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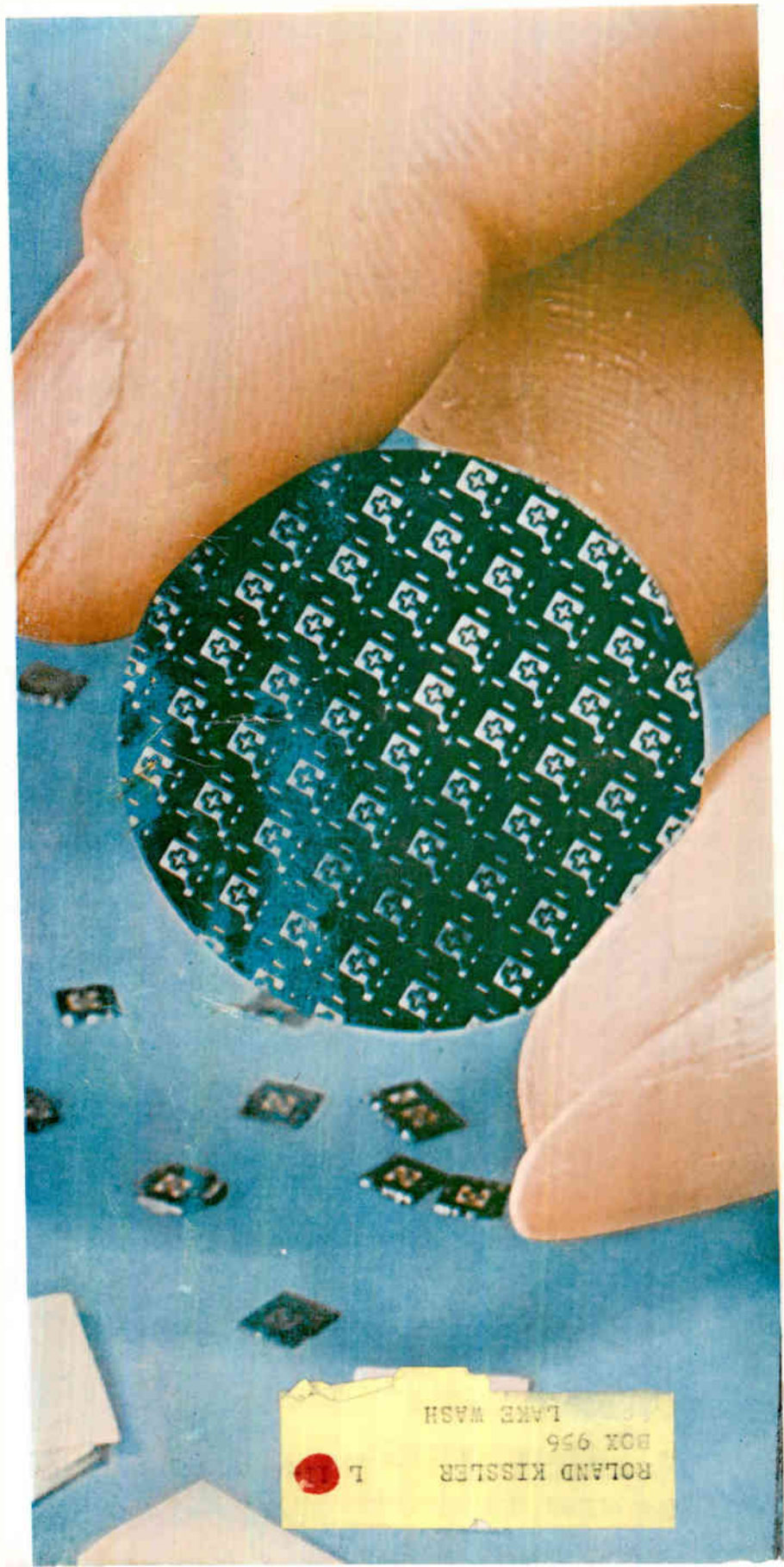
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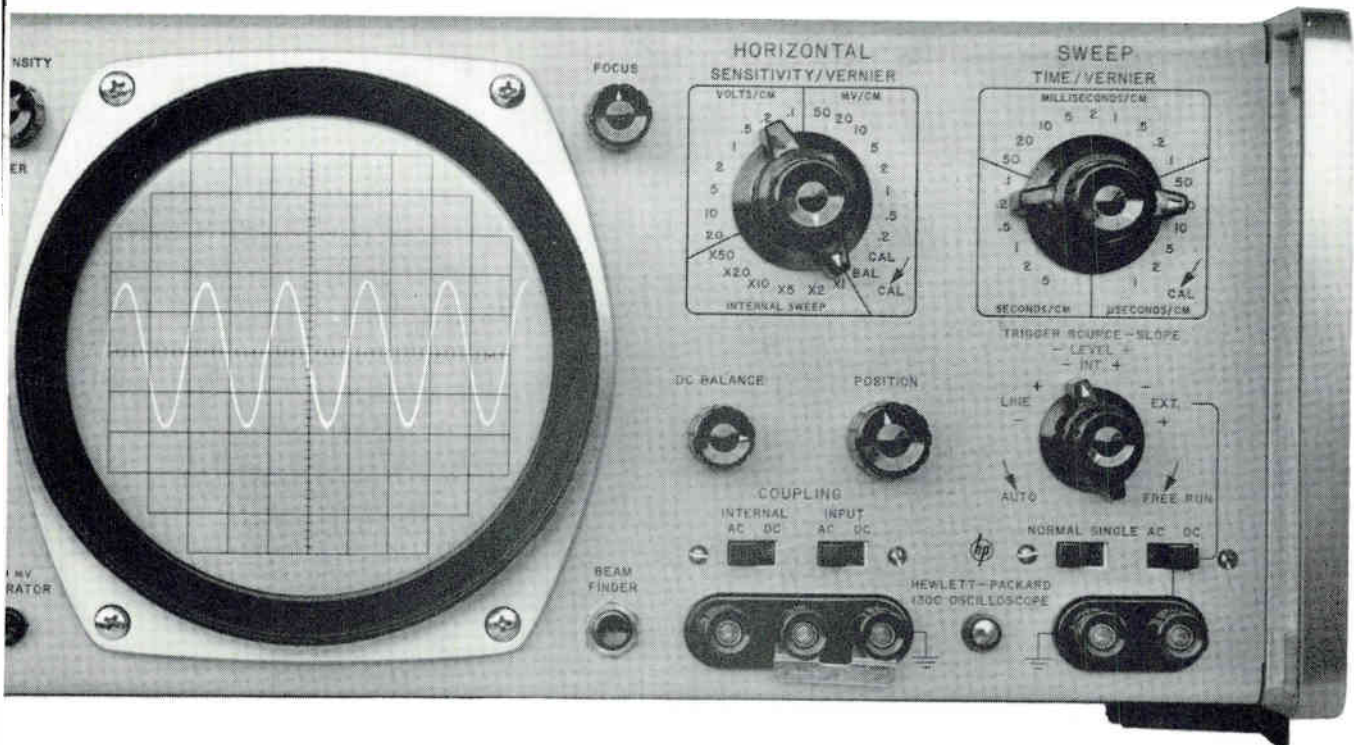
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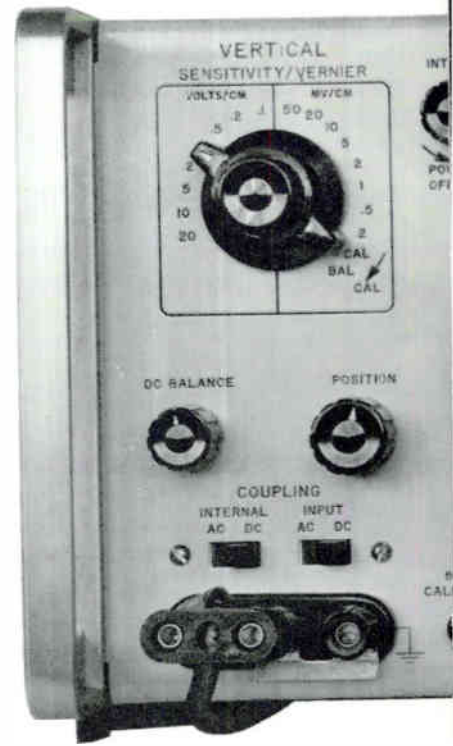
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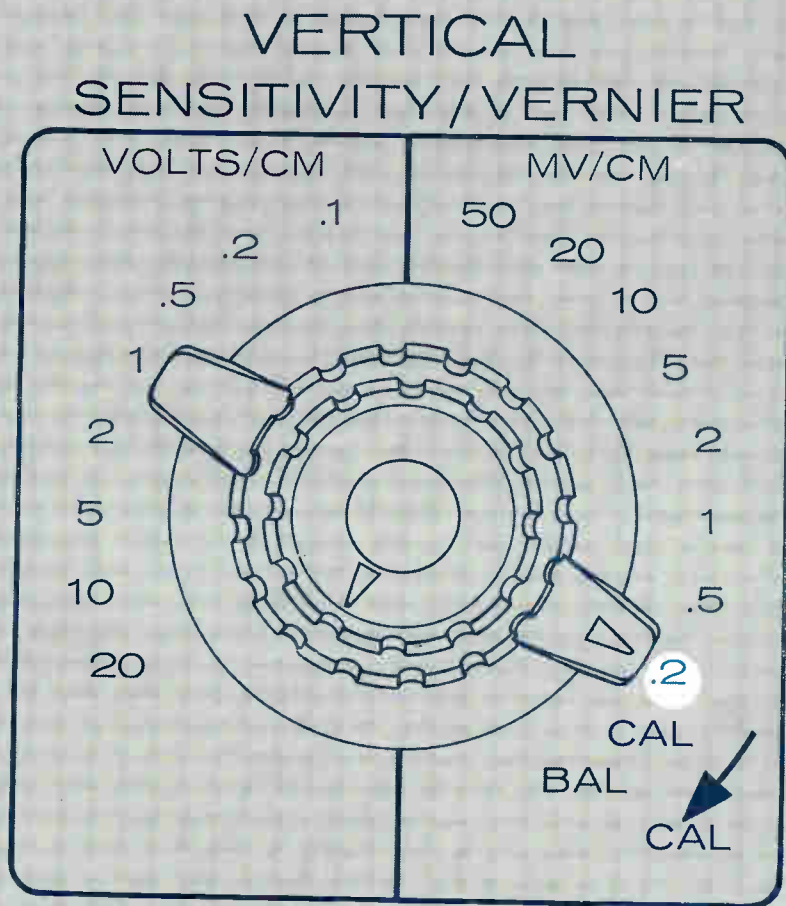
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# Technical Operations in the IEEE

A MAJOR PROBLEM facing the incoming officers and directors of the new IEEE will be how to merge the technical operations of the IRE and AIEE. There are, altogether, 122 separate technical bodies, many with overlapping responsibilities.

There are 29 professional groups in the IRE. Each one functions as a little institute in its own right. The PGs organize meetings and conferences and publish transactions.

There are 26 technical committees in the IRE. Members are appointed by the president of the institute and the executive committee. The committees range in size from less than a dozen members to nearly 300. The IRE-TCs are concerned almost exclusively with standards work.

There are 67 technical committees in the AIEE. The AIEE-TCs perform the functions of both IRE-PGs and IRE-TCs. They do not publish transactions, although a few groups prepare translations of Russian technical literature. The AIEE-TCs are organized into six technical divisions covering communications, general applications, industrial applications, instruments, power and science.

If the combined IEEE is to be of maximum value to its membership the activities of all these technical bodies must be arranged to minimize duplication of effort and yet permit

each group to draw effectively upon the experience of like-minded groups.

This is a monumental task. Even if we exclude from consideration the IRE Standards Committee (*Crosstalk*, *ELECTRONICS*, p 3, July 27, 1962) and eight AIEE-TCs whose functions are largely administrative, we still have 113 groups.

The first step should probably be to organize the various bodies into technical divisions along the lines of the present AIEE. The executive committees of the various technical divisions could then in due time realign the existing IRE-PGs and AIEE-TCs in accord with these divisions.

They might also take over sponsorship of some IRE-TCs.

There are probably as many ways to set up the new organization as there are members of the IEEE. One arrangement that seems logical would have eight technical divisions: Basic Sciences, Communications Systems, Components and Materials, Computers and Automatic Control, Industrial Applications, Instrumentation, Management and Professional Activities, and Power Generation and Transmission.

The following list shows how existing IRE-PGs, IRE-TCs and AIEE-TCs might fit into such a setup.

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Microwave Theory & Techniques (IRE-PG)  
Nuclear Science (IRE-PG)  
Nuclear Techniques (IRE-TC)  
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## COMMENT

### Police Frequency

This is in reference to the article, Loudspeaker Rating System Proposed, in the issue of July 6 (p 30), which said in part:

"The number of symbols indicates performance number. For example, five gold stars would indicate an excellent speaker with one watt of acoustical power capacity and a frequency range of 20 to 20,000 cops."

When I was a small boy, I thought that our old spindly-legged Emerson had miniature people inside the cabinet who spoke or played music through the 8-inch electrodynamic loudspeaker. It bothered me very much as a child, because I could never see them.

I would like to meet the engineer who can cram 20,000 cops into any speaker. This would really be Big Brother watching. We would have one consolation, however: since there are only five gold stars, only five would be on duty at one time.

If there is a unit or term "cops" used in relation to loudspeakers, I will join hands with Mr. Oswald and Mr. Winter [*Comment* letters on abbreviations, p 4, July 6] and ask for definition of terms as well as abbreviations.

STUART G. MOORE  
Los Angeles, California

While a cop may be described as "a unit of force in the cgs (cop-gangster-syndicate) system," its appearance here is a slip of the typewriter.

### Admiration

For some time now I have been meaning to write and express admiration of your editorial coverage. Your recent Wescon special issue (August 10) has prompted me to do this.

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HAROLD TAUB  
Manson Laboratories, Inc.  
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### Trigger Switching

Thank you very much for publishing our paper. We have found that, due to unavoidable delay, our corrected proofs were not in time. We would most appreciate it therefore if you would make the following corrections in our article, *Non-cutoff Circuits Improve Trigger Switching* (p 36, July 27):

(1) The sentence on line 6, first column, page 37, should read "... they will conduct current from  $I_2$  only. When the input signal  $v_i$  exceeds a threshold,  $S_1$  is on,  $S_2$  is off, or when input signal  $v_i$  exceeds another threshold level in the opposite direction,  $S_1$  is off,  $S_2$  is on."

(2) The subtitle on the 8th line from the bottom of the first column, page 37, should read SCHMITT TRIGGER.

(3) The abbreviation  $V_{c_{1u}}$  occurring 3 times in the second column, page 37, and twice in the first column, page 39, should read  $V_{c_{1u}}$ .

(4)  $R_1$  in the equation in the first column, page 39, should be  $R_2$ .

(5) The expression for  $R_2$  in the second column, page 39, should be

$$R_2 < \frac{E_c - E_{b1}}{E_{b1} [1/R_1 + (I_{c2\ on} - I_{c2\ off})/E_{b2}]}$$

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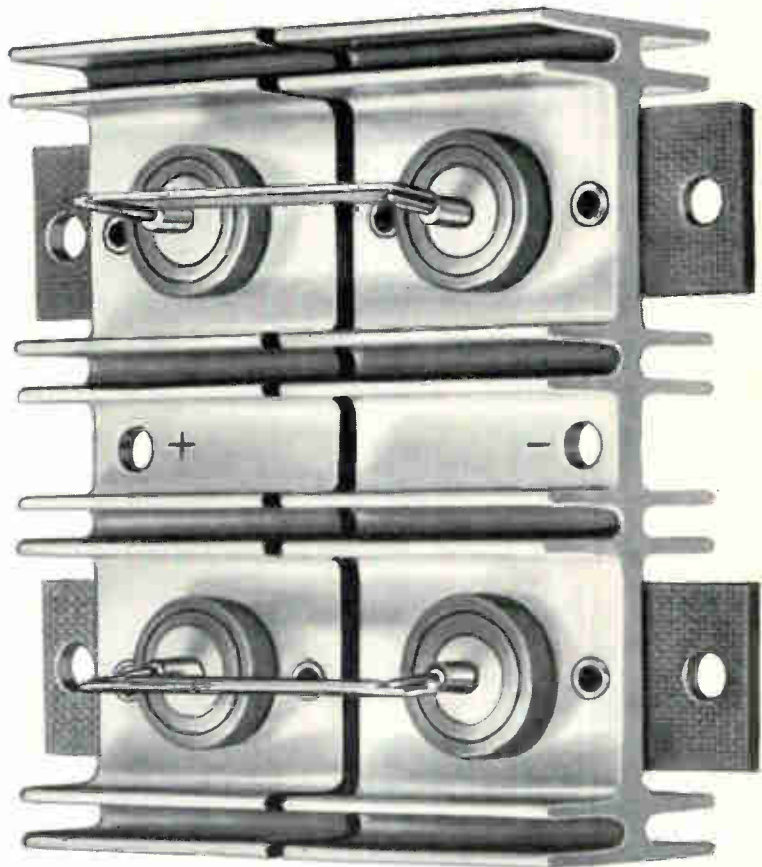
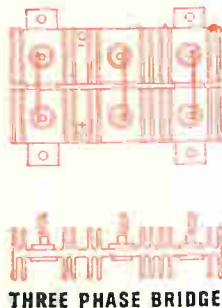
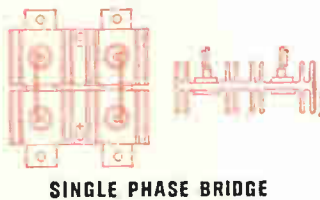
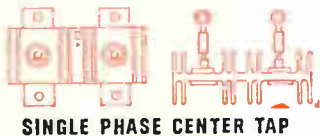
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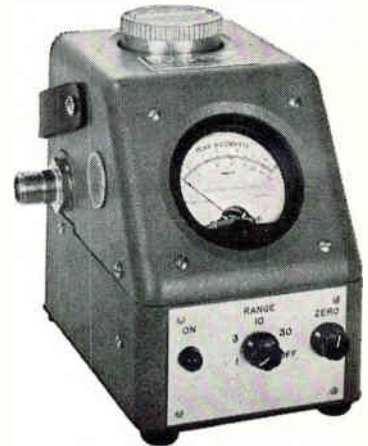
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# ELECTRONICS NEWSLETTER

## Satellite Will Probe Radiation Belt

GODDARD SPACE Flight Center is quickly readying a scientific satellite to investigate the artificial radiation belt created by the high-altitude nuclear explosion July 9. The satellite will be essentially a version of Explorer XII, which explored the Van Allen belt.

A NASA spokesman said that no decision has been made whether to use conventional solar cells or special types now under investigation (see p 28). However, the protective quartz glass covering will be increased from 3 mils to 60 mils to provide greater radiation protection. Solar cell contractor is Spectro Laboratory division of Textron Electronics.

Redundant instrumentation is expected to guarantee a 60-day life for the electron flux experiments. Equipment is to be provided by Goddard, Bell Telephone Laboratories and the Universities of New Hampshire and California. Project cost is estimated at \$9 million.

## Orbital Scatter Facility To Go on Air Next June

BOSTON—Project Haystack, the high-power communications antenna facility designed for the Air Force by MIT Lincoln Laboratory, is expected to be ready for tests and calibration by next March and to go on the air in June. First assignment of the X-band system is to exploit the full potential of orbital scatter communications in Project West Ford, the use of an orbiting belt of tuned dipoles as a reflecting medium.

The 120-foot precision antenna has been undergoing in-plant erection since May at the Columbus, Ohio, facilities of North American Aviation and is being vibration tested. It will be disassembled and erected under a 150-foot rigid radome atop Haystack Hill, at Tyngsboro, Mass.

Nearly two years of engineering preceded fabrication. Designers used digital computer analysis to determine the behavior of large, redundant mechanical structures, a technique expected to have wide use in civil engineering.

ture experiments would be made, including microwave forward scatter. The project is sponsored by the Office of Naval Research.

## FCC Hopes to Nudge A-M Stations into F-M

NEW YORK—The reasoning behind FCC's proposed revision of broadcast rules for f-m stations was discussed last week at the EIA meeting by H. L. Kassens, chief of FCC's Aural Existing Facilities Branch.

One of the results expected by the commission is the encouragement of marginal a-m stations to convert to f-m. The frequency assignment plan would assure them of service areas protected against interference, he said.

Kassens said the commission intends to limit station power in the most populous areas of the country, setting up three station classes: Class A, with a maximum power of 3 Kw and range of protection of 15 miles; Class B, 50 Kw and 40 miles, and Class C, 100 Kw and 65 miles. The revisions would provide frequencies needed for f-m expansion, he said.

## Permanent Magnet Rings Make Frictionless Bearing

WORKING MODEL of a magnetostatic bearing—one in which the rotating shaft floats in a magnetic field al-

## Balloon-Borne Cylinder Extends Broadcast Range

MINNEAPOLIS—General Mills researchers this month successfully relayed a video signal between a LaCrosse, Wis., television station and an Air Force base at Wadena, Minn., 260 miles away, in experiments aimed at improving long-range communications between two points.

They employed a passive relay called a "scatterloon"—a laminated aluminum and polyethylene cylinder 23 feet in diameter and 315 feet long. It was suspended vertically from a 15,400-cubic-foot balloon sent to an altitude of 14,000 feet over New Brighton, just northeast of Minneapolis.

In the 40-minute test, WKBT-TV (LaCrosse channel 18) radiated a 251-Kw effective signal to the relay. The relay reflected it to an S-band receiver atop a 100-foot base tower at Wadena. Herbert Raabe, of General Mills, indicated that fu-

## Infrared Tests Light Up Florida Beaches

CAPE CANAVERAL—There was something of a fuss, to put it mildly, the other night when two of Cape Canaveral's 800,000-candle-power searchlights focused directly on the beach at Cocoa Beach, Fla., 10 miles from the cape. Beaches up to 15 or 20 miles away will get the same treatment.

Despite opinions of beach strollers to the contrary, the spotlights serve a useful purpose—improving accuracy of missile tracking infrared data. Spotlight tests are part of an infrared atmospheric transmission program University of Michigan is doing for the Air Force under technical direction of Pan-American World Airways' Guided Missile Range division.

Atmospheric transmission conditions vary. By using the spotlights and a receiving van at Cocoa Beach, engineers can get accurate atmospheric calibrations in about three minutes, before each missile launch. An improvement in data accuracy of 15 or 20 percent is expected



most without friction—has been built at Armour Research Foundation. ARF says that while it is still in the lab stage of development, it may prove more practical than other nonsolid bearings (see p 72, Sept. 30, 1960), since it requires no external power source nor controls.

Two concentric, ring-shaped, lightweight ceramic magnets (In-dox V) are placed so they repel each other, enabling the shaft attached to the inner ring to float. The rings are kept in perpendicular alignment by having the shaft ends abut against endstones and fixing the outer ring in the assembly frame. In space applications, ARF says, operation in vacuum would further reduce friction by eliminating air drag.

## Ship and Its Electronics System Planned Together

NAVY HAS AWARDED Hazeltine a \$2.7-million second phase contract under the Coordinated Ship Electronics Design program to study the merger of naval architecture and electronic systems engineering in the initial design of a guided missile escort ship. Hazeltine expects the coordinated approach to lead to optimum performance of shipboard electronic systems in relation to each other and to operating environments.

Hazeltine is responsible for systems integration and coordination of program activities and, with Sperry Rand will investigate electronic equipment and system problems. Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Co. is concerned with structural design and installation problems, DECO Electronics is surveying antenna engineering and installation, and Nortronics is designing central test and monitoring equipment.

## Nuclear-Powered Beacon Enroute to Ocean Floor

UNDERWATER sound generator, powered by nuclear energy, was on its way last week to a site 2,500 fathoms deep in the Atlantic some 700 miles east of Jacksonville, Fla.

The Navy expects that ships

using the underwater beacon will be able to use it as a fix for navigation. The beacon is to be used by oceanographic research vessels and is designed to operate without maintenance for two years.

Beacon components were supplied by the Navy's Underwater Sound Laboratory. Martin Marietta supplied the Snap-7E nuclear thermoelectric power system (p 7, April 27) and housing.

## Merchant Ship Autopilot Is Ready for Sea Trials

UNITED AIRCRAFT'S Norden division reports that the merchant ship course computer and steering system being developed for the Maritime Administration is ready for sea trials.

Designed mainly for open-sea navigation, the system computes the bearing between one point and another up to 1,000 miles away after target latitude and longitude is preset into the computer. The steering system, centering on autopilot electronics, receives the command heading and maintains the ship on its course.

Norden said that a new feature of the system is that in addition to dead reckoning, it also presents a constant estimate of position, time and distance to go. It can make corrections for hull and draft and gyro error, and computes set and drift. The size of the system is 18 by 10 by 15 inches.

## NASA Considers Two Stations in Australia

MELBOURNE—Two tentative sites for tracking stations have been selected by a five-man NASA team on a survey visit to Australia. The Ministry for Supply says NASA wants a major tracking station at Carnavon in Western Australia just south of the proposed U. S. naval radio station (p 7, May 25), and a small telemetry and command station near Darwin. The Carnavon station would serve manned space flight and satellite programs and the Darwin station would serve unmanned satellite programs, the ministry says.

## In Brief . . .

ITALY and the U. S. plan a cooperative attempt to launch a satellite from a towable platform on equatorial waters. NASA will supply the rockets, Italy the platform and other gear.

HOME THEATERS, a new company, plans to offer pay-tv in the southwest this year using International Telemeter's closed-circuit system.

TELSTAR II is tentatively scheduled for launch Oct. 10. Telstar I made a live color-tv transmission last Wednesday of a medical panel discussion picked up in England by a Marconi color camera.

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BURNDY CORP., Furukawa Electric and Sumitomo Electric have formed a joint venture, Burndy-Japan Ltd., to make connectors and related products in Japan.

BULGARIA declares it is establishing a state factory in Botevgrad that will have a production capacity of 7 million semiconductor diodes and transistors in 1964. The announcement indicated that France will supply technical equipment and training.

RECENT military contract awards include \$4.9 million to Bell Aero-systems, radio command for Army's SD-1 drone; \$4 million to LFE Electronics, AN/APN-105 and -131 doppler radar navigation sets and integration of radar altimeters into the 131.

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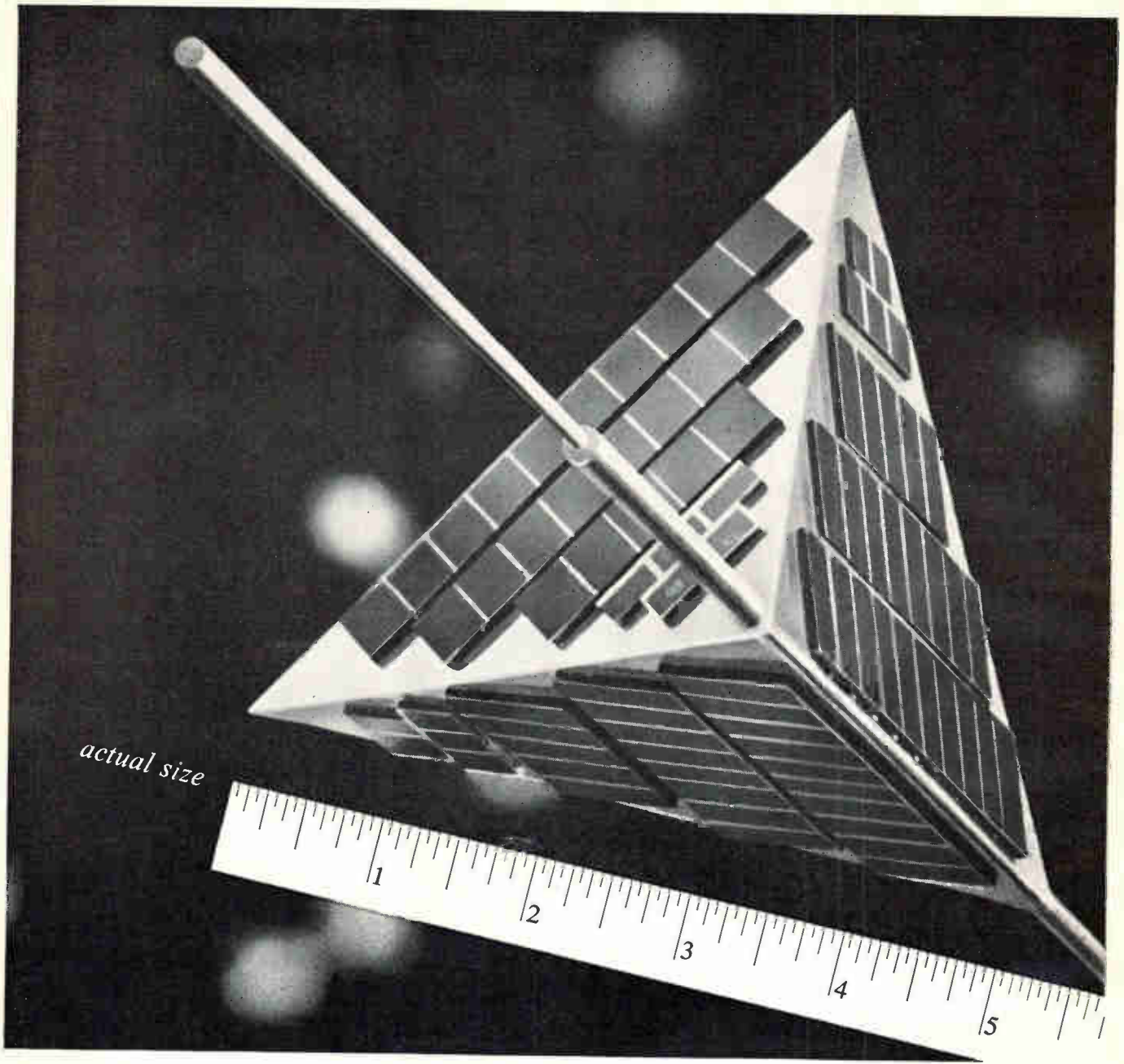
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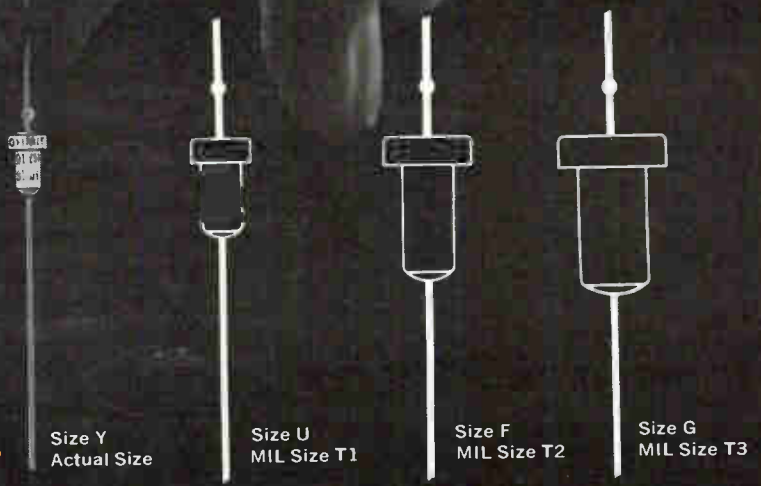
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# WASHINGTON OUTLOOK

## BUDGET BUREAU MAY TIGHTEN R&D CONTRACT COST REFUNDS

THE BUDGET BUREAU is readying a plan for uniform federal rules on cost allowances for cost-plus-fixed-fee research and development contracts. The plan's aim is reconciling differences between Department of Defense and NASA cost allowance policies and those of AEC.

