogram. The reason for this is that the light must consist of successive flashes of very short duration compared to the length of the period. The frequency f of these light

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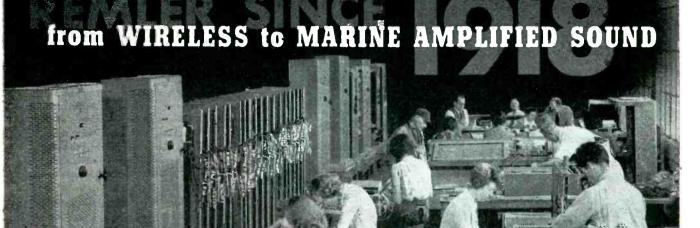
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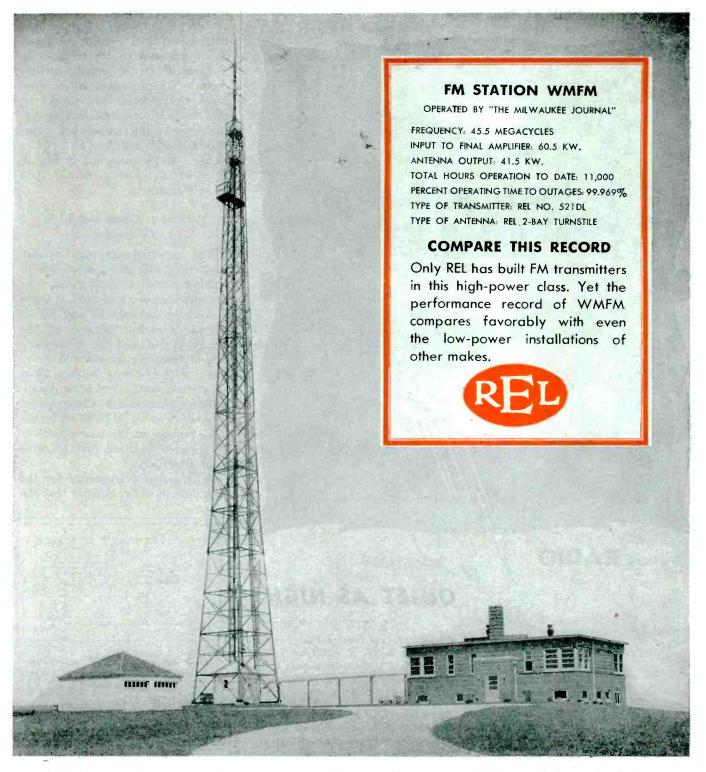
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Turntable Speed and Light Frequency

The experimenter may wonder what turntable speed to choose in making his first strobogram. As has already been indicated, if there is a choice between 33 and 78, 33 should be chosen because of the longer period and the consequent ease of following the electron movements with the eye. In fact, 33 is about the lowest speed to be recommended, because any advantage of a lower speed would be offset by the disadvantage of the larger number of pictures required for the same light frequency.

In choosing a frequency for the light one should remember that the

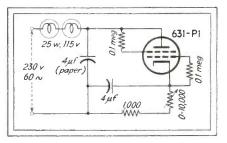


Fig. 3—Stroboscopic light source operates at the line frequency or a subharmonic thereof

higher the frequency, the greater the number of pictures that will be required. On the other hand the frequency should be at least 20 and preferably 30 flashes per second in order to avoid flicker. On this basis the 60 cps chosen for Fig. 1 would seem too high; however, at the time this figure was drawn, the author wanted a strobogram which would be useful in experimenting downward through a wide range of continuously varying speed and frequency without encountering the flickering effect.

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In picture *a*, the electrons have crowded around points 2 and 3, and have moved away from points 1 and 4. Therefore point 2 is negative in potential with respect to point 1 at this instant, and point 3 is negative with respect to point 4. In fact, the entire half wavelength of the lower left-hand wire centering about point 2 is negative with respect to the wire just above, although this difference of potential is greatest between points 1 and 2.

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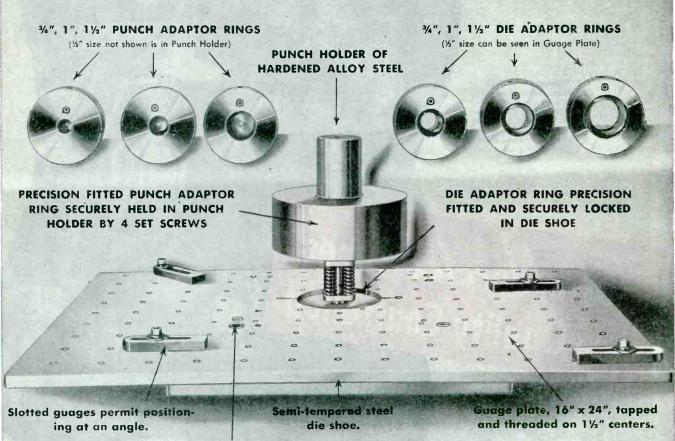
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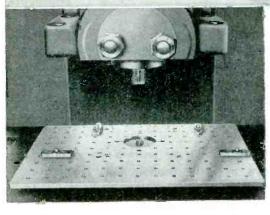


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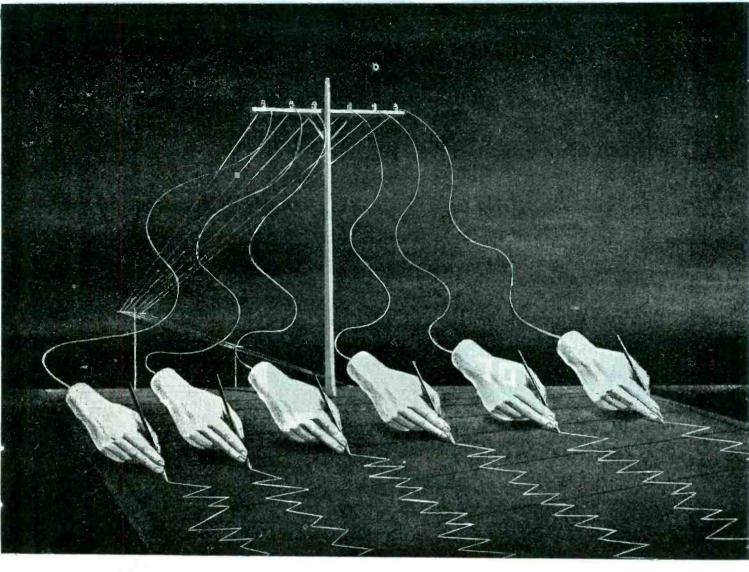


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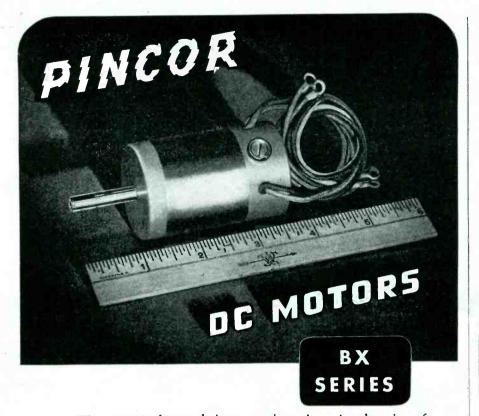
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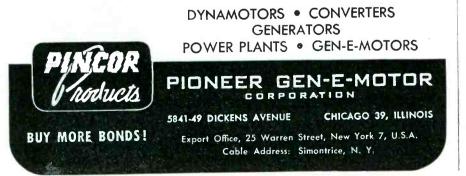
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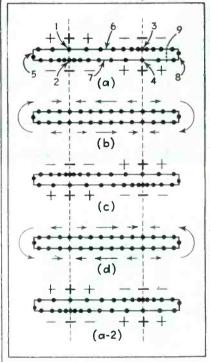


Fig. 4—Electron positions shown at quarter-cycle intervals illustrate the information that can be demonstrated by α strobogram

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trons are halfway back from the condition of picture c to the condition of picture a. Moreover, it may be seen that in all pictures the average electron density near points 5, 6, 7, and 8 is always the same. hence there is never any potential difference between these points.

Line Impedance

Similarly the impedance at a point along the line can be analyzed. If we break into the line at section 9 of picture a in Fig. 4 and look toward the *right*, we see a negative potential on the upper wire with respect to the lower one. At the same place one quarter cycle later, shown in picture b, we find a current of electrons flowing into the upper wire and out of the lower one, but no voltage. Thus the current here lags the potential by one quarter cycle; this is the behavior of an inductance.

This behavior is exhibited to greater or lesser extent everywhere between section 3-4 and point 8 and also between sections 1-2 and 6-7, still looking toward the right. By a similar analysis, it can be shown that the behavior in the remaining sections of the line, again looking toward the right, is that of a capacitance

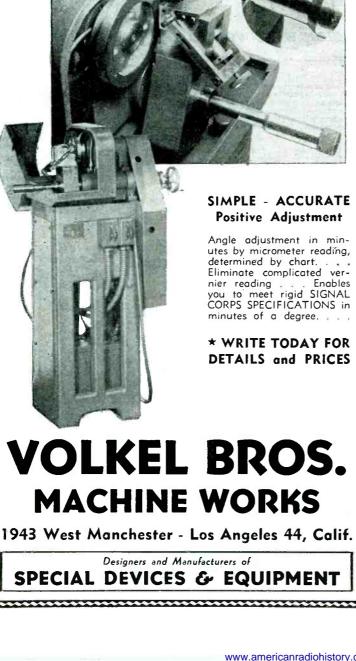
Furthermore, we can draw conclusions about open-ended lines by reasoning that the right end of this line can be broken off at section 3-4 and removed, without affecting the current or voltage distributed along the rest of the line, since there is never any current at points 3 and The inductive or capacitance 4. properties of the rest of the line will remain the same at all points, and each of these points will be one quarter wavelength closer to the end of the line, but this time the end will be open instead of shorted.

This picture can be shown by means of the strobogram if a card is held over the right-hand quarter section of the line.

Graphical Construction

The procedure used in constructing a strobogram such as that shown in Fig. 1 is first to draw the circle of equally spaced, identical rectangles. 46 of them in this case.

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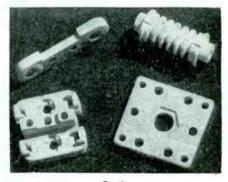
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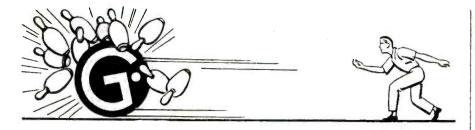
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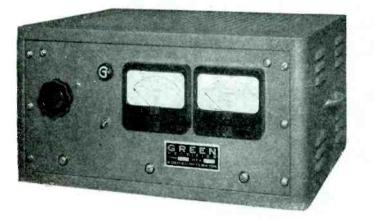
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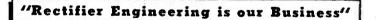
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Next, make the drawing shown in Fig. 5. Start with line A, making the solid portion of it 70 units long. Draw lines M and N, perpendicular to A and crossing it 17.5 units from the ends, leaving 35 units between these lines.

Draw the circular arc with some point on A as a center and using

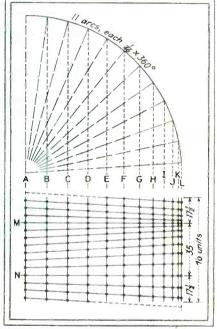


Fig. 5—Graphical construction is used to locate electrons along lines A to L from which the strobogram of Fig. 1 is drawn

any convenient radius. Unfortunately 46 divided by 4 gives a mixed number, therefore take the first whole number less than that value, namely 11. .Starting at line A, mark off 11 arcs each 1-46 of a complete circle. (The pattern for Fig. 2 was made by taking 9 arcs each 1-36 of a circle.) Then through the endpoints of these arcs, draw the dotted lines B through Lparallel to A. Solidify the portions of these lines up to 17.5 units outside of their intersections with M and N. On the last line, L, lay off lengths of 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8 units working away from M, in either direction, or 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, and 2 units working away from N.

