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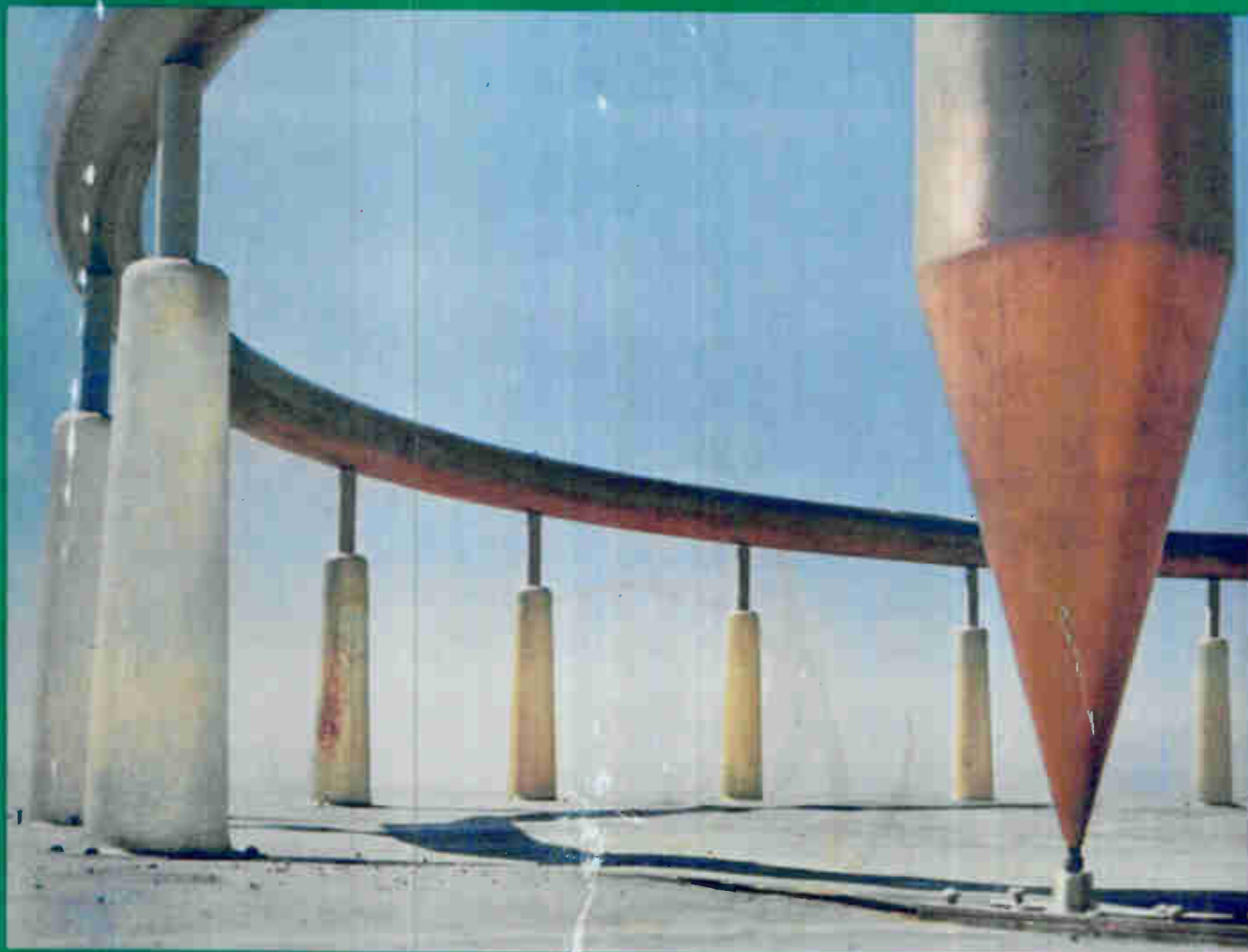
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The versatile new  $\mu$  310A High Frequency Wave Analyzer separates an input signal so that the fundamental, harmonics or intermodulation products can be determined and analyzed. Any signal component between 1 kc and 1.5 mc may be selected for measurement. Additionally, a front panel Mode switch lets the 310A function as an efficient tuned voltmeter for accurately measuring relative or absolute signal levels, as a signal source for selective response measurements, and as either an AM receiver or carrier reinsertion oscillator for demodulating sideband signals.

