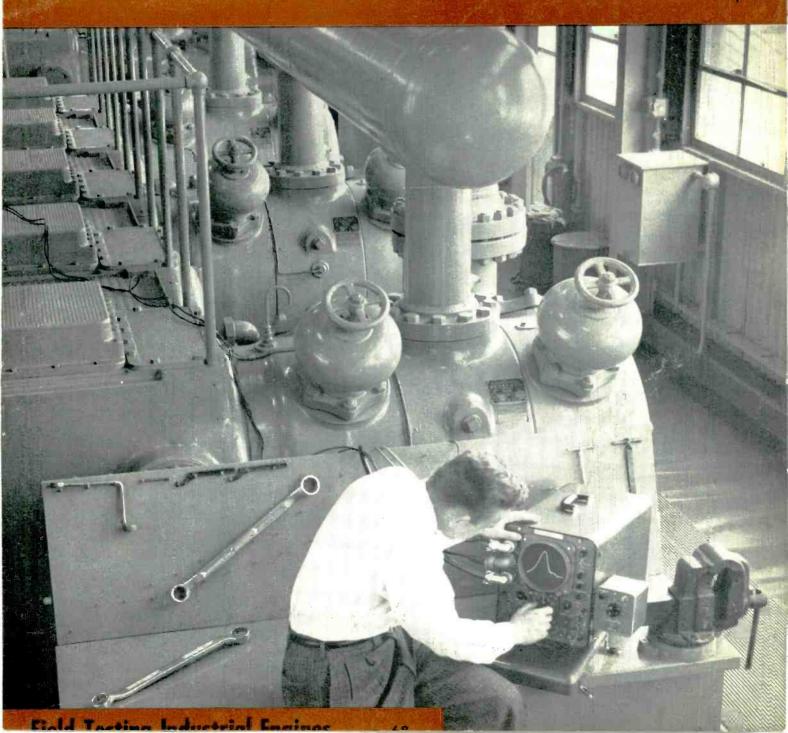
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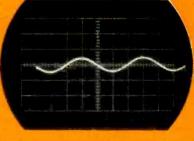
Frequency Controls: Range selection switch and 4-inch precision gear-driven dial. Dial has two scales, 2-20 and 50-500, and is geared to a slow-motion knob that covers each decade in about 4½ turns.

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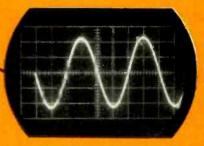
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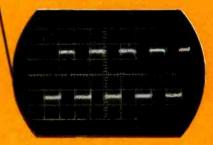
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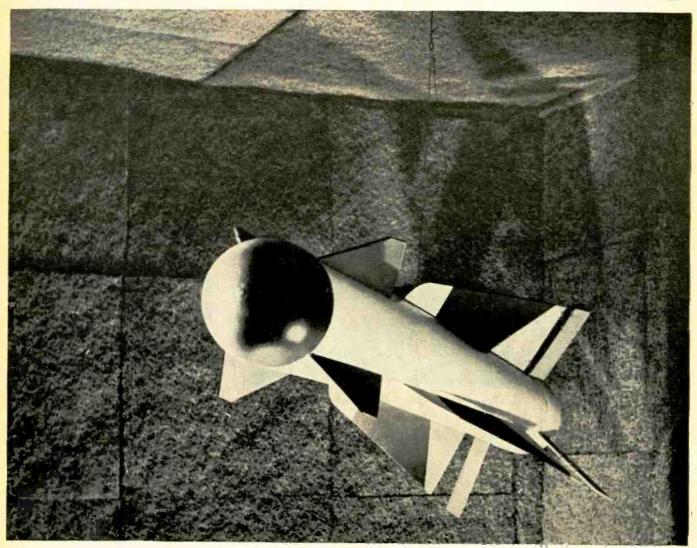
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30 CM	1000 mc	31/2"-4"	2%
30 CM - 1%	1000 mc	31/2"-4"	1%
60 CM	500 mc	7"-8"	2%
60 CM - 1%	500 mc	7"-8"	1%
100 CM	300 mc	10"-11"	2%
200 CM	150 mc	26"	2%
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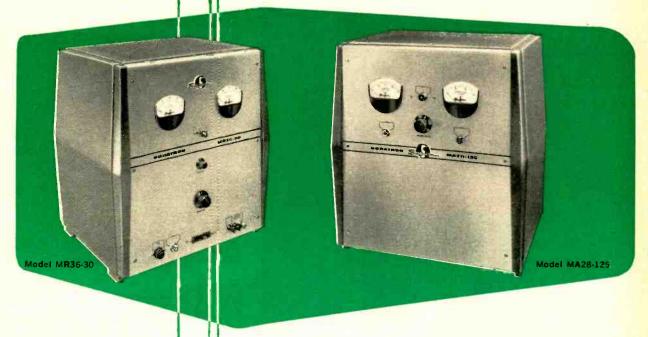
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# **ELECTRONICS NEWSLETTER**

RUSSIA'S THIRD SPUTNIK, not yet launched at press time, reportedly weighs 5 to 6 tons. Its orbit around the earth may take it to the dark side of the moon. This was recently reported from Moscow by a Polish correspondent. He said the new Soviet sputnik will be put into orbit by a rocket much bigger and more powerful than those used in launching the first two. Its speed, he reported, will be great enough to put it in an orbit so far away that it will circle both earth and moon.

NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE AGENCY recommended by President Eisenhower should have a three-part, comprehensive program, in the opinion of Hugh L. Dryden, director of the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics. These would be: (1) an adequate research effort on space technology problems; (2) development and use of unmanned vehicles capable of carrying necessary scientific data-gathering apparatus; (3) development and orderly use of man-carrying vehicles in the exploration of the solar system.

RELIABILITY must be engineered into weapons systems projects from the outset, Air Force Gen. C. S. Irvine told the 1958 Electronic Components Conference in Los Angeles last month. He declared that (1) advanced findings of electronics research should be applied as quickly as possible and early test results fully

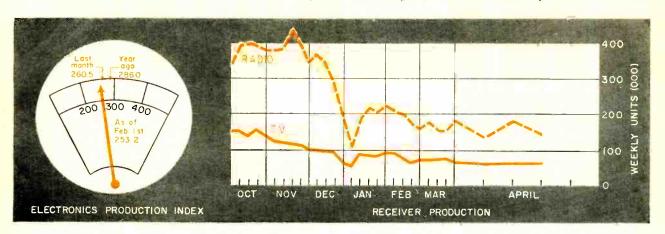
and carefully analyzed; (2) materials engineering should assure that metals, alloys, ceramics and plastics will withstand environmental stresses; (3) mechanical engineering must not be a weak link in the chain. Irvine cited the need for automatic testing tools, checking equipment and more efficient instrumentation generally. In the case of the Atlas program, he said that only 30 percent of its cost went for missiles, with 70 percent for support gear. Firms that produce reliable, reasonably priced components should get a fair share of the \$7 billion annual Air Force outlay for hardware.

SOVIET SINGLE-STAGE ROCKET which rose to 294-mi height Feb. 21 (Electronics, May 2, p 19), carried a barium titanate transducer to study micrometeor density. The Russians report that micrometeor movement was reliably determined up to 186 mi, with 268 collisions registered between 78 and 186 mi.

# TURE operation "could play a major role in the solution of severe reentry problems." That's what engineers John H. Lux of Haveg Industries and Norbert H. Noland of Reinhold Engineering and Plastics told last month's Canada-United

NEW MATERIAL FOR HIGH TEMPERA-

Norbert H. Noland of Reinhold Engineering and Plastics told last month's Canada-United States Chemical Engineering Conference in Montreal. Nose cones are already being made of the new material, described as a new class of compounds neither metal, plastic nor ceramic.



### FIGURES OF THE WEEK

### RECEIVER PRODUCTION (Source: EIA) Apr. 18, '58 Apr. 11, '58 Apr. 19, '57 Television sets, total 76.118 76,954 78,269 Radio sets, total ..... 158,588 183,461 266,707 Auto sets ...... 42,605 61,024 STOCK BRICE AVERAGE

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(Source: Standard & Poor's)	Apr. 23, '58	Apr. 16, '58	Apr. 24, '57
Radio-tv & electronics	45.49	44.76	51.27
Radio broadcasters	58.73	58.31	68.74

### FIGURES OF THE YEAR Totals for first two months

	1958	1957	Percent Change
Receiving tube sales	56,466,000	82,031,000	-31.2
Transistor production	6,061,955	3,221,000	+88.2
Cathode-ray tube sales	1,178,046	1,489,223	- 2.1
Television set production	804,396	914,887	-12.1
Radio set production	1,903,418	2,350,294	-19.0
Tv set sales	1,030,213	1,148,796	-10.3
Radio set sales (excl. auto)	954,705	1,088,392	-12.3





Electronic memory unit (left) activates paddle system (right) to unload conveyor belt as railroaders . . .

# Use Electronics To Sort

New transistorized system employing digital techniques solves costliest mail problem

Transistorized system using digital techniques for sorting parcelpost mail has been installed at Pennsylvania Railroad's Philadelphia terminal.

Railroaders say the new system, installed by Stewart-Warner, solves the costliest, most time-consuming problem of railway mail handling.

Problem: To sort parcels too large for mail sacks, and route them to the proper train.

Solution: Unsorted packages, ranging in size from egg crates to hand luggage, are placed on a 220-ft conveyor belt. As each item passes a coding station, two opera-

tors signal memory system to indicate at what point each parcel should be unloaded. System contains 39 removal points.

Code information is entered into a buffer storage unit as binary coded bits. An electric eye beamed across the conveyor belt senses passage of the parcel and transfers its coded unloading destination to a transistorized shift register.

As the parcel moves along the belt, coded information moves along the shift register. A decoder which is a large "AND" gate synchronized with the travel rate of the conveyor belt awaits the proper timing pulse.

When this occurs, a transfer mechanism in the form of a paddle is activated. The paddle pushes the parcel off the belt on to a right-angle conveyor. Waiting baggage trucks then pick up the parcels and move them to the proper train platform.

Manual sorting generally requires 15 men. This system does the job with five.

Previous practice allowed about 25 truckloads of mail to pile up before sorting. Crews worked at other tasks, rather than stop each time a truck arrived.

The new process allows sorting to complete itself once the main conveyor belt is loaded. Pennsy officials say arriving mail now makes the first train out.

It is reported several system pro-

posals are being studied by other railroads, warehouses, and mail order companies. It is expected the system will be used on sacked mail now processed manually.

Installations may appear in New York, Chicago and Washington. System is also under consideration in Los Angeles, Boston, and some large midwest cities.

# Transistor Output Up, Prices Down

TRANSISTOR'S TENTH ANNIVERSARY next month prompts a look at its growing market and dropping price levels. The trend to increased output and lower unit production cost continues this year.

Some 13 million units valued at \$37 million were sold in 1956. By 1957 sales of more than 28 million units were worth \$70 million. This year, as volume continues to rise, a number of price reductions have been announced.

At least two companies have recently cut prices ranging up to 25 percent on entertainment type germanium transistors. One says reductions are the result of increased output and new economies in production on some germanium types. The firm believes price cuts will spur use of germanium transistors for home entertainment sets.

Another firm cut prices about eight percent on seven *pnp* alloy-junction types used primarily for audio-frequency amplifier, intermediate-frequency amplifier, broadcast-band converter and push-pull amplifier service.

Conservative estimate of ELECTRONICS researchers for 1965 is a market for 400 million transistors worth \$200 million.

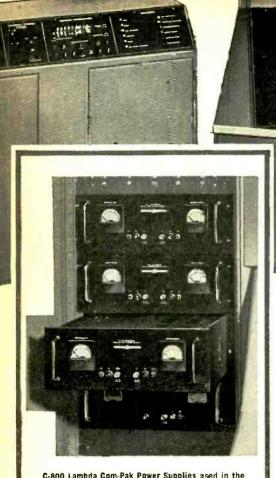
# Satellite's Eye Needs Tv Retina

ASTRONOMERS at the Princeton University Observatory told ELECTRONICS in a recent interview that telescopic observation of the heavens from a satellite will require extensive tv camera tube research. The problem, they say, is that light gathered from faint astral

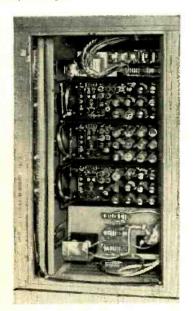
# Polaris Telemeter



First photo of Polaris hardware shows Polaris test missile's telemetering unit getting check out before being sent to Lockheed's test facility at Cape Canaveral for firing



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Digital Computer Intervention and Display System designed and fabricated by Stromberg-Carlson Company, a Division of General Dynamics Corporation, for the Air Proving Ground Center (ARDC) Armament Division, Eglin Air Force Base. The system is built around the CHARACTRON\* Shaped Beam Tube, designed by Stromberg-Carlson for high-speed information display and micro-film recording.

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bodies cannot be detected using available tubes. What is needed is an image-orthicon tube with a highgain semiconductor target that can build up a charge over a period of an hour and a half before scanning without appreciable leakage from globule to globule in the mosaic, the astronomers say. If such a tube can be developed, it is planned to use tv techniques to aim the telescope, focus the image received, and photograph the image from a ground installation.

In the Navy's Stratoscope project (Electronics, Jan. 10, p 24) also under direction of Princeton University Observatory, the entire servo system, used to compensate for telescope motion and relative movement of the sun, and the camera are contained in a balloon goudola. Since space and weight are at a premium in a satellite, however, it is more feasible to use a telescope in conjunction with a tv camera and transmit the field of view to ground observers.

Telescope positional errors will be detected on tv monitors and corrected from the ground. Instead of using a satellite-borne camera whose film might be affected by spurious radiations, the monitor sercen will be photographed. According to plans, the mosaic in the tv camera will be read at a rate of one scan per sec. This will permit use of conventional telemetering channels for data transmission.



Wide variey of transducers feed signals to this control board, making the . . .

# A-Plant Control Bill \$1.9 Million

Instrumentation and controls for the new full-scale civilian power reactor at Shippingport, Pa., cost \$1.9 million, according to Westinghouse Electric Corp.

The instrumentation has four main jobs: providing information

# WASHINGTON OUTLOOK

Many military aircraft electronics contractors are complaining about Pentagon fiscal restrictions. There's talk about stretchouts in delivery schedules, requests for delayed billings, postponed contract awards and payment delays.

Defense Dept. spokesmen deny that slow payment measures are in the works. They dismiss the charges as a campaign to force the Pentagon to boost progress payments back to last year's 100 percent rate on cost-reimbursement type contracts. Current rate is 80 percent.

The Navy's Bureau of Aeronautics, however, is having serious fiscal problems. The agency is up against a tight budget ceiling, is trying to slash cash outlays between now and June 30. It has put into effect a new policy holding back contract awards unless the contractor agrees to forego progress payments at least until July 1.

The Air Force denies talk of slow payments to contractors. "We are paying on time," says Asst. Air Force Secy. Lyle Garlock (Comptroller). "In fact, we're probably paying too promptly. In many instances we're paying the same day bills are tendered."

Nevertheless, there seems little doubt that the Pentagon has been forcing some aircraft electronics contractors to carry a heavy financial load ever since last year's budget-cutting drive. And despite the speedup in defense production scheduling and contracting, there's no sign that the Defense Dept. will relax the restrictions on progress payments.

• No one denies that Defense Secy. McElroy has set up expenditure targets for the military services. In effect, these are ceilings on spending; but Pentagon budgeteers stress their flexibility. The sum for fiscal 1958, ending June 30, is now \$39.1 billion—increased for the fourth time from the initial \$38-billion estimate.

Fiscal 1958 expenditures through March totaled \$28.8 billion, which leaves \$10.3 billion as the spending target for April-June. The \$10.3-billion figure is slightly more than April-June 1957 spending.

The target for fiscal 1959, starting July 1, is now \$40.4 billion. This includes \$7 billion for aircraft, \$3.4 billion for missiles and \$904 million for communications and other electronics. The target, however, is almost certain to be raised again.

- The Air Force's Garlock has sounded a warning to contractors. He has asked companies to project long-range billing plans based on existing development and production projects. If projected expenditures forecasts are "out of line," the Air Force "would have to change" production schedules, he says. So far, this hasn't been done.
- Navy officials are touting the virtues of a new management control system. They give it part of the credit for the fact that the Polaris missile-and-submarine weapons system is two years ahead of schedule.

Electronics contractors are among those in industry that are studying the management control system for their own use, Navy men say. Similarly, other military services and the Pentagon's new Advanced Research Projects Agency are seeing whether they can use the system to keep control of their own research and development projects.



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to the operators, running the safety circuits, providing reactor design information and protecting people in and around the plant from radiation hazards.

The nuclear reactor itself has two instrumentation systems. One monitors the core's neutron flux level with three independent channels, each provided with a proportional counter and a compensated ion chamber. These channels provide control data.

The other reactor system provides information on core conditions: temperature data from thermocouples, flow and differential pressure data, location of failed fuel elements and presence of fission products in the coolant.

A second group of instruments covers all the "conventional" measurements of the water system. Shippingport is a pressurized water reactor. Signals for control and alarm circuits are also supplied by thermocouples, thermometers and pressure instruments.



Molten zone of a gallium arsenide rod is examined at Bell Labs during crystal growing

# Labs Pushing Intermetallics

Intermetallic compounds this year are showing new research promise for specialized device development. Indium antimony and gallium arsenide are among the compounds that may eventually find more widespread use in certain specific diode and transistor applications, Electronics learns.

One recent research success, floating zone refining of intermetallics, was announced last month by Bell Telephone Laboratories. Basic work was done on gallium arsenide, but scientists be-

# MILITARY ELECTRONICS

• Why Atlas' radio-inertial guidance system is virtually jam proof (ELECTRONICS, Apr. 25, p 14) has been further illuminated exclusively for ELECTRONICS.

Solution, according to a General Electric official, lies in the use of coded antijam filters which reject interference.

R. L. Shetler, manager of the company's Missile Guidance Section, said the highly-selective filters of a space, time and frequency nature make enemy jamming exceedingly difficult since the antijam devices are unique for each ICBM.

He added that jamming is made even more difficult because radio signals controlling the Atlas guidance system are only transmitted during the first few minutes of the Atlas' flight, while the missile is over friendly territory.

• Support equipment for ballistic missiles and interceptor aircraft provides bigger business than do the actual weapons.

"Aproximately two-thirds of the money being spent on the IRBM and ICBM programs will be spent on the equipment required to handle, transport, test, check-out and repair the missiles.

"In air defense, an ever increasing proportion of the money is going into tadar, communications and control systems as opposed to the actual interceptor weapons," Gen. Thomas D. White, Chief of Staff, USAF, told the American Ordnance Association in St. Louis recently.

Construction of two ICBM sites—one in the Offutt AFB, Omaha, area and one near Fairchild AFB, Washington—is scheduled to begin before Oct.

The cost of each is estimated at \$25 million.

Technical design of the missile facilities will be under control of the AF Ballistic Missile Division, Inglewood, Calif. Other aspects of the design and all construction will be accomplished through the Army Corps of Engineers.

- ARDC's Hyfinder crash locator beacon, equipped with parachute, automatically ejects itself from a doomed plane before crash, sets itself up for operation on land or sea, transmits SOS and homing signals on whf and h-f transmitters, and flashes a stroboscopic light 30 times a min that is visible for 25 mi. Produced by Hycon Manufacuring, the instrument package measures 3 ft by 8 in. and weighs 56 lbs. The telescoped antenna shoots up 12½ ft. A rubber raft inflates for landing in water and three heavy metal legs extend for ground operation.
- SINS (Ship's Inertial Navigation System) for the first two Polaris submarines will be designed and built by Autonetics div. of North American. Sperry, which has responsibility for its SINS for the USS Compass Island and USS Observation Island, will, according to a high-ranking Navy spokesman, furnish several sizable items in the Autonetics system.

lieve the method should be applicable to a variety of compounds that are thermally unstable at their melting points.

In the technique, a heat source such as an r-f induction coil is moved relative to a vertically supported rod, melting a liquid zone as it moves. Surface tension supports the liquid zone. Usually, says Bell, a single crystal can be grown and purification achieved during

this zone refining process.

Complicating factor in intermetallic crystal growing and purification is that composition of the liquid phase at the melting point is strongly dependent on the partial pressure of arsenic. In the zone-refining process, this is controlled by a sealed system containing excess arsenic and by regulating its minimum temperature.

Experimental crystals are com-



# Tonotron picture of the Los Angeles Yacht Harbor

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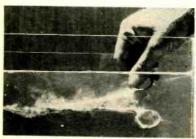
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parable in size to germanium or silicon crystals. Right now, purity level is somewhat below that of silicon, at about one part of impurity per million.

Technique should be most useful with binary compounds in which only one component element has a considerable vapor pressure at its melting point, scientists believe. They add that the compound must have a high enough electrical conductivity to permit heating by r-f induction. Furthermore, surface tension and density of the molten material must be able to support a molten zone during the refining process.

# Sound Cleans Surgical Tools





DRIED BLOOD, bits of tissue and other soils on surgical instruments are removed by cavitation caused by ultrasonic sound waves (upper photo) generated in a new medical washing machine (lower photo) manufactured by Acoustica Associates, Inc., of Mineola, N. Y.

The washer will clean 75 instruments in only 13 min. By hand scrubbing, 45 min are necessary to clean the same number.

The 25-kc magnetostriction-generated ultrasonic signal unit differs from other ultrasonic units in that the output is pulsed; peak power is over 1,000 watts while average power is 400 watts.

# FINANCIAL ROUNDUP

- Reduction in interest rate charged by commercial banks to prime borrowers from 4 to 3½ percent in last fortnight is of more than passing interest to electronics industry. Rate reduction should speed up tempo of banks' buying of electronic equipment (Elec-TRONICS, May 2, p 15). Savings in operating costs possible through electronic automation will be more attractive than ever with future gross revenue headed for a drop under impact of lower interest rates. Actually only an exclusive cirele of top credit risks quality to borrow money at prime bank interest rates. But the interest rates charged to other customers usually drop with the prime rate.
- Technitrol Engineering, of Philadelphia, and L & O Research and Development, Wayne, Pa., plan to merge sometime this year. Technitrol and L & O will exchange common shares. Further financial details were not disclosed. A. F. Carey, L & O president, has become vice-president of Technitrol, the acquiring company which makes data processing equipment and components. The to-beacquired firm is in the data recording and facsimile fields.
- Ampex Corp., Redwood City, Calif., plans to split common stock  $2\frac{1}{2}$  to 1. Split, voted by board of directors, is subject to approval by

- shareholders in August. Stock was recently quoted at 57½ bid over-the-counter. There are 734,265 shares outstanding. Redwood firm manufactures magnetic tape recording equipment. It owns a 25 percent interest in Orradio Industries of Opelika, Ala., magnetic tape manufacturer.
- Itek Corp., of Boston, and Vectron Corp., Waltham, Mass., will submit merger plans for stockholder approval in next two weeks. Merged firms will operate under name of Itek Corp. and plan, within a year, to consolidate all activities in Vectron's Waltham plant. Itek does engineering research in graphic information processing. It recently acquired facilities and staff of Boston University's Physical Research Labs. Vectron manufactures electromechanical and electronic equipment.
- I T & T plans to issue \$28.7 million of 25 year convertible subordinated debentures. Terms of proposed financing call for stockholders to be offered right to subscribe to debentures at rate of \$100 principal amount for each 25 shares of capital stock. Interest rate, common stock conversion prices and subscription price will be determined shortly before the offering is made. Kuhn, Loeb & Co. of New York City will head the underwriting group.

# Aircraft A-Power Program Widens

AEC EXPECTS to make first tests late this year of nuclear reactor systems being developed for rocket propulsion. Flight tests of atompowered rockets would come after 1960.

Buildings to house the instruments associated with the field testing are now being constructed in atomic weapons test areas.

Unofficial sources predict the project will culminate in missiles able to circle the earth constantly,

except for maintenance landings. The same sources say electronic guidance for such a weapons system is feasible.

The rocket program is part of the AEC's aircraft reactor propulsion program, which cost AEC \$87 million in research and development in fiscal 1957.

National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics is building a reactor for its study of nuclear aircraft problems. Rated at 60,000 kilowatts, it will be one of the most powerful research reactors ever built.

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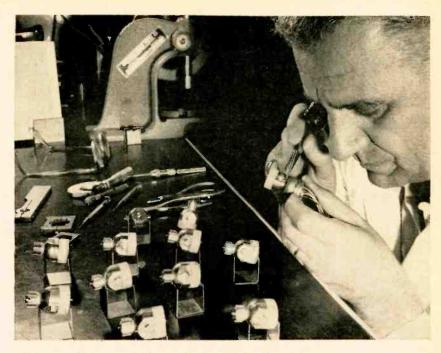
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# MEETINGS AHEAD

May 12-14: Instrumental Methods of Analysis, ISA Annual Symposium, Shamrock-Hilton Hotel, Houston, Texas.

May 12-14: National Aero & Nav. Elec. Conf., PGANE, Biltmore Hotel, Dayton, Ohio.

May 12-15: Eighth Annual Research Equip. Exhibit and Instrumentation Symposium, PGME-IRE National Institute of Health, Bethesda, Md.

May 13-15: Communications Section of the Assoc. of American Railroads, 34th Annual Meeting, Hotel Muehleback, Kansas City, Missouri.

May 13-15: Radio Tech. Comm. for Marine Services, Spring Assy, Ben Franklin Hotel, Philadelphia.

May 13-15: East Central District Meeting, AIEE, Pritchard Hotel, Huntington, West Virginia.

May 19-21: Electronic Parts Distribu-

tors Show, Conrad Hilton Hotel, Chicago.

May 19-23: International Convention on Microwave Valves, Institute of Electrical Engineers, contact secretary, Savoy Place, London.

May 21-23: Energy Instrumentation Conf., Automatic Controls Applied to Gas, Electric and Steam Systems, ISA, New York City.

May 27-28: Second EIA Conf. on Maintainability of Electronic Equip., Univ. of Penn., Phila.

June 2-4: National Telemetering Conference, AIEE, ISA, ARS, Lord Baltimore Hotel, Baltimore, Md.

June 2-4: Automation and Computers, Short Course and Conf., Univ. of Texas, College of Engineering, Austin, Texas.

June 4-6: Armed Forces Communications and Electronic Assoc., Exhibit, Hotel Sheraton Park, Washington, D. C.

June 5-6: Second Natl. Conf. on Production Techniques, IRE, PGPT, Hotel New Yorker, N. Y. C.

June 9-13: Technical Writers Institute, Sixth Annual Symposium, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, N. Y.

June 9-13: Automation Seminar, Fourth Annual, Penn. State Univ., Penn.

June 10-13: Sixth Annual Meeting, Human Engineering Institute, Stamford, Conn. Contact Roland C. Casperson.

June 16-18: Electrical Contact Seminar Div., Penn State Univ., Penn.

June 16-18: Military Electronics Second National Convention, Sheraton Park Hotel, Washington, D. C.

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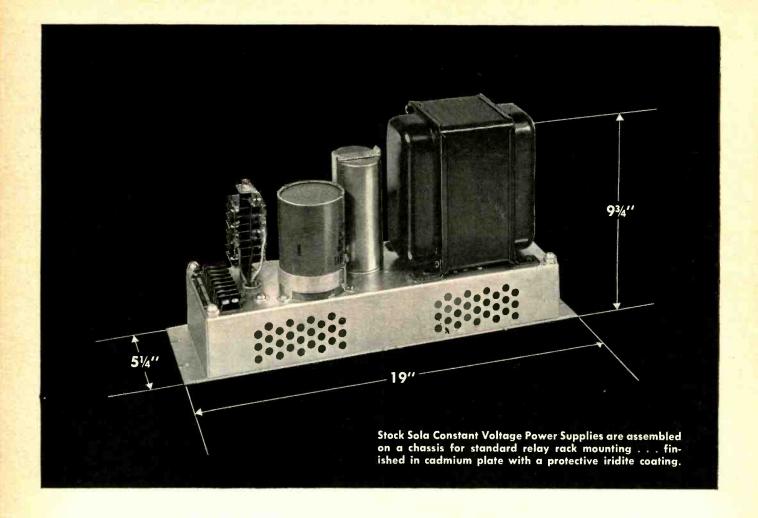


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2N383	Output Amplifier	200	25	25	200	85	20	72	1.8	35	2N59, 2N224, 2N241/A, 2N265, 2N270
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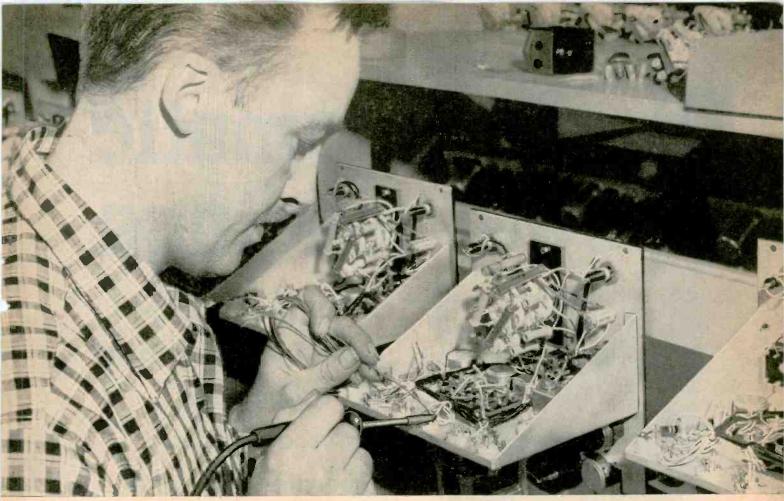
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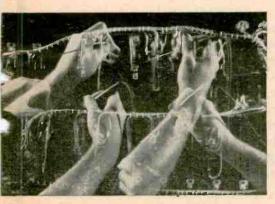
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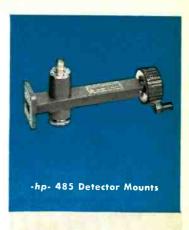
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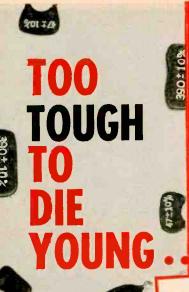
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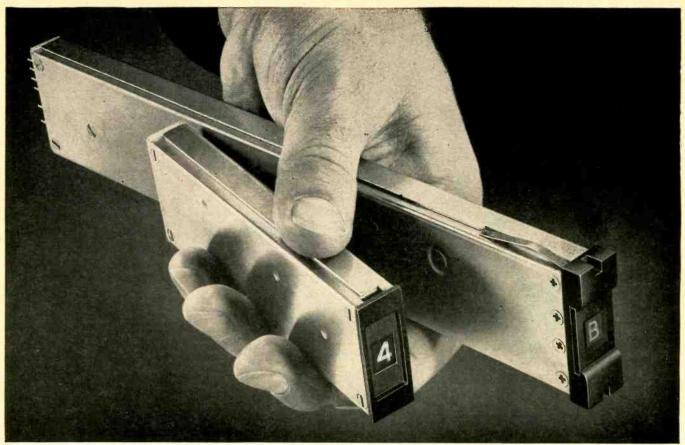
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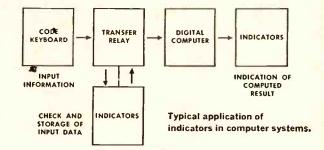
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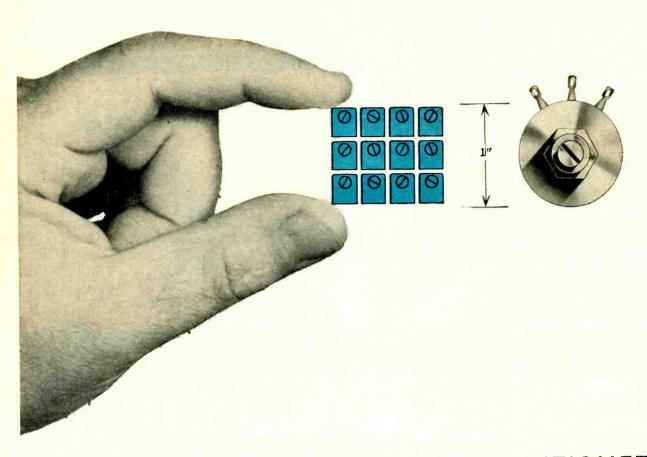