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Transferring Construction to Strobogram

Next, divide line A into sections 5 units long, as shown, and then draw in the straight connecting lines. The intersections of these lines with the parallel lines, A through L, give the patterns for placement of the electrons on the strobogram. The next step is to draw two circles on the strobogram, cutting each rectangle at a point 17.5 units from either end. Then, when transferring from the pattern line to the strobogram itself, keep lines M and N in exact alignment with these circles.

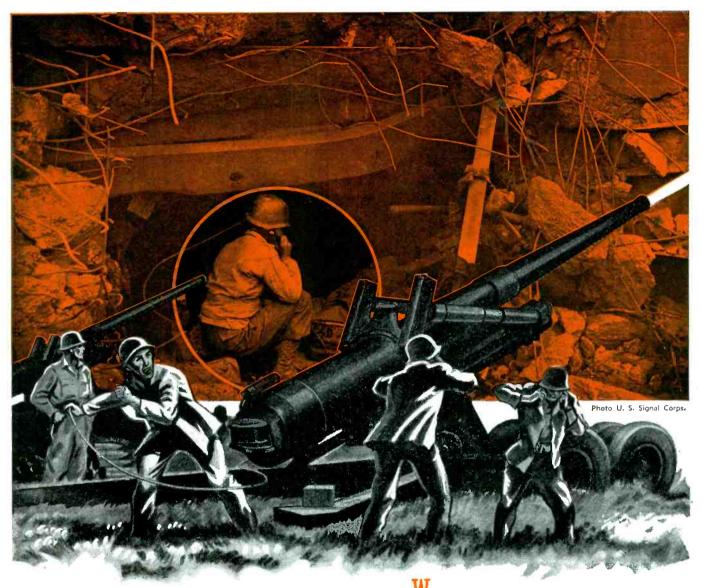
Cut the pattern paper along line L and place the pattern along one side of the rectangle number 11. and transfer the points. Then turn the same pattern line around for the other side of the same rectangle and transfer those points again. The following table indicates the proper pattern for each rectangle. Rectangle No. 0 (or 46) is the one marked with the arrow in Fig. 1. Numbers run counter-clockwise from there.

| Pattern Line | Pict | ure | Numbers | | | | |
|------------------|------|-----|---------|----|--|--|--|
| A | 0 | | 23 | | | | |
| В | 1 | 22 | 24 | 45 | | | |
| C | 2 | 21 | 25 | 44 | | | |
| D | 3 | 20 | 26 | 43 | | | |
| \boldsymbol{E} | 4 | 19 | 27 | 42 | | | |
| F | 5 | 18 | 28 | 41 | | | |
| G | 6 | 17 | 29 | 40 | | | |
| H | 7 | 16 | 30 | 39 | | | |
| Ι | 8 | 15 | 31 | 38 | | | |
| J | 9 | 14 | 32 | 37 | | | |
| K | 10 | 13 | 33 | 36 | | | |
| L | 11 | 12 | 34 | 35 | | | |

After all this has been done, the picture will be improved if an extra electron is "faked in" at each end of each rectangle, because the length of each shorting bar is about the same as the average distance between electrons.

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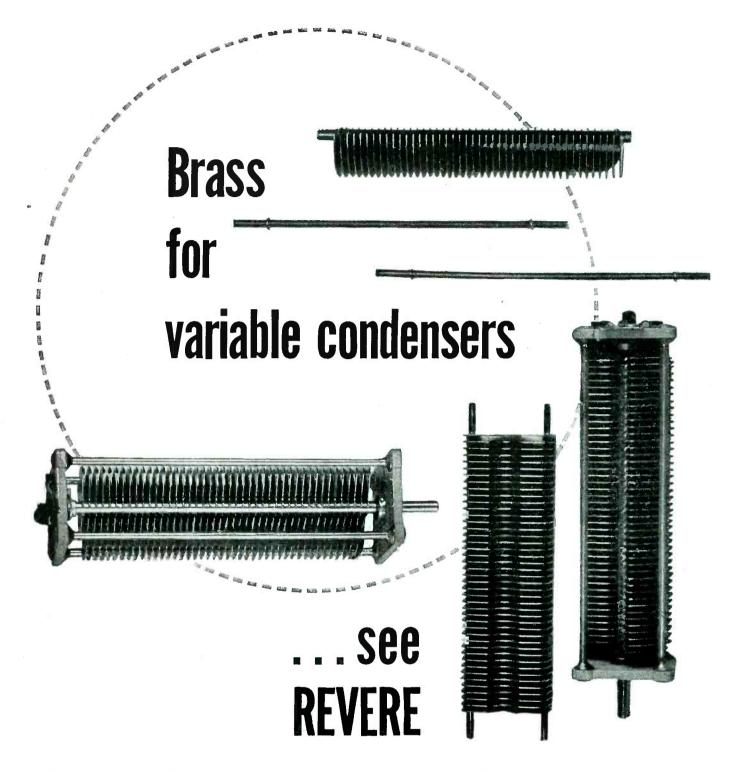
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The idea came from an ornithologist, presently a naval officer in the Pacific, who noticed that his ship's radar equipment often detected the presence of albatrosses, man-o'-war birds, and other large species.

Electronified Geophysics

DURING APRIL, the Society of Exploration Geophysicists held its Fifteenth Annual and Fourth Wartime Conference, in Tulsa, Okla. This industry, which involves twenty or more research and development laboratories and about 500 field parties utilizing mostly seismic techniques, annually expends about \$35 million,

As an example of the degree to which the elaboration of instrumentation has reached, it was pointed out that a modern seismic recording unit may utilize 72 pickups feeding 24 channels of multiple-



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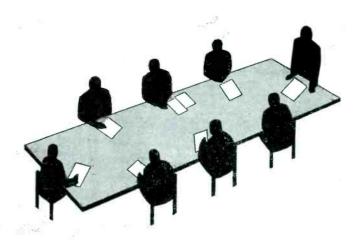
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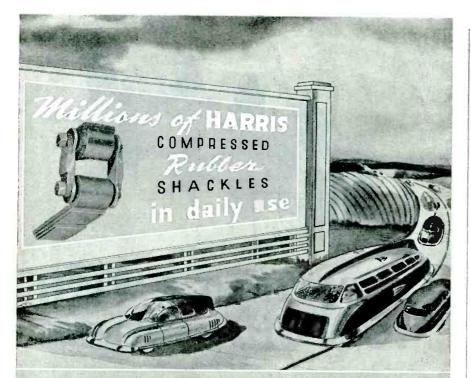
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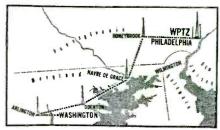


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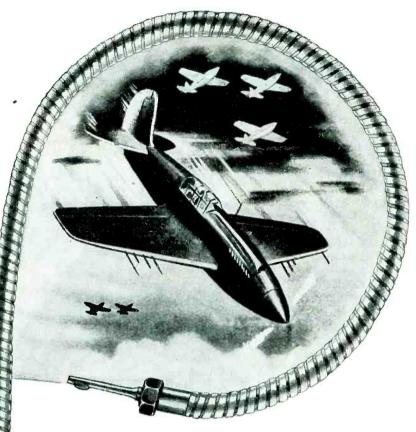
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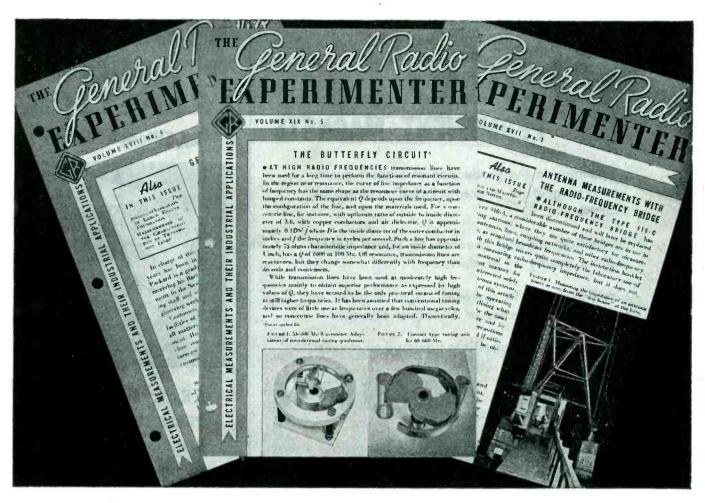
The discussion, which was under the chairmanship of Dr. W. L. Everitt, was participated in by two dozen or so prominent speakers in the field including Major E. H. Armstrong, R. A. Hackbusch, H. H. Beverage, Allen B. DuMont, C. M. Jansky and D. G. Fink, on leave from ELECTRONICS.

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ONE OF THE EARLY names in the radio industry was Thordarson, makers of perhaps the first transformers. The company was founded by Chester H. Thordarson, immigrant to the United States from Iceland. Recently, in Chicago, at the age of 78, Mr. Thordarson died. He had still been acting in an advisory capacity to the company he had launched, and which was, almost simultaneously, being sold to McGuire Industries by its former owners-Burgess Battery Co. The company will continue to operate as a separate entity.

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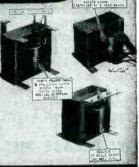
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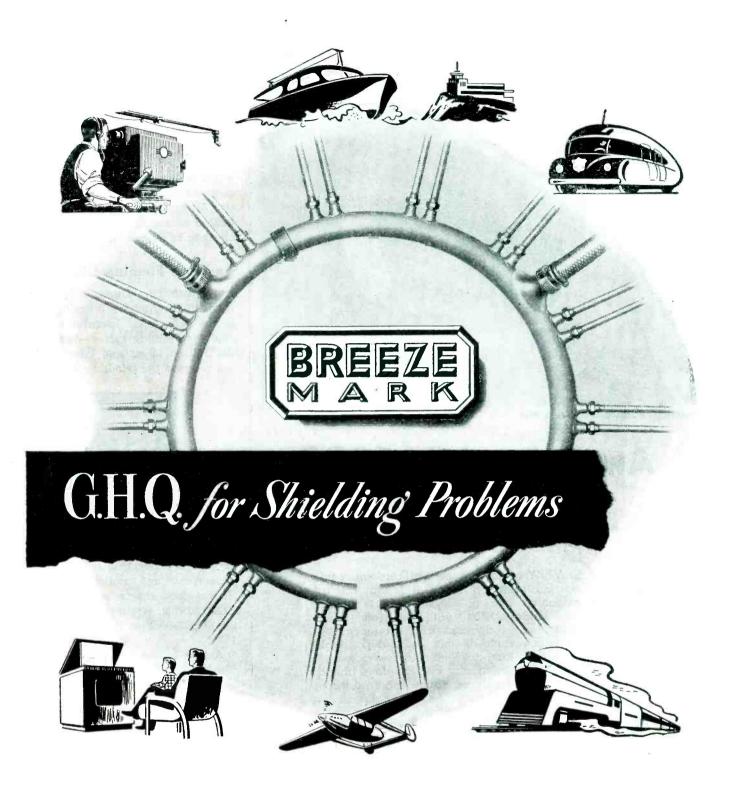
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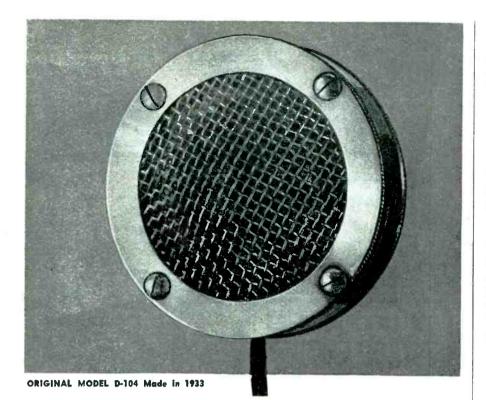
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Ambrose Fleming Dies

IN SIDMOUTH, Devon, England, April 19, Sir Ambrose Fleming died at the age of 95. Inventor of the diode or Fleming valves—based on the Edison effect and later to be evolved into the triode by deForest



—Sir Ambrose was the author of early texts on electromagnetic wave phenomena and radio telephony. He was also a charter contributor to ELECTRONICS, writing about transatlantic television possibilities in 1939.