Differences in present provisions for allowances on independent R&D, bidding costs and home office expenses reflect differing contracting circumstances among the agencies. The bulk of AEC contracts, for instance, are operating-type contracts with AEC supplying all plant and equipment. DOD and NASA have few contracts of that type, so there is a basis difference in cost allowance philosophy between AEC and DOD and NASA.

DOD and NASA believe the government should bear a "normal and reasonable share" of the costs of doing business. AEC reimburses contractors only for costs directly applying to AEC contract work. Defense industry representatives are concerned that the Budget Bureau will extend the more restrictive AEC philosophy to Pentagon and NASA cost-plus-fixed-fee contracts.

## SENATE'S TRADE BILL IS LIKE THE PRESIDENT'S

PRESIDENT KENNEDY is getting just about everything he wants in new trade legislation. The strong bill now near enactment will give him broad authority to negotiate tariff levels that he says will help keep U.S. products competitive in world markets. Political maneuvering by Senator Robert S. Kerr (D.-Okla.) saved the measure from last-ditch efforts by protectionists in the Senate Finance Committee. What came out for Senate consideration is a bill even closer to the President's original request than the measure passed by the House.

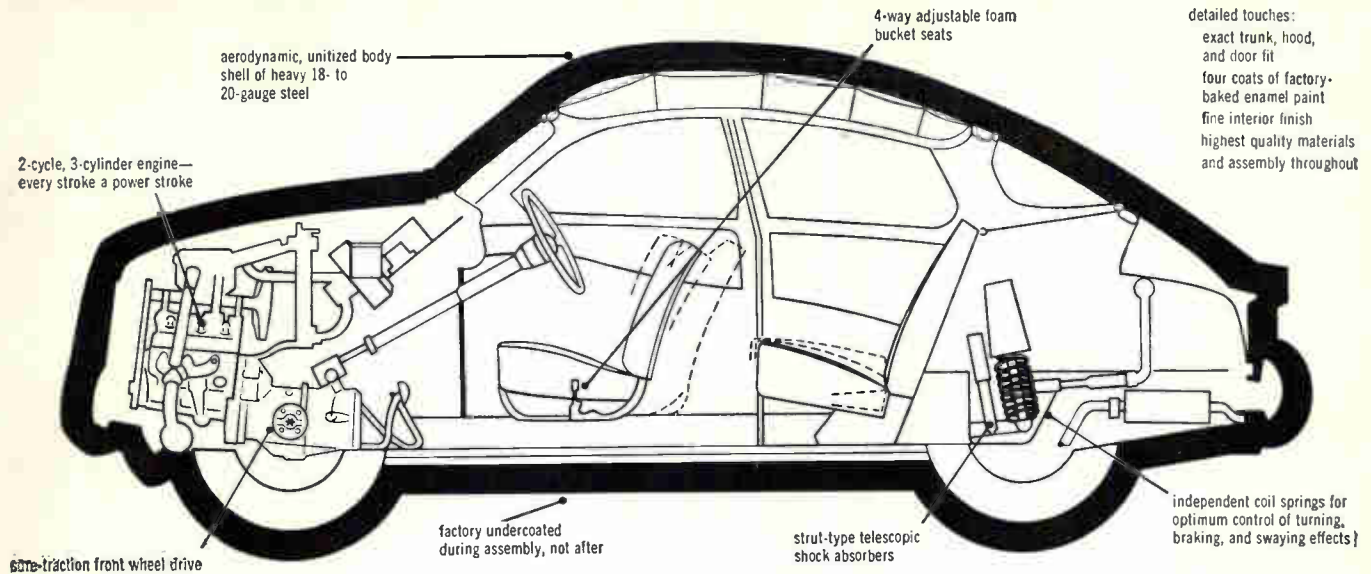
The bill gives the President authority to negotiate tariffs to zero on all items on which the U.S. and western Europe control 80 percent of world trade, to cut tariffs by 50 percent on all other items, and to increase tariffs in retaliation if a trade bloc places restrictions on U.S. goods. Domestic industries injured by excessive imports still may petition for tariff protection under a so-called escape clause, but injury now must be proved to an entire industry. Relief for individual firms and workers hurt by imports will come through trade adjustment assistance and federal funds for such purposes as relocation, retooling and retraining.

## FCC AND EIA ALL-CHANNEL TV PROPOSALS HARMONIZE

IN GETTING SET for the shift to all-channel tv receivers, FCC and the Electronic Industries Association continue to see eye-to-eye. FCC agrees with EIA that a crash program to convert to all-channel 1964 models would be wasteful, and proposes an effective date geared to 1965 models. Only sets made before April 30, 1964, without equipment for all 82 tv channels could be shipped interstate after that date.

As for technical standards FCC—like EIA—suggests a noise figure for 70 uhf channels of not over 18 db, and peak picture sensitivity for the uhf channels of not over 8 db more than the average for the vhf on each set. These standards, FCC feels, represent the average characteristics of sets on the market.

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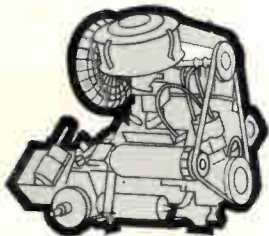
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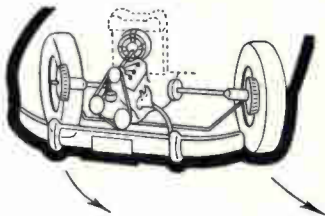
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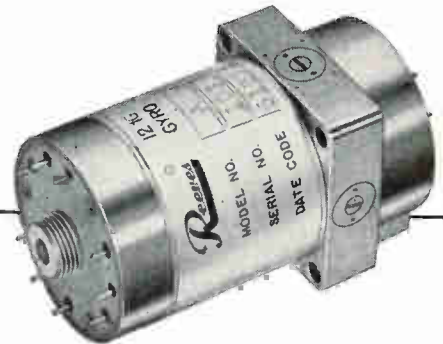


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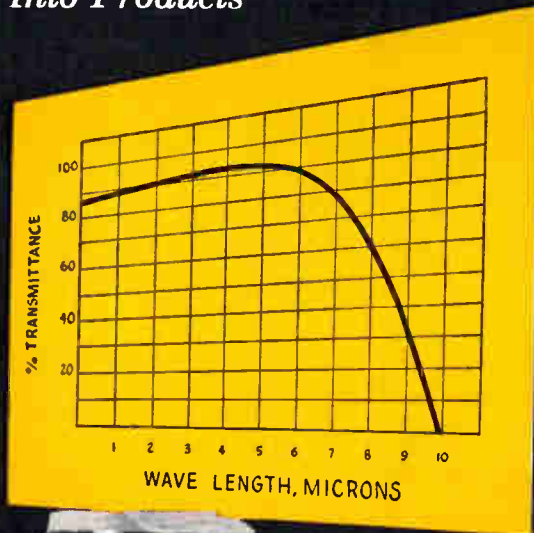
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# MISSILE CUTBACK Rocks British

*One result: few new developments are revealed at air show*

By DEREK BARLOW  
McGraw-Hill World News

FARNBOROUGH, ENGLAND — With the British aviation industry rocked by a recent sudden government decision to cut back some missile projects, avionics exhibits at the annual Farnborough air show this month lacked the sparkle and basic new developments that characterized previous exhibits (ELECTRONICS, p. 30, Sept. 29, 1961).

Shifts in government policy are not new in British aviation, but the one made last August is the first to threaten so directly the avionics industry itself. It was the cancellation on the grounds of economy of the Blue Water tactical ballistic missile. As a result, English Electric Aviation, the contractor, is closing its 1,300-man guided missile plant at Luton, Bedfordshire. In all some 2,000 people, 700 of them in associated plants, are affected.

Britain's missile activities now narrow down to the development of

Blue Steel (a guided standoff bomb designed to fill the gap before the U. S.-developed Skybolt is available to the Royal Air Force), additional developments on the Thunderbird and Bloodhound ground-to-air missiles now in service, and two newly announced projects, the CF299 naval surface-to-air missile and the Swingfire, an antitank weapon.

De Havilland's Blue Streak missile—switched from its former military ICBM role—still awaits development to fit it as the first-stage launch vehicle in the European Launcher Development Organization (ELDO) program. Second stage will be developed by France with Germany responsible for satellite development.

The commercial aviation picture is brighter. The development of three new British contenders in the commercial jet liner field, the BAC 11, VC10, the Trident plus the new DH125 executive jet offer good potential markets for civil avionic equipment, especially for automatic landing systems. The Trident will have automatic flareout facilities, the first commercial airliner to do so.

Against such a background, it was not surprising that avionics ex-

hibits revealed at the show showed no set theme, as these highlights illustrate:

**LANDING AIDS** — Developments in radio landing aids for VTOL aircraft are under study at the Royal Aircraft Establishment.

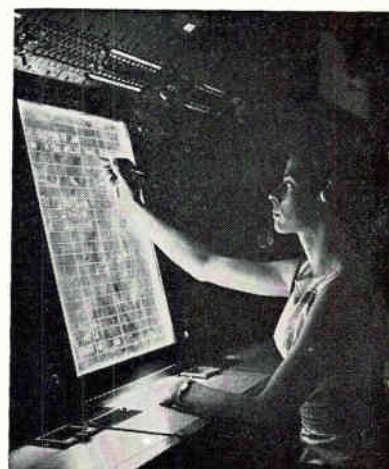
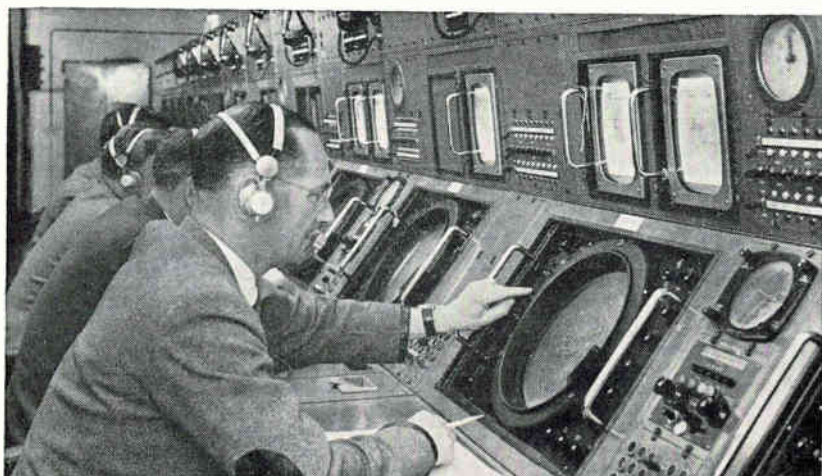
Radio guidance systems, when coupled to the aircraft autopilot, would provide accurate guidance information for a number of alternate approach directions and landing profiles—including non-straight-line profiles—for up to 10 aircraft simultaneously. Since landing sites will be restricted, the system measures continuously azimuth elevation and slant range of the aircraft using ground-based equipment around the landing site.

In the system under study, microwave interferometers measuring the phase-shifts between spaced pairs of antennas determine the direction cosines of the line of sight to r-f beacons carried in the aircraft.

A ground-based computer derives from the direction-cosine measurements of each interferometer the space coordinates of the approaching aircraft. These are compared in the computer with those from

## Tv Updates Flight Control Information

*AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL center in London, responsible for half the British Isles, will use a Marconi closed-circuit tv system to provide aircraft flight data to radar controllers (left). In old system, assistant seated next to controller posted data on his sector. In new system, posting is done remotely (right) and controller can call up data from any sector covered by the center*



# Aviation Electronics

one of 10 approach paths selected by the ground controller. Resulting difference signals are selectively transmitted to the originating aircraft over a multiplexing data link.

In the aircraft, airborne computers process the error signals according to the different aircraft characteristics and feed into the aircraft autopilot correction signals to bring the aircraft onto the correct approach and landing path automatically.

**DAYLIGHT RADAR**—Installed at Gatwick Airport, London, a daylight radar viewing system developed by Marconi's Wireless Telegraph Company, of Chelmsford, incorporates a new direct-view storage tube. The tube produces a brilliant radar picture from a high-efficiency, short-persistence phosphor and introduces persistence from a separate storage element in the tube.

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Two electron guns are mounted in the tube's neck. One, the flood gun, directs a low-velocity stream of electrons through collimating electrodes. They arrive at the mesh as a parallel beam normal to the mesh and covering its entire surface area uniformly. Secondary emission of electrons from the storage mesh is smaller than the beam current. This tends to drive the mesh negative, preventing the flood-beam electrons from going through the mesh to the phosphor.

The other gun, the writing gun, produces a high-velocity beam, focused to a fine spot at the storage mesh. This beam passes through a deflection system and can be modulated as in a normal crt. When this beam strikes the mesh, secondary emission is high and a positive charge is left on the mesh and allows flood-beam elec-

trons to pass through and strike the phosphor.

Applying a positive pulse to the mesh erases the image traced out by the writing gun, and hence the picture on the faceplate. Controlled pulses can cause the picture to decay slowly. Effective persistence is variable up to a maximum of 10 to 15 minutes.

**FLIGHT PRINTER**—General Precision Systems, of Aylesbury, has developed a flight strip printer in which the strip remains stationary and the printing head revolves through 360 degrees around the paper. It has resulted in an automatic flight plan processing system for air traffic control.

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**COMPUTERS**—Gaining acceptance are takeoff computers developed by both GPS and Smiths Aviation Division, of London. In both systems, transducers mounted on aircraft undercarriage produce speed information that is electronically integrated to provide distance-run information.

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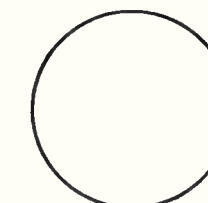
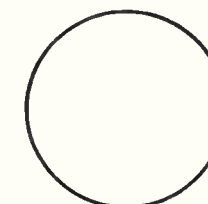
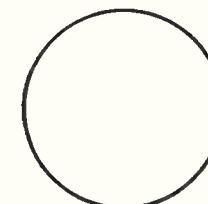
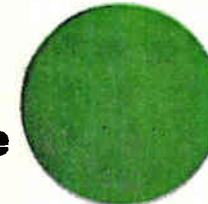
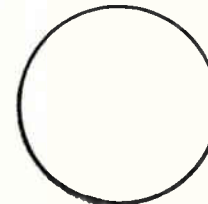
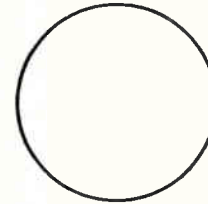
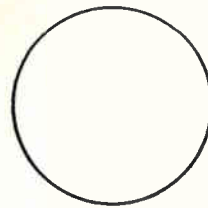
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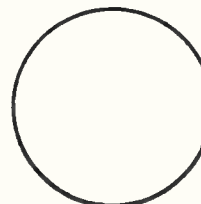
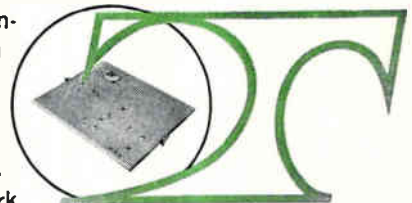
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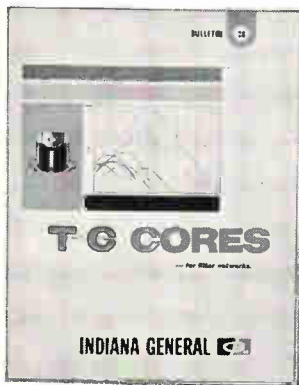
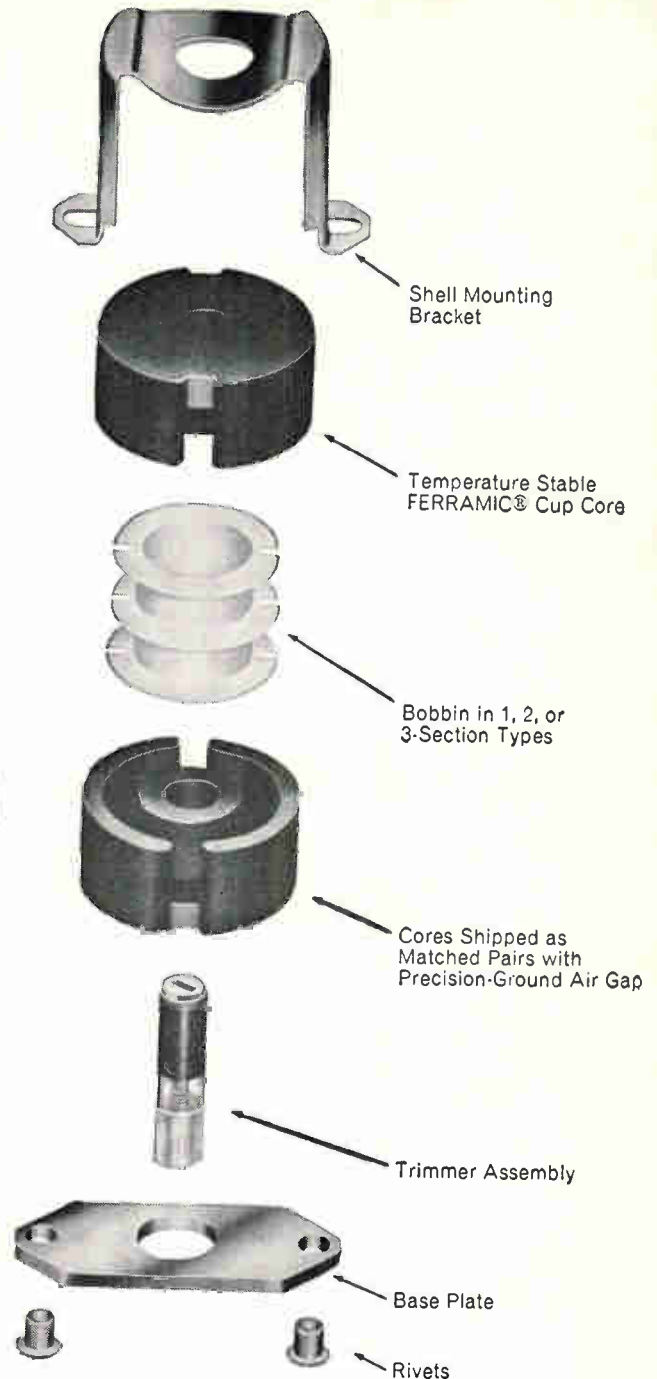




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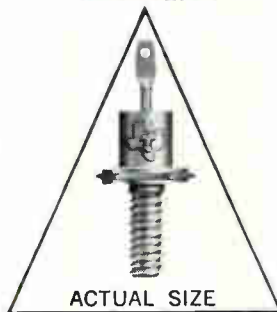
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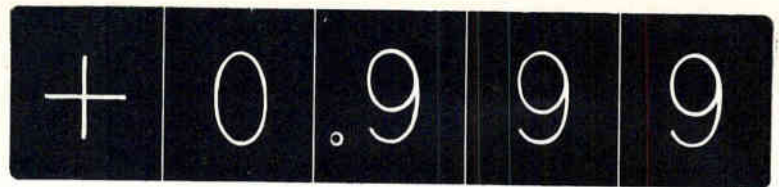
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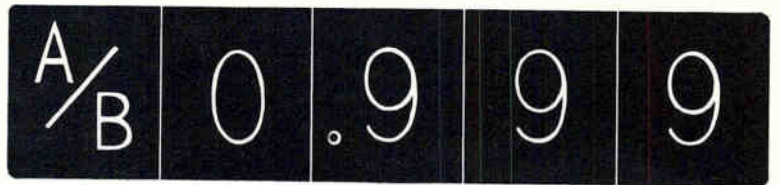
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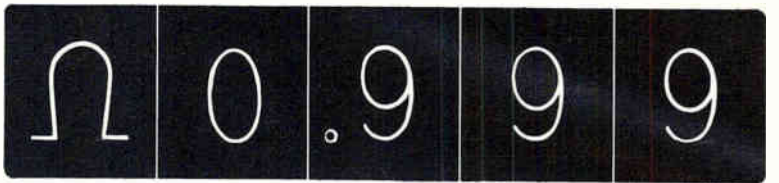
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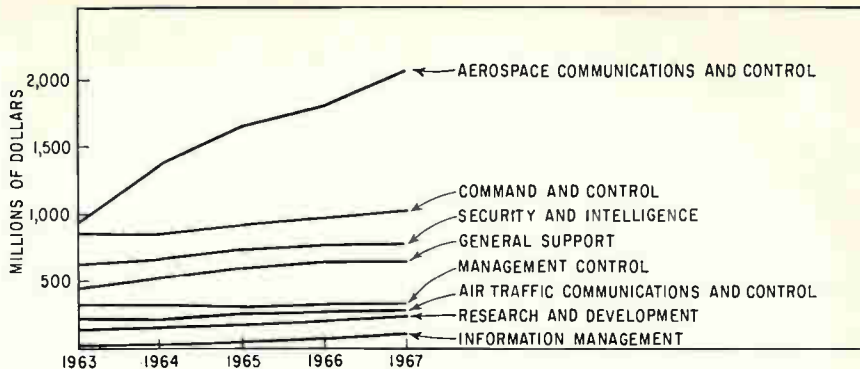
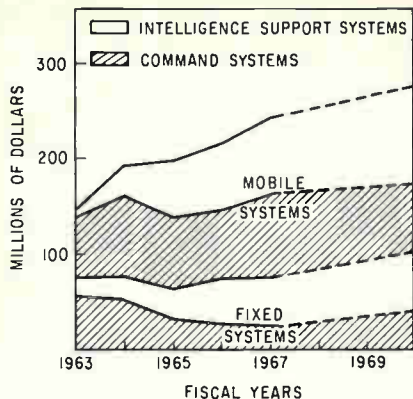
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TWO ESTIMATES of markets for information systems. Graph at left, reported by Abraham Katz, of RCA, is the projected market for only command and control processing hardware procurement and RDT&E, not including communication and buffer equipment. At right is International Electric Corp.'s estimate of anticipated growth of various classes of information systems over the next five years, adding up to a total market rising from about \$3.8 billion in 1963 to about \$5.3 billion in 1967

## EIA Sees \$13.1 Billion Sales in 1962

*Association now pegs 1961 sales at \$12 billion, higher than predicted*

By LEON H. DULBERGER  
Assistant Editor

NEW YORK—Electronic Industries Association expects electronic factory sales to reach a record peak of \$13.1 billion for 1962. Profits may not rise at a comparable rate, however, due to increasing foreign and domestic competition.

At its Fall Conference last week, EIA also reported that 1961 was a record high year for electronic sales. In a statement by EIA president Charles F. Horne, final estimated market figure for 1961 was higher than that predicted by the association last November. The earlier figure for 1961 was \$10.15 billion. The new estimate is nearly \$12 billion for 1961.

Horne noted that the government has become the largest customer of the electronics industry. During calendar 1961 the military purchased \$6.7 billion in equipment and services. Government procurement including NASA and FAA was \$7.6 billion. Military procurement alone is expected to reach \$7.6 billion for calendar 1962.

**SALES STATISTICS**—Figures supplied at the conference by EIA's Market Services department give a calendar 1961 sales breakdown

as: combined government military and space, \$6.9 billion; industrial, \$2.2 billion; consumer, \$2.1 billion, and replacement components, \$0.8 billion. Estimated 1962 sales are: government military and space, \$7.7 billion; industrial, \$2.4 billion; consumer, \$2.2 billion, and replacement components, \$0.8 billion.

Strong possibilities for future growth in the industrial market were noted in computing, data processing and industrial control equipment. Sales for these products were \$1.03 billion in 1961, 28 percent over 1960, according to EIA.

Test and measuring equipment, communication, navigation aids, broadcast and commercial sound equipment sales all saw increases of roughly 10 percent in 1961 over the previous year.

**COMMAND AND CONTROL**—Harold Rapaport, of International Electric Corp., led a panel on the rapidly emerging command and control market.

He defined these systems as those designed for selective use of information in performance of planning

implementation and evaluation functions related to decision making and the control of effectors. He gave as an example military and weapons systems.

Rapaport said a large market is emerging due to expanding technological advances and geopolitical changes. Market estimates (illustrated in the graph at right, above) were based on EIA files, government reports and private company contacts, plus adjustments by knowledgeable persons.

Major information system components can anticipate growth from 1963 to 1967 of: data transmission, \$1.3 to \$2.25 billion; software, \$440 million to \$550 million; data processing, \$200 million to \$250 million, and data origination and display, \$50 million to \$100 million.

**F-M STEREO**—A prediction was made by Harold L. Kassens, of FCC, that f-m stereo will ultimately replace monophonic f-m. Total f-m stereo broadcasting stations may reach 300 by next January 1, up from the present 150 f-m stereo stations now on the air.

### GOVERNMENT MARKET ESTIMATES BY EIA

*EIA estimates of electronic procurement by the Department of Defense, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, and Federal Aviation Agency, are, in billions of dollars:*

*Fiscal year 1961: DOD, \$6.2; NASA, \$0.2; FAA, \$0.1  
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# WANTED: Radiation-Resistant Solar Cells

*Nuclear tests may require redesign of satellite power supplies*

By MICHAEL F. WOLFF  
Senior Associate Editor

AS ASSESSMENT of the increased radiation in space from the U.S. July 9 nuclear test continued last week, there were indications that solar-cell power supplies on some future satellites may be redesigned for greater radiation tolerance.

A joint report by the Atomic Energy Commission, Defense Dept., and National Aeronautics and Space Administration said future NASA missions are being reviewed and "it is anticipated that a substantial number of the missions will be affected". NASA spokesmen, at press time, were interpreting the possible changes in the program to mean the type of solar cells to be used. To date, NASA said, no satellite launch schedules have been changed. Conceivably, future findings, as well as more nuclear testing, might cause schedule delays.

**WHAT'S HAPPENED**—Apparently, the increase in radiation is

## ATTN: RADIO ASTRONOMERS

*While more electrons were trapped as a result of the July 9 test than had been expected, the government report said the observed increase of radio noise was about as expected. Observations made between 18 and 120 Mc show the noise is now:*

- Nowhere more than twice the cosmic noise prior to the test.
- Decreasing at about 10 percent per week.
- Confined to low magnetic latitudes.

*Although the noise will be detectable at these low latitudes for a long time if special techniques are employed, the report claims the noise does not constitute a significant problem to radio astronomy*



SOLAR CELLS and transparent sapphires are being attached to a developmental model of Telstar communications satellite by Bell Labs engineer

largely due to beta particles (resulting from the decay of fission products) being rejected into the earth's magnetic field. Result is a new electron belt superimposed on the inner portion of the natural Van Allen belts.

The report said this radiation caused a rapid deterioration of the solar-cell power supplies on the U.S.—British Ariel satellite in 3 to 4 days and on Navy's Transit IVB and Traac satellites in 24 to 36 days. Power supplies for these satellites had been designed without extra shielding, to keep size and weight down, and had been expected to withstand only natural radiation. It was known that a 25 to 30-percent reduction in output would probably terminate useful transmission, according to the report.

**SOLAR CELLS**—Fact that solar cells, like other semiconductors, are subject to radiation damage is well

known, and has sparked several approaches to increasing the radiation resistance of ordinary cells.

One approach is to use the so-called *n-on-p* cell, made by diffusing phosphorus into the surface of a *p*-type silicon crystal rather than by diffusing boron into *n*-type silicon as in ordinary *p-on-n* cells.

Telstar uses these *n-on-p* cells, shielded by 30 mils of synthetic sapphire, and was reportedly unaffected by the nuclear test. The report cites Telstar's performance as "very satisfactory" and concludes that solar-cell power supplies can have a satisfactory life in such a radiation environment. Conceivably, this approach might be used on some future satellites.

Other techniques have also been under study. One of these involves increasing the base resistivity.

The Telstar cells have base resistivities of 1 ohm-cm. For 1-Mev electrons (greater than most Van



Allen belt electrons) this will improve lifetime or tolerable dosage by a factor of 10 over *p-on-n* cells. Recent experiments have indicated, however, that by increasing resistivity to 10 ohm-cm it may be possible to achieve an improvement factor of 30 to 40.

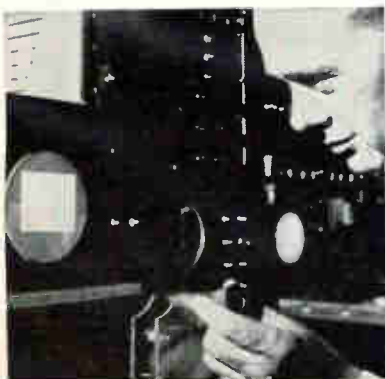
A second approach is the graded-base solar cell. Here a gradient in the base impurity concentration is introduced by diffusion. This causes an electric field to accelerate the photon-produced carriers toward the junction, resulting in a cell preliminary data indicates may be 30 to 50 times more resistant.

**GALLIUM ARSENIDE**—Another approach is to use gallium arsenide instead of silicon. Preliminary experiments here indicate possible improvement by a factor of 500.

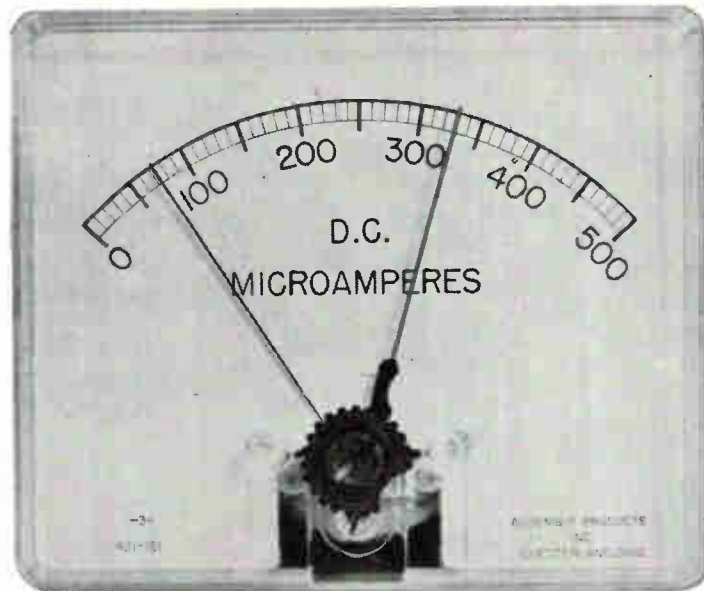
Large-area cells with thin films of gallium arsenide are also under study, as are cadmium-sulfide large-area cells. It is hoped that such cells may have good radiation properties if 5-percent efficiencies can be achieved.

These approaches are all under study by NASA. W. R. Cherry, head of NASA's direct energy conversion project, emphasized, however, that these programs had been planned for over a year and have not been influenced by the recent Pacific tests. He added that while other power sources were also being investigated, efforts were not being accelerated because of the recent radiation disturbance.