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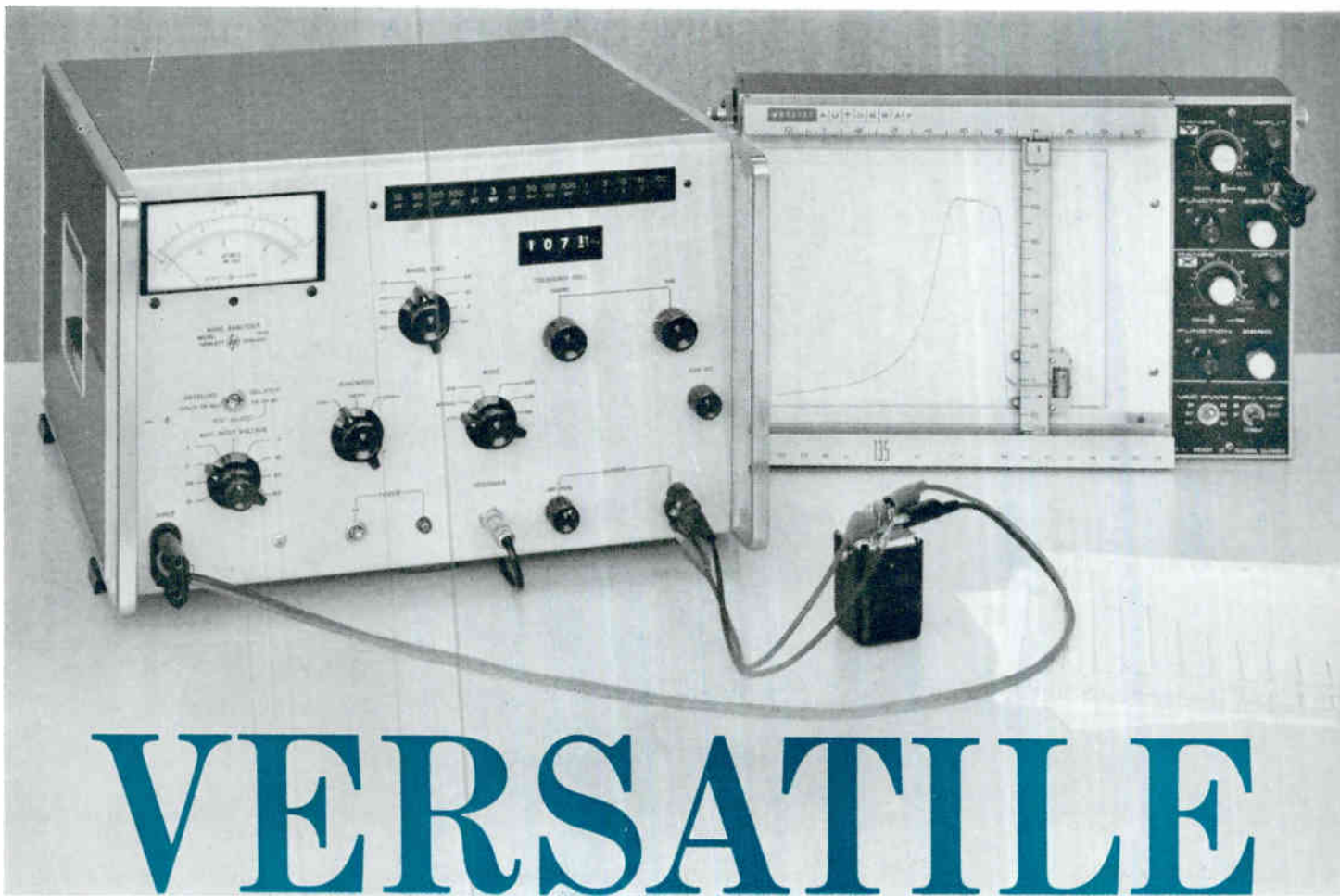
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- Make long line telephone measurements
- Measure transmission line characteristics
- Analyze sonar signals

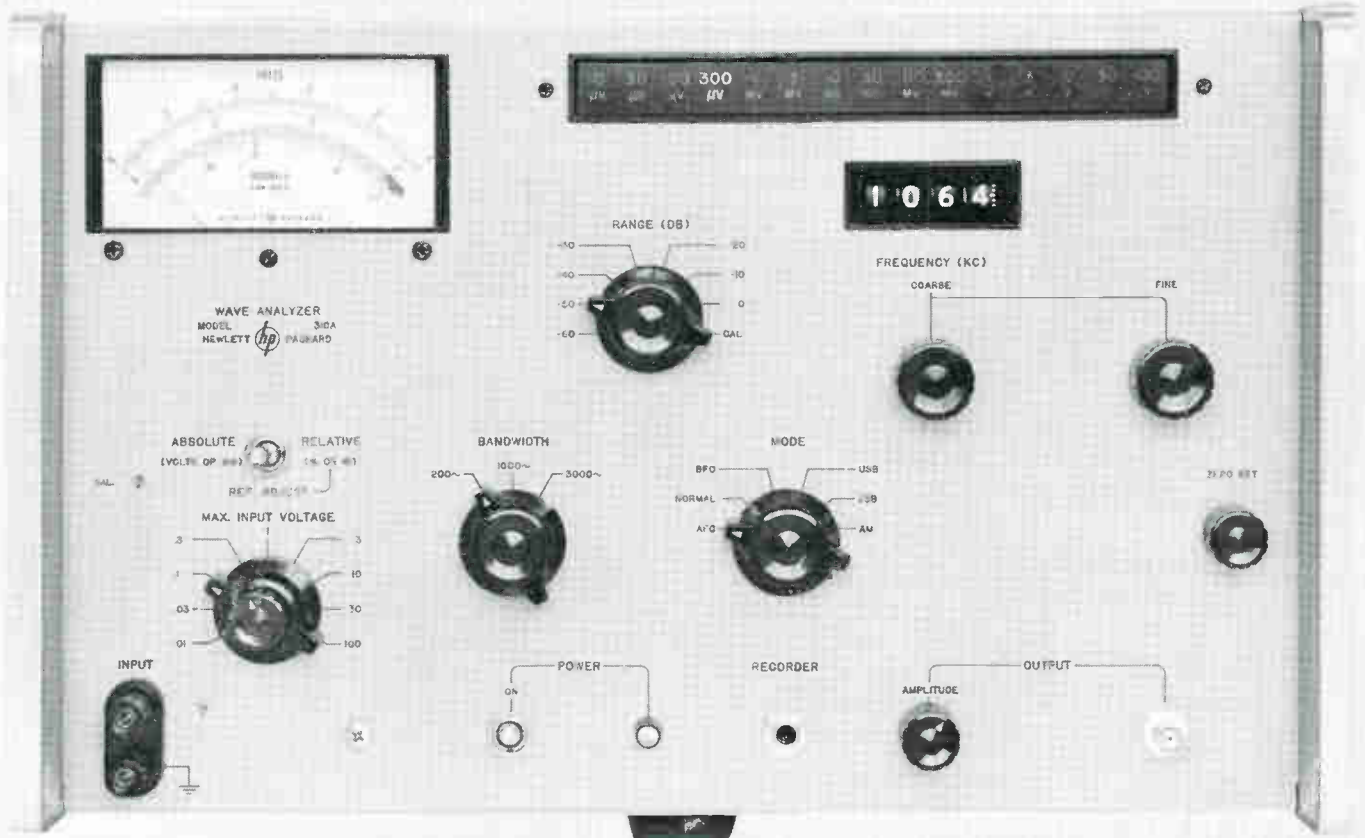
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**TURN THE PAGE** for details on the usefulness of the 310A for analyzing complex audio and rf waveforms—measuring frequency response of filters and amplifiers—making multi-channel carrier measurements—making long line telephone measurements—analyzing transmission line characteristics—analyzing sonar signals...