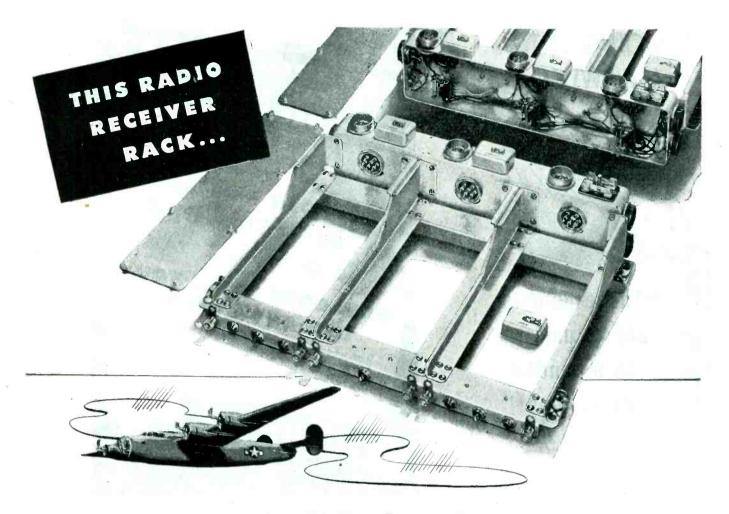
Active to the last, he had been identified with British electronics as president of the Television Society of London.

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EXPERIMENTS AND SURVEYS comprise the proposed agenda of a unit on educational use of radio suggested by John W. Studebaker, U. S. Commissioner of Education, reporting on activities during the last fiscal year of the office.

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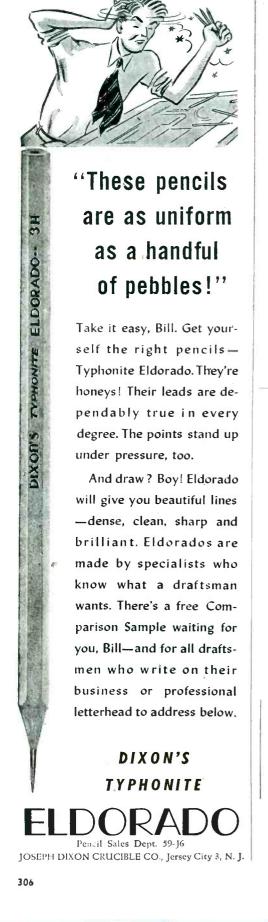


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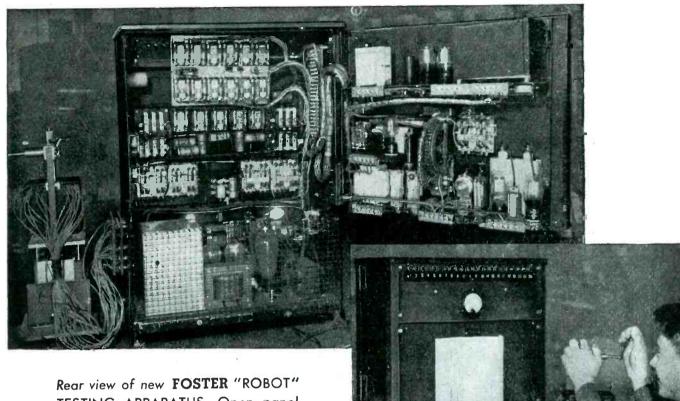
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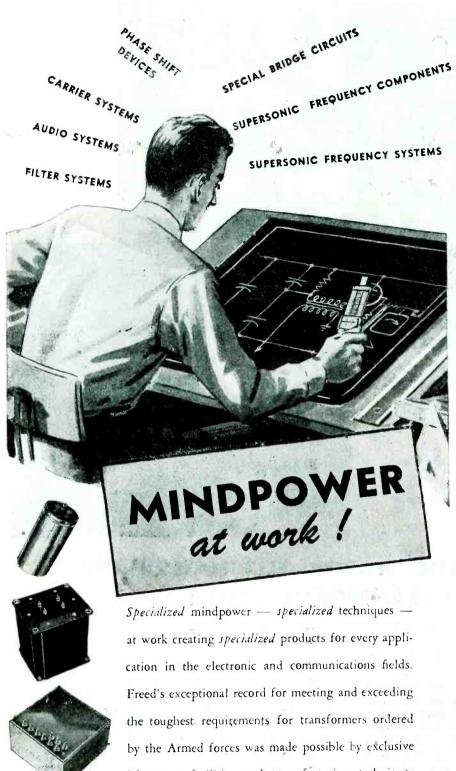
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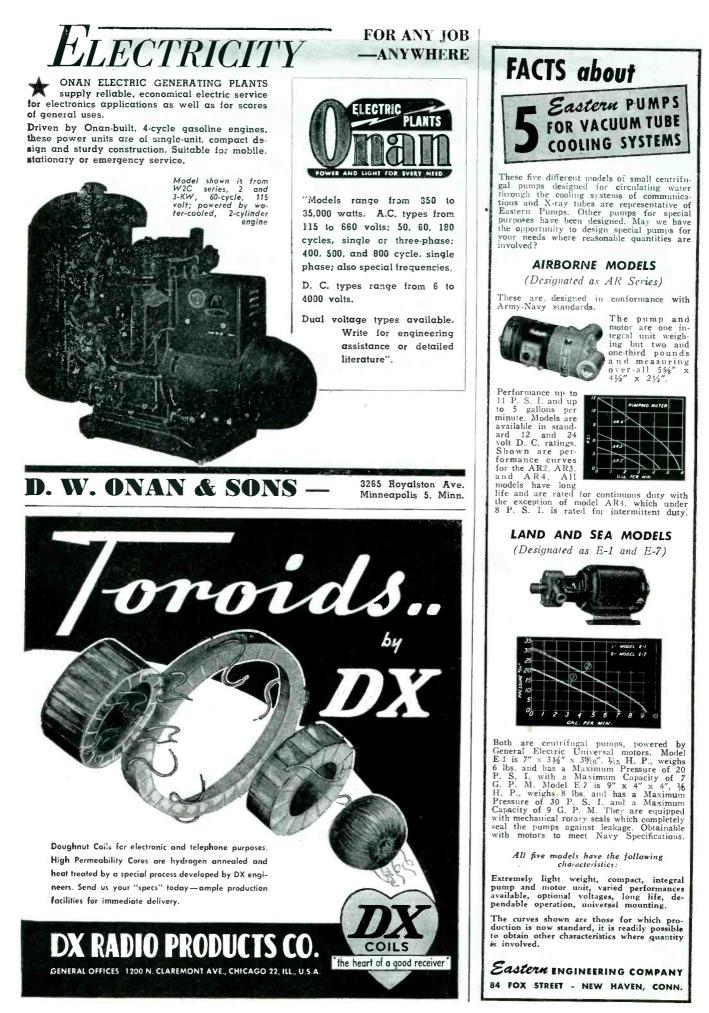
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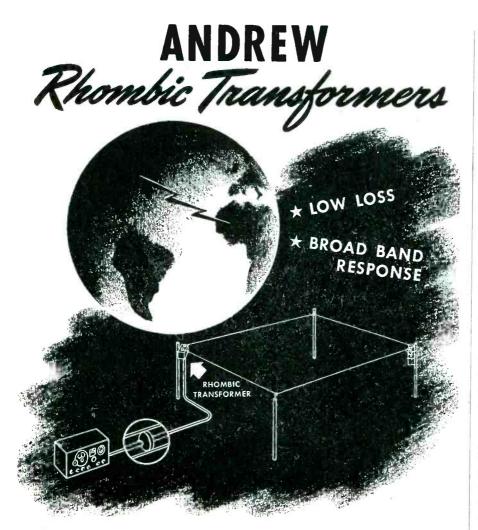


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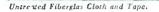
Films on Plastic Design

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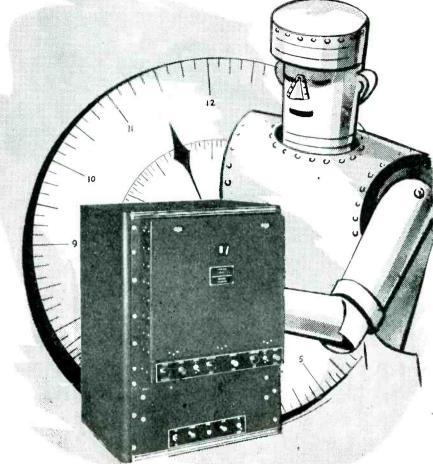
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F-M Police Radio

IN KENTUCKY, the city of Louisville has recently installed a completely new f-m police radio system to replace its first police radio installation made more than 18 years ago. Now 60 police cars and 40 miscellaneous units of the fire department, FBI and state and county police are radio-equipped.

Under the old set-up, 15 to 20 percent of the radio coverage was completely dead and 30 percent was by no means dependable. Besides giving 100-percent coverage, the f-m installation permits intercar communication.

Notes on Co-axial Cable

TO INCREASE knowledge among engineers of the characteristics and applications of high-frequency coaxial cable, the Intelin Division of Federal Telephone and Radio Corp. recently conducted a field trip through their laboratory and factory. Several new and not widely known cable properties were illustrated.

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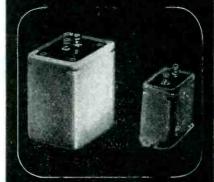
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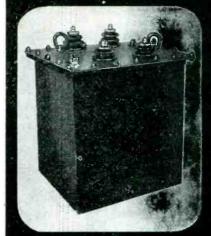
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solid dielectric, polyethylene, extruded onto the inner conductor must be free from air holes which. as Mr. Warner, who conducted the technical discussions of the trip, explained, could set up high electric stresses thereby producing corona. It also must adhere to the inner conductor. Because of the high coefficient of contraction on cooling (12 percent) of the thermoplastic insulation, it must be cooled gradually. This problem has been solved by using a continuous-flow water bath some hundred feet long, the water temperature along the tank being reduced about every six feet

Cable is tested both continuously in production and by sample for breakdown. Corona can be detected by change in cable loss or by increase in noise of the detected signal received from a cable under high voltage. In both tests, the voltage at which corona sets in is definite and within narrow limits.

A problem not noticeable at low frequencies but which produces irregularities in cable properties at high frequencies is unavoidable periodic variation in the manufacturing process. For example, if there is a slight eccentricity or an irregular tooth in the gear train of a cable drag, the cable will be pulled through a stage in its manufacture with a slight pulsation. This variation in drag will produce a slight change in electrical parameters at regular distances along the cable. If the cable is operated at a wavelength of which this distance is a quarter wave, reflections from the

The magazine being held by William P. Lear, president of Lear Inc., holds preloaded spools of wire for the recorder incorporated in the company's postwar home radio receivers. As shown here, the magazine snaps into place on the front panel of the console, does away with threading and handling of the wire

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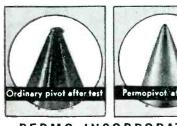
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An interesting side light—quite evident once pointed out but not generally thought of—is that the dielectric loss of the insulation is so low that it cannot be heated by high-frequency dielectric heating techniques. Besides, at about 10 Mc, where dielectric heating equipment usually operates, it is most difficult to heat water so it is not feasible to dry the powders used in cable manufacture by that process either.

Facsimile Radiophotos

ACME NEWSPICTURES, INC. is asking FCC for construction permit to build a Class 2 experimental station in the home of L. A. Thompson, Rocky River, Ohio. Mr. Thompson is chief engineer of the company. Facilities would be used to test facsimile and radiophoto transmission by fm. One-way transmission of signals is proposed to a number of cities on five different frequencies. Power would be 1000 watts.

Electronics of the Future

AN ARTICULATE believer in a tremendously expanded electronic industry after the war is Dr. C. B. Jolliffe, vice-president in charge of RCA Laboratories, who spoke on the subject recently before a joint Indianapolis meeting of AIEE and IRE.