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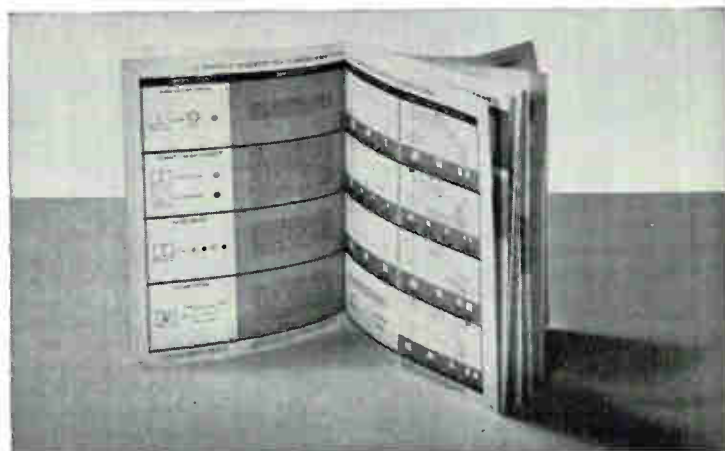
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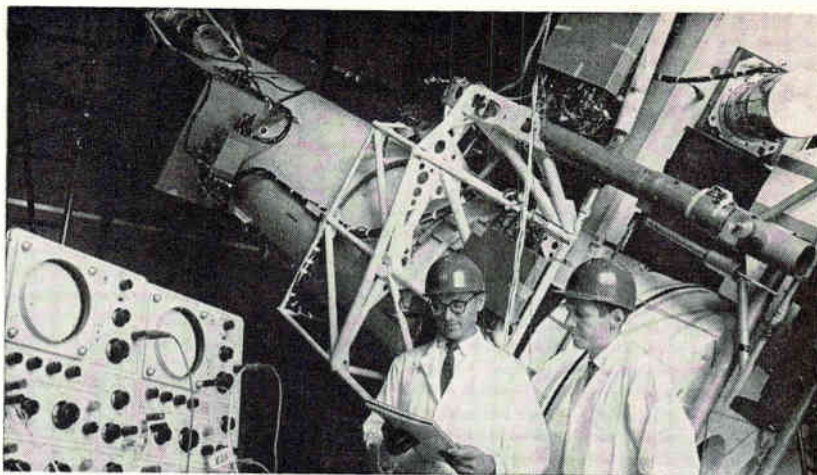
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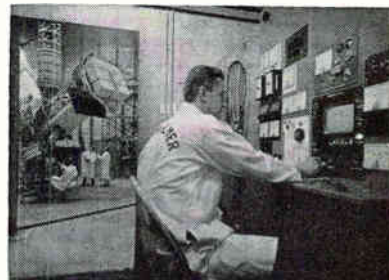
Carried by an unmanned helium balloon to 80,000 feet, the 6,300-lb payload consists of a 36-in. reflector telescope together with camera, infrared spectrometer, and auxiliary equipment. Stratoscope II will analyze the composition of planetary atmospheres and of nebulae.

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Martin Schwarzschild of Princeton University, director of the project, said that Stratoscope II and its remote control systems are forerunners of experiments aboard satellites and deep-space probes, which up to now do not have the capacity to carry high-resolution telescopic and spectroscopic equipment. He named the Orbiting Astronomical Observatory satellites and planetary fly-by probes as examples of projects that will benefit by the techniques developed in Stratoscope II, as well as by the results of Stratoscope investigations.



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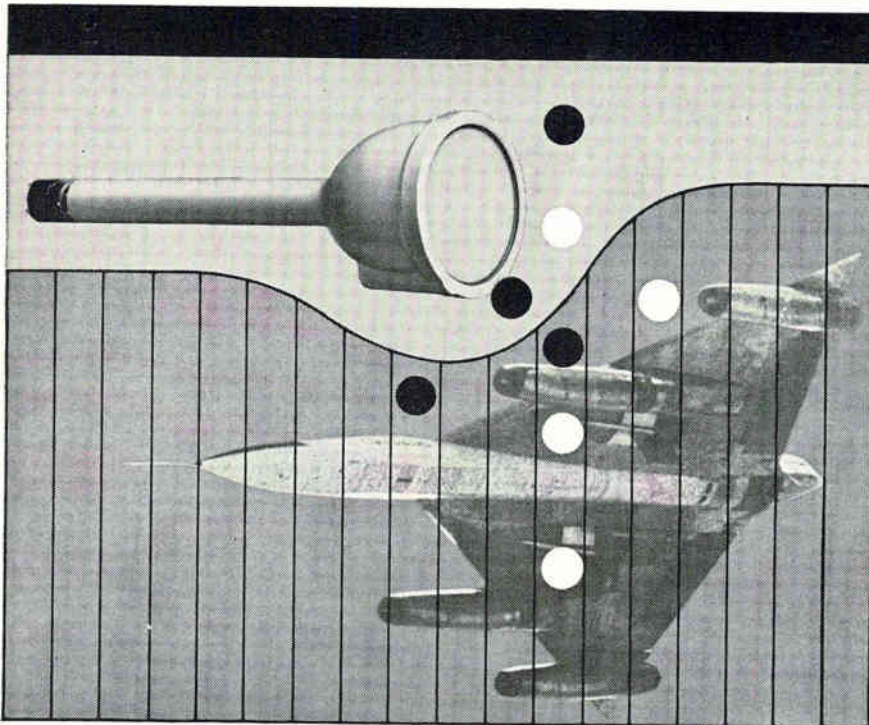
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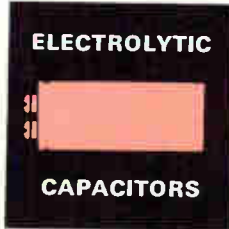
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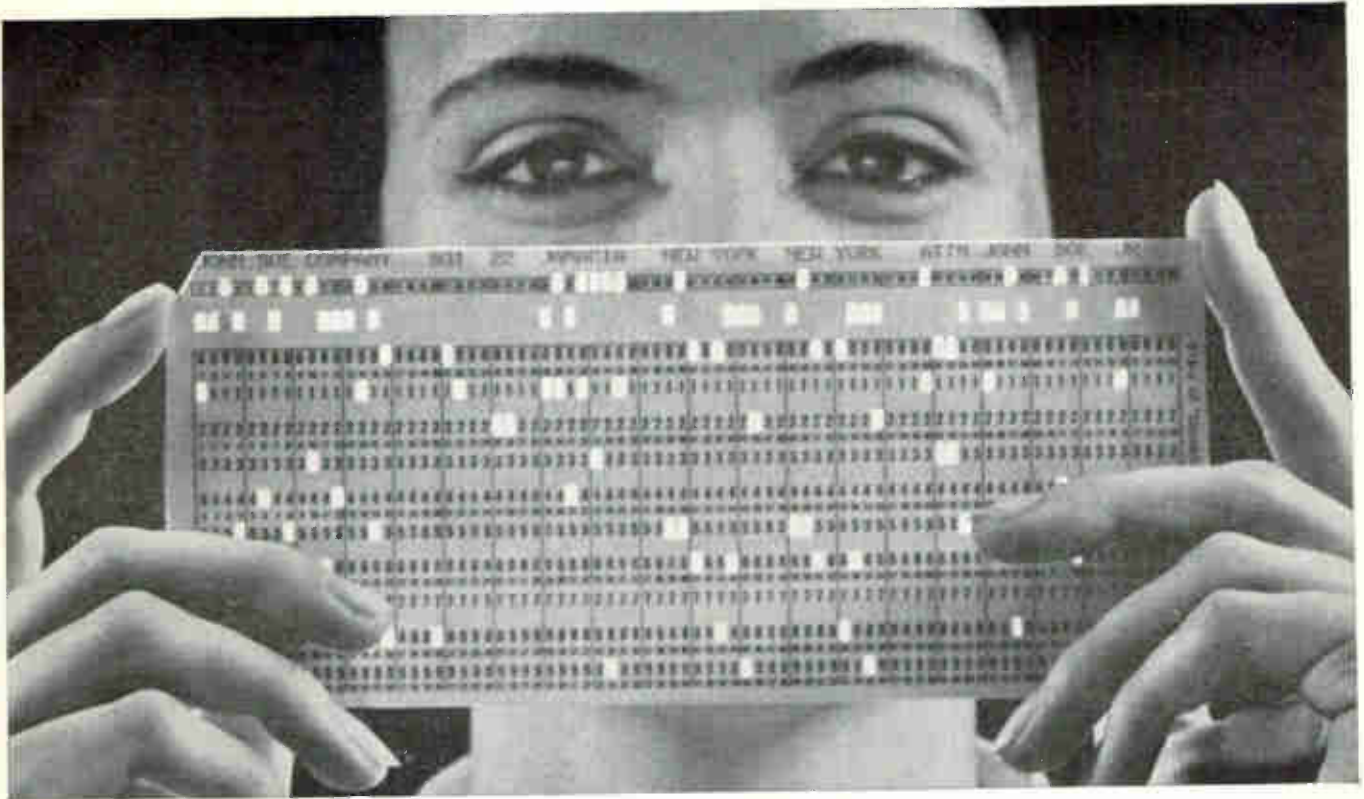
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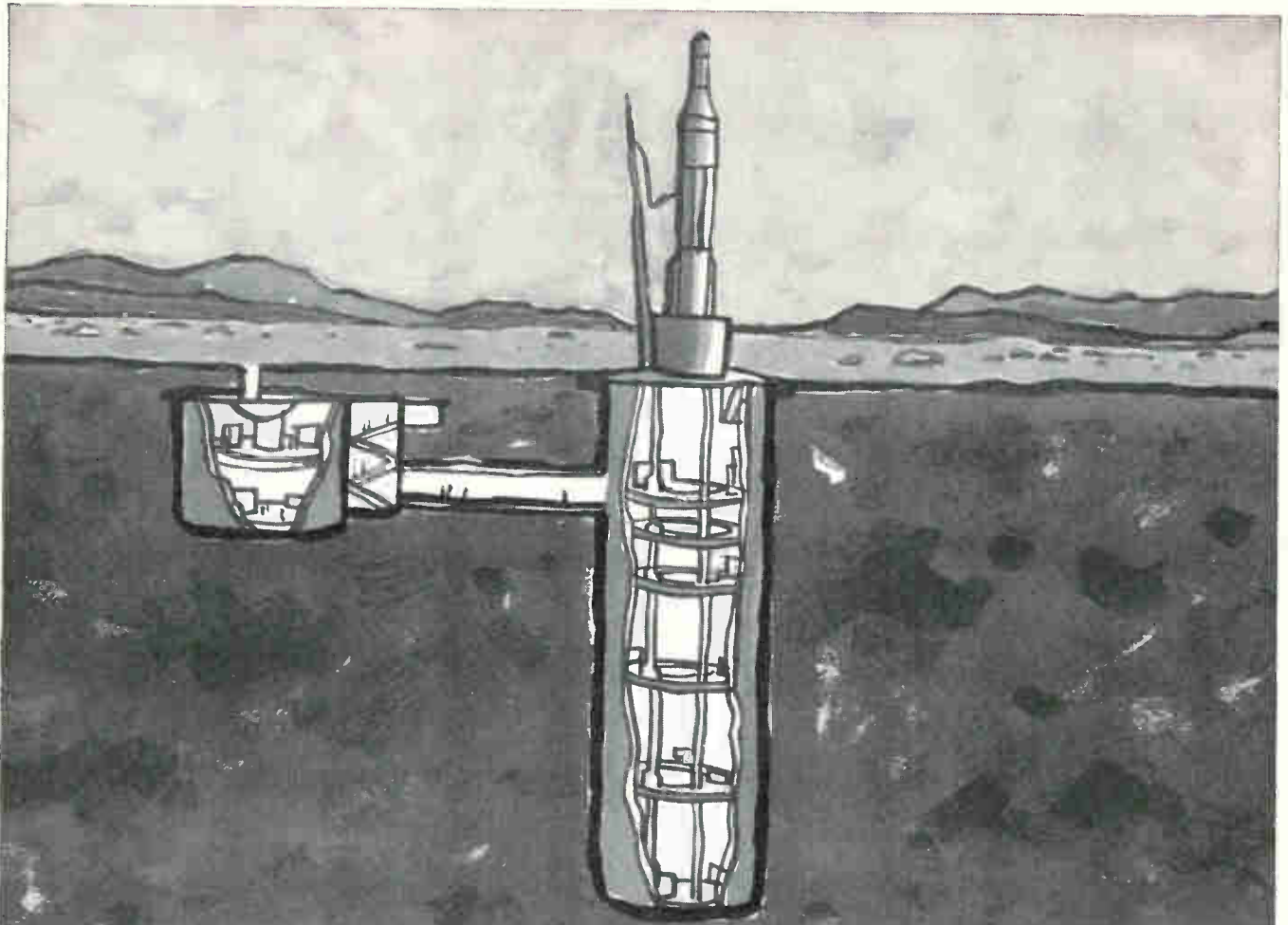
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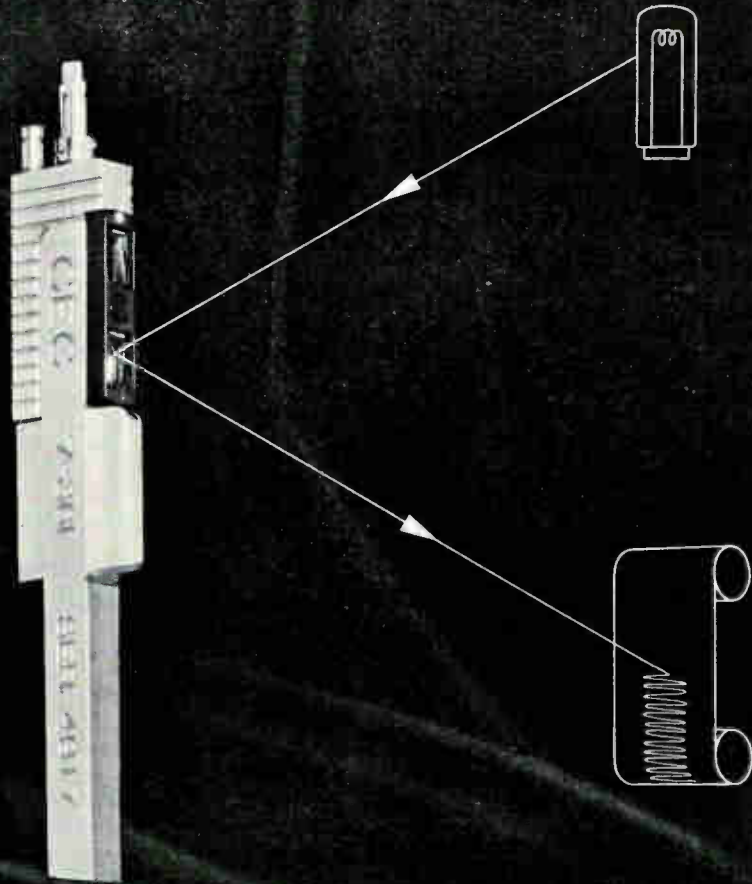
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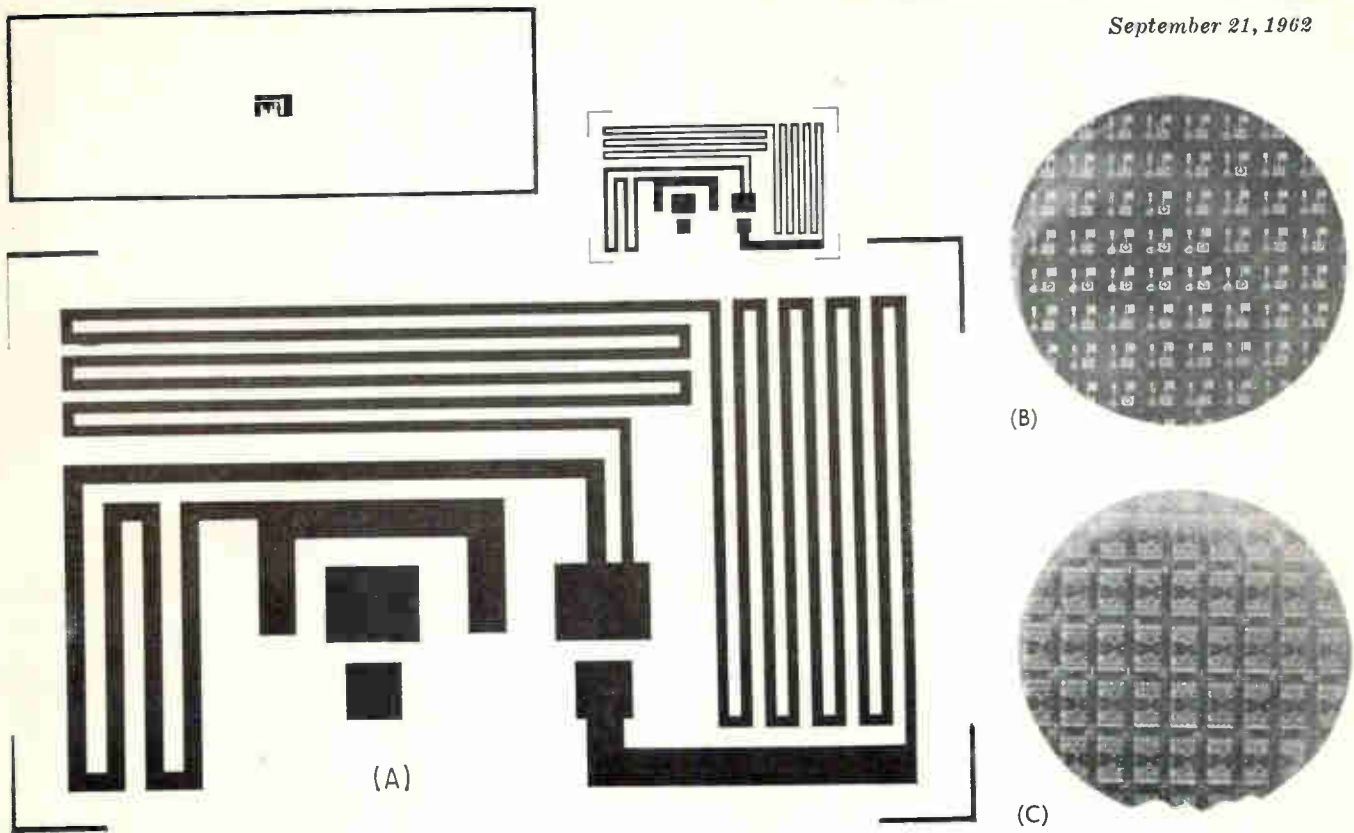
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# Designing Molecular Circuits For Use in Complex Systems

*To use functional electronic blocks in a meaningful systems program, it is necessary to standardize basic system functions. Described here are new blocks under development whose functions are common to many electronic systems*

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DESIGNING functional electronic blocks attention is directed towards obtaining a complete electrical function from a complete block of semiconductor material. Such designing does not involve a piecewise translation of a circuit diagram into the block, because the

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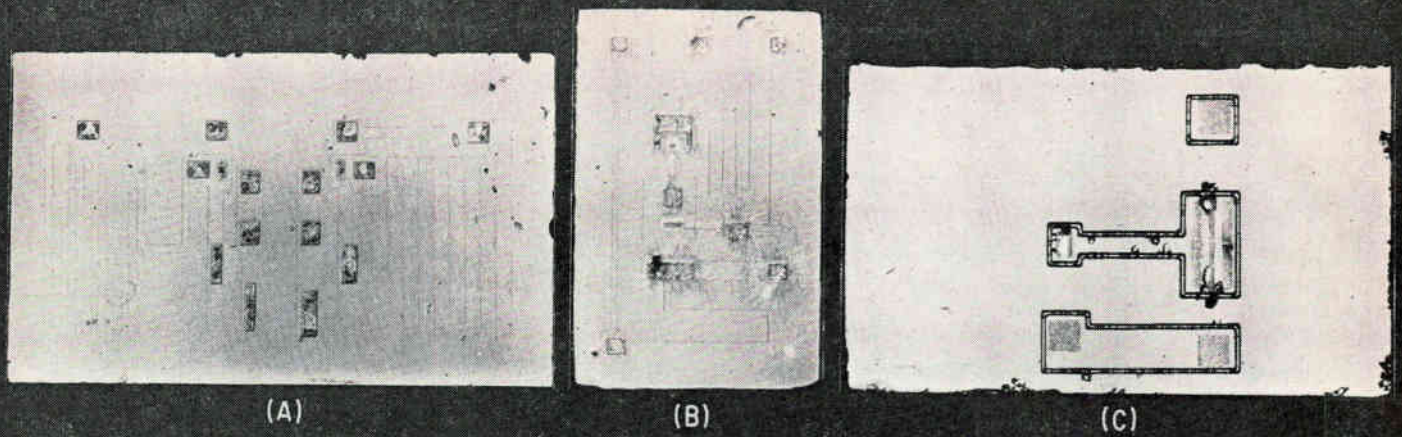
relatively low resistivity of semiconductors prevents it and also because semiconductors exhibit special properties that might otherwise not be taken advantage of.

The feasibility of constructing functional electronic blocks has already been demonstrated. However, to develop such blocks in a meaningful systems program it is necessary to examine general system requirements. The approach to system design is to replace various parts or subsystems by functional blocks.

Selecting basic blocks that will adequately perform all or most required system functions presents difficult problems.

In one extreme, every block for every system would be custom made. Even when possible, this approach is prohibitively expensive except for some special systems. At the other extreme, a limited number of standard blocks would be produced. In some areas of the electronics business, in computers for example, a limited number of basic blocks





THESE BLOCK AMPLIFIERS include a universal common emitter amplifier (A), a double Darlington amplifier (B) and a uniplaner bipolar amplifier (Unibi) (C)—Fig. 2

can be specified. However, this is generally not possible when considering the entire field of electronics. Probably the most practical approach will involve the production of a considerable number of basic designs that are sufficiently flexible to permit reasonable parameter variation around design centers. An attempt has been made, therefore, to arrive at a limited number of subsystem functions common to a large fraction of military electronics systems.

**MECHANICAL SPECS**—In addition to electrical specifications, mechanical specifications such as size, weight and heat dissipation are needed. In complex systems consisting of a number of subsystems or functional electronic blocks, specifications describing block configuration and interconnection are required. While some aspects of block size, weight and configuration can be treated independently of the overall system by minimizing the former two and choosing the most simple form of the third, compatible with the semiconductor structure, a general knowledge of overall systems requirements is desirable.

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**DESIGN METHODS**—One method of considering functional electronic block design is to use equivalent circuits. Alternately, the flow of field, displacement and diffusion currents in the semiconductor structure can be visualized, or the output

and input characteristics of sections of the structure can be integrated to develop a complete description. Many methods are useful and can produce semiquantitative results. Exact solutions involve complex equations in three dimensions that cannot be handled in reasonable periods of time. First approximations to exact solutions can be obtained using complicated analog systems such as compartmented electrolytic tanks or matrices of resistor-capacitor networks but the approximations are not good enough to justify the time required. In practice, the semiquantitative expressions are used with flexible trial fabrication techniques to obtain experimental solutions.

Different methods of expressing the configuration required are ap-

propriate with different types of functions. For example, in the design of linear amplifiers, equivalent circuits using lumped parameters are useful. On the other hand, with switch structures it is more appropriate to employ a technique of integration of input and output characteristics graphically expressed. With other complex structures, use simplified structural diagrams of the electronic energy levels and trace out field, displacement and diffusion currents.

Despite differences of approach there are no essential differences in the final structures designed. The only differences are in the degrees of sophistication in approach. Design of functional blocks is not accomplished by interconnecting discrete active and passive elements as in conventional circuits. There is, rather, a continuous spectrum of barely distinguishable active and passive regions, and the basic interest is to get a systems function in as direct a manner as possible.

**SYNTHESIS METHODS**—In using an equivalent circuit, the complexity of the circuit must be compatible with the state of the fabrication art. At the present time, feasibility of construction has been demonstrated for a variety of two and three-stage amplifier equivalents. The size of charge storage regions must be compatible with the rest of the block. Capacitances of approximately  $0.01 \mu\text{f}$  can be readily handled. Polarization must be provided in  $p-n$  junction capacitances. Excessively large values of isolation resistance between regions of the block cannot be realized. In-

#### ABOUT THIS ARTICLE AND THIS AUTHOR

As microminiaturization developments have moved along in the past few years, the problem of how to incorporate logically entire new sub-circuits into large electronic systems has come more and more to the forefront of attention. This paper, which describes some of the advanced functional electronic blocks under development, also discusses ideas on how to resolve the systems problem.

Author Henkels, Engineering Manager of the Westinghouse Molecular Electronics Department, was well-known in microminiaturization circles for his work in this field. Mr. Henkels died late this spring. This is his last paper.



AUDIO AMPLIFIER block operates between  $\frac{1}{2}$  and 2 w—Fig. 3

ductors must be avoided, at least at low frequency. Inductor function can, however, be provided by R-C networks. Direct resistive coupling is desirable. It is estimated that about 200 milliwatts can be dissipated safely in load resistors without excessively heating the block.

With these ground rules, equivalent circuits can be constructed and electrical performance tested. Planar multiple diffusion methods employing oxide and photoresist masking have been adapted to the fabrication of functional electronic blocks. These methods are ideal for production of blocks with closely controlled properties and have been used in such a manner that no difficult registration steps are required even in complicated designs.

The structure to be fabricated is laid out on a one-and-a-half by two-foot master plate or series of plates. The master is then reduced in two steps to a final size appropriate for functional blocks, roughly one-eighth by one-quarter inch. The masks are shown in Fig. 1A. The large master is reduced to the final pattern (upper left). The starting material for a functional block is a piece of silicon  $1/8 \times 1/4 \times 0.004$  inch. In many designs the silicon is high resistivity *n*-type, and this will be assumed in the description of the processing of a transistor structure. A diffused region of *p*-type material is produced on the surfaces by conventional techniques. The wafer is then exposed to an oxidizing atmosphere in a high temperature furnace. The oxidation cycle produces a 4,000-Å thick layer of silicon dioxide upon the surfaces.

TABLE 1—SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS FOR FUNCTIONAL BLOCKS

Family (A) Amplification—Untuned	
<i>Internal Match</i>	<i>Output Match (All Relatively Low Impedance 10-1,000 Ohms—Low Frequency)</i>
Audio	Power Parameter
Video—1 Mc	$\frac{1}{2}$ -1 w
Video—10 Mc	1-5 w
R-F—100 Mc	5-20 w
Operational	10-50 w
	$\frac{1}{2}$ w phase inverter
<i>Sensor Match (All Low Power)</i>	Push-pull output 1-5 w
Impedance parameter	Push-pull output > 5 w
< 500 ohms	
500-10,000 ohms	(Freq to 30 Mc)
5,000-50,000 ohms	(Freq to 300 Mc)
50,000-1 megohm	$\frac{1}{2}$ -1 w
50,000-1 meg (low noise)	1-5 w
50,000-5 megohms	> 5 w
Family (A) Amplification—Tuned	
<i>Tunable Amplifiers (All Low Power)</i>	<i>Tuned (All Low Power)</i>
155 Kc	Frequency Parameter
1.2 Mc	100-1,000 cycles
4.3 Mc	205 Kc
12.5 Mc > 200 Mc	155 Kc
	1.2 Mc
<i>Modulators</i>	4.3 Mc
A-M, F-M, P-M (Adaption of amplifiers and oscillators in the same frequency range)	12.5 Mc
	30 Mc
<i>Attenuators</i>	60 Mc
Requirements not well defined (Distributed R-C networks)	120 Mc
	160 Mc
	> 200 Mc
Family (B) Waveform Generators	
<i>Oscillators</i>	<i>Square Wave</i>
< 0.3 Kc	< 10 Kc
0.3-3 Kc	10-100 Kc
3 Kc-30 Kc	100-1,000 Kc
30 Kc-300 Kc	1-10 Mc
300-3,000 Kc	
3-30 Mc	<i>Saw-Tooth Wave</i>
30-200 Mc	< 10 Kc
> 200 Mc	10-100 Kc
	100-1,000 Kc
	<i>Staircase Generator</i>

Next, a thin layer of a photosensitive chemical is spun on the surfaces. The silicon wafer is then located under a microscope slide. There follows the usual series of operations employed in producing high-frequency transistor structures. However, for functional blocks, the photoresist masks are also used in defining resistive areas and in applying metallic contacts so that a series of slides is usually necessary to produce the three-dimensional printed pattern desired. Thus, there may be many masking, oxidation and diffusion steps. However, in all the processing, the silicon wafer is handled as a single piece. There are no delicate hand engraving operations. The complete patterns are produced on the original masters.

After the final diffusion operation and evaporation of contacts, units are tested. In some designs, various parts of the functional electronic block are interconnected by evaporated aluminum regions over the silicon-dioxide covering surfaces; in such cases another test is made after interconnection. Input and output and power supply leads are attached to the blocks by thermo-

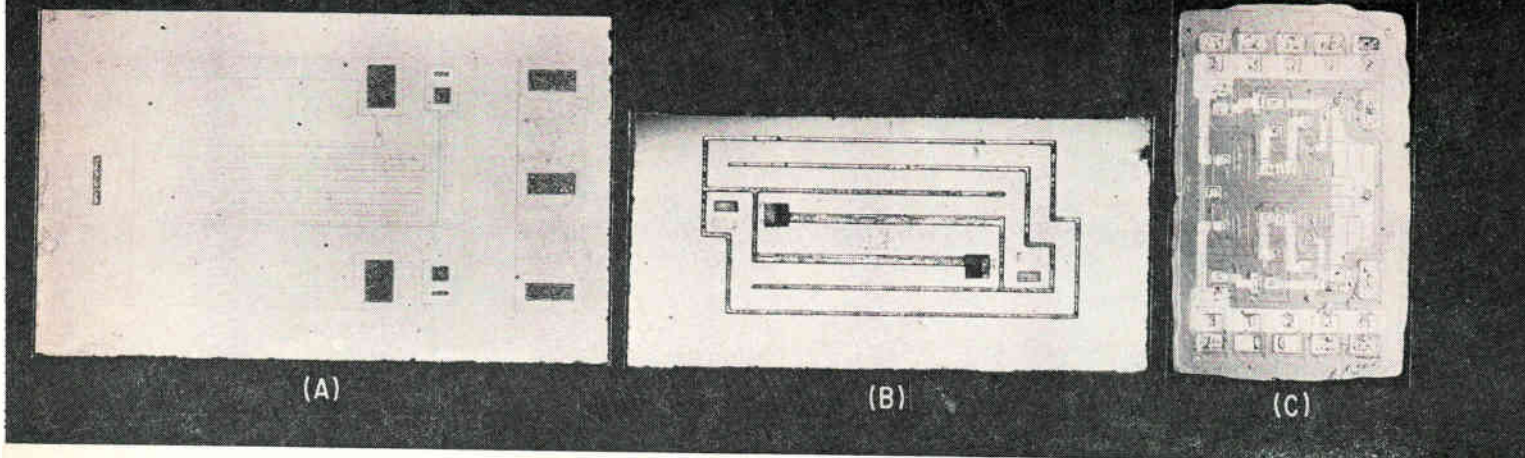
compression bonding. Units are encapsulated in hermetic flat ceramic or Kovar cases.