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# We Need Bombers Too

INDUSTRY is taking a beating from the Department of Defense—a beating it does not deserve.

President Kennedy recently made the remarkable statement that Skybolt represents “. . . in a sense, a kind of engineering that’s beyond us.” Harold Brown testified at length last March to the House Committee on Appropriations that practically everything needed for the RS-70 airplane was beyond us, especially the radar. Brown is Director of Defense Research and Engineering. He is one of the prime military advisers to Secretary of Defense McNamara, and hence to President Kennedy.

In reflecting on the long list of technical achievements industry has presented to the Department of Defense in the past, one wonders why Kennedy and McNamara and Brown have so little faith in its ability to come through again. Significantly, however, the DOD’s lack of faith seems to appear when the project at hand has to do with the manned bomber—a weapon system they have repeatedly said was being replaced by the ICBM.

Beyond the annoyance of being accused of not being able to deliver the goods, the tactic results in a far more serious condition. Once Brown has made a pronouncement that radar is too difficult for mach-3 planes, few dare to suggest that it isn’t—no one who wants to do business with the Defense Department at any rate. McNamara buys the verdict, and the attitude becomes a fact. As a result, state-of-the-art progress grinds to a halt.

McNamara and Brown have made it clear in pages and pages of congressional testimony that they are not enthusiastic about the manned bomber. They apparently work on the theory that ICBM’s in silos and submarines are all we need. Anything else is redundant.

On April 4, 1962, McNamara told the Senate Armed Services Committee that if nuclear arms were ever banned by international agreement, and conventional armaments had to be delivered at great distance, the B-70 would still be too expensive a vehicle to deliver it. “It would be much cheaper to deliver by ICBM,” he told Senator Cannon.

The senator reminded the defense secretary

that ICBM’s can’t carry too much weight, and that the B-70 is designed to be recoverable. “It is,” McNamara agreed, “but it is still terribly expensive.”

McNamara is apparently able to ignore the fact that more than 3,200 V-2 rockets equipped with 2,200-lb conventional warheads were fired at England during the war, and that the results were not decisive.

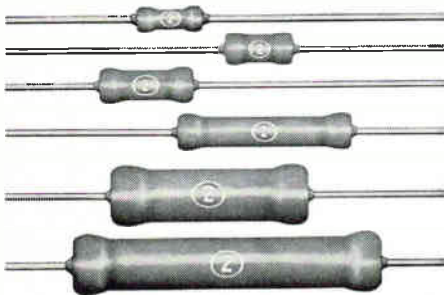
McNamara’s attitude seems more that of a cost accountant than of a military planner. He theorizes on what “should be” an adequate deterrent force, weighs it against cost, and then throws out nearly everything else. Working on this theory, he fails to feed into his computer the human, psychological and random factors that inevitably play an important—and sometimes decisive—role in any military crisis. In fact, he apparently often fails to feed any military considerations at all into the military problem.

The strategic value of the bomber is widely known. Pages and pages of congressional testimony from experienced generals have documented this. But there is also a psychological value the bomber possesses. Regardless of the fact that the B-52 would take from six to eight hours to get half way around the world while a missile could make the trip in 30 minutes, the knowledge that the U.S. has already started to act, that its striking force is off the ground and on the way can be an emotional blockbuster. Distant aggressors would have several hours to reexamine their position.

ICBM’s waiting in silos and submarines are obviously a deterrent, too. But they are not a deterrent that has been set in motion. They are as inactive at the moment of crisis as they are months before in more tranquil times. To push the button and start them off cancels their deterrent value and turns them into war.

The military is well aware of the value of bombers. Congress—which was pushed into the improbable roles of military strategist and scientific wizard and, to the surprise of many, has acquitted itself well—sees the need for bombers. But a powerful clique in the DOD will not readily deviate from its theory. It is a rigid viewpoint, and one that may well lead to disaster.

