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RC-50 CASE
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SM CASE
Length ......................... 11/16 Width ..............................1/2 Height .........................29/32 Screw .....................4-40 FIL. Unit Weight .................... 802.

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## COMPACT AUDIO UNITS...RC-5O CASE

| Type No. | Application | MIL <br> Type | Pri. Imp. Ohms | Sec. Imp. Ohms | $\begin{gathered} \text { DC in } \quad \text { Response } \\ \text { Pri., MA } \pm 2 \mathrm{db} \text {. (Cyc.) } \end{gathered}$ | Max. level dbm | List Price |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| H-20 | Single plate to 2 grids, can also be used for P.P. plates | TF1A15YY | 15,000 split | $80,000 \mathrm{split}$ | 0 30-20,000 | +12 | \$20.00 |
| H-21 | Single plate to P.P. grids, DC in Prí. | TF 1A15YY | 15,000 | 80,000 split | $8 \quad 100-20,000$ | +23 | 23.00 |
| H-22 | Single plate to multiple line | TF1A13YY | 15,000 | $\begin{gathered} 50 / 200 \\ 125 / 500 \text { ** } \end{gathered}$ | 8 50-20,000 | +23 | 21.00 |
| H-23 | P.P. plates to multiple line | TF 1A13YY | 30,000 split | $\begin{gathered} 50 / 200 \\ 125 / 500^{* *} \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{ll} 8 & 30-20,000 \\ \mathrm{BAL} . \end{array}$ | $+19$ | 20.00 |
| H-24 | Reactor | TF1A20YY | $\begin{aligned} & 450 \text { Hys. }-0 \\ & 65 \text { Hys } .-10 \end{aligned}$ | 50 Hys. 5 Ma . C, 1500 ohms. | $\text { DC, } 6000 \text { ohms . . . }$ |  | 15.00 |

## SUBMINIATURE AUDIO UNITS...SM CASE

| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Type } \\ & \text { No. } \end{aligned}$ | Application | MIL Type | Pri. Imp. Ohms | Sec. Imp. Ohms | $\underset{\text { Pri., MA }}{\text { DC }}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Response } \\ \pm \mathbf{2 d b} .(\text { (Cyc. }) \end{gathered}$ | Max. leve dbm | List Price |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| H-30 | Input to grld | TF1A10YY | 50*** | 62,500 | 0 | 150-10,000 | +13 | \$13.00 |
| H-31 | Single plate to single grid, | TF1A15YY | 10,000 | 90,000 | 0 | 300-10,000 | +13 | 13.00 |
| H-32 | Single plate to line | TF1A13YY | 10,000**** | 200 | 3 | 300-10,000 | +13 | 13.00 |
| H-33 | Single plate to low impedance | TF1A13YY | 30,000 | 50 | 1 | 300.10,000 | +15 | 13.00 |
| H-34 | Single plate to low impedance | TFIA13YY | 100,000 | 60 | . 5 | 300-10,000 | $+6$ | 13.00 |
| H-35 | Reactor | TFIA2OYY | 100 Henr | 50 Henries | Ma. DC, | 4,400 ohms. |  | 11.00 |

* 200 ohm termination can be used for 150 ohms or 250 ohms, 500 ohm termination can be used for 600 ohms.
** 200 ohm termination can be used for 150 ohms or 250 ohms, $125 / 500$ ohm termination can be used for $150 / 600$ ohms. *** can be used with higher source impedances, with corresponding reduction in frequency range. With 200 ohm source, secondary impedance becomes 250,000 ohms... loaded response is -4 db . at 300 cycles.
****can be used for 500 ohm load . . 25,000 ohm primary impedance .., 1.5 Ma . DC.


## MINIATURE AUDIO UNITS...RCOF CASE

| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Type } \\ & \text { No. } \end{aligned}$ | Application | MIL <br> Type | Pri. Imp. Ohms | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Sec. Imp. } \\ & \text { Ohms. } \end{aligned}$ | $\underset{\text { Pri., MA }}{\text { DC in }}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Response } \\ \pm 2 \mathrm{db} .(C y c .) \end{gathered}$ | Max. level dbm | List Price |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| H-1 | Mike, pickup, line to grid | TF1A10YY | 50,200 CT, 500 CT* | 50,000 | 0 | 50-10,000 | + 5 | \$16.50 |
| H.2 | Mike to grid | TF1A11YY | 82 | 135,000 | 50 | 250-8,000 | +21 | 16.00 |
| H-3 | Single plate to single grid | TF1A15YY | 15,000 | 60,000 | 0 | 50-10,000 | + 6 | 13.50 |
| H. 4 | Single plate to single grid, DC in Pri. | TF1A15YY | 15,000 | 60,000 | 4 | 200-10,000 | +14 | 13.50 |
| H-5 | Single plate to P.P. grids | TF1A15YY | 15,000 | 95,000 CT | 0 | 50-10,000 | $+5$ | 15.50 |
| H-6 | Single plate to P.P. grids, DC in Pri. | TF 1A15YY | 15,000 | 95,000 split | 1 | 200-10,000 | +11 | 16.00 |
| H-7 | Single or P.P. plates to line | TF1A13YY | 20,000 CT | 150/600 | 4 | 200-10,000 | +21 | 16.50 |
| H-8 | Mixing and matching | TF1A16YY | 150/600 | 600 CT | 0 | 50-10,000 | +8 | 15.50 |
| H-9 | 82/41:1 input to grid | TF1A10YY | 150/600 | 1 meg . | 0 | 200-3,000 (4db.) | +10 | 16.50 |
| H-10 | 10:1 single plate to single grid | TF1A15YY | 10,000 | 1 meg . | 0 | 200-3,000 (4db.) | $+10$ | 15.00 |
| H-11 | Reactor | TF1A2OYY | 300 Henries-a D | , 50 Henries-3 | Ma. DC | , 6,000 Ohms. |  | 12.00 |

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## IRE Show, A Preview Of Progress

## This year's convention promises to set new high in attendance, exhibits and technical interest

Year after year the national convention of the Institute of RadioEngineers has grown in size and scope. It has become a leading national event for the electronics industry commercially as well as technically. Despite future location problems, its continued success in all phases seems assured.

- Progress-As shown in the charts, the show has more than doubled in size in the last five years. This year's meeting promises to break all previous records for attendance and number of exhibits. Over 30,000 engineers and scientists from all parts of the world are expected to attend. More than 400 exhibits by companies in every facet of the industry will be displayed, representing a value in equipment alone of over $\$ 10$ million.
Keeping pace with the growth in
attendance and exhibits, the technical scope of the convention has also broadened steadily. This year a total of 220 papers will be presented during the 43 sessions and 9 symposia of the show. In 1948 about 140 papers were presented in 27 sessions.

Highlight of the technical program this year will be an all-day seminar on "Acoustics for the Radio Engineer" and 9 symposia organized by professional groups of IRE. The complete technical program for the convention appears in this issue of Electronics, beginning on page 454.

- Business-The growth of the show has also meant increased business for participating manufacturers. The fact that companies have continued to return year after year, along with new participants, vouches for its commercial value.

Although the amount of actual orders obtained by exhibitors as a direct result of the show cannot be accurately determined, some
smaller electronic manufacturers have indicated that as much as 50 percent of their total annual order volume resulted from show participation. Even without orders, manufacturers have found the convention to be of substantial institutional value and of valuable aid in locating available engineering talent.

- Future-Next year's IRE show will be held at the Kingsbridge Armory in the Bronx, N. Y. if the Bureau of Internal Revenue goes through with plans to take over Grand Central Palace for office space. It is considered likely that the Bronx may also be the show site for 1955 although Atlantic City is being considered for that year if the Bronx location proves inadequate.

In 1956 it is expected that the mammoth Columbus Circle Coliseum in New York City will be completed and available for use. If present rate of growth continues, the 1956 IRE national convention will probably need the space.

## TV Broadcast Industry Forecasts Own Growth

Month by month totals for postfreeze stations on the air in 1953 are predicted

Accompanying bar chart showing the probable growth of post-freeze tv stations on the air by the end of 1953 rests squarely upon the shoulders of the broadcasters themselves. In it, some 119 post-freeze grantees indicate their hoped-for starting dates ( 45 others refused to put themselves on the spot). Added to the year-end total are 13

already making use of their new post-freeze grants.

- Red Faces? - An additional 25 on the air at year's end would be a source more for rejoicing than em-
barrassment. Reddest faces so far are those of the uhf transmitter manufacturers, whose production lines have not quite caught up with press departments' output.


# Synthetic Mica Used Commercially 

Crystals 'grown' in electric furnaces still too small for capacitors, but have other uses

Although military research funds have not yet paid off in freeing U. S. from dependence on India for natural mica splittings, commercial byproducts of the research are emerging. This means that huge electric furnaces for growing mica crystals artificially may soon be in operation without government support.

- The Mica Business--Over 8,000,000 pounds of mica splittings are imported annually, with roughly 90 percent coming from India and the rest from Brazil, at an average price of $\$ 1$ a pound. The largest sheets, needed for mosaics of tv camera tubes, are worth up to $\$ 500$ a pound.

Circle and punch mica, used chiefly for vacuum-tube spacers, runs about 18 cents a pound for the $2,500,000$ pounds needed annually by the tube industry. This grade is available from U. S. mica
mines and can also be made synthetically, though at about twice the price.

Though some 60,000 tons of scrap and ground mica are used annually, availability is excellent at the going rate of 3 cents a pound. For electric furnaces operating at 30 cents a pound, synthetic production of this grade is economical only as a byproduct of sheet-growing.

About three-fourths of the imported splittings go into built-up or reconstituted mica worth around $\$ 2$ a pound. Here synthetic mica offers the best possibilities.
$\rightarrow$ Reconstituted Mica-Use of smaller mica pieces and elimination of hand splitting are the chief advantages of a relatively new process of reforming mica into large, continuous sheets. The mica is disintegrated by beating it for a minute or two in a blender half-full of distilled water, and the sheet is formed by pouring the mica suspension over a suction filter. After drying, the tiny pieces cohere to give a mat with some strength and elasticity, though less than that of
natural mica; the cohesion is believed due to electrostatic charges. The reconstituted mica flakes can be permanently bonded together by hot-pressing near the melting point of the mica.

With synthetic mica flakes, a lower-melting-point synthetic boron mica can be mixed in and heated just above its fusion temperature to give a mica-bonded mica sheet. There are excellent possibilities here of developing an automatic continuous process for manufacturing a high-temperature-resistant mica sheet of controlled thickness for capacitor use.

## Community Television Continues To Expand

DESPITE post-freeze station building, the future seems bright for community antenna operators. Systems total 149 today as against 96 half a vear ago; 26 new systems are plannet.

An estimated 70,000 to 85,000 homes receive their television entertainment via cable, with the viewers coughing up three-billion dollars annually in service charges. Manufacturers can thank community tv for helping sell $\$ 17,500,000$ worth of sets in otherwise inaccessible communities. Antenna operators have collected $\$ 8,750,000$ in hook-up fees.

Pennsylvania is still the center of community television, with 53 systems. West Virginia has 23, while California, a comparative latecomer, has 18 systems.

## - Multiple Owners-Reportedly

 only half the antenna operators are making a profit from their enterprises but this is attributed largely to slipshod business methods. The multiple-system owner, often backed by big-money interests, has made his appearance on the scene. A California operator has a chain of five systems while a Pennsylvanian is running three.Very ambitious is Jerrold Electronics, backed by J. H. Whitney and Ca, large New York investment house. Jerrold is aiming at 6,000 subscribers in Williamsport, Pa.,
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and a second system is under construction in Fairmont, W. Va. The Jerrold-Whitney group has three additional systems in the planning stage. Jerrold also runs systems in Walton, N. Y., Harlan, Ky. and Ventura, N. J.
-Subscription TV-Community antennas and pay-as-you-go television apparently were made for each other. With FCC approval the sticking point for subscription tv via the air waves, community antenna operators are free to distribute quality programs of local origin over an unused channel of their wire system and charge by the program.

Telemeter has a coin-box system operating in Palm Springs, Calif. The system uses Jerrold 7-channel equipment. Telemeter is so thrilled over the marriage of the cable and coin box that they have now gone in for manufacturing components for community-tv systems themselves. Since turnabout is both fair and profitable play, Jerrold is experimenting with a subscription television system.
-Boosters and Satellites-An alternative means for bringing television to mountain-ringed communities is the booster or satellite plan. A booster picks up a tv signal and reradiates it on the same channel with vertical polarization. Satellites reradiate the signal on a different frequency. One of each of these systems is now operating experimentally.

Community tv manufacturers announce that they are ready to join in booster operation, pointing out that satellite operation requires additional channel assignments,

- Local UHF--Local uhf stations have already proved a boon to some community-tv operators. Take the case of Shinshinny, Pa.: Interest in community tv rose in this moun-tain-ringed community only after nearby Wilkes-Barre began work on its uhf outlet. Community-tv manufacturers state that special crystal-controlled uhf-to-vhf converters designed for unattended operation will be available when system operators require uhf reception.


## Paramount-ABC Merger Approved

## Split decision paves way for the biggest transaction in broadcasting history

Approval by the Federal Communications Commission of the merger of United Paramount Theaters, Inc. and the American Broadcasting Company will have widespread effects on the U.S. broadcasting business. It not only permits the formation of a new broadcasting network but directly affects the operations of four other companies in the broadcasting and tv manufacturing field. The full effects of
the merger may not be apparent for some time, however.

- New Network-The new network that will result from the merger will be known as AB-PT, Inc. and will have assets of about $\$ 150$ million behind it. Its formation involves a $\$ 25$ million stock transaction, the biggest in the history of broadcasting.

The new corporation will control five tv stations, six $a-m$ stations and six f-m stations, in addition to 707 theaters throughout the country. It now also has 81 tv stations and 353 radio stations as affiliates.


OPERATOR in freight-yard control tower (left) engages remote car-retarder when speed meter (right) warns that coupling speed is unsafe os

## Radar Eases Freight-Car Jolts

Unmanned freight cars roll safely down grade into classification yards

RADAR speed meters, familiar hazard to highway speeders, help insure safe automatic freight handling in railroad classification yards.

Cars are pushed over a rise of ground by a switch engine and decoupled, rolling by gravity into classification tracks where trains are made up. The speed meter clocks
the rolling cars, warning the operator in the yard's control tower if their speed is too high for safe coupling. The operator then manipulates remote electronic controls that slow the car by engaging retarders, long clamps faced with hard rubber that squeeze wheel flanges against the track.

Equipment-Operating on 2,455 mc in one of the industrial-medicalscientific bands, the speed meter works on the Doppler (frequency-
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change) rather than the pulse principle. The transmitter consists of a single 2C40 'lighthouse' triode operating as a fixed-frequency cavity oscillator. Output is nominally 4.5 watts $\mathrm{c}-\mathrm{w}$, delivered to two halfwave dipoles fed in phase.

Equipment costs approximately $\$ 1,000$ when used in conjunction with a graphical recorder.

- Use-Radar speed checking is used by the Southern Railway System in the John Servier Yard, Knoxville, Tenn. and in Ernest Norris Yard, Birmingham, Ala. Another user is the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad.

Speed checking by Doppler radar is used extensively on highways. Two well-known users are the Connecticut and Maryland State Police, with installations on the Merritt Parkway and Washington-Baltimore Boulevard.

## Radioactive Tracers Check Germanium

Minute traces of foreign elements are measurable for research in transistors

One of the most exacting processes involved in the manufacture of transistors is the control of the amount of impurities in the semiconductors used. The usual technique is to refine the material well beyond the required value and then to add appropriate and controlled amounts of the desired impurities.

Production is limited by difficulty of determining when the super-pure state has been reached. A method for achieving this type of measurement to one part in one hundred million has been developed at Sylvania by George Morrison of the Radiochemical Laboratory at Bayside, New York.

- Method-A sample whose purity is to be determined is sent to Brookhaven National Laboratories, where it is placed in a reactor and thereby subjected to radiation. The sample becomes hot by a measurable
amount proportional, among other things, to the percentage of impurities present. It is thus possible to calculate the degree of impurity with extreme accuracy.
The technique has proved successful in preparing germanium samples with arsenic impurities. Other vehicles and impurities may be studied in the same manner.


## Safety-of-Life-at-Sea Radio Equipment Ready

NEW aids to save lives were provided for under the International Convention on Safety of Life at Sea, London, 1948. With the final ratification (Electronics, p 10, Mar. 1952) of this Convention, four years later, FCC quickly set up specifications for fulfilling the electronic requirements. In less than two months American manufacturers came up with prototypes.

- The Equipment-The provision that newly certified ships beginning Nov. 19, 1952 must carry certain main or auxiliary radiotelegraph equipment may mean a bit of extra change for a good many small and big manufacturers. Lifeboat portable radiotelegraph equipment, on the other hand, is so radically new as to require complete redesign and may be attempted by only a handful of those in the field. FCC will await type approval of commercial equipment before specifying a compliance date.

Among the features required of the new lifeboat radio design are ability to send or receive on two distress-frequency bands-492 to 508 kc and 8,240 to $8,800 \mathrm{kc}$. Transmissions are modulated with an 800 -cycle tone and the receiver can be adjusted for tone or continuouswave signals.

- Autoalarm and SOS-A hand generator supplies all power and an automatic keying device must be provided to send the international autoalarm signal ( 12 dashes in one minute) followed by SOS on 500 kc . When switched to the $8,364-\mathrm{kc}$ position, the automatic keyer must send


RCA version of an automatic trans-mitter-receiver unit required in lifeboats of American-flag ships

SOS and a 30 -sec dash for direction finding by rescue craft. Other requirements include a collapsible aluminum-rod antenna and ground wire with sinker.

## Electronic Plants Are Safer Now

Injury frequency dropped as the industry made progress in safety

DESPITE higher production and employment, work injuries in radio-tv, tube and communications equipment plants have declined significantly since 1949, reflecting the increasing efforts of manufacturers to make their factories safer places in which to work.

The number of injuries per mil-lion-employee-hours worked declined to 4.3 in the first six months of 1952 (latest reported period) compared to a high of 5.3 in 1950 when there were almost 50,000 less employees. With about 12 million employee-work-hours clocked in the industry every week, this decline has meant an average of 12 less injuries every week.

- Trend-As is shown in the chart, the decline in disabling work injuries, which are any injuries occurring in the course of employ-
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HERE'S big news! Centralab's newest - the Model 2 Express Control - is just what manufacturers needing controls on extremely short notice have always wanted. Unique time-saving feature simplifies shaft assembly requirements - control shafts fit all standard RTMA split-knurled and certain springtype push-on knobs.

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## Controls keep you ahead on AM-FM-TV

## of standard and custom controls to meet commercial and government requirements

New Model 2 Express plus these Centralab "reliables" - Models 1 and 2 Radiohms (plain or switch type, plain or dual concentric shafts) and newly announced Compentrol - meet today's demand for smaller size . . . extra quality.

Centralab Model 2 Radiohm Control - Left, single urit plain type, untapped; right, twin unit plain type, untapped. Both with single shafts.


Centralab Model 2 Radiohm Control - control shown is a single unit switch type, tapped. Control has single shaft. Smail size adds extra versatility.


Centralab Model 2 Radiohm Control-this control is a twin unit switch type, untapped. It has a single shaft. Check 42-85 for data on these model 2's.


Centralàb Model 2 Radiohm. Left, twin unit plain type, front section tapped; Right, twin unit switch type, rear-section tapped. Concentric shafts.

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ment which makes the injured worker unable to perform his regular duties, has not been a steady decline in the last four years.

With the outbreak of the Korean War in 1950, the injury rate rose to its highest point during the period. One main factor contributing to the rise that year was the relatively sudden demand for production increases brought about by defense needs and tv scare buying. Employment and overtime hours rose suddenly and accidents climbed as work fatigue increased.

- Progress-Electronic manufacturers see many reasons for the downward trend in the injury frequency rate. Labor unions as well as manufacturers emphasized the safety factor and safety engineering became a regular part of the production plans of many firms.

Other overall factors such as mechanization, better lighting and better facilities have contributed to the decline. Electronic manufacturers have found that such safety progress pays off not only in higher employee morale but in higher production and lower insurance rates.

- Future-Electronic manufacturers are continuing to improve plant safety conditions and are far ahead of many other industries in this respect.

Recently the television-radio division of Westinghouse established an all-time safety record for the entire electrical equipment industry when $15,040,000$ employee-workinghours went by without a lost-time accident. With safety engineering and modern construction increasing in the industry, more new safety records may well be in the making.

# Radio-TV Firms Add Other Lines 

## Diversification trend accelerates as manufacturers continue to broaden their activities

DIVERSIFICATION is not new to many raido-tv manufacturers. Companies in the field manufacture products ranging from sporting goods to bathroom fixtures. But in recent months the trend to other lines has accelerated and important set manufacturers have entered other product fields.

Stabilization is one of the reasons for these moves and indications are that the trend will continue at an even faster pace in the future.

- New Fields-RCA is the most recent of the major companies to move into new lines. It began with air conditioners last year and then moved into the electric range field. Now it is rumored that the company will market washing machines under its diversification plans.

Admiral has also recently entered more heavily into appliances. The firm has announced plans to manufacture and sell a line of air conditioners and home freezers in 1953. It has been in the refrigerator and range business for some years and has also made a line of dehumidifiers. With the new product additions, the company expects to double the sales of its home appliance division this year.
-Why?-Probably the basic reason why radio-tv companies have entered new fields was best stated by one manufacturer who bluntly answered-"To make more money." Other reasons for the trend seem to lie in the radio-tv business itself. Its tremendous growth since the war has given radio-tv companies the capital to make acquisitions. In addition, its close association with other products through common wholesalers and dealers, especially in appliance lines, has made the moves easier.

The seasonal nature of the radiotv business has also been responsible for diversification. Manu-
facturers have found that one of the best ways to combat the drop in radio-ty sales in the summer and stabilize their sales is to have another line of products to sell that are in season. Home appliances have met this need successfully and this is the field most radio-tv companies have entered.

Another very significant reason for the diversification trend was recently stated by R. D. Siragusa, president of Admiral "In marketing generally, and in the marketing of consumer durables particularly, brand names are becoming more and more important. To establish a brand among the top sellers requires increasingly large outlays for demand creation in the form of advertising and promotion. This also automatically means that successful companies will tend to have a family of related products so that the advertising and promotion investment made for the brand will be spread over more units."

## Radiation Instrument Industry Grows

Radiation instrument industry, virtually non-existent in 1946, had an annual business of $\$ 20$ million in 1952 and employed more than 2,400 persons, according to a survey by the U.S. Atomic Energy Commission. Seven companies account for about 50 percent of the industry's activity.

Growth of the new industry has paralleled development of the nation's atomic energy program since early 1947, when the AEC adopted a policy of encouraging its operating contractors to procure radiation instruments from commercial manufacturers.

- Market-The survey shows an expanding market for radiation instruments outside of the AEC program as well as within it. Military agencies of the government now provide about 50 percent of the
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The new Type 7630 and Type 7640 ALL-METL Barrymounts have been specifically designed to eliminate loss of efficiency due to damper packing. Previous wire-mesh unit vibration isolators exhibited a definite loss of damping efficiency after a period in actual service, because the wire-mesh damper tended to pack. These new unit Barrymounts have eliminated this difficulty, because the loadbearing spring returns the damper to its normal position on every cycle.

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Compare these unit isolators with any others - by making your own tests, or on the basis of full details contained in Barry Product Bulletin 531. Your free copy will be mailed on request.

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total market, the AEC and its principal contractors provide about 30 percent and the remainder is accounted for by private industry, universities, hospitals and research institutes, civil defense, export and uranium-ore prospecting.

More than 50 patents in the field are owned by the U.S. and held by the AEC. A total of 51 non-exclusive, royalty-free licenses have been granted on these patents.

## US Drops Suit Against Set Makers

Convened last January, a New York City grand jury failed to turn up evidence of "the use of force, strong-arm tactics or activities of a similar punitive nature" by the radio-ty industry. As a result, James P. McGranery, now ex-Attorney General, dropped the Government's criminal anti-trust suit which involved many major radio and tv manufacturers.

McGranery stated it was now the Government's opinion that a civil anti-trust suit would get "whatever restraints may exist in the industry", and that's where the matter rests at the moment.

## Industrial TV Monitors Production

Electronic watchdog keeps an eye on products ranging from oysters to sugar cane

Closed-circuit television systems for industrial applications involve a number of compact, specialized units permitting centralized control or for watching processes too dangerous for visual observation. Uses range from watching boiler-water level gages and smoke stacks in power plants, to underwater inspection of dock pilings and wharves.

Remington-Rand and RCA color systems are being used in medical schools to permit a large number of students to look over a surgeon's shoulder while he operates.

A stereoscopic tv system developed by DuMont is being used at Argonne National Laboratory to observe work with radioactive materials. Another three-dimensional system, made by the Fenjohn Photo \& Equipment Co., is being used by the Maryland Fisheries Commission to study oyster beds.

A system of mirrors installed in a

Waialua, Hawaii sugar plantation was an ingenious idea for continuously checking the progress of sugar cane along the conveyors. However, it didn't work because of vibration, dirt and spray.

- Electronics to the Rescue-The need for close control of volume and speed was so great that this plantation, as well as another at Ewa, are installing closed-circuit television systems at a cost of $\$ 7,500$ apiece. Cameras can be so mounted and protected from dirt and spray that they will give a picture of the cane moving mechanically from cleaning plant to grinding machinery. A coaxial cable system will relay this information from the cameras to a tv receiver at the control center.
- Equipment Requirements-Since most industrial television equipment is operated by unskilled personnel, adjustments and controls must be kept at a minimum. For the same reason a minimum of
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## Closed-Circuit TV Brings Meter Readings to Last-Row Students

Schools are potential market for industrial television systems. In this physics lecture hall at Cornell University, Professor Guy E. Grantham is holding a light-meter in front of the RCA camera. Resulting image of meter scale fills entire screens of two 21 -inch television receivers watched by students. Camera can also be aimed into microscopes and cloud chambers to show phenomena that would otherwise be visible to only one person at a time


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maintenance should be required.
A portable unit made by the Diamond Power Specialty Co., with camera, power supply and receiver, weighs less than 150 pounds. Camera units are being made that measure less than 8 by 4 by 4 inches. A mount for this camera made by the General Precision Laboratory permits remote viewing with control of camera angle, focus and lens opening from the viewing point.


THERE are 9 million $f-\mathrm{m}$ sets in use and

## F-M Radio Catches Its Second Wind

Despite a decline in production there is still plenty of life in the field

Production of frequency-modulation radio sets has decreased in the past two years but dollar volume is still significant and the field represents a thriving business for some manufacturers. In some areas where tv's popularity gave f-m a temporary setback there are signs that it is catching its second wind.

- Trend-As shown in the chart, there is a total of 9 million $\mathrm{f}-\mathrm{m}$ sets in use in the U.S. In 1950, the banner year for f-m, over- 2.2 million units were produced. In 1952, total output stood at 500,000 .

Table models were by far the largest sellers during 1952, accord-
ing to leading producers. Units with f-m only have virtually disappeared from the market and the number of tv sets with f-m included has also declined markedly. In 1950 over 750,000 tv sets with f-m were produced. In 1952, the number had dropped to about 88,000 .

Still, f-m dollar volume was sizeable in 1952 despite lower production. With an estimated average retail price for $\mathrm{f}-\mathrm{m} / \mathrm{a}-\mathrm{m}$ units of about $\$ 65$, last year's output meant a dollar volume of over $\$ 32$ million and represented more than 26 percent of the total dollar volume of home radio sales in 1952.

- Companies-Big reason why some radio manufacturers are do-
ing more $\mathrm{f}-\mathrm{m}$ business is that there are fewer manufacturers concentrating on the market and sharing in the dollar volume. In 1949 about 50 companies were producing $\mathrm{f}-\mathrm{m} / \mathrm{a}-\mathrm{m}$ table models, the volume seller in the field, while last year there were less than 25 of the radio manufacturers making the combination units.

Zenith, a major producer in the field, reports that its f-m sales have been the biggest in history. They have brought out a greater variety of $\mathrm{f}-\mathrm{m}$ models for 1953. It is reported that General Electric also plans to go more heavily into the field this year. In addition, f-m station activity, despite some setbacks, has increased.

# Company Patent Policies Surveyed 


#### Abstract

Assignment agreements are universally used, but differ greatly in details


A detailed study of patent practices in 48 major corporations, 11 of which are active in the electronics field, was made recently by the National Industrial Conference Board. Forty-three of these firms require some or all of their employees to sign patent-releasing agreements as a condition of employment and two of the remainder have unwritten understandings.

- Who Signs-Research and engineering employees are almost universally required to sign patent agreements, since they are the most likely to make patentable inventions of interest to the company. In 19 companies, executives and supervisors must also sign up. Ten companies require all their employees to sign.
- Duration of Agreement-With 33 firms, the agreement expires at the termination of employment. Obligations which are part of the agreement generally continue, however. This insures availability of the former employee to execute
necessary papers and perform other actions involved in securing patents for inventions made during his employment.

With 10 firms, the assignments bind the employees completely for 6 months to 2 years after termination of employment. This is based on the premise that subsequent inventions could have been conceived or developed during employment.

- Pay for Patents-Although engineers are often hired specifically to invent, nominal extra compensation is often made for successful patents, chiefly as a means of boosting morale by giving formal recognition of achievement. Seventeen firms give a fixed amount per invention; one pays $\$ 150$, six pay $\$ 100$, six pay $\$ 50$ and four pay $\$ 1$ (the latter more in the nature of a legal consideration). Eleven companies give salary increases to prolific inventors. A few share royalties with the inventor when licenses are issued under the patent.

Special cash awards for the best invention of the year, for the best in 5 years, or for every 50 inventions, are made by some
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The man who ases instruments likes Sorensen AC Line Regulators because of regulation accuracy, clean waveform, insensitivity to frequency fluctuation, load range.

The man who maintains instruments likes Sorensen AC Line Regulators because of circuit simplicity, conservatively rated tubes (only 3 in all), built-in ability to deliver
trouble-free performance for months on end.

The man who pays for instruments likes Sorensen AC Line Regulators because of reasonable price and the fact that there are no extras for in. stallation and special wiring.
The man who designs instruments likes Sorensen AC Line Regulators because they are ideal for incorporation as reliable components.
electrical specifications

| Models available (numbers indicate VA capacities) | Input | 95-130 VAC, $1 \phi, 50-60 \sim 190-260$ VAC in "-2S" models |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Output | 115 VAC $\pm 5 \%$; 230 VAC in " 2 S" models |
| 150 S250 S500 S1000 S$(-2 \mathrm{~S}$ also also $)$ | Regulation accuracy | $\pm 0.1 \%$ against line or load |
|  | Distortion | 2\% - 3\% maximum |
| $\begin{aligned} & 2000 \mathrm{~S} \\ & 3000 \mathrm{~S}(-2 \mathrm{~S} \text { also }) \\ & 5000 \mathrm{~S}(-2 \mathrm{~S} \text { also }) \\ & 10000 \mathrm{~S}(-2 \mathrm{~S} \text { also }) \\ & 15000-2 \mathrm{~S} \end{aligned}$ | P. F. range | Down to 0.7 |
|  | Load range | 0 to full load |
|  | Miscellaneous | Models 150S, $250 \mathrm{~S}, 500 \mathrm{~S}, 1000 \mathrm{~S}, 5000 \mathrm{~S}, 10000 \mathrm{~S}$, and $15000-2 \mathrm{~S}$ are self-contained. Cabinets available for others. |
| 1001 | Regulation a $\pm 5 \%$, other | racy $0.01 \%$, load range $0 \cdot 1000 \mathrm{VA}$, output 115 VAC racteristics similar to those given above. |

* ISOTRONIC=Regulation and control of voltage, current, power, and frequency by electronic means.
firms; these are usually $\$ 500$ or less, but can go up to $\$ 5,000$.
- Releasing Rights-Only 8 companies do not release rights to unwanted inventions. On the other hand, 2 actually help the employee to obtain his own patent when they don't want it. Some assionment agreements contain an automatic release clause so all rights revert to the employee if the patent is not prosecuted by the company within a specified time interval after complete disclosure, such as 9 months.


## Financial Roundup

Profit reports, security offerings and sales, and mergers were made or planned by many companies in the electronics industry during the past month.

Profits of six companies in the field indicate that 1952 business was good:

| Company | 1952 | Net lrotit | 1951 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| AT\&T | $\$ 319,750,000$ | $\$ 279,256,365$ |  |
| Avco | $11,028,927$ | $10,089,214$ |  |
| Bendix Aviation | $15,295,159$ | $11,818,600$ |  |
| Emerson Radio | $2,262,555$ | $3,592,397$ |  |
| Magnavox* | $1,546,024$ | 587,795 |  |
| W. L. Maxson | 526,494 | 524,012 |  |
| $* 6$ months report |  |  |  |

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-Security Transactions--Sylvania Electric filed two registrations with the SEC covering 550,000 shares of its $\$ 7.50$ common stock and $\$ 20$ million of sinking fund debentures due in 1978. Net proceeds of the stock sale are expected to total over $\$ 19$ million. About $\$ 15$ million of these proceeds will be used for bank reduction. The proceeds of the debenture sale will be used for capital expenditures. The company plans further plant and equipment additions and improvements with an estimated total cost of over $\$ 16$ million.

Video, Inc. offered 69,725 shares of 5 percent cumulative convertible preferred stock at par "as speculation". Proceeds are to be used for general corporate purposes including debt payment, purchase of equipment and working capital. The company operates a community antenna system in Pennsylvania.

RCA has sold another $\$ 25$ million of 3 -percent promissory notes due May 1, 1977, to New York Life In-
surance Co. and another investor. This borrowing brings to $\$ 30$ million the total taken down under a $\$ 50$ million agreement set up in 1952. The company will borrow the rest before July 1, 1953. The proceeds will be used for working capital and for general corporate purposes, including financing of its defense business.

Sangamo Electric Co. has sold $\$ 3,750,000$ of 37 percent promissory notes due Jan. 1, 1968 to New York Life Insurance Co. The company has also borrowed $\$ 5.5$ million from 4 banks. All but 510,000 will be used to pay off bank loans and other debt. This balance will be added to working capital.

- Mergers-Emerson Radio has abandoned its merger plans with Webster-Chicago because of difficulties that arose within the stock structure of the Webster-Chicago Company.


## Defense Sparks College Research

Eighty percent of electronics research in colleges and universities is for national defense, with more than half the effort concentrated in eight schools. Unused research facilities amount to about onethird total capacity. A survey by the Engineering College Research Council reveals 425 faculty members in 150 schools eager to do such research if given resources.

- Statistics-Encompassing 20,000 qualified faculty members in 513 schools, the survey showed 12,700 now active in research of all kinds. Electronics represents 6.3 percent of all college research and 10.2 percent of college defense research. Faculty qualified for electronics research numbers 1,032 , with 625 now active.


# Sponsors Cut Employee Turnover 

Before, half the new tv-produc-tion-line workers quit within 3 months; now 90 percent stay on

To make new employees feel at home during the critical starting period, Olympic Radio \& Television uses 'sponsors' chosen for their ability to get along with people. Each department has one or more


Sponsor, at left, shows newly-hired employee how to punch time clock, tokes him to cloak room and other facilities
sponsors, identified by distinctive blue buttons.

- How Sponsors Serve-When an employee is hired by the personnel department, a sponsor is called in to meet the new arrival. The two then take an informal orientation tour through the plant on the way to the assigned department. There the sponsor introduces the newcomer to the foreman, shop steward, supervisor and fellow employees. He then explains and shows employee facilities for rest periods, lunch, coffee, purchase of company products at discounts, smoking, and anything else about which questions are asked. This usually takes only a few hours of the sponsor's day. Contacts thereafter are generally during rest and lunch periods, when the sponsor asks how things are going and encourages questions.

After 15 days of work the new employee has an informal meeting with a top official in the plant, and
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National Sales Offices: 624 South Michigan Avenue, Chicago, Illinois - HArrison 7-6050


Blue-buttoned sponsor Anthony Marano is inspector in machine shop Foremen and supervisors are never used as sponsors
is encouraged to come to the front office for advice whenever he wishes. The official is usually Benno Bordiga, director of manufacturing, who initiated the sponsor system.

- Company Benefits-Whereas 200 people were formerly hired to get 100 permanently, now only 110 need be hired. Reducing new-employee turnover in this way during the critical first three months boosts the number of fully-skilled produc-tion-line workers in the plant and thereby boosts output. Along with this comes a real saving in plant overhead, because each lost worker represents an average loss of one week's salary invested in training.


## Air Force Global Radio Network Takes Form

WORLDWIDE communications network for ground-to-air and ground-to-ground contact with any Air Force base in the world took another step forward when Westinghouse announced the delivery of $\$ 3,375,000$ worth of radio transmitters for the project.

The transmitters have a frequency range of 2,000 kilocycles to 30,000 kilocycles. They are equipped to handle telegraph code signals of 500 words a minute, voice communication, and radiotelegraphy by key or teletype.

## White Mountain TV Station Proposed

In the 30's, the late John Shepard III built a fabulous structure atop Mount Washington, New Hampshire to house an f-m broadcast station that spread Yankee Network programs from Massachusetts to the province of Quebec. Selfcontained, with enough food, diesel fuel and supplies to last from September until May, the unit boasted a water well nearly 1,200 feet deep.

- Worst Weather-Characterized as having "the worst weather in the world", the 6,288 -foot mountain has recorded peak gusts in excess of 200 miles an hour and temperatures near 50 below. The antenna, mounted on a 50 -foot pole supported by a heavy fabricated base, comprised heavy, copper-plated truckspring assemblies. These were necessary because of the tons of ice that frequently accumulated.

Although FCC rule changes killed off the f-m venture, the buildings and tower remain. Recently a hardy group proposed to spend nearly a half million dollars to establish a television station in this inhospitable atmosphere. First year operating costs are estimated at $\$ 400,000$, but revenue is expected to be $\$ 450,000$.

- The Venturesome-Principals are: president, Horace Hildreth,



## Unusual TV DX

Typical fringe-area test pattern snapped atop Mt. Washington, N. H. ( 6,288 feet) shows that the new Montreal, Canada station puts in a good signal 150 miles away. However, program reception on the famous peak is complicated by interference (shown as venetian-blind pattern here) from New York City station 285 miles away!
former governor of Maine and station owner; John Guider, Maine and New Hampshire broadcast operator; Tyrone Corp. of Pittsburgh, Pa.; Kennebec Broadcasting Co. of Waterville, Me.; Granite State Network with several a-m and f-m stations in New Hampshire.

How soon the new station can begin serving the many little communities of northern New England that haven't even decent a-m reception isn't yet known. FCC must first hold hearings because the facilities requested (Channel 8) are assigned to Lewiston, Me., where there are two other applicants.

## Remotes Extend Airways VHF Range

## Transmitters and receivers at Scranton and Philadelphia extend N. Y. control to 175 miles

Reliable voice communications on regular CAA vhf frequencies have been extended from New York terminals by means of two remote relay stations along the heavilytraveled Chicago and Washington routes. Located at Scranton and Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, these stations increase the effective range of control to 175 miles as compared to 50 miles formerly possible with equipment installed at Douglaston (Long Island), New York.

A combination of factors made the addition of the new facilities necessary. Speed and frequency of flights have increased substantially in the past four years. LaGuardia and Idlewild traffic was further increased by the closing of Newark Airport in 1952. This step-up of activity has greatly increased the demand on communications equipment, especially when aircraft arrive under instrument flight conditions.

- Equipment-Each of the new installations consists of remotecontrolled 50 -watt transmitters operating on a dozen standard (Continued on page 24)


The Cleveland Container Company originates and is now producing for the electronic and electrical industries


A few of many ADVANTAGES:
TORKRITE'S re-cycling ability is unmatched.
After a maximum diameter core has been re-cycled in a given form a reasonable number of times, a minimum diameter core can be inserted and measured at $1^{\prime \prime}$ oz. approximately.
TORKRITE has no hole nor perforations through the tabe wall. This eliminates possibility of cement leakage locking the cores.
TORKRITE allows use of lower torque as it is completely independent of stripping pressure.
With TORKRITE torque does not increase after winding, as the heavier wall will not tend to collapse and bind the core.
Available in lengths $3 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ to $31 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ to fit a $1 / 4-28$ core.

See our Exhibit \#2-309 at the Radio Engineering Show in New York City, March 23-26.
channels in the vicinity of 120 megacycles. Both the transmitters and associated receivers may be operated remotely from New York.

Similar relay extensions have been installed at Seattle and Chicago, and it is probable that as air traffic at other busy terminals increases more will be added to the list. With the Philadelphia station, it is now possible for a plane to pass from Washington control to New York control without losing vhf contact.

## TV Tubes for Rent

## Klystrons for uhf tv transmission will be leased to stations on an hours-of-use basis

Now in production, General Electric's high power klystrons for uhf tv transmission will not, at least initially, be for sale. Instead, they will be leased to station operators, who will pay per hour of usage.
The fee provides the operator with three tubes, two in operation and a spare. When a tube gets old and weary it is replaced by a new one at no cost to the station.

Equipment manufacturers will pay GE for the right to build station equipment using the new klystrons.

First of the GE klystrons is a tube having a maximum output power rating of 15 kw .

## Electronic 'Watcher' Heightens Train Safety

Installed on Erie track, pickup coil identifies train, flashes signal to dispatcher's office

Weatherproof coils between Erie RR's tracks at Waterboro, N. Y., are activated by approaching trains; coils carried under the trains cause a dip in the wayside oscillator output, the dip being at the frequency
a particular train's coil is tuned to.
The dip causes a coded signal to be sent by carrier transmission, superimposed on existing lines, to the Salamanca dispatcher's office, 22 miles away, where a buzzer signals the operator. A light identifying the train flashes on, and the train's passage and time is recorded automatically.

- Improved System-A similar system has also been installed permitting the dispatcher at Salamanca to set the block signals at Waterboro, and indications of the signal position are flashed back to the office. The entire arrangement is built along 'fail-safe' principles.

The electronic gear is housed in an unattended concrete shed at the track's side, and included is an automatic emergency battery power supply.

- Anti-collision-The track equipped with the new control system carries no passenger trains; freight traffic only is continuously and automatically monitored.

Erie looks ahead to the days when crashes are no more, when electronic devices signal trains, stop trains, even announce train arrival on the station's PA system.

## Where Navy Needs Electronics Engineers

Testifying to the increasingly important role of electronics in modern warfare, and to the critical shortage of engineering talent, the Office of Naval Research has announced vacancies for electronics engineers, scientists and physicists specializing in electronics at 39 Navy technical activities.

The jobs range in pay from $\$ 3,410$ to $\$ 9,600$. A minimum of four years of college or equivalent experience is required for the lowest paying jobs while, on the other end of the scale, an additional four years of progressive professional experience is required.

- Work-Tasks are highly diversified. Engineers are required for design, development, installation and maintenance. The projects
range from acoustic measurements to microwave research, embracing such fields as torpedoes, guided missiles, radar, ship and aircraft armament and many others.

The table below lists activities where jobs exist. Applicants should send a completed form 57, "Application for Federal Employment," to the commanding officer of the activity in which they are interested.