For production refinement, all designs have been modified, and made much smaller, for use with complete slices of silicon. The masks are replicated to provide patterns for complete slices. On a silicon slice about  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch in diameter, from 20 to 30 to 100 functional electronic blocks can be made at once. Figures 1B and 1C show three-stage amplifiers and five-input double-stroke gates, respectively. The processing is carried out on complete slices up to and including interconnection evaporation steps, which provide aluminum contacts.

**BLOCK FEASIBILITY**—To demonstrate technical feasibility of using functional blocks in information processing, many basic blocks have been studied. An important part of the systems program resides in the mutual compatibility of functional blocks to perform general subsystem requirements.

During the last year further analysis of general system requirements has shown the need for a number of additional basic types to





OSCILLATOR-MIXER for 30-Mc range (A), a one-Mc multivibrator (B) and a double stroke logic block (C)—Fig. 4

fill out a catalog of compatible blocks. Table I gives a summary of functions for which functional electronic blocks have been considered.

**UNTUNED AMPLIFIERS**—Internal Match: Common emitter amplifiers and two-stage Darlington amplifiers provide units for low level amplification in the frequency range from d-c to 2 Mc. Impedance levels are intermediate. Power dissipation is in the range of 100-200 milliwatts. Figures 2A and 2B present photographs of a universal common emitter amplifier and a Darlington amplifier, respectively. Structures are double planer diffused using oxide and photoresist masking techniques. Data on a typical Darlington amplifier are in Table II.

**Sensor Match:** Common emitter universal amplifiers and Darlington amplifiers match sensors of low or intermediate impedance. With sensors of high impedance, such as crystal phonograph pickups and infrared photoconductive cells, higher impedance blocks are required.

In the range to about one megohm, the Unibi (uniplanar bipolar amplifier) can be employed. Figure 2C shows a Unibi block. Data on typical amplifiers are found in Table III. The unipolar input structure of this block should operate at low noise levels. The block is designed to provide high input impedance at low noise with high gain.

At higher impedance levels, up to 5 megohms, three-stage Darlington structures can be used. They are designed to match a crystal pickup. The overall gain of typical units falls in the range of 45 db.

**Output Match:** Except in trans-

mitter applications, most output stages operate at audio frequencies. For example, audio amplifiers in communications, servoamplifiers in control systems, ultrasonic and relay drives operate in the frequency range < 100 Kc. There are other important exceptions, for example, writing heads on computers which must operate to 10 Mc. However, most effort has concentrated in the low-frequency range.

An audio amplifier, shown in Fig. 3, has been designed to operate in the range of one-half to 2 watts. Input and output impedances are respectively 100 and 200 ohms, and a power gain of 35 db is achieved at 200-mw output. For the range 5-20 watts, a split phase high level amplifier has been designed; typical data is given in Table IV.

In many applications of molecular electronics, phase inversion is necessary to avoid bulky transformers. A unit operating in the power range of one-half watt would be ideal as drive for high level two-phase amplifiers.

**TUNED AMPLIFIERS**—Table I shows complete coverage of requirements for tuned amplifiers in the range below 200 Mc. The range most adequately covered by meth-

ods compatible with the functional block approach lies between 455 Kc and 4.5 Mc, where tuning is effected by piezoelectric resonators operating in the radial mode. The frequency range between 4.5 and 30 Mc can be covered by thickness mode piezoelectric resonators and by overtone radial and thickness mode resonators. In the 100 to 200-Mc range, the Q's of conductive loops on silicon are high enough to permit considering their use.

**Oscillators:** Family (B) of Table I indicates that modifications of existing amplifiers can readily provide oscillators in the frequency range of 455 Kc to 30 Mc. This has been illustrated by the construction of the crystal controlled oscillator, which works at 30 Mc.

An oscillator-mixer functional block for the 30-Mc range is shown in Fig. 4A. A 30-Mc oscillator signal is mixed with an incoming signal to give a 3-Mc output.

Square-wave generators can be readily constructed from multivibrators operating in the appropriate frequency range. Several designs of a one-Mc multivibrator have been developed. One is shown in Fig. 4B. However, it is probably simpler to construct multivibrators from basic gating circuits.

TABLE II—AUDIO AMPLIFIERS

Unit	Operating Voltage (v)	Operating Current (ma)	Freq (Kc)	Voltage Gain	Current Gain	Power Gain (db)
VJF5	10	6	1-50	170	60	12
VLC4	12	15		130	90	37
VLH1	15	9		70	720	15
VID5	10	12		55	620	16
VLE2	5	5		45	470	41
VMC1	10	9		200	70	47
VMC2	9	5		560	100	37

Mixers: Again, as in oscillators, mixers can readily be constructed by adaptation of basic amplifier blocks. For illustration, this has been done in producing a mixer designed for the 30-Mc range.

Demodulators: A detector has been designed with a built-in distributed filter for operation in the frequency range 100 Kc to 10 Mc. Discriminators can be produced by employing the notch filter.

Wave Shaping: Little direct attention has been given to the problem of wave shaping, since specific requirements have not been defined. However, a complete catalog of basic filters and structures exists to meet such requirements.

Short Time Storage: While requirements have not been well defined, a series of flip flops can meet such requirements. Some attention should be given to the construction of a typical storage system.

Logic Switches: Effort has concentrated upon the development of a universal logic block, the double five-input stroke. A diode transistor configuration has been used as shown in Fig. 4C. Five input channels have been provided for each stroke gate to give maximum flexibility in computer design with a minimum of parts. The fanout of each stroke element is five. Maximum propagation delay is 200 nanoseconds. The saturated diode transistor stroke can be improved to the point where operation beyond one megacycle is possible. As yet, saturated logic gates are being considered for operation above 10 Mc, but little work has been done.

Signal Sampling: The multiple *pnpn* switch provides a block for signal sampling which must have external provisions for commutation. A number of designs have been made. Some development work has been carried out on multiple switches with commutation provided by transverse base fields. There are other designs being con-

TABLE IV—CURRENT GAIN CHARACTERISTICS OF TWO PHASE AMPL

Unit	$I_c \rightarrow$	500 ma		1 amp		2 amp		$V_{CE0}$ at 25 ma	
		$\phi_1$	$\phi_2$	$\phi_1$	$\phi_2$	$\phi_1$	$\phi_2$	$\phi_1$	$\phi_2$
1B	$h_{fe}$	7,500	2,400	5,600	4,000	4,000	2,750	84	160
	$h_{FE}$	3,333	1,666	4,400	2,700	5,000	3,000		
2B	$h_{fe}$	4,000	4,400	3,800	4,000	2,250	2,500	100	180
	$h_{FE}$	1,833	2,000	2,500	2,750	2,858	3,000		
5B	$h_{fe}$	4,000	3,200	4,200	3,300	2,750	2,375	124	148
	$h_{FE}$	1,666	1,715	2,500	2,350	3,440	2,500		
8B	$h_{fe}$	3,200	4,000	2,600	3,600	2,000	2,750	140	116
	$h_{FE}$	1,652	1,400	2,300	2,600	2,250	2,812		

sidered that will provide the commutation without base fields.

STANDARDIZATION — Feasibility of construction of segments of electronic systems has been demonstrated by successful assembly of a number of these.

A variety of audio amplifier systems has been constructed. An experimental phonograph system requires high impedance matches to crystal pickups. Two different blocks have been employed for the high impedance match. The first of these is a Unibi amplifier consisting of a unipolar transistor structure coupled to a bipolar. The second is a three-stage common collector Darlington with feedback. Both have input impedances in the megohm range needed. The low level amplifiers are coupled to the power stages, consisting of two-phase high level amplifiers, by transformers or, more recently, by phase inverter blocks. Such systems are capable of operating to 30 or 40 watts.

The compatibility of a longer series of blocks is illustrated in radio applications. The Air Force ARC-63 communications receiver was built from functional electronic blocks. In addition, a number of radios operating in the citizen's band have been constructed from a series of blocks. Recently a FEB-PAK consisting of a number of compatible blocks which can be assembled to produce a radio operating in the citizen's band, has been made available.

In molecular electronics a great flexibility exists in the design of functional electronic blocks but this flexibility applies primarily to the block manufacturer. Design freedom could be extended to systems engineers provided a complete custom design basis for functional

electronic blocks were reasonable. It is anticipated that this flexibility will in time be developed.

A standardization of functional blocks requires a logical subdivision of basic subsystem functions. This has been done to a large degree. Large numbers of basic subsystems are generally recognized in the industry.

Although it is technically feasible to produce blocks performing complex functions equivalent to several stages of transistor circuits, standardization at such complexity is not achievable without first standardizing more basic functions than have already been selected.

Of primary importance in standardizing is the question of mechanical compatibility. The Electronic Industries Association and the National Electrical Manufacturers Association have set up Jedec Subcommittee JS-15 concerned with integrated electronics. EIA has also set up two other committees. The Microminiaturization Advisory Committee is charged with determining user preferences in standardization. The EIA Parts Committee, P-9, is concerned with new approaches to micromodules and printed circuits. The three committees have acted in joint accord to assure general agreement.

While many obstructions lie in the road, the tremendous effect of standardization on electronic design could certainly make all efforts worthwhile. This is particularly true in military activities. New equipment designs could be much more rapidly translated into operating hardware. Replacement parts storage and servicing could be revolutionized.

Suitable manufacturing techniques for producing functional electronic blocks in large volume are in the process of development.

TABLE III—UNIBI CHARACTERISTICS

$B+$	— 10 v
$I_{total}$	— 1-3 ma (depending on bias)
$Z_n$	— > 2 meg
$Z_{out}$	— 100 ohms
$A_i$	— 2,300
$A_v$	— 10
$A_p$	— 43 db
Distortion < 1 percent at 1 $V_{rms}$ out	
Device is self-stabilizing up to 100 C	



# ANTENNA INNOVATION Glass-Fiber

*Some interesting results using a glass fiber reinforced plastic tube around a helix indicate the possibilities of a variable beam pattern antenna in the 4 to 6-Gc range*

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**MICROWAVE ANTENNA, Fig. 1,** consists of a glass-fiber plastic tube with a mean diameter of 70 mm, wall thickness of 1.5 mm, and length of 1 meter. The outside surface of the tube is sanded, but otherwise untreated. At one end inside the tube is the helical coupler. It consists of a metal or metalized plastic plate mounted to the glass fiber tube or inserted into the tube. The plate carries in its center the coaxial cable connector of which the inner conductor is continued inside the glass fiber tube in the form of a 9-turn helix wound with a 15 deg pitch around a 16 mm diameter Lucite rod. With the tube removed, the helical coupler is identical to a helix antenna designed to operate in the axial mode at 4 to 5.5 Gc. By providing adjustment of pitch and diameter of the spring wire helix,

Fig. 2A, a tunable helix coupler is obtained. Moving the helix inside the tube changes the radiation pattern, Fig. 2B.

**PERFORMANCE**—Radiation patterns were plotted for three configurations:

- The coupler without the glass fiber tube.
- The coupler with the glass fiber tube.
- The antenna mounted perpendicular to a 12-inch square metal ground plane.

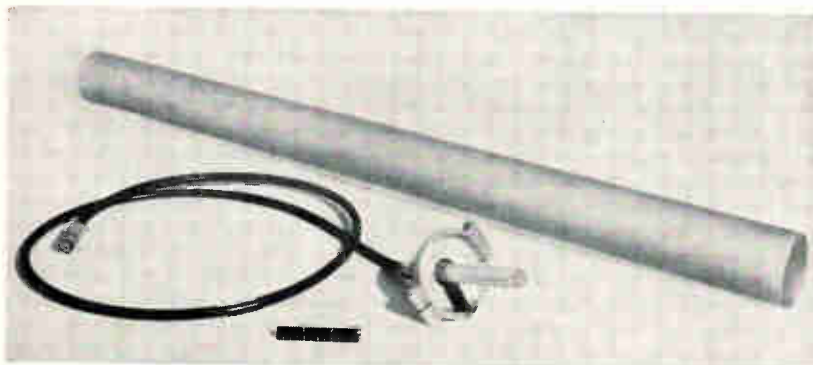
A measurement of voltage standing wave ratios (vswr) on 50-ohm cable for different frequencies and different experimental setups indicates that the tube has practically no influence on input impedance of the helix. Similarly the ground plane does not affect impedance.

Figures 3A, B, C and D show radiation patterns of the helix alone and the helix plus glass fiber tube at 6 Gc without the metal ground plane. Recordings 3A and 3C show the magnitude of the field strength

vector in the vertical plane. Recordings 3B and 3D show the magnitude of the field-strength vector components in the horizontal plane. The shape and width of patterns 3A and 3B are typical of conventional helix antennas. The patterns of the glass fiber tube antenna, Fig. 3C and 3D show that the tube produces a narrowing of the half power beam width of about one-third, both vertically and horizontally. These plots confirm the axial symmetry of the radiation patterns and the essential circular polarization of the radiated wave.

Figures 3E, F, G and H are analogous to the Figures 3A, B, C and D, except that a 12-inch metal ground plane was placed behind the antenna. A comparison of the corresponding patterns measured with and without metal ground plate shows that the influence of the metal ground plate on the radiation characteristics are negligible.

Performance characteristics of the antenna can be summarized as follows: Directivity computed from



**HELIX AND COUPLER** is the driven element of this antenna and fits into the plastic tube—Fig. 1

## WHY USE GLASS FIBRE?

Many dielectric materials—polystyrene, Lucite, paraffin, flint glass—are used for optical and microwave lenses. Glass-fiber reinforced plastic is used for rigid mechanical structures of almost any shape. It seems logical to exploit its dielectric and mechanical qualities for antenna structures. Glass fiber tubes are extremely strong, stiff and very light. The tubes can be mounted over and onto existing metal microwave radiators and reflectors, serving both as a protective cover and as a microwave beam focusing element

# Tube Focuses Microwave Beam



EXPERIMENTAL ANTENNA using a glass fiber tube is light and rugged

the half-power beamwidth angles indicated on the radiation patterns is between 19 and 24 db. This is about a 10-db improvement in directivity over conventional helix antennas, which is also equivalent to an improvement in gain by 10 db because the glass fiber tube focusing element does not affect the original helix impedance. These figures for the directivity and gain computed from the radiation patterns of glass fiber tube antenna correlate with the gain measurements involving the substitution of standard metal horns, taking differences in polarization and matching of glass fiber tube antenna and horns into account (3 db because of polarization and 1 to 2 db because of matching). Polarization along the main axis of the radiated beam is practically circular. Directivity of the tube antenna, which is physically about 1 wavelength

wide, is equivalent to that of a uniformly illuminated aperture (an ideal dish) four to five wavelengths wide.

These performance characteristics are representative for the straight simple types of these novel glass fiber tube antennas. They may be further improved by tapering of the coupler, flaring of the glass fiber tube radiator and by using more than one tube in a concentric arrangement as for beam focusing, and by glass fiber tube arrays.

**THEORY**—An explanation of the radiation characteristic may be attempted on the basis of Hygens principle by assuming fictitious secondary elementary radiators to be distributed over the surface of the tube. These secondary elementary radiators are thought to be excited by a primary wave

that corresponds to a waveguide mode of the tube. Besides the fact that, in a strict mathematical sense, waveguide modes are not radiating modes, the field configuration of these modes and the related spatial distribution of the secondary elementary radiators must be known. This is usually the case where conventional metal waveguide sections with a resonant  $\lambda/2$  dipole coupler are used as feed systems for dielectric radiator elements.<sup>1, 2</sup>

The field configuration of the excited metal waveguide mode and that of the dielectric element can be assumed to be similar. This approach has been applied to polyrod antennas and other microwave antennas using solid dielectric slabs, wedges and tubes protruding from the mouths of metal waveguide sections and horns with a conventional  $\lambda/2$  dipole coupler. Even



though the theoretical investigation of propagation modes in dielectric waveguides was initiated in 1910 by Hondros and Debye, a theoretically satisfactory solution was achieved only as late as 1949 by M. M. Astrahan.<sup>3, 4</sup>

A real understanding of the mechanism of radiation which must involve other than these dielectric waveguide modes has apparently not yet been achieved. This is especially true in this case where the feed system is not a conventional resonant dipole excited metal waveguide section, but a helix or an equivalent slow wave coupler and where the radiator is not a solid dielectric rod slab or wedge, but an extremely thin-walled glass fiber tube. An infinitely long dielectric tube with dimensions such as our glass fiber tube could only support the hybrid  $HE_{11}$  mode which is also called the dipole mode because of the similarity of the field configuration with that produced by a radial dipole in a circular metal waveguide section. In fact this linear polarized  $HE_{11}$  mode can be excited in this way in polystyrene tubes by using a radial dipole in a metal circular waveguide section as feed system.<sup>4</sup> In accordance with this dielectric

waveguide mode-radiation concept, assume here that a circular polarized version of the above  $HE_{11}$  mode is the source of excitation of the fictitious elementary radiators within the glass fiber tube.

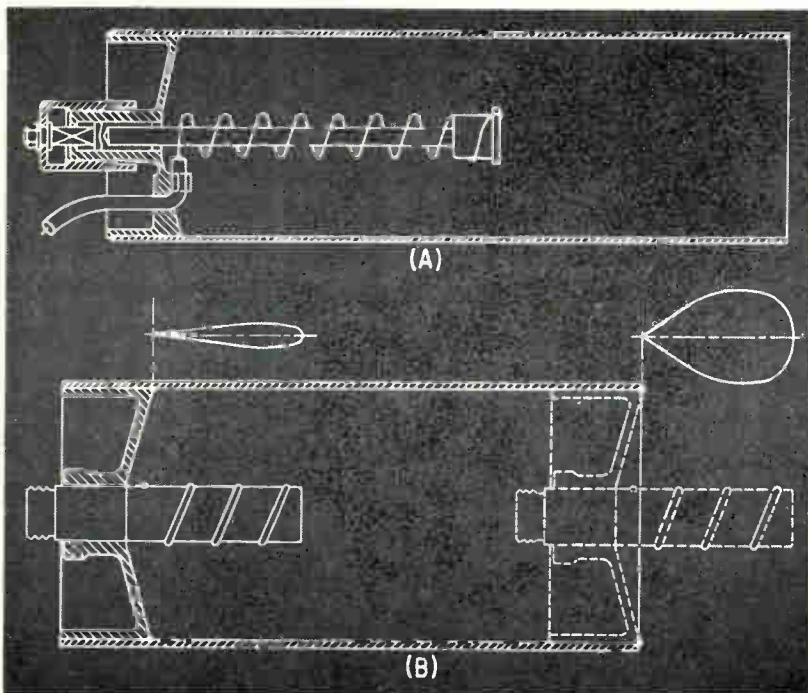
A simple and somewhat crude explanation of the focusing effectiveness of the glass fiber tube may be evolved from experience with leakage from braid-shielded cables and radio frequency interference, suppression, and control. The glass fiber tube can be considered as a dielectric shield acting as an imperfect semitransparent mirror and is polarized by electric charges on the helix inner conductor. The total field in the air space can be represented as coming from the charges on the helix and their imperfect images with respect to the tube surface and from a double layer of charges represented by the tube surfaces. The tube in effect becomes a jump surface of the electrical potential with equivalent associated magnetic curl rings. Thus focusing action can be interpreted by an increase of the effective aperture.<sup>1</sup>

**PRACTICAL USE**—An appreciation of the features of the glass

fiber tube antenna can be obtained by their comparison with those of other conventional narrow beam antennas. These are microwave parabolas several wavelengths in diameter or metal louvers or solid dielectric lenses also with diameters of several wavelengths. Other conventional and experimental microwave antennas use solid dielectric rods, slabs and wedges which protrude from metal waveguides and horns. Their mechanical design does not permit an easy mechanical control of the gain and directivity of the antenna within a wide frequency band.

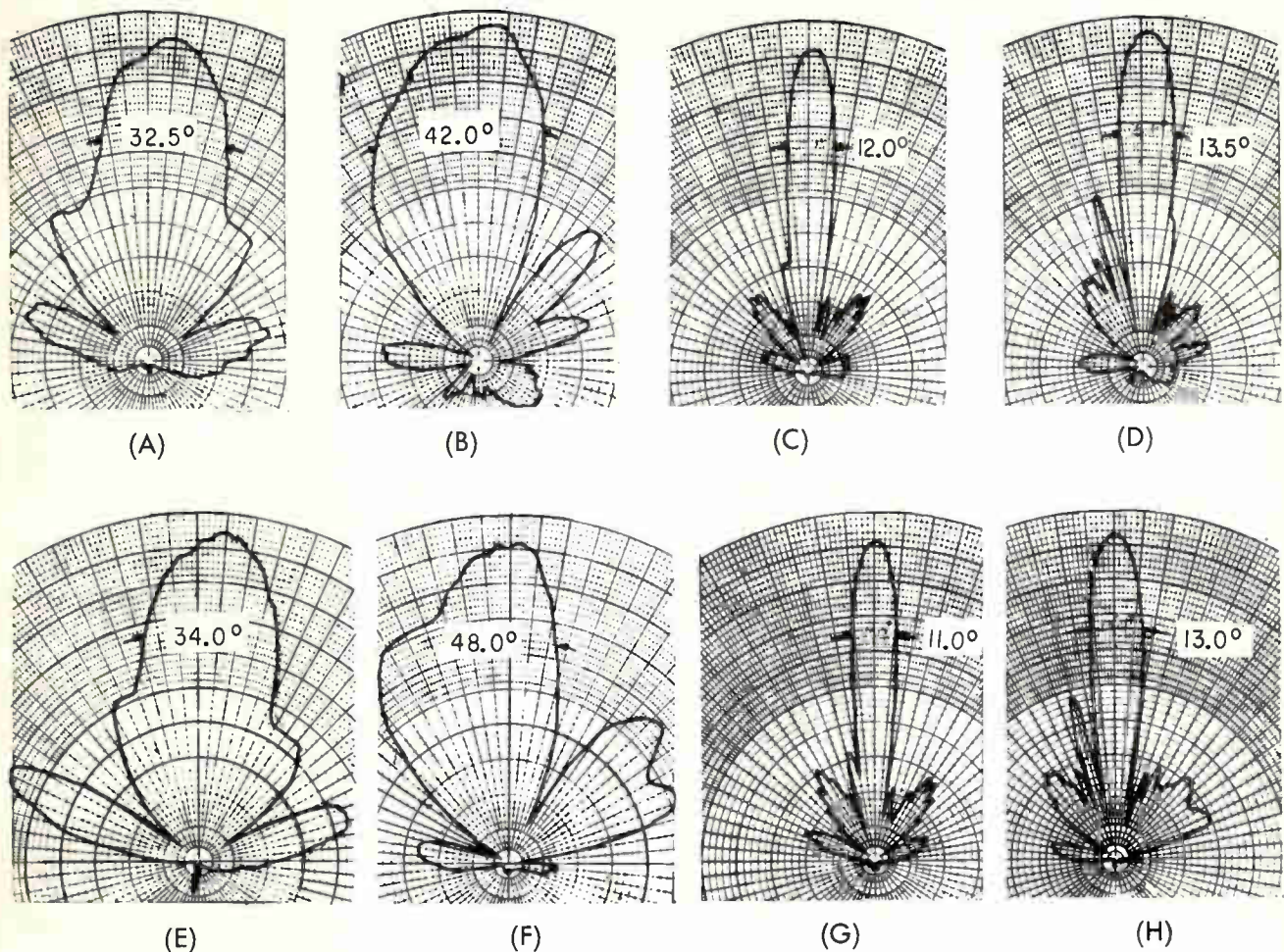
One of the disadvantages of reflector and lens antennas is their heavy weight and large surface. These antennas need heavy and sturdy support structures to withstand large static and dynamic wind loads. These antennas are impractical for military field use, not only because of the difficulties of handling and transporting large structures, but also because the presence of large metallic structures can be detected by enemy optical, radar and infrared surveillance.

Dielectric microwave antennas employing solid dielectric slabs, wedges, and rods as radiating elements have similar mechanical and electrical disadvantages. Since the dielectric radiating elements must be more than a half-wavelength thick and several wavelengths long, their weight may also be considerable. Expensive low loss dielectric materials, usually polystyrene, must be used since the electromagnetic energy must pass through the dielectric material. As the loss angle of these materials increases with power density, power handling capability becomes more limited. Coupling of electromagnetic energy to the dielectric radiating element is always problematic and limits the full exploitation of the inherently wide frequency bandwidths of the dielectric radiating element. The inherent mismatch between these types of fast-wave feeder systems and the slow-wave dielectric radiator elements is likely to enhance the excitation of spurious modes of radiation. Because practically all of these feed systems are designed for linearly polarized waves, the radiated field is linear polarized.



**MOUNTING** of the helix within the tube (A) and a modification showing how the antenna beam pattern may be varied by sliding the helix along the axis of the tube (B)—Fig. 2





RADIATION PATTERNS of half-power beamwidth at 6 Gc. Vertical pattern (A) and horizontal pattern (B) are of the helix alone. Vertical pattern (C) and horizontal pattern (D) with the glass fiber tube added show focusing. With ground plane, vertical pattern (E) and horizontal pattern (F) of the helix alone show no noticeable effect. Vertical pattern (C) and horizontal pattern (H) with glass fiber tube added to ground assembly show no change compared to (C) and (D). Although 6 Gc is above the operating range of the helix, these patterns show the effect of the glass fiber tube and the resulting usable patterns—Fig. 3

All the disadvantages of mechanical or electrical nature are overcome by the glass fiber tube antenna. This antenna is a novel dielectric tube antenna. That is, the radiating element is the glass fiber tube, whereas the wire helix is the wideband coupler between the coaxial feeder cable and the glass fiber tube radiator.

Efficient coupling of power over a wide frequency range is due to continuous maintenance of a slow-wave phase velocity in the transition from the coaxial feeder cable by the helix coupler to the tube radiator and the large interaction space of the electromagnetic fields between the helix and the tube. Because a large part of the energy flows through the airspace inside and outside the tube, power han-

dling capacity is not limited by the radiator element. A glass fiber tube antenna does not need a large wind catching reflector and its performance is not degraded if the antenna protrudes from a large metal wall of shelter or vehicle.

From the military point of view, the narrow silhouette of the antenna and the dielectric and air material of its structure make its detection very difficult by conventional radar and infrared surveillance techniques. Further, the antenna weighs only a few pounds, is convenient to carry, and can be used in limited space.

A four-element glass fiber tube array is expected to produce a microwave antenna whose half power beamwidth can be varied smoothly from about 4 to 40 deg.

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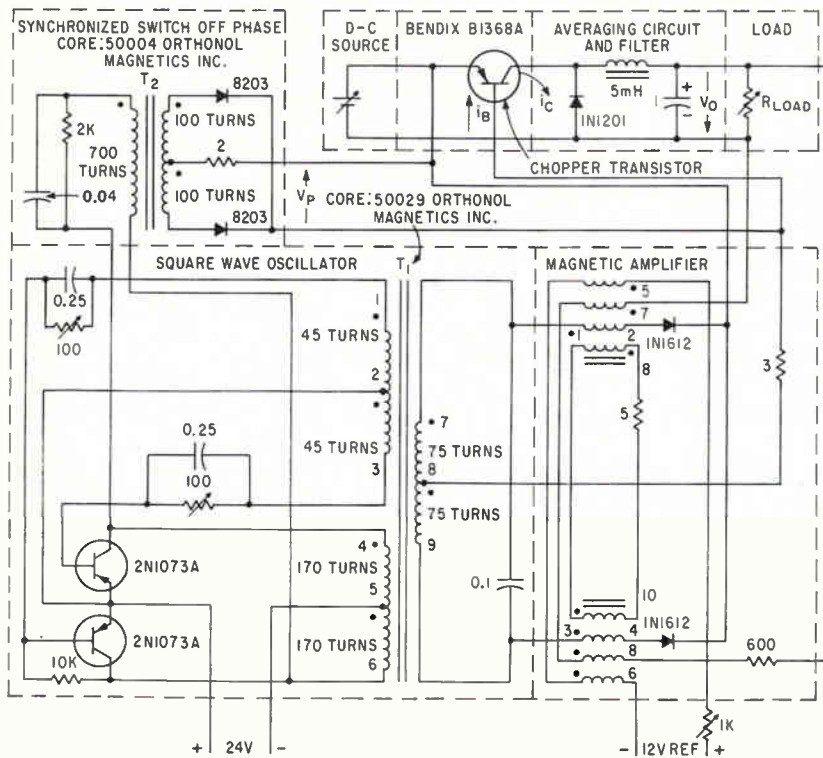
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# New Transistor Regulator Handles

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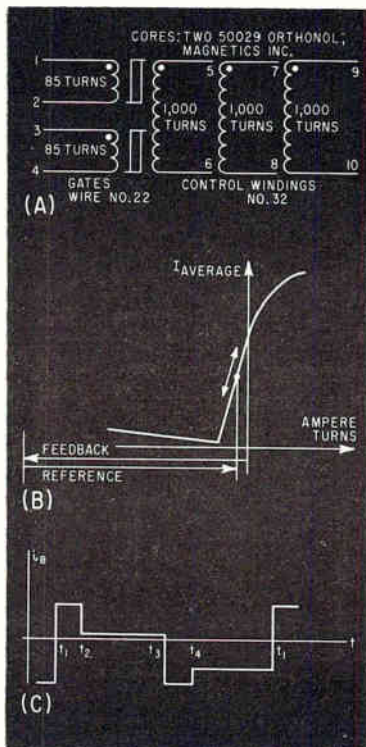
CHOPPER TRANSISTOR plays an important part in this variable pulse width regulator—Fig. 1

TRANSISTOR series regulators working with high input voltage changes have poor efficiencies. Enough voltage must be allowed across the series regulating transistor to account for all combinations of input voltage and load current changes. To provide good heat dissipation, most series regulators must be physically large.

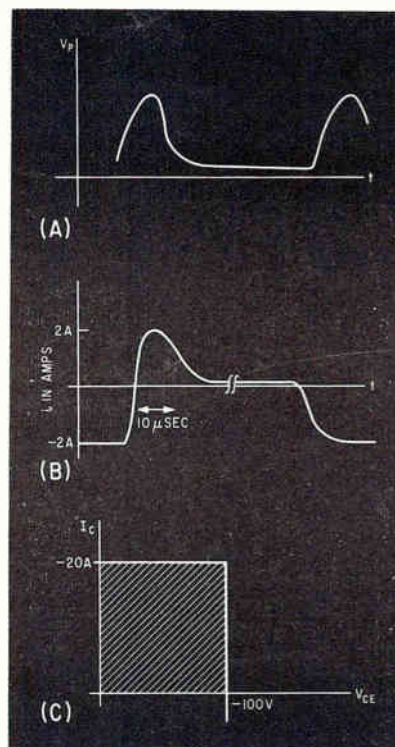
Efficiencies of more than 80 percent are easily achieved with switching regulators; in general, however, regulation is poorer than for series regulators. For good efficiency and regulation, a switching preregulator followed by a series regulator must be used.

**REGULATOR OPERATION**—Fig. ure 1 shows a variable pulse width regulator that handles an output of 500 w. A chopper transistor supplies pulse width modulated power pulses to an averaging circuit and filter. The filter output voltage is compared to the reference voltage by the magnetic amplifier. When this output voltage is greater or smaller than the desired voltage, the magnetic amplifier changes the pulse width to decrease the deviation. The square-wave oscillator supplies a square wave that is pulse width modulated by the magnetic amplifier to drive the chopper transistor. A synchronized switch-off pulse is supplied to the chopper transistor to switch the transistor rapidly through the high power dissipation region.