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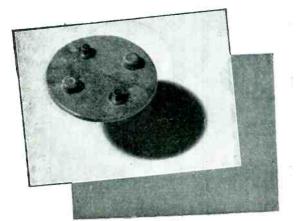
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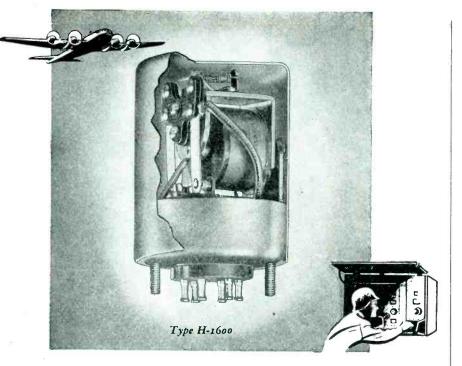


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Plea for Frequencies

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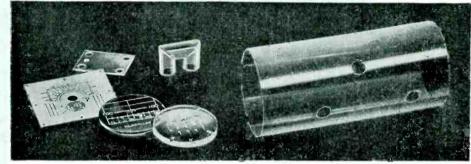
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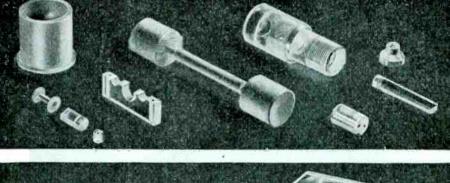


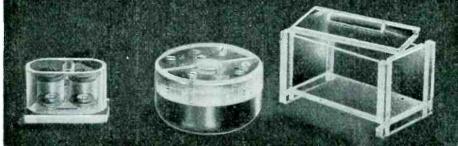
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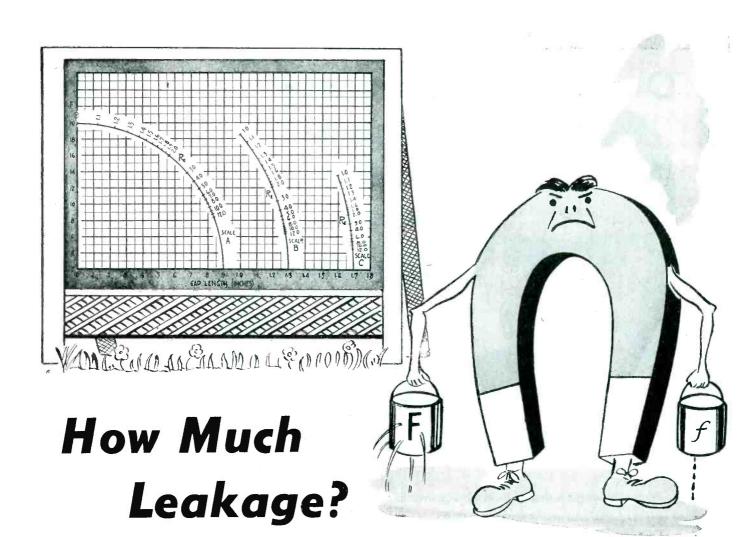
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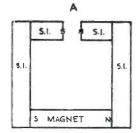
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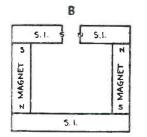
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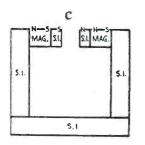
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JUNE 25-29; AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ELECTRICAL ENGINEERS, Summer Technical Meeting; Detroit, Mich.; H. H. Henline, secretary, 33 West 39 St., New York 18, N. Y. ... Cancelled.

WASHINGTON NEWS

RADIO RECEIVING TUBES. Present production of certain critical types of radio receiving tubes is about 30 percent below both the industry's own forecasts and military requirements. To accommodate Army and Navy needs in excess of production, a plan has been adopted by WPB to shift plant facilities to areas where more labor of the type necessary is available. No immediate improvement in civilian supply is visualized.

ELECTRONIC ENGINEERS. Production of radio, radar and sonar equipment requires that the straight application of induction rules and regulations not be applied to electronic engineers who are, as a group, young men. This is the view of Captain J. B. Dow, USN, Director of Electronics for the Bureau of Ships. He announced that every possible effort is being made to reconcile conflicting demands for manpower as they arise.

LEAD SUPPLY. Further restrictions have been placed on the use of lead since the supply has become increasingly critical. It can be used only for end products that have been investigated thoroughly as to their essentiality in the military program and civilian economy, according to WPB. The amended order lists 64 permissive uses for lead and eliminates previous categories of total restrictions, unrestricted uses, and quota percentage restrictions.

CONSTRUCTION PERMITS. According to a recent action of FCC, the requirement that construction of a station begin within 60 days from the date of grant of the construction permit has been deleted for WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO ABOUT THE NEW ALLOCATIONS?

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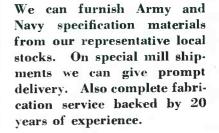
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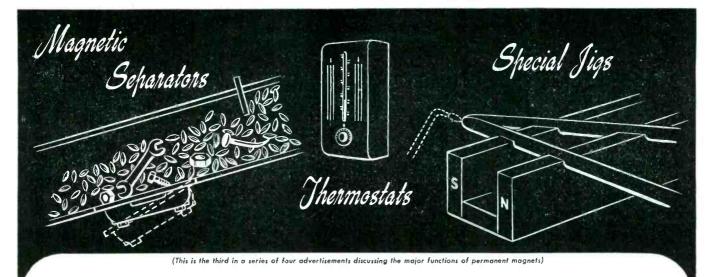


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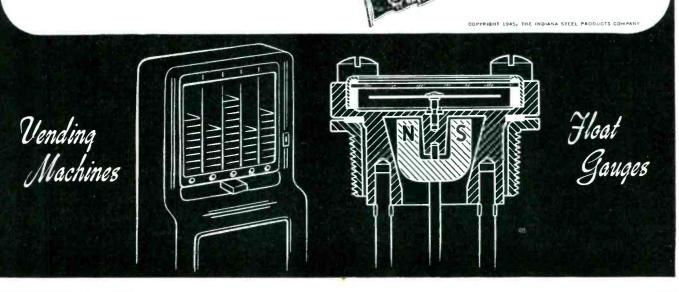
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the case of radio stations other than broadcasting. The requirements that construction be completed within eight months after the earliest possible date of commencement is now in force, while the 60-day and six-month limits still apply to broadcast service.

LICENSE RENEWALS. A more detailed review is to be conducted by FCC when passing upon applications for license renewals by broadcast stations. In accordance with this policy, a number of stations have been asked to supply information showing why the percentage of commercial time on their station log is substantially in excess of the percentage projected in the original application made by the station for its construction permit.

MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS. Idle and excess critical materials, subject to certain conditions, can be used by manufacturers of musical instruments to fill military or Veterans Administration orders irrespective of general restrictions, according to WPB. These materials include steel, brass, tin in solder and nickel for plating functional parts. Chromium; copper, except in brass; neoprene; nickel, except for plating functional parts; rubber; tin except in solder; and zinc, except in brass, are still completely prohibited. Methyl methacrylate and phenol formaldehyde plastics previously on the prohibited list have been removed in the amended order. Musical instruments include any electrically-amplified instrument and any amplifier therefor except radios, phonographs and articles designed primarily as toys.

TURNOVER. According to a report from Secretary of Labor Perkins, only 3.3 percent of the workers on payrolls of factories manufacturing radio equipment gave up their jobs, as contrasted to a figure for all 20 major manufacturing groups of 4.3.

REPAIR SERVICE GUIDE. A summary of regulations has been prepared by the Office of Civilian Requirements of WPB to serve as a guide to maintenance and repair personnel. Including all data up to March 23, 1945, the publication includes sections covering controlled materials, motors, solder, radio repair

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| | at 2 watts. |
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| Miami, Fla. | |
| WLB | Change call letters to KUOM. |
| Minneapolis, Minn. | |
| KALB | Change frequency, increase |
| Alexandria, La. | power, install new transmitter and |
| | directional antenna for night use, |
| | contingent on non-interference |
| | with Mexican Station XEMU. Construct a new developmental |
| Jersey City, N. J. | broadcast station, frequencies to |
| Jersey City, 14. J. | be assigned. |
| | Construct a new station to operate |
| Conway, S. C. | on 1490 kc, 250 watts, unlimited |
| | time. |
| KOIN | Change transmitting equipment. |
| Portland, Ore. | |
| KETJ | Operate new relay broadcast |
| San Francisco, Calif. | station to KPO on 1,606, 2,074, |
| | 2,102 and 2,758 kc, at 100 watts. |
| WERC | Change frequency to 1230 kc. |
| Erie, Pa. | |
| WKBV | Increase power to 250 watts, |
| Richmond, Ind. | change transmitter equipment, and move transmitter and studio. |
| WFEB | Operate new station on 1340 kc |
| Sylacauga, Ala. | 250 watts, unlimited time. |
| WEVA | Operate at change in frequency |
| Fredericksburg, Va. | at 1230 kc, unlimited time. |
| ₩НКС | Change frequency to 610 kc, in- |
| Columbus, Ohio | crease power to 1 kw with direc- |
| | tional antenna at night. |
| WHKK | Change frequency to 640 kc, in- |
| Akron, Ohio | crease power to 1 kw with direc- |
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| | use. Move transmitter and studio, contingent on non-interference |
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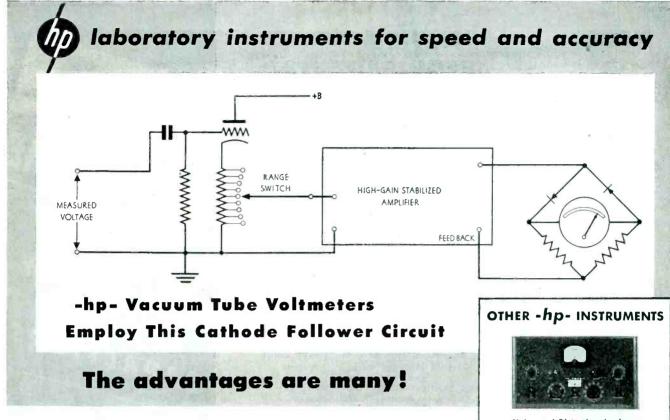
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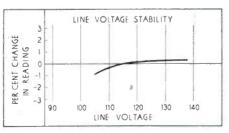


The -hp- Model 400A Vacuum Tube Voltmeter consists of the above cathode follower circuit in conjunction with a full wave rectifier and a high gain amplifier. The full wave rectifier actuates a one-mil meter. The amplifier is of the broad band type and is substantially flat from 10 cps to 1 megacycle. Because the amplifier employs inverse feedback, it is extremely stable. Hence the accuracy of meter

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The -bp- Model 400A is designed for the greatest amount of convenience. Its small physical size and large slanting scale make it desirable to use and easy to read. Power supply is completely contained. All-in-all, the -hp- Model 400A is probably one of the most useful, versatile instruments in the field. Write for further details.





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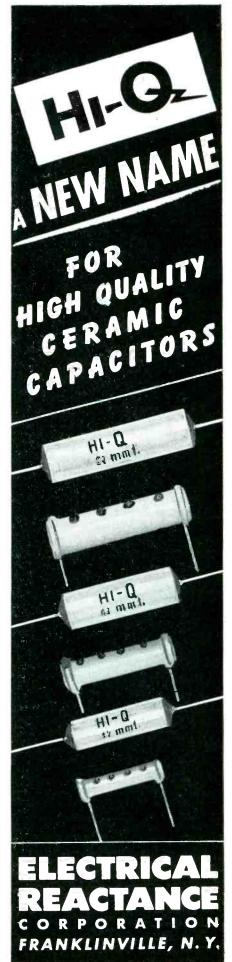
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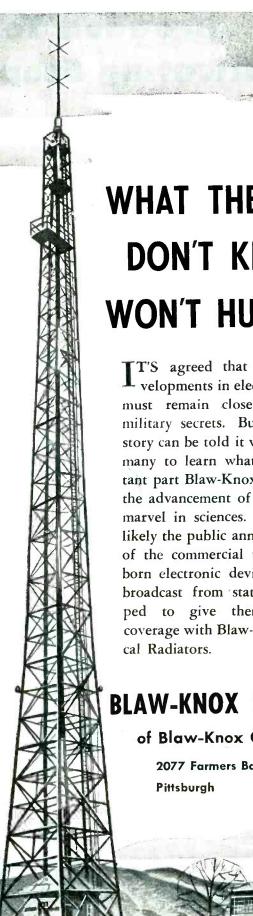
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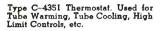
SYLVANIA ELECTRIC PRODUCTS announces a new 22,000 sq ft. plant at Marietta, Ohio, in which will be made electronic products. The building, which is a five-story brick unit, has been leased from a furniture company and will be used for production at an early date.