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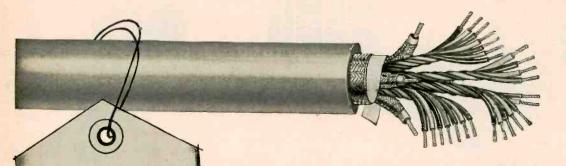
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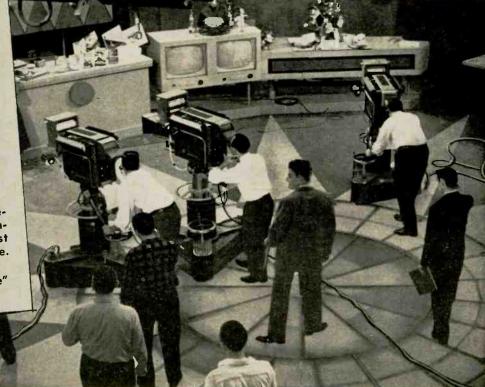
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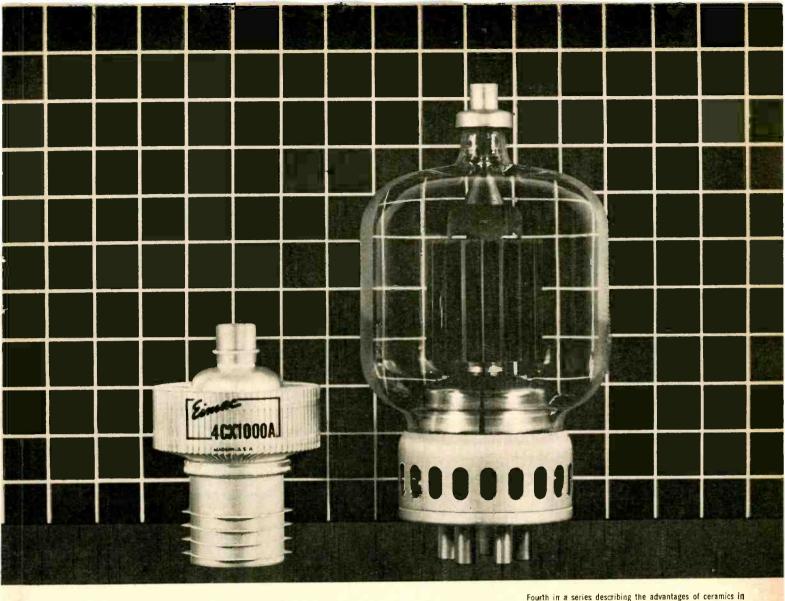
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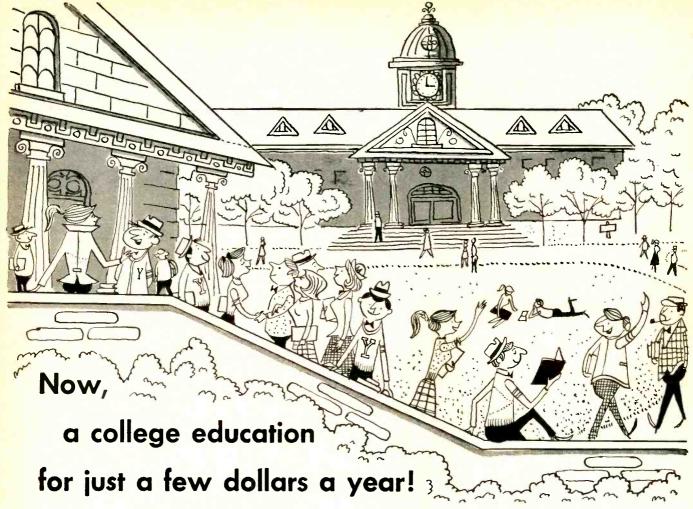


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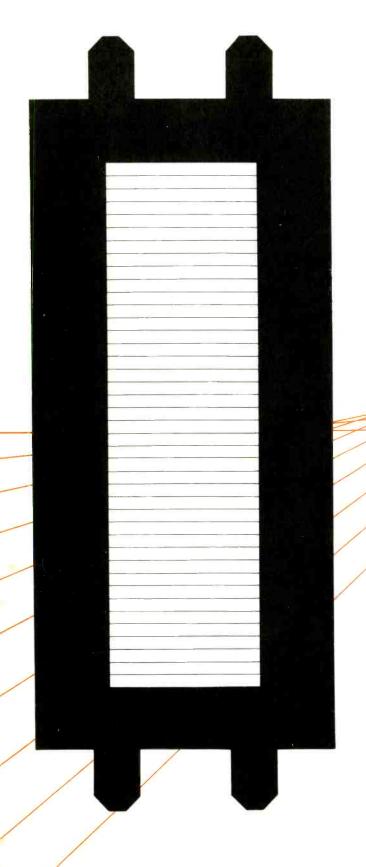
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# Electron Tube News -from SYLVANIA



Announcing the Sylvania Framelok Grid



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# Sylvania's revolutionary Framelok construction marks the era of mass produced "Frame Grid" Tubes

# Frame grid history is a Sylvania history

Beginning with its earliest handmade frame grid, Sylvania has concentrated engineering effort on frame grid design and development. From this experience, comes the Framelok Grid, a revolutionary design which makes it possible to mass produce frame grid tubes for the first time.

First tube to incorporate the Framelok Grid is the Sylvania Type 6FH6—a beam power pentode designed for Horizontal TV Deflection.

# Framelok Grid is self-aligning

In the Framelok Type 6FH6, grid alignment is accomplished with unprecedented ease and precision. Sylvania's unique construction draws grid laterals taut; grid wires are arranged in a ladder sequence, normal to the axis of the grid. Precise frame construction and close mica tolerances make perfect alignment automatic.

### Higher Plate-to-Screen Current Ratios

Framelok tubes are more efficient as a result of precise grid alignment. Plate-to-screen current ratios substantially greater than those of present types can be achieved—requiring less screen power for optimum performance. Thus improved horizontal scan performance can be realized.

## **Higher Dissipation**

Less required screen grid power for a given plate power automatically reduces the dissipation requirements of the Framelok Grid. And since the Framelok Grid has greater mass it is more capable of dissipating heat. These factors, contributing to inherently lower grid emission, make it possible to achieve higher peak plate currents before dissipation becomes a limiting factor.

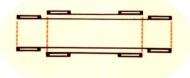
# Mount is more rugged

Unlike ordinary grids, strength of the Framelok Grid comes from its rigid frame and is independent of the grid wires. This rigidity is transferred to the mount assembly, reducing life failures resulting from grid warping or bowing.

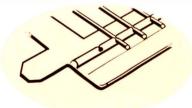
## More uniform transfer characteristics

More precise grid construction, more uniform element spacings, and more rugged mount assembly,

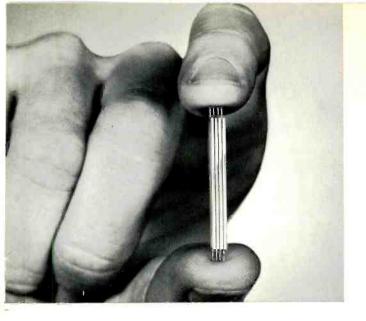
Here are a few highlights of the mechanical



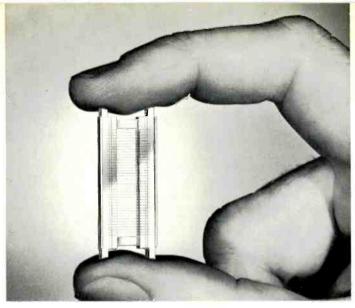
A Straight line geometry of grid side-rods in present grids is considerably weaker than the double-box configuration formed by frame grids. Distortion due to mount "twist" is virtually non-existent in the frame grid structure.



**B** Sylvania's new Framelok construction eliminates brazing and adapts the frame grid to automatic production. Grid halves are perfectly flat—free from thermal strains.



Many grids look like one! The inherent alignment capabilities of Sylvania's Framelok Grid are demonstrated by the ease with which the laterals of any number of separate grid



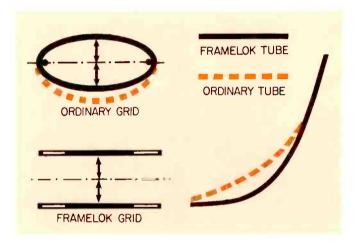
halves can be lined up. Perfect alignment means higher efficiency—greater flexibility in the selection of grid wire diameters for optimum performance.

add up to closer control over tube transfer characteristics. Narrower control of limits of course means less critical circuitry, and a more stable and reliable performance in the end product.

## Application potentials are wide

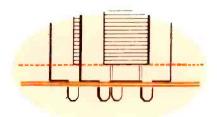
To meet the heavy operational requirements of horizontal deflection tubes, the first Framelok tube to be announced is the Horizontal Deflection Type 6FH6.

The adaptability of this grid is such that application of Framelok tubes should quickly extend to vertical TV deflection, video, audio, and a wide range of low and medium power uses in the frequency range below UHF.

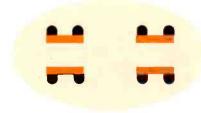


Uniform transfer characteristics of the Framelok Grid tube result largely from greater control of both major and minor dimensions of the grid. Above is a graphic representation of variations in characteristics which result from distortion of the minor dimensions in wound grids. Since both major and minor are fixed in the rigid frame grid, these variations are virtually eliminated.

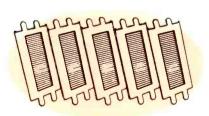
# superiority of the Framelok Tube



C Self-alignment is accomplished in the Framelok Grid through precise control of the distance between the mica and the first grid lateral wire. These tolerances in the frame grid are held in the order of one tenth of one thousandth of an inch—considerably tighter than ordinary grid tolerances.



**D** Mica slots are designed with flat alignment surface and channel index to position grids with much greater precision. Closer element spacings are possible where extra Gm is required.



Sylvania's unique technique of frame grid construction makes it possible to duplicate grid after grid. More uniform spacings produce a more uniform electrostatic field in the tube.

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# **TYPE 6FH6**

# Highly efficient horizontal deflection tube

Proved in pilot and now being planned for mass production, the Framelok Type 6FH6 is the most efficient tube ever designed for horizontal deflection service.

It provides design engineers with a new flexibility in circuit design because of the high zero-bias plate-to-screen current ratio. This permits the tube to be driven harder at a lower screen dissipation.

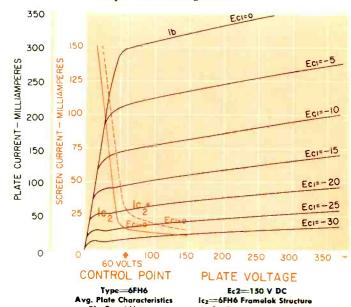
The 6FH6 supplies increased power output because plate voltage can swing to a very low value without encountering unduly high screen grid currents. Higher screen voltages can be maintained at lower dissipation levels resulting in higher output peak current and power.



DESIGN MAXIMUM RATINGS	
Maximum D. C. plate supply voltage (boost + DC power supply)	770 voits
	6000 volts
Maximum peak negative plate voltage	1500 volts
Maximum plate dissipation.	17 watts
Maximum D.C. grid #2 voltage	220 volts
Maximum peak negative grid #1 voltage	300 volts
Maximum grid #2 dissipation	3.6 watts
Maximum average cathode current	155 mg
Maximum peak cathode current	500 mg
Maximum grid #1 circuit resistance Self-bias	1.0 megohm
Maximum bulb temperature (hottest spot)	240 °C
AVERAGE CHARACTERISTICS	
Pentode operation with Eb=250 V; Ec2=150 V; Ec1= -22.5 V;	
Plate current	75 mg
Grid #2 current	1.7 mg
	6000 umhos
	2,000 ohms
Zero Bias with Eb=60 V; Ec2=150 V; Ec1=0; (instantaneous values)	-,
Plate current	300 mg
Grid #2 current	15 mg
Cutoff: For Ib=1.0 ma with Eb=250 V; Ec2=150 V.	
Grid #1 voltage (approx.)	-53 volts
Triode Amplification Factor with Eb Ec2 150 V and Fc1 -22 5 V	4.1



Framelok type 6FH6 plate-to-screen current ratios are compared to those of comparable existing tubes.



Conventional Structure

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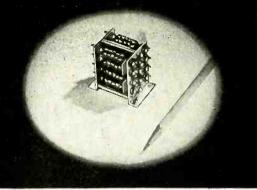
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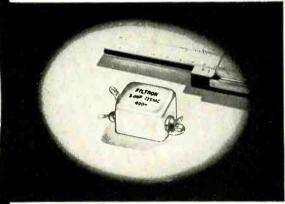
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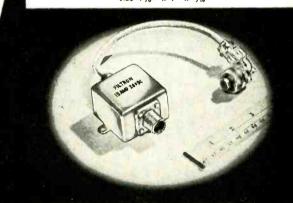
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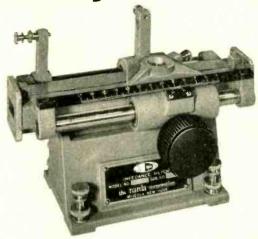
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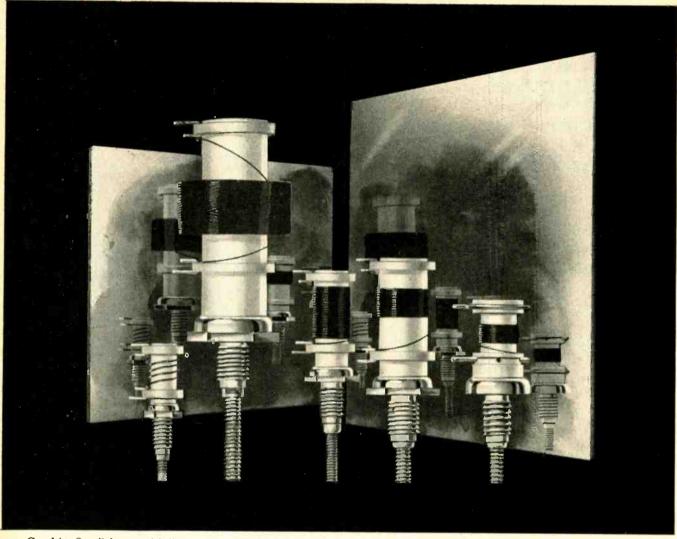
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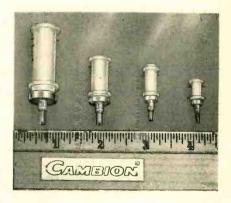
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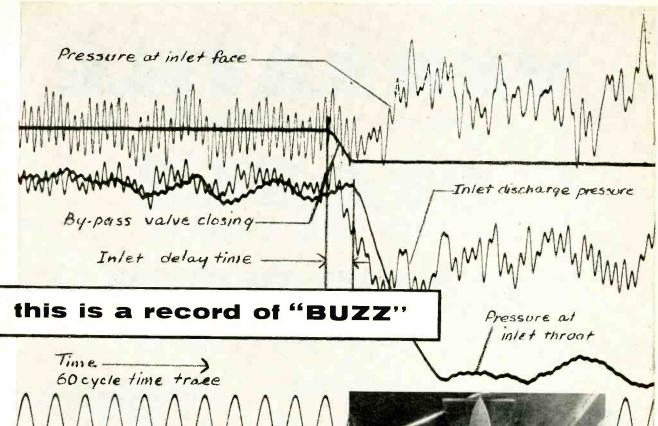
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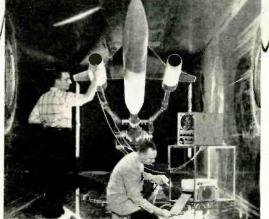


### The Visicorder charts pressure fluctuations in a supersonic inlet

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#### Type KH

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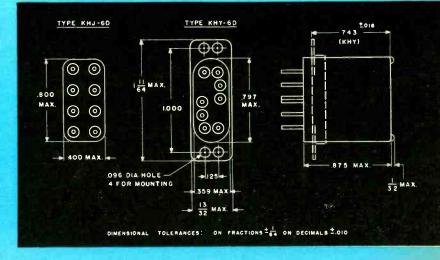
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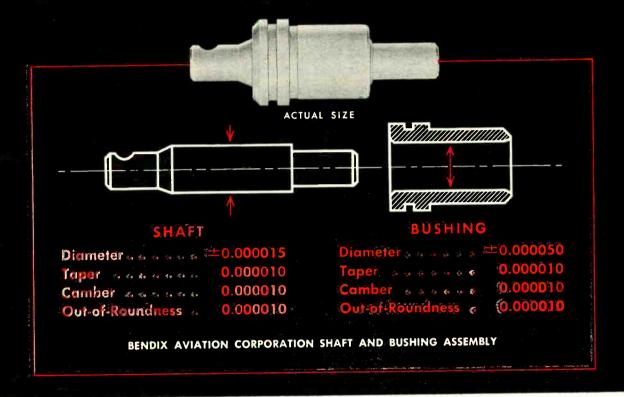
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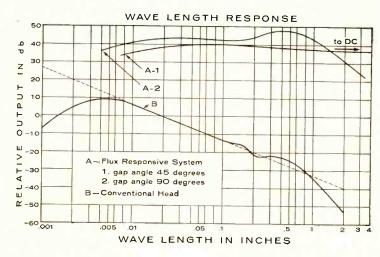
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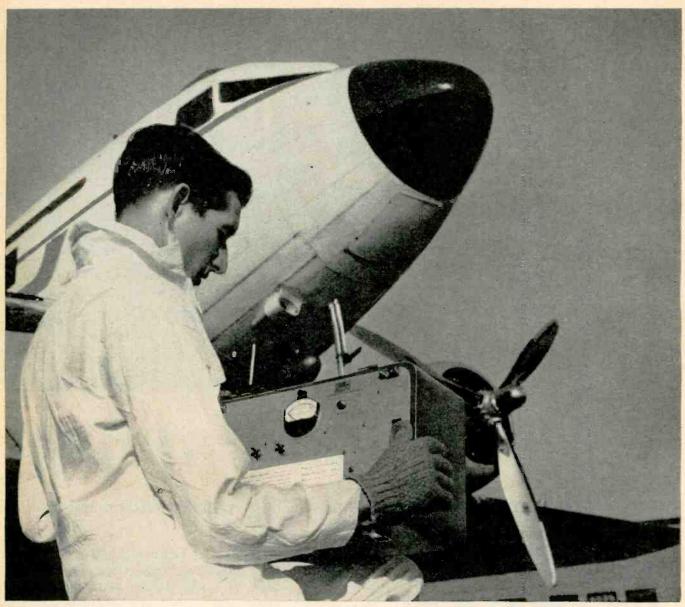
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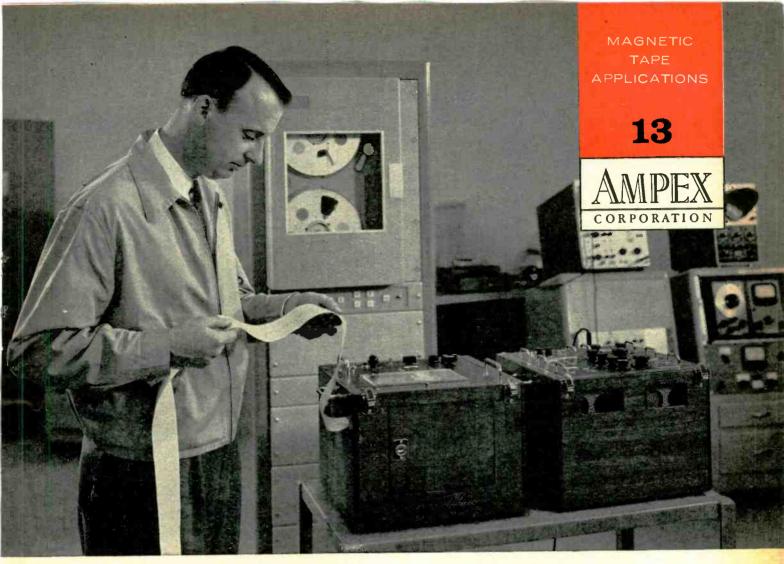
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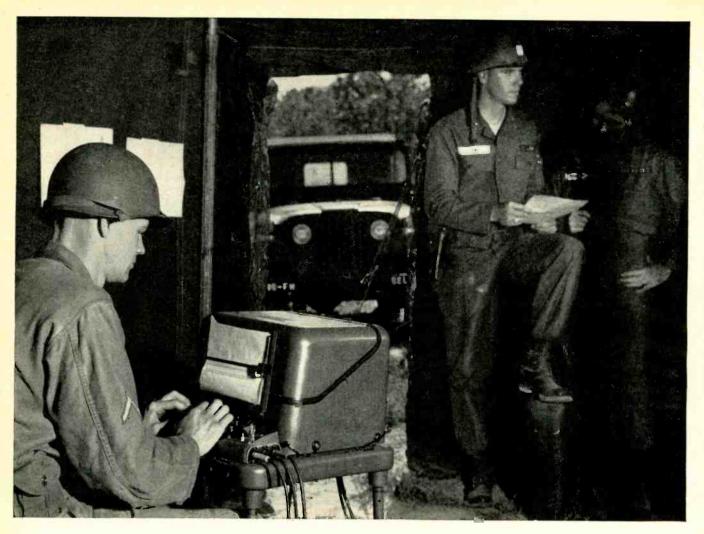
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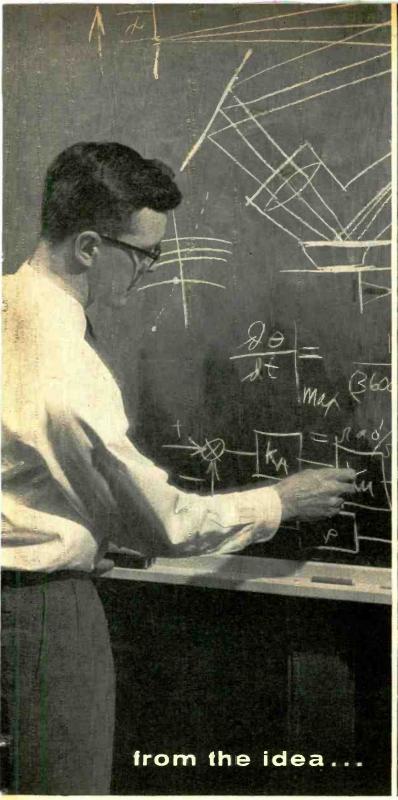
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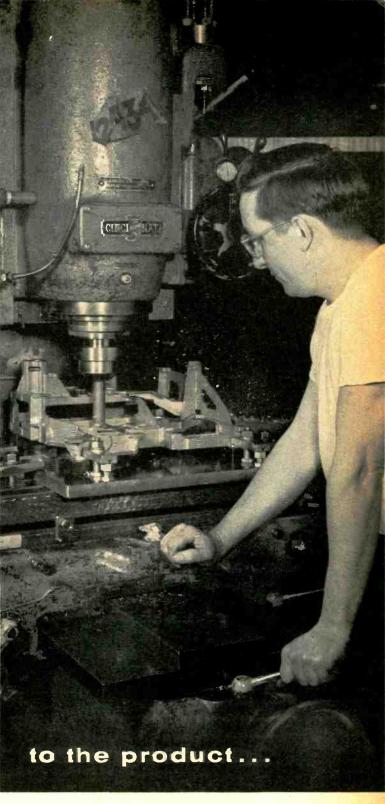
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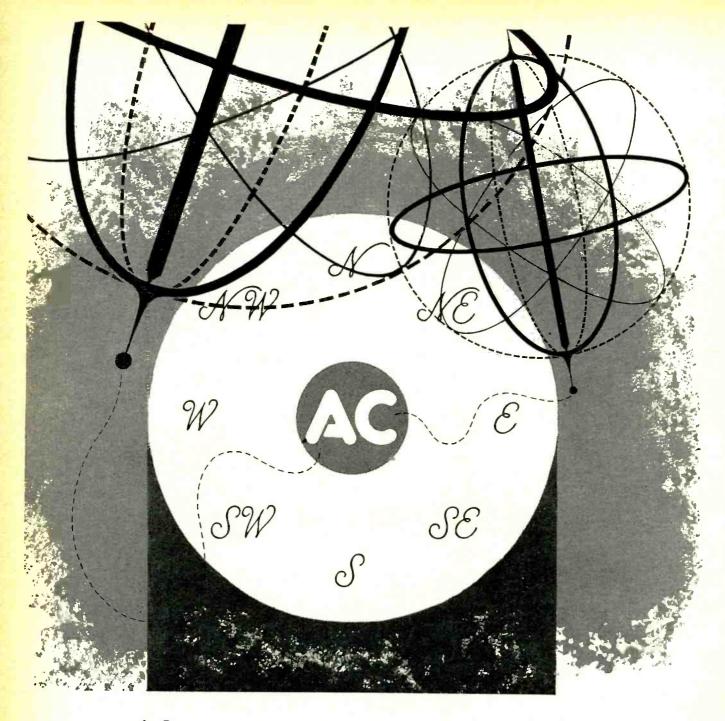
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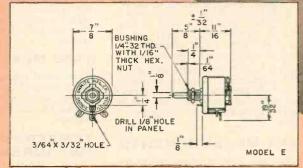
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Newest addition to the Ohmite line of vitreous-enameled rheostats is the new Model "E" miniature 12½-watt rheostat. This new unit is smaller than many one- or two-watt potentiometers. It provides time-tested Ohmite all-ceramic and metal design features for uses where as much as 12½-watt dissipation is required and space is extremely limited. Built to operate at a maximum hot spot temperature rise of 300° C at an ambient of 40° C, Model "E" is also useful for operation at high military ambients, derated linearly to zero at 340° C, attained. Rugged, lasting, power rheostat performance is thus available in such small size that new possibilities in miniaturization and dependability are afforded the apparatus designer.

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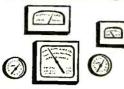
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#### How Magnets Help Solve Your Measurement Problems

This is a review of how magnets, magnetic devices and magnetic phenomena can be used to solve certain measurement problems, to improve production efficiency and to cut manufacturing costs.



Highly accurate and efficient measurement is an essential part of modern manufacturing. Today's mass production techniques require speedy analysis of conditions and dimensions of parts and materials. Literally hundreds of measurement problems are being solved effectively with instruments and devices that employ magnets.

#### ELECTRICAL MEASUREMENTS

Most common of the uses of magnets in measurement is in electricity—in such devices as ammeters, voltmeters, voltage protectors, KVA meters, power factor meters, arc-back indicators, limit and flow switches, frequency meters, galvanometers and oscillographs. In the ammeter there is either a stationary coil and a magnet that rotates when a current is passed through the coil, or a stationary magnet and a moving coil. The voltmeter is similar, with a high resistance in series with the coil.

Also similar is the galvanometer, but it is much more delicate and sensitive. An oscillograph is a special form of moving-coil galvanometer. Potentiometers, which measure small electromotive forces, consist of a circuit of resistances and a galvanometer. Frequency meters depend on the effect of the currents in two shunt circuits on a moving coil. One circuit contains inductance and the other capacitance.

Magnets in galvanometers and oscillographs combine with electromagnetic waves and electrons to provide integrated and recorded measurements, often remote from the locations of the measurements.

#### LINEAR MEASUREMENTS

Even the most simple linear measurements are assisted by magnets — by magnetic bases on height gauges, indicators, dials, roundness gauges, carpenter levels and magnetic plumb-bob. The thickness of a non-magnetic coating on iron can be determined by measuring the gap between the magnet in a tester and the iron object.

Radar sends out a high-frequency electromagnetic wave which is reflected back from the target to a receiving antenna. Speed of the wave is known, so that distance can be determined by measuring the time between emission and reception of the wave. The heart of this instrument is the magnetron vacuum tube, which depends on a high-intensity, uniform, permanent magnet field. Sonar is similar to radar except that its energy is in ultrasonic waves of 10 to 40 kilocycles.

Distance is also measured by proximity fuses and switches. The fuse depends on a permanent magnet generator for energy. It sends out a signal which is reflected by the target to actuate a firing mechanism; thus, a direct hit is not necessary. In the switch,

a magnet is attracted to any iron or steel that comes near, closing the switch.

Direction can be measured by the aircraft direction indicator, the compass and the remote-reading compass transmitter. All these devices depend on magnets.

#### AREA MEASUREMENTS

Applications of magnets in land measure are numerous. We have magnetic maps, charts and markers, and vast areas are surveyed and measured by radar and sonar.

In the future it is likely that television, which uses magnets for focusing, ion traps and loudspeakers, will be used to measure areas.

#### VOLUME MEASUREMENTS

Liquid-level indicators and float switches often transmit the motion of a float to the indicating mechanism by magnetic attraction. In flow meters, volume of liquids and gases may be measured through a seal by such devices as a permanent magnet rotor turning in a venturi, a rotor in a liquid cutting flux lines of a magnet, molten metal flowing through a pipe and cutting magnetic flux, a magnetic clutch between a float and a recording mechanism.

#### TIME MEASUREMENTS

Permanent magnets are contributing much toward accuracy and ruggedness in actuators, clutches and brakes in clocks, timers, timing motors and traffic signals.

#### TEMPERATURE MEASUREMENTS

Magnets are used extensively in pyrometers, which are thermocouples connected to galvanometers calibrated in degrees. The optical thermometer employs a magnetic ammeter and in other thermometers magnets indicate the maximum or minimum temperature in a period. In many thermostats, magnets accelerate the contacts to increase accuracy and life.

#### SPEED MEASUREMENTS

Two of our best known modern instruments are the speedometer, based on eddy currents generated by a rotating magnet, and the tachometer, which is simply a permanent magnet generator. Magnetic couplings are used to connect tachometers to such machines as highpressure turbines and other sealed equipment.

#### NEW MEASUREMENT INSTRUMENTS

There are possibilities for the development of new measuring instruments, based upon the following magnetic phenomena:

- 1 Magnetostriction effects, such as the change in length and volume of a rod when magnetized; the bending of a magnetized rod; the twist in a rod in a magnetic field; the change in magnetic induction of a rod under stress in a magnetic field.
- 2 The production of characteristic sounds and vibrations of bodies in a magnetic field; changes in period and frequency of vibrating bodies in a magnetic field.
- 3 Changes in apparent resistance of conductors introduced into a magnetic leld.
- 4 Changes in thermal conductivity of metals when exposed to a magnetic field; changes in permeability of magnetic materials; changes in boiling points and specific heats of some substances in a magnetic field.
- 5 The plane of polarization of light can be rotated by a magnetic field; double refraction of light has been observed in several mediums subjected to a magnetic field; similar effects occur with electromagnetic wayes.
- 6 Transformations that occur in pure metals and alloys are affected by magnetic fields.

The foregoing discussion is condensed from an article which appears in "Applied Magnetics," Vol. 2, No. 4. Write for your free copy. If you would like to explore any of the possibilities discussed in the article, Indiana's engineering staff will be glad to offer recommendations and consultation.

#### NEW CATALOG AVAILABLE

Send for your free copy of the new "Cast and Sintered Alnico Magnet Catalog No. 19," which describes and lists typical sizes and shapes of these two most popular types of magnetic materials for experimental use. Also shown are permanent and electro-magnetizers and demagnetizers. Address Dept. A-5.

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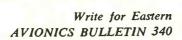
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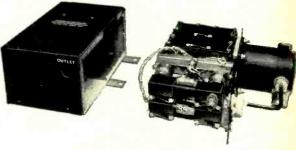
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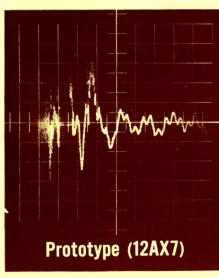
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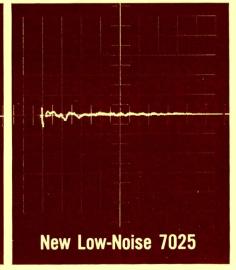
## TUBE DESIGN NEWS

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## General Electric Low-Noise 7025 AF-Amplifier Tube Major Step Toward Improved Hi-Fi Reproduction!





