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This method of assembly proved satisfactory, but difficulty was immediately encountered in finding a suitable joining metal.

Several metals were tried without success. Either they failed to "wet" the tungsten, or caused it to embrittle.

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| 34 | 12. | .22 | 54. |
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| F1950 | Push pull 2A3's, 6A5G8s, 300A's, 275A's, 6A3's, 6L6's. | 5000 ohms | $\begin{aligned} & 500,333,250 \\ & 200,125,50 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 20-30000 \\ \text { cycles } \end{gathered}$ | 15 watts |
| F1951 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Push, pull 2A3's, 6A5G8s, 300A's, } \\ & \text { 275A's, 6A3's, 6L6's. } \end{aligned}$ | 5000 ohms | $\begin{array}{\|lll} 30,20, & 15, & 10, \\ 7.5,5,2.5, & 1.2 \end{array}$ | $\begin{gathered} 20-30000 \\ \text { cycles } \end{gathered}$ | 15 watts |
| F1954 | Push pull 245, 250, 6V6, 42 or 2A5 A prime | 8000 ohms | $\begin{aligned} & 500,333,250 \\ & 200,125,50 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 20-30000 \\ \text { cycles } \end{gathered}$ | 15 watts |
| F1955 | Push pull 245, 250, 6V6, 42 or 2A5 A prime | 8000 ohms | $\begin{aligned} & 30,20,15,10 \\ & 7.5,5,2.5,1.2 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 20 \cdot 30000 \\ \text { cycles } \end{gathered}$ | 15 watts |
| F1958 | Push pull 6B5, 6A6, 53, 6F6, 59, 79. 89, 6 V , Class B 46,59 | 10,000 ohms | $\begin{gathered} 500,333,250 \\ 200,125,50 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 20-30000 \\ \text { cycles } \end{gathered}$ | 15 watts |
| F1959 | Push pull 6B5, 6A6, 53, 6F6, 59, 79, 89, 6V6, Class B 46, 59 | 10,000 ohms | $\begin{aligned} & 30,20,15,10 \\ & 7.5,5,2.5,1.2 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 20-30000 \\ \text { cycles } \end{gathered}$ | 15 watts |
| F1962 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Push pull parallel 2A3's, 6A5G's, } \\ & 300 \mathrm{~A} \text { 's, } 6 A 3 \text { 's, } 616 \end{aligned}$ | 2500 ohms | $\begin{gathered} 5 C 0,333,250 \\ 200,125,50 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 20-30000 \\ \text { cycles } \end{gathered}$ | 36 watts |
| F1963 |  | 2500 ohms | $\begin{array}{llll} 30, & 20, & 15, & 10 \\ 7.5,5, & 2.5, & 1.2 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 20-30000 \\ & \text { eycles } \end{aligned}$ | 36 watts |
| F1966 | Push pull 6L6 or Push pull parallel 6L6 | 3800 ohms | $\begin{aligned} & 500,333,250 \\ & 200,125,50 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 20-30000 \\ \text { cycles } \end{gathered}$ | 50 watts |
| F1967 | Push pull BL6 or Push pull parallel 6 L6 | 3800 ohms | $\begin{array}{lll} 30,20,15,10 \\ 7.5,5,2.5,1.2 \end{array}$ | $20-30000$ cycles | 50 watts |

## "Give us the tools..."

## For High Wages, Full Employment . . . Business Must Have Better Tools and More Money to Pay for Them

So far we have escaped the post-war depression predicted by leading government economists. How can we continue to frustrate gloomy prophets who see only depression ahead?

At the end of World War II the federal Director of Reconversion saw depression immediately ahead. He said we would have $6,000,000$ unemployed four months after VJ-Day and $8,000,000$ a few months later.

But we did not have depression. We did not because:

First, the American business man, sensing the obligations of a vastly more important post-war America, went ahead to build his plant and equipment to meet expanding domestic and world markets--markets bigger actually and potentially, in terms of world-wide trade and profits than any previously envisaged.

Second, the American businessman was able to get the money to go ahead. Since 1945 he has spent $\$ 50$ billion building new plants and buying new equipment.

There may be other reasons why we missed a depression in 1946. But-make no mistake about it-what has powered our present prosperity is the $\$ 50$ billion spent by businessmen since VJDay to improve their plants.

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strengthened the foundations of the chemical, machinery, plastics, steel and oil industries. It has expanded and improved our power systems throughout the country.

This spending has made the difference between prosperity and slump, between industrial strength and serious deterioration.

In fact, we know now that what business spends for new plants and new tools always makes the difference between prosperity and slump, the difference between national strength and weakness.

The accompanying chart tells the story. When we have spent heavily for new plants and equipment, we have had prosperity and strength. When we have not, we have been in trouble.

We would have been in trouble since VJ-Day except that business used its war reserves, plus two-thirds of its profits, plus borrowed money to improve and expand its facilities. This year industry is spending $\$ 19$ billion this way.

Has this great post-war expansion actually made our economy a "mature economy"? Have we come now to the saturation point the New Dealers mistakenly said we had reached in the ' 30 's?

The answer is no!
Proof of that answer is being developed through a McGraw-Hill national survey of "Business' Needs for New Plants and Equip-

ment" details of which will be given in this editorial series in coming months.

We have a bigger nation, more people, to serve right here at home. Further we must meet human needs which the war created around the world. Also, we must sustain a world position such as this country never assumed before.

Here are immediate things crying to be done.

1. Business still needs billions to expand production because our country and our needs are growing rapidly. Example: To meet the demand for power, electric utility companies must nearly double their present generating capacity in 10 years. That will cost more than $\$ 7.5$ billion. To fill increasing needs for oil and gasoline, oil companies must spend at least as much.
2. Business still needs billions to get its plants up to date and overcome wear and tear. Examples: Over half a million of our freight cars, a third of the total, are more than a quarter of a century old. About two-thirds of the looms in the textile industry are more than 20 years old. Half of our coke ovens, basic equipment for iron and steel production, are more than 20 years old, and only half as efficient as modern ovens.
3. Business still needs many billions to do new things in dramatic new ways. Example: Machinery that will cut out $80 \%$ of the dirty,
dangerous work of mining soft coal has been perfected. A new automobile engine plant will reduce the work that goes into engine-building by three-quarters.

Hundreds of similar things that our scientists and engineers have developed could be cited. They can be found in every industry. They hold immeasurable promise of adding to the abundance of American living. In fact, there is hardly a step along the whole route of industry - from roughing out raw materials to delivering finished goods - where there are not new and better ways of doing things standing ready for general use.

But the crucial question now is: Where is the money coming from to put to work these new and better ways of doing things?

Business has used its own resources so far... profits and reserves. The stock market, where industry traditionally has raised money from people willing to risk their savings, has been limping along, giving business no chance to get enough money on satisfactory terms. Business now must look primarily to its own earnings for the money to carry out the improvements which are necessary if America is to keep itself strong and efficient. The next editorial in this series will deal with this new and cruciallyimportant role of profits.

But business can not count on profits alone to do the job. Profits are too uncertain.

From now on finding the money... to put new ideas and new equipment to work ... to go ahead with the expansion and improvement that will thwart depression and build industrial strength . . . calls for the support of all Americans everywhere.

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## BUSINESS BRIEFS

By W. W. MacDONALD

New Year Predictions on which we are willing to stick our neck out, speaking of the overall field of electronics, are as follows:

Sales. About the same as in 1948. Few factors indicate any startling increase. Pessimism, on the other hand, appears to be based largely upon the contagious idea that just because the curve has been so steadily rising it must soon turn down. There is such a thing as a plateau. We think we are on it, and that the line will stay nearly flat for some time. Then it may rise.

Costs. One more increase, probably. But a small one compared to those experienced in the past two years.

Prices. About the same.
We Are Inclined to agree with those who think that the key to success in this year's market will be production and sales rather than design effort. Looking backward, like the whiffle bird, it seems to us that 1947 was a design year, 1948 a tooling-up year, and that 1949 will be remembered as the year in which intense sales effort supported mass production.

First Meeting of government and electronics industry leaders concerned with mobilization planning resulted in the expected stalemate. Appointment of a subcommittee which will be charged with the responsibility of ironing out differences between four suggested schemes (Dec., p 62) hung fire, so nothing much can now be accomplished before mid-January at the earliest.

The country is better prepared for any possible military contingency than it has ever been before but, as in the past, seems incapable of going anything like all out in that direction unless and until war clouds actually precipitate. The Services are, as usual, naively trying to whip up industry enthusiasm for paper planning on the basis of appeals to patriotism. The industry
is, as usual, adopting a too-hardboiled attitude with respect to anything short of actual orders.

Speaking Of Preparedness, engineers are currently studying ways and means of shortening the time between design and production of military gear should war come. Closer coordination between men who build prototype models on breadboards and those who have to turn them out on a quantity basis is one method under consideration.

We Refrained from mentioning it last month, because we had only a few scattered examples, but now we know that the government is stockpiling a lot of military equipment not entirely to its liking but nice to have on hand in the event that war clouds gather.

Many manufacturers are being asked to bid on new equipment not much different from designs dumped on the surplus market not so long ago, and some suspect that minor differences were deliberately written into the specs to stop industry from selling back to government what government recently sold to industry rather than because changes are essential.

The military, like the rest of us, likes to save face.

We've Heard of people tuning in on radio broadcasts using no equipment other than the fillings in their teeth and in December (p 64 ) told about a medical instrument that plays sweet music without benefiit of communications design. Now we read in the papers that a Mrs. Sechrist of York, Pennsylvania has a gas range that does the trick.

But can it cook?

Tape Recording is making rapid inroads into the wire-recording business, insofar as the handling of speech and music is concerned. It is interesting to note, however, that in at least one instance a manufacturer who fully intended

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Wire, it seems, is desirable for laboratory and industrial uses where accurate timing of programs is essential. There is less slippage at the capstan, and wire does not expand or contract as much as tape with changes in temperature and strain.
Telemetering experimenters, in particular, like the solid stuff.

Amateur Equipment Makers are not too happy. Apparently many of them geared up to handle a substantial increase in business right after the war and it did not materialize.

Major reason why business did not boom as expected despite a sharp increase in the number of ham licenses was because many of the newcomers had no deep-rooted interest in the game and dropped out in a hurry. We question whether a survey of the field would show many more active amateurs than there were before the war. Availability of surplus gear further nicked into the market, and after-midnight operation calculated to avoid trouble with neighbors who own television sets is doing manufacturers relying upon hobbyist business no good right now.

Tele Installations are pressing manufacturers hard. The Veterans Employment Service reports that RCA has filed job orders for 1,000 men, to work in New York, Newark, Louisville, Washington, Providence, Miami, Albuquerque, Atlanta, Bloomington, St. Louis, Memphis, Columbus, Charlotte, Dallas, Indianapolis, Lancaster, Omaha, Toledo, Wilmington and Seattle.

And, as we have recently pointed out, they'll soon press harder.

Canadian Tele Plans mark time while the freeze is on in our own country. Reason: Standards north of our border will be like ours, not English, to facilitate interchange of programs and to minimize interference.

Too bad our northern cousins
won't be able to buy many of our sets, due to currency restrictions. It'll cost them more to roll their own.

This Issue is loaded with television. It is no accident. And no "special." The industry itself is currently hipped on the subject, and the editors are splitting a gut to give the boys what they want. More, much more, in coming numbers,

Ralph Brengle, president of the National Association of Relay Manufacturers, estimates that 300 million relays were manufactured in 1948, and that there were 18,000 different types. Standardization, now under way, will probably involve interchangeable coils, and should substantially reduce the number of required types.

Best Way To Sell electronic accessories for many machines is, it seems, to sell it to the users of such machines rather than to the manufacturers. Once users fall in love with the accessories they start asking machine makers why such accessories are not built in. And even conservative machine makers eventually take the hint if they have any competition.

In The Foreseeable Future the cost of operating an electronic hearing aid may be brought down to a cent an hour, far under what it is at present. If and when that happens such aids may sell in numbers comparable to eyeglasses.

In England, 5,000 people have already received free electronic hearing aids from the government. An estimated 145,000 more will be required.

Now We Can Answer the query from a reader who wanted to know who made an electronic calculator that would automatically figure out a horse's chances of winning from his past record. Such a gizmo is made by the Dev-Ro Company of 6750 Stony Island Avenue, Chicago. No kidding.

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# CROSS <br> TALK 

- EXECS . . . The management of the electronics business must deal with technical intricacies on a wide scale, more so than any other branch of technology save possibly the field of nucleonics. This situation calls for engineering talent in the top levels, the lack of which has been lamented in the past. But, according to one index at least, many technical men have penetrated into top jobs. According to the records compiled in the 1948 I.R.E. Yearbook, more than half of the 260 living members of fellow grade are in top management. Since the grade of fellow is conferred only for distinguished engineering achievement, quite irrespective of business judgment, this is indeed encouraging. The list breaks down as follows: presidents and heads of manufacturing corporations, 32 ; vice-presidents of same, 33 ; chief engineers and engineering managers, 71. The non-managerial groups are: professors and consultants, 57 ; practicing engineers outside management, 52; miscellaneous and unclassified 15. There is no doubt that each of these men has sound engineering judgment. To the extent that they use that judgment, particularly when the dictates of the marketplace might lead them along other paths, will our industry prosper.

INTERCARRIER . . . On September 7, 1948, the U. S. Patent Office issued a grant, number $2,448,908$, to Louis W. Parker of Woodside, N. Y., covering the use of an i-f amplifier carrying television picture and sound signals simultaneously. Thus, after many months of obscurity (the patent was applied for July 13, 1944), the inventor of the important intercarrier system of television reception has emerged. Mr. Parker elected to wait until his patent was issued before submitting a manuscript on the system to us. This manuscript we were unable to publish because it covers material previously published from other sources. This being the case, we feel a strong cbligation to place the credit for the invention where it now clearly belongs.

In so doing we wish to cast no reflection on the
work of Robert B. Dome who first publicly disclosed this system at the Rochester Fall Meeting in 1946 and published a paper in these pages in January, 1947. Bob Dome's work on this subject was entirely independent and his early disclosure of it assisted the industry very materially in understanding and applying the intercarrier principle. So the Dome circuit becomes the Parker circuit, or perhaps, more gracefully, the Parker-Dome circuit.

The moral of this story, it seems to us, is that the U. S. Patent office deserves additional personnel and facilities to process patent applications more quickly. When and if Congress grants this aid, it should not be necessary for a period of over four years to elapse between the application and the granting of a patent. The appreciation of the importance of new inventions and their subsequent application will then be accelerated, to the benefit of all concerned.

- HALF . . . Our suggestion some months ago of a word to cover the family of semiconductor devices (transistors, thermistors, varistors, crystal detectors and barrier-layer photocells) has come to grief. We suggested "semicon". But a correspondent in Paris informs us that "con" is French for half-wit. Said correspondent begs us to cease and desist. A friend at Bell Labs also objects. He says the "istor" family of words suffices and is more descriptive. Shaken by these protests, we're willing to forget the whole thing. But we insist, and hear no objection, that these gadgets are part and parcel of the electronic world, be it in Paris or Murray Hill.
- OBSOLETE . . . After a tour of the surplus market, Arthur Van Dyck was moved to remark recently that the radio engineer misses many of the enduring satisfactions of the civil engineer. The bridge builder can look at the work of his youth and find it still useful. The radio engineer's brain child finds its way to the junk heap at least once every ten years. Fast moving business, this electronics!


## A New Concept of

 COMMUNICATION ENGINEERING
#### Abstract

Information, the commodity of communication, is shown to be measured by the number of choices made from a set of alternatives. This method of measurement permits evaluating systems on a rigorous basis and leads to a broader concept of the communication art


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Electrical engineering is divided into two main branches, termed Power Engineering and Communication Engineering.
For power purposes, the construction of dynamos, motors and transformers involves apparatus that carries considerable energy. The purpose of the whole system is the economical use of energy. On the other hand, although it is true that considerable power is used to transmit information, communication engineering is not directly concerned with power. Except for the infinitesimal remnant that actuates the receiving apparatus, this power is wasted. The use of transmitters of high power belongs to a passing phase of communication engineering development. Powerful lowfrequency transmitters, which characterized the early days of transatlantic radio telegraphy, are being supplanted by transmitters of relatively high frequency, moderate power output and astounding range of reliable reception.

## Energy vs Information

The distinction between these two types of electrical engineering is that power engineering is pri-
marily concerned with the transmission of energy as a usable commodity which must not be wasted unnecessarily, while communication engineering is concerned with the transmission of information.

There is no vagueness in the definition of energy, so that power engineering is a field in which the objectives have been fully understood for a long time. On the other hand, most books on communications say nothing about information, and the average communication engineer does not have a definite measure of information. He studies communication circuits as they are affected by sinusoidal inputs, but he does not discuss the relation between sinusoidal and in-formation-carrying inputs. Only within the past few years have a few engineers begun asking what information is and using the concept of information as a basis for design.

## Choice of Alternatives

What, then, is information? One important feature of information is that it cannot be described or measured merely by specifying any single message. Obviously information is significant only if there are several courses of action open to the recipient and if the information might have been something else. The least amount of information a message gives is whether it
is sent or not. This minimal message is, however, entirely abnormal and, if sent, need occupy no long time. A continued message, sent for example by telephone, telegraph or wigwag, presents a sequence of successive decisions. It is fair to state that the amount of information transmitted is proportionate to the number of decisions made.

Because information depends, not merely on what is actually said, but on what might have been said, its measure is a property of a set of possible messages, or of what is called an ensemble in statistical mechanics. Such an ensemble is more than a set taken simply; it is a set to which is attributed a probability measure. We thus have a situation that is closely akin to that in statistical mechanics, more especially in the form which Gibbs gave it (see for example "The Collected Works of Josiah Willard Gibbs," Longmans, Green \& Co., New York, 1928).

In statistical mechanics, many of the statements that we ordinarily suppose to refer to completely concrete situations refer to ensembles. Consider a glass filled with water. The statement that the glass is filled would seem, from a naive point of view, to be specific. However, according to statistical mechanics, the water in the glass consists of an arrangement of molecules, and there are many arrange-

## CYBERNETICS

The nervous system, as well as cable and radio chamels, is a communication device; each one transmits information. Norbert Wiener, one of the leading mathemoticians of our day, has devoted himself to a broad study of communications, making notable contributions to our understonding of the subject. The full potentialities of pulse code modulation, for example, were not appreciated until the new theory revealed its special advantages.

Protessor Wiener presents here some new thinking which is developed at length in his recent book "Cybernetics", published by The Technology Press and John Wiley and Sons, New York.

As Dr. Wiener states, "If the seventeenth and early eighteenth centuries are the age of clocks, and the later eighteenth and the nineteenth centuries constitute the age of steam-engines, the present time is the age of communication and control." -The Editors
ments consistent with the naive observation that the glass is full of water. To say that it is full does not assert that it is in any one state. Rather, the statement. asserts something generic about the states of the water in the glass, and can be interpreted only if we consider simultaneously all possible fine-grained states that lead to the same coarse-grained appearance.

## Statistical Mechanics

Furthermore, from the dynamics of particles, Gibbs was able to obtain a probability such that he could assign a definite probabilitymeasure over the ensemble of all possible distributions of a system of particles. In other words, the type of concept needed for treating information and communication engineering is very close to that needed for Gibbsian statistical mechanics.

As previously mentioned, the amount of information that is transmitted by a system is measured by the number of decisions made. This statement should be qualified by adding that the decisions that are to be made in the first instance are between alternatives that have equal a priori probabilities. If we make $n$ independent decisions in such a case, the number of classes into which we divide our universe is $2^{n}$, and all these are equally probable. Thus the probability of each of these is $1 /\left(2^{\prime \prime}\right)$. If we take the logarithm of this probability to the base 2 , we get $-n$. Hence, the amount of information $n$ is numerically proportionate to the negative of the logarithm
of the probability of the subdivision that we have fixed by our successive decisions.
The introduction of the logarithm of a probability is nothing new in statistical mechanics; it is called entropy and measures the disorder of a statistical state. Its negative, which we are here calling an amount of information, is thus a measure of order. This identification of order and information is entirely natural.

So far, we have been giving a definition of the amount of information that is contained in a situation where we restrict our a priori distribution to the points of a particular set. In other words, our information may be more or less restricted, but, as far as it goes, it is complete.

## Perfection of Observation

There is another situation in which the information itself is incomplete. We may not know with certainty that an entity, which we are considering, belongs in a certain region, but only that, with certain probabilities, it lies in a number of specified subregions. In this case, our information is associated, not with a class of contingencies, but with a statistical distribution of contingencies. We must superimpose on an a priori probability, corresponding to the measure of the probability of the decisions in the case already discussed, a second probability depending on the perfection of our observation.

In this case, to define the entropy or negative amount of information,
we employ the same formula that is used in thermodynamic entropy. If a manifold is split into parts that have separately the a posteriori probabilities $P_{1}, \ldots, P_{n}$, the entropy of the whole situation is

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\subseteq P_{n} \log P_{n}+C
$$

where $C$ is a certain normalization constant depending on the zero of entropy left free. This relation would suggest that in the corresponding situation the amount of information would be

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-\Sigma P_{n} \log P_{n}-C
$$

and if we change the probabilities of our subdivisions from $P_{n}$ to $p_{n}$, the gain of information should be
$\Sigma P_{n} \log P_{n}-p_{n} \log p_{n}$
Being thus able to measure information, we can answer several questions that are important to the communication engineer. In all these cases we reach results completely accordant with those obtained by C. E. Shannon (see, for example, A Mathematical Theory of Communication, Bell System Tech. Jour. No. 3 and No. 4, Vol 27; July and Oct., 1948).

## Evaluation and Design

The particular question that interests us most is: How much information from the message do we retain in the presence of a noise? Now, we are supposing that we have (1) an a priori distribution of noise and message given simultaneously and (2) some mixture of noise and message by addition or otherwise. From the distribution of noise and message, we know the simultaneous distribution of true and corrupted message. For each value of the corrupted message, we then determine the distribution of the true message, and compare it with the true message when the noise varies statistically over its complete range, using the formula suggested above. This procedure gives us the gain of information.

This illustration is merely one of the uses to which we can apply the notation of amount of information. In closely related ways, we can use it to estimate the relative efficiency of different types of modulation, and we can see how they affect the carrying ability of a channel. If we have all possible methods of coding at our disposal before putting the message in the channel, it will
turn out that, in the presence of a fixed amount of channel noise of a certain degree of regularity, we cannot get better results than those obtainable by amplitude modulation. On the other hand, if we wish to evaluate the efficiency of a particular transmission method for a message that must be in a highly specified form, such as that of sound, we must bring into the picture such apparently external considerations as the efficiency of the coding of such messages by voice or by musical instruments, and the complete receptor apparatus, including, for example, the ear and the auditory cortex. Such studies are difficult, but they can be made. They illustrate the need for applying the idea of communication engineering to the study of the conduction of messages inside the nervous system, as well as outside. This is not merely a need for the physiol-
ogist, but equally a need for the engineer.

## Cybernetics

To indicate our recognition of this need for a more inclusive treatment of the problem, we have introduced the word cybernetics :(pronounced si'bernetics), from the Greek for steersman, to cover the whole communication and control engineering nexus when it is desired to put equal emphasis on the physiological and engineering sides. This fusion also indicates the recognition that the transmission of information, whether it be speech via radio waves or printing-press registration via levers, is a common and basic consideration of many devices.

The statistical concept of the message is not only important for the evaluation of different means of communication, but it is equally important for their design. A piece
of communication apparatus should be designed to perform a certain mathematically described function as well as is possible in view of the ensemble of messages to be transmitted. The constants of the apparatus are then so determined as to minimize some specific quantity depending upon the statistics of the messages and these constants.

The branch of mathematics that teaches us to minimize such expressions is called the calculus of variations; it leads to specific methods for determining the unknown parameters. Professor Y. W. Lee and myself have carried out such minimization leading to the design of predictor mechanisms, wave filters and waveform compensators. There is a very considerable future in this field of work, which reduces what previously have been purely empirical processes to a true scientific discipline.

## Control and Communicậion in The Animal and The Machine

Cybernetics is defined in the Introduction of Dr. Wiener's book by describing the contribution of the individuals, fields of thought and specific problems that led directly to its chronological development, and by projecting its influence a bit into the future. For many years Drs. Rosenblueth and Wiener had shared the conviction that the most fruitful areas for the growth of the sciences were the neglected hedgerows among the established specialized fields. To investigate these boundary regions, which offer the richest opportunities to the qualified investigator, discussion groups met with leaders from each of the specialized sciences. These teams of scientists, in collaboration, could attack the problems more effectively than each working alone. Dr. Wiener writes:
"My close contact with the program of computing machines developed by Dr. Vannevar Bush, and my own joint work with Dr. Yuk Wing Lee on the design of electric networks . . . proved important. . . . I turned a large part of my attention to the development of computing machines for the solution of partial differential equations . . . as contrasted with the ordinary differential equations so well treated by Dr. Bush
on his differential analyzer. . . . I had also become convinced that the process of scanning, as employed in television, gave the answer to that question, and in fact that television was destined to be more useful to engincering by the introduction of such new techniques than as an independent industry.
"It was clear that the scanning process must vastly increase the number of data dealt with. . . . To accomplish reasonable results in a reasonable time, it thus became necessary to push the speed of the elementary process (by using electronic techniques) to a maximum, . . . It also became necessary to perform the individual processes with so high a degree of accuracy that the enormous repetition of the elementary process would not bring about a cumulative error so great as to swamp all accuracy.
"It has long been clear to me that the modern ultra-rapid computing machine was in principle an ideal central nervous systen to an apparatus for automatic control; and its input and output need not be in the form of numbers or diagrams, but might very well be, respectively, the readings of artificial senseorgans such as photoelectric cells or
thermometers, and the performance of motors or solenoids. With the aid of strain-gauges or similar agencies to read the performance of these motor organs . . . we are already in a position to construct artificial machines of almost any degree of elaborateness of performance. . . . The automatic factory, the assemblyline without human agents, are only so far ahead of us as is limited by our willingness to put such a degree of effort into their engineering as was spent, for example, in the development of the technique of radar. . . .
"Perhaps I may clarify the historical background of the present situation if I say that the first industrial revolution . . . was the devaluation of the human arm by the competition of machinery. . . . The morlern industrial revolution is similarly bound to devalue the human brain at least in its simpler and more routine decisions. . . ."

In the chapters that follow this provocative beginning, Dr. Wiener discusses in greater detail such contributing fields of endeavor as communication, feedback and oscillation, computing machines and nervous systems, showing their interrelations and points of common interest.

A new facsimile method uses cathode-ray tubes as light sources at both transmitter and receiver. Ultimate high-speed transmission depends upon 10 -megacycle microwave relay chains. Receiving device uses photographic film that can be developed in a few seconds

Ultrafax is the name coined to describe a technique that combines facsimile, television, and "hot" photography for the extremely rapid transmission of intelligence in written or printed form by radio.

The first public demonstration of an experimental system was staged by Radio Corporation of America and Eastman Kodak Co. at the Library of Congress, Washington, D. C. on October 21, 1948. As emphasized by its proponents, the information revealed constitutes a progress report, together with some speculations as to the practicability of general use of the system, and a statement of the requirements necessary to attain the goal of "a million words a minute."

Equipment and methods described are those used in the demonstration and their limitations should not be construed as obstacles to a working system. At the same time, there is no commercial equipment now available, nor are there suitable channels assigned for use of the medium. It might be expected that military expediency and economic feasibility will shape the form of the ultimate equipments and methods.

## System Components

Elements of the system outlined in the simplified block diagram of Fig. 1 indicate its close relationship to conventional facsimile practice. The material to be transmitted is first reduced from page size to a dimension such that the page width corresponds to the useful width of a $35-\mathrm{mm}$ film strip. The individual pages are spaced out along the


Portion of message received and developed during demonstration


FIG. 1-Simplified block diagram of the system. Details of the photographic aspects are omitted


FIG. 2-Representative communications methods, showing their capacities and required bandwidths. Ultrafax demonstration system using 4 -mc bandwidth shown at bottom
length of the film at convenient intervals. There is no reason, however, why the information can not be continuously presented (without gaps between pages) as in a teletype page printer.

As the film is moved between a lens system and the multiplier phototube at a rate of 15 "frames" or pages per second, the film width is scanned at a rate of 6,300 cycles per second, using a special flyingspot scanner tube as a source of illumination. This tube is similar in many respects to the recentlyannounced type 5WP15 except that the spot is about half the diameter and the phosphor is a new material developed especially for this service. Phosphor persistence must naturally be short as compared with conventional television picture-tube characteristics in order to avoid blurring the elements scanned by the spot. Resolution corresponding to better than 1,000 lines is obtained provided the circuits used have a bandwidth of 10 megacycles. Post-accelerator voltage in the order of 27 kilovolts is employed.