## ACTIVITY

Portsmouth Naval Shipyard
Portsmouth, New Hampshire
U.S. Navy Underwater Sound Lab., Fort Trumbull, New London, Connecticut
U.S. Naval Underwater Ordnance Station, Newport, Rhode Island
U. S. Navy Central Torpedo Office

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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Len. | Diam. |  | Jan. | Co | ml . | Min. ohm" | Max. meg" |
| SCB | 9/16 | 11/32 | - | - | watts | 1/4 | 2.0 | 0.15 |
| SCF | 13/16 | 11/32 | RB51A |  | watts | 1/2 | 1.0 | 0.40 |
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## Business Briefs

- Evidence of the beneficial effects of $t v$ on sports attendance: An estimated new high of $\$ 1.7$ billion will probably be taken in by the sports industry in 1952, according to the RTMA Sports Committee.
- Beer level checker that inspects 900 containers per minute with an accuracy of 30 drops of beer, or plus or minus $1 / 64$ inch, is a tiny crystal of cadmium sulfide acting on signals from an 80,000 volt GE x-ray tube.
- Seven tv experimental relay stations linking Tokyo with Osaka, a distance of about 300 miles, are


## MEETINGS

March 9-12: NEMA, Edgewater Beach Hotel, Chicago, Ill. March 19: AIEE, Lecture on "High Energy Accelerators", Engineering Societies Bldg., New York, N. Y.
March 19-20: National Collegiate Industry-Government Conference on Instrumentation, Michigan State College, East Lansing, Mich.
March 23-25:' Sixth Annual Conference for Protective Relay Engineers, A \& M College of Texas, College Station, Texas.
March 23-26: IRE National Convention, Waldorf-Astoria Hotel and Grand Central Palace, New York, N. Y.
APRIL 18: Seventh Annual Spring Technical Lonference, Cincinnati IRE, Cincinnati, Ohio.
APRIL 23-24: International Symposium on Non-Linear Circuit Anlaysis sponsored by Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute, IRE, Office of Naval Research, Air Research and Signal Corps, Engineering Societies Bldg. Auditorium, New York, N. Y.

April 23, 30, May 7, 14 : Lecture Series on the general theory of semiconductors by H. K. Henisch of the University of Reading, England, Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute, Brooklyn, N. Y.
APRIL 27-30: Spring Meeting of USA National Committee of URSI-IRE professional Group on Antennas and Propagation, National Bureau Of Standards, Washington, D. C.
April 27-May 8: British Industries Fair, Birmingham \& London, England.

April 28-May 1: Seventh Annual NARTB Broadcast Engineering Conference, Burdette Hall, Philharmonic Auditorium, Los Angeles.
APRIL 29-MAY 1: 1953 IREAIEE Electronic Components Symposium, Shakespeare Club, Pasadena, Calif.
May 11-13: IRE National Conference on Airborne Electronics, Dayton, Ohio.
May 18-21: 1953 Electronic Parts Show, Conrad Hilton Hotel, Chicago, Ill.
MAY 18-23: Third International Congress On Electroheat, Paris, France.
MAY 24-29: NAED, 45th Annual Convention, Conrad Hilton Hotel, Chicago, IIl.
May 24-28: Scientific Apparatus Makers Association Annual Meeting. The Greenbrier, White Sulphur Springs, W. Va.
June 15-19: Exposition of Basic Materials for Industry, Grand Central Palance, New York, N. Y.

June 16-24: International Elec-tro-acoustics Congress, The Netherlands.
June 20-Oct. 11: German Communication and Transport Exhibition, Munich, Germany.
Aug. 19-21: IRE Western Electronic Show \& Convention, Municipal Auditorium, San Francisco, Calif.
Aug. 29-Sept. 6: West German Radio and Television Exhibition, Duesseldorf, Germany.
Sept. 1-3: International Sight and Sound Exposition, Palmer House, Chicago, Ill.
Sept. 21-25: Eighth National Instrument Exhibit, Sherman Hotel, Chicago, Ill.
reported to be in operation. NHK Tokyo Television (JOAK-TV) using Japanese-made equipment is making test broadcasts, according to reports.
-"Photon", an electronic device that sets up type on a photographic film by means of a light that flickers at rate of a million times a second, is now in operation at the Graphic Research Foundation in Cambridge, Mass. (Electronics, Dec. 1949, p 158). The resulting film can be used directly or indirectly for engraving plates for printing.

- Republic of Colombia plans to organize all communications services under a semiofficial administra-
tion. The government also plans to set up omnidirectional radio installations.
- Norwegian government recommends that experimental tv transmission be started by the Norwegian State Broadcasting Co. and continued for two years. After that the question of regular tv services will again be submitted to Parliament.
- Radio and television interference in the Miami area has been reduced by a truck-mounted washing unit of the Florida Power \& Light Co. that removes salt deposits and industrial sediment from transmission line insulators.

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|  |  | MIN | MAX. |  |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { RB15 } \\ & (M 15) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & .25 \\ & .50 \end{aligned}$ | 0.1 ohm 0.1 ohm | $\begin{aligned} & .185 \mathrm{meg} . \\ & .6 \mathrm{meg} . \end{aligned}$ | 2 | RB10 |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { RB16 } \\ & (M 16) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} .35 \\ 1.00 \end{array}$ | 0.1 ohm 0.1 ohm | $\begin{array}{cc} .3 & \mathrm{meg} \\ 1.5 & \mathrm{meg} \end{array}$ | 2 | RBII |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { RB17 } \\ & (\mathrm{M} 17) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} .50 \\ 1.00 \end{array}$ | 0.1 ohm 0.1 ohm | $\begin{array}{rr}.3 & \mathrm{meg} . \\ 2.0 & \mathrm{meg} .\end{array}$ | 4 | RBI 2 |
| RB1 8 <br> (M18) | $\begin{array}{r} .50 \\ 1.00 \end{array}$ | 0.1 ohm 0.1 ohm | $\begin{array}{cc}.75 & \mathrm{meg} . \\ 4.0 \quad \mathrm{meg} .\end{array}$ | 4 | RB13 |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { RB } 19 \\ & \text { (M19) } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1.00 \\ & 2.00 \end{aligned}$ | 0.1 ohm 0.1 ohm | $\begin{array}{rl} 4.0 & \mathrm{meg} . \\ 15.0 & \mathrm{meg} . \end{array}$ | 8 | RB14 |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { RB5 } 2 \\ & (M 52) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & .25 \\ & .50 \end{aligned}$ | 0.1 ohm 0.1 ohm | $\begin{array}{cc} .1 & \mathrm{meg} \\ .5 & \mathrm{meg} \end{array}$ | 2 | RB5 1 |

MIL - R - 93A
WATTAGE \& RESISTANCE TOLERANCE

| TOLERANCE SYMBOL | RESISIANCE tOLERANCE | PERCENT OF NOMINAL WATTAGE |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| B | $0.10 \%$ | $50 \%$ |
| C | 0.25 \% | $50 \%$ |
| D | $0.50 \%$ | $75 \%$ |
| F | $1.00 \%$ | $100 \%$ |
| MIL - R - 93A <br> TEMPERATURE COEFFICIENT (REFERRED TO $25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ ) |  |  |
| SYMBOL | EXPRESSED in percent per degree c. |  |
|  | NEGATIVE, MAX. | POSITIVE, MAX. |
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| J | 0.0040 | 0.0155 |
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# PROSPERITY IN THE USA: How Wealthy Are We? 

Again, how prosperous are the people of the United States?
This is the third of a series of messages devoted to this crucially important and muchdebated question. The first two messages dealt with what has been happening to our national income, both in terms of its growth and how it is divided among individuals.
This third message deals with what has been happening to the resources - factories, farms, mines, and equipment of all kinds - out of which income is created. It deals with what economists call our wealth.
It is possible for a nation to enjoy apparent prosperity for a time by rapidly exhausting its resources. But to sustain prosperity over the long pull a nation must see that its wealth is not dissipated. Hence what is happening to our wealth now is a harbinger of what is going to happen to our prosperity later on.

## How Wealth is Measured

It is often asserted that the most vital element in a nation's wealth is its people. There is a lot in this idea. For example, the full value of a country's hospital and surgical equipment depends on its physicians and their skill in handling the equipment.
However, no one has ever devised a satisfactory way to put a value on human beings.

So people are omitted from calculations of national wealth. So, too, is military equipment. It is regarded as basically destructive and hence not a real addition to wealth. Otherwise, the wealth of a nation is calculated in terms of the dollar value of its physical resources.
The following chart shows the wealth of the U.S.A. at various intervals during the past 50 years. For the period through 1948 the figures come from a pioneering study by Raymond Goldsmith of the National Bureau of Economic Research, which is widely regarded as the foremost organization in its field. The figures since 1948 are estimated. To remove the effect of price changes, all of the wealth figures are calculated in 1929 prices.


From this chart one fact stands out clearly. It is that since 1929 our national wealth has not been increasing as steadily as it did during
earlier periods. Indeed, in 1946 our total national wealth was actually less than it was in 1929. Only in the last six years have we been able to make any consistent additions.
Even these gains are less impressive when the growth in our population is taken into account, as illustrated by the following chart.


This chart makes it clear that when the nation's wealth is divided by the population, we are slightly worse off per person today than we were in 1929. This is the case in spite of the large additions to our national wealth since 1946.

Depression and war are the two principal reasons we have made no progress in increasing our wealth per person since the 1920s. The depression brought mass unemployment and greatly reduced production which ruled out any increase in wealth. During World War II and again during the post-Korean mobilization program, U.S. production has reached new peaks. But a considerable portion of this record breaking output has been in the form of military equipment, which is not included in an accounting of national wealth. Consequently, we have been unable to regain the level of wealth per person which we had in 1929.

## A Brake of Prosperity

What does this failure to raise our wealth per person mean? It means that we have fewer
resources with which to create income for each individual. It means that we have made no progress in the crucial task of assuring future increases in prosperity.

As the second editorial in this series demonstrated, we have gone so far in equalizing individual incomes that "the possibilities of increasing the income of the rest of the people by 'soaking the rich' have largely disappeared." From now on the only promising way to increase our individual incomes is to increase our national earning power.

During the past four years it has taken about $\$ 3.60$ of national wealth to yield $\$ 1$ of income after taxes. This is a low figure for the wealth needed. Prior to World War II there were long periods when it took at least $\$ 5$ of national wealth to produce $\$ 1$ of national income. The experts in this field are by no means certain that it will not again take $\$ 5$ rather than $\$ 3.60$ of wealth to increase income by $\$ 1$.

But let us assume that $\$ 3.60$ of wealth will suffice to provide $\$ 1$ of income in the years ahead. If by 1960 - seven years from now the income of the average American is to be increased from about $\$ 1490$, where it stands at present, to $\$ 2000$, we must add $\$ 310$ billion to the national wealth. This is nearly three times as much as we have added to our wealth since the end of World War II, seven years ago.

Because we have made large additions to our productive equipment in recent years, fears are frequently expressed that we shall soon be plagued by an excess of such equipment. But the facts about our national wealth do not support this conclusion. They indicate that we still have ahead of us a tremendous job of increasing our resources if the American standard of living is again to resume the steady climb which was interrupted by depression and war.

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Accuracy: $\pm 1$ count $\pm$ stability ( $5 / 1,000,000$ per week).
Registration: 5 places. Output pulse available to actuate trigger circuit for mechanical register to increase count capacity.
Input Requirements: 2 volts peak minimum.
Input Impedance: Approx. 1 megohm, $50 \mu \mu \mathrm{fd}$ shunt.
Gate Time: . $001, .01, .1,1,10$ seconds. Extendable to multiples of 1 or 10 seconds by manual control
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Range: 00001 cps to 10 kc .
Accuracy: $\pm .03 \% \pm$ stability (for measurement over 0 10 cycle period).
Gate Time: 1 or 10 cycles of unknown. Extendable to any number of cycles by manual control. (For frequencies under 50 to 60 cps ).
Standard Freq. Counted: 1, 10, $100 \mathrm{cps} ; 1,10,100 \mathrm{kc}$; or external.

## TIME INTERVAL MEASUREMENT:

Range: $10 \mu \mathrm{sec}$ to 100,000 seconds (27.8) hrs.
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Input Impedance: Approx. 250,000 ohms, $50 \mu \mu \mathrm{fd}$ shunt.
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| Maximum Peak Forward Anode Potential | $\begin{aligned} & 1000 \\ & \text { volts } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 25000 \\ \text { volts } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 25000 \\ \text { volts } \end{gathered}$ | 38000 volts |
| Maximum Peak Anode Current | $\begin{gathered} 20 \\ \text { amps } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 500 \\ & \text { amps } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1000 \\ & \text { amps } \end{aligned}$ | $2000$ amps |
| Maximum Average Anode Current | $\begin{aligned} & 0.05 \\ & \text { amps } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 0.50 \\ & \text { amps } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1.0 \\ \text { amps } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 2.0 \\ & \text { amps } \end{aligned}$ |
| Maximum Heating Factor (epy $\times$ prr $\times$ ib) | $1.0 \times 10^{8}$ | $6.25 \times 10^{9}$ | $9.0 \times 10^{9}$ | $\rightarrow$ |
| Nominal Filament Power | $\begin{aligned} & 12.6 \\ & \text { watts } \end{aligned}$ | 95 watis | $190$ walts | $\begin{gathered} 230 \\ \text { watts } \end{gathered}$ |
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- RADIATION . . . Television receiver design engineers have embarked upon a program intended to reduce radiation which interferes with other sets and occasionally with other services.

The program will cost manufacturers a few pennies but should be supported on several counts. Radiation reduces the service available to the industry's own customers, and can be severe at ultra high frequencies. Voluntary reduction of radiation would avoid any possibility of direct or indirect dictation by the Federal Communications Commission. And if more uniform use of a standard intermediate frequency is involved in the program the industry will have valid grounds upon which to suggest that this frequency should be cleared.

- MANPOWER . . . Engineering manpower is still critically short. Part of this shortage is due to the fact that many men are engaged in the design of military electronic equipment while many others are supporting the economy by turning out a more or less normal number of commercial items. The twoway strain is unique in the history of the country.

Industrial growth is today closely linked to technological advances. Even if there were no need to devote so much engineer-
ing effort to strictly military projects it is unlikely that the number of graduates turned out by accredited schools would prove adequate in the decade ahead. That's why a grassroots campaign has been started to interest young men in engineering at the firstyear highschool level; proficiency in math at very least is necessary if these roung men are to meet college entrance requirements.

- WELDING . . . Tube elements have been welded for vears, and now we hear that several electronic equipment manufacturers are considering welded wiring.

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- TRANSISTORS . . . In line with its usual tendency to put new eggs in the basket intended for the big-
gest customer, the electronics industry has put its first commercial transistors largely into communications devices.

As the art progresses it may be that there will be a shift in emphasis toward industrial and other non-communications devices because, among other reasons, noise is less of a factor in such applications. Here then is one possible point of cleavage in the market for tubes and transistors, and one that may leave each a pretty big basket more or less its own.

While we are on the subject of transistors we are reminded that a friend of ours, bothered by $p n p$ and $n p n$ terminology, calls the first Penelope and the second Neptune. He points out, further, that Neptune is often represented by a trident (three terminals) and that under Penelope the dictionary quotes "every night unraveled what she had woven by day"... an experience not entirely unlike that some engineers are having with transistor circuitry.

- TAGGED . . . On election day a young lady borrowed from the actuarial department of an insurance company operated a calculating machine called "Monrobot" in a network studio. Her first name happened to be Marilyn, so now she is frequently called Marilyn Monrobot.


# TRANSISTORS 


#### Abstract

Basic concepts of electron flow in semiconductors are explained, need for revised thinking to understand transistor action is outlined, and concept of hole introduced. Principle of current amplification in point-contact transistor is described


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THe accompanying photograph shows a number of experimental transistors of the pointcontact and junction types. These units occupy about one thousandth of the volume, represent on hundredth of the weight, and require about one tenth the power of the average type of radio receiving tube, yet they will perform many of the functions of vacuum tubes.

Transistors are capable of being used in circuits to provide amplification, oscillation, pulse generation, pulse counting, pulse storage, gating, and pulse delay, coincidence gates, and so on. They are more rugged than vacuum tubes in general and their life has been said to be about three times the normal life of a vacuum tube; the expected life has been extrapolated to 70,000 hours.

The transistor was invented in 1948 and at that time the total investment of private and government funds in transistor work, as such,
was limited to perhaps five-figure numbers. Increasing confidence in the potential utility of the transistor has resulted in both acceleration and expansion of the transistor development activity. The very large investments in transistors by tube manufacturers indicates that the long-term outlook for this new circuit element is sound and inviting.

The youthfulness of the field and the extraordinary promise it holds forth to capable technicians in the field of electronics and electricity render it extremely fruitful for the development of new and ingenious circuit and system applications.

In this virgin and unexplored field the need for electronic engineers and technicians specially trained in the transistor art is urgent and continually increasing. This series of articles should serve to initiate technical people with varied backgrounds in electronics into this fascinating subject.

## A FRESH START

This article is the first in a series on transistors which will be published in ELECTRONICS to enable engineers, technicians, amateurs and students to understand clearly the operation of these important circuit components.
The articles have been specially designed to provide theoretical, practical and working knowledge of the properties and applications of transistors, especially for those readers who do not have an extensive background in advanced mathematics and physics. Many readers will find these lessons valuable preparation for more advanced study of transistor electronics

Transistor theory represents a radical departure from vacuumtube theory. The reader must be prepared to give careful thought to certain concepts of physics which are not difficult but are noticeably different from the principles with which he has become acquainted in his study of vacuum-tube theory and electronics. A scientific openmindedness and a willingness to accept ideas that may appear to contravene long-established or longaccepted concepts will be found not only desirable but almost essential.

## Preliminary Fundamentals

The flow of electrons accounts for both alternating and direct current. The theoretical explanation can be found in virtually all text books on a-c and d-c theory, electronics, and electrical phenomena in general.

A close scrutiny of the supporting evidence, however, reveals that electron flow is simply a convenient theory used to explain the phenomenon known as electric current. No one has ever crept into a conductor or electrolyte and witnessed the actual flow of electrons.

The theoretical explanation is the result of indirect experimental evidence and, while this experimental evidence is sound and will withstand very critical examination, the conclusions based upon it must be viewed as an inference or a hypothesis and not as a law of nature.

The fact that electron flow, as an

# Theory and Application 

explanation for electric current, is only a theory is strikingly demonstrated by experimental observations that cannot be explained by the use of electron theory alone. Just such a case exists in the field of semiconductors-materials that exhibit conducting properties in a range between insulators and conductors. A particularly important phenomenon in transitor action is observed that does not lend itself to a direct explanation by means of electron theory alone.

## Semiconductor Conduction

Consider the arrangement shown in Fig. 1. A small block of a semiconductor material such as germani um or silicon is placed in electrical contact with a conducting metal which is then grounded, as shown at $B$ of the figure. On the top of the semiconductor block, spaced a few thousandths of an inch apart. are two cat whiskers such as were common in connection with the catwhisker galena crystals used as detectors in the early days of radio.

The cat whisker marked $C$ is negative with respect to the semiconductor block by virtue of the battery $E_{c}$ with its negative terminal connected to the cat whisker. A milliammeter is shown in series with this connection and the current indicated will be designated as $I_{c}$. The circuit indicated may be considered as a crystal diode biased in the reverse or high-resistance direction. If the applied voltage $E$ is approximately 10 volts, $I_{c}$ may perhaps be of the order of 1 ma . (The figures used here are not intended to be significant; only orders of magnitude are important.)

Analyzing the observed data from the standpoint of electron theory one would say simply that electrons flow from the cat whisker to the base through the semiconductor material under the influence of the applied potential $E_{c}$, and it is the flow of these electrons which gives the meter indication $I_{c}$. The dashed
lines from $C$ to $B$ in the figure show the approximate flow or stream lines of electrons within the semiconductor block.

At the cat whisker marked $E$ the polarity of the applied potential $E_{e}$ is opposite to that at $C$; the positive terminal of the battery is connected to the cat whisker. A milliammeter in series with this circuit, if switch $S_{1}$ were closed, would then indicate the current in the $E-B$ circuit, and since the diode on the $E$ side is connected in the forward or low-resistance direction, a very small
potential at $E_{e}$ when the switch is closed, say of the order of 0.5 volt, will cause a current flow of the order of perhaps 1 ma .

If the reader will, for a moment, imagine the $C$ circuit open and $S_{1}$ closed then, as before, $I_{e}$ indicates the current flowing in the $E-B$ circuit due to electron flow from $B$ to $E$. Again, as before, dashed lines indicate the stream lines of electrons in the $E-B$ circuit within the semiconductor material.

Now consider the $C-B$ circuit closed as shown and $S_{1}$ open. As


Collection of typical junction and point contact transistors


FIG. 1-Study of current flow in external circuit shown yields paradoxical phenomena that cannot be explained on basis of electron flow alone. $A$ new concept, that of holes, must be adopted to understand transistor action


FIG. 2 -Smeared drawing of atom shows orbital electrons surrounding nucleus. Net charge of such an atom is zero


FIG. 3-Removal of one electron from neutral atom results in net positive charge due to hole (missing electron) in vicinity of nucleus
mentioned above, under the specified conditions, $I_{c}$ will be about 1 ma.

When $S_{1}$ is closed an extraordinary phenomenon, loosely described as transitor action, is observed-the current in the $C$ - $B$ circuit increases markedly and may, in a typical case, reach 2 or 3 ma . Typical transistors yield current amplifications of this magnitude but exceptional units have produced current gains as great as one hundred. In any case, a significant and highly important current amplification is observed.

It is instructive, following the remarks made at the beginning of this article, to attempt to explain the observed data by means of electron theory alone.

This is no simple undertaking. If the reader will carefully trace polarities around the circuit he will observe that the $E$ terminal is actually positive with respect to the $C$ terminal. One might then expect that electron flow within the semiconductor block would be from $C$ to $E$, making less electrons available to contribute to the conduction process from $C$ to $B$ and therefore one might, at a first glance, expect $I_{0}$ to decrease.

If fewer electrons were available for the conduction process the current would be smaller and the observed increase in $I_{c}$ is certainly perplexing. Extraordinary and unconventional variations would be required in electron theory to ex-
plain how the two divergent streams of electrons in the material can cause an interaction which will lead to the current amplification observed, particularly in view of the electric field which tends to draw electrons from the $C-B$ stream.

It is virtually impossible to explain the phenomenon delineated by means of the electron theory alone and certain reinforcing or auxiliary concepts must be introduced to complement electron theory to explain properly this transistor action. The phenomena observed in semiconductors that lead to effects such as the one described do not require a modification of electron theory, but they imperatively demand an important additional concept.

## Added Concept

In practice, a body of facts and experimental data accumulate and thereafter a hypothesis may be proposed which seeks to explain all the data. This is the normal progress of the scientific method.

Electron theory explains a host of phenomena already well known but does not preclude the possibility that a modification of electron theory will not only equally well explain the great number of experiments in $\mathrm{a}-\mathrm{c}$ and $\mathrm{d}-\mathrm{c}$ circuits but will, in addition, explain transistor action in a semiconductor. We must next examine the external evidence upon which we base our knowledge of the direction of flow of current
and the nature of the current carriers.

## Electron Flow

Our knowledge of the direction of electric current flow is most frequently based on the direction of the magnetic field associated with electric current. The left-hand rule for electron flow states that if the left hand grasps a conductor so that the fingers point in the direction of the lines of flux, then the thumb will point in the direction of electron flow. From this rule it may be shown that if the electrons in a wire flow in a loop clockwise, in the plane of the paper the reader now sees, the north pole would be above the paper toward the reader and the south pole under the paper.

About 1889 a well known physicist, H. A. Rowland, performed a simple but extremely important experiment. In equally-spaced sectors of an ebonite disk were placed negative charges obtained by the timehonored method of rubbing cat's fur against a glass rod. The sectors were separated by raised portions so that each sector contained its own set of charges. This ebonite disk was then rotated at high speed and it was observed that a magnetic field was present identical to what would have been expected if a flow of electrons had occurred in a loop of wire in the same direction of rotation. If the plane of the disk were parallel to the plane of the paper then the north pole for clock-
wise rotation of the disk would be above the paper exactly as in the case discussed above.

When these negative charges were removed and replaced by positive charges and the ebonite disk then rotated counterclockuise the same direction of magnetic field was observed, north toward the reader if the disk is again considered parallel to the plane of the paper.

The significance of this experiment must not be overlooked. Our ideas about the direction of electric current are usually based on the direction of the resultant magnetic field. We assume that electric current is flowing from left to right because we can explain the resulting magnetic field on the grounds that negatively-charged electrons are flowing from left to right. The phenomenon we are observing, namely, the magnetic field, could also be caused by positive charges moving from right to left.

Rowland's classical experiment indicates that the external or phenomenological manifestations are the same. When we say electric current we never, unless by special training, think of the motion of positive charges, and in this way we subconsciously exclude the possibility that the carriers may be positive. Once we consider this possibility then our habit of associating electric current with the flow of electrons leads to this anomalous situation about the direction of flow.

In the transistor explanations that are to follow, it is essential that the reader bear in mind the possibility that electric current may be due to the flow of positive charges as well as to negative charges. The possibility that these two processes may be simultaneously active in an electronic semiconductor material is fundamental to the theory of transistor action.

## Holes

Modern theory of the structure of matter pictures the atom as containing a core or nucleus with electrons outside of the nucleus, rotating about it. This subject will be covered fully in a subsequent article of this series. It may be said here, that the present picture of what the electrons look like as
they rotate about the nucleus is given by Fig. 2. The electrons are pictured as a sort of smeared out or hazy region about the nucleus as the figure shows. For purposes of this introductory discussion, let us grant that the cloud about the nucleus is due to electrons.

## Hole Formation

If we were to remove one electron by some means, a net positive charge will be left since the atom with its normal complement of electrons is electrically neutral or has a net zero charge. By removing an electron from the picture presented in Fig. 2, we have created in the atom a sort of rarified area where an electron is not particularly likely to be found. This area looks like a hole, as illustrated in Fig. 3. A positive charge is associated with the hole.

The picture presented is not an entirely accurate description of a hole, and a more satisfactory definition of a hole will be given later. The rather crude picture is intended only for the purpose of introducing this new concept which Is essential in the analysis of transistor action. (Having established that electric current can be carried by positive charges, and considering a net positive charge as a hole, it follows that electric current can be carried by holes.) The physicist uses the word hole in transistor theory a trifle differently from its usage in normal everyday conversation.

Because this concept of holes is so essential to the study of transistors, a few more ideas regarding
its nature may be in order. The concept of a hole came into existence in the study of the physics of solids because it was found to be a convenient physical-mathematical abstraction for specifying the behavior of atomic structures in the solid. By endowing the hole with a definite mass, a definite positive charge, a definite velocity and an associated energy-in short, by treating it as a true particle, very convenient mathematical relations are obtained and much useful and practical information about specific materials, particularly the semiconductors, can also be obtained.

It can be shown that holes are acted upon by electric and magnetic fields in exactly the way one would expect a particle with the mass of an electron and a positive charge to react under equal conditions. A particularly important aspect of hole behavior is its attraction by a point of negative potential. The reader will find it convenient in all future thinking about holes to consider them equivalent to positively charged electrons, that is, particles with mass equal to the mass of the electron and charge equal to that of the electron but of opposite sign. The more accurate definition of a hole to be given later will not conflict with this simple picture.

## Hole Effect

Having introduced these preliminary concepts,-let us return to the laboratory-observed phenomenon discussed in connection with Fig. 1. In Fig. 4 is shown essentially the same arrangement electrically, as

## THE FRONT COVER

PROGRESS in transistor production methods is illustrated in this month's cover. Junction transistors produced in Raytheon's Newton, Massachusetts plant are subjected to 12 hour aging periods prior to shipment. The CK 721 transistors being inserted in the aging racks have an average power gain of 38 db when used in a grounded-emitter circuit with a collector voltage of 1.5 volts, collector current of 500 ua and a base current of $6 \mu \mathrm{a}$.



FIG. 4-Drawing shows simplified essentials of transistor action (when $S_{1}$ is closed) for point contact transistor. Plus signs indicate positively-charged holes that migrate from emitter toward collector
in Fig. 1. Let us try now to see how the introduction of the concept of holes can lead to a plausible explanation for the phenomenon of current amplification.

## Current Amplification

As electrons leave the germanium block at point $E$ due to battery $E_{e}$, holes are created in the material in consonance with the elementary principles just discussed, wherein electrons removed by any means from their atomic location give rise to holes as shown in Fig. 3. Under the influence of the electric field (note that point $C$ is negative with respect to point $E$ ) the holes drift toward the $C$ side of the circuit.

We have already seen that ordinarily the current $I_{c}$ is small because the number of electrons available for conduction is inadequate to support a larger flow.

If the reader will recall his experience with the behavior of a negative space charge from vacuumtube theory, he will realize that the presence of a positive space charge due to holes between $C$ and $B$ can create a strong attracting region for electrons in this space. Electrons from neighboring sites are thus attracted into the $C-B$ region and add to the available electrons for conduction.

The result is a circuit which possesses lower resistance due to the abundance of electrons. The evidence that the circuit has lower resistance is that current $I_{c}$ will increase when $S_{1}$ is closed.

This is a rather crude explanation of what happens and later a more accurate and sophisticated explanation will be presented. The
introduction of the additional concept of holes assists in the explanation of transistor action involving current amplification. Before introduction of the concept of holes no satisfactory explanation for transistor action was apparent.

It must not be inferred, merely because this is an elementary explanation, that the hypothesis presented here regarding the motion of holes is merely a guess. There is a good and sound body of evidence to support this hypothesis and a particularly interesting experiment along these lines will be described.

In transistor pariance, the cat whisker at point $C$ is known as a collector and the cat whisker at point $E$ is known as the emitter.

Assume that the physical position of the emitter is fixed and that the spacing between emitter and collector is varied by moving the collector whisker. It has been mentioned in the description of a hole that it can be acted upon by a magnetic field. In addition, holes do not actually flow from the emitter to the collector in perfectly straight lines. The motion of the holes toward the collector is due to the force of the electric field plus an ordinary diffusion action; the electrons traverse curved paths from emitter to collector, possibly approximating arcs of circles.

## Hole Characteristics

If a magnetic field of proper direction is applied across the slab, the diffusion of the holes into the slab is restricted and the current of holes can be made to flow more nearly in a straight line. As the holes move from emitter to collector
many of them collide with an electron associated with an atom, recombine and disappear. This recombination is always going on and is one of the important phenomena in transistor action. For this first article it is sufficient to point out that unlike the electron, the hole has a finite life. Typical values of average hole lifetime for singlecrystal germanium lie in the range from a few microseconds to several thousand microseconds. The velocity of a hole is also a fixed quantity. The velocity of the hole multiplied by its lifetime will determine the distance the hole will travel before recombination.

Since a straight line is the shortest distance between two points it is clear that holes that follow a straight line from emitter to collector will more nearly complete the trip before disappearing due to recombination than those that travel in a curved path. The magnetic field, by forcing the holes into the upper portion of the block, compels them to follow paths which are more nearly straight lines.
Experimentally it is observed that transistor action is obtainable at the collector in the presence of a magnetic field when the collector is physically spaced further away from the emitter than without the magnetic field. This experimental fact tends to strengthen the belief that positive particles of some kind flow from emitter to collector in the case of the arrangement shown in Fig. 1.

Summarizing the major points of this first article the reader is urged to retain the following essential points:
(1) Transistor action in units of the type illustrated in Fig. 1 is characterized by current amplification.
(2) It is necessary to introduce the concept of holes to explain transistor action.
(3) For practical purposes a hole may be considered to be a positivelycharged particle with a positive mass.
(4) In the study of transistors the reader must be prepared to consider and master new concepts which may be radically different from many of the scientific principles he has studied previously.


Typical autopilot for fast jet plane has aileron, elevalor, and rud. der motor controls


Control weighs $2^{1 / 4} \mathrm{lbs}$, compared to 6 lbs or more for previous model. Built on plug-in chassis, unit reduces servicing problems

# Free-Wheeling Thyratrons Cut Autopilot Weight 

Thyratron motor controls operate through full cycle, but need no heavy transformers. In spite of long cables, signals provide fast, accurate positioning response of control surfaces. Full control is gained with 0.1 -volt in-phase signal

Automatic pilots fly planes on set courses by positioning the control surfaces in accordance with gyro instructions and signals from instruments measuring the control surface positions. These signals position the surfaces through electric motors, the motor controls telling the motors which way to turn and how fast, as the instruments instruct.

The motor control's task, then, is to supply power to the electric motors which move the control surfaces of the airplane. It must also control the amount and direction of the power according to the deviation of the airplane from the de-

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sired direction of flight and altitude. Since there are three motor controls per autopilot-rudder, aileron, and elevator-their weight is an important consideration.

Operationally, the motor control must suit these requirements: It must have sufficient power output to drive the airplane controls, normally about 10 watts. The motor and motor control must be able to move the control surface rapidly. In servomechanism terms, the motor
and motor control must respond accurately to 2.5 cps to give stable operation on the latest model jet fighters. Finally, the motor control must operate satisfactorily through a wide band of variation in the temperature, supply frequency and voltage ranges.

## The Basic Circuit

The main power amplification in the motor control is supplied by thyratrons, operating from a 400 cps power supply and driving a split-field series motor. To avoid using a transformer, the thyratrons operate half wave directly from the a-c line. The characteristics of
the split-field motor permit a simplified method of control (Fig. 1). For each direction of rotation, the corresponding thyratron is fired, controlling the current through the armature and half the motor field.

To more than double the current through the motor, so-called "freewheeling" thyratrons are added to the circuit (Fig. 2). These thyratrons fire automatically at the proper time, requiring no complication of the control circuit. The circuit is shown in Fig. 2 (top). As the plate of the upper thyratron is made positive by the a-c supply, the tube conducts and current flows through the motor. The IR drop
in the grid circuit. For ease of explanation, consider the firing tube circuit first without the capacitor across the load resistor. The resulting waveform is shown as a dotted line in the diagram. Since the power supply voltage is a sine wave, the output voltage waveform is also approximately a sine wave. Diode action of the firing tube permits conduction during one half cycle only. It is possible to vary the peak of the resultant voltage by control of the firing tube grid (either by d-c or a-c voltage).
When the capacitor is added, the saw-tooth waveform shown in the solid line is produced. The ampli-
except that power for the tube comes from an excitation transformer connected to the tube plate, rather than coming directly from the a-c line. This allows the cathode side of the load resistor to remain at a-c ground potential with respect to the next stage.

A little more gain was necessary than was available in the discriminator tube, so the input transformer was added to get a three-toone step up. As all these circuits are double ended, the input transformer also serves as a phase inverter for input to both discriminator tubes.

The operation of the discrim-


FIG. I-Basic control operates thyra. trons half wave direct from a-c line using split-field series motor for simplified control


FIG. 2 -Adding "free-wheeling" thyratrons doubles the current through the motor, gives full-cycle output, for autopilot controls


FIG. 3-RC network in grid circuit generates saw-tooth wave whose amplitude can be varied to control firing time of thyratron
voltage polarities across the armature and field of the motor are shown. The free-wheeling thyratron does not fire because of the negative potential on its plate. When polarity reverses (Fig. 2, bottom), the main thyratron cuts off. The collapsing magnetic field in the motor winding tends to act like a generator to keep the current flowing. The polarity across the motor and therefore across the freewheeling tube reverses, causing this tube to fire and conduction to continue in the same direction as before. Therefore, current flows in the motor in the same direction throughout a full cycle, just as in a full-wave thyratron circuit but without a transformer or complicated control circuit.

## Controlling The Output

To control the firing of the thyratrons, a special circuit (Fig. 3) generates a saw-tooth waveform
tude of this saw-tooth may be varied by changing the input voltage to the firing tube grid. If the amplitude of the saw-tooth waveform can be controlled up and down, then the point of intersection of the sawtooth and the thyratron critical grid voltage may be moved back and forth and the conduction of the thyratron controlled smoothly from no conduction to full conduction-
If there were sufficient gain from this input point to the motor, the autopilot signal could be brought directly to this firing tube grid. However, additional gain is needed so another tube must be added to the circuit.
A discriminator is necessary to detect the polarity and amplitude of the alternating voltage. Both discrimination and gain can be obtained with a single tube, as shown in Fig. 4. Operation of the discriminator is similar to that of the firing tube previously explained,
inator is as follows: The signal input to the tube grid is a-c. Then with a-c on both the grid and the plate, the tube essentially conducts only when both grid and plate are positive on the same half cycle. If both are positive, then a rectified current flows through the load resistor. In the firing tube only the saw tooth or a-c portion of this wave was used. Actually, the wave also contains a large d-c component which is important in the control of the next tube, the firing tube. (The amplitude of both the $d-c$ and a-c portions depend on the amount of capacitance across the load resistance.)

Therefore, if the input is out of phase with the excitation to the discriminator tube, the tube will never supply control to the firing tube regardless of the amplitude of the input voltage. If the input is in phase, the discriminator will supply a d-c control voltage and the
amplitude of this voltage may be adjusted by amplitude control of the input voltage.

## Quadrature Voltage

The circuit connected to the input transformer in Fig. 4 is called a quadrature eliminator. Quadrature voltage is objectionable in most high-performance motor controls and especially in this one, since it decreases the overall gain of the control to the point where performance is unsatisfactory. Quadrature voltage occurs in the autopilot signal circuit since a number of selsyn signals are added in series. It is further generated by various noise


FIG. 4-Discriminator circuit gives added gain and eliminates most of out-of-phase or quadrature component of signal voltage
and stray capacitance effects of the long signal leads from remote autopilot components. In practice, some of the electrical cables are more than 100 ft long.

The quadrature circuit for this control consists of a transformer, a resistor, and a capacitor in series with the output transformer and the cathode of the tube. The quadrature rejector cuts down the sampling or detection time of the discriminator to a very small range, when the in-phase or useful signal voltage is at its peak. This is also the interval of minimum quadrature voltage during the a-c cycle. Effectively, the resistor and capacitor are a grid-leak for biasing the tube. The excitation transformer injects 13 volts into the grid circuit.

When the power is first turned on, even with zero signal, the tube grid momentarily draws current until the grid-leak is charged to approximately peak voltage. The average
d-c grid potential is then negative with respect to the cathode potential. The normal in-phase signal voltage adds to or subtracts from the transformer voltage, thereby controlling the discriminator tube.

Due to the peaking of the large 13 -v excitation wave, the signal has control over the discriminator tube for only about 20 degrees of the 360-degree cycle. The quadrature voltage is always going through zero during the 20 -degree sensitivity range of the discriminator (dotted wave in Fig. 4). Actually, the
critical grid line, the bias source is added to raise the entire firing tube output, permitting intersection.

The final wiring diagram is shown in Fig. 5. The unit consists of a small chassis which can be plugged in or removed from the autopilot in a few seconds. The housing of the controlled motor also contains a tachometer for aiding in the stabilization of the motor as an autopilot component.

The chassis weighs $2 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{lb}$, while previous motor controls weigh 6 lb or more. Since each autopilot con-


FIG. 5-Complete motor control circuit is double-ended, with complete discrimnator and firing circuit for each direction of rotation. Added d-c bias source increases gain in the firing stage
in-phase and quadrature voltages are not broken up but are present as a resultant wave, but the circuit operation is the same.

## The Final Circuit

The motor control is doubleended; for each direction of rotation there is a complete discriminator and firing circuit. However, one side of one circuit is common to one side of the other circuit (Fig. 5). Note there is a d-c bias source added between the firing stage and the main thyratrons, to achieve increased gain in the firing stage. The gain is increased by holding the discharge portion of the saw-tooth wave closer to a horizontal line (Fig. 3). Since the leveling of this discharge wave would preclude completely the intersection with the
tains three of these controls, the weight advantage amounts to 11 lb or more. This makes it possible to cut the weight of present autopilots to almost half that of their predecessors.

Along with weight reduction, it has been necessary to improve the response of the motor and motor control so that the autopilot response will be far ahead of the jet fighter motions. This thyratron control is capable of $50-\mathrm{cps}$ response. The motors available limit the overall response but they have been improved to follow accurately the variations of a 7 -cps signal.

As far as quadrature elimination is concerned, the motor control will remove 3 v of quadrature noise and will give full control for 0.1 v of in-phase signal.


FIG. 1 -Sliding ( A ), open-end, quarterwave (B), variable-capacitor tuning (C)


FIG. 2-Slotted concentric cylinders give wide-angle tuning


FIG. 3-Single-channel converter de signed for minimum noise figure

## Analysis of

 UHF Tuner DesignCONSIDERATION of the fact that the combined vhf and uhf frequency span covers approximately four octaves, with added complications due to transit-time effects and the distributed nature of tuning elements, may help develop the proper perspective in relation to the overall tuner-design problem.

Techniques effective in dealing with problems peculiar to the individual bands are frequently mutually exclusive. Transmission lines, for instance, prove rather awkward at vhf while lumped constants at uhf are almost ruled out. This alone should cast some doubt on the feasibility of a successful design of a combined vhf-uhf tuner using common tubes and tuning elements. Much time elapsed before a vhf tuner having approximately uniform performance characteristics over the two vhf bands was evolved. To extend the range to 900 mc is a challenging task indeed.

If it were possible to accomplish this, one might ask whether such a course would necessarily be desirable. On the positive side of the
ledger is the feature of greater compactness, simplified mechanical design and possibly a measure of elegance as an engineering solution. But to accomplish this, continuous tuning would almost certainly have to be employed (even though some detent mechanism may be included) and sliding contacts, notoriously noisy, are a forgone conclusion.

The switch type vhf tuner has been widely accepted as more reliable and convenient. It may not be prudent to compromise these qualities because of the inclusion of uhf.

## Tuning Devices

From the point of view of tuning range, the use of a sliding short would appear most attractive. There is one serious drawback, contact noise. A modification which overcomes this problem to a large extent consists of replacing the sliding metal-to-metal contact with a sufficiently large capacitance formed by inserting a dielectric between the sliding sleeve and the conductor (Fig. 1A).

An open quarter-wave line can
also serve as an effective short. Broad-band characteristics can be secured by making the surge impedance of the line section very low relative to the surge impedance of the tuned line. A range of $2: 1$ can be readily attained by adjusting the line-length to a quarter-wave at the center frequency of the band.

Since the grounded-end is movable, capacitive rather than inductive coupling is indicated if one seeks to avoid the use of a movable coupling loop. Fig. 1B shows a single-tuned transmission line employing this method of tuning.

Teflon as a dielectric spacer suggests itself in circuits in Fig. 1A and 1B. It has excellent wearing properties, low friction and low dielectric losses.

The circuit shown in Fig. 1C relies on capacitive tuning. This method is quite simple and convenient. However, the $Q$ is generally degraded by the insertion of capacitance.

Simultaneous tuning of the inductance and capacitance of the tuned circuit will result in greater


FIG. 4-Broad-band preselector, with balanced crystal output


FIG. 5-Transmission line-tuned oscillator covers full uhf band


FIG. 6-Capacitance-tuned oscillator has limited range

# With no strict rules of design procedure, judgment and discrimination must be used in selecting circuits and components to meet specific requirements economically. The fundamental aspects of uhf reception have been treated, but detailed design problems remain 

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range. Butterfly and semi-butterfly circuits fall into this category of tuners.

Two slotted concentric cylinders (Fig. 2) offer perhaps the simplest form of a wide-range tuning mechanism. The circuit is inherently unbalanced and some form of link coupling is frequently necessary.

The use of a single and a relatively low intermediate frequency in the uhf region places stringent requirements on the preselector design. A narrow-band, multipletuned preselector is subject to losses due to finite unloaded Q's. These losses are a function of conductor dimensions. Thus size and material cost enter the picture. In addition, as the number of tuned circuits is increased, the tracking problem becomes more difficult.

Based on the premise that in their fundamental nature the vhf and uhf bands are sufficiently distinct to warrant different techniques, a double superheterodyne system which would include a uhf converter working into the vhf
tuner is considered, for the present at least, the most practical approach. Wide variations are possible within the framework of this basic scheme.

## Mixer Circuits

Currently available germanium and silicon uhf mixer crystals are similar in their essential characteristics, except that the conversion loss is lower for silicon crystals, resulting in a noise-figure improvement of 2 to 3 db .

Some uhf mixer tubes have also become available but they require higher levels of oscillator injection, calling for higher selectivity to maintain oscillator radiation at a reasonable level. In addition the noise figure of the mixer tube is generally higher. Such tubes are most useful in circuits using r-f amplification.

A simple crystal mixer is part of the circuit shown in Fig. 3. Within the normal range of crystal current due to oscillator injection ( $0.3-1 \mathrm{ma}$ ) the variation of minimum noise figure is slight. The r-f and i-f im-
pedances vary considerably and the required input and i-f circuit adjustments vary correspondingly. It is essential therefore to maintain the injection level fixed over the band.