#### Scope Trace at Right Shows Superiority of New 7025 Twin Triode

You can see by comparison the greatly reduced noise output of the new General Electric amplifier tube. A single, identical tap was applied externally to a 12AX7 and to a 7025, both representative tubes from current production. Vertical measurement is plate voltage . . . horizontal measurement is time. Conditions:  $E_{\rm b}$ : 250 v,  $R_{\rm I}$ : 10 K,  $E_{\rm c}$ : -2.5 v.

## Military Equipment Builder Finds G-E 7077 Ceramic Triodes Have Mean Noise Figure Below 5 db!

Using a high-performance test circuit of advanced design, the research laboratory of a large manufacturer of military equipment has found that a sample lot of G-E 7077 RF-amplifier ceramic triodes show the mean noise figure of 4.6 db at 16 db gain. Tubes were operated at 500 megacycles.

The new 7077 is rated at 5.5 db noise at 14.5 db gain, 450 megacycles under power-matched conditions. Therefore, the test performance underscores the tube's suitability for military use, where low noise and high gain are vital.

Intended primarily for communi-

cations, radar, and navigation equipment, the new 7077 is a high-mu triode of planar construction. Altitude rating is 100,000 feet. It is economical in price, dependable, and rugged.

Ceramic construction gives the 7077 exceptional heat resistance. The tube is expected to be useful up to 300 C. It is designed for optimum mounting in grounded-grid UHF amplifier circuits. Size is extremely small—less than ½ inch long and wide.

Orders are being accepted now for delivery this year. See page that follows for average characteristics and typical-operation data. Modern sound-reproduction techniques put a premium on low background noise. The richness of today's high-fidelity tone calls for circuitry and tubes that reduce hum, microphonics, and other noise to a level approaching silence.

General Electric, long a pioneer in audio research—originator of the famous variable-reluctance cartridge and other basic aids to sound reproduction—now assists circuit designers with an outstanding low-noise amplifier tube, the 7025. This new twin triode promotes hum-free, noise-free reproduction of both disk and tape sound recordings.

In equipment now being designed or in production, the 7025 will directly replace Type 12AX7.

#### New Snubber Mica Holds Cathode Tight. Special Low-Hum Heater Employed.

The new 7025 features a spring snubber mica applied to the top of the cathode, which exerts a damping effect on any movement of the cathode caused by shock or vibration. This cuts microphonics substantially.

Also, a new tube heater of special design reduces hum by virtually eliminating heater magnetic influences on plate current and consequent hum in the plate circuit.

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For best audio, apply the new General Electric 7025 AF-amplifier tube! Complete information about this lownoise twin triode is available from any G-E Receiving Tube office listed on the following page.

Tear off and keep this sheet for reference. It contains useful tube-application data.

#### GENERAL ELECTRIC 7077 RF-AMPLIFIER CERAMIC TRIODE

#### **AVERAGE CHARACTERISTICS**

Plate Supply Voltage	250	Volts
Resistor in plate circuit (by-passed)		
Cathode-Bias Resistor		
Amplification Factor	80	
Plate Resistance, approximate	8900	Ohms
Transconductance	9000	Micromhos
Plate Current	6.4	Milliamperes
Grid Voltage, approximate		
$G_{\rm m} = 50$ Micromhos	-5	Volts

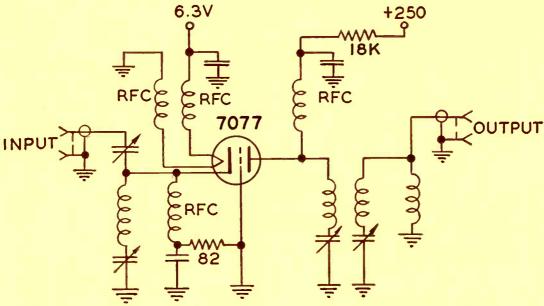
#### TYPICAL OPERATION

#### GROUNDED-GRID AMPLIFIER-450 MEGACYCLES

Plate Supply Voltage‡		
Resistor in plate circuit (by-passed)‡	8000	Ohms
Cathode-Bias Resistor	82	Ohms
Plate Current	6.4	Milliamperes
Bandwidth, approximate	7	Megacycles
Power Gain, approximate	14.5	Decibels
Noise Figure (Measured with power-matched input, using argon lamp noise source), approximate	5.5	Decibels

‡ Lower supply voltage and a lower value of resistor may be used in the plate circuit with some sacrifice in uniformity of performance.

#### TYPICAL GROUNDED-GRID AMPLIFIER CIRCUIT USING THE 7077



Disclosure of the foregoing examples of the tube applications does not convey to purchasers of tubes any patent license, nor is it to be construed as recommending the use of such tubes in the infringement of patent claims.

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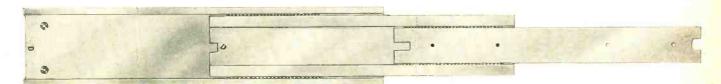
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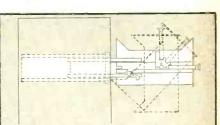
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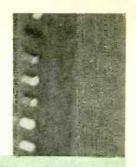
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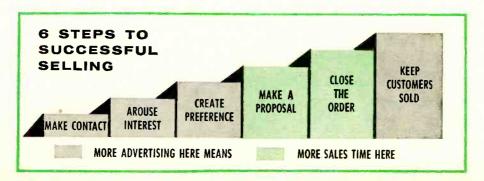
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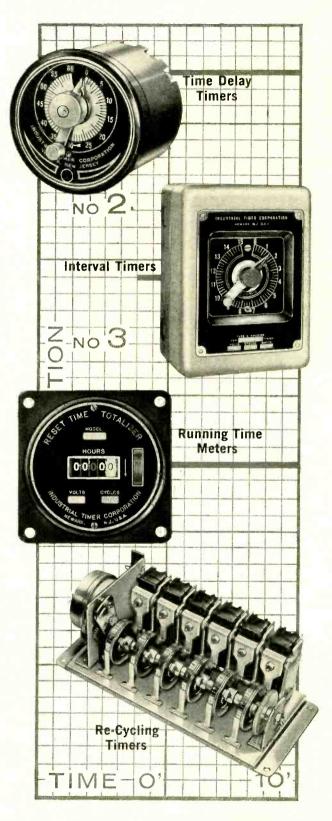
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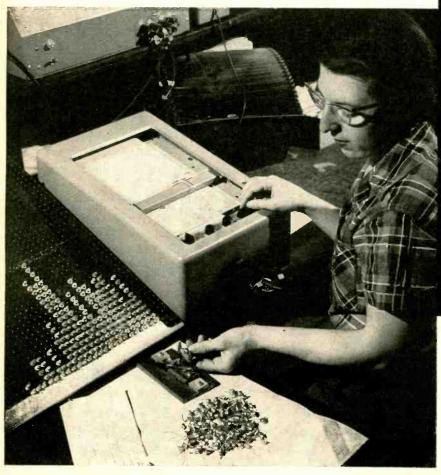
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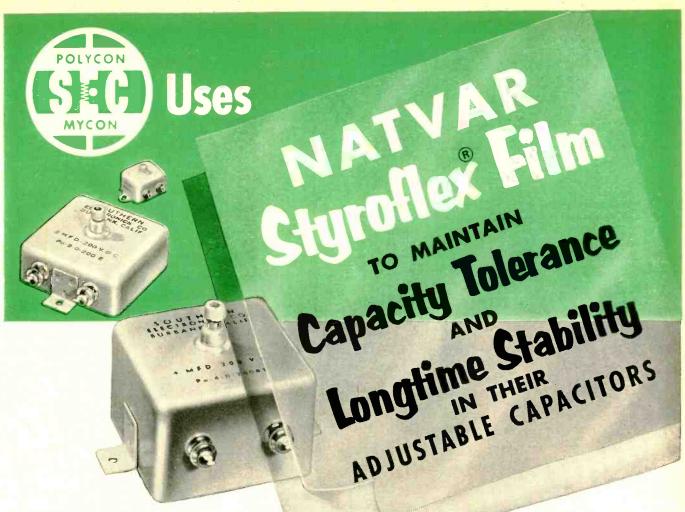








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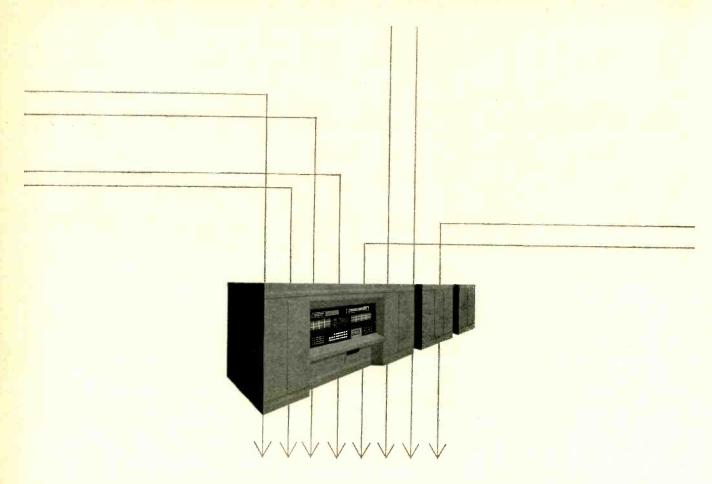
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In its simpler forms, the problem may involve, for example, the automatic handling and analysis of business data such as payrolls, sales and manufacturing figures, insurance premiums, and other essentially statistical data. At the other extreme are certain complex military situations which require the concurrent interpretation, analysis, and integration on a very short time scale of data from a wide variety of sources, including field reports, photographs, news reports, estimates of industrial activity, and the like. In many of these situations, there is the additional requirement to translate the information from a foreign language into English.

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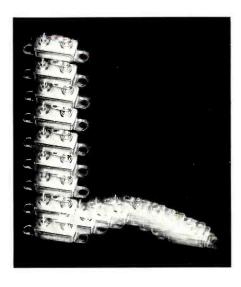
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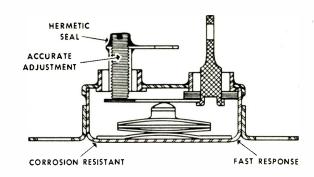
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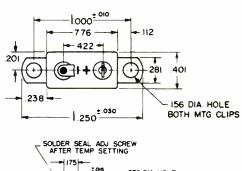
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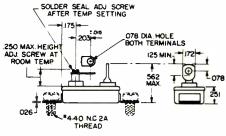
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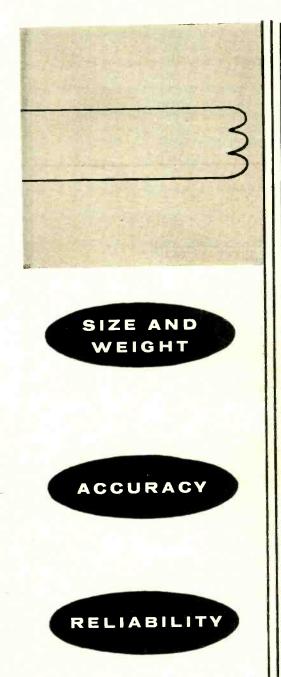
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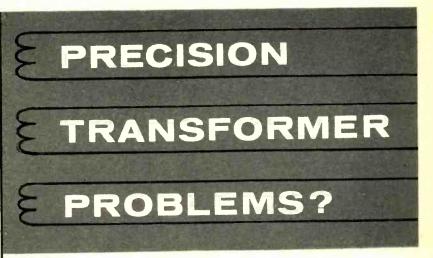
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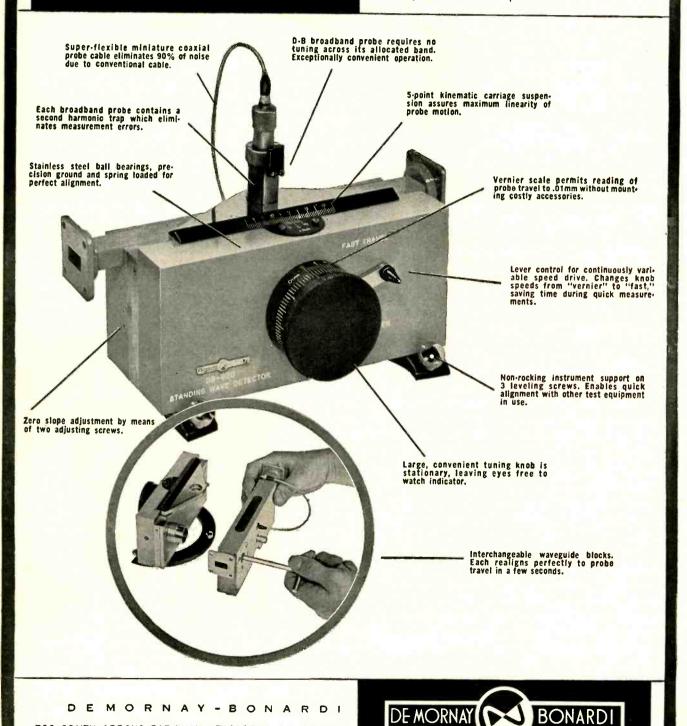
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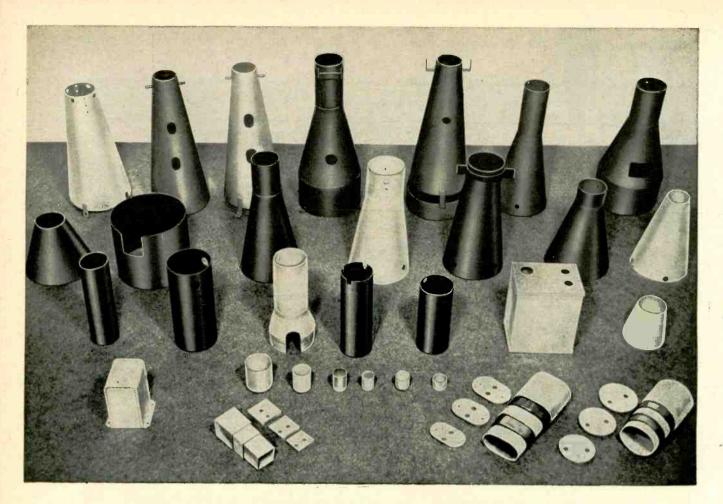
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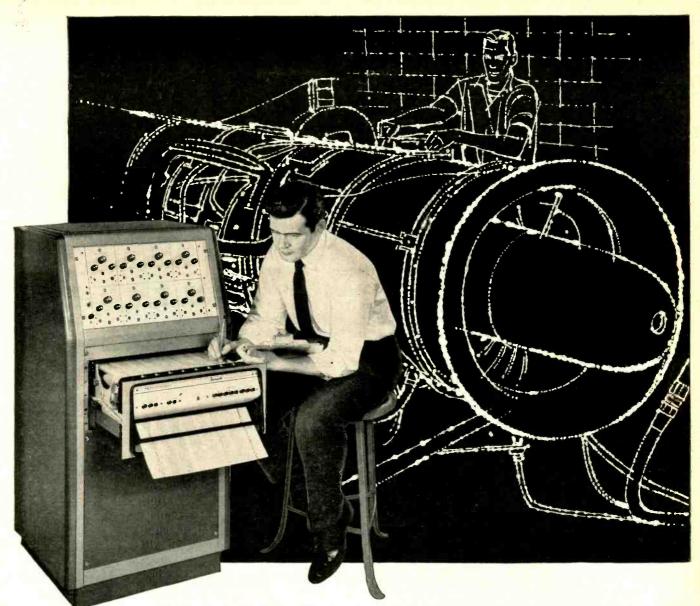
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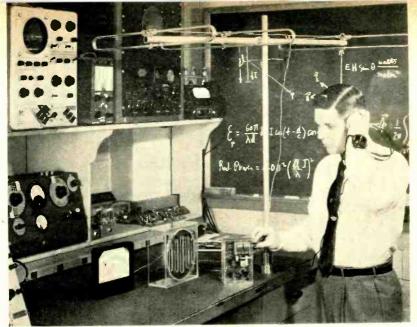
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## Radio Waves Power Transistor Circuits

Energy storage system supplies all power requirements for specially designed transistor circuits. Operation consists of receiving and rectifying r-f radiation, storing resultant d-c energy and releasing the energy as required to associated circuits. Unique dipole rectifier provides efficient antenna-to-receiver coupling for frequencies above 50 mc. Energy sources can be special purpose transmitters or commercial broadcasting stations

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RAPID ACCEPTANCE of transistors is largely the result of their low voltage and current requirements—a few microwatts being sufficient power for many applications. The system discussed here derives all power required to operate various types of transistor circuits from electromagnetic energy radiated by distant sources.

Although system details depend somewhat upon the intended application, certain design features are common to any application. These are: one or more circuits for the reception and storage of electromagnetic energy, a circuit for the detection and amplification of an information signal and a load to use the stored energy.

### **Power Circuit**

A transistorized receiver using a radiant energy power circuit is shown in Fig. 1. All input signals are applied to information coupling coil  $L_1$  and power coupling coil  $L_2$  simultaneously; however, each circuit can be tuned to the same or

different operating frequencies.

After being detected by a parallel resonant circuit consisting of coil  $L_3$  and variable capacitor  $C_1$ , the incoming r-f signal is rectified by diode  $D_1$  and the resultant d-c voltage applied to storage capacitor  $C_2$ . When charged, capacitor  $C_2$  becomes the sole power supply for the receiver.

The storage capacitor should be of the high quality, low-leakage type. For maximum power absorption and use, the power circuit should be broadband tuned, tightly

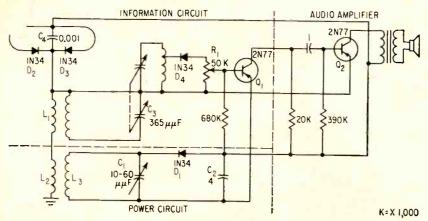


FIG. 1—Broadcast receiver. Specially constructed tuning coils are used but can be replaced by standard coils. Antenna and power circuits are designed to operate at all communications frequencies

coupled to the antenna and impedance matched to the load. Additional storage circuits, tuned to the same or different signal sources, may be used to obtain increased power at a common output.

## **Antenna Considerations**

For signals below 50 mc, a conventional antenna 50 to 150 feet long, elevated as high as possible and positioned perpendicular to transmitter-receiver line of sight is recommended. A radiant energy power circuit fed by a 100-ft antenna which was 12 ft above the ground, in a suburban area and approximately 1½ miles from a 1 kw, 1,600 kc transmitter delivered 0.9 mw to a 9,000-ohm resistive load. The open circuit potential across the storage capacitor was five volts. A large loop antenna with one side facing the transmitter is also recommended.

For signal sources above 50 mc a resonant folded dipole rectifier system is used. Functionally, the antenna system operates like the center-tapped secondary winding of the transformer in a full wave rectifier circuit. This is done by connecting two output terminals of the dipole directly to the cathodes of individual diode rectifiers as shown in Fig. 1. The two anodes are tied together and coupled to the zero potential point at the back of the folded dipole through an r-f filter capacitor.

Since diodes  $D_z$  and  $D_s$  form a partially reactive load, the antenna

is designed to resonate at the desired frequency with the rectifier circuit in place. Because the r-f potential across capacitor  $C_4$  is essentially zero, unmatched lines may be used to draw d-c power without detuning the antenna. High rectification efficiency is necessary; therefore, the diodes should have a low capacitance, high back resistance and low forward resistance.

Several radiant energy power dipoles can be connected in series

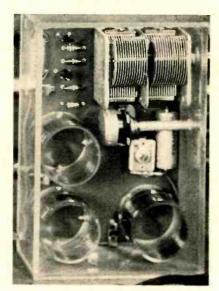
or parallel to increase d-c voltage or current as required. When such a multiple system operates at the same r-f signal frequency, the antennas must be properly spaced for maximum system gain. An experimental arrangement using three dipoles is shown in Fig. 2.

An array of three series-connected, three-unit dipoles feeding the same load delivered a total of 3 mw and charged a two microfarad capacitor to 54 volts. Since a lower voltage was desired for transistor circuits, the units were connected in series and parallel across the capacitor to obtain an 8-volt potential.

### Information Circuit

Information receiving circuits shown in Fig. 1 can be tuned to the power signal frequency or to some other selected frequency. In either case the modulation of an incoming signal is detected by diode  $D_4$  and fed into transistor amplifier  $Q_1$ . Basic information circuit requirements are high selectivity, low power drain on the capacitor with zero input signal and efficient energy transference to the load.

High-Q circuit elements should be used to provide high selectivity.



Dual-circuit receiver shown here converts radiations from strong local stations into power necessary to amplify signals from weaker or more distant stations. When both the information and power circuits are tuned to the same station, the signal is amplified by the power derived from the station's r-f carrier

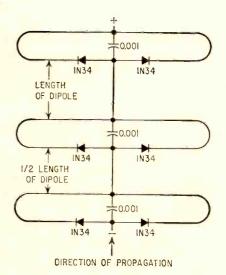


FIG. 2—Multiple dipole antenna. This combination delivered one milliwatt to a 2.500-ohm resistive load when tuned to a 189 mc, 50 kw transmitter located approximately one mile away. A similar array was capable of producing a total of 3 mw of power and charging a 2-µf capacitor to 54 v

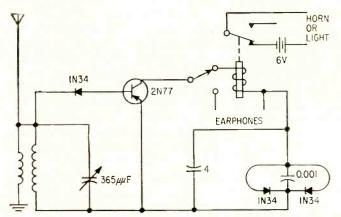


FIG. 3—Emergency receiver and alarm device. By pretuning information circuit to Conelrad's 640 or 1,240-kc emergency frequencies, civil defense broadcasts can be received regardless of availability of local power sources

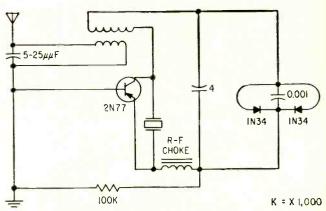


FIG. 4—Transponder. Power received at some specific frequency is used to energize the transistor oscillator at a different frequency thereby making it useful as a device for detecting position of aircraft or any other object capable of housing such a device

When the same antenna is used for both power and information signal reception, all signals should have similar magnitude at the amplifier input. To avoid saturation and distortion of the signal in a high-gain amplifier, the signal having the greatest field strength at the receiver is attenuated by absorbing most of the signal strength in the energy collecting circuit. Selectivity can also be increased by trapping strong signals occurring near the desired information frequency being transmitted.

In switching circuit applications, transistor  $Q_1$  is biased for the lowest collector current which will operate the load device with a given signal input. A minimum leakage current is necessary for maximum efficiency of energy storage and use.

Large zero-bias collector current limits the capacitor charge and precludes use of low-current relays which are desirable in certain applications. To further conserve power, audio amplifier  $Q_2$  should be operated class A at the minimum collector current.

## **Load Considerations**

An unmodulated carrier, transmitted at the resonant frequency of the power signal receiving circuit, will continuously charge the storage capacitor. Remote switching of power is accomplished by triggering the transistor amplifier with a modulated power signal or with a modulated signal trans-

mitted on a selected control frequency.

Amplifier output, in most applications, is connected to a current actuated device such as a relay, headphone or loudspeaker. When modulated transmission ceases, power output to the load also ceases.

Substitution of a transistor oscillator for the information signal circuit permits d-c to be converted into a-c of a selected frequency having high-voltage pulses. By applying the oscillator output to a step-up transformer, a higher voltage is developed which can be rectified and stored in a capacitor. A breakdown diode placed between the storage capacitor and the load could be used to dump the capacitor charge across the load when the required voltage level is reached.

### Remote Switching

A large number of unpowered transistorized radio receivers, pretuned to selected frequencies for power and information, when distributed within range of a power radiating source could be simultaneously activated by turning on the transmitter. This arrangement could be useful in public address, alerting or civil defense alarm systems.

A circuit for an emergency receiver and alarm device is shown in Fig. 3. When a signal is received, the control switch applies power to an alarm. During the long

standby time, no power is drawn from the battery source.

Signals other than modulated r-f can be used to trigger the switching device. For example, the output of a magnetic-type microphone energized by a car horn can be used to operate garage door controls.

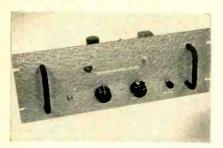
### Transponder

Another application of the energy storage principle is in the transponder circuit shown in Fig. 4. This device can be used to identify and indicate the position of airplanes, harbor buoys, land markers and the like.

Addition of a microphone to modulate the output of the oscillator extends the applications to short range reception and transmission used in wireless intercommunications, public address and other systems. Also, the microphone could be energized at a remote location and used as a concealed listening device.

By using a small receiver fitted inside the ear in conjunction with a fixed-tuned vest pocket transmitter, the device could be used as a personal radio or hearing aid. Transmitter output could be modulated by a microphone for hearing aids and by a simple radio receiver for personal radios.

Many applications may occur to the reader within his own special field of interest. Further research, coupled with special-purpose component design will undoubtably extend present applications.



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## Squelch Circuit Mutes

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AGNETIC TAPES stored for some time often exhibit print-through, a magnetic signal induced onto layers adjacent to the original signal. The effect is a number of "echoes" before and after the true signal, usually around 50 db lower in level, but sometimes as little as 20 db down. The masking effect of any continuing sound such as orchestral music often makes the effect unnoticeable, but during soft passages it can be highly disconcerting.

Speech material is much more revealing of this defect, however, and poetry readings and language-instruction courses which leave pauses for the student to repeat the instructor's phrases are especially vulnerable. Some runs of tape are more prone to print-through than others, and high-temperature storage can easily increase the transfer level 10 or 15 db even on the better oxide formulations.

Called a background-noise eraser, a device which suppresses this print-through with a semiconductor diode circuit that rejects all signals below a certain threshold level has been developed and is described in this article.

## Basic Squelch Circuit

The basis of the circuit is shown in Fig. 1. Each diode is back-biased by about 0.1 v. If program peaks

are about 10 v the diodes will be non-conducting for all signals more than 40 db below this peak. When the input exceeds it the diodes will conduct, the upper diode on positive half cycles, and the lower one on negative swings.

The tiny slice of signal, near the zero axis, which is removed in this process leads to severe distortion, however. In Fig. 2 is shown the way around this problem. Signals higher than threshold are amplified, rectified and filtered, and used to keep the diodes in a conducting condition throughout each word. Time constants are chosen to make the distortion-removing voltage have a rise time of about 1 millisec and decay more slowly.

Theoretically the first millisec or so of each word is still distorted, but this is not noticed in practice. The ear requires a little time to become conscious of distortion and a millisec is not nearly a long enough period of time.

Psychoacoustic effects also make the delay in recovery at the end of a word permissible. There is a carry-over of the masking effect for a fraction of a second after the end of each word, and background print-through will therefore not be heard even if it is present within a few millisec of the end of a word.

The antidistortion amplifier has one unusual requirement in that it

must produce a full output on a small input signal, and little increase of output with a 40-db increase in input. More important, there must be no tendency for cutoff bias to accumulate on any of the grids. This is avoided by the series grid-isolation resistors shown in Fig. 3.

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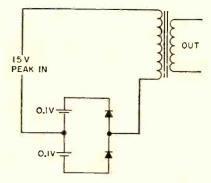


FIG. 1-Elements of biased-diode squelch

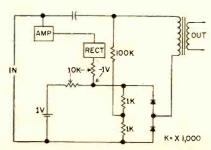


FIG. 2—Basic distortion-reduction circuit

Biased-diode type of quieting automatic-volume-control silences audio channel whenever signal drops to 40 db below peak. To reduce distortion and maintain diode conduction throughout modulation, a portion of the signal is rectified and applied to the diodes through a delay circuit. Constant level background noise is maintained by applying his signal to channel whenever quieting occurs.

## Magnetic Tape Echoes

make the operation of the device smooth and unobtrusive. A background hiss must be inserted. Careful listening to the output without this added hiss gives the impression of a severe case of modulation noise. The pauses between words have an unreal-sounding silence to them, and each word brings with it room tone, tape hiss and tube noise. The cure is shown in the schematic of Fig. 3. Shot-effect noise in a triode having only 4.5 v across its filament is amplified and fed into the output so that the overall signal-to-noise ratio is not degraded. The hiss voltage is applied in series with a large isolating resistor between the bottom of  $T_1$  and ground. When suppression takes place, there is no

significant input signal, the diodes are an open circuit and the hiss voltage is fed to the output terminals of the equipment.

In the presence of a signal the diodes become conducting, grounding the bottom of  $T_1$  and shorting the hiss voltage. Thus hiss is added only when needed, making the apparent background fairly constant.

## Low-Frequency Noise

If the original program material should contain low-frequency noise such as low-level hum, rumble or air-conditioner noise, this will be suppressed also. Reinsertion of this type of noise is neither necessary nor desirable. Even though the noise comes through during each word, it is largely masked and the subjective effect is more pleasing if it is suppressed.

For operating convenience in adjusting the threshold gain a small neon-bulb indicator is provided. This lights when sufficient voltage is present to decrease the bias on the diodes sufficiently.

At the inception of this design, 5 db of print-through reduction was considered to be a worthwhile improvement. In practice at least 10 db is usually realized. Even though some trailing sibilants are somewhat shortened, tapes otherwise inacceptaby echo-laden are again usable.

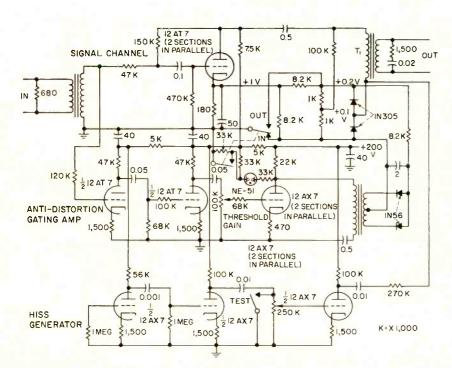


FIG. 3—Circuit of print-through suppressor. In-out switch permits operation as straight amplifier and test switch shorts output of hiss generator for A-B test

Specially designed cathode-ray oscilloscope permits selected laboratory techniques to be applied in field maintenance of reciprocating engines used in industrial and marine service. Display on cro shows cyclic engine events in time sequence. Instrument monitors ignition, vibration and pressure of spark-ignited or diesel engines and presents data on five-in. screen. Ignition mistiming can be detected within one degree of crankshaft position. Scope connections are made without necessity of engine shutdowns

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## Scope Analyzes

SCILLOSCOPES have been used extensively in laboratories and in commercial aircraft for comprehensive engine studies. They have been adapted to analyze ignitions systems in automobiles, monitor engine operation in aircraft en-

gine test cells, study detonation characteristics and evaluate dynamic operation of valves.

Until recently, cro techniques were not practiced in field maintenance of industrial and marine natural gas, dual fuel and diesel engines. The engine analyzer described in this article is designed for special use as a maintenance tool to efficiently monitor these engines without requiring expensive shutdown. The 36-pound, handportable unit visually displays information formerly obtained from as many as three electronic instruments and it enables maintenance personnel to check engine ignition, vibration and pressure for possible malfunctions with ease.

## Design Requirements

In designing an analyzer for industrial engines the most difficult problem to solve is weighing the versatility factor with simplicity of operation. These requirements tend to be incompatible since an extremely wide variety of types and components of engines are in common use. Some of the following design requirements therefore become apparent: select for analysis important engine variables that are common to the largest number of engines, provide for simple connections that may be made without stopping the engine, minimize the number of operating controls and use detent positioned wherever possible and present the results in a direct form that can be read and interpreted easily.

