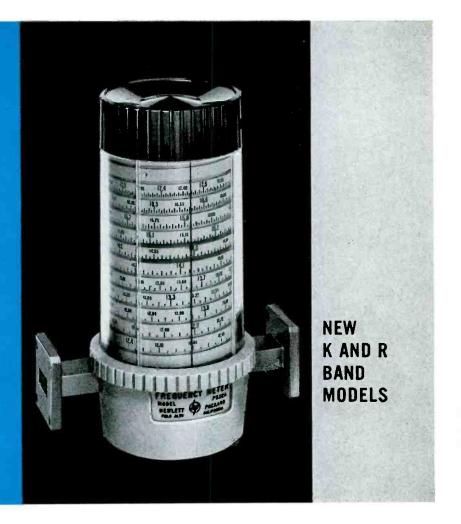


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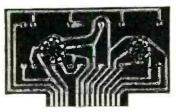
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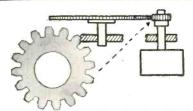
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COST SQUEEZE. The shortage of engineers and the squeeze on profits have forced the military contractor into more overall schedule and cost consciousness. To help win the competitive race, the Light Military Electronics division of General Electric almost two years ago had its engineering administrative group adapt the Navydeveloped "line of balance" technique—already in use on production contracts—for control of its R&D projects.

Results: more profits, shorter laboratory-to-production cycle and greater utilization of engineers. GE's Jerome Pearlman, engineering resources utilization planner for LMED, discusses these techniques on p 24.

CONTACTS. With today's increased financial activity, more and more underwriters and brokerage firms are finding it advantageous to have staff specialists in electronics.

Gathering material for his weekly Financial Roundup column, Associate Editor Emma keeps close contact with these electronics investment specialists, as well as with other important financial people.

Emma spends a lot of time with personnel of smaller companies. A typical day may include a visit to a small plant, a chat with a security analyst, reading the day's financial publications, security offerings, annual and quarterly reports.

Emma got his experience in what makes our industry tick by working five years for one of the world's largest electronics corporations. He held a number of different slots in marketing, technical writing and public relations. A graduate of Columbia University, he was also employed in the foreign department of a major New York bank and served as a Naval officer in World War II.

Coming In Our/April 10 Issue . . .

CITIZENS RADIO. Recent revision of FCC rules governing the Citizens Radio service has spurred the development of new equipment for this growing market. Or particular interest is the new class D category which limits the power input to the final r-f amplifier to 5 watts and is restricted to a-m transmission. Citizens Radio class D two-way units are being marketed at prices starting below \$100.

Consultant L. G. Sands anticipates great interest in Citizens Radio with a timely article which outlines the new FCC rules and describes the technical features of the latest equipment evolving under the new specifications.

ELECTRONIC TACHOMETER. Development of steam turbine blading systems requires accurate measurement of the rotational speed of the blading system. Vibrations set up in individual blades and blade batches must be correlated with speed data for detailed analysis. For this purpose, tachometer accuracies of at least 0.01 percent are required.

J. K. Goodwin of Brush Electrical Engineering Co., Ltd., in England, describes an electronic tachometer for turbine blading applications. The devices uses high-speed Dekatron tubes for display and employs digital techniques throughout.

REDUCING DISSIPATION. A unique method of reducing plate dissipation in class A or class B audio amplifiers is described in an article by Robert B. Dome, of the General Electric Co., in Syracuse.

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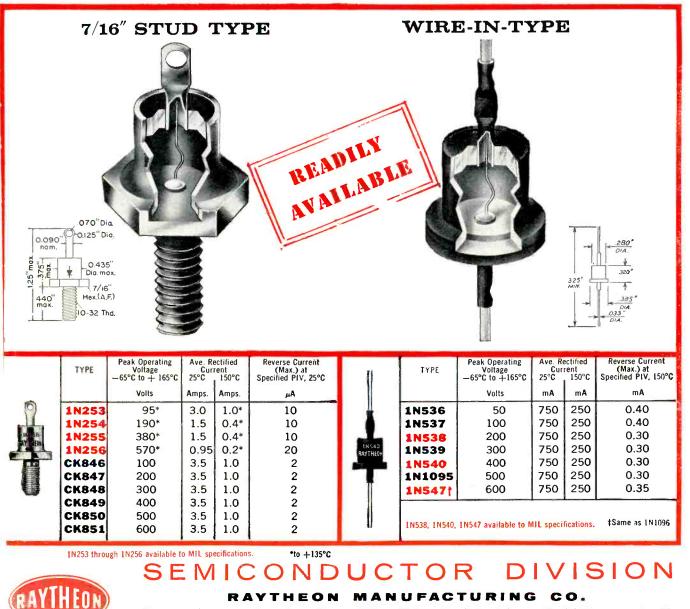
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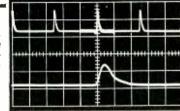
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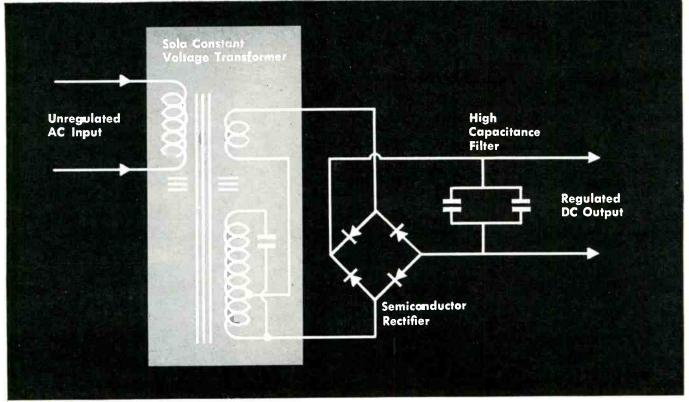






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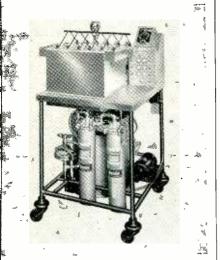
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WASHINGTON OUTLOOK

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This is the sputnik-prompted measure aimed to give the Pentagon greater flexibility in its buying practices and to cut development time on new projects.

Right from the start, the bill's proponents anticipated serious opposition because it runs counter to the traditional Congressional feeling that defense business should be spread among more contractors through formal advertised bidding.

But Republican Saltonstall of Massachusetts, and his supporters, expected to overcome the opposition. They thought pessimism stemming from Soviet space exploits would create a Congressional atmosphere amenable to a major policy change. They tried to take the edge off small business objections with a provision for tighter requirements on subcontracts for smaller firms.

The Saltonstall bill, however, has encountered more than Democratic opposition. The Pentagon has been lukewarm toward the proposal.

Then there's been unexpected Republican opposition. New York Senators Javits and Keating, for example, are incensed over their state's declining share of military business. They blame the Pentagon's trend toward negotiated procurement. Hence, they're pushing a measure to increase the volume of contracting awarded under formal advertised bidding. Delaware's Republican Senator Williams has introduced a similar bill.

• A swap of radio frequencies between military and civilian users may be in the offing. Under pressure from Congress and the FCC, the military is apparently willing to talk business.

FCC wants to expand the vhf elevision spectrum from the present 12 channels to 50 in a continuous band. The give and take, presumably, would be to give the military some of the unused uhf television frequencies. FCC can feel free to do this now that a broadcasting industry group (the Television Allocations Study Organization) has reported that uhf tv is technically inferior to vhf.

Negotiations between FCC and the Pentagon are expected to get under way shortly. Up to now, civilian broadcasters have complained that while the military has half the spectrum space, no one outside military circles really knows whether they are using it efficiently.

• Four or five big cities may be getting limited pay-tv soon under a new FCC order. The tests must be carried out only in the 20 cities which have at least four tv channels operating, so the public won't be deprived of choice of programs. Milwaukee, where CBS has just given up a uhf channel, is one of the most likely candidates.

The House Commerce Committee, which has opposed any but the most limited technical tests, is expected to go along with the new order which represents an FCC compromise with Congressional sentiment. The Commission has limited each toll-tv system to one city. An existing station will set aside several hours per day for pay-as-you-see operations, and promoters expect to present sports events and first-run movies that free tv can't afford.

The promoters' chief complaint about the new ruling is the FCC ban against charging the customer for special receiving equipment he will need, which means a big capital outlay for the companies.

On the record, all tv stations are against toll systems. Privately, however, a number of them operating on marginal profits are willing to give pay-tv a try.

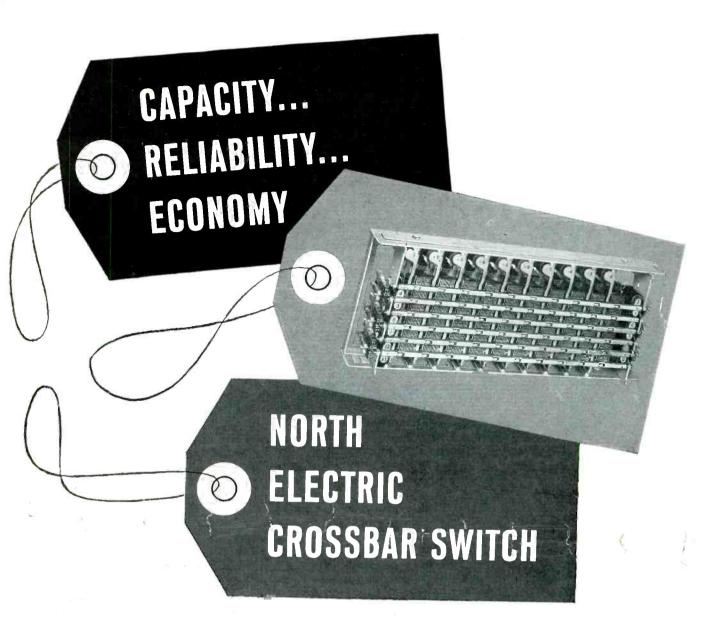
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Earnings Trend Encouraging

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• Hazeltine Corp., Little Neck, N. Y., manufacturer of military electronic equipment, reports gross billings of \$62,424,060 for 1958. Total for 1957 was \$61,562,484. Net income for last year was \$2,-246,226 vs \$2,030,612 for 1957.

• Magnetic Amplifiers, Inc., New York City, reports "record net earnings" of \$142,483 for last year on \$2,301,800 worth of sales. The previous year's earnings were 51 percent lower—\$94,184 on \$1,792,839 in sales.

• Reports last month from International Telephone and Telegraph announced a consolidated net income of \$26,600,168 for 1958. This is an increase of 19 percent over 1957's figure of \$22,412,814. An important portion of last year's income was derived from government contracts. Total '58 revenues were \$703,010,679.

• Motorola Inc., Chicago, enjoyed a record high during the last quarter of 1958, which brought total sales volume to \$216,590,325 for last year. This figure falls five percent below 1957 total of \$226, 361,190. Company officials say the decrease was due to a downturn in consumer sales at the beginning of 1958.

• From Detroit, Mich., Burroughs Corp. announces total revenue for 1958 of \$294,085,078, as compared to \$282,773,950 for 1957. Present backlog of unfilled orders is valued at \$220 million for this year.

• Philco Corp., Philadelphia, reveals slightly lower earnings for 1958 compared with 1957. Last year's sales amounted to \$351,093,-000, compared with \$372,629,000 two years ago. The firm points out, however, that this comparison "does not show the marked improvement in the last half of the year over the recession-low first half."

• Sales by Bendix Aviation Corp. were counted at \$619,138,095 for 1958 as compared to what company officials describe as the "record peacetime total" of \$706,984,631 for 1957. Business for last year was 73 percent military, 27 percent commercial. The firm says 40 percent of all its work directly involved manufacture and design of electronic equipment.

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11/8	87/8	Avien, A	8	81/4	93/4
63/4	24	Baird-Atomic	261/4	27	297/8
93/4	133/8	Burndy	161/2	161/2	18
63/4 11	9 221/2	Cohu Electronics	81/4	83/8	91/8
101/4	221/4	Collins Radio, A Collins Radio, B	293/4 293/4	311/2	383/4
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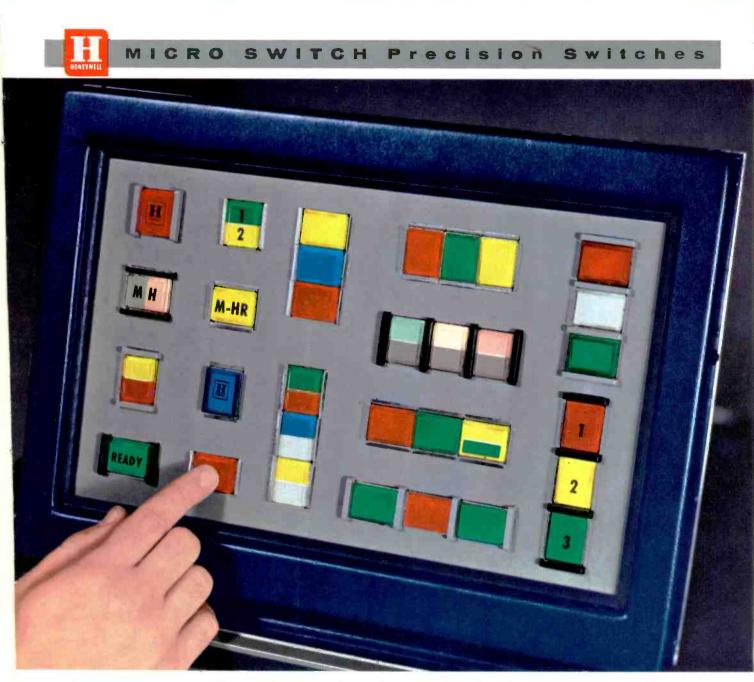


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Two-color display screens may be split laterally or longitudinally, in any combination of the five colors.

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Display screen, in four colors and white. Also available split lengthwise or across.



Two, three, or four lamps can be used in operatorindicator or indicator units.



Operator-indicator unit, barrier type. Unit shown has long (side) barriers. Also available are short (end) barriers, and flange-type units without barriers.

Color filters in red, yellow, green, or blue fit over lamps, permit projected-color lighting.



"SM" switch unit—one of many Series 2 switch units—snaps onto base of operator-indicator unit.



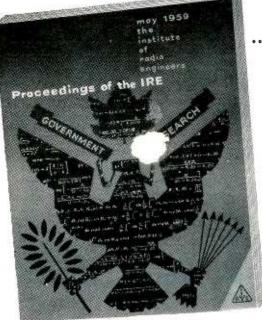
Indicator unit, long flange type. Short flange and barrier types are also available.



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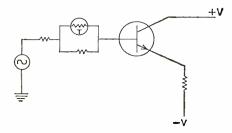
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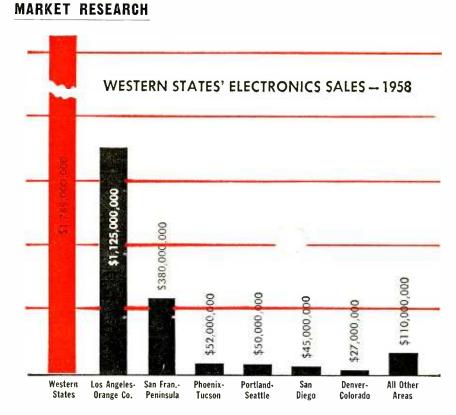


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Western States Sales Inch Up

WEST COAST and mountain states electronics sales totaled \$1.789 billion last year, a shade higher than sales of \$1.775 billion in 1957, West Coast Electronic Manufacturers Association recently reported.

Electronics sales by firms in California, Oregon, Washington, Arizona, Nevada, Idaho, Utah, New Mexico, Colorado, Wyoming and Montana make up the total.

The 11 western states accounted for about 23 percent of U.S. electronics industry sales in both 1958 and 1957, according to WCEMA.

Six electronics centers contributed most of the region's 1958 sales, \$1.679 billion or 93.8 percent of total.

Most important center by far is Los Angeles-Orange County, with sales of \$1.125 billion or 62.9 percent of 1958 West Coast sales. San Francisco-Peninsula, with sales of \$380 million or 21.2 percent, is in second place.

Sales breakdowns for the remaining centers were: Phoenix-Tucson, \$52 million or 2.9 percent; Portland-Seattle \$50 million or 2.8 percent; San Diego, \$45 million or 2.5 percent. and Denver-Colorado \$27 million or 1.5 percent. All other areas in the 11-state group accounted for the remaining sales, \$110 million or 6.2 percent of the total.

The western states also had an appreciable portion of total number of electronics industry firms and employees in 1958. Group had 735 firms, 17.8 percent of the 4,100 U.S. electronics firms. Employment share of the industry total was 134, 100-19 percent of 700,000, said WCEMA.

Division of number of firms and employees among the individual centers roughly followed the pattern of center sales.

FIGURES OF THE WEEK

LATEST WEEKLY PRODUCTION FIGURES

(Source: EIA)	Mar. 13, 1959	Feb. 13, 1959	Change From One Year Ago
Television sets	96,653	117,982	-+9.1%
Radio sets (ex. auto)	275,592	278,318	+61.7%
Auto sets	109,063	107,936	+160.0%
STOCK PRICE AV	ERAGES		
(Standard & Poor's)	Mar. 18, 1959	Feb. 18, 1959	Change From One Year Ago
Electronics mfrs,	82.42	74.56	+56.2%
Radio & tv mfrs.	99.04	81.57	+116.2%
Broadcasters	94.79	83.68	+59.3%
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1959	1958	One Year Ago
\$13,627	\$16,596	+103.3%
5,195	5,628	+75.8%
\$26,808	\$25,123	+15.2%
31,150	28,504	
\$15,210	\$12,644	+23.2%
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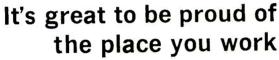


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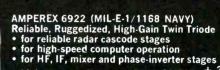
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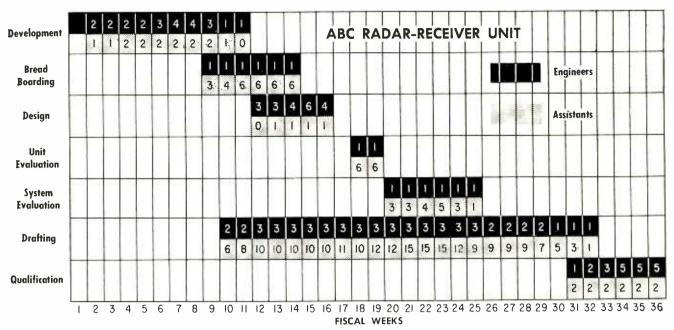
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In typical Program Plan, time intervals are broken down into 36 units. Numbers indicate engineers and assistants needed

How to Cut Engineering Costs

By JEROME PEARLMAN, Engineering Resources Utilization Planner, GE Co., Light Military Electronics Dept., Utica, N. Y.