In most oscillators the output level falls off gradually at higher frequencies. A simple R-C equalizing network, consisting of a small coupling capacitor and a small resistor across which the output voltage is developed, is often satisfactory. In some instances the effectiveness of this scheme is reduced due to the loading effect of the mixer circuit.

Some improvement can be obtained by shunting the resistor with a circuit designed to tune out the incidental reactances at the proper frequency, usually above the maximum oscillator frequency.

The same considerations apply to balanced converters (Fig. 4) which at the expense of an additional crystal offer certain unique advantages. Being inherently balanced the circuit is more suitable for use with the standard $300-\mathrm{ohm}$ balanced
line at the input and the vhf tuner connected to the output of the balanced i-f. The amount by which oscillator radiation is reduced depends on how closely the crystals are matched with regard to their impedances and particularly their shunt capacitances and forward resistances. With a properly matched pair, the improvement can be substantial.

The balanced mixer also serves to suppress oscillator noise. The noise contributed by the oscillator is a function of its tank-circuit $Q$ and the intermediate frequency, being higher for low circuit $Q$ and low i-f. This factor is seldom significant at uhf and much effort to eliminate it is not warranted as a rule.

## Oscillator Circuits

The choice of tubes for fundamental operation is relatively restricted. As a practical tube the 6 AF 4 is finding wide acceptance.

Because of its simplicity, the Colpitts circuit is almost universally used. Cathode and filament chokes serve to raise the r-f circuit above ground. The effect of ground impedances on oscillator operation and radiation is thus minimized.

The required tuning range to cover the full uhf band can be realized by using a variable-length transmission line as the tuning element (Fig. 5).

Capacitive tuning as employed in the circuit in Fig. 6 has a somewhat limited range and usually calls for band-switching.

Because of the relatively low oscillator power required to operate the crystal mixers, the use of second-harmonic injection is quite feasible. A circuit tuned to the oscillator second harmonic and ganged with the oscillator tuning device can serve to extract the second-harmonic component and suppress the fundamental.

Crystal diodes have been used successfully to generate harmonics. Many oscillators, particularly class-C oscillators, have a significant harmonic content which can be made available without recourse to harmonic generators. The pushpull oscillator is particularly suitable for this application. At the neutral points of the circuit, cath-


FIG. 7-Half-frequency oscillator injects second harmonic through high-pass filter
ode and center tap of the plate load, the fundamental is suppressed to a degree depending on the balance of the circuit.
The fundamental suppression by virtue of balance is seldom adequate and additional selectivity must be relied upon. The use of a high-pass filter in place of the tuneable resonant circuit would result in greater simplicity and economy and it would, above all, eliminate the tracking problem. With double conversion, however, the tuning range is in excess of 2 to 1 , making it impossible to devise an effective filter unless band-switching is employed.

Using a single i-f system of 41 to 47 mc , a relatively sharp cut-off must occur within a band of approximately 50 mc . It is possible to accomplish this using a multisection high-pass filter. Sufficient harmonic content must be available to compensate for the filter insertion loss within its pass band.

Figure 7 shows an oscillator circuit operating at half frequency, supplying second-harmonic injection through an intervening highpass filter.

## Interference Sources

Generally, a fair degree of selectivity is essential to provide immunity against interfering signals. The two most potent sources of interference are signals within the i-f and image bands.

Selectivity against interfering signals outside the uhf band can be readily secured through the use of fixed-tuned rejection filters. Specifically, as regards i-f rejection and
the rejection of vhf signals, a highpass filter can be quite effective.

The degree of image selectivity required at uhf should be reexamined as to possible sources of interference and their relative strengths. Much depends on the permissible channel spacing within a given service area. It is expected that local channel assignments will preclude the possibility of image interference in receivers employing standard intermediate frequencies.

Oscillator radiation is another potential source of interference. The input circuit selectivity determines both the susceptibility to extraneous oscillator interference and the transmission of oscillator power to the antenna. In this case also, local channel assignments calculated to meet such conditions will be effective except in instances of off-channel tuning.

The rejection offered by a multi-ple-tuned high-Q preselector is proportional to

$$
\left[\frac{2\left|f_{r}-f_{s}\right|}{\Delta f}\right]^{n}
$$

where $f$, and $f$, are the frequencies of the r-f and the spurious signals respectively, $\Delta f$ is the preselector bandwidth and $n$ is the number of tuned circuits. In case of the image signal $\left|f_{r}-f_{s}\right|=2 f_{i}, f_{1}$ being the intermediate frequency.

Although higher intermediate frequencies relieve the preselector requirements, the i-f noise figure suffers. On the other extreme, the choice of a very low i-f may also lead to a degradation of the overall noise figure as a result of preselector insertion loss. Increased selectivity will be sought either by raising the loaded $Q$, by increasing the number of tuned circuits, or both. In any case losses are likely to occur with tuning elements of practical size.

Improper i-f choice can also give rise to spurious beats at certain characteristic frequencies. A particularly objectionable condition prevails when the signal frequency is translated to the i-f by virtue of second harmonic as well as fundamental conversion. The following relation expresses this condition: $2 f_{0}-f_{1}=f_{0}+f_{1}$ or $2\left(f_{s}-f_{i}\right)$ $-f_{i}=f_{s}$, resulting in $f_{i}=f_{0} / 3$. Intermediate frequencies above 160
mc should, for this reason, be avoided.

## Noise Figure

The required degree of selectivity may be problematical at present, but there is general agreement about the importance of noise figure. The overall noise figure is a function of the i-f noise figure, the crystal noise temperature where crystals are used, conversion loss and preselector loss.

The following is a list of symbols to be used:
$F$-noise figure
$F_{\text {min }}$-minimum $F$ under optimum input circuit conditions
$F_{m}$-noise figure under conditions of match
$F_{B}$-noise figure for a specified bandwidth and input capacitance
$B$-input circuit bandwidth (singletuned)
$B_{a}-B$ under optimum noise figure
$R_{v}$-Generator resistance as seen at the grid of the i-f amplifier
$R_{o o}$-optimum value of $R_{g}$ resulting in $F_{\text {min }}$
$R_{e q}$-equivalent noise resistance as referred to the input
$R_{\mathrm{t}}$-input resistance due to transit
$T$ time
$T$-effective temperature of $R_{t}$
$T_{0}$-room temperature -290 K
$t$-crystal noise temperature
r, -crystai conversion loss
$q_{m}$-tube transconductance
C -input circuit capacitance
$j_{i}$-i-f center frequency
a -input transforner turns ratio
$u_{0}$-optimum turns ratio
For a tirode $R_{\text {eq }}$ is a function of $g_{m}$.
$R_{e, l}=\frac{2.5}{g_{m}}, R_{t}$ varies inversely as $f_{i}^{2}$ and $u_{t}=\frac{K}{f_{1}^{2}}$

The characteristics plotted in Fig. 8 and Fig. 9 were computed tor a typical low-noise input stage (6AK5) having the following constants: $g_{n t}=6.5 \times 10^{-3}$ mhos, $C=$ $10^{-11}$ farads (total, including crystal and stray) and $K=8 \times 10^{10}$. Assuming small enough transit angles to minimize coherence effects between grid and plate noise.

$$
\frac{T}{T_{o}} \approx 5 .
$$

## I-F Noise Figures

The i-f noise figure depends critically on tube characteristics, in particular the $g_{m} k$ product, as well as on the input circuit design. Triodes are superior by virture of their low $R_{\text {eg }}$, and cascode circuits are gener-
ally favored in this application.
For a grounded-cathode stage, conditions for minimum noise figures are obtained when the generator resistance as seen at the grid satisfies the following relation

$$
\begin{equation*}
R_{v} \approx \sqrt{R_{\epsilon q} R_{t} \frac{T_{o}}{T}}=\frac{1}{f_{i}} \sqrt{\frac{K}{2 g_{m}}} \tag{1}
\end{equation*}
$$

This results in a noise figure

$$
\begin{equation*}
F_{\min }=1+2 \sqrt{\frac{T}{T_{o}} \quad \frac{R_{r_{q}}}{R_{t}}}=1+\frac{7 f_{i}}{\sqrt{g_{m} k}} \tag{2}
\end{equation*}
$$

The maximum input-circuit bandwidth under optimum conditions is in addition a function of $C$



FIG. 8-Noise figure $F$ versus frequency


FIG. 9-Turns ratio. bandwidth and oplimum $R_{g_{0}}$ versus i-f frequency

$$
\begin{equation*}
=\frac{f_{i}}{2 \pi C^{\prime}} \sqrt{\frac{\sqrt{2 g_{m}}}{\mathrm{~K}}}\left(1+\frac{f_{i}}{\sqrt{2 g_{m} K}}\right) \tag{3}
\end{equation*}
$$

The bandwidth $B_{o}$ is that of a single-tuned circuit. Double-tuning will increase the bandwidth by a factor of approximately 1.4 , and should therefore be used at low intermediate frequencies where $B_{0}$ is not much in excess of 12 mc , the width of two channels.

The linear relationship of $\boldsymbol{F}_{m \times n}$ versus $f_{1}$ is shown in Fig. 8A. The considerably higher noise figures under conditions of match are plotted in Fig. 8B.

$$
\begin{equation*}
F_{m}=6+\frac{10}{g_{m} R_{t}}=6+\frac{10 f_{i}^{2}}{g_{m} K} \tag{4}
\end{equation*}
$$

The noise figure obtained when the turns watio is adjusted to yield a bandwidth of 12 mc is shown in Fig. 8C. Between 40 and 100 mc the increase in noise-figure over $F_{m i n}$ is very slight. This is due to the fact that $B_{0}$ is approximately 12 me in this region. This portion of the vhf spectrum would appear therefore to be quite suitable.

Above $100 \mathrm{mc}, F_{B}$ rises sharply and reaches the value of approximately 20 at 260 mc . The relevant expression is

$$
\begin{align*}
F_{B}= & 1+\frac{\frac{T}{T_{o}} f_{i}^{2}}{2 \pi B K C-f_{i}^{2}} \\
& +\frac{2.5}{g_{m} k}\left(2 \pi B K C-f_{i}^{2}\right) \\
& \left(1+\frac{j_{i}^{2}}{2 \pi B K C-f_{i}^{2}}\right)^{2}
\end{align*}
$$

When it is desired to use a high i-f and restrict the bandwidth below $B_{0}$, circuit capacitance should be added instead of changing $a$ 。 Optimum turns ratio $a_{o}$ as well as $B_{\circ}$ and $R_{v o}$ are plotted in Fig. 9

$$
\begin{equation*}
a_{o}=\frac{\sqrt[4]{2 g_{m} K}}{\sqrt{f_{i}}} \tag{6}
\end{equation*}
$$

## Noise Temperature

The term noise temperature is somewhat misleading. It refers to a factor by which the temperature of the crystal i-f resistance (assumed at room temperature 290 K) must be multipled to pro-
duce an equal amount of noise power as that produced by the crystal at its i-f output terminals.

The available output noise power of the crystal is $t \times k T B$. By definition, the noise figure is the quotient $\frac{N_{o}}{G N}$, where $N_{o}$ is the available output noise power of the network, $G$ the gain of the network and $N$ the available thermal agitation noise power $k T B$. The crystal noise figure designated by $F_{1}$ is therefore $\frac{t}{G}$. The overall noise figure is

$$
F=F_{1}+\frac{F_{2}-1}{G}=\frac{t+F_{i}-1}{G}
$$

or $F=L_{c}\left(t+F_{i}-1\right)$ where $L_{c}=1 / G$ is
the conversion loss and $F_{i}$ is the i-f noise figure.

The crystal noise temperature is a function of oscillator injection. It is very high at low frequencies but levels off to a constant value at approximately 10 mc . The noise temperature bears a straight-line relationship to oscillator injection, starting with unity at zero rectified current. The conversion loss reaches a minimum at a certain level of oscillator injection and $F$ assumes a minimum slightly below this value.

## Conversion Loss

Conversion loss is the greatest factor contributing to the overall noise figure. It is lowest with fundamental conversion. Harmonic conversion should be avoided as it results in increased loss and consequently a higher noise figure. This does not mean the oscillator must be operated at the injection frequency. The use of harmonics of the oscillator frequency is quite acceptable, provided the fundamental and the undesirable lower harmonics are adequately suppressed before injection.

Although conversion loss is for the most part a characteristic property of the crystal, it is also influenced by the associated circuits. The image response of the preselector, for instance, affects the noise figure to a degree depending on the inherent crystal loss. In the case of an ideal mixer, the loss due to image response can be as high as 3 db when conditions of match pre-
vail at the image frequency.
With no conversion loss and conditions of input circuit match at the image frequency, the image frequency power will be equal to the i-f power. Since this power emanates from the signal source, only half of the signal power is converted into useful i-f power and a $3-\mathrm{db}$ conversion loss is incurred.

This effect, which would be of importance with highly efficient mixers, can be minimized by making the preselector present either very high or, as is usually the case, a very low image impedance. In practice, no special precautions are warranted in view of the relatively high conversion loss. The effect of this loss is first to attenuate the i-f power considerably below the r-f level and then further attenuate the image beat at the preselector. The circuit impedance interaction between $r$-f and $i-f$ is also decreased in relation to the conversion loss.

It should not be concluded that loss is a desirable characteristic, but as the losses are decreased the optimum conditions are subject to more critical adjustments.

Typical conversion loss figures for uhf silicon crystals range between 8 and 12. The noise temperature corresponding to optimum oscillator injection (minimum noise figure) is approximately 1.5 .

## Preselector Loss

The preselector losses contribute to the noise figure in a very direct way. Since the output noise level is not changed by the insertion of the preselector but the loss is increased by a factor $L_{\text {: }}$ (the preselector loss), the overall noise-figure is increased by the same factor.

The preselector loss is related to the operating $Q$ and the unloaded $Q=Q_{0}$ by $:$

$$
L_{s}=\frac{1}{\left(1-\frac{Q}{Q_{0}}\right)^{2 n}}
$$

$n$ being the number of tuned circuits and $Q=\frac{f_{r}}{F}$ The resultant overall noise figure is

$$
F=\frac{L_{c}\left(t+F_{i}-1\right)}{\left(1-\frac{Q}{Q_{o}}\right)^{2 n}}
$$

Under conditions of optimum $F^{\prime}$,

$$
F=\frac{L_{c}\left(t+\frac{7 f_{i}}{\sqrt{\ell_{m} k}}\right)}{\left(1-\frac{F_{r}}{Q_{o} \Delta F}\right)^{2 n}}
$$

The noise figure is seen to be a function of the ratio of the loaded to unloaded $Q$. For a given size of tuning elements the preselector losses and consequently the noisefigure will decrease with increasing r-f bandwidth.

## I-F Amplifiers

Most modern vhf tuners employ a cascode r-f amplifier stage and little


FIG. 10-Cascode i-f amplifier is most suitable for single-ended converters
can be gained in noise-figure improvement by adding a preamplifier. It is only necessary to transform the impedance level of the input circuit for optimum noise figure.

Preamplification at the i-f is indicated if the converter is a selfcontained unit intended to be used in conjunction with a variety of vhf tuners. The cascode circuit shown in Fig. 10 is most suitable for use with single-ended converters. The simple cross-neutralized push-pull amplifier shown in Fig. 11 can yield equally good results at low vhf frequencies. As a result of the relatively wide bandwidth and low amplification, stability is readily achieved.

## Three Converters

Basic converter systems include the single-channel strip type, the broad-band and the tuned narrowband converters.

The crystal mixer is part of every circuit considered. Amplifier and mixer tube circuits are not treated because of the early stage of tube and applicable circuit development.

The fixed-tuned strip lends itself to an economical and very satisfactory design. It is most adaptable to turret-type tuners where several switch positions can be reserved for uhf use.

In general, it comprises a nar-row-band preselector and a crystal mixer working into the vhf r-f stage which in the uhf position serves as an i-f stage. Since high selectivity can be attained, a single i-f in the 41 to $47-\mathrm{mc}$ band would


FIG. 11 -Push-pull i-f amplifier is crossneutralized, good at low vhi frequencies
verter is shown in Fig. 3. The i-f transformer is part of the strip and is designed to yield minimum noise figure.

## Broad-Band Converter

In the broad-band converter all or a large number of channels can be transmitted simultaneously through the input circuit, which may be several hundred megacycles wide. Channel selection is accomplished merely by tuning the oscillator.

As already indicated, to a degree the losses are reduced by increasing the bandwidth. This is unlike the conditions at vhf where the required bandwidth and the circuit


FIG. 12-Narrow-band capacitancetuned transmission-line converter
capacitance determine the stage gain, the figure of merit being fixed. At uhf, loading is the limiting factor and in absence of any added capacitance wide bandwidth is inherently obtained.

Selectivity is sacrificed, but as was pointed out, its importance is somewhat problematical. The use of a trap tuned to the image frequency and ganged to the oscillator tuning device can insure good image selectivity in spite of the broad-band feature. The tracking of such a circuit is noncritical as the transmission characteristics of the desired signal are not affected by slight mistuning. The bandwidth of the crystal viewed as a lumped circuit having 1 uuf of capacitance and an input resistance of 300 ohms is approximately 500 mc.

Since it is somewhat difficult to secure the desired oscillator tuning
range in one band, a division into two or more bands is generally favored. By reducing the bandwidth of the input circuit correspondingly, selectivity can be improved.

The circuit of a broad-band converter is shown in Fig. 4. Two crystals are used in a balanced circuit, resulting in a reduction of oscillator radiation. The noise contributed by the oscillator is also reduced but this is not usually a significant factor. In addition the use of a balanced transmission line is facilitated.

The balanced output circuit shown in Fig. 4 might feed a single cross-neutralized push-pull i-f amplifier. Such a circuit affords a favorable noise figure, assuming of course an optimum design of the input circuit. The balanced output circuit is also desirable when the converter is used in conjunction with a vhf tuner having a balanced input.

## Narrow-Band Converter

In the narrow-band converter, conservative selectivity requirements are aimed for. Using a single i-f system ( 41 to 47 mc ) and assuming an asymmetrical i-f response, the oscillator must operate above the signal frequency. The highest required oscillator frequency is thus raised.

A single-tuned circuit in the preselector usually suffices where double conversion with a reasonably high first i-f is used. The circuit in Fig. 11 employs a capacitancetuned transmission line which is ganged with the oscillator tuning mechanism.

The circuits discussed cover uhftuner designs which seem promising. Much exploratory work is being done on which it is premature to report.

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# Experiments Illustrate 



Group photo shows many of transistorized items described in text. Left to right in rear are, portable radio, tv receiver, auto radio. ukulele and public address amplifier. Front row shows roving microphone, toy organ, decade scaler, complementary symmetry audio amplifier, portable $\mathfrak{i}$-m receiver and paging receiver

$\mathrm{I}^{\mathrm{I}}$T IS difficult to attach an order of importance to the various pieces of transistorized equipment shown by RCA at their Princeton, New Jersey, laboratories recently. Each has its own aspects of importance, though in some cases these are more obvious than in others.

## Complementary Symmetry

The concept of complementary symmetry promises to be the basis of one of the more important applications of transistors. Using this technique, it is possible to split a signal into two out-of-phase signals for push-pull amplification without the use of transformers. The principle is illustrated in Fig. 1 A .

The bases of two junction transistors, one pnp and one npn, are fed in parallel. Due to the opposite signs of the transfer characteristics of these two types of transistors, the output signals will be 180 degrees out of phase-one having been shifted 180 degrees, the other
going straight through.
A practical application of this principle is illustrated in Fig. 1B. A pair of transistors in comple-mentary-symmetry arrangement is used as a phase-splitting preamplifier stage. The out-of-phase signals thus produced are connected directly to the base-input comple-mentary-symmetry stage following. In this stage the split-phase signals receive further amplification and are recombined into a single-ended signal that is applied directly to the 16 -ohm voice coil of a loudspeaker. The entire output signal is connected back to the input stage as a form of degeneration. This connection provides fairly high gain with low distortion.

The circuit shown in Fig. 1B preceded by a single-transistor preamplifier is capable of producing a half watt of audio from a conventional phonograph pickup.

## All-Transistor Television Set

A thirty-six transistor television set was built as an experiment. Its

## WHAT'S INSIDE

This article is in answer to the many requests received for more information on the transistor devices shown of the RCA Princeton Laboratories recently, and mentioned in ELECTRONICS ("John Q. Meets the Transistor" p 5, Jan. 1953.)

The information presented was obtained in personal interviews with the engineers and scientists at Princeton who figured in the developments discussed. Some of these developments will be described in more complete detail in future issues of ELECTRONICS

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stage lineup is as follows: A pointcontact local oscillator is fixed-tuned on the low side of the station carrier (channel 4). Two crystal diodes convert the local oscillator output and received signal to 8 mc for amplification in the six-stage point-contact transistor interme-diate-frequency amplifier. Bandwidth is two mc. Two diodes are used in the second detector-the output of one feeds the video amplifier and the other feeds the inter-carrier-sound i-f amplifier.

The video amplifier is comprised of two stages, the first using an experimental junction transistor and the video output a point-contact unit. A point-contact sync detector and sync separator (junction) furnish sweep signals for the vertical deflection circuits. These consist of a point-contact vertical oscillator, a junction driver and a pair of junction output transistors driven in push-pull without transformers by means of complementary symmetry.
Two experimental junction transistors comprise a horizontal afc circuit that controls a point-contact horizontal oscillator and a two-junction-type horizontal amplifier of conventional design. These are followed by a push-pull junction amplifier that drives the horizontal coils of the yoke and a pair of pulse-amplifying junction types the output of which is rectified by a selenium diode for the picture tube second anode voltage.

The sound channel consists of a 4-stage point-contact type i-f amplifier at 4.5 mc , followed by a twodiode ratio detector, a junction low-level audio stage and a pair of output junctions in complementary symmetry.

The set provides good pictures within 5 miles of WNBT using a

# Transistor Applications 

Small in size, but tremendous in impact, the transistor has already assumed an important place in the electronics industry. That potential applications are virtually unlimited is illustrated clearly by experimental devices described here
built-in loop and 15 miles from the station with a simple rabbit-ear antenna.

## Automobile Radio

A natural application of the transistor is to automobile radios and other mobile and portable equipment. To see what could be done with existing automobile power sources ( 6 -volt batteries) a program was launched to build an all-transistor broadcast receiver.

The goal was met with 11 transistors and one crystal diode. A loudspeaker of the type normally used in automobile radio sets is transformer driven through an output transformer by a pair of pushpull junction transistors operating in class B with essentially zero bias. This output stage is transformer driven by a single junction transistor operating class A which in turn is preceded by two cascaded lowlevel junction preamplifiers.

Junction transistors are used in the local oscillator, mixer, second detector and 3 -stage 455 -kc i-f amplifier. The diode serves as the ave detector.

Receiver sensitivity is around 50 $\mu v$ and total current drawn from the 6 -volt electrical system by the radio averages 300 ma and is dependent on magnitude of output, since the final stage is operated class B. Audio output of the class-B circuit is almost a watt, with frequency response comparable to that provided by commercial tube receivers.

## Flea-Power Transmitters

The high-efficiency characteristics of the transistor make it useful in hearing aids ("Transistors Replace Hearing Aid Tubes," Electronics, p 5, Feb. 1953) and
other small light-weight devices. A pill-box size transmitter with output in the broadcast band capable of being modulated by a phonograph pickup was shown by RCA engineers. The pill box transmits modulated signals to a near-by receiver that recovers the audio signal and reproduces it in the loudspeaker. Power consumption is about 100 microwatts and self-contained battery life is 3,000 hours.

Another transmitter, intended for public address work, is about the size and weight of a fountain pen and pencil, and contains two transistors, an r-f oscillator and a modulator, and uses a 22.5 -volt battery. Good noise-free signals may be heard in a conventional broadcast receiver from a distance of 30 feet or so.

In all these miniature devices, ferrite core coils are used to obtain maximum radiation from the smallest possible space.

A by-product of a program to


FIG. 1-Circuits illustrate complemen-tary-symmetry principle
develop transistor oscillators is a toy organ that operates through any broadcast receiver. An experimental junction transistor is used in a 540 -ke oscillator which is caused to block at different audio rates by a keyboard that switches different values of capacitance in the emitter circuit. The oscillator runs continuously to maintain control over receiver ave when notes are not being played. Two 1.35 volt cells power the 8 -note organ for about 5,000 hours.

## Portable Radios

Portable personal radio sets may be an early commercial application of transistors. A set using nine junction transistors has been demonstrated that has a $300-\mu v$ sensitivity and operates over 100 hours on a small 6 -volt battery. The circuit is similar to that of the auto radio, except that single-ended output is used since it provides sufficient power for normal portable use.

Three junction transistors are used in a vest-pocket receiver for hospital paging systems operating on a frequency in the neighborhood of 100 kc and using a long wire stretched around a building as a radiator. The entire receiver, using an r-f stage, a detector and a stage of audio to drive a hearing-aid earpiece, operates for 500 hours on a single miniature 1.35 -volt mercury cell.

It should be emphasized that without exception the above mentioned devices were designed and built to see what could be done. None are recommended as finished commercialized pieces of equipment, though they do point up the possibility of such application some day in the future.


#### Abstract

Optical image of each edge of white-hot moving strip is scanned by system of phototubes and motor-driven slotted disks from relatively cool position 15 feet above bed of mill. Control circuit transforms outputs of the two phototubes to a single signal that indicates deviations in width to accuracy of $\pm \frac{1}{8}$ inch, independent of lateral or vertical motion


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ALThough the x-ray gage for measuring steel thickness has become a common device in the modern steel mill, measurement of width of hot strip is still being made by manually-operated calipers. These at best provide only an approximate and occasional indication of the actual width. Moreover, measurement of width is usually made only at one point along a strip length and this does not necessarily represent the true width along the whole length of the piece. Due to the jagged edges found in many lengths of hot steel, it is also difficult to obtain much information about average width from individual measurements.
The severe heat in the area of measurement creates a second disadvantage in the present technique. Measurement in this manner is an extremely uncomfortable task for the caliper operator. A third disadvantage is that the strip must be stopped before a measurement can be made.

The photoelectric width gage described here was developed to meet the foregoing specialized needs of the steel industry. The gage measures, indicates, and can provide a record of strip width within the range of 10 to 96 inches with an accuracy of better than $\pm \frac{1}{8}$ inch. No contact between the strip and
gage is required. The width indication is independent of reasonable lateral and vertical motion of the strip as it bounces rapidly along a rolling mill table. The light radiated from the hot strip edges is used to obtain signals for measuring width.

The detector, located 15 feet above the hot strip, is largely unaffected by extreme ambient conditions such as temperature, moisture, fumes and dirt of the mill near the strip itself.

## General Description

The main functional units of the width gage are the detector, the electronic control cabinet, the operator's control cabinet and the indicators, as shown in Fig. 1.

The detector generates two electrical signals which contain information for accurately measuring the width of the strip.

The electronic control cabinet contains the majority of electronic components which transform the two signals from the detector into a single signal for indicating width deviation.

The operator's control cabinet contains the width-indicating devices and the controls for operating the gage. The width-indicating devices consist of a visual mechanical counter which is set by the operator
to the desired width of the strip to be rolled, and a deviation indicator which shows any deviation from the width desired.

Figure 2 shows that the gage operates by scanning an optical image of each edge of the strip to be measured. The position of the two scanning units located inside the detector is adjusted by a motordriven screw, which is controlled from the operator's control cabinet and which places the two scanning units directly above the nominal position of the edges of the strip.
The lens at the bottom of each scanning unit focuses the image of the edge of the strip onto a scanning disk behind which is placed a phototube. The optical image for each edge of steel is converted into an electrical signal by the phototube. The rotating slotted disk provides means for repeatedly scanning across the image of the edge of the strip at right angles to the direction of strip travel. Each unit scans approximately 10 inches, nominally 5 inches off the edge of the strip and 5 inches on the strip. The scanning field is thus wide enough to allow for a certain amount of sidewise motion of the strip as well as for normal changes in width.

The scanning action causes each phototube to generate a rectangular

## for Hot-Strip Steel Mills



First installation of noncontacting width gage, in Irvin Works of U. S. Steel Co. Detector head is in housing suspended over bed of mill at left, with phototubes inside reacting to edges of hot strip as it flies back and forih underneath. The strip thus serves as light source for the system. Operator's controls and width deviation indicator are on side of mill, near operator at right center


FIG. l-Arrangement of main units of width gage


FIG. 2-Block diagram of entire sysiem, showing how lenses project images of edges of strip through scanning disks onto cathodes of phototubes
wave shape of voltage vs time in which the percentage pulse width is directly proportional to the position of the edge. The two sets of signals, one from each edge of the strip, are then differentiated to produce spikes at the leading and trailing edge of each square pulse signal. These signals are then amplified in the scanning units to avoid electrical interference and are transmitted to the amplifiers in the electronic control cabinet. Here the signals are again amplified.

## Utilization of Pulses

By means of a special bistable multivibrator circuit, rectangular pulses are generated from the sharp positive and negative pulses. These rectangular pulses can vary in width but not in amplitude. The two sets of constant-amplitude pulses are then applied to the pulse width analyzer circuit where they are added, and the sum is averaged to obtain a d-c voltage depending only upon the width of the pulses. By means of a bridge circuit this d-c voltage is used to operate the deviation meters and recorder.

A selsyn generator, geared to the lead screw which positions the scanning units, generates an electrical signal which provides an indication at the operator's control cabinet of the spacing of the scanning units. The electrical signal from the selsyn generator is applied to a corresponding selsyn motor geared to a counter which then indicates this distance to a precision of better than $1 / 64$ inch.

A calibrating mechanism is provided to insure that the optical and electronic parts of the width gage are functioning properly. This mechanism provides an overall calibration of the deviation measuring circuit. One such calibrating mechanism is located in each scanning unit.

To calibrate, the operator closes a switch located on the operator's control cabinet which causes a shutter to block the light from the hot steel and also turns on an incandescent lamp. The lamp illuminates a frosted window one edge of which is imaged onto the phototube in such a way as to generate a 50 -percent pulse signal from each scanning unit. Such a pulse signal


FIG. 3-Operation of scanning disk
exactly duplicates the normal operating signal for zero deviation of the strip from the width for which the gage is set. A zero set control, also located on the operator's control cabinet, is then adjusted by the operator to correct for any drifts and to give a zero indication on the deviation meters.

Sidewise motion of the strip will increase the pulse width from one scanning unit and decrease that from the other unit. The average of the two remains constant, and hence there is no change in deviation indication. A reasonable amount of up and down motion of the strip results in only a very small change in the sum of the individual pulse widths because the separate scanning units are located directly above the respective edges of the strip.

## Design Consideration

From the practical standpoint, the width gage is designed to provide ease of operation, rapid and continuous indication of width, and ease in maintenance and service. Tubes especially designed for long life and industrial-type components are used wherever possible. Heavygage steel is used in the fabrication of the cabinets and housing units to provide a maximum of strength and durability.

The electronic circuitry and adjustment is simple and insensitive to changes in power supply variations. The measuring circuits consist of two amplifier channels, each of which contains only four amplifier tubes, and a filter and bridge circuit which employs only one amplifier tube. Large changes in tube characteristics and large changes in signal amplitude can occur without changing the width indication. Simplicity and perman-
ence in design in this manner are extremely important in industry, where there is usually a limited time available for maintenance work on electronic equipment and where frequently highly skilled electronic personnel are not always readily available.

## Electronic Circuits

Figure 3 shows diagrammatically the arrangement of the components of the image scanner for one of the scanning units. As a slit in the scanning disk moves rapidly across the aperture, the phototube, located behind the aperture, conducts a current proportional at every instant to the amount of light in that part of the image exposed by the slit at that particular instant. A large current flows during the time the slit uncovers the bright image of the steel strip, and a very small current flows for the remainder of the scan. The waveform of the signal generated in this fashion is shown. This process continues repeatedly so that a $30-\mathrm{cps}$ rectan-gular-wave signal is generated in each scanning unit.

In Fig. 4, tube $V_{1}$ is the gas phototube which generates the signal voltage when the image of the strip is scanned, while $V_{2}$ and the first half of $V_{3}$ amplify the signal. The second half of $V_{3}$ acts as a cathode follower type impedancematching device to transmit the signal over the cable with low losses. The two preamplifier chassis are identical in construction and operation.

The signal from the preamplifier is amplified again in the first half of $V_{4}$. The signal from $R_{1}$ is used to drive the multivibrator and the automatic gain control circuits.

The second half of $V_{4}$ amplifies the age signal. This signal from the second half of $V_{1}$ is applied to a peak rectifier to produce a negative d-c voltage proportional to the peak of the signal pulses. The output of the rectifier circuit is filtered by the network comprising $C_{1}, R_{z}$ and $C_{2}$. The resultant d-c voltage is returned to the preamplifier circuit in the detector and applied to the grid of $V_{2}$ to provide age which acts to maintain a relatively constant signal amplitude to the multivibrator circuit regardless of the temperature of the steel strip.

Normally for a steel temperature change from $2,050 \mathrm{~F}$ to $1,350 \mathrm{~F}$ the signal generated in phototube $V_{1}$ would change 200 to 1 in amplitude. The age circuit reduces this 200 -to- 1 range to a 3 -to- 1 range. The transconductance of $V_{2}$ is reduced 20 to 1 to provide most of the gain control required. The remainder of the gain control is accomplished by reducing the sensitivity of the phototube 3.5 to 1 by reducing the d-c voltage applied to it.

The cathode electrode of the phototube is returned to the screen grid of $V_{2}$. When the agc voltage becomes more negative, the screen voltage rises, thus reducing the net $d-c$ voltage on the phototube and hence its sensitivity.

A bistable multivibrator $V_{5}$ furnishes a rectangular signal which can vary in width but not in amplitude. One stable condition of the multivibrator exists when the first half of $V_{5}$ is not conducting current, while the second half of the tube is conducting current. The other stable condition exists when the conducting current is reversed from the second half to the first half of the tube. As the signal pulses arrive at the grid of the first half of $V_{5}$, the positive pulses switch this half to a conducting state while switching the second half to a nonconducting state. As the alternate positive and negative pulses are applied to the multivibrator circuit, the output of the multivibrator becomes a rectangular constant-amplitude signal that
varies in width depending upon the spacing between the positive and negative pulses.

Special precautions were taken to insure that the square-wave rectangular pulses from the multivibrator circuit are constant in amplitude irrespective of pulse width or changes in characteristics of $V_{5}$. The peak positive voltage of the rectangular pulse occurs when the second half of $V_{5}$ is not conducting current. The peak positive voltage is therefore fixed by the resistor divider circuit in the plate circuit.

The peak negative voltage of the rectangular pulse occurs when the second half of $V_{5}$ is conducting current. However, the lowest peak voltage that can occur at this plate is determined by the low-impedance resistor divider network made up of $R_{3}, R_{4}$ and $R_{5}$ and rectifier $C R_{1}$. The voltage determined by this network is always greater than the voltage that would normally be determined by the saturation current of the tube. The peak-to-peak amplitude of the rectangular pulse is therefore determined essentially by two resistor divider networks and not by $V_{\text {s. }}$

As the plate potential fluctuates between the two fixed d-c levels as described above, the average voltage at the plate becomes a d-c voltage proportional to the pulse width and hence to the width deviation. By means of the voltage divider circuit consisting of $R_{12}, R_{13}$ and $R_{14}$ these two average $\mathrm{d}-\mathrm{c}$ signals
from the multivibrators are added and applied to the indicator circuit. Components $R_{5}, R_{7}, C_{3}, C_{4}$, $R_{8}, C_{5}$ and $C_{8}$ comprise a $30-\mathrm{cps}$ band-rejection bridged-T filter circuit for reducing the amplitude of the a-c components of the signals so that the voltage applied to $V_{0}$ is essentially a d-c voltage proportional to width.
Tube $V_{0}$ is a power amplifier of the cathode follower type and is used to drive the deviation indicators and the recorder.

The zero-set rheostat, fixed resistor $R_{0}$ and $V_{\tau}$ comprise a voltage divider network used to balance out the fixed potentials in the indicator circuit which are not related to pulse width. The deviation indicators and the recorder are connected between a point on this voltage divider and the cathode output terminal of $V_{8}$.

Rheostat $R_{10}$ is the sensitivity control for the deviation indicators and $R_{11}$ is the sensitivity control for the recorder. These controls are adjusted at the factory for correct indications of width deviation and require no further adjustment.

The arrangement used in the bridge circuit offers a high degree of stability. It is relatively insensitive to changes in the $d-c$ power supply voltage and to changes in the transconductance of $V_{s}$.

## Detector Unit

The detector unit incorporates the optical and mechanical devices and the electrical circuits used in


FIG. 4-Circuit arrangement for combining outputs of the two phototubes to actuate width deviation indicators and a standard photoelectric recorder


Scanning unit for width gage. Phototube is in housing at top, with scanning disk visible through opening below. Image-forming lens is at bottom
positioning the scanning units and in generating the width and the width deviation signals.

The optical devices for each scanning unit consist of one $f / 3.5$ lens for imaging the strip edge onto the scanning disk, one f/2 lens for imaging a simulated steel edge onto the scanning disk during calibration, an aperture and a rotating slotted disk for systematically controlling the light received by the phototube, and a solenoid-operated shutter for preventing the light radiated from the strip edge from falling on the phototube during calibration.
Since the desired width of strip to be rolled may vary over wide ranges each day, it is necessary that the two scanning units which are positioned over each edge be easily moved from one desired spacing to another. A right-hand screw and a left-hand screw coupled together and driven by a motor are used for this positioning. An Oilite nut which couples the individual scanning units to their respective screws moves the scanning units smoothly to the desired setting when the rolling mill operator actu-


Phototube chassis, as seen when removed from operating position above seanning disk. Arrow points to phototube, mounted above slot in chassis
ates the drive motor switch located on the operator's control cabinet.

The mechanical design of the seanning units provides accurate alignment of the optical parts with respect to one another. Serious width measurement errors can resadt if exact alignment is not maintained.

The detector is mounted 180 inches above the steel strip level. If the maximum tolerable error due to the optical system alone in one scanning unit is to be held to $1 / 64$ inch, the resulting angular tolerance on alignment is the angle whose tangent is $1 \div(64 \times 180)$, or 1 part in 11,500 . In order to meet this tolerance, each scanning unit is rigidly mounted on a bearing which slides along a stainless steel beam in each half of the detector head housing. The two support bearings are 10 inches long, thus assuring intimate alignment with the beam.

## Electronic Control Cabinet

The electronic control cabinet contains all the circuits which are not required to be located near the gaging area, including the regu-
lated d-c power supply, power transformers, circuit breakers and motor relay switches. The cabinet is especially designed to be dust and moisture tight and to provide easy access to the components. All input cables are brought to the terminal strip in the rear of the cabinet. The electronic circuits are mounted on a hinged panel which may be swung outward to give ready access to all the components from one position.

## Indicators

The edges of the strip to be measured are scanned 30 times per second by the scanning slits, each of which include light from a region 3 inches long in the direction of the length of the steel strip. The spacing between the successive scanned portions of the strip to be measured therefore depends directly on strip speed. For example, if the strip is moving at 10 feet per second, the successively sampled portions would be spaced $10 / 30$ ths of a foot or 4 inches apart. Since the length of each portion is 3 inches, such a strip speed would yield practically continuous coverage of the steel strip.

The response time of the deviation indicator is about 0.8 second, so that its indication at any time represents a width deviation averaged over 24 successive scanning operations. In the example chosen above, for a strip speed of 10 feet per second, the width deviation indication will be averaged over a length of 8 feet.

If it is desired to measure changes in width occurring over shorter intervals of length than that obtained with the deviation indicator, then a deviation recorder may be used. The recorder specified for this use has a very short time constant, in the order of 0.2 second. For a strip speed of 10 feet per second, the recorder will faithfully indicate width changes occurring over a 2 -foot length. However, since the above time constant refers to the time for the pointer to reach virtually its final value, some indication of changes in width will be shown for even shorter distances along the strip being measured as it flies back and forth on the bed of the mill.

# Butterfly Curve Tracer For Magnetic Materials 

Curves of a-c permeability versus d-c magnetizing force are displayed on a cathode-ray tube. The instrument meets needs for rapid and accurate means of determining properties of magnetic materials in expanding use of saturable reactors

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TTHE EFFECT of d-c magnetization on a magnetic core material is best expressed by the butterfly curve of which a typical example, due to Elmen ${ }^{1}$, is shown in Fig. 1. The double-humped nature of the curve, which gives it its name, is due to the magnetization remaining when the magnetizing force is reduced to zero.

Elmen's curve was obtained with small alternating flux density, at a frequency of 200 cps . To specify completely the properties of a magnetic material, data at higher values of flux density and at several frequencies are required.

## Basic Design

Figure 2 is a block diagram of the instrument. The specimen carries a primary and a secondary winding. A source of variable frequency $f_{1}$ and variable amplitude a-c is connected to the primary circuit in series with a source of very low frequency a-c $f_{z}$ and a series


FIG. 1-Butterily curves of one magnetic sample show typical peaks due to residual magnetism


Controls for magnetizing circuit of butterfly tracer are on right of front panel, scope controls on left
resistance $R$. A d-c amplifier of small bandwidth, connected across $R$, yields an output proportional to the instantaneous amplitude of the bias current at the low frequency $f_{2}$ only. This output is applied to the horizontal deflection plates of a cathode-ray tube.

The emf developed across the secondary winding provides input to


FIG. 2-Basic circuit of tracer requires low and high frequency $a-c$ source, plus d-c bias
an electronic integrator, whose output is proportional and in phase with the alternating flux density in the sample. The bandwidth of the integrator is small enough to attenuate completely components of flux density varying at frequency $f_{2}$. For magnetizing a-c of constant amplitude, the output of the integrator is proportional to flux density and therefore the a-c permeability of the magnetic sample. The output of the integrator amplifier is applied to the vertical deflection plates of the crt.

The pattern obtained on the crt has the form shown in Fig. 3. The envelope of this pattern, the required butterfly curve, gives the relation between a-c permeability and d-c magnetizing force, for the condition of constant magnetizing a-c.

By turning a single switch, the
butterfly curve tracer may be converted into a conventional hysteresis loop tracer. The hysteresis loop in Fig. 3 was so obtained.

Figure 4 shows butterfly curves and superposed hysteresis loops obtained for a 79-Permalloy sample, at 200 cps and at five currents corresponding to peak magnetizing forces in the range from 0.09 to 1.35 oersteds. Figure 4 also gives information on a-c permeability and the rate of change of a-c permeability with dec magnetizing force. For the test conditions under which the curve in Fig. 3 was obtained, this last quantity was approximately 27,000 gausses per oersted squared for $H_{\mathrm{d}, \mathrm{e}}=0$ to 0.3 . This agrees well with the 27,500 figure obtained by Elmen for a similar sample by an a-c bridge method.

## Circuit Details

Current at the higher frequency $f_{1}$ is supplied to the primary of the magnetic sample from a transformer, a $200-\mu \mathrm{f}$ capacitor, a lowpass filter, and a $50-\mathrm{ohm}$ resistance (Fig. 5). Bias current is obtained


FIG. 3-Trace obtained on crt has butterfly curve as envelope. Also shows superposed hysteresis loop
by half-wave rectification of the $50-$ cps line supply, the ripple removed by a filter of which the $200-\mu \mathrm{f}$ capacitor is an element. The d-c is varied from positive to negative values at a very low frequency (about 0.2 cps ) by driving the potentiometer $P_{1}$ back and forth with an automatically reversing motor.

This portion of the circuit is shown separately in Fig. 6. The potentiometer is connected across two rectifiers, $W_{1}$ and $W_{2}$, arranged back-to-back. When the potentiom-


FIG. 4-Curves photographed from crt at various values of currents giving peak magnetizing force
eter slider is in position $A, W_{1}$ is short-circuited and $W_{2}$ gives almost complete half-wave rectification. With the slider in mid-position $B$, the resistances across the rectifiers are equal and no d-c flows.