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## COMMENT

### Engineering Shortage

With interest I read your articles, Who's Minding The Stockroom (p 3), and Here's A Way Colleges Can Tap A Major Source Of Business Help (p 16), with the undertitle, Initiative Lies With Colleges, in the Nov. 2 issue. May I contribute to lift the editorial out of its theoretical sphere?

Our college was established 1937. During the 25 years of its existence, 429 radiotechnicians and radio engineers, an average of about 17 per year, graduated from our courses.

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We are a thriving, professional, conservative country with keen willingness and interest to work and cooperate in international activities, with all our sympathies on the Western side. We are a dedicated, thriving, professional college with all the know-how to serve the Western and the American world with our "engineering products."

Where are you? If your engineering shortage is as bad as advertised, then: Where is the American company that is willing to invest in our supply of direct or future requirement in engineering manpower, either for its domestic or overseas interests?

J. L. J. VAN DER WERFF  
Radio Technical College  
Haarlem, Netherlands

### New Logic Formula

I was greatly surprised to see in the *Comment* section of your Nov. 23 issue (p 4), letters to the editor in regard to a new logic formula. [See also *Comment* on p 4, Nov. 2 and Nov. 30.]

Over 20 years ago my brother and I devised a little technique to test our mathematical wit. It included such problems as adding *talk* and *yell* to equal *shout*, or *life* plus *look* equals *time*, or, a real doozey, *rubber* minus *check* equals *bounce*.

In 1956 I tried to promote this

idea with the *Detroit Free Press* as a gimmick for promoting circulation. In my presentation to the *Free Press* I remember using "*Free + Press = Best.*" After a series of meetings they turned it down, because they thought it would be too difficult for the average layman.

I still do not think there is any logical mathematical equation to be used in solving these problems. I think it is more a matter of perseverance and determination.

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### Comic-Strip Technology

In view of your stated editorial aim to keep ahead and abreast of the important subject of microelectronics (p 3, Sept. 28, 1962), I thought you might be interested in the fact that even the comic strips now recognize the significance of this new technology.



The enclosed strip is the first instance I can recall where modern electronic technology is described in realistic engineering jargon. It's also the first comic-strip application of microminiaturization.

JACK SKILOWITZ  
Hartdale, New York

Reader Skilowitz has forgotten Dick Tracy's fabled wristwatch radio, which was the forerunner of microminiaturized equipment, although the innards have never been revealed.

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**8236** High dissipation, high permeance pentode with full ratings up to 30 Mc. Typical ICAS operation is 60 watts dissipation, 200 watts input, 140 watts output.



**8032** 13.5 volt heater version of 6146 for mobile application. Other tubes in the 6146 family are 6883 and 6159 with 12.6 and 26.5 volt heaters respectively, "W" ruggedized versions, and a 6146A with controlled output at low end of heater voltage range.



**6146** Beam power tube operable to 175 Mc. Typical ICAS operation at 60 Mc is 20 watts plate dissipation, 90 watts input, 70 watts output.



**6907** UHF Twin Tetra-ode operable to 600 Mc. Typical operation at 465 Mc is 15 watts total plate dissipation, 40 watts input, 25 watts output.



**6360** Miniature Twin Tetrode operable to 200 Mc. Typical ICAS operation is 12 watts total plate dissipation, 30 watts input, 18 watts output.



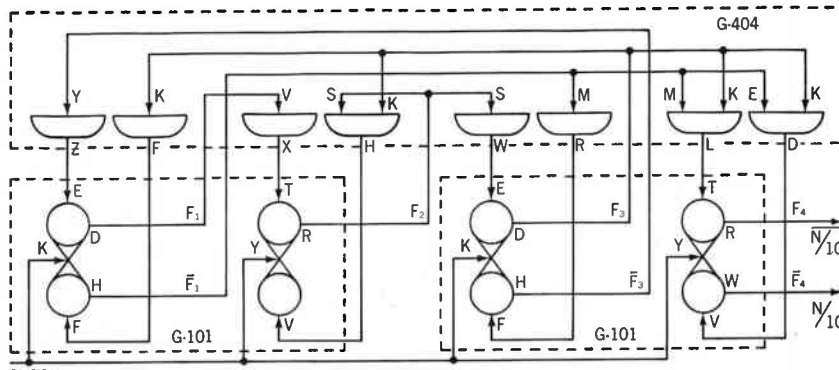
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**Set-Reset Logic:**

$$\begin{aligned}
 F_{1S} &= \bar{F}_3 & F_{3S} &= F_2 \\
 F_{1R} &= F_3 & F_{3R} &= \bar{F}_1 \\
 F_{2S} &= F_1 & F_{4S} &= \bar{F}_1 F_3 \\
 F_{2R} &= F_2 F_3 & F_{4R} &= \bar{F}_1 F_3
 \end{aligned}$$

**Note:**  
No clock term is necessary because G-101 flip-flops are internally steered.

**Input (Trigger):**

Amplitude: 6-volt p-p negative pulses at rise times to 20 nanoseconds.  
Frequency: 0 to 10 Mpps