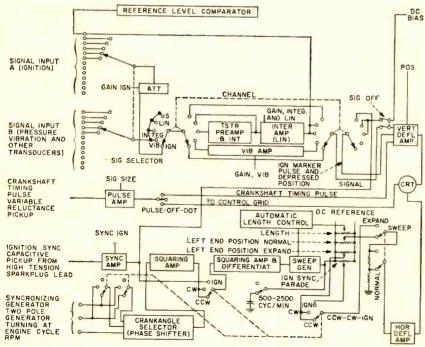
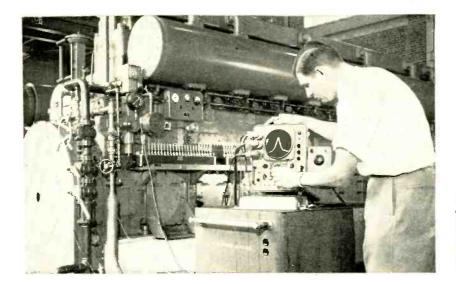
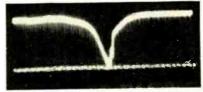


FIG. 1—Block diagram of cro engine analyzer. A sweep is driven across the crt in time with the engine. Resulting trace line displayed is responsive, in the vertical direction, to signals from ignition, cylinder vibration and cylinder pressure. Connections are made to the flywheel, ignition primary circuit, and two to a power cylinder. Timing the analyzer to the engine is done by a fifth pickup located near a mark on the flywheel





View of cylinder pressure pattern with the reference line superimposed

Author is shown operating controls of analyzer to check a large natural gas engine. Ignition, vibration and pressure data of the reciprocating engine are presented as simple patterns on five-in. screen. No engine shutdown is required to operate the 36-pound portable unit—FRONT COVER

## Reciprocating Engines

The features of particular interest are the pickups used with the instrument, the integrating and linear amplifiers to accommodate pressure and certain commercial pickups, the provision for crankshaft timing signals superimposed directly on the oscilloscope pattern, and the method of comparing relative amplitudes of signals from the integrating or linear channels by superimposing a reference line on the pattern. By using the cathode ray tube as an indicator, accurate measurements are made directly from the sources generating the signals. This permits simpler and less costly design of the linear time base and vertical amplifier.

The choice of pickups to be used has a significant effect upon the design of an engine analyzer. When a transducer produces a voltage that is a function of a cyclic engine event, this event can be displayed on the engine analyzer in terms of measured crank-angle degrees. Cyclic operation can then be evaluated. Strain gage, magnetostrictive, variable reluctance, capacitive and piezoelectric pickups have been used in engine analyzer work to observe dynamic operation of stresses in bolts, power and compressor cylinder pressures, diesel injection pressures, injector valve motion, intake and exhaust valve motion.

The choice of events for analysis depends on the needs of the operator, the expense of the pickup and the difficulty of installation. All the transducers mentioned have been used in the laboratory to obtain answers to specific design problems. One may have to improvise, however, to make certain installations, such as the strain gage instrumentation of an integral fuel pump and injection nozzle. Generally, in the field, simple, inexpensive pickups that give comprehensive information and are easy to apply should be used.

## Display Technique

In the engine analyzer presented, cylinder pressure, sounds in the engine structure and ignition voltage are given in terms of crankangle degrees. This is done, as shown in Fig. 1, by feeding the pickup signals to the vertical deflection circuit of the crt while a linear time base sweep generator, synchronized to the engine-cycle frequency, generates a horizontal deflection-signal that is directly proportional to crank-angle rotation.

The phase of the synchronizing signal can be shifted by a crankangle selector control to start the horizontal sweep at any crankangle position. This position can be read from the selector dial. To provide even more accurate timing and to enable the operator to read crank-angle position directly from the oscilloscope pattern, timing marks generated directly from the flywheel of the engine are displayed as either vertical spikes or dots superimposed on the oscilloscope pattern.

### Operation

Once the analyzer has been set up, the pickup signal and the corresponding vertical channel are selected by two switches. sweep, full engine cycle or oneeighth of an engine cycle, is selected by a rotary switch. The crank-angle is selected by the phase shifter control and the timing marks, vertical spikes or intensified dots, are selected by a toggle switch. Pressures from respective cylinders are compared by an adjustable reference line superimposed directly on the scope pattern. Height of the reference line is read from the adjusting dial.

One integrated package contains the many components required to present the respective signals together with a time base of constant sweep length capable of operating over the complete range of engine revolutions per minute.

## Pickups

To simplify wiring and switching, self generating pickups are used. The crankshaft timing pulse pickup, illustrated in Fig. 2A, is a variable reluctance type comprising a magnet and coil. It responds to magnetic discontinuities in the flywheel and is polarized to produce timing marks from 4-in, diam holes spot-faced in the flywheel. If vanes or punchmarks are used, the leads from the pickup must be reversed. If the pickup output is passed through the integrating channel, a picture of the magnetic contour of the flywheel is obtained so that features such as flywheel runout are shown clearly.

The pressure pickup is also a variable reluctance type and consists of a coil surrounding a magnet that is positioned close to a special steel diaphragm. This pickup configuration, shown in Fig. 2B, was made practical with the advent of new, high-strength alloy steels which produce sufficient deflection without exceeding the elastic limit.

The pickup is rated at 1,000 psi and responds to rate of change of pressure. It is relatively inexpensive to build, being little more complicated than the electromagnetic pulse pickup. The pressure pickup will withstand rough use and operating temperatures as high as 350 to 400 F. An air-cooled adapter is furnished for high output engines.

Figure 2C is a cross-sectional diagram of the vibration pickup which is magnetostrictive and responds to rate of change of acceleration. It resembles a rugged microphone that listens to vibrations in metallic structures. This basic type of pickup is simply constructed and has been used commercially for many years to indicate the presence of combustion knock and metallic impacts within an engine. To improve s/n ratio, the pickup is used with a tuned amplifier.

## Ignition-System Analysis

No pickup is required for ignition analysis because voltages developed across ignition system breaker points or impulse generator coils yield a great deal of in-

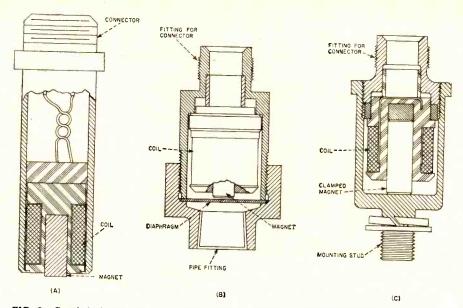


FIG. 2—Crankshaft timing pulse pickup (A) responds to magnetic discontinuities in the flywheel. Pressure pickup (B) responds to rate of change of pressure, while magnetostriction pickup (C) responds to rate of acceleration

formation about ignition system operation. Since industrial engines are large, ignition circuit constants are affected and it is often necessary to use individual coils for respective cylinders and sometimes even for individual sparkplugs. Switching of ignition circuits must then be provided. The same switching control is used to select multiple vibration pickups. Multiple pickups are used for permanent analyzer installations such as marine diesels.

## Synchronization

Synchronization of the sweep to any crank-angle position throughout the engine cycle is accomplished by a three-phase, two-pole, permanent magnet generator driven so that the rpm corresponds with the number of engine cycles per minute. The phase shifter control referred to previously and indicated in the analyzer block diagram operates in conjunction with the synchronizing generator.

Synchronization of the sweep to any sparkplug firing event is accomplished through the capacitive pickup afforded by a simple battery clip attached to the high tension lead of a sparkplug. A pickup with special fittings is required for shielded ignition systems. This type of synchronization is sometimes used for a quick, qualitative evaluation of a particular engine event. A position control is provided on the analyzer to parade all the engine cycle events across the cathode ray tube screen when this type of synchronization is used.

## Pressure-Time Diagrams

Field experience has indicated that cylinder pressure is principal common denominator between piston engines. Pressure analysis can be performed on any engine equipped with cylinder cocks that provide access to the combustion chambers. Several limitations of previously available equipment were considered: a) mechanical pressure indicators respond too slowly to show the rapid pressure changes that occur in engines, b) mechanical indicators do not show clearly and continuously the effects of cycle-to-cycle variations, c) electrical pickups have required associated equipment that is too complex for use in general maintenance and d) electrical pickups have been costly and delicate.

The use of an electronic indicator removes limitations a) and b). The engine analyzer itself, being designed as a self contained unit especially for use with engines, removes limitation c). To overcome limitation d) the improved pickup described in the previous section of this article was designed.

To obtain the conventional pressure-time diagrams associated with piston engines, the pressurerate pickup output must be integrated and then amplified sufficiently to obtain adequate deflection. To integrate at low enginecycle frequencies, 4 to 5 cps, a time constant of 0.5 sec is required. Because of this time constant and the output characteristics of the pickup, a gain of 100 db is necessary to produce the desired deflection. The low-frequency and high-gain requirements make stability considerations in the initial amplifier stages important.

For the first stage, the most critical, a 4JD1A17 transistor, in common-emitter configuration is used. See Fig. 3. The transistor stage boosts the pickup output by a factor of 60 without introducing hum, microphonics or the low-frequency drift that ordinarily results from changes in cathode temperature when a vacuum tube is used. A transistor is well suited to this application because it facilitates direct coupling to the low-impedance pickup and because a high output impedance is desired for the integrating circuit that follows. The stage is stabilized by feedback and it operates over a temperature range of 32 to 160 F with a change in gain of less than 10 percent.

## **Amplifiers**

The intermediate amplifier consists of two sections of a 12AY7, followed by a section of a 12AU7 that serves as a cathode follower and acts as an input for the chopped reference signal from the level comparator. The 12AY7 was selected because of its low noise characteristic.

Filament current for the tube is regulated by a ballast tube to minimize the effect of power line variations on cathode temperature. The first section of the 12AY7 has a 0.02-uf capacitor connected between grid and plate when the integrating channel is selected and serves thus as a Miller integrator. The second section of the 12AY7 is capacitance coupled to the first and provides a gain of 20. The gain control was placed at the output of the first section of the 12AY7, rather than at the cathode follower to permit higher signal inputs before saturation occurs so that the linear channel can accept

signals from pickup preamplifiers.

Power for the transistor stage and for the plate supply of the intermediate amplifier is obtained from batteries to isolate these stages from line voltage variations. Since the current demand is only five to six milliamperes, battery life of 80 to 100 hours is to be expected.

The vertical deflection amplifier is a 12AT7 utilizing a cathode-coupled paraphase circuit stabilized

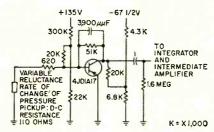


FIG. 3—Schematic of transistor preamplifier, the first stage in the analyzer pressure channel. This stage, stabilized by feedback, boosts the pressure pickup output by a factor of 60

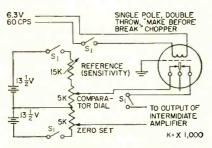


FIG. 4—Schematic of reference level comparator, used to measure relative amplitudes on crt. The comparator potentiometer and dial permit reading of deflection in terms of linear scale divisions

by feedback. The ignition marker pulse and the crankshaft timing pulse are fed to the paraphase grid. As shown in Fig. 1, d-c bias is introduced automatically when the integrating and linear channels are selected. This depresses the vertical position 1½ in. to display pressure patterns symmetrically. For observation of other types of patterns in these channels the vertical position control may be used to center the pattern.

The plate supply to the deflection amplifier is not regulated because the reference signal is mixed with the pressure signal ahead of the de-

flection amplifier. When slight deflection changes occur as a result of changes in power line voltage, both the pressure and reference line signals are moved by the same amount and are not displaced with respect to each other.

## Pattern Amplitudes

The reference level comparator measures relative amplitudes of waveforms displayed on the crt in terms of graduations on a dial. A photograph of a cylinder pressure pattern with the reference line superimposed is shown. The reference level comparator circuit appears in Fig. 4. It consists of a battery source of d-c reference potential, a four pole on-off switch, two potentiometers to define the slope of the straight line relationship between voltage and deflection for the signals being displayed, a precision potentiometer and dial to permit reading the deflection in terms of linear scale divisions and a chopper.

The four-pole switch is shown in the off position. The chopper contacts are shown closed, which is the condition for both contacts when the chopper is inoperative. The chopper mixes the d-c reference level with the vertical signal 10 percent of the time 120 times a second. One pole of the on-off switch prevents shorting the vertical signal to ground when the make-before-break chopper contacts do not vibrate

The remainder of the circuitry is generally similar to that described previously. The arrangement of the circuitry in the new configuration is indicated in the block diagram. A principal objective of this circuit arrangement is to provide suitable switching so that the operator can perceive analysis in terms of engine functions.

The deflection amplifiers, the sweep generator and length control, the squaring amplifiers, the ignition synchronization amplifier and the vibration amplifier are contained in a printed circuit board assembly.

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## Saturable Reactors

Magnetic modulator uses saturable reactors to convert input sine wave into narrow, high peak-power output pulses. Basic action of current-pulse compression with magnetic modulators is explained. Polarizing and differentiating circuits, delay-line wave shaping, pulse permeability measurements, cancelation effects and related features leading to improved design are discussed

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H IGH-POWER, extremely narrow current pulses in magnetic modulators are generated from a sine wave input by using saturable reactors in resonant circuits.

In performing this operation the saturable reactor functions first as an inductive component, second as a switch and third as part of a resonant circuit. When used in this trimoded capacity it may be called a pulsactor.

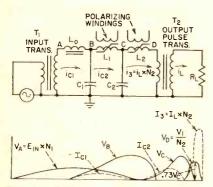


FIG. 1 — Polarized two-stage magnetic modulator with current and voltage waveforms for each reactor resonant stage

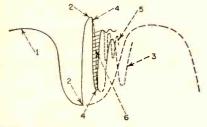


FIG. 2—Switching and ringing waveforms. Resonant input sine wave (1), flattened by polarization first switching (2), ringing which would occur due to first switching (3), second switching (4), ringing which would occur due to second switching (5), and output pulse (6)

The input current waveform is compressed in a series of pulsactor resonant circuits into narrow, high power pulses of current. Pulses obtained from magnetic modulators using these reactors are sufficient to modulate high-power magnetrons. Recent advances in high permeability nickle-iron alloys have improved reactor switching action and lowered core losses.

In the transient operation of a modulator, a saturable reactor cyclically changes inductance or becomes a short circuit. A single physical coil winding can perform many separate functions. Unsaturated, it can act either by itself, as an auto transformer, as a variable circuit impedance or as part of a resonant circuit. As a saturated inductance it can act as a switch, as a part of a resonant circuit, or as a multisection winding acting at saturation as a delay line or pfn. Since the inductance of the saturable reactor may be part of a resonant circuit, each change in inductance may be considered to create an independent passive network with its own current and voltage waveform.

## Charging and Switching

In its most basic form the magnetic modulator is a series of saturable reactors in resonant circuits. When the resonant frequency of a stage is reached, the reactor switches and shock excites the next stage at a higher frequency. By repeating the resonant charging

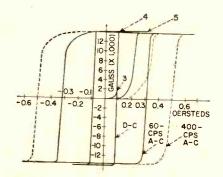


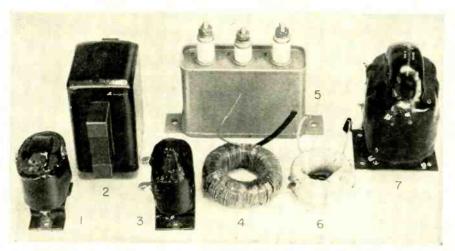
FIG. 3—Magnetization characteristics for high permeability iron

action and switching in several stages, successively resonant excited currents are produced which form a narrow, high-amplitude output current pulse. A series of increasingly higher frequency resonant circuits make up a current compression modulator. The operation is basically different from a conventional line pulser which develops its narrow output pulse in one off and on switching cycle of the thyratron which discharges a pulse forming delay-line network.

Input for a magnetic modulator may be either a sine wave or a triggered pulse at radar repetition frequencies. In the conventional a-c case, using sine-wave input, the magnetic circuits are polarized to allow switching only once for every sine-wave cycle. Charging action for each resonant circuit therefore occurs at the input frequency.

In the two-stage magnetic modulator shown in Fig. 1 the energy

## Fire Radar Magnetrons



Components for a small magnetic modulator include: charging reactor (1), first saturable reactor (2), polarizing coke (3), second saturable reactor (4), charging capacitors (5), third saturable reactor (6) and pulse transformer (7)

transfer involves three different resonant frequencies which are determined by combinations of the various capacitors and the unsaturated and saturated inductances. A graph of the current and voltages waveforms at the particular frequencies involved in the three interrelated circuits is shown below the circuit diagram. The rapid switching of energy across the resonant circuits produces a narrow high-power output pulse. Energy transfer occurs at essentially equal voltages across the charging capacitors  $C_1$  and  $C_2$ . A timewise compression of the successive current waveforms results so that, for a constant transfer of power, they become increasingly narrow.

### **Design Considerations**

The overall action may be divided into four steps: (1) self resonance of the modulator input components at the prf of the sine-wave source, (2) progressive switching in the cascaded circuits, (3) successive self resonance of the saturated reactors and their associated capacitors and (4) the transfer and wave shaping of pulsed energy from the last resonant circuit to the load. During the process all tuning capacitors that store the energy remain at a constant peak voltage.

Self resonance of the input circuit, which occurs at the sine wave

input frequency  $\omega_1$  delivers a maximum voltage across  $C_1$  equal ideally to  $\pi$  times the input voltage multiplied by the input transformer ratio  $N_1$ . The unsaturated inductance  $L_{1u}$  may be neglected and capacitor current  $i_{C_1}$  decreases to zero at maximum voltage at point B.

At the instant the voltage  $V_B$  across  $C_1$  reaches a maximum  $L_{1u}$  saturates becoming  $L_{1s}$  and acts as a switch to transfer the charge of  $C_1$  to  $C_2$  through current flow  $i_{C2}$ . After switching the network consisting of  $L_{1s}$ ,  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  becomes resonant to another frequency  $\omega_2$  and the current  $i_{C2}$  through  $C_2$  rises rapidly causing the circuit to ring at its natural frequency. As current builds up in the resonant circuit,  $L_1$ , returns to its unsaturated

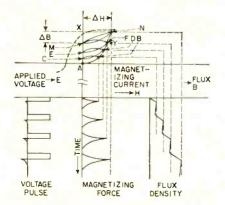


FIG. 4—Continuous plot of magnetizing force and flux density before magnetic conditions stabilize

state and the voltage at point B decays.

The voltage  $V_c$  across  $C_s$  reaches a maximum at the same instant  $L_2$ saturates, becoming  $L_{\infty}$ . The energy stored in C2 is then carried to the load by current i. During the output circuit discharge action L. remains unsaturated and has no effect on the output circuit. With optimum energy transfer the current through the load is a transient, described by the equation:  $V_{\nu}$  =  $(0.73 \pi E_{in} N_1 \text{ Sin } \omega_3 t)/2 \text{ where}$  $\omega_3 = (L_{2s} \times C_2)^{-1/2}$  is the natural frequency.  $V_D$  is the voltage across the equivalent magnetron load reflected across the primary of  $T_2$ . It has a maximum amplitude equal to  $0.73 \ V_c$ .

Waveforms obtained in actual operation are more like those shown in Fig. 2. Resonant sine waves of each stage are drawn with dotted lines and the pulse, which is actually developed, with a solid line

### **Basic Magnetic Considerations**

Good saturable reactor action depends upon the use of high-permeability iron and the application of polarizing fields. High permeability iron works on a steep B-H curve and therefore gives rapid flux changes and high induced voltages. With sharp cornered hysteresis characteristics the switching action of the pulsactor produces good current pulse compression because of the high ratios of unsaturated to saturated inductances. Use of polarizing fields will increase the effective permeability beyond normal values.

These generalizations appear more vividly when the magnetic properties of some modern high-permeability irons are considered. For instance, the d-c hysteresis loop shown in Fig. 3 has a flat slope or flux change from point 4 to 5. The flux change is only a few gauss under operating conditions compared to an extremely high flux change when going from point 3 to 4. Since inductance depends on permeability, the flux changes give

a high ratio of unsaturated to saturated inductance. This high ratio is ideal for switching action. The reactor functioning as a switch has a low impedance and the shunting effect of the unsaturated coils upon the rest of the system is reduced. The resonant frequencies derived from the low saturated inductances of the switches are higher than in poorly saturated circuits and give greater current pulse compression. In practice it is possible to achieve saturated to unsaturated inductance ratios of as high as 2.000 to 1 and to use coils in successive stages with inductance ratios between 20:1 and 100:1.

## **Polarizing Fields**

An important factor in the design of saturable reactor circuitry is the polarizing field, sometimes referred to as magnetic biasing. When applied to magnetic components carrying pulse voltages it enables adjustments to improve overall performance. Chief effect of the polarizing field is control of pulse permeability. The pulse permeability constant has different implications from the initial, average or maximum permeabilities common to conventional magnetic circuits.

To define permeability, suppose a narrow voltage pulse, 1 to  $5 \mu$  sec, is applied to a coil with a magnetic core, as shown in Fig. 4. Examination of the magnetization curve before the associated circuits and the magnetic conditions stabilize themselves, shows that the first flux loop starts with unmagnetized iron at point A and, as the magnetizing

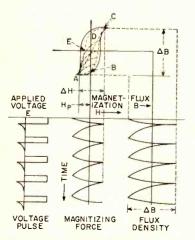


FIG. 5—Pulse permeability under the influence of a negative polarizing field

force increases, goes from A to B and back to C where it remains at the residual flux density until the next applied pulse arrives. The second flux loop, starts at C goes to D and returns to its residual magnetization at E. The third loop from E to F and so on. Forward tips of the flux loops ascend the basic magnetization curve.

Finally the flux arrives at a closed stabilized loop M, N with residual and maximum flux values such that the decrease in flux when pulse voltage is removed exactly equals the increase in flux due to applied voltage. Pulse permeability  $\mu_{\rm II}$  of the iron is defined as the slope of the axis of the last loop. It is  $\Delta B/\Delta H$  or in terms of the magnetization curve in Fig. 4 it equals the ratio of distances (n-y)/(m-x). A plot of the flux density and magnetizing force during the changes is shown in Fig. 4.

## **Pulse Permeability Figure**

Permeability of the iron after operating conditions have stabilized is a constant which can be measured. It is used to calculate the inductance of unsaturated reactors. The pulse permeability figure is a complex quantity which depends on the value of the applied pulse voltage, on the ratio of the pulse width to the prf and on other circuit considerations such as Q or loading and distributed capacitance. It can be changed by magnetic biasing of the core.

The pulse permeability  $\mu_{II}$  is not the permeability determined by the initial magnetization curve either at its points of initial, maximum or minimum slope. In the highest permeability irons, under unbiased conditions, pulse permeability runs around 2,000 as contrasted to the initial permeability of 600 and a maximum permeability of 250,000.

Pulse permeability under the influence of a negative polarizing field, opposed to the field caused by the applied pulse voltages, is shown in Fig. 5. The flux loops start at A and with a polarizing field  $H\rho$ , which is slightly less than the saturation flux, the flux and magnetizing conditions immediately stabilize. The final loop is ABCDEA. It has a B-H slope corresponding

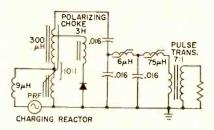


FIG. 6—Amount of polarization changes with operating level making modulator partially self-regulating

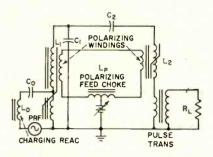


FIG. 7—Magnetic modulator with autotransformer primary resonance and cancellation feedback

to the axis AC. By adding a polarizing field so that the flux loops always start at a negative flux density equal to the saturation density, the slope in the final flux loop exceeds that of Fig. 4, and, in effect, the pulse permeability is increased.

In actual practice the optimum value is arrived at by adjusting the polarization field and the applied voltages to give stabilization at some flux value slightly less than the saturation value of the particular iron being used. In the case of high-grade iron with a proper polarizing field it is possible to use a total swing approaching 30,000 gauss.

## **Operational Circuits**

Figure 6 shows a circuit using a combined autotransformer and saturable reactor in the first stage with self polarization. A portion of the input energy is rectified and the unidirectional current used to magnetically bias the core. The arrangement saves a transformer assembly, places the charging choke on the primary side reducing its size and produces an output which is partially self-regulating since the amount of polarization changes with the level at which the device autotransformer The operates. must operate over wide ranges of permeability while still maintaining resonance at the driving prf.

Fig. 7 is a variation of the autotransformer using the charging capacitors in a slightly different manner. First, some of the resonant circuit is transformed from the secondary to the primary by connecting  $C_n$  in series with  $L_n$ . Any leakage between the primary and secondary of the autotransformer is cancelled out when  $C_o$  is tuned. It also allows  $C_2$  to be placed in series with  $L_2$  adding to pulse sharpening at this point because it reduces the second circuit total capacitance as well as acting as a differentiator for voltages developed in  $L_1$ .

Polarization of an intermediate stage shown in Fig. 7, serves two purposes. First it cuts off the positive pulse developed by the differentiating action of  $C_2$  and second it eliminates undesired feedback of output pulses to input circuits.

The polarizing windings are supplied through a tapped isolating choke which offers additional advantages. The choke isolates the polarizing supply from signal voltages.

By sending the polarizing current through a center tap to buck out the d-c fields it relieves d-c saturation and permits a smaller feed choke winding for a given inductance. Since signal voltages appear across the choke, it can be used simultaneously as a pulse transformer which can be a-c polarized so that the fields derived from the output pulses can be made to cancel the particular portion of themselves which would be normally reflected back into the input.

## Delay Line Waveshaping

Economy of parts and additional waveshaping necessary to square up the triangular pulse normally generated in the last stage are provided by the delay line shown in Fig. 8. By tapping the reactor winding and adding capacitors to ground, the network becomes a delay line in addition to being a switch and a high inductance. The capacitors from the taps to ground offer negligible effect to unsaturated operation but at and during switching produce an improved output pulse waveform. The circuitry

provides better impedance matching and helps to compensate for effects produced by the output transformer. It also allows easy manual adjustment of the output pulse width by adjusting the polarizing current control resistor. Some effects of the polarizing field in the last reactor are still present, even at saturation.

## **Design Calculations**

The basic design constants stem from the conditions stated in Fig. 1 and from the required peak power output, duty cycle and pulse

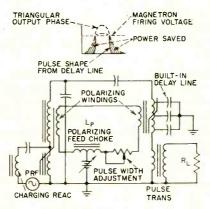


FIG. 8—Built-in delay line squares up triangular pulse normally generated in last stage of magnetic modulator

width. From the values of Fig. 6 and with relationships shown in Fig. 7 the value of the charging capacitor voltage  $V_c$  can be determined. Taking a set of typical constants existing in a small modulator used to fire a magnetron:

$$V_c = \frac{1}{0.73} \times \frac{V_o}{\frac{2}{2}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{0.73} \times \frac{5,600}{7} = 1,100 v$$

where  $V_o$  is the magnetron firing voltage (5,600 v) and  $N_z$  is the output transformer turns ratio (7:1). From the basic energy equation,  $PT = 1/2 \ CV^z$  the charging capacitor is

$$C = \frac{2}{n} \times \frac{1}{V_{o^2}} \times P \ T \ \text{farads}$$
  
=  $\frac{2}{9} \times \frac{1}{(1,100)^2} \times 9,000 \times 10^{-6}$   
= 0.016  $\mu f$ 

where n is the output transformer efficiency (0.9), T is the modulation pulse duration (10<sup>-6</sup> sec), P is

the peak power  $(9,000 \ w)$  and F is the pulse repetition rate  $(2,000 \ cps)$ .

Knowing the capacitor voltage and size in terms of output power and remembering that the first circuit is resonant at the pulse repetition frequency and since the first reactor inductance has a definite ratio to the charging choke, the unsaturated inductance of the first reactor may be calculated.

$$L_{\mu_1} = \frac{n_c}{2} (1 + \sigma) \times \left(\frac{V_c}{2 \pi f}\right)^2 \times \frac{1}{P T}$$

where  $n_e$  is system efficiency (0.33) or  $\sigma$  is the ratio of the reactor inductance to the charging choke. If  $n_e \times (1 + \sigma)$  is combined into a constant K which equals one then

$$L_{\mu_1} = \frac{1}{2} \times \left(\frac{1,100}{6.28 \times 2,000}\right)^2 \times \left(\frac{1}{9,000 \times 10^{-6}}\right) = 0.422 h$$

With this inductance, core sizes and number of turns can be calculated provided the pulse permeabilities available in the iron core are known. The inductance of succeeding reactors may now be calculated with selection of suitable ratios from which is determined the current pulse compression when working with practical ratios of saturated to unsaturated inductances.

The transient voltage waveforms encountered after saturation, as shown in Fig. 2 probably may give some trouble. For instance when L<sub>1</sub> starts to ring after saturation it is found that although by differentiating the pulse developed at this point and thus preventing lowfrequency prf input energy from passing on through the circuit, it is in addition necessary to polarize L<sub>a</sub> to eliminate the positive excursions on the front corner of the output pulse waveform. In some cases, even with polarization, it is necessary to place a diode across the primary of the pulse transformer.

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## High-Speed Tester

Production tube tester gives rapid indication of opens and shorts with directreading localization by neon lamps. Memory circuit holds indication of intermittent tap shorts. Seven tube types are covered, but others may be accommodated with simple wiring changes. Most-used types are tested in groups of four at a time. Minor changes allow tests of special tubes

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TUBE TESTERS are not usually convenient for rapidly locating shorts and discontinuities in large numbers of electron tubes. The short-testing function usually has a four or five-position switch and a single neon-lamp circuit. For shorted elements the switch positions at which a glow appears are noted and a table is referred to for pin-pointing the short. No per-

manent indication for tap shorts is provided. The  $g_m$  reading usually serves as the only continuity indication, but this is not always conclusive nor does it localize the discontinuity.

The short-continuity tester described here is a high-sensitivity device for rapid checking of up to four tubes of a given type at a time. It also contains a memory

feature for tap shorts. Although designed for seven particular tube types, the unit can accommodate others with minor wiring changes.

## **Short Testing**

The short-test circuit gives permanent indication of an intermittent tap short. It also localizes precisely all sustained shorts, and those tap shorts in which the time



Three groups of four long-life tube sockets are used for most-required types. Octal adapter is used for subminiature types. Cork hammer aggravates tap shorts

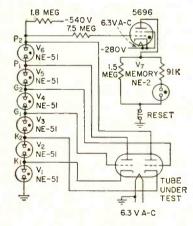


FIG. 1-Simplified short-testing circuit

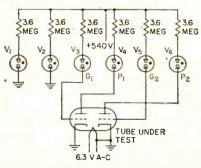


FIG. 2-Simplified continuity testing

## Checks Tubes in Groups

is sufficient for the eye to sense an indication on the panel lamps. Localization is made by noting which neon lamp or lamps are extinguished out of six normally glowing. The memory indication is given by the glowing of a seventh normally - extinguished lamp.

The maximum short resistance for indication, hence the tester sensitivity between any two elements of the tube under test, is 220,000 ohms for the memory and approximately 400,000 ohms for the six-lamp localization display. A simplified schematic of the shorttesting circuit is given in Fig. 1. The elements of the tube under test are connected to the junction points of the lamps. The voltage drop across each of the neon lamps is approximately 50 v. The current is fixed at approximately 0.133 ma by the source voltage and dropping resistor.

If a resistance of approximately 400,000 ohms is placed between  $K_2$ and  $G_1$ , for example, all of the  $V_3$ current would be routed through the resistance and the lamp would extinguish. This value of resistance, which is the lamp voltage divided by the series current, is thus the basic localization sensitivity of the short tester. If the shorting elements are not adjacently connected, such as  $K_2$  and  $G_2$ ,  $V_3$  and V, would both extinguish and the sensitivity would be proportionately increased to 800,000 ohms. Since one side of the heater is grounded, a short between  $K_1$  and heater, for example, would cause V<sub>1</sub> to extinguish.