Adjusting potentiometer $P_{2}$, varies the effect of the sweep potentiometer $P_{1}$ on the rectifiers. Maximum variation is obtained with $P_{2}$ set at zero, minimum variation with $P_{2}$ at maximum.

Varying $P_{3}$ (Fig. 5) gives fine control of the amplitude of magnetizing a-c. This variation has almost no effect on the direct or lowfrequency bias current, since the d-c resistance of the choke $L_{2}$ is much lower than the minimum resistance of $P_{3}$. Various capacitors or a short circuit can be connected across the filter circuit. In another switch position, the choke $L_{2}$ is is shunted by a capacitor to form a parallel circuit resonant at 50 cps . This further attenuates hum from the variable $d$-c supply when the magnetizing current is at any frequency other than 50 cps .

The voltage across the 50 -ohm resistance (Fig. 5) provides input to the horizontal deflection amplifier. If the test frequency need not be variable, a common tapped transformer may be substituted for the two separate transformers shown.

## Amplifiers

As explained before, the horizontal deflection amplifier (Fig. 7) must be made responsive only to the very low frequency $f_{2}$, as in order to trace butterfly curves. The amplifier is direct coupled, consisting of two voltage amplifier stages and a push-pull phase inverter output stage. Miniature pentodes, Brimar (England) type 8D3, similar to the 6AK5, are used throughout.

An RC filter is connected between the two voltage amplifiers. When the switch $S_{1}$ is closed, the filter reduces the $50-\mathrm{cps}$ gain of the amplifier to almost zero, while the gain for $d-c$ or the low frequency bias current is not affected. With $S_{1}$ open, the bandwidth of the amplifier extends well beyond the test


FIG. 5-Motor-driven potentiometer $P_{1}$ provides low-frequency a-c. Sweep width is controlled by $P_{2}$


FIG. 6-Back-to-back rectifiers and mo-tor-driven arm vary voltage at low froquency from plus to minus
frequency $f_{z}$ so that normal hysteresis loops are traced whose shape depends on the setting of the sweep potentiometer $P_{1}$ in the magnetizing circuit.

The vertical deflection amplifier (Fig. 8) incorporates an electronic integrator. It is designed to have negligible response at the low frequency $f_{2}$, which represents bias current variations. It is also designed to have substantially 90 -degree phase shift ( 6 db per octave drop) over the range 50 cps to 10 kc. Direct couplings reduce lowfrequency phase shifts other than those due to the integrator.

The circuit, of 8D3's or 6AK5's, comprises a cathode follower, voltage amplifier $V_{2}$ subjected to negative feedback by the 150,000 -ohm resistor, a Miller integrator and cathode follower, and a push-pull output stage similar to that in the horizontal amplifier.

Regeneration, effective at frequencies above 50 cps only, is obtained by a 1 -meg resistance connected between the grid of $V_{2}$ and a $0.01-\mu \mathrm{f}$ blocking capacitor. This regeneration has been shown to improve the accuracy of integration ${ }^{5}$. The 180 K resistance between plate of $V_{1}$ and screen of $\dot{V}_{2}$, bypassed by $2 \mu \mathrm{f}$, gives degeneration at very low frequencies, so that amplifier drift over long periods is reduced.

## Power Supplies

Regulated positive and negative supplies are provided from a separate unit of conventional design. The high voltage supply for the crt, however, comprises a special r-f oscillator (Fig. 9) powered from the $50-\mathrm{cps}$ supply line and employing self-rectification, so that no d-c supply is required. The oscillator tube, a 6 V 6 , acts as its own half-wave power rectifier. Negative voltage may be continuously varied from -2.5 kv to -4 kv by adjustment of the oscillator gridleak resistance.

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FIG. 7-Horizontal deflection amplifier responds only to low-frequency $f_{2 r}$ is directcoupled. Miniature pentodes are used (Brimar 8D3 or 6AK5)


FIG. 8-Vertical deflection amplifier includes an electronic integrator, responds to variable frequency $f_{1}$. Uses same tubes as horizontal amplifier


FIG. 9-Cathode ray tube circuit includes special r-f oscillator (6V6) which supplies continuously variable -2.5 to -4.0 kv high voltage

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## Constant-Current

## Audio Power Amplifiers


#### Abstract

Design procedure and complete circuit of new audio amplifier in which constant-current operation permits use of a form of automatic bias control to counteract effects of tube aging or tube replacment, giving reliability along with high fidelity


THE TRIODE class-A push-pull amplifier is still one of the fundamental types of low-frequency power amplifiers, despite the fact that many other types of power amplifiers are available to the designer.

Getting the most from this amplifier involves more than the simple consideration of power output per dollar of tube cost. In addition to power capability and efficiency, distortion, noise, reliability and maintenance problems should all be taken into account, since all these are vital aspects of the performance of the completed amplifier. This paper discusses two types of class-A triode power amplifiers and analyzes their performance with regard to all these factors.

## Optimum and Constant-Current Amplifiers

There are two fundamental types of class-A triode push-pull operation, one employing high peak currents and low load impedances for optimum operation, and the other employing lower peak currents and much higher load impedances. This distinction does not seem to have been made previously; for lack of better terminology, the two modes of operation are here called optimum operation and constant-current operation.

In optimum operation the plate-to-plate load obeys the familiar relationship $R_{L}=4 r_{p}$. Optimum operation will provide the greatest output that can be obtained with


FIG. 1-Typical characteristics of triodeconnected 807's, with load lines for both types of operation shown for comparison
given tubes and supply voltages, provided the operating conditions do not change with signal. In practice, there is usually a sharp increase in d-c plate current at maximum signal, so that extremely good power-supply regulation is required to maintain operating voltages truly constant. Since power-supply regulation is not usually this good, the conditions for optimum operation are seldom fully realized.

On the other hand, constant-current operation is characterized by little or no change in d-c plate current as the signal goes from zero to maximum. This condition may be obtained by proper proportioning of load resistance and supply voltage. With constant-current operation the variation in power-supply loading will be negligible, and the operating point will remain substantially constant no matter how poor the regulation of the supply may be.

Figure 1 shows the plate characteristics for triode-connected 807's,
to illustrate these points, Load lines are shown for both optimum ( $2,500 \mathrm{ohms}$ ) and constant-current ( 12,000 ohms) conditions. The solid line indicates class- $\mathrm{A}_{1}$ operation, with signal swing up to the gridcurrent point in each case. Class- $\mathrm{A}_{2}$ operation is indicated by the continuation of the load lines up to the +15 -volt grid line. This additional swing represents an increase of 3 db -a factor of two in power.

For optimum operation the peak current is some five times the quiescent current and the d-c plate current at maximum signal will be almost twice that for no signal. (The quiescent point is designated by $Q$ and the peak plate current points by $I$ for class $\mathrm{A}_{2}$ in Fig. 1.) For constant-current operation the peak current is much less, and the total change in d-c plate current can be held to well under 10 percent.

## Comparison of Output

The power output and plate efficiencies for the operating conditions of Fig. 1 are shown in Table I. There is a loss in power of about 40 percent when going from optimum to constant-current operation. The figures for optimum operation can only be fully realized in a system incorporating fixed bias and an electronically-regulated plate supply.

The conventional choke-input power supply may have an effective internal resistance of several hundred ohms. With the increase of plate current with signal which

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is typical of optimum operation, the resulting drop in supply voltage would cut these output power figures by 20 percent hence the difference between optimum and con-stant-current efficiencies is only about 25 percent in practice.

For class-A: operation the efficiency figures for the two modes of operation are not only relatively high (about 63 percent), but remarkably similar.

The principal disadvantages of constant-current operation, as opposed to optimum, are the lower output available from given tubes and, for class- $A_{1}$ operation, the lower efficiency. One of the principal advantages is the fact that power-supply regulation becomes much less of a problem, since the change in plate current from nosignal to full-signal conditions can be well under 10 percent. A higherimpedance, less-expensive power supply can thus be used.

Table I-Comparative Output and Efficiency Values

| Conditions and Load Resistance |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Power } \\ & \text { Output } \\ & \text { in } \\ & \text { Watts } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Percent } \\ & \text { Effl- } \\ & \text { ciency } \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Optimum-2,500ohms, push-pull | $\mathrm{A}_{1}$ | 14.5 | 39 |
|  | $\mathrm{A}_{2}$ | 30 | 65 |
| Constant-current 12,000 ohms push-pull | $\mathrm{A}_{1}$ | 8.5 | 30 |
|  | A.2 | 18 | 62 |

Since the d-c plate current changes so little, it is possible to introduce d-c degeneration into the system to minimize variations in tube operating conditions. Cathode bias is unfeasible for true optimum operation; tube-handbook operating conditions for cathode bias usually show higher plate-to-plate load impedances so as to limit the peak plate current and hence the change in d-c plate current with signal. These figures usually do not go as far as constant-current operation.

If cathode bias is to be used, it is most effective if individual cathode resistors are used for each tube. If this is not done, the operating conditions of one tube are affected by the operating conditions of the other.

## Automatic Balancing

With individually bypassed cathode resistors, bias of each tube is a function of its plate current alone, and is not affected by the other output tubes. By making the amount of this d-c inverse feedback great enough, the effect of a change in perveance or transconductance is significantly reduced. The larger the proportion of the total platecircuit resistance in the cathode, the more degeneration, and hence the smaller the changes in operating conditions with change in tube characteristics.

The result of this is to make the provision of special plate-current balancing arrangements and periodic checks of plate current quite
unnecessary. As an example, in the amplifier described here, using $1,000-\mathrm{ohm}$ cathode resistors for each power tube, a departure from normal current is reduced by about 80 percent. In a tube where plate current would otherwise be high or low by 20 ma , this form of automatic bias control will reduce the error to 4 ma , or a total unbalance of about 4 percent. For tubes more nearly normal this error will be reduced still further.

## Efficiency and Reliability

Class-A operation is the least efficient of all power-amplifier types, and constant-eurrent operation is somewhat less efficient than optimum operation. However, plate-circuit efficiency is, for almost all applications, one of the least important factors in determining an amplifier's utility.

In a typical audio amplifier, the output power represents from onefifth to one-half of the power drawn from the line. The rest of the input power goes to heat filaments and supply power to the driver and preamplifier stages which are part of any audio amplifier system. Unless line power is very expensive, it can make little difference whether a 50 watt amplifier requires 175 watts or 135 watts of line power. Furthermore, where line power is expensive, amplifier reliability is also usually at a premium, and the greater reliability of constant-current class-A operation, due to the lower plate-current demand, may


FIG. 2-Complete circuit of amplifier and its power supply. For unbalanced input either grid may be grounded, as indicated for one grid by dashed line. Amperite timedelay relay keeps high voltage off input capacitor of filter until tubes are drawing current
more than outweigh the greater efficiency of a class-B output stage.

Most engineers will agree that in the present state of the art all good amplifiers sound alike. In fact, amplifier design has progressed to the point where presence, the muchdesired feeling of realism in the performance of a music reproduction system, is mostly a function of the transducers employed. The contribution of the amplifier to the overall distortion of the system can be made essentially negligible.

In effect, absence-the lack of audible indication of the presence of the amplifier-may well be taken as the definition of a good amplifier. The amplifier contribution to system noise and distortion should be so much less than that of any other component that it can be ignored. Once this point has been reached, further improvement will not result in more pleasing sound, however
impressive it may be as an engineering achievement.

Another aspect of absence is reliability. Performance of the sort we require should be achievable with a minimum of maintenancea criterion which is desirable for laboratory work but mandatory for field use. Absence, then, should imply not only the elimination of artificiality or audible distortion in the reproduced program, but absence of maintenance worries as well.

## Specific Amplifier Design

The amplifier circuit presented here was designed with the foregoing criteria firmly in mind. Performance is fully abreast of the present state of the art, but no compromise has been made with longterm reliability. In addition, sufficient flexibility has been built in to accommodate most types of program sources and it will perform
well under a reasonable variety of load impedances.

Figure 2 shows the basic circuit of the amplifier. Push-pull parallel 5881's are used, with the screens connected for ultra-linear operation. The General Radio type 942-A toroidal output transformer provides a suitable winding configuration for the required impedance relationships. Operation is substantially constant-current, with individual 1,000 -ohm resistors in each cathode for d-c degeneration.

Since the output stage is to operate well into the grid-current region, the source of driving voltage must offer a very low resistance. In addition, the usual grid-current problems must be considered.

## Grid-Current Considerations

There are three principal types of grid current which must be considered in a power amplifier. The first
is conduction current, which occurs when the grid is driven positive with respect to the cathode. The second is emission current, either directly from the grid because of high grid temperature, or as secondary emission due to bombardment by electrons from the cathode (and promoted by the deposit of cathode material on the grid as the tube ages). The third is gas current, resulting from positive ions in the tube.

Gas current and emission current may result from improper operation, tube defects or tube aging. These currents are of such a nature as to develop a positive voltage across any resistance appearing in the grid circuit. Such a voltage will reduce the effective bias on the tube, causing higher plate current which in turn causes higher grid current. The vicious circle thus established will generally bring the career of the tube to an abrupt and untimely end. The obvious cure, or at least palliative, for this trouble is to keep the d-c resistance in the grid circuit at an absolute minimum.

Cathode followers as drivers, di-rect-coupled to the output-tube grids, fill this requirement, and at the same time provide a low-impedance source of the current required to drive the output grids positive without peak clipping. The d-c resistance in the grid circuit is very low, being essentially the reciprocal of the cathode-follower transconductance. Further, there is no series coupling capacitor to charge up during peaks and then block the output stage while it discharges through a large grid-return resistor.

Design of the cathode followers is conventional, except in the choice of high-perveance tubes and low operating voltages. These drivers are called upon to deliver a peak current of the order of 40 ma . (As an example, in Fig. 1 the gridcurrent characteristics for con-stant-current operation of 807 's are shown. The peak grid current of 20 ma at +15 volts represents an equivalent shunt resistance of about 750 ohms.) When the output-tube grid goes positive, the path of driver plate-current flow is from the +150 -volt line through the cathode
follower, and thence through the grid-cathode path of the power tube to ground. The high peak value of this current flow calls for fairly good regulation of the +150 -volt line.

The cathode impedance of the drivers must be low, particularly when the 5881's draw grid current. The 12B4's used in this amplifier may be operated at reasonable quiescent current in such a way that the transconductance rises sharply at the point where it is needed.

The peak current capability of the 12 B 4 is about 100 ma , more than twice the 40 ma required. The driver impedance is lowered still further and distortion in the voltage amplifiers minimized by feedback taken to the 12AX7 cathodes.

## Voltage Amplifiers

The remainder of the amplifier is more conventional. The last voltage amplifier stage, uses 6AK6's, triode-connected. These tubes, which have recently been added to the Armed Services Preferred List, are excellent for many audio applications. Hum, noise and microphonics are low, and they are linear both as triodes and as pentodes. In this application they are used as low-mu triodes; they are more linear than any of the miniature dual triodes, and draw only half the heater current ( 150 ma per tube) of the others.

The input stage for the basic amplifier is a 12AX7. Balanced feedback is taken from the voice coil through the cathode-bias resistors to the cathodes, and feedback is also brought from the driver cathodes. Additional feedback is brought from the plates of the output tubes to reduce the amplifier impedance seen by the transformer, and further to reduce the low-frequency distortion. While some phasing is used in these feedback paths, use of feedback over a balanced system eliminates the problems of differential phase shifts encountered when the phase inverter is included in the feedback loop.

About 30 db of feedback is used over the power amplifier, in addition to some 10 db from the drivers. This provides a damping factor of over 100 . The amplifier is stable with feedback for any load imped-
ance, resistive, reactive or opencircuit.

An amplifier which is stable with considerable feedback when connected to a resistive load may oscillate uncontrollably when the load is open-circuited, since under opencircuit conditions the transformer stray reactances may play a rather surprising role. Similarly, the phase shifts which occur when the amplifier is connected to an inductive load, like a loudspeaker, may be such as to produce oscillation. It is therefore a wise precaution to check a completed amplifier by operating it into an open circuit.

The input voltage required to drive the basic amplifier to 50 watts will be of the order of 30 volts grid-to-grid. This is easily supplied by a phase inverter using cascaded long-tailed pairs, with feedback from the output plates to the input cathodes. The net gain of this arrangement is such as to give a sensitivity of about one volt at the amplifier input, although this can be adjusted by changing the feedback in the phase inverter. Either grid may be grounded if the input signal is unbalanced, or both may be used if balanced operation is required. An octal socket is provided in the input circuit so that this may be done without the necessity of wiring changes in the amplifier. Alternatively, a plug-in preamplifier, an input transformer or some other network may be plugged into this socket.

This type of phase inverter represents a definite improvement in reliability over the direct-coupled cathodyne arrangement in general use today. In the direct-coupled configuration the operating points are interdependent, and with tube aging the phase inverter grid may be carried positive, resulting in serious distortion. With the balanced system shown here, wide variations in individual tube characteristics will actually have very little effect.

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Improved-design recording tube gives long storage time despite repeated playbacks. Electron lens between anode and first screen avoids performance limitations of earlier-model tube

# Single-Gun Storage Tube 

Improved recording tubes retain charge up to one week; 27,000 read-outs cause only slight blemish on pattern. Applications may include study of fast transients, improved ppi radar display, frequency conversion, computer storage and trans-Atlantic tv via high-fidelity telephone circuits


FIG. 1-Limitations placed upon earlier-model tube (A) are avoided by electron lens used in improved model

WHERE INFORMATION must be recorded at the rate of one microsecond per bit or faster, mechanical storage methods become impractical and are replaced by electronic devices. The advantage of electron-beam storage devices comes from the rapidity with which a cathode-ray beam can be deflected across a storage target. This storage target is an insulating surface on which a charge may be deposited without affecting adjacent or nearby surfaces. To store coherent information on this surface, either the electron beam is modulated or the characteristics of the storage target varied so that, as the beam is deflected across the target, a meaningful charge pattern will be formed. A storage tube also

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Recording tube finds application both in television and radar. Photograph of monitor tube (left) shows read-out of a stored television picture. Radar ppi display (right) was written continuously for ten minutes. Trails show paths of aircraft

# Writes, Reads and Erases 

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incorporates means for reading-out or retransmitting information contained in the charge pattern.

Examples of such storage tubes are the Graphicon ${ }^{1}$, Radechron ${ }^{2}$, Haeff Memory Tube ${ }^{3}$, and Recording Tube'. These differ basically as to the number of voltage levels that can be stored, magnitude of output, rate at which operations can be performed and number of information elements or bits that can be stored.

Storage devices introduce several new degrees of freedom into a communications system. By their use, a retransmitted signal can be made to differ from the original one in time scale; that is, all frequencies in the signal may be increased or decreased from the original by a given ratio. Also, the time sequence of information can be changed by reading out the recording device in a mode different from that used for writing the information in.

The storage tube shown in the
photograph has been designed to store information accurately for a period in excess of ten minutes and to provide many playbacks without loss of recorded information. It has also been designed to store as many elements or bits as possible and to provide a continuous dynamic recording range.

To obtain repeated playbacks and dynamic range, reading is effected by an electron beam that does not come in direct contact with the stored charge. The beam becomes amplitude modulated by passing through the fine-mesh screen containing the charge pattern. This permits the tube to maintain half tones and to be read an almost unlimited number of times without disturbing stored signals.

To obtain high resolution it was necessary to use a small wellfocused electron beam for writing and reading. A fine-mesh screen having a half dozen or more openings within the area of the electron
spot and a high transmission coefficient also was required.

To obtain high writing and erasing speeds current density in the focused electron spot had to be high. Various compromises, such as between spot size and current density, determined the final design of the tube.

## Tube Performance

The recording tube is especially useful for storing transients and allowing them to be studied for long periods. Recorded waveforms may range in speed from servomechanism response curves requiring seconds or minutes to complete a cycle to one-me r-f oscillations.

Writing speed of the tube is sufficient to permit storage of one frame of a television broadcast or tube voltages may be adjusted to permit cumulative writing for many frames. The photograph at the left shows a television picture stored for five frames and read out
continuously during photographing. The picture has tonal quality and detail comparable to the received television picture. Some definition is often lost during a multiframe exposure because of motion of the camera or picture elements.

## Trans-Atlantic TV

Since reading speed does not influence the tube, pictures may be stored at any rate up to 0.12 microseconds per storage element and read out with either faster or slower sweep. This permits the tube to be used for frequency conversion. For example, a stored signal containing frequencies up to three mc. if read out at $1 / 200$ writing speed, will have a maximum frequency component of $15-\mathrm{kc}$. The $15-\mathrm{kc}$ signal can then be transmitted over high-fidelity telephone circuits and stored on a second recording tube at the receiver. This signal can be read olit at two hundred times writing speed and reconverted to the original three-me signal.

Frequency conversion by timescale exparision has been suggested for trans-Atlantic television using high-fidelity telephone circuits. Received pictures will be stills changing at the rate of one every 10 seconds, but presumably this will not be objectionable to audiences if the pictures are played continuously for the 10 -second period with a steady accompanying commentary.

## Radar Applications

The tube has several applications in connection with radar ppi displays. A ppi display stored for a complete revolution of the antenna will be seen as a picture with uniform brightness, in contrast to the usual display that fades behind the beam trace. If desired, the stored display may be read continuously for a long period of time.

If several complete rotations are stored, moving targets will produce a trace the length of which is proportional to their relative speed. The photograph at the right shows the result of writing a 25 -milerange ppi signal into the storage tube for 10 minutes. The stored signal was read with raster scan and photographed. Paths of aircraft flying in and out of Boston Inter-


Monitor output shows effect of continuous reading. Test pattern (left) is shown after 1,800 read-outs. Same pattern (right) shows bright spot near center after 27,000 consecutive read-outs
national Airport are clearly indicated.

## Retarding Field

An earlier model storage tube is shown in Fig. 1A. This is a magnetically-focused and deflected cathode-ray tube with triode gun designed to give a small focused spot. The electrodes at the front of the tube are the collector-reflector and storage screen. The large potential difference between anode shield and storage screen causes a


FIG. 2-Refractive effects of deceleration field limit anode voltage and deflection angle in earlier-model tube


FIG. 3-Electron beam action during writing ( $\AA$ ) and reading
retarding field. This retarding field is a uniform electric field produced between parallel planes comprising the first screen and storage screen.

The use of a uniform electric field for retarding the beam from anode voltage to storage screen voltage resulted in several design and operational limitations. When, because of scanning deflection, the electron beam enters the retarding field at an angle, the component of beam velocity in the direction of the electric field is less than total beam velocity. This limits maximum useable deflection angle for a given ratio of storage-screen voltage to anode voltage. Figure 2 shows how electron trajectories are affected by the angle of incidence and how the beam is reflected at too high an incidence angle.

## Deceleration Lens

Refractive effects produced by the uniform deceleration field are avoided if the deflected electron beam strikes perpendicular to the first screen. This requires an electron lens between the anode and first screen. If the focal point of this lens is located at the center of deflection of the electron beam and the storage screen located in the corresponding principal plane, the electron beam will strike the first screen perpendicularly for all deflection angles. Such an electron lens is used in the present recording tube shown in Fig. 1B. The required electric field for this lens is produced by lowering the first-screen potential to 300 volts. This electron lens removes previous restrictions on anode voltage and deflection angle and permits operation of the electron gun at anode volt-


FIG. 4-Recording tube electrode potentials for reading, writing and erasing
ages of three or four kv with improved electron-gun performance.

## Writing and Reading

Information is written onto the storage material as shown in Fig. 3A. A signal-modulated electron beam is sent through the storage screen and reflected by negative voltage on the collector-reflector onto the reverse or coated side of the screen. Since, during the writing operation, storage-screen potential is greater than the critical potential of the storage surface, the secondary emission ratio is greater than unity and a positive electric charge is built up dependent upon the current density of the electron beam and its speed of motion across the screen. Since the charge formed is proportional to beam current density, it is possible to vary the quantity of charge from point to point on the scan by modulating this current. The electrode potentials for writing, erasing and reading are diagrammed in Fig. 4.

To read out stored information, storage screen voltage is dropped to such a level as to make uncharged areas of the screen have a negative voltage sufficient to cut off an electron beam aimed at
them. The storage screen is then scanned with a constant-current electron beam. The percentage of beam current passing through an area is proportional to the charge in that area. As shown in Fig. 3B, the collector-reflector now has a positive potential to attract electrons passing through the screen. The signal output is developed across the load resistor in series with the collector. When the read and write scans are in register on the storage surface, the beam reaching the collector will be modulated with a signal proportional to that previously written onto the screen.


FIG. 5-Recording-tube output measuring resolving power showing vertical trace of storage tube ( $A$ ) and a four-toone expansion of part of the trace

The number of elements that can be stored in a storage tube is stated in terms of the tube's resolving power. This can be measured by writing a tv resolving-power chart into the tube and reading the stored image on a monitor. Resolution can then be judged from the monitor picture.

## Measuring Resolution

A more accurate method is to write a single-field constant-intensity raster into the tube using a uniform sawtooth horizontal sweep and an exponential vertical sweep. The resultant stored raster will have horizontal lines compressed at one edge and spread apart at the other. If the tube is read out using a single-line vertical sweep and the output signal displayed on a synchronized oscilloscope, resolving power can accurately be determined by measuring the minimum spacing between adjacent lines showing 50 percent modulation. Recording tube resolution measured in this way gives 200 lines across the screen diameter for 50 percent modulation. This is 400 total lines of alternate white and black as measured on a tv resolving-power chart. Figure 5 illustrates this measurement.

## Half-Tone Shades

The number of half-tone shades that can be distinguished in the output of a storage tube can be determined by using a one-field write of a television raster with a linearly decreasing beam current as the spot scans from the top to the bottom of the screen. The tube is then read out using a single-line vertical trace and the output signal viewed on a synchronized oscilloscope as was done in the resolution test. Oscillograms of the output traces obtained are shown in Fig. 6.

## Writing and Erasing Speed

No accurate method of measuring writing speed has been developed. However, since a single frame of a television picture can be written to 100 percent modulation with 400 -line resolution, maximum writing speed is in excess of 0.12 microsecond per storage element or 48 microseconds per line.

Accurate erasing-speed measurements have not been made. Tests
indicate that the time for total erasure is in the order of 1.5 mi croseconds per storage element.

## Repeat Readings

The tube will retain a stored picture for a period of up to one week with no noticeable deterioration if the tube is turned off during the waiting period.

Repeated readings at the television rate of 30 frames per second were taken on a stored resolution chart. The photograph at the left was taken 1,800 readings after the chart was stored. The unit was then left reading continuously for 15 minutes ( 27,000 readings). The photograph at the right shows the only change is the formation of a light spot near the number 45 . The loss of signal through reading can only be produced by positive ions that are attracted to the negativelycharged storage surface. The erasing effect of positive ions is proportional to reading-beam current and residual gas pressure in the tube. It can be reduced by improving tube vacuum.

## Noise

If noise is defined as any undesired signal, there are two different types of noise that originate in the tube. One type is random noise that comprises both shot noise originating in the electron beam and partition noise caused by the beam passing through the screens. Since the beam current is about 10 microamperes for both reading and writing beams, the theoretical signal-to-noise ratio for this type of noise is very high (of the order of $10^{5}$ ) and this noise is not detectable in the output signal.

The other type of noise is fixedpattern noise, produced by defects


FIG. 6-Recording tube output measuring half-tone shades. White level is shown at ( $A$ ), black level at (C); (B) is a sawtooth signal ranging from black to white
in the storage screen. These defects include plugged holes and enlarged holes occuring in the original mesh used for making the storage screens. These defects are few in number and small and can be eliminated by improving the metalscreen manufacturing technique. The electron spot covers about eight normal screen holes so the mesh of the screen itself is not resolved and produces no additional fixed-pattern noise.

## Integration

Use of storage devices to integrate repetitive signals mixed with random noise and thus improve signal-to-noise ratio has been studied by several investigators. ${ }^{\text {s }}$ An ideal storage device would improve the signal-to-noise ratio by a factor equal to the square root of the number of signal repetitions. This improvement results from the random character of the noise as opposed to the fixed character of


Integration of repeated signals mixed with random noise. Pattern written for one frame (left) is much improved after 20 frames despite one-to-one signal-to-noise ratio
the desired signal. In the recording tube, any signal will build up charge on the storage element but, with repeated integrations, the random characteristics of noise will result in only small differential variations in noise signal across the storage surface. The repetitive signal, on the other hand, will additively build up variations across the storage surface. In reading out the signal from the recording tube, background charge produced by noise can be suppressed by adjusting storage-screen potential so that only residual differential variations in integrated noise appear.

The effect of integration was tested using as a signal a standard television resolving-power chart with superposed random noise frequencies up to 500 kc at approximately unity signal-to-noise ratio. The photograph at the left shows the recording tube output when one frame of this signal was stored. The same figure was then written into the recording tube for 20 successive frames. The photograph at the right shows the noise integration effects that had been predicted.

The recording storage tube is a reliable, compact tube adapted to production. It is presently in pilot production and is being studied for use in commercial and military applications. Design modifications to reduce tube size or to make it a two-gun tube capable of simultaneous reading and writing are feasible if needed. Further development to increase erasing speed is also being considered.

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# Performance of HighOutput Magnetic Tape 

Newest recording tape gives 6 -db greater signal output than standard American tapes, without an increase in noise level. Alternatively, recording equipment designers may use extra gain to boost signal-to-noise level, reduce tape speed or reduce tape track width

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RECENT advances in the formulation of magnetic materials have produced a marked increase in magnetic remanence of the oxide used for magnetic recording tape. This results in a gain of approximately 6 db in signal output over that of standard American tapes. The gain is achieved with no increase in noise level, thereby giving a definite improvement in signal-to-noise ratio.

## Hysteresis Curves

A comparison of the hysteresis curves of the new tape with that of two older tapes shows marked differences in their characteristics, particularly in the remanence values. Figure 1 shows secondquadrant plots of $\mathrm{B}-\mathrm{H}$ as a function of $H$ for the early German type $L$
tape, standard American tape as represented by "Scotch" Brand No. 111 magnetic recording tape, and the new recording tape known as "Scotch" Brand No. 120 high-output tape. The data for these plots were obtained on a 60 -cps hysteresis loop tester operated at a peak field of 1,500 oersteds, which carries the tapes well into saturation.

The remanence value $B_{r}$ may be read from the curves at the point $H=0$. The intrinsic coercivity $H_{i}$ is read from the plots as the value of $H$ at the point where $B-H=0$.

The true coercivity $H_{c}$, which represents the value of the field $H$ where $B=0$, is the more significant term since $H_{\text {tc }}$ is a function of the remanence of the magnetic naterial; $H_{0}$ may be read from the $H$ axis at a point where a line of unit slope intersects the hysteresis
curve. These values are given in Fig. 1 for each of the three curves.
An increase in $H_{c}$ from 50 to 220 oersteds is accompanied, as may be expected, by an increase in remanence from 100 to 500 gausses when the German and standard American tapes are compared. The increase from 500 to 1,100 gausses, although accompanied by a slight increase in the value of $H_{o}$ between the standard high-output American tapes, does not entirely account for the factor of 2.2 increase in $B$. This increase is associated with a fundamental change in the nature of the magnetic material employed.

The output of a tape, at recorded wavelengths which are long compared with the thickness of the magnetic coating, is a function of the a-c bias field, the gap width used in the recording heads and the


FIG. 3-Frequency response curves, recorded at constant current
remanence of the tape. Other factors remaining equal, the tape with the highest remanence value may be expected to have the highest output. At wavelengths which approach the coating thickness of a tape the remanence and coercivity influence the output, other factors remaining fixed. It has generally been assumed that higher-coercivity material forms tape with the better relative high-frequency response.

On the basis of the $B_{r}$ and $H_{0}$ values given in Fig. 1, both the lowfrequency output and the relative high-frequency response should improve as remanence is increased.

## Bias Requirements

If a tape is recorded with a lowfrequency signal of fixed input and the output is studied as a function of the a-c bias current, an optimum value of bias may be selected for the maximum low-f requency ouput. The optimum bias for greatest highfrequency output is somewhat lower than the above value but machine manufacturers do not universally select a compromise current between these two settings. At progressively higher bias currents than the optimum for low frequencies the high-frequency output declines at a more rapid rate than that for the lows. However, at the higher bias values a gain in uniformity of output is obtained. Some manufacturers prefer the uniformity feature and choose to operate at high bias currents.

Figure 2 shows curves of lowfrequency output as a function of bias for the three tape constructions under consideration. While No. 111 and No. 120 tapes peak at nearly the same bias current, type $L$ requires a considerably higher current to reach its maximum.

Figure 3 illustrates the output obtained from the three tapes as a function of frequency under unequalized record and playback conditions. For comparison purposes the record conditions are chosen to be those of optimum bias as selected from the curves of Fig. 4. Constantcurrent recording is used, with the current fixed at that required to give 1 -percent 3 rd harmonic distortion at 400 cps . The playback was measured using flat amplifiers. The
tape speed during the measurements was 7.5 inches per second.

The impregnated type $L$ tape at the lower frequencies has an output about 8 db lower than No. 111, which in turn is about 6 db below that of No. 120. At the higher frequencies, type $L$ output falls off rapidly while the other two tapes maintain essentially constant level differences of 6 db .
The bias currents for type L, No. 111 and No. 120 tapes were chosen as $10.5,8.5$ and 7.6 units on an arbitrary scale. While a somewhat better ratio of high- to low-frequency output may be obtained by a reduction of bias for the type $L$ tape, this will be had partially at the expense of low-frequency output, as may be seen in Fig. 2. The flatter frequency response of the American when compared with the old German tapes may be attributed to the marked increase in coercivity of the latter over type $L$ tapes. The small differences in either $H_{c}$ or $H_{i c}$ for the two American tapes are apparently insignificant in their influence on the frequency response.

## Distortion

As magnetic tapes approach saturation during the recording process, they also approach higher distortion values. In a suitably adjusted recorder which contains neither d-c components of magnetization nor equivalent even-harmonic distortion in the bias field, only odd harmonic components are found in the signal output and the third-harmonic distortion component predominates. For simplicity, the third harmonic may be taken as a good first approximation to the total harmonic distortion.

Figure 4 shows output vs third harmonic distortion at 400 cps for the three tapes. These results were taken at the bias values and tape speed used to obtain the curves of Fig. 3. Within the accuracy of the determination the curves maintain essentially equal output level differences over the distortion range. This shows that each tape approaches saturation with approximately equal grace as far as distortion is concerned.

While exhaustive tests have not been made on layer-to-layer trans-


FIG. 4-Harmonic distortion, showing similarity of curve shapes
fer of signal for the high-output tape, there appears to be no essential difference between the signal-to-print level in the two modern constructions. The time and temperature effects on transfer appear identical, as do the absolute level of both the erased noise and the modulation noise. Signal transfer is apparent more frequently in the new construction than it was in the case of present standard tapes. This is to be expected from the increased recorded flux associated with a given distortion.

The memory effect is a descriptive name for the partial recovery of level in an erased recording when it is subjected to a bias field. All oxides have this memory of prior states of magnetization to varying degrees. Black oxides are the worst offenders in this respect. The degree of memory associated with a properly formulated magnetic material is so small that it can be detected only through the use of filters which pass the frequency used in the test and suppress the major portion of the masking noise spectrum. The new high-output tape has no detectable memory effect under normal conditions.

The new tape does not show a measurable change in erase current requirements as a function of the time a signal has remained recorded. This increase with time in the difficulty of erase has been reported only in the case of certain forms of $\mathrm{Fe}_{3} \mathrm{O}_{4}$.

## General Considerations

High-output tape cannot be expected to exhibit its inherent 6 -db


FIG. 5-Sensitivity plots, showing increased output of new type
higher output on any recording machine without machine alterations. While a portion of the increase may be attributed to a higher recording sensitivity (where sensitivity is expressed as the ratio of output to input), a second portion is due to the fact that the input may be increased somewhat without attaining higher distortion.

Figure 5 shows curves of input vs output for the two modern tapes as determined on a professional type recorder. The bias values were chosen as optimum for each tape. It can be seen that a difference of approximately 4 db in output results at any given value of input.
Figure 6, which shows curves of input plotted as a function of distortion, illustrates the fact that to develop the same degree of distortion in the signal output, No. 120 tape requires a somewhat higher input than No. 111.

Figures 2, 5 and 6 illustrate the necessity for choosing the proper bias and recording levels in order that a given piece of equipment develop the full benefits of highoutput tape.

## Manufacturing Problems

The coercivity of iron oxides and hence the signal output may be enhanced by including minor percentages of impurities in the oxide crystals, introducing physical strains in the crystal lattice, and choosing a crystal habit which exhibits a desirable degree of shape anisotropy. All three means are deliberately employed in the manufacture of oxides commonly used on


FIG. 6-Distortion curves, showing that new tape will take higher input
magnetic tapes made in this country.

In addition to the increase in output which may be associated with increased remanence of American oxides, the frequency response is enhanced, since the ability of a tape to retain magnetization for very short wavelengths generally improves with an increase in coercivity.

## Backing Film

Excellent cellulose acetate film is available in this country and has been used as the supporting backing for the majority of tapes. This permits the use of a magnetic coating containing a high percentage of oxide, to form a magnetically active layer which in itself has a relatively low tensile strength. It is common practice to formulate the coating dispersion with the oxide concentration of from two to four parts of oxide to one part of a resinous binder. This additional oxide loading, taken together with the improved remanence of the oxide, accounts for the increase in signal output of present American over the early German tapes.

Type $L$ tape was made from a calendered film and suffered from the inherent difficulty of caliper variation associated with this process. The best commercial practice in calendering produces films with a thickness tolerance of $\pm 10$ percent. This represents a variation in signal output of $\pm 1 \mathrm{db}$, if the film is made from a magnetic dispersion. This caliper difficulty is reflected in type $L$ tapes where variations of $\pm 1.5 \mathrm{db}$ from
roll to roll were found. Within a roll the output variations were smaller, amounting to $\pm \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{db}$.

Coating techniques developed in this country are consistently producing tapes which vary less than $\pm \frac{1}{} \mathrm{db}$ within a roll and which are uniform from roll to roll to within $\pm \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{db}$. This means the coating thickness is maintained to less than $\pm 0.0000125$ inch within a roll. The better uniformity represents a third improvement of American over early German tapes.

## Tape Speed

The German Magnetophone recorder, using type L tape, had a flat response to 10 kc at a tape speed of 30 inches per second. The minimum recorded wavelength was, therefore, 0.003 inch. Through careful design of machines and by the use of the improved American tapes it is now possible to obtain professional type recordings with a flat response out to 15 kc at a tape speed of only 7.5 inches per second. This requires the tape to maintain wavelengths as short as 0.0005 inch. The economy involved in the lower speed is obvious. It is doubtful if magnetic recording of sound would have achieved a fraction of its present popularity if the 30 -inch-per-second velocity had not been reduced. As an example, satisfactory amateur recordings may now be made at a tape speed of $1 \frac{7}{8}$ inches per second.

## Conclusions

The availability of a tape having an increase in output of approximately 6 db without deterioration in other characteristics should allow additional latitude to designers of magnetic recording equipment. Alternative ways in which the additional output may be employed are: To increase signal-to-noise level in recording equipment; to use narrower recording heads and recorded tape tracks to obtain output comparable with old tapes at a saving of tape area; to reduce tape speed through the use of greater pre-equalization of high frequencies and a lower record level without sacrifice of band width or output level; to design equipment having fewer electronic components.

# A Helical Beam for 



Mounted on relay tower, helical beam can be easily oriented by swivel brackets (shown in rear view on right). Coaxial foed finds natural termination in the helix itself

AHELICAL beam antenna capable of meeting the most rigid commercial requirements in the $450-\mathrm{mc}$ range has been made possible by recent advances in the field of fiberglass moldings. The helical beam, with its circular polarization, possesses added advantages of economy and strength, as well as high gain and bandwidth.

The corner reflector, a simple design, affords 8 to 10 db gain. The yagi has a slightly greater gain but suffers in bandwidth so that ice and snow may reduce its efficiency more than 50 percent. Parabolic antennas have high initial cost and require expensive highstrength towers. The helical beam antenna, now that production has been made practical, has none of these disadvantages.

## Construction

A $16 \times 16$-in. solid aluminum plate (Fig. 1) is used for the ground plate. Molded integrally into a fiberglass radome-type cylindrical housing, the helix consists of a length of $\frac{3}{8}-\mathrm{in}$. copper braid. The radome is molded with a base flange which bolts directly to the ground plate.

A type N coaxial connector mounted at the center of the ground plate acts to terminate the cable and feed the helix. Since the

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radome is sealed and closed on its far end and the flange affords a seal to the aluminum ground plate, the entire configuration is weatherproof. Swivel brackets mounted on the back of the aluminum plate allow for mounting to a tower leg and for orienting the helical beam.

Calculations of the stresses involved under conditions of $100-\mathrm{mph}$
wind velocity and $\frac{1}{2}-\mathrm{in}$. radial ice show that wind loading of the order of 40 pounds is experienced on the radome and the maximum stress on the base fibers of the housing at the flange is about 250 psi. Since the material is capable of stresses of the order of 30,000 psi, the safety factor is considerable.

## Performance

Operation was checked in a helix-to-helix overall system, using iden-


FIG. 1-Six-turn 14-degree pitch helix of $3 / 8$-inch copper braid is molded integrally into cylinder. Base flange of radome bolts to aluminum ground plate

# Citizen's Radio 

With high gain and circular polarization, the helical beam antenna offers good bandwidth and pattern properties, plus good stress and ice loading safety. Radome is sealed and weatherproof. Helix designed at 450 mc stays unidirectional from 390 mc to 600 mc
tical receiving and transmitting helices. Figure 2 shows the measured radiation pattern of the receiving helix under these conditions of circular polarized transmission. Note the extremely smooth pattern and the total lack of any spurious lobes. Since all reflected radiations are of the opposite sense, the receiving helix does not respond to them and the pattern measured is more nearly the free space wave.

The helix configuration is essentially broad band, a property which makes for non-critical operation. To investigate the pattern bandwidth a helix-to-helix circuit was set up and patterns taken from 350 mc through 750 mc . Figure 3 shows the patterns as measured on an automatic polar recorder. Although the design frequency is 450 mc , the pattern stays unidirectional from 390 through 600 mc . Operation remains excellent well below 400 mc , so that this unit will find
application in government services around 410 mc as well as at other frequencies throughout its range.

It is desirable to design for such a pattern as is obtained at 600 mc ;


FIG. 2-Circular polarization of transmission as measured in a nelix-to-helix overall system
however if this were scaled to 450 me the unit would become too bulky for good commercial design. Now that a mechanically suitable design is available its properties could very well be extended to application in the $890-960 \mathrm{mc}$ region also.

## Multiple Helices

Large increases in gain may be had by using several helices arrayed on a common ground plane. Four such elements mounted in a square will provide a nominal increase of 6 db over the single radiator and the assembly does not become unwieldy. A 4-helix array at both ends of the circuit will increase system gain on a repeater unit by 12 db , and still retain all the advantages of circular polarization. Four of the standard helical beam units described may be combined with the necessary ground-plane kit for such service and the feed remains straightforward and broad band.


FIG. 3-Pattern for helix designed at 450 mc stays unidirectional from 390 to 600 mc . Half power beam width at 390 mc is 53 degrees, at 600 mc is 38 degrees, representing a very high-gain mode of operation

# Pulse Generator Has 



Front panel of the instrument showing the various controls for repetition rate, pulse width and amplitude

AT THE REQUEST of the Zoological Department of the University of Cape Town, a stimulus generator was designed and constructed for physiological research. The apparatus produces rectangular pulses with a pulse repetition rate variable from one to $1,000 \mathrm{cps}$. The desired frequency can be set by turning of coarse and fine frequency dials.

Pulse width is variable from one to 100 milliseconds. Variation can again be obtained by setting two dials, the dial settings being additive.

Pulse amplitude is variable from zero to 20 volts. One dial is provided for volts and two dials for millivolts. The two millivolt dials are also additive, when the volt dial is on zero. When the volt dial is used, the millivolt dials are inoperative.