The 2N1073A power transistors in the square-wave oscillator (see Fig. 1) achieve fast switching at 1 Kc. The 100-ohm variable resistors are adjusted for fast collector current fall time as well as minimum current spikes at the end of the collector current ON time. The 100,000-ohm resistor starts oscillations. The 0.1- $\mu$ f capacitor keeps voltage spikes small across the transistors by providing a low impedance path during switching.



MAGNETIC AMPLIFIER windings (A); average output as function of feedback and reference ampere turns (B); and ideal base current for B1368A (C)—Fig. 2



RECTIFIED OUTPUT voltage (A); base current supplied to chopper transistor (B); and area within which transistor can be switched (C)—Fig. 3

# 500-Watt Outputs

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*achieved with variable pulse width regulator using a single chopper transistor*

Figure 2A shows the windings of the magnetic amplifier. One of the control windings is connected to a 5-ohm resistor to damp regulator oscillations. Figure 2B shows the magnetic amplifier average output current as a function of feedback and reference ampere turns. Reference ampere turns are kept constant. When the feedback ampere turns are increasing, due to a higher output voltage across the load, the average magnetic amplifier output current is decreasing. This means that the magnetic amplifier fires at a later point of the half cycle than before. Lower output across the load than the rated one results in smaller feedback ampere turns and, consequently, the magnetic amplifier fires sooner than before, widening the pulse width of the current supplied by the chopper transistor to the averaging circuit and filter.

Figure 2C shows the ideal base current required by the B1368A. At  $t_1$ , the chopper transistor is driven off. A high base current is supplied to the transistor to sweep the stored carriers out of the base region. After  $t_2$ , a reverse voltage holds the transistor OFF and only a small base current flows. To obtain fast collector current rise time, a negative base current overdrives the transistor until after  $t_3$ , when the base current drops to a value to hold the transistor in saturation.

The magnetic amplifier cannot switch off the base current. Therefore, the base current is switched off whenever the square wave oscillator output changes polarity. The voltage of the square wave oscillator primary is connected to transformer  $T_2$  (Fig. 1) through a capacitor in parallel with a resistor. The rectified output voltage  $V_p$  is shown in Fig. 3A.

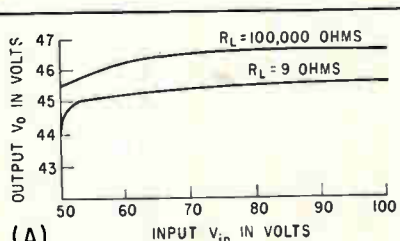
The base current supplied to the chopper transistor is shown in Fig. 3B. The circuit provides no overdrive to decrease the collector cur-

rent rise time.

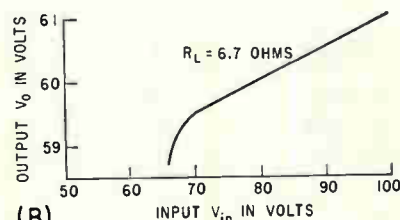
In selecting the chopper transistor, these parameters must be considered: (1) Saturation voltage:  $V_{EC(S)} \leq 0.65$  v at  $I_C = -25$  amp and  $I_B = -2.5$  amp. Saturation voltage must be kept small to minimize power dissipation during the time the transistor is switched on. (2) Emitter base voltage:  $V_{EB} \geq 1.5$  v at  $I_B = 50$  ma. When the transistor is reverse biased, base current should be small to keep power dissipation minimum. (3) Collector cutoff current:  $I_{CO} \leq$

## WHAT KIND OF REGULATOR?

*Switching regulators have many different applications. Those that operate from a-c sources employ thyratrons, magnetic amplifiers, silicon-controlled rectifiers or transistors. The switching element chops off part of the half cycle. For switching regulators that operate from d-c sources, transistors hold an advantage—they can switch currents on and off, while the other devices can only switch currents on. Using only a single chopper transistor, the design proposed by author Balthasar handles 500 watts with more than 80 percent efficiency*



(A)



(B)

OUTPUT for load of 9 ohms and 100,000 ohms (A), and for 6.7 ohms (B)—Fig. 4

50 ma at  $V_{BC} = 100$  v and  $T_j = 100$  deg C. Average junction temperature must not exceed 85 deg C during operation. Therefore, the leakage current through the chopper transistor is smaller than 50 ma keeping the power dissipation during the OFF time small. (4) Thermal Characteristic:  $\theta_{J-C} \leq 0.8$  deg C/w. The maximum average power dissipation is 50 w. To keep the junction temperature smaller than 85 deg C, thermal resistance should be as small as possible. A heat sink with  $\theta_{(sink-ambient)} = 2$  deg C/w was used.

The transistor can be switched within the area shown in Fig. 3C. Exceeding the collector current or collector voltage may result in emitter-collector shorts. Absolute magnitude of peak base current  $|I_B|$ , must be smaller than 2 amp. Collector current fall time must be smaller than 30  $\mu$ sec. The maximum peak power dissipated with an inductive load occurs when collector current is switched off. Peak power may be as high as 2,000 w. Longer switching transients may heat the junction so that the transistor fails. The B1368A can be switched from  $I_C = -20$  amp to  $V_{CE} = -100$  v in less than 3  $\mu$ sec using a voltage source with a 1-ohm base resistor, resulting in a base current of  $\pm 2$  amp peak.

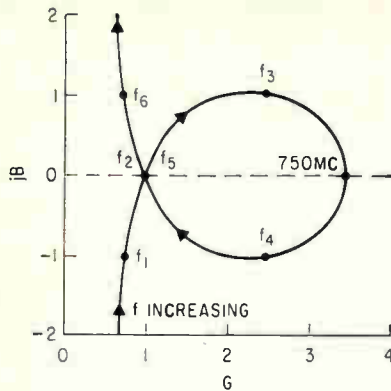
**AVERAGING CIRCUIT**—The rectifier must be a fast switch. When the chopper transistor switches on, the rectifier acts like a capacitor and current flows into the cathode ( $i_c$  in Fig. 1). During collector current rise time, the transistor switches through the high power dissipation area too. Most of the chopper transistor's dissipation is due to the switch-on transient.

Figure 4A shows output voltage  $V_o$  as a function of input  $V_{in}$  for a load of 9 ohms and 100,000 ohms. Figure 4B shows  $V_o$  as a function of input voltage  $V_{in}$  for  $R_L = 6.7$  ohms. Efficiency was 82 percent.



# Varactor-Tuned

*Electronically tuned uhf oscillator makes possible rapid, remote receiver tuning. Voltage-variable capacitor operated above its self-resonant frequency is used as the tuning element*



NORMALIZED ADMITTANCE across a low  $Q$  resonator—Fig. 1

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ADVANCES in the development of tunnel diodes have made the generation of milliwatt levels of microwave power practical. A tunnel diode can be used as a local oscillator in a superheterodyne receiver in place of complex electron tube devices or varactor multipliers.

Synthesis and construction of a voltage-tuned tunnel diode oscillator that uses a voltage-variable capacitor that operated above its self-resonant frequency as the tuning element is described. The oscillator delivers 0.65 to 0.45 mw into 50 ohms over a frequency range of 600 to 900 Mc.

**DIODE SELECTION**—Conditions for maintaining stable sustained oscillations at a given frequency can be stated in terms of the total admittance across the diode negative conductance as:

- (1) The net susceptance ( $B$ ) must be zero.
- (2) The rate of change of susceptance with respect to frequency ( $\partial B/\partial f$ ) must be positive.
- (3) The net conductance must be less than the diode negative conductance at the bias point.
- (4) The total d-c resistance in series with the diode must be less than the diode negative resistance.

For this application it was necessary to deliver power into a 50-ohm load and maintain a half-milliwatt

power level over as broad a tuning range as possible. A tunnel diode (Microstate MS 242) with a peak current of 21.7 ma, a series resistance of 1 ohm, a series inductance of 0.3 nanohenries, a negative resistance (measured at the inflection point) of 8 ohms, and a capacitance of 16.3 pf (measured at the valley voltage) was selected to fulfill the above conditions. The variation of the capacitance is about 20 percent for the voltage swings encountered. The self-resonant frequency was 1.9 Gc, and the resistive cutoff frequency was 3.26 Gc.

A frequency range of 500 Mc to 1,000 Mc for the oscillator was chosen because it is within the capability of commercially available tuning elements and tunnel diodes. Calculations of total admittance required at the diode terminals for oscillation in this range were performed using the simplifying assumption that, for maximum output power, the real part of the admittance across the negative conductance of the diode should be a constant  $\frac{1}{2}$  mho ( $1/2 R_D$ ) for all frequencies in the tuning range. The real part of this admittance shows only a slight variation with frequency. The imaginary part shows that a variation in tuning inductance at the diode terminals of about 5.1 is required to tune the oscillator from 500 to 1,000 Mc.

**VARACTOR SELECTION**—This tuning inductance was achieved by inserting a variable inductance at the diode terminals, in the form of a voltage-variable capacitor whose self-resonant frequency was below the operating frequency of the oscillator. The Pacific Semicon-

ductor PC 117 Hi-Q Varicap chosen had a capacitance change of more than 8 to 1 for a voltage change of 100 volts, below 400 Mc. A tuning range of 600 Mc to 900 Mc was found possible for the combined diode and Varicap.

**POWER DELIVERY**—With selection of the tunnel diode and tuning element, the next requirement is to deliver the oscillator power into a 50-ohm load. A quarter-wave transmission-type transformer will yield the required impedance transformation. However, this also yields a susceptance whose partial derivative with respect to  $f$  is negative. Thus, the fulfillment of one condition for stable sustained oscillation is now in jeopardy, and tuning hysteresis effects can occur.

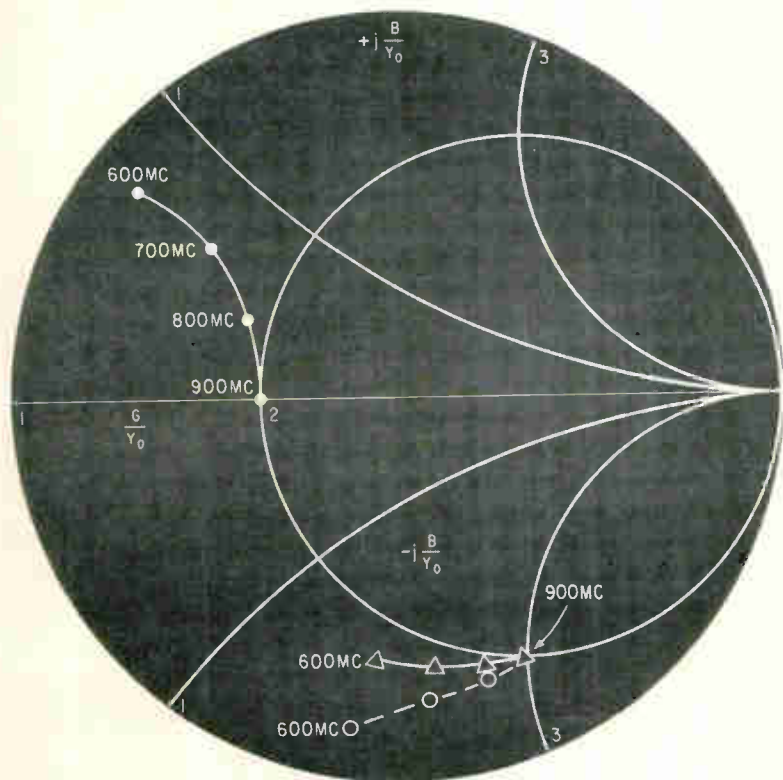
Figure 1 is a plot of the normalized admittance across a low- $Q$  resonator that is connected to a load through a quarter wavelength of transmission line. In this illustration the resonator is formed by the tunnel diode capacitance and the tuning inductance required for oscillation at 750 Mc. The transmission line connecting the load to the resonator is a quarter wavelength at 750 Mc. The loop in the admittance shows the effect of the transmission line, the existence and size of which is inversely proportional to the  $Q$  of the resonator, and proportional to the load vswr. If more than one quarter wavelength of line is used, the total length affects the size and number of loops in this characteristic.

**TUNING**—Increasing the  $Q$  of the resonator improves the characteristic by a sort of stretching process

# Tunnel-Diode Oscillator Now Practical



TUNNEL DIODE is inserted in oscillator mount



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- TRANSFORMED 50-OHM LOAD WITH TUNING INDUCTANCE ADDED

SMITH CHART plot, inside unit-conductance circle, shows admittance relationships in the tunnel diode oscillator—Fig. 2

## DESIGN FITS MANY SYSTEMS

Sweeping reconnaissance receivers and communications receivers are among the types that need rapid, remote, wide-range tuning. The varactor-tuned tunnel-diode oscillator described in this article was designed with these requirements in mind. Use of commercially available tunnel diodes and varactors in the prototype design makes commercial production feasible.

until the loop disappears. Tuning the resonator corresponds to shifting the entire curve up or down, parallel to the vertical axis. In Fig. 1, there are three crossings of the  $B = 0$  axis indicating that there are 3 separate frequencies for which  $B = 0$ . The frequencies  $f_2$  or  $f_3$  represent the two possible oscillation frequencies since at the third crossing  $\partial B/\partial f < 0$ . It is important to note that this third crossing occurs at a frequency to which the resonator is tuned and at the point where the transmission line is a quarter wavelength long.

The frequency of oscillation in this case may be either  $f_2$  or  $f_3$ . Assuming that the oscillation frequency is  $f_2$ , tuning the resonator to increase frequency, which corresponds to shifting the entire curve down, will increase the oscil-

lation frequency from  $f_2$  to  $f_3$ . An attempt to tune higher will cause a jump to  $f_3$  since stable oscillation cannot be maintained beyond  $f_3$ , where  $\partial B/\partial f < 0$ . This jump in frequency is tuning hysteresis.

Tuning hysteresis must be considered in the design of a voltage-tuned tunnel-diode oscillator because the resonator is not usually high Q. The resonator is formed by the diode capacitance and an external inductance that are both shunted by the low load resistance required at the diode terminals. The effect can be avoided by assuring that  $\partial B/\partial f$  is positive for all frequencies in the tuning range.

Since the quarter-wavelength line, which connects the load to the resonator, gives rise to the negative  $\partial B/\partial f$ , shortening the length of this line so that the frequency

at which it is a quarter wavelength is outside the frequency range of interest will generally ensure that the total  $\partial B/\partial f$  is positive in this frequency range.

It was found that centering the quarter-wave transformer at 900 Mc was sufficient to ensure that the net  $\partial B/\partial f$  across the tunnel diode negative conductance remained positive for all frequencies in the desired tuning range. The characteristic admittance of this line was chosen to be 40 millimhos to obtain the proper impedance transformation from load to tunnel diode.

The real part of the admittance desired across the diode terminals varies from about 70 millimhos at 600 Mc to 85 millimhos at 900 Mc. With the load admittance equal to 20 millimhos, a quarter-wavelength line whose characteristic admit-



tance is 40 millimhos will approximate the desired transformation.

There is, of course, a susceptive component of admittance presented to the tunnel diode terminals by this impedance transformer at frequencies other than 900 Mc. This susceptance must be considered when tuning the oscillator.

**SMITH CHART**—Figure 2 is a partial Smith Chart plot of the admittance relationships that exist at the tunnel diode terminals when the load is connected to the diode through the quarter-wave transformer. The portion of the Smith Chart shown here is within the unit conductance circle, and the normalizing admittance is the characteristic admittance of the line (40 millimhos).

The transformed load admittance has a real part which varies from 80 millimhos at 900 Mc to about 50 millimhos at 600 Mc. The susceptance varies from zero at 900 Mc to about +30 millimhos at 600 Mc. This is equivalent to a capacitance, being presented to the diode terminals, that varies from zero at 900 Mc to 8 pf at 600 Mc.

To obtain the desired admittance at the diode terminals, it is necessary to add an inductance to the transformed load admittance to yield a susceptance which varies from about 100 millimhos at 600 Mc to about 120 millimhos at 900 Mc. This susceptance variation represents an inductance variation of from 2.66 nh at 600 Mc to 1.48 nh at 900 Mc, which is a change of about 1.8 to 1 in tuning inductance.

Thus, with this tuning inductance added to the transformed

load admittance, a total admittance will be obtained at the diode terminals that closely approximates that desired (Fig. 2). The variation in the real part of the synthesized admittance is somewhat greater than desired; the susceptance variation corresponds exactly to that desired.

The real part of the admittance desired across the diode terminals is based on the assumption that a constant conductance provides maximum power at all frequencies, which is not always true. However, the power output is not a critical function of the load, and the deviation from the desired values of the real part of the admittance is acceptable (Fig. 2).

**FINAL COMPONENTS**—The construction of the final oscillator is shown in Fig. 3.

The tunnel diode is mounted at the end of a short section of transmission line ( $Y_0 = 80$  millimhos). The bias circuit for the diode is composed of a 5-ohm disc resistor ( $R_1$ ) and 1,000-pf bypass capacitor ( $C_1$ ) mounted in parallel directly against the diode to minimize stray inductance effects. The Varicap tuning element is mounted at right angles to the axis of the coaxial line contacting the center conductor about  $\frac{1}{8}$  inch away from the tunnel diode. Voltage is applied to the Varicap tuning element through a 500-pf bypass capacitor.

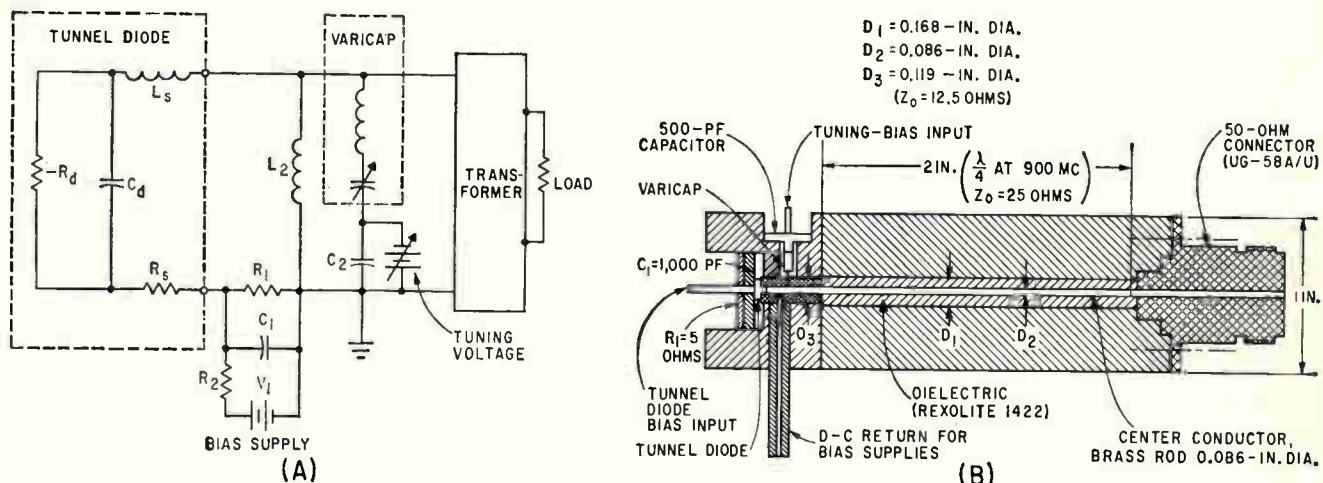
A d-c return from both bias supplies is obtained by using about 1 inch of high-impedance transmission line that is short-circuited at one end. This line is the bias choke  $L_2$ , and does not affect the tuning

characteristic of the Varicap. The quarter-wave transformer is formed by a 2-inch section of dielectrically loaded coaxial line that attaches to a standard UG58A/U Type N 50-ohm connector.

The tuning range obtained can be lowered by increasing the amount of fixed inductance in series with the Varicap. Using a high breakdown voltage varactor with low series inductance should permit the tuning range to be extended above 1,000 Mc.

Further measurements were made on the oscillator to determine its frequency stability as a function of tunnel diode bias and to determine the harmonic content in the output. The oscillator frequency was found to vary less than 1 percent for a change in tunnel diode bias of  $\pm 10$  percent around the normal operating bias point. This operating bias point was chosen to be the center of the negative resistance region midway between the peak and valley voltages (220 mv). The second harmonic component of the oscillator output was measured as a function of tunnel diode bias. The bias that gave a minimum second harmonic component was 220 mv. At this bias point the amplitude of the second harmonic was about 26 db below the fundamental voltage.

Portions of this work were performed under RADC Contract AF30(602)-2384. In addition, the analysis of the tunnel diode oscillator operation was performed as part of an investigation made in partial fulfillment of the requirements for the M.S. degree at the Polytechnic Institute of Brooklyn.



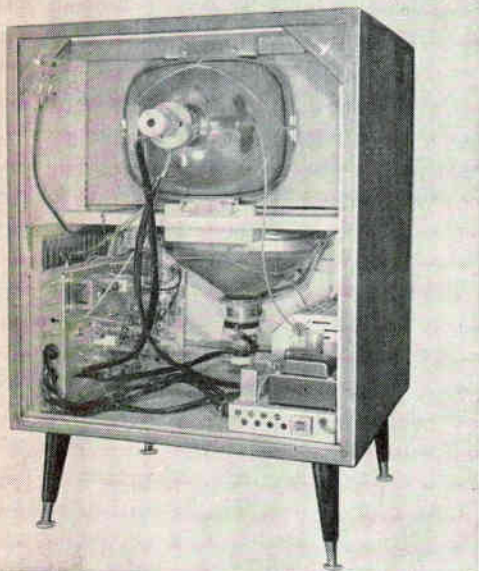
**QUARTER-WAVE TRANSMISSION LINES** are used for component connections shown in equivalent circuit (A) of oscillator (B)—Fig. 3





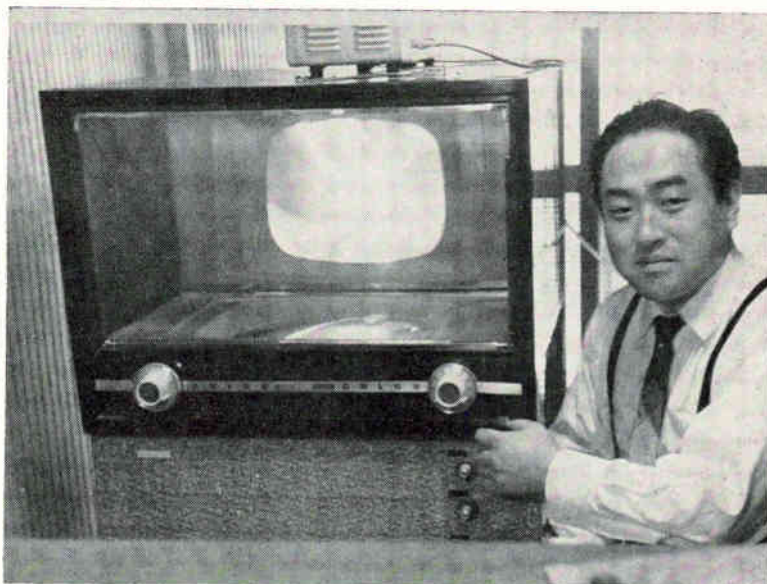
# Color Tv Based on Land Theory

*Red and green-coated cathode-ray tubes are used to reproduce almost entire color spectrum in this experimental two-color set*



REAR VIEW of cabinet showing cathode-ray tube arrangement

OPTICAL TUNNEL effect is seen in front view of set



COLOR TV broadcasting using the N.T.S.C. system was started in Japan in 1960 and provides about three hours of color transmission a day. A number of color tv sets, all using the three-gun crt in 14-, 17- and 21-inch sizes, have been produced.

With the introduction of the Land theory of color perception, a number of companies started experimental work to adapt this theory to practical two-color tv, compatible with N.T.S.C. transmissions. The set to be discussed is one that was developed in Japan by K. Hashimoto.

After many experiments with the

Land approach, it was found that the combination of red and white, originally used by Land, had some difficulty in reproducing blues and greens, thus handicapping the transmission of skies and oceans.

**COLOR SELECTION**—The chart shown in Fig. 1A shows what colors can be expected from combinations of two colors of different wavelengths. Area A will reproduce the widest range of colors with the exception of purple. When this area is broken down to a chromaticity chart, such Fig. 1B, the long wavelength (red) is situated between 0.6 and 0.7 microns and the

shorter wavelength lies between 0.46 and 0.55 microns.

To reproduce white a straight line connecting two colors must pass through point *W* (white). If the line passes above point *W*, the white gets yellowish and if below point *W*, the white gets tinged with blue. Human faces will appear magenta.

Since it is easy to identify the color of typical human skin, this color can be used as a reference. As many colors as possible should be reproduced and the color of skies, oceans and grass, not having the red element, should be natural.

The eye is less sensitive in detecting variations in color than it is in resolving differences in brightness. This characteristic resulted in setting up the I and Q axis and permits a significant bandwidth reduction of the chromatic signals. Approximately 1.5 Mc is used for the I signal corresponding to color differences in the range between orange and blue-green. The range between green and purple is covered by the Q signal. As the eye is less sensitive along this axis, the bandwidth is restricted to 0.5 Mc. The composite signal (*Y*) conveys

## TWO-COLOR TV

Most color tv receivers use a three-gun, three-color crt. Some are using various forms of a one-gun crt. There are some variations such as the banana tube (one gun, three colors) and three separate projection tubes (one gun each, three color total). But all are based on three-color theory.

This receiver is based on the two-color theory of Edwin Land (of

Polaroid) and uses two monochrome crt's, one having a green screen and the other using a transparent red-orange plastic overlay to produce the red image. The images are then registered on a half mirror.

It has been manufactured and sold in Japan but because of its physical awkwardness and the problems of viewing the picture down an optical tunnel, it may not find universal favor with consumers

# Uses Two Single-Gun Tubes

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the fine detail and occupies the conventional 4 Mc bandwidth.

**EXPERIMENTAL SYSTEM**—An experimental two-color system was tried using orange and cyan but skin colors were tinged with orange and green did not reproduce. Red was chosen as the long wavelength and a green-blue was chosen as the short wavelength.

The circuit of the chromatic portion of the two-color set is shown in Fig. 2. Color phase detection is along the red-green axis. The receiver is a conventional tv type using intercarrier sound.

Two 14-inch crt's are used, mounted with their viewing ends at 90 degrees to each other and a 45-degree semi-mirror is used to form the composite image.

The cathodes of the crt's are connected in parallel and receive the Y signal from the video amplifier. The composite signal is also passed through bandpass amplifiers  $V_1$  and  $V_2$  and supplied to R - Y demodulator  $V_3$  and G - Y demodulator  $V_6$ . The R - Y amplifier  $V_4$  supplies the red crt with its signal while the G - Y amplifier  $V_7$  supplies its crt. Plate load resistors of these two amplifiers have different values to compensate for the difference color levels of the N.T.S.C. signal. Blanking  $V_5$  amplifies the horizontal fly-back pulse and cuts off both color amplifiers during the horizontal fly-back time. It also acts as a d-c restorer.

Color killer  $V_{10}$  cuts off the second bandpass amplifier when a monochrome picture is received. Pentode  $V_8$  is the burst amplifier and is keyed by the flyback pulse.

There are two drawbacks to this experimental two-color tv set; first is the relatively large cabinet size due to the configuration of the two cathode ray tubes used, and, secondly, the angle of vision is narrower than conventional tv viewing because the picture, by necessity, is produced within the cabinet giving it a tunnel-like effect.