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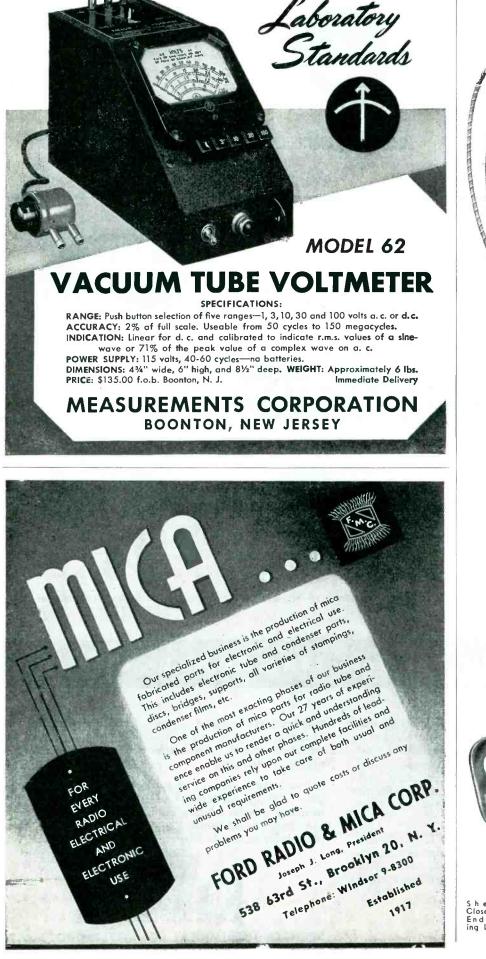
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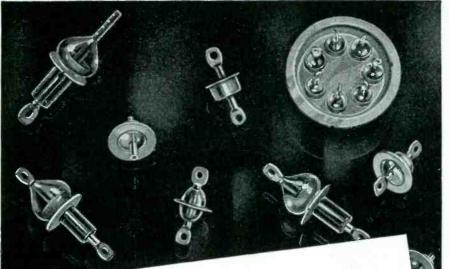
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UNGAR ELECTRIC TOOLS, INC. is the new corporate name of the company formerly known as Harry A. Ungar Inc. according to a release signed Ungar Electrical Products Co. Factory and offices are located in Los Angeles, Calif.

HALLICRAFTERS Co., Chicago, Ill., is undertaking new financing to implement its entry into the aircraft, railroad, and two-way mobile equipment field in addition to continued marine and amateur activities.

PHILCO CORP., Philadelphia, Pa. plans to produce television receiving sets for the general public within a few months after the end of the war.

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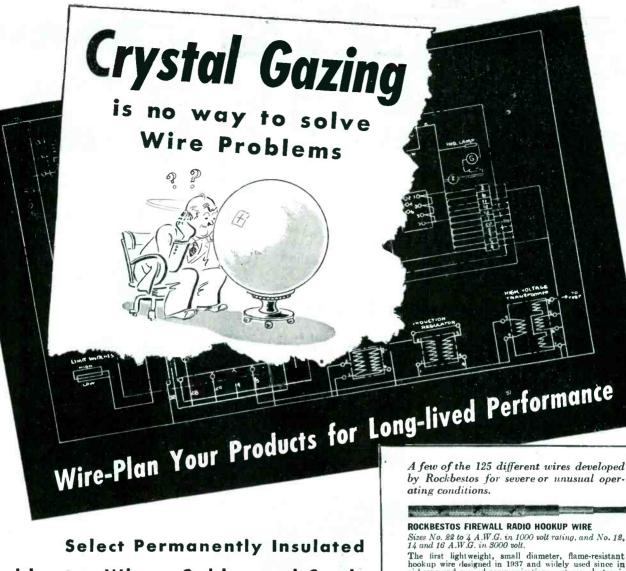


in the electronic field, is made assistant vice-president of his company.

L. V. BEDELL is appointed manager of the Sperry Gyroscope electronics plant at Garden City, L. I. He was formerly assistant manager at the Nassau plant.

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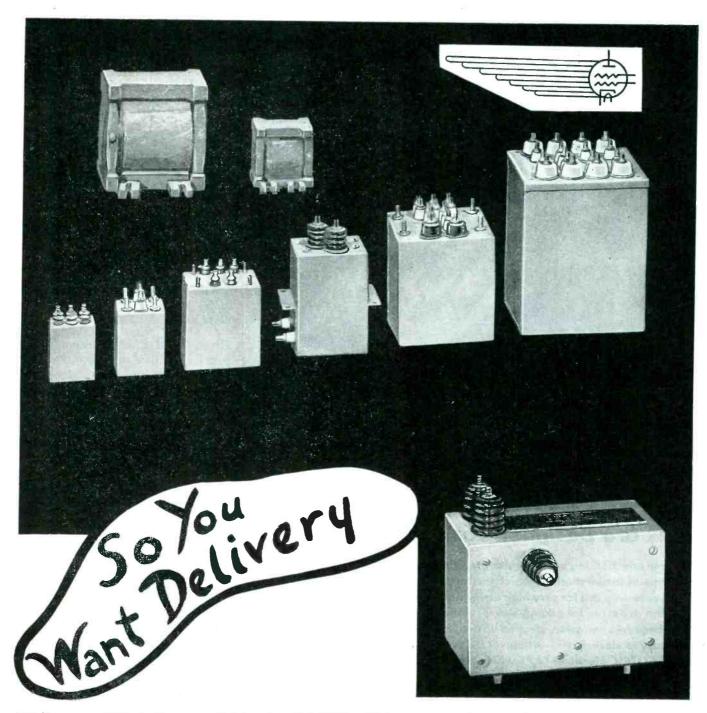
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E. F. HERZOG becomes designing engineer of the transmitter division of General Electric Company's elec-



tronics department, Schenectady, N. Y. He has been assistant to the chief engineer.

EMERSON MARKHAM, manager of television, General Electric Co., Schenectady, N. Y., has been named a member of the board of directors of TBA (Television Broadcasters Association). He will fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Robert L. Gibson, also of GE.

RAYMOND R. MACHLETT, president of Machlett Laboratories Inc., Springdale, Conn., has been presented with the Honor Award



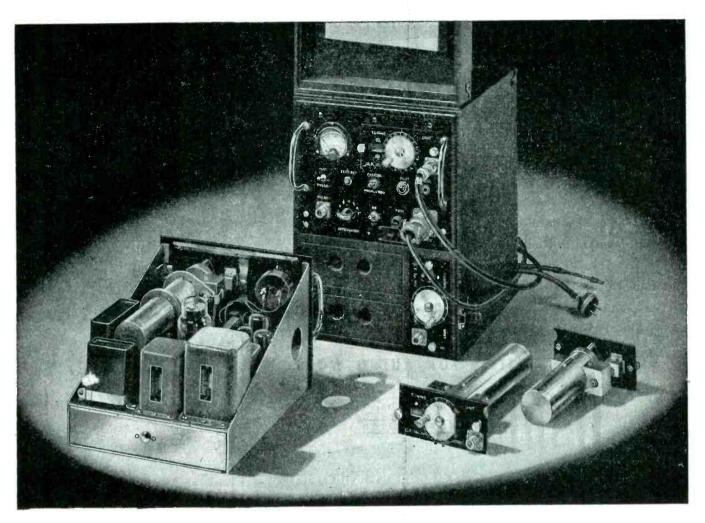
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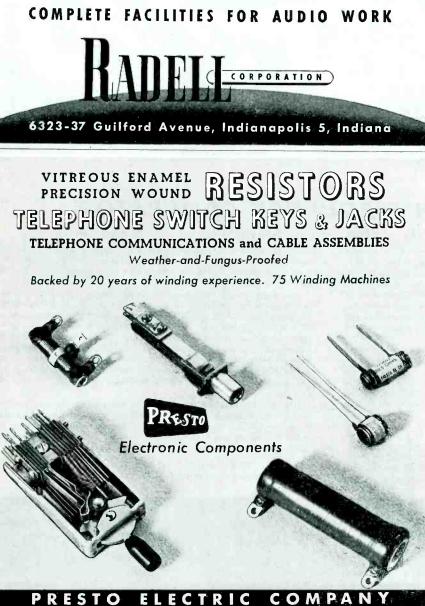


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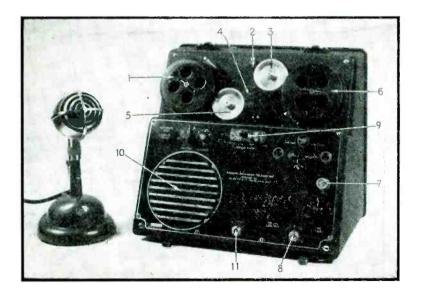
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Magnetic Wire Sound Recorder and Reproducer

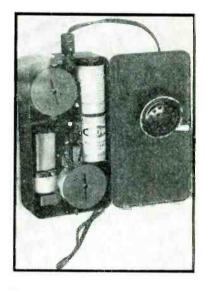
ALTHOUGH THE IDEA of wire recording dates back to Poulsen in 1896. very rapid development of the fundamental principle has taken place recently. At the Armour Institute of Technology, Chicago, for example, a staff of scientists has been at work reducing to practice the earlier work of Marvin Camras, now an associate physicist at that institution. The Armour recorder and reproducer records sound magnetically on a spool of wire nearly as fine as a human hair, and after the wire is rewound the sound record is played back with high fidelity. The recorded wire requires no processing before playback. The record is permanent. Vibration, motion, or position of the recorder or reproducer do not affect the performance