By setting the continuous-double switch, Fig. 1, to Continuous, a continuous series of pulses may be obtained. On DOUBLE, only two pulses are produced when setting the pulse switch to release. The circuit can be made ready for the next set of double pulses by setting this switch to RESET.

Operation of the instrument may be described by referring to the schematic diagram in Fig. 1. It consists essentially of a squarewave generator supplying pulses to an output circuit, via a gating circuit and three multivibrators ( $V_{\mathrm{5}}$, $V_{7}$ and $V_{8}$ ). On continuous pulses, the gate is open and all pulses pass
on to the output of the device.
On double pulses, $V_{5}$ is triggered by a negative signal obtained by differentiation ( $C_{1}$ and $R_{2}$ ) of the first pulse following the operation of the release switch. Tube $V_{5}$ opens the gate immediately via the buffer stage and the next pulse from the generator passes along the direct line through the gate to the output stage. The output pulse is also applied to $V_{7}$. Tubes $V_{7}$ and $V_{8}$ constitute a scale-of-two and switch circuit which close the gate via the buffer stage after exactly two pulses have passed to the output.

Gas triode $V_{1}$ together with its associated components produces a variable-frequency saw-tooth waveform. This signal is applied to the pulse-length modulator $V_{2}$. A rectangular waveform is obtained at $V_{2}$ which can be varied in width by the capacitance range of $C_{2}$, actually consisting of 19 separate capacitors. The positive square pulses are then shaped by $V_{3 \Delta}$ and applied to a cathode follower $V_{\mathrm{sB}}$. At the cathode of $V_{\mathrm{sB}}$, square waves of approximately 30 volts peak-to-peak amplitude are developed.

## Continuous Pulses

Pulses produced by the generator are applied to the gate and multivibrator $V_{5}$ simultaneously. However, $V_{5}, V_{\tau}$ and $V_{8}$ remain inoperative due to the high grid leak resistor ( 100 K ) with the pulse switch open (RESET). With switch $S_{1}$ set to CONTINUOUS, the suppressor grid of
gate tube $V_{10}$ is at ground potential. This tube conducts and the pulses will pass on to the first half of $V_{12}$. The pulses are then inverted and applied to the output cathode follower, second half of $V_{12}$. Amplitude of the output signal is adjustable by means of preset potentiometer $R_{3}$. The attenuators give the required amplitude for the output signal.

With $S_{1}$ open, the gate tube is at cut-off, as its suppressor is at -95 volts because of the current through $V_{8}$. With $S_{2}$ at Release, $V_{5}, V_{7}$ and $V_{s}$ are all in operation. The first pulse after operating the release switch will now trigger $V_{5}$, applying a negative potential to the first grid of $V_{8}$. The decrease of anode current of $V_{0}$ makes the suppressor of $V_{10}$ more positive and the tube again conducts and the gate is open.

The next pulse from the generator now passes through the gate to the output. This output signal is also applied to $V_{T}$. The $V_{7}$ stage, which constitutes a scale-of-two circuit, operates switch $V_{8}$ after exactly two pulses have passed on to the output. The switching multivibrator $V_{\mathrm{s}}$ applies a positive signal to right-hand grid of $V_{0}$, which causes this tube to conduct and to close the gate $V_{10}$ by increasing its suppressor voltage again to about -95 volts.

A neon indicator $V_{13}$ gives a visual indication of the pulses, particularly at the lower pulse repetition rates.

Accuracy of the output attenu-

# Wide Control Range 

Rectangular-shaped pulses, either continuous or in pairs, are provided at repetition rates from one to $1,000 \mathrm{cps}$. Pulse width is variable from one to 100 milliseconds and amplitude is variable from 0 to 20 volts
ator is better than five percent. The pulse-width and frequency settings are only approximate, but as the unit is intended for use in con= junction with an oscilloscope and photographic equipment, external time marks will allow exact determination of pulse width and frequency.

The instrument described is an
attempt at the construction of a relatively inexpensive but versatile stimulus generator which incorporates most of the necessary requirements for use in an electrophysiological laboratory. The number of tubes is relatively small and the operation of the instrument is comparatively simple. The instrument was developed in the Elec-
tronics Section of the South African National Physical Laboratory.

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FIG. 1-Schematic diagram of the rectangular-pulse stimulus generator

## How To Use Mechanical I-F Filters

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Mechanical filter takes less room than most $455-\mathrm{kc}$ L-C filters and gives superior shape factor to i-f response characteristic

THE MECHANICAL FILTER was developed to fill the need for a compact and permanently-tuned bandpass filter at intermediate frequencies. The selectivity characteristic is achieved by means of overcoupled mechanical resonators driven by magnetostriction. Frequency response is characterized by a nearly flat top and steep skirts on both sides of the pass band, as shown by Fig. 1.

Figure 2 shows the functional elements of the mechanical filter. A signal current is fed to the input coil at one end causing the nickel driving wire, in the center of the coil, to expand and contract due to the magnetostrictive effect. The resulting longitudinal vibration drives the first resonant disk. Me-
chanical vibrations are coupled through the six disks by means of three wires acting as springs. At the output end of the filter, the longitudinal motion of the nickel end wire is transformed into an electrical current by the inverse magnetostrictive effect.

The construction details of a complete filter assembly are shown in the photograph. The six center disks comprise a mechanical bandpass network, while those at each end are untuned and function only as rigid supports. Each supporting disk is soldered to a brass tube, which serves as a mounting and shield for the driving coil. Wire leads from the coils are soldered to hermetically sealed feed-through terminals in the base plate, and
small mica capacitors are connected across these coils to provide low-Q resonant circuits at each end of the filter.

The complete assembly is mounted and sealed in a brass case 1
 inches long. In application, the filter is connected directly to the plate and grid circuits of tubes.

## Characteristics

Magnetostrictively-driven mechanical filters have several advantages over their electrical equivalents. In the region from 100 to 500 kc , the mechanical elements used are extremely small and it is possible to construct filters having better selectivity characteristics than the best of conventional i-f

# Rugged fix-tuned interstage coupling units provide steep-skirt selectivity for intermediatefrequency amplifiers used in communications receivers, and in ssb transmitters for eliminating undesired sideband from low-frequency dsb signal 

systems in less than the space required by a single i-f transformer.

Since mechanical elements with Q's of 2,000 and over are easily obtainable, it is possible to construct filters of extremely narrow bandwidth with characteristics following the theory for lossless elements. This allows filter designs which are unattainable with electrical elements because of their relatively high losses.

A third advantage, that is not immediately apparent, lies in the permanence of the tuning adjustments. Once the various mechanical elements have been constructed, the filter frequency characteristics are permanent and no subsequent trimming is required or is possible. While this makes the initial design difficult in many ways, it removes the usual difficulties with malfunctioning of equipment due to improper trimmer adjustment, coil aging, humidity and other detuning effects. The latter may eventually become the most important characteristic since it has the effect of reducing servicing complexity of already overly complex electronic equipment.

## Filter Elements

The mechanical filter bandpass system is composed of metal disks and wires. The disks function as high-Q resonators, while the wires provide coupling between disks and function as magnetostrictive transducers at the terminations of the filter.

Two normal vibration modes of a single disk are illustrated in the photographs. The mode with two rings has been selected for most of the filter work, while the other is a


Lycopodium powder shows desired mode used in mechanizal filter


Spurious mode appears close in frequency to desired mode


FIG. 1-Frequency response of three different mechanical filter designs described in text
spurious mode appearing relatively close in frequency to the desired mode.

The patterns shown were obtained by burnishing the surface of a disk and sprinkling it with lycopodium powder. The disk is driven with a nickel wire excited by magnetostriction. The resulting vibration caused particles to collect at the nodes; thus the pattern showing two rings indicates that the disk in vibrating with two nodal rings and with both the center and the outside edge moving at high velocity. Similarly, the other pattern shows a mode involving one nodal ring and crossed nodal lines.

An analysis of the vibration of a circular plate shows that an infinite set of different vibration modes exists. These are in general not harmonically related but frequently two will appear rather close together in frequency ${ }^{1}$. The major problems in the design of this type of resonator are first, the selection of a desirable mode of vibration, that is, one well separated from all others, and second, the selection of a thickness-to-diameter ratio such that spurious modes are still further removed. Analysis of thin plates shows that the frequency of the two-ring mode varies inversely as the square of the diameter and directly as the thickness. It has been found experimentally that this relation holds approximately for the relatively thick disk used.

In the mechanical filter assembly, the disk resonator functions as an essentially lossless element. The material selected for disks is a nickel-iron alloy with high $Q$ and zero thermoelastic coefficient. The high $Q$ of a disk is illustrated by the


FIG. 2-Components of six-disk mechanical filter


FIG. 3-Single disk resonance curve is down 3 db at 44 cycles
resonance curve of Fig. 3. This curve has a center frequency of 455.2 kc and a half-power bandwidth of 44 cycles. The value of Q calculated from the fractional bandwidth is 10,400 .

Mechanical coupling in the filter is provided by three nickel wires welded to the peripheries of disk resonators. These wires function as springs connected between disks. Nickel was selected for use in coupling elements since it gives the desired degree of coupling with a convenient wire size and is easily welded to the disks. The relatively low $Q$ of nickel is not a serious detriment since losses in the coupling elements have a small effect compared with losses in disk resonators.

Commercially pure nickel wire has been found to be an excellent transducer material for use at the filter terminations. It has an inherent $Q$ of the order of 50 , controllable by heat treatment and magnetization. Many steel alloys have magnetostrictive properties,


FIG. 4-Single disk filter and electrical analogue


FIG. 5-Six-disk filter and electrical analogue
but in general they have rather high effective Q's. This makes them undesirable as transducers since added frictional losses are required for proper matching of the filter. Transmission losses using nickel transducers depend on the nature of the driving coils. These coils may be constructed for resonant electrical impedances that vary from a few hundred ohms to 50,000 ohms or higher. The higher impedance coils result in somewhat greater transmission losses because of the lower concentration of flux in the driving wires. Optimum magnetic biasing fields exist for the transducers, but are quite broad. The location of the optimum can be obtained by differentiation of published curves on the relative length versus field strength for nickel.

## Analysis and Design

In analyzing the mechanical filter, it has been found convenient to use an electrical analogue for the mechanical vibrating system. The


FIG. 6-Calculated frequency response of electrical analogue compared with measured frequency response of a mechanical filter


FIG. 7-Mechanical filter overload characteristic at 455 kc
electrical circuit is obtained by using the mechanical-electrical analogy, where velocity is equivalent to current and force is equivalent to voltage. Also, damping is equivalent to resistance, mass to inductance, and stiffness to elastance. In the following paragraphs some considerations involved in filter analysis and design are discussed for a single-disk filter and for a multidisk filter.

A single-disk mechanical filter and its electrical analogue are shown in Fig. 4. The driving wires at each end of the filter are tuned to antiresonance and correspond to two parallel tuned circuits in the electrical analogue. The disk resonator is equivalent to a series resonant circuit joining the two parallel resonant circuits. Energy loss and transfers in the end elements are represented by resistances in the parallel circuits. The Q of these parallel circuits is sufficiently low so that, in the frequency range of the filter, they may be represented by the resistors $R_{t}$. If
the output current of the electrical analogue is measured with a constant current source applied to the input, a single resonant peak is obtained.
The fractional bandwidth of the peak is determined by the ratio of the terminating impedance to the series resonant impedance. Similarly in the mechanical filter ( $\Delta f / f_{0}=2 R_{t} / \omega_{0} L_{s}$ ), bandwidth is determined by the ratio of the impedance of the terminating wires to the disk impedance. Here, mechanical impedance is defined as the ratio of force to velocity.

The bandwidth of single-disk filters can be adjusted by varying the radial position of the transducer wires on the disk. Observation of the vibration pattern indicates that high velocities exist at the center of the disk with a zero velocity region occurring at the first nodal ring. Therefore, the bandwidth of a single-disk filter using specified disks and end wires will be a maximum with the wire attached at the center and will decrease towards zero as the wire is moved out towards the first nodal ring.

A second method of adjusting bandwidth is to vary the cross-sectional area of the end wires. The vibration equations of this wire or rod are analogous to those for an electrical transmission line with velocity taking the place of current and force that of voltage. The equations indicate that the characteristic impedance varies directly as the cross-sectional area of the rod and, therefore, that the antiresonant impedance of a length of line some odd multiple of $\frac{1}{4}$ wavelength varies directly as the area.

Figure 5 shows a six-disk filter and its electrical analogue. As in the case of the single-disk filter, end wires are equivalent to parallel resonant circuits, and disks to series resonant elements. One new element has been added in the form of bottom capacitance coupling. These capacitors are the electrical analogues for coupling wires less than $\frac{1}{8}$ wavelength long, welded in place between successive disks. The portion of the wires between disks represents the mechanical equivalent of a short transmission line, or a capacitance. In designing filters with two or more
disks, the cross-sectional areas of both driving wires and coupling wires are adjusted to control bandwidth.

The calculated frequency response of the electrical circuit is compared with the measured response of a mechanical filter in Fig. 6. The curves correspond very closely except near the edges of the pass band, where the measured response is less than the calculated value due to losses in resonators and coupling elements.

## Performance

The performance characteristics of a six-disk mechanical filter are summarized in Table 1. This filter
coils, with a resulting transmission loss of 15 db or less. This loss can be offset easily by one stage of amplification.

The overload input voltage level, listed in the table, is the value of input voltage at which the filter saturates. The effect of saturation is illustrated in Fig. 7. This curve shows the filter output voltage measured as a function of input voltage at 455 kc . The curve is nearly linear from 0 to 10 volts, while the knee occurs at approximately 15 volts. To determine the effect of overload on frequency response, the output voltage was measured as a function of frequency with input voltages ranging


FIG. 8-Spurious response of mechanical filter. Different modes are indicated in circles
has been designed to have a $6-\mathrm{db}$ bandwidth of 3.10 kc with a center frequency of 455 kc . The peak-tovalley ratio in the pass band is less than 3 db . The shape factor of the filter response is defined as the ratio of bandwidth measured 60 db below the highest peak to bandwidth at $6-\mathrm{db}$ attenuation. The present filter has a shape factor of less than 2.25 to 1. Improvements approaching a 2 to 1 shape factor should be obtainable by further refinement of the design. The low value of shape factor achieved with mechanical filters permits unusually high rejection of adjacent channel signals in communications receivers.

Transmission loss measured on present filters is less than 26 db . Design improvements on future models will permit tighter coupling between filter driving wires and
from 0.5 to 300 volts rms. No change was observed in the response at these levels. These measurements indicate that the mechanical filter will be suitable for use in receiver i-f strips and similar low-level applications.

## Spurious Responses

The spurious responses occurring in the frequency range of a filter are plotted in Fig. 8. The major peaks are a result of disk vibration modes other than the two-ring mode discussed above. Normal vibration patterns are illustrated on the top of the graph at their respective frequencies. The rings and diameters indicate positions of nulls in the vibration pattern. A provision has been made in this filter design to reduce the spurious amplitudes by drilling a hole in the center of each
end disk. This has the effect of reducing the frequencies of the three spurious modes shown in Fig. 8, with a consequent decrease of about 20 db in the amplitude of undesired filter responses. Also, the hole drilled in each end disk reduces the mechanical disk impedance to about half the original value, thereby providing half-section terminations for the filter and decreasing the peak-to-valley ratio in the pass band.

The delay characteristic of a mechanical filter is shown in Fig. 9, together with amplitude response. The time delay varies from $\frac{1}{2}$ millisecond to 1 millisecond in the pass band. Two large peaks occur near the edges of the band and a small peak near the center. The dissymetry of the characteristic is caused by a slight mistuning of filter elements.

## Service Tests

Tests have been made to determine the filter operating characteristics under a variety of service conditions. Since no trimming adjustments are required, the case is hermetically sealed, and no difficulty is expected due to high humidity. The effects of temperature variation are illustrated in Fig. 10. The major change is an increase in peak-to-valley ratio at temperature extremes, as a result of the detuning of filter end wires. The ratio approaches a maximum of 6 db at -30 C and 80 C . The frequency of peaks on the response curve shifted a negligible amount.

To determine the effects of vibration, a filter was subjected to the vibration test in the Army-Navy Specification, AN-E-19. During the test, a $455-\mathrm{kc}$ carrier was fed through the filter to a low frequency receiver. This permitted the detection of any modulation resulting from vibration. No mechanical resonances were observed and no modulation was detected in the range from 10 cps to 55 cps . Response curves measured before and after each test indicated that the filter had suffered no damage.

The service tests described above indicate that mechanical filters will be satisfactory for most commercial applications. It is expected that they will satisfy military require-


FIG. 9-Amplitude response and delay time of a six-disk mechanical filter

## Table I-

Performance Characteristics of Six-Disk Mechanical I-F Filter

| Operating Frequency | 455 kc |
| :---: | :---: |
| Bandwidth at 6 db | $3.10 \mathrm{kc} \pm 0.25 \mathrm{kc}$ |
| Peak-to-Valley Ratio | Less than 3 db |
| Shape Factor <br> ( 6 db to 60 db ) | Less than 2.25 |
| Transmission Loss | Less than 26 db |
| Overload Input Voltage Level | 15 volts |
| Operating Temperature Range | -30 C to 80 C |
| Vibration-Satisfies t Army-Navy Specific | e Requirements of tion AN-E-19 |
| Case Size | $1^{\prime \prime} \times \frac{\frac{15}{16}}{2 \frac{13^{\prime \prime}}{16}} \times$ |
| Input and Output Impedance | 6,500 ohms |



FIG. 10-Curves show temperature de. pendence of mechanical filters
ments when provided with suitable temperature compensation.

Experimental filters with bandwidths ranging from 800 cycles to 8 kc have been construced at 455 kc and it has been found that, as expected, essentially scaled reproductions of the curves of Fig. 1 are obtained regardless of bandwith when the same number of resonant elements are used. The parameters limiting the bandwidth range for the present design are the practical limits on the size of coupling and driving wires on the narrow end of the scale and the limits on achievable bandwidths of terminating wires in the wide-band direction.

It is believed that a reasonable range of center frequencies lies between 100 kc and 1 mc . The limitation on the lower end lies largely in the size of the elements and on the high end in the precision required for very small elements.

## Applications

Filters of various bandwidths have been installed on an experimental basis in the i-f systems of several communication receivers by replacing the first i-f transformer following the mixer by the filter and substituting broad-band circuits for the subsequent i-f transformers.

The $3.10-\mathrm{kc}$ bandwidth filter was found to be useful for ssb reception of a-m signals, allowing a choice of sidebands and consequent reduction of interference. From the curve of Fig. 1, it is observed that, with the carrier placed at 453.5 kc , signals at 453.0 will be rejected by 20 db . At 452.5 they are down 35 db , thus allowing fairly complete rejection of the unwanted sideband.

A second application lies in the field of ssb generation. Assuming a lower limit of 400 cycles in the modulating spectrum, carrier suppression would be 17 db and the lowest frequency component of the other sideband down 29 db , with the higher frequency components suppressed still further. These figures are for a single unit and two cascaded units would provide appreciable improvement.

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## Recording Photometer

# Provides Log Response 


#### Abstract

Instrument provides continuous measurement from $10^{-3}$ to $10^{3}$ microlamberts. Intensity recordings are made on recording milliammeter. Two-tube circuit corrects high-intensity


response without range switching. Phototube is protected from injury

LIGHT measurements over a wide Irange of intensities require an instrument that can be varied to suit the particular level at which the measurement is to be made. Phototube photometers that use a manually-operated switch present a disadvantage if many positions are needed to cover the required range.

Feedback circuits have been employed in photometers using multiplier phototubes. ${ }^{1}$ However, certain design features have limited their use in direct measurements in wide-range problems such as time versus brightness measurements on phosphorescent materials, monitoring light sources and experiments wherein an extreme brightness range is encountered.

For many purposes it is desirable to have a true logarithmic response over an intensity range of $10^{-6}$ to 1 or greater. However, scale compression can reach a point where accurate readings are difficult and instrument stability is affected by forcing the dynode voltage of the multiplier phototubes to values for which the tubes were never designed.

The photometer to be described has a true logarithmic scale covering six cycles, which is adequate for most work from very low to medium light intensities. By addition of neutral filters, the photometer may be used from medium to very high intensities without appreciable fatigue of the multiplier phototube. The additional convenience of re-

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cording fluctuations on a strip-chart recorder makes the instrument valuable in either experimental or control work. For example, much time can be saved in decay measurements of phosphors having relatively long glow periods.

## Photometer Circuit

A schematic diagram of the complete circuit is given in Fig. 1. The dynode supply is a voltage doubler
using an ordinary power transformer with resistors inserted in the 816 filament leads so that both spare windings may be used. A full-wave power supply furnishes voltage for the bucking and compensating circuits. A voltage divider across the filter output consists of an OA3 and OD3 that also serve as voltage regulators.

The 807 control tube for the dynode voltage regulator has its grid coupled to the output of the type 1P21 or 1P22 multiplier phototube. Total dynode voltage for an average phototube may vary from 175 to nearly 1,100 volts under operating conditions. An OA3 in the


Complete photometer showing phototube pickup, control panel and recording milliammeter


FIG. I-Schematic diagram shows complete photometer circuit
cathode circuit of the 807 is held in operation through $R_{1}$ from the positive terminal of the full-wave power supply. This tube fixes the anode voltage on the multiplier phototube at slightly less than 75 volts when only dark current is flowing through load resistor $R_{2}$. As the phototube anode current increases, there is a reduction of several volts from this value but anode characteristics of the 1P21 and 1P22 tubes show that operation somewhat below 75 volts is permissible.

## Circuit Design

The network containing the stripchart recorder is presented in rudi-


Top view of control chassis
mentary form in Fig. 2, where $E_{\theta}=$ voltage across dynodes, $E_{b}=$ bucking potential, $E_{p}=$ compensating potential, $R_{1}=$ dynode input resistance, $R_{2}$ and $R_{3}$ are dropping resistors.

For full deflection of the recorder: $E_{c}=150$ volts (approximately), $E_{p}=75$ volts, $I=1 \mathrm{ma}$ and $I R=1.4$ volts.

For no deflection (null balance) : $E_{0}=820$ volts (approximately), $E_{p}=75$ volts, $I=0$ and $I R=0$.

With a value of $83,000 \mathrm{ohms}$ assigned to $R_{3}$ and an arbitrary value of 4.4 volts given to $E_{b}$, it was found possible to effect a solution whereby $R_{1}=330,000$ ohms and $R_{2}=1,220$ ohms.

From these values a tentative circuit was set up and minor adjustments made until reasonably good meter performance was noted as the dynode voltage was varied from about 150 to approximately 1,000 volts. The final circuit is shown in Fig. 3 where the voltage $E_{b}$ is supplied by an $I R$ drop from the OD3 with suitable divider resistors. For additional control and final balancing, several small rheostats were added to the basic circuit. These are shown in Fig. 1.

With the feedback circuit connected to the circuit of Fig. 3, the voltage curve from darkness to direct measurement of a screen brightness of 0.5 microlambert, (Fig. 4) was found essentially linear for phototubes having high saturation characteristics. This gave linearity for a range somewhat less than 1,000 to 1 and it was found necessary to add a correcting circuit to compensate for nonlinearity at low dynode voltages.

Two 6AG7's were inserted in the circuit in such a way that they would automatically become operative as the dynode voltage became less negative. By proper adjustment of grid potentiometers $P_{1}$ and


FIG. 2-Rudimentary null-balance circuit
$P_{s}$, any two points along the curve could be chosen and the instrument corrected at these points. In Fig. 5 is shown the basic circuit for such a corrector tube. As each tube conducts a certain amount of cathode current is introduced in the circuit causing an increase in positive voltage $E_{b}$. The magnitude of current in each tube is controlled by rheostats $P_{5}$ and $P_{6}$ shown in Fig. 1.

## Adjustment and Operation

The problem of getting a light source of sufficiently wide range is the most difficult part of calibration. A long optical bench with a set of neutral filters may be used and two or three small lamps with fixed levels of brightness can be of value in checking the calibration. The instrument can ordinarily be operated to low intensities and dark-current fluctuations in the multiplier phototube may be observed on the recorder chart.

Zero-trace adjustments are made with the phototube shutter closed. Potentiometers $P_{1}$ and $P_{z}$ are turned fully counterclockwise; all other controls are set near midpoint; and switch $S_{1}$ is open. Rheostats $P_{3}$ and $P_{7}$ control the balancing circuits; $P_{\gamma}$ is adjusted so that the recorder trace can easily be set to zero by $P_{3}$. If this is impossible, the multiplier phototube has an exceptionally high dark current and may not be satisfactory.

It is best to run a tentative calibration on the instrument before adjusting shunt rheostat $P_{8}$ or cutting in the 6AG7 corrector tubes. When a brightness vs deflection curve is plotted on semilog paper, the plot will be essentially straight over nearly three cycles with a curvature at about half scale. In this region, $P_{8}$ is effective and the


FIG. 3-Null-balance circuit using cal. culated values
deflection may be adjusted to some desired value. This is illustrater as point $A$ on the graph of Fig. 6.

If the instrument is allowed to go without correction to higher brightness values, the line in Fig. 6 will tend to curve upwards from point A. When $S_{1}$ is closed and $P_{1}$ in the grid circuit of the first 6AG7 adjusted, the curve can be pulled into a straight line up to a point $B$ on the graph. This may require resetting cathode rheostat $P_{\mathrm{n}}$ to produce proper deflection on the recorder


FIG. 4-Dynode voltage-light intensity characteristic for phototube


FIG. 5-Basic correcting circuit for high. intensity response
but an appreciable change in deflection should be noticed while adjusting either $P_{1}$ or $P_{5}$. Potentiometer $P_{1}$ is used chiefly to vary the point of cut-in for the 6AG7 while $P_{5}$ controls the magnitude of correcting current added to the network.

When higher brightness values are reached, the upper portion of the curve can be straightened by


FIG. 6-Photometer calibration curve showing correction points. Broken curve holds when filter is used
setting $P_{\mathrm{z}}$ and $P_{6}$ controlling the second 6AG7. The effects of both corrector tubes may be varied somewhat by $P_{4}$, which is introduced to compensate for variation in current characteristics of multiplier phototubes.

## Sensitivity and Stability

Tests show that the photometer holds calibration remarkably well and the performance of the whole circuit is limited only by the stability of the phototube. Noise effects in a multiplier tube, ordinarily very noticeable in linear photometers, are not as pronounced in a feedback circuit. Most effects noticed are due to phototube fatigue and the fact that normal dark current changes slightly after the tube is subjected to appreciable light. Fatigue effects tend, however, to be minimized by the fact that total dynode voltage is automatically reduced when the phototube is exposed to light.

When used with a strip-chart recorder, response of the instrument is limited to 0.5 sec . Nevertheless, with suitable designing and use of a synchroscope, it should be possible to record light flashes of only a few microseconds duration.

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## Television Receiver

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THE choice of the agc system installed in a tv receiver is often a compromise between cost and the importance of particular operational features. It does not necessarily follow that the more economical design is less desirable from a functional point of view. In some instances, the average age system, which involves the least cost, might be preferred over some more expensive circuits. To determine an optimum design a thorough understanding of the agc mechanism is essential.

## Average AGC System

The simplest and most inexpensive agc circuit is shown in Fig. 1A with the video detector peaking network included for completeness. The value of $R_{1}$, the detector load resistor, is usually about 4,000 ohms. Instantaneous voltages, $e_{A}$ and $e_{3}$, for both a white picture and a black picture are shown in Fig. 1 B on a horizontal line basis.

The age voltage will be a function of picture content as well as of signal strength. Furthermore, even with the blackest picture content, average agc voltage will be less than the sync peak voltage, limiting the capability of this circuit to produce substantial amounts of negative voltage. This means that the receiver will be more susceptible to overloading in very strong signal areas, particularly if white picture material is being transmitted.

Since the developed age voltage will vary also according to the transmitted scene light background, the proper gamma of the picture may not be reproduced.

The noise immunity of this agc system is excellent. Practically all impulse noise disturbances result in


FIG. 1-Average agc circuit (A) and pre-war peak agc circuit (C) with graphs of instantaneous voltages
sharp spikes which may attain considerable peak amplitudes but are relatively widely spaced and sporadic when observed at the video detector output. The interposition of the integrating network, $R_{2}$ and $C_{2}$, between this point and the agc voltage output results in an averaging out of the noise, minimizing the effects of the high, intermittent noise peaks.

Values selected for $R_{z}$ and $C_{\varepsilon}$ are of considerable importance. The $R_{2}-C_{2}$ time constant should be of the order of 0.1 sec . This large constant is necessary because the vertical blanking and sync pulses introduce a 60 cps component which if not filtered out adequately results in more instantaneous age voltage during the vertical sync time. The effect of this would be to depress the vertical sync pulse making it more difficult for the sync circuits and other sections of the receiver to operate properly.
The necessary employment of a large $R_{r}-C_{2}$ time constant results in a slow acting system with age voltage unable to follow rapid fluctuations of input signal levels. This is most dramatically observed in the airplane flutter effect. A faster acting agc system would also tend to correct partially for low-frequency distortions appearing in the signal at the video detector.

To insure further impulse noise immunity the possible situation where a noise peak might cause grid
current to flow in one or more of the age controlled tubes should be considered. In this case it is highly desirable that the agc source impedance have minimum resistance and maximum capacitance for a given time constant. Although slightly costlier, an $R_{3}$ of 100,000 ohms and a $C_{2}$ of $1, f$ is to be preferred over the frequently used 1 megohm and $0.1-\mu \mathrm{f}$ values.

The design considerations for $R_{2}$ and $C_{3}$ are not unique to the average agc system but are equally applicable to all agc systems where vertical pulses in the transmitted television signal may contribute $60-\mathrm{cps}$ components to the agc output.

In weak signal areas where overload is no problem and where noise immunity is vital, an average agc system involving only two additional components may outperform costlier systems.

## Peak AGC System

A pre-war peak agc circuit is shown in Fig. 1C, with graph of instantaneous voltages, $e_{A}$ and $e_{B}$ in 1D. In this circuit $R_{2}$ was 27,000 ohms and $C_{2}$ was $0.05 \mu \mathrm{f}$, giving a time constant of about 20 horizontal lines. An additional RC low pass filter, not shown in the circuit, of much faster time constant value served as additional isolation in order to prevent remanent i-f energy from getting back into the i-f amplifier tubes. Loading across the secondary of the final i-f ampli-

# AGC Systems 


#### Abstract

Operating characteristics of seven gain control circuits currently being used in tv receivers. Design factors important in obtaining the most efficient circuit together with noise immunity and protection against overload are described on the basis of field and production experience


fier double tuned circuit introduced by the agc circuit is $R_{2} / 2 \times$ diode efficiency.

Although the $R_{2}-C_{2}$ time constant is long enough to peak-detect at the horizontal sync repetition rate, it is not long enough to prevent relative depression of the vertical sync pulse'. Furthermore, large amplitude impulse noise pulses may charge $C_{z}$ to negative values approaching the peaks of the noise pulses. This undesirable voltage will hang on until discharged through the $R_{i v}-C_{2}$ loop, tending to cut off receiver operation during this interval. The use of a larger $R_{v}-C_{z}$ time constant will result in worse noise performance but improved vertical sync reproduction.

A practical approach to this dilemma has resulted in the compromise peak age circuit shown in Fig. 2 which has found wide acceptance in current television receivers. The $R_{1}-C_{1}$ time constant is somewhat longer than one horizontal line, common values being 680,000 ohms and 120 m.f. Design considerations discussed in the average age circuit apply to $R_{z}$ and $C_{3}$. In the circuit shown a shunt type age diode is employed making for a neater design with a single tuned final i-f amplifier load. In this case, the loading introduced by the age circuit across the tuned circuit is $R_{1} / 3 \times$ diode efficiency.

Since a fast $R_{1}-C_{1}$ time constant is employed, this is not a truly peak age system, there being some decay of negative voltage from $C_{1}$ through $R_{-}-C_{1}$ between horizontal syne pulses. There is, however, a significant improvement in noise immunity over the peak age system since the undesirable voltages built up across $C_{1}$ by high noise peaks decay rapidly.

This double time constant principle has been used with great success to improve noise immunity in the imput of sync separator circuits. Field tests have shown that the compromise age circuit is still well behind the simple average agc system in noise immunity where high noise pulse and weak signal conditions are encountered.

## AGC Amplification System

In this system, an agc voltage is obtained by rectification of either the picture carrier or the video modulation with its d-c component intact. This voltage is fed to a d-c amplifier and then applied to the age controlled tubes giving extremely flat output versus input signal characteristics.

The major design difficulty is in selection of d-c amplifier supply voltages. Since the output voltage of the amplifier must be referenced with respect to ground it is common to return its cathode to a negative supply voltage and its resistive plate load either to ground or to a slightly negative or positive potential. The choice of suitable supply and bias values to insure about -0.5 volt output for quiescent operation (zero input signal) and increasingly negative output for increasing signal input levels depends upon the ingenuity of the designer. Several different conditions of oper-


FIG. 2-Diagram of widely used com. promise peak age circuit
ation have been successfully used in the past.

As with most d-c amplifiers, proper and reliable operation is critical with respect to changes of supply and bias voltages and must be considered carefully in the design. Regeneration within the closed agc loop must be watched due to the increased system gain and additional phase shifts. Also, there is a trend in current receiver design practice away from the use of negative supply voltages.

A special type of agc amplification referred to as keyed age has been adopted by a number of companies. This circuit, shown in Fig. 3 A , has a flat output versus input characteristic, is highly noise immune for both the agc and video output, is not critical with respect to supply voltages, does not require a negative voltage solurce, and supplies a fast acting age voltage.
The 300 to 350 -volt peak platekeying pulse may be either series fed as shown, or shunt fed. Since a pentode is used as the keyed agc tube considerable amplification is obtained and proper operation is not critically dependent on the keying pulse amplitude. Common values of $R_{2}$ and $C_{2}$ are 100,000 ohms and $0.5 \mu \mathrm{f}$. $R_{8}-C_{8}$ form an additional filter to prevent a residual amount of horizontal frequency energy from getting back into the agc bus. This time constant must be made as high as possible, consistent with obtaining sufficient filtering action, to prevent the additional phase shift at low frequencies from causing overall agc regeneration.

The circuit may be analyzed by considering the dynamic transfer characteristics of tubes $V_{1}$ and $V_{2}$, shown in Fig. 3B. As a simplifica-
tion in the analysis, a very high $g_{m}$ from cutofl on is assumed for $V$. and $e_{s c}^{\prime}$ is of such value to result in a 5 -v grid to cathode cutoff characteristic of $V_{2}$. In this case $e_{s c}$ is considered to be 125 volts.

With no signal applied to the grid of $V_{l}$, about 6 ma quiescent $i_{p}$ current flows through its 5,000 -ohm plate load, resulting in -30 v applied between $V_{g}$ grid and cathode. Since $V_{2}$ is cut off with or without the keying pulse, no $i_{p}^{\prime}$ current flows, and no agc voltage is developed. No $i_{p}$ current will flow until $e_{\text {, }}$ becomes instantaneously negative enough to reduce $i_{p}$ to 1 ma coincident with the plate keying pulse. As soon as $i_{p}^{\prime}$ starts to flow it will produce enough agc voltage due to the high $g_{m}$ of $V_{2}$ to prevent the incoming signal at $e_{g}$ from reducing $i_{\mu}$ any further.

If $i_{p}$ were reduced below 1 ma coincident with the plate keying pulse, excess age voltage would be developed reducing $e_{g}$, and resulting in increased $i_{p}$. If $i_{p}$ were increased
above 1 ma during the keying pulse interval, the age tube would be cut off and the age voltage would decrease, increasing $e_{g}$ and decreasing $i_{p}$. Thus, the horizontal sync tips are held at the 1-ma $i_{p}$ point of $V_{1}$ as indicated by $X$ in Fig. 3B.

It is simple to obtain quantitative and qualitative results with varying parameters. Consider the following:
(A) Lowering the $V_{1}$ screen voltage.

The dynamic transfer characteristic for $e_{s c}=100$ volts is shown in Fig. 3B. Since the 1-ma $i_{y}$ criterion has not been changed, the horizontal sync tips are held at $Y$. Signal to noise ratio and sync compression at the video amplifier output are practically unchanged. The video detector output level is reduced as is the video amplifier output level.
(B) Reducing the 5,000 -ohm $V_{1}$ plate load (or tapping down to $\frac{1}{2}$ of the 5,000 -ohm load for age feed). Since 5 volts across $2,500 \mathrm{ohms}$, or $i_{p}$ equal to 2 ma , becomes the snyc


FIG. 3-Keyed agc system (A) and analysis of circuit operation (B)
peak equilibrium position, the peaks are held at $Z$, resulting in reduced sync compression and worse signal to noise ratio at the output of $V_{1}$. There is also some reduction in video detector and video amplifier output levels.
(C) Raising $V_{2}$ screen voltage.

Assuming $V_{2}$ cutoff now occurs at +130 v , a 10 -v drop across the 5,000 ohms, or an $i_{p}$ of 2 ma determines the equilibrium position. The results are therefore similar in all respects to case $B$ above.
(D) Adding a resistor (270,000 ohms) from $V_{2}$ grid to ground.

Approximately 0.5 ma of current now flows through the 5,000 -ohm $V_{1}$ plate load resistor in the same direction as $i_{p}$ due to the bleeding resistor. When $V_{1}$ draws an additional 0.5 ma of $i_{p}$, the equilibrium point is reached. Therefore the horizontal sync peaks are held closer to cutoff and sync peaks are compressed. If the resistor were connected from $V_{2}$ grid to a source more positive than 140 volts, additional current would flow through the 5,000 -load opposite in direction to $i_{p}$. Then $V_{1}$ must draw more $i_{p}$ to counteract this opposing current in addition to supplying a 1 ma $i_{p}$. The sync peaks would therefore be held further away from cutoff with less resulting sync compression.
(E) Varying $R_{2}$, the i-f amplifier tube gains, or the number of stages to which age is applied, effectively changes the speed of response of the system with only second order effects on the other operating conditions discussed.

An interesting application used in the CBS-Columbia Model 1000 series may be visualized readily on the basis of this analysis. In the long-distance switch position, one of the functions of the switch is to raise the $V_{2}$ cathode voltage, resulting in decreased $V_{2}$ screen to cathode voltage. The sync peaks are therefore held closer to cutoff with significant improvement in the signal to noise ratio at the output of $V_{1}$. Also, the agc voltage is delayed since a stronger input signal is now necessary to reduce $i_{p}$ to its lower equilibrium value before the agc threshold is reached. Both the improved noise immunity and lowered tuner noise factor provide for more


FIG. 4-Variation of peak age circuit (A). Instantaneous voltage values are shown in graph (B)
satisfactory operation in weak signal areas.

Although additional design difficulties are presented by the use of a triode $V_{2}$ instead of a pentode, its use is promising in low-cost receivers where half a double-triode tube might be employed.

## AGC System Variations

In the peak age circuit shown in Fig. 4A, $V_{1}$ has a voltage gain of $10, R_{1} \ll R_{3}$, and $R_{4}=9 R_{3}$. As shown in Fig. 4B, the linear addition of the average voltage $e_{A}$ plus the divided-down peak to average voltage at the $V_{2}$ grid results in a truly peak agc voltage at $e_{B}$ independent of picture modulation. Due to phase shifts, component tolerances and other factors, there will not be a perfect cancellation of picture modulation content at $\boldsymbol{e}_{B}$, which would have occurred under the ideal conditions shown and so a low pass $R_{2}-C_{2}$ filter is inserted before the age voltage take-off.

Since both sources of voltage are relatively noise immune, their additive resultant likewise will possess a high degree of noise immunity. To insure against the possibility of age regeneration, the value of $R_{3}$ must not be larger than necessary.

The circuit shown in Fig. 5A is a variation of the compromise peak agc system. Since the agc diode cathode and $R_{1}$ are returned to the video detector load instead of to
ground, an effective voltage doubler action is obtained. This comes about because the agc diode conducts only during the horizontal sync pulse interval when its cathode has a negative sync peak voltage applied. The sync peaks of the i-f waveform find themselves clamped at the diode plate to a negative voltage equal to the sync peak voltage at the video detector instead of to ground. The $R_{2}-C_{2}$ filter bypasses the picture modulation components.

Since more than sufficient agc source voltage is made available by double action, the $R_{1}-C_{1}$ time constant may be made considerably smaller than one line- 1 megohm and $27 \mu \mu$ f for example. The noise immunity is markedly improved,


FIG. 5-Two variations of the compromise peak age system
and the potential age voltage source is still greater than the compromise peak or the peak agc systems.

Another variation of the compromise peak agc circuit is drawn in Fig. 5B. A narrow band i-f amplification stage to reject the higher frequency noise components feeds an age diode which has an $R_{1}-C_{1}$ time constant considerably less than one horizontal line. Due to the additional i-f amplification of the sync pulses, the relative reduction in recovered age voltage is not significant, while the noise immunity is markedly improved.

The use of a back panel age control is also demonstrated in the circuit. In weak signal areas a positive delay voltage is applied to the age diode cathode to prevent substantial agc voltage from being developed. In stronger signal areas
this positive delay voltage is reduced manually.

Two operational features which would be desirable in all agc systems are the maintenance of low bias voltages on the r-f amplifier tube for weak signal inputs and the application of high bias voltages on the right tube for very strong signal inputs. The first characteristic results in the best noise figure for the tuner at the time when it is most needed. The second characteristic prevents overload in the receiver with the attendant washing out of flesh tones on the kinescope.

Although overload occurring in the last i-f amplifier tube is not to be neglected, the primary cause of overload difficulty arises at the first i-f amplifier tube grid. Since the conversion gain of the mixer stage is constant and unaffected by the large age bias developed by a very strong signal input, a relatively large i-f signal arrives at the first amplifier tube grid operating near its cutoff point, resulting in compressed whites and elongated sync at its output. The correction for this is to apply greater age bias to the r-f amplifier grid than to the first i-f amplifier grid.

A simple circuit for achieving the


FIG. 6-Cross-over network for reducing age bias on i-f amplifier
two features is shown in Fig. 6. A potentially strong age source is necessary since the i-f age is permanently divided down. The resistors may be proportioned over exceedingly wide limits to obtain the desired r-f age delay and crossover characteristics.