PROBLEMS of managing the engineering of weapons systems—or even subsystems—are becoming greater daily. Not only is military equipment getting more complex but the military customer is insisting on faster delivery.

Coping with these tighter requirements brings still another problem. Larger engineering staffs are needed. This brings in new men who, because of their limited time with the firm, lack experience.

Under these conditions, how can an engineering manager best control a project, as well as satisfy his management and customer?

For almost two years, the Light Military Electronics Department of General Electric has been solving these problems for R&D work by adapting the Navy-developed "line of balance" technique already used by LMED for monitoring production contracts.

Following this technique, the manager must (1) determine or plan the technical objective necessary to meet the operational requirements of the equipment; (2) schedule the achievement of these objectives so that military equipment can reach an operational stage as early as possible; and (3) control the money allotted to the program.

To explain the system in more detail let's use as an example a project calling for a search radar system. Specifications are given for accuracy, range, weight and volume. The system is divided into seven self-contained components (see illustration).

Outlines Objectives

After award of the contract, project engineers work up a program plan which develops and outlines the technical objectives of each component, or black box. Objectives are scheduled in time. They are further broken down into individual tasks that can be checked.

Parallel scheduling includes use of manpower and commitment of funds against material and small subcontractors. Subcontractors on a larger program would be expected to provide the same information.

This program plan is used as the basic planning document. Significant checkpoints from the plan are used to develop the milestone schedule chart which outlines the end point of individual tasks needed to achieve the overall project. These check points are numbered for the actual schedule control chart. A measurement scheme involving the "number of weeks-to-go" to complete each individual task is used. The "line of balance" is also calculated using the weeks-to-go principle. From the program plan it is simple to calculate the "line of balance."

Line of balance = Total weeks estimated - Weeks to go/Total weeks estimated.

For example: A task is estimated to take 10 weeks. After five weeks, the remaining work is estimated to take five more weeks. Therefore 10-5/10 = 5/10. This shows that 50 percent of the work should be completed.

The actual accomplishment is calculated as follows:

Actual Accomplishment = Weeks Expended/Weeks-to-go + Weeks expended.

If five weeks have been expended and the remaining work is estimated to require seven weeks more, then 5/12 of the work is finished.

Therefore, the line of balance shows that 50 percent of the work should be completed whereas actual accomplishment tells us that only 41.6 percent has actually been finished.

The engineering manager must

then advise management that the work is behind schedule.

An alternative technique-measuring the percentage of physical work completed-was evaluated but found to be less desirable than measuring by time. It's of little value to know that 99 percent of the work is completed if the remaining one percent will cause a slippage of six weeks.

Avoids Slippage

The funds assigned to the overall program can also be subdivided. The engineering manager can monitor the technical accomplishments. schedule and costs at the same time.

Early prediction of slippage can avoid actual slippage, since there are alternatives available to a manager to avoid future problems.

For an unbiased approach, it is well to place the schedule and cost monitoring function outside the project organization. In addition, the interchange of information becomes beneficial since one schedule analyst can handle more than one project.

It is necessary that trained people be used in this function. In many cases a value judgement is required to determine the reasons underlying slippage.

Many other advantages result from this system: A complete history of each project is maintained. This allows the comparison of past projects to present ones for the purpose of bidding more accurately on future jobs.

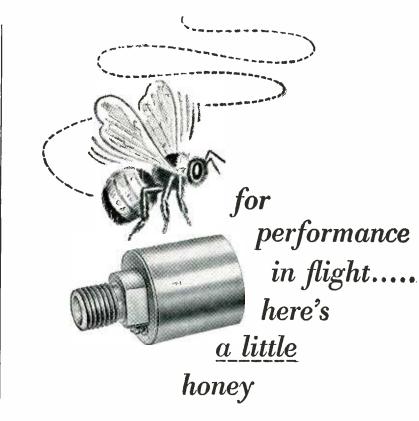
Also, comparisons can be made between current projects for shifting manpower and facilities.

Personnel evaluation is aided by having a running history of a job. Bias of personality traits can be removed from a job appraisal.

Another byproduct of this system is management planning and measurement when it is necessary to shift personnel.

This technique is one which is simple to administer and can provide an engineering manager or engineering project manager with much information he formerly lacked overall management also benefits from early planning.

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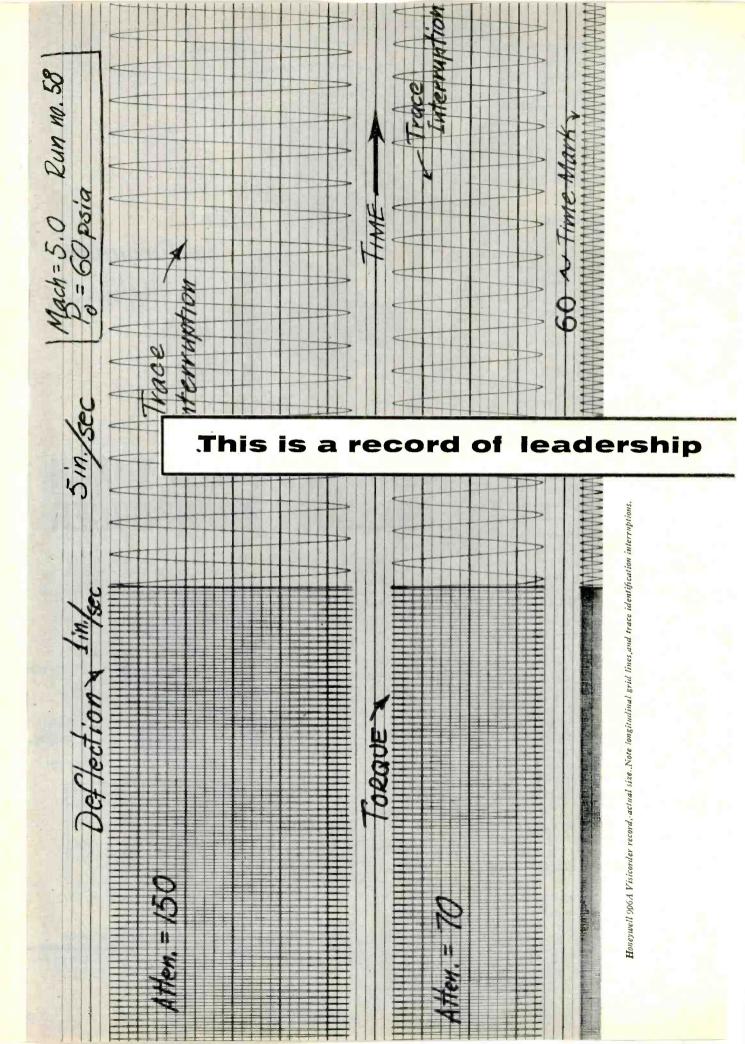
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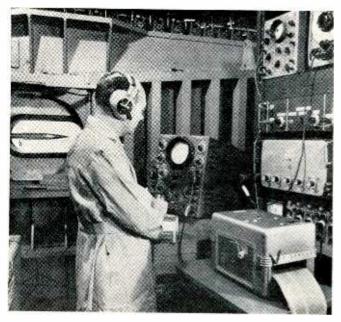
The problem: To measure damping-in-pitch derivatives for a clipped-delta-wing-body configuration over a Mach number range of 2.0 to 5.0 so that these measurements could be compared with the Mach number trend predicted by theory.

The set-up: A model of the delta-wing body, mounted

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The values discovered through this forced-oscillation balance system experiment showed some discrepancies from values predicted by theory, because the theory pertained to simpler bodies than that used in the tests. The experiments provided a new set of data which will result in more accurate predictions for future design.

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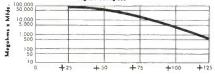
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Space Projects for 1969

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WASHINGTON — An increasing volume of defense funds is being poured into research on advanced systems which are not likely to be operational for another decade. These include communication, reconnaissance, and navigation satellites; maneuverable space vehicles; and detection techniques based on advanced radar, optical, and infrared concepts.

Responsibility for their development has been transferred from the individual military services to the Advanced Research Projects Agency. ARPA receives appropriations directly from Congress. For the most part, however, the new agency farms out administrative responsibilities for advanced projects to the individual services.

This year, ARPA's budget totals \$520 million. For fiscal 1960, starting July 1, the agency's budget will be \$455 million.

Ballistic Missile Defense

Research spending by ARPA for ballistic missile defense runs at about \$100 million for this year, will rise slightly in fiscal 1960. ARPA's program excludes the Air Force's Ballistic Missile Early Warning System and Army's Nike-Zeus antimissile missile system.

The ARPA-sponsored ballistic missile defense work aims at the next generation of systems to detect, track, and destroy missiles.

Bendix has a contract to build large ESAR radars to experiment with new detection techniques. These are Electrically Steerable Array Radars in which the radar beam is moved by changing the electrical energy fed to the antenna elements. The vhf ESAR can produce 50 megawatts of peak power.

NCA has a contract to build additional BMEWS-type long-range radars for testing purposes—to measure test missiles in flight.

Cornell Aeronautical Laboratory is performing very high-power radar experiments to get 50 megawatts of peak power at S-band. MIT's Lincoln Laboratory is studying reentry physics. The Air Force's Cambridge (Mass.) Research Center is working on infrared techniques.

MIDAS Project

In the infrared field, the primary project is MIDAS (Missile Defense Alarm System). This envisages the use of an infrared system installed in an earth-circling satellite.

The other angle of missile defense centers on a destructive system—a technique to destroy or neutralize oncoming missiles in the upper atmosphere. The earliest system, Nike-Zeus, presumably involves the explosion of a nucleartipped missile.

The highly-touted Project Argus, involving nuclear blasts at an altitude of some 300 miles, showed the possibility of an antimissile radiation belt and demonstrated how upper atmosphere nuclear detonations can interfere with radar and radio transmissions.

One more advanced ARPA project involves the ejection of highvelocity ball bearing-type particles or grains of sand to penetrate the

Military Radio



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warheads of oncoming missiles. Even more advanced projects are concerned with "electromagnetic radiation weapons"—the so-called "death rays" which military planners now take seriously.

Current research runs the gamut of low-frequency radio waves, cosmic rays, ultraviolet, infrared, and x-rays. The researchers are grappling with the problems of how to generate the energy and transmit it in small beams to a missile target. Conceivably, such radiation weapons could be used to neutralize human targets without causing permanent injuries.

Astronautics Research

Over \$300-million worth of ARPA research is in the field of astronautics. The Discoverer series of satellites are tests on how to return a satellite from orbit and biomedical experiments aimed at development of manned recoverable space vehicles.

The "Mrs. V" program aims to develop a truly maneuverable and recoverable vehicle. Included in this program is the Dynasoar boostglide or orbital bomber. Two teams of contractors are competing on design studies: Martin, Bendix, Goodyear Aircraft, Minneapolis-Honeywell and American Machine & Foundry, and a team consisting of Boeing, GE, Thompson Ramo Wooldridge, North American Aviation, Chance Vought and Aerojet.

The Sentry WS-117L reconnaissance satellite is under development by a team of contractors headed by Lockheed.

A communications satellite system is scheduled for five more years of R&D. The program began with project Score, in December, when an Atlas ICBM placed a simple delayed repeater system into satellite orbit. More sophisticated versions have been ordered to have a communications capacity equivalent to 20 continuously available 100words-per-minute Teletype channels.

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PIONEERING IN LIQUID PROPULSION SYSTEMS

From the first hypergolic system used as a jet-assisted takeoff for airplanes to the first tactical guided ballistic miss le system, the Jet Propulsion Laboratory continues to be an active pioneer

Months before Pearl Harbor, JPL had tested America's first liquid rocket engines using spontaneously igniting propellants. By April 1942, a simple nitric acid-aniline propulsion system was designed into and successfully tested in an A-20-A Bomber for a jet-assisted takeoff. For high-altitude atmosphere research purposes, JPL then used the hypergolic liquid rocket system in the WAC CORPORAL. Placed as a second stage on a V-2 rocket, this became the BUMPER WAG rocket that established a World's alltitude record of 242 miles in February 1949.

At the request of U.S. Army Ordnance, the Jet Propulsion Laboratory now began to develop a long-range guided ballistic missile system, incorporating the proven, smooth-burning light-weight acid-aniline system. These achievements sparked the development of a whole series of rocket vehicles. In 1954, the Army accepted the JPL developed COR- PORAL, which became America's first tactical guided ballistic missile system; its accuracy exceeded design requirements.

Under the direction of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, the experienced Jet Propulsion Laboratory research and development team is now working on storable, high-performance hypergolic liquid propulsion systems with which space vehicles may soon orbit the moon and planets.

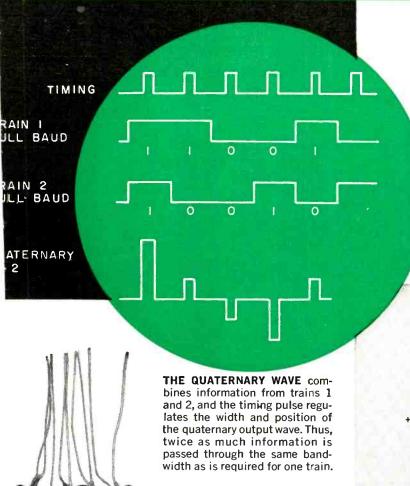


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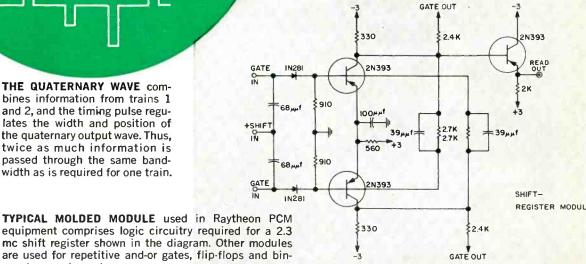
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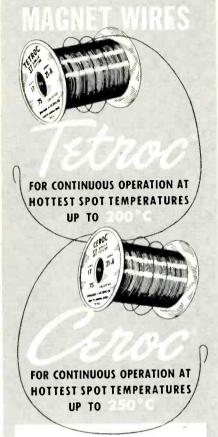
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Infrared Spots New

Climb of \$10 million in sales over past two years makes infrared manufacturers optimistic about the industrial market's future

TODAY'S commercial market for infrared devices has grown to an estimated \$15 million yearly. Two years ago the market total was about \$5 million.

One commercial application of infrared (ir) currently in the limelight is detectors used by railroads to spot overheated boxcar bearings, or hot boxes, in moving trains.

Railroaders, who spend about \$288 million annually in bearing maintenance, say these hot boxes occur at the rate of about 150 a day on a nationwide average. An infrared hot box detector can spot a bearing about to give trouble, signal the train to stop, and tell the crew where the hot box is.

Likely Markets

Present count of railroads using ir detectors is twelve. One manufacturer reports sales of more than 100 hot-box detectors at a base cost per unit of about \$15,000. The firm expects to sell close to \$20 million in the ir field by 1961.

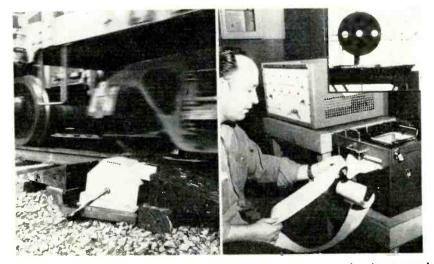
Another area holding promise for commercial ir devices is process control. There are many possible uses for temperature control by infrared equipment in the manufacture of such products as rolled metal, ceramics, plastic and glass.

Process control in petroleum and chemical plants is also mentioned as a promising area for ir gear. As these installations become inautomated, infrared creasingly measurements will grow in importance. A main reason is that corrosive or poisonous materials can be observed without danger to personnel or equipment. Infrared devices can also check temperatures of fluids in motion and reveal information for in-process solutions. relieving oil refiners of the need to make frequent batch samples.

Temperature of moving and rotating solid objects such as ball bearings can be measured with ir equipment. To the manufacturer this means longer machinery life and better quality control.

Potentials Seen

Medical researchers are using infrared devices to diagnose illness and advance their knowledge of the human body.



"Hot box" detector by Servo Corp. of America signals train to stop and makes a record

Markets

Manufacturers see a large potential market in process control gear but point out that commercial ir devices must be shown to potential customers as demonstrably valuable equipment. In contrast to military units, which are usually developed under government contract, the manufacturer must pay his own way for industrial R&D.

Commercial A-Power

A market that may be less difficult than industrial process control, according to some manufacturers, will come of age with increased use of atomic reactors for commercial power. The radioactive regions of a nuclear reactor are often those where exact temperature control is most needed. Infrared equipment can obtain precise readings without endangering personnel.

Large-scale production of infrared equipment has to some extent been hampered by the precise balance required between the optical and detector portions of the typical infrared device.

Proper operation depends on choice of a variety of lenses, or windows, in differing sizes and shapes depending on use, and on the crystal flakes used in the detector cell.

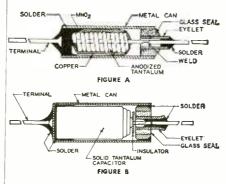
Rise Expected

Typical ir equipment operation often relies on two matched flakes of a semiconductor substance, usually lead sulphide. One "sees" the target object, while the other acts as a reference base for the general temperature range anticipated.

One engineer says the matching problem somewhat resembles the difficulties encountered by equipment designers in the early stages of transistor development.

Despite these and other problems, commercial infrared sales seem sure to rise encouragingly. One executive predicts a total infrared volume of more than \$500 million by the early 1960's. Other industry spokesmen confirm this and estimate that about 25 percent of the total will be in the commercial and industrial fields.