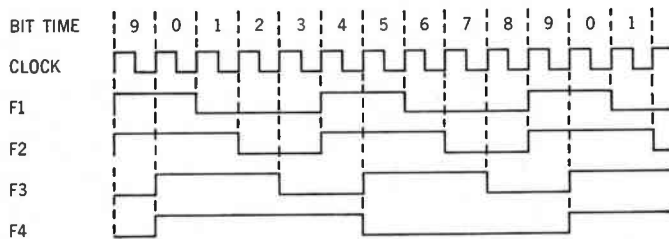
**Output:**

Signal Levels: -6VDC = "1", 0VDC = "0"  
False Level (worst-case) Load: 40 ma, each output  
Rise Time: 20 nanoseconds maximum  
Fall Time: 50 nanoseconds maximum

**Power Required:**

-12VDC @ 190 ma maximum  
-6VDC @ 66 ma maximum  
+6VDC @ 12.4 ma maximum

ECo Modules Required: Two G-101 dual JK flip-flops, one universal logic C G-404 circuit



## A 10 MPPS DECADE SCALER—AND MORE

**USE IT AS AN N/10 COUNTER WITH SYMMETRICAL OUTPUTS:**

Synchronous decade scaler shown operates at input frequencies to 10 Mpps. Outputs F4 and  $\bar{F}_4$  are symmetrical square waves. Also, since F4 and  $\bar{F}_4$  have no logic load, they have full drive capability (40 ma each).

**USE IT AS AN N/5 COUNTER:**

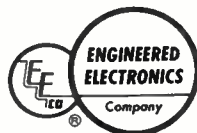
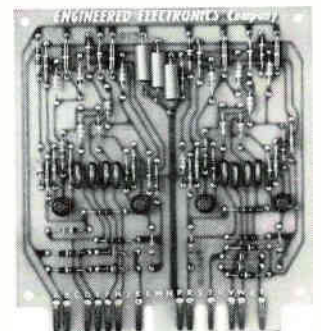
Because the first three stages complete a counting cycle for every group of five input clock pulses, they may be used as an N/5 counter if the fourth stage is deleted.

**USE IT AS A SOURCE OF DELAYED CLOCK PULSES:**

Output waveforms of second and third stages are identical, but third-stage output is delayed one clock time. Pairs of signals such as these are useful for timing systems requiring two or more clocks for logic propagation.

**AND MORE:**

These are just a few applications for this 10 Mpps scaler—and for ECo's new G-Series extended-service digital-circuit modules. Perhaps others will be of interest to you. Write, wire, or phone today for details. Ask for the new G-Series catalog or a call from one of our experienced staff of applications engineers.



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# Nuclear Missile Project Gets New Funds

WASHINGTON—Defense Department has given the Air Force \$19 million to continue development of Project Pluto. Goal of the project is a nuclear ramjet engine that could power a supersonic cruise missile. The money was allocated from this year's defense budget. DOD had been withholding the funds.

The additional money, said an Air Force spokesman, will provide for development work "beyond the Tory 2C tests" (Tory 2C is a flight-type reactor for ground tests).

One project tied to Pluto that could lead to substantial electronics development is Slam. Slam is a series of studies for a supersonic, low-altitude missile. The missile would reportedly have an intercontinental range and fly at a speed of Mach 3.

## Telephone Installers Vote Against Hoffa

WESTERN ELECTRIC installers of electronic equipment dealt Jimmy Hoffa and his Teamsters Union a major setback last week in Hoffa's plan to organize the communications and electronics industries (p 24, Dec. 21). In the first big representational election in these fields, the installers gave their present union, the Communications Workers of America, 11,388 votes and the Teamsters 4,000. Interest ran so high that 94 percent of those eligible voted.

## Beam Compression Raises Mm Power

ORLANDO, FLA.—New scheme for millimeter-wave generation was proposed this week at IRE conference here on millimeter and sub-millimeter work.

Intense magnetic fields can compress an electron beam and achieve circuit densities as high as 2,500 amps/cm<sup>2</sup>, said E. A. Ash, of Standard Telecommunications Labs, England. A generator has been built

and an output of 2 watts at 4 mm achieved. Higher outputs are expected.

It was also revealed by the Martin Co. that a new frequency standard using a molecular beam technique is nearing completion. Accuracy is expected to be 1 part in 10<sup>18</sup> at 300 Gc.

Work is being done under a Signal Corps contract. One remaining problem is getting a high enough vacuum for operation.

## Skybolt Phase-Out Plans Due Monday

AIR FORCE will submit plans, on Monday, to the Department of Defense for phasing out the Skybolt missile program. DOD requested the Air Force to do this after formally killing the project on December 31.

Douglas Aircraft, prime contractor for Skybolt, will lay off about 4,000 employees within the next 30 days. Northrop, the guidance contractor, will lay off about 2,000.

Despite DOD's swift action before Congress convened (January 9), Congress is expected to revive the Skybolt issue, if not the missile

itself. Congressmen expressed alarm over what appears to be "the demise of the Air Force," and also over their constitutional authority in the government.

## Relay's Power Supply OK, Another Trouble Develops

RELAY'S power supply problem corrected itself last week but nobody knew why. According to one educated guess, moisture had been causing a transistor to malfunction; when the moisture went away, so did the trouble.

With the satellite producing enough power for transmission purposes for the first time since it was launched Dec. 13, scientists initiated a series of communications tests. A tv test pattern was transmitted across the Atlantic, but almost immediately command difficulties were encountered. In an effort to overcome this, scientists this week were altering the sequence of commands. Again, no one knew why the command circuits were behaving erratically.