The multiplier phototube used is the type 1P21, nine-stage, S-4 tube
with maximum response in the region of 4,000 Angstroms. Output from the phototube goes to a modulator and transmitter. In the demonstration, a $7,000-\mathrm{mc}$ television relay equipment with integral transmitter and parabolic reflector was used atop the Wardman Park Hotel, three miles distant from the Library of Congress where a companion receiving unit picked up the signals.

Although the demonstration receiving equipment occupied two relay rack cabinets, the basic equipment needed comprises that indicated in the simplified diagram in Fig. 1B. A single synchronizing signal suffices to initiate the single line trace and blank out the return trace. The moving spot of the projection kinescope tube is modulated in accordance with the intensity of the signal picked up by the multiplier phototube and transmitted over the microwave circuit. This tube also employs voltages in the order of 27 kilovolts and has a spectral response suitable for exposing the $16-\mathrm{mm}$ film (as contrasted with $35-\mathrm{mm}$ film used at the transmitter) which is pulled past the kinescope and lens system at a rate of 15 frames per second.

The relative longitudinal speed of the film at transmitter and receiver is not critical. During the demonstration, the remote transmitter was synchronized with commercial 60 -cycle power and that at the receiver was operated at a nominal 60 cycles from a motor-generator run off d-c mains.

Although the system uses a minimum of television techniques and requires transmission of only a horizontal or line synchronizing pulse, the complexity of the equipment must be somewhat greater in certain respects. Since the burden can be shared at each end of the circuit, as compared with broadcast television in which the receiver costs must be minimized, the overall difficulties are not great.


The experimental transmitter employs $35-\mathrm{mm}$ film as data source. Flying-spot scanner at left. Phototube in box at center

Among the major problems are the absolute elimination of 60-cycle hum in the line signal circuits, and clamping of the black level at the transmitter. Broadcast television operations have been criticized in this latter respect, but the characteristics of the human eye in viewing a broadcast are not nearly so rigorous as those of a piece of inanimate film. Accordingly, the black level of the transmitter is reset to an absolute value immediately after each synchronizing pulse and just before the scanning of the next line is begun.

An idea of the definition possible with the experimental system can be gained from the illustration of a typical piece of transmitted text presented here. The cut was made from an enlargement of a frame recorded on $16-\mathrm{mm}$ film during a rehearsal of the demonstration. The fundamental limit to the overall resolution of the equipment at the present state of development is set by the use of $16-\mathrm{mm}$ film.

## Hot Photography

The photographic aspects are fully as important as the development of the electronic system because the speed of reception depends upon a memory device most conveniently furnished by a moving film. The experimental system depends upon film at the transmitter and photographic printing of the tinal message. As with the electronic gear, the photographic techniques are assembled from already successful principles. They include Recordak, the $16-\mathrm{mm}$ documentary film system, wartime $V$-mail that reduced the weight of air mail 99 percent, and the little-known PPPI (photographic plan position indicator). The latter system can be considered the closest cousin to Ultrafax photography because, by hot development of a film exposed to a special high-voltage radar screen a dry negative became available in a matter of seconds.

The equipment illustrated is a developmental model convenient for use during the demonstration, with a speed of 8 feet per minute. Each frame of heat-resistant film is moved in 15 seconds through developing solutions at temperatures about 125 F . The finished


Charles Kunz of Kodak feeds a leader strip through the experimental high-speed hot developing machine used at the receiver
film, which can be recorded as either a positive or a negative, is completely dried in an additional 25 seconds, after which it may be handled freely, viewed, or run through a printing machine for enlarged paper copies of its message. A continuous flow of solutions from the bottles shown eliminates chemical problems of film processing.

## Transmission Facilities

Facilities for the transmission of Ultrafax messages do not now exist in any great number, nor is their geographical extent of significance. The chart in Fig. 2 shows some typical methods of intelligence transmission and the limitations imposed by conventional communications media. In practice, the figures may be found to vary somewhat from the averages shown. Coaxial cable, for instance, imposes a bandwidth of 2.7 megacycles with repeaters every 8 miles. One uhf relay system operating near 2,000 mc provides channels about 20 mc wide, as does another operating at $1,300 \mathrm{mc}$. Still another system us-
ing frequencies at $4,000 \mathrm{mc}$ will pass 5-mc transmissions. As demonstrated, the Ultrafax equipment used a $4-\mathrm{mc}$ band to transmit about half a million words a minute. A rate of a million words is estimated to require a $10-\mathrm{mc}$ band.

It is not unlikely that nationwide television relay facilities now in the process of growth will encompass at least a 10 -megacycle bandwidth in order to take care of future developments in higher-definition television as well as color television with definition at least as good as is now available in black and white. Ultrafax could use a standby circuit during television programming, idle broadcast program channels during the night hours, or combinations of both.

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# 6,000-MC <br> <br> Television Relay System 

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Utilizing the super-high-frequency allocation for television, programs can be relayed through Neshanic, N. J. and Mt. Laurel, N. J. from New York to Philadelphia over twoway circuits. Repeaters and terminal equipment are described

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INSTALLATION of a New YorkPhiladelphia microwave television relay circuit was completed in June 1948.

This relay equipment is frequency modulated and is designed to operate in the common-carrier band from 5,925 to $6,425 \mathrm{mc}$. It has all of the general characteristics of shf systems: high-gain, narrowbeam antennas; line-of-sight propagation; freedom from interference; and freedom from multipath in which the time delay between interfering rays approaches a video period. In addition it has the specific characteristics which are necessary for television: a 5 -mc video passband and a high signal-to-noise ratio.

The equipment requires an r-f channel 20 me wide. Adjacent channels for a sing'e installation are spaced 40 mc on centers. The four channel frequencies for the twocircuit New York-Philadelphia network are shown in Fig. 1. Four channels are necessary because the two circuits are independently reversible. This two-circuit system can be operated simultaneously in both directions, utilizing these same four channel assignments, merely by installing additional repeater equipments at Neshanic and Mt. Laurel. The $20-\mathrm{mc}$ channel permits a 12 -mc peak-to-peak deviation of a television video signal with 5 -mc components.

All of the antenna plumbing is
designed for operation throughout the 500 -mc-wide common carrier band. Four by eight foot truncated paraboloidal antennas, driven by horn feeds, are used for all installations. These antennas have a $38-\mathrm{db}$ gain over an omnidirectional radiator. The horizontal and vertical patterns for this type of antenna are shown in Fig. 2. The horn feed is specifically designed to produce low side lobes to minimize crosstalk between side-by-side and
back-to-back dishes. The antennas are mounted with the long dimension vertically, giving a vertical beam width of 1.5 degrees and a horizontal beam width of 3 degrees. The mounting system permits rapid and accurate adjustment of the antenna direction.

Standard $1 \frac{1}{2}$ by ${ }_{4}^{3}$-inch brass waveguide lines are used to connect the antennas with the equipments which are generally installed in houses on the ground. The attenu-


FIG. 1-The $6.000-\mathrm{mc}$ two-channel television relay system, reversible, linking New York and Philadelphia


Antennas, horns, and wavequides installed on Western Union tower at Neshanic, N. J.
ation of the silver-plated waveguide is 2 db per hundred feet and rengths up to 150 feet are used. This adds up to 6 db of attenuation per relay hop, but the convenience of having the entire equipment on the ground more than compensates for the loss. The lines are pressurized from the equipment racks to the antenna horn to prevent dirt and water from increasing the line attenuation.

## Antenno Switching

As indicated on the system schematic map in Fig. 1, the two pairs of antennas for the two circuits at each repeater station are connected to reversing switches. The rotor of each switch has built into it a
pair of 90-degree flexible waveguide bends. The four input waveguide couplings are oriented 90 degrees apart. The east and west antenna lines are connected to opposite inputs and the transmitter and receiver lines to the intermediate couplings. A solenoid drive then turns the rotor through a 90 -degree arc, reversing the antenna and equipment connections.
Waveguide chokes between the inside of the coupling flanges and the rotor eliminate the necessity for mechanical contact. As a result, the rotor is mounted on ball bearings and turns very freely. A toggle maintains the rotor position under spring tension and a com-
mutator switches the solenoid connections to avoid ambiguity of control and eliminate standby power.

The interior of the barrel is lined with a high-loss dielectric material to provide 50 db of isolation between the transmitter and receiver circuits. This is necessary only to prevent the transmitter from overloading the receiver crystal mixer. The antenna reversing switch is mounted on top of the equipment cabinet but it is part of the antenna line system and hence is pressurized.

A block diagram of the Philco TLR-2 relay equipment is shown in Fig. 3. In basic system philosophy it is very similar to the Philco $1,400-\mathrm{mc}$ television relay ${ }^{1}$ which is also in service between New York and Philadelphia. Except in minor details, the equivalent components in the $6,000-\mathrm{mc}$ system are identical and hence they will be described generally only for completeness.

## Microwave Head

The r-f head of the $6,000-\mathrm{mc}$ equipment is particularly well adapted for microwave cross-country relaying of wideband intelligence, hence it will be discussed more thoroughly.

This system is basically designed for long-distance service in which a circuit would consist of many repeaters with a terminal equipment on each end. Consequently the basic unit is the repeater, shown by the solid-line blocks in Fig. 3. The terminal equipments are made by adding to the repeater the two video units, shown as dashed-line blocks. A unit which includes all these components can be operated as a repeater or as either a relay receiver or a relay transmitter. Such an equipment in a relay chain can be used to retransmit a received r-f signal, for obtaining a video signal from an r-f signal which is being relayed through the repeater, or for injecting a video signal into the relay circuit.

The chassis units are designed for 19 -inch relay rack mounting. A pair of repeaters is housed in a double-rack cabinet 48 inches wide, 20 inches deep, and 84 inches high. At the lour terminals of the two reversible circuits, as shown in Fig. 1 , a relay transmitter and a relay
receiver are installed in a similar double cabinet. The transmitter takes the full 77 inches of rack space and the receiver shares a full rack with a video picture monitor. Both the repeater and the relay transmitter require 1,000 watts of single-phase, 115 -volt power; the receiver requires 500 watts.

## Repeater Circuits

The operation of the repeater is illustrated in the block diagram of Fig. 3. The 3 -section waveguide filter is built into the receiver line between the waveguide switch, which is mounted on top of the cabinet, and the receiver crystal mixer. This filter uses inductive post resonators with capacitive tuning screws to provide a $25-\mathrm{mc}$ passband with 20 db of attenuation 30 me from band center. This selectivity is necessary for a multi-circuit installation in which transmitter and receiver channels are spaced 40 mc apart.

A flexible waveguide section connects the filter output into the shock-mounted receiver chassis. A single-ended mixer, using a 1 N 23 B crystal diode, matches the waveguide line and is excited by the r-f local oscillator mounted on the transmitter chassis. This oscillator has an exceptionally high $Q$ which eliminates the necessity for using a balanced mixer to reduce local oscillator noise.

A single-stage $75-\mathrm{mc}$ preamplifier is mounted on the mixer to improve the noise figure. Output from this preamplifier drives a 90 -ohm cable


Top of cabinet installation at Neshanic. showing complete antenna switch for $6,000-\mathrm{mc}$ television relay system


Rear view of a pair of $6,000-\mathrm{mc}$ repeater racks af Neshanic
which is terminated by a constantimpedance network on the 75-me i-f amplifier strip. The latter has fourteen 6AK5 stages, staggertuned to produce a gain of 104 db and a bandwidth of 22 mc . The use of single-tuned stages throughout the preamplifier and the i-f strip makes it necessary to use many stages, but results in simplicity of alignment.

Following the 6AK5's, a 6AG5 as a pentode stage drives a discriminator and an additional 6AK5. Video output from the discriminator at a level of 0.2 to 0.4 volt is amplified by a two-stage video amplifier terminated by a pair of
cathode followers. Two video outputs, with individual gain controls, are provided to drive a pair of 75 ohm terminated caoles. In the re= peater this video output is normally used only for monitoring, but in the relay receiver the cathode followers provide the video outpat from the relay system. At any point video may be obtained without affeeting the signal which is being relayed through the system.

## Crystal Control

The 75 -mc i-f output is derived from the 6AK5 in parallel with the discriminator. This stage is designed to drive a 50 -ohm cable


FIG. 2-Vertical and horizontal antenna patterns of $6.000-\mathrm{mc}$ television relay antennas


FIG. 3-Block diagram of $6,000-\mathrm{me}$ television relay repeater
which is terminated on the converter and $190-\mathrm{mc}$ oscillator unit on the transmitter chassis. Constantimpedance networks are used here, as in the receiver section, to terminate the cable and provide voltage step-up to the first grid. Signal from a 15.883 -mc crystal oscillator is multiplied up to 190 mc and fed to the 6AK5 converter. The output frequency from the converter is the difference frequency, 115 mc .

The double i-f system simplifies the problem of providing 120 db of stable i-f gain and is a convenient method, in conjunction with a common r-f local oscillator for both transmitter and receiver, of shift-
ing the r-f channel by 40 mc by producing a $40-\mathrm{mc}$ shift in the i-f.

The $75-\mathrm{mv}, 115-\mathrm{mc}$ signal is amplified by a seven-stage staggertuned amplifier with a $20-\mathrm{mc}$ bandwidth. The first four stages are single-tuned 6AK5's, the fifth stage converts to push-pull 6AK5's, the sixth stage uses a pair of 6AG7's and the last stage is an 829B. The push-pull stages are all doubletuned and are aligned by an i-f sweep generator using grid current as a tuning indication. The pushpall output of the 829 B is converted to a single-ended signal by a phase inverter circuit ${ }^{2}$, which is connected to the cathode of the klystron
heterodyne mixer. The output level is adjustable from 120 to 180 volts peak-to-peak. A monitor discriminator is lightly coupled to the output stage. In addition to providing a video monitor point for the repeater it provides signals for monitoring deviation and for afc of the deviator of a relay transmitter.

The r-f section of the transmitter is designed around a pair of type SAC-19 klystrons which were developed for Philco by the Sperry Corporation. The SAC-19 is a twocavity klystron with a 400 -mc tuning range centered at $6,180 \mathrm{mc}$. When operated as an r-f amplifier with a beam voltage of 500 volts and a beam current of 100 ma , it delivers 4 watts with an output bandwidth of 25 mc and an overload power gain of 5 .

## Oscillator

The buncher and catcher cavities are both matched into $1 \frac{1}{2}$ by $\frac{3}{4}$-inch waveguide and equipped with standard plain coupling flanges. As shown in the schematic of Fig. 4, the first tube is operated as a stabilized r-f oscillator and the second as a heterodyne mixer.

The stabilized oscillator is approximately a microwave equivalent of a low-frequency crystal-controlled circuit. An Invar cavity with an unloaded $Q$ of 40,000 is connected in the feedback circuit of a conventional two-cavity klystron oscillator. Half of the output power from the oscillator catcher line is fed back through the feedback cable to the stabilizer.

The stabilizer cavity is matched to the klystron's buncher cavity line, to which it is connected by a 2-inch flexible waveguide section. The loop coupling from the feedback cable is then matched into the cavity when loaded by the buncher. As a result the loaded $Q$ averages about 10,000 . Depending upon the effective line length back to the junction between the catcher line and the feedback cable, which is a function of the operating frequency, the loaded Q may be either higher or lower. For all conditions, however, the stabilizer $Q$ is high compared to the Q's of the buncher and catcher cavities which have bandwidths between 18 to 30 mc .

The phase of the r-f feedback,
which is adjusted to optimum by the phaser on the catcher line, is controlled primarily by the tuning of the stabilizer cavity. Phase shifts caused by detuning in other parts of the circuit are compensated for by phase shift in the stabilizer cavity. This requires only a slight shift in operating frequency. The mechanical and thermal stability of the cavity stabilizes the frequency of oscillation in spite of drift in the buncher and catcher cavities and in the beam voltage. The klystron cavities are tempera-ture-compensated by the tuning screws to better than 30 kc per degree $C$ and the beam voltage is electronically regulated so that the combination provides a low-drift oscillator.
This stability is obtained without the use of an auxiliary afc system. It has the further advantages that it eliminates the possibility of out-of-channel signals because the oscillator will only oscillate within 0.5 mc of the resonant frequency of the stabilizer cavity.

As mentioned previously, the high $Q$ of the feedback circuit reduces local oscillator noise and simplifies the receiver mixer. The oscillator is quite independent of load impedance, as would be expected of a high-Q system. This makes it feasible to drive both the receiver mixer and the transmitter heterodyne mixer without buffer amplifiers.
Power output from the stabilized oscillator averages 2 watts. A small fraction of this power is loopcoupled into a 50 -ohm cable and fed to the receiver mixer. The major fraction is fed through a variable attenuator into the buncher cavity of the heterodyne mixer. This attenuator has a range of 6 db , which is sufficient to optimize the r-f drive on the heterodyne mixer which requires approximately 0.6 watt for normal operation.

## Mixer

The heterodyne mixer is basically a phase-modulated r-f amplifier. It is operated from the same regulated power supply as the oscillator and operates with the cavities grounded and the cathode at -500 volts. As a straight amplifier it would deliver 4 watts of r-f power.

Phase modulation is accomplished by superimposing the 160 volts peak-to-peak frequency-modulated i-f drive on the cathode potential. This modulates the beam velocity at the $115-\mathrm{mc}$ rate. It produces a slight amount of amplitude modulation, but its major effect is to modulate the transit time of the bunches traveling through the drift space between the buncher and catcher grids. This effectively phase-modulates the r-f with the i-f signal.

Normal phase modulation sidebands, spaced from the carrier by integral multiples of the i-f frequency, are produced. These sidebands contain the f-m intelligence of the i-f signal. In repeater operation, the catcher cavity of the mixer klystron is tuned to either the first upper or first lower side-


FIG. 4-Schematic of r-f head of Philco 6,000 -mc television relay equipment
band, that is, the sum or the difference frequency.

## Mixer Output

The optimum phase modulation for a phase-modulated heterodyne mixer ${ }^{2}$ is 1.84 radians. The transit time through the drift space in the SAC-19, when operated with a beam potential of 500 volts, is approximately 4 cycles or 25 radians at $6,200 \mathrm{mc}$. To produce 1.84 ra dians of phase modulation requires a $\pm 7$-percent modulation of the beam velocity. Since the velocity is proportional to the square root of the beam voltage, this requires $\pm 14$-percent modulation of the cathode voltage, which for 500 volts is approximately 140 volts peak-to-peak. This optimum i-f drive is supplied by the $115-\mathrm{mc}$ i-f amplifier.

The efficiency of this phase-modulated klystron mixer, for sideband power output, is one-third the efficiency of the klystron operated
as an ordinary amplifier ${ }^{2}$. When phase-modulated with 1.84 radians, one-third of the r-f power appears in each of the two principal sidebands and the remaining one-third is divided between the carrier and the higher order sidebands. The four-watt amplifier delivers over a watt of modulated r-f power.

The carrier and the undesired sidebands are suppressed by the selectivity of the catcher cavity and also by the three-section waveguide filter in the transmitter line. This filter is similar to the filter in the receiver line, has the same 25 -mc passband and produces 55 db of attenuation 115 mc from band center. As a result.all spurious r-f radiations are at least 70 db below the signal.

The components of the r-f head, insofar as possible, are laboratory or factory prealigned. The transmitter waveguide filter is pretuned and the tuners are soldered in place as in the receiver filter. The stabilizer cavities are basically precision wavemeters and are calibrated as such. They can then be set according to calibration curve for operation on any frequency in the band.

Both oscillator and mixer klystrons are pretuned to the specific channel frequencies. This is done under realistic operating conditions to an accuracy of $\pm 0.5 \mathrm{mc}$. Considering the bandwidth of the cavities and the stabilizing action of the oscillator feedback circuit, this accuracy is entirely adequate. No further tuning is required in the field.

The only adjustments required when changing tubes are the optimizing of the feedback phase, which is monitored by the detector on the oscillator line, and the optimizing of the r-f drive on the mixer buncher cavity. For this adjustment the variable attenuator is set to produce maximum r-f power output as indicated on the r-f monitor on the antenna line.

The relay receiver utilizes the same components as the repeater receiving section: the waveguide filter, crystal mixer, $75-\mathrm{mc}$ i-f amplifier and video amplifier. In addition a stabilized local oscillator, similar in design to the oscillator in the repeater transmitter section, is necessary.

The combination of the deviator chassis and the transmitter section of the repeater makes a relay transmitter. The input video signal to the deviator is amplified and fed push-pull to the reflectors of a pair of reflex klystrons. These tubes, type 2 K 28 , are tuned to 3,235 and $3,350 \mathrm{mc}$ by external cavities and are loaded resistively to linearize their frequency versus reflector voltage characteristic.

## Relay Transmitter

Output from the two klystrons is fed into a crystal mixer in which the plate circuit is tuned to the difference frequency, 115 mc . In normal television operation, the sync tip is anchored by levelers and a sync tip afc circuit to 123 mc . Twelve mc of peak deviation from the sync tip level sets the peak white level at 111 mc and the normal black level at 120 mc .

The monitor discriminator on the 115 -me amplifier has a crossover at 123 mc and a sharp peak at 111 mc . The crossover is used as a reference frequency for afc of the sync pulse, and the 111-me peak serves as a deviation indicator. While viewing the monitor output on an oscilloscope, the operator can adjust the deviation control until peak whites begin to saturate at the 111-mc peak. The receiver discriminator is linear over the full 20 -me channel so that the saturation shown on the monitor discriminator does not appear in the system video output.

A 15,750-cycle sawtooth generator is built into the deviator unit for checking the system alignment. Since it has the same repetition frequency as the television horizontal sync pulse it actuates the afc circuit and is useful in setting up the afc.

## Monitoring

Heterodyne modulation, without demodulation to video and remodulation to i-f or r-f at the repeaters, makes the equipment well adapted for unattended operation. The only operating controls in the entire system are the main power switches and a deviation control on the relay transmitter. Two monitor relays, one on the avc bus in the receiver circuit and a second on the r-f
power monitor on the anterna line, are built into the units. Order wire signals, controlled by these relays, can be used to give remote indication of equipment failure. The main power switches can also be controlled remotely by the same order wire.

At the New York terminal of circuit 1 the relay equipment is an the 75th floor of the Chrysler Building and is controlled and monitored from the WCBS-TV control lacks on the 74th floor. At the other installations provision has not yet been made for remote control.

Power supplies, video and i-f units are designed on the small chassis or sub-chassis philosophy. These units can be aligned incle-


FIG. 5-Sawtooth looped through system
pendently and individually replaced rather than repaired in the field.

The rms-signal to r ms-noise ratio of the three-hop circuit, operating in either direction, is 36 db under normal propagation conditions. It is determined primarily by the received signal strength over the middle hop, between Neshanic and Mt. Laurel. As a result, the sig-na'-to-noise ratio for the system under conditions of tropospheric fading is also determined largely by the space loss over this path.

Transmitter power and receiver ave have been recorded on this link since the circuit was first put into operation. Variations in signal strength of about $\pm 5 \mathrm{db}$, which are not detrimental to the system performance, occur frequently at night boit it is too early to generalize about this particular New YorkPhiladelphia path. Measurements
made by other laboratories ${ }^{3}$ indicate that satisfactory and reliable performance on relaying can be expected in this $6,000-\mathrm{mc}$ band.

## System Tests

To determine for test purposes the transmission characteristics of the relay circuit, the antenna switches at the New York and Philadelphia terminals of çircuit 1 were temporarily replaced by branching filters. Circuit 2 receiver r-f components were installed at New York and circuit 2 transmitter r-f components were installed in the circuit 1 relay transmitter in Philadelphia. By connecting the $75-\mathrm{mc}$ i-f signal from the Philadelphia relay receiver into the converter unit of the relay transmitter, the signal which originated in New York was looped and sent back to New York on circuit 2. New York could have been looped in the same way so that the system could have been broken at any point for sending a signal in one direction and receiving from the opposite direction.

Figure 5 shows a sawtooth signal looped around the system and monitored on an oscilloscope with a $5.5-$ me passband. The rms-signal to rms-noise ratio, as estimated from the scope trace, is 33 db . For oneway operation between Philadelphia and New York, the signal-tonoise ratio is 36 db , rms-signal to ims-noise.

Systems tests show that this radio relay circuit performs satisfactorily for the three-hop service. The loop tests show that this particular equipment could probably be extended to a chain of 10 hops. But the principles of its design, heterodyne modulation, a stabilized common r-f oscillator, and staggertuned, linear phase characteristic i-f amplifiers, are applicable to relay systems of transcontinental length, development of regional television networks and linking of stations in areas of smaller population with metropolitan telecasters.

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AUDIO DISTORTION and noise measurements, such as must be made on broadcast stations and should be made on public address and other installations, can be taken with the instrument to be described here. It covers the audio range from a fundamental frequency of 50 cps through harmonics up to $50,000 \mathrm{cps}$ and reads noise levels down to -60 db directly.

The rms distortion is measured by suppressing the fundamental frequency and then measuring the remaining part of the output wave from the equipment under test with a square-law vacuum-tube voltmeter. The rms distortion $D_{\text {PYS }}$ of a wave is defined as the effective value of the harmonics divided by the effective value of the fundamental; that is

$$
D_{R M S}=\left(I_{2^{2}}{ }^{2}+I_{3}{ }^{2}+I_{4}{ }^{2}+\ldots\right)^{1 / 2} / 1_{1}
$$

where $I_{2}, I_{3}, I_{4}$, . . are the effective values of the distortion harmonics and $I_{1}$ is the effective value of the fundamental. On the one hand, distortion measuring instruments based on the suppression of the fundamental are simpler and less expensive than other types. On the other hand, they give only the total rms distortion and are normally convenient only when measuring a few specified fundamental frequencies, such as required by the new FCC rule $3.46(\mathrm{e})$.

## Null T-Bridge Suppresses Fundamentals

The basic suppression circuit of the instrument is a null T-bridge and when balanced it has zerotransmission at the balance frequency but very high transmission for harmonics, if the values of the components are properly chosen. With resonant circuits having Q's of three to five, the fundamental can be suppressed while the second harmonic is attenuated less than a decibel. The value of $R_{S}$ (Fig. 1) nust be low if harmonic attenuation is to be kept low.

To obtain balanced conditions of the null bridge, the following equations must be satisfied

$$
\begin{aligned}
\omega L_{S} & =2 / \omega C \\
R_{S} & =1 / R(\omega C)^{2}
\end{aligned}
$$

For a fixed value of $L_{S}$ and $R_{S}, R$ will become larger as $C$ becomes smaller. This will cause $R$ to vary widely when using a single inductance to cover several frequencies.


Test equipment, housed in cabinet could equally well be mounted in rack. Upper lefthand terminals are for connecting oscilloscope; righthand terminals are for input. Three lower controls are, left to right, power switch, attenuator and frequency switch. Upper pair of controls are for bridge resistance, middle one is level control

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In practice, $R$ may be controlled somewhat by slightly increasing $R_{s}$.

The complete circuit for the noise and distortion meter is shown in Fig. 1. The T-bridge uses three inductances for measuring the eight fixed frequencies, which are chosen to conform to FCC regulations. A different amount of capacitance is required in the bridge for each fundamental and is placed in the circuit by the Bridge Frequency Switcif. The resistance $R$ comprises two variable resistances for coarse and fine adjustment. Some frequencies require additional resistance for balance and this is also placed in the circuit by the frequency switch.

All of the bridge elements were obtained from local radio stocks. It was found impractical to calculate the values of the components and then attempt to purchase them. A variety of ready-made inductances could not be found. Most of the inductances available had too high a resistance to produce a usable Q.

For the low frequencies, an ordinary iron core filter choke was tried, but its value changed readily with varying input levels to the bridge. By taking a 15 -henry choke and removing the end portion of the core this change in inductance was reduced to a negligible value. The inductance of the modified choke was 4.8 henries.

Values of components for the bridge at the eight frequencies as selected by the bridge frequency switch are tabulated in Fig. 1. Actually the values of the components can be varied widely to suit the parts available as long as the circuit $Q$ is sufficiently high (the second harmonic of any null frequency must be attenuated less than 1 db ).

## Function and Range of Instrument

The T-bridge is widely used in commercial distortion meters, and is a convenient circuit since one side can be grounded. This allows the bridge to work directly into a vacuum tube as shown.


FIG. 1--Complete circuit diagram of noise and distortion checker shows ganged switch for setting rejection frequency of null bridge, distortion and noise level switch and high gain amplifier terminating in detector and meter circuit. The 4.8 -henry inductance was made by removing the end portion of the core of a 15 -henry choke. Bridge circuit components may be varied to use available parts as long as the $Q$ is kept high enough for less than l-percent attenuation of any null frequency second harmonic

# Noise Meter for Testing Broadcast Equipment 


#### Abstract

High selectivity possible with standard components in a null T-bridge filter circuit is made use of in a simple, easily built meter for checking noise and distortion of broadcasting and other audio equipment. Suggestions are made for construction and operation


The vtrm portion of the meter uses four voltage amplifiers and a detector-meter stage. A small amount of current, controlled by Zero Adjustment, is fed through the meter to buck out the no-signal current of the detector. The FeEdback Circuit provides control of the high frequency response as well as the circuit Gain. The potentiometer following the null bridge controls the Input Level to the vtvm and is used for setting the meter reference level. The setting of the step-attenuator, which precedes the first 6SJ7, plus the meter reading gives the total value of distortion or noise. There are six attenuator steps for noise measurements, giving full scale readings of $0,-10$, $-20,-30,-40$, and -50 db . The combination of attenuator setting
and meter reading allows noise measurements to below -60 db . Noise measurements to lower values can be made by operating the equipment under test at a level lower than the desired reference level. That is, if the desired measurement is the noise below -60 db , the equipment can be operated, for example, with an output level of -10 db . If the noise were -65 db with a 0 db reference, it would be -55 db with a -10 db reference, which can be read on the instrument.
The attenuator has five steps for measuring distortion. These are ealibrated for full scale values of $100,30,10,3$, and 1 percent. The 100 -percent position is that used for calibration.