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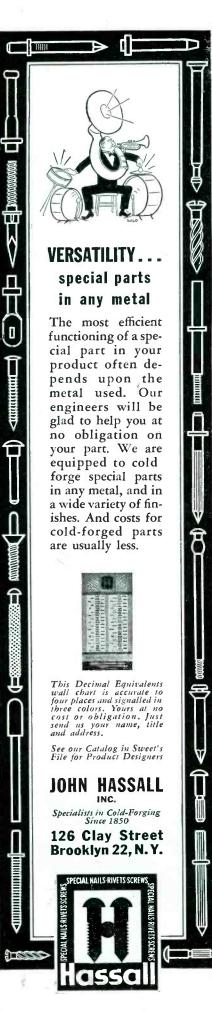
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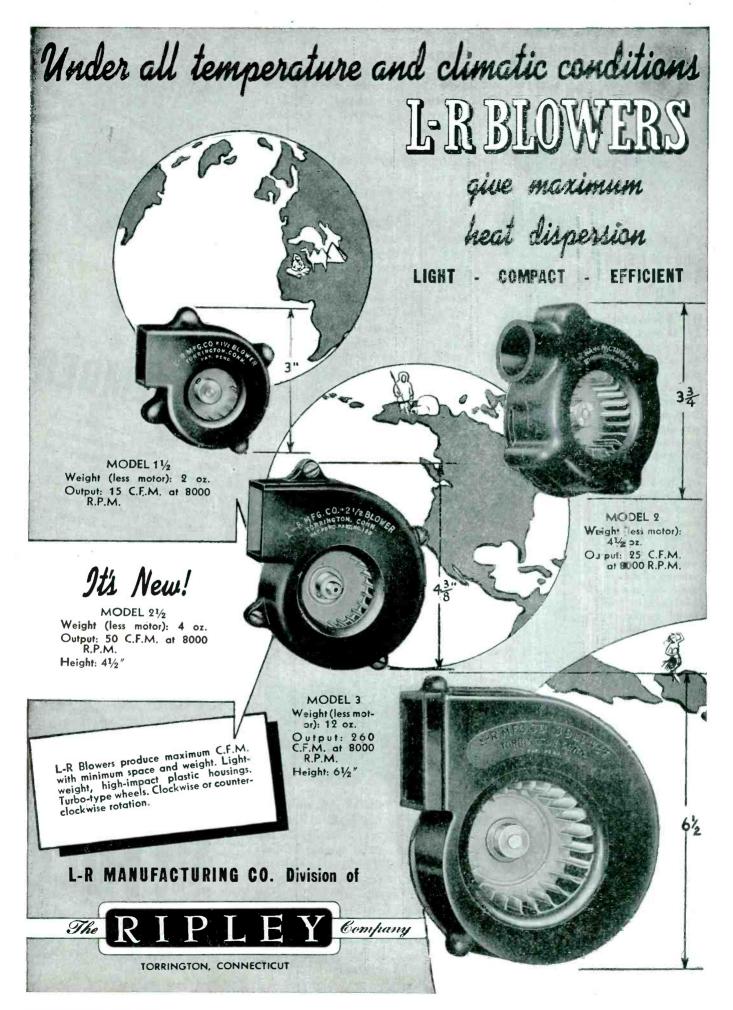
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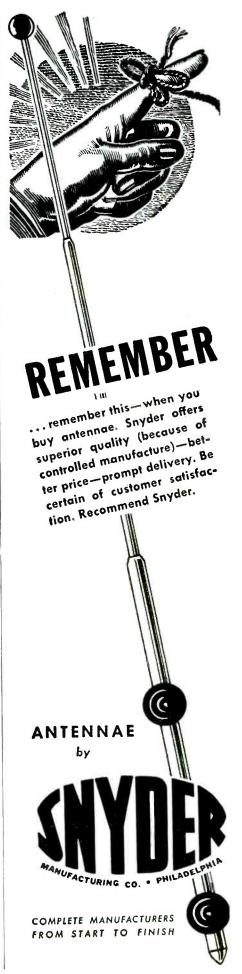
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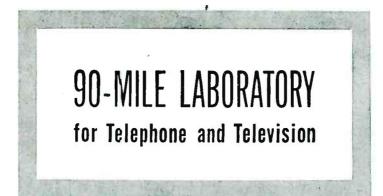
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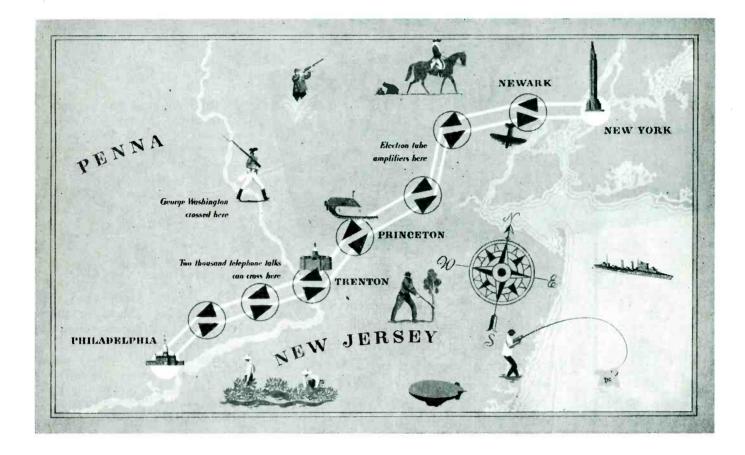
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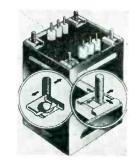


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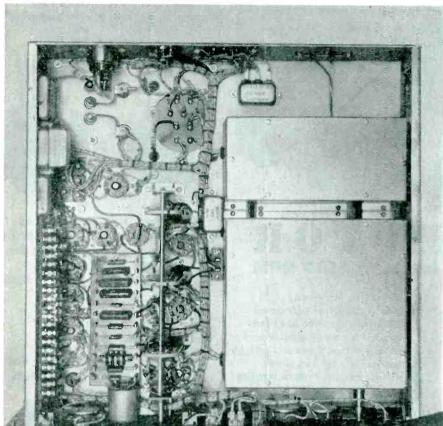
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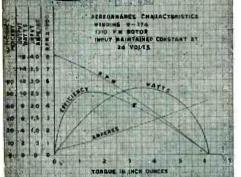
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|---------------------|------------|---------|
| Torque at 7000 RPA | A (in.oz.) | 1 |
| Torque at 4500 RPA | 3.5 | |
| Lock Torque | (in. oz.) | 6 |
| Volts Input | (min.) | 5 |
| Volts Input | (max.) | 32 |
| Temperature Rise In | 50°C | |
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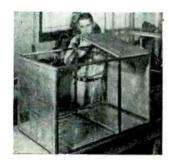


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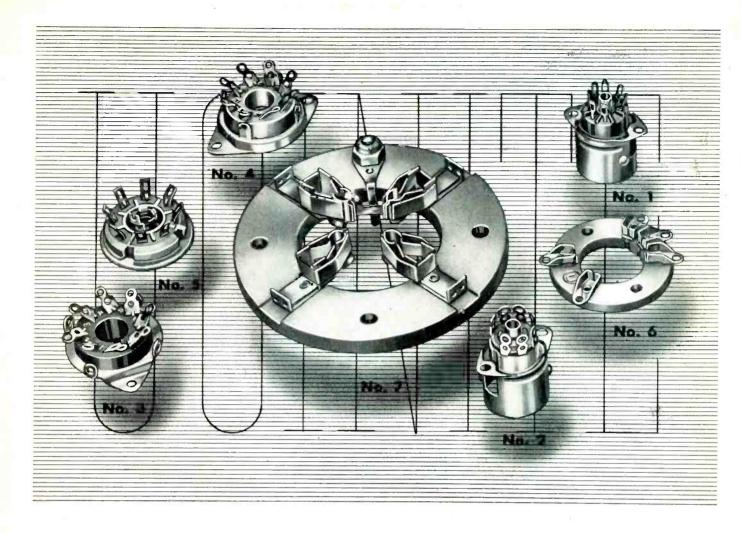


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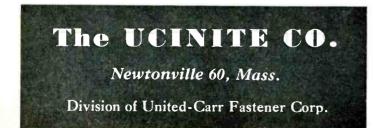
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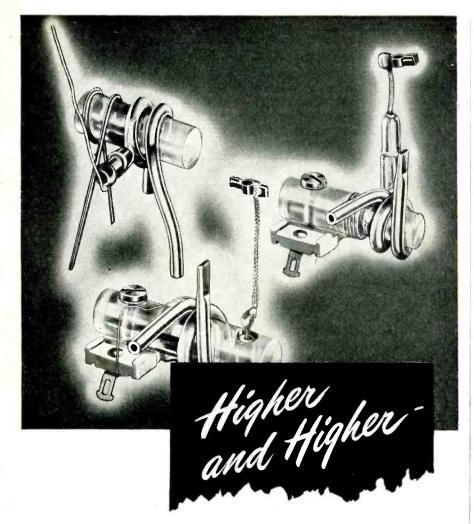
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- No. 3. Molded Octal

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Coating for Resistors

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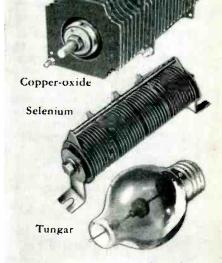


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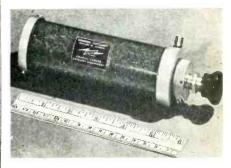
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Dry-Air Pump

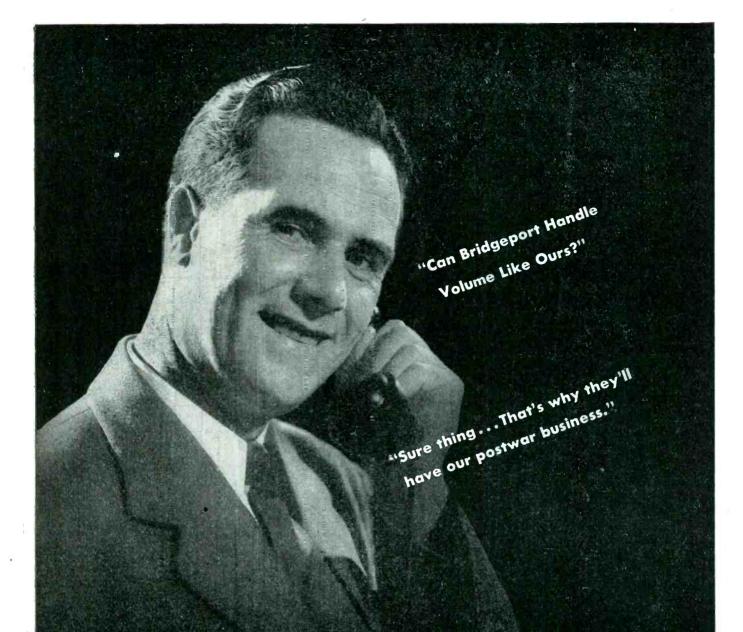
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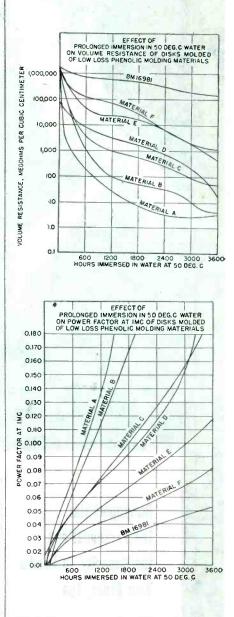
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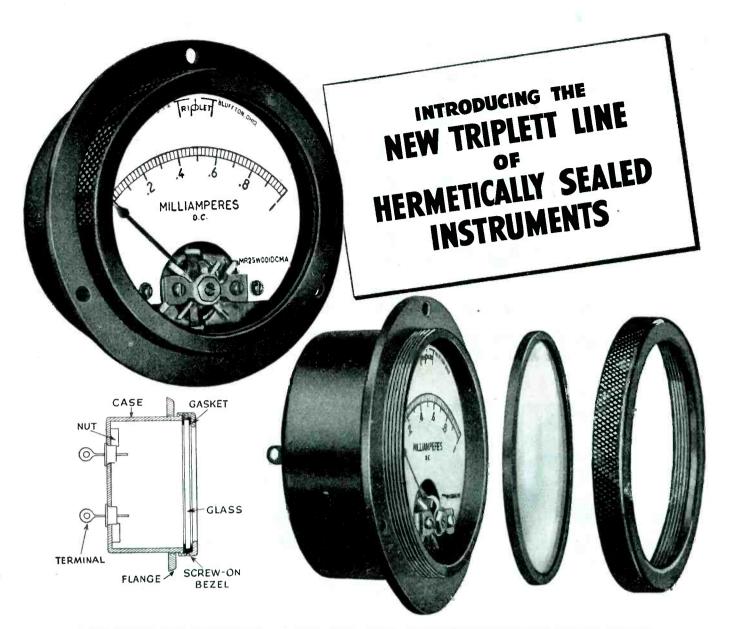


Low-Loss Plastic

BAKELITE Corporation (300 Madison Ave., New York 17, N. Y.) announces the development of new low-loss phenolic plastic molding material which provides stable electrical insulation values even when used in high temperatures and high relative humidity. Designated as BM-16981, this phenolic, mica-filled molding material is suitable in



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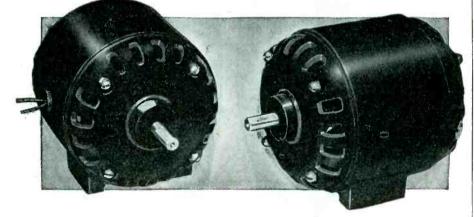
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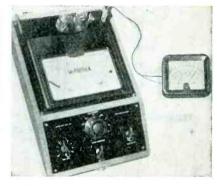
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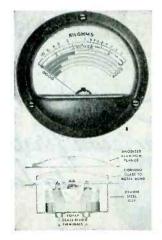


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THE METER TESTER (top illustration) is a multi-range instrument with self-contained regulated power supply and control equipment for use on 110 volts a.e., 60 cycles. It is composed of a stepless vacuum-tube voltage control; an 8¹/₂-in. mirror scale and a decade of 0.1 percent accurate wirewound resistors. Range of the unit is 25 microamp full scale, to 10 milliamp full scale, and 0-100 volts full scale. Overall accuracy is rated better than $\frac{1}{2}$ of 1 percent (the meter is hand-calibrated by a potentiometer standard-cell method). Sensitivity is 10 milliamp. A simple vacuum tube control, using a type 6N7 as a grid-controlled variable resistor, gives complete and smooth control of the power to the standard 0-100 volts d.c. The power supply is a conventional unit with a 6X5 fullwave rectifier with a type VR150-OD3 voltage regulator to the tubes.