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# Arithmetic Processes 

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(OP, A1, A2, A3, A4)
OP = OPERATION TO BE PERFORMED
AI}= ADDRESSES OF NUMBERS TO
A2 BE OPERATED ON
A3 = ADDRESS AT WHICH RESULT
    IS TO BE STORED
A4 = ADDRESS AT WHICH CODE
    GROUP FOR NEXT STEP WILL
    BE FOUND
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FIG. 1-Four-address code

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on}\mp@subsup{n}{n}{}\mp@subsup{x}{}{n}+\mp@subsup{o}{n-1}{}\mp@subsup{x}{}{n-1}\cdots+\mp@subsup{a}{1}{}\mp@subsup{x}{}{1}+\mp@subsup{o}{0}{}\mp@subsup{x}{}{0}+\mp@subsup{a}{-1}{}\mp@subsup{x}{}{-1}+\mp@subsup{a}{-2}{2}\mp@subsup{x}{}{-2}
WRITE IN POSITIONAL NOTATION
AS:
OnOn-1---0,OO
EXAMPLE: RADIX 10
\pi=3.1415
\mp@subsup{o}{2}{}=\mp@subsup{a}{1}{}=0}\quad\mp@subsup{o}{0}{}=3\quad\mp@subsup{a}{-1}{}=1\quad\mp@subsup{a}{-2}{}=4
```

FIG. 2-Number as a polynomial
$\left.\begin{array}{ccccccc|}\hline 7^{3} & 7^{2} & 7^{1} & 7^{0} & 7^{-1} & 7^{-2} \\ 343 & 49 & 7 & 0^{1} & \\ \text { ONE THOUSAND IN SEPTENARY CODE } \\ 2 & 6 & 2 & 6\end{array}\right]$

FIG. 3-Example of radix seven

| 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | $=$ | 5 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | $=$ | 6 |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | $=$ | 7 |
| 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | $=$ | 8 |
| 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | = | 37 |
| 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | = | 38 |
| 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | = | 39 |
| 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |  | $=$ | 40 |

FIG. 4-Examples of binary numbers

MODERN, automatically-sequenced electronic computers ${ }^{1}$ have a large memory organ which can be thought of as consisting of a very large bank of pigeonholes. Each pigeonhole has a unique address which permits the machine to locate any information in the memory. The machine also has a control unit and an arithmetic unit that can perform the ordinary arithmetic operations.

In action the control unit consults a specified pigeonhole in the memory and, in effect, pulls out a slip of paper which has an instruction written on it. The machine then executes that instruction and advances to another pigeonhole and executes the instruction contained therein. An intermediate step may be to consult some other pigeonhole and extract a number to be manipulated during the execution of the instruction.

## Programming

The arrangement and writing of these instructions is called programming the machine. One programming scheme that has been used is based on the four-address code shown in Fig. 1. When the control unit extracts an instruction from the memory, it finds written in the instruction a representation of the operation to be performed. It may also find two addresses for numbers in the memory which are
to be processed by the operation. A third address will specify the pigeonhole into which the result of the operation is to be stored, while a fourth address specifies the pigeonhole which contains the code group for the next step.

## Number Representation

A basic feature of our mathematical education is that we often learn things before we understand them. This is especially true of the manner in which we learn to write numbers. It is only after studying algebra that we become aware that in writing a number we are actually writing a polynomial. In decimal notation a number is represented as a polynomial in which the argument is 10. Figure 2 illustrates this principle. In writing a number as a polynomial, we leave out the radix, the value associated with each place in the number, and write only the coefficients of the powers of the radix. It is customary to indicate the point between the coefficients of the 0 and the -1 power of the radix by a radix point. Thus when we write 3.1415 , what we really mean is $3 \times 10^{\circ}+$ $1 \times 10^{-1}+4 \times 10^{-2}$ and so forth. It is fundamental that numbers exist independently of the way in which we choose to represent them.

Figure 3 shows the number 1,000 represented in the septenary code for which the radix is 7 . This

# for Digital Computers 


#### Abstract

Special codes and arithmetical processes enable digital computers to perform rapidly many heretofore laborious mathematical tasks. Review of these processes serves as introduction to newcomers to field and review for veteran computer engineers


figure also illustrates the way in which counting takes place. Regardless of the radix, the count is always increased by one from the original count in the following manner. The coefficients are examined in turn starting with the coefficient of the zero'th power of the radix. The first coefficient that is not the highest order coefficient of the set of coefficients is replaced by the next higher one. All coefficients of lower powers of the radix are replaced by zeros. This is illustrated in Fig. 3 by transition from the septenary 2,666 to 3,000 .

In the ordinary desk calculator the radix used is 10 . A ten-tooth gear on a shaft makes a convenient way of representing decimal numbers. When the shaft is turned so that the fifth tooth is at a reference mark, the shaft position can, for example, be used to represent the number 5. Unfortunately, there is no very attractive electronic analog for a ten-tooth gear. In electronic computers we deal with devices that are most reliable when we ask them only either to pass current or not pass current. Such two-state devices are used most efficiently in binary numbering schemes. In the binary system the radix is 2 and the only possible coefficients are 1's and 0 's. We can imagine a row of vacuum tubes in which some of the tubes are conducting and some are not. We can let a conducting tube


FIG. 5-Addition of binary numbers


FIG. 6-Three-terminal binary adder

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { IN A } 4 \text {-DIGIT DECIMAL CALCULATOR } \\
& \text { REPRESENT - }|\times| \text { AS } 10,000-x \\
& -187=10,000-187= \\
& 500-187=500+9,813=10,813 \\
& 9,813=10 \text { 's COMPLEMENT OF } 187= \\
& 9 \text { 's COMPLEMENT }+13 \\
& \text { IN BINARY SYSTEM CHANGE O'S TO } \\
& \text { ONE'S AND VICE VERSA, THEN ADD } \\
& \text { ONE }
\end{aligned}
$$

FIG. 7-Negative numbers in a digital computer
represent a 1 and a nonconducting tube represent a 0 . The row of tubes then can represent a complete number. Figure 4 illustrates the binary equivalent of several decimal numbers. As a matter of interest, note that 40 , which is $5 \times 8$, is represented by binary 5 followed by 3 zeros.

In devices that have only two states it is still possible to construct the electronic equivalent of a tentooth gear. Picture ten vacuum tubes in a row. If the third one in the row is conducting and all others are cut off, we can imagine the row as representing the decimal number 3 , while if the seventh vacuum tube were conducting, the row would represent the number 7 . This is analogous to representing the number 3 by holding up the third finger on a hand. Using both hands it is possible to represent numbers up to ten in this manner. The inefficiency of this method is brought out by the following: If we let each finger represent a coefficient of a power of 2 and adopt the convention that a raised finger represents a coefficient of 1 , while a lowered finger represents a coefficient of 0 , we can count up to the decimal number 31 on one hand and up to 1,023 on both.

## Binary System

This illustrates why many electronic computers compute in straight binary code, since numbers


FIG. 8-Examples of binary arithmetic with negative numbers

| MULTIPLICATION | EXAMPLE |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| TABLE | 101 | 5 |
| $0 \times 0$ | 110 | 6 |
| $0 \times 1=0$ | 1000 |  |
| $1 \times 0=0$ | $\frac{101}{11110}$ | 30 |
| $1 \times 1=1$ |  |  |

FIG. 9-Binary multiplication

$$
\begin{aligned}
& -8 \times 7=-56
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { CHECK: } \\
& +56=111000 \\
& \text { PRODUCT }=1 \begin{array}{ll:l}
1000 & 000 \\
\hline 000000
\end{array}
\end{aligned}
$$

FIG. 10-Multiplication of negative numbers


FIG. 11-Binary division
can be represented with a minimum of apparatus.

In machines where very lengthy computations are to be performed before an output is to be presented, the cost, in time consumed, of converting the decimal numbers from the outside world into binary numbers for computation is justified by the saving in equipment resulting from binary representation. In machines used for computations in which the ratio of the number of internal computations to the num-
ber of decimal to binary conversions is not extremely large, the conversion from decimal to binary notation may result in a waste of time which is not acceptable. For such applications, two-state electronic devices can be used to code individual decimal digits. Before describing how this is done, a description will be given of the manner in which binary arithmetic is performed.

## Binary Arithmetic

Because there are only two possible coefficients in binary arithmetic, operations are simplified enormously. Figure 5 shows examples of binary addition. Note that when two 1's are added, the sum digit is 0 and the carry is a 1 . The mechanization of binary adders is quite simple and a common type of adder has an addend, an augend, and a carry terminal. At each step the addend, augend and carry from the previous step are examined and outputs are developed in accordance with the table shown in Fig. 6. This is typical of the operations that go on in computers. Signals on input leads are examined and outputs are produced according to what the examination reveals.

## Negative Numbers

A general purpose computer must be able to represent negative numbers as well as positive numbers. Suppose that we are designing a decimal calculator to handle numbers up to 999 . If we were willing to use a fourth digit place to indicate the algebraic sign of numbers, we could employ the scheme shown in Fig. 7, where $-X$ is represented as the remainder when $X$ is subtracted from 10,000 . A 9 in the fourth digit place is used to indicate that a number is negative, whereas a zero means that a number is positive. The number -187 is represented, for example, by 9,813.

Suppose -187 were to be added to 500 . As the figure shows, a sum of 10,313 would be obtained. Since the calculator has only four digit places, the 1 would fall off onto the floor and the correct sum of 0313 would be obtained; the 0 indicates that the number is positive. The result of subtracting $X$ from 10,000
is referred to as the 10 's complement of $X$. The 10 's complement can be obtained very simply by subtracting each digit from 9 , which gives the 9 's complement, and then adding 1 to the result.

In binary computers, negative numbers are often represented by their 2's complement. The 2's complement can be formed simply by changing all the 1 's to 0 's and vice versa and then adding 1 . The formation of -8 from +8 is illustrated in Fig. 8, and an example of addition involving a negative number is given. In the example, the result is -3 , the negative sign being indicated by a 1 in the most significant digit place. The fact that this is a true representation of -3 can be checked by adding +3 to it, which gives zero.

## Binary Multiplication

The binary multiplication table is ridiculously simple, since the product of two digits is always zero unless both of them are ones, in which case the product is one. The multiplication of two numbers follows the conventional algorithim shown in Fig. 9. Each digit of the multiplier is examined in turn, and if the digit is a one the multiplicand is added, while if the digit is a zero, the multiplicand is not added. As successive digits are examined, the point at which the multiplicand is added is moved to the left.

The correct algebraic product of negative numbers can be obtained automatically without any special attention to sign as illustrated in Fig. 10, where -8 is multiplied by +7 . Note that though the seventh digit place represents the algebraic sign, multiplication by the seventh digit is no different than by any of


FIG. 12-Simplified binary division


FIG. 13-Example of decimal-to-binary conversion
the others. It should be noted that only seven digits of the product have been accumulated and the reader can check for himself that digits beyond those would be meaningless. This method of negative number manipulation could be followed with any radix.

Division has sometimes been obtained in high-speed computers by first obtaining the reciprocal of the divisor and then multiplying it by the dividend. The reciprocal can be obtained by a reiterative process, which requires only multiplication, addition, and subtraction. Starting with a suitable guess $X_{0}$, the recurrence formula

$$
\begin{equation*}
X_{k}=X_{k-1}\left(2-N X_{k-1}\right) \tag{1}
\end{equation*}
$$

tends to the reciprocal of $N$ as successive approximations are obtained. Suppose, for example, that a machine is called upon to divide some number by 3 . The machine might multiply the number by $\frac{1}{3}$ instead and obtain the polynomial representation (Fig. 2) of $\frac{1}{3}$ by repeated use of Eq. 1. For an initial guess of 0.5, Eq. 1 would give

$$
\begin{gathered}
X_{0}=0.5, X_{1}=0.25, X_{2}=0.3125, \\
X_{8}=0.33203125, \text { etc. }
\end{gathered}
$$

Binary division is so simple, however, that many binary computers carry out division directly, rather than by the obtaining of reciprocals. Figure 11 shows an example of binary division, and it is apparent that binary division can be carried out with pencil and paper in the same manner as decimal division. However, it is awkward for a machine to make trial divisions, since the only way it can tell whether a number can be subtracted from another with a positive result is to examine the result
after the subtraction has been made. If the result is negative, as indicated by a one for the most significant digit, the machine would then have to add the number back in and shift before subtracting again.

A virtue of binary division is that this trial subtraction can be avoided. This is because, as Fig. 12 shows, if a number $X$ has been subtracted from a number $R$ and the result is found to be negative, indicating that $X / 2$ should have been subtracted rather than $X$, the computer can obtain the correct result without retracing its steps merely by adding $X / 2$.

Thus, in binary division one examines the result of each subtraction. If the result is negative, a zero is written in the quotient. If the result is positive, a one is written in the quotient. After a positive remainder the divisor is shifted in the next step and subtracted, whereas after a negative remainder the divisor is shifted and added. This automatically gives the correct result as illustrated in Fig. 12.

## Binary Conversion

Since the world external to the computer seldom deals in binary numbers, binary computers must frequently convert decimal numbers into binary numbers. This can be done entirely with binary operations. Figure 13 shows an example of such a conversion.

A binary computer also must convert binary results to decimal numbers, and this can be done by successive divisions by the binary representation of the number ten. Division by ten is carried out until a remainder is obtained which is less than ten. The first such remainder is written as the least significant digit of the decimal number. The quotient obtained is then divided by ten until a remainder is obtained that is less than ten, and this remainder is taken as the next digit in the decimal number. This process is repeated until a quotient less than ten results. An example is worked out in Fig. 14.

The above discussion of binary arithmetic is not exhaustive and more detail can be found in an article by R. F. Shawa ${ }^{\text {a }}$.

Because of the time required to
make binary-to-decimal and deci-mal-to-binary conversions, computers are often built which perform their arithmetic with decimal numbers. A number of coding systems can be used in which each decimal digit is coded as a separate binary number. This makes arithmetic complicated, since when adding two digits, a number greater than ten will often be obtained. Nine plus three, for example, can be added to give twelve, but the machine must then convert the binary number twelve into the binary representa-


FIG. 14-Example of binary-lo-decimal conversion


FIG. 15-Excess-three code


FIG. 16-Excess-three arithmetic
tion of two and add one into the next column.

## Excess-Three Code

Using the excess-three code, the correct carry can be obtained quite simply. In this system the decimal digits are each represented by the binary number which is greater by three, as shown in Fig. 15. The binary sum of two such digits is excessively large by six. To convert the sum to excess-three representation it is necessary to subtract three. However, when carry is necessary the fact that six is the same as sixteen minus ten results in the fifth binary digit constituting the correct carry. In the addition of two excess-three numbers, the fifth binary digit is examined, as in Fig. 16. If this digit is a one, the next decimal digit is increased by one, and three is added to the binary digits of the sum, giving the correct excess-three representation. If, on the other hand, the fifth binary digit is a zero, three must be subtracted to obtain the correct ex-cess-three representation of the sum digit. It is possible, using this scheme, to code ordinary binary arithmetic elements to perform decimal arithmetic.

## Biquinary Code

Another manner of representing decimal numbers is based on the biquinary code. The biquinary code, Fig. 17, may be recognized by the reader as the code used in that ancient calculating machine, the abacus. In this code each decimal digit is represented by, let us say, seven relays. These relays may be divided into a group of two and a group of five. Figure 17 illustrates that for a digit to be represented by the relay pattern, one relay of each group, and only one, must be closed. This code is inefficient or redundant in that it takes seven devices to represent a decimal number, whereas the ex-cess-three code, for example, requires only four devices. As will be shown later, this redundancy can be put to excellent use in making a machine detect its own errors.

Besides the excess-three code and the biquinary code, other coding arrangements for decimal digits are possible. In a decimal multi-

## COMPUTERS AND ELECTRONICS

Electronic digital computers are today in evidence in virtually every phase of industry. The marriage of electronics and high-speed computation has been responsible for tremendous advances in both fields.

It is conceivable that even greater progress could result from a more widespread understanding, omong electronics engineers, of computer processes. To that end, this article is published in ELECTRONICS as an introduction to some and as a review to those already familiar with the computer language of words and numbers
plier, the multiplication table must be stored. Coding arrangements are possible that simplify this multiplication table by increasing the redundancy in the digit representation. This is a matter of considerable interest to professionals in the field of coding.

## Error Correction

In the early days of electronic computer evolution there was more emphasis on getting machines assembled than there was on making them work without error. Today, however, machines are expected to execute many millions of consecutive operations without failure. This requirement has led to the development of error-detecting codes which make it possible for a machine to recognize when it has made an error. Error-correcting codes which make possible the automatic correction as well as detection of an error have also been developed. These codes involve the incorporation of redundancy in the number representation. This use of redundancy parallels the use that is made in ordinary transactions. When, for example, a check is written, the value is both spelled out and written as a figure. Thus, if the writing is illegible or subject to misinterpretation, the bank teller can usually determine by examining both representations what the writer had in mind when he wrote the check.

The more complex machines become the more they approach human frailty of the sort that is responsible for our redundant method of writing checks. Accordingly, computer designers are interested in codes for numbers, which when a mistake has been made will enable
the computer to say "This code group doesn't represent a number and I'd better stop and call the boss," or even more preferably, "This code group doesn't represent a true number and it is clear that what it should be is so and so."

## Error Detection

The biquinary code has been described as a redundant code and its importance lies in the fact that the redundancy offers a simple basis for error detection. In this code, as pointed out previously with respect to Fig. 17, one and only one of the symbols in the group of two and group of five must be a one. If a single error has been made in the code group, it will be evidenced either by a one appearing where it shouldn't or failing to appear at all. Suppose that a closed relay symbolizes a digit being a one. Seven relays would be used to represent the code for a decimal digit. If, after each representation of a new decimal digit, the machine examines the group-of-two and group-of-five relays and determines that one and only one relay in each group is closed, then it knows that the digit representation is correct. The only time that this could fail to reveal an error is when two failures have simultaneously occurred. If a machine were supposed to represent the number 6 (see Fig. 17) and by mistake represented the number 7, it would have been necessary for the relay in the one column to have failed to close and the relay in the 2 column to conduct of its own accord. If the probability of one out of five relays failing is very small, the probability of two failing simultaneously may be negligible.

The biquinary code has been em-


FIG. 17-Biquinary code


FIG. 18-Even parity check
ployed in several relay computers ${ }^{3}$, and these machines have set a record for error-free operation.

## Checking Digit

The conventional binary code can be made redundant by inclusion of a checking digit with each number. In Fig. 18, the checking digit is added in a manner that makes the number of 1's in the number even. Thus the checking digit for the binary number 16 is a 1 , whereas the checking digit for the binary number 17 is a zero, because there are already an even number of 1's in the binary number 17 . If a single digit in the number 15 for example, were produced incorrectly, then the code group would contain an odd number of 1 's and the machine could thereby recognize the result as an error. Note that the error could be recognized even if it occurred in the checking digit.

It is also possible to use an odd parity check in which the checking digit is added to make the total number of 1's an odd number. This is a more sensible check because a very common type of machine failure is to make all digits zeros. This error would be caught in an odd parity check even though the errol is produced by failure in more than one digit place. Neither of these


FIG. 19-Geometry model of a number (A), of even parity check (B) and selfcorrecting code (C)
two checking schemes would detect double errors in general, since a double error might leave the number of 1's or zeros unchanged.

## Error Theory

A general theory of error detecting and correcting codes has been developed by R. W. Hamming.* To avoid the pictorial difficulties of spaces with more than three dimensions, consider numbers with only three digits. Each of the eight possible three-digit binary numbers can be imagined as a unique vertex of the cube shown in Fig. 19A. In this representation each binary digit is a coordinate. The model can be generalized to the extent that each of the possible $n$-digit numbers lies at the vertex of an $n$-dimensional cube.

Figure 19B shows a model for an even parity check. Note that the binary numbers $0,1,2$ and 3 appear at vertices of the cube. If we were to proceed along the edges of the cube from a vertex representing a numioer to any other vertex that represents a number, it would be necessary to go through a vertex which does not represent a number. If in representing the binary number 3 , for example, a mistake were made in one of the digit places, that single mistake in a coordinate would throw the number to a vertex which it has been agreed does not represent a number. A single mistake will always result in such a position and can, therefore, be recognized.

## Error Correction

A model of a self-correcting code is shown in Fig. 19C. In this model,
the origin of the graph represents the number zero, whereas the code group 111 which represents the seventh vertex represents the binary number 1. Suppose now that a mistake is made in developing the code group for one. If instead of producing the code group 111, the code 101 were produced, the machine would stop at the fifth vertex (assuming that the vertices are numbered as in Figure 19A). It would recognize that this vertex does not represent a number. It could further recognize that the closest vertex which does represent a number is the seventh vertex and could move to that position, thereby producing the correct code group 111. To produce a model of a selfcorrecting code for numbers with more digit places, it would be necessary to conceive an $n$-dimensional cube. The vertices of this cube would be assigned to definite numbers with two forbidden vertices between every pair of vertices that represent numbers. It would then be possible for the machine to recognize when it has made a single mistake and tell at which vertex it should be (the closest one). The idea can be extended to show the possibility of a coding system which would automatically correct for more than one error in a code group.

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# Transistor Equations 

Circuit gain and impedance characteristics are given in terms of transistor parameters for grounded base, grounded emitter and grounded collector configurations. Simplifying approximations are given where appropriate

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THE ACCOMPANYING tabulation summarizes some of the important circuit equations useful to engineers in the application of transistors.

All equations are given in terms of the transistor parameters: collector resistance $r_{c}$, base resistance $r_{b}$, emitter resistance $r$, and current amplification constant $\alpha$. These quantities are all described in
references listed in the bibliography. The quantity $r_{c}$ is almost always much larger than $r_{0}$ and $r_{\text {e }}$ and often is even much larger than the load resistance. This makes possible approximations that greatly simplify the complicated exact equations. To evaluate these approximations in this tabulation, the exact expression is always given first followed, where appropriate, by a
simpler approximation equation.
The other quantities listed are self-explanatory.

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|  | GROUNDED BASE | GROUNDED EMITTER | GROUNDED COLLECTOR |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |
| $\frac{e_{2}}{e_{1}}$ | $\begin{aligned} & =\frac{\propto R_{L}}{r_{e}+r_{b}(1-\propto)+\frac{\left(r_{e}+r_{b}\right) R_{L}}{\left(r_{C}+r_{b}\right)}} \\ & \text { \|F } F R_{L}\left\langle<r_{c}\right. \\ & \cong \frac{\propto R_{L}}{r_{e}+r_{b}(1-\propto)} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & =\frac{-R_{L}\left[\propto-\frac{r_{e}+r_{b}}{r_{c}+r_{b}}\right]}{r_{e}+r_{b}(1-\propto)+\frac{\left(r_{e}+r_{b}\right) R_{L}}{\left(r_{c}+r_{b}\right)}} \\ & \text { \|F } R_{L} r\left(r_{c}, r_{e}+r_{b}\left(\left\langler_{c}\right.\right.\right. \\ & \cong \frac{-\propto R_{L}}{r_{e}+r_{b}(1-\alpha C)} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & =\frac{r_{c}}{r_{c}+r_{b}}\left[\frac{1}{\frac{R_{L}+r_{e}}{R_{L}}+\frac{r_{b}(1-\propto C)}{R_{L}}}\right] \\ & \text { (F } r_{e} \ll R_{L}, r_{b}(1-\propto) \ll R_{L}, r_{b} \ll r_{c} \\ & \cong \text { UNITY } \end{aligned}$ |
| $\frac{\mathrm{e}_{2}}{\mathrm{e}_{9}}$ | $\begin{aligned} & =\frac{\propto R_{L}}{\left[r_{e}+r_{b}+R_{G}\right]\left[1+\frac{R_{L}}{\zeta_{\mathrm{E}}+r_{b}}\right]-\propto r_{\mathrm{D}}} \\ & \text { IF } R_{\mathrm{L}} \ll r_{\mathrm{G}} \\ & \cong \frac{\propto R_{L}}{r_{e}+R_{G}+r_{b}(1-\propto)} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & =\frac{-R_{L}\left[\alpha-\frac{r_{e}+r_{b}}{r_{C}+r_{b}}\right]}{\left[r_{e}+r_{b}\right]\left[1+\frac{R_{L}}{r_{c}+r_{b}}\right]+R_{G}\left[1+\frac{R_{L}+r_{e}}{r_{\mathrm{C}}+r_{b}}\right]-\propto\left(r_{b}+R_{G}\right)} \\ & \text { IF } R_{L}+r_{e} 《\left(r_{c}, r_{e}+r_{b}\left\langle<r_{c}\right.\right. \\ & \cong \frac{-\propto R_{L}}{r_{e}+(1-\propto)\left(r_{b}+R_{G}\right)} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & =\frac{1}{\left[1+\frac{r_{e}}{R_{L}}\right]\left[1+\frac{r_{b}+R_{G}}{r_{c}}\right]+\left[\frac{r_{b}+R_{G}}{R_{L}}\right][1-\propto]\left[1+\frac{r_{b}}{r_{c}}\right]} \\ & 1 F r_{e} \ll R_{L}, r_{b}+R_{G} \ll r_{c}, r_{b} \ll r_{c} \\ & \cong \frac{1}{1+\left[\frac{r_{b}+R_{G}}{R_{L}}\right][1-\propto]} \end{aligned}$ |
| $\frac{i_{2}}{i_{1}}$ | $=\frac{\propto}{1+\frac{R_{L}}{r_{c}+r_{b}}}$ | $\begin{aligned} & =\frac{-\left[\propto-\frac{r_{e}+r_{b}}{r_{\mathrm{c}}+r_{b}}\right]}{[1-\alpha]+\frac{R_{L}+r_{\mathrm{e}}}{r_{\mathrm{C}}+r_{b}}} \\ & \text { IF } r_{e} \text { 《 } r_{\mathrm{c}}, r_{\mathrm{e}} \ll R_{\mathrm{L}}, r_{\mathrm{b}} \ll r_{\mathrm{c}} \\ & \cong \frac{-\propto}{(1-\alpha)+\frac{R_{\mathrm{L}}}{r_{\mathrm{c}}}} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & =\frac{1}{[1-\propto]\left[\frac{r_{c}+r_{b}}{r_{c}}\right]+\frac{R_{L}+r_{e}}{r_{C}}} \\ & \text { IF } r_{b}\left(1 r_{C}, r_{e} r\left(R_{L}\right.\right. \\ & \cong \frac{1}{(1-\propto)+\frac{R_{L}}{r_{c}}} \end{aligned}$ <br> (Continued on p 158) |

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|  |  | GROUNDED BASE | GROUNDED EMITTER | grounded collector |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\mathrm{R}_{\text {IN }}$ | $\begin{aligned} & =r_{e}+r_{b}\left[r-\frac{\propto}{1+\frac{R_{L}}{r_{c}+r_{b}}}\right] \\ & I F R_{L} \\| r_{c} \\ & \cong r_{e}+r_{b}(1-\infty) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & =r_{b}+r_{e}\left[\frac{\frac{r_{c}+R_{L}}{r_{c}+r_{b}}}{\frac{R_{L}+r_{e}}{r_{c}+r_{b}}+(1-\infty)}\right] \\ & \cong r_{b} \ll r_{c}=r_{e}<R_{L}+\left[\begin{array}{r} 1+\frac{R_{L}}{r_{c}} \\ 1-\alpha+\frac{R_{L}}{r_{c}} \end{array}\right] \end{aligned}$ <br> IF IN AODITION $R_{L} \ll r_{c}$ $\cong r_{b}+\frac{r_{e}}{1-\alpha}$ |  |
|  | ${ }^{2}$ out | $\begin{aligned} & =\left(r_{c}+r_{b}\right)\left[\frac{r_{e}+r_{b}(1-\alpha)+R_{G}}{r_{e}+r_{b}+R_{G}}\right] \\ & 1 F r_{b} /\left(r_{c}\right. \\ & \cong r_{c}\left[\frac{r_{e}+r_{b}(1-\alpha)+R_{6}}{r_{e}+r_{b}+R_{G}}\right] \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & =\left[\frac{\left[1+\frac{r_{b}+R_{G}}{r_{c}}\right]\left[r_{e}+(1-\infty) r_{b}\right]+R_{G}(1-\infty)}{r_{e}+r_{b}+R_{G}}\right] \\ & \text { IF } r_{b}+R_{G} \ll r_{c} \\ & \cong r_{c}\left[\frac{r_{e}+(1-\infty)\left(r_{b}+R_{G}\right)}{r_{e}+r_{b}+R_{G}}\right] \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & =r_{e}+\frac{(1-\alpha)\left(r_{c}+r_{b}\right)}{1+\frac{r_{c}}{R_{G}+r_{b}}} \\ & \underbrace{r_{r_{b} \ll} r_{c} \text { THIS IS EQUIVALENT TO }}_{\text {IF }} \end{aligned}$ |
|  |  | $\begin{aligned} & =\frac{4 R_{L} R_{G} \alpha^{2}}{\left\{\left[\frac{R_{L}}{r_{C}+r_{b}}\right]\left[r_{e}+r_{b}+R_{G}\right]+\left[r_{e}+R_{G}+r_{b}(i-\alpha)\right]\right\}^{2}} \\ & \text { IF } R_{L}<\left(r_{G}\right. \\ & \cong \frac{4 R_{L} R_{G} \alpha^{2}}{\left[r_{e}+R_{G}+r_{b}(1-\alpha)\right]^{2}} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & =\frac{4 R_{G} R_{L}\left[\alpha-\frac{r_{e}+r_{b}}{r_{c}+r_{b}}\right]^{2}}{\left\{\left[r_{e}+r_{b}\right]\left[1+\frac{R_{L}}{r_{c}+r_{b}}\right]+R_{G}\left[1+\frac{R_{L}+r_{e}}{r_{c}+r_{b}}\right]-\alpha\left[r_{b}+R_{G}\right]\right\}^{2}} \\ & \text { IF } R_{L}+r_{e}\left(1 r_{c}, r_{e}+r_{b}<r_{c}\right. \\ & \cong \frac{4 R_{G} R_{L} \alpha^{2}}{\left[r_{e}+(1-\alpha)\left(r_{b}+R_{G}\right)\right]^{2}} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & =\frac{4 R_{G}}{\left.R_{L}\left\{\left[1+\frac{r_{G}}{R_{L}}\right]\left[1+\frac{r_{b}+R_{G}}{r_{c}}\right]+[1-\alpha]\right]\left[\frac{r_{b}+R_{G}}{R_{L}}\right]\left[1+\frac{r_{b}}{r_{c}}\right]\right\}^{2}} \\ & 1 F r_{e} \ll R_{L}, r_{b}+R_{G}\left(<r_{G}\right. \\ & \cong \frac{4 R_{G}}{R_{L}\left[1+\left(\frac{r_{b}+R_{G}}{R_{L}}\right)(1-x)\right]^{2}} \end{aligned}$ |
|  |  | $\begin{aligned} & =\left[1+\frac{R_{G}}{R_{L}}\right]^{2} \frac{\alpha^{2} R_{L}{ }^{2}}{\left\{\left[T_{e}+r_{b}+R_{G}\right]\left[1+\frac{R_{L}}{r_{C}+r_{b}}\right]-\alpha r_{b}\right\}^{2}} \\ & \text { IF } R_{L} \ll r_{C} \\ & \cong\left[1+\frac{R_{G}}{R_{L}}\right]^{2} \frac{\alpha^{2} R_{L}{ }^{2}}{\left[r_{e}+R_{G}+r_{b}(1-\alpha)\right]^{2}} \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & =\frac{\left[1+\frac{R_{G}}{R_{L}}\right]^{2}}{\left\{\left[1+\frac{r_{e}}{R_{L}}\right]\left[1+\frac{r_{b}+R_{G}}{r_{G}}\right]+\left[\frac{\left[b_{b}+R_{G}\right.}{R_{L}}\right][1-\propto]\left[1+\frac{r_{b}}{r_{G}}\right]\right\}^{2}} \\ & \text { IF } r_{e} 《 R_{L}, r_{b}+R_{G} 《 r_{G} \\ & \cong \frac{\left[R_{L}+R_{G}\right]^{2}}{\left[R_{L}+(1-\propto)\left(r_{b}+R_{G}\right]^{2}\right.} \end{aligned}$ |
|  |  | $\begin{aligned} & =\frac{\alpha^{2}\left(r_{c}+r_{b}\right)}{\left(r_{e}+r_{b}\right)} \times \frac{1}{\left(1+\beta_{b}\right)^{2}} \\ & \beta_{b}=\sqrt{\frac{r_{e}+(1-\alpha) r_{b}}{r_{e}+r_{b}}} \\ & \text { IF } r_{b}\left\langle\left( r_{c}\right.\right. \\ & =\frac{\alpha^{2} r_{c}}{\left(r_{e}+r_{b}\right)\left(1+\beta_{b}\right)^{2}} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \frac{\left[\frac{r_{e}+r_{b}}{r_{c}+r_{b}}-\propto\right]^{2}}{\left[\frac{r_{e}+r_{b}}{r_{c}+r_{b}}\right]\left[\frac{r_{e}}{r_{c}+r_{b}}+(1-\alpha)\right]\left[1+\beta_{e}\right]^{2}} \\ \beta_{e}=\sqrt{\frac{\left[r_{c}+r_{b}\right]\left[r_{e}+(1-\alpha) r_{b}\right]}{\left.\left[e_{e}+r_{b}\right]\left[r_{e}+(1-\alpha) r_{c}+r_{b}\right)\right]}} \end{gathered}$ <br> IF $r_{e}+r_{b} \ll r_{c}, r_{b} \ll r_{c}$ $\begin{aligned} & \cong \frac{r_{c}}{r_{e}+r_{b}} \times \frac{\alpha^{2}}{1-\alpha} \times \frac{1}{\left(1+\beta_{e}\right)^{2}} \\ & \quad B_{e}{ }^{2}=\sqrt{\frac{r_{c}\left[r_{e}+(1-\alpha) r_{b}\right]}{\left[r_{e}+r_{b}\right]\left[r_{e}+(1-\alpha) r_{c}\right]}} \end{aligned}$ |  |
|  | $\mathrm{R}_{6 \mathrm{M}}$ | $=\left(r_{e}+r_{b}\right) \beta_{b}$ | $=\left(r_{e}+r_{b}\right) B_{e}$ | $\begin{aligned} & =\left(r_{c}+r_{b}\right) \beta_{c} \\ & 1 F r_{b}<r_{c} \\ & \cong r_{c} \beta_{c} \end{aligned}$ |
|  | $\mathrm{R}_{\text {LM }}$ | $\begin{aligned} & =\left(r_{c}+r_{b}\right) \beta_{b} \\ & \text { If } r_{b} \ll r_{c} \\ & \cong r_{c} \beta_{b} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & =\left[r_{e}+(1-\alpha)\left(r_{c}+r_{b}\right)\right] \mathrm{B}_{\mathrm{c}} \\ & \text { If } r_{r}\left(r r_{c}\right. \\ & \cong\left[r_{e} \cdot(1-\alpha) r_{c}\right] \mathrm{B} . \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & =\left[r_{e}+(1-\alpha)\left(r_{c}+r_{b}\right)\right] B_{c} \\ & \text { If } r_{b}\left(r_{c}\right. \\ & \cong\left[r_{c}+(1-\propto) r_{c}\right] B_{c} \end{aligned}$ |

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## Electroluminescent Screens

Direct transformation of electrical energy into light through electroluminescence is becoming increasingly important in the lighting field, but even more important uses may lie ahead in the field of electronics.

Electroluminescence is the property of certain materials that causes them to emit light when placed in a fluctuating electric field. It may be produced by a device comprising a film of phosphor dispersed in the dielectric between two conducting plates. Such a luminous capacitor is shown in Fig. 1. One plate is of electrically-conducting glass while the other is formed by coating the dielectric with vaporized aluminum. Another type of luminous capacitor consists of a pair of enameled copper wires


FIG. 1-Electroluminescent screen resembles ordinary capacitor
in close contact wound side-by-side on a glass tube. Phosphor suspended in oil is brushed over the wires and luminescence produced by an alternating potential of about 200 volts.

Present applications include illuminated clock faces, instrument dials, dashboard and cockpit lights.


FIG. 2-Relative light output versus voltage at constant frequency

These lamps are characterized by instantaneous operation and smooth dimming to extinction through control of applied alternating potential.

Intensity of emitted light depends upon thickness, resistivity and dielectric constant of the phosphor and the frequency and magnitude of the applied potential. Figure 2 shows the variation in light output


FIG. 3-Relative light output versus frequency at constant voltage
with voltage for a $60-\mathrm{cps}$ alternating potential. Figure 3 shows the relation between light output and frequency; the potential was held constant at 100 volts. A given amount of light is emitted each time the luminous capacitor is charged to a given voltage. The more times per second this occurs, the greater will be the amount of light emitted.

The luminous capacitor is being investigated as a possible substitute for cathode-ray tubes.

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## Voltage Regulator Tubes

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Use of voltage regulator tubes in military equipment is increasing. As the many uses for these tubes increase, difficulties encountered in their applications will likewise increase. Certain fundamental characteristics of a voltage-regulator tube must be considered if reliability and satisfactory performance are to be obtained.

Voltage regulator tubes are usually recommended for use under various conditions of current drain from 5 milliamperes to 30 or 40 milliamperes as shown in Table I.
Essentially, voltage-regulator tubes of the glow-discharge variety contain a cathode, usually cylindrical in shape, of relatively large area, and a relatively small anode. Upon the cathode is deposited a thin film of some material that serves as an activator. The electrodes are sealed in a bulb containing an inert gas-argon, helium, neon, krypton or a mixture of gases at pressures that may be as low as a few millimeters to more than a centimeter of mercury, depending upon the operating conditions under which regulation is desired. Figure 1 indicates the basic structure of


FIG. 1-Voltage-regulator tube structure
a glow-type regulator tube.
Table I shows that the minimum plate current for these tubes is 5 milliamperes while the maximum varies from 30 to 40 milliamperes depending upon the tube type. Frequently a voltage regulator tube is employed as a reference tube where the drain is less than 5 milliamperes. Erratic performance is obtained under these conditions owing to the fact that only a small amount of the cathode surface is covered by the glow.

In applications of this sort the use of a voltage-reference tube is required if reliable operation is to be obtained. In instances where a reference tube is not employed, the current drain must be increased to at least 5 milliamperes if satisfactory operation is to be obtained with a voltage-regulator tube.

The second part of Table I shows the characteristics of two voltagereference tubes that are currently available.

It is a characteristic of glowregulator tubes that the current density remains constant so that the cross-sectional area over which current flows varies instead. Thus when the current is small, the glow does not cover the whole of the cathode surface but concentrates on a part of it. As the current is increased, the area of the cathode


FIG. 2-Parameters for proper operation explained in text
covered by the glow increases linearly with the total current.

Under many conditions of operation if the voltage-regulator tube is observed it will be noticed that the active glow area within the tube shifts considerably. This shifting that occurs within the tube accounts for small variations in the regulated voltage developed across the tube itself. This effect is sometimes referred to as jitters.

During the long-time life of the tube the voltage regulation may change and the regulated voltage will increase. This results from partial cleaning up of the activator during life.

If the regulator tube is subjected to very high starting currents, the regulated voltage may require as long as 20 to 30 minutes to drop to its normal operating voltage. The regulation is affected by

Table I-Voltage Regulator and Reference Tubes

| Tube type | Minimum current in ma | Maximam current in ma | Maximum breakdown D-C volts | $\begin{aligned} & \text { D-C } \\ & \text { operating } \\ & \text { volts } \end{aligned}$ | Minimum breakdown in darkness D-C volts** |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| OA2* | 5 | 30 | 185 | 150 | 225 |
| O43* | 5 | 40 | 105 | 75 | 160 |
| VR75 |  |  | 10. | 6 | 160 |
| OB2* | 5 | 30 | 133 | 108 | 210 |
| OB3 | 5 | 30 | 130 | 90 | 175 |
| OC3. | 5 | 40 | 133 | 105 | 210 |
| VR105 |  |  |  |  |  |
| VR150 | 5 | 40 | 185 | 150 | 225 |
| 5614* | 5 | 25 | 130 | 95 | *** |
| 5787. | 5 | 30 | 141 | 100 | *** |
| 6073. | 5 | 30 | 185 | 150 | *** |
| 6071. | 5 | 30 | 133 | 108 | *** |
| Voltage Reference Tubes |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5651*. | 1.5 | 3.5 | 115 | 37 | 160 |
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changes in current within the operating range. Thus, if a tube that has been operating for a long time at low current is suddenly changed to higher current the regulated voltage value may be somewhat different from the value obtained after a long period of time at the higher current value. If a voltageregulator tube is not used for awhile the regulated voltage will likewise require considerable time before it. becomes stabilized.

The minimum d-c voltage required for breakdown of various voltage regulator tubes is shown in Table I. Voltages somewhat in excess of the values shown must be available to be certain that the tube will completely ionize so the proper d-c regulated voltages will be obtained. These values are also shown in Table I.

Ionization of these tubes is accomplished from three sources: photoelectric effects on the cathode from external light sources, radioactive effects from radiation and finally the field owing to voltage applied between the cathode and anode of the tube. The sum of these effects establishes the value of minimum breakdown voltage shown in Table I. If now the tube is operated under conditions of total darkness, then more voltage, perhaps as much as 50 or 60 volts, will be required for breakdown since the contribution from photoelectric radiation has been removed. Likewise, if the tube is mounted where radioactive radiation is completely removed, the breakdown voltage will also be increased.
It is important to determine whether the published ratings cover operation in the dark or in lighted areas. The conditions are specified on the rating sheets and these values will not be realized in service unless the operating conditions duplicate those under which the production tests are conducted.

Often it is desirable to shunt the voltage-regulator tube with a capacitor. It is necessary to keep the value of capacitance at or below $0.1 \mu \mathrm{f}$. If this value is exceeded instability and oscillations may occur.
In this discussion it has been assumed that the proper circuit design has already been completed.

If the voltage regulator tube is to operate within its rated conditions there are three conditions that must be satisfied. These limiting conditions are given in Table I for several types of voltage regulator tubes.

Referring to Fig. 2 these conditions are:
(1) The voltage $V_{r}$ supplied to the tube before firing is equal to or exceeds the minimum breakdown voltage specified in Table I. Thus the d-c supply voltage $V$, must equal $V_{T}$ plus the voltage drop
across $R$ when the only current flowing is that due to the load $R_{L}$.
(2) The current $I_{T}$ flowing through the tube after breakdown is held above the minimum permissible value shown in Table I.
(3) The current $I_{T}$ flowing through the tube after breakdown will not exceed the maximum value shown in Table I even if the load current should be reduced nearly to zero.

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## PERTINENT PATENTS

For some time microwave spectroscopy has been reported from laboratories in the electronics and chemical industries as a means for analyzing the composition of gases and fluids. One use of this method has been detection of moisture in oil lines by a sweep frequency application of microwave energy to the oil line. The range of frequencies at which the line is swept includes the molecular absorption frequency of water.

An interesting patent in this field is number 2,602,835 granted to W. D. Hershberger and assigned to Radio Corporation of America. The invention covers the method and apparatus for microwave spectroscopy in the analysis of organic and inorganic gases.

Figure 1 shows the general arrangement of apparatus in Hershberger's technique. Microwave f-m energy is applied to a waveguide into which is inserted a gas cell. The gas cell may be continuous with a gas line, or a separate chamber, but in every case, it has microwave transparent seals into the waveguide. Microwave energy is detected after passing through the cell, Simultaneously the same microwave energy is applied to a standard of frequency through a directional coupler.
The frequency standard may be a resonant chamber operating at the molecular absorption frequency of the gas under analysis, or a standard gas chamber under con-


FIG. 1-Microwave spectroscopy apparatus provides comparison between gas chamber resonance and standard resonance
trolled conditions of temperature and pressure having the desired microwave molecular resonant frequency. Means are provided for controlling the modulation and center frequency of the microwave generator and for accurate comparison between the test gaschamber resonance and the standard resonance. Indicators for the comparison are provided.

## Computers

Computers employing electron tubes and circuits of all types are the subjects of increasing numbers of patents being issued currently. The inventions range from the comparatively simple but complicated looking circuit awarded patent number $2,603,415$, issued to Daniel Silverman, J. D. Eisler and J. H. Huth, assignors to the Stanolind

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# Early Application Demonstrates Major Advantages of KEL-F* in Design of Electrical Parts 

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The range of these big guans exceeds anything else afloat. In a like manner, Edo echo-sounding equipment now being installed on ships of the U.S. Navy gives far greater range and accuracy than other types of sonar previously used. This superior performance promises important advances in both ocean navigation and naval tactics.

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Oil and Gas Co., Tulsa, Okla., to the complex device incorporated in the Tristimulus Integrator invented by S. A. Loukomsky and E. I. Stearns, and awarded patent number 2,603,123, assigned to American Cyanamid Company, of New York.

In the "Electrical Computer" illustrated in Fig. 2 electrical resistance circuits in several meshes are employed to compute the economic factors of a distribution system. A series of adjustable impedances $Z$ are so arranged that


FIG. 2-Meters in mesh circuits indicate oil supplied to distribution points in this business-type computer
current flowing through each of them is proportional to the relative amount of goods (oil in this instance) that is to be supplied to use points from each distribution point. There is a variable impedance $Z_{z}$ representing each use point and arranged so the current flowing through each impedance represents consumption of the goods at each associated use point.

A third set of impedances $Z_{T}$, is generally adjustable in nature and connects supply points to use points. They are called transportation units. If a use point is supplied by more than one source point, the corresponding number of transportation units will interconnect the appropriate points. Subsidiary distribution points corresponding to the jobber or wholesaler are appropriately connected, or if the producer is to distribute direct to consumer, a transportation unit connects between them. With the system connected to an appropriate set of connection devices such as

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pushbuttons, an oil company with several interconnecting pipe lines to its distribution centers and consumption areas may calculate by analogy the load requirements of its distribution system. Meters M will show each consumption or distribution point's requirements.

The tristimulus integrator is designed to compute the tristimulus values of colored samples. It is a physiological fact that the effect of light of any color can be specified by three numbers that are the relative amounts of each of the primaries to be mixed in order to produce a match. The apparatus incorporates a flickering beam spectrophotometer, as a driver for a pulse generator and a weighting system, output pulses of which are applied to a decade counter.

It has not been practical to use digital computers, according to the inventor, for integration of the tristimulus functions by the selected ordinate method because the maxima of tristimulus functions are so close together. Apparatus capable of producing electrical pulses proportional to reflectance or transmission of a number of closely spaced selected ordinates is not mechanically practical.

In the present invention the selected ordinates are divided into groups of varying spaces. The center unit of the selected group is then used by giving it a suitable weighting factor, in this case, in the simplest terms, based on the powers of two, as $2,4,8,16$, etc. The system is then in condition to be handled by binary electronic computers.

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FIG. 3-Color matching is facilitated by tristimulus integrator that provides an accuracy of 1 part in 5,000