The accuracy of the instrument
depends upon the accuracy of the attenuator resistors and of the meter scale calibration. Close tolerance resistors can be purchased for the attenuator, or, as done in this case, each value can be made up of several ordinary carbon resistors using a resistance bridge to determine the correct value.

## Minimizing Hum and Input Loading

In constructing the noise and distortion meter, precautions were taken to minimize hum pickup by the bridge inductances. The two larger inductances were mounted at slight angles, determined experimentally. No trouble was had with the smallest inductor. High-Q toroidal inductances could be used in such a bridge to minimize hum pickup. However, the small addi-


FIG. 2-(A) When the instrument is calibrated, the meter scale will appear as shown (B). Measurements made with the instrument (C) in a test setup (D) compare favorably with those made with a commercial meter
tional hum reduction did not seem to warrant the expense of these coils over those used.
Any hum picked up in the inductances raises the minimum input levels at which satisfactory measurements can be made. Where it is planned to use such an instrument for high-level audio measurements, levels below 0 db will seldom be encountered. At these high levels the small amount of hum picked up by the inductances causes little trouble. The meter described has a hum level down more than 60 db with gain control in the maximum position. Because the bridge inductances are out of the circuit during noise measurements, their hum pickup
has no effect on these measurements. Residual noise in the meter is more than 80 db below 0 dbm signal.

It can be seen that the balance resistance varies widely. For normal audio measurements where balanced circuits are encountered, a bridging type input transformer must be used to prevent loading of the circuit under test. The capacitive impedance of the bridge required that a transformer having a low impedance secondary be used to avoid resonant peaks in the lowfrequency characteristics of the circuit. The T-bridge may be connected directly across an unbalanced circuit for measurements. The impedance of the circuit connected to the bridge input has very little effect upon the operation of the bridge circuit. Under these conditions the loading effect of the Tbridge on the circuit being measured is substantially that of the balance resistance. At the extreme low frequencies the impedance looking into the bridge increases and is capacitive. As can be seen from the balance equations, $R$ can be increased by increasing $L_{*}$ and decreasing $C$ while $R_{S}$ remains constant. To increase $R$ at the low frequencies presents a problem without specially wound inductances.

## Calibration and Performance Testing

To calibrate the scale of the output meter, the instrument was set up as shown in Fig. 2A. It was assumed that the audio oscillator had zero internal impedance. The noise-distortion meter was adjusted for a full-scale meter reading with a $1,000-\mathrm{cps}$ signal. The attenuator box was then adjusted to place $10-\mathrm{db}$ attenuation in the circuit in $1-\mathrm{db}$ steps. After the insertion of each $d b$ attenuation the meter scale was carefully marked.

Two scales were calibrated for distortion measurements using the standard vtvm to indicate the correct input voltage ratios. The meter scale is shown in Fig. 2B. One scale for noise measurements is marked from 0 db to -10 db . The two distortion scales are marked between 30 percent and 10 percent, and 10 percent and 3 percent. These two distortion scales serve for read-
ing all five distortion attenuator settings.

The frequency response of the meter for each position of the bridge switch was plotted to determine the harmonic frequencies contained in each measurement. The overall response is shown in Fig. 3A. This response curve shows that the meter exceeds the specifications set forth by the FCC.

Response curves for the eight nulls are shown in Fig. 3B. Note that the second harmonic of any null frequency is attenuated less than 1 db .

A direct comparison of the operation of the meter with a commercial instrument was made by making distortion measurements on an inexpensive audio oscillator. with both meters under the same conditions (Fig. 2C).

## Distortion Measurements

The meter described is used in measurements similar to other noise and distortion meters. An audio oscillator of low harmonic output is connected to the equipment under test as shown in Fig. 2D. The output of the equipment is terminated in its correct load impedance and the bridging input of the meter is connected across this load. The bridge switch of the meter is set to the desired frequency and the equipment is adjusted for the desired operating level. The meter level is then adjusted for full scale reading with the attenuator in either the calibrate or $0-\mathrm{db}$ position.

FOR DISTORTION MEASUREMENTS the oscillator frequency is then varied for null reading of the meter. The null is obtained by simultaneously adjusting the oscillator frequency and the bridge resistance. After the bridge has been adjusted for null on the lowest attenuator setting possible, the calibration level is rechecked before taking the reading. For distortion measurements, it is necessary to set the oscillator frequency to at least twice the null frequency when adjusting the calibrate level. If the oscillator or equipment level varies greatly over this range, an external meter must be connected at the input point to insure the input level to the meter is the same for


Fig. 3--(A) Frequency response of the meter, with the null bridge bypassed, is flat over the full audio spectrum. (B) The rejection of the null bridge is sufficiently sharp so that second harmonics are attenuated less than a decibel. Problem is to find large inductance with low loss for use at low frequencies
calibration and for the null frequencr. After the level is correctly set, the oscillator frequency is reset to the null point and the attenuator adjusted until a reading can be obtained on the meter scale. The combination of the attenuator setting and meter reading indicates the total distortion.

Although the lowest calibrated reading for distortion is 0.3 percent on the 1 -percent scale, a lower value can be read by setting the attenuator to the -50 db position. Full scale reading in the position corresponds to 0.316 percent which can be easily read on the 3 -percent scale.

NOISE MEASUREMENTS are made by setting the frequency switch of the meter in the noise position and adjusting the meter for full scale reading. The signal is then removed from the equipment under test and the input properly terminated. The noise level present may then be read by decreasing the attenuator setting until an indication is ob-
tained on the meter. Again, the combination of the meter reading and the attenuator setting gives the final result.

Distortion measurements taken with the meter indicate the rms total of all components of the input signal which fall within the limits of the frequency range, except the fundamental frequency component, which is rejected by the bridge. The reading of the meter will therefore include the following components: (1) harmonics, (2) modulation cross products between hum and fundamental, (3) modulation cross products between hum and harmonics, (4) hum components and (5) noise components. The noise and distortion meter sums all these quantities and indicates the ratio of the sum of all undesired components to the fundamental frequency component. If it is desired to determine the distortion due to the harmonic and cross product components alone, either of two methods may be used.

One method is to operate the equipment under test at a high output level. This results in making the hum and noise components small compared to the other components. The second method is to measure the distortion in the normal manner at the desired output level, then to measure the noise level in db, using the same output level as reference. The db noise level is then converted to percent and the values substituted in the equation

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H=\left(D^{2}-N^{2}\right)^{1 / 2}
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where $H$ is total harmonic and cross section distortion in percent, $D$ is distortion in percent and $N$ is noise in percent.

The noise and distortion meter described can be constructed for less than $\$ 100.00$. This is considerably less than the price of a similar instrument on the commercial market. The meter is capable of reading distortion as low as 0.1 percent and noise to below -60 db within the frequency range 30 to $50,000 \mathrm{cps}$.

# RADIOISOTOPES for Industry 

Examples of successful tagged-atom applications and suggestions for adapting the techniques to other measuring, controlling and tracing applications. Each new use means a new market for the required electronic radiation-detecting equipment

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TIHE RECENT availability of radioisotopes has required an adjustment in the way of thinking of scientists and engineers. Many do not have a concept of the potentialities of radioactivity in industry, while others must overcome inertia to change on the part of industrial management before concrete work can be started in the direction of utilizing this new tool.

Some manufacturers are reluctant to pursue research on potential industrial applications because of the A.E.C. requirement that results of such work be freely available to others. The questions arising from potential health hazards both to plant workers and to the consumer are further deterrents to activity in the industrial field. There is also the ever-present threat of nuisance suits instigated by consumers against manufacturers who permit products to leave their plants containing small amounts of residual radioactivity.

Even minute amounts of radioactivity in consumer products may, for a time, cause the manufacturer considerable embarrassment due to lack of understanding on the part of the consumer and to inadequate precedent in court rulings on damage suits involving low concentrations of radioactivity.

Lack of qualified personnel has been another serious deterrent to early development of industrial use of radioisotopes. This bottleneck to progress is slowly being alleviated by a few educational institutions. Notable among these is the Oak Ridge Institute of Nuclear Studies, which offers a four-week course to train research personnel in the use of radioisotopes. After participating in this course, technically qualified people have sufficient knowledge of radioactivity techniques to carry out original work involving radioactive tracers.

Literally tens of thousands of potential industrial uses of radioisotopes exist, since virtually every industry can profitably utilize the properties of one or more of the hundred odd radioisotopes whose

[^3]half-lives and availability permit their consideration. To give some indication of the usefulness of radioisotopes, a number of problems will be outlined which might be solved with radioactivity and tracer techniques. In some of these problems radioactivity has already been used to give a practical solution. In some instances, radioisotopes are under serious consideration, while some examples of potential uses are merely speculative to illustrate what might be done.

## Rare Gas Separation

Let us first consider a company which is in the business of liquefying air and separating its components. In addition to recovering nitrogen and oxygen this company is interested in recovering the rare noble gases such as krypton and xenon since demand has recently outstripped the available supply. There is only one-tenth of a part per million of krypton and a hundredth of a part per million of xenon in air.
This particular manufacturer found that he was recovering only a small proportion of the total available krypton and xenon. He wanted to find out where these materials were concentrating in his process and how to make changes so that he could get better recovery.
Tracer techniques are admirably suited to the problem of tracing an infinitesimally small amount of an element dispersed in an enormous volume of a diluent such as air. Radioactive krypton and xenon, if


Heavy-industry installation made by Engineering Laboratories, Inc., Tulsa, Okla. for measuring, recording and controlling liquid level in oil-processing tank. Geiger counter in Gagetron unit outside tank receives weaker signal when oil rises over radioactive material inside because oil absorbs more radiation than air


Printing industry setup for measuring amount of ink on a sheet of paper. As developed by Sun Chemical Corp., New York City, this technique involves adsorbing a small amount of a radioisotope on the ink pigment and using a Geiger counter to measure amount of activity that is present
introduced in a fixed proportion with the incoming air prior to liquefaction, will permit analysis at any point in the process even down to a few parts per billion.

A Geiger counter for measuring the radioactivity content of the gas at various points in the process will indicate the amount of krypton or xenon present with an accuracy as good as one percent. This is made possible by the fact that the radioactive krypton or xenon introduced with the incoming air remains in a fixed proportion to the nonradioactive krypton or xenon which is naturally present in air. In other words, a radioactive isotope behaves chemically and physically exactly as a stable isotope of the element in question.

## Physical Measurements

A paper mill has many technical problems in which radioactivity techniques might be used. For example, a mill manufacturing a laminated cardboard consisting of multiple layers of different kinds of pulp wants to improve its process control. The pulp comprising the outer layer is worth $\$ 200$ per ton while that inside is worth only $\$ 15$ a ton.

Using conventional methods, the thickness of the expensive pulp
layer would vary as much as 20 percent. To achieve much closer process control with an attendant saving in pulp and increased uniformity of product, a radioisotope is used to tag the expensive pulp by adsorption on the pulp fibers. A Geiger counter is then placed in close proximity to the board just after it is formed. The amount of radioactivity detected will then be a quantitative indication of the thickness of the expensive pulp layer.
The output of the Geiger counter can be used to drive a pen recorder that continuously shows the thickness of this layer. Machine operators then know immediately the extent of thickness variations, and can make adjustments to keep the coating within predetermined limits. If desired, the Geiger counter output can be coupled to a servomechanism for automatically making machine adjustments.

A similar technique has been used by a printing-ink manufacturer to measure the amount of ink used on a page of printed matter and to determine the minimum amount of ink which will produce satisfactory results. This was done by adscribing a small amount of a radioisotope on the ink pigment and measuring with a Geiger counter the amount of activity
which was present on the printed page.

An analogous method has been proposed to measure thickness of metallic film deposited by an electroplating process where irregularly shaped objects are plated.

Another thickness measuring problem which is common to almost all plants manufacturing a continuous sheet of material such as paper, cellophane, steel sheet, rubber, or plastic is the continuous measurement of weight per unit area of the sheet just after it is formed. This measurement can easily and accurately be made by placing a source of radioactivity above the traveling sheet and a Geiger counter or ionization chamber radiation detector below it. A part of the radiation is absorbed by the sheet, in proportion to its weight per unit area. The detection instrument is calibrated to read directly in pounds per square foot or in other simi'ar units.

Where thin, light sheets such as paper or cellophane are to be measured, a beta emitter such as stron-tium- 90 and an ionization-chamber radiation detector can be used. This combination possesses several advantages over a gamma emitter and a Geiger-tube detector which may be required for thicker, denser ma-


Use of radiation survey meter for monitoring hot samples during preparation of radioisotopes for industrial uses. This provides a continuous check of the efficiency of techniques and materials used to protect personnel against excessive radiation exposure
terials such as sheet iron or steel.
A relatively strong source of beta activity can be used without danger of exposing operating personnel to excessive radiation dosage. Beta emitters are easily shielded by thin metal, glass or plastic, while a gamma source of reasonable strength requires heavy shielding of lead or other dense materials. An ionization chamber requires a stronger radiation flux than does a Geiger tube but it will not wear out, while the commonly used selfquenching Geiger tube has a finite life based on the amount of radiation it detects.

Another problem which is common to most plants having large motors and heavy equipment is concerned with lubrication. Frequently the bearings on a particular piece of equipment do not receive an adequate supply of oil due to a clogged oil line. Under ordinary operating procedures this will not be noticed until the bearing burns out. If a small amount of a gammaemitting radioisotope were mixed with the oil it would be easy to make periodic checks of each bearing with a Geiger counter to find out whether it is receiving the proper amount of lubrication.

## Textile Dyeing Control

It is generally conceded by those in the textile industry that dyeing
process control is for the most part an art rather than a science because so many independent variables are present. Radioactivity can be of considerable assistance in controlling at least two of these variables, namely the concentration of the dye bath and the amount absorbed by the fabric.

The process in which fabric is passed through a dye vat in a continuous length is particularly adaptable to this type of control. If one or more radioactive atoms were incorporated into the dye molecule and tracer quantities of it were mixed with the normal dye, the concentration in either the cloth or the vat could be continuously and automatically determined by Geiger counters.

Electronically actuated controls can regulate the concentration in such a way that the weight of dye per unit area of cloth emerging from the dye bath will be a predetermined constant. Process controls such as these will eliminate substantial variations in shade between the beginning and the end of a dyeing run such as sometimes occurs with presently used methods of control.

For industrial research on dyes, radioactivity has many uses. Little is known of the reaction mechanism taking place in dyeing processes. It is sometimes difficult to determine
just where the dye is absorbed and how much is absorbed. Chemical reactions in dyeing processes are not well understood. Much remains to be learned about the effect of washing upon dyes, soap retention of various types of fibers, and the mechanisms of fading. The answers to these and other questions confronting the textile chemist may be found through skillful application of radioisotope techniques.

## Rayon Manufacturing

In the viscose process for making rayon, carbon disulfide is reacted with cellulose pulp and the resulting solution passed through tiny holes to form a continuous yarn filament. Sulfur is precipitated out on the fibers in the spinning process and is subsequently removed in a desulfurizing bath. It is quite important that complete removal of sulfur be attained since it affects both color and physical strength of the finished yarn. A simple means for controlling sulfur removal can be effected by tagging the source of the sulfur, namely the carbon disulfide, with sulfur-35.

Continuous routine check of sulfur removal can be made by placing a Geiger counter in close proximity to the rayon filament or the solutions through which it passes. Since the radioactive sulfur is a fixed proportion of total sulfur present,
the total amount of sulfur removed in the coagulating bath can be quickly determined. Also, a check is easily made after the desulfurizing bath to determine whether complete removal of sulfur has resulted.

It is quite possible that automatic electronic controls could be devised to keep the desulfurizing bath within a predetermined concentration range by coupling the output of the Geiger tubes through a suitable servomechanism to valves on chemical solution tanks.
There are a number of processes in rayon manufacture in which the rayon is coated, such as the lubricant coating process which may utilize sodium oleate, polyvinyl alcohols, petroleum base oils or other lubricating compounds to facilitate winding and twisting operations. A uniform coating is required, otherwise inferior yarn may result. Radioactivity incorporated into the lubricant will permit precise measurement of the amount deposited on the filament. Recently considerable interest has been expressed in this method for research work on optimum coating thickness. Little is known regarding the amount of lubricant which should be deposited for best operation.

A further use of this technique is automatic regulation of lubricantcoating thickness in the industrial process. A Geiger counter in close proximity to the filament just after it has been coated with the radioactive lubricant will continuously indicate the film thickness. If the output of the Geiger counter were electronically coupled to the lubricant control valves by a suitable servomechanism, the amount of lubricant coated on the filament could be continuously and automatically controlled. Too little activity on the filament would open the valve, whereas too much would close it.

Later in the process, the lubricant is removed and replaced by various sizing compounds. These sizing compounds are frequently removed at a later point in the process. Radioactivity can be utilized for controlling the amount of sizing put on the fibers by methods similar to that described for the lubricant coating. Also it can con-
trol the removal process. As the fabric or filament passes through a washing bath it can be monitored by a Geiger counter to check for complete removal of coating compounds containing radioactive tracers.

In all of these industrial uses in which activity is introduced directly into the product, it is important that either the activity be removed before the finish of the processing operation or that only small amounts of radioisotopes be used which have sufficiently short half lives to insure that substantially no activity is present by the time the goods reach the consumer. In instances in which neither of these requirements can be fulfilled, tracer techniques can still prove of considerable value in obtaining information in pilot plant processes. Here it is possible to dispose of the contaminated product or hold it long enough to permit residual activity to decay.

## Liquid Level Gage

A gage utilizing radioactivity to indicate liquid level in tanks has recently been developed. This gage is particularly useful where highly corrosive liquids are to be measured or where it is desired that the tank have no openings through which gas or vapor can leak. A float containing a long half-life gamma emitter and restrained to vertical movement is placed inside the tank. A Geiger counter, coupled to a counting-rate meter calibrated in liquid depth, is mounted directly above the float and outside of the tank.

As the distance between the radioactive float and the Geiger counter changes, there is a corresponding change in the detected counting rate and this is indicated on the calibrated meter. The output of the Geiger counter can be used to open a filling valve when the liquid falls below a predetermined level.

It is frequently helpful to know when the liquid level in a tank falls below a predetermined level. Two examples of instances where such measurements cannot be made by conventional means are in rubber latex tanks where high viscosity makes measuring difficult or
in cupolas where molten steel is held prior to pouring into molds. A very simple indicating gage can be made by mounting a source of gamma radiation such as cobalt- 60 outside the tank at the point where low level control is desired. Opposite the source of radiation, at the same level, a Geiger tube and amplifier circuit coupled to an alarm system are mounted on the outside of the tank. As long as the liquid level is above this point, only a small amount of radiation flux reaches the detector. When the level falls below that point, there is a substantial decrease in the radiation flux received by the detector. When this occurs, the output of the amplifier is used to actuate a relay coupled to an alarm light or bell.

## Solving a Pollution Problem

Air and stream pollution from industrial wastes is an ever-present headache of the chemical industry. Again radioactivity can be of assistance. Let us consider a specific case. A chemical manufacturer was dumping large quantities of industrial waste into a river emptying into the ocean. Nearby was a bed of oysters, the quality of which had deteriorated during the past several years. The fishermen who owned these oyster beds believed that the chemical plant was at fault and filed a suit for damages. The management of the chemical plant was convinced that the wastes which they put into the river were not polluting the oyster beds.

Radioactivity can conclusively prove whether there is any basis to the fishermen's claims. All that is necessary is to mix a few millicuries of a radioisotope with the chemical waste, take samples of water in the oyster beds and make an assay of their radioactivity content. In that way it is possible to detect even a few parts per billion of the chemical waste water.

## Petroleum Refining

In both plant and research problems of petroleum refining, a broad field exists for radioactivity techniques. In distillation processes it is possible to determine separation efficiency of a column by tagging one of the components of the mixture and analyzing the various frac-
tions with a Geiger counter
In catalyst studies, tagged chemicals may shed light on the mechanism of catalytic action in studies of catalyst promoters and poisons or in determining what happens to catalysts which are carried away with the reaction products, particularly when the catalyst is extremely valuable.

Relatively little is known about reaction mechanisms of hydrocarbons and other petroleum products. Tagged compounds will permit obtaining a great deal of information as to how polymerization and cracking take place.

In the field of lubrication the effect of additives on properties of oil can be studied with tracer techniques an' the means by which the additives give various characteristics can be found. For example, several years ago an additive containing sulfur in a lubricant was tagged with radioactive sulfur-35 in an attempt to evaluate its effect upon different bearing alloys. It was then possible to evaluate quantitatively the amount of protective film which the sulfur formed on each of the various bearings.

By making bearing material radioactive, measurement of the rate of wear is easily determined and is detectable at a much earlier stage in a test run than by conventional methods.

Pipes carrying certain petroleum products become coated with sludge and paraffin, and it is necessary to clean them fairly frequently with a scraper which is pushed through the pipe by oil pressure. Occasionally one of these scrapers becomes stuck in the pipe and it is quite difficult to locate it. A small amount of a gamma-emitting radioisotope would permit detecting its location by a portable battery-operated Geiger counter carried near the pipe.

Sometimes different lots of oil with similar chemical and physical specifications are pumped through a pipeline and there is no simple means of detecting where one lot ends and the next one begins. If a slug of oil tagged with radioactivity were used to separate the two lots of oil, a Geiger counter could easily differentiate between them.

The field of radiation chemistry
has vast potentialities. It is known that ionizing radiation such as is found in a pile or from radioactive isotopes will cause chemical changes. For instance, it is possible to polymerize certain compounds by subjecting them to a strong source of radiation. It is quite likely that new chemical reactions can be made to occur under the influence of radiation. It may be that cracking of petroleum products can be promoted by this means. Reactions induced in natural gas by intense radiation may produce many petroleum chemicals and plastics.

There has probably been more activity in applying radioactivity techniques to oil well problems than in any other industrial field. Oilwell radioactivity logging techniques are well known but there are many other potential uses which have evoked the interest of oil producers.

For example, with the prospects of eventual depletion of our oil reserves a great deal of consideration has been given to more efficient means of getting oil out of the ground. With conventional pumping techniques it is often not possible to recover more than fifty percont of the oil in a field.

## Improving Oil Well Recovery

Water flooding has been used to improve recovery. Large quantities of water are forced into one well in a particular field and in so doing the oil is displaced from the porous strata. Oil can then be pumped from the surrounding wells in a field which otherwise would be considered depleted. It is often possible to continue flooding a field for a number of years.

Sometimes the water pumped into the substrata breaks through into an operating well and is pumped to the surface with the oil. This is undesirable since the efficiency of the operation is greatly impeded. When a breakthrough such as this does occur, it is advisable to cement off that part of the well into which the water is being pumped.

With conventional techniques it is extremely difficult to localize the area of breakthrough. The use of a tracer technique will greatly
simplify this problem. Small amounts of a gamma-emitting radioisotope with a relatively long half-life, as for example cobalt-60, are continuously introduced into the oil field along with the flooding water. When a breakthrough is suspected the effluent of a well pumping oil is checked with a Geiger counter. More than a normal amount of activity indicates a water break-through. To locate its position, a gamma-ray log is made of the well by passing a Geiger tube throughout the length of the well and plotting variations of radioactivity as its location changes. The area of highest activity will mark the location of the breakthrough, which is then cemented off to permit continued efficient oil recovery.

## Locating Survey Stakes

A simple and practical use for radioactivity has recently been considered by Government survey groups. It is frequently necessary to run surveys over large areas, often over land which is being farmed. Survey stakes are put into the ground at intervals of a few hundred feet. It is often necessary to bury these reference stakes approximately a foot underground to prevent interference with plowing and farming. Later, when it is desired to locate the stakes a new survey is necessary to locate the approximate spots where the stakes were placed and an area several feet in diameter must be dug to find them.

Serious consideration has been given to the use of a radioisotope to tag these stakes so that their location can be more easily determined. Several experiments carried out with tagged stakes indicate that a stake containing only ten microcuries of cobalt-60 can be detected with a portable Geiger tube survey instrument through a foot of earth. The cost of the radioactive material is only a few cents per stake and the necessary radioactivity survey instrument can be purchased with the labor savings of only a few days.

In the metals industries tracer techniques will perform jobs and yield data heretofore impossible to obtain with conventional techniques. For example, by the addi-


Representative examples of industrial radioisotope applications that can readily be adapted to a host of other uses for which existing methods are cumbersome, costly or unsuccessful
tion of tracer quantities of a radioisotope it is possible to determine the relative volatility of various components of alloys and to measure their rates of volatilization. This technique is particularly useful when small quantities of a relatively volatile constituent are present in an alloy. It also might be used for measuring the rate of volatilization of zinc in the metallurgy process for making brass.

Metallurgists are extremely interested in knowing more about how surface coatings on metals diffuse into the inner layers of a metallic mass as a result of heat treatment. A better understanding of this diffusion phenomenon will ultimately result in better heattreating techniques.

## Tracers in Metallurgy

A reasonable amount of work on this problem has been carried out by the use of tracer techniques. For example, self-diffusion can be easily studied by using the following technique. A thin layer of radioactive metal such as iron-59, copper-64, or cobalt-60 is deposited upon the solvent metal by a rolling or plating process. After heating the metal block in an annealing furnace, successive layers of the surface metal are removed with a milling machine and each layer is radioassayed with a Geiger counter. A plot of radioactivity concentration versus distance from the surface of the original sample will give a quantitative indication of the extent of diffusion of the metal coating.

It is frequently desired to know just how certain constituents of an alloy are dispersed. For example,
a metallurgist may wish to know how a particular minor constituent of a welding rod alloy is dispersed within the metal after a weld is made. This is easily determined by the radioautograph technique, which consists of the following steps. A small amount of a radioactive isotope of the element it is desired to trace is introduced into the welding rod alloy while it is in a molten state prior to forming into rods. For example, it may be desired to trace titanium and in that case titanium- 51 , which emits 0.36 mev beta and 1.0 mev gamma radiations with a half-life of 72 rays, would be introduced into the melt.

The weld is made with the tagged welding rod in the conventional manner and a polished section of the weld is prepared and placed on a piece of photographic film. Those parts of the weld in which the titanium has segregated will darken the film due to radiation emitted from the radioisotope titanium-51. This selectively darkened film is superimposed over the polished weld section and both are examined under the microscope. This microscopic examination will locate the areas in which the titanium concentrated. It is possible to determine whether it concentrates within the crystalline structure of the metal or whether it remains outside the crystal boundary.

This technique has also been extensively used in biological and medical studies, as for example to determine just where iodine concentrates within the thyroid gland.

In all industrial applications of radioactivity, considerable care must be exercised in choosing the
proper level of radioactivity concentration and the proper radioisotopes to use for eliminating the health hazards of excessive radiation exposure of plant personnel. Every effort should be made to use isotopes of fairly short half-lives and with as low an energy level as is consistent with desired sensitivity of the process-control instrumentation. In locations where radiation is unshielded from plant personnel it is quite important that only alpha or beta emitters be used, unless gamma emitters in low concentration can be satisfactorily utilized.

## Residual Radioactivity

A further point of importance is the amount of activity remaining in the finished product. Wherever possible it is advisable to provide for removal of the radioactive material during the process. In instances where that is not possible, radioisotopes of short half-life should be used in sufficiently low concentrations as to constitute no health hazard to the ultimate user. The extent to which radioactivity can be used in processes where it is not removed from the finished product is limited by the number of radioisotopes which have both the requisite chemical properties and a short half-life.

At least 88 elements have one or more radioisotopes available from natural sources, pile irradiation or cyclotron bombardment, with halflives sufficiently long to be considered for use in industrial processes. Consequently, there is little cause for concern over a lack of diversity of radio-elements.

# Shutterless Television 

# Motion pictures on $16-\mathrm{mm}$ film are converted from 24 to 30 frames per second. Electron tubes control speed and phase of projector driving motor, pulse and synchronize the light sources and provide the accompanying sound 

CONSIDERABLE work has recently been done toward improving $16-\mathrm{mm}$ sound-motion-picture film and the associated projection equipment. Such film would provide economical television program material.