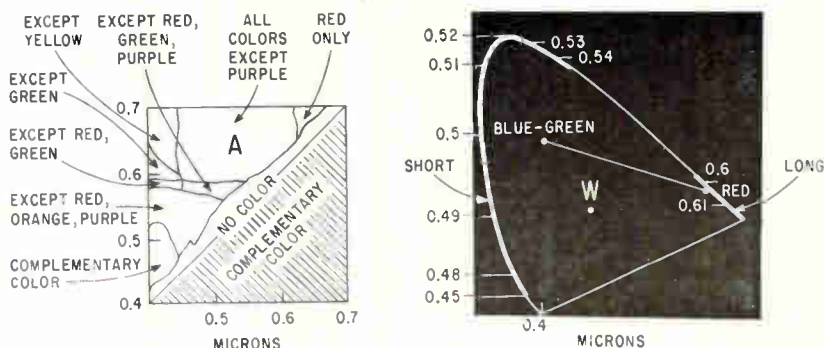
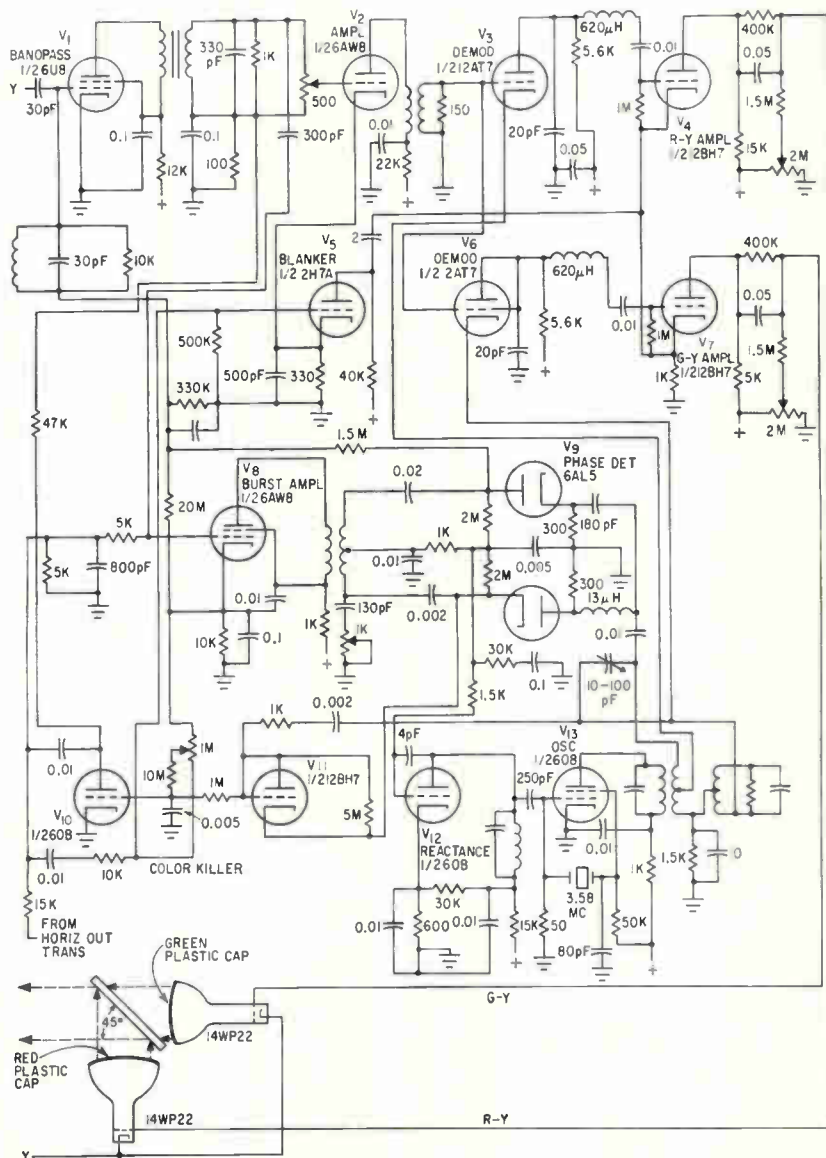


CHART SHOWS what colors can be expected from various combinations of two different colors, left, while chromaticity chart, right, of area A shows location of white—Fig. 1



CHROMATIC portion of two-color receiver accepts composite video from conventional tv set. This system detects along the red-green axis. Conventional picture tubes use colored plastic caps and picture is viewed on half-silvered mirror within cabinet—Fig. 2



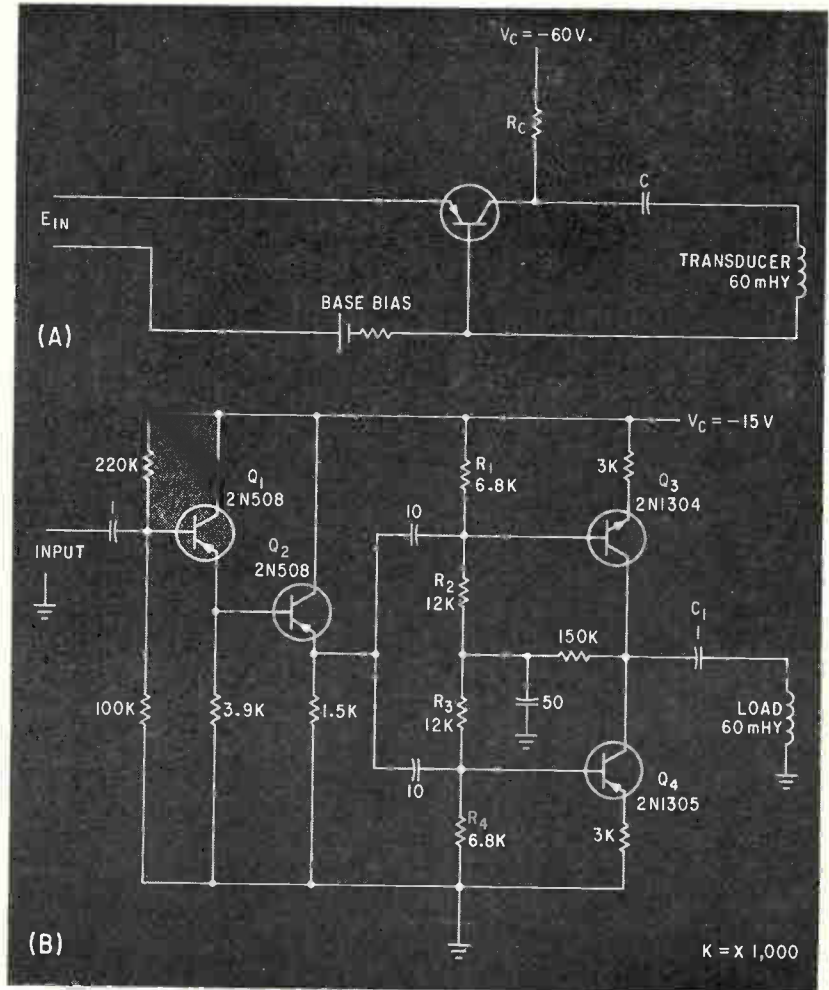
# TRANSISTOR PAIR PROVIDES Constant-Current Drive

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IN A RECENT application it became necessary to provide a transistor constant-current drive to a transducer with a 60-millihenry inductance without allowing d-c current in the transducer. Since the frequency range is to be from 30 to 30,000 cps, the impedance varies between 11.3 ohms and 11.3 kilohms. Five hundred microamperes peak-to-peak is the maximum current to be supplied. This means that the maximum peak-to-peak voltage across the transducer is  $12,000 \text{ ohms} \times 0.5 \text{ ma} = 6 \text{ v}$

**SOLUTIONS**—A straightforward solution to the problem would be to drive the transducer from a common base (as in Fig. A) or common emitter stage. The trouble with this solution is that a large collector resistor  $R_c$  must be used. Since d-c current cannot be allowed to flow through the transducer, a d-c bias current of 400 to 500 microamperes would have to be supplied from the collector resistor. The output impedance from such a stage would be  $R_c$  in parallel with the output impedance of the transistor. Resistor  $R_c$  would have to



SINGLE-TRANSISTOR constant-current circuit (A) requires higher supply voltage than (B), which uses  $Q_3$ - $Q_4$  complementary-symmetry pair

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*How do you drive a 60-millihenry transducer at constant current without allowing d-c to flow in the transducer?*

*First thought might be to use a common-base or common-emitter transistor stage. But as the author points out, this approach winds up requiring a value of supply voltage that is impractical for transistor circuits.*

*The answer is to use a double emitter follower driving a complementary-symmetry pair.*

be about 10 times larger than the highest transducer impedance to approximate a constant current source. Thus collector voltage  $V_c$  would be between 48 and 60 volts, that is,  $120,000 \text{ ohms} \times 400$  or  $500 \mu\text{a}$  equals 48 or 60 volts. This is an impractical value of supply voltage for transistor circuits.

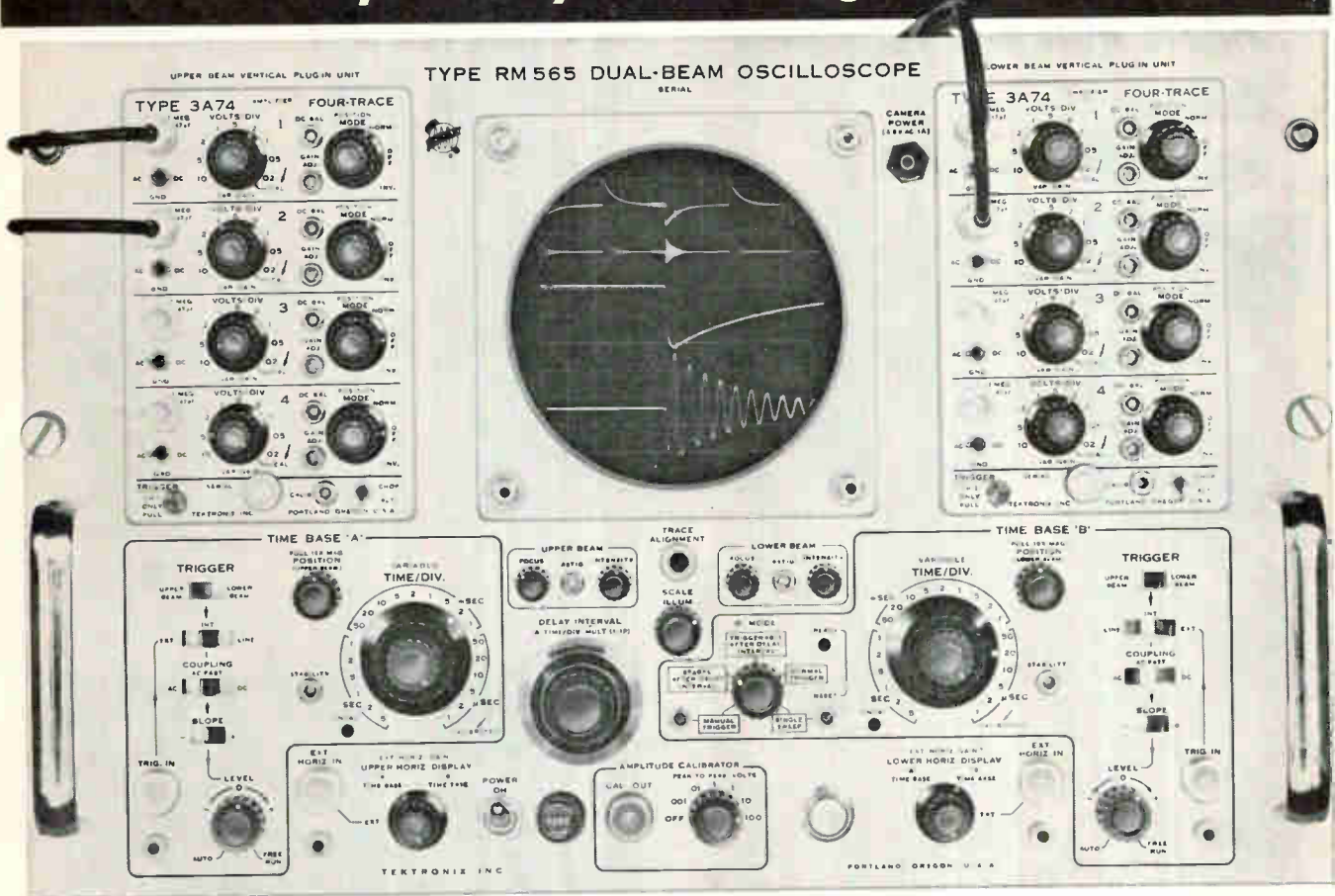
Since the supply voltage that was available was 15 volts, another approach was used. The circuit is shown in Fig. 1B.

The constant-current source is achieved here by biasing both  $Q_3$  and  $Q_4$  on all the time so that each transistor ( $Q_3$  and  $Q_4$ ) acts as the

collector resistance for the other. Bias current through the symmetrical pair can be set to  $500 \mu\text{a}$  with relatively little voltage across the transistors. The small signal output impedance of  $Q_3$  or  $Q_4$  remains high so that the parallel combination of the two is 500,000 ohms.

The double-emitter follower formed by  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  provides a very low source impedance for driving  $Q_3$  and  $Q_4$ . This low source impedance is necessary for maximum output resistance. Resistors  $R_1$  to  $R_4$  provide bias for  $Q_3$  and  $Q_4$ . Circuit output is flat within 1 db from 30 cps to 30,000 cps.

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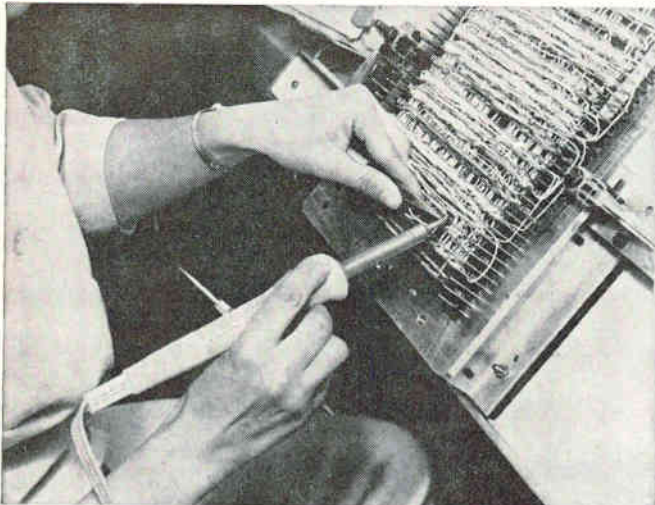
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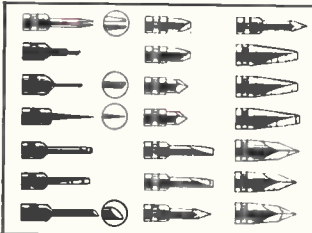
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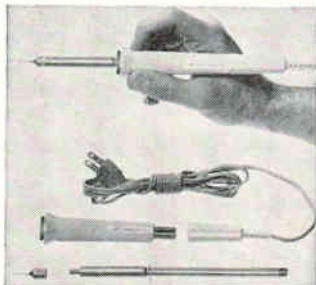
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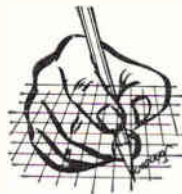


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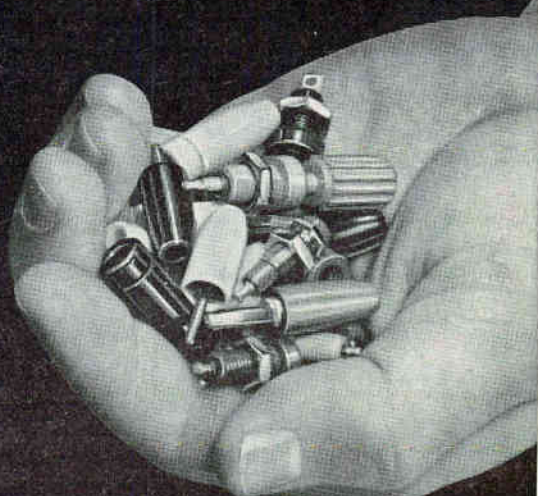
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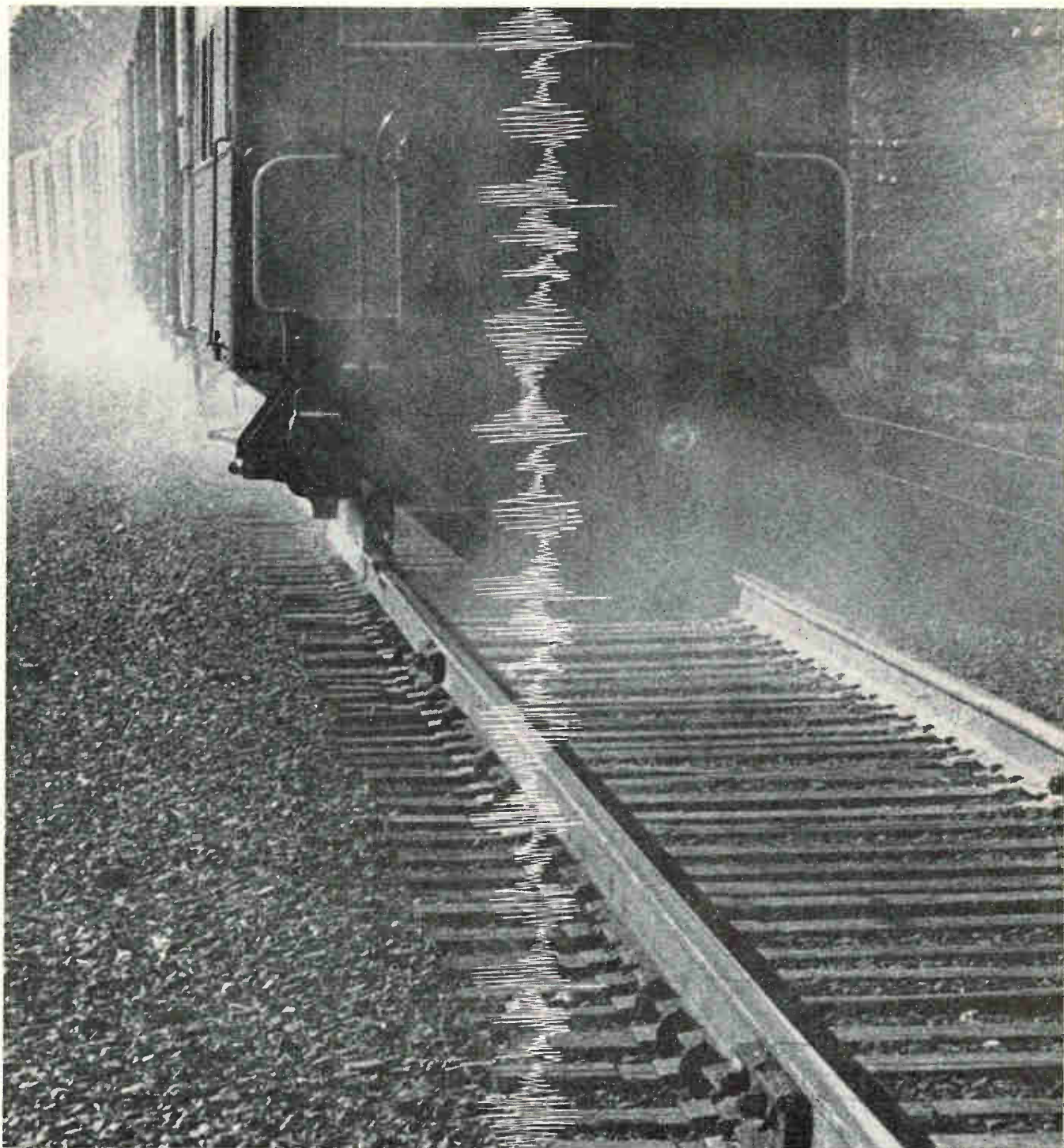
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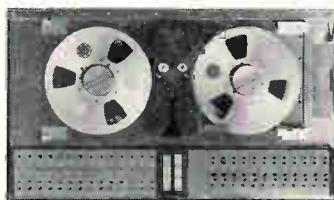
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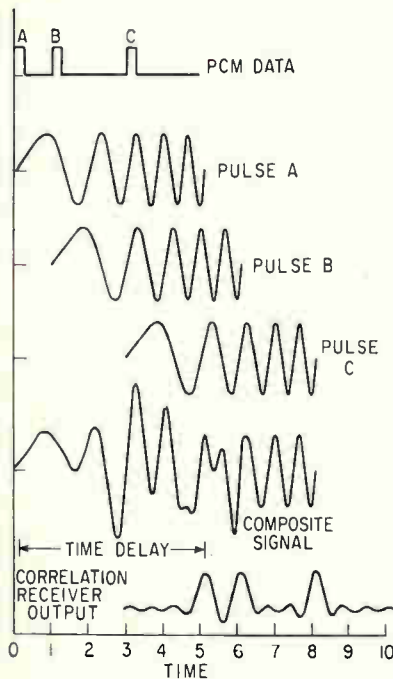
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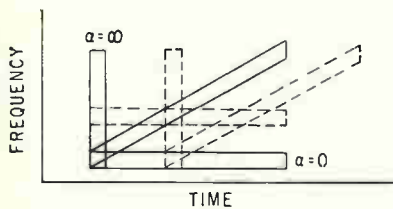




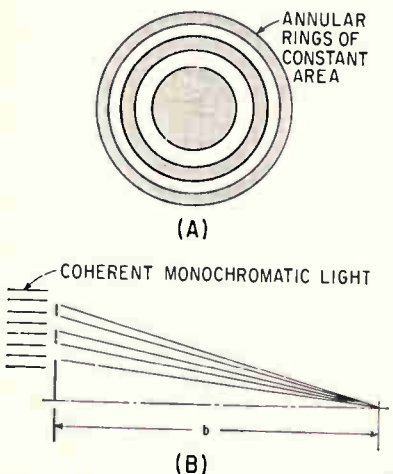
# Modulation Technique Combats Impulse Noise



FREQUENCY sweeps started each time pulse is to be transmitted are superimposed to form composite signal—Fig. 1



RELATIONSHIP between frequency and time indicates potential effectiveness against noise—Fig. 2



DENSITIES of rings in Fresnel zone plate vary sinusoidally and coherent monochromatic light through plate shown in edge view (B) comes to focus—Fig. 3

*Performance is improved without increasing average power or bandwidth*

SWEPT-FREQUENCY modulation can reduce impulse noise effects on communications systems. The technique can be used singly or with other methods for combating noise, and it can be applied to a variety of communications systems. The concept of swept-frequency modulation (SFM) was reported by J. C. Dute, Institute of Science and Technology, University of Michigan, where it is being investigated under Air Force contract.

SFM does not require additional average power or increased bandwidth, although there is a fixed time delay. The effect of the technique is to spread the energy of impulse noise over a longer time. In the laboratory SFM system, an optical matched filter that can integrate over long periods of time is used to recover the original signal.

OPERATION—The principle of SFM can be most readily understood when it is applied to pulse-code modulation systems, although it can be used with other communications techniques. Errors occur in PCM systems when instantaneous noise amplitude is comparable to pulse detection level or when sufficient noise exists in the negative sense to destroy a signal pulse.

In the simplest form of SFM, a linear frequency sweep is started each time a pulse is to be transmitted. This constant-amplitude, f-m signal is long compared to the noise impulse so that only a small part of the r-f signal is disturbed by the noise. The remainder of the signal can then be reconstructed at the receiver using coherent detection.

Duration of each frequency sweep can be longer than the period between data pulses, and the trans-

mitted signal at a given instant can consist of many such waveforms superimposed, as in Fig. 1.

Expected performance is indicated in Fig. 2, where  $\alpha$  is the time rate of change in frequency for an individual pulse. When  $\alpha$  is small, signal bandwidth is relatively narrow. Data rate can be increased by adding channels, as with frequency-division multiplex. Large values of  $\alpha$  correspond to time-division multiplex. Thus the two methods of multiplexing represent the limiting cases of SFM.

When  $\alpha$  is large, c-w noise does not seriously affect the system because signal and noise occupy little bandwidth in common, and effectiveness against wideband noise is relatively limited. If  $\alpha$  is small, defense is good against wideband noise but poor against c-w noise. Thus  $\alpha$  should be chosen in accordance with the type noise present.

OPTICAL FILTER—To recover the original pulse data, the equivalent of a band-limited, phase-correcting filter is used. Understanding operation of the coherent optical processor requires a knowledge of the diffractive effects of Fresnel zone plates and diffraction gratings when illuminated by coherent monochromatic light.

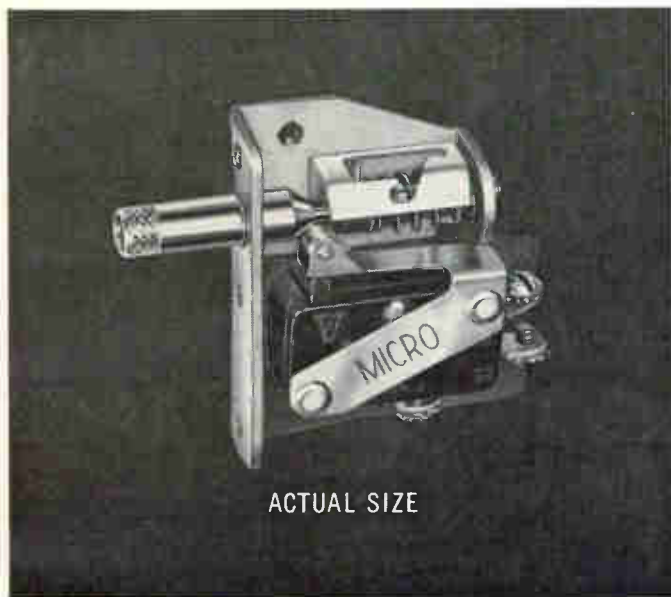
The rings of the Fresnel zone plate in Fig. 3A are shown clear and opaque, although densities actually vary sinusoidally. The relations developed hold only in the sinusoidal case, which includes square-wave first-harmonic response.

Light from the left of the zone plate in the edge view in Fig. 3B focuses at a distance  $b$  determined by wavelength and ring spacing. Thus the plate acts as a lens.

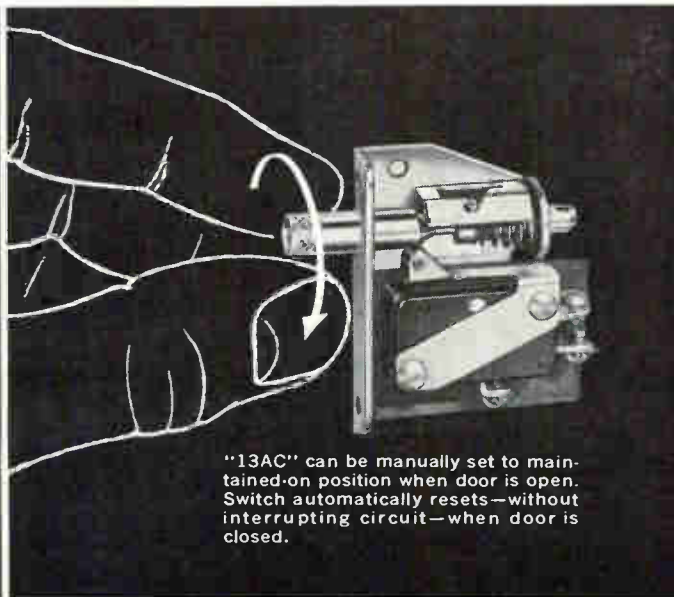
Transmission characteristics of a film strip density modulated by a linearly swept f-m signal closely resemble those of a radial line segment through a Fresnel zone plate,



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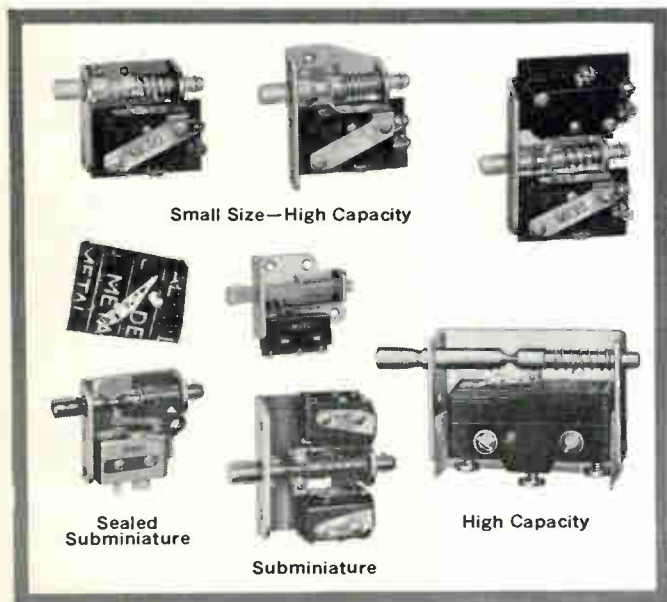


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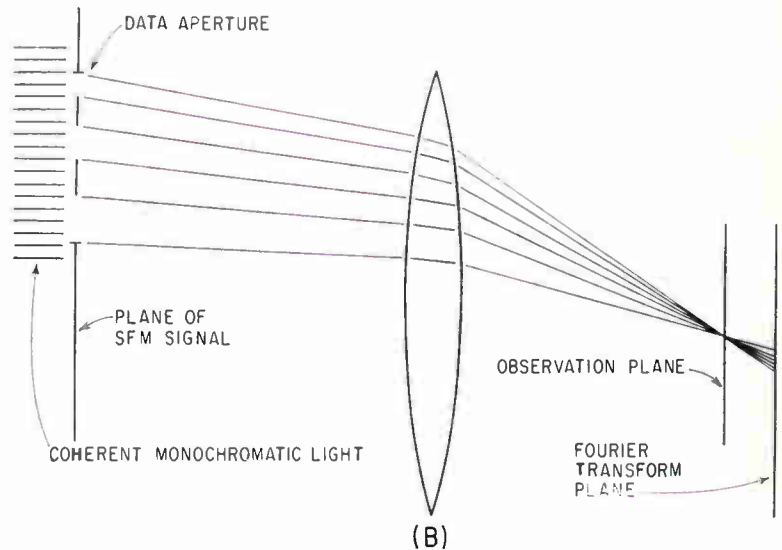
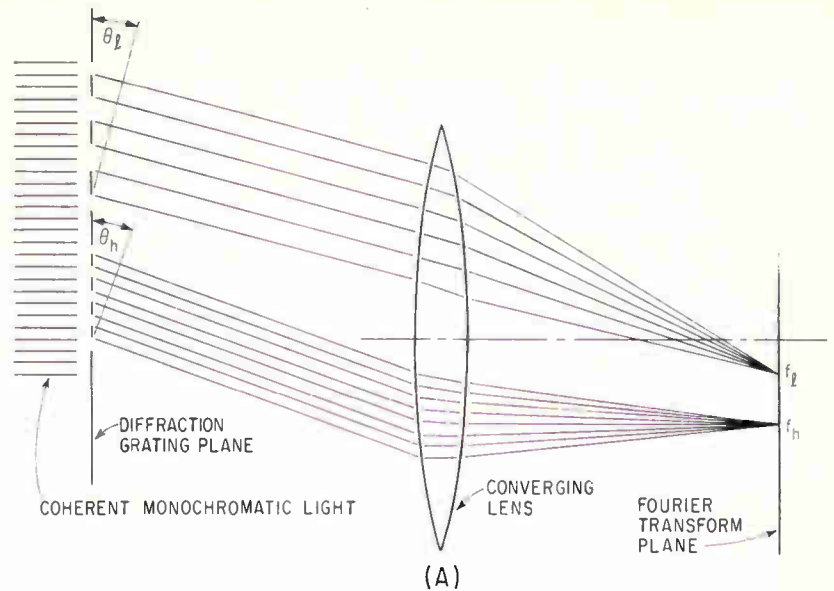
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DIFFRACTION grating (A) deflects light at angle determined by slit spacing and width. In composite configuration (B), energy focuses at observation plane—Fig. 4

and the film can be used as a lens.

The diffraction grating in Fig. 4A has many equally spaced, equal-width parallel slits. Coherent monochromatic light illuminating the grating is deflected through angle  $\theta_h$ . Introducing a lens as shown focuses the light at  $f_h$ . Such a grating can be formed by modulating film density with a c-w signal. If slit spacing and width were increased to correspond to a lower frequency, light would be deflected through angle  $\theta_i$ , pass through the lens and focus at  $f_i$ .

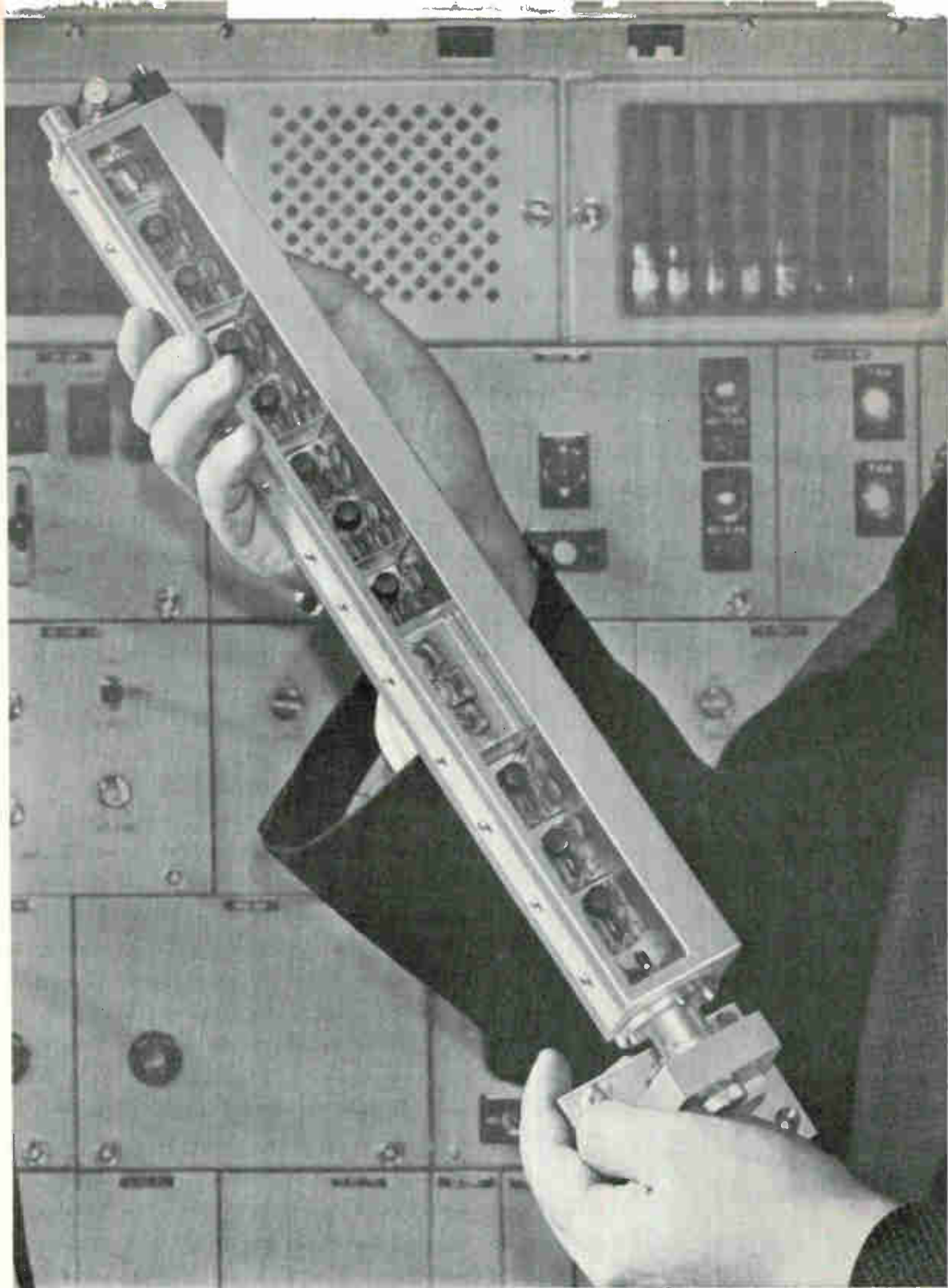
Energy of the spectral components from the diffraction grating focuses in the Fourier transform plane, which includes  $f_h$  and  $f_i$ . Regardless of the spacial position of an input signal frequency compo-

nent, its energy always focuses in the Fourier transform plane. Thus a filter can be made by placing a photocell to the right of the transform plane and providing an aperture of a size commensurate with desired bandwidth.