The grid of the thyratron is connected to the top of  $V_{\rm u}$  through the limiting resistor and is at a constant potential in the absence of shorts. The cathode is returned to a fixed voltage to bias the tube beyond the firing voltage. When a short of sufficient magnitude occurs between any two elements of the tube under test, the thyratron grid becomes less negative, causing the tube to fire and  $V_{\tau}$  to glow. This memory lamp continues to glow until the reset button is depressed, re-

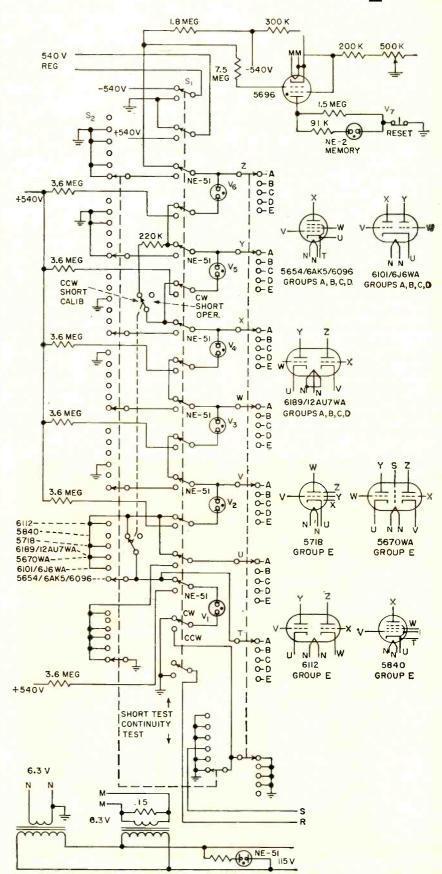


FIG. 3—Complete circuit diagram and tube connections for short and continuity tester

gardless of the voltage at the grid. The time constant of the grid circuit including stray capacitance is such that a short of only 100 µsec duration is sufficient at maximum sensitivity to fire the tube. Thus the circuit is fast enough for practically all tap-short defects encountered.

The change in grid voltage  $\Delta E$  resulting from an adjacent-element short of the maximum design sensitivity of 220,000 ohms can be computed from the equation

$$\Delta E = \frac{(E_L R_2 / R_1 + 6E_L - E_s)}{(1 + R_2 / R_1)}$$

where  $E_{\scriptscriptstyle L}=$  lamp voltage (approx 50 v),  $E_{\scriptscriptstyle 8}=$  supply voltage (-540 v),  $R_{\scriptscriptstyle 1}=$  resistance of adjacent-element short (220,000 ohms) and  $R_{\scriptscriptstyle 2}=$  series-dropping resistor (1.8 megohms).

The value of  $\Delta E$  with the given values is approximately 18 v. To this value must be added the negative critical grid voltage of the thyratron to obtain the grid-tocathode bias voltage necessary for this sensitivity. The critical grid voltage for the 5696 with suppressor grid tied to cathode and plate voltage of 300 v is -2.5 v. Thus the required bias is 20.5 v. Since the nominal NE-51 voltage drop is 50 v the quiescent voltage at the grid is close to  $(50 \times 6)$  or -300v. The cathode must therefore be returned to about -280 v.

The sensitivity of the instrument to tap shorts is calibrated by adjusting the cathode potential with a voltage divider. A 220,000 ohm resistor is switched across one of the series lamps and the cathode voltage is varied in a negative direction until the thyratron fires as observed by  $V_{\tau}$ . The actual negative grid bias, as set by calibration, measures close to the computed 20.5 v. A regulated high-voltage power supply is required, as a 1percent change in cathode voltage gives roughly a 10-percent change in memory sensitivity.

### Continuity Testing

The continuity-testing circuit is quite simple. Cathode emission is utilized, all tube grids and plates being connected positive with respect to the cathodes. The same six neon lamps are used as with the short-testing circuit and all lamps

Table I—Fault Location Chart for Electon-Tube Type 12AU7

	continuity ocation	Short Location		
Lamp	Element Open	Lamp	Elements Shorted	
$\overline{V_3}$	Grid 1	$egin{array}{c} V_1 \ V_2 \ V_3 \ \end{array}$	Heater	
$egin{array}{c} V_4 \ V_5 \end{array}$	Grid 2	$ V_2 $	Cathode 1	
<b>V</b> <sub>5</sub>	Plate 1	$V_3$	Cathode 2	
$V_6$	Plate 2	$V_4$	Grid 1	
$V_3$ , $V_5$	Heater 1 or Cathode 1	$V_{\epsilon}$	Grid 2	
V4, V6	Heater 2 or Cathode 2	$V_6$	Plate 1	
$\begin{bmatrix} V_3, V_4, \\ V_5, V_6 \end{bmatrix}$	Heater center-tap		Plate 2	

will glow with a nondefective tube under test.

A simplified schematic of the continuity-testing circuit is given in Fig. 2. The cathodes of the twin triode under test are grounded and each grid and plate is connected to + 540 v through an individual neon lamp and series-dropping resistor. If continuity is not present to a given element, its lamp will be out. For simplicity of operation all neon lamps which are not used for the particular tube type under test are energized by connection directly to ground, as with  $V_1$  and  $V_2$  of Fig. 2. Because of the large dropping resistors the current through each element and lamp is fixed at approximately 0.13 ma and all lamps glow equally.

## Complete Tester

This tester was designed for seven tube types as shown schematically in Fig. 3.

Four tubes of a given type are plugged into the board and while their heaters are being energized, the operator throws a selector switch from one to another for testing. The 5670, 5718, 5840, and 6112 types have only one socket each while groups A, B, C, and D are four-socket positions for each of the multiple-testing types 5654, 6101, and 6189 (see photo). A cork mallet is the device used for tapping tubes.

A 2-position switch  $S_1$  throws the operation from short test to continuity test. Most of the poles of this switch are used to switch the six neon lamps from the series operation of the former to the parallel operation of the latter. A 6-position, 8-pole switch  $S_2$  is used as the tube-type selector, with one position for each type except the 6189 and the 5670. These are both miniature twin-triodes and are combined in a single switch position. Most of the poles of this switch apply grounds to the lamps not used in continuity testing.

Because of the maximum voltage ratings of the various tube types the order of connections between the lamps and the tube elements must be different for some of the tube types. This requirement is relevant to the short test but as a result affects switching for the continuity test also. Charts are prepared listing the tube defect as a function of the neon lamp display for both short and continuity test. A typical fault location chart for the 12AU7 is shown in Table I.

## Special Circuit Details

Tube type 5654 has two cathode connection pins. To test continuity to both pins the two are connected in series between  $V_1$  and  $V_2$  in the short-test mode of operation. A discontinuity between the two pins breaks the series circuit, causing all lamps to be extinguished. For tube types having a single cathode terminal the connection between  $V_1$  and  $V_2$  is made by the tube-type selector switch in the short-test operation.

The 5840 has three cathode pin connections. To test continuity between two of the three pins, the same technique as for the 5654 is used. Continuity of the third pin connection is tested in the continuity-test operation. For this test the selector switch removes the ground from the first two cathode connections and the continuity-short switch grounds the third cathode lead R as shown in Fig. 3.

Tube type 5670 has an electrostatic shield between the triode sections which is brought out to a pin connection. Continuity to this shield is tested by connection S to  $V_1$ . A limited amount of electron flow from the cathodes to the shield occurs in a nondefective tube, so  $V_1$  has a partial glow. The shorting of the shield to any other element is detected by a full glow of  $V_1$  in the continuity-test operation.

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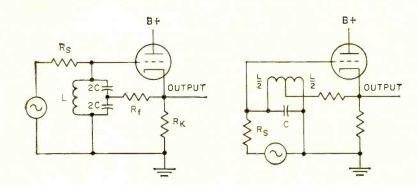


FIG. 1—Vacuum-tube Q-multiplier circuits use center-tapped coil or capacitor divider

## Transistor Q-Multiplier for Audio Frequencies

High selectivity and stability may be provided in audio-frequency equipment that must be portable, or in which power is at a premium, by use of transistorized Q-multiplier circuit. Series-resonant circuit is applied to variable-selectivity a-f amplifier and multichannel selective-calling unit

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POSITIVE FEEDBACK to increase the selectivity of a tuned circuit has been put to use on a sound engineering basis only in recent years. The literature gives all the design data for tube-operated Q-multipliers. This article indicates what modifications must be made when transistors are used.

## Theory

Figure 1 shows the basic Q-multiplier circuit for either a center-tapped capacitor or coil. The selectivity of this stage is determined by

 $Q_{\rm eff}/Q_o=R_f/(R_f-\frac{1}{4}R_d)$  (1) where  $Q_{\rm eff}$  is the effective Q of the coil circuit,  $Q_o$  is the Q of the coil at the resonant frequency  $\omega_o$  and  $R_d=\omega_o LQ_o$ . The effective Q, and thus the selectivity of the circuit, increases as  $R_f$  approaches  $\frac{1}{4}$   $R_d$ . When  $R_f$  equals  $\frac{1}{4}$   $R_d$  the effective

Q becomes infinite and the amplifier is unstable; oscillations occur for all values of  $R_t$  less than  $\frac{1}{4}$   $R_a$ .

Equation 1 is valid only on the assumptions that the input impedance of the tube is infinite, the output impedance is negligibly small and  $g_m R_k$  is much greater than unity.

Figure 2A shows the form taken by the circuit when a transistor replaces the tube. Resistors  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  provide bias to the base of the transistor and  $C_c$  prevents the bias from being shorted out by the coil. Since the input impedance to the transistor will not be infinite, Eq. 1 cannot be used as it is.

The value of  $R_d$  as used in Eq. 1 is the dynamic impedance of the parallel-tuned circuit at resonance and is purely resistive. The input resistance at XX in Fig. 2A, (with  $R_d$  and the tuned circuit discon-

nected is given by the following:

 $R_g = 1/(1/R_1 + 1/R_2 + 1/R_i)$  (2) where  $R_t = \beta R_k$ , the input impedance of the grounded-collector transistor;  $\beta$  is the grounded-emitter current-amplification factor.

The circuit of Fig. 2A can then be replaced by that of Fig. 2B in which the transistor is considered ideal, with infinite input impedance, and L and C are pure reactances. Resistance  $R_{\sigma}$  can be treated as a damping resistor which lowers the Q and reduces  $R_{\sigma}$  to a lower value  $R'_{\sigma}$  where

$$R'_d = R_g R_d / (R_g + R_d) \tag{3}$$

Using  $R'_d$  in place of  $R_d$  in Eq. 1

$$\frac{Q_{\text{eff}}}{Q_o} = \frac{R_f}{R_f - \frac{1}{4}R'_d} \tag{4}$$

Derivation of Eq. 4 is not dependent upon the transistor having infinite input impedance. Since the grounded collector stage also has

negligibly small output impedance and  $g_m R_k >> 1$  is easily obtained, Eq. 4 can be used for the circuit of Fig. 2A. This equation may be used for circuits using either tubes or transistors.

### Stability

The formulas derived with regard to the stability of tube-type Q multipliers all involve  $Q_o$ . The effect of the finite input impedance of the circuit using a transistor causes a reduction in the coil Q; this reduction must be taken into account in assessing the stability of the circuit.

The greater the Q multiplication required to achieve a specified selectivity, the lower the stability will be. For maximum stability the value of  $Q_o$  should be as high as possible; for a given coil this requires that  $R_o$  be large. Unfortunately, maintenance of the correct operating conditions with changes of temperature requires that  $R_o$  be as small as possible. The design must therefore be a compromise between these two conflicting requirements.

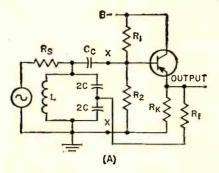
## **Temperature Effects**

A change of temperature shifts the operating point of the transistor and causes a change in the current amplification factor  $\beta$ .

Normal methods of temperature stabilization cannot be used without seriously affecting the amount of stable Q multiplication which can

Table 1—Conditions for Circuit Instability

Freq.	1 1	C (μf)	R <sub>L</sub> (ohms)	R, (ohms)	(ohms	= \frac{1}{R'_d} x1,000) Meas
190	6.8	0.1	840	0 82 180 235 500	6.8 6.6 6.45 6.3 5.7	6.8 6.6 6.3 6.23 5.63
216.5	4.5	0.12	790	0 82 180 235 500	5.5 5.23 5 4.58 4.25	5.48 5.15 4.85 4.57 4.2
235	3.8	0.12	1,255	0 82 180 235 500	3.88 3.73 3.62 3.48 3.12	3.85 3.68 3.6 3.47 3.1



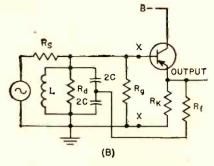
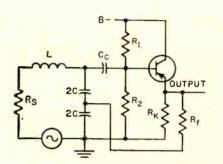


FIG. 2—Transistor equivalent of vacuum-tube version (A) and idealized circuit (B)



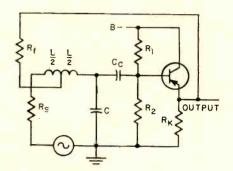


FIG. 3—Series-tuned circuits overcome shortcomings of parallel-tuned versions

be obtained. It has been found desirable to design the stage for the largest signal possible consistent with a minimum value of  $R_{\rm p}$ . This minimum is easily derived from Eq. 3 and the stability requirement that  $Q_{\rm eff}/Q_{\rm p} < \frac{1}{2} g_{\rm m}R_{\rm k}$ . Since  $Q_{\rm eff}$  is usually specified and  $g_{\rm m}R_{\rm k}$  is known,  $Q_{\rm p}$  can be calculated.

Let the Q of the coil used in the tuned circuit be  $Q_o = R_d/\omega_o L$ . When  $R_g$  is shunted across the coil the Q is reduced to  $Q'_o = R'_d/\omega_o L$ . Substituting for  $R_d$  and  $R'_d$  in Eq. 3 gives

$$R_{g \text{ min}} = \omega_o L Q_o Q'_o / (Q_o - Q'_o) \qquad (5)$$

If the transistor stage is designed for the largest signal possible consistent with the value of  $R_{\sigma}$  given by Eq. 5 and then operated at a much lower signal level than it is designed for, a reasonable shift in operating point can take place without the transistor introducing distortion.

Referring to Eq. 2,  $R_s$  will be reasonably independent of  $R_t$  if  $R_t$  >>  $R_1$  and  $R_s$ ; this is the case for most transistors if  $R_k$  is kept reasonably high. The value of  $\beta$  decreases with increasing temperature and thus  $R_s$  will also decrease with temperature.

A reduction of  $R_q$  causes a re-

duction in  $R'_d$  and this reduces the ratio  $Q_{eff}/Q_o$ . An increase in temperature will not therefore lead to instability but will reduce the Q-multiplication obtained. If this reduction is unacceptable, it is necessary to allow  $R_f$  to decrease with temperature.

## Parallel Operation

When two or more selective amplifiers tuned to independent frequencies are to be operated from the same signal source, as in frequency-selective calling equipment, the parallel-tuned configuration shown in Fig. 2 is not suitable. Each tuned circuit tends to inject signals into the adjoining circuits, reducing adjacent channel rejection.

This difficulty has been overcome by the configuration shown in Fig. 3. The input is series-resonant, as seen from the signal source, and parallel-resonant, as seen by the input to the transistor. In this arrangement, each tuned circuit at its resonant frequency effectively shunts the input to all the other tuned circuits greatly reducing the breakthrough of signals.

Resistance  $R_s$  in Fig. 3 is the signal source resistance; it is ef-

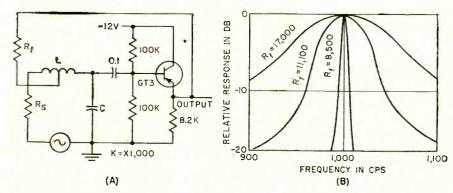


FIG. 4—Varying  $R_f$  of selective a-f amplifier (A) changes circuit Q-multiplication (B)

fectively in series with the coil and must be treated as part of the coil resistance when calculating the value of  $Q_o$ . Thus,  $Q_o = \omega_o L/(R_o + R_L)$  where  $R_L$  is the resistance of the coil at the resonant frequency.

### Practical Circuits

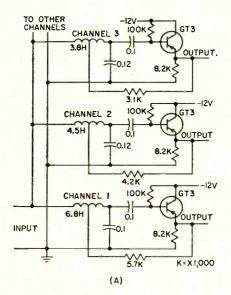
Figure 4A shows an audio-frequency selective circuit suitable for use either as a c-w note filter or as one channel in a multichannel frequency-selective amplifier.

When  $R_t = \frac{1}{4} R_d^k$ , Eq. 4 shows that the circuit is unstable and will oscillate. The value of resistor  $R_t$  to give this condition were calculated for four different coils and for various values of generator resistance  $R_s$ . These calculated values were then compared with the actual measured values of  $R_t$  in the circuit for each condition and coil. The results, in Table I, indicate a close correlation between calculated and measured values.

The coils in Table I were built up into a three-channel a-f selective amplifier and connected as shown in Fig. 5A; Fig. 5B shows the response of each filter. The unit was driven from a generator with an impedance of 500 ohms. In comparison with a similar parallel-tuned unit, the adjacent channel rejection is much better.

With a minor modification, the circuit shown in Fig. 4A, can be used as a variable selective c-w filter;  $R_t$  should be replaced by a resistor and potentiometer in series. The resistor and potentiometer are each made equal to the minimum resistance needed for the maximum required selectivity.

This minimum value is calculated from Eq. 4, but if maximum possible selectivity is wanted, this value should be made equal to  $\frac{1}{4}R'_a + 1$  percent. The 1-percent margin is usually sufficient to ensure that the circuit does not oscillate, but the value may have to be adjusted. The potentiometer acts as a selectivity control, with maximum selectivity corresponding to minimum potentiometer resistance; Fig. 4B shows a typical set of selectivity curves for various



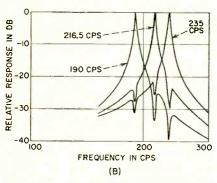


FIG. 5—Three channels of multichannel selective a-f amplifier (A) use coil and capacitor combinations in Table I for staggered resonant frequencies (B)

positions of the potentiometer.

The maximum Q-multiplication that can be achieved with the transistor Q-multipliers has not been fully determined. However, a Q of 1,000 at 200 cps was obtained without any difficulty using a coil with a Q of 10.

Factor  $R_i$  appearing in the expression for  $R_i$  covers a multitude of troubles, especially when the transistor circuit is to be used at frequencies approaching its cutoff frequency; for audio frequencies it is generally sufficient to treat  $R_i$  as being purely resistive, but at higher frequencies the complete expression must be used and account must be taken of the input capacitance.

### Performance

An experimental parallel-tuned circuit set up for maximum selectivity at 200 kc gave an overall bandwidth of 300 cps; although it was completely stable against normal temperature and voltage fluctuations, it was possible to shock excite it into oscillation after which it would continue to oscillate. Tests indicate that it is possible to do this at all frequencies with both tube and transistor Q-multipliers; it is believed that this is due simply to driving the tube or transistor into a region of nonlinearity.

When the Q-multiplication is restricted to less than  $\frac{1}{2}$   $g_m R_k$  the shock excitation instability does not occur. If this restriction on the amount of multiplication is observed and, in addition, the input level is kept small enough to ensure that the transistor is not overloaded, trouble from this form of instability should not be experienced.

A temperature run was made on the unit shown in Fig. 4A with the temperature cycled from 20 to 60 C and back. Between 20 and 47 C, no measurable change in effective Q was detected, but from 47 to 60 there was a reduction of Q multiplication to  $\frac{2}{3}$  of its initial value.

The resonant frequency of the filter was not affected when the transistor temperature was raised from 20 to 60 C.

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Typical test setup for checking crystals. Crystal under test and cable of electronic null-indicating meter plugged into bridge unit are next to right hand of operator. Counter-type frequency meter at left reads r-f output frequency of crystal impedance meter into which bridge is plugged. With exception of frequency measuring unit, no auxiliary equipment is required

## Plug-in Bridge Checks

Equivalent parameters of overtone crystals in range of 75 to 200 mc are rapidly measured with technique that combines desirable characteristics of both active and passive measuring systems. Bridge plugs into crystal socket of standard crystal impedance meter and crystal plugs into bridge. Null-indicating meter and frequency meter are only other instruments needed

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THE CRYSTAL PARAMETER bridge described here combines the characteristics of passive and active measuring systems for piezoelectric vibrators, by utilizing an oscillatory circuit and a bridge measurement configuration in such a way that the crystal being measured controls the frequency stability of the oscillator.

The bridge circuit, including the crystal under test, is inserted as a series element in the low-impedance feedback path of a self-controlled oscillator suitable for exciting a resonant frequency of a quartz crystal operating in the series mode. When the oscillator is tuned near or at one of the crystal reso-

nant frequencies, it is stabilized by the increased portion of the feedback that passes through the crystal arm of the bridge. Therefore, the oscillator may be considered as supplying a crystal-stabilized signal for operation of the bridge near the resonant frequencies of the crystal.

## Finding Equivalent Resistance

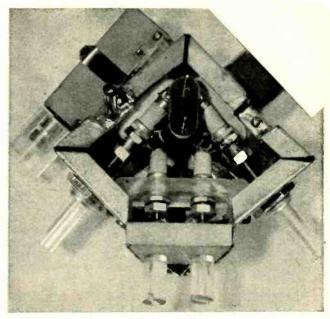
Operation of the crystal parameter bridge, shown schematically in Fig. 1, may be best understood when employed for the simple case of determining the equivalent resistance  $R_r$ , of a crystal operating at resonant frequency  $f_r$ . Capacitors  $C_*$  and  $C_4$  are set equal near

minimum capacitance or removed entirely from the circuit and all stray reactances are balanced or compensated. Resistor  $R_{\nu}$  contains no reactive components and  $R_{\mu}$  and  $R_{\nu}$  are passive impedances of any type but are matched in the frequency range of interest for equivalence in both magnitude and phase angle.

Resistor  $R_s$  is initially set to its minimum-resistance position and the oscillator is tuned until crystal control is effected. This point is shown by a sudden dip in the balance indicator reading and is the result of the change in degree of

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Top and bottom views of plug-in bridge unit. Slotted clear plastic rods permit adjustment of variable resistor and capacitors in bridge. Crystal is at upper right, vhf resistor at upper left,  $C_2$  and  $C_3$  adjustments at bottom center and  $C_v$  and  $C_4$  adjustments at lower left and right respectively in bottom view. Unit permits measurement of all equivalent circuit parameters of a quartz crystal

## VHF Quartz Crystals

unbalance due to the lowered crystal impedance near resonance. Increasing  $R_v$  at this point decreases the minimum reading as the voltage drop across  $R_v$  approaches that across the crystal. Slight retuning of the oscillator will further decrease the minimum as the two voltages become more nearly equal. Repeating this process of alternately tuning the oscillator and  $R_n$ for a minimum reading will bring each successive dip closer to zero until the bridge is brought into balance and the vector voltage difference is zero. At this time, the crystal is operating at the minimum zero-reactance impedance which defines operation at the resonance frequency  $f_r$ . The resistance of  $R_v$ is equal to the equivalent resonance sistance  $R_r$  of the crystal and may be read directly if  $R_r$  is calibrated.

In a similar manner, the series arm resistance  $R_1$  and the series resonant frequency  $f_s$  may be determined. This is accomplished by initially balancing the holder capacitance  $C_s$  with an equal capacitance  $C_s$  across  $R_r$ . If  $C_r$  is calibrated, the value of  $C_s$  may be

determined directly from the dial.

In the vhf range, the most severe requirement of a practical bridge system is that imposed on the variable resistor  $R_r$ . This resistance must have near zero reactance over the frequency range of interest. Resistances exhibiting a satisfactory phase angle have been developed. These resistors cover a frequency range of 75 to 300 mc and a resistance range of 20 to 200 ohms.

## **Determining Other Parameters**

The following procedure for utilizing the bridge and companion oscillator of Fig. 1 can be used to determine the desired parameters. With  $R_v$  and the crystal removed from the bridge and with  $C_i$  set close to minimum, balance with  $C_v$ as the variable at a frequency near the series-arm resonant frequency  $f_s$ ;  $C_r$  will then equal  $C_i$ . Place the crystal in the bridge at a frequency adjacent to  $f_s$  such that the admittance of the series arm is insignificant when compared with that of  $C_o$ . Rebalance the bridge with  $C_v$ . Then  $\Delta C_v$  equals  $C_o$ .

With  $R_v$  placed in the circuit, rebalance with  $R_v$  and frequency as variables. This yields  $f_s$  and  $R_v = R_1$ . Decrease  $C_v$  by  $\Delta C_v$  and rebalance with  $R_v$  and frequency as variables. This gives  $f_r$  and  $R_v = R_v$ .

The measured parameters  $C_o$ ,  $R_u$ ,  $f_s$  and  $f_r$  are now substituted in the first equation for Q in Fig. 1, where the figure of merit M is equal to  $1/\omega C_o R_1$  and  $\Delta f$  is equal to  $f_r - f_s$ . Although this equation is double-valued, the correct value is obtained by using the negative sign. With this, values of  $L_r$  and  $C_r$  are now readily obtained from the other two equations for Q in Fig. 1.

### **Construction Details**

Several developmental models of the crystal parameter bridge have been made. These models, containing suitable detectors, are constructed as small self-contained units capable of being plugged into the crystal socket of a suitable crystal impedance meter oscillator. The pyramidal shape of the bridge resulted from an attempt to eliminate cross-coupling by arranging all of the components to be nearly perpendicular within the limits set by size, accessibility and lead length.

Capacitors  $C_2$  and  $C_3$  couple the unbalance output of the bridge to the germanium diode detector. Since these capacitors must be accurately balanced they are made variable. The required detector load and filter are provided by  $R_2$ ,  $R_3$ ,  $C_4$ ,  $C_5$  and the null indicator input impedance.

The rectified output of the detector is fed by cable to a sensitive null indicator. The physical separation of the bridge and oscillator allows use of the bridge with different oscillators.

## Crystal Impedance Meter

The possibility of using the tube transit time and detuning to obtain proper loop phase led to the construction of the developmental crystal impedance meter circuit of Fig. 2.

Used primarily for a substitution system in the very-high-frequency range, this unit covers a frequency range of 75 to 200 mc for equivalent crystal resistances up to 200 ohms. Two stages of amplification are used to increase the loop gain. Two difficulties associated with the practical realization of the circuit configuration are proper tracking of the tuned circuits and the additional 180 deg phase shift normally attributed to the addition of a second amplifier.

A novel method was utilized to eliminate the tunable interstage

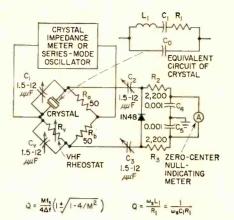


FIG. 1—Bridge circuit and equations used with test results to give desired parameters. Bridge plugs into crystal socket of impedance meter or oscillator

transformer required to compensate for the additional 180-deg phase shift. Data on the magnitude of transit time phase shifts indicate that the 6AK5 exhibits a phase shift of approximately 0.3 deg per mc. At 150 mc the total transit time phase shift for both tubes will therefore be near 90 deg. It is then immaterial whether or not a phase reversal is provided by the interstage transformer, as equal detuning would be required in either case to give zero loop phase shift. This characteristic permitted a simple resonant coil to be substituted for the tunable interstage transformer.

The oscillator uses a three-gang Mallory spiral Inductuner for the variable inductances. The tuner was modified by removing the last turn of the central spiral section. This modification provides the correct interstage inductance to track satisfactorily with the other two sections.

With the exception of the related power and control circuits, the circuitry and components are mounted on the modified tuner enclosure itself. To minimize ground-lead r-f currents, the center posts of the tube sockets are connected directly to the tuner ground plane and these two points are used as central ground points where possible.

The successful operation of the two-stage line-coupled oscillator with its high gain is dependent to a large extent upon the physical arrangement of the components. This arrangement permits extremely short leads and proper shielding or isolation by the various sections of the circuit. Small disk ceramic capacitors were connected directly from the tube-socket terminals to the center post ground point for bypass purposes. All power and control leads are bypassed at the tuner enclosure with ceramic feed-through capacitors, which serve as mounts for the various decoupling resistors and chokes.

The power supply converts the 115-v a-c to the required d-c plate and screen voltages. These d-c voltages are regulated by two voltage regulator tubes. An external control is provided for adjustment of the screen voltage as a method of controlling the drive or power

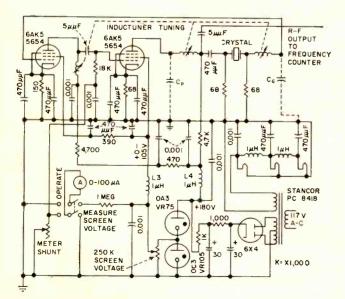




FIG. 2—Circuit of development crystal impedance meter, which may be used conventionally with test crystal in position shown, or in new method by inserting bridge in place of crystal. Rear view of instrument is shown alongside circuit

dissipated in the crystal. The frequency of the oscillator is varied by tuning through a suitable gear reduction to provide the necessary vernier adjustment. A sensitive d-c meter is provided, with a variable shunt, to indicate relative activity at high as well as at low drives. A coaxial jack provides a sample of the r-f energy for frequency-measuring purposes. The entire unit is encased in a steel cabinet for shielding and protective purposes,

## Checking Accuracy

Because precise standards for parameters measuring crystal above 100 mc are presently unavailable, the probable accuracy of the bridge method was determined on a comparative basis. Measurements on a number of representative crystals covering a frequency range of 100 to 175 mc and a resistance range of 20 to 120 ohms were made independently with several different substitution methods. These crystals were then measured with the crystal parameter bridge and developmental oscillator. The crystal parameter bridge measurements were then compared to the substitution measurements which in each case displayed the greatest deviation from the bridge measurements. The parameters compared were the resonance resistance R, the resonance frequency f, the series resonance resistance R<sub>1</sub> and the series resonance frequency fs.

Of a total of 26 frequency measurements, 20 were at or within 0.001 percent, 4 were between 0.001 percent and 0.002 percent and 2 were above 0.002 percent, the highest deviation being 0.0031 percent. Sixteen of these measurements were at frequencies above 150 mc.

Of a total of 26 resistance measurements, 21 were within 5 ohms or 10 percent, 4 were between 10 and 20 percent, and one displayed a difference of approximately 30 percent (175 mc at 100 ohms). Twelve of these were above 50 ohms.

Considering that the crystal drive or power could not be accurately determined or reproduced and that the comparisons were made to those having the largest discrepancy, the deviations experienced were not unexpected. However, the results did indicate that the measurement accuracy of the bridge was comparable to that obtained by other active methods.

## Crystal Aging Measurements

Although the crystal parameter bridge was developed primarily for use at frequencies above 75 mc, its effectiveness at lower frequencies was adequately demonstrated when used in connection with a crystal aging program being conducted at Georgia Institute of Technology. The aging drifts under study were obscured by the inaccuracies and randomness of the frequency measurements made with conventional susbtitution measurement procedures.

The crystal parameter bridge

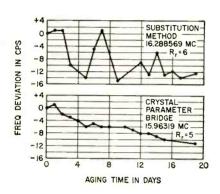


FIG. 3-Comparison of results obtained with older substitution method and new crystal parameter bridge method, when checking aging of crystals. High accuracy of new method gives smoother curve more nearly representative of true behavior of crystal

measurements, consistently accurate to one part in 107 at 16 mc. matched the quality of the resonators being produced and made possible studies of previously concealed factors in the aging of quartz crystal resonators. A typical aging curve obtained with the bridge system is compared in Fig. 3 with one obtained bv the substitution method.

Because of the number of repeated measurements necessary on a large number of crystals, an additional advantage was realized in the rapidity and simplicity of bridge measurements. A reduction in measurement time from approximately 5 minutes to less than 2 minutes per crystal was obtained.

Although efforts were made to

develop a practical system using the bridge method that would measure crystals up to 200mc at 200 ohms, the present models have definite limitations. Primarily, the crystal parameter bridge in its present state of development is a lumpedelement bridge and, as in conventional bridges, such construction is generally unsatisfactory above 150 mc.

Another limitation that occurs above 150 mc is due to the crystal holder capacitance C, and its associated bridge balancing capacitance  $C_v$ . As the frequency is increased the reactances of the feedback paths due to  $C_{\nu}$  and  $C_{\nu}$  become lower. This, in effect, decreases the proportional amount of crystal-controlled feedback and satisfactory stabilization of the oscillator is not obtained.