In most theater motion-picture projectors, the light source is a constant source (are or incandescent lamp) and the film is illuminated intermittently by means of a mechanical shutter. For the projector selected this occurs 72 times per second. The film is transported past the aperture by an intermittent movement at the rate of 24 picture frames per second, resulting in each picture frame being illuminated three times. Assuming a 50 -percent illumination time, and not allowing any time for phasing adjustments, the maximum allowable film pull-down time is $1 / 6$


Internal view of Synchro-Lite chassis showing the high-voltage pulser and the selenium rectifiers
of $1 / 24$ second or approximately 0.007 second.

In the television film cycle it is desirable to project 60 picture fields per second since the existing standards in this country require
that the scanning of the target area in the television camera tube occur at this rate, interlaced to give 30 picture frames per second. This requires that the projector have a short film pull-down time if the


FIG. 1-Film pull-down and vertical blanking periods


FIG. 2-Time cycles of $16-\mathrm{mm}$ projector for theatre versus television use

## Film Projector



Complete television film projector. The speed-control amplifier is mounted in the suspended cabinet
conversion from 24 motion-picture frames per second to 30 televisionpicture frames per second is to be accomplished without modifying the intermittent mechanism internally.

The explanation of the need for a short fast pull-down time and the various factors involved are shown in Fig. 1.

## Pull-Down Problem

The pull-down time for the projector selected for television must be less than 0.007 second. The

Bell and Howell Filmoarc projector, which has a pull-down time of 0.0046 second, was chosen, thereby allowing a considerable margin of safety.

In the lower horizontal portion of Fig. 2 the time cycle of the occurrence of the illumination, dark and scan and move periods for the television cycle is shown. In comparison with the standard sound-film cycle, it is illustrated how four film frames are converted to five television frames by alternately illuminating one picture frame three

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'times and the next frame twice, thus resulting in the conversion of 24 motion-picture frames per second to 30 television-picture frames per second.

The positioning of the film in the aperture is accomplished by a speed and phase-control mechanism controlling the projector driving motor. A block diagram of the unit is shown in Fig. 3.

## Phase Comparator

The vertical blanking pulse from the pulse generator is differentiated and applied to the grid of a buffer amplifier. The buffer amplifier triggers a 50 -percent square-wave multivibrator at 60 times per second. The 50 -percent square wave is fed into the phase-comparator circuit.

In the phase comparator, the 60cycle square wave from the multivibrator is compared in phase with a signal from a tachometer generator which is geared to the projector driving motor. When the projector is running at exactly 24 frames per second, the output of the tachometer generator is a 60 cycle sine wave.

The output of the phase comparator is a d-c voltage which is zero


Krypton-filled flash lamp FT-230


FIG. 3-Speed control amplifier for the projector
when the two input voltages are approximately 90 degrees out of phase and is plus or minus when the phase of one is advanced or retarded with respect to the other. The output of the phase comparator is filtered and fed through antihunt and gain-control circuits to the grid of the control amplifier tube.

A universal motor is used for the projector driving motor. It receives its power from the 60 -cycle power line through a vibrating-contact mercury relay. The controlamplifier tube furnishes the direct current to bias the control coil of the relay. The relay has a vibrating contact arm which vibrates at 120 times per second and is driven by a 60 -cycle voltage.
When there is no d-c in the control coil of the relay, the arm does not leave the front contact and the effective impedance between the front contact and the arm is zero. As the d-c in the control coil is increased, the arm spends less time in contact with the front contact and the effective impedance between the arm and the front contact is increased, thus reducing the current through the motor.

## Control Principles

The control amplifier is biased so that approximately the correct plate current flows through the control relay to cause the motor to run at the correct speed. When the speed of the projector driving motor varies, the phase of the two voltages in the phase comparator changes. If the phase of the two
voltages in the phase comparator changes so as to cause a positive increase on the grid of the control amplifier tube, the current in the control coil of the relay increases and moves the vibrating arm away from the front contact, increasing the effective impedance in series with the projector driving motor, thereby causing the motor to slow down and correct the phase between the two voltages.
If the two voltages are out of phase in the other direction, a negative change will appear on the grid of the control amplifier and the relay will act so as to speed the motor up to correct the phase. This circuit will keep the pull-down of
the film in very accurate synchronism with the vertical blanking signal and does not require that the pulse generator of the television system be synchronized with the local power frequency.

The speed control amplifier unit also contains a relay for remote starting and an oscillator for energizing the exciter lamp in the projector sound head.

## Film Illumination

The illumination of the film in an intermittent-motion film projector adapted to television work takes place during the vertical blanking period. New proposed standards for the vertical blanking period impose increasingly stringent requirements on the lamp and projector phasing. The proposed standards for the vertical blanking period limit pulse width to 5 to 8 percent of $1 / 60$ second. O'd standards were $7.5 \pm 1 / 2$ percent.

If at all possible, it is desirable to keep the illumination time equal to or less than the lower limit of the vertical blanking period. Considerable difficulty was foreseen in trying to obtain sufficient illumination of the film by use of an incandescent lamp or other continuous source of light interrupted by a mechanical shutter.

As the percentage of illumination is reduced, the intensity of the


Close-up of control panel and optical and mechanical arrangements of the projector
light source must be increased to maintain a satisfactory average intensity of the projected image. When shutters are used to form the intermittent light pulses, the opening and closing times become an appreciable portion of the total time. Considerable care must be taken in designing a shutter system which functions properly in consideration of the short illumination period available.

Projectors designed for use with a continuous light source and mechanical shutters are often noisy, slow in starting, and susceptible to excessive vibration. They require large driving motors and powerful light sources, each of which has its inherent inconveniences.

## Pulsed Light Source

For the pulsed light source system described here several types of flash lamps filled with inert gas were tried. Xenon-filled and kryp-ton-filled lamps gave the most promising results. For economic reasons it was finally decided to make use of the krypton-filled FT230. In this lamp, the arc strikes between the points of two tungstenalloy electrodes. The glass envelope is filled with krypton gas to a pressure of about two atmospheres. In physical size the lamp is about $6{ }_{5}^{5}$ inches long and the maximum diameter of the envelope
is about one and one-quarter in.
The task of operating the FT-230 in this particular application resolves itself into three problems; the gas between the electrodes of the lamp must be broken down or ionized, energy for the flash must be supplied to the lamp, and the light pulse must be cut off at the proper time.

## Pulsed Light Circuit

The Synchro-Lite Unit* block diagram is shown in Fig. 4. The vertical blanking pulse from the pulse generator is applied to the grid of the blocking oscillator and triggers the 6SN7 tube of this circuit at 60 times per second. The pulse formed by the blocking oscillator is used to drive the 715 B high-voltage pulser tube. The output of the highvoltage pulser is an oscillatory voltage having a peak-to-peak value of about 15,000 volts. This voltage appears across the gap lamp electrodes and ionizes the gas between the electrodes. Once the gas has been ionized sufficiently, a much lower voltage will sustain the arc.
The energy for sustaining the arc or light pulse is provided by a three-phase selenium rectifier supply which is designed to operate from a 230,208 , or 115 -volt, threephase, 50 to 60 -cycle source. The output of the selenium rectifiers is about 130 volts. A rheostat $R$ is


FIG. 4-Synchro-Lite block diagram


FIG. 5-Waveform of voltage across capacitor $C$ of Fig. 4 and current through the lamp. The scale is distorted for illus. tration purposes


FIG. 6--Comparison of light pulse from Synchro-Lite with theoretical light pulse from shutter system having 2-percent opening and closing times
connected in series with the output of the rectifier for controlling the current through the lamp and thus controlling the light output.

Selenium rectifiers were used because of the relatively low direct voltage required. A three-phase rectifier circuit was used to eliminate expensive filtering and to improve operation of the unit independently of the local power frequency. If the lamp were operated independently of the local power line and the d-c were not adequately filtered, modulation of the light would occur due to the variations in the output of the d-c supply.

Normal current for the lamp is about 1.5 to 2.0 amperes average, depending upon the setting of the rheostat $R$. The voltage measured at the input to $L_{1}$ is about 100 volts for normal operation.

Inductor $L_{1}$ and capacitor $C$ constitute a resonant charging circuit

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Sound amplifier for the projector


Tube and adjustment side of the speed-control amplifier
which charges capacitor $C$ to a voltage of about 600 volts just before the high voltage is applied to the negative terminal of the lamp. A voltage transformation of about 6 to 1 is obtained by using this resonant charging circuit in conjunction with the resonant discharging circuit, $L_{2}$ and $C$.

The duration of the flash and the shape of the light pulse is controlled by the resonant discharging circuit $L_{2}$ and $C$ and the thyratron.

Values of $L_{2}$ and $C$ are selected so that the first half-cycle of the resonant discharge wave will produce a light pulse of $4 \frac{1}{2}$ to 5 percent of $1 / 60$ second in duration. Thus, the light pulse will be equal to or less than the lower limit of the vertical blanking period.

The thyratron carries the full lamp current and is used to prevent the negative current swing of the
resonant discharge cycle, thus insuring that only one light pulse will occur. The peak carrent through this part of the circuit will vary from 40 to 70 amperes, depending upon the setting of rheostat $R$. A 6SN7 multivibrator triggered from the cathode of the blocking oscillator is used to drive the grid of the thyratron. This pulse occurs at almost the same instant that the high-voltage pulse occurs.

The voltage across capacitor $C$ and the current through the lamp are not in phase but have a phase difference somewhat as shown in Fig. 5.

The light pulse obtained by this circuit approximates the current wave through the lamp, which is a half sine wave. This light pulse is shown in Fig. 6 in comparison with the theoretical light pulse obtained by the carefully designed
shutter system previously mentioned. It has been found that a light pulse of this type minimizes transient effects in the camera pickup tube as opposed to a light pulse which has infinitely steep sides or, in other words, a rectangularly shaped light pulse.

## Conclusions

This projector design possesses a number of operational advantages:

A powerful continuous light source is no longer required. Mechanical noise, vibration, and projector driving power are decreased.

Power requirements are low. The power requirement for the Syn-chro-Lite is about 400 watts, for the speed control unit, projector driving motor and take-up-rewind motor about 210 watts. The entire projector consumes less power than is usually required for the conventional light source.

Danger from fire is greatly reduced, because the temperature at the film gate is low. This feature permits making camera adjustments with film in the aperture and the light on at full brilliance. It also permits using the projector for televising $16-\mathrm{mm}$ strip film.

Electronic synchronization of the light source and projector driving motor with the camera synchronizing signal greatly decreases projector phasing problems.

For future work in televising when programming acquires a complexity comparable to present day radio-network programming, splitsecond timing of programs will be a must. To facilitate network operations it will be desirable to operate the pulse generators of the television stations independently of the local power frequency. This projector has been so designed that it readily lends itself to that mode of operation.

A sound amplifier has been designed for the projector that will accommodate fully the sound reproducing abilities of $16-\mathrm{mm}$ film.

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Pickup of timer (upper left) which scans printing easel (bottom) can be mounted on enlarger

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PHOTOGRAPHIC darkroom workers, faced with the necessity of spending much time and money making test strips to determine proper exposure for enlargements, have devised various photoelectric timing circuits.

Ideally, such a timer should be adaptable to any enlarger and so constituted that a single pushbutton turns on the enlarger and starts the timer, which will in turn automatically turn off the enlarger at the end of the proper exposure. It should also operate efficiently regardless of line voltage, degree of enlargement, aperture and negative density.
This article describes such a timer that is small, simple and can be permanently attached to any enlarger.

# DARKROOM TIMER 

> Multiplier phototube, scanning the easel of an enlarger, times exposure in accordance with negative density, lens aperture and lamp brightness. Novel neon regulator stabilizes dynode voltages for phototube

Most timing circuits that have been described are modifications of the basic resistance-capacitance circuit. The charging or discharging of a capacitor is controlled by the internal resistance of a phototube that is exposed to the same light as the enlarging paper. When the voltage across the capacitor reaches a preassigned value, a relay trips, turning off the enlarger. Because the phototube current integrates the light intensity continuously during each exposure, the circuit responds not only to the gross phenomena of negative density, degree of enlargement and lens opening, but also to smaller variables such as lamp brightness, variations with line voltage, and bulb blackening with age.

Modifications have suffered from low sensitivity and leakage currents. Because of some timers' low sensitivity to light, the enlarger must often be rebuilt to include an optical beam splitter that delivers an appreciable portion of the light directly to the photocell or phototube in order that there be adequate light to activate the device. Furthermore, leakage currents, which may be comparable to the phototube current, make timing erratic.

Both of these limitations are overcome by using a multiplier phototube. In such a tube the current produced by the incident light is repeatedly amplified by secondary emission from the arrangement of dynodes. This amplification, taking place within the phototube, raises the output current to the order of a milliampere before leakage currents can affect it. The sensitivity of photomultiplier tubes is so great
that they can give a direct indication of the intensity of light that is so weak that it would take two hours' exposure to affect the best photographic emulsions. If such a tube is used to control the charge on a capacitor of good quality, leakage currents are negligible.

## Regulated High-Voltage Supply

Although using a photomultiplier tube eliminates the sources of error commonly encountered in self-adjusting timers, one slight complication is introduced: the photomultiplier tube requires a high voltage that must be regulated. Even if a conventional regulated supply is used, tube operation may be unsatisfactory because of the redistribution of potential along the divider for the chain of dynodes when their currents vary by amounts comparable to the divider current. A lowerimpedance divider could be used, but it is better to regulate each dynode potential individually.

Quarter-watt neon lamps are ideal for regulating the dynode potentials of a multiplier phototube because of the low current drawn by the tube. If several such lamps are connected in series and this string placed in series with a dropping resistor, the voltage across the string is fairly independent of the applied voltage. A difference of about 55 volts appears across each lamp. The measured a-c resistance of the lamps operating in this current range is about 1,500 ohms, which, in conjunction with a fairly high dropping resistance, gives adequate regulation for most photographic purposes. Because the d-c resistance of the lamps is much
higher, the divider current is small.
Satisfactory operation can usually be obtained from photomultiplier tubes operated in autorectifier circuits; that is, with alternating voltage applied to the voltage divider, the tube passing current only when its anode is positive. The fact that the tube is operative less than the full time is equivalent to a reduction in amplification, which can be regained by increasing the voltage on one dynode. However, because the neon string is being repeatedly fired (twice each power cycle), the voltage across each lamp rises to its ignition potential of about 70 volts, or about a third higher than the operating voltage. Thus, at the start of each half cycle the voltage across the string of lamps will momentarily rise too high by several hundred volts if all the lamps light simultaneously. During this period of high voltage the current amplification of the photomultiplier will be much greater than during the remainder of its cycle. An appreciable portion of the total capacitor current will flow during this ignition interval, making the timing sensitive to line voltage variations.

The spike can be minimized by making the lamps ignite in sequence, starting with the first dynode. The small spikes that result are unimportant because so many occur at low voltages, where the amplification is down. The firing sequence can be controlled by attaching a graded-capacitor voltage divider across the string of lamps, the largest capacitor being across the last lamp to fire. In this way the final spike is only 20 volts. This arrangement eliminates possible variations in the time at which the lamps light and the duration of the action. In choosing the sizes of the capacitors, the lower limit is set by stray capacitances and the upper limit by the necessity for the largest capacitance to have a small reactance compared to the resistance of the dropping resistor so excessive phase shift will not be produced. The intermediate values of capacitance are convenient ones approximately evenly spaced. Several lamps can be allowed to ignite together in the early part of the cycle when the voltage is low, thus reduc-


Darkroom timer is built in two parts: chassis (left) housing relays, gas triode, transformer and timing capacitor, and (right) phototube scanning head
ing the number of capacitors. By placing two lamps between some dynodes the amplification can be increased. With the circuit shown, the current amplification is about 80,000.

The lamps, their associated capacitors and the phototube are housed in a pickup head so that a long multiconductor cable, whose capacitance might interfere with the divider action, need not be used.

## Charging the Capacitor

Two neon lamps are used between the last dynode and the anode of the photomultiplier tube to assure a constant (fairly saturated) high signal current and to provide enough voltage so that the firing voltage of the thyratron, which terminates the timing period, can be chosen at a value for which the derivative of the capacitor charging curve is still large. The integrating capacitor should have low leakage. Electrolytic capacitors, which have high leakage and change capacitance, cannot be used.

Different contrasts, grades and surfaces of paper will require different exposures. With the dynode voltages fixed, the exposure interval can be changed by switching capacitors or changing apertures in front of the phototube. Capacitances of the order of magnitude of one microfarad were found proper.

Timers of this sort can be of two types. In the more common type, an initially discharged capacitor is abruptly charged at the beginning of the timing cycle and then
allowed to discharge slowly until the capacitor voltage falls to a predetermined value and activates the circuit. In the other type, the capacitor is momentarily shorted and then charged slowly until its voltage rises to the assigned value. This latter arrangement is preferable because the average voltage across the capacitor during the timing cycle is lower than in the first arrangement and hence the leakage current is smaller. In the first type circuit, leakage tends to make the interval too short; in the second, it tends to make it too long, but the error is less.

## Timing Operations

The foregoing considerations form the basis for the complete circuit shown in the diagram. To understand the functions of the components, let us follow a timing cycle. Depressing pushbutton $S_{1}$ causes relay $R_{f}$ to close and, because one set of its contacts is across $S_{1}$, to remain closed even after $S_{1}$ is released. Another set of contacts on $R$ turn on the enlarger and supply power to the photomultiplier transformer. The integrating capacitor charges slowly from the current passed by the phototube, making the control element of the OA4G tube increasingly negative with respect to its cathode. When the potential difference between these two electrodes becomes high enough, a pilot discharge takes place that partially ionizes the tube. On the next half cycle, the anode of the OA4G becomes positive, the

tube breaks down, and relay $R_{2}$ is energized, thus releasing $R_{i}$. In dropping back, $R_{1}$ turns off the enlarger and the power to the phototube and also connects a $50,000-\mathrm{ohm}$ resistor across the integrating capacitor, thus discharging it in preparation for another cycle. Between timing cycles the equipment draws no power and thus can be left permanently connected. It has no warmup delay, so to operate it for the next cycle all that is necessary is to push the button again.

The type OA4G tube was chosen not only for its heaterless construction, but for other advantages. Before the control electrode breaks down there is very little leakage through the tube because the cathode is cold. Also, because of the construction of this tube, the voltage at which the control electrode fires is a very slowly varying function of the anode potential. No regulation of the anode supply is necessary. In the circuit shown the cathode of the OA4G is returned through a voltage divider so that a variable positive bias can be introduced as a fine control for the timing interval. This bias controls the integrating capacitor voltage at which the tube fires.

Because the cathode bias is an alternating voltage, it tends to fire the tube only during a positive half cycle. However, the control electrode might break down during a negative half cycle and discharge the integrating capacitor to the extinction voltage before the positive half cycle arrives. Hence a 0.1-
megohm resistor is used to limit the discharge current to a value that will still ignite the anode circuit but will not discharge the integrating capacitor too rapidly. This resistor also protects the tube by limiting the discharge current.

By using a 110 -volt a-c lockin relay for $R_{1}$, its size and capacity are not limited by the ability of a tube to pass large currents, as in some timers. The lockin action also makes the timing interval independent of the way in which the button is pushed. Even at short intervals, the action of the two relays of this circuit is quite regular.

The phototube used has an S4 blue-sensitive surface (response peaked at 4,200 Angstroms) and thus should not see light coming through a reasonably good safelight filter. (The dark current to the integrating capacitor is below 0.1 microampere.) However, if spurious currents flow due to the safelight, a relay can be arranged that will turn the safelight off when the enlarger goes on.

## Photomultiplier Pickup Head

The phototube is mounted in a light-tight housing with an aperture aimed down at a small angle toward the enlarger easel. However, the angle from the vertical should not be 「ess than about 10 degrees because specular reflections from the paper might then give erratic results as the enlarger head is moved. The housing is mounted on the enlarger head and adjusted so that the phototube sees a suit-
able portion of the print. As the enlarger head is raised or lowered the phototube will see a larger or smaller portion of the easel but will be further from or closer to it so the light reaching the phototube will be independent of its height. The timing is thus independent of the degree of enlargement.

With usual subjects, the pickup head can be set to scan the middle of the print. However, for certain subjects, such as a portrait against a black background or another against a white background, the field of view of the pickup should be limited only to the region of primary interest. A small lamp could be installed in the pickup head to project a beam of light onto the field of view to facilitate aiming the pickup.

Although the field of view of the pickup head can be controlled solely by stops or diaphragms, the same result can be obtained with much better light-gathering power by using a lens to cast an image of the working area of the easel onto a diaphragm in front of the phototube. This lens need not be of good quality as a sharp image is undesirable, but it should have a short focal length. The diaphragm in front of the phototube can be a ground glass masked to accept the desired field of view. The image should not be formed directly on the photocathode because it may be nonuniform.

To test the reliability of this timer, prints were made with the enlarger lens at f4.5 and at f16 and with the line voltage at 115 and at 105 volts. The four prints were processed identically thereafter and compared. They were indistinguishable from each other. However, because of the change in color of the enlarger light with line voltage, some enlargers may not give compensation to this degree. The magnitude of the effect will be determined by how well the photocell color characteristic curve matches that of the paper being used. Because of its cascade action, and consequent extreme voltage sensitivity, this timer may be inadequate for exacting color work unless the line voltage is stabilized. A constant-voltage transformer is a simple solution to such a problem.

ANUMBER of problems arise in the design of $f-m$ receivers as compared with those for a-m only. Because the f-m system is capable of handling greater dynamic range, the power output of the audio amplifier must usually be about twice that for $a-m$, and the extended frequency range requires up to 15,000 cycles frequency response.

Distortion must be held to less than 5 percent and efforts must be made to eliminate high-order distortion. A de-emphasis circuit must be switched in for f-m to compensate for the predistortion introduced at the transmitter to improve the high-frequency signal-to-noise ratio. The de-emphasis element takes the form of an R-C low-pass filter with a 75 -microsecond time constant for the requisite 6-db-peroctave audio attenuation.

Audio and modulation hum may arise in the filament circuit. Heat-er-to-cathode leakage in detectors employing balanced discriminators or ratio detectors may cause hum problems in production because one of the cathodes is above ground for audio frequencies. Insofar as a-c/d-c receivers are concerned, the detector must be placed at the low end of the filament string.
Filament-to-grid emission in the converter and local oscillator tubes of a-c/d-c receivers has been found to be a possible cause of frequencymodulation hum in the local oscillator. The use of a low value of grid leak in the order of 15,000 ohms has been found quite helpful. The converter tube should be located next to the second detector in the filament string in order to minimize the a-c filament-to-grid potential. The presence of frequency modulation in the local oscillator is readily detected by applying to the converter grid first an unmodulated i-f signal and then an unmodulated r-f signal and noting the increase in audible hum.

## Detector Systems

There are three types of f-m detectors generally used in commercial receivers. They are: the balanced discriminator which is usually preceded by a limiter; the ratio detector which uses a balanced discriminator in a circuit arrangement which accomplishes noise re-


FIG. 1-Limiter-discriminator f-m detector circuit. The graphs show operational characteristics; the vector diagrams explain instantaneous effects

F-M Receiver

A survey of design and production techniques, including an evaluation of limiter-discriminator, ratio, and syn-chronized-oscillator detectors. Hum reduction and the tracing and elimination of regenerative effects in i-f and r-f stages, particularly for a-c/d-c receivers, are described

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duction without the use of a limiter ; and the synchronized-oscillator type of frequency detector, the commercial form of which is known as the Bradley detector, giving noise reduction without a limiter.

Figure 1A shows a schematic for the limiter and balanced discriminator form of detector. Amplitude-modulation limiter action is obtained by the use of a low time constant circuit of the order of 15 microseconds in the grid of the limiter tube and by the proper adjustment of plate and screen voltages to obtain a flat saturation characteristic, as shown in Fig. 1B. The opposing noise voltage appears across the low time constant circuit $R_{1} C_{3}$, with the result that the a-m noise modulation is materially reduced. Resistors $R_{2}$ and $R_{3}$ are chosen to give screen and plate voltages in
the order of 5 to 40 volts to obtain the desired limiter characteristic.

The desired discriminator characteristic shown in Fig. 1C is obtainable with approximate transformer constants such that $L_{1}$ equals $L_{2}, M$ is twice that for critical coupling, and $Q$ is 50 for an i-f frequency of 10 mc . The magnitude of $L_{1}$ and $L_{2}$ determines the voltage output and is about 5 to 10 mh in commercial design.

The vector diagrams in Fig. 1D show how the voltage output is developed as the signal goes through its frequency modulation cycle. Voltages $e_{2}$ and $e_{3}$ are added at 90 degrees to the primary voltage $e_{1}$ through $C_{2}$ when at the center frequency. As we move off resonance, the phase of the secondary voltage shifts with respect to that of the primary, a difference in diode voltage is obtained and an incremental


FIG. 2-Ratio detector for f-m. Transformer turns ratios are given and the vector diagram indicates optimum transformer performance

## Design Problems

d-c voltage is produced across resistors $R_{4}$. Circuit $R_{8} C_{8}$ in conjunction with $R_{5}$ serves as an attenuator and de-emphasis network. The values given are approximately as required for the average audio amplifier of a radio receiver.

## Ratio Detector

Figure 2A shows the schematic diagram for the ratio detector. Here, a-m rejection is obtained by a double diode circuit in conjunction with a balanced discriminator transformer which has special electrical constants. The addition of a capacitor $C_{3}$ for storage of stabilizing voltage and the reversal of the diode $D_{1}$ are the most significant circuit changes over that of the ordinary balanced discriminator. In addition, the diode conductance should be high and the diode load resistors low so as to load the secondary windings $L_{2}$ to a point where the secondary $Q$ is approximately one-fourth the unloaded Q .

The open circuit voltage across $L_{2}$ is made large compared to that across $L_{3}$. The application of the diode load should then reduce the voltage across $L_{2}$ such that it is equal to about 75 percent of the voltage across $L_{3}$. This effect is illustrated in the vector diagram in Fig. 2B, which also gives the approximate turns relation required to simulate the conditions of this vector relation. Coil $L_{1}$ is made
large in comparison to $L_{3}$ so as to match more nearly the plate resistance of the i-f amplifier and to minimize the effect of the diode load on the primary Q . The value of $M$ is made less than critical so that $E_{2}$, within limits, will be a direct function of the diode load.

The application of a carrier signal to the primary of the discriminator transformer will now charge $C_{8}$ to a d-c voltage equal to $E_{D 1}+$ $E_{D 2}$ and this charge will follow low rates of change in carrier level. However, suppose that the carrier level is suddenly increased as by a burst of noise. Capacitor $C_{3}$ will essentially act as a short-circuit, consequently the diodes will impose a heavy load on $L_{2}$ and the voltages $E_{D_{1}}$ and $E_{D_{2}}$ will increase only by a small fraction of the carrier increase caused by the noise. Conversely, if the carrier level is modulated downward by the noise, $C_{3}$ remains charged and reduces the diode current, which results in an increase in $E_{p 1}$ and $E_{p 2}$. If the downward modulation drives the diode current to zero, then $L_{2}$ is open-circuited and no increase in opposition noise voltage is possible.

The lower the value of $R_{1}$ and the greater the Q of $L_{2}$ the more downward modulation the detector can handle. However, the lower the value of $R_{1}$ the less sensitive is the detector and the greater is the possibility of distortion due to incor-
rect phase relations in the transformer. A good compromise design using approximately the constants shown will handle up to 60 percent of downward modulation.

The audio voltage appears across $R_{\text {s }}$ which, so far as operation is concerned, may be an open circuit and is shown only as a means of clarifying the functioning of the circuit. When the carrier frequency is at its center value the voltages $E_{D_{1}}$ and $E_{D_{2}}$ are equal, and since the two diode currents are in opposition, no voltage will be developed across $R_{4}$.

Now as modulation moves the carrier off center frequency such that $E_{D_{1}}$ decreases and $E_{D 2}$ increases, the current through $R$, due to $E_{D 1}$ is decreased. This is equivalent to an increase being caused by a voltage in opposition to that due to $E_{D 1}$. Since $E_{D 2}$ represents such an opposition voltage, the two changes in diode currents produce a resultant change in voltage across $R_{4}$ equivalent to connecting the two diode voltage increments in parallel, while a balanced discriminator adds these voltages. Thus the output of the ratio detector is given as one-half $E_{D 2}$ minus $E_{D_{1}}$.

Since no audio voltage can appear across the stabilizing capacitor, the ground can be shifted to the optional location and thus permit the use of a cathode common to that of the first audio tube. However, this arrangement does not permit the effective use of balancing resistors between the diode and the junction of the stabilizing capacitor and load resistor which are sometimes required for the best results insofar as noise rejection is concerned. These balancing resistors are of the order of $1,000 \mathrm{ohms}$.

## Equivalent Circuit of Ratio Detector

Figure 3 may help further to clarify the operation of the ratio type of detector. Figure 3A shows the equivalent circuit under centerfrequency conditions, with batteries substituted for rectified and applied voltages. Resistors are substituted for the various impedances. The values shown are only relative for the purpose of illustration and bear no absolute relation to the actual detector circuit. Batteries $B_{1}$ and $B_{2}$ are fictitious volt-
ages which replace the i-f plate current of the driver stage. The diode load has also been relocated so as to represent the load across the transformer and a one-megohm resistor occupies its conventional location so as to simulate as nearly as possible the actual detector.