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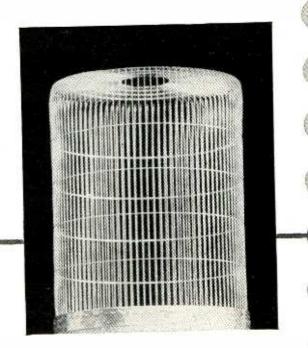
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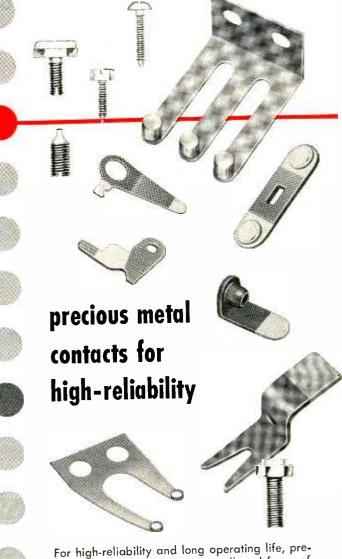
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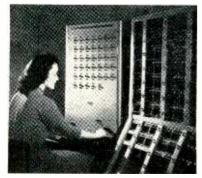
First prototype ADPS has been scheduled for field testing at Fort Huachuca during 1962-1963. Between 1965-1970, the Army plans to have a completely operational and more advanced system called Armydata.

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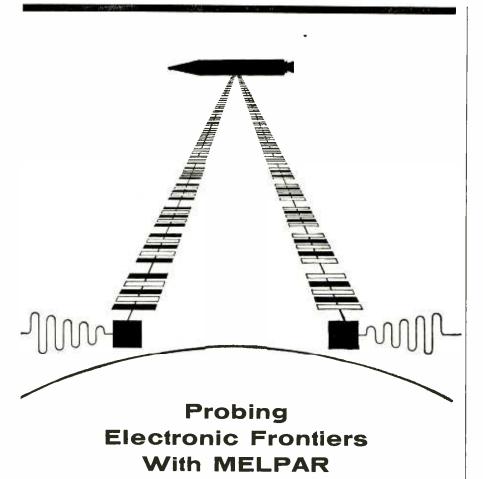
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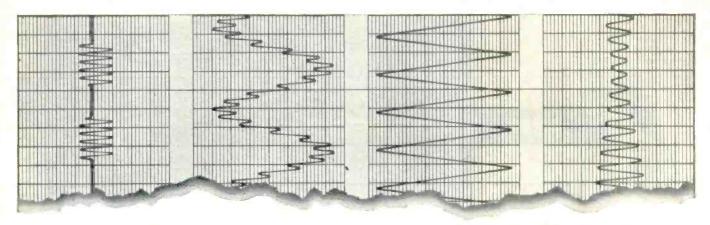
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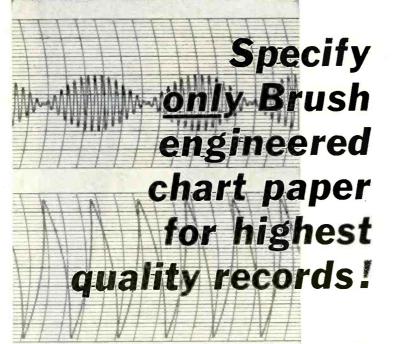


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Motorola multiplex transmitter used in closed-circuit test of stereophonic system for television sound

Recent Developments in Stereo Broadcasting

Multiplexing systems to permit compatible stereo broadcasting on a single radio channel now cover f-m, a-m and tv. Here are some questions the new National Stereophonic Radio Committee of EIA must someday resolve

By JOHN M. CARROLL, Managing Editor

STEREOPHONIC SOUND reproduction for the home is currently giving phonograph, tape recorder and custom audio components manufacturers their biggest boom since high fidelity itself. Factory sales of these products increased by more than \$100 million during 1958. Reportedly, 10 percent of all hi-fi records sold today are stereo.

STEREO BROADCASTING TODAY — Already there is a push for stereo broadcasts. The Electronic Industries Association has formed an all-industry National Stereophonic Radio Committee to set transmission standards for possible later adoption by the Federal Communications Commission. Some 125 stations currently have some kind of stereo broadcast schedule. Most of these stations have a-m, f-m and/or tv outlets. Today's stereocasting usually involves placing one microphone at the right of the studio stage and another at the left. These pickups are separately amplified to provide A and B sound channels. The A and Bchannels may also be derived from the two outputs from a stereo phonograph cartridge or the two outputs from a stereo tape recorder. Then the A channel is sent out over the f-m station and the B channel over a-m, or conversely.

Sometimes the transmissions are sent over f-m (or a-m) and over a television sound channel. Occasionally two f-m stations have teamed up for stereo broadcasting. These transmissions, however, leave much to be desired. For one thing, they are incompatible. This means the so-called monophonic listener, that is the listener with only one set, hears only one side of the program. And from the station

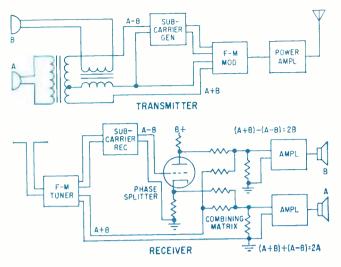


FIG. 1—Sum-and-difference f-m multiplexing arrangement used in Crosby-Harkins stereo system tests

operator's point-of-view, at least two of his broadcast cutlets are tied up by a single program.

Actually, so-called "incompatible" stereo is not really so hard on the monophonic listener. Most stereo tapes and records use inputs from three microphones. The signals are mixed to form the A and Bchannels. Thus each "stereo" channel has some input from the center microphone so that absence of either channel is not overly objectionable.

COMPATIBLE STEREO SYSTEMS—Next step is compatible stereo capable of being sent over a single broadcast outlet. So far three basic approaches to the compatibility problem have been announced. But new proposals are being brought forth every day.

SUM-AND-DIFFERENCE SYSTEM—The sum-anddifference system developed by Murray G. Crosby, president of Crosby Labs in Hicksville, N. Y., is shown in Fig. 1 as applied to an f-m multiplex transmission setup. The system is not restricted to such an application.

The A and B channels are combined in a transformer network so phased as to yield an (A + B) and and (A - B) channel, both of which are transmitted. At the receiver, the (A - B) channel is applied to a phase splitter after which it is both added to and subtracted from the (A + B) channel in a resistive combining network. As a result, a signal 2A is applied to one loudspeaker and 2B to another loudspeaker.

The monophonic listener tunes to the (A + B) channel only.

PHANTOM-CARRIER SYSTEM — A so-called "phantom" carrier system developed by Burden Associates of Mt. Kisco, N. Y., provides compatibility for the Halstead transmission system of f-m stereo multiplex. The differential amplifier, shown in Fig. 2, feeds an (A - B) signal to the summing amplifier of the A channel and a (B - A) signal to the summing amplifier of the B channel.

The monophonic listener hears all of the A or B

channel plus the other stereo channel which is 3 db down and 180 degrees out of phase with the signal as transmitted. The stereophonic listener hears the A and B channel sound from the proper loudspeaker at twice the amplitude of the "phantom" components. Presumably a resistor matrix and attenuators could be added to obtain "pure" stereo since (2A - B) +(2B - A)/2 = 3A/2 and (2A - B)/2 + (2B - A)= 3B/2.

NARROW-BAND MULTIPLEX — A system proposed by Harold N. Parker, chief engineer of Calbest Electronics, Los Angeles, capitalizes on the fact that the human ear can discern stereo effect only at audio frequencies between 300 and 3,500 cps. This system, as applied to an f-m multiplex system, is shown in Fig. 3. Like the sum-and-difference system, this system's application is not restricted to f-m multiplex.

The stereo signal is considered to be made up of four components: left channel, 30-3,500 cps = L_i ; left channel, 3,500-15,000 cps = L_k ; right channel, 30-3,500 cps = R_i ; and right channel 3,500-15,000 cps = R_k . Only the R_i and L_i components provide any stereo effect. The main carrier, to which monophonic

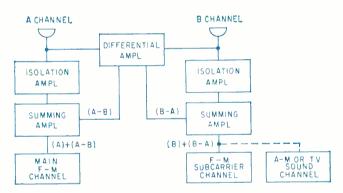


FIG. 2—Burden phantom carrier system as used with Halstead f-m multiplex plan

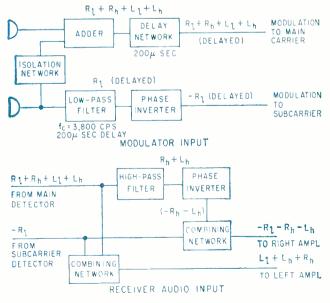


FIG. 3—Narrow-band stereo system for f-m proposed by Calbest

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listeners will turn, carries all components. The subcarrier carries only $-R_i$. The stereo listener can apply $(L_i + L_h + R_h)$ to his left amplifier and loudspeaker and $-(R_i + R_h + L_h)$ to his right amplifier and loudspeaker. The phase inversion can be cancelledout and the components R_h and L_h do not participate in the stereo effect. The delay network in the transmitting equipment is needed to compensate delay introduced by the low-pass filter. Time delays in main and subcarrier channels must be within 10 μ sec from 150 to 3,000 cps.

PRECEDENCE EFFECT — A stereo system described by F. K. Becker of Bell Labs. is illustrated in Fig. 4. It was developed to provide compatible monophonic reception of a-m, f-m and/or tv broadcasts and was used on the Perry Como show, Feb. 28, over NBC radio and tv, network program service over AT&T Long-Lines facilities.

The right-hand microphone is associated with the B channel and the left-hand microphone with the A channel. However, the pickup from the left-hand microphone, reduced 1.5 db in amplitude and delayed 10 millisec, is also fed to the B channel. The same crossover occurs in the A channel.

The monophonic listener thus gets full reception on either channel he tunes in. However, a psychological phenomenon known as precedence effect enables the stereo listener to get the desired depth sensation. The human ear in effect "captures" the first signal it hears from left and right loudspeakers. The "echo" or delayed signal from left and right loudspeakers appears to be reduced 8-10 db in volume. The effect operates over a time-delay range of 5 to 35 millisec.

Figure 4 illustrates use of the precedence effect for a-m, f-m and/or tv simultaneous broadcast. However, the effect might be used also with a subcarrier system.

PERCIVAL SYSTEM—The Percival stereo system proposed by Electric & Musical Industries of England takes advantage both of the precedence effect and of the fact that the lowest audio frequencies contribute little to the listener's sense of direction.

A compatible, full-fidelity (L + R) signal is transmitted over the main channel with 15,000-cps response. A 100-cps control signal is used to transmit directional information. The stereo information content of the directional control signal is expressed algebraically as L'/(L' + R') where the primes indicate modification of the left and right channel signals.

In the receiver, the main channel is multiplied by the directional signals to yield

$$L^* = \frac{L'}{L' + R'} (L + R)$$

Then the left signal is subtracted from the main channel to give

$$R'' = (L+R) - L''$$

Figure 5A shows how the directional signal is modified to take advantage of precedence and fre-

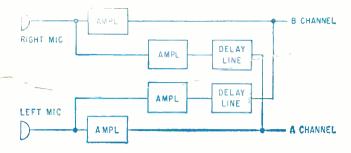


FIG. 4—Precedence-effect stereo arrangement recently demonstrated by Bell Telephone Laboratories

quency response and to conserve bandwidth. The af filter gives an output that increases in amplitude with frequency as does a preemphasis network. This takes advantage of the fact that the lowest audio frequencies contribute little to a sense of direction.

The signal is then rectified. The transient-emphasis network's transmission characteristic rises rapidly with the rate of rise of the audio envelope. This emphasizes the start of each sound and helps take advantage of the precedence effect.

The log-taking circuits produce outputs of log L'and log (L' + R')/2. The difference circuit has an output log L'/(L' + R'). The antilog-taking circuit delivers the 100-cps control signal L'(L' + R').

For f-m transmission, the directional control signal is sent on a 22-kc subcarrier. The system can be adapted to a-m stereo by sending the directional control signal by narrow-band f-m on the a-m carrier frequency.

At the receiver, the main channel and control signals are applied to a Hall-effect multiplier. This con-

F-M MULTIPLEX GLOSSARY

DEVIATION (Δf)—The maximum frequency swing of an f-m carrier due to an audio signal applied to the modulator. For normal f-m broadcasting $\Delta f = \pm 75$ kc

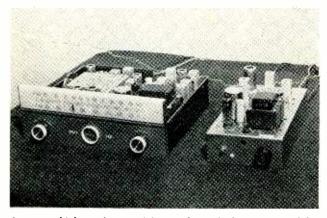
MODULATION FREQUENCY (*mf*)—The highest audio frequency an f-m transmission system can reproduce. Normal f-m broadcasting transmits a signal whose audio bandwidth is 50-15,000 cps

SUBCARRIER—Superaudible tone impressed on an f-m carrier to transmit some special service such as background music or stereo. Popular subcarrier frequencies are 26 and 65 kc (Harkins); 41 and 67 kc (Halstead)

MODULATION PERCENTAGE—Part of main carrier frequency deviation due to direct modulating of main carrier or to deviation of subcarriers. Currently, the FCC requires that direct modulation of the carrier must be 70 percent= $0.7 \times 75 = \pm 52 \frac{1}{2}$ kc frequency deviation. Maximum frequency deviations of subcarrier must add up to no more than $\pm 22 \frac{1}{2}$ kc (0.3×75)

MODULATION INDEX—Ratio of maximum frequency deviation to highest audio freqency capable of being transmitted. For normal f-m broadcasting $\Delta f/mf = 75/15 = 5$. As modulation index drops below 5, the signal-to-noise ratio is somewhat degraded

BANDWIDTH—Bandwidth occupied by an f-m station is a complex thing to figure. At high modulation indices $BW = \Delta f + mf = +90$ kc for normal f-m broadcasting. For modulation indices ≈ 1 . $BW = \Delta f$. For modulation indices less than 1. BW = mf. For the last, or narrowband case, s/n is roughly on a parity with a-m broadcasting



Stereo multiplex adapter, right, works with f-m/a-m set, left



Stereo-sound adapter used with conventional Motorola television set

sists of a Hall crystal placed in the air gap of an iron-core inductor. The directional control signal is applied to the inductor to vary the flux through the crystal. The main channel audio is applied to two opposite edges of the crystal. The product of the main channel audio and the directional control signal is taken off the other two edges of the crystal.

This system has been demonstrated to the British Broadcasting Corp. The BBC has agreed to cooperate in field testing the scheme.

RADIO TRANSMISSION—Here's a problem in transmitting stereo broadcasts over one radio outlet: f-m stereocasting would involve transmitting one stereo channel on the main carrier and the other stereo channel on a subcarrier. Question is whether f-m stations already using one subcarrier to transmit private services such as background music can fit in another multiplex channel for stereo.

HARKINS SYSTEM—A stereo transmission system devised by Dwight Harkins, president of Harkins Radio, Phoenix, in conjunction with Murray Crosby, would require the station operator to choose between private-line background music or public stereo. Harkins proposes that the (A + B) channel modulate the main carrier with a deviation of ± 37.5 kc and a response of 50-15,000 cps. The subcarrier center frequency will be 50 kc and its maximum deviation ± 25 kc. Audio bandwidth for (A - B) signal on subcarrier would be 50-15,000 cps.

Frequency modulation of main carrier due to the subcarrier should be 60 db below 100 percent modulation in 50 to 15,000-cps range. Crosstalk in subcarrier due to main carrier modulation should be 40 db below a 400-cps reference tone deviating the subcarrier ± 25 kc.

The Harkins system was successfully tested over KGLA, Los Angeles, in April 1958.

HALSTEAD SYSTEM—A system that would permit f-m stereocasting with private-line services has been proposed by William S. Halstead, president of Multiplex Services, New York. Transmitter exciter and receiver block diagrams are given in Fig. 6.

Halstead proposes a 41-kc subcarrier modulating

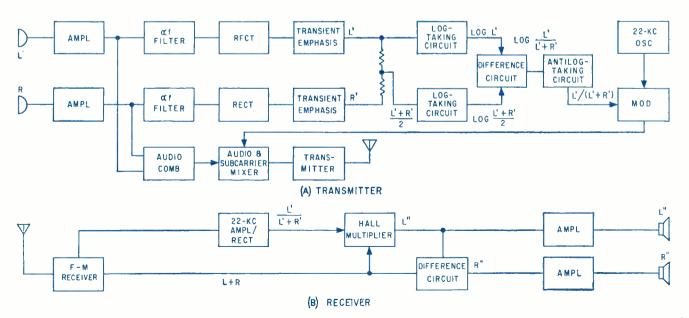


FIG. 5—Encoding (A) and decoding (B) equipment for Percival stereo system introduced by EMI of England

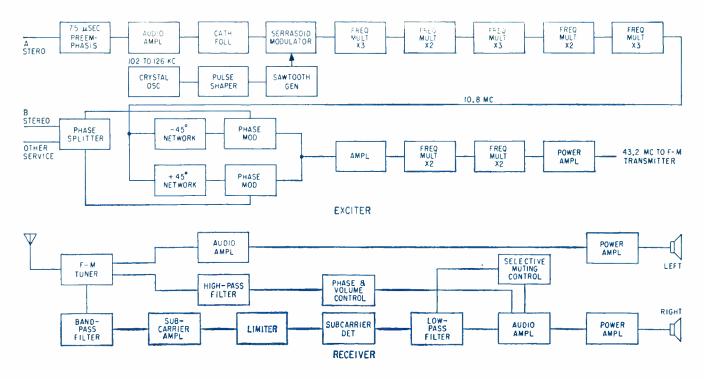


FIG. 6-Exciter and receiver used with Halstead f-m stereo system provide both stereo and private-wire service

the main carrier 15 percent. Bandwidth in the subcarrier would be restricted to about 8,000 cps with higher frequency components injected from the main channel at the receiver. A subcarrier band from 29 to 53 kc is indicated.

Background music would be carried on a 67-kc subcarrier in a band from 59-75 kc. A band from 20-25 kc is reserved for control signals such as might be required to operate the selective muting control on the subcarrier channel audio amplifier (Fig. 6).

Halstead indicates 0.3 to 0.8 percent harmonic distortion from 30 to 15,000 cps at 100 percent modulation. Subcarrier signal-to-noise ratio at a typical receiving location was 53 db.

Tests of simultaneous stereo and background music have been reported over WIP-FM, Philadelphia, and WGHF, Brookville, Conn.