A third major limitation is that the commonly accepted equivalent circuit no longer adequately represents present vhf crystal units. The holder appears to cause the primary difficulty in that it contributes reactances and resistances at the higher frequencies that can no longer be neglected. The complexity of the equivalent circuit is, therefore, greatly increased.

Several methods of overcoming these practical limitations are presently being investigated. A hybrid coaxial bridge using balanced directional couplers is being developed to eliminate some of the diffiof a lumped element arrangement. A method of counteracting the feedback due to  $C_a$  and  $C_{\rm r}$  with a plan similar to that used in capacitance bridge oscillators is under study.

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## Phase-Shift Curves

Curves permit quick determination of unknowns in phase, gain and frequency interrelationship in lead and lag networks for feedback amplifiers. Component values can then be selected by choosing one of three values

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type shown in Fig. 1A and 1B are commonly used for compensation in feedback amplifiers. The attenuation characteristics of these networks are shown in Fig. 1C using straightline approximation for convenience.

The maximum phase shift obtainable from these networks is a function of gain (<1) of the lead network at low frequencies and of the lag network at high frequencies. The following method can be used for determining the amount of shift available for a given attenuation or vice versa and the frequency at which this shift occurs.

For the lead network in Fig. 1, the transfer function is:

 $E_o/E_i=\alpha_1[(1+j(\omega/\omega_{cl})]/[1+j\alpha_1(\omega/\omega_{cl})]$ where  $\alpha_1=R_2/(R_1+R_2)$ , which is the low-frequency gain;  $\omega_{cl}=$ 

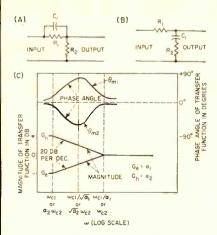


FIG. 1—Lead and lag networks at (A) and (B) result in gains shown at bottom of C and phase angles shown at top of (C)

 $1/R_1 C_1$ , which is the lower corner frequency in radians per sec and  $\omega_{\rm cl}/a_1$  is upper corner frequency in radians per sec.

The maximum phase shift is given by:

$$\phi_{m1} = \tan^{-1}(1/\sqrt{\alpha_1}) - \tan^{-1}\sqrt{\alpha^1}$$
 and occurs at the geometric mean of the corner frequencies, so that  $\omega/\omega_{c1} = 1/\sqrt{\alpha}$ . Figure 2 shows  $\phi_{m1}$  and corresponding values of

 $\omega/\omega_{c_1}$  compared to  $\alpha_1$ . For the lag network shown in Fig. 1B, the transfer function is:

 $E_o/E_i = [1+j(\omega/\omega_{c2})]/[1+j(\omega/\alpha_2\omega_{c2})]$  where  $a_2 = R_z/(R_1 + R_z)$ , which is the high frequency gain;  $\omega_{c2} = 1/R_zC_z$ , which is the upper corner frequency in radians per sec and  $a_2\omega_{c2}$  is the lower corner frequency in radians per sec.

The maximum phase shift,  $\phi_{m2}$ , is given by  $\phi_{m2} = -\phi_{m1}$  if  $a_2$  is substituted for  $a_1$ . Therefore the maximum phase shift curve in Fig. 2 is correct.  $\phi_{m2}$  occurs again at the geometric mean of the corner frequencies, where  $\omega = \omega_{c2} \sqrt{a_2}$  or  $\omega/a_2 \omega_{c2} = 1/\sqrt{a_2}$ . Since the ratio of the frequency for maximum phase shift to the lower corner frequency is  $1/\sqrt{a}$  for both networks, the second curve of Fig. 2 is correct also.

## Examples

Assume that a network is required to produce a phase lead of 50 deg at 600 cps. How much gain will result and what components can be used?

At  $\phi_m = 50$  deg on the max-

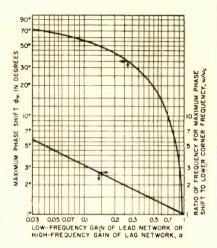
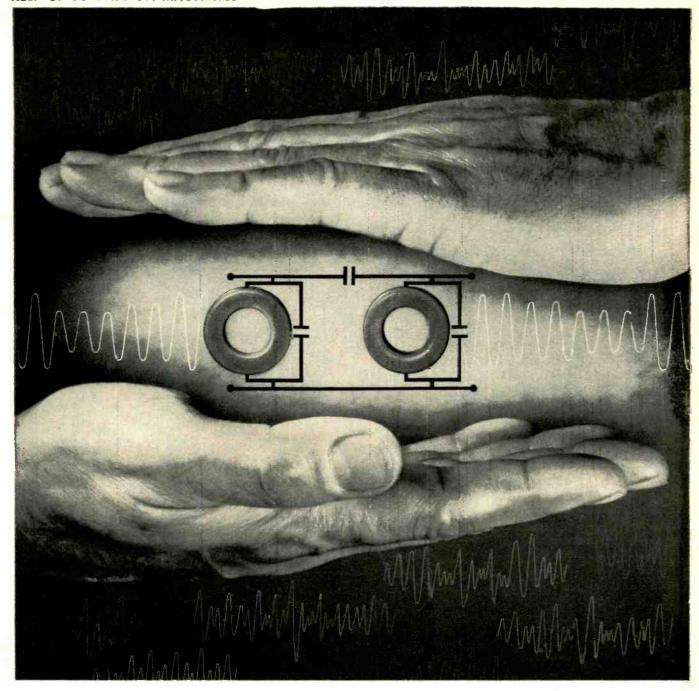


FIG. 2—Relationship of phase shift to gain enables user to determine  $\omega/\omega_c$ 

imum phase shift curve,  $a_1=0.135$ . With  $a_1=0.135$ , on the second curve  $\omega/\omega_{c1}=2.7$ . Substituting,  $\omega_{c1}=2\pi600/2.7$ , which equals  $1/R_1$   $C_1$ , and  $a_1=0.135=R_2/(R_1+R_2)$  one variable can be selected and the others determined. If  $C_1=1$   $\mu f$ , then  $R_1=716$  ohms and  $R_2=112$  ohms.

If a lag network is required to have a phase shift of 60 deg and gain of 0.1 or more at high frequencies, is a network of the type shown in Fig. 1B possible?

From the curves, a phase shift of 60 deg will produce a gain of 0.071. Therefore the desired network is not possible. However, if two networks are used each with a phase shift of 30 deg and isolated by a buffer stage, the effective gain of the networks will be 0.109. A cathode follower could be used for the stage between the networks.



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RANSISTOR ALPHA CUTOFF frequency which results from the finite diffusion time of charge carriers through the base region is one of two characteristics that limit high-frequency performance. The frequency characteristic of alpha is represented approximately by

$$\alpha = \alpha_o/(1 + j\omega/\omega_a)$$

Collector capacitance  $C_c$ , the capacitance across the collector to base junction, also limits the maximum frequency of operation.

For most transistors, alpha is approximately equal to unity and maximum oscillating frequency is approximated by

$$f_{\rm max} = (fa/25.1R_BC_c)^{1/2}$$

or in terms of  $f_{\alpha}$ 

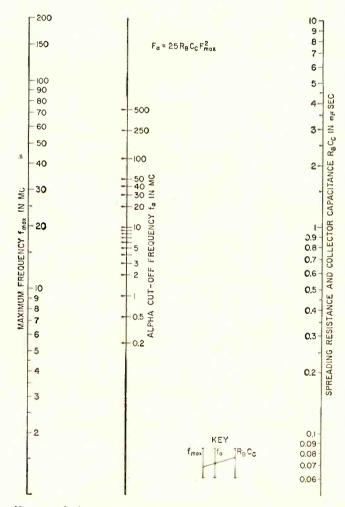
$$f\alpha = 25R_bC_c(f_{\text{max}})^2$$

Since some manufacturers specify fa and others  $f_{max}$ , conversion from one to the other is desirable.

## **Practical Examples**

When  $f_z$  is 20 mc,  $R_B$  is 40 ohms and  $C_c$  is 10  $\mu\mu f$ ,  $f_{\rm max}$  is desired. A straight line is drawn between the two points  $f_z=20$  mc and  $R_B$   $C_c=400$   $\mu\mu{\rm sec}$ , or 0.4 millimicroseconds. The value for  $f_{\rm max}$  is read from the left-hand scale as 44 mc.

A transistor with an  $f_{\text{max}}$  of 10 mc and an  $R_{\scriptscriptstyle H}$   $C_{\scriptscriptstyle c}$  product of 2,000  $\mu\mu\text{sec}$  or 2 m $\mu\text{sec}$  is avail-



Nomograph for converting transistor high-frequency parameters

able. It is desired to determine the beta cutoff frequency for this transistor for which  $f_{\alpha}$  is required. Referring to the nomo-

gram, a straight line is drawn through  $f_{\rm max}=10$  mc and  $R_{\rm B}$   $C_{\rm c}=2$  m $\mu{\rm sec}$ . The line intersects the center scale at  $f_{\rm a}=5$  mc.

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The rectangular front screen of the tube is backed by a mica screen coated on its inner side with a layer of potassium chloride. The front surface of the mica is covered with a transparent current-conductive erase coating provided with terminals for connection to a source of power.

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as a function of the applied frequency can be readily measured.

Using this technique, the tube is rigidly mounted on a shake table whose acceleration is held constant as frequency is swept. A feedback loop is used with an accelerometer on the table used as the sensor. The tube filament is heated by a battery to minimize hum pick-up.

A capacitance bridge, connected to two tube elements, is balanced with the shake table excitation off. At this time, the bridge sees a capacitance,  $C_o$ , which is the sum of the tube interelectrode capacitance and the cable capacitance (which is fixed). When the table is shaken, the tube elements vibrate, and the capacitance seen by the bridge may be expressed as

 $C = C_o + \Delta C \sin \omega t$ 

where  $\Delta C$  is the peak change in capacitance due to electrode displacement and  $\omega$  is the angular frequency applied to the shake table. The bridge output is an a-c signal proportional to  $\Delta C$ .

Since the object is to locate resonances in the tube structure, it is desirable that, in the absence of resonances, the bridge output be constant over the frequency range. Since shake table acceleration is

## Technique Finds Tube Resonances

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VACUUM TUBES are often required to operate in environments having high vibration levels. This can lead to two types of malfunction, which may occur singly or together.

The first is generation of spurious signals (microphonics) because of relative motion between the vacuum tube electrodes. The support structures in the tube (particularly mica spacers) loosen more as the tube elements vibrate. Thus electrode movement increases with the same level of vibration as the tube ages.

The second type of malfunction is physical damage to the tube, such as cracking of the envelope or loss of oxide from the cathode. Such failures may occur with little or no warning.

These factors make it desirable to choose tubes whose electrodes have low mobility and whose reso-

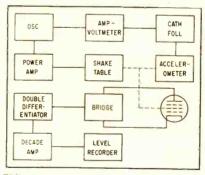


FIG. 1—Accelerometer is used as a sensing device to maintain constant acceleration of shake table as it is swept in frequency

nances do not coincide with vibration frequencies in the tube's socket and mounting structure.

A direct measurement of the response of a vacuum tube electrode to a given forcing function applied to the completed tube would be difficult, perhaps involving x-ray microscopy. An indirect measurement technique has been developed using commercially available equipment. Relative response of an electrode

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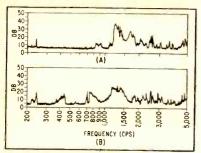


FIG. 2—Comparison of recordings with capacitance bridge between cathode and plate (A) and between cathode and screen grid (B) indicate frequencies at which cathode vibrates

held constant, while the bridge senses displacement, this may be achieved by differentiating the bridge output twice to get a new signal proportional to the tube element acceleration. This signal is plotted on a high-speed level recorder which is synchronized with the sweep oscillator.

The process is repeated using one of the same tube elements and one other element. A comparison of the two plots discloses which of the resonances are common to both plots, and, therefore, caused by vibration of the tube element common to both tests.

A disadvantage of this technique is the difficulty in determining absolute response. In addition, output of the capacitance bridge is a function of mode shape as well as peak electrode displacement. For many applications, these considerations are secondary to the speed and ease of analysis offered.

## Feedback Stabilizes Flip-Flop

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FEEDBACK enables a transistorized flip-flop to operate on pulses of 3 volts with 0.5 microsecond fall time. The flip-flop is very independent of changes in voltage and unbalance of transistors. The circuit was designed for use in a computer.

## Operation

The common emitter resistor  $R_s$  in Fig. 1 provides d-c degeneration. For good trigger sensitivity, it is

heavily bypassed in order to increase the gain around the regenerative loop. Resistor  $R_t$  connected between the bases of the two transistors provides negative feedback.

Assume that  $Q_1$  is conducting and  $Q_2$  is cutoff. A negative pulse is applied at the base of  $Q_1$  cutting it off. Its collector rises to +11 v, and the rise is coupled to base  $B_2$  through the cross-coupling network. As  $B_2$  rises above  $B_1$ , a current flows in feedback resistor  $R_f$ . This current reduces the normal base current of  $Q_2$  and prevents  $B_2$  from rising too high. Base  $B_2$ , in turn, regulates the collector current drawn by transistor  $Q_2$ .

The flip-flop uses emitter followers in the cross-coupling network in order to match the high collector output impedance to the low base input impedance. These emitter followers also serve as low impedance output coupling to drive gating chains.

In the computer, the flip-flop is triggered with the differentiated trailing edge of a logic pulse to avoid the use of interstage delays for such circuits as shift registers. Capacitor coupling with a large

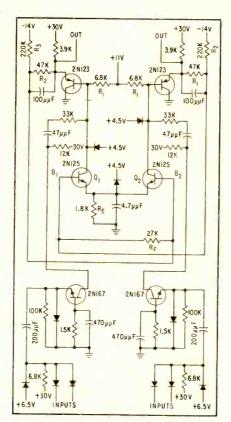


FIG. 1—Feedback resistor  $R_{\rm f}$  in flip-flop makes it less sensitive to voltage variations and transistor unbalance

time constant is used in case the logic pulse has poor fall time.

Attenuation is small even for slow fall time. The partially differentiated pulse is amplified, and the output of the amplifier is differentiated. Since phase reversal is undesirable, a grounded-base npn transistor provides a negative pulse to bring the amplifier into conduction from its normally cutoff state.

## Design

For values of  $\beta$  between 20 and 100, transistors 2N124, 125, 126 and 167 may be used. The voltage swing required is six volts from +5 to +11. A self-biased multivibrator is used to improve d-c stability.

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When  $R_t$  is considered disconnected, 50 µa of base current is needed where  $I_c = 1$  ma and  $\beta = 20$ . If the cross-coupling resistors are large compared to  $R_1$ , the equivalent The venin resistance  $R = (R_2 +$  $(R_3)/R_2R_3$ . When R = 50,000 ohms, the base input resistance of a transistor is very low in comparison. The drop across the base-to-emitter junction can be ignored, and the total drop can be assumed to occur across R. For  $I_b = 50 \mu a$ , a positive voltage swing of 2.5 v across R is required. For a symmetrical peakto-peak signal of 5 v at the base, the collector swing is 6 v so that  $a = R_{\rm s}/(R_{\rm s} + R_{\rm s}) = 5/6$ . Emitter follower gain is assumed to be one. Since R equals 50,000 ohms, R2 and  $R_{\rm s}$  will be 60,000 and 300,000 ohms, respectively.

To obtain a base current margin, somewhat smaller resistors in the same ratio are used. Convenient values are  $R_{\rm s}=47,000$  and  $R_{\rm s}=220,000$  ohms.

When  $Q_2$  conducts,  $V_{e2} = 5$  v and  $V_{b1} = 5/6$  x 19 - 14 = 1.8 v.  $R_s$  must be large enough so that the voltage drop across it exceeds the 1.8 v necessary to cut  $Q_1$  off. When  $\beta = 20$ , the base of  $Q_2$  is at (11 + 14)  $\times$  5/6 - 14 = 6.8 v.

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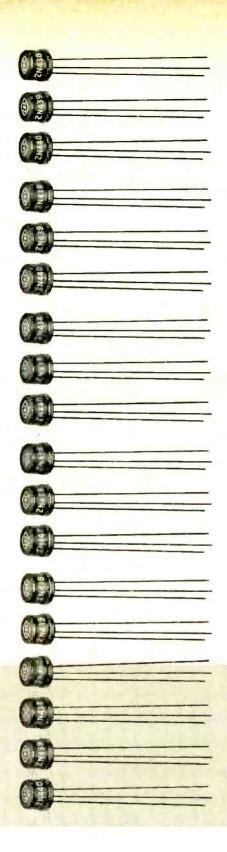
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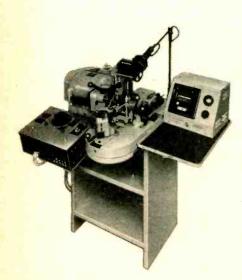
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The dissipation,  $V_{c2}I_{g}=22.5$  mw. is within the allowable rating at 55 C.

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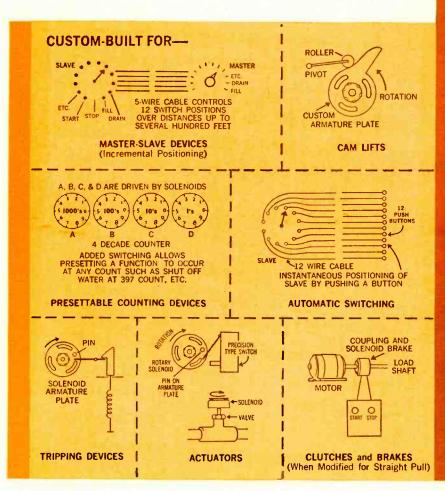
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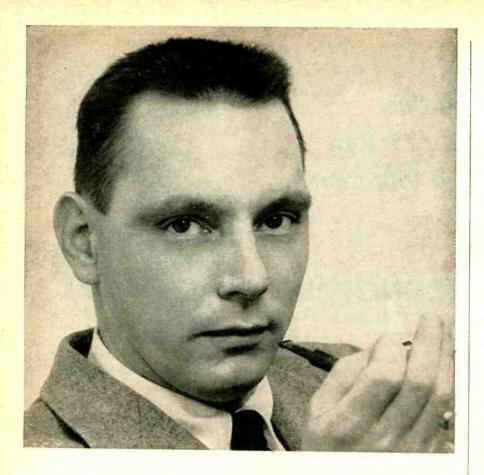
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## Phase Shifter Range Exceeds 180°

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The circuit shown in Fig. 1A is often used to shift phase. With perfect circuit components, with the resistance variable to infinity and

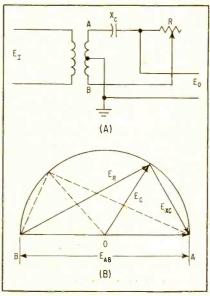


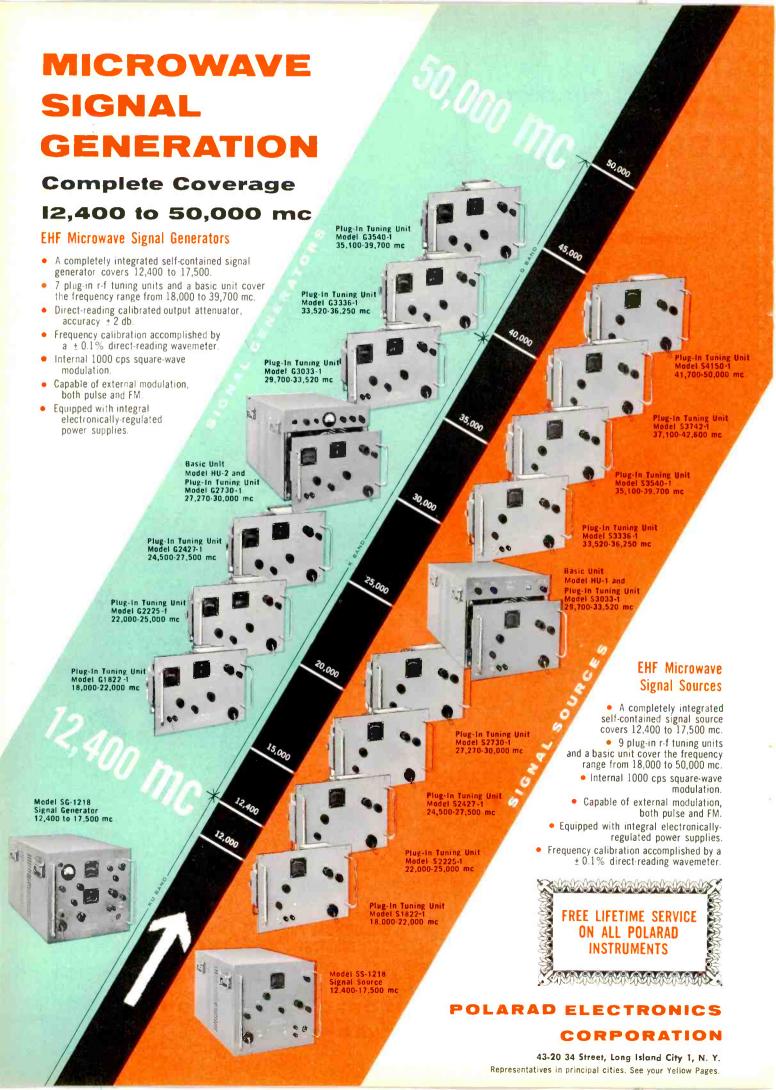
FIG. 1—Constant output voltage is produced by simple phase-shifting circuit with a theoretical range of 180 degrees

with no load, a 180-degree phase-shift range is theoretically possible.

A vector diagram, Fig. 1B, may be constructed for this circuit by noting that the voltages across  $X_c$  and R are always 90 degrees out of phase and that the addition of these vectors always equals  $E_{AB}$ , the voltage across the transformer secondary. The locus of all intersections of  $E_{xc}$  and  $E_B$ , forms a half circle. The output voltage will be constant for any value of R.

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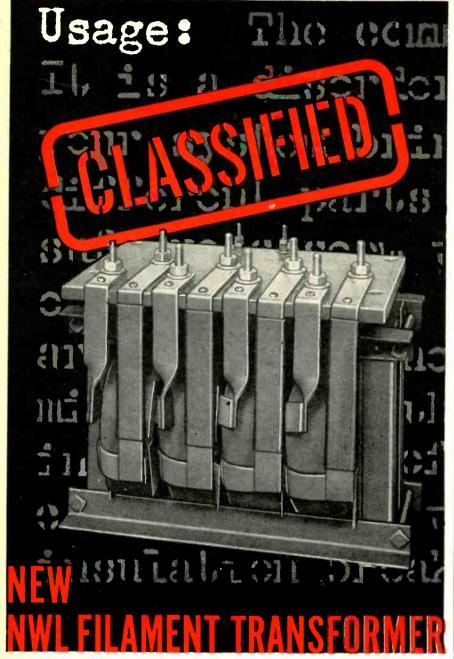
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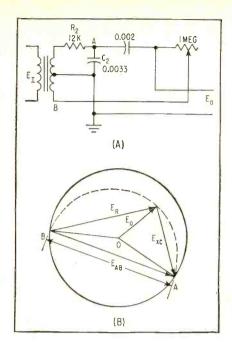


FIG. 2—Phase of output voltage can be varied more than 180 degrees but output voltage is not constant

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One way to achieve 180-degree or more phase shift is to have greater than 180 degrees between points A and B. Fig. 2A shows a circuit in which the phase at point A is made to lag by an R-C combination  $(R_{\eta}, C_{z})$ . This circuit has about 190-degree phase range at one kc.

To satisfy the right-angle condition for  $E_{xc}$  and  $E_{R}$ , the locus

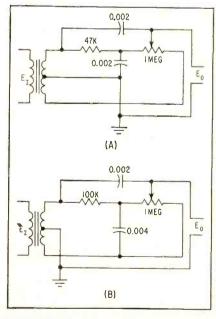


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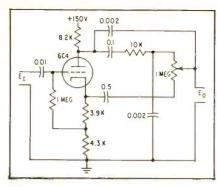


FIG. 4—Use of tube in place of transformer permits phase shifter to handle a wider band of frequencies

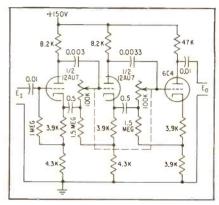


FIG. 5—More than 180 degrees of phase shift and very constant output voltage is provided by two-tube shifter

of the points for  $E_o$  does not fall on the circumference of the circle whose center is zero volts,  $E_o$  being less in the center of the phase range. A slightly more constant output voltage may be achieved by the circuits shown in Fig. 3.

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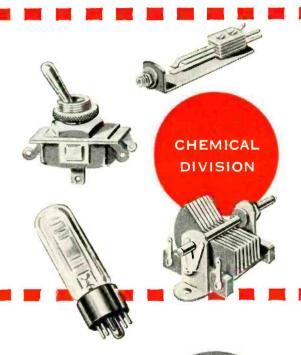
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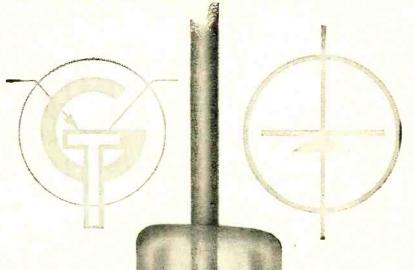
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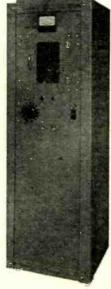
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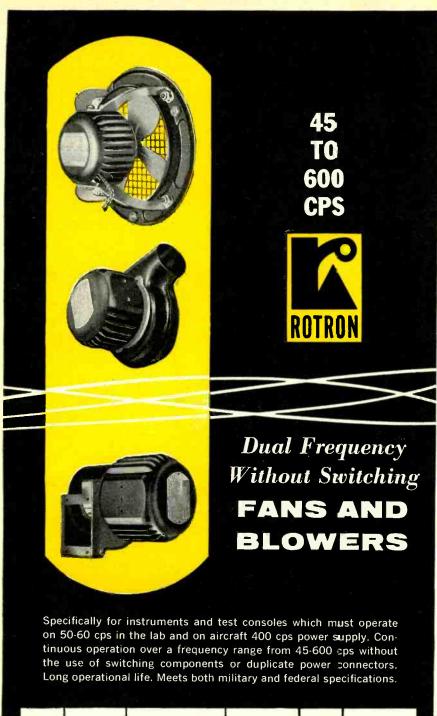
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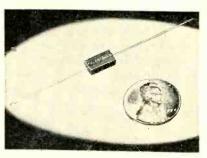
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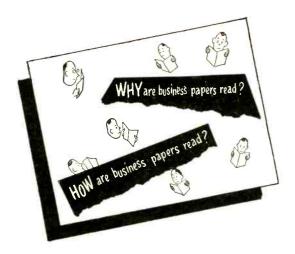
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### Characteristics

The capacitor weighs one-half gram and is .37 inches long, .19 inches wide and .11 inches thick. Capacitance range is from 5 µµf through 240  $\mu\mu$ f with tolerances from  $\pm 2$  to  $\pm 20$  percent. It is available in C or D characteristics in capacitance ranges below 50 uuf and in C. D or E characteristics in capacitance ranges from 51 μμf through 240 µµf. Working voltage is 300 volts at 85C and 200 volts at 125C. Dielectric strength is 200 percent of rated voltage. The new component, called A "Missil-Mite," is available in production quantities.

# Funnel Flange Eyelets for Printed Circuits

Mounting eyelets in printed-circuit board holes with a funnel flange, instead of the rolled head usually used to hold eyelets in place, has two major advantages. It permits faster and easier insertion of a component lead in the eyeleted hole whether done by hand or machine. And it provides a mechanically stronger eyelet since the underside of the funnel flange attracts a generous solder fillet when dip soldered.

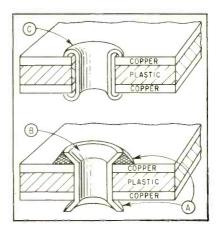
### Mounting

Circon Component Corporation, Goleta, Calif. calls their new eyelet a Funelet. Because the Funelet is mounted in the printed circuit board by merely spreading one end of the eyelet—instead of the "rollover, pressdown" operation required with conventional eyelets—rejected assemblies due to imperfect eyelets are practically nil.

### Dependability

A quality test of over 300,000 eyelets did not produce any imper-

fect eyelets. The cost savings from jammed equipment, down-time, and damaged work caused by an imperfect eyelet helps offset the slightly higher cost of Funelets.



Funnel Flange eyelet permits easier component lead insertion (B); and solder fillet (A) gives a more reliable structure than rolled-head (C).

Strangely enough even though it was developed as a precision part, Circon claims many of the largest volume users are manufacturers of commercial low cost, competitive printed circuits who willingly pay the added price because of the reliability obtained.

### Gold Shot-Burnished

A 24 carat gold, shot-burnished, overlay inside and out is applied with a technique which eliminates "splatter" of plated metal when eyelets are machine set. Gold is first plated to thickness of eighty millionths of an inch. The shot-peining and burnishing process fuses the gold in the surface pore structure of the brass. The resultant surface layer of gold is fifty millionths of an inch thick, highly malleable and will not peel, scale, blister or delaminate when the eyelet is machine mounted.

### Resistance

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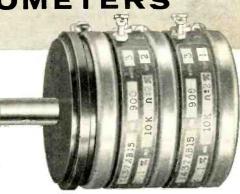
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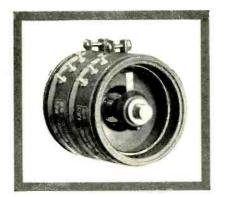
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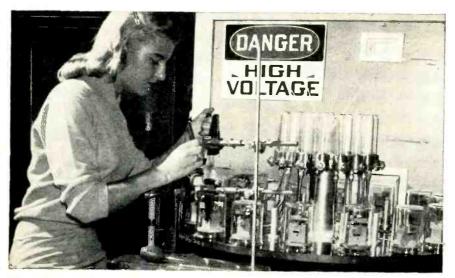
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# Merry-go-round Steps Up Klystron Tube Output



Wheel-like machine simplifies hand sealing operation. Tubes are heated at operator's left and cooled at right. Radioactive brush to clean mica windows is in foreground



Tubes are placed in metal heat concentrators after windows are positioned

ROTARY WINDOW SEALING machines speed kylstron tube output, furnish more positive control over production and require less operator skill. Varian Associates, Palo Alto, Calif., designed and built the machines for \$1.100 each.

Merry-go-round takes 16 klystron tubes. At each station, a tube nestles in block of metal which concentrates the heat. Heat is supplied by induction by paired coils of a Lepel heating unit as the tube approaches the operator.

The tube is covered with a small glass bell jar with a hole in its top to allow access by the operator. Nitrogen gas is piped in to provide an atmosphere which will keep the tubes clean and prevent oxidation. Sixteen flow meters in the center of the wheel supply the bell jars.

A built-in cooling system directs

a blast of cool air on the operator's hands, since she works directly above intense heat.

Mica windows, which cover tube apertures, are cleaned by passing them between radioactive brushes made by Nuclear Products Co., El Monte, Calif. This removes static electricity, freeing lint. The window is placed in the tube's metal flange with tweezers.

The tube is placed under the bell jar and brought to correct temperature. Special glass is applied around the window seat, which is now hot enough to effect a seal. A weight is placed over the hole in the bell jar to maintain nitrogen pressure while the tube cools.

The wheel is turned to the right and the operations repeated on the next tube, which has been heating. As the sealed tubes make the circuit and cool, they are removed one by one and replaced at a rate of 50 to 60 a day.

The glass used for sealing is made by Corning Glass Co. The flange is Allegheny Ludlum Steel Co. Sealmet, an alloy developed for glass sealing. The two have equal coefficients of expansion.

# Instruments Boxed On Foam-cushioned Base

FREE FLOATING suspension method of packing is employed by Ampex Corp., Redwood City, Calif., to ship tape recorders. The technique, the firm reports, has reduced customer damage claims to less than ½ per cent.