The linearly swept, f-m representation of the original signal can be placed at the data aperture as in Fig. 4B. The Fourier transform of the signal, as modified by the data aperture, is distributed across the Fourier transform plane, but it also focuses sharply at the observation plane. This focusing occurs because the Fresnel zone acts as a lens converging the light, and the light passing through a second lens accentuates the convergence.

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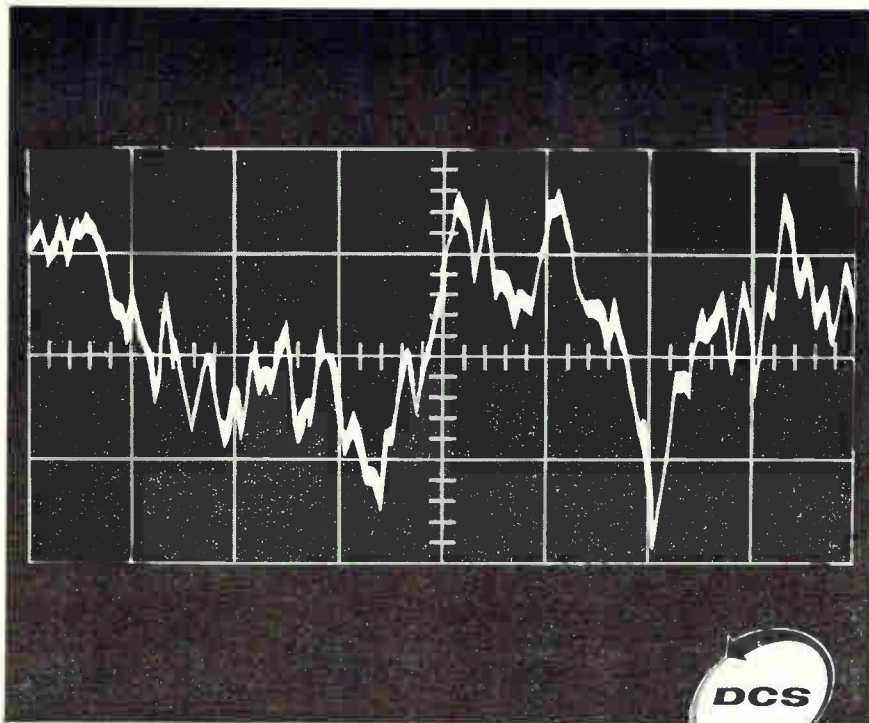
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aperture, energy distribution across the observation plane is of the form  $(\sin x_2/x)$ . Only for this condition is the matched-filter output of a linearly swept f-m signal the same as a dispersed-only system.

In practice, a d-c information term is avoided because a d-c bias term is added to the film to hold no-signal density midway in its exposure range to record sinusoidal waveforms.

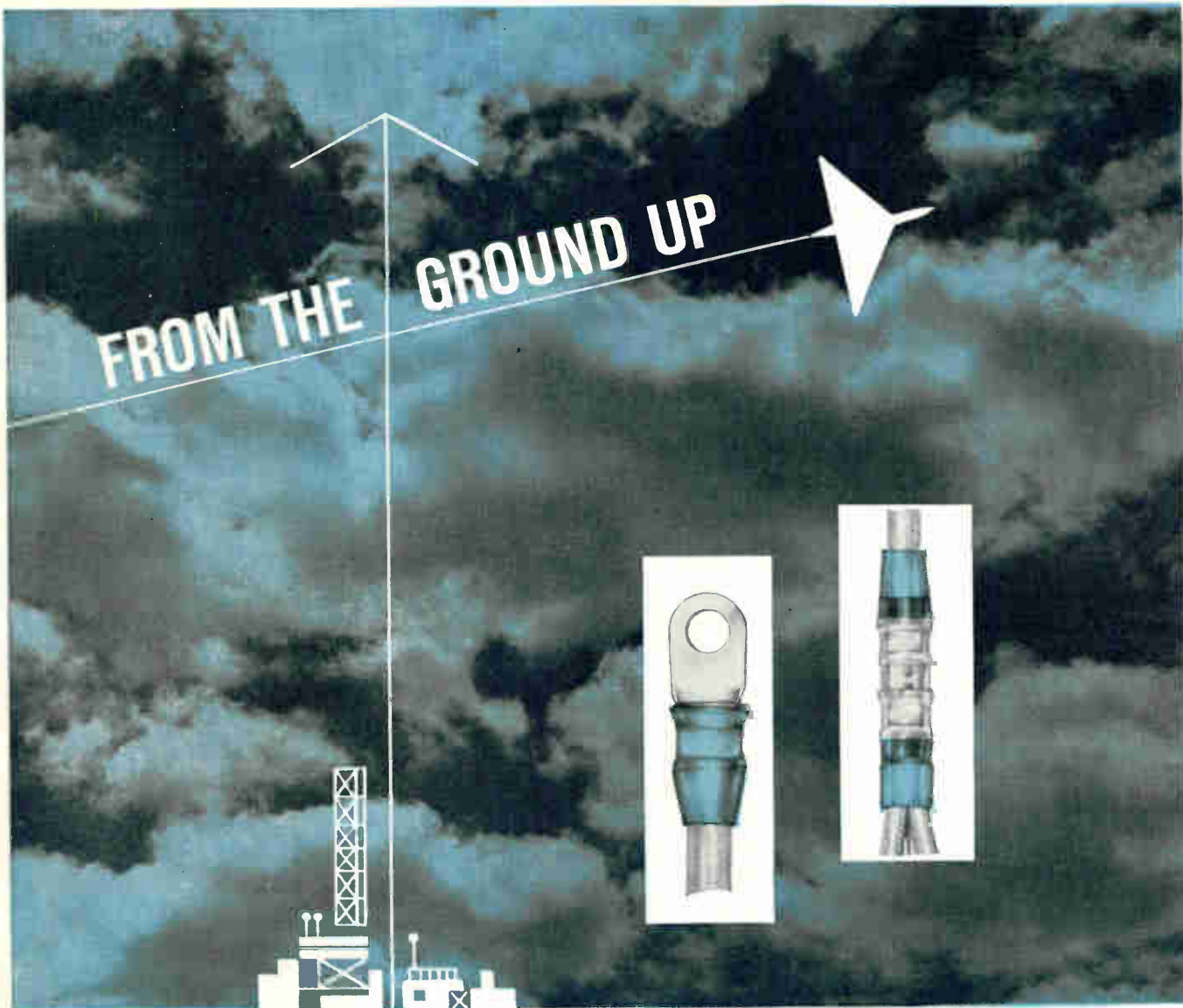
Noise not having the Fresnel zone plate focusing effects of the SFM signals tends to spread uniformly over the detection plane, and a detector sees only the  $(\sin x_2/x)$  distribution of signal power. Noise is the power sum of white Gaussian noise and impulse noise spread so it resembles white Gaussian noise.

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# Analyzing Potentiometer Requirements

*Trouble can be avoided by specifying failure limits or allowable degradations*

MAJOR performance specifications now available for precision potentiometers were discussed by Helipot's chief engineer L. T. Peart. Talk was given at a recent meeting of the Precision Potentiometers Manufacturers' Association.

Gist of talk: Both manufacturers and users should understand state-of-the-art limitation of all types. If these limitations are insurmountable, systems must be developed to complement present devices.

Many customers are out looking for contactless transducers such as photoconductive pots, differential transformers, electrical resolvers and nonwirewound precision pots of conductive plastic, cermet, thin metal films, and carbon films. All of these have their proper usage niche, but also their limitations, according to speaker. Some manufacturers who conclude that the general-purpose precision wirewound pot is here for some time to come, are attempting to design around their limitation areas.

**NEW PROGRAMS**—What are the manufacturers doing? Several

things, according to Peart. Added emphasis on R & D, and improvements in quality and service include new programs with wire manufacturers, precious metal alloyers, with continued participation in technological materials advances made by many vendors.

Capabilities are expanded to include pot packages, and design of special purpose units such as infinite resolution wirewounds, a-c pots and motor pots. Research and development is being carried on in contactless transducers and non-wirewound pots.

A reliability survey among the Potentiometer Association's members has highlighted some of the major state-of-the-art limitations, with future effort to be expended on solutions. Projects are now underway to develop and publish standard industry practices for inspection and testing of precision pots.

**USE OF SPECS**—With the myriad of military specs available which can be associated with the potentiometer, it is easy to see why requirements are often misspecified, according to Peart. Of the list given in Table, the first two, MIL-R-12934B and MIL-STD-202B, most closely represent requirements of

the component user. A common misuse is to specify the potentiometer to meet the environmental testing specifications without specifying the failure limits or allowable degradations. If unique or extremely severe requirements are forseen by the equipment designer, these requirements should be spelled out in terms of component function, not the final equipment function.

It is important to understand the relationship of the military environmental specifications to actual operating environments. At best, they can be a guide to the many possible combinations of environment actually encountered.

Suggestions were given for reducing or eliminating customer-created limitations. For example, a potential user may specify "linearity of  $\pm 0.15$  percent". There are at least a half dozen linearity definitions. Which one is required— independent, terminal based, absolute, zero based?

Circuit designers may specify "electrical rotation 350 degrees." What is the tolerance? Is overtravel permitted? Is this a theoretical angle for absolute linearity? Are resistances or voltages important?

User may specify a control outline drawing, but fail to indicate type of bearings required or other criteria enabling manufacturer to provide proper mounting. Requirements may be overspecified or misspecified. A recent survey by the Precision Potentiometer Manufacturers' Association listed opens caused by excessive current through the tap wire, attributed to customer handling, as one of the most serious failures.

**WIREWOUND POTS**—Initial wire linearities of 0.005 percent are commonly met, however this is just the beginning of a long list of factors required to achieve the ever-needed linearity improvement; contact design, coil lubricants, proper bearings, are only a few. Peart pointed out a list of some 16 other factors

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MIL-R-12934B	Precision Potentiometers
MIL-STD-202B	Test Methods and Test Conditions for Environmental Requirements
MIL-R-19518	Outdated. Originally specified for Navy material. Unified services MIL-R-12934B is logical replacement
MIL-R-19A and JAN-R-19 (7)	Semiprecision Pots only
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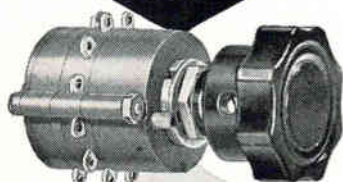
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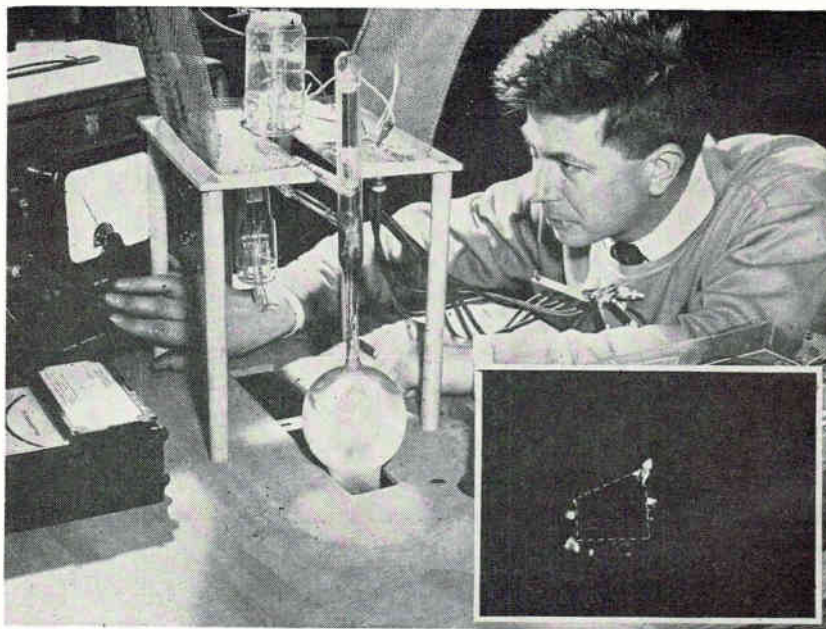
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## Electron Emission From Pn Junctions



EMISSION pattern imaged on screen (inset photo)

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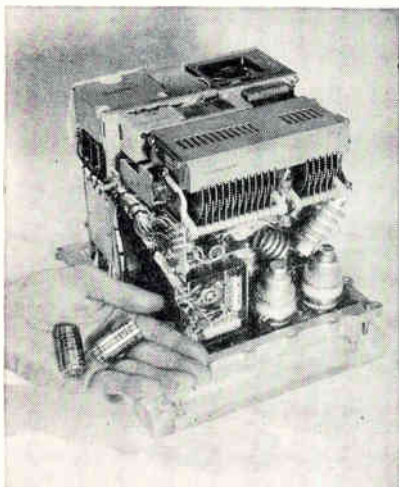
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Bristol Syncroverter Chopper (in hand) and 1000-watt power amplifier unit, cover removed.

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England. Silicon junctions were developed consisting of thin *n*-type layers on *p*-type material.

The thinness of the *n*-type layer allowed electrons to escape from the entire junction area. Silicon carbide grown junctions exhibited emission from the periphery only. This is illustrated in the inset photograph where the electron emission pattern of a silicon carbide junction has been imaged on to a fluorescent screen.

The dotted line is the outline of the silicon carbide platelet containing the junction. Currents of up to 30 microamperes have so far been obtained. While this is small, it is usable for many purposes and further technical advances should lead to devices giving greater currents.

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Cathode efficiency of the process has proved high, company says. Using the optimum operating conditions—current density of 5 amperes per square foot, temperature of 150 F., and moderate to vigorous agitation—the cathode efficiency is approximately 95 percent. At a current density of 5 amperes per square foot, a gold deposit thickness of 0.0001 inch can be obtained in seven minutes.

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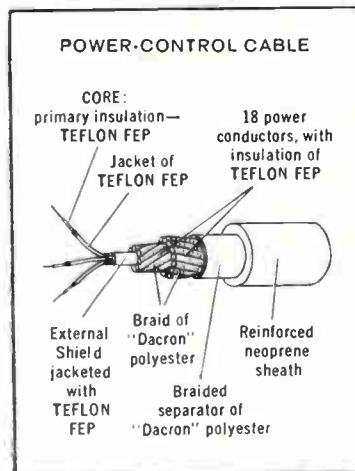
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TYPICAL p-c board, ready for etching, left, and etched board with connector plug and copper eyelets added. Using p-c boards in prototype circuits has advantages where stray capacitance and crosstalk effects may influence final circuit

## Circuit Boards for R&D without Photography

*Acid resist tape forms printed-circuit patterns for prototype work*

By C. DOUGLAS RASMUSSEN  
Syracuse University Research Corp.  
Syracuse, N. Y.

THE PRINTED CIRCUIT is now the most commonly used packaging technique for electronic circuits but is usually an awkward procedure in the development of prototype circuits where much cutting and re-wiring is generally necessary. To conform with industrial techniques, especially where the prototype circuit is likely to be duplicated several times, it is advantageous for research and development to drop their usual methods of point-to-point wiring and adopt printed circuits. Also, when the breadboard conforms with the same general layout and package that will be used in the final product, proximity effects such as crosstalk and stray parameters can be accounted for in initial tests.

In our laboratory, all video circuits and portions of i-f circuits are printed on pc cards throughout development. When development is begun, circuits are laid out directly on pc boards with acid resistive

tape. After making all necessary changes and preliminary tests, the new circuit is submitted to the drafting department where photographic techniques are used to make the printed circuit for final packaging. Rolls of thin acid resistive tape and small tape circles for direct circuit layouts are available from several companies. (For example, Chart-Pac Inc., Leeds, Mass., and Techniques Inc., Englewood, N. J.) A convenient size is a  $\frac{1}{8}$  inch linewidth and  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch circles where components are connected to conductor lines. Many other sizes are available.

**INITIAL PREPARATIONS**—The pc board must first be cut to size and cleaned of all foreign material and oxidation. An ordinary drawing board with a parallel straight edge is handy for laying out the circuit. If convenient, a template for all special components should be made to insure that they will plug directly into place on the completed board. A rough pencil layout, showing where connectors, transistors, and other critical and special components will be mounted, is also helpful. The tape is then placed directly on the copper side of the pc board wherever conductor lines are needed. Lines may be curved gradually or bent where required, providing the tape is suffi-

ciently narrow. Line junctions and changes in direction may also be made by overlapping the tape at 90 degree angles. Where components are to be connected to a conductor, small tape circles are superimposed over the tape lines. Copper eyelets will be mounted in small holes within these circles after the board has been etched.

After the circuit has been laid out and checked, precautions must be taken to insure that the tape lines and circles lay perfectly flat on the board. If this is not done, the acid used in etching will undercut the circuit and may cause discontinuities in the desired conductor.

Special care is required where conductor lines are bent and where they overlap. These portions can be pressed firmly into place with a blunt instrument, such as a screw driver, and the entire board surface should be rolled flat with a small, smooth roller.

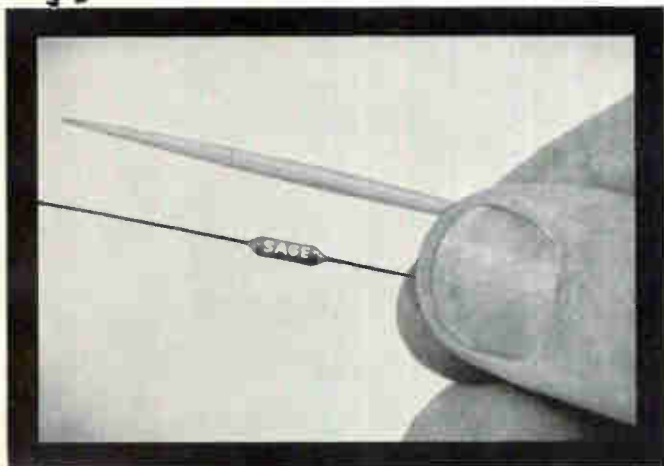
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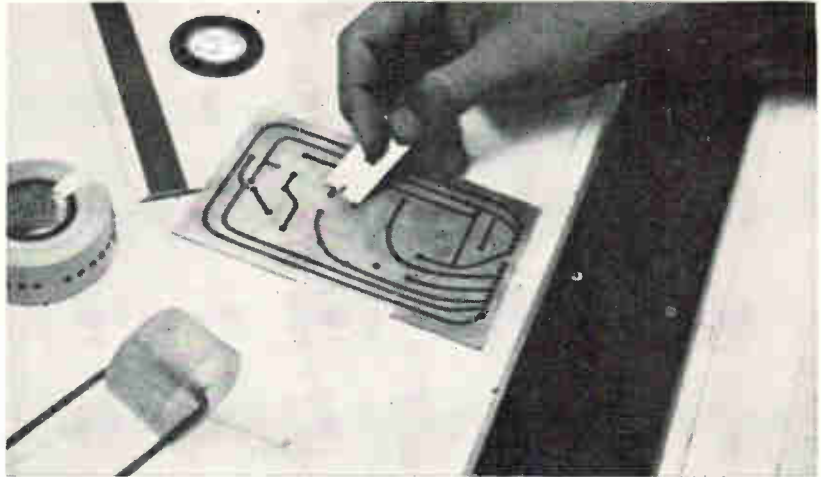
Except for the regulation specification of 0.01% for either 100% load change or ±10% line change, the Model 133 is electrically similar to the Model 123. Mechanically, the Model 133 is mounted on a 7" panel which carries a polarity switch and voltmeter. Price is \$695.

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water and 50 percent ferric chloride acid. The etching tank or container must be glass, rubber, plastic or other nonmetallic material unaffected by the acid and considerably larger than the size of the board to be etched. A small amount of forced air should be induced into the solution at the bottom of the etching tank to produce agitation.

Suspension of the board, copper side down, on the surface of the etching solution will allow the bubbles formed by agitation to carry away the copper unprotected by the tape. The etching time required should be less than 15 minutes and if this time is exceeded the solution should be changed. The etching solution is detrimental to the eyes and clothing and contact with the skin can be harmful. Proper ventila-

tion and protective clothing will insure protection to the user during this process.

**FINAL PREPARATION**—Upon removal of the pc board from the acid, it should be washed clean with water, making sure no traces of acid remain. The tape resist circles have a small hole in their centers and these can be used to mark drill holes for components. Scrubbing the board with cleanser after the tape is removed will give better solder connections.

The insertion of copper eyelets in the drilled component holes will not only guarantee better electrical connections but will also keep the copper from pulling away from the board when components must be changed.

## Electron Beam Welding in Inert Gasses

**NEW METHOD** of electron beam welding that uses inert gas at atmospheric pressures instead of a vacuum has been developed by General Electric's Materials Joining Engineering Lab at Cincinnati.

It is believed the techniques can be adapted for use with conventional tungsten inert gas welding fixturing, which would reduce beam welding costs several fold.

In the new technique, the weld metal is completely surrounded by a continuing flow of inert gas. The method involves generating electron beams through a series of successively smaller apertures, in a series of differentially pumped

chambers. Since the workpiece is not in a vacuum, the technique is suitable for large weldments.

Alloyd Electronics Corp., Cambridge, Mass., has also announced completion of the feasibility phase of a research contract with the U.S. Air Force for electron beam welding in a non-vacuum atmosphere. In this case, electron beam welding was accomplished in helium. Argon, nitrogen and other low atomic number gasses can also be used. A variety of samples have been prepared at relatively low-voltage (30Kv); for materials with higher depth-to-width ratios, voltages from 100 to 150 Kv are feasible.

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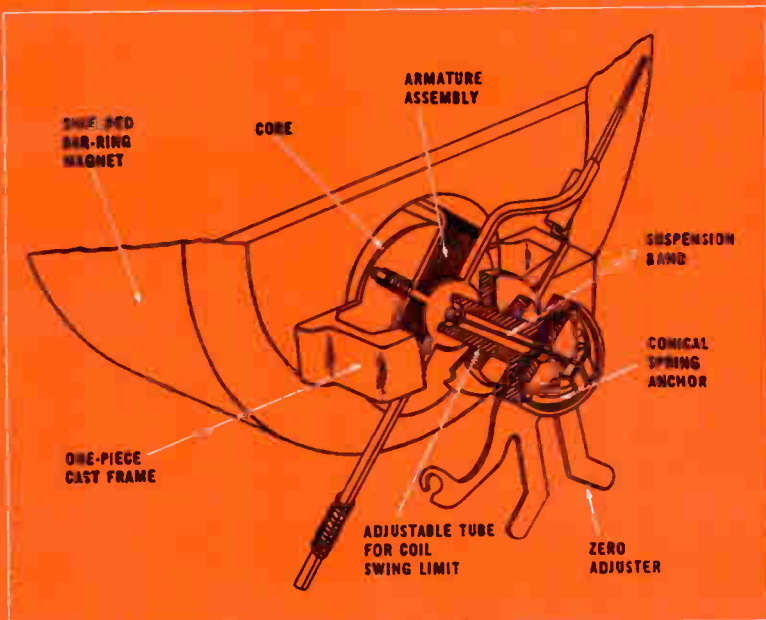
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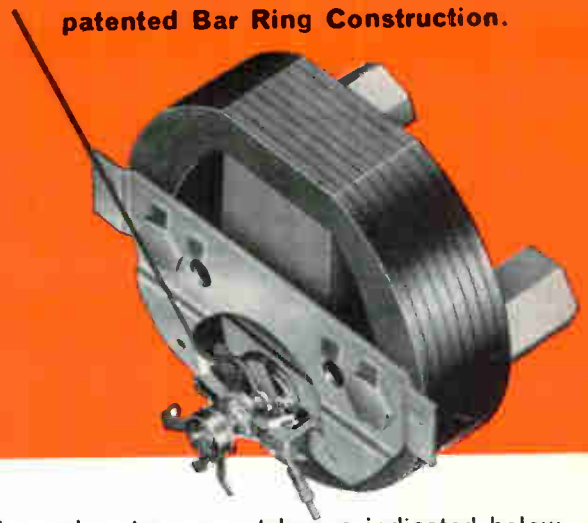
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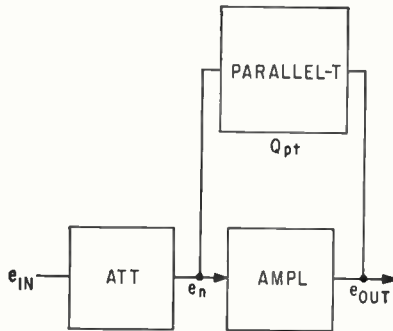
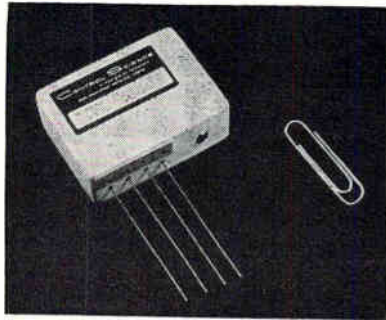
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# DESIGN AND APPLICATION



## Subminiature Low-Frequency Bandpass Filter

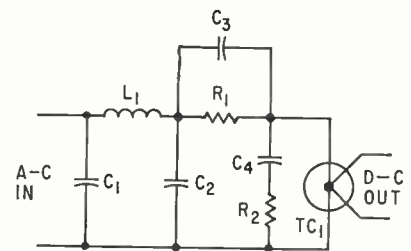
*Parallel-T filter feedback element is 43 db down at 0.1 and 10f.*

INTRODUCED by Control Science Corp., 5150 Duke St., Alexandria, Virginia, the TF series of bandpass filters feature bandwidths as narrow as 0.67 percent of center frequency (400 cps to 70 Kc) with Q's as high as 150 and 43 db rejection at 0.1 and 10  $f_c$ . Size is 1.25 cubic inch and weight is 23 grams. As shown in the sketch, a parallel-T network having a Q below 0.5 is used as a feedback element in conjunction with a high-gain amplifier A. The  $Q_n$  of the closed-loop feedback amplifier then becomes  $Q_n \cong (A + 1) Q_{pt}$ . The parallel-T network passes,

hence the amplifier cancels, all of the passband frequencies except  $f_c$ , the filter center frequency. This results in a large signal gain between  $e_{in}$  and  $e_{out}$  at this frequency. A series attenuator reduces  $e_{out}$  to approximately  $e_{in}$ . Temperature stability is better than 120 ppm per degree C maximum with 60 ppm per degree C typical throughout range of -30 to +80 C. Input impedance is greater than 1 megohm and supply voltages are 6, 12 or 20 v d-c with a maximum current of 0.5 ma. Primary application is telemetry but can be used in other electronic or infrared systems. Lower frequencies are available at slightly increased package volume.

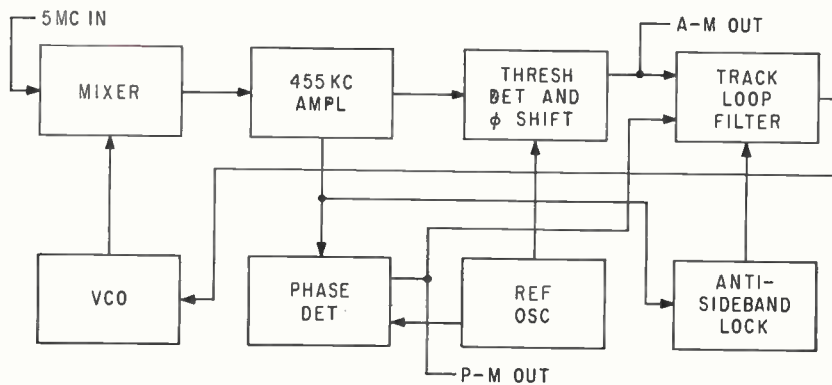
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erating in conjunction with an appropriate receiver, demodulates true phase or amplitude modulated signals as low as -145 dbm and will maintain lock at -150 dbm. Antisideband locking assures accurate carrier tracking. Equipment age has been maintained for signal strength lower than locking threshold. An ultra-linear phase detector guarantees low distortion reception with signal modulation as high as one radian. A pulse reshaping circuit is also included. Modules can track frequency shifts due to Doppler or overall receiver-transmitter frequency drifts. The unit accepts a 5 Mc output from the receiver and heterodyne with a vco at the mixer (see sketch). When the phase lock loop locks on the signal, mixer output is same frequency as reference local oscillator (455 Kc  $\pm$  50 cps) and have a definite phase shift from the reference oscillator. Under locking conditions, 455 Kc phase coherent signal is amplified and drives a linear phase detector, an a-m synchronous detector and the main phase lock loop through a narrow band amplifier. (302)



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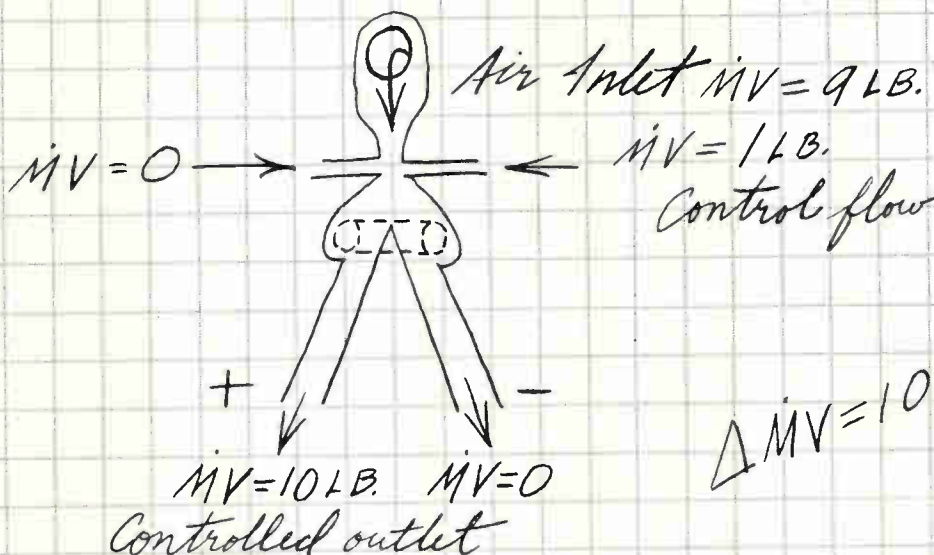


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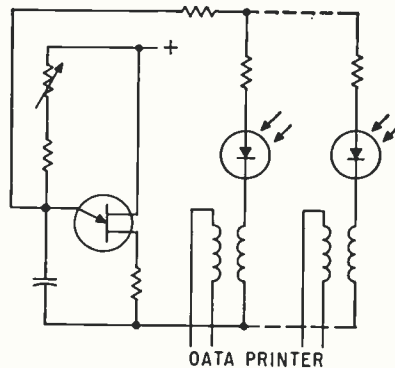
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source being measured at rated voltage and the resulting d-c output is approximately 7 mv. These converters were developed because of the need to make basic a-c voltage measurements at voltage levels higher than typically feasible with measuring devices terminated in 50 or 600 ohms and at frequencies used in electronic instruments using high-performance feedback amplifiers. Each converter has a voltage operating range from 50 to 100-percent of its rated value. A typical converter equivalent circuit is shown on page 78. The input connector is represented by  $C_1$ ,  $L$ , and  $C_2$ . The multiplier resistor is  $R_1$  while  $C_3$  represents its dominate reactive component. Typical frequency compensating elements are shown as  $C_4$  and  $R_2$  while  $TC_1$  is the thermocouple. Frequency response of the higher voltage converters is by selection of  $C_3$ ,  $C_4$  and  $R_2$  and by using multiplier resistors of special construction. Applications include calibration of low and high frequency a-c voltmeters and measuring amplifier frequency response and signal generator output. Units deviate from NBS standards by less than 0.01 percent to 1 Mc and less than 0.1 percent to 50 Mc.