CALBEST SYSTEM — Developers of the Calbest system plan to use a 27-kc subcarrier deviating ± 5 kc. They specify that the main carrier modulation percentage due to the sum of all subcarriers will be 40 percent with no subcarrier contributing more than 25 percent nor deviating more than ± 10 kc. Thus the system implies adding subcarriers for private-line services as well as stereocasting. Tests for the Calbest system have reportedly been arranged with KMLA-FM, Los Angeles, and WCLM-FM, Chicago.

TELEVISION SOUND—A system for stereo television sound has been proposed by Motorola and demonstrated over a closed-circuit system from WGN, Chicago. A subcarrier of 23.6 kc is selected to avoid harmonics of the television line scanning frequency, 15.75 kc. Audio response on the (A - B) subcarrier (see Fig. 7) is restricted to 5,000 cps or 3,000 cps if desired. Subcarrier deviation is ± 5 kc. Main carrier audio response is 12,000 cps with standard 75 μ sec preemphasis at 12,000 cps. Frequency deviation due to direct modulation of the main carrier is ± 21.25 kc. For normal television sound a ± 25 -kc deviation within a 30-kc band is specified.

PHILCO SYSTEM—The push to stereo has also caught up with a-m radio. Philco has spelled out a stereo system using a combination of phase and amplitude modulation. The Philco system is shown in Fig. 8. The A and B channels are combined in a matrix to form (A + B) and (A - B) channels;

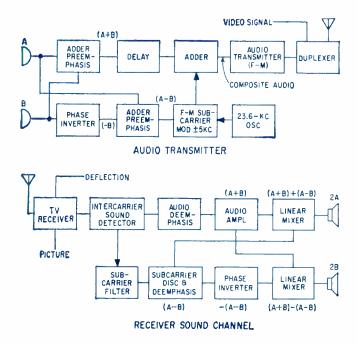


FIG. 7-Stereo, setup for television sound channel as demonstrated by Motorola

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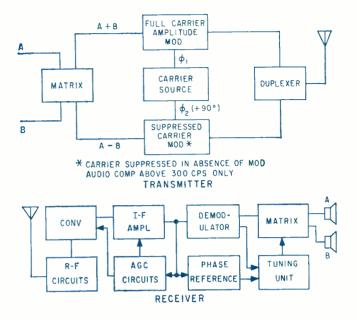


FIG. 8—Philco system for a-m stereo uses combined amplitude and phase modulation

the (A + B) channel is applied to the main carrier modulator. The (A - B) channel is applied to a carrier phased at 90 deg. Taking advantage of the fact that audio components below 300 cps do not contribute to the stereo effect, these are removed from the (A - B) channel. This simplifies receiver tuning.

The result is that the (A + B) channel is transmitted by conventional amplitude modulation and the (A - B) channel, less audio components below 300 cps, by phase modulation. For monophonic transmission the carrier is at 45 deg from either stereo carrier. The stereo receiver can use either a single phase-sensitive receiver and an amplitude detector with matrix or it can use two phase-sensitive receivers. Philco reports 30-db stereo track separation at 5,000 cps. Also frequency response is 6 ± 1 db down

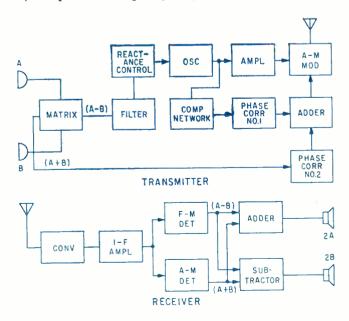


FIG. 9—Standard broadcast stereo system by Westinghouse uses a-m and narrow-band f-m

at 100 cps from response at 5,000 cps. Philco indicates that some second harmonic distortion occurs on monophonic reception of a stereo broadcast. This occurs because of unequal positive and negative modulation peaks (0.41 unit negative, 0.82 unit positive). However this exists at frequencies between 300 and 3,750 cps only and has not been found to be objectionable.

WESTINGHOUSE SYSTEM—A compatible stereo multiplex system for the standard broadcast band was recently proposed by Westinghouse. The system combines a-m and narrow-band f-m. The a-m signal is modulated to a maximum of 95 percent with an (A + B) signal plus a smaller (A - B) signal. The f-m signal transmits the (A - B) signal. The (A - B) signal is frequency limited to 300-3,000 cps by filters with a 6-db/octave characteristic. Maximum frequency deviation is 3 kc.

The system is shown in Fig. 9. The compensating network modifies the amplitude as a function of the stereo signal. It reduces crosstalk. The signal being radiated by the antenna is corrected so that a conventional a-m radio will reproduce sounds monophonically independent of stereo difference signals.

Phase corrector No. 1 equalizes phase shift so that the frequency modulation and the precorrection envelope are coincident in the transmitted signal. Phase corrector No. 2 puts the (A + B) and (A - B) modulations in time coincidence in the transmitted signals. This is a time-delay correction.

In the Westinghouse system, the (A - B) f-m signal can be received by a conventional a-m receiver tuned slightly off frequency. This is, of course, slope detection. Thus an a-m set tuned to one side of the carrier receives (A + B), the a-m modulation, and (A - B), the f-m signal, yielding

$$A + B + (A - B) = 2A$$

An a-m set tuned to the other side of the carrier receives (B - A), the f-m signal inverted, and (A + B). This yields

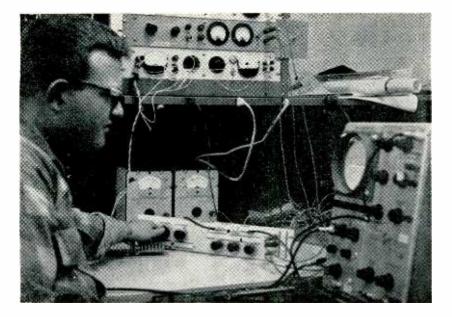
$$(A + B) + (B - A) = 2B$$

Tests are planned over KDKA, Pittsburgh.

OTHER SYSTEMS—This article cannot, of course, cover all stereo broadcast proposals. As of last month, the systems panel of the National Stereo Radio Committee had received a total of 17 systems covering ty, a-m and f-m.

Radio Corp. of America demonstrated a doublesingle sideband system this Fall. However RCA has recently been testing an a-m/f-m system for the standard broadcast band. The tests were conducted last month during early morning hours over WRCA, New York.

Kahn Labs of Freeport, New York, has a doublesingle sideband system in which the listener tunes to the upper sideband to get the A channel, to the lower sideband to get the B channel and in between to get a monophonic (A + B) signal. Kahn earlier demonstrated a compatible system for transmitting on separate a-m and f-m and/or tv carriers.



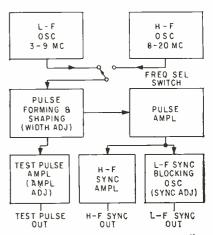


FIG. 1—Pulse generator uses two oscillators and has three outputs

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TESTING HIGH-SPEED digital computer circuits, using 30 millimicrosecond pulses, requires a versatile pulse source. This article describes a transistorized, variablefrequency pulse generator designed to test recently developed circuits.

The pulse generator has three outputs. One output provides the test pulse. The second and third outputs supply pulses for synchronizing oscilloscopes.

The test pulse is variable from 25 to 35 millimicrosec. This permits testing circuits with pulses both narrower and wider than the normal input pulses.

The pulse-repetition frequency of the test pulse can be varied from 3 mc to 20 mc. This allows testing the prf sensitivity and determining the h-f limits of the circuit being checked.

An internal amplitude control varies the test pulse amplitude from zero to 2 v. The amplitude sensitivity of a circuit can be determined by varying the amplitude of the test pulse.

The second output provides a h-f 50-ohm cable positive pulse. Traveling-wave tube oscilloscopes are synchronized by using this output. The third output is a l-f submultiple of the test pulse. This l-f pulse is used to synchronize conventional laboratory oscilloscopes.

As shown in Fig. 1, the pulse generator consists of two oscillators, a pulse forming and shaping circuit, three pulse amplifiers and a sync blocking oscillator.

Oscillators

When a switch is used to interchange coils in a single oscillator, poor performance results. This poor performance is caused by switch capacitive feed through. For this reason independent h-f and l-f oscillators are used.

The oscillators, Fig. 2, are Hartley type, sine-wave oscillators. Each is tunable over a 3 to 1 frequency range by capacitor C_{\star} . Use of a 2N501 switching transistor in the oscillator circuits allows all of the transistors used in the pulse generator to be of the same type.

Resistors R_1 , R_2 and R_3 control

the d-c bias of the oscillator and provide bias compensation for variation in I_{ca} and β of individual transistors. Some degeneration for equalizing the gain of individual transistors is provided by R_1 . The function of R_5 is to limit the maximum collector-to-base voltage to a safe value.

A spdt switch permits the output of either the h-f or l-f oscillator to be used to drive the pulse-forming circuit. Independent h-f and l-f oscillators make it possible to rapidly switch between two preset frequencies.

Basic Pulse Circuit

The basic pulse-forming and amplifying circuit' is shown in Fig. 3A. When a negative step is applied to the base of Q_i , the emitter tends to follow this input voltage and causes a current in the collector load. The collector voltage rises toward the emitter voltage and the transistor saturates.

When the transistor saturates the voltage across the collector load is $(V_* - V_e - V_{re \ sat}) = (V_* - V_{in})$ = a constant. The current drawn by the load is $i_e = (V_* - V_{in}) [(1/R_i) + (t/L)]$. The emitter resistance can supply only a $I_{e \ max} = (V_{in} - V_{iee})/R_2$. If the input step is continued beyond the point where I_e equals $I_{e \ max}$, the transistor comes out of saturation and the collector falls to $-V_e$ with a time constant L/R_i .

However, C_1 transiently lowers the emitter impedance for changing inputs. Hence, C_1 improves gain to the leading edge of the input step by decreasing the degeneration caused by the emitter resistor.

Also, as seen in Fig. 3B, when V_c

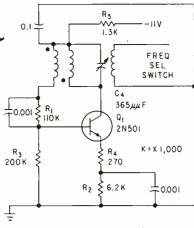


FIG. 2—Oscillator for h-f and l-f are identical with exception of coils used

falls due to the transistor coming out of saturation, C_c pulls the base transiently more negative. Because of C_1 in the emitter, the circuit gain to this input change is high. Thus a pulse of current is fed to the collector load, tending to square off and effectively decrease the damping of the decay. If C_1 is increased the decay becomes less damped and may overshoot. In the third pulse-forming stage and in the pulse amplifiers the effect of C_1 is used to speed up the pulse fall.

When the negative input pulse is removed and the base made positive, the transistor is quickly turned off, reducing the collector current to zero. The collector then overshoots by an amount $i_L R_1$. This overshoot decays with a time constant L/R_1 .

Pulse-Forming Circuit

The pulse-forming portion of the generator is shown in Fig. 4. The pulse former consists of three stages, each of which is a variation of the basic circuit just described. Stage one of the pulse former amplifies the input sine wave. This amplifier provides the current gain necessary to drive the second pulseformer stage. Stage one also squares off the output of the sinewave oscillator.

The stage is designed so that it does not come out of saturation until the input sine wave starts to go positive. Increased stage gain is provided by emitter capacitor C_1 .

The overshoot of this stage drives the second pulse-forming stage. This overshoot has a sharper leading edge than the pulse itself. The overshoot is controlled by the collector inductor rather than the input waveform. In Fig. 5B this sharp leading edge may be observed as the continuation of the turnoff fall. The overshoot falls from zero to -1 v in three millimicroseconds, then slows down its fall rate due to the loading of the next stage.

A 40-millimicrosecond pulse is formed in the second stage. This stage has a low-inductance collector load and a large capacitor across its emitter resistor as shown in Fig. 4. The high emitter capacitance boosts the high-frequency gain of this stage so that the sharp leading edge of the first stage overshoot quickly turns on the transistor and drives it into saturation. The collector rises until the transistor is in saturation and then follows the input waveform down. When the input waveform begins to rise again toward ground, the transistor comes out of saturation and the collector inductor pulse overshoots. This overshoot (Fig. 5C) is used to drive the third stage. The positive-going output cannot be used to drive the next stage because a second positive-going ring which may occur at

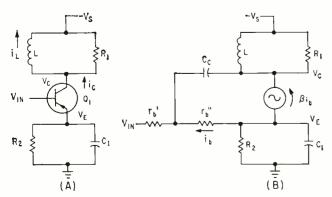


FIG. 3—Basic pulse circuit (A) and its simplified equivalent circuit (B)

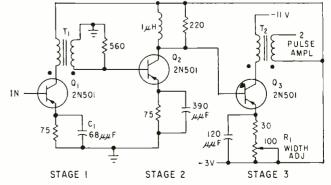
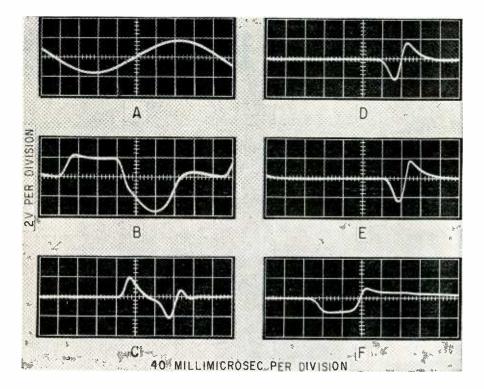


FIG. 4—Pulse former and shaper has three stages



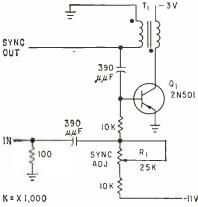


FIG. 7—Low-frequency sync blocking oscillator provides synchronizing signals for conventional oscilloscopes

FIG. 5—Oscilloscope photos of output of oscillator (A) first shaping stage (B), second shaping stage (C), third shaping stage (D), generator test pulse amplifier (E) and sync blocking oscillator (F)

low frequencies could cause false operation.

Since the collector supply voltage of the second stage (Fig. 4) is equal to the emitter return voltage of the next stage, a coupling transformer is not required between stages. Under these conditions no shift of d-c level is necessary.

The third pulse-forming stage narrows the pulse and changes it into the conventional pulse form (Fig. 5D). The variable resistor R_1 (Fig. 4) in the transistor emitter circuit provides pulse-width control. The resistor controls the maximum emitter current which determines the length of time the stage can remain saturated.

Pulse Amplifier

The pulse amplifiers amplify and reshape. In Fig. 6 a 2-v input pulse at the base of Q_1 produces 1.8 v at the emitter. The emitter will then supply 29 ma to the collector. When Q_1 is in saturation, approximately 6 v appears across the collector load. Since the collector current is of the form $i_c = V \left[(1/R_{lead}) + \right]$ (t/L)], the collector draws maximum emitter current when t equals 18 millimicrosec. With pulse rise and fall times included, a 25 to 35 millimicrosecond pulse is produced. The pulse overshoot time constant is 19 millimicroseconds.

Capacitor C_1 increases the circuit gain and its value is chosen to provide approximately critical damping to an emitter-controlled collector decay. The circuit provides a 2-v output pulse.

Three pulse amplifiers are used in the pulse generator. Two pulse amplifiers are driven by the third pulse-shaping stage. The first pulse amplifier driven by the third pulseshaping stage provides 2 v across a 50-ohm amplitude-control potentiometer. The tap of the potentiometer is the pulse-generator output. The second pulse amplifier driven by the last pulse-shaping stage drives the sync blocking oscillator and the third pulse amplifier.

This third amplifier provides the h-f 50-ohm positive pulse for synchronizing a traveling-wave tube

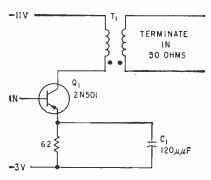


FIG. 6—Pulse amplifier uses circuit similar to last pulse former and shaper stage

oscilloscope. A 500-kc to 1-mc pulse is supplied by the sync blocking oscillator to synchronize conventional laboratory oscilloscopes.

Sync Blocking Oscillator

The l-f sync blocking oscillator (Fig. 7) consists of a groundedemitter stage whose free-running period is made to lock in with the frequency of the pulse generator. This is accomplished by mixing the normal blocking oscillator feedback signal and the pulse generator output at the base of the transistor.

The free-running period is manually adjusted to a near submultiple of the pulse generator output by R_1 in the base circuit. The mixed input pulses to Q_1 cause the blocking oscillator to lock in with the pulse generator. This technique permits the single blocking oscillator to perform the large variable countdown ratio (up to 40 to 1) required to provide synchronizing signals over the entire range.

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A-C Computing Resolvers:

Table lists characteristics of typical size 18, 23 and 25 resolvers. The two issues immediately preceding this issue tabulated small resolvers

WHEN COMPARING data, remember that all manufacturers do not present data the same way. For example, some test data indicates the best that can be expected and some data indicates the probable performance.

Reliability is often an important factor in selecting a resolver. The larger sizes generally are more reliable as they (generally) do not require the high tolerances and small air gap-which decrease the abuse a unit can withstand-of small resolvers.

When the tuned input impedance, Z_{it} , is not listed, it may be computed from Z_i , the input impedance measured when the secondary is open. The input current and power can then be calculated from Z_{ii} and the input voltage.

The stator is the input winding unless the notes column specifies the rotor. The transformation ratio, TR, is the ratio of the output to the input voltage (rotor to stator for stator input and stator to rotor for rotor input). The stator and rotor each have two windings.

When either of the two compensator winding ratios, TR_{sc} or TR_{cr} , is given, the other can be calculated from the relation $TR = TR_{sc} \ge TR_{cr}$

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Although dimensions are not listed for the Arma resolvers, they do fall in the category of large resolvers.