Relay's return to at least partial service gave the United States two

## Strike-Bound Papers Eye Typesetting Computers

COMPUTERS that punch tape for the automatic setting of type hit the newspaper field in a big way last week, promising huge savings, increased efficiency and even more complications in the already thorny relationship between the publishers and International Typographical Union.

The *Los Angeles Times* recently put an automated typesetting system into operation. Heart of the process is an RCA 301 computer. The *West Palm Beach (Fla.) Post-Times* is getting a similar system, and a third computer system, using an IBM 1620, is almost set at Oklahoma City newspapers. None of these papers has a contract with the union.

RCA said many other newspapers, including some in New York City, are interested in its system. New York papers were shut down a month ago by a printers' strike. A major obstacle to settlement, it was reported, is a union demand for control over automated equipment in the composing room.

The *Los Angeles Times* system sets up lines of type directly from a reporter's typewriter, makes editing changes and corrections, and decides where split words are to be hyphenated



communications satellites now transmitting from outer space (see Telstar story, p 30).

## Radar Spectrum Analyzer Pinpoints Wind speeds

BOSTON—New spectrum analyzer has enabled wind speeds to be measured by radar to an accuracy of less than  $\frac{1}{2}$  mph by Air Force Cambridge Research Laboratory.

The analyzer and doppler techniques were developed by Roger Lhermitte, of AFCRL. The analyzer is designed for 3-cps bandwidths spaced 14.7 cps apart in a comb array. On the C-band doppler radar, this spacing is equivalent to increments of 0.4 meter/sec in radial velocity. Horizontal wind can be measured at all heights.

Improved radars and data processing techniques promise to provide a system that could measure winds in fair weather as well as foul and detect clear-air turbulence, an aircraft hazard. The present system's observations are limited to snowy and rainy weather.

## Defense and Space Group Organized at Burroughs

BURROUGHS CORPORATION announced last week that various facilities and activities have been placed in a corporate-wide operation called the Defense and Space Group.

Included in the team are Burroughs Laboratories, and the Defense and Space Systems Management, Military Electronic Computer, Military Field Service and Control Instrument divisions, Defense and Space Systems Marketing, and Contracts Administration.

Irven Travis, president of Burroughs Laboratories and corporate vice president, will service as the group executive.

## Underwater Laser Techniques Studied

BOSTON—Ceramic material is being used instead of mirrors to concentrate ruby laser beams and to deflect laser output to accomplish raster scan. The techniques are being developed by Hans Udo

Von Schultz, director of engineering at U.S. Sonics Corp., Cambridge, for application to underwater laser when and if such a device emerges. Von Schultz said he is working on developing a blue or green laser for underwater use.

## RCA and Philco Settle, Philco to Make Color Tv

RCA AND PHILCO reached an out-of-court agreement last week on their dispute over rights to patents in the color television, transistor and data-processing fields. Philco is withdrawing its \$150 million damage suit against RCA, and RCA its countersuit for \$174 million.

The agreement provides that RCA will receive nonexclusive licenses under all present Philco and Ford Motor Co. United States patents and patent applications relating to radio-purpose apparatus (including color tv), transistors and data processing equipment. These licenses will run for the full lives of the patents. RCA will also be able to use any domestic color-tv patent granted to Philco in the next five years. For these rights, it is paying Philco \$9 million.

In return, RCA will make available to Philco and its parent company, Ford Motor Co., all its color tv patents issued up to Oct. 28, 1958. Later patents will be available to Philco under regular license fees.

Reportedly, Philco will begin manufacturing color-tv sets this year. Philco plans to begin by assembling RCA components, then to produce sets with Philco-produced components.

## NASA in the Market for A Really Big Satellite

NASA WILL RECEIVE proposals next Friday for an erectable satellite to study micrometeoroids and to gain experience in designing manned and unmanned space systems. The satellite is to weigh more than two tons and have a surface area of more than 2,000 square feet. It is to be launched during the eighth and ninth Saturn booster test flights.

## In Brief . . .

MARINER II lost contact with earth Tuesday after traveling 54.3 million miles. The antennas probably turned away from earth.

RAYTHEON last week received two Navy contracts totaling \$55 million for production of Sparrow III missiles and allied services. Army gave Raytheon a \$46.8-million order for Hawk missile equipment.

TEXAS INSTRUMENTS has a production order from Litton Industries for silicon integrated circuits. They'll be used in AN/ASA-27 radar computer indicators for Navy's W2F-1 early-warning aircraft.

ELECTRO - MECHANICAL RESEARCH will produce telemetry pcm ground stations for NASA's world-wide range of tracking stations, under \$7.4-million contract. Automatic checkout subsystems will be included. EMR will also supply spacecraft data transmission, on board recording systems and associated ground checkout equipment to McDonnell Aircraft for Project Gemini.

TELETYPEWRITER SYSTEM used by Westinghouse Electric now has a computer to control automatic routing of messages between 300 locations.

BENDIX has won a \$19.4-million contract from Army for Pershing missile guidance and control equipment, and a \$7.1-million Army award for fighter aircraft equipment.

SYLVANIA is awarded another \$19.3-million order for Army communications equipment, making total contract \$33 million.

HOFFMAN ELECTRONICS will produce 600 Tacan transceivers for Air Force under a \$1.9-million contract.

HAMMARLUND MANUFACTURING is to design and produce 200 ssb, compatible a-m radiotelephones for the Coast Guard.