The diagram shows the detector under a stabilized condition, wherein $B_{3}$ may be removed without changing the circuit conditions. Now if, with $B_{3}$ connected, $B_{1}$ plus $B_{2}$ is increased or decreased the change in current will flow through $B_{v}$ plus $R_{D 1}$ and $R_{D 2}$ and the change in $E_{D 1}$ and $E_{D 2}$ will be $1 / 100$ th of that which would occur if the stabilizing voltage $B_{3}$ were not present. It is seen that $a-m$ has little effect on $E_{b_{1}}$ and $E_{D_{2}}$.

Figure 3B shows the relations at off center frequency for a change in diode voltages of one volt, Fig. 3 D shows voltages in parallel.

Figure 3C shows the equivalent of a circuit used with a grounded cathode. Since the ground has effectively moved from zero to plus four volts with respect to point $a$ and the voltage from $a$ to $d$ is proportional to the carrier strength, point $a$ delivers an ave voltage equal to half the charge on the stabilizing capacitor.

The importance of electrical balance of the secondary of the discriminator transformer cannot be overstressed. The transformer
parameters, particularly the impedance of the secondary and its coupling to the primary, are also deserving of careful consideration for the best possible a-m rejection.

A signal generator capable of delivering a signal with simultaneous amplitude and frequency modulation will be of great help. The frequency modulation should be of the order of 100 cycles at $\pm 75-\mathrm{kc}$ deviation and the a-m of the order of 1,000 cycles at 50 -percent modulation so that it is possible, by the use of a high-pass filter, to measure the a-m component of the audio output voltage in the presence of the output due to frequency modulation. This filter should have sufficient attenuation to reduce the reading on the output meter, due to $\mathrm{f}-\mathrm{m}$, to a negligible value compared to that due to a-m.

This check for attenuation can be made by switching off the amplitude modulation and reading the output through the filter when frequency modulation is applied. A synchronized scope pattern of the discriminator characteristic will also show the presence of a-m by giving a wide line. The proper interpretation of this pattern will be of value in determining the $\mathrm{f}-\mathrm{m} / \mathrm{a}-\mathrm{m}$ ratio. A ratio of 30 to 1 in voltage, which is about 30 db , is considered satisfactory for field performance. The ratio should be checked at various levels of input.


FIG. 3-Simplified diagrams of the ratio detector, with batteries representing voltages and resistances representing impedances

Figure 4 shows a circuit arrangement which is applicable to the Bradley synchronized-oscillator type of detector. The oscillator circuit may be of the Colpitts or Hartley type, the particular requirement being that it run under class $C$ conditions. The tube is a pentagrid type with the element structure of such design as to give the special characteristics required for best operation as a synchronized-oscillator type of detector and noise rejection.

Frequency modulation as required to maintain lock-in is obtained from a 90 -degree component of the oscillator signal injected across $L_{1}$ by $L_{2}$. The magnitude is controlled by the change in oscillator plate current $I_{p}$. The control of magnitude of the 90 -degree component is accomplished by changing the total effective bias of $E_{63}$ plus $E_{G_{1 *}}$ This 90-degree component will appear as a capacitance or an inductance across $L_{1} C_{t}$, dependent upon the polarity of $L_{\text {. }}$. Therefore the reversal of $L_{2}$ reverses the phase of the audio output in reference to the carrier modulation.

In most cases the capacitive polarity for $L_{2}$ gives the best results and is determined by observing the oscillator frequency when changing the bias $E_{\sigma_{3}}$. If the phasing is correct, the oscillator frequency will increase with more negative bias.
Load resistance $R_{L}$ damps $L_{2}$ such that its $Q$ is approximately 10 . This damping prevents changes in phase of the 90 -degree component during the application of frequency modulation to the oscillator under lock-in conditions. When the circuit parameters are properly adjusted, a straight line is obtained between the break-out points and the output is independent of the input.

Figure 4B illustrates the method by which the effective bias of $E_{G 3}+E_{G 1}$ is made to vary with modulation. This method produces an audio component of plate current through $R_{3} C_{3}$, the amplitude of which is a direct function of the carrier deviation. It is to be noted that the time constant of $R_{3} C_{3}$ is 75 microseconds, as required to supply the proper de-emphasis correction to the audio response curve.

When the signal voltage is at 90 degrees to the oscillator grid pulse


FIG. 4-Typical synchronized-oscillator f-m detector. Plate-current and signal relations are shown at B
no change in plate current will take place. It should be remembered, however, that a fictitious capacitance or inductance is present across $L_{1} C_{3}$ under this steady-state condition. The oscillator frequency is in part determined by this 90 -degree component as well as $L_{1} C_{1}$ and the padding of $C_{1}$ must be such as to compensate properly.

Now let us apply modulation to the carrier such that its frequency is shifted by a small incremental change, and such that the phase shifts in such a direction as to approach the in-phase condition. A small increase in plate current takes place, resulting in a corresponding increase in the 90 -degree component of oscillator current across $L_{1} C_{1}$. This change in turn produces enough change in oscillator frequency to satisfy the conditions around the loop.

The converse takes place when the modulation is such as to move the frequency in the opposite direction, as indicated by the out-ofphase condition shown in Fig. 4B. When the change in plate current caused by this phase shift is not sufficient to provide the magnitude of 90 -degree component required to deviate the oscillator so that it is in step with the carrier, break-out occurs and the audio output goes through a point of discontinuity which will be observed as a ragged type of distortion. When break-out occurs, either the phase shift has gone through 90 degrees or the tube has reached saturation.
While the lock-in sensitivity of this type of detector is as low as 0.3 volt, full advantage of this sensitivity cannot be realized because of the fact that it is necessary
to drive $G_{3}$ from a source impedance of a few thousand ohms in order to reduce stray oscillator voltage on $G_{3}$ due to capacitance coupling in the tube. Experience has shown that excessive oscillator voltage on $G_{3}$ introduces objectionable distortion. A more complete description appeared in the October 1946 issue of Electronics, p 88.

It is seen from Table I that the choice of the f-m detector has a direct bearing on the requirements of the i-f amplifier, particularly so far as gain is concerned. Whether or not an r-f stage is used also affects the gain requirements and overall stability of the i-f system.

The antenna sensitivity may vary between two and 75 microvolts, depending on the price class and performance requirements. It is possible to realize a gain of 2 in the antenna stage, and for the r-f stage a gain of 10 . Although the theoretical maximum is considerably higher, it is difficult to realize, because of tube loading and other circuit losses that are difficult to control. Keeping these factors in mind, we can estimate the gain requirements and the number of stages to be used in the i-f system.

Figure 5 shows a typical doublechannel i-f stage capable of han-
ding either 1 -m or a-m signals. The a-m trimmers $C_{6}, C_{6}, C_{7}$ and $C_{8}$ act as bypasses for the $10.7-\mathrm{me}$ f-m signal, while $L_{i}, L_{2}, L_{3}$ and $L_{4}$ are of negligible impedance at the a-m i-f.

The stage gain at optimum coupling is given by

$$
\begin{equation*}
A=E_{G 2} / E_{G 1}=\frac{G_{M}\left(Z_{3} Z_{4}\right)^{1 / 2}}{2+\left(Z_{3} / R_{p}\right)} \tag{1}
\end{equation*}
$$

when $Z$ is $\omega L Q, L_{3} L_{4}$ is in the order of 8 to 12 microhenrys and $Q$ is about 50 for the average receiver. In most cases the term $Z_{3} / R_{p}$ can be neglected. The attenuation at plus and minus 100 kc in a stage employing a transformer with a $Q$ of 50 and adjusted for critical or optimum coupling is 1.2 to 1 . It is desirable, from the standpoint of facilitating production padding and field operation in any one of the previously discussed detector systems, to maintain the coupling at slightly less than the critical value.

## Regeneration

In many cases the chief problem pertaining to the i-f amplifier is that of regeneration. The cause of regeneration is difficult to locate because in many cases no analytical method seems to be available by which its source can be located.

It is helpful to consider a regenerative or degenerative amplifier as one having a portion of the output signal coupled back to the input in some particular phase relation to the original. Rather than feed the original signal in at the first stage of the amplifier, let it be applied to the last stage in such a manner that the regenerative as well as the origina! signal will be amplified. This effect is accomplished as shown in Fig. 5 by applying the socalled original signal from the generator through a small capacitor about $3 \mu \mu \mathrm{f}$ to the terminal of $L_{3}$, $C_{3}$ being adjusted to compensate for

Table I-Approximate Performance Data for $\pm 22$-KC Deviation

| Tyne of F-M <br> Delector | Location <br> of Measurement | Sensitivity <br> in $\mu \mathbf{V}$ | Output <br> Voltage |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ratio | Driver Grid | $\mathbf{1 0 0 , 0 0 0}$ | 0.3 |
| Bradley <br> Limiter and <br> Ralanced <br> Discriminator | Driver Grid | $\mathbf{7 5 , 0 0 0 ^ { * }}$ | 2.0 |
|  | Limiter Grid | $10 \times 10^{6}$ | 5.0 |

the additional capacitance across $L_{3}$. The front end of the amplifier has previously been tuned and the detector converted to an a-m type by opening one diode or stopping the oscillator. When the diode is removed, an equivalent capacitance should be substituted in its place to maintain correct tuning. With an amplitude-modulated signal, it is now possible for the audio amplifier to indicate relative signal amplitudes. The feedback signal, if present, is readily removed by shorting $L_{2}$ with a $0.01-\mu \mathrm{f}$ capacitor. The presence of feedback will be indicated by a change in amplitude of the detected audio output.

When the amplifier circuits are tuned exactly to the frequency of the applied signal, the phase angle between the feedback signal voltage and that of the applied signal is usually some multiple of 90 degrees. If under these conditions the feedback is not in phase with the applied signal, the tuned circuits will seek a new frequency such that the several small phase shifts in each circuit will add up to bring the feedback voltage almost in phase with the applied signal. Under this condition the apparent maximum gain is not at the true resonant frequency of the tuned circuits and the selectivity curve becomes unsymmetrical, or if the feedback is of sufficient magnitude the amplifier will oscillate at some frequency, usually within ( $1 \pm 2 / Q$ ) times the resonant frequency of the tuned circuits. If the feedback is small, and at 90 degrees to the applied signal, it may only change the symmetry of the selectivity curve, and it will then be necessary to check for the presence of feedback at frequencies slightly off resonance. The check is still made by observing the change in output due to shorting $L_{2}$ with a $0.01-\mu \mathrm{f}$ capacitor.

The application of this method to the solution of a regenerative problem is relatively straightforward. Since there is no longer dependence upon the front end of the amplifier to provide a source of signal, it is possible to disconnect or short-circuit any point ahead of $L_{3}$ without affecting anything other than the regeneration.

To locate the source of feedback,


FIG. 5 Representative $\alpha-m$ and $f-m$ intermediate-frequency stage with notations for discussion of regenerative effects
start at the first stage and, with a $0.01-\mu \mathrm{f}$ capacitor, bypass successively the grids and plates of each stage until a change in output signal level is noted. Such a point is a source of feedback, but not necessarily the only one.

If the amplifier is oscillating it will be necessary to proceed down the line until a point is reached where the bypass kills the oscillation. Having located the point at which regeneration occurs, it then becomes only a matter of inserting the necessary filtering, providing the feedback is in the low-potential end of the circuit. If it is in the high-potential end, other methods of correction must be applied.

The most familiar type of regeneration, which occurs in the high-potential end of i-f amplifier impedances, is that resulting from grid-to-plate capacitance. The advent of the screen grid tube eliminated, for a time, this type of regeneration, but as better i-f transformers were developed and the individual stage performance improved, it again became the limiting factor so far as stage gain is concerned. This style of feedback can be found in most low-cost broadcast receivers and manifests itself as an unsymmetrical selectivity curve.

An indication of the magnitude of feedback due to the grid-to-plate capacitance ( $C_{a P}$ ) is given by

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{A_{f}}{A}=\frac{1}{1-\left(C_{G P} Q_{2} A / C_{2}\right)} \tag{2}
\end{equation*}
$$

when $A_{\rho}$ is gain with feedback owing to $C_{G P}$. It is approximate because it does not include the phase


FIG. 6-B-minus decoupling circuit
angles which vary with the degree of feedback and approach 90 degrees as the magnitude of the feedback is reduced.

Consider a possible example where $C_{G P}$ is 0.004 u. f.f, $Q_{2}$ is $50, C_{2}$ is 24 and $A$ is 60 . By substitution it is found that the amplification with feedback present is twice that without feedback, while good design practice calls for this ratio to be less than about 1.3 to 1. If the overall design is such as to require the maximum possible i-f stage gain, the use of neutralization is a means of reducing the feedback due to grid-to-plate capacitance.

## Neutralization

A convenient means of neutralizing the grid-to-plate capacitance involves obtaining an out-of-phase voltage on the screen with respect to that of the plate. The screen-to-control-grid capacitance $C_{s a}$ then sets up a voltage across $L_{2}$ in opposition to that of the feedback voltage caused by the grid-to-plate capacitance. The polarity signs in Fig. 5 indicate the conditions of in-


FIG. 7.-R-f stage for $\alpha-m$ and $1-m$ receiver, arranged for discussion of regenerative effects
stantaneous polarity as required for conditions of neutralization.

The out-of-phase voltage to be applied to the screen is best obtained by making the screen bypass $C_{N}$ common to the plate bypass. Now $C_{N}$, in combination with the plate-to-ground capacitance $C_{P G}$, forms a voltage divider across $L_{3}$ and the current is in such direction as to obtain the necessary phase reversal across $C_{x}$. For purposes of clarity, $C_{s q}$ is assumed small in comparison to $C_{2}$ and hence shows only the approximate relation required for balance

$$
\begin{equation*}
C_{X}=C_{P G} C_{S G} / C_{G P} \tag{3}
\end{equation*}
$$

Since $C_{P G}$ is not readily determined and the lead inductance of $C_{N}$ is also a factor, the conditions for balance are more exactly determined by experimental methods than by calculation from the theoretical equation, Because the 3$\mu \mu \mathrm{f}$ coupling capacitor adds to the plate-to-ground capacitance, a more accurate balance will be obtained if this capacitor is reduced to about 1 upf and its leads dressed down towards the chassis to keep the grid-to-plate capacitance at a minimum. It will then be necessary to readjust $C_{3}$ for maximum output to compensate for the change in coupling capacitance. Now with $L_{1}$ shorted, observe the effect of $C_{2}$ on the output. If $C_{N}$ is too large the circuit will be under-neutralized and the output will be observed to increase and then decrease as the phase of the feedback is changed by tuning $C_{2}$ through resonance from the high-frequency side. The converse is true if the circuit is in
the underneutralized condition.
When the correct value of $\mathrm{C}_{v}$ is inserted no change in output will be observed as $C_{2}$ is tuned through resonance. The value of $C_{N}$ may vary from minus 25 to plus 50 percent without increasing the feedback ratio beyond about 1.3 to 1 providing the ratio without neutralization does not exceed 2 to 1 , but since allowance must be made for other variables, a tolerance on $C_{s}$ of minus 10 to plus 25 percent is preferred.

## Feedback in F-M Sets

The common type of overall regeneration due to common coupling in the B-plus circuits is familiar to most engineers and need not be discussed here. There is, however, a new problem in the $B$-minus circuits which will be encountered when designing an $\mathrm{f}-\mathrm{m}$ receiver incorporating the familiar a-c/d-c circuit in which the chassis is isolated from the power circuits. Figure 6 shows the circuit elements involved in this type of feedback and a filter for eliminating it. The plate-to-ground capacitance $C_{\mu, g}$ sets up a voitage across the $0.01-u f$ capacitor connected between ground and cathode of this stage. In the absence of the 50 -ohm filter resistor, this voltage would be applied between the grid and cathode of the previous stage through its grid-toground capacitance $C_{G G}$.

Experience would lead one to think that the value of the capacitor between cathode and ground in Fig. 6 should be increased, but a little further investigation will show that
a $0.01-u f$ capacitor will resonate with half-inch leads at about 10 mc . The choice of this particular value of capacitor for most of the bypass requirements in the i-f amplifier of $\mathrm{f}-\mathrm{m}$ receivers is then apparent. It is necessary to depart from conventional $a-m$ technique so far as the B-minus circuit is concerned, by adding filter sections between the cathodes of successive amplifier stages.

## Filament Feedback

Similar problems to that of the B-minus circuit also exist in the series filament string of a-c/d-c receivers, the feedback being due to the capacitance between the filament and cathode and the filament and grid. In the solution of this problem, series chokes are used and the bypasses are returned to the cathode rather than ground in order to avoid modulation hum due to a-c potential on the floating chassis. Filters of this type are also often required in a-c receivers to reduce feedback currents carried by the parallel filament circuits.

The combination of the low capacitance used in the tuned circuits of the i-f amplifier and the construction used in high $G_{m}$ tubes increases to a marked degree the effect of the change in input capacitance when avc is applied to the grid. The proper choice of cathode resistor $R_{K}$ will introduce an apparent negative capacitance designated as $\Delta C$ in the expression

$$
R_{\kappa}=\Delta C / C_{\theta K} \quad G_{s f}
$$

This negative capacitance diminishes with $G_{m}$ at approximately the same absolute rate as that of the positive input capacitance. The value shown in Fig. 5 is approximately that required for correction of input capacitance change of the average i-f stage employing a high $G_{m}$ tube.

The choice of a converter is somewhat dependent upon overall design considerations. The triode is known to have a much lower equivalent noise resistance than a pentagrid type and therefore will be the most likely choice if no r-f stage is contemplated for one or both bands. If an r-f stage is included as part of the design, a pentagrid converter may give slightly
better performance in f-m gain and r-f input resistance.

The chief regeneration problems associated with the converter are the so-called hot spots which are identified as highly regenerative portions of the band. They apparently arise from the oscillator coupling to the i-f through the filament or B-plus leads to produce an antenna frequency, which in turn is coupled back to the antenna or r-f circuits. Bypassing of the hot filament or B-plus leads to chassis through a small self-resonant capacitor of about $100 \mu \mu \mathrm{f}$ has been found to be effective in removing this type of regeneration.

## R-F Amplification

If an r-f stage is used, degenerative as well as regenerative problems will be encountered. Because the phase relations cannot be maintained so that the two effects cancel, it is necessary to treat each as an individual problem and apply independent solutions.

The acorn tube makes the most reliable type of diode voltmeter, but still imposes a loss across the tuned circuit. A small series capacitor will reduce the loss, but at the same time reduces the voltmeter sensitivity. Keep leads short.

The gain of the r-f stage shown in Fig. 7 is given by

$$
\begin{equation*}
A=G_{u H} \omega L_{2} Q_{2} \tag{5}
\end{equation*}
$$

Special design precautions must be taken even to approach this theoretical value. An amplifier tube working at these frequencies has a low input resistance caused by transit time and the voltage across the cathode-lead inductance $L_{k}$. The grid-to-cathode capacitance $C_{\sigma \kappa}$ couples this cathode voltage to the grid circuit in degenerative relation to the applied signal. If the cathode lead is assumed to be one inch long with a diameter of 0.05 inch, the relation
$L_{K}=$

$$
\begin{equation*}
0.005 l\left[2.3 \log _{10}\left(\frac{4 l}{d}+\frac{d}{4 l}-1\right)\right] \tag{6}
\end{equation*}
$$

shows it to have an inductance of 0.01 microhenry. Inserting this value in the equation

$$
\begin{equation*}
R_{L}=1 / \omega^{2} G_{N M} L_{K} C_{G K} \tag{7}
\end{equation*}
$$

and assuming that the grid-tocathode capacitance of the tube is 5 $\mu \mu \mathrm{f}$, while the $G_{m}$ is assumed to be 4,000 micromhos, gives an apparent
load resistance of 12,000 ohms. The shunt impedance of $L_{1} C_{1}$ is found to be about 10,000 ohms and hence $R_{L}$ has the effect of reducing the Q of the tuned circuit by a factor of approximately two to one.

The effect of the input admittance on the circuit Q of $L_{1} C_{1}$ is readily verified by observing the voltage change across $L_{1}$ as the tube is turned on with the signal generator loosely coupled to $L_{1} C_{1}$ through a 2 -up.f capacitor. If the loading is of the magnitude indicated by the previous calculations, the voltage will drop about two to one with the r-f tube hot as compared to that with the tube cold. Part of this loading depends upon the transit time of the electrons between the grid and cathode.

The net effect of the tube on the $Q$ of the input circuit can be largely compensated by inserting, in series with the cathode, a small resistor $R_{\kappa}$. If $C_{\kappa}$ is very small and $R_{\kappa}$ large in comparison to $L_{i}$, the phase angle of the feedback will be shifted such that $R_{L}$ is replaced by a negative capacitance which affects only the value of $C_{1}$. If the impedance between cathode and ground has a capacitive phase angle, $R_{b}$ will be negative, and if sufficiently so, the circuit will oscillate. When a proper adjustment of the cathode impedance is made, the generator voltage across $L_{1} C_{1}$ will not be affected by turning the heater of the $r$-f tube on or off.

The importance of short leads and low inductance in common circuit paths is important in r-f stages that employ the conventional type of f-m tuning capacitor. The circuit elements involved are arranged in Fig. 8, where $L_{41}$ is the mutual inductance to be considered as re-


FIG. 8-Circuit to indicate capacitor-shaft coupling
placing the coupling in the capacitor owing to common currents through the rotor shaft and frame of the tuning capacitor. The inductance of a ground lead represented by $L_{d_{2}}$ indicates how coupling exists due to the stray ground capacitances of the grid and plate circuits. While this inductance, for the same degree of feedback, can be about five times that of $L_{x 1}$, it will be shown that it is important to use the best possible grounding on the rotor shaft and frame of the tuning capacitor.

Suppose that $L_{y!}$ is physically represented by a copper rod $1 / 32$ inch in diameter and $1 / 64$ inch long. While Eq. 6 cannot be rigorously applied to such small dimensions, we find by substitution that the inductance of $L_{x_{1}}$ is approximately 0.00004 microhenry. Using the relation
$A_{r} / A=1 /\left[1-\left(L_{y!} Q_{1} A / L_{2}\right)\right]$ (8) if the stage gain $A$ is assumed to be 20 and $Q_{1}$ is 100 , it is found that the right-hand denominator becomes zero and a condition of oscillation exists. This analysis, like that of the previous problem relative to i-f regeneration, is only approximate because it does not include the phase angle of the feedback which varies with the degree of feedback and approaches 90 degrees as the feedback approaches zero.

This type of regeneration might be analyzed by a similar procedure to that described for feedback in the i-f amplifier stage. The signal from the generator is applied across $L_{\text {. }}$ through a small capacitor and its amplitude observed on a high-frequency diode voltmeter connected directly across $L_{0}$. If regeneration is present the deflection of the diode voltmeter will change with the tuning of a trimmer across $C_{1}$ while $C_{2}$ is adjusted for resonance. Regeneration may be due to mutual coupling between the coils, capacitance coupling between the circuits, or mutual coupling owing to common currents in the tuning capacitor. Correction of these various conditions is straightforward. To eliminate the coupling in the tuning capacitor entirely, it may be necessary either to use insulated rotor sections in the gang capacitor or replace it with permeability tuned coils.

# R-F BRAZING of Radio Components 

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INDUCTION HEATING has found many uses in industry because of its speed and effectiveness, and frequently it is adopted of necessity because no other system is suitable for a particular operation. Such was the case with the assembly of a certain type of f-m dummy-antenna at the Hoffman Radio Corporation in Los Angeles, California.

These antennas were to be formed from the pieces shown in the large photograph. Two 0.03-in. thick silver-plated copper spinnings were to be simultaneously brazed to the $\frac{1}{4} x \frac{1}{2}-i n$. brass mounting ring.

Since the initial order was for only 185 units, gas torches were furst tried for brazing the assemb'y. Twenty minutes of heating was needed to complete the braze and, at the end of that time, not only was the silver plating demolished, but the assembly had become so distorted that a straightening. operation was necessary.

## Improved Method

The gas-torch method, proving to be generally unsatisfactory, was discarded in favor of a $5-\mathrm{kw}, 450-\mathrm{kc}$ Westinghouse generator and current transformer. A single-turn coil, encircling the joint, delivers 3 kw of r-f power to the brass mounting ring. As the ring heats, the brazing alloy (Easy Flo No. 45), preplaced on each side of the joint, melts and wets to the ring. As heating continues, the heat from the ring brings the spinnings to brazing temperature, the alloy wets to the spinnings and flows into the joints, and the braze is finished.

Using this induction system, the silver plate remains intact, and there is no distortion of the assembly. Three to four minutes of heat-


This simple jig positions and aligns stain-less-steel parts far brazing. Heating time recuired with the 4 -turn coil is about onehallf minute


The one-turn loop encircling the joint heats parts to brazing temperature. Here the operator adds additional alloy by hand so complete the brazing job


Parts for f-m dunamy-antenna assembly. Silver-plated copper spinnings are simultane. ously brazed to the brass support ring by induction heating
ing is required for the operation. This relatively slow heating rate is necessary since, if the ring is heated much faster, it will expand away from the spinnings and an unsatisfactory braze will result.

Prior to heating, both spinnings are liberally coated with flux to protect them from oxidation or discoloration. The brazing alloy is applied, in the form of a ring, to both sides of the joint. In practice, it is sometimes necessary to handfeed small additional amounts of alloy to make a perfect braze.

The same piece of equipment,
fitted with a different coil and jig, is used to join stainless-steel parts for the arms of a particular type of radio-range antenna. These arms are made from lengths of 2 -in. tubing with caps silver-brazed on each end. A 4-turn coil induces the heat in the area of the proposed joint, and the brazing process requires about 30 seconds of heating time. Here too, a protective flux coating is applied prior to heating. The brazed arms are finished by sandblasting, after a warm-water wash which has removed the flux material.


FIG. 1-Test pattern oblained for triggered synchronization with weak noisy signal


FIG. 2-Harmonic resonator circuit

# Locked Oscillator for 

Synchronization of horizontal sweep is accomplished by two types of flywheel circuits, a resonator and a locked oscillator. Both types introduce selectivity between the noisy signal and the sweep circuit, thereby contributing to noise protection and picture improvement

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PRactical experience with television reception has shown that the early method of triggered synchronization of each line individually, as illustrated in Fig. 1, is inadequate under conditions of noise and weak signals.

Considerable improvement was obtained when the method of automatic phase control was introduced. This method employs an oscillator at line frequency in combination with a phase detector. The phase detector produces a d-c bias when-

[^5]ever the oscillator tries to drift away from phase coincidence with the synchronizing signal.

The ability of automatic phase control to suppress noise resides basically in two factors: the element of selectivity offered by the oscillator system and the long time constant of the phase detector. The effects of individual noise pulses are reduced by averaging action.

The existence of a very successful solution, such as automatic phase control, has mitigated against the investigation of other methods that might achieve the same goal with simpler means, such as the flywheel circuits covered here.

Flywheel circuits for television receiver synchronization do not con-
tain a separate phase detector. They employ a tuned circuit of medium or high quality which may be either passive in the form of a resonator, or active as part of an oscillator. In any case, the circuit is directly exposed to the synchronizing signal by which it is either shock-excited, as in a resonator, or locked in, as in the oscillator.
In a resonator, the phase is adjusted, once and for all, by tuning. In the locked oscillator, there is a natural tendency of the signal to pull the circuit oscillation into phase with itself. Both resonating and oscillating flywheels introduce selectivity between the noisy signal and the television sweep and must therefore contribute to noise pro-


FIG. 3-Test pattern obtained for harmonic resonator with weak noisy signal

## Television

## Synchronization

tection with a resulting picture improvement comparable to that obtained with afc.

Flywheel circuits without separate phase control seem to be entirely practical. They are particularly simple and efficient in the form of the locked-oscillator type, but their future in commercial television will depend to a large extent on the degree to which transmissions adhere to the existing standards on stability of synchronizing signal generators.

## Passive Resonating Flywheel Circuits

Consider a tuned circuit in resonance with the line frequency $f_{H}=1 / H$. If such a resonator has a figure of merit $Q$, it will act as a
stabilizer for both amplitude and frequency. Both functions may be conveniently expressed in terms of a characteristic time constant:

$$
\begin{equation*}
T=(Q / \pi) H \text { seconds } \tag{1}
\end{equation*}
$$

Equation 1 indicates that it takes more than $Q / \pi$ lines for the resonator to reach steady state. On the other hand, the system may be expected to carry on over $Q / \pi$ lines, if pulses fail. Hence it effectively locks $Q / \pi$ lines together.