KEY

AE	American Electronics
Kear	Kearfott
м	Muirhead
NK	Norden Ketay
V,	Maximum input voltage
Z	Input Z, secondary open
Zit	tuned input Z
Acc.	accuracy in % of function deviation or minutes of spread
Axis	interaxis error
TR	transformation ratio, output/input voltage
TR	TR, stator/compensator v
TR	TR, compensator/rotor v
θ	phase shift

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Comp.	compensator	winding

Table | Typical Commercial

Mfr., Model No.	Size	Diam (in)	Length (in)	$\frac{\text{Test}}{f \text{ (cps)}}$	V (v)
F18M6-A (1	18	1 750		1,000	25
AE. 1B23W6-711	23	2.25	3 67	60	20
AE, 1R23W6-721	23	2.25	3 67	100	100
AE, 11123W6-722	23	2.25	3.67	400	100
Ford, 23	23	2.25	1.69	400	24
M, F23M7-A/1	23	2,250		1,000	30
NK, 113D1B	23	2.25		60	24
NK, 113D1D	23	2.25		60	90
VK, 113D1F	23	2.25		60	45
NK, H3DIN	23	2.25		60	26
NK, 113D1Q1	• 23	2.25		60	26
NK, 113D1Q2	23	2.25		60	26
NK, 113D2G	23	2.25		400	90
NK, 113D2E	23	2.25		400	90
NK, 113D3T1	23	2.25		400	8
NK, 113D3T2	23	2.25		400	8
NK, 113D3S1	23	2.25		350	30
NK, 113D3S2	23	2 25		350	30
NK, 113D3S3	23	2.25		350	30
₩K, 113D2P1	23	2.25		.500	50
NK, 113D2P2	23	2.25		500	50
NK, 113D2B1	23	2.25	1. 1. 10	400	90
NK, 113D2R2	23	2.25	×	400	90
VK, H3D3J	-23	2.25	1.2.1.2.2.	350	30
NK, 113D8H	23	2.25		1,000	30
NK, H3D2A	23	2.25	6 S. (65)	100	-26
NK, 113D2C	23	2.25		100	99)
Reeves, H600-101	23	2.250	1.993	60	100
Reeves, R600-102	23	2:250	1.993	400	100
Reeves, R601-101	23	2.250	1.993	60	20
Reeves, R601-102	23	2 250	1.993	400	100
Reeves, R601S102	23	2 250	1.993	100	100
Reeves, R601H102	23	2 250	1.993	100	10
Reeves, R601HA102	23	2.250	1.993	400	20
Reeves, R601HB102	23	2.250	1.993	100	10
Kear, 425506-1	25.	2 178	1.037	100	25
Kear Z5030-11	25	2 478	1.037	400	26
Kear 122382-12	25	2.478	1.037	1,600	57
Kear, 425504-3	25	2.478	1.037	1,600	110
Arma 5K	10.1	1.1		60	16
Arma, 1P	1	100		400	16
Arma, O3NN 100	1			400	16
Arma, O3JJ400	1.7	2 500	3 11/32	400	16
Diehl, SSFPE13-1	10	2.500		400	115
Dichl, SSFJE43-1		2,500	3 11/32	-400	The second
Diehl, SSFJE43-11 Diehl, SSFJE44-1	*	2,500 2,500	$\frac{3}{3} \frac{11}{32}$	60 400	35

Sizes 18, 23 and 25

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Resolvers for Analog Computation-Sizes 18, 23 and 25

Zi (ohms)	Z _{it} (ohms)	Acc. (% or min)	Axis error (min)		TRec	TR _{cr}	θ (d e g)	Null (mv)	Low f (cps)	High f (kc)	Stator	Res Rotor (ohms)		Notes
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				14	А	x			1				x	Sweep resolver;
265 + j925	3,400	0.05%	3	0.975			13 5	lmv/v	10	30	185	245		rotor input Compensated
		0.20%		0.298			1.6	lmv/v		125	200	41		Compensated
970 + j5,650	31,000	0.05%	3	0.298			1.9	Imv/v		115	200	41		Compensated
$465 + j_{2},585$	14,700	0.1%	6	1.005		0.986		12			290	255	290	Compensated
					x	x							X	Sweep resolver
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$585 \angle 61^{\circ}$		0.20%		1	x	x							x	
570 ∠79°		0.20%		1	X	х							x	
1,140 ∠76.3°		0.10%	5	1										Compensated
1,020 ∠81.6°		0.10%	2.5	1	Ň	x							x	
$1,020 \ \angle 81.6^{\circ}$ 234 $\ \angle 83^{\circ}$		0.15%	5	1	X	X							x	
$720 \ \angle 80^{\circ}$		0.20%	5	1	X	X							x	
975 ∠86°		16'	5	2	X	x							x	
975 ∠86°		30'	7	2	x x	X						-	x	
3,200 ∠ 86°		16'	5	ĩ	X	x							x	
$3,200 \ \angle 86^{\circ}$		16'	5	1	x	x							x	
3,200 ∠86°		30'	7	î	x	x				1			x x	
7,000		10'	5	1	x	x	-						x	Geared housing
7,000		20'	5	1	x	x		4					x	Geared housing
3,000 ∠ 86°		0.05%	2.5	1										Compensated
3,000 ∠86°		0.10%	5	1										Compensated
3,200 ∠85.7°		0.15%	-5	1	x	x							x	
FE0 (0(0		0.20%	5		x	X			1.1.1				x	Sweep resolver
550 ∠86°		0.10%	5	1	x	x							x	
$550 \ \angle 86^{\circ}$ 195 + j840	38,000	0.10%	5	1	x	x							X	
775 + j5,600	38,000	0.05%	3	0.975	X	x			8.3		130	140	X.	
375 + j925	2.500	0.05%	3	0.975	x 0.985	x			8.3 20		130	210	x	0
930 + j5,650	30,000	0.05%	3	0.975	0.985				20 20		320 320	240 240		Compensated
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19 + j128	1,000	0.05%	3	0.970	0.97	. 1			25		8	6		Compensated
140 + j550	3,000	0.05%	3	0.975	0.982				30		40	30		Compensated
19 + j128	1,000	0.05%	3	0.970	0.97	1			25	-	8	6		Compensated
1,630 ∠78.5°		0.5		0.98	0.985		1	25						Compensated
300 + j1,400		2.5'	×	0.49	X	x	3	20			1		x	
1,870 ∠71.5°		2.5'		0.488	X	x		80					x	
1,750+j4,600		6'		0.491	X	x		96					x	
		3.5		0.989	X	x	4°, 35'						x	
		3.5'		0.98	x	x		lmv/v					x	
		7'	-	0.955	x	x	4°, 30'						x	
			120	1.000			0°	1mv/v			1 000	110		Compensated
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Outline Generator for

Simple electronic circuits produce white-outlined, variable-sized rectangle anywhere on tv screen. Means for producing edge flexing as a further attention-getting factor is included

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D^{URING} certain types of television programs, it is sometimes desirable to call the viewers' attention to a particular portion of the television screen to emphasize certain activities or relationships.

The normal method of concentrating interest would be to dolly in on the subject or cut to a second camera for a closeup shot. These methods cannot be used when the subject matter is on slides or film clips.

Although verbal attention may be called to some portion of the screen, the better approach would be the use of a video marking device.

The generator shown in Fig. 1 produces a white rectangular outline of any dimensions that may be positioned in any portion of the television screen, thereby performing such a marking function.

Horizontal Channel

The circuits of the horizontal and television screen, thereby performcal, therefore the horizontal channel will be used for explanation purposes. An overall schematic of the generator is shown in Fig. 2.

Standard horizontal drive signals from the station synchronizing generator are applied to amplifier-in-

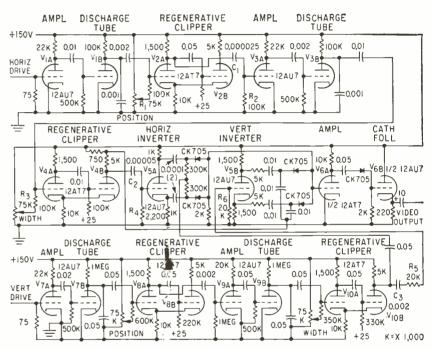
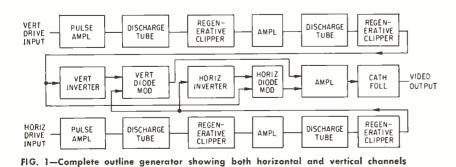


FIG. 2—Two pulse-forming chann. Is are triggered by horizontal and vertical drive pulses. The outputs are mixed in diode modulators to produce the white outline signal

verter V_{1A} . The amplified, inverted signal is supplied to discharge tube V_{1B} whose output is a 15,750-cps sawtooth waveform.

This sawtooth is applied to regenerative clipper V_2 which in turn produces a 15,750-cps square wave whose duty cycle depends upon the setting of horizontal positioning



control R_1 and the consequent grid bias of the first section of the regenerative clipper V_{24} .

The output waveform of regenerative clipper V_2 may be used as a keying source for a horizontal wipe in conjunction with montage equipment as the duty cycle is variable over wide limits. In this generator however, it is used as a means of obtaining variable delay of the horizontal drive pulse.

The square wave is differentiated by C_1 and R_2 , amplified and inverted by V_{3A} , and applied to a second discharge tube V_{3A} and converted into a 15,750-cps sawtooth. This delayed sawtooth is applied to the second regenerative clipper V_1 . Varying the bias of V_{1A} by R_3 controls the width of the marking signal.

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If the outputs of the horizontal and vertical channels are combined at this point, then the resultant pattern on the television screen will be a cross with a brighter area occurring where the two signals intersect. As approximately twice the video energy occurs at the intersection, a diode clipper may be used to remove the arms of the cross leaving only the solid intersection rectangle that may be changed in size and positioned at any desired location on the screen. This signal may be used for marking or for keying a montage amplifier.

Outline Generation

To overcome the masking problems introduced by a solid marker, two triodes V_{54} and V_{50} are used as an outline generator. This is done by differentiating the output of the horizontal square-wave generator V_4 by C_2 and R_1 , and the output of the vertical square-wave generator V_{10} through the combination of C_3 , R_5 and R_6 , then applying the resultant signals to split-load phase inverters V_{54} and V_{50} .

The outputs of these phase inverters are applied to diode clippers that remove the unwanted positivegoing portions of the pulses. Normally, this would result in two parallel vertical lines and two parallel horizontal lines appearing on the screen. However, the undifferentiated output of the horizontal square-wave generator V_{+} is mixed with the output of the vertical phase inverter V_{5B} ; and the output of the vertical square-wave generator V_{10} is mixed with the output of the horizontal phase inverter V_{54} . Due to the nonlinearity of the clipper diodes, modulation takes place and the resulting output generates an outline signal with the

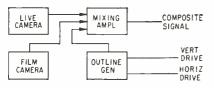
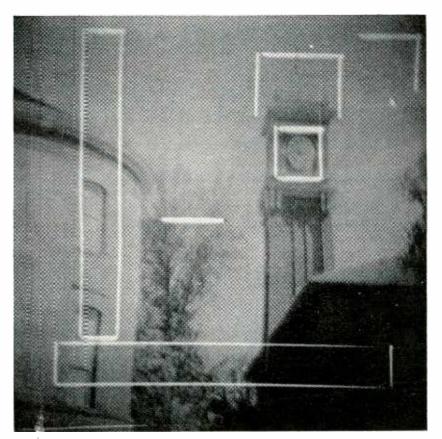


FIG. 3—Relationship of outline generator to typical video system



Multiple exposure photograph of tv screen illustrating some of the various outlines that may be achieved with the electronic outline generator

vertical lines being approximately 0.2- μ se wide and the horizontal lines being about two raster lines.

Either, or all of the sides, of the rectangle may be eliminated by applying a positive bias to the input side of the appropriate diode clipper.

The combined output of the diode modulator assemblies is amplified by $V_{*,1}$ and passed through a selfbiased diode clipper to output cathode follower $V_{*,R}$. The output of cathode follower $V_{*,R}$ is approximately 1-v peak-to-peak of white signal into a 75-ohm load.

The generated outline may be superimposed over a normal television picture either by resistive or electronic mixing procedures. Figure 3 illustrates a typical small studio setup employing a live camera and a fixed camera for slides or film pickup. A third channel is used to bring in the electronic pointer. Synchronizing pulses are added in the mixing amplifier to produce a composite video signal suitable for operating closed circuit video monitors or for modulating a transmitter.

Blanking is not included in the outline generator circuits. This is not necessary as long as all portions of the outline signal stay inside of the normal blanking boundaries. As a safety factor, its inclusion would be desirable.

Flexing Picture Edges

An additional attention-getting factor may be produced by feeding an external audio signal to the input of regenerative clipper V_2 thus causing both sides of the pattern to flex. If the audio signal is supplied to the second regenerative clipper V_4 , then only the right-hand side of the pattern will flex.

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Fishing Sonar Uses Compact Scan System

Improved 200-kc ultrasonic system, sensitive up to a radius of 300 meters centering around a small fishing boat, detects exact location of schools of small fish vital to Japanese economy

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A IMPROVED SONAR system operating at 200 kc is now used by fishermen in Japan to detect schools of small fish within 300 meters from a boat. The system was designed for fishing craft of the five-ton or less class.

The sonar system is also used to observe the shape and pattern of fishing nets and to determine whether the nets have been cast correctly. Observations can be made of how the fish enter or avoid the nets.

The sonar fishing gear described here is an improvement over existing systems that use a 50-kc pulse. From studies made of the attenuation constant in sea water, and propagation and reflection losses, it was found that a 200-kc system, with the same acoustical output as a 50kc system would receive a more powerful echo from the bodies of fish up to 300 meters.

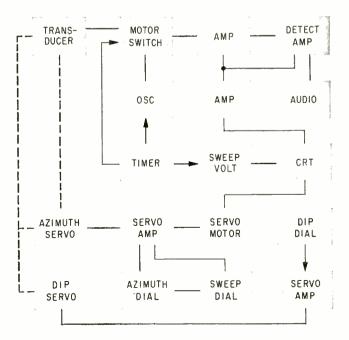
System

A block diagram of the unit is shown in Fig. 1. The system has a 600-w power output fed by the oscillator. Power consumption is 24-v d-c, 15 amps. A system of servomotors control the horizontal and vertical direction of the transducer. Ultrasonic impulses are transmitted with a sharp beam and received by a barium titanate transducer, an 80-mm dia. disk that has a resonant frequency of 200 kc. The received echo signal, indicating the presence of an underwater target, is amplified, fed to a crt and also converted to an audible signal. The transducer unit is let down in the water, either over the side of the boat or projected from the bottom of the craft.

The sonar detector has a variable operating range for two distances: zero to 150 meters and zero to 300 meters. When the controls are set manually, the unit can be made to scan horizontal sectors of either 45 deg, 90 deg, or 180 deg. The scope width is limited to within a hori-



FIG. 1—Block diagram, right, of improved sonar system used by fishing agency shows transducer connections to oscillator and servomomotors. The received echo signal is amplified and fed to a crt, as in photo, or converted to audio



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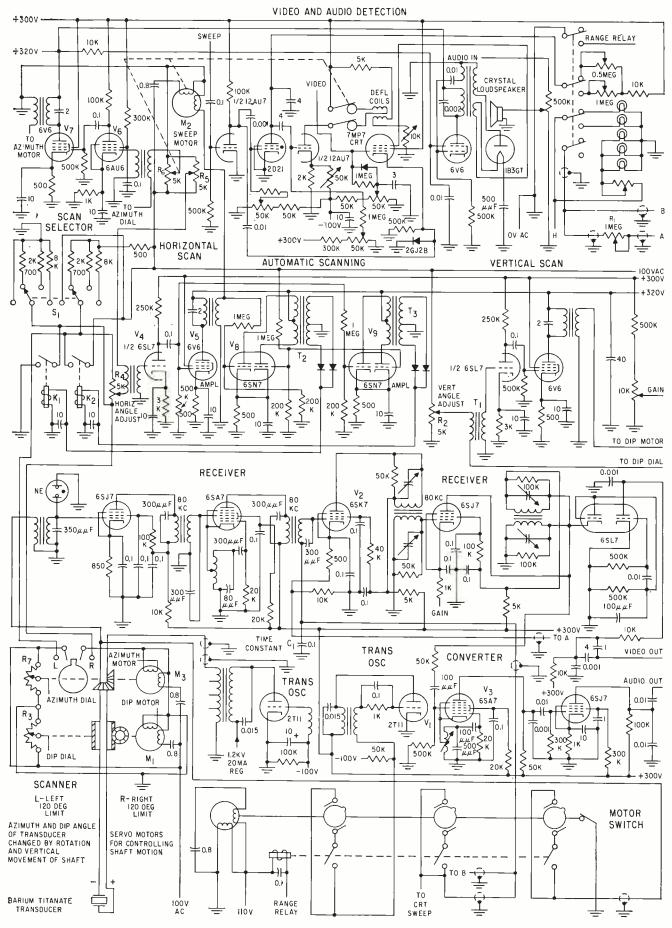
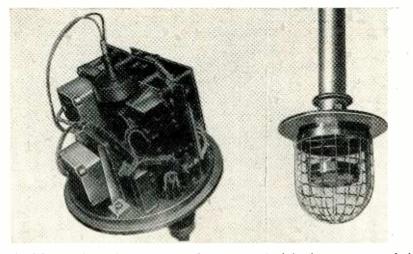


FIG. 2-Circuit diagram of sonar fish detector shows detailed circuit connections to transducer, oscillator and detection system



The left unit shows the servomotors that are contained in the upper part of the scanner. Unit at the right shows the lower part of the scanner which contains the transducer, inside of the wire net

zontal arc of 120 degrees right or left of the ship's center.

The dip angle, or vertical position, of the transducer can be set to any angle from zero to 90 deg. With a dip of 90 degrees, the sonar can be used as a normal, vertical echo sounder. When the system is operated with the transducer fixed at a dip angle between 10 to 20 degrees, sea-wave reflections are avoided in rough waters.

It takes 20 seconds to scan a horizontal arc of 180 deg. The sounding rate is 5 cps for the zero to 150-meter range, and 2 cps for the zero to 300-meter range. The beam angle is 4 deg at beam angle of half power.

The circuit diagram of the entire system is shown in Fig. 2. All control knobs are located on the front panel of the indicator unit which contains the crt and the automatic control circuits. The transmitter-receiver unit also contains the power source.

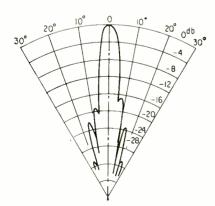


FIG. 3—Plot shows directivity of transducer

The upper part of the scanner contains servomotors that position the transducer to the set azimuth and dip angles; and the lower part of the scanner contains the transducer itself. Transducer and servo controls are connected by wires enclosed in a steel shaft that is about 2 meters long.

Operation

The ultrasonic wave is transmitted or received by one ceramic vibrator. As shown in Fig. 2, the output coil of the transmitter, the transducer and the input transformer of the receiver are connected in series. The instant the transmiter oscillates, the receiver input transformer is shorted through the motor switch and transmitting power is supplied to the transducer only. Since the input transformer of the receiver has high impedance, the received signal is developed mainly across the input transformer primary.