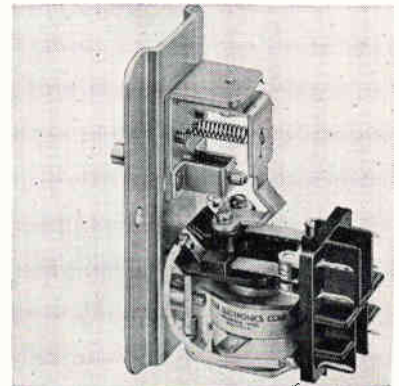
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## PNPN Switch Eliminates False Triggering

RECENTLY developed by International Rectifier Corp., 233 Kansas St., El Segundo, California, is a subminiature *pnpn* light-activated switch for use in control, logic and switching circuits. This device enables complete isolation of the input gate signal from the output current thus stray electrical impulses cannot trigger the device until an intentional light beam activates it. Intensities of 100 to 500 ft candles

between 4,000 and 7,000 A, or near it (approximately 12,000 A) are required as a trigger. The sketch shows a typical application in a readout or data processing circuit. Here, light pulses corresponding to holes in punched data cards energize the switches. High current pulses, typically 20 to 50 ma or higher are coupled through pulse transformers to the data printer. The unijunction oscillator resets the system. When the unijunction trigger emitter voltage drops to minimum value during each discharge cycle, bias voltage on the switches becomes too low to supply minimum holding current and the devices will turn off. The variable resistor in the unijunction circuit is controlled by the tape transport synchronizing mechanism. (304)



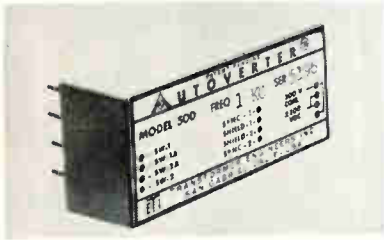
## Manual Reset Relay Weights Four Oz

SNYDER ELECTRONICS CORP., 212 E. North St., Waukesha, Wisc., offers the 218 series manual reset latching relay. The mechanism to reset the relay is mounted on the same base as the relay, therefore it can be factory adjusted for ultimate performance and long life. By simply drilling three holes in the mounting panel, the unit is ready for installation without any further designing of mounting bracket, or reset mechanism. Contact rating: 5 amp at 115 v a-c 60 cycle resistive on  $\frac{1}{8}$  in. diameter contacts, 10 amp on  $\frac{1}{4}$  diameter contacts. (305)

## Surface Analyzer

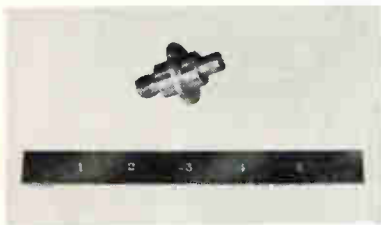
BRUSH INSTRUMENTS, Division of Clevite Corp., 37th and Perkins, Cleveland 14, O., offers a compact,

mobile surface analyzer system console that contains all instrumentation and accessories necessary to analyze the finish of all types of surfaces including metal, plastic, glass and organic coating. (306)



### Solid State Chopper Occupies Small Space

TRANSFORMER ENGINEERS, 1039 E. Valley Blvd., San Gabriel, Calif. Series 10 and 50 Autoverters are solid state inertialess modulators capable of operation from either an a-c or d-c excitation source. Specifications include a noise level of less than  $2 \mu\text{V}$ , a signal input of up to 300 v d-c or peak a-c and a-c or d-c modulation frequencies of from 50 cps to 1 Kc. Unit occupies less than 1.2 cu. in. and is designed for direct p-c mounting. (307)



### Rotary Joint Spans D-C to 12.4 Gc

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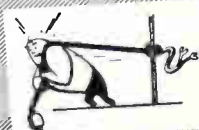
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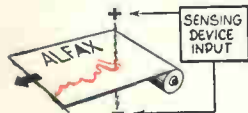
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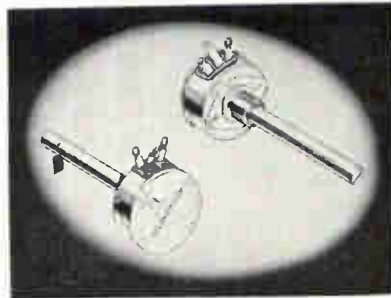
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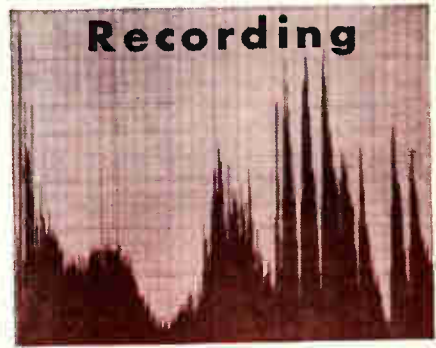
**Miniature Amplifier**

WESTON INSTRUMENTS DIV., Daystrom, Inc., 614 Frelinghuysen Ave., Newark 14, N.J. Model 2020 solid-state differential operational amplifier has wide application in process control, analog computers, and medical electronics. (312)

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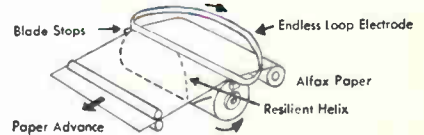
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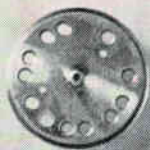
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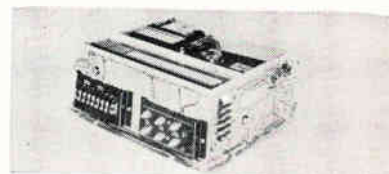
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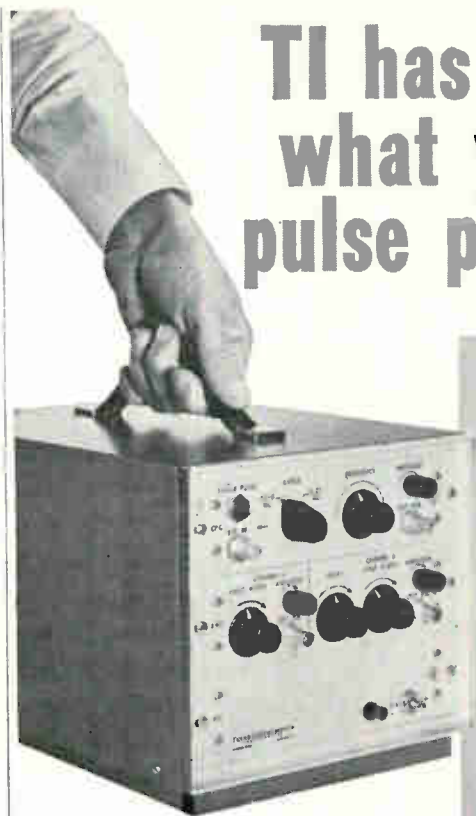
**STRAIN-GAGE PRESSURE TRANSDUCER** with frequency modulated output. It is available in pressure ranges from 0-5 to 0-20,000 psi gage or absolute. Fairchild Controls Corp., 6111 E. Washington Blvd., Los Angeles, Calif. (326)

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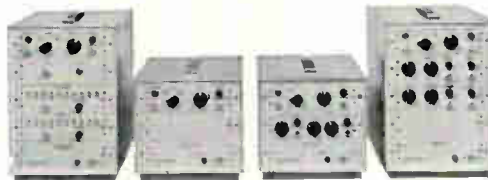
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## Literature of the Week

**PRESSURE TRANSDUCER** Consolidated Electrodynamics Corp., 360 Sierra Madre Villa, Pasadena, Calif. Capabilities of the type 4-311 pressure transducer are described in a two-page bulletin. (344)

**MAGNETIC MODULATORS** General Magnetics, Inc., 135 Bloomfield Ave., Bloomfield, N.J. A six-page folder contains illustrations, electrical and mechanical features of a line of Mag Mod standard magnetic modulators. (345)

**SOLDERLESS TERMINALS** J.S.T. of America, Inc., 31 W. 27th St., New York 1, N. Y., offers a brochure on a wide line of terminals and connectors that were tested and proved under extreme conditions. (346)

**CRYSTAL PRODUCTS** Systems Inc., 2400 Diversified Way, Orlando, Fla. Catalog describes a variety of crystal filters, discriminators, oscillators, measurement equipment and frequency control. (347)

**A-D CONVERTER** Daystrom, Inc., Transcoil Div., Worcester, Pa., Bulletin 70-1 covers an analog to digital converter that is actually a shaft angle digitizer. (348)

**RECORDER** Offner Division of Beckman Instruments, Inc., Fullerton, Calif. Data sheet No. 940 describes the type RS. 2-channel portable Dynograph. (349)

**RFI SHIELDING GASKETS** Technical Wire Products, Inc., 129 Dermody St., Cranford, N. J., has available a data sheet on formed knitted wire rfi shielding gaskets. (350)

**TWO-PEN RECORDER** Barber-Colman Co., Rockford, Ill. Bulletin F-11413 describes the series 8000 two-pen strip chart recorder. (351)

**REFLEX KLYSTRON OSCILLATOR** Sperry Electronic Tube Division, Gainesville, Fla. Brochure contains performance data on the SRK-291 reflex klystron oscillator. (352)

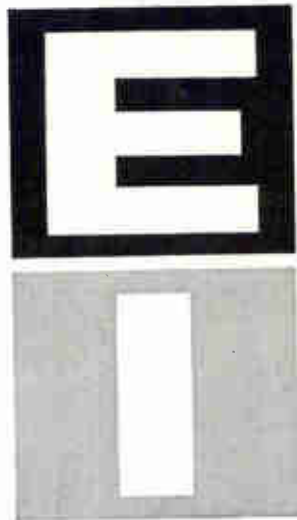
**F-M DISCRIMINATOR** Data-Control Systems, Inc., East Liberty St., Danbury, Conn., offers a brochure describing briefly the functions and characteristics of the GFD-3 sub-carrier discriminator and auxiliary equipment. (353)

**COAXIAL CABLES** Prodelin Inc., Hightstown, N. J. Catalog describes semi-flexible aluminum-sheathed coaxial cables and connectors. (354)

**PRESSURE INDICATOR** Taber Instrument Corp., 107 Goundry St., North Tonawanda, N. Y. Specifications and description of the Teledyne pressure indicator model 234-1 are contained in bulletin P-62234-1. (355)

**D-C POWER SUPPLIES** Electronic Measurements Co., Inc., Eatontown, N. J. Specification sheet covers the series PV design group of Regatran semiconductor d-c supplies. (356)

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THREE YEARS after its founding, Antenna Systems Inc. of Hingham, Mass., will open in December a new headquarters and manufacturing plant (shown in sketch) on a 10-acre site at Grenier Field in Manchester, New Hampshire.

Also as part of its expansion program, ASI's Electronic Systems division is building a new 13,000 sq ft facility in Maitland, Fla., for development and production of automatic tracking telemetry antennas and other missile and space systems.

Charles W. Creaser Jr., president, announced that ASI will retain its manufacturing facilities in Hingham, Mass., thus giving the

company a total of 123,000 sq ft of engineering and manufacturing areas in three states after the expansion program is completed.

Founded in December of 1959 with 14 employees, ASI now employs nearly 250 in the design and production of antennas and associated microwave equipment.

At the end of its second full fiscal year on June 30, 1962, the company had recorded record sales of \$3,310,550, compared to \$1,302,134 in the previous fiscal year. Net profit for the second full year of business was \$174,846, representing \$1.52 per share of stock.

ASI reported a June 30 backlog of \$2,500,000.



### Ritucci Advances at Paradyamics

PARADYNAMICS, INC., Huntington Station, N. Y., announces the appointment of Hugo Ritucci as vice president in charge of research. He has held the position of chief electronics engineer for the firm

since its founding in 1961.

Before joining Paradyamics, Ritucci was section head for microwave instrumentation at Microwave Dynamics Corp.

### GE Sets Up Advanced Technology Group

GENERAL ELECTRIC CO. has established an Advanced Technology Services and named George L. Haller to head up the new corporate-level component with the title vice president — advanced technology services. His headquarters will be in Schenectady, N. Y.

In making the announcement GE president Gerald L. Phillippe said the new services component was de-

signed to give the company's operating departments up-to-the-minute counsel and orientation on promising applications of advanced technology.

Prior to his new assignment Haller had been vice president in charge of the company's Defense Electronics division, with headquarters in Syracuse, N. Y.

### Astrosonics Names Research Manager

PHILIP H. WILLIAMS has been named research manager of Astrosonics, Inc., Syosset, N. Y. He will direct research activities in both commercial and military areas, concentrating on the development of new devices utilizing high-intensity acoustic energy.

Williams was formerly associated with Arma Corp. and Fairchild Controls Corp.



### Dynamu Appoints James Flora

DYNAMU, INC., Hicksville, N. Y., designer and manufacturer of audio and video tape heads, has named James Flora chief engineer.

Since 1957, Flora had been associated with IBM, San Jose, Calif., in its Advanced Technology Magnetics Laboratories as senior associate engineer responsible for head design.

### Applied Technology Hires Pekarek

KENNETH L. PEKAREK has joined the staff of Applied Technology, Inc., Palo Alto, Calif., as a senior engineer assigned to advanced receiving system design.

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<b>POWER REQUIREMENTS:</b>	60 mw total. $\pm$ 7 to 10 v at 3 ma. Two bias batteries of 1.5 or 1.34 v at 0.5 ma.
<b>MECHANICAL:</b>	Standard octal plug-in module.

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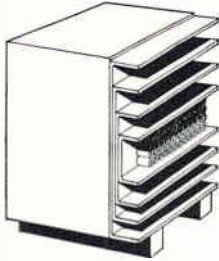
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29.2-32.7	0.5	C	115/60-PMR	30/5/05	125.00	115/60-PMR	30/5/5	115.00
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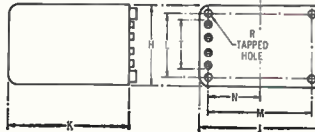
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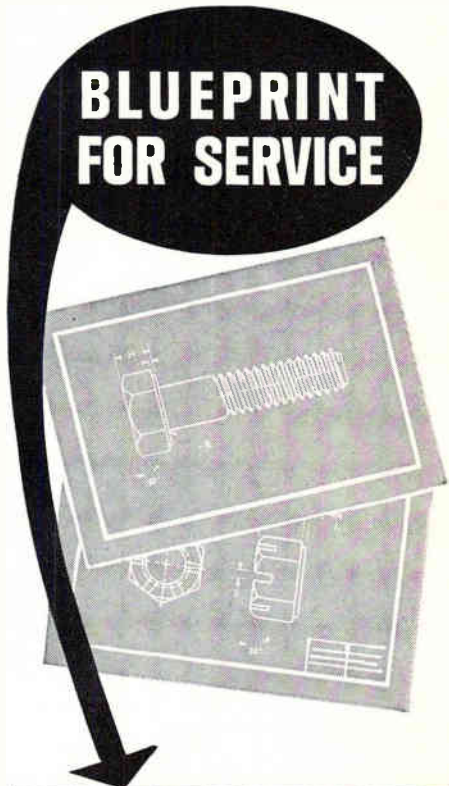
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### Hoffman Electronics Appoints Teeter

G. HOWARD TEETER, formerly manager of the base electronics equipment design department for Martin Marietta Corp., has joined Hoffman Electronics Corp., Los Angeles, Calif., in the newly created position of group vice president.

Teeter's responsibilities will be direction and coordination of the Military Products division and Hoffman Science Center.

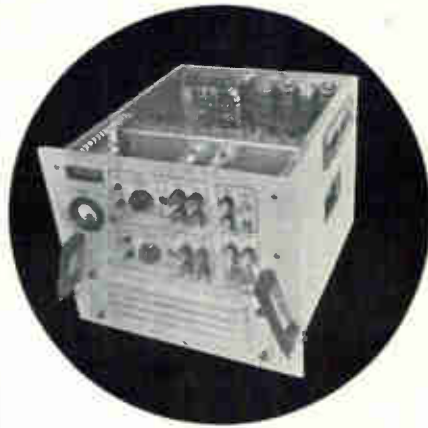


### Sylvania Appoints Paul Raupach

APPOINTMENT of Paul R. Raupach as manager of project coordination and planning at the Santa Cruz, Calif., systems manufacturing facility of Sylvania Electric Products Inc., is announced.

With Sylvania since 1943, Raupach, prior to his present appointment, managed various planning and procurement phases of a devel-

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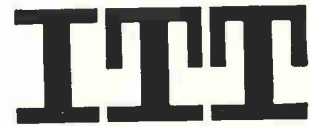
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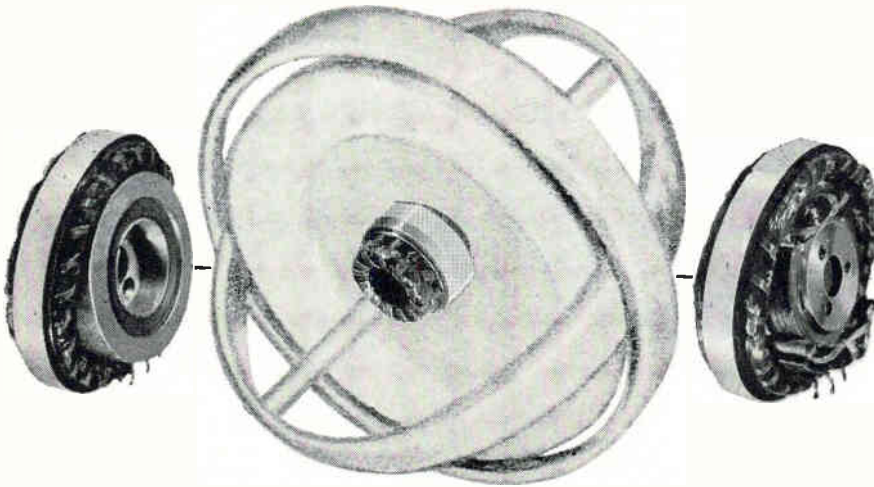
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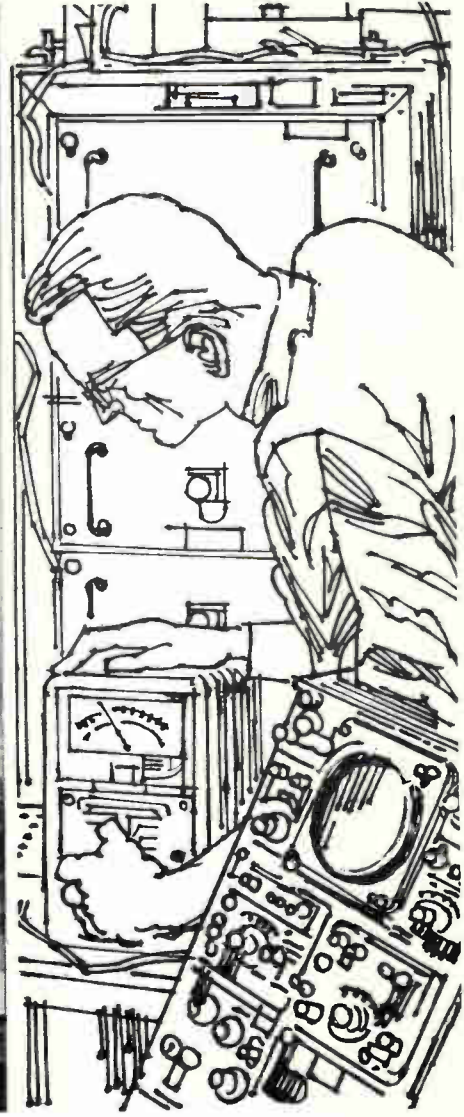
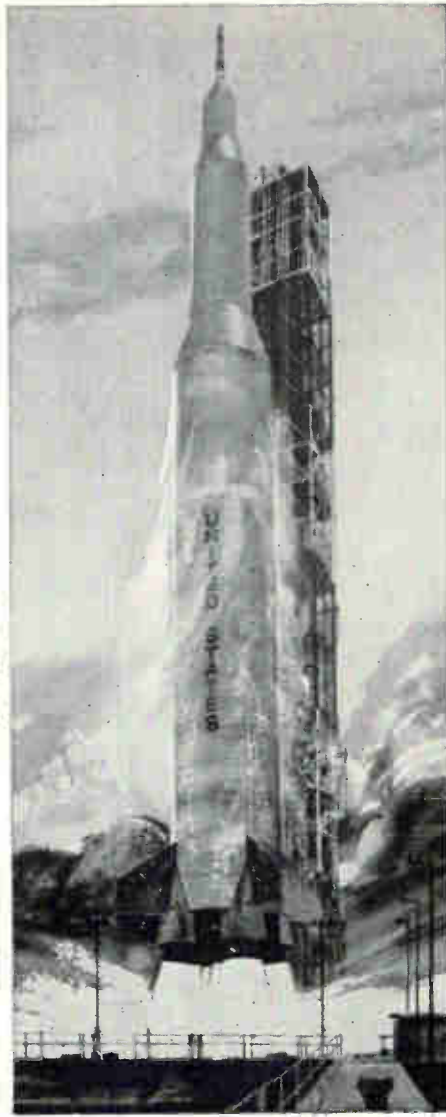
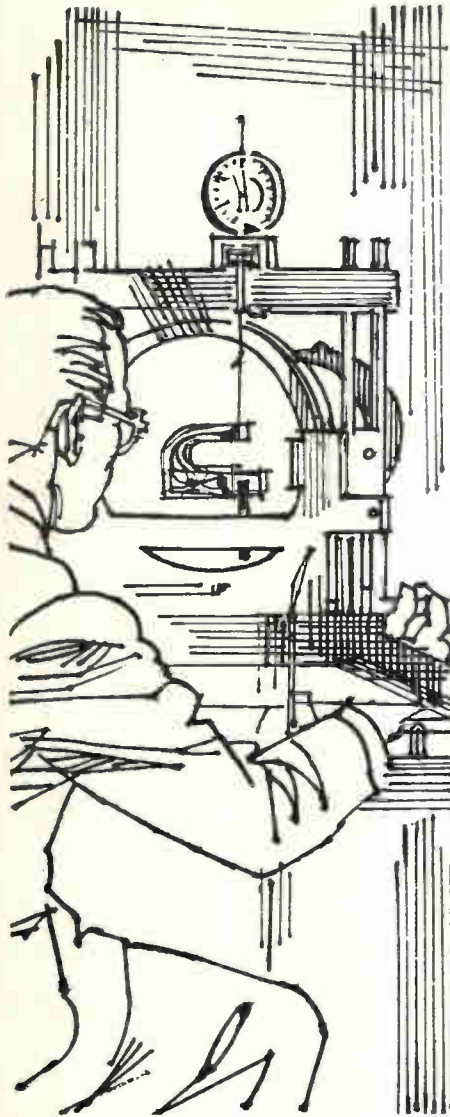
### Datex Corporation Promotes Fritz

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### PEOPLE IN BRIEF

Donald F. Munro and Raymond A. Wolf, formerly with Varian Associates and Larry Wright Associates, respectively, have been named engineering mgr. and systems mgr., respectively, at Ultek Corp. G. D. Speake promoted to chief of research of the Marconi Co. Harry A. Marshall, Jr., moves up to military production supervisor at Potter Instrument Co., Inc. George R. Jones, ex-Deutch Fastener Co., now application engineer for Kaynar Mfg. Co., Inc. Robert W. Miller advances at Raytheon Co. to the new corporate post of director of management sciences. Farinon Electric ups three staff members to v-p's: Edward Nolan, Herbert Sutton, and Weston Fisher. Donald Tornburn, formerly with Link Division, General Precision Inc., named manufacturing engineer at Datamec Corp. Joseph Behr, with Radio Engineering Laboratories, Inc., since 1943, elected executive v-p. National Co., Inc., elevates Samuel J. Davy to v-p of engineering. Promotions at Electronic Communications, Inc.: William M. Waters, to mgr. of the electronics section at the Research div.; and Robert G. Walker, to mgr., systems engineering, for the St. Petersburg div. Henry Russell of United Transformer Corp. has been elected president of the Electronic Industry Show Corp. R. G. Canfield, previously with the Micronics div. of Elgin National Watch Co., joins Babcock Relays as project engineer.



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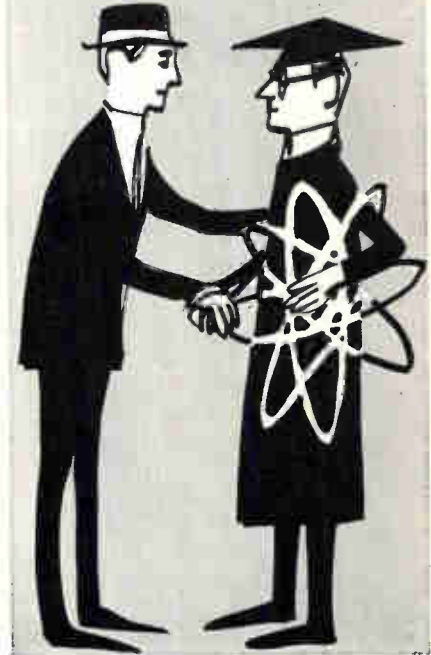
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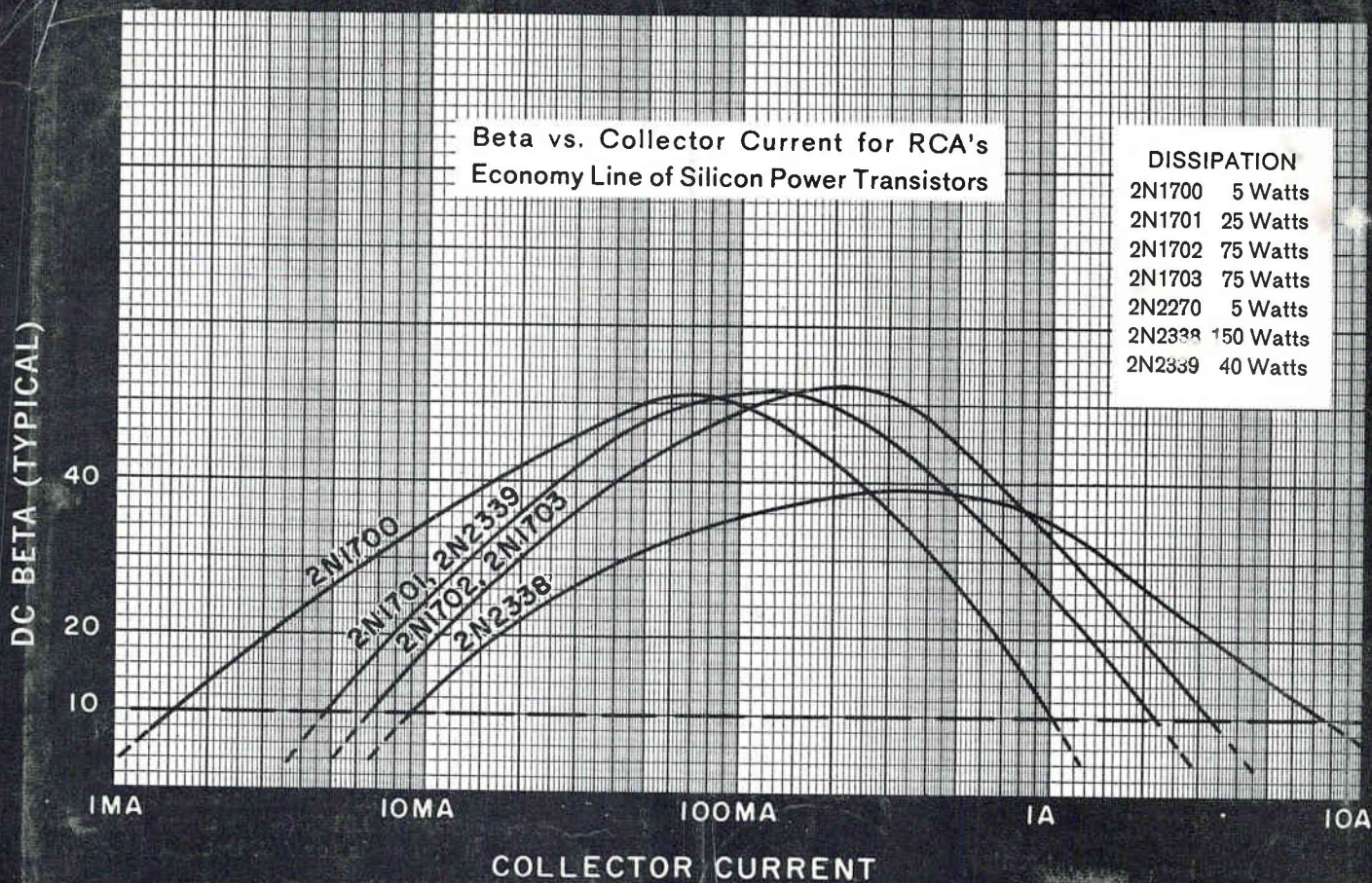
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