The illustration below shows a type of hermetically-sealed 2½ and 3½-inch meters which are built to ASA specifications and which are available in all d-c ranges. Type HM-2 is directly interchangeable with AWS types MR-24 and 25. Type HM-3 is interchangeable with AWS types MR-34 and 35. Results



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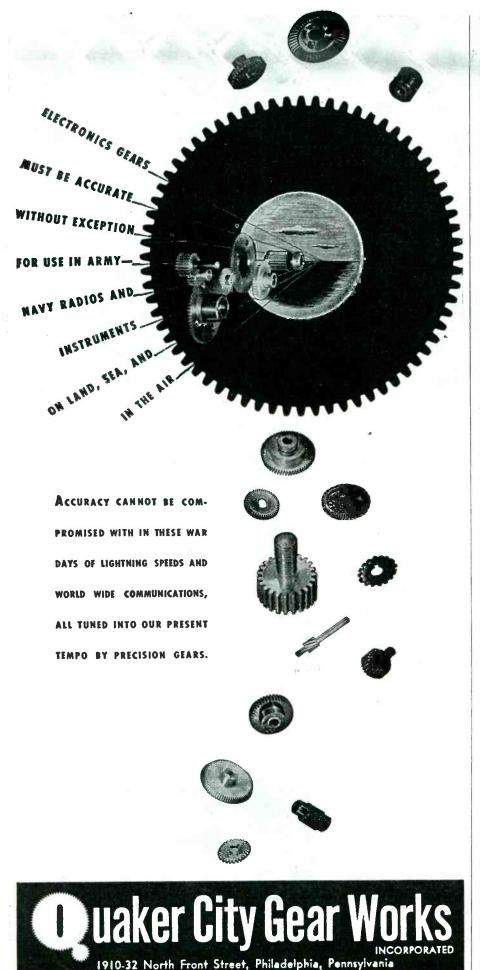
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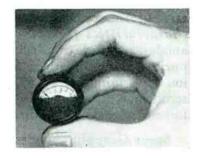
of the type of hermetic sealing (glass-to-metal) which this manufacturer uses in these meters are illustrated by this test: "The meter had been boiled and frozen alternately for twelve-hour periods for a total of eight days. Maximum zero shift at any time during these tests was 0.75 percent. Maximum errors in current at full scale reading throughout the tests was 0.5 percent. Throughout this cycling the glass-to-metal seals maintained complete hermetic sealing for the instrument and there was absolutely no moisture penetration. The instrument was then frozen

The instrument was then frozen with dry ice to minus 40 deg. F., and the ice was melted away from the window with a hot soldering iron. The soldering iron barrel was rested on the center of the glass window and the Corning Glass seal and tempering job were such that neither the glass nor the seals were at all disturbed. The instrument continued to function properly with maximum errors no greater than those indicated for the boiling test."

Marion Electrical Instrument Co., Manchester, N. H.

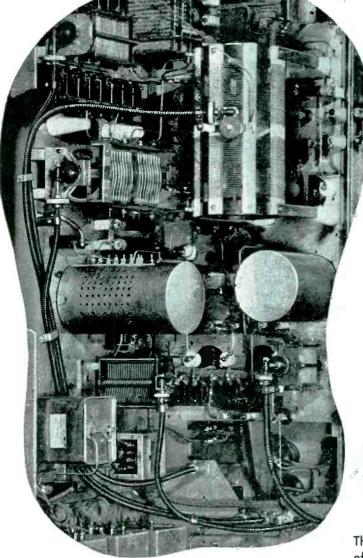
Indicating Instruments

A COMPLETE LINE of voltmeters, ammeters, milliammeters and microammeters measuring one inch in diameter and weighing $1\frac{1}{4}$ ounces (larger sizes measure $1\frac{1}{2}$ inches and weigh $1\frac{1}{2}$ ounces) has been developed by the MB Manufacturing Co.,



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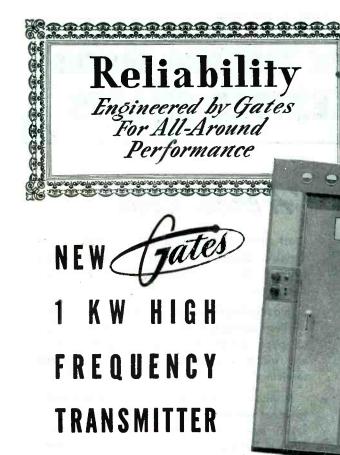
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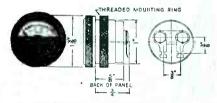
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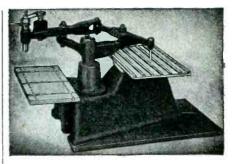
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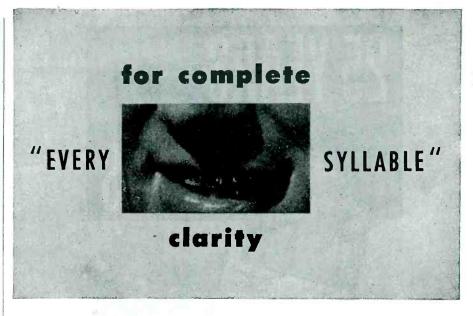
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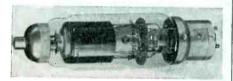


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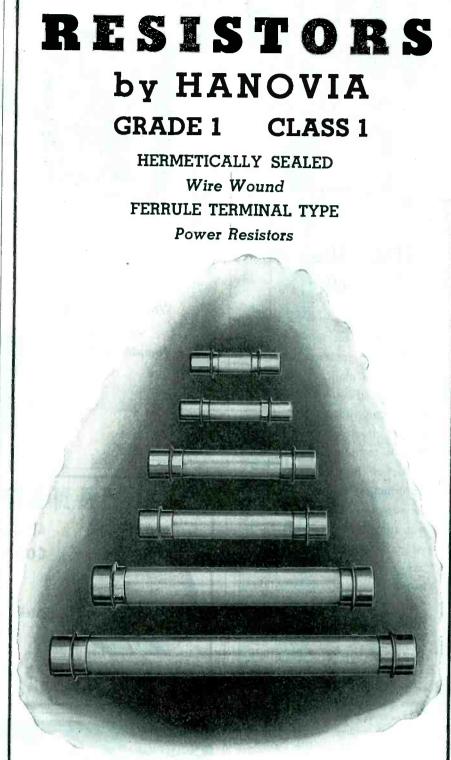
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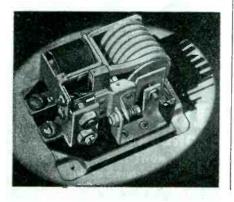
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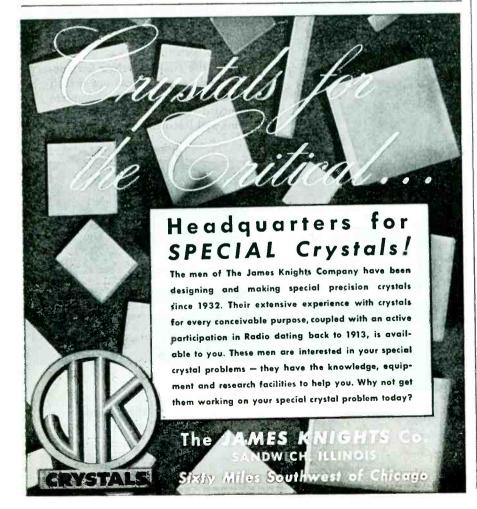
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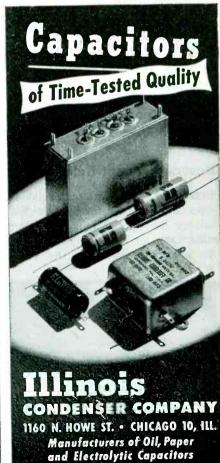
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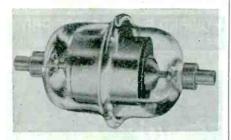


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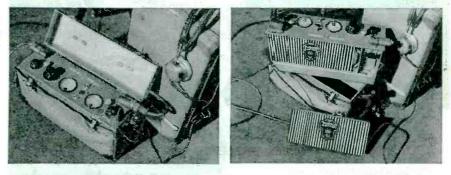
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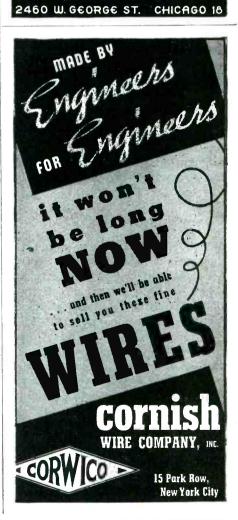
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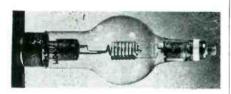




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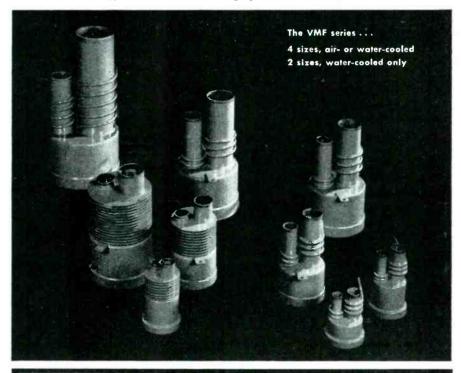
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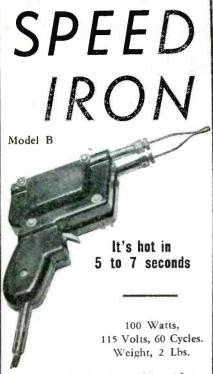
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ELECTRONIC HEATING. "Electronic Heating for Plastics" is the title of an article on this subject by M. Robert Saslaw, which appears in Vol. 3, No. 3 of a bulletin called Celanese Plastics. The author discusses briefly practical methods of heating plastic material, costs and limitations. Celanese Plastics Corp., 180 Madison Ave., New York 16, N. Y.

MICROPHONES. A simplified reference-level conversion chart is contained in a new 36-page catalog which gives basic operating principles of microphones; new and special purpose microphones as well as poly-directional, dynamic, velocity and carbon types. Electro-Voice Corp., 1239 South Bend Ave., South Bend 24, Indiana.

WAR PRODUCTION AND VE-DAY. 1s the title of the second report of James F. Byrnes, Director of War Mobilization and Reconversion, to the President, Senate and House of Representatives on the problems of mobilization and reconversion. In the booklet (48 pages) is data on policies of contract curtailment, nonrenewal and termination.

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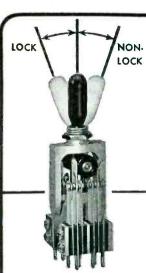
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PANORAMIC RECEPTION. "From One Ham to Another" is the title of a new book dealing with the techniques of panoramic reception for the amateur radio operator. Panoramic Radio Corp., 242 West 55th St., New York 19, N. Y.

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FLEXIBLE SHAFTS. Basic data on flexible shafts for remote control and power drives is contained in Bulletin No. 4501 from S. S. White Dental Mfg. Co., Industrial Dív., 10 East 40th St., New York 16. N. Y.

LABOR - UTILIZATION PROCEDURES. Written from the standpoint of plant management, Bulletin No. 807 should be of value to employers who are in search of improved laborutilization procedures. This study is made available at the present time because of the immediate importance of the subject in connection with war production. Superintendent of Documents, U. S. Gov-



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HOUSE ORGAN. "The International Review" is a new publication of International Telephone & Telegraph Corporation (67 Broad Street, New York 4, N. Y.) which gives glimpses of some of the world-wide activities in which I.T.&T. is engaged. Vol. 1, No. 1 is now available.