In transmission, tube V_1 oscillates only when the grid return is grounded by the motor switch. The pulse duration of the oscillator is 8 millisec. The motor-switch shaft revolves at 142 rpm and V_1 oscillates two times per revolution of shaft. There are two contact points above and below the shaft. The upper contact point is used for the zero to 300-meter range only.

At the instant of transmission, the capacitor connected to the grid of V_{2} in the receiver is shorted. The bias voltage is dropped temporarily and sensitivity falls. Sensitivity recovers with a speed determined by time-constant of C_1 and the variable resistance of R_1 . In this way an intense disturbing echo reflected a short distance from the transducer is eliminated. Since a part of the output of the intermediate-frequency amplifier is converted to the audio frequency through V_3 , reflected echos are heard as audible sound.

Dip and Azimuth

The dip, or vertical, angle of the transducer is adjusted at R_2 , and the 60-cps a-c supplied to the scanner causes servomotor M_1 to revolve in coincidence with the selected vertical angle.

The azimuth, or horizontal, angle setting permits alternate, automatic clockwise and counterclockwise scan. The direction of crt sweep is also changed in accordance with the direction of the transducer. When the horizontal direction control, R_{i} , is adjusted for scan, the unbalanced voltage generated by the relation between R_5 and R_1 is amplified by V_1 and V_5 and motor M_z revolves to change the direction of crt sweep. At the same time, because M_x operates the arm of $R_{\rm o}$, an unbalanced voltage is generated as a result of the difference between the angle of the arm on R_0 and that on R_7 which is connected at the scanner. This voltage, amplified by V_{c} and V_{7} , rotates servomotor M_s so that both direction of transducer and sweep of the crt coincide with the horizontal-angle setting of R_{*} .

Automatic scanning is accomplished by relays K_1 and K_2 and the V_s , V_s circuit. When the scope of scan is selected by switch S_1 , alternate keying of the relays causes M_2 to repeat alternate clockwise and counterclockwise scan. The scanning voltage, higher or lower than the basic value depending upon the phase of the incoming voltage, is generated at the secondary windings of T_2 and T_3 .

The electric motor which drives the deflection coil and the transducer is a small motor with a 6-w input. The time lag between the direction of crt sweep and that of the transducer is negligible.

Directivity plot of transducer is shown in Fig. 3.

Multiple Junction Rectifiers

Military standard silicon cartridge rectifiers can be used for many high voltage rectification needs. Table lists ratings at 100 C

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SPECIFICATIONS — Table I lists all types for which specifications are being written by the Signal Corps. At this writing, a specification has been issued only for 1N1731 (MIL-E-1/1172). Specifications on the others are to be issued this spring. The Signal Corps plans to leave these as single service specifications for two years for proving before making them JAN specifications.

Currents range in the military standard types

Table	I-Characteristics	of	Military	Standard
	Cartridge			

Part Number	rtridge Style	Current (ma)	Peak Inverse Voltage (v)
1N1731	3/8 ceramic	100	1,500
1N598 🦳	3/8 ceramic	100	1,000
Not Issued	3/8 ceramic	100	3,000
Not Issued	3/8 ceramic	75	5,000
1N1143A	std ceramic	75 (est)	6,000
IN1145	std ceramic	75 (est)	7,200 ~
1NI147	std ceramic	75 (est)	12,000
1N1149	std ceramic	75 (est)	16,000
1N2139	std ceramic	75 (est)	20,000
1N1756	std high current	250 (est)	6,000
1N1758	std high current	250 (est)	7,200
1N1760	std high current	250 (est)	16,000

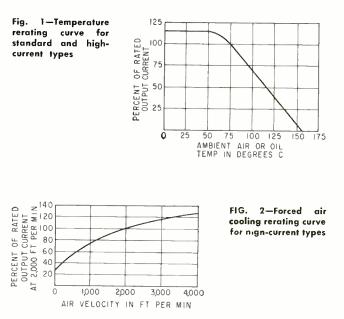


Cartridge rectifiers provided with ferrule terminals for mounting into standard 30-amp fuse clips

from 75 to 250 ma with peak inverse voltages of 1,000 to 20,000 volts. The voltage increments are based on EIA standards. All standard multiple junction rectifiers are rated at an ambient temperature of 100 C.

Typical rerating curves for other temperature and cooling conditions are given in Figs. 1 and 2. These curves are not part of the military standard and may vary from manufacturer to manufacturer.

Forced air convection cooling or oil cooling is employed with high current types. Standard styles are designed for normal convection cooling and horizontal mounting in air. If the rectifier is mounted vertically, a derating of 30 percent may be required.



Precision Generator for

Instrument produces two delayed pulses for establishing accurate time intervals from 1 to 10,000 μ sec. Delays are adjustable in 1- μ sec increments with continuous interpolation between steps. Crystal-controlled oscillator and fast preset counters reduce time-delay errors

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THIS variable time-interval standard produces two accurately controlled time delay intervals. It is particularly useful in calibrating timing circuits such as those found in radar, loran, Tacan and DME systems. It may also be used in calibrating oscilloscopes, marker generators, timing responses from computer drum storage systems, and for the precision pulse code modulation of control carriers.

Among this wide variety of applications, the digital delay generator can be used as a precision gono-go gage for such measurements as calibrating delay lines, especially those of long delay.

The unit employs a unique application of a fast dual preset counter and an improved start and stop crystal-controlled oscillator. Pulse generators may be used to generate the desired output pulses. The oscillator always starts in synchronism with a random-time event, and no jitter is introduced in the delay intervals even though the time reference pulse occurs periodically or aperiodically.

General Operation

The overall operation of the delayed pulse generator is illustrated by the block diagram of Fig. 1.

The initiating trigger pulse can come from either an external source or from the internal rate generator. The initiating pulse triggers the unit at T_{\circ} and simultaneously starts the 1-mc crystal-controlled oscillator that delivers 1 μ sec timing pulses. The digital counters timing section counts these timing pulses and when they reach the number established by the frontpanel controls, permits one of the timing pulses to pass through a gate to trigger the output pulses at the predetermined T_{\perp} or T_{2} . Fifty μ secs after the second output pulse, all circuits are reset to their original state and are ready to receive another trigger input pulse.

Since the two predetermined output pulses are initiated by one of the cycles of the internal crystal oscillator, they are essentially jitter free.

Input Circuit

These circuits initiate the time zero (T_n) pulse and initiate the sequence of events producing the delayed pulses at T_1 and T_2 . They also prevent the retriggering of subsequent circuits once a delay period has been started but not completed.

This circuit consists basically of an amplifier, a Schmitt trigger and a lockout gate. When the front panel switches are set for internal triggering, the Schmitt trigger is self oscillating and a square wave is present at the output. This square wave is differentiated and is used to provide a positive pulse to the lockout gate circuit. The output of the lockout gate is the T_0 pulse and also initiates the delay circuitry.

Gate Control Binary

Referring to the schematic shown in Fig. 2, the gate control flip-flop V_1 starts a rectangular gating pulse upon receiving a start pulse from the lockout gate. It stops the gating pulse upon receiving a stop pulse from the reset circuit at the termination of the longer delay interval.

Cathode followers V_{2A} and V_{2B} serve as isolation and impedance conversion coupling between the flip-flop and the three points in the circuit where the rectangular gat-

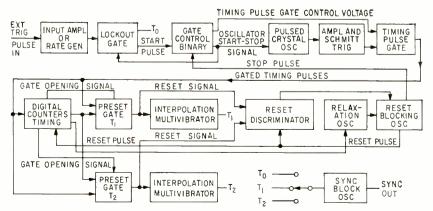
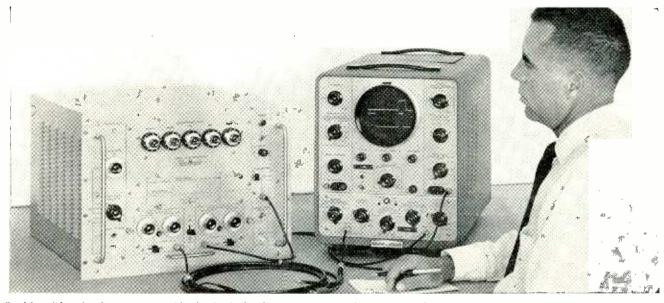


FIG. 1—Upon receiving a trigger pulse the unit generates a pulse at $T_{\rm p}$ and simultaneously starts two independent delay periods for $T_{\rm 1}$ and $T_{\rm 2}$

Radar Range Calibration



Precision delayed pulse generator with plug-in dual pulse generator unit shown in typical test setup

ing pulses are actually used. It is necessary to keep coupling to a minimum between these three points to avoid unwanted feedback or feedthrough at the crystal frequency. The gating pulse is applied through cathode follower V_{zn} to the crystal oscillator start-stop gate V_s and used to start and stop the crystal oscillator.

Pulsed Crystal Oscillator

For a pulsed crystal oscillator to be usable in a time interval standard, a number of stringent requirements must be met,^{1, 2} such as: the oscillator must always start in synchronism with a random time reference pulse; the output must be free of undesirable transients or distortion that could cause serious timing errors (ideally this output should be zero until T_{ν} and then should closely approximate a c-w signal); the circuit should not support nor transmit spurious mode oscillations of the crystal; the recovery time should be short, preferably less than 10 percent of the running time; and the excitation level should remain nearly constant during the running time.

The crystal start-stop gate tube V_{*} is a sharp suppressor cutoff tube.

Until a gate pulse has been initiated, the suppressor voltage is zero and the tube is conducting. A negative feedback loop is completed from the junction of capacitor C_1 and crystal Y_1 , through V_4 and through V_3 which holds Y_1 in a quiescent state.

At the beginning of the delay interval V_{3} is cut off. This disables the negative feedback loop. A transient of short duration is developed across the bridge circuit comprised of L_{1} , C_{2} , C_{3} , C_{4} and Y_{4} . Crystal Y_{4} is an AT-cut crystal with a frequency tolerance of ± 0.001 percent and a frequency stability

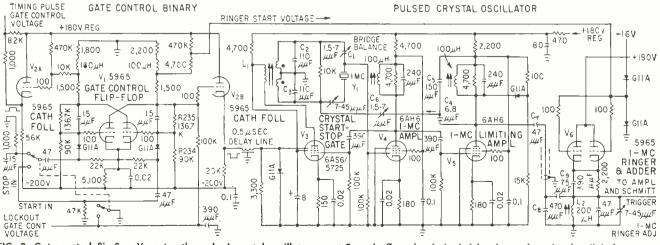


FIG. 2—Gate control flip-flop V1 gates the pulsed crystal oscillator on at T0 and off at the desired delay interval set by the digital counters timing circuit and controlled from the front panel

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of ± 0.001 percent over the temperature range from -10 to +50 C.

The crystal is shock excited into vibration and about 1 my of crystal frequency is present at the grid of amplifier V_4 with some unavoidable distortion present in the first few cycles of oscillation. Amplifier V_4 is a straight-forward amplifier incorporating a low-Q, 1-mc resonant plate load.

Variable inductor L_1 is trifilar wound to obtain good amplitude balance of oppositely phased volttages across the center-tapped secondary. The circuit of L_1 and its associated capacitance is tuned to a frequency lower than 1 mc to obtain an inductive circuit that is necessary for shunt operation of the crystal Y_1^3 .

Limiting Amplifier

A small fraction of the plate voltage of limiting amplifier V_5 is fed back in phase to L_1 through the network C_4 , C_5 and C_6 . Variable capacitor C_{s} is adjusted to obtain a loop gain slightly greater than one so that the signal level will tend to increase for long delay periods. The limiting circuit of V_5 prevents the signal level from increasing excessively. Except for the first few cycles, the output voltage at the plate of V_5 is satisfactory for timing purposes.

Ringer and Adder

The initial part of the timing wave is developed in the cathode circuit of ringer and adder tube V_{\bullet} across a 1-mc resonant circuit consisting of L_2 and its associated capacitance.

The output of limiting amplifier $V_{\rm r}$ is passively added to the voltage across L_2 , through the network C_7 , $C_{\rm s}$, and $C_{\rm v}$. When flip-flop V_1 is switched by a start pulse, $V_{\rm G}$ is cut off and remains so for the duration of the delay interval.

The voltage developed across L_2 is an exponentially decaying transient with a decrement of about 25 percent in ten cycles. Thus, the timing accuracy of the first few cycles of the wavetrain is determined by V₄ cathode ringing circuit while the timing accuracy of later cycles of the wave train is determined by crystal Y_1 .

The oscillator is stopped by a

combination of two circuit functions. A stop trigger, derived from the digital counters timing circuit, terminates the rectangular gating pulse of crystal start-stop gate V_3 at an integral number of μ secs later than the start trigger. The time interval is determined by setting front panel delay time controls.

When plate current begins to flow through V_{3} , a transient of opposite polarity to that which started the oscillator appears across L_1 . The amplitude, polarity and timing of this transient are such that an amount of energy is supplied to crystal Y_1 which nearly cancels crystal energy. The negative feedback loop is closed through V_{s} and damps out remaining rapidly Within 50 μ sec crystal energy. after receiving the stop pulse, the crystal energy diminishes to a point where it can again be started with a random time input pulse.

For delay intervals exceeding 500 μ sec, the amplitude of crystal excitation will normally increase somewhat so that a longer recovery time is necessary. A conservative allowance for recovery time is the longer of either 50 μ sec or 10 percent of the delay interval.

Digital Counters Timing Circuit

Again referring to Fig. 1, the crystal-controlled 1 µsec timing pulses pass through the timing pulse gate and are passed to the digital counters timing circuit where they are counted to establish the time delays selected by the front panel delay controls. When the counter has counted these timing pulses up to the selected number, voltage information is sent to open the associated T_1 or T_2 preset gate. This provides an output pulse at either T_1 or T_2 .

The timing circuit employs a system of parallel drive to the counter units in order to reduce the total circuit operating time. The counters decade-count every 1 µsec timing pulse. The timing pulses pass through individual gates to the tens, hundreds, and thousands counters. These gates open so that the counters count every 10th, 100th, and 1,000th pulse respectively. Using this timing system, the time required for one decade to operate (going from a count of

4,998 to 4,999, for example) is the same as that required for all four decades to operate (going from 4,999 to 5,000).

There are two preset gates, one for T_1 output pulse and one for the T_2 pulse. Each gate is controlled by an output from the digital counters timing circuit, and in turn selects the exact timing pulse that marks the end of the selected delay period.

Interpolation Delay Multivibrator

There are two identical interpolation delay multivibrators following the preset gates. One is for T_1 output and the other is for T_2 . They are one-shot multivibrators which provide an additional delay, adjustable over a $1-\mu$ sec range, to provide interpolation between the microsecond steps selected by the digital counters timing circuit.

Reset Blocking Oscillator

The reset blocking oscillator supplies the negative-going output pulse to restore the circuits of the delay generator (digital counters timing circuit) to their original starting conditions.

The reset blocking oscillator is normally triggered by the reset discriminator after the last output pulse is delivered. It may also be triggered by a relaxation oscillator circuit which operates whenever a beam is not formed in one of the counter tubes in the digital counters timing circuit.

Sync Output

This circuit is a blocking oscillator that delivers a 50-volt positive pulse that may be used for triggering oscilloscopes. The oscillator is normally quiescent and may be triggered by either the T_0 , T_1 or T_2 output pulse selected by front panel controls.

The leading edge of the sync output pulse is coincident with the leading edge of the selected trigger pulse.

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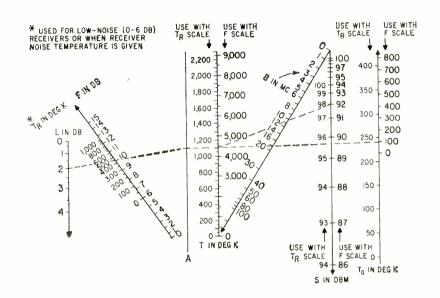
Knowing antenna temperature, receiver noise figure, losses between antenna and receiver and antenna bandwidth, it is possible to calculate the minimum detectable signal using the nomograph presented

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AXIMUM RADAR RANGE is inversely proportional to the fourth root of the minimum detectable signal. This signal is a property of the radar receiver and is determined mainly by receiver noise figure and bandwidth, losses incurred in coupling receiver to antenna and antenna temperature.

Minimum detectable signal is considered to be the level at which average signal output is just equal to noise output of the receiver. Since many sources contribute to noise output, it is convenient to combine their effect by assuming a noise free receiver with a noise generator coupled to the input. If the power output of this generator is kTB (where k is Boltzmann's constant, T is temperature in deg K and B is effective noise bandwidth), the noise output of the ideal receiver will be kTB times the gain of the receiver. For this to be the same noise output as in the nonideal receiver, the effective operating temperature must be $T = T_a +$ (L-1) 290 + L (F-1) 290 where T_a is antenna temperature, L is ohmic losses in transmission path between antenna and receiver, and F is receiver noise figure.

Antenna temperature is determined by sky temperature and by how well the antenna couples to the sky. Presence of minor lobes causes some coupling to the warm earth. Sky temperature is approximately equal to $290 \ \lambda^2 T$. However, at high microwave fre-



quencies, the presence of oxygen and water vapor absorption make sky temperature also a function of elevation angle. At high angles where the beam passes through a limited atmosphere, antenna temperatures of a few deg K are possible. Much higher temperatures will occur at low angles where the beam passes through an extended atmosphere.

Losses between the antenna and receiver include waveguide losses, duplexer losses and losses from any other equipment such as isolators, directional couplers, and filters.

The receiver noise figure includes the combined effect of r-f preamplifiers, converter and i-f preamplifiers. For low noise receivers, the receiver temperature, equal to (F - 1) 290, is sometimes given instead of the noise figure. The full range of noise figures is given on the F scale while scale T_{R} contains values of Fwhich are shifted six db and relabeled in deg K.

For greater accuracy, the decimal point of the B scale can be moved to the left and 10 db added to the S reading for each shifted digit.

Example

Given L = 2 db, F = 10 db, T_a = 100 K and B = 10 mc find receiver sensitivity. Draw line from 2-db point on L scale through 10-db point on F scale to index A. Draw line from intersection point on index A to 100 K point on right T_a scale. Read operating temperature of 4,400 K on T scale. Draw line from this point through 10-mc point on B scale to S scale and read sensitivity of -92 dbm.