For the noise spectrum, the same resonator will act like a bandpass filter and will reject all noise frequencies that are not contained within a narrow frequency range of

$$
\begin{equation*}
b=1 / \pi T \mathrm{cps} \tag{2}
\end{equation*}
$$ centered around the scanning frequency. In view of Eq. 1 and 2, the

tuned circuit has been likened appropriately to a flywheel stabilizer for synchronizing pulses affected by noise.

One inherent drawback of the flywheel is also immediately apparent. The expression for its phase delay,

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{d \phi}{d \omega}=T \tag{3}
\end{equation*}
$$

indicates, together with Eq. 2, that the phase shift per unit of frequency variation increases with improving noise rejection. However, phase shift in the flywheel means a horizontal shift of the television picture. This condition precludes, at the present state of the art, the use of circuits with more than $Q=30$. The locked oscillator permits going somewhat further.

The specific problem of the television application resides in the fact that the input to, as well as the output from, the flywheel consists of pulses, not sine waves. The tuned circuit will therefore appear as part of a more complex system, including nonlinear elements such as rectifiers or clippers.

The noisy pulse input has to be transformed into a sine wave and the latter back into a pulse. The first step may be accomplished by shock excitation, the second by clipping from either the crest or the zero passage of the sine wave.

By suitable phasing of the sine wave, the pulse output may be slightly advanced ahead of the sync pulse. This procedure often results in improved noise rejection, since the blocking oscillator is triggered in the absence of noise and has become immune to it when the noisy signal arrives.

## Harmonic Resonator

Figure 2 shows a harmonic resonator circuit which has an effective $Q$ of 30 . Both high-mu triode sections are operated beyond cutoff most of the time, except during the pulses. In this manner, losses due to shunt damping are avoided.

The noisy plate current pulse of the first triode section shock-excites two high $-Q$ circuits, tuned to the first and third harmonic of the line frequency respectively, or 15.75 kc and 47.25 kc . Odd-order cosines are chosen, because their addition
yields a complex waveform with polarity inversion between pulses. In this manner, noise and undesired trigger action in the midline region are safely avoided. The $L / C$ ratios are so designed that the amplitude of the harmonic is about one-third that of the fundamental. At the grid of the second triode a wave is produced as shown at $C$, which may be considered as a somewhat crude synthesis of a pulse train out of two of its Fourier coefficients.

Clipping the positive crest off this wave without grid current loading yields at plate $D$ a pulse output which is sufficiently sharp for all practical purposes and may be advanced with respect to the signal pulse $A$ by slight detuning of the third harmonic resonator circuit 3. The time constant in the cathode arm of the second triode equals that of the resonator.
To show the effect of this harmonic resonator on the picture, a photograph of the screen was taken for the same receiver used in Fig. 1. The improvement in Fig. 3 is considerable, in spite of the relatively low $Q$ of the circuits used. Small lettering begins to be readable. However, close inspection shows that the system is unable to keep vertical edges straight over more than about 10 consecutive lines.

## Phase-Shift Limitation

For further improvement, the natural step seems to be to multiply the $Q$ of the ringing circuits. If it
were desired to lock one whole field together, or at least 100 lines, a $Q$ anywhere from 300 to 800 would be required. With electrical circuits, such high values may be obtained only by carefully controlled regeneration.

At the IRE convention in New York, 1948, H. E. Harris ${ }^{2}$ presented a circuit called a $Q$ multiplier, by which he obtained values of more than 10,000 at 100 kc , and without undue tendency to break into oscillation.

Another way would be to replace the electrical resonators by certain piezoelectric crystals or magnetostrictive devices with which such high values of equivalent $Q$ are quite commonly available. There is one fundamental objection, however, to such high selectivities: In a single tuned circuit the percentage phase shift is $Q / \pi$ times the percentage frequency variation.

Since any change of phase delay manifests itself as a sideward shift of the whole picture, we are faced with an ever increasing instability of horizontal centering. The standards of good engineering practice for frequency stability of sync generators require that the percentage of average frequency variation be limited to less than 0.5 percent, and that the rate of change of this percentage be held within 0.15 percent per second ${ }^{3}$. The latter condition limits the degree of hunting of the scanning frequency.

From the first standard it follows that the percentage of off-centering due to changes of the average line


FIG. 4-Circuit and waveforms of locked oscillator


FIG. 5-Pulse fransmission through the locked oscillator. Waveform $A$ is the pulse input and oscillator voltage drop across the input resistor, showing $i_{o s c}$ in phase with the pulses. Waveform B is grid voltage lagging 90 degrees behind the pulse fundamental. Waveform $C$ is the output from the discharge tube and $D$ the signal input. showing that the discharge is ahead of the sync pulse thereby saving time for retrace
frequency may be as much as 5,15 and even 45 percent of the picture width, if the $Q$ of the resonator is increased from 30 through 90 to 300. The first figure, $Q=30$, is quite acceptable, being less than $\frac{1}{2}$ inch on a 10 -inch screen. The use of flywheels with a $Q$ of 90 and more seems quite problematic, at least until transmitter time-bases are available which are considerably better stabilized than they are today.

Similar conclusions are drawn from a consideration of time bases whose scanning frequency is constant on the average, but is temporarily subject to rapid hunting. This may occur if the power line is used for frequency comparison. These phase-sensitive resonators are quite sensitive monitors of the transmitter scanning rate, as are also the locked-oscillator circuits to be described. Using them, the viewer soon finds out what type of time base is in use at the transmitter. Fortunately more and more stations are switching over to free-running master oscillators, with or without crystal control. This in turn will make it possible to use higher selectivity in flywheel circuits of this kind.

It seems most desirable to have, as a line lock, a somewhat flexible device which has only a moderate filter factor for strong signals, but high noise protection for weak signals, including those which are no longer able to saturate the clipper. Fortunately a system of that kind exists in the form of the locked oscillator.

## Active Oscillating Flywheel Circuits

Figure 4 shows a locked oscillator for television synchronization. The oscillator uses a high- $\mu$ triode that operates beyond cutoff for each half cycle. As a result, pulses are obtained in the plate circuit in line with each zero passage of the plate current. The small plate transformer which differentiates the plate current wave may actually form a part of the horizontal blocking oscillator.

Positive line sync pulses are injected across a low impedance, $r_{s}$. Since the locked oscillator keeps in phase with the locking voltage, if in tune with its free running frequency, the pulse output would tend to lead almost 90 degrees ahead of the fundamental cosine wave associated with the pulse input. It becomes necessary, therefore, to retard that cosine wave 90 degrees before it reaches the oscillator grid. This is accomplished, along with a beneficial step-up of the lock-in voltage, by including the sync injection resistor $r_{s}$ in a tuned circuit with series inductance $L$ and shunt capacitance $C$. This circuit is then made to oscillate by tapping the cathode halfway down on the capacitance (Colpitts oscillator). With the values shown, the tank circuit has a $Q$ between 10 and 30 if the resistance $r_{s}$ is varied from 1,500 to 500 ohms. High values of $r$, yield better phase stability and poorer noise protection, and vice versa.

A slight phase lag, about 10 degrees, exists between the pulse output from, and the pulse input to, the locked oscillator, as shown in Fig. 4 at $a$ and $d$. This may be readily corrected by detuning the oscillator slightly. For this purpose a grounded resistor is provided in series with a high impedance.

The double-trace oscillogram of Fig. 5 shows the nhase relation be-
tween input and output and also the oscillator grid voltage with 90 -degree lag. It proves that the output may be advanced ahead of the signal. This leaves more time for the line retrace and thus makes it possible to design more efficient horizontal sweep circuits by trading flyback speed for deflection sensitivity.

Figure 6 shows the noise-reducing properties of the locked oscillator. The picture was taken with an intermediate value of coupling
resistor ( 1,500 ohms), and by no means represents the limit of noise protection, but rather a practical compromise with good stability of picture centering. Note the absence of sync jitter and the readability of the small lettering. The smoothness of vertical lines under severe noise is markedly improved over the resonator case, shown in Fig. 3.

## Design for Minimum Drift

In spite of these very encouraging results, the locked oscillator


FIG. 6-Test pattern obtained for locked oscillator with weak noisy signal


FIG. 7-Circuit design to minimize influence of $g_{m}$ variations
would not be practical if it showed any marked tendency for horizontal drift. Apart from the influence of instabilities in the video signal, any frequency drift in the locked oscillator itself is bound to cause offcentering of the picture. Even if such drift is too small to cause actual loss of synchronization, it may over a period of time result in a shift of the picture position, requiring manual correction by retuning. It is therefore of great practical importance that the oscillator be designed for minimum frequency drift.

In a low-frequency oscillator of this type, most of the slow frequency drift is caused by variations in cathode temperature, with resulting changes in the tube transconductance. In comparison, the plate voltage could be varied from 100 to 300 volts without harmful influence on the picture position provided that high- $\mu$ triodes are used. Fortunately, the Colpitts type of oscillator used here lends itself to a quantitative analysis ${ }^{4,8}$ which indicates that there is a design which reduces the effect of $g_{m}$ variations to a minimum.

Figure 7 shows theoretical and experimental data regarding the influence of heater temperature on the phasing of the picture. In box, Eq. 4 for the negative resistance component of the input impedance of the Colpitts oscillator is taken from an earlier paper of the author. It indicates that the negative input conductance reaches a maximum of $-g_{m} / 8$ if the two circuit capacitances are equal and that the influence of $g_{m}$ disappears if the effective transconductance of the tube becomes four times the susceptance of the tank circuit.

Thus, there is an optimum tube for each circuit at a given frequency. The second condition is easily met as long as the circuit reactance is high. It calls for the insertion of a critical resistance $r_{k}$ in series with the cathode to reduce the tube transconductance to the value required by the theory. This value is 3,100 ohms for a triode with 1,600 micromhos in connection with the above circuit.

In Fig. 7 the sync phase is shown for various values of $r_{k}$ and over a very wide range of heater voltages,


FIG. 8-Derivation of transient response of locked oscillator
using a type 6SL7 triode. With a cathode resistor of approximately 3,000 ohms, the heater influence is almost zero over a range from 5 to 7 volts.

## Theory of Locking

An excellent analysis of the principles of operation of locked oscillators ${ }^{6}$ can be applied to the present circuit.
Figure 8 shows the line lock oscillator and its equivalent circuit, with the tube replaced by a negative conductance of $-g_{m} / 8$. If there is no sync injection, the tank circuit oscillates at its natural frequency $\omega_{o}$, and the amplitude $E_{0}$ increases until $g_{m}$ decreases, by biasing and time division, to a value sufficient to balance the losses in the circuit. The automatic grid bias tends to keep this amplitude constant.

The synchronizing voltage $E$, at frequency $\omega_{s}$ is stepped up by nearresonance from the first harmonic of the pulse train; all higher harmonics are rejected. The actual grid voltage is the vector sum of $E_{8}$ and $E_{0}: E_{8}$ has to supply the balance of reactive power to make the oscillator run at the frequency $\omega_{\text {e }}$ which differs from the natural frequency $\omega_{0}$.

The phase diagram leads directly to Adler's differential equation for the pull-in process. For small phase
angles between sync pulse and response, which is the only case of interest for television, the oscillator behaves like a flywheel with the time constant:

$$
\begin{equation*}
T=\frac{Q}{\pi} H \frac{E_{0}}{E_{\Delta}} \tag{5}
\end{equation*}
$$

If we compare this with Eq. 1, which gives the corresponding figure of merit for a resonator with the same $Q$, we find that the locked oscillator is better by the factor $E_{o} / E_{s}$, the ratio of the oscillator and synchronizing amplitudes measured at the grid. Hence the noise protection increases with decreasing signal voltage.

The upper limit for this voltage factor is the locking condition

$$
\begin{equation*}
E_{s}>E_{0} \frac{\Delta \omega}{\omega_{o}} 2 Q \tag{6}
\end{equation*}
$$

which indicates that the $Q$ of the tank circuit should not be made too high.

Equation 5a is an alternate expression for the time constant of the locked oscillator where the source of synchronizing pulses is a constant-current device and where $I_{s}$ is the amplitude of the first harmonic of the pulses which it supplies:

$$
\begin{equation*}
T=\frac{1}{\pi} H \frac{E_{o}}{i_{s} r_{s}} \tag{5a}
\end{equation*}
$$

This form shows that the noise protection increases in inverse proportion to the value of the coupling re-


FIG. 9-Test equipment for sync filters using pulse position modulation


FIG. 10-Comparative measurements of oscillator and resonator performance
sistor $r_{\text {s }}$, while the actual $Q$ cancels. The sync injection resistance $r$, is thus confirmed as the appropriate circuit element for adjustment of the flywheel efficiency.

A formula for the phase stability is also given:

$$
\begin{equation*}
\Delta \alpha / \Delta \omega=T \tag{7}
\end{equation*}
$$

Unfortunately, the phase delay equals the actual time constant, and not the much smaller one of the tank circuit. Hence, the limitations discussed for high- $Q$ resonators apply also for the locked os-
cillator, and even more so, since there are more local causes for frequeney drift than in passive circuits.

To check the efficiency of this and other types of flywheel circuits a special test gear has been built. Shown in general outline in Fig. 9, it consists of a pulse generator which develops equally spaced pulses at line frequercy, as shown at $A$. This output is fed into a pulse position modulator which turns out a signal shown at $B$. The
rate of change of pulse position is controlled by a modulating audio signal generator.

These phase-modulated pulses are then passed through the synchronizing unit under test, be it a locked oscillator, resonator, afc circuit or the like. The filtered signal then goes to the standard sweep generator. A suitable unmodulated marker is also derived from the master pulse generator and fed to the kinescope grid. The resulting display on the screen shows an undulating vertical bar with strong horizontal excursions for low modulating frequencies, whereas for higher modulating frequencies the bar straightens out.

From this test an upper cut-off frequency $\beta$ may be read for each type of filter, and from it there follows the figure of merit of the device:

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{Q}{T}=\frac{f_{H}}{2 \pi \beta}=\frac{2,500}{\beta} \tag{8}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $f_{H}$ is the line frequency, 15.75 kc . This has been done for both the resonator and the locked oscillator. Figure 10 shows the results of the test. The oscillator was tested with various values of sync-injection resistance $r_{s}$. The preceding tube supplied a pulse current of 1 ma at a duty cycle of 8 percent. Both systems are about equivalent for a $Q_{o}$ of 10 , but the oscillator takes the lead for lower values of $r_{s}$, and in inverse proportion to the injection resistance.

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FIG. 2-Equivalent circuit of Fig. 1 for analysis


FIG. 3-Cathode-follower reactance-tube circuit

# High-Q Variable Reactance 


#### Abstract

A cathode-coupled dual triode provides wide reactance variation, wide frequency deviation and higher $Q$ when combined with a tuned circuit than a conventional reactance tube. Circuits of a frequency-modulated oscillator operating at one megacycle and an f-m audiofrequency oscillator are given


REACTANCE-TUBE circuits have found an increasingly large field of use in recent years with the advent of frequency modulation and automatic frequency control, and with the expansion in use of industrial electronic equipment and instrumentation. Unfortunately these circuits do not have a very high Q and the range of linear variation of reactance is limited. The basic principle of the variable reactance to be discussed has been described in the literature previously ${ }^{1,2}$. However, the practical methods used to obtain improved results are believed to be new.

The electronic reactance to be described has certain advantages over the conventional reactance tube. These advantages are a higher $Q$, coupled with a wide range of react-
ance variation, and simplicity. The circuit has been found quite useful in frequency-modulated oscillators operating both at audio and radio frequencies and in variable-frequency RC type filters. In addition to the variable-reactance circuits, two frequency-modulated oscillators are described, one operating at radio-frequency using the basic circuit and one operating at audio frequencies using the new circuit.

## Principle

The basic circuit ${ }^{1,2}$ consists of a feedback amplifier with a reactance connected in the feedback loop from output terminals to input terminals as shown in Fig. 1. The input impedance is a function of the feedback reactance and the gain and output impedance of the amplifier.

In the equivalent circuit of Fig. 2, it is assumed that the input impedance of the amplifier is very high. The amplifier is replaced by an equivalent generator having an open-circuit voltage $A E_{i}$ and an output resistance $R$ 。 equal to the output impedance of the amplifier.

The current flowing into the input terminal is:

$$
\begin{equation*}
I_{i}=\frac{E_{i}-A E_{i}}{R_{o}+j \bar{X}}=\frac{E_{i}(1-A)}{R_{o}+j X} \tag{1}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $A$ is the open-circuit gain (gain with $X$ equal to infinity) of the amplifier. The impedance presented at the input terminals is therefore
$Z_{i}=\frac{E_{i}}{I_{i}}=\frac{R_{o}+j X}{(1-A)}$
This equation shows that the in-

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FIG. 5-Cathode voltages when a peak signal of one volt is applied to the grid of the input triode. The applied plate voltage is 150 volts and the cathode resistor is $1,0.50 \mathrm{ohms}$
put impedance is a function of the loop impedance including the output resistance, and the factor ( $1-\mathrm{A}$ ) where $A$ represents the gain of the amplifier without feedback.

Examination of Eq. 2 shows that for positive values of $A$ (even number of stages or a cathode follower) the impedance $Z_{\imath}$ has the same sign as $R_{o}+j X$ if the gain is less than unity, and the opposite sign if the gain is greater than unity. For negative values of $A$ (odd number


FIG. 4-Characteristics of a single section of a 6J6 tube vary considerably with change in grid voltage
of conventional amplifier stages) the sign of $Z_{i}$ is the same as that of $R_{o}+j X$ for values of $A$ either greater or less than unity. A negative resistance can, of course, produce oscillation and this circuit is used in RC-tuned oseillators.

The reversal of sign of the reactance results, in the case of an inductor, in a reactance that varies directly with frequency (as for a positive inductor) but one in which the current leads the voltage instead of lagging it. Similarly, for a capacitor, a reactance which varies inversely with frequency, as in the case of the positive capacitor, is obtaired but the current lags the voltage.

The effective Q of the circuit, $X / R$ 。 is independent of $A$ as may be seen from Eq. 2. However, if $R_{o}$ is a function of amplifier gain, as in the case of a variable load resistance amplifier, the $Q$ will vary with the gain. A righ $Q$ may be obtained by making the amplifier output impedance small in comparison to the feedback reactance.

To obtain a variable reactance as a function of a control signal, this control signal may be used to change the gain of the amplifier in some way. For static use, a potentiom-
eter gain control could be used, or some other means such as changing tube transconductance could be used to vary the gain of a stage or several stages of the amplifier.
The load resistance of one or more stages may be used to control the gain. The load-resistance and transconductance variation could be accomplished either statically or dynamically. A combination of load variation and amplifier-transconductance variation is used in the cathode-follower circuit described here.

## Dual-Triode Cathode Follower

Figure 3 shows the schematic diagram of a dual-triode variable reactance circuit; one section of the tube furictions as a cathode-follower amplifier, and the other as a cathode follower used as a variable load resistance for the first. The only circuit elements required in addition to the tube are a cathode resistor, a feedback reactor and the necessary grid returns.
Triode 1 with the feedback loop consisting of $C$ is the cathode-follower amplifier which will be called the input section. Triode 2 is the variable or control tube used to vary the gain of triode 1. The cathode-
to-ground impedance of triode 2 functions as a variable load resistance for triode 1, and this resistance is controllable by the voltage applied to the grid of triode 2. This variable load resistance appears in parallel with the common cathode resistor used to carry the plate current and provide bias for the two sections.
Due to the direct coupling between the two sections, an increase in the control-section grid voltage produces a decrease in the inputsection bias, thus changing the transconductance of triode 1 simultaneously with the load change. The resulting change in the input-section transconductance augments the gain variation due to the change of load resistance.
The parameters of one section of a 656 tube are shown in Fig. 4 as a function of grid voltage. The curves were measured on a standard vacuum-tube bridge. As may be seen, the transconductance and plate resistance vary widely over the useful range of grid voltage. These characteristics, which resemble those of a remote-cutoff pentode, make the 6J6 a good choice for this circuit. The transconductance and plate resistance of other tubes such as the 6 SN7 remain relatively constant over most of the useful range of grid voltage, and change more. rapidly in the cutoff region.

## Method of Analysis

Since complete analysis of the circuit would require a complicated study of the variation of the tube parameters with the voltage applied to the control section, a complete analytical solution has not been at-


FIG. 6-Values of (1-A) for dual triode
tempted. Instead, the gain and cathode voltage were measured as a function of control-section grid voltage. Both the d-c cathode voltage and the a-c cathode voltage due to a signal of 1.0 volt peak applied to the input section grid were measured on four sample tubes and the results are shown in Fig. 5.

As the control section grid becomes more positive relative to ground, the negative bias on that section is reduced. Simultaneously, the negative bias on the input section is increased. The control section output resistance, which is
roughly equal to $1 / G_{m}$, is reduced since the transconductance is increased. The increase in negative bias on the input section reduces the transconductance of that section, and consequently reduces the gain. Thus the gain is reduced by two means.

At negative values of controlsection voltage, that section presents a high resistance as a load to the input section, increasing the gain. This gain is also increased as a result of maximum transconductance of the input section at small values of negative bias. This effect


FIG. 7-Increasing the values of cathode resistor provides higher gain


FIG. 8-Distortion level for the three values of cathode resistors


FIG. 9-Input capacitance of tube 1 at 1,000 cycles when connected in the circuit of Fig. 3


FIG. 10-Onermegacycle f-m oscillator using a two-stage amplifie: as a variable reactance
is shown by the family of curves of the a-c voltage at the cathode. The four tubes varied rather widely in their static and dynamic characteristics. These families of curves were taken with a common cathoderesistance of 1,000 ohms.

The factor ( $1-A$ ) as a function of grid voltage applied to the control tube is shown in Fig. 6. The two S-shaped curves were measured with two values of cathode resistance, while the third curve was computed from measured tube parameters. The calculated curve was obtained by calculating the gain for each value using the correct tube constants as obtained from Fig. 4. These curves show a total variation of the factor of the order of three to one. The curves show good agreement except near the end, where the
control tube grid is cut off.
Figure 7 shows curves of $\mathrm{d}-\mathrm{c}$ and a-c cathode voltage for $500,1,000$ and 2,000 -ohm cathode resistors. Otherwise, the conditions were the same as those of the previous curves. The higher values of cathode resistance gave higher figures of gain since the effect of the fixed resistor was reduced.

## Linearity

Figure 8 shows the maximum signal which can be applied to the amplifier grid (triode 1) without producing perceptible distortion of the cathode voltage waveform. At extremely high values of positive voltage on the control section, the allowable input voltage is small. This is because the input section is operating near cutoff with a small


FIG. 11-Frequency deviation of the onemegacycle oscillator
effective load resistance, and the tube parameters vary throughout a cycle of applied voltage.
No trouble is experienced with negative voltages on the control section, since the effective load resistance is nearly equal to the resistance used in the cathodes. In applications of this circuit, several volts have been applied to the input grid without observing any ill effects due to the harmonic currents drawn. This is, of course, primarily a function of the circuit to which the reactance is connected and its impedance at the frequency of the harmonics.
To verify the theory, values of capacitance were calculated and measured for the circuit of Fig. 3. The measurements were made on a standard capacitance bridge at a frequency of one kilocycle. The capacitance was calculated by using some of the data previously shown of cathode voltage as a function of control voltage. When this was known, the parameters of each section were determined from the curve. These values were then substituted into the equation for input capacitance. There was a fair agreement between the calculated and measured values, as shown in Fig. 9.
The deviation between the calculated and measured values was greatest at the two extremes of grid voltage where the plate resistance and transconductance vary most
rapidly. An input capacitance was obtained that was linear over $\pm$ 10 percent for a change of controlsection grid voltage of $\pm 0.5$ volt. A total variation of 3 to 1 was obtained. The $Q$ was measured with a Q meter and was found to vary from 30 to 50 in the frequency range of 50 to 75 kilocycles.

## R-F Oscillator

Figure 10 shows a radio-frequency frequency-modulated oscillator using a two-stage amplifier as a variable reactance. This circuit operates at a carrier frequency of one megacycle. Amplifier gain, and hence, amplifier input reactance, is controlled by changing the transconductance of $V T_{1}$ by impressing the modulating voltage on the grid of this tube. A $50-\mu, \mu \mathrm{f}$ capacitor is used for the feedback reactance.

The plate load and common cathode resistor values are proportioned to produce a gain of approximately unity with no modulating voltage.

From Eq. 2 it may be seen that the reactance is infinite for no modulation, a negative capacitive reactance for positive swings of modulating voltage (gain greater than unity), and a positive capacitive reactance for negative swings of modulating voltage (gain less than unity).

The frequency deviation from one megacycle as shown in Fig. 11 was linear to approximately 80 kc on either side of the center frequency, while the maximum frequency was $1,310 \mathrm{kc}$ and the minimum 850 kc . Thus a frequency range of 1.54 to 1 was obtained. The linear variation was obtained with a grid-voltage variation of $\pm 0.8$ volt, and the total variation was obtained by varying the voltage applied to the grid from -1.8 to +2.6 .

## Audio F-M Oscillator

Figure 12 shows the application of the circuit of Fig. 3 to an audiofrequency f-m oscillator. This circuit has been used to produce linear


FIG. 12-Circuit of frequency-modulated audio oscillator


FIG. 13-Block diagram of f-m audio oscillator


FIG. 14-Frequency deviation of the audio oscallarer is linear for about 10 percent each side of the center frequency
frequency deviations of $\pm 17$ percent when operated at center frequencies varying from 3 to 7 kilocycles.

The circuit is illustrated functionally in Fig. 13 and consists of three low-gain amplifier stages connected in a ring and separated by phase-shifting networks. Three tubes were used instead of a single tube as in the usual phase-shift oscillator in order to operate all reactances at an equal voltage level. The carrier voltage at the grids of the reactances was approximately two volts.

The frequency variation of one of these oscillators is shown as a function of grid voltage in Fig. 14. The output frequency was linear over a region of $\pm 10$ percent of the center frequency which was four kilocycles in this particular case. The total variation obtained was approximately 2,320 cycles. The deviation from linearity was only 0.5 percent at extremes of $=17$ percent of the center frequency, and tests with square-wave modulating signals showed the transient response to be good.

Other applications of the dualtriode reactance circuit include remote tuning ( 1.6 to 1 range), tuning of RC frequency-selective circuits and filters, production of phase modulation and for self-balancing bridges.

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## Reducing Standing Waves

Bilaterally matched attenuator, interposed between load and generator, reduces vsw ratio seen by generator. Chart shows what attenuation gives the required reduction


ATTENUATORS are often used in circuits to isolate changes of impedance from impedancesensitive devices such as klystron oscillators. Also, attenuators are occasionally used in transmission lines to reduce the voltage standing-wave ratio.

For application at ultrahigh frequencies and above, the accompanying graph provides a convenient means of calculating isolation effected by a given amount of attenuation. A condition for the application of the graph is that the attenuator must be bilaterally matched. That is, the vswr must be 1.00 looking into either pair of attenuator terminals if the opposite pair is connected to an impedance having a vswr of 1.00 . The attenuator, then, might be one of the bilaterally matched metallized-glass units which are commercially available in both waveguide and coaxial transmission-line types or a suitable length of lossy coaxial transmission line such as the Army-Navy type RG-21/U.

The accompanying graph presents a plot of the vswr looking into a bilaterally matched attenuator $\rho_{A}$ as a function of both the vswr of the attenuator terminating impedance $\rho_{T}$ and the attenuation $A$, expressed in decibels, of the attenuator.

Assume it is necessary to buffer an oscillator from its load impedance so that frequency changes due to changes in the load impedance are minimized. Assume also that the maximum vswr variation to be tolerated by the oscillator is from 1.00 to 1.16 and that the load vswr variation is from 1.00 to 10.0 . Entering the graph with $\rho_{T}=$ 10.0 and $\rho_{A}=1.16$, it is found that 10.5 decibels of attenuation is required.

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## New Instruments for Textile Measurements

A definite trend toward utilization of electronic circuits for obtaining increased accuracy in measuring fiber and yarn diameter, moisture content, tensile strength, and modulus of elasticity was apparent in the commercial exhibits at the annual meeting of Textile Research Institute, held in New York City Nov. 18 and 19. Well over half the booths contained at least one electronic unit.

## Pulse Propagation Meter

The velocity of propagation of compressional sound waves in fibers and other materials is measured nondestructively with a new pulse propagation meter developed by The Magnetic Amplifier Corp. of Waltham, Mass. The square of the velocity multiplied by the known density of the material gives the instantaneous modulus of elasticity,
an important characteristic of textile fibers, fabrics, plastics, rubber, leather, paper, metals, rock, ceramics, crystals, concrete and many other materials. A single reading of the instrument gives the desired result (Young's modulus), whereas previous techniques for engineering materials required measurement of the slope of a stress-strain curve.

Other applications include detection of internal stresses in cakes of soap molded under pressure; here, monitoring of the elastic modulus of the output of the molding machine provides instantaneous product quality control by revealing misadjustments that cause internal stresses and minute ruptures. Aging, stiffening and crazing of plastics and plastic-coated or impregnated fabric used in airplane control surface coverings are also revealed.