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| Catalog | Total Resistance (0hms) | Wire Turns | Temperature Coefficient |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 100-AJZ | 100 | 3,000 | . 00071 |
| 500-A3Z | 500 | 2,500 | . 00002 |
| 1,000-AIZ | 1,000 | 3,400 | . 00002 |
| 5,000-AJZ | 5,000 | 4,250 | . 00013 |
| 10,000-AJZ | 10,000 | 4,000 | . 00013 |
| 20,000-A.AZ | 20,000 | 5,350 | . 00013 |
| 30,000-AIZ | 30,000 | 5,450 | . 00002 |
| 50,000-AIZ | 50,000 | 6,550 | . 00002 |

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## MODEL B HELIPOTS

 A large diameter ( $3-5 / 16^{\prime \prime}$ ) 15-turn Helipot with 139" slide wire length providing the highest resolution ( $01 \%$ to $003 \%$ ) and . $01 \%$ to $.003 \%$ ) and adjustment accuracy available today in a standard mass-production unit. Rugged, dependable, low in cost.15.turns . . Power rating 10 watts . . . Coil length 139". . Linearity tolerance $\pm 0.5 \%$ (Std.).*

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MODEL A HELIPOTS The most widely adaptable of all multiturn Helipots. A 10 -turn unit of convenient, compact size offering resolution accuracies 12 to 14 times that of conventional singleturn units of same diameter. 10 -turn range permits direct decimal readings. 10 -turns ... Power ratng 5 watts . Coil tolerances +0.5 inearity tolerances: $\pm 0.5 \%$ (Std. all values $),( \pm 0.1 \% ~ 5 K$
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| Catalog <br> No. | Total <br> Resistance <br> $(0 h m s)$ | Wire <br> Turns | Temperature <br> Coefficient |
| :---: | ---: | :---: | :---: |
| $25-A Z$ | 25 | 3,000 | .00071 |
| $50-A Z$ | 50 | 3,200 | .00071 |
| $100-A Z$ | 100 | 3,800 | .00071 |
| $200 \cdot A Z$ | 200 | 4,750 | .00071 |
| $500 \cdot A Z$ | 500 | 4,000 | .00002 |
| $1,000 \cdot A Z$ | 1,000 | 5,000 | .00002 |
| $2,000-A Z$ | 2,000 | 6,500 | .00002 |
| $5,000-A Z$ | 5,000 | 7,200 | .00013 |
| $10,000-A Z$ | 10,000 | 9,000 | .00013 |
| $20,000-A Z$ | 20,000 | 10,000 | .00013 |
| $30,000-A Z$ | 30,000 | 11,500 | .00013 |
| $50,000-A Z$ | 50,000 | 12,500 | .00013 |
| $100,000 \cdot A Z$ | 10,000 | 15,000 | .00013 |
| $200,000-A Z$ | 200,000 | 15,500 | .00013 |
| $300,000-A Z$ | 300,000 | 16,000 | .00013 |



## TABLE OF STOCK VALUES

| Cataliog | Total <br> Resistance <br> (0hms) | Wire <br> Turns | Temperature <br> Coefficient |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $1,000-\mathrm{BZ}$ | 1,000 | 10,900 | .00002 |
| $5,000-\mathrm{BZ}$ | 5,000 | 19,600 | .00002 |
| $10,000-\mathrm{BZ}$ | 10,000 | 17,700 | .00013 |
| $25,000-\mathrm{BZ}$ | 25,000 | 21,800 | .00013 |
| $50,000-\mathrm{BZ}$ | 50,000 | 25,400 | .00013 |
| $100,000-\mathrm{BZ}$ | 100,000 | 34,100 | .00013 |
| Please note that 1000 volts | is highest that may be |  |  |
| opplied across coil regardless of resistance value. |  |  |  |



## MODEL T HELIPOTS

A single-turn, continuousrotation servo-mounting unit of minimum weight ( 0.56 oz.) requiring very small cubic space and operating with negligible torque. Shaft rotates on precision ball bearings unit built throughout to highest possible precision. 1-turn ... Power rating $1 / 2$ watt ... Coil length $2^{\prime \prime}$ + Linearity tolerance $\pm 0.5 \%$ (Std.) . . Starting torque .015 in. oz. (Running torque is negligible
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| Catalog | Total <br> Resistalce <br> (Ohms) | Wire <br> Turns | Temperature <br> Coefficient |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $1,000-\mathrm{TZ}$ | 1,000 | 705 | various |
| $2,000-\mathrm{TZ}$ | 2,000 | 750 | various |
| $5,000-\mathrm{TZ}$ | 5,000 | 800 | various |
| $10,000-\mathrm{TZ}$ | 10,000 | 1,650 | various |
| $20,000-\mathrm{TZ}$ | 20,000 | 1,500 | .00002 |
| $25,000-\mathrm{TZ}$ | 25,000 | 1,500 | .00002 |
| $30,000-\mathrm{TZ}$ | 30,000 | 1,400 | .00002 |
| $50,000-\mathrm{TZ}$ | 50,000 | 1,400 | .00002 |
| $100,000-\mathrm{TZ}$ | 100,000 | 1,500 | .00002 |

## MODEL C HELIPOTS

Identical in general design to Model A except has only 3 helical turns of resistance winding and proproportionately shorter length. Ideal for high-accuracy applications with restricted behind-panel depths.
3-turns . . . Power rating 3 watts . .. Coil length 13 $1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ ". . . Linearity tolerance $\pm 0.5 \%$ (Std.). Behind-Panel Length 1-9/64".*
table of stock values

| Catalog | Total <br> Rosistance <br> (Ohms) | Wire <br> Turns | Temp rature <br> Coef.cient |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $10-\mathrm{CZ}$ | 10 | 1,000 | .00071 |
| $50-\mathrm{CZ}$ | 50 | 1,390 | .00071 |
| $100-\mathrm{CZ}$ | 100 | 1,100 | .00002 |
| $500-\mathrm{CZ}$ | 500 | 1,850 | .00002 |
| $1,000-\mathrm{CZ}$ | 1,000 | 1,360 | .00313 |
| $5,000-\mathrm{CZ}$ | 5,000 | 2,500 | .00013 |
| $10,000-\mathrm{CZ}$ | 10,000 | 3,100 | .00013 |
| $20,000-\mathrm{CZ}$ | 20,000 | 3,000 | .00013 |
| $30,000-\mathrm{CZ}$ | 30,000 | 4,400 | .00013 |
| $50,000-\mathrm{CZ}$ | 50,000 | 4,250 | .00013 |



MODEL \& HELIPOTS First production potentiometer equipped with ballbearing shaft supports as standard and 3 -way servotype mounting. Ganged assemblies can be independently phased after installation without external clamps or brackets.
1-turn. . . Power rating 5 -turn... Power rating 5 watts... Coil Mength
$51 / 2^{\prime} \ldots \ldots 360^{\circ}$ Cont. Mech. Rotation... Linearity tolerance $\pm 0.5 \%$... Starting torque $1.0 \pm .25$ oz. in.*
table of stock values

| Total <br> Catalog <br> No. | Thistance <br> Resistance <br> (Ohms) | Wire <br> Turns | Temperature <br> Coefficient |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $100-\mathrm{JZ}$ | 100 | 630 | .00002 |
| $1,000-\mathrm{JZ}$ | 1,000 | 875 | .00017 |
| $5,000-\mathrm{JZ}$ | 5,000 | 1,300 | .00017 |
| $10,000-\mathrm{JZ}$ | 10,000 | 1,475 | .00017 |
| $20,000-\mathrm{JZ}$ | 20,000 | 1,900 | .00017 |
| $30,000-\mathrm{JZ}$ | 30,000 | 1,975 | .00017 |
| $50,000-\mathrm{JZ}$ | 50,000 | 2,260 | .00002 |

MODEL G HELIPOTS
A small, extra rugged single-turn pot developed initially for aircraft servo mechanisms. Its compact size, high accuracy long life, hak it ack for long instrumentation and servomechanism applications.
1-turn .. . Power rating
2 watts... Coil length $31 / 4^{\prime \prime}$. . . $360^{\circ}$ Cont. Mech. Rotation... Linearity tol-
Please note that 400 volts is highest that may be applied across cuil regardless of resistance value. erance $\pm 0.5 \%$ (std.)...
Wgt. $202 . .$. Dia. Wg t.
$5 / 16^{\prime \prime} .{ }^{*}$.
table of stock values

| Catalog | Total <br> Resistance <br> (Ohms) | Wire <br> Turns | Temperature <br> Coefficient |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $10-\mathrm{GZ}$ | 10 | 300 | .00071 |
| $100-\mathrm{GZ}$ | 100 | 400 | .00002 |
| $500-\mathrm{GZ}$ | 500 | 500 | .00013 |
| $1,000-\mathrm{GZ}$ | 1,000 | 650 | .00013 |
| $5,000-\mathrm{GZ}$ | 5,000 | 750 | .00013 |
| $10,000-\mathrm{GZ}$ | 10,000 | 950 | .00013 |
| $20,000-\mathrm{GZ}$ | 20,000 | 1,200 | .00013 |

MODEL F HELIPOTS AJ- ja. single-turn highprecision potentiometer with continuous mechan dead spot between electrical ends. Versatile in application. Ideal where continuous rotation simplifies 1-turn... Power rating 5 watts... Coil length $9^{1 / 4^{\prime \prime}}$. . . Linearity tolerance $\pm 0.5 \%$.*

TABLE OF STOCK VALUES

| Catalog No. | $\underset{\substack{\text { Total } \\ \text { Resistance } \\ \text { (Ohms) }}}{ }$ | Wire Turns | Temperature Coefficient |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 100-FZ | 100 | 800 | . 00002 |
| 500-FZ | 500 | 1,300 | . 00002 |
| 1,000-FZ | 1,000 | 1,200 | . 00013 |
| 5,000-FZ | 5,000 | 2,000 | . 00013 |
| 10,000-FZ | 10,000 | 2,500 | . 00013 |
| 20,000-FZ | 20,000 | 2,700 | . 00013 |
| 50,000-FZ | 50,000 | 4,000 | . 00013 |
| 100,000-FZ | 100,000 | 5,000 | . 00002 |

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## MODEL W DUODIALS

A large diameter ( $43 \mathrm{~h}^{\prime \prime}$ ) multi-turn dial ideal for primary control applications. The inner dial shows the exact position of the slider on any multi-turn Helipot while the outer dial shows the particular turn on which the slider is moving. Thus with 10 -turn units, readings can be made directly in decimal equivalents of total resistance winding. Since primary dial is direct-connected to shaft, backlash is eliminated.
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## OTHER UNIQUE HELIPOT PRODUCTS




## r-b-m 22300 series

## Hermetically Sealed Relays

The R-B-M 22300 hermetically sealed telephone type relay is the electrical and mechanical equivalent of AN 3304-1, except for smaller size and mounting dimensions.

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Maximum contacts-6 Form A and 4 Form $\mathrm{C}-3$ ampere 28 Volts. D. C. coil construction only. Maximum coil resistance 5000 ohms. Minimum power .75 watts. Also available in AN 3304 can for dynamotor or low capacitance application.


Optional Mounting Arrangements

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cording flickering beam spectrophotometer is arranged to gate a pulse generating system into the circuit at wavelengths of light corresponding to the selected ordinates, and to cut in the electronic gates to the counter circuits so the pulse generator applies pulses to the counter directly for ordinates of maximum weight, and to flip-flop circuits that precede the counter for lesser weights. For weights of, $1,2,4,8,16$, and 32 there will be a total of five flip-flop circuits.

Ordinates bearing the weight 32 , will open the gate circuit directly connecting the pulse generator to the counter. For an ordinate weighted 16 the last flip-flop before the counter is interposed between the pulse generator and the counter, and weights of 1 will open the first flip-flop circuit and so on. The number of pulses generated at each ordinate is proportional to the reflectance or transmission as measured by the spectrophotometer for that particular wavelength.
While a separate integrator could be set up for each primary wavelength the tristimulus integrator can be economically provided with switches to obtain as many tristimulus values as desired. An accuracy of 1 part in 5,000 is claimed for the system of this invention which is equal to or better than the accuracy of the human eye, for all practical purposes.
The system of the tristimulus integrator is illustrated in Fig. 3. It has been simplified considerably in block form.

## Multiplex Telegraph

A recent patent for a "Multiplex Telegraph System Utilizing Electronic Distributors" was awarded to T. A. Hansen. The patent number $2,609,451$ is assigned to Teletype Corp. of Chicago, Ill. It is the inventor's object to provide a multiplex telegraph system capable of higher speeds and an increased number of channels with great stability. The system provides means for ascertaining when specific channels are open, and for varying the speed at which transmission is carried in any channel. The distributors are all electronic as are all test and control facilities and the entire


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RK2J56 WAVE GUIDE ASSEMBLY

1. Complete wave guide assembly
2. Tubular sections
3. Rectangular section
4. Mounting bracket 5. Plug
f. Flang
5. Flange

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QKI74 PLATE SUPPORT ASSEMBLY 1. Complete plate 3. Tubular section support assembly 4. Mounting plate 2. Output coupler

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silver soldered in place. The assembly is bright-alloy plated for greater protection from corrosion and then connected to the magnetron by means of three mounting screws inserted through one end of the tubular section. An octal tube socket is fitted on the other end of the tubular section enabling the magnetron to be plugged into the circuit. The whole unit is held in place by four screws which fasten the mounting plate securely to the transmitter chassis.

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FIG. 5-Pickup device used with a magnetic tape sample when testing performance characteristics
veloped in the tape through an integrating circuit as shown in Fig. 6 to produce instantaneously a hysteresis loop display on a cath-ode-ray indicator. The novelty and particular advantage of the $B-H$ curve tracer is embodied in the employment of fundamental magnetic and electric properties referred to the permeability of air in a fairly simple equipment that does not require the use of calibrating samples or the like.

Recently issued patents in the field of microwave antennas and waveguides tend towards directive means for these antennas, which essentially require no movement of the antenna structures. A patent issued to C.B.H. Feldman of Bell Telephone Laboratories, 2,594,409 describes several slot antenna arrays containing motive phase-shifting devices within the fixed antenna structure. In the illustration of Fig. 7, an example of this technique is shown. The motive member rotating within the waveguide-feed structure of a linear slotted antenna array shifts the phase relationship of the wavefronts applied to the slot to result in a variation in the direction of the radiated beam over a predetermined range. Apart from the movement of the elements


FIG. 6-Integrator circuits used with cathode-ray tube produce $B$ - $H$ display for magnetic tape

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FIG. 7-Nonmechanical antenna director uses motor-driven phase shifter within a fixed antenna structure
within the antenna structure, the antenna is stationary with respect to the variation in beam direction. The patent shows many variations in structure, which include this technique.

The telephone system that is the subject of patent 2,609,455 issued to A. E. Bachelet assigned to the Bell Telephone Laboratories, is a thing that can be anticipated as a probable development in the use of cathode-ray beams for various applications, ranging from informa-tion-storage devices to the present invention. The use of a cathode-ray beam is disclosed in this invention to switch the connection between subscribers in a telephone system. The advantage of rapidity and the effective absence of inertia leads to consideration of the possibility of multiple-transmission multiplexing of two-way circuits with the switching accomplished by the application of circuits like those used in the deflection of the cathode-ray beam in tv cameras, receivers and in crt oscillographs.

A diagram of the circuit is shown in Fig. 8. A telephone subscriber's station is connected to the collector


FIG. 8-Cathode-ray beam-switching tube is used as an inertialess switchboard for telephone subscribers

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## Rhombic Relay Antennas

By Richard C. Webs
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The superior gain and directional properties of rhombic antennas as well as their broad-band characteristics so desirable for television have been known for many years. However, use of the rhombic has been restricted mainly to commercial point-to-point communication service because of its large size ${ }^{1,2,3}$. The gain as well as the sharpness of the directivity pattern increases with the length of wire used in each leg of the antenna as compared to the wavelength of the signals to be received or transmitted. Fortunately at the short television wavelengths a rhombic antenna only 80 feet on a leg , as indicated in Fig. 1, is $4 \frac{1}{2}$ wavelengths long per leg at channel 2 and proportionately greater at the higher channels. This size is sufficient to secure from 7 to 10 times as much voltage from the rhombic as would be obtained from a simple dipole antenna in the same location. In addition, the unidirectional characteristic of the rhombic renders it less sensitive to noise and interference.

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Values given in Fig. 1 appear to be about optimum for the vhf television channels although the lower group (2 to 6) is undoubtedly favored somewhat. Increasing the angle $\phi$ to as much as 70 deg by stretching out the length along the


FIG. 1-Two rhombic antennas connected by transmission line relay television signals to a third rhombic at the receiver. System must be kept grounded even during construction on clear days owing to static charges. Earth around driven ground should be moistened with brine
major axis to 150 ft tends to favor the higher-frequency group (channels 7 to 13 ). The directivity pattern of each rhombic unit is extremely sharp ( $\pm 2$ deg.) To obtain maximum signal strength the major axis of both units of the relay pair must be aligned very accurately with the transmitter and receiver locations. A portable receiver or field strength meter with a direc-tion-finding antenna on it is recommended for establishing the axis of the receiving unit. Since the receiver location should be visible from the site of the transmitting unit ordinary surveying methods can be used to direct it.

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FIG. 2-The experimental surface-wave transmission line used by Grace and Lane in England
absorption by oxygen.
Reference to the cylindrical surface wave includes the work of Georg Goubau and others, principally for the Signal Corps. Since 1950, experiments with this socalled G-string have extended its range of practicable operation to two miles. While details of this work are expected to be published soon, it is known that this particular installation employs a single copper line three quarters of an inch in diameter covered with polyethylene. Used in the vhf region, it has a bandwidth of 200 mc .

Grace and Lane in England have recently published loss figures for a similar transmission line with an enameled surface. Maximum horn losses (the ends of the lines are matched into coaxial lines by hornshaped outer conductors as indicated in Fig. 2) for radio frequencies between 3,000 and 9,000 me are about 2 db coupled with a line loss varying from 0.07 to 0.26 db per meter and increasing with frequency.

Miller and Beck of Bell Telephone Laboratories will describe their work with circular waveguides in a forthcoming issue of Proc. IRE. as summarized below.

To reduce theoretical heat losses of hollow metallic waveguides to 0.25 db per 100 feet at frequencies above $2,000 \mathrm{mc}$, it is necessary to use the guide as a multimode medium. Above $10,000 \mathrm{mc}$ the circular electric mode in round metallic tubing becomes more attractive than the dominant mode because it provides a medium with the $0.25-\mathrm{db}$ -per-100-foot loss in a smaller space.

Using the circular electric wave, theoretical heat losses of 2 db per mile are associated with tubing diameter of 2 to 6 inches and carrier frequencies between 50,000 and $5,500 \mathrm{mc}$ respectively. Increased transmission bandwidth, reduced


FIG. 3-Round guide diameter vs frequency for loss of 2 db per mile
delay distortion and reduced waveguide size are factors favoring use of the highest practical frequency of operation. The number of freely propagating modes lies in the range 175 to 20 for the 2 to 6 in . diameter region, as shown in Fig. 3 taken from the paper.

Experimental work has been carried out at $9,000 \mathrm{mc}$ on a waveguide having theoretical loss of 2 db per mile for the $\mathrm{TE}_{01}$ wave. Transmission losses on the order of 3 db per mile over distances as great as 40 miles, with tolerable signal distortion of a 0.1 microsecond pulse, have been observed on a well-constructed line. Mode filtering and pure-mode generation has been accomplished.

Experimental work, described in still another Bell Labs paper, demonstrates the feasibility of transmitting the $\mathrm{TE}_{01}$ wave around bends. The circular wave can be transmitted around bends either by altering the form of the wave in the bend region (as in Fig. 4) or by altering the waveguide itself.

Still another technique under development at Bell Labs is the laminated transmission line. Here, skin-effect losses are reduced by properly laminating the conductors and adjusting the velocity of transmission of the waves by means of a suitable dielectric. Such a con-


FIG. 4-Representation of the kinds of elements that are necessary in a nor-mal-mode bend


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As explained by Sidney Millman in the Nov. 1952 issue of the Bell Laboratories Record, to obtain amplification in a traveling-wave amplifier, a stream of electrons and the electromagnetic wave to be amplified must travel together down the tube at approximately the same speeds. Since the electromagnetic wave travels at a speed approaching that of light, and since electrons cannot be given such speeds except under the influence of extremely high voltages, some method must be devised for slowing down the wave to speeds that electrons will attain under the influence of practicable voltages. In most travelingwave tubes that have been described, this slowing down was achieved by making the wave travel along a closely wound helix. Despite the

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The new tube is shown in cross section in Fig. 1. Electrons emitted from the cathode at the left pass down the center of a channel in a copper block to a collector at the


FIG. 1-Cross section of tube used as spatial harmonic traveling-wave amplifier at $50,000 \mathrm{mc}$
right. They are caused to travel with a minimum of transverse motion by a magnetic field, as in other traveling-wave amplifiers.

The electromagnetic wave enters and leaves the tube through waveguides at the beginning and end of the channel as indicated. Down the center of the channel is a metal block with three axial slots indicated in section $A-A$. The main stream of electrons travels down these slots and close to each side of the projecting block.

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The wave and electrons at this second slot will then also be in the proper phase for amplification, but this time the electrons react on the next following cycle of the wave.

A group of electrons marked $E_{1}$, shown in Fig. 2, is interacting at a transverse slot with a particular phase of cycle $A$ of the wave. When this group of electrons has reached the next slot, the wave has advanced sufficiently to bring the corresponding phase of cycle $B$ to the next slot, and again amplification takes place. At each successive slot, the electrons react favorably with the wave, but with a later part of it.

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The receiver preamplifier is similar to the basic Wallman radio-frequency amplifier. The input circuit consists of a neutralized cascode arrangement employing a triode connected 6AK5 tube and a 6 J 4 tube. Following the cascode circuit are three stagger-tuned stages employing 6AK5 tubes. The amplifier has a maximum gain in excess of 60 db over a 6 megacycle band at channel 4 frequencies. Automatic gain control is employed to hold the output at a relatively constant level.

The booster transmitter is essentially a low-power linear radio-frequency amplifier designed for unattended operation. It is connected to the receiver preamplifier through a 500 -foot length of coaxial cable and is located at the transmitting antenna. The booster transmitter has a gain of approximately 40 decibels. Three 2E26 amplifier tubes operating Class A drive a final stage of two 2B26 tubes that operate Class B. Normal average composite carrier output when black picture is transmitted is approximately 5.5 watts, of which 2.5 watts is aural carrier output and 3 watts is average visual carrier power. Therefore the transmitting amplifier will normally deliver 5 watts peak visual carrier power and 2.5 watts aural carrier power.

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A squelch relay control operates to remove screen voltage from the final driver tube and thereby interrupt booster carrier output when the main television station is off the air or when the received signal at the booster site is excessively noisy.

Since the entire booster system operates as a linear amplifier there is no need for frequency control or frequency measurements at the booster transmitter. Obviously, booster station output frequencies will depend directly on the output of the main television station that is amplified by the booster.

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| 10 | 2.71 | 0.0100 |
| 300 | 2.66 | 0.0062 |
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There are several techniques for measuring flutter, including some instruments that actually give a direct meter indication. Available instruments of this type, however, will not function to the accuracy required for an instrumentation recorder.

The method generally employed to measure flutter by the manufacturers of instrumentation magnetic tape recorders is as follows: A c-w signal of constant amplitude is recorded on the tape at normal operating levels and then played back through a wideband discriminator. The output of the discriminator is fed to the $x$-axis amplifiers of an oscilloscope with a fast writing speed. A shutterless camera is placed before the scope and provides a $y$-axis sweep by the


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Other possible methods for obtaining this answer would be to analyze only the front portion of the recorded tape or only the last few minutes or possibly the worst section as viewed on the scope or again perhaps only the best section.

None of the previous methods presents a good solution to the problem. There is one method that does allow a reasonable answer to be obtained and yet does not involve as much work as the first technique explained. This is one of random sampling of the flutter throughout the tape. Since flutter itself is a purely random function, the laws of probability can be applied and enough samples taken to arrive at an answer with the required accuracy and within a certain probability.

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Short sample lengths were chosen at 0.04 second of record. The length of this sample determines, within limits, the magnitude of the final answer. It is important that a universal short sample length be established so that comparison can be made between all test results. This value of 0.04 second actually means that any flutter with a half period exceeding 0.04 second ( 12.5 cps ) will not add its full weight to the result.

Referring to Fig. 3, it can be seen that since the measurement is taken from peak to peak, the maximum deflection possible begins to drop off as the frequency of the flutter goes below 25 cycles. As the frequency goes below 12.5 cycles, the flutter can no longer contribute its maximum regard-


FIG. 2-Short samples provide sufficient accuracy in making flutter measurements on instrumentation tape recorders


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For the purpose of this evaluation, many more samples and readups were made than will be necessary for actual practice. A total of 1,650 short samples was analyzed and the peak flutter determined for each sample. The weighted average was calculated and plotted for all samples running consecutively from the first to the last of the film record. This was repeated with the analysis starting from the last of the film and progressing to the beginning. The third series of calculations and plots was made by choosing the data (that is, the individual samples) at random. After a total of 1,650 samples the curves approach a constant value in all three cases. This value is assumed to be the true average. After 500 samples, the maximum deviation from this true average was 2.35 percent, and after 1,000 samples it was 1.09 percent. If theoretical calculations are made, based on the mathematical analysis of a random function then after 500 samples the result is 2.85 percent maximum error for 95 percent of the time. The maximum error on the laboratory curves was 2.35 percent, which falls under the 2.85 percent predicted.

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## Single-Frequency Audio Filter

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Since the transformers used are imperfect ones, no attempt has been made to develop a detailed theory of the filter. Some expressions applicable to ideal transformers when the load resistance is effectively infinite are given as a guide in choice of components.


FIG. 3-Attenuation curves obtained with filters using various values of circuit components

The filter frequency $f_{o}=\frac{\omega_{0}}{2 \pi}$ is given by
or

$$
\omega_{o} L+\frac{R^{2}}{\omega_{o} L}=\frac{1}{\omega_{o} C}
$$

$$
\omega_{o} L\left(1+\frac{1}{Q_{o}^{2}}\right)=\frac{1}{\omega_{o} C}
$$

where $R$ is the transformer primary resistance
and $Q_{0}=\frac{\omega_{0} L}{R}$

$$
\begin{aligned}
R_{v} & =\frac{t-1}{R \omega_{o}{ }^{2} C^{2}\left(1+\frac{1}{Q_{o}}\right)} \\
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$$
\omega^{2} L C \approx 1 \text { near resonance }
$$

The variation of gain ( $G$ ) with frequency near the frequency $f_{\text {。 }}$
is

$$
\frac{d G}{d f}=\frac{4 \pi L}{R}
$$

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The effect of variation of resistance $R_{v}$ at resonance is given
by $\quad \frac{d G}{d R_{v}}=\frac{1}{R_{v}}\left(\frac{t-1}{t}\right)$
For 40 db attenuation $R_{v}$ must be adjusted to 1 percent.

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## Storage of Magnetic Recording Tape

Recommendations by the Minnesota Mining and Manufacturing Co. concerning the storage of magnetic recording tape includes the following points:

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## Cement-Applying Shortcuts Boost Speaker Production

A CEMENT applicator operating much like a washing-machine wringer applies cement uniformly to one side of the loudspeaker cone gasket in about a second in the Cincinnati plant of Crosley Division, Avco Mfg. Corp. The cementapplying roll turns in a pan of Arabol adhesive 34 A .

Drive power for the roll is taken from the moving-conveyor belt on the loudspeaker assembly line, by means of a flat pulley that is mounted on the shaft of the roll and is in contact with the belt. The gasket rings are preheated in batches under an infrared lamp to make them pliable before they are put through the applicator, because
previous inpregnation with varnish makes them too stiff for the cementing operation.

An entirely different type of fixture is equally fast and efficient in applying thermosetting cement to the speaker basket prior to assembly of the voice coil-cone unit. The cement is applied in two operations, using one fixture for the spider cement and the other for the cement going into position for the outer rim of the diaphragm. Each fixture has cleats for positioning the speaker frame face-down over the cement pot. Each has a cementapplying ring that normally sets down in the pot. When the speaker frame is in position, the operator


Wringer-type cement applicator driven by friction from assembly-line belt,
designed by Crosley for applying cement to speaker gaskets


Operator demonstrates use of fixture for applying ring of red thermosetting cement to speaker frame for anchoring spider. When she releases lever in right hand, the ring and its strap iron side supports will drop down into the pot to pick up cement for the next speaker
moves a lever that brings the ring up out of the pot into contact with the speaker frame, thus applying cement to the required frame area.

When both rings of cement have been applied, the voice coil-cone assembly is placed in position. The cement is set afterward in an oven through which the conveyor runs.

Cement is quickly applied to a speaker dust cover with a castellated metal tube. This tube is in-


Applying household cement to television transformer with oiler
serted in the cement dispenser, dabbed on a sheet of paper on the bench to remove surplus cement, then twisted lightly over the dust cap to apply cement neatly around its circumference.

When spots of cement are to be applied quickly, such as for cementing sponge rubber pieces to a television transformer assembly, the model 965D Plews oiler proved highly satisfactory as an applicator. A variety of cements can be used, including household cement.

## Lubricant for Powdered Iron Cores

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## Printed Resistor <br> Production Tricks

Four methods of increasing the overall yield of printed resistors are are suggested in National Bureau of Standards Report NAer 00686, "Printed Circuits".
(1) Inks should be formulated and the screens or other printing means designed in such a way that when the resistor goes off tolerance, it is always low in value. The resistance value can then be raised as needed by abrasive means to make an entire assembly come within tolerances.
(2) Where the nature of the composition of the resistor and its cure permits, more resistance ink
may be added by hand to reduce the value of the resistor.
(3) Circuitry may be designed so that, for example, only a ratio between the values of two resistors is important. Here variations in the resistance ink or in processing techniques would make both resistors high or both low but in most
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Two-way radio on lift truck
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While not used in Sylvania's. Buffalo plant, dispatching and utilization of lift and fork trucks. may be expedited by use of new GE industrial two-way radio operating directly from the truck storage battery. Installation is simplified by having all operating con-


Use of conveyor pan for wrap-around aufo radio housings


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$\begin{aligned} & \text { Amplitude Aceuracy } \\ & \pm 0.8 \% \pm 0.6 \%\end{aligned}$ $\pm 0.8 \%$
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Experimental setup of optical thermometer, here cimed between turns of work coil to measure heat of test sample inside
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## Measuring Small R-F Chokes

By T. L. Snowdon

Engineering Department Jetfers Electronics Division Speer Carbon Co., DuBois, Pa.

The measurement of small values of inductance has always been a problem, especially with regard to correlation. The nomenclature used to describe the inductance has varied, depending on the measurement method used. Such measurements are of increasing importance with the very small inductances used in uhf equipment.

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Testing small choke coils by using calibrated terminals on top of $Q$ meter

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coils ranging from 0.15 to 120 microhenrys, it was realized that some simple, easily-reproduced in-ductance-measuring method should be used so that anyone with ordinary equipment could be assured of close correlation.

For values where the inductance is large, so that the instrument calibration is fine enough to be a very small part of the tolerance, the common 1,000 -cycle inductance bridge (such as General Radio No. 667) may be conveniently used. These readings are easily reproduced and correlation is good. For coils of less than 10 microhenrys, however, the smallest inductance increment on such a bridge is too great a percentage of the total to be useful. It has been a common practice to use for such coils the Boonton $Q$ meter and prepare the specification in terms of capacitance limits. Here it is difficult to name the coil inductance in coil terms; instead, each coil drawing specifies a different capacitance or frequency test.
The instrument chosen for pro-duction-line measurement of these small inductances is the $Q$ meter because of its already widespread usage and flexibility. The Boonton $160 \mathrm{~A} Q$ meter is now equipped with a capacitance dial calibrated in microhenrys, and by proper choice of frequency, this dial can be read directly; however, the choice of connection method will radically alter the reading so that some standard holder is required. When this is done the inductance of the holder must be considered, as well as the internal inductance of the meter, due to its connections to the terminals. The inductance $B-C$ shown in Fig. 1 is the internal plug jig inductance.

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FIG. 1-Output circuit of $Q$ meter



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FIG. 2-Construction of special terminal clips and brass calibrating bar
terminal which is easily operated, and properly accounting for the stray inductance thus added, it should be possible to make accurate, reproducible measurements of coils on the order of tenths of a microhenry. This was done by re-working a pair of "Rapid Test Clips" and equipping them with stops as in Fig. 2 so that the coil location will always be constant.

To evaluate the clip and meter internal inductance, a heavy lowinductance shorting bar was made up and its inductance calculated. Then by a measurement of the inductance of the entire combination, Q meter, clips and shorting bar, the clip and meter inductance can be defined. With this calibration, as it were, of the individual $Q$ meter and clip combination, the dial reading of the $Q$ meter becomes rather accurate for any inductance value. For one such combination, the correction to be considered is 0.028 microhenry. The subtraction of this amount from any reading made with the same combination will give an inductance figure which represents the coil alone. Of course, where this amount is small com-


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Control, Testing and Measuring Equipment Described and Illustrated . . . Recent Tubes and Components Are Covered . . . Forty-Three Trade Bulletins Reviewed



## Ultrasonic Delay Lines

Andersen Laboratories, Inc., West Hartford, Conn., has developed a series of fused quartz ultrasonic delay lines for radar and electronic computer applications. These solid delay lines are available in bandwidths of 12 mc or greater and feature an extremely low ratio of spurious to desired signals. This can be held as low as - 50 db for special requirements. Insertion losses are also kept to a minimum, 34 to 50 d being characteristic depending on the terminating impedance necessary.


## Subminiature Relay

Neomatic, Inc., 9010 Bellanca Ave., Los Angeles 45, Calif., in announcing its new dpdt relay, calls attention to its small size by this comparison shot with both standard and king-sized cigarettes. It is obtainable in the range from 50 to 1,000 cycles, operating on an input
of 115 v . Two models are offered: Model 10220, with a contact rating of 1 ampere, noninductive; and model 10320 , with a contact rating of 4 amperes, noninductive. All units are hermetically sealed with dry air or inert gas to withstand severe environmental conditions and insure long life. Optimum operation is in the temperature range from -55 C to $\pm 85 \mathrm{C}$. Weight is 1.51 oz ; diameter, 1.0 in .; and length, 1.71 in . It connects with 9 -hook or 9 -pin header. The a-c relay is especially suited to aircraft applications but may be used for remote control mechanisms in almost all military or industrial applications.


## Printed Circuit

Circuitron, Inc., 400 Ninth St., Hoboken, N. J. The Circuitron is a new type of printed circuit using a radically different method of bonding the pattern to the insulating base. The conductive pattern can be run from one side of the base material to the other by plating through holes, maintaining circuit continuity without the need for eyelets or other hardware. This permits crossovers, greater design flexibility, and easy adaptation to single-dip soldering. Copper, silver and other metals in any specified thickness can be used for the con-

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ductive circuit. The pattern can be overplated with nickel, silver, rhodium or gold. The conductive pattern can be applied to such base materials as phenolics, melamines, silicones, polystyrene, polyesters and Teflon. Circuitrons can be cus-tom-engineered and produced in quantity for a wide variety of electrical and electronic applications.


## Miniature C-R Tube

Beam Instruments Corp., 350 Fifth Ave., New York, N. Y. The Cossor type 1CP1 is a miniature cathode-ray tube with a lock-in (B8G) base. The focusing of the beam is automatic and only one anode potential is required. For simple display purposes the grid bias is most easily developed by inserting a resistance of about 10,000 ohms in the cathode line of the tube ; thus the excitation of the tube is exceedingly simple. Also, the

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Representative block diagram of combination VHF-UHF tuner using the new Sylvania 6AN4 as rf amplifier and mixer, and the $6 T 4$ as local oscillator.

COMPARATIVE PERFORMANCE OF THE GAN4 AT VHF AND UHF

| CONDITIONS | vOLTAGE GAIN | nOISE FIGURE |
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| Single tube in <br> Channel 13 booster | VHF $\left\{\begin{array}{c}5 \\ \hline \begin{array}{l}\text { Two tubes in cascode } \\ \text { in Channel } 13 \text { booster }\end{array} \\ \begin{array}{l}\text { Single tube in open half-wave } \\ \text { tuned omplifier at } 450 \text { me. }\end{array} \\ \begin{array}{l}\text { Single tube in open half-wove } \\ \text { tuned amplifier at } 900 \text { me. }\end{array}\end{array}\right.$ | UHF $\left\{\begin{array}{c}12 \mathrm{db} \\ 10 \mathrm{db}\end{array}\right.$ |



Curve shows representative relationships between conversion gain and input VSWR of the 6AN4 when used in mixer service, plotted against oscillator injection voltage.
heater cathode insulation is such that up to 250 v may be applied between them and this simplifies the derivation of the heater voltage. This tube is intended to be incorporated for monitoring purposes in a wide variety of electronic equipment to permit the observation of waveforms in various stages of complex circuits.


## Harmonic Generator

Computing Devices of Canada Ltd., 338 Queen St., Ottawa, Canada. Type C020 harmonic generator is a new instrument designed to produce electronically a sine waveform with a frequency of 400 cps and the 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th and 7th harmonics of this frequency. The phase of each harmonic voltage is independently adjustable over a range of 360 deg with respect to the fundamental. This generator is designed as a piece of demonstration equipment to be used in conjunction with a cathode-ray oscilloscope for the production and analysis of complex waveforms.


## Pulse Forming Network

PCA Electronics, Inc., 6368 DeLongpre Ave., Hollywood 28, Calif. The PFN 7030 B pulse forming network, presently being used on
radar, missile and computer applications, measures only ${ }^{5} 5 \mathrm{in}$. in diameter and $1 \mathrm{~T}_{8} \mathrm{in}$. in length. Its small size plus two convenient $1 \frac{1}{4}-\mathrm{in}$. No. 22 solid copper-tinned leads make mounting easier, especially when used in miniaturized circuits. It has an impedance of $1,050 \mathrm{ohms}$ and forms a $0.15-\mu$ sec pulse when used in a suitable circuit. They are also available with pulse widths from 0.02 to 20 ..sec. They will operate satisfactorily in ambient temperatures that vary from - -65 to +105 C .


## Full-Wave Rectifier Tube

National Electronics, Inc., Geneva, IIl., has announced a new high-current full-wave rectifier. This tube, designated as the NL606, carries 6.4 amperes $d-c$ and 25.6 amperes peak rating. It was designed especially for industrial power rectifier applications requiring higher voltages up to 900 v peak inverse or 250 v d-c. The NL-606 is gas and mercury filled for quickstarting, long-life, and high peak inverse within wide temperature limits. Other ratings are: filament voltage, 25 v ; filament current, 17 amperes; and peak inverse voltage, 900 v.

## General Purpose Speakers

James B. Lansing Sound, Inc., Los Angeles, Calif., is now producing the D-130-15 in., D-131-12 in. and $\mathrm{D}-208-8 \mathrm{in}$. general purpose speakers. Power output for D-130 is 25 w ; for D-131, 20 w ; and for D-208-12 w. Impedance for the D-208 is 8 ohms ; and for the D-130
and D-131, 16 ohms. Voice coil diameter is 2 in . for the D-208 and 4 in. for the D-130 and D-131. A new principle of magnetic structure design has been incorporated in the units. It utilizes a special pure iron high-intensity casting structure, producing a greater usable flux density.


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Service Instruments Co., 422 South Dearborn St., Chicago 5, Ill. The SensiMeter is a tester that accurately measures the sensitivity of any ts receiver in microvolts. Its scale is divided into very sensitive receiver, medium sensitivity and insensitive receiver, to enable the serviceman to quickly determine the condition of the receiver. Checking receivers from antenna terminals to picture tube, it is an excellent method of determining the cause of bad pictures in fringe areas.


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Pulses are here to stay. In a few short years the pulse-forming network has replaced the grid-leak, the artichoke has superseded the slowpoke choke. Waveforms are no longer sinusoidal, they're spinusoidal $\qquad$ (Ever been bit by radar? Very sharp pips in that there.)

The high-sounding term "Pulse Techniques" calls to mind a keen, up-to-the-minute, young engineer pawing at the threshold of tomorrow, but one of the oldest families in this business is the Pulse family. One of the early American graphic artists, a Mr. S. Finlay Breed Morse, amused himself by arranging a communication system based on a Pulse Code, the transmission of which was electrical and the reception magnetic. This was in the 1840's.

In communication, pulses are still very popular. An estimated $10^{63}$ of them are made and shipped annually. Many of them -2 get worn quite round風 by distributed constants, some are split and distorted and others are lost altogether.

There is, of course, in any pulse communication system, an attempt to restore or reform tired pulses. Moderately bad ones can be squared up by passage through a relay. By twisting knobs, either on the relay or on its bias supply, it is even possible to restore original width to a tired pulse. The trouble is, relays having cured amorphia, often give pulses schizophrenia, palsy, and Heaven knows what else.t


Considering how advanced the electronic side of the Pulse art is, and how good loud-speakers (and scopes) are, it's a wonder that the dirty telegraph relay hasn't been improved in 30 years. Of course, the English and the Germans
have some excellent models, but they probably only work on English and German pulses


Aside from self-destruction, there are three basic weaknesses in the usual telegraph relays which have largely limited the transmission rate and usefulness. First, the transfer time is stolen from the pulse, for which the $5 \%$ or $10 \%$ usually allowed is a nuisance.t Then there is bouncet, which hurts the relay contacts and robs more pulse time. Finally, there is a mechanical oscillation of the armature-contact system after make. + This has a very definite frequency which, in a common telegraph relay, is about 150 c.p.s. This persists so long that it introduces lead or lag at the leading edge of the following pulse, depending on the elapsed time between.

Obviously, in a long circuit, all the faults are cumulative if the relays all have similar characteristics. One very common American telegraph relay avoids reverberation at the expense of high frequency bounce and slow transfer, which minimizes the mischief, but it is an expensive monster. The foreign types, by intelligent design, have eliminated bounce and raised the reverberation frequency to about 1000 c.p.s., at the expense of contact capacity and life.

We have a prototype in development now which takes the reverberation frequency over 2000 c.p.s., doesn't bounce at all, and transfers $.005^{\prime \prime}$ in .3 millisecond. This allows $75 \%$ efficiency at 400 c.p.s. pulse rate or 1000 words a minute. The contacts have limited life, but the ease of replacement and adjustment may well justify its use in the pulse-market.
+4 basic feature of Sigma Type 77 OZ telegraph relay
announced the Double-O uht antenna. Circular construction means greater directivity along a horizontal plane, a 1 -db gain over single dipole, a low pickup response in vertical directions and effective reduction of ghosts, because noise, multipath and other signals which arrive at an angle other than perpendicular to the plane of the circle cancel out at the terminals. With the two circle antennas fed 90 deg out of phase, an additional gain of 3.8 db for each circle of antenna is obtained. This, plus the $1-\mathrm{db}$ gain over the single dipole for each circle, yields an overall gain in the forward direction of 5.8 db . Since the dielectric of the Double-O is air (no fragile or expensive insulators), and since the unit is supported at a current node (ground potential), there can be no mechanical or electrical breakdown.


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## Literature

Electronic Level Control. Fielden Instrument Division, RobertshawFulton Controls Co., 2920 North 4th St., Philadelphia 33, Pa. Brochure No. F-101 deals with the Tektor level control. This 8 -page, 2 -color publication describes the product, outlines applications, stresses its outstanding features (such as no moving parts or diaphragms to get out of order), and lists the various types of electrodes available. Ordering information is included.

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Test Chambers. MinneapolisHoneywell Regulator Co., Wayne and Windrim Aves., Philadelphia 44, Pa. Instrumentation data sheet 11.0-7, "Test Chamber by Bowser," presents basic instrumentation data on all types of test chambers including those for relative humidity, low temperature, altitude, flight similitude and environmental tests. Also included in the literature are engineering data and general specifications for the company's standard reach-in and walk-in test chambers.

Infrared Photo Resistance. J. W. Bootz, 1009 Prinsengracht, Amsterdam, Holland, has available a leaflet illustrating and describing the Eletro-Cell, a lead-sulfide infrared photo resistance of great sensitivity. The unit discussed, featuring specially small construction, can be used for infrared measuring and directional apparatus as well as for many other scientific and technical purposes.

Teflon Products. Raybestos-Manhattan, Inc., Manheim, Pa., has issued a new, attractive 8 -page bulletin featuring the company's Teflon products. Included in the line described are gaskets, rings in irregular shapes, sheets, tubes, rods, tape, braided and plastic packings, packings for stuffing boxes and valve stems, and Vee-Flex packing rings. The products covered are ideal for use against acids, solvents and alkalies, because no known industrial acids or caustic will attack Teflon.