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Airport Radar Has High Resolution

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DUAL-CHANNEL high-resolution radar permits observation and control of airport surface traffic. The display supplements or replaces visual observation of a controltower operator and aids him during darkness and low visibility.

The Federal Aviation Agency (FAA) recently ordered ten of the special radars known as Airport Surface Detection Equipment (ASDE). The basic radar was developed for the USAF by Airborne Instruments Laboratory division of Cutler-Hammer. The USAF version (AN/FPN-31) and the FAA type (ASDE) reflect differences in application and operating philosophy between military and civilian requirements.

The dual-channel feature provides a standby channel that can be serviced without affecting the operating channel.

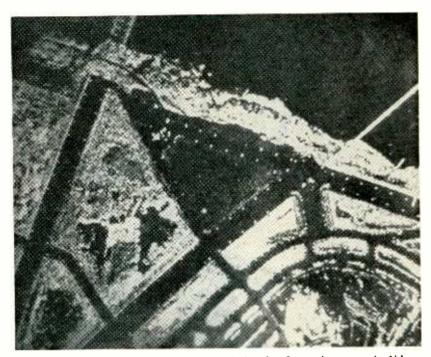
Because the radar sees reflections from the areas covered by vegetation or rough ground surfaces, most of the airport is visible on the display. Because the runways are dark, aircraft and other objects on them are seen against a dark background.

Resolution

Prime requirement for the radar shown in the block diagram in Fig. 1 is that it produce a PPI display of maximum resolution. The resolution achieved enables an operator to discern two separate targets of about 5 sq ft each, separated 20 ft at a range of 4,000 ft. Several design approaches contribute to its high resolution.

A high r-f (24 kmc) is used to obtain a narrow antenna azimuth beam (0.25 degree), which corresponds to 10 ft at a range of 2,300 ft. The 14,400-pps pulse-repetition frequency was chosen to produce ten pulses per antenna azimuth beamwidth. The narrow pulse (0.02 μ sec) corresponds to 10 ft of range.

A special high-definition 16-in. crt (1,000 lines/dia) is used for the PPI display. Resolution of the



THE FRONT COVER. Rough airport surfaces and aircraft reflect radar energy in Airborne Instrument Lab system, so that planes are seen against dark background of runways

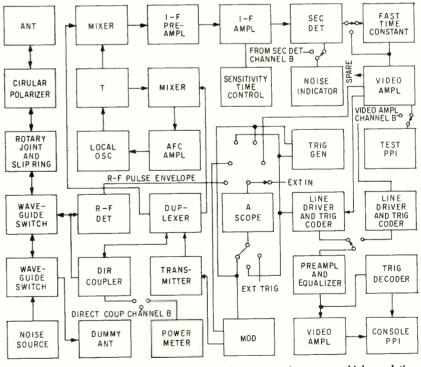


FIG. 1—Primary design goal of airport surface detection equipment was high resolution

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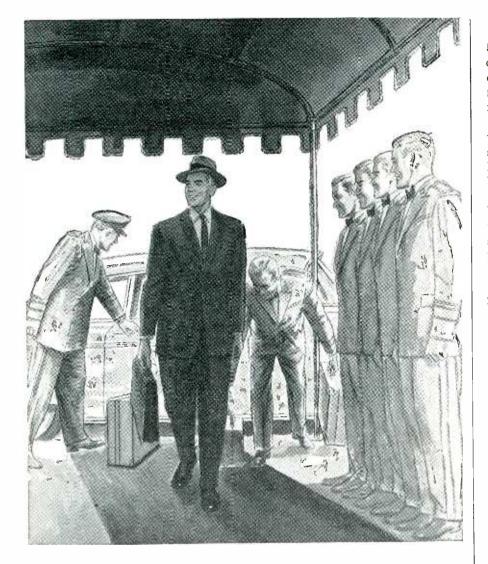
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50 kw, and antenna polarization can be either linear or circular. Circular polarization, which is normally used, practically eliminates radar return from rain.

The antenna reflector is 12 ft wide and 4 ft high, and reflector surface tolerance is $\pm \frac{1}{3^{2}}$ in. The horizontal cross section is parabolic; the vertical cross section is shaped to fan out the elevation beam. The vertical radiation pattern has a modified cosecantsquared distribution extending to 25 degrees below the horizontal for close-in coverage of the ground. For example, minimum range is 200 ft when the antenna is mounted at a height of 100 ft.

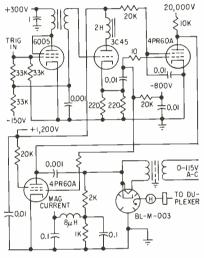


FIG. 2—Modulator supplies 0.02 μsec pulses at a prf of 14,400 pps

With the 60-rpm scan rate used, the antenna must be protected from wind forces with a radome. An inflatable three-quarter sphere 17 ft in dia is used. The radome also eliminates tower vibration caused by wind buffeting and considerably reduces power required of the antenna azimuth drive motor.

Modulator

The 180-kw modulating pulse has a duration of 0.02 μ sec at a prf of 14,400 pps. Because a hydrogen thyratron of adequate power-handling capability would not deionize rapidly enough to operate at this prf, the hard-tube modulator shown in Fig. 2 is used.

The modulator pulse is so narrow that the magnetron is on for only 480 cps. The radar output con-

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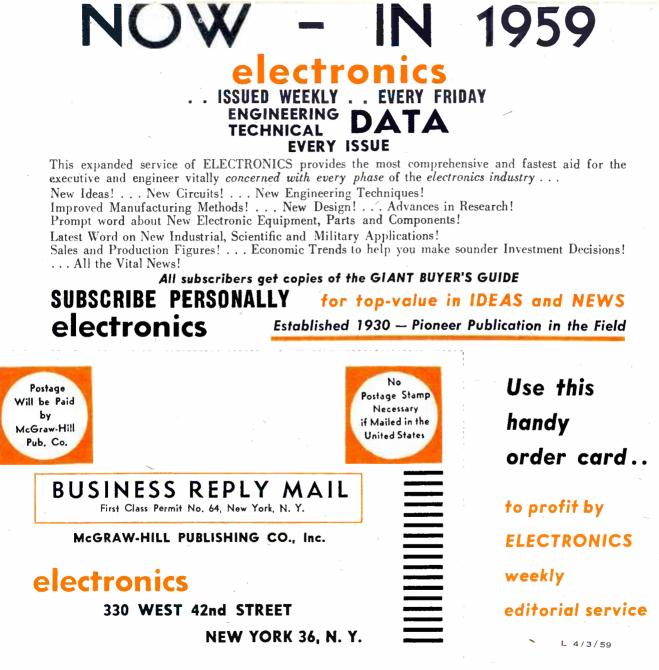
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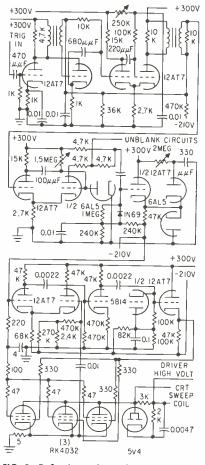


FIG. 3—Deflection yoke and sweep circuits for crt must operate at sweep lengths varying by a factor of 8 to 1

The deflection yoke and sweep circuits for the crt must operate with sweep lengths varying by a factor of 8 to 1. For example, the sweep amplifier power supply for the $\frac{1}{2}$ -mile range must supply 1,100 volts at 160 ma, but at the 4-mile range, it must furnish 400 volts at 270 ma. The sweep and deflection circuits are shown in Fig. 3.

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COMPONENTS AND MATERIALS

New Tube Adopts Cantilever Design

CONSTRUCTION of the Nuvistor— RCA's new, rugged miniature tube —is basically different from other tube construction. It results in reduced size and power drain but increased performance and reliability.

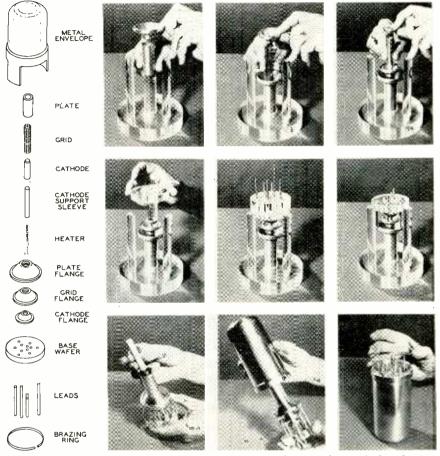
Construction

In construction of the tube, a ceramic base-wafer serves as a platform on which the array of tube electrode assemblies is erected. By supporting the electrodes from only one end in a cantilever technique, the need for mica support disks or spacers is eliminated. Each electrode assembly is held in place rigidly by a tripod-like structure. All the electrodes are small, lightweight cylinders able to withstand a high degree of shock and vibration because of their shape and low mass.

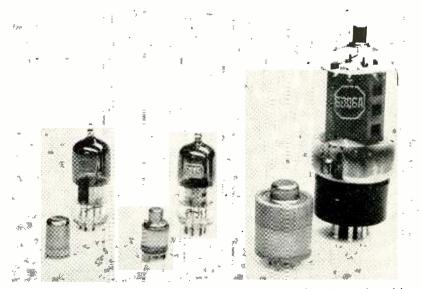
Tubes are made of ceramic materials and metals such as steel, molybdenum and tungsten. All joints are processed at about 2,000 F in a brazing furnace and then in a vacuum-exhaust furnace. Parts are thereby joined in their original strain-free positions. The technique tends to reduce greatly the possibility of short-circuits developing in the tube during operation. High-temperature processing eliminates many of the impurities and gases that are difficult to remove during manufacture of conventional tubes. These tubes cannot withstand the high processing temperatures because of the glass and mica used in their design.

Tube Types

Included in the Nuvistor developmental program are a small-signal triode, a small-signal tetrode and a beam power tube. The smallsignal triode, has a 6.3-v filament. Some of its characteristics as a Class A₁ amplifier are: plate voltage, 75v; amplification factor, 32; transconductance, 10,500 μ mhos and plate current, 9 ma. Maximum ratings are: plate voltage, 100 v; grid voltage, -50 v; peak positive grid



Display model shows assembly technique (top-to-bottom): loading plate and plate flange on jig; loading heater and base wafer; assembling coated cathode cup over cathode sleeve after mount brazing; loading grid and grid flange; lead-loading jig ready to drop leads into position in base wafer; assembling tube envelope and mount; loading cathode sleeve and cathode flange; assembled mount ready for brazing furnace and assembling brazing ring prior to exhaust and final seal. At left, exploded view of triode.



Developmental samples, left-to-right, of small-signal triode, small-signal tetrode and beam power tube compared with conventional counterparts



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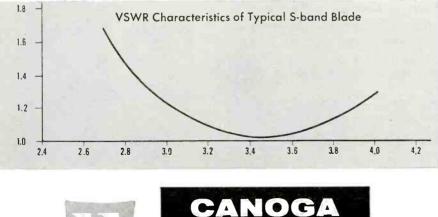
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Preliminary measurements made on the triode show that with a transconductance of 10,000 μ mhos, input conductance is 200 μ mhos at 100 mc and 2500 μ mhos at 250 mc. These figures are comparable to those of a conventional 6BN4.

The new tube construction is readily adaptable to the microminiaturization module program.

Solid-State Thyratron Made Available

EVIDENCE of the fast-moving pace of the electronics field is another entry in the field of solid-state thyratrons. A tabulation of these devices published recently (p 50, March 6, 1959) included all units available commercially at that time. Within a month, another unit has appeared on the market.

The new component is a silicon PNPN triode device manufactured by Solid State Products, Inc. of Salem, Mass. It features high-gain switching in the current range from 10 to 1,000 ma. Other characteristics are: voltage ratings to 200 v, peak current ratings to one ampere, turn-on time of about 0.2 μ sec and typical current gains of 500 and

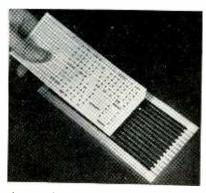
Largest Klystron



Varian Associates' VA-842 klystron is said to be the world's largest. It's 12-ft high; weighs 900 lb

power gains of 250,000 at output peak current levels up to 1000 ma.

Photorectifier Array in Production



Photorectifier array ready to receive light mask behaves like complex diode array

AT THE 1958 Electron Devices Meeting in Washington, F. L. McNamara and R. R. Billups of Lincoln Laboratory, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, described development of a photorectifier array. This was reported on in ELEC-TRONICS (January 30, 1959, p 46).

Rex Corp. of West Acton, Mass., has announced the commercial availability of the Rex-Array photorectifier plate based on these same principles. The firm is presently manufacturing arrays with packing densities of 100 photorectifiers per sq in. but higher densities are possible. The units show considerable promise in many application areas as described in the reference article.

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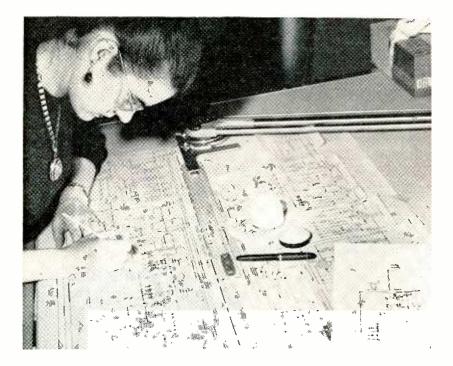
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Original drawing, altered by pasting in new sections and adding connecting lines, is used to produce film line negative

Pasteups Speed Circuit Drafting

By E. A. OBERG, Kaar Engineering Corp., Palo Alto, Calif.

TIME IS SAVED in the preparation of schematic diagrams with techniques similar to those used in preparing pasteups for offset printing. These techniques may be applied when the circuit of a new device is similar to that for which a finished schematic is already available.

A black line print of the existing circuit is surveyed to determine changes required. Extra prints are handy for marking. Sections to be retained are clipped out and pasted in the correct positions on drafting paper, starting from a given position such as the left side of the drawing.

Locations of new symbols are lightly sketched in pencil. These



Newly drawn sections replace parts of original which require drastic changes



Unwanted lines are eliminated with white ink

may be drawn or pasted in, using symbols from other prints, as the work progresses. New connecting lines are added. Errors can be avoided by eliminating unwanted black lines in the diagram with white paint as the work progresses.

Time can also be saved by using clips from other prints to modify components. For example, if a filament type rectifier tube is to be replaced by one with a cathode, the lower half of the symbol of a cathode type tube is pasted into position over the filament.

Values of components can be

similarly changed. Component reference numbers and values can be clipped from prints and pasted over existing numbers or alongside new components added to the drawings. Rubber cement is used for affixing the clips if alignment is made while the cement is wet. Another adhesive, Ree-Stik, is available in most art goods stores. This is a white latex and is pressure sensitive, permitting pasted clips to be lifted and realigned many times.

Film Prepared

The completed pasteup is sent to a lithographer or photocopy shop with instructions to produce a film line negative. The negative can be touched up by the printer. However, at Kaar the negative opaquing operation is performed on a light table in the drafting department.

The negative is carefully checked to ensure that all lines will print as intended and that no smudges or unwanted lines are on the negative. Red opaque material is used to cover pin holes or other sources of unwanted light. Partially blocked out lines are opened with a

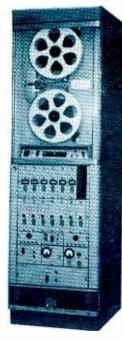
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By providing a means of locally adjusting signal and bias levels, the meters are invaluable when setting up the 5-752 prior to a test run. On Analog record amplifiers, the units can be used to monitor bias signal level by means of a front panel selector switch.

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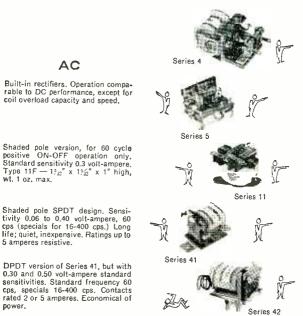
We wish we could afford a newer automobile with an emblazoned banner for each of these gentlemen*, to tell the whole relay-using world of their accomplishments. For these are the souls who design that seldom-heralded product - the plebeian Sigma relay. Unlike more renowned Sigma engineers, they can never go home at night and say "Today I built a relay that will make history"; instead, their efforts will only keep someone's juke box, remote-controlled toy, electric blanket or burglar alarm working.

Here are five of their achievements that are about as experienced as relays can be; the "4", "5" and "41" have proved themselves since early WWII days, the others almost as long. Being old standbys also means they're for sale and deliverable in quantity.

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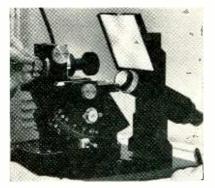
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Use Optics to Orient Semiconductor Crystal



Pattern of light reflected from etch pits indicates crystal orientation

OPTICAL INSTRUMENT for orienting silicon, germanium and other monocrystalline materials is announced by Sylvania Electric Products, Inc., New York, N. Y.

A converging beam of light is projected upon microscopic etch pits in the crystal's surface. The beam is reflected from the facets of the etch pits and split into component rays equal in number to the planes in a single pit. The planes act as mirrors, reflecting the rays onto a screen. The light pattern is interpreted by the operator as to orientation.

According to the firm's Chemical and Metallurgical Division, the method reduces investment in equipment and operator training. Crystals can be prepared and evaluated in a fully lighted room in as little as 15 minutes.

Soldering Irons Center Shafts in Plastic Case

PAIR of 100-watt soldering irons are used to center and fix in place the lever shafts of precision snapacting switches made by Unimax Switch Division, W. L. Maxson

power.

Corp., Wallingford, Conn.

The hot irons seal the shafts in place by softening the plastic case material around the ends of the shaft and forming a bead under pressure (Fig. 1). The irons are applied to both shafts simultaneously, with matched pressure, so that the shafts are centered.

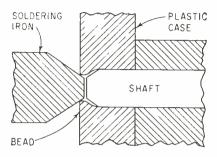
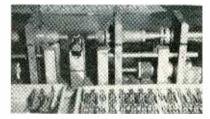


FIG. 1—Iron's heat forms plastic bead around shaped shaft end



Operator places switch on mount between irons



Side view. Air cylinders are mounted on table

The bodies of the irons are held in carriages free to move back and forth in each side of the fixture. The carriages slide on round steel bars rigid in the fixture. The carriages are fixed to the plungers of small air cylinders so that cycling the cylinders brings the irons into contact with the switch case and retracts the irons after the bead is formed.