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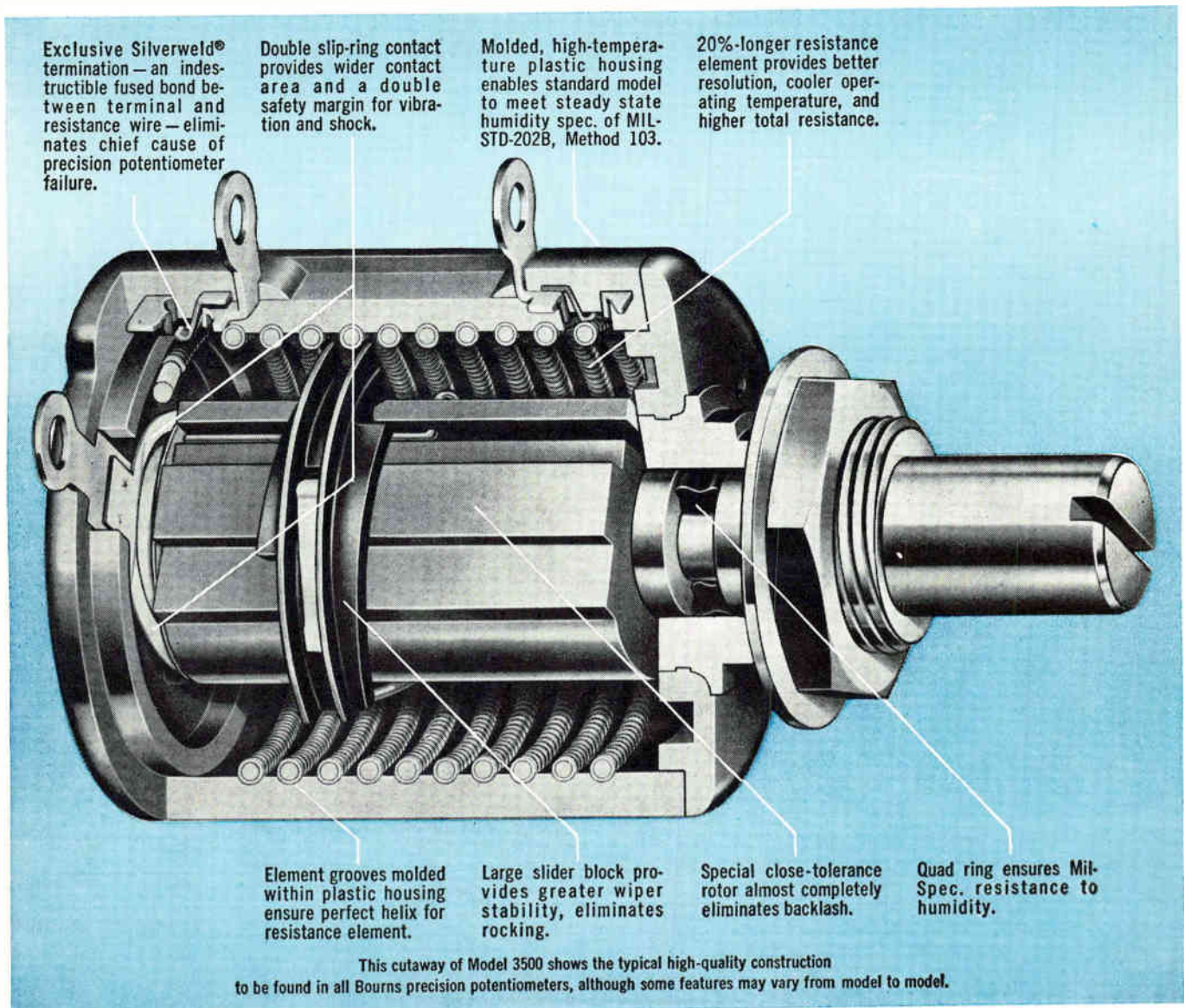
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<b>Model 3520 — 7/8", 5-turn</b> Length, .678"—resistances to 75K			<b>Model 3600 KNOBPOT®* Potentiometer — 3/4", 10-turn</b> Potentiometer, dial, and knob all in one — operates at 125°C		
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	Length (body) Standard linearity Standard resistances Power rating Humidity  Max. operating temp. Resolution	.549" $\pm 0.3\%$ 200 $\Omega$ to 50K 1.0W @ 70°C MIL-STD-202B, Method 103 (steady state)† 125°C 0.028 to 0.100%	<b>KNOBPOT POTENTIOMETER MIL-SPEC COLOR ACCESSORIES</b> Meeting color requirements of MS-91528B and MIL-STD-242 (ships).		
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# WASHINGTON OUTLOOK

## POLARIS DEAL CLOUDS FUTURE OF MMRBM

**PLANS TO SUPPLY** Britain and NATO with Polaris missiles makes the Air Force's Mobile Mid-Range Ballistic Missile (MMRBM) project more uncertain, say Pentagon sources.

The overriding rationale for the project is that MMRBM would be the nuclear deterrent weapon sought by so many in NATO. It seems very unlikely that NATO would get two different strategic weapons.

Air Force wants MMRBM as a tactical weapon to replace Mace. But the Pentagon's top echelon has virtually ruled out that mission.

## BUT NATO MAY NEVER GET POLARIS FORCE

**POLARIS AGREEMENT** is still so fuzzy that some Washington observers doubt NATO will ever build up a nuclear deterrent force.

So many crucial questions—number of missiles, sales terms, deployment, relationship between British and NATO Polaris forces, multi-nation command and control, etc.—are still to be ironed out that skeptics think the Nassau agreement was essentially a political face-saving maneuver for Prime Minister MacMillan.

Behind the skepticism is the Kennedy administration's dislike of nuclear proliferation and its desire for U. S. control of the Western deterrent force. Skepticism is bolstered by the extended timetable for a British Polaris force—some seven years off—and difficulties Britain faces in paying for nuclear submarines.

## AIA PLANS TO AID DEPRESSED AREA FIRMS

**AEROSPACE INDUSTRIES ASSOCIATION'S** voluntary plan to channel military subcontracts to firms in areas with high rates of unemployment has the government cheering. Pentagon officials concede their own program to encourage defense business in depressed areas is hard to enforce, so they are particularly keen about AIA's plan.

AIA's program includes electronic devices able to meet military specs, and high-reliability and close-tolerance electromechanical components. It does not include "common, readily available, and highly competitive product lines" because AIA feels such items have a "low yield of opportunity" for subcontracting. The Defense Department will give AIA's 18 major prime contractor members information on qualified companies.

## CIVILIAN R&D TAX CREDIT?

**WHITE HOUSE SOURCES** indicate that President Kennedy may ask Congress to allow a special tax credit for money spent by companies on research equipment and facilities. The Treasury department is working on such a proposal. The administration is looking for ways to stimulate research and, hence, business in the so-called civilian economy—building, transportation, education, etc.

## SATELLITE SPIES ON SOVIET R-F

**PENTAGON WON'T COMMENT** on reports that it has a new satellite, dubbed Ferret, that can monitor Soviet radar and radio traffic. However, of 71 military satellites launched from the West Coast through November 24, 1962, only 38 have been identified as Discoverers. Another 33 were a mixture of Discoverer, Samos, Midas and Ferret satellites, say informed sources. Launched into polar orbit carrying it over Russia, Ferret picks up coded and scrambled transmissions, then relays them to U.S. listening posts.

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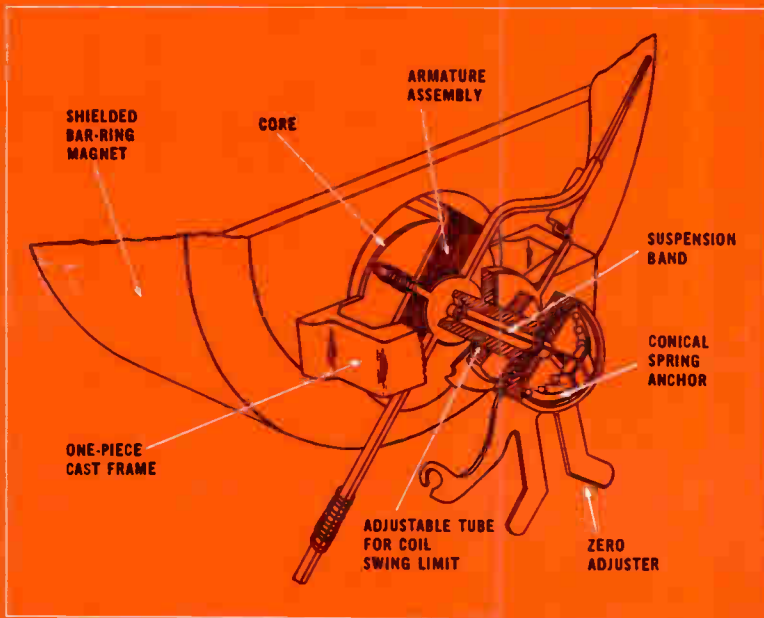
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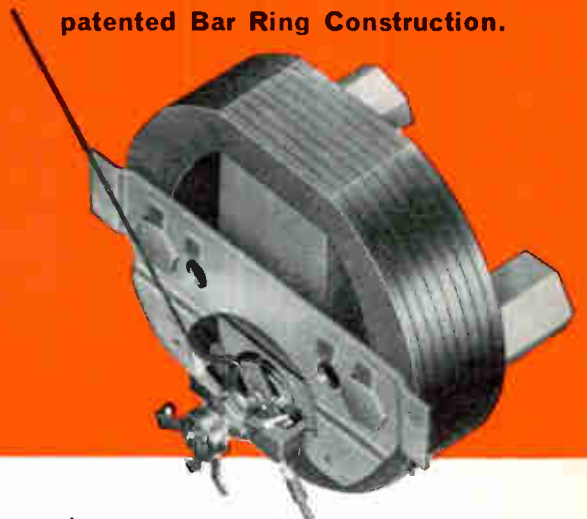
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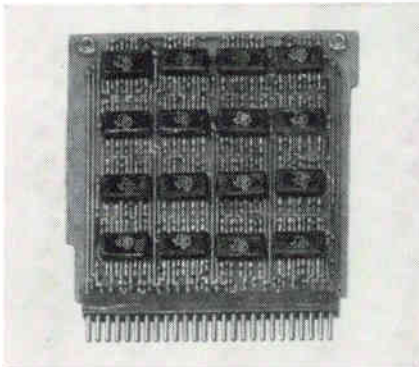


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