Package, made by Crate-Rite Mfg. Co., Oakland, Calif., consists of a fir-plywood floating deck, plywood-covered base framed with lumber, and sides, ends and top of ‡ inch plywood veneer overlaid with paper and glue-laminated to 200-pound corrugated board which forms corners and lap joints.

The base is framed around its perimeter with 2x4's with a 2x2 brace down the center. For fork-lift handling, 3x4's are spiked to the frame bottom. The 2x4's are covered with ½ inch, 5-ply fir plywood.

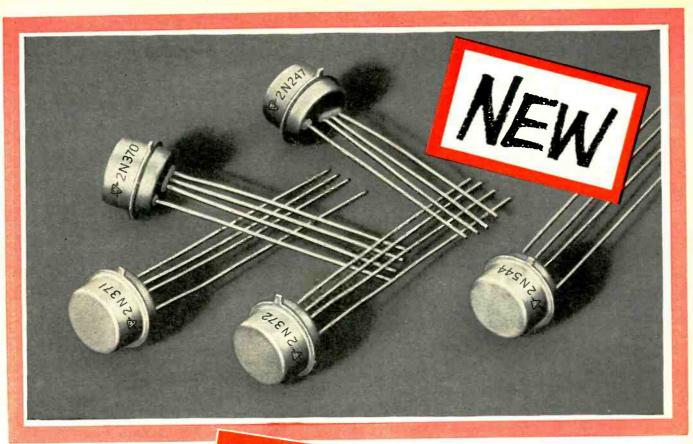
The floating platform is made of  $\frac{7}{8}$  inch plywood for 600-1,000



Glass seal is applied while tube is between heating coils. Tube at right is being brought to sealing temperature



Cards placed between nitrogen flow meters provide permanent production history of each tube



# Sylvania RF-IF Transistors

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The new PNP drift transistors feature Sylvania welded hermetic seal construction for maximum protection in rugged environments. They are encased in a modified JETEC class 30 case with four flexible in-line leads. The additional cen-

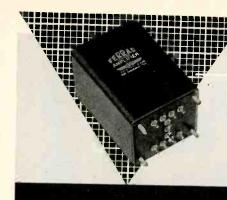
ter lead is connected to the metal case providing a complete unit shield and interlead shield. Coupling to adjacent circuit components is reduced to a minimum. Call your Sylvania Sales Representative or write direct for information on new Sylvania PNP drift transistors, types 2N247, 2N370, 2N371, 2N372 and 2N544.

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Floating base goes on foam blocks. Bolts in base are capped with springs

pounds units, appropriate thicknesses for other weights and crate sizes. The box used for most shipments is 90x40x36 inches and is shipped horizontal. It may contain several units of smaller size.

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A pad is laid over the deck and the instrument is laid on this and strapped with 3 steel bands placed



Padded and bagged recorder is strapped to padded base. Springs have been padded also



Sides and top of box are taped and stapled in place

over double wrappings. The veneer sides and ends are stapled in place. End and side joints are taped and the top is stapled. Battens of 1x4 inch lumber brace the tops.

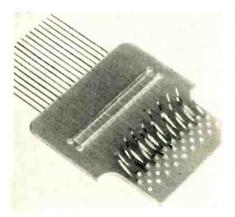
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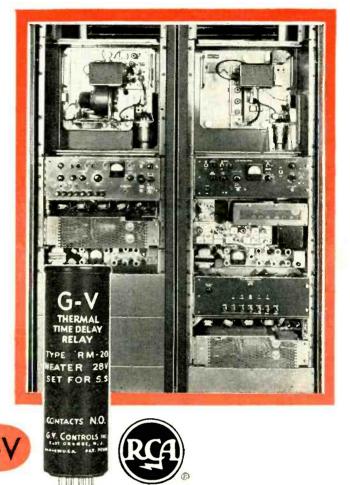
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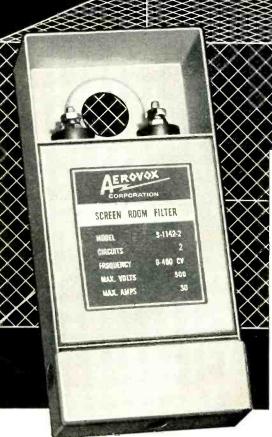
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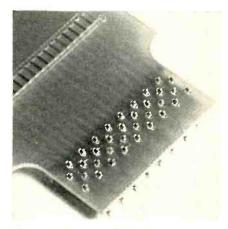
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end of the cable. Bared conductors are placed on top of a prepunched supporting plate to line up with contact leg holes in the plate. Loose ends of the conductors are pushed through the contact leg holes.



Contacts on plastic strips fit into holes in plate



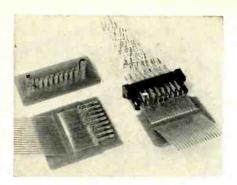
After contacts are staked and excess conductor cut off, plate is ready for solder

The required number of lower tier contacts, supplied on plastic strips, are inserted through the corresponding holes of the supporting plate and staked to the board. A pad presses the cable against the supporting plate, fastening the cable to the board. The contact leg presses against the bare conductor at the hole of the supporting plate, bonding contact and cable conductor.

After removal of the plastic strip, the upper tier contacts are inserted and staked. Excess conductor material is cut off and the supporting plate is dip-soldered on the staked side.

The supporting plate has two slots through which the free end of the cable is fed. This secures it to the plate, preventing strain at connector joints.

Cables with printed conductors already have bare conductors at the points of connection with holes, corresponding to the contact leg



Other side of support plates, with taper tab and stand-off contacts

location. The cable is placed on top of the supporting plate so that the conductors line up with corresponding contact leg holes in the supporting plate. Contacts on plastic strips are inserted and staked as described previously.

In both, the staking creates a pressure connection between contact tail and conductor. Soldering gives a second independent connection, thus increasing the reliability of the joint.

### Peephole Packing Case

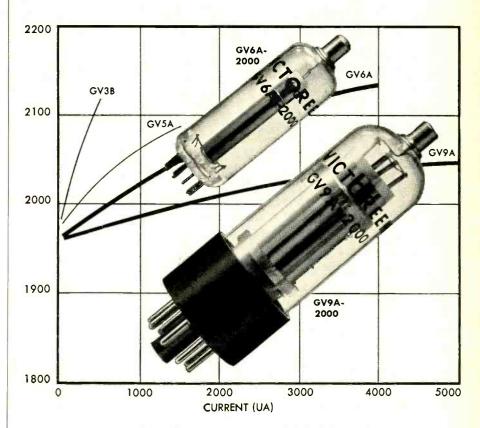
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BOTH entertainment and data recording keep interest in magnetic tape and associated electronic and mechanical equipment high. Industrial and military applications are constantly increasing.

Olympic Radio & Television Co., 34-01 38th Ave., L. I. C., N. Y., (300), announces model RX-118 magnetic tape recorder-reproducer. It is adaptable for use in airport tower work, Naval sonar recording, FCC broadcast monitoring and other applications. It records one or two separate audio channels simultaneously on one reel of tape for 24 hours without reloading.

Now available from Presto Recording Corp., P. O. Box 500, Paramus, N. J., (301), is the 800 series of professional tape recorders designed for radio stations and industrial users. They feature three motors, a 10½ reel capacity and solenoid-actuated brakes, whose new design eliminates frequent readjustment.

Telectro Industries Corp., 35-16 37th St., L. I. C., N. Y., (302), has developed the TA-1085, a 14-channel magnetic tape transport that drives the tape with extremely low flutter. Modes of operation—"record," "playback," "fast forward," "stop" and "fast rewind"—may be remotely controlled.

Model 3270 miniature random access memory is offered by Potter Instrument Co., Inc., Sunnyside Blvd., Plainview, L. I., N. Y., (303). It consists of a tape transport mechanism with transistorized drive and programming circuitry. Each of the two reels on the transport contains approximately 35 ft of one-in. tape.

Librascope, Inc., 40 E. Verdugo Ave., Burbank, Calif., (304), has in production a large type tape demagnetizer for broadcasting and data tapes. Reels up to 10½ in. in diameter for tape widths up to 2 in. can be handled. Rapid degaussing is accomplished through the automatic turntable which climinates the hand rotation method.



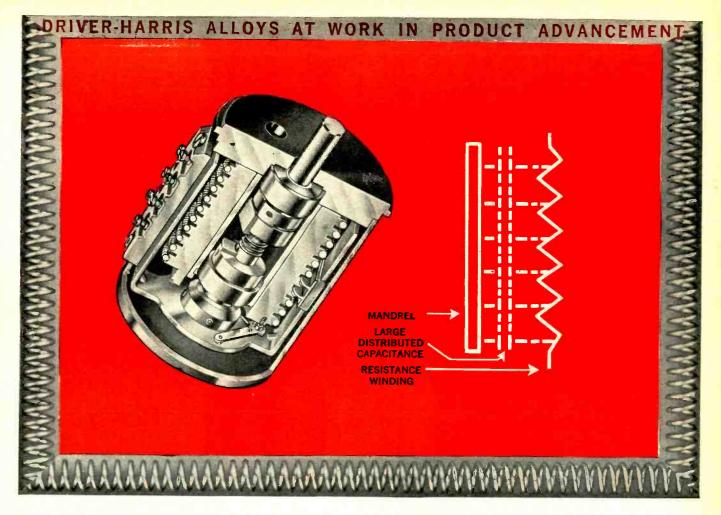
# **Electrostatic Source** for lab experiments

Forest Products, Inc., 131 Portland St., Cambridge, Mass. A new electrostatic generator, designed for laboratory experiments requiring a continuous source of static electricity, stands  $17\frac{1}{2}$  in. high and creates a usable charge of 150,000 v at 5  $\mu a$ .

Similar in design and operation to the multi-million volt electrostatic generators used for atomic research, the new generator is of a size that makes it ideal for industrial laboratories and other similar uses. Circle 305 on Reader Service Card.

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# Phase Shift Compensation Eliminated In New HELIPOT® Precision Potentiometers

# SPECIAL D-H ALLOYS MAKE AIR-CORE WINDINGS PRACTICAL!

Helipot's purpose in designing its new, air-core wound series 7700 Potentiometers was to make possible operation at higher frequencies with 0° phase shift—thereby eliminating compensation circuitry.

In nearly all multi-turn potentiometers, resistance wire is wound on an insulated copper-wire mandrel. This type of mandrel is used because it has uniform diameter, good heat conductivity and high thermal capacity. However, a disadvantage of such construction is the relatively large distributed capacitance between the resistance winding and the mandrel. When such a potentiometer is used as an AC voltage divider, the output generally differs in phase and magnitude from the desired output. This interferes with the effective use of high accuracy potentiometers unless compensation is applied somewhere in the circuit.

Helipot engineers desired to eliminate these problems by eliminating the copper-wire mandrel. But the elimination of the mandrel also

eliminated the support for the winding. Needed, therefore, was a type of wire that would make a self-supporting air-core winding.

At Helipot's request, Driver-Harris went to work with these specifications: The wire must be of dependable uniform hardness so that in stretching it, equal spacing between turns is obtained, free of creep. This is essential to linearity. The wire also must be of unvarying diameter for uniform resistance. And its surface must be extremely clean—free of oxide coating to minimize contact "noise".

Driver-Harris produced the wire—a special hard-drawn form of Karma\* and Nichrome\* V. And Helipot produced its new 10-turn series 7700 potentiometers in a resistance range from 200 to 5000 ohms. With this radically new air-core winding, linearity approaches the resolution of the unit without resort to padding or shunting. And phase shift in AC circuitry is reduced to less than 0.1°.

Since 1899, Driver-Harris has produced 132 special-purpose alloys in just this fashion—in answer to a particular problem and extraordinary specifications. If your own engineering and product development plans currently hinge upon a special alloy—why not bring your problem to Driver-Harris. Your inquiry is invited.

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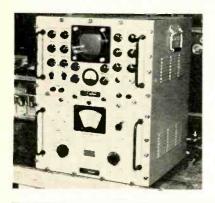


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# Spectrum Analyzer precision unit

LAVOIE LABORATORIES, INC., Matawan-Freehold Road, Morganville, N.J., offers a no-klystron spectrum analyzer of laboratory precision, with rock-stable oscillators permitting observation of signals with minor instability characteristics.

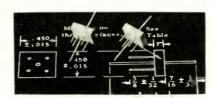
A simplified band-switch arrangement permits coverage of 10 mc to

21,000 mc range in seconds, and a single head construction precludes misplacing expensive tuning units. Triple shielding allows operation in fields exceeding 4 megawatts without spurious responses.

The spectrum analyzer has a shock performance of 37 g 10 millisec duration in transit case, vibration of 10-55 cps, 10 g, and meets all environmental specifications. Circle 306 on Reader Service Card.

# Coaxial Capacitor meets MIL-C-10950B

VITRAMON, INC., Box 544, Bridgeport 1, Conn., offers coax capacitors made by its process of combining porcelain dielectrics and fine silver electrodes in a monolithic block. A terminal at the center of



the square capacitor permits currents to flow radially through the electrodes and dielectrics to the four terminals at the periphery of the part. The geometry results in cancellation of magnetic fields of these radial currents and low effective inductance of the capacitor. Rugged design can take vibration up to 2,000 cps with 20 g of acceleration applied. Circle 307 on Reader Service Card.

# Pulsed Oscillator high power unit

ARENBERG ULTRASONIC LABORATORY, INC., 94 Green St., Jamaica Plain 30, Mass. Model PG-650 oscillator is a variable frequency pulse modulated r-f source for applications requiring high power output as well as extreme stability. Its principal use has been in meas-

uring the various parameters of ultrasonic delay lines whose high initial insertion loss as well as operation at low impedance levels have presented many difficulties in the past.

The r-f output may be displayed directly on the plates of a cro, and the output of a delay line (60 db into 50 olims) can also be shown at r-f using only the vertical ampli-



fier of the cro and no other. Circle 308 on Reader Service Card.

# Adjustment Pot is humidity proof

BOURNS LABORATORIES, INC., Riverside, Calif., announces a new leadscrew-actuated adjustment potentiometer which is sealed against humidity and capable of 135 C



operation. Model 236 Trimpot meets military humidity specs. It has a 0.8 w power dissipation, and employs a new element termination termed Silverweld, and ceramic card, providing maximum stability and reliability. Circle 309 on Reader Service Card.



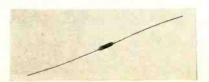
# Frequency Meter precision device

VARO MFG. Co., INC., 2201 Walnut St., Garland, Texas. Model 6506 is designed to fill the need for a precision frequency measuring device for missile and aircraft 400 cps

power sources. The transistorized meter provides 0.05 percent accuracy at 400 cps by calibration of the discriminator with an internal tuning fork. Accuracy of 0.1 percent is achieved at full scale, 397 to 403 cps. Circle 310 on Reader Service Card.

# Tiny Resistor has wide range

ELECTRA MFG. Co., 4051 Broadway, Kansas City, Mo., has avail-



able a new ½ w deposited carbon resistor with standard coating (DCX ½) that has a resistance range of 25 ohms to 1 meg.

This precision subminiature re-



WHEN IT COMES TO MINIATURE CONTROLS...

# **CHECK THE OVERALL SIZE...**

including switch, if needed. For practical space-saving ability, Stackpole miniature "F" Controls lead the way — only 0.637" in diameter behind the panel for the entire length of both control and switch.





Photos show side and rear views of a Stackpole F Control with 2-pole switch. Dotted lines indicate behind-panel space occupied by a conventional "miniature" control.

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Printed wiring, wire-wrap, or standard lug terminals as well as fold-tab or threaded bushing mountings are available on all Stackpole miniature "F" controls. *Both* SPST and DPST switches can be supplied.

# STACKPOLE miniature "F"-series

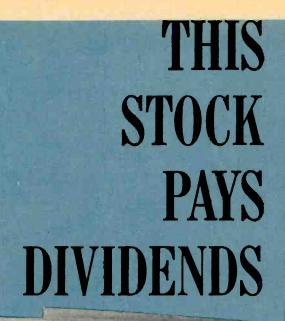
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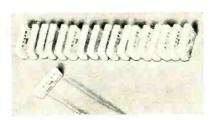
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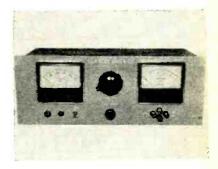
# Connecting Lead spring action tip

ASSOCIATED ENGINEERING CORP., 65 Kent St., Brookline 46, Mass., has announced the new bi-axial Addaplug connecting lead for general purpose hookup and interconnection of equipment, instrumentation work, breadboards, servo set-ups and the like. Addaplug reduces equipment setup time and insures safe, positive connections. Exclusive spring action tip is selfwiping and always insures a good connection, with uniform, low contact resistance (less than 0.001 ohm). Addaplug will withstand a tensile force of at least 20 lb and will resist failure due to flexing at junction of plug and wire. Circle 312 on Reader Service Card.



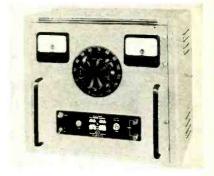
# Tiny Capacitors radial series

VITRAMON, Inc., Box 544, Bridgeport 1, Conn. Radial series capacitors illustrated offer a 300 v rating up to 100  $\mu\mu$ f. They feature thin design— $\vartheta_1$  in. to  $\vartheta_2$  in.—and can be mounted axially, radially, or on edge. Due to the company's manufacturing process no case or hermetic seal is needed. They feature complete humidity immunity, Q in excess of 2,500, dissipation factor less than 0.0003, insulation resistance greater than 50,000 ohm farads, capacitance drift less than 0.05 percent. Circle 313 on Reader Service Card.



# **D-C Power Supply** all-transistorized

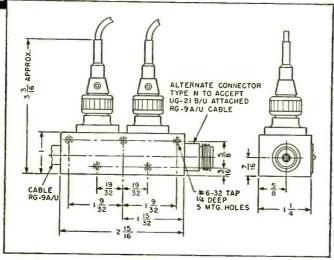
SILA-KON ENGINEERING Co., P.O. Box 282, El Monte, Calif. Powered from 115 y a-c, the model 550 variable d-c power supply utilizes transistor circuitry throughout to achieve a high degree of regulation. It incorporates overload protection that can be pre-set with a calibrated panel control for protection of the load. Another feature provides for remote sensing of the voltage at the load. Circle 314 on Reader Service Card.



# **D-C Power Supply** medium voltage

OPAD ELECTRIC Co., 69 Murray St., New York 7, N. Y. Model RS40B is a medium voltage germanium rectifier power supply. It has a continuously adjustable output of from 0 to 110 v d-c with a maximum load current rating of 20 amperes. Ripple does not ex-

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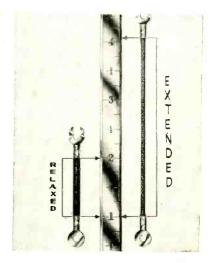
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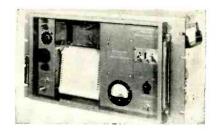
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# Stretch Cables 2-ampere capacity

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Cables can be constructed with controlled extension factors in the required number of conductors and built to meet the current capacity of the required cords. Terminations are in spade, clip, probe or round. Jackets are of nylon, rubber or neoprene. Circle 316 on Reader Service Card.

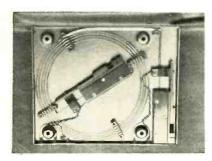


# Level Recorder for rugged conditions

Sound Apparatus Co., Stirling, N. J. The marine level recorder, model SL-4M, has been specially designed for operation in humid

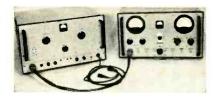
and rugged conditions which often exist in tropical climates, or aboard ships or in the field. It is a compact, rack-mounted recorder (4 in. recording width) for frequency response, sound, noise, and vibration measurements.

The unit features complete moisture-proof, anodyzed metal enclosure; Plexiglass hinged door on front panel, protecting the entire recording mechanism; chart take-up device; and lifetime cooling fan. Circle 317 on Reader Service Card.



# Delay Lines millisec units

FERRANTI ELECTRIC INC., Electronics Division, 95 Madison Ave., Hempstead, N. Y. A new range of acoustic delay lines provide delays up to 5 millisec and operating frequencies up to 1 mc, with temperature coefficients of less than 5 parts per million per deg C. The lines are available in four packages, to any specified delay in the range 20 to 5,000  $\mu$ sec, with a  $\pm$  4  $\mu$ sec adjustment available to the user. The packages can be supplied complete with transistor input and output amplifiers. The shorter lines can be supplied with taps at specified positions. Circle 318 on Reader Service Card.



# Stability Tester measures drift, f-m

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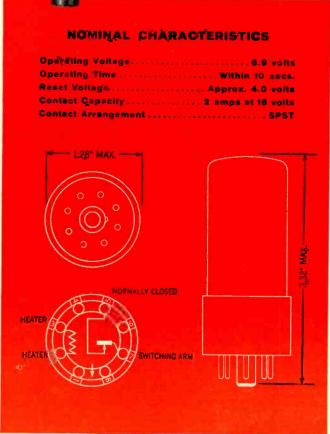
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tester measures drift and f-m in frequency bands between 10 mc and 10,800 mc. It will measure these same parameters at 30 mc and 30 kc to 70 kc. All information is presented on two large, easy-to-read meters which are calibrated to read peak f-m deviation in cps and drift in kc. It is composed of two units: a power supply with a plug-in r-f head and an indicator. Circle 319 on Reader Service Card.



### Power Supply 12-kv unit

FILM CAPACITORS, INC., 3400 Park Ave., New York 56, N. Y. A 12-kv power supply, model PS 12-T, featuring an oil-filled, hermetically sealed unit incorporating a full-wave voltage-doubler circuit, and rugged IB3-6T tubes, is now available.

Model PS12-T delivers up to 12,-000 v d-c at 1 ma, and up to 1.75 ma at 11,500 v for short periods of time. Output voltage is variable from 0 to 12 kv at rated load by varying input voltage to the separate plate transformer. Regulation from no load to full load is close to 7 percent.

Output ripple is 0.75 percent maximum at rated output. Circle 320 on Reader Service Card.



# Power Supply high current unit

ELECTRONIC RESEARCH ASSOCIATES, INC., 67 Factory Place, Cedar

Grove, N. J. Model TR32-2 transistorized power supply is intended for all types of high current laboratory and industrial applications. It features an all-semiconductor design and characteristics include fast transient response, small size and light weight, adjustable regulation control, low ripple content, and independence from line frequency change. Circle 321 on Reader Service Card.



# Precision Pots high resolution

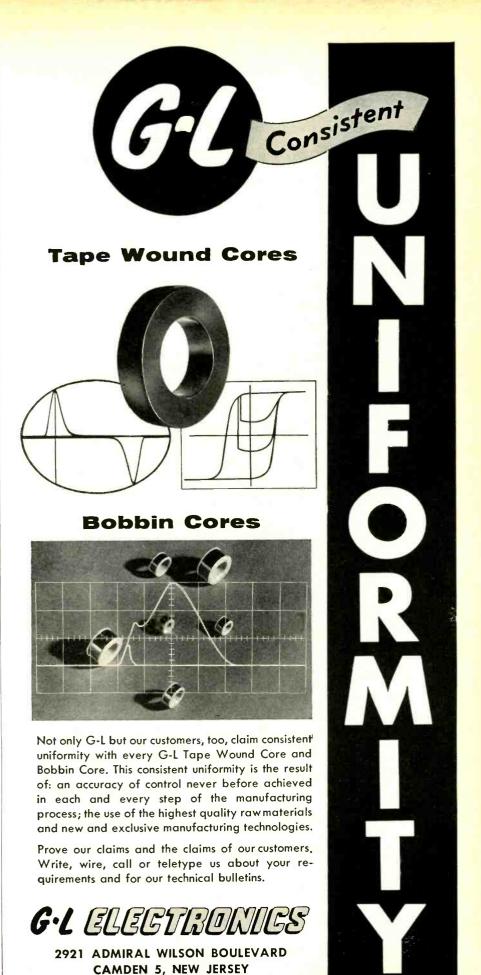
G. M. GIANNINI & Co., Inc., 918 East Green St., Pasadena 1, Calif. Built to NAS standards in 174 in. and 134 in. sizes, a new line of precision pots can be supplied singly or as externally phaseable ganged units

Standard resolution for model 1437 (1½ in.) is provided as high as 3900 wires, with a resistance range from 100 to 160,000 ohms. Model 1750 (1½ in.) is available with resolution to 5000 wires, and with a resistance ranging from 100 to 300,000 ohms. Standard linearity range for both units is 0.5 percent to 0.1 percent. Circle 322 on Reader Service Card.



# Vibration Pickups high sensitivity

SOUTHWESTERN INDUSTRIAL ELECTRONICS Co., 2831 Post Oak Road, Houston 19, Texas. Development of a unique magnetic circuit now enables SIE to offer the new TD-Series vibration pickups which combine the temperature stability of



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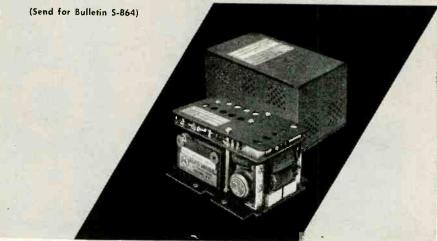
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NUMBERS	± .05% CPS	SIS 40315	\$1\$ 40515	SIS 410015		
INPUT	VOLTAGE	28V DC = 10%				
MAX. OUT	PUT POWER	30VA	SOVA	100VA		
OUTPUT VOLTAGE		115V AC (Adjustable ± 10%)				
OUTPUT FREQUENCY		400 (PS ± .01 % 400 (PS ± .05 %				
VOLTAGE REGULATION		±1% For Line Variations ± 2% For Load Variations				
FREQUENCY	DISTORTION	3% Maximum At Full Load				
LOAD POW	ER FACTOR	+ 0.5 to − 0.5 Maximum				
MILITA	RY SPECS.	MI	L-E-5400A & MIL-E-527	72A		
AMBIENT T	EMPERATURE		- 55°C to + 71°C who	en		
VIBE	RATION		20G 10 to 2000 CPS			
UNIT DI	IMENSIONS	L5" D 2 7/B" H 2 13/16"	L8" D 2 7/8" H 2 13/16"	L10" D 4 1/2" H 2 13/16"		
WEIGHT	(Approx.)	2 lbs.	3.5 lbs.	5 lbs.		



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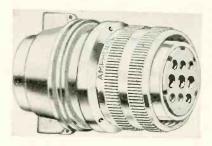
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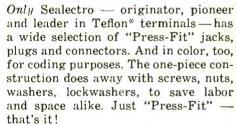
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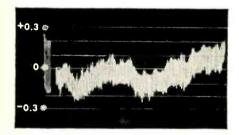
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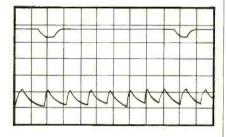
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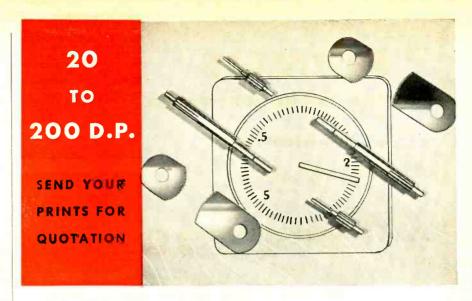
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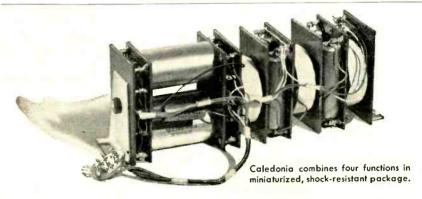
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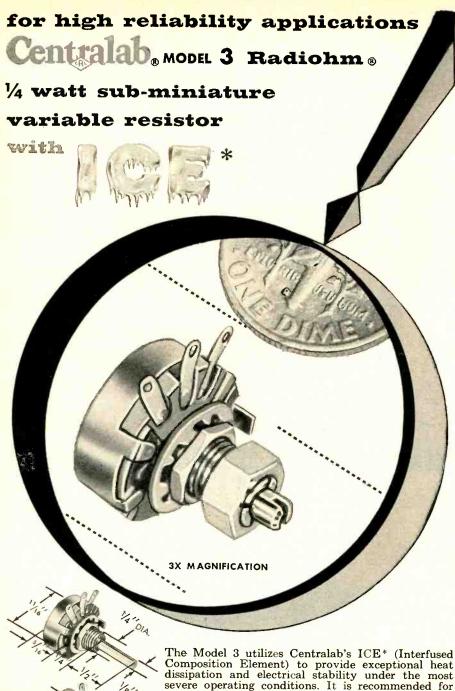
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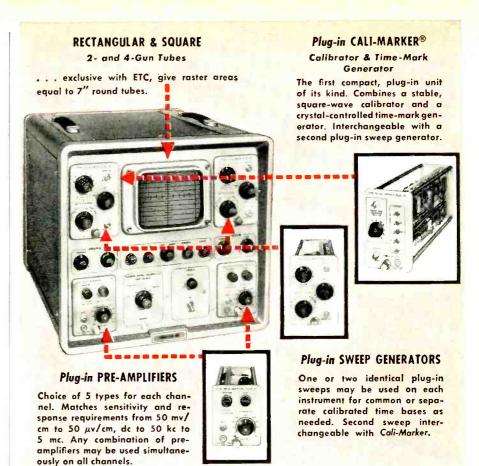
SENSITIVE RESEARCH INSTRUMENT CORP., 310 Main St., New Rochelle, N. Y., has available a new crest voltmeter for measuring positive and negative peaks and rms. All three functions are measured by means of switching. Choice of pulse response from 10 to 99 or 100 and above is also by switch.

Range of the basic instrument is 0.1 ky. External multipliers are available up to 100 ky. Accuracy is 1 percent of full scale for rms and for peaks of 100 per sec and faster on fast position or, 10 to 99 per sec on slow position. Input impedance is as follows: rms-10,000 megolums and 25  $\mu\mu$ f; positive and negative peaks-10,000 megolums and 15  $\mu\mu$ f. Circle 332 on Reader Service Card.



#### Circuit Breaker subminiaturized

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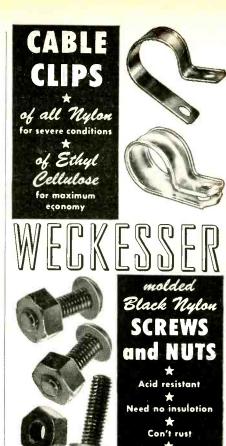
#### Molding Compounds for cable breakouts

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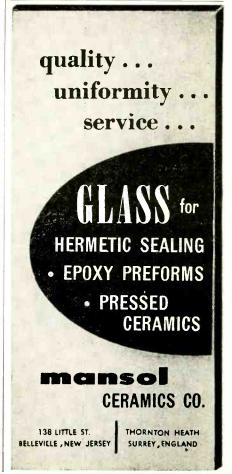


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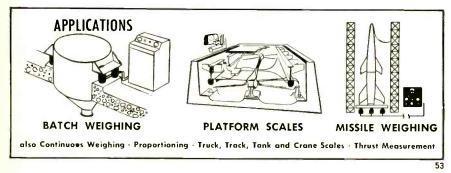
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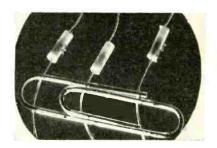
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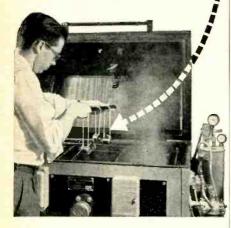
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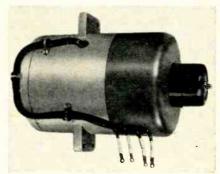
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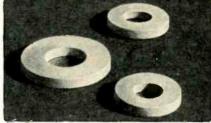


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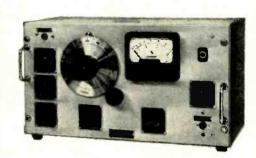
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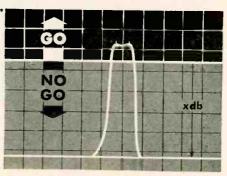
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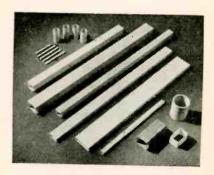
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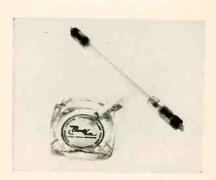
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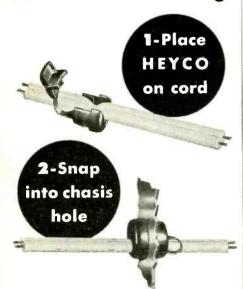
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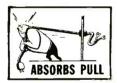


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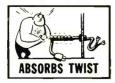
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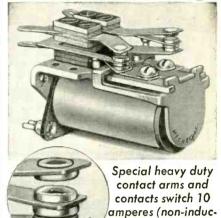


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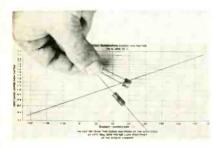
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#### Solid State Device two configurations

TEXAS INSTRUMENTS INC., P.O. Box 312, Dallas, Texas. The Sensistor silicon resistor has a 0.7 percent per deg C positive temperature coefficient of resistance. It is expected to have wide application as a temperature compensating device in miniaturized amplifiers, servos, computer switching circuits, magnetic amplifiers and power supplies. There are two configurations, both in standard resistance ratings ranging from 100 to 1,000 ohms at 25 C. Circle 352 on Reader Service Card.