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Electronic Track Scales. Cox and Stevens Aircraft Corp., P.O. Box 30, Mineola, N. Y. Electronic track scales for motion and stationary weighing of freight cars are described and illustrated in this new catalog. Data are given on accuracies, installation, operation and maintenance.

Bobbin Winder \& Dereeling Tension. Geo. Stevens Mfg. Co., Inc., Chicago, IIl. A new catalog sheet illustrates and describes the model 119-A bobbin winder and model T-102 dereeling tension for extremely fine wire. Among the features of model 119-A described are types of windings, coil sizes, wire sizes-tension equipment, economy box-type cam, gears, winding speeds, setup time, motor equipment, automatic stop, automatic counter, mounting and other features. Model T-102 tension's descriptive features include wire sizes handled, size of spools, description of operation and other features.

Mass Spectrometer. Consolidated Engineering Corp., 300 North Sierra Madre Villa, Pasadena 15, Calif. Bulletin CEC-1800 B discusses mass spectrometry and its uses for control analyses, complex mixture analyses, exploratory analyses, purity determinations and research investigations. It describes and illustrates the model 21-103A analytical mass spectrometer, an integrated assembly of precision units. Performance characteristics, specifications and information on accessories are included.

Miniature Metal-Cased Capacitors. Aerovox Corp., New Bedford, Mass., has published a bulletin announcing a wide choice of foil-paper capacitors housed in compact tubular metal cases with vitreous-

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Nut Clip Fastener. Prestole Corp., Toledo, Ohio. Catalog sheet 751-A contains complete engineering and application data on the company's new heavy duty nut clip fastener that features (1) assembly ease of a nut clip unit; (2) security and holding power of a multiple thread fastener; a spring steel lead tongue that provides (3) ease in clipping fastener onto panel edge and acts as (4) a lock washer when assembly is in a fixed position.

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Insulation Handbook. Mycalex Corp. of America, Clifton Blvd., Clifton, N. J. A 24 -page engineers' handbook and catalog contains important data on the ideal insulation for all frequencies. Included are the product's outstanding properties, a listing of the company's new developments, a table showing a comparison of glassbonded mica with other insulating materials, and an illustrated description of different grades of Mycalex. The catalog also contains information on a line of switches, commutator plates and tube sockets.

High-Vacuum Apparatus. Central Scientific Co., 1700 Irving Park Road, Chicago 13, Ill. An interesting and informative 56 -page booklet on high-vacuum apparatus, recently revised to include new type vacuum connectors and couplings, has just been published. It contains detailed information on planning the highvacuum system together with many valuable tables and charts. Also included in bulletin 10 E is a complete description of the various types of high-vacuum apparatus and accessories.

Power Measurement Transducers. Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Co., Wayne and Windrim Aves., Philadelphia 44, Pa. Bulletin 15-16 contains technical data on the application of power measurement transducers to process control. Application data on all subjects such as salt operation, pulverizing, clay

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Radio Equipment. Marconi's Wireless Telegraph Co. Ltd., Chelmsford, Essex, England. The 1953 catalog of radio equipment is a 432 -page hardcovered book giving an overall picture of the extensive range of the company's products. It is divided into seven sections: aeronautical, broadcasting, communications, maritime navigational aids, crystals and electronic tubes, and miscellaneous. The last-named section covers antenna equipment, sound reproduction equipment and test and measuring instruments. By the aid of a comprehensive index at the end, the reader may immediately turn to the pages covering those items in which he is particularly interested. Also, each of the seven sections mentioned has its own contents page that indicates the broad classification of equipments within that section.

Information on Magnets. Eriez Mfg. Co., 1945 Grove Drive, Erie, Pa. A new chart, "What Makes A Magnet?", describes the natural forces causing magnetism and how they are harnessed to create a useful tool for industry and the home. The chart, made up of diagrams and drawings with explanatory captions, describes the potential magnetic forces found in a ferromagnetic atom. How these natural forces are organized by the application of an external magnetic field is also shown.

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Recorders and Indicators. Minne-apolis-Honeywell Regulator Co., Wayne and Windrim Aves., Philadelphia 44, Pa. Catalog 1520 covers a broad line of ElectroniK recorders and indicators. Illustrations, general specifications, various models and ordering information are given for strip chart recorders, circular chart recorders and precision indicators. Measuring circuits and scale ranges are included.

Geiger and Scintillation Probe Monitor. Measurement Engineering Ltd., Arnprior, Ontario, Canada. A single catalog sheet covers the model AEP 19035 Geiger and scintillation probe monitor, a portable mains operated instrument capable of measuring low values of alpha, beta and gamma radiation with a probe at distances up to 100 ft. Electrical and mechanical features, uses, circuit design and operation are given.

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Master TV Systems. BlonderTongue Laboratories, Inc., 526 North Ave., Westfield, N. J., has issued a new installation manual giving complete technical data on all types of master tv systems. It describes the characteristics and functions of each of the company's units and accessories. Picture diagrams offer convincing evidence of the great flexibility and ease of installation of low-cost master tv systems. There is complete information regarding the layout of a master system, including the type of transmission line to use, location and installation of the various units, and elimination of ghosts and other interference.

Products Catalog. JAN Hardware Mfg. Co., 25-30 163rd St., Flushing, N. Y. A new four-page catalog introduces the company's line of electronic hardware. Included are illustrations, description and use, chief features and specifications for an insulated coupling assembly, a panel bearing and shaft assembly, a shaft lock, an offset extension shaft coupler, a jack cover and a bushing extender.

Parabolic Reflectors. Workshop Associates Division, The Gabriel Co., Endicott St., Norwood, Mass., has prepared a catalog sheet listing over 100 different parabolic reflectors. Describing stock reflectors, the sheet covers a wide

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Soldering Information. Wasserlein Mfg. Co., Inc., 126 W. Cass St., Joliet, Ill., has announced bulletin No. 105-D, entitled "The New Way to Solder." This illustrated brochure explains resistance soldering and outlines its many uses for production and maintenance in industry. The publication also contains concise operating instructions for using the Wassco Glo-Melt resistance soldering unit and its many labor-saving accessories.

Miniaturized Tubulars. CornellDubilier Electric Corp., South Plainfield, N. J. Bulletin NB-147 deals with the Demicon miniaturized tubular metal-cased paper capacitors. All 12 types of the capacitor series described will comply with applicable parts of specifications JAN-C-25 and MILC25A. The bulletin includes illustrations, technical characteristics and dimensional diagrams.

Multichannel Sampling Switches. Applied Science Corp. of Princeton P. O. Box 44, Princeton, N. J. A recent four-page brochure gives a representative cross section of highspeed multichannel rotary sampling switches. Switch plates with as many as 240 contacts and switch assemblies with 1,500 contacts are covered. The switches described and illustrated are being used for industrial and airborne telemetering, drift compensation a d-c amplifiers displaying parameters such as input-output char-

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Direct-Writing Recording Systems. Sanborn Co., 38 Osborn St., Cambridge 39, Mass. A new 6-page bulletin explains the scope of application of the company's equipment for the recording of a wide variety of electrical and mechanical phenomena. The bulletin includes a chart of various phenomena that can be recorded with these direct-writing recorders together with transducer data and examples and comments. It also features complete performance data and specifications.

L-F Transformers and Reactors. Magg Transformer Co., 419 Bedford Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y. A recent company bulletin announces a new line of hermetically-sealed low-frequency transformers and reactors. The components described are characterized by their high performance, light weight, excellent shielding and close electrical tolerances.

Optical Gaging. Eastman Kodak Co., 343 State St., Rochester 4, N. Y. A new 12-page booklet describes advanced methods of optical gaging to cut inspection and tool-room costs. The booklet illustrates the uses of special fixtures and charts to inspect to close tolerances, large parts, complex shapes, and blind holes and recesses using contour projection. Profusely illustrated, it shows how optical gaging may be adapted to a wide variety of parts for faster, more economical checking. Specifica-

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Fasteners. Simmons Fastener Corp., North Broadway, Albany 1, N. Y. Catalog 1252 covers a complete expanded line of fasteners that are suited for widely divergent applications. The 36 page, highly-illustrated booklet introduces the company's new Dual-Lock, a high-load, positivelocking structural fastener. The new catalog, which features an illustrated table of contents, contains dimensional drawings, engineering data, installation details and instructions for ordering. Numerous applications of each fastener type are pictured and described.

Motor Catalog. Gleason-Avery, Inc., 45 Aurelius Ave., Auburn, N. Y., has available a new catalog of products and services. The catalog includes specifications and illustrations of all the company's synchronous and nonsynchronous instrument motors, series 500 gear reduction motors and temperature controls, complete with rating charts and mounting dimensions. Also included to aid manufacturers is a list of possible applications of the motors.

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plete military line of variable resistors are pictured and described in data sheet No. 164. Attached switches for the civilian line are illustrated as well as a variety of concentric shaft tandem constructions with panel and rear sections operating separately from concentric shafts. Also shown is the new miniaturized type 70 civilian control designed for use in new radio and tv sets. Military resistors covered include JAN-R-19 and JAN-R-94 types and special composition controls specifically designed for military communications equipment subject to extreme temperature and humidity ranges.

Small Precision Metal Parts. The Torrington Co., 500 Field St., Torrington, Conn., has available a catalog listing the small precision metal parts now being made by the company. Some of the many parts described and illustrated are special pins and pivots; screw driver blades; all types of rotary swaged rods, wires and tubing in practically all kinds of metals; mandrels for grinding wheels, abrasive points and polishing wheels; perforating punches in straight carbon or alloy steels; and tapered or pointed wires and rods.

Hermetically-Sealed Resistors. Shallcross Mfg. Co., Collingdale, Pa. Bulletin L-27 with supplement 1 covers a complete line of precision wirewound resistors that meet every requirement of specification JAN-R-93, characteristic A. The resistors described are hermetically sealed in ceramic for extremely stable performance under wide temperature variations and high humidity-even total salt water immersion.

Radio Kits. Stockman Electronics Research Co., 543 Lexington St., Waltham, Mass., has a series of circuit diagrams, parts, kits and circuit display boards for school laboratories and lecture rooms. The items covered are vtvm's, signal generators, amplifiers and other test instruments, transceivers and new type radio receivers. A formula booklet reviewing circuit theory completes the series.

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Pye And General Precision Sign Research Agreement

An agreement has been signed by Pye Limited of Cambridge, England, and General Precision Laboratory, Inc., New York, providing for an expanded program of joint research and development in the field of industrial and broadcast television cameras and studio equipment. The two companies have been associated for 3 years under an agreement which provided for the development of the items of studio equipment currently marketed by GPL.

Pye will manufacture cameras and associated studio items in England and General Precision will do the same in the U.S. for independent sale through their respective marketing organizations. The combined engineering knowledge of the two firms, reflecting world-wide operations, will be pooled.

In addition to the television broadcast cameras of the image orthicon and photocon types, a new miniature camera has been announced, chiefly for use in industrial and military applications. This is based on a new type of camera tube developed by Pye engineers, the details of which have not yet been announced.

The unit together with the PyeGPL remote pan and tilt pedestal (Electronics, Sept. 1952, p. 22) will permit remote viewing with complete control of focus, iris, lens and turret.

The Pye-GPL agreement mainly covers television cameras but it is reported that the two firms are also working closely on theater television and are planning a similar co-operation in other industrial fields.

Raytheon To Build Picture Tube Plant



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## IRE Appoints Officers <br> And Directors For 1953

THE BOARD of directors of the Institute of Radio Engineers, at its annual meeting in New York City, appointed 6 officers and directors for the year 1953. Haraden Pratt, telecommunications advisor to former President Truman, was reappointed secretary of the Institute, a post he has held since 1943.
W. R. G. Baker, vice-president of the General Electric Co., was appointed treasurer for the third successive year.

Alfred N. Goldsmith, consulting engineer, was appointed editor, an office he has held since the IRE was founded in 1912.

Appointed as directors for 1953 were Ralph D. Bennett, technical director of the U.S. Naval Ordnance Laboratory; William R. Hewlett, vice-president of Hewlett Packard Co. and Arthur V. Loughren, vice-president in charge of research at Hazeltine Electronics Corp.

## General Instrument Elects Cohen President

Monte Cohen, veteran of 37 years in the radio-electronics field, has been elected president of General Instruments Corp., it was announced by Abraham Blumenkrantz, chairman of the board and chief executive officer.

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ment since that year. He started his career in radio in 1916 with the old Marconi Company. He has helped design and manufacture numerous electronic, radio and television components which are widely used today in military and civilian products.

## Black Receives Research Corp. Annual Award



Harold S. Black
Harold S. Black, transmission engineer at the Bell Telephone Laboratories, received the Research Corporation Annual Award for Contribution to Science. This is the foundation's 17 th annual award.

Mr. Black, who joined the laboratories in 1921, was chosen as the 1952 recipient of the award in recognition of his invention and development of the negative feedback principle and for his general record of contribution in the field of communications. The negative feedback amplifier has been widely utilized wherever freedom from distortion and a high degree of perfection is required.

A native of Leominster, Mass., Mr. Black received a B.S. degree in electrical engineering from Worcester Polytechnic Institute. In 1940 he was honored by the NAM as a modern pioneer, in recognition of distinguished achievement in the field of science and invention. He also holds the John Price Wetherill medal of the Franklin Institute for his technical contribution to the efficiency of modern long distance telephony.

## New Officers Elected By WCEMA For 1953

Norman H. Moore, chief engineer of Litton Industries, San Carlos, Calif., became the 1953 president of the West Coast Electronics Manufacturer's Association as a result of his election to the post of chairman of the San Francisco council. Moore, who served as vicechairman of the Northern California group in 1952, has long been active in WCEMA activities, having served in various other capacities during the past years.

Vice-president of the association for the new year is Ed Grigsby, sales manager of the western division of Altec-Lansing Corp., Beverly Hills. Grigsby was elected chairman of the Southern California council for 1953, succeeding Leon B. Ungar.

Secretary is Don Larson, advertising director of Hoffman Radio Corp., Los Angeles. Treasurer for 1953, representing the Northern California council, is H. Myrl Stearns, vice-president and general manager of Varian Associates, San Carlos.

New WCEMA 1953 directors elected include: Hugh P. Moore, president of Acme Electronics, Inc.; Paul H. Tartak, president of Tartak-Stolle Electronics, Inc.; E. P. Gertsch, president of Gertsch Products, Inc.; Noel E. Porter, production manager for HewlettPackard Co.; William Heflin, Lenkurt Electric Co.; Winfield Wagener, Eitel-McCullough, Inc.; and M. J. Murdock, general manager of Tektronix, Inc. This brings the directors to 14 members, including the immediate past president, Leon B. Ungar, Los Angeles, who automatically joins the board. The organization sponsors the annual Western Electronic Show and Convention. This year it will be held in the San Francisco civic auditorium August 19-21.

## Motorola Elects Officers

Election of two new officers of Motorola, Inc. was announced by Paul V. Galvin, president. Walter Scott, formerly works manager, became vice-president in charge of
manufacturing, consumer product division. John Silver, general manager of the communications and electronics division, was named vice-president in charge of operations, communications and electronics division.

Mr. Scott has been with the electronics firm since 1946. For five years prior to that he was assistant to the production head of the J. I. Case Company.


John Silver
Mr. Silver came to Motorola in 1944 and was appointed general manager of the communications and electronics division in 1949. Prior affiliations included 12 years in engineering with Crosley Radio Corp., and several years as chief production engineer for Collins Radio.

## Teal Joins Texas Firm As Research Head

Gordon K. Teal, well-recognized for his work in the semiconductor field, has joined Texas Instruments Inc. of Dallas as assistant vicepresident and director of the materials and components research department of the engineering division.

He has been prominently associated with several recent advances in electronics. He and his former associates at Bell Telephone Labs are credited with the introduction of single-crystal germanium and silicon into the transistor field. He is also co-developer of the $n-p-n$ junction transistor and of the borocarbon resistor. He had been with

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Bell Labs since 1930 and has been responsible for about 45 patents in his field.

## Railroads Select New Communications Officers

C. O. Ellis, general superintendent of communications of the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific Railway, has been selected as chairman of the communications section of the Association of American Railroads for the two-year term ending December 31, 1954.
R. A. Hendrie, general superintendent of communications of the Missouri Pacific Railroad has been selected as vice-chairman of the section for the same term.

## RCA Honors Engineers

Among the 20 employees of RCA Victor who received the company's top citation, the RCA Victor Award of Merit, were M. John Heffernan, field engineer, John D. Callaghan, senior engineer and Clarence $A$. Gunther, assistant chief engineer.

Mr. Heffernan was honored for unusual ingenuity and initiative which resulted in the development of an antenna-detector device that makes possible vastly improved airweather station communications for the U.S. Air Force. It eliminates the need for long and expensive antenna arrays, and the necessity for heary investment by the government in purchase of land, antenna towers and other associated equipment.

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## Ford Instrument Promotes McKenney to Chief Engineer

Henry F. McKenney has been appointed chief engineer of the Ford Instrument Company, division of the Sperry Corp., Raymond F. Jahn, president of the company announced. He will be responsible to William H. Newell, vice-president for engineering.


Henry F. McKenney
Mr. McKenney, a graduate of the University of Cincinnati, came to Ford Instrument eleven years ago as a test engineer. He entered the design engineering department shortly thereafter, specialized in airborne equipment, and has been assistant chief engineer for the past two years.

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Richard W. Cotton, on leave from Philco since June 16, has resigned as director of NPA Electronics Di-

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vision to return to his position as assistant to the president of Philco, William Balderston. He has agreed to remain as head of the electronics board on a part time basis until the new director takes over. Deputy Director Donald S. Parris will become director of the Electronics Division.

## Ryder Named President Of '53 NEC

J. D. Ryder, head of the electrical engineering department, University of Illinois, has been named president of the 1953 National Electronics Conference Inc. C. E. Barthel, Jr., Illinois Institute of Technology, was named chairman of the board.

The ninth annual conference will be held September 28, 29 and 30 , 1953 at the Hotel Sherman in Chicago.

Other officers are: executive vicepresident, R. M. Soria of American Phenolic Corp.; executive secretary, Karl Kramer of Jensen Radio Co.; secretary, J. M. Cage of Purdue University ; treasurer, G. E. Fostor of Metrotype Corp.

The conference is sponsored by the AIEE, IRE, Illinois Institute of Technology, Northwestern University and the University of Illinois, with participation by Purdue University and the University of Wisconsin.

## Wright Advanced To V-P at Capehart-Farnsworth

The promotion of Anthony Wright to vice-president in charge of the commercial products division of the Capehart-Farnsworth Corp. was recently announced by Fred D. Wilson, president.

Mr. Wright, who joined Capehart early in 1950 as chief engineer, became vice-president in charge of engineering for the consumer products division in February of that year. A pioneer in the radio and television industry, Mr. Wright was chief engineer for the Magnavox Corp. immediately prior to joining Capehart. From 1929 to 1947 he was with the RCA Victor Division of $R C A$ and was responsible for many of the advances in radio, phonograph, and television engineering at RCA. As chief engineer

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for the home instrument department, television section, he was responsible for the development of RCA's first postwar television receivers; he was also in charge of the development of airborne television equipment. While vice-president in charge of engineering at Capehart he has designed many highly successful television chassis, including the CX- 37 now in production.

In addition to his work in radio and television engineering, Mr. Wright has spent much time in the radio retailing field. A native of England, he was educated at Oxford University.

## PCA Moves Into New Plant

PCA Electronics, Inc., manufacturers of miniature pulse transformers and delay lines used in computers, guided missiles and radar equipment, recently moved into a new building in Santa Monica, Calif.


New PCA Plan:
The new building has more than 5 times the floor area of the previous plant, increasing production facilities and providing room for the expanding research and development departments of the company.

## Sylvania In Canada <br> Elects New Officers

The election of four new topranking officers of Sylvania Electric (Canada) Ltd., wholly owned manufacturing subsidiary of Sylvania Electric Products Inc., was announced by the Canadian corporation's board of directors.

Ralph E. Niedringhaus, a member of the Sylvania staff in the United States since 1938, becomes president of the Canadian subsidiary under the new organization. Other officers elected by the directors are: W. Benton Harrison, treasurer; William B. O'Keefe, vicepresident in charge of manufactur-

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## Guided Missiles And Atomic Energy Appointments Made

Walter G. Whitman, chairman of the Research and Development Board of the Department of Defense, announced two appointments on the RDB Committees on Guided Missiles and on Atomic Energy.
James C. Starks, who is on leave from the Sandia Corp., has been named executive director of the Atomic Energy Committee of RDB.

Allen E. Puckett, head of the aerodynamics section of the Hughes Aircraft Company, has been appointed to the Committee on Guided Missiles.

## Beacon Plans To Open Plants In Australia

Beacon Corp. of Chicago is planning to open factories in Sydney and Adelaide, Australia, to manufacture television receivers and antennas. The firm is negotiating with the Australian Federal Government for permission to do so. If permission is granted, a subsidiary company with some Australian participation would be created. A standard tv receiver would cost $\$ 225$ and smaller ones about $\$ 160$ in the country.

At least 4 Australian manufacturers of wireless equipment have also advanced plans for the local production of tv sets and equipment.

## Consolidated Engineering Names Nunan V.P

J. Kneeland Nunan has been elected vice-president in charge of sales of Consolidated Engineering Corp. and executive vice-president of CEC Instruments, Inc., a whollyowned subsidiary. Phillip S. Fogg, president of Consolidated, made the announcement.

The Pasadena firm's recent purchase of the vacuum equipment department of Eastman Kodak Co.'s

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Henry Fogel, formerly manager


Henry Fogel
of commercial products division of the Radio Receptor Co., Inc., has been appointed president of the new firm. As manager at Radio Receptor he directed the development and production of uhf tuners and industrial tv devices.

## RTMA Makes Staff Changes

Two promotions and a staff addition at RTMA headquarters were announced recently by executive vice-president James D. Secrest.

Peter H. Cousins, who has been information director of RTMA for several years, has been appointed special assistant to Mr. Secrest and staff assistant to the technical

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products division.
Tyler Nourse, who served as assistant information director under Mr . Cousins, has been promoted to the position of editorial director in charge of RTMA publications.

Herbert F. Hodge, Jr., formerly in government information service, has joined RTMA headquarters staff as an editorial assistant to Mr . Nourse.

The staff reorganization was effected following the resignation of R. M. Haarlander, who has served as staff assistant to the technical products division for the past five years. Mr. Haarlander resigned to take a position in private industry.

## Carpenter Forms Summit <br> Engineering Co.

Douglas H. Carpenter, president, announced the establishment of Summit Engineering Co., Hartford, Conn., for the manufacture of television antennas and electronic equipment.


Douglas H. Carpenter
Mr. Carpenter holds many basic patents in antenna design and electronics circuitry. His business experience includes 5 years as chief engineer of the McMurdo Silver Co. and several years in a similar capacity with the LaPointe-Plascomold Corp.

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Leslie Norde has joined the Hammarlund Manufacturing Co., Inc. as chief receiver engineer after nearly 5 years at the Northern Radio Corp. where he was senior project engineer, it has been announced by S. H. Van Wambeck, chief engineer of Hammarlund.


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In his new position Norde is supervisor and technical consultant for the design of Hammarlund commercial and amateur radio receivers. At Northern Radio he supervised the designing of space diversity receivers and carrier shift radio teletype transmitting equipment.

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A. A. Dyson, managing director of Erie Resistor Ltd, has been included in Queen Elizabeth's New Years Honors List to receive the Order of British Empire, which is presented to civilians of the British Empire that have performed outstanding service to the Empire.

Mr. Dyson has been active during and since World War II on many British Government electronics planning and production boards.

## Electronic Company Formed By Universal Match Corp.

A NEW electronic company, Unitronics, Inc., has been formed by Universal Match Corp. to replace Precision Engraving Company, also a subsidiary company.
Phillip Gilbert, director of graphic art research and development, and Theodore Hommel, chief electronic engineer, have been named vice-presidents of Unitronics. Mr. Hommel will be the company's general manager and Mr. Gilber will be in charge of engineering and production.

The new company is manufacturing electronic light-integrating instruments and plans to introduce a new line of industrial electronic equipment later this year.

## O'Neill Heads New Plant

William O'Neill Jr. has been appointed plant manager of the new $\$ 2$ million battery factory of Sonotone Corp, at Cold Spring, N. Y.

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## Gray Research Names Smith

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## Harrison Named Wilcox V.P

Arthur E. Harrison, formerly chief engineer of Air Associates electronics division, is now vicepresident and chief engineer of Wilcox Electric Co., Kansas City, Mo.

## Maxson Assigns Personnel

The W. L. Maxson Corp. announced several personnel assignments. S. Merrill Skeist has been elected vice-president and is now in charge of the Contracts Division.

Other appointments with the Contracts Division are: J. W. Bjorkman, executive assistant to the vice-president and manager of the planning department; J. L. Comer, staff assistant to the vicepresident and manager of the administrative department; W. P. McNally, manager of the Air Force contracts department; J. J. Ryan, manager of the Navy contracts department; A. J. Colton, manager of the Army contracts department.

## OTHER NEWS

## Hazeltine Gets Navy's <br> "Basic" Agreement

NAVY's first basic contract agreement has been signed with Hazeltine Electronics Corp. This is an experiment that the Navy is trying out with a few large contractors to speed up the work with company negotiators and attorneys.

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## Tentative Program Set For '53 IRE National Convention

An estimated 30,000 radio engineers and scientists will convene on March 23-26 at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel and Grand Central Palace in New York City for the 1953 IRE National Convention. The program of 220 technical papers and 400 engineering exhibits will be keynoted by the theme "Radio-Electronics, A Preview of Progress." The 43 -session technical program will be highlighted by an all-day seminar on "Acoustics for the Radio Engineer" and nine symposia organized by Professional Groups of IRE. The complete tentative program follows:

MONDAY, MARCH 23, 1953-2:30 P.M.
Session 1: Antennas I-General
The Measurement of Highly Directive Antenna Patterns and Over-All Sensitivity of a Receiving System by Solar and Cosmic Voise by Jules Aarons of Air Force Cambridge Research Center, Cambridge, Mass. Radiation Patterns for Aperture Antennas With Noll-Linear Phase Distributions by Charles C. Allen of General Electric Co. Schenectady, N. Y
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Crosstalk in Radio Relay Systems Caused by Foreground Reflections" by I. W Evans of Bell Telephone Labs.。 New York,
Low Side Lobes in Pencil-Beam Antennas by E. M. T. Jones of Stanford Research Institute, Stanford, Calif.

## Session 8: Television II

Probability Distribution Measurements of Television Signals by W. F. Schreiber, Cruft Lab. of Harvard University. Cambridge, Mass.
Colorimetric Properties of Gamma-Cor rected Color Television Systems by D. C. Livingston of Sylvania Electric Products Inc., Bayside, N . Y .
Phase Measurements at Subcarrier Frequency in Color Television by A. P. Stern of General Electric Company, Syracuse N . Y .
A Precision Line Selector for Television Use by I. C. Abrahams and R. C. Thor of General Electric Company, Syracuse N. Y.

A Monitorlng System for NTSC Color Television Signals by C. E. Page of Hazel tine Corp., Little Neck, N. X.

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Conventional Amplifiers by W. Bradiey of Philco Corp., Philadelphia, Pa. Feedback Amplifiers by H. N. Beveridge of Raytheon Mfg. Co., Newton, Mass
Transistor Ampliflers by R. L. Wallace of Bell Telephone Labs.
Distributed Amplifiers by W. G. Tuller and E. H. Bradley of Melpar Electronics Alexandria, Va.
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Sonie Recent Developments in Logical 'Or-and-Or' Pyramids for Digital Computers hy C. Leondes of University of Pennsylvania. Philadelphia, Pa.
Magnetic Core Switches as Logical Elements in Computers by Eugene A. Sands of Magnetics Research Co., Chappaqua, N. Y.

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Rapid Tracing of Transistor Characteristics by Oscillographic Methods by V. Mathis of General Electric Co., Syra-
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By A. E. Albert. 2nd Edition, Mc-Graw-Hill Book Co., Inc., New York, 1952, 531 pages, $\$ 7.00$.
PROFESSOR Albert's first edition of "Electrical Fundamentals of Communication" appeared in 1942 as a text designed for the individual interested in familiarizing himself with simplified laws of electrical communication. The book was designed for the student with only a limited background in physics and mathematics. The main topies discussed were d-c and a-c circuit constants, networks and measurements of electrical quantities, electron tubes and circuits, transmission of electromagnetic waves and electroacoustics.

The second edition is a replica of the first with minor changes in symbolisms and terminology. The format of the original edition has been retained. Each chapter terminates with a summary, review questions on the theory, and problems requiring numerical computations which involve a knowledge of simple algebra and trigonometry. These features are well integrated.

Inductors, capacitors, filters, rectifiers and oscillators are prematurely introduced for the sole purpose of acclimating the reader to a new language. Later on, attempts are made to clarify these terms with descriptions and illustrations which are adequate.

The quantitative aspects relate to the application of Kirchhoff's laws to simple circuits. The concept of a-c impedance is delved into as a complex quantity and effective measurable quantities, such as current, voltage and power, are defined. Examples illustrate the importance of phase angles and their influence on instantaneous variations of current and voltage in circuits containing combinations of resistance, inductance and capacitance. The importance of matching networks is considered for the realization of maximum power transfer from a source to a terminating load.

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There are sixteen chapters in all. The material is well selected. The author has avoided the matter of how these fundamentals are applied in practice. The text is quite suitable for self-study. However, it is not intended to be a royal guide to learning since its scope is rather limited.-Anthony B. Giordano, Polytechnic Institute of Brooklyn.

## Strain Gauges: Theory and Application

Published by N. V. Philifs, Eindhoven, Holland, 95 pages, $\$ 2.75,1952$.

Part of Philips Technical Library, this small book presents a great deal of information on strain gauges that is not usually found in books on industrial electronics and measurements.

The material has been divided into six sections written separately by five scientists of the Netherlands Industrial Organization for Applied Scientific Research, Section for Research of Stress and Vibration, Delft, and Philips Industries, Eindhoven, Holland.

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## Storage Tubes

By M. Knoll and B. Kazan, Prince. ton University and RCA Laboratories, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, N. Y., 1952, 143 pages, \$3.00.

THIS is the first book published on storage tubes. It is essentially descriptive and is designed to explain the fundamental operation of the many different types of electronic storage tubes and to provide this information in an easily accessible manner. The book should be useful to physicists, electronic engineers, and teachers interested in the general subject of storage and tele-vision-camera tubes.

In addition to describing the many tubes under development in this country, the book acquaints us with past developments in Germany through the wide experience of Professor Knoll who was a leader in this field in Germany and is continuing his work at RCA Laboratories and Princeton University.

A substantial portion of the text was initially prepared for the U.S. Army Signal Corps in the form of a report, and Parts I, II, III, and VIII of the book have appeared in a paper by the authors in RCA Review, Vol. XII, p. 702, December, 1951.

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It is the opinion of the reviewer that the diagrams and notation in Part I are unnecessarily complicated. For this reason it is suggested that the reader introduce himself to the book by first referring to the descriptions of the tubes that interest him before attempting to absorb the contents of Part I.

The book leaves one with a strong desire for more quantitative data such as performance comparisons, measurements of redistribution effects, and construction techniques. It is hoped that the authors will supply this information in later editions as progress is made in the storage tube field.-S. T. Smith, Hughes Aircraft Company

## Airborne Radio Equipment Symposium

International Air Transport Association, International Aviation Building, Montreal 3, Canada; 252 pages plus appendices, $\$ 3.00,1952$.
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the first chapter.
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In the book are discussed the fallacies of such methods as 100 percent inspection where the fatigue factor of the inspector is not taken into account, or sampling procedures not based on the theory of probability. Thus, as a vivid example, Professor Grant shows that a sampling procedure calling for the inspection of five articles out of a lot of 50, with acceptance of the entire lot if no defectives are found and rejection of the entire lot if one or more defectives are found-a common-sense method--turns out to be not particularly sensible because, if on the average 4 percent are defective, a negligible improvement in quality is effected. If 4 percent were defective originally, 3.5 percent would still be defective after inspection. Yet, 18.5 percent of the submitted product is rejected to improve the outgoing quality from 4 percent defective to 3.6 percent defective.

The reviewer has been striving for years to train all engineering and test personnel to date and time all data, no matter how unimportant the data may seem. The reviewer is therefore particularly pleased to see on page 65 a special paragraph devoted to "importance of preserving the order of measurement." These and many other important hints in the book on how to take and record data for proper control of quality make the volume unusually valuable.

The most important changes from the first edition of this book are:
(1) The chapters dealing with acceptance sampling of attributes has been considerably expanded and rewritten. An objective of the rewriting was to improve the presentation of fundamental princi-

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ples, so that newcomers to the field of quality control would appreciate the theory behind the systems.
(2) The chapter dealing with acceptance sampling by variables has been entirely rewritten.
(3) A treatment of the economic aspects of quality control decisions has been considerably expanded. (This is an extremely important aspect of all quality control, since management will often feel that quality control methods are unnecessary expenses. It is up to the engineer to prove that quality control techniques will result in lower costs, and better products in the end.)
(4) A large number of additional problems have been included, with a greater percentage of the problems having answers.
(5) Additional sampling tables have been included.

Since the basic contents of the second edition are similar in many respects to the first edition, it is not necessary to list a chapter-by-chapter breakdown here.

This reviewer wishes to emphasize again the excellent attitude of Professor Grant towards the human problem of quality control. Part 5 of the book, entitled "Making Statistical Quality Control Work," is a section that should be read by all people associated with production, whether they are engineers, technicians, or part of management. The fact that all industrial processes are subject to statistical variations and chance occurrences in the final product should be drummed home, as other wise vast amounts of money and time can be wasted.Victor Wouk, Beta Electric Corp., New York.

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Are there any instances of this method at the present time? Is microwave equipment for this purpose available? Does the FCC approve microwave links for this purpose?

I would certainly appreciate an answer to these questions and any suggestions you might have. Kindly let me hear from you at your earliest convenience.

William G. Walter Radio Station KOLT scottsbluff, Nebraska (Editor's Note: J. E. Belknap \& Assoc. of Poplar Bluff, Mo. considered building a microwave relay to deliver sionals from KSD-TV, St. Louis and WMCT, Memphis to proposed community antenna systems in their area. Their proposal met opposition from several quarters and no permit has been granted in their case.)

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Thanks to you and your staff for putting out a swell magazine, serving many fields in Electronics.
F. D. White, W9KQX

Springfield, Ill.

## W9KQX de W2TY

## Dear Mr. White:

It is nice to hear from you on two counts, first because we like very much the things you say about Electronics and, secondly, because it is always good fun to correspond with another amateur.

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Your last point, about amateurs reading Electronics, is very gratifying indeed. We realize that many of our readers are in the industry but take a busman's holiday via amateur radio. We don't often address them directly, but we certainly do like to publish things that interest them indirectly.
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## Feedback

Dear Sirs:
In studying the interesting article, "Effective Cathode Impedance," by W. Chater and N. Golden, on page 184 of the Dec. 1952 issue of Electronics, I think it will be found that to calculate $R_{e q}=\frac{R_{k} R_{m}}{R_{k}+R_{m}}$ and apply it as such to the feedback network will lead to extremely large errors in the feedback ratio calculations.

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## More on Nim

Dear Sirs:
This letter refers to an article appearing in the November 1952 issue of Electronics, "Digital Computer Plays Nim" by Herbert Koppel.
I have been interested in machines of this type for several years and know something of their history. The first Nim machine was invented jointly by E. U. Condon, G. L. Tawney and W. A. Derr and is described by U. S. Patent No. 2,215,544. Condon's machine was built by Westinghouse and displayed at the New York World's Fair. Redheffer describes a machine that directs the correct play of Nim in the American Math. Monthly, 55, p. 343. In 1949, at Washington University, I built a relay operated Nim machine to be displayed at an "Engineer's Day" exhibition.
The omission of any reference to Condon's or Redheffer's work was undoubtedly an unintentional oversight on the part of Mr. Koppel.
As to the method of winning at Nim, Mr. Koppel does not discuss the exceptional case where it is the machine's turn to play and the field appears

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the machine's winning play is to leave an odd number of markers in a given column.

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|  | Row |
| :--- | ---: |
| XXXX | I |
| XXXXXX | II |
| XXXXXXX | III |
| XXXXXXXX | IV |

We can then make a table

|  | I | II | III | IV |
| ---: | :---: | :---: | ---: | ---: |
| $4^{\circ}$ | 0 | 2 | 3 | 0 |
| $4^{2}$ | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 |

showing the number of markers in each row in base 4 notation. Note that neither the $4^{\circ}$ or the $4^{1}$ columns constitute balanced sets. In order to win, one must leave the field such that a balanced set exists in each column. A winning move would be removing 3 markers from Column IV leaving the field

|  | I | II | III | IV |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| $4^{\circ}$ | 0 | 2 | 3 | 1 |
| $4^{1}$ | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |

in which case both columns are balanced. I do not recall who first described this method.

Your readers may be interested in the generalized game of Nim described by E. H. Moore in 1910. In this game the play is not limited to one row at a time, but to an arbitrary number of rows agreed upon by the players at the outset. The general game is won by

1. Writing the number of markers in each row in binary notation.
2. Adding these columns decimally.
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| SELENIUM RECTIFIERS-Full-Wave Bridge Types |  |  |  |  |
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| 1 Amp . | 51.25 | 52.10 | 53.60 | 57.50 |
| 2 Amps . | 2.20 | 3.60 | 6.50 | 10.50 |
| $23 / 1 \mathrm{Amps}^{\text {d }}$ | $\ldots$ | ..... | ... | 13.00 |
| 4 Amps. | 3.75 | . | 8.75 | … |
| SAmps. | 4.95 | 7.95 | 12.95 | 27.00 |
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| 10 Amps. | 6.75 | 12.00 | 20.00 | 40.00 |
| 12 Ampss . | 8.50 | 16.00 | 25.30 | 50.00 |
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| 24 Amps. | 16.00 | 31.00 | 39.50 | 98.00 |
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| 36 Amps. | 25.50 | 45.00 |  |  |
| POWER TRANSFORMERS |  |  |  |  |

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\text { FT- } 157 & 1 V / 16 A, 2.5 \mathrm{~V}
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| Item | Special Plate Pri. Volts | Transformers- 60 cps Secondaries | Price |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| STP-613 | 230 V | $230 / .05 A_{2} 230 \mathrm{~V} / .05 \mathrm{~A}$ | \$1.79 |
| STP-409 | $220 / 440 \mathrm{~V}$ | $136 \mathrm{VCT} / 3.5 \mathrm{~A}$ | 5.69 |
| STP-815 | 240/440, 3ph | 1310V/.67A. 6KV Tes | 27.50 |
| STP-129 | 230 V | 3850V/3.12KVA | 42.59 |
| STP-823 | 137 V | 222VCT/.3A | 2.35 |
| STP-08B | 50 V | 2x750V/.001A | 1.79 |
| STP-622 | 210/220/230 | $5000 \mathrm{~V} / 1 \mathrm{~A}$ | 59.75 |
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| STC-16A | 220 V | 260V/-03A, $100 \mathrm{~V} / 1 \mathrm{~A}$, |  |
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$\begin{array}{ll}\text { Stock } & \\ \text { CH-776 } & 1.28 \mathrm{H} / 130 \mathrm{MA} / 75 \text { Description }\end{array}$
$1.28 H / 135 \mathrm{MA} / 1200 \mathrm{~V}$ Test.
$10 \mathrm{H} / 15 \mathrm{MA}-850 \mathrm{ohms}$ DCR
$20 \mathrm{H} / 300 \mathrm{MA}$
$15 \mathrm{HY} / 15 \mathrm{MA}-400 \mathrm{ohms}$ DC
6H/80MA- 310 ohms DCR
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Dual 1.75-. 125 H Y 100 MA
1 HY .110 A.

10000 HY 0 MA.
2.2 HY 80 MA
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$2 \times 1.52 \mathrm{H}$ ®. 167 A


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| 14S-11S | 18-9S | 20-65 | 22-2S | 22-335 | 24-26S |
| 14S-12P | 18-10P | 20-7P | 22-3P | 22-34P | 24-27P |
| 14S-125 | 18-10S | 20-75 | 22-35 | 22-34S | 24-27S |
| 14S-13P | 18-11P | 20-8P | 22-4P | 22-35P | 24-28P |
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| $145-145$ | 18-12S | $20-95$ | 22-55 | 22-36S | 24-684S |
| 16S-1P | 18-13P | 20-10P | 22-6P | 22-37P | 24-691P |
| $165-15$ | 18-135 | 20-10S | 22-65 | 22-375 | 24-6915 |
| 16-2P | 18-14P | 20-11P | 22-8P | 22-404P | 24-710P |
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| $16 S-4 \mathrm{P}$ | 18-16P | $20-13 \mathrm{P}$ | ${ }^{22-109}$ | 24-2P | 24-835S |
| 165-4S | 18-16S | 20-13S | 22-105 | 24-25 | 24-865S |
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| 24-5P | 28-3P | 28-852P | 36-3P | 40-6P |
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| 24-6P | 28-4P | 28-880P | 36-4P | 40-7P |
| 24-65 | 28-4S | 28-880S | -36-4S | 40-75 |
| 24-7P | 28-5P |  | 36-5P | 40-8P |
| 24-75 | 28-5S | 32-1P | 36-5 S | 40-85 |
| 24-9P | ${ }_{28}^{28-68}$ | 32-1S | 36-6P | $40-9 \mathrm{P}$ |
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| 24-10P | 28-7P | 32-2S | 36-7P | 40-10P |
| 24-105 | 28-75 | 32-3P | 36-75 | 40-105 |
| 24-11P | 28-8P | $32-35$ $32-4 \mathrm{P}$ | 36-8P | $40-11 P$ |
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| 24-15P | 28-11P | 32-6S | 32-11P | 40-14P |
| 24-15S | $28-115$ | 32-7P | 36-11A | 40-145 |
| 24-16P | 28-12P | 32-75 | 36-12P | $44-1 \mathrm{P}$ |
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