COMMUNICATION PROBLEMS. "Solving Communication Problems Is Our Business" is the title of an 8-page booklet (Form 193) which illustrates, describes and gives typical installations of Executone Co., 415 Lexington Ave., New York 17, N. Y. Another pamphlet entitled "The Story of Music-At-Work" contains illustrations and brief descriptions of equipment for plant use.

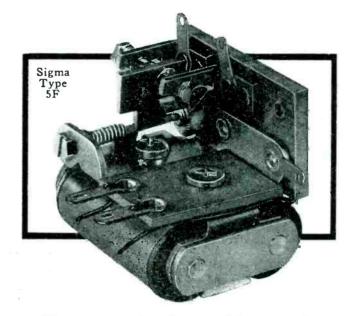
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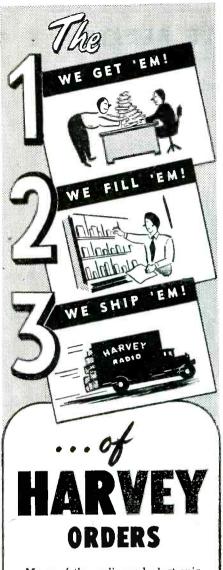
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COMPANY CATALOG. Catalog No. 451-A gives background data on Metallic Arts Company (243 Broadway, Cambridge 39, Mass.) manufacturers of machines and fabricated metals. The catalog also contains descriptions and illustrations of products available from this organization.

HOOK-UP WIRE. Deltabeston radio hook-up wire designed specifically for producers of electronic devices is described and illustrated in a 16page booklet (No. 59-412). General Electric Co., York Wire and Cable Div., Bridgeport, Conn.

ELECTRIC TIMERS. Timing instruments, including electric stop clocks, stop watch controllers, impulse counters, x-ray timers, and chronoscopes are illustrated and described in Bulletin No. 1100 available from C. H. Stoeltin Co., Industrial Div., 424-P North Homan Ave., Chicago 24, Ill.

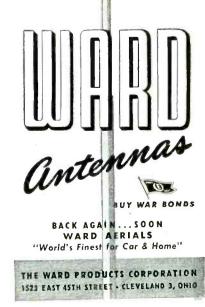
GENERAL BULLETIN. An 8-page folder from Industrial & Commercial Electronics, 17 East 42nd St., New York 17, N. Y., describes and illustrates vacuum capacitors for use in radio equipment in military, marine and aviation installations. One page of the folder illustrates and describes briefly the manufacturer's tube types.



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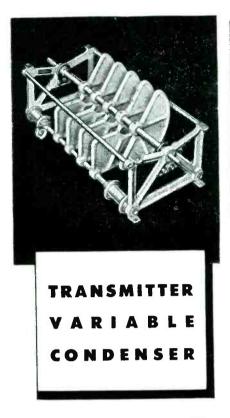


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NEW BOOKS

The Radio Amateur's Handbook

Published by The American Radio Relay League, Inc., West Hartford, Conn., 22nd edition, 1945, \$1 in continental United States; \$1.50 elsewhere.

THE LATEST ANNUAL edition of this popular handbook brings chapters on microwaves, wave guides, and new ultrahigh-frequency tubes up to date within the restrictions of military secrecy. The condensed but comprehensive charts and tables of tube characteristics and base diagrams are likewise extended.

Perhaps the most outstanding feature of the new edition, however, is the changeover of all diagrams to the new ASA graphical symbols adopted by the electronic industry in 1944.

As in previous editions, the old and the new are combined in this volume to make a handbook that is useful to a wide group of amateur radio enthusiasts and radio engineers. The book reaches those in the armed services who were amateur operators before the war and are continuing their radio activities as part of their regular duties; those who have suspended amateur activities during the war but are at present rebuilding their equipment or planning new installations when they can again take up their favorite hobby; and those newcomers to amateur radio who want to become thoroughly grounded in this field so that they can take up this absorbing hobby when present restrictions are removed.

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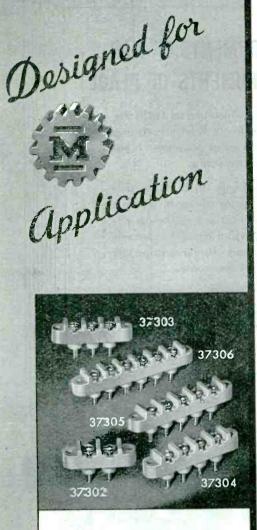
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This handbook is highly recommended for everyone interested in radio.—K.S.P.

Introduction to Microwaves

By SIMON RAMO, Research Laboratory, General Electric Company and Union College, Schenectady, New York. McGraw-Hill Book Company, Inc., New York 18, 1945, 138 pages, \$1.75.

UNDERSTANDING the origin and significance of microwave concepts is as essential as understanding the concepts themselves. This brief, nonmathematical introduction to microwave concepts was written with this necessity in mind. The book is intended to extend the principles of electricity, which it is assumed are already well understood by the reader, to the microwave region.

Throughout the discussion it is kept constantly before the reader that the author is presenting a complete analysis of electromagnetic behavior, not introducing new theories that apply only to microwaves. With the complete theory understood, it is then possible to isolate the dominant factors in any frequency region. This is just what had been done at the power and low radio frequencies. It is this partial theory with which power and broadcast engineers are familiar. By supplementing their special approach with the remainder of the theory, this book gives them the complete picture.

It is shown that at the microwaves the general theory can be divested of certain particulars of little importance, not because the nature of electricity has been changed by going to short waves, but because important and unimportant factors have become different. The result is what appears on the surface to be an entirely new theory, but which in reality is only an accentuation of different aspects of the same theory.

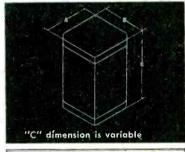
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A word of caution. Lest it be thought that in being nonmathematical this discussion is nonengineering, it should be stated that the treatment is fundamentally sound and presents in unsophisticated language a basic philosophical approach to microwaves.—F.R.

Science Today and Tomorrow

By WALDEMAR KAEMPFFERT, Science and Engineering Editor, New York Times. The Viking Press, 18 E. 48th St., New York 17, Second Series, 1945, 279 pages, \$2.75.

A LOOK INTO THE FUTURE, in many directions, to weigh the impact of science on society in the last decade and extrapolate the potentialities and social implications of newly acquired knowledge into the years ahead. The book is essentially a series of articles, first published in book form in 1939 and now revised in the light of recent advances, covering such topics as the relation of science to war, electronic frontiers of science, the possible sources of heat after our coal supply is exhausted, rocketing through space, creation and prolongation of life, future trends in medicine, and the role of science in world unity.

Of especial interest are the chapters dealing with the human brain how its performance can now be recorded electronically, and how certain sections can be surgically disconnected to restore the balance of emotion and reason. More than half of the material in this second series is new, and all of it adequately fulfills the author's expressed goal of stimulating the thinking of technical and nontechnical readers alike.—J.M.



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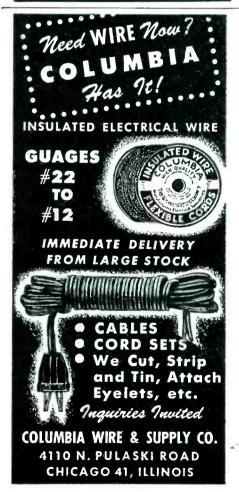
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WE HAVE NOTED with interest the article under Business News in the April issue of ELECTRONICS concerning the University of California's offering a free course to members of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers.

We believe it may be of interest to subscribers to ELECTRONICS, especially in the Philadelphia area, to know that Temple University has been running a similar program under Engineering, Science, and Management War Training for the last six months.

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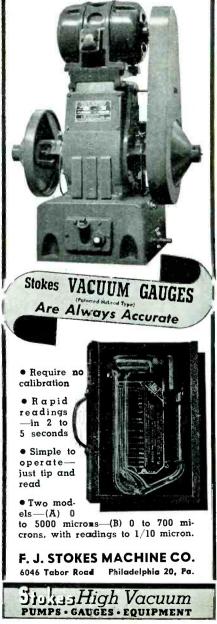
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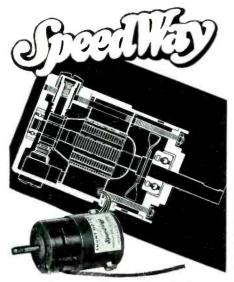
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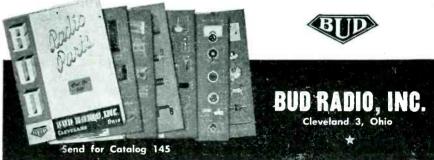
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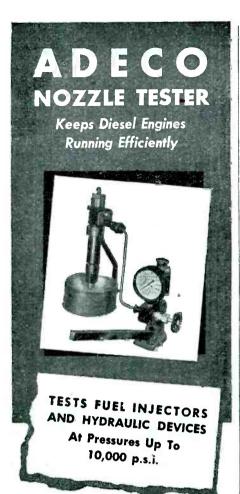




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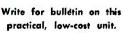
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Patent rights were assigned to the company with whom I was employed at the time but they apparently decided not to file a patent application.

An identical attack on this problem was later made by an English engineer. A write-up appeared in the Journal of the Institution of Electrical Engineers, 1938, volume 82, pages 101-104, under the title, Electrical Method of Determining Cable Sheath Uniformity.

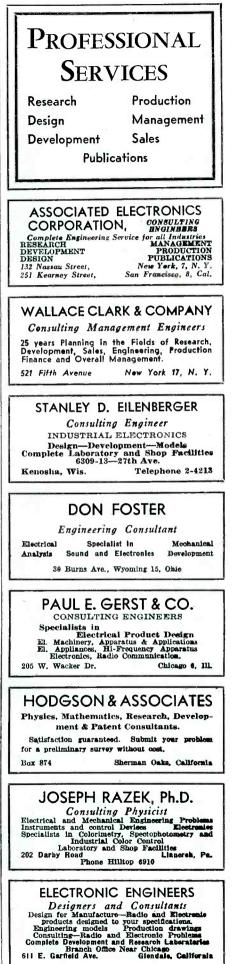
My interest in writing this letter is to re-emphasize the fact of which you undoubtedly are already aware, that the lack of a published article along a certain line of activity does not mean that the problem has not already been worked on extensively.

HERMAN E. KRANZ International Detrola Corp. Detroit, Mich. Well, that takes the wonder out of it, anyway.—(Editor)

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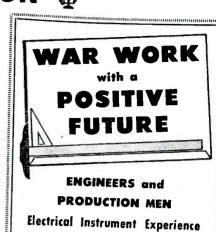
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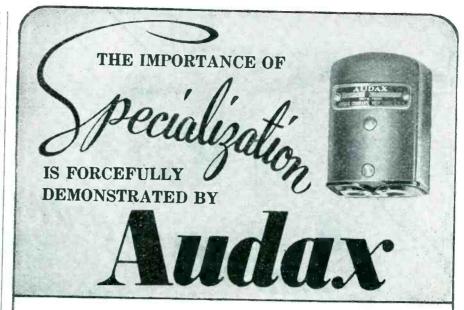
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In single-phase, full-wave operation, a pair of 3B25's will provide 1 ampere d-c output to the filter at 1270 volts. The tube is rated at 4500 peak inverse anode volts and an average anode current of 0.5 ampere.

General: Filament volts (a.c.). 2.5; filament current, 5.0 amperes; tube drop (approx.) 10 volts; overall length, 5% inches $\pm 7/16$ inch; maximum diameter, $2^{1}/16$ inches; cap, medium; base, medium 4-pin bayonet; mounts in any position.

Maximum Ratings (Absolute Values): Peak inverse anode volts (at 500 cycles or less), 4000; peak anode current, 2 amperes; average anode current. 0.5 ampere; surge anode current for maximum of 0.1 second, 20 amperes; ambient temperature range, -75° C to $+90^{\circ}$ C.

For more complete data, send for free data-sheet on RCA-3B25. Address: RADIO CORPORATION OF AMERICA, Commercial Engineering Section, Dept. 62-31E, Harrison, New Jersey.

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