FIG. l-Block diagram of pulse propagation meter for quality control of a variety of materials ranging from textiles to metals, plastics, concrete and even soap

The instrument uses a magnetostrictive transmitting transducer and crystal receiving transducer mounted from $\frac{1}{2}$ to 20 inches apart with their active edges resting on the material under test. An electronically generated pulse applied to the magnetostrictive transducer sends a short acoustic pulse through the material to the crystal pickup. The time of travel between the two points is measured electronically and indicated on a meter reading in microseconds. Since distance is known, velocity is readily determined from the time reading.

A block diagram of the complete equipment appears in Fig. 1. The associated recorder responds to the square of time, and hence provides a continuous record of the reciprocal of the modulus of elasticity as required for showing variations in the modulus during desired programs of loading, aging, humidity and temperature variations.

Referring to the block diagram, a 100 -kc crystal oscillator is used as a source of calibration signals and to develop the transmitted pulses. This oscillator synchronizes a pulse generator that generates pulses having $0.5-u \mathrm{sec}$ duration, $10 \mu \mathrm{sec}$ apart. Four scale-of-five dividers spread the pulses to $50,250,1,250$ and $6,250 \mu \mathrm{sec}$ apart respectively, with the last group being used to trigger the power pulse of the transmitter after an adjustable small delay. The receiving crystal feeds a receiver-amplifier having automatic gain control to insure maximum precision of measurement.

The first computer stage has two stable equilibrium states. The output pulse of the divider strip places this stage in its first equilibrium condition, and the first received pulse reverses this state. All subsequent received energy due to reflections is ignored, and the second state is maintained until reversed by the next outgoing pulse. This stage thus generates a negative rectangular pulse whose duration is equal to the time of propagation plus initial intentional delay that is later calibrated out. The delay insures that all circuits act linearly even for propagation times as short as one microsecond.

The rectangular pulse allows a


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## THE FRONT COVER

Atypical setup of the Navy's teaching-by-television studio (described in Nov. 1948 Electronics, p 134) is the colorful subject of this month's cover. Referring to the black-and-white reproduction below, instructor John Leonard, Lt., USNR, is lecturing about the cutaway 4,000-lb J-31 jet engine behind him, used in the Ryan Fireball jet fighter. Other instructional props in the background include a futuristic red plastic rocket model, a relief map of Long Island terrain, and a tactical board for setting up problems involving aircraft and ships.

The two cameras on the floor, the four-unit monitoring panel and the control panel are General Electric units, while the two portable television line monitors at the right are DuMont units.

The picture going out of the studio at the moment is on the lefthand monitor, showing a full-face view of the instructor as picked up by the lefthand camera. The next monitor has a monoscope pattern, but more often is connected to show the output of a GE film camera located under the control room. This camera is arranged for three-way operation from a $16-\mathrm{mm}$ sound film projector and two $35-\mathrm{mm}$ slide-strip film projectors.

The third monitor shows the output of the lefthand camera and hence has the same picture as the first. The fourth monitor serves the other camera, here aimed at the jet motor in readiness for the next scene. Squatting on the floor is assistant producer Nat Marshall, who along with camera and mike boom operators receives instructions over headphones from director Peter L. Barker at left foreground. The audio engineer at the control panel rides gain on the sound portion of the program just as in broadcast studios.

Early in January, weekly schedules of lectures will be telecast four miles over a Philco 6,000-me microwave link (described on p 80 of this issue) to television receivers at the Merchant Marine Academy, Kings Point, N. Y., under conditions permitting comparison of television and conventional teaching techniques. Western Union engineers are supervising the installation of the microwave equipment and the 125 and $140-\mathrm{ft}$ towers which will be used. Some of the Navy's most successful classroom instructors are being specially trained for most efficient utilization of tolevision as a teaching medium.

linear sweep circuit to charge a capacitor to a peak potential exactly proportional to pulse duration. A peak rectifier and meter are used to measure the resulting direct current that is proportional to propagation time. Calibration pulses are taken from the divider strip at 50 and $250 u s e c$ after the transmitted pulse, to serve for midscale calibration of the $0-100$ and $0-500$ usec scales of the meter.

## Moisture Meters

Moisture content of yarn moving through a slasher is sensed by the two large circular electrodes in Fig. 2 and is indicated directly in percentage by the associated Fielden Drimeter to an accuracy within 1 percent. The instrument works equally well on finished textiles coming out of a dryer, and readings are not affected by salts, dyes, size or other finishing materials used on the cloth.


FIG. 2-Electrodes of electronic moisture designed for continuous-duty mounting directly on machines in mills. Installation here is on a slasher. Cables go to the electronic hygrometer unit that indicates percentage moisture directly on a meter as material runs between electrodes

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An automatic control unit is also available for coupling the moisture meter to the speed-changing machanism of the textile drying machine. Two variables are fed into the auto-


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Reading Aid for the Blind Pronounces Printed Letters


Photoelectric reading head analyzes letters into characteristic pulse patterns

A LABORATORY MODEL of an improved electronic reader for the blind was described by L. E. Flory and W. S. Pike of RCA Laboratories before the October meeting of the New York Electrical Society. The device converts printed letters into their individual spoken names as the scanning head, shown in the accompanying picture, moves over the printed page.

Somewhat like earlier models (Electronics, p 84, Aug. 1946), the reader has a scanning head in which a miniature phototube receives the light reflected from the page. However, in this latest development, as the user moves the scanning head horizontally along a line of type, a miniature cathode-ray tube explores each letter. As the letters interrupt the reflected light to a phototube in their characteristic patterns, impulses are sent synchronously to a selector unit. These impulses are analyzed by the equipment which then selects a disc carrying a magnetic recording of
that letter. The disc spins once past its pickup to speak the letter.

Much experimentation will be necessary to determine the applicability of this device, which is suitable for use in institutions rather than in the home. It is being developed as a continuation under the Veterans Administration of work originally begun at the suggestion of Dr. Vannevar Bush through OSRD's committee on sensory devices. In addition to use as a reading device, the principle can be extended to translation of coded patterns such as teletype signals.

## Two Logarithmic Circuits

An AMPLIFIER with logarithmic amplitude response and a meter with logarithmic frequency response form the essential elements in an automatic curve tracer for examining the responses of audio facilities for broadcasting. The complete equipment is described by G. L. Hamburger in the Journal of

## Logarithmic Amplitude Converter

For indicating the amplitude of the response on a logarithmic (linear decibel) scale, the signal is passed through the novel circuit of Fig. 1A, which is derived from an amplifier in which the load impedance for the amplifier tube is another tube. The logarithmic element of this circuit is a variable-mu pentode, a typical characteristic of which is shown in Fig. 1B. This characteristic shows that, if the plate current is proportional to the incoming signal, the grid voltage is its logarithm. To use this characteristic raises the problem of operating the tube so that the output appears, in this case, as the voltage on the control grid.

An analysis of the circuit in the absence of the current biasing resistor shows how it operates. The screen of the amplifier tube and the control grid of the variable-mu pentode are stabilized at a fixed potential; this is the unorthodox aspect of the circuit. The plate of the constant-mu tube and the cathode of the variable-mu tube are thus left floating. The incoming signal directly controls the current through the constant-mu tube thus changing the cathode potential of the variable-mu tube (the change in potential at the plate of the con-stant-mu tube has no effect). In this way the grid-cathode potential of the variable-mu tube adjusts itself to the operating point at which it passes the same current as the other tube.
This action would suffice for producing an output proportional to the logarithm of the input were it not that the useful logarithmic range of the variable-mu tube lies in the microampere region whereas, for the same currents, a constantmu pentode is nonlinear, having the characteristic shown in Fig. 1C. The current biasing resistor is therefore added to move the operation of the constant-mu pentode into its linear region.

## Lngarithmic Frequency Meter

The basic circuit of a linear frequency meter of Fig. 2 (F. V. Hunt

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A Direct-Reading Frequency Meter, Review of Scientific Instruments, p 43, Feb. 1935) can be slightly modified to give logarithmic response by replacing the output resistor with a metallic rectifier. The action of this type of frequency meter is to produce uniform pulses of current through the output load every time the input wave reverses polarity. Thus the pulse rate is proportional to the incoming audio frequency.

The characteristic of metallic rectifiers is logarithmic within a limited, but, for this application, sufficient range. However, because in this circuit the rectifier is being used as a current operated device, the voltage drop across the rectifier must not react on the driving circuits; that is, the impedance of the rectifier must always be small compared to that of the driving cir-


FIG. 1-Balancing voltage developed by variable-mu tube acting as load gives amplifier a logarithmic amplitude response
cuit. By adjusting the magnitudes of the integrating capacitors and the two diode driving resistors, the constant-current condition can be fulfilled. Because of the temperature coefficient of metallic rectifiers,

## Traveling-Wave Amplifier Tube Demonstrated

Developmental traveling-wave tubes in which noise factors of 20 decibels are obtained were demonstrated at the recent exhibition of the Physical Society in London, England by Standard Telephone \& Cables, Ltd., an IT\&T associate.

The tube in the illustrated equipment operating with a beam potential of 1,400 volts and giving 100 milliwatts output, amplifies a total bandwidth of about 1,400 megacycles. Experimental tubes with a noise factor of 13 db have been made.


Traveling-wave amplifier tube in foreground is operated in waveguide circuit to give a gain from 20 to 30 db within plus or minus 1.5 db from 6.0 to 8.3 cm


FIG. 2- By adjusting frequency meter circuit so that it has a constant-current output to a metallic rectifier, it is logarithmic
the output may drift as much as two octaves while the meter is warming up, hence a calibration system is incorporated in the complete equipment both as a convenience and to guard against this.

## Transistor Characteristics

The physical and electrical properties of the transistor semiconductor amplifier were discussed at a joint meeting of the New York sections of the IRE and AIEE. William Shockley of the Bell Telephone Laboratories described the theoretical background of transistors (Electronics, p 69, Sept. 1948) and J. A. Becker, also of the Bell Labs, presented their electrical characteristics as summarized below.

## Static Characteristics

Figure 1 shows the relationship between emitter (input) and collector (output) circuits in which collector voltage is plotted against collector current for constant values of emitter current (solid curves) and for constant values of emitter voltage (dashed curves). The solid curve for zero emitter current is the familiar diode characteristic of the collector. The other curves show how the emitter affects this characteristic. The amplifying action can be seen by noting that, for constant collector voltage, the collector current increases more than the causal increase in emitter current. This current amplification plus the voltage amplification re-
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## NEW PRODUCTS

Edited by A. A. McKENZIE

## STL Parabolas

Andrew Corp., 363 East 75th St., Chicago 19, Ill. A new series of high-gain parabolic antennas designed for use in the 920 to $960-\mathrm{mc}$ $\mathrm{f}-\mathrm{m}$ relay band is available with

dish diameters of two, four, or six feet. Field gains over a half-wave dipole are respectively 10,15 , and 20 db . Input impedance is 51.5 ohms and $\frac{7}{8}$-in. air coaxial line is recommended. Write for Bulletin 902.

## Musical Instrument Tuner

C. G. Conn LTd., Elkhart, Ind., has introduced the Lektro Tuner, an electronic device for tuning musical instruments. The unit,

can produce by means of vacuum tubes two tone qualities, oboe and Hute, at musical A or B flat.

## Subminiature Diode

Raytheon Mfg. Co., Newton, Mass. Type CK5704/CK606BX is a sub-

miniature diode with characteristics similar to those of one-half of a 6AL5. Resonant frequency is over $1,200 \mathrm{mc}$. The tube has a 6.3 -volt $150-\mathrm{ma}$ heater and is intended for applications up to a few hundred megacycles where very small size is important.

## Bar-Dot Generator

Tel-Instrument Co., Inc., 50 Paterson Ave., East Rutherford, N. J. Type 2000 bar and dot generator provides signals needed for adjustment of horizontal and vertical

sweep linearity of television receivers. The apparatus provides standard blanking, vertical bars only, vertical and horizontal bars, or complete dot pattern.

## Tele Slide Projector

General Electric Co., Syracuse, N. Y. A new slide projector, type PF-3-C, for use in television stations will accept standard slides, cards,

and strips. The projector has dual lenses and provides for dissolves. Light intensity is between 10 and 15 foot-candles,

## Multichannel Switch

Applied Science Corp., Princeton, N. J. A subminiature multichannel meehanical switch includes two- and four-pole switches each pole of

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## RAVTHEON

Neck, N. Y. In the line of television test equipment described in bulletin 14 is the model 1323 modulation monitor receiver. This equipment facilitates study of the modulation envelope of the video carrier waves of all television broadcast stations. By its use the receiver permits measurement of modulation depth of any portion of the composite television signal from approximately two lines to slightly more than a complete field.

## Rotary Tap Switches

Cole Instrument Co., 1320 South Grand Ave., Los Angeles 15, Calif. Model 24 switches are precision,

multipoint devices for commercial, industrial, and laboratory use. They are available from 2-contact single-deck types up to 24 -point, six-deck models. Maximum load is about 40 amperes, and resistance is constant over long periods.

## Ultrasonic Gage

Branson Instruments Inc., Danbury, Conn. The new model FMSS-5 Audigage thickness de-

tector contains new features such as instrument indication (for use in noisy locations) adjustable frequency-modulation (facilitating measurement of seriously corroded parts), permeability tuning unit, and increased frequency range for measurement of steel down to $\frac{1}{16}$ inch. Normally battery powered, the unit can be furnished for a-c power if desired.

## Midge: Meter

International Instruments, Inc., 331 East Street, New Haven 11, Conn. New small meter's having a

scale arc of 270 degrees have a diameter of only one inch. The instrument is watertight and mounts by means of a threaded ring.

## Pulse Generators

Raymond M. Wilmotte Inc., 1469 Church St., N. W., Washington 5, D. C. Two pulse generators, models P55 and P54, cover the repetition frequencies 60 cycles to 100 kc . Pulse widths down to 0.75 and up to 70 microseconds are available. The units are designed as the foundation of control equipment. An extensive brochure is available.

## Tone Oscillator

Tokyo Communication Engineering Co., LTD., 351 Kitashinagawa 6-Chome, Shinagawa-ku Tokyo, Japan. The Clear Tone generator comprises a microphone hummer with a loudspeaker cone mechanically coupled to the reed. Five milliamperes from a 1.51 -volt battery is sufficient to operate. The unit illustrated operates at 600 cycles and

can be used as a sound source, as an annunciator, code practice oscillator, or similar device. Frequency can be adjusted over about 10-percent range.

## Midget Relays

The Potter \& Brumfield Sales Co., 549 W. Washington St., Chicago 6, Ill., has made available the Series MTA telephone-type relays for a-c operation up to 220 volts, 60 -cycles. They are fitted with

twin palladium contacts which will carry approximately 2 amperes noninductive load and are available in single- or double-spring stack with any contact combination up to 12 springs.

## Sonic Analyzer

Panoramic Radio Corp., 92 Gold St., New York 7, N. Y. Model AP-1 sonic analyzer automatically separates the frequency components constituting a complex audio wave and simultaneously measures their frequency and amplitude on a c-r tube screen. Frequency range is from 40 to $20,000 \mathrm{cps}$. Input voltage range is from $500 \mu \mathrm{v}$ to 500 volts,
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## Chicago Conference Report

OVER 2,000 ENGINEERS, managers, and students in the field of electronics attended the 1948 National Electronics Conference which was held November 4, 5, and 6 at the Edgewater Beach Hotel in Chicago.

A total of 64 technical papers on electronic research, development and application were presented at the conference, in technical sessions held three-at-a-time.

Anton J. Carlson, Professor Emeritus, Department of Physiology, University of Chicago, spoke on "Science, Industry, and the Future of Man" at the initial luncheon meeting on Thursday. The talk centered around the effects of modern medicine and war on the world's population and the necessity for increasing productivity to meet the evergrowing demands brought about by an expanding civilization.

Donald G. Fink, editor of Electronics, was the speaker at the Friday luncheon meeting, the topic being "The Decline and Fall of the Free Electron." This talk dealt with
present and future trends affecting the field of electronics.

The conference, along with the associated commercial show by approximately seventy exhibitors, was under the joint sponsorship of the Illinois Institute of Technology, Northwestern University, University of Illinois, the American Institute of Electrical Engineers, and the Institute of Radio Engineers. On Friday evening Radio Corporation of America presented a largescreen television demonstration.

## IRE-RMA Fall Meetings

Move to Syracuse in 1949
The Twentieth annual Rochester Fall Meeting of members of the IRE and the RMA Engineering Department was held Nov. 8-10 at the Sheraton Hotel in Rochester, New York.

At the Tuesday night banquet meeting, Dorman D. Israel of the

Emerson Radio and Phonograph Corp. received the RMA award for his work in connection with the advancement of radio broadcasting.

In a talk entitled "What's When With America," consulting engineer Ken Jarvis made a series of predictions for the future of the industry. He announced that in his opinion, television would practically eliminate $a-m$ and $f-m$ broadcasting in about 5 years.

At the meeting it was announced that future Fall meetings of the group will be held in Syracuse instead of Rochester because of the limited facilities of the latter city. It was also decided that exhibits would be eliminated from future meetings.

## IRE Elections

NeWLY ELECTED officers of the IRE and their terms of office have been announced as follows:

Stuart L. Bailey, president (1949), is a consulting engineer and partner of the firm of Jansky and Bailey, Washington, D. C.

Arthur S. McDonald, vicepresident (1949), is presently chief engineer of the Overseas Telecommunication Commission, Sydney, Australia.

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## NAVAL ORDNANCE GLASS HOUSE



Nearly two acres of exterior glass provide daylight illumination for civilian technicians in the Navy's new six-story Ordnance-Electronics and Optical Building, San Francisco. Building contains an escalator extending from main to third floors, and a 39 -foot outrigger crane capable of a 15 ton lift from railroad track at ground level. In the radio and repair section (right), all marine communications equipment is overhauled and tested

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are William L. Everitt, professor and head of the department of electrical engineering, University of Illinois, and Donald G. Fink, editor of Electronics.

Regional director (1949-1950) for the North Central Atlantic Re-gion-John V. L. Hogan; for the East Central Region-George R. Town, manager of engineering and research, Stromberg-Carlson Co., Rochester, N. Y.; for the Southern Region-Ben Akerman, chief engineer of WGST, Atlanta, Ga.; for the Canadian Region-Frank H. R. Pounsett, now chief engineer of the Stromberg-Carlson Co., Ltd., Toronto, Ont., Canada

## Conference on H-F

## Measurements.

Latest developments in high-frequency measurements are being presented at a conference sponsored by the IRE, AIEE and the National Bureau of Standards, January 10, 11 and 12 in the Dept. of the Interior Bldg., Washington, D. C.

Technical program is as follows:
Mondas, Jan. 10
1:30 P.M.-Measurement of Frequency-
E. I. Green of Bell Labs, presidins:

Time Standards and Measurements, by Harold Lyons of National Bureau of standards.

Frequency Stablization with Microwave Spectral Lines, by W. D Hersh werger of RCA Laboratorles.
Stabilization of Microwave Osctllators by E. W. Fletcher of Harvard University. Superconduction Resonant CavitiesMeasurements of the Surface Impedance of Normal and Superconductors at Low Temperatures and Microwave Frequencies, by E. Maxwell of National Bureau of Standards.
A Stabilized Variable Frequency Oscillator for Precision Frequency Measurements, by L. F. Koerner of Bell Labs. The Measurement of Frequency in the
Millimeter Bands, by John B. Hagen.

## Tuesday, Jun. 11

9:30 A.M.-Measurement of Power and Attenuation-F. J. Gaffney of Polytechnic Research and Development Co., presiding:
I'ower Sources for Microwave Measurements, by G. Hackley of Sperry Gyroscope Co.
Bolometric Measurement of Microwave I'ower Over Broad-Frequency Bands, by Herbert J. Carlin of Microwave Research Institute.
Microwave Metallized-Glass Attenuators, by Dr. John W. E. Griemsmann of Hicrowave Research Institute.
A Method for Measuring the Effective Conductivity of Wires at Microwave Frequencles, by A. C. Beck and R. W. Dawson of Bell Labs.
-Band Phase Shiftless Power Splitter hy H J. Riblet of Submarine Signal Co. Wers. wy G. James of Sperry Gyroscope Co.
Wednenday, Jan. 12 3:30 A. M1.-Measurement of Impedance-
Hugh H Webber of Sperry Gyroscope Co., presiding
A Precise Direct-Reading I'hase and Transmission-Measuring System for Video Frequencies, by D, A. Alsberg and D. Leed of Bell Labs.
Methods of Measuring Impedance and Voltage Standing-Wave Ratio at Microwave Frequencies, by $F$. Klawanik of Sperry Gyroscope Co.
Generator Mismatch Measurement in Transmission Lines, by P. E. Gilmer of Hell Labs.

A Method of Measuring I'hase at Microwave Frequencies, by Sloan D. Robertson of liell Labs.

## NAVY RADAR TESTED ON WIRE OCEAN



An 18 -foot scale model Essex-type aircraft carrier is used to test equipment at the Navy's Electronics Laboratory, San Diego, Calif. While revolving on a turntable tn the center of a wire-covered "ocean", the performances of the model's scaled-down radio and radar antennes ate frecod on ploting machines in the office at the rear

## MEETINGS

JaN. 10-12: Symposium on high-frequency measurements, held by Instruments and Measurements Committee jointly with the IRE and National Bureau of Standards, at Washington, D. C.

Jan. 22: IRE New York Section television symposium, Engineering Societies Building, New York City.

March 7-10: IRE annual convention, Hotel Commodore and Grand Central Palace, New York City.

APRIL 6-12: 27th anmual convention of the National Association of Broadcasters, Stevens Hotel, Chicago.

Apkil 11-15: Sixth Western Metal Congress and Exposition, Shrine Auditorium, Los Angeles, Calif.

May 16-20: Radio Parts Industry Trade Show and RMA Silver Anniversary Convention, Hotel Stevens, Chicago.

Dielectric Measurement Techniques in the UHF Region, by W. B. Westphal of MIT.
A Null Type of Impedance-Measuring Device in the UHF Range, by J. F. Byrne of AIL.
Measurement of the Electrical Characteristics of Quartz-Crystal Units by Use of a Bridged-T Network, by Charles H. l:othauge of The Johns Flopkins University.
2:00 ${ }^{\text {P.M.-Measurement of Noise, An- }}$ tenna Measurements-H. A. Wheeler of Wheeler Laboratories, Inc., presiding :

Reduction of Cable Reflections in An+...nap Pattern Measurements, by E. Fubini of AIL.

Program of Instrumentation for Antentid Measurements, by $L$. C. Van Atta and $O$. A. Tyson of NRL.
Measurement of Artificial Dielectrics for Microwaves, by W. E. Kock of Rell Labs. Microwave Noise Sources, by I. Mirman and J. H. Vogelman of Watson Labovarersity.
Measurement of Noise Interference Caused by Radar Equipments, by J. R. Logie, Jr. of Bell Labs.
Transmission-Line Method for Measuring Sensitivity of Receivers with Loop Antennas. by C. E. Kilgour of Crosley Radin Corp.

## IRE Awards and Citations

Three major decisions and numerous citations were recently approved by vote of the IRE Awards Committee. The Morris Liebmann Memorial prize will be awarded to C. E. Shannon for contributions to the theory of the transmission of information in the presence of noise. The Medal of Honor goes to Ralph Bown for extensive contributions to the field of radio and for
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racy. The instrument can be coupled with high-speed charting devices to obtain permanent recordings for future study, or can be hooked to a counter that indicates the number of times the yarn diameter drops below a predetermined minimum thickness. A light source and phototube form the sensing element. This unit is manufactured by Standard Electronics Research Corp., New York, N. Y

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Application of a GE electronic constant-rate-of-load control unit to a pendulum-type tensile tester made by Scott Testers Inc. of Providence, R. I. minimizes variations in results due to operator errors, eliminates possibility of shock loading when starting a test, compensates for sample-to-sample variations in stretch characteristic, and compensates for inherent machine characteristics. The rotor of a selsyn turns with the pendulum arm to generate a voltage proportional to the sine of the angle traversed. This voltage is rectified, filtered, and applied to a resistor and capacitor. The resulting voltage, proportional to rate of change of pendulum angle, is impressed on the grid of the phase-control tube of a standard electronic motor-control circuit serving the d-c driving motor of the tester. Operation of the control in providing constant loading is so fast that there is no trace of jerkiness in the pendulum motion.

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The behaviour of barrier-layer photocells in a-c circuits and characterisucs of the cells reveal that they have an important place in industrial electronics. In darkness, the cells act simply as rectifiers but when exposed to light they act as nonlinear conductors of current in both directions. This change can be used in designing photocell-operated equipment and when so used, the cell is about 300 times more sensitive than when used as a detector of light.


FIG. 1-Typical circuit for phatocell and thyratron that supplies 88 milliwatts 10 operate the relay
Although d-c can be used to increase the sensitivity of the cell, a-c is more satisfactory since heating and hysteresis effects are very much less.

Figure 1 shows a typical practical circuit where the relay will drop out when the cell is illuminated. A typical set of values for this type of circuit it shown.

In darkness it was found that 88 milliwatts was generated in the coil and was ample to operate a relay with a large bank of springs. When the cell was exposed to an illumination of $10^{4}$ lux from an under-run lamp, the power fell to 3 milliwatts and the relay released. There was thus available a differential power of 85 milliwatts to operate the relay.

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Figure 2 shows a similar circuit to that in Fig. 1 but the relay will release when the illumination is removed.

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FIG. 2-The relay releases when illumination is removed from the photocell
in. various capacitors when it operates, the opening and closing time can be varied and the sensitivity to a small change of illumination increased.

Applying these cells to thyratrons is quite simple and Fig. 3 gives another typical circuit. Motors 1 and 2 -might be the first of a series of motors in a grading machine. Each relay will operate at a different low level of illumination and both will be inoperative with much illumination.


FIG. 3-Suggested circuit for operating $\alpha$ series of motors from different light levels

More complete data for operation of the barrier-layer cells is given by J. A. Sargrove in Journal of the British Institution of Radio Engineers for May-June 1947.-J.H.J.

## Microwaves for <br> Railroad Control

USE of microwave beam radio, employing frequency modulation on a frequency of 6,660 megacycles, is made by the Long Island Railroad for remote-control operation of some of the new electric power distributing sub-stations now being constructed as part of the railroad's $\$ 17,656,000$ improvement program. Experiments are also being made for remote control of switches and signals as in Centralized Traffic Control and interlocking systems, the metering of electric power used, teletype and telephone communica-


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To test the operation of the apparatus over a potentially longer distance, certain devices were introduced into the circuits to simulate conditions at a distance of 48 miles between the two installations. The results were entirely satisfactory. For greater distances, use of relay and repeater stations at various intervals may permit using microwave radio for control and communication on railroads with many more miles of line than the Long Island. The present installation has been achieved by collaboration of engineers of Sperry Gyroscope Co. and the Union Switch and Signal Co.

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FIG. l-Circuit diagram of crosshatch generator. Type $12 A U 7$ tubes are used ihroughout
which appears in the accompanying diagram. This unit blanks the electron beam at regular intervals to form 12 horizontal and 16 vertical lines on the screen of the picture tube. Since the generator is connected directly to the receiver being adjusted, test pattern distortion errors introduced in camera chains and transmitters are avoided.

The generator has sufficiently low power requirements to allow the necessary voltages for its operation to be taken from the receiver being tested without undue strain on the components of the receiver power supply.

The number of lines is adjustable,


FIG. 2-Crosshatch pattern obtained with properly adjusted receiver using crosshatch generator
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sulting from the output circuit being of higher impedance than the input circuit produce the power amplification of the transistor. Although this family of curves can be used to determine the small-signal performance of the transistor, the equivalent circuit is more simply used.

## Equivalent Circuit

From circuit theory the equivalent transistor circuit of Fig. 1 can be deduced. The values for the equivalent circuit elements are those for a typical operating point and transistor. The coupling between input and output circuits is accounted for by $r_{b}$ and $r_{m}$. The apparent generator voltage in the output circuit is the product of the mutual transfer resistance and the change in input current. Although


FIG. 2-The transistor can be represented by an equivalent resistance network at low frequencies. A typical load would be 10,000 ohms, a typical input resistance is 500 ohms
other circuits could be deduced, this one permits simple analysis of circuits in which transistors are used.

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## F-M and P-M Demodulator

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A single multigrid tube can be used as a demodulator for frequency or phase modulation in a newly developed Phasitron circuit (not to be confused with the Phasitron tube used in the frequency modulators of transmitters). Conventional pentodes, hexodes or heptodes having two signal input grids can be used in the circuit, for example, a 6 L 7 can be used. With the British equivalent of this type tube, demodulation slopes as high as 2 ma per 100 -kc deviation at a carrier frequency of 45 mc have been obtained. The efficiency of the circuit increases with frequency. By thus providing a sensitive demodulator for frequency or phase-modulated signals, this circuit extends the utility of these methods of modulation and simplifies the equipment used with them.