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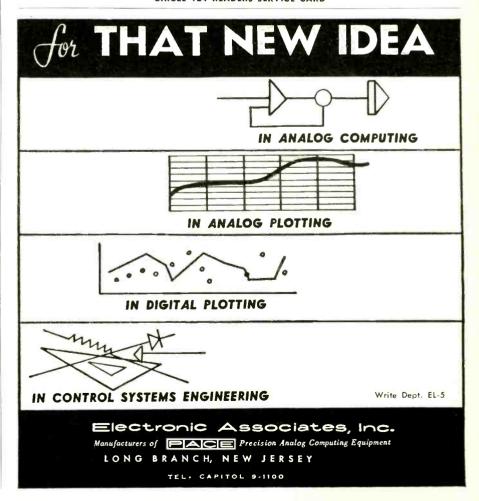
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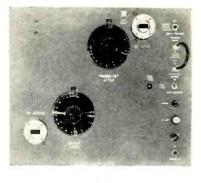
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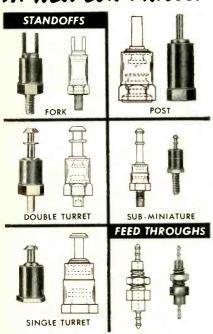
Specified minimum output is 4 w, 8,000-10,000 mc, but up to 14 w is commonly obtained at the upper end of the range. Hum and noise are 30 db below full output minimum. Leakage is -80 dbm maximum. Circle 354 on Reader Service Card.



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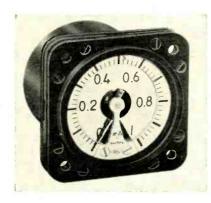
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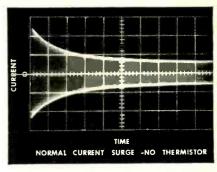
ESC CORP., 534 Bergen Blvd., Palisades Park, N. J., announces a new line of wideband video transformers. These subminiature units with wide bandwidth (50 cps to 8.0 mc) are used to replace bulkier components, for creating greater economy and increasing equipment efficiency. Transformers are supplied with solder terminals. They meet all applicable Mil-Specs. Circle 356 on Reader Service Card.



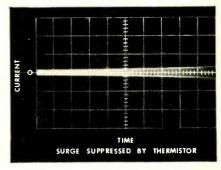
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INTERNATIONAL INSTRUMENTS INC., P.O. Box 2954, New Haven, Conn., announces a new 1½-in. 300 deg scale panel meter. Model 173 has a 3.4-in. scale length, which is comparable to that of 4½-in. meters

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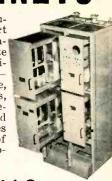


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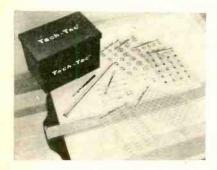


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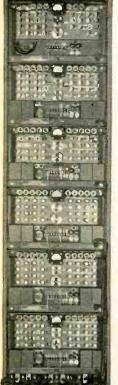
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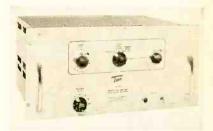
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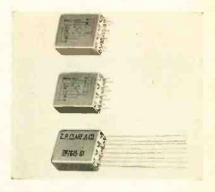
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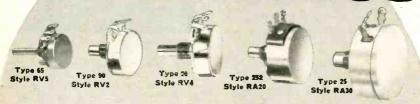
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#### **COMPONENTS**

Electrical Connectors. Component Mfg. Service, Inc., Component Park, West Bridgewater, Mass. A 4-page illustrated folder discusses the company's custom service for producing electrical connectors of Molded-On one-piece construction. With the technique mentioned, wire ends and soldered joints are embedded and isolated from each other in a solid body of high impact insulating material. Circle 251 on Reader Service Card.

Miniature Chopper. The Bristol Co., Waterbury 20, Conn. A single-page bulletin illustrates and describes a new syncroverter dpdt miniature chopper designed for high reliability and long life in dry circuit applications. Characteristics and dimensional drawing are given. Circle 252 on Reader Service Card.

Reflex Klystrons. Eitel-McCullough, Inc., San Bruno, Calif., has available an illustrated booklet which covers the adaptation of ceramics to a new line of Eimac reflex klystrons. Specifications are included. Circle 253 on Reader Service Card.

Relays. Iron Fireman Mfg. Co., 2838 S. E. 9th Ave., Portland 2, Ore. A new catalog describes miniature and subminiature relays manufactured by the company. A special section includes data and charts for computing the character-

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istics of relays under varying conditions of resistance, current, voltage, power and temperature. Circle 254 on Reader Service Card.

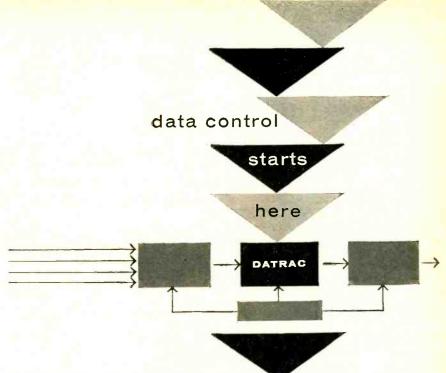
Silicon Rectifiers. Audio Devices, Inc., Rectifier Division, 620 E. Dyer Road, Santa Ana, Calif., has published a 64-page silicon rectifier handbook which explains the technicalities of these devices, how they are made, where they are used, and how to use them in many applications. Price is \$1. Circle 255 on Reader Service Card.

Solderless Terminals, AMP Inc. Harrisburg 30, Pa. The Selectalog is a 20-page, four-color booklet summarizing the information contained in AMP's catalog series. Intended as a reference index for those concerned with modern electric circuitry, the brochure also constitutes a digest of solderless termination techniques. By using it, the engineer can select the catalog which offers the information he seeks. Circle 256 on Reader Service Card.

Tantalum Capacitors. Pyramid Electric Co., 1445 Hudson Blvd., North Bergen, N. J. A 4-page bulletin contains engineering data and electrical characteristics for a new slug-type tantalum capacitor line. Circle 257 on Reader Service Card.

Teflon Terminals. Sealectro Corp., 610 Favette Ave., Mamaroneck, N. Y. A condensed listing of the most popular Press-Fit types stand-offs, feed-throughs, connectors, test jacks, probes, plugs and taper-pin receptacles—is presented in a new catalog. Circle 258 on Reader Service Card.

Thermistor Probe Assemblies. Fenwal Electronics, Inc., Mellen St., Framingham, Mass. Nine specially designed thermistor probe assemblies are described in detail in a new 4-page brochure. Each assembly is identified by its most common application, and has com-



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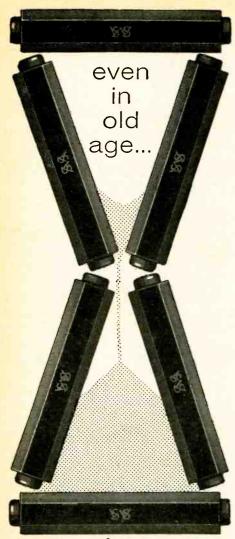
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Transistor Physics. Texas Instruments Inc., P.O. Box 312, Dallas, Texas. An 8-page reprint of an illustrated article entitled "Transistor Physics" is available. It contains information on the element germanium, discusses diode action and the diode equation. The author then introduces the concept of transistor action developing the necessary associated equations. Circle 260 on Reader Service Card.

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Analog Computer. Donner Scientific Co., Concord, Calif. Eightpage data file 310 describes the model 3100 high accuracy, medium size analog computer. In design, analysis, or control problems, the computer discussed affords an accurate, time-saving model of an arbitrary physical system. Circle 261 on Reader Service Card.

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Microwave Frequency Meter. Polytechnic Research & Development Co., Inc., 202 Tillary St., Brooklyn 1, N.Y. A single-sheet bulletin contains features and specifications of the type 587-A microwave frequency meter which has an extended range of 250 to 1,000 mc. Price of the unit described is \$250. Circle 264 on Reader Service Card.

Portable P-A System. Polytronics Inc., 7326 Westmore Rd., Rockville, Md. A four-page folder illustrates and describes the Porta-Vox, a new portable self-powered p-a system. Applications and prices are included. Circle 265 on Reader Service Card.

#### **FACILITIES**

Printed Circuitry. Printed Electronics Corp., North St., Natick, Mass. A new brochure on printed circuitry, in file folder style, contains full descriptive data on materials, specifications, design tolerances, and application information. The patented Narcus Process for plating holes is described. PEC provides complete engineering services and manufacturing facilities for printed circuitry. Circle 266 on Reader Service Card.

Pulverizing Service. Liquid Nitrogen Processing Corp., 451 Booth St., Chester, Pa., has available literature announcing its service of pulverizing heat-sensitive materials with liquid nitrogen. The service discussed is indicated where (1) the materials might thermally degrade during pulverizing; (2) a reactive compound would be converted because of heat elevation; and (3) where the materials will soften or melt at a low temperature. Circle 267 on Reader Service Card.



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## Leach Opens New Facility

An ELECTRIC CURRENT generated by the warmth of a human handshake literally turned on the power and put a new \$1½ million manufacturing facility (picture) to work in Compton, Calif., recently.

Kenneth F. Julin, president of the Leach Corp., which produces controls and power for aircraft and missiles, held a small electric current producing device called a thermistor as he received a congratulatory open house handshake from Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce president George B. Gose.

Warmth of the handshake gencrated enough electricity in the thermistor to activate a system of sensitive Leach relays and set up a circuit which, amplified, turned on the new plant's lights and started its machinery.

The new Leach facility in suburban Compton contains 101,000 sq ft and houses corporate offices and two divisions—the Inct, which produces aircraft, missiles and control system equipment, and Special Products, which engages in new product development.

The original company, the Leach Relay, which claims to account for one-tenth of all relays produced in the U.S. for military and commercial airplanes, missiles and industrial purposes, is housed in a plant nearer the heart of Los Angeles.

Dedication of the new facility brought to a climax one third of a century of Leach history that began in San Francisco shortly after World War I with formation of a company making an automatic antenna switch and power relay. Founder was a former U.S. Navy radio operator, V. A. Leach.



# Appoint Epstein Chief Engineer

CONTROL ELECTRONICS Co., INC., Huntington Station, N. Y., has appointed Markus M. Epstein (picture) as chief engineer.

Epstein, formerly with Empire Devices, Inc., also was associated at one time with the Fairchild Pilotless Plane Division and his background includes, as well, work with the Bell Aircraft Corp., Lewyt Corp., and the U. S. Army Signal Corps. His developments have covered the broad field from d-c devices through microwave systems and components. He has

completed projects in radar, guided missiles controls, autopilots, microwave components and systems, noise and field intensity receivers, and precision power supplies.



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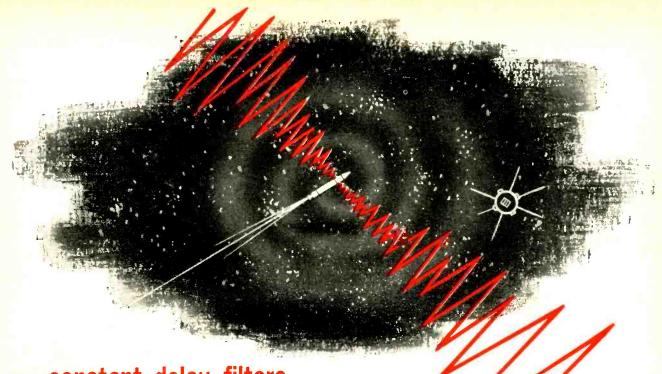
Appointment of Henry Leline (picture) as vice president of Sylvania Electronic Systems, a division of Sylvania Electric Products Inc., is announced. He continues as general manager of the division with headquarters in Waltham, Mass.

Lehne joined Sylvania in 1953 after serving for 14 years in various engineering and sales positions with Republic Aviation Corp.

# Set Up New Firm In West

Six executives (one marketing expert, five engineers) left a leading L. A. engineering firm at the end of January to organize their own development and manufacturing company, PARABAM, in El Segundo, Calif. Headed by Thomas A. Feeney, president, they expect their experience, ranging from 13 to 20 years apiece and their proven ability for teamwork to carry them through the current slump and up into the predicted third quarter defense spending upsurge. Applying stock speculation principles PARABAM decided to plunge in while the market is low.

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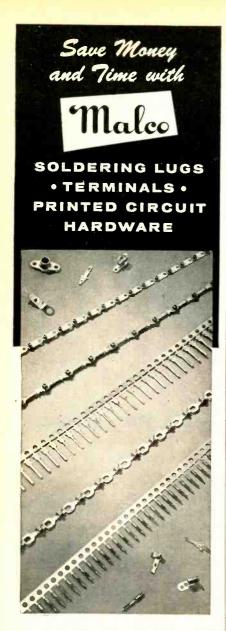
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#### Philco Promotes Hockeimer

NEW MANAGER of the field engineering department of Phileo Corporation's Government and Industrial Division is Henry E. Hockeimer (pieture). He has been with Phileo since 1947 and has served in various field and headquarters assignments. He joined the G and I Division in 1951 as a project engineer on Phileo's early microwave installations and has been assistant manager of field engineering since 1955.

### Corning Glass To Expand

Corning Glass Works, Corning. N. Y., will build a new plant at Bradford, Pa., for the manufacture of electronic components. The onestory factory will have 142,560 sq. ft of floor space. It will employ approximately 450 people, all of

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whom will be transferred from facilities now leased in Bradford.

Ground was broken recently and the plant is scheduled to be in operation by the end of the year. This will be the tenth new manufacturing unit to have been constructed by the company in the past ten years.



### **Appoint Miller** Chief Engineer

Ross F. MILLER (picture) is named chief engineer of the electronic systems and equipment element of Nortronies, Hawthorne, Calif. The appointment follows the establishment of Nortronics as an operating division of Northrop Aircraft, Inc., and the formation of operating elements of the new organization.

Miller is known for his work in the field of military electronics. He played a prominent role in the development of a successful intercontinental guidance system for the Northrop SM-62 Snark missile.

### **Navy Honors** Missile Men

FOR OUTSTANDING contributions to the national defense in the fields of scientific research and development and missile guidance technology, six men were recently honored by the U.S. Navv.

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C. Sanders, Jr., president of Sanders Associates, Inc., Nashua, N. H. Navy Meritorious Public Service Citations were presented to Martin R. Richmond, executive vice president of Sanders Associates; William R. Mercer, Director of Research, Sanders Associates; T. C. Wisenbaker, assistant manager of the missile systems division, Raytheon Mfg. Co.; Thomas L. Phillips, manager and chief engineer of Raytheon's Bedford, Mass., laboratory; and Joseph H. Leiper, manager of Raytheon's Oxnard, Calif., laboratory.



# ERA Adds to Exec Staff

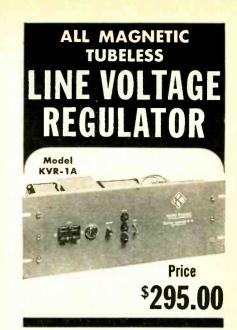
Expansion of the executive staff brings Patrick B. Daniels (picture) to the position of assistant to the president of Electronic Research Associates, Inc., Cedar Grove, N. J. The firm manufactures semiconductor and transistorized products.

Daniels will be responsible for sales and production liaison, and also for budgeting and financial control methods.

Prior to his association with ERA, Daniels was with the Kay Electric Co. for six years, and was responsible for accounting and financial procedures. He has also been associated with the Chase Resistor Co. and Pyro Film Resistor Co.

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The management consists of W. E. Osborne, president and director of engineering; Claude Allen, vice-president and general manager; and A. W. Herbert, chief engineer.

#### Plant Briefs

Nuclear-Electronics Corp. recently completed moving its engineering and administrative departments to 2925 N. Broad St., Philadelphia, Pa., where its production department has been located for some time.

Haller, Raymond and Brown, Inc., a division of The Singer Mfg. Co., has moved to its new +2,000 sq ft permanent headquarters at Science Park in State College, Pa.

#### News of Reps

B. B. Taylor Corp., manufacturer's reps for New York City and New Jersey, is named to carry the miniature pulse transformers of Pulse Engineering Inc., Redwood City, Calif.

Martin Mann Associates, manufacturers rep in southern California and Arizona, has completed its move into new enlarged quarters at 14751 Keswick St., Van Nuys, Calif.

The American Rectifier Corp. of New York City, manufacturers of d-c power supplies, transformers, magnetic amplifiers and control equipment, will be represented in the New York metropolitan area, New Jersey and eastern Pennsylvania by Wally Shulan & Co.



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#### NEW BOOKS

# Electrical Measurements and Their Applications

BY WALTER C. MICHELS.

D. Van Nostrand Co., Inc., New York, 1957. 322 p, \$6.75.

This book is based on an earlier text entitled "Advanced Electrical Measurements" by Walter C. Michaels, which initially appeared in 1932 and again subsequently in 1941.

The book is in two parts; the first part, comprising nine chapters, deals with fundamental measurement instrumentation, the electrical theory underlying the basic design of the instrument and the parameters that these instrumentation can be used to measure. The text is categorized so that instruments to be treated and the parameters to be measured are discussed in order of ascending frequency.

Part II deals with the application of the basic technique of measurements to the determination of magnetic and nonelectrical parameters including temperature, pressure, force, radiation and sound level.

Actual Emphasis—The title of the book, "Electrical Measurements and Their Applications" is somemisleading. A critical reading of the text indicates that methods and techniques of measurement are subordinated to a presentation of basic instrumentation used in electrical measurements. Thus, while most of the information contained in the text is sound, because of the categorization by instrument (e.g., nulltype, deflection type, amplifiertype, many basic measurement methods are ignored; hence criticism because of omission or misplaced emphasis may therefore be justified.

To illustrate, less than three pages of text are devoted to the measurement of frequency throughout the entire spectrum while approximately 17 pages are devoted to the measurement of resistance at dec, in one form or another. Less than one page of text is devoted to the measurement of resistivity and dielectric constant; the word conductivity is not even indexed.

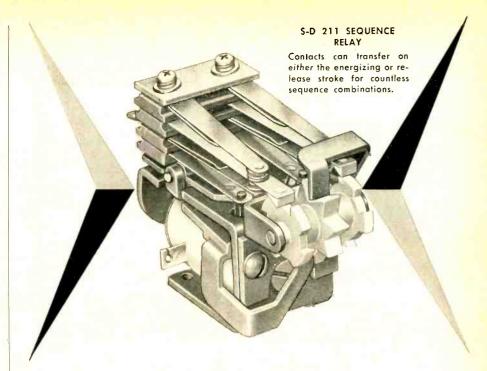
Power measurements, per se, are similarly given only cursory treatment.

Categorization by instrumentation is discarded in Chapters 8 and 9, and the author randomly describes components and instrumentation used at r-f and microwave frequencies. There results a far from complete picture of measurements at these frequencies. It is not clear why the author chooses to devote four pages to a presentation of the impedance characteristics of coaxial cables, while at the same time chooses to ignore such fundamental devices as calorimeters, frequency standards and spectrum analyzers.

Commercial Instruments—In the preface, the author indicates that "no attempt was made to describe and evaluate all of the commercial instruments now available for the laboratory." While this qualification is necessarily true for most texts, the reader is apt to be misled by incomplete descriptions of the instruments that are described. Thus, for example, no mention is made of the attenuator device described on pages 97 through 99 other than in connection with its matching properties. Its use as a level-set device or its application in power and attenuation measurements is not indicated.

Although the slotted-line is described in Chapter 9 in connection with the measurement of vswr and impedance, no mention is made of the use of the slotted line for frequency, attenuation or Q-factor measurements.

In the Oct. 1957 Proceedings of the IRE, G. B. Hoadley points out several misleading statements appearing in the text. Others are as follows. On p 215, the author defines a slotted line as "... a coaxial line . . .", thus inferring that all slotted lines are coaxial. On p 219, he infers by the sentence "... since the inner conductor of the line must be supported at its ends by dielectric beads . . ." that all coaxial slotted lines must be supported by dielectric beads at both ends. This, of course, is not necessarily true. The criteria for differentiating between transmissiontype and reaction-type wavemeters,



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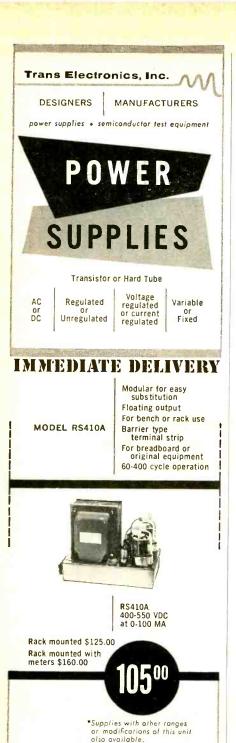


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This book represents a thoroughly revised third edition of Dr. Strutt's earlier work "Modern Multi-Grid Electron Tubes" whose second edition appeared in 1940. The present work covers a wide variety of tube types with the exception of microwave tubes, including, however, semiconductors and transistors.

Three major divisions cover electrophysical and technical fundamentals; electron interaction with the electromagnetic field; data and characteristics of typical examples

The first section presents a brief

described on p 227, are not those generally considered and are somewhat vague.

Undergraduate Textbook-Incomplete as the text is, augmented by good instruction, "Electrical Measurements and Their Applications". should prove a useful one for a first undergraduate course in electrical measurements. Its treatment of such instrumentation as galvonometers, voltmeters and ammeters, is quite complete. An excellent feature of the book is that it is liberally supplemented by a series of over 40 laboratory experiments, created around the text material presented. The experiments themselves are well written and provide a nucleus for a good first cleetrical measurement laboratory

Part II of the text comprises an excellent portion of the book and is invaluable in giving the student reader an insight into electrical measurements with which he ordinarily is not familiar. This latter portion of the book is quite modern and includes relatively new material, as evidenced by some of the recent references.—Moe WIND, Chief Applications Engineer. Polytechnic Research & Development Co., Inc., Brooklyn, N.Y.



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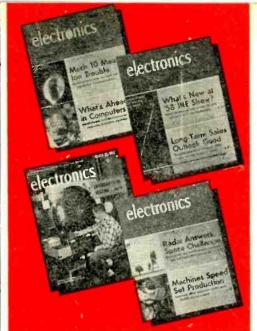
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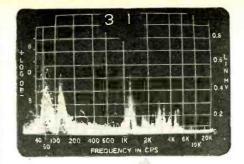
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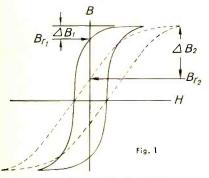
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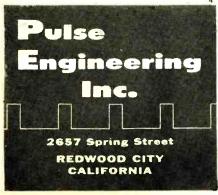


Consider for a moment the two B-H loops in Figure 1. The loop shown in solid lines is for a toroidal sample of a typical magnetic material used in pulse transformers. The dashed loop is for the same material with an air gap included in the magnetic circuit. In the case of the toroid, removing the pulse magnetizing force causes the core flux to return to the value Br.\*. On the next pulse the total flux swing possible is  $\Delta B_{\rm L}$ .

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#### COMMENT

#### Radar History

The article "Behind the Blair Patent" (Nov. 20, '57, p 21) tells of the recent granting of a patent on pulse-echo radar to retired Colonel William R. Blair. A couple of remarks pertinent to the story may be in order.

Col. Blair's patent describes an carly type radar known as SCR-268. Pictures of it, and a description, can be found in Electronics, Sept. '45, as well as in Vol. I, pp 203-4 of the Radiation Laboratory Series. The SCR-268 employs three antennae and its operation is based on the well-known lobe-switching and pip-matching technique. Duc to the shortcomings of this technique, this radar was replaced by the microwave radars, the first and most widely used of which was SCR-584. The work on this radar began in MIT's Radiation Lab in January, 1941. It was described in detail in Electronics, Nov. '45, Dec. '45 and Feb. '46.

The operation of SCR-584 consists, in the essence, in actuating the sweep of a scope at the moment corresponding to the leading edge of the rectangular envelope of each transmitted pulse, and in determining the time lag from the position of the leading edge of the rectangular envelope of the received rectified pulse.

It would be of interest to point out that the radar circuit which makes use of two rectangular pulses was first described in patent 2,404,527, granted to G. Potapenko of California Institute of Technology. This patent, Electric Distance Meter, had been applied for on May 2, 1939; it was kept in the government files under secrecy order until the end of the war and issued on July 23, 1946.

The official statement of Army Signal Engineering Lab calls Blair's patent basic for the pulse-echo method. It may be mentioned that the pulse-echo method had been described in 1926 by G. Breit and M. Tuve of the Carnegie Institution, Washington, D. C., in *Physical Review*, Vol. 28, p 504.

I have no intention to undermine the credit due to Col. Blair for his "pip-matching" SCR-268, but believe the record will be made

a bit more clear when the facts mentioned are taken into consideration. I assume Prof. Potapenko's name is not unknown to readers. His picture appeared on the cover of Electronics, Nov. '33, in connection with his work on centimeter waves. He looks different now, but this cannot be helped.

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Reader Utecht's analysis is most interesting, and Prof. Potapenko's patent, in the light of everything that's happened in the microwave field since 1939, provided us with a fascinating evening's reading.

#### Shutter Timer

In your article "Timer Shutter CRT for Single Frame Photos" (Apr. 11, p 83) you mention timers using complicated digital type counters for triggering the single frame picture "on" for the proper duration.

I wish to bring to your attention to a similar device which was built several years back for gating one frame of a television receiver for photographic purposes. Although the particular tv system used 40 frames per second, the gating problem was the same. It was solved by using a relatively simple analog counter operating off the vertical scanning frequency to constantly control the crt gating pulse width.

This device was described in ELECTRONICS, Mar. '50 in an article titled "Single-Frame TV Photography" by Maurice Distel and Allan Gross.

MAURICE DISTEL

U. S. Army Signal Engineering Laboratories Belmar, N. J.

And while we're on the subject of our Apr. 11 issue: a couple of readers have asked if we supply inverting magnifiers for the picture of the pulse analyzer, product of Technical Measurement Corp., that appears on p 145 of that issue. Seems the picture shows the analyzer standing on its head. We checked and discovered that our composing room people were doinheadstands when that page made up. They have bee structed to desist from subseemly springtime revelry.

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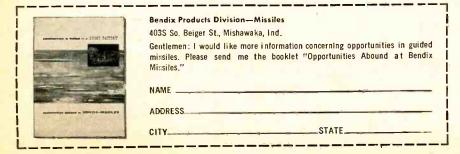


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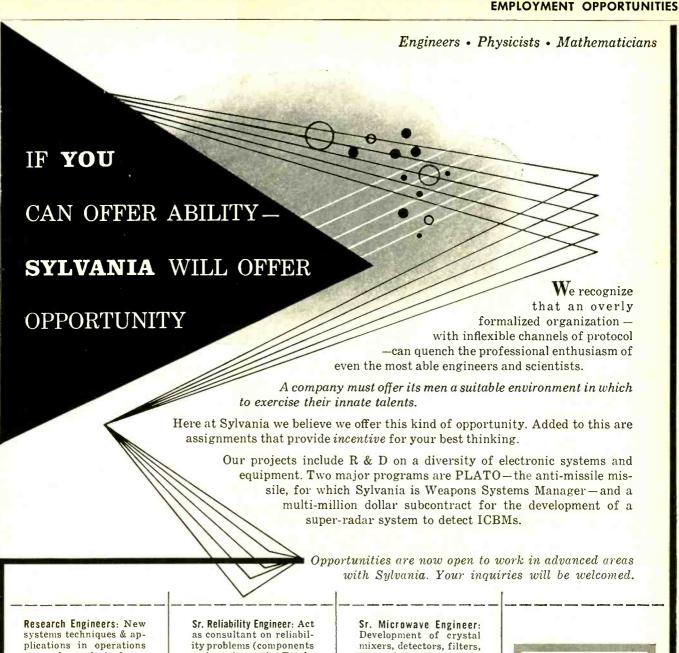
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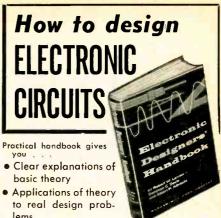
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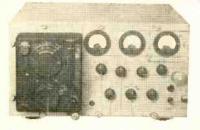


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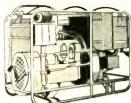
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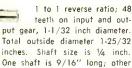
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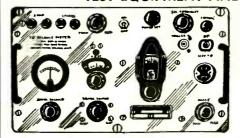
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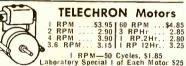


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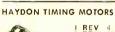


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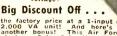
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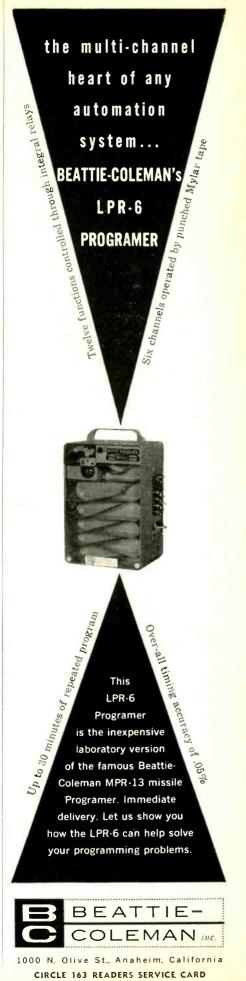
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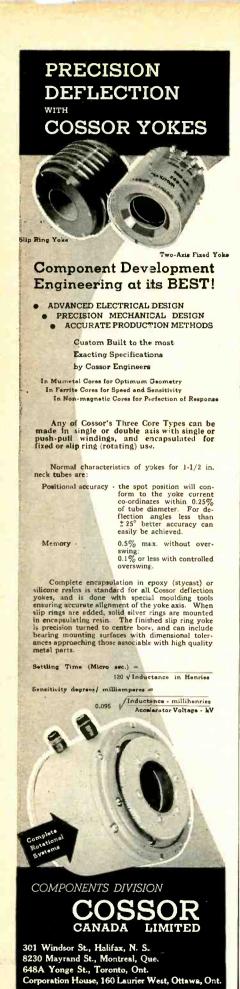
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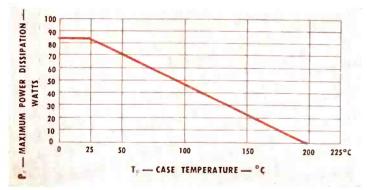
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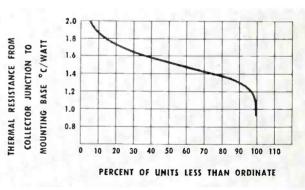




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