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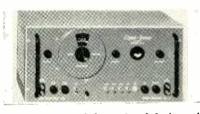
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electrical and environmental characteristics of the model H-0505-T, resistance values up to 100 K, and can operate at 150 deg at rated load. It is only $\frac{5}{2}$ in. in diameter with body length of $\frac{1}{2}$ in. The only extension is the 0.020 in. shaft extension, as the external bushing has been eliminated to conserve



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CAMBRIDGE THERMIONIC CORP., 445 Concord Ave., Cambridge 38, Marss., announces a broad line of miniature jacks and plugs. Units are ideal for quick, space-saving patchwork on computer panel boards, and provide permanent gripping power and perfect electrical connection in many different applications. Jacks have inside diameters ranging in size from 0.046 in. to 0.170 in. Plug pin diameters range from 0.045 in. to 0.200 in. Circle 203 on Reader Service Card.

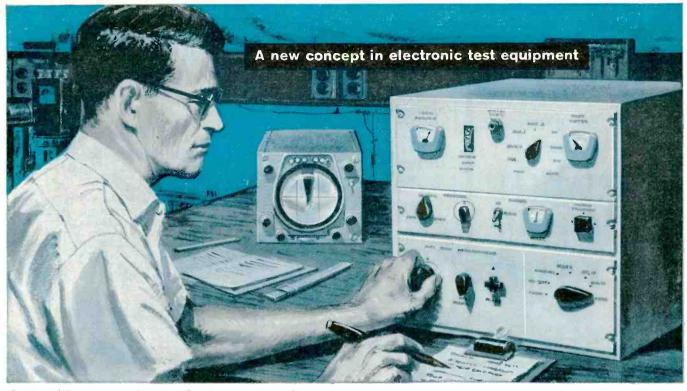
Meter Relay nonindicating

ASSEMBLY PRODUCTS, INC., Chesterland, Ohio. Adjustable contacts, permitting easy changing of either control points or calibration, are now standard on the model 137 VHS (very high sensitivity) non-

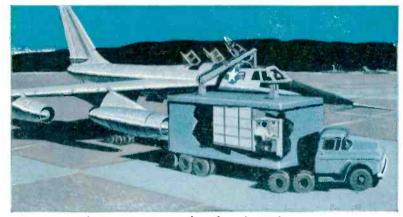


indicating meter relay. Model 137 now offers all the advantages of a standard locking coil meter relay except dial indication—and is more resistant to shock and vibration. Total length including the 9-pin plug-in base is $2\frac{1}{2}$ in. Circle 204 on Reader Service Card. (Continued on p 80)

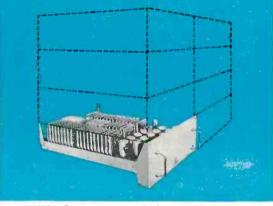
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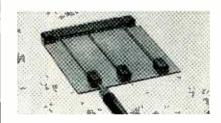
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Connectors p-c test point type

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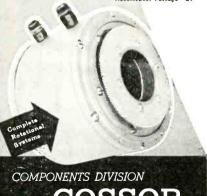
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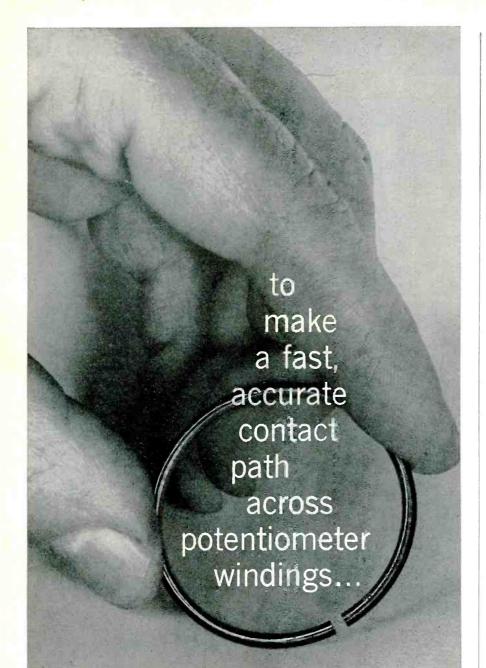


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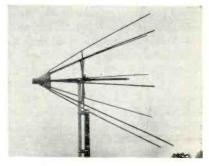
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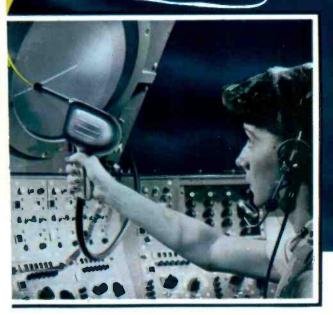
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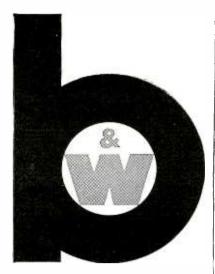
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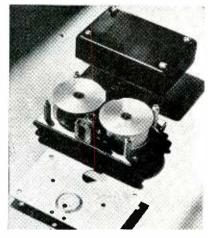
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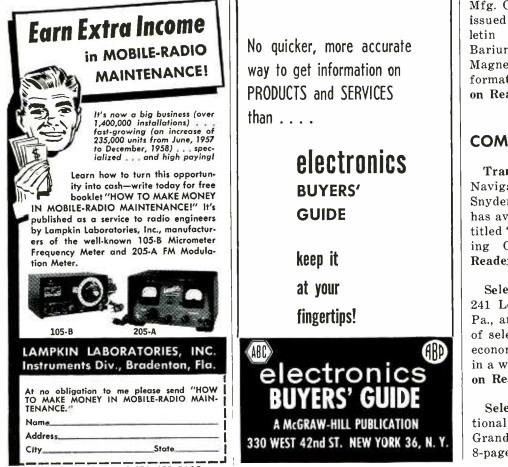
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Die Cuts. M&C Products Co., 4917 Cottman Ave., Philadelphia 35, Pa., has available a brochure on a new type of pressure sensitive tape die cuts, used on printed panel circuit work. Circle 251 on Reader Service Card.

Glass-To-Metal Seals. The Carborundum Co., P. O. Box 311, Latrobe, Pa. A 16 page booklet covers a wide line of glass-tometal seals. It also discusses the engineering help available on hermetic-seal problems. Circle 252 on Reader Service Card.

Ceramic Magnets. D. M. Steward Mfg. Co., Chattanooga, Tenn., has issued a four-page, two-color bulletin (No. 1-59), describing its Barium Ferrite material F-300. Magnetic data, curves, design information are given. Circle 253 on Reader Service Card.

COMPONENTS

Transistor Switching Circuitry. Navigation Computer Corp., 1621 Snyder Ave., Philadelphia 45, Pa., has available a 16-page booklet entitled "Notes on Transistor Switching Circuitry". Circle 254 on Reader Service Card.

Selenium Rectifiers. Syntron Co., 241 Lexington Ave., Homer City, Pa., announces a ten-page catalog of selenium rectifiers for efficient, economical a-c to d-c rectification in a wide range of sizes. Circle 255 on Reader Service Card.

Selenium Photocells. International Rectifier Corp., 1521 E. Grand Ave., El Segundo, Calif. An 8-page catalog entitled "Selenium

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Photovoltaic Cells" describes a complete line of self-generating photocells. For a free copy, request bulletin PC-649A on company letterhead.

EQUIPMENT

VFO. Technitrol Engineering Co., 1952 E. Allegheny Ave., Philadelphia 34, Pa. Model 1011 variable frequency oscillator with a frequency range from 100 cps to 5 mc is described in a new technical bulletin. Circle 256 on Reader Service Card.

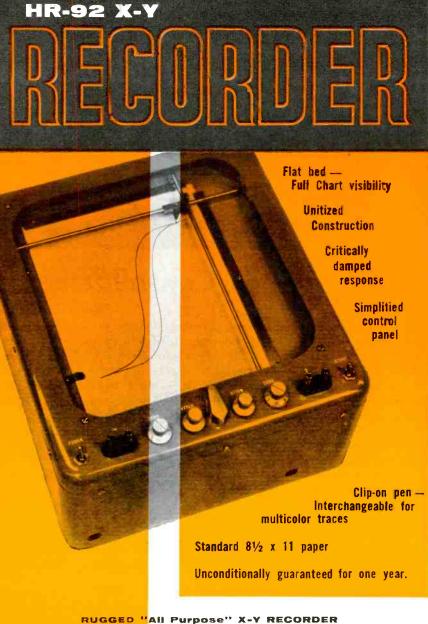
Power Supplies. Kepco Laboratories, Inc., 131-38 Sanford Ave., Flushing 55, N. Y. Catalog No. B591 describes a complete line of voltage and current regulated power supplies including transistorized, magnetic and vacuum tube types. Circle 257 on Reader Service Card.

CCTV Transmitter. Television Utilities Corp., Colonial Ave., Corona 68, N. Y. A 4-page brochure describes the Scan-A-Graph - a closed circuit tv transmitting instrument operated without a camera, special lighting or trained personnel. Circle 258 on Reader Service Card.

Instrumentation. Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Co., Wayne and Windrim Avenues, Philadelphia 44, Pa., has available an index of instrumentation literature of three general types: product, technological and application. Ask for bulletin G2-1a.

FACILITIES

Temperature Measurement. Cardinal Instrumentation, 4201 Redwood Ave., Los Angeles 66, Calif. Data sheet UTB 101 describes the Uni-Temp B temperature measurement system and components. Brochure discusses the company's consultation service for complete custom engineering and quotations. Circle 259 on Reader Service Card.



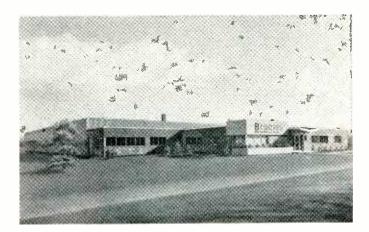
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The new building has been designed to the company's specific needs, and comprises 30,000 sq ft on one level, ample for the company's present 160 production personnel. Tooled with modern equipment for developing, testing and producing electronic components in the semiconductor field, the new facility also emphasizes efficiency in receiving and shipping. The 2½-acre corner site allows for considerable future growth.

Known as Bradley Laboratories until it adopted the more descriptive name last year, the company has for 17 years been supplying components to such firms as Sperry, Bendix, IBM, Raytheon, Burroughs Corp. and others.

According to its founder-president, Charles D. Bradley, the corporation now expects to expand from the components field into the production of electronic equipment. Plans are also afoot to develop a new transistor for the rapidly growing transistor market.

Another reason for the present expansion, says Bradley, is the pressure of current military projects which call for many of the company's existing designs for missilery applications of the future.



Cinch Appoints Pool President

ANNOUNCEMENT is made of the appointment of E. J. Pool as president of the Cinch Mfg. Co., Chicago, manufacturers of electronic components.

Pool joined the sales staff of Cinch some thirty years ago. For the past five years he has been vice president and general manager and prior to that vice president in charge of sales.

IRC Merges With Subsidiary

CIRCUIT INSTRUMENTS, INC., whollyowned subsidiary of International Resistance Co., was recently merged with IRC. Its name has been changed to International Resistance Co., Circuit Instruments Division.

The St. Petersburg, Florida, division manufactures miniature single and multiturn precision pots for use in guided missiles, vital automation and atomic installation electronic equipment, and other related devices.



Palmer Joins Epsco-West

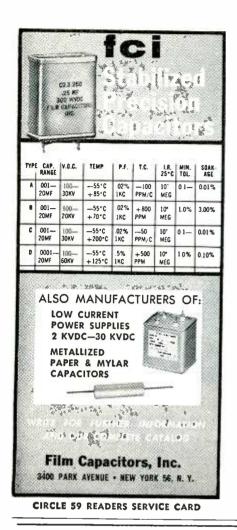
IN ANAHEIM, Calif., Epsco-West recently hired Charles Palmer as a senior applications engineer. In this capacity, he will be in charge of applications of Epsco standard products for industrial and military use in the western United States.

Palmer was formerly a staff engineer with BJ Electronics, Santa Ana, Calif., where he specialized in the problems of securing divital readout information from f-m or analog type transducers.

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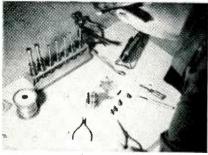


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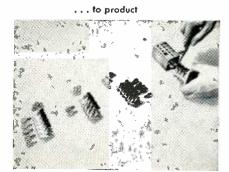
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At the West Orange Laboratory, scientists are engaged in physical, chemical and electronics R&D in such fields as missile guidance, digital data processing, high temperature processing, electrokinetics, radioactive waste disposal, reactor fuel reprocessing, special coatings processes and advanced instrumentation.



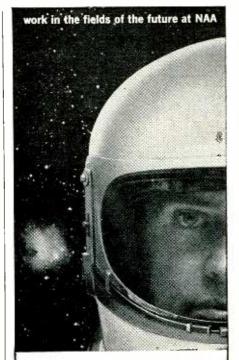
Essex Names V-P

JAMES A. MONTLLOR has been appointed vice president of Essex Electronics, Berkeley Heights, N. J., manufacturers of delay lines, coils, r-f chokes and pulse transformers. He has been with Essex since 1945 as chief engineer, and he will retain that title as vice president of the company.

He was previously employed by the Allen B. Cardwell Co., Western Electric Co., and Automatic Mfg. Corp.

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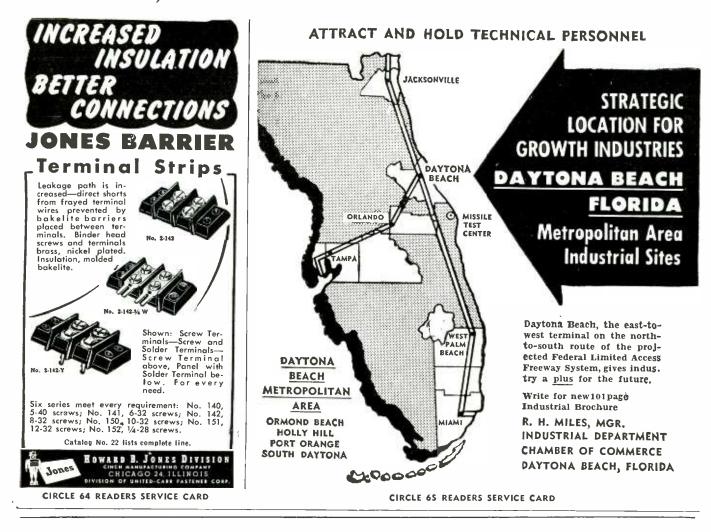
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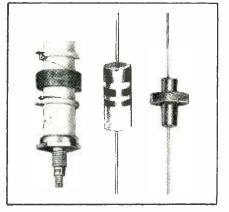
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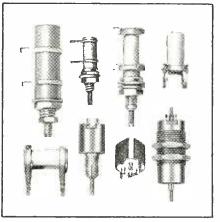


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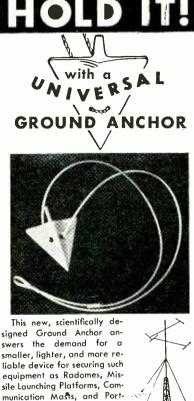
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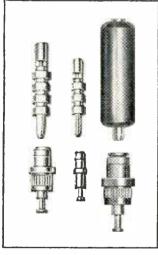
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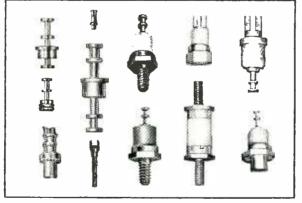


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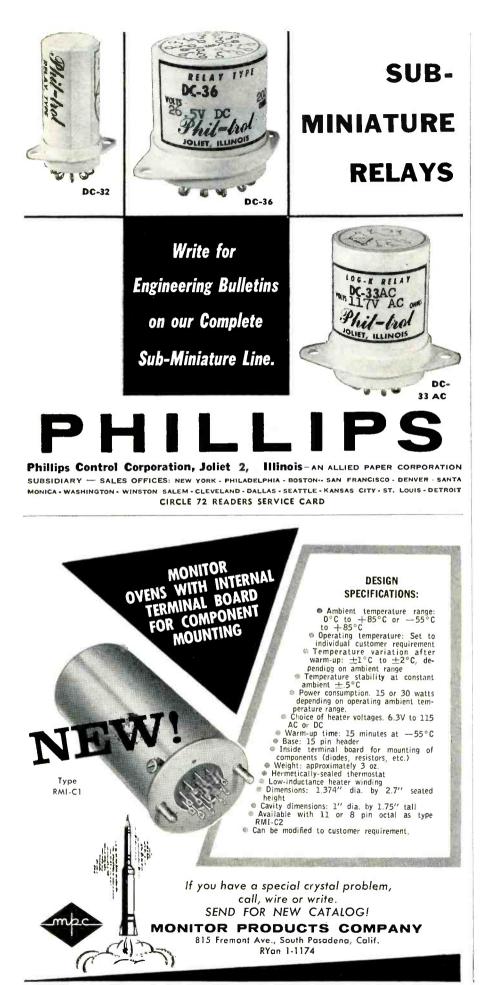
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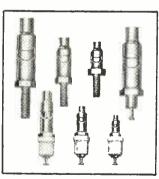
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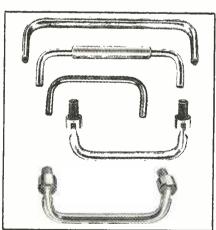
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gation"-in its own highly specific sense. Guidance for both the vehicles listed under it in the Nov. 28 tabulation was provided by Goodyear, although the Regulus II has since been cancelled. We knew, of course, that Atran was a Goodyear development.

Receiver Sensitivity

I read with interest the article on receiver sensitivity (p 52, Jan. 23). I am sure that the chart presented will prove a useful tool, although the authors are somewhat in error in neglecting the effect of antenna temperature on receiver sensitivity. It is true that with noise figures attainable in the past, the error in neglecting antenna temperature is insignificant. However, with the advent of very-low-noise receivers (i.e., masers and mavars), antenna temperatures can no longer be neglected.

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Author Madigan's nomograph on this subject, "Receiver Sensitivity Calculator", appears in this week's issue on p 62,

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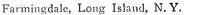
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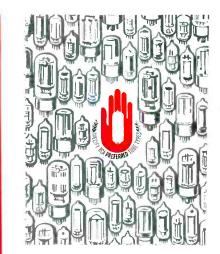
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