## Resultant Output

The signal to be demodulated is applied to one grid of the tube; the other grid is attached to a high-Q circuit tuned to the undeviated carrier frequency. The resultant o'itput in the anode circuit is

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\begin{aligned}
I_{1} & =C\left(E_{1} \sin \omega_{0} t\right)\left(F_{2} \sin \omega_{0} t+\alpha\right) \\
& =\frac{C B_{1} E_{2}}{2}\left[\cos \left(2 \omega_{0} t+\alpha\right)-\cos \theta\right]
\end{aligned}
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FIG. 1-(A) Phasitron circuit is a multigrid demodulator for f -m having the characteristic shown here. (B) Action of demodulator depends on the space charge coupling between two control grids
coupling provided by the electron stream, as described later, between the two signal input grids. When a large-amplitude undeviated carrier is applied to the second input grid, the high-Q circuit, which is tuned to the mean carrier frequency, is excited. Because of the electronic coupling, the resonant circuit oscillates at about 90 degrees out of phase with the incoming carrier, producing a mean plate current. As the incoming signal deviates, because of its modulation, to a higher or lower frequency, the oscillations in the tuned circuit will be less or more than 90 degrees out of phase. Consequently the resultant plate current will vary about the mean plate current. This circuit thus converts the frequencymodulated signal directly into an a-f current. The r-f components in the plate circuit are grounded.
The efficiency of this demodulator is proportional to the $Q$ of the resonant circuit and to the amplitude of the input signal. Efficiency increases with carrier frequency. The demodulation characteristic was taken with an input carrier of 45 mc at an amplitude of 20 rms volts. With the usual value of plate resistance, 50,000 ohms, the $100-\mathrm{kc}$ deviation gives 100 volts peak-topeak audio output. A tube similar to the American 6L7 was used for these measurements.

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FIG. 2-Small capacitor microphone modulates high-frequency oscillator in high. fidelity sound recording system that uses new demodulator circuit
ceivers, this circuit is finding applications in industrial equipment and motion-picture studios. (The application of this circuit to sound reproduction was discussed in a series of papers published in The Jour British Kinematograph Soc., p 189-200, June 1948.) In obtaining an indicator card of an internal combustion engine, showing pressure as a function of piston position on an oscilloscope, small diaphragms are used to translate pressure and position into capacitance variations in tuned circuits of oscillators. The frequency changes thus produced are demodulated by Phasitron circuits and feed directly to the oscilloscope. Such a system avoids the need for direct-current amplifiers. The transducers can also be sturdy and compact.

Improved sound recording in the studio is made possible using this circuit with the capacitor microphone of Fig. 2. Because of the sensitivity of the Phasitron circuit, the microphone itself can be very small, about half an inch in diameter, and thus can respond to high audio frequencies. The microphone then frequency modulates a miniature oscillator at the end of its boom. A coaxial cable hundreds of feet long can be used from the microphone boom oscillator to the demodulator at the mixer panel without affecting the frequency response of the circuit. This system is flat to $50,000 \mathrm{cps}$, has excellent transient response and is free of frequency doubling effects because the microphone diaphragm is so small. A further advantage is that the canacitor microphone requires no polarizing voltage or high-impedance shunting resistor, thus
doing away with the crackle associated with capacitor microphones.

## Electronic Coupling

The action of the demodulator depends on the electronic coupling between the grids. Figure 1B shows the space charges and transit times in a multigrid tube connected for this circuit. Only those electrons leaving the cathode at one instant in time are considered in this simplified discussion.

At the beginning of the action $t_{v,}$, electrons of various initial velocities are emitted from the cathode. The slower electrons are returned to the cathode, arriving at $t_{1}$. The faster electrons pass through the first control grid and, under the influence of the positive potential of the second control grid, are accelerated on toward the anode. The electrons reach the second grid at $t_{w^{\prime}}$, some striking it and passing out of the picture, others continuing through toward the anole. However, the anode is electrically neutral and therefore returns the electrons through the second grid. The electronic space charge thus oscillates about the second control grid.

The number of electrons in the space charge between the second control grid and the anode is a direct function of the voltage which existed on the first control grid a short instant before. The transit time between the grids is, therefore, an important factor in the use of these phenomena. With usual potentials on the tube elements, transit times of the order of $10^{-3}$ to $10^{-8}$ seconds are obtained, thus the operating frequency must be high, between 10 and 100 mc .

When a signal is applied to the second grid, it becomes highly negative at one time in its cycle, thus repelling the electrons back toward the first grid. In effect the action of the tube is now reversed. Electrons from the space charge near the anode travel back to the first control grid forming a new space charge in the vicinity of this grid. Again, the space charge about the first grid is a function of the voltage that prevailed at the second grid a short time previously. Because the motion of the space charge induces a current in the


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FIG. 1-Signal voltage superimposed on regular discharge curve causes grid voltage to reach cut-off at $T_{1}$, whereas without signal, tube would have triggered at $T_{0}$

The integral submultiplying circuits involve the superposition of the signal voltage on the regular discharge curve of one of the multivibrator waveforms as shown in Fig. 1. Without the superimposed voltage, the circuit would trigger at time $T_{0}$, but with it, the flip occurs prematurely at time $T_{1}$. Since the submultiplying ratio is limited to around 15 (for reasons of stability), multivibrators in series are usually used where larger ratios are required as shown in Fig. 2.

A few cycles of plate voltages are shown by the solid lines in Fig. 3. At time $T_{1}$, triode $A_{1}$ (Fig. 2) starts to conduct and the resultant voltage drop at its plate causes $B_{1}$ to cut off. If the circuit constants of stage 2 are adjusted so that $B_{2}$ starts to conduct on the third pip from the first stage, the period of stage 2 will be from $T_{1}$ to $T_{3}$, and

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If the plate voltage of $B_{*}$ is coupled back to the grid of $B_{2}$ as shown by the dotted line in Fig. 2, the increased voltage at that plate will increase the rate of rise at the grid of the second-stage tube. As a result, $B$ will require fewer pips from $A_{1}$ before it passes current. The resulting waveforms are shown by the dotted lines in Fig. 3.
While $B_{: ~ i s ~ c o n d u c t i n g, ~ t h e ~ f e e d-~}^{\text {is }}$ back voltage will be so low that it will not affect the oscillations of stage 2 , then stage 2 will follow one pattern while $B_{3}$ is blocked, and another while it is conducting. Therefore, the waveform of tube 3 will be unsymmetrical.

If the division ratios of the various stages are designated by the letter $R$, while $N$ is the number of pips from a preceding stage required to trigger a particular stage, the overall reduction ratio may be represented by $\left(R_{z} \times R_{3}\right)-N_{B 3} \partial$ where $\delta$ is the number of units by which $N_{R 2}$ is shortened by the feedback voltage. The ratio of stage 2 is this expression divided by $R_{3}$.

Since the ratio between stages 3 and 2 is not changed by the feedback voltage, $R_{3}$ will be equal to the second stare as altered by the feedback or, $R=R_{z}-N_{H 3} \delta / R_{3}$. The dividing ratio as seen at the output


FIG. 3-Plate voltage waveforms for a three-stage multivibrator with and without feedback
of the third stage would be 5 (3 $\times 2$ ) $/ 5$, or, $3-4 / 5$, using the original factors with a $\delta$ of 2 . Thus a nonintegral ratio has been obtained.

With feedback spanning more than one stage, the calculations become more involved, but similar reasoning will produce the desired results. The output waves from such circuits are flat-topped. Where sine waves are desired, suitable filters may be employed. (K. H. Davis, Multivibrator Step-Down by Fractional Ratios, Bell Labs Record, p 114, March 1948.)

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tubes. The counts so produced are tabulated by the electronic register to show directly the spectrum of the betatron's x-rays. The apparatus, developed under Office of Naval Research sponsorship, is described by Dr. J. L. Lawson in the October General Electric Review; a discussion of the experimental results is planned for publication in the Physical Review.

SHORT-ARC high-pressure cadmiummercury vapor lamps have been developed experimentally. A $10,000-$ watt d-c lamp with a three-eighthsinch arc enclosed in a quartz bulb and having about half the brightness of the sun was demonstrated for spot and floodlighting of studios by E. W. Beggs of the Westinghouse Lamp Division at the recent conference of the SMPE. The shortness of the arc makes possible a high degree of optical control. The small amount of cadmium adds enough red to the mercury spectrum to make the lamp suitable for color movies. In 400 and 1,000 watt a-c sizes the lamp can be used in television studios.

Contrast characteristics of optical and electrical lenses can be measured objectively by an electronic method described by O. H. Schade, development engineer in the Tube Department of RCA, at the American Optical Society convention in Detroit in October. A test pattern consisting of vertical and horizontal lines of graded sizes is mounted before the lens to be tested, which in turn produces a greatly reduced image of the pattern. A microscope enlarges this image before it is picked up by a television camera. One square of the image may cover the camera tube. The electrical image so formed is reproduced on a kinescope and its waveshape is displayed on an oscilloscope. Using these displays, the contrast or detail response of the lens at any degree of resolution can be determined. The technique can be modified for evaluating electrostatic or electromagnetic lenses in camera and kinescope tubes, or for studying whole systems such as motion picture or television channels from camera to projection screen.


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Production Measurement. Raymond M. Wilmotte Inc., 1469 Church St., N. W., Washington 5, D.C. An eight-page brochure is devoted to description and specifications of the type W Visi-Limit micrometer, primarily designed for continuous production measurement of the outside diameter of insulated wire.

Student Publication. Crystal Research Laboratories, 29 Allyn St., Hartford, Conn. Recently off the press is the first issue of the "Telecaster" published by the CRL School of Electronics, Inc. Included are the course purposes and prerequisites for entrance in the school which prepares men for the television and industrial electronics field.

Miniature Bearings. Miniature Precision Bearings Inc., Keene, N. H. Catalog 49 gives comprehensive specifications on more than 40 types and sizes of standard miniature ball bearings ranging in outside diameter from 2 mm to $\frac{5}{8}$ inch. Design variations, lubrication, weights and application data are furnished.

Radiation Measurement. Nuclear Instrument and Chemical Corp., 223-233 W. Erie St., Chicago 10, IIl. On one side of a sheet appear an illustration and outline of the chief features of the "Q-Gas" selfquenching Geiger counter for detecting soft ionizing radiation. The instrument has a 1,450 -volt anode potential.
Voltage Regulation. The Superior Electric Co., 377 Hannon St., Bristol, Conn. Bulletin 448 discusses automatic regulation of line voltage input to broadcasting equipment, and describes in detail

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Retaining Rings. Truarc Division, Waldes Kohinoor, Inc., 47-16 Austel Place, Long Island City $1, \mathrm{~N}$. Y. A 28-page catalog contains engineering specifications and data on a complete line of retaining rings. Requests for copies should be made on company stationery.

UHF Noise Diode. Eclipse Pioneer Division, Bendix Aviation Corp., Teterboro, N. J. Folder 8630 B is devoted to the TT-1 uhf diode tube which supplies an electrical noise to measure sensitivity of radar and television receivers. The tube described has an upper limit of 3,000 megacycles and is adaptable for wide-band circuits.

Deposited Carbon Resistors. International Resistance Co., 401 N . Broad St., Philadelphia 8, Pa. Complete electrical characteristics and mechanical specifications of types DCF and DCH deposited carbon resistors are contained in bulletin B-4. Resistance values for the type DCF range from 200 ohms to 5 megohms; for type DCH, 500 ohms to 20 megohms.

Television Signal Generator. Measurements Corp., Boonton, N. J. Model 90 television standard signal generator permits modulation frequencies up to 5 mc . Carrier range of 20 to 250 mc is covered in eight coil ranges. Setting accuracy of the direct-reading frequency dial is 0.1 percent. The unit is completely described in a four-page folder.

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Broadcasters Information. National Association of Broadcasters, 1771 N Street, N. W., Washington 6, D. C. The newly revised "NAB Sample Transmitter Operating Logs and Pertinent FCC Rules and Regulations" replaces a previous guide published in 1946.

Tube Information. Radio Corp. of America, Harrison, N. J. Technical data sheets have recently been released on the 6 W 4 rectifier used as a television damper; type 19J6 miniature twin triode; type 5696 miniature thyratron; and type 5713 power triode, for groundedgrid service.

Binding Posts. Superior Electric Co., 477 Hannon Ave., Bristol, Conn. The new 5 -way binding post is described and uses enumerated in a recent folder.

Power Tetrode. Eitel-McCullough, Inc., San Bruno, Calif. Latest data sheet on the Eimac 4-65A power tetrode gives the usual constant current characteristics on a threecolor chart as well as separate graphs showing control grid, screen grid, and plate currents versus plate voltage.

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Flexible Shafting. F. W. Stewart Mfg. Corp., 4311 Ravenswood Ave., Chicago 13, Ill., has recently published an illustrated booklet showing a variety of uses for flexible shafts in the industrial field.

G-M Survey Meter. Precision Radiation Instruments, Inc., 1101 North Paulina St., Chicago 22, Ill. describes the model 101 radiation survey meter on two sides of a sheet. All the major components are arranged for plug-in replacement.

Audio Amplifier. Brook Electronics, Inc., 34 DeHart Place, Elizabeth 2, N. J. Model 12A3, ten-watt remote control audio amplifier selling for $\$ 169.50$ is pictured and the characteristics are listed on two sides of a catalog sheet.
Instrument Filter. Kalbfell Laboratories, Inc., 1076 Morena Boulevard, San Diego 10, Calif. The Bridged-T filter model 503A for 60 -cycle rejection is described in a flyer that shows frequency characteristic curves and data on filters for other frequencies.
Miniature Relays. Ward Leonard Electric Co., Mount Vernon, N. Y. Bulletin 102 miniature magnetic relays for direct or alternating current are described in a catalog sheet recently issued.

Sales Engineers' Newsletter. The Representatives of Radio Parts Manufacturers, Inc., One North La Salle St., Chicago 2, Ill. First issue of the "Representor" is dated October 1948. The publication is designed to encourage cooperation between manufacturers and their customers via independent sales engineers.
Panoramic Equipment. Panoramic Radio Corp., 92 Gold St., New York 7, N. Y. A four-page bulletin gives complete data on both the Panalyzor, series SB3, and SB6, as well as the Panadaptor, series SA3 and SA6. Both instruments are automatic scanning superheterodyne devices for pan-

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Television Components. Standard Transformer Corp., 3580 Elston Ave., Chicago 18, Ill. Bulletin DD337 is a 4-page circular giving illustrations, specifications and prices of a new line of television transformers and components.

Audio Transformers. Standard Transformer Corp., 3580 Elston Ave., Chicago 18, Ill. A recent 4page folder illustrates and gives chief features and specifications of the HF and WF series of high fidelity audio transformers for amplifier circuits, speakers, micro phones and pickups.

Measuring Instruments. Boonton Radio Corp., Boonton, N. J. Cata$\log \mathrm{F}$ is a 34-page publication covering Q-meters, a QX checker, signal generators and accessories. Operating principles and specifications for each are given.

C-IR Oscilloscope. Tektronix, Inc., 1516 S. E. Seventh Ave., Portland 14, Oregon. Type 511 cathode-ray oscilloscope, a portable unit using a 5 -in. tube, is completely described and illustrated in a 4 -page folder. The unit has a continuously variable triggered sweep circuit which synchronizes with frequencies as high as 10 mc .

Capacitor and Component Catalog. Hammarlund Mfg. Co., Inc., 460 West 34th St., New York 1, N. Y. A new 16-page catalog in two colors lists complete technical data on the company's line of capacitors and components. Emphasis is placed on the employment of miniature components for more compact equipment.
R-F Inductors. Andrew Corp., 363 East 75th St., Chicago 19, Ill., has just printed up bulletin 83 describing a line of r-f inductors designed for phasing and antenna tuning networks used in a-m broadcasting and similar applications.

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Accelerometers. Schaevitz Engineering, 226 Harding Ave., Collingswood, N. J. A useful pamphlet entitled "Notes on Linear and Angular Accelerometers" is available free of charge. Applications and curves are included.
Signal Generator. Measurements Corp., Boonton, N. J. A 4-page catalog sheet is now being distributed that describes the model 80 standard signal generator with a frequency range from 2 to 400 mc , with output continuously variable from 0.1 microvolt to 0.1 volt.
Meters. Dale Instruments, Electronic Development Co., Omaha, Nebraska. Catalog 11 is an 8 -page publication that lists characteristics and prices of a line of meters for all uses.

Insulators. American Lava Corp., Chattanooga 5, Tenn. Standard insulators shown in bulletin 143 formerly made in L4 material are now available in L5 ceramic for use at higher radio frequencies.
Flexible Tubing. Pennsylvania Flexible Metallic Tubing Co., 72nd St. \& Powers Lane, Philadelphia 42, Pa., has recently issued bulletin 52-9 describing a line of galvanized steel hose and bronze hose.

Plastics Check Chart. Durez Plastics and Chemicals, Inc., North Tonawanda, N. Y. The Durez Check Chart is a slide-rule type of reference for engineers and others working with plastic materials. As a slide is pulled to a desired application, the material number appears in a cutout window.

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Mica Products Catalog. The Macallen Co., 16 Macallen St., Boston, Mass. Price list and discounts on compressed sheet mica products are given in a new booklet which contains corrections and additions to catalog 24.

Analytical Instruments. Consolidated Engineering Corp., 620 North Lake Ave., Pasadena 4, Calif. General catalog 1300A covers a variety of analytical instruments for science and industry, including mass spectrometers, recording oscillographs, leak detectors and electrical computers. Illustrated descriptions and specifications are included.
Electric Plants. D. W. Onan \& Sons Inc., Minneapolis 5, Minn. Catalog A-138A is a guide to a-c, d-c and battery-charging electric plants. Instructions are given for choosing the proper type, size and starting method.

Battery Connectors. Cannon Electric Development Co., 3209 Humboldt St., Los Angeles 31, Calif. Photos, dimensional drawings and technical data on a line of battery connectors designed for starting equipment are found in bulletin GB-648.

Solder Catalog. Alpha Metals, Inc., 363 Hudson Ave., Brooklyn 1, N. Y. Catalog 201 condenses into four pages an explanation of rosin-filled and acid-filled solders, a comprehensive solder selection guide and tables of physical characteristics.

F-M Tuner. Edwards F-M Radio Corp., 168 Washington St., New York 6, N. Y. A 12-page reprint gives an illustrated description, servicing information and circuit analysis of the Fidelotuner, an $\mathrm{f}-\mathrm{m}$ tuner employing the limiterdiscriminator method of detection without an r-f amplifier.

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his leadership in Institute affairs. The B. J. Thompson Memorial Award was made to R. V. Pound for his paper in the Dec. 1947 Proceedings entitled "Frequency Stabilization of Microwave Oscillators."

Citations for the Fellow grade awards were approved as follows:
H. A. Affel-"For his contributions to the communications art, and his guidance of important developments in carrier systems for multiplex telephone and television transmission".
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J. E. Brown-"For his contributions in the field of broadcast receiver design".

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H. J. Reich-"For his contributions as teacher and author in the radio and electronics fields".
John D. Reid-_"For his developments in radio-frequency circuits".
Karl Spangenberg-"For his many technical contributions, particularly his analytical work on vacuum tubes".
George E. Sterling-_"In recognition of his long public service in the radio communication field and, in particular. for the organization and operation of radio wartime intelligence activities, which were of significant importance".
C. E. Strong--"For his pioneering work in the radio equipment design and development field, particularly broadcasting transmitters, both medium and high frequency, and his many wartime contributions in England".

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tions to the field of radio education in Switzerland, and his accomplishments in ultrashort-wave communications".
W. Norris Tuttle-"For his application of sound theoretical principles to the design of commercial measuring equipment".
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## New RMA Standards

Electrical performance standards for television relay facilities are given in RMA publication TR-106, now available to members from the Radio Manufacturers Association, 1317 F Street, N. W., Washington 4, D.C. Topics covered include overall systems performance characteristics, relay transmitter, relay receiver, repeater, control and auxiliary circuits, antennas and transmission lines, propagation and reliability. An appendix, not part of the standard, gives tentative recommendations.

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The Electrical Reactance Corp., Franklinville, N. Y., is adding to its plant a new office building to incorporate an enlarged developmental


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and research laboratory and provide space in the present plant for increased production of television receiver components.

Radioactive Products, INC., Detroit, Mich., was formed to design and manufacture instruments and equipment for the measurement and handling of ladioactive materials.

Machlett Laboratories, Inc., Springdale, Conn., has taken over the manufacture of Western Electric's line of high-power tubes for broadcast transmitters, f-m and al!ied purposes. Tubes will be manufactured for Western Electric to Bell Labs designs, and will be distributed as before through Graybar Electric Co.

Cornell-Dubilier Electric Corp., South Plainfield, N. J., has purchased the Faradon Capacitor Division of RCA.

## PERSONNEL

A. H. Brolly, formerly chief engineer with WBKB, Chicago, is now chief engineer of Television Associates, Inc. in Chicago.

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Milton L. Kuder, formerly with the Naval Research Laboratory in radar and guided missile development, has been appointed to the National Bureau of Standards Ordnance Research Section.

M. L. Kuder

H. Goldberg

Harold Goldberg, previously associated with Stromberg-Carlson and Bendix in microwave and communication research, was recently named chief of the Ordnance Research Section of the National Bureau of Standards.

Gene Crow, on the engineering staff of WBKB, Chicago for the past three years, has been appointed chief engineer of the Meredith television station in Syracuse, N. Y.

Harold A. Zahl, holder of the Legion of Merit for contributions made in the fields of radar and vacuum tubes, has been appointed director of research of the Signal Corps Engineering Laboratories, Fort Monmouth, N. J.

James L. Lahey recently resigned as assistant chief engineer at WBKB, Chicago, to join the engineering staff of Television Associates, Inc.
K. C. DeWalt, formerly designing engineer of the Tube Division of General Electric Co., Electronics Park, was reecently appointed an


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Robert D. Huntoon, proximity fuze consultant during the war, has been appointed chief of the Atomic and Molecular Physics Division of the National Bureau of Standards. He will also serve as consultant to the Electronics Standards and Ordnance Development Laboratories of the Electronics Division.

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Ricardo Muniz, previously technical assistant to the vice-president at Allen B. DuMont Laboratories, Inc., was recently named general manager of the television receiver division.

WAYne L. BABCOCK, formerly chief engineer at KCRG and KCRK, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, has been appointed to the broadcast transmitter sales staff of RCA.

Kenneth W. Jarvis, after heading his own electronics consulting firm for the past 14 years, has been named manager of the new electronics department of Automatic Electric Co., Chicago, Ill., which will be devoted to electronic applications in the telephone field.

Charles L. Townsend of NBC has been transferred to Chicago as television operations supervisor for WNBQ.

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tories of Sperry Gyroscope Co.. Inc., was recently elected president of Teletronics Laboratory, Inc., Westbury, N. Y.

Donald Burcham, recipient of the Naval Ordnance Development Award in 1945, is now alternate chief of the Ordnance Research Section of the National Bureau of Standards.

D. Burcham

A. P. Massey

ANDREW P. MASSEY, responsible for development of a special communications jeep for Navy landing operations, has been appointed to the Engrineering Electronics Section of the National Bureau of Standards, to head the electronics standardization group.
A. HOYT TAYLOR, after more than 31 years of continuous civilian and commissioned service in the Navy, was honored at his retirement for outstanding services in the field of radio and radar research and development.
G. Hamilton Beasley has been named new president of Bardwell \& McAllister, Inc., Burbank, Calif., manufacturers of electronic apparatus.

Thomas Morrin, former chief of the microwave engineering department at Raytheon, has been appointed chairman of electrical engineering research at Stanford Research Institute, Stanford U., Calif.

William P. Lear, president of Lear, Inc. since its inception almost twenty years ago, has been elected to the newly created post of chairman of the board, in order to devote his efforts to technical development of aircraft radio, automatic flight control and wire recorder products.

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## Vacuum Tubes

By Karl R. Spangenberg, Professor of Electrical Engineering, Stanford University. McGraw-Hill Book Co., New Yorli, 1948, 860 pages, $\$ 7.50$.
A WEALTH of material on vacuum tubes and their characteristics is presented in this text. To the reviewer, it is the most complete treatise on this subject that is now available in one volume.

The text begins with a discussion of the nature and number of the devices using vacuum tubes and of the basic functions of these tubes. Then the essential characteristics of the various tube types are briefly but well previewed. The basic types considered are the vacuum diode, vacuum triode, screen-grid tube, pentode, beampower tubes, cathode-ray tubes, klystron, magnetron and phototubes.

Fundamentals necessary to tube behavior analysis are then presented in chapters on electrons and ions, electronic emission, determination of potential fields, laws of electron motion, a consideration of the electrostatic field of a triode, and space-charge effects. The characteristics of triode, tetrode, and pentode tubes are then discussed in much greater detail in individual chapters. An interesting discussion on tube noise then follows.

Electron optics, both electrostatic and magnetic, and cathoderay tubes are next considered. After a discussion of ultrahigh-frequency effects in conventional tubes, the klystron and magnetron are studied. The text concludes with chapters on photoelectric tubes, special tubes including television camera pickup tubes and electron microscopes, and a thorough discussion of highvacuum techniques.

Thoroughness of discussion and explanation seems to typify the book. Although many references to other sources are included, the author includes sufficient material so that recourse to the references is generally not necessary. This thoroughness can be shown by an example. If the text were first opened to the section between pages 89 and 96 , one would feel that he


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was reading a text on geography because of the discussion of Mercator and various forms of polar azimuthal equidistant projections, given to illustrate the nature of the logarithmic transformation used in determining the fields in a planeelectrode triode. Nevertheless, this and similar discussions are pertinent and quite helpful. Incidentally, the subject of vacuum-tube circuits is wisely avoided.
The large number of figures, including charts and tables and especially nomographs, makes this text quite useful. Most all of the important relationships that can be shown with various types of alignment nomographs are presented in that manner. The author has lost few if any chances to include all pertinent information and to present it in a useful form.

It seems a shame, from the viewpoint of a person not too familiar with the ramifications of all the topics considered, that this text is indexed in only seven pages. Useful information in the text is not always clearly indicated in the index. As an example, the use of electrolytic tanks in determining potential fields is not given in the index. Examination of the text, however, shows that this is discussed not only in the chapter on the determination of potential fields but later specifically in determining the characteristics of cathode-ray tubes.

This book is heartily recommended as a thorough, complete, and very usable reference on all types of vacuum tubes.-JOSEPH Kaufman, National Radio Institute, Washington, D. C.

## Books Received for Review

SFRVICLNG THE MODERN CAR RA DIO. By A. L. Hurlbut. Murray Hill 1948,692 pages, $\$ 7.50$, Combination text book (119 pages) and circuit manual text pages) covering auto radio receivers from mid-30's. Data on specific sets is in most instances reproduced directly from manufacturers' literature. Text covers antennas, set installation, vibrator replacentent, loudspeaker servicing, alignment, pushbutton tuning systen's and typical circuit features.
POST WAR AUDIO AMPLIFIERS AND ASSOCIATED EQUIPMENT. Compiled and published by Howard $W$. Sams \& Co. Inc., Indianapolis, Ind., 1948,352 pages, \$3.95. Specialized paper-cover manual of f-m tuners and wire and tape recorders.

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The necessity for changing bands or tuning heads when changing frequency by a factor of merely 2 or 3 to 1 is a nuisance and should be at all cost avoided. The minimum tuning range in one band and one dial should be at least 6 to 1 . The accuracy with which this frequency may be selected should be of the order of 0.01 percent and the frequency drift over a five-hour period not more than 0.001 percent. These limits should not be construed as an objective but merely as a barely satisfactory minimum to be tolerated over a range temperature from -75 C to +93.6 C .
To make this unit truly universal, it should operate from a-c, d-c or battery power. The total power input should not be more than 30 watts including all pilot lights.

The physical size and weight of signal generators should be kept to a minimum. If these units are to be suitable for use in lifeboats and for dog-team transports as well as in research laboratories, weight should be kept at 14 pounds or less and a maximum dimension limited to $8{ }_{4}^{3}$ inches. All devices of this nature should be capable of immersion in salt water for not less than six hours without changing characteristics. The carrying case must, of course, be constructed of material unpalatable to dogs. Units should be capable of being dropped on a concrete floor from a height of $8 \frac{1}{2}$ feet without changing frequency or missing a pulse.

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Although these notes deal chiefty with a specitic example, the principles can be applied to most any problem involving the developmenc or electronic gear. They can be summarized uy simply stating that one should never be satisfied with anything but the last word regardless of how many decades are required to produce it.
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## French Television Tube

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IN THE ARTICLE on the eriscope camera tube by Boyd France(Llectronics, p 130, Oct. 1948) is the statement, "Comparative tests of the eriscope and the image orthicon conducted at the Zurich Polytechnical School indicated that . . " We wish to state that at the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology comparative tests of the French eriscope and the American image orthicon have never been conducted; moreover our Institute has never had an image orthicon for test purposes. As a neutral institution, we ask that you publish this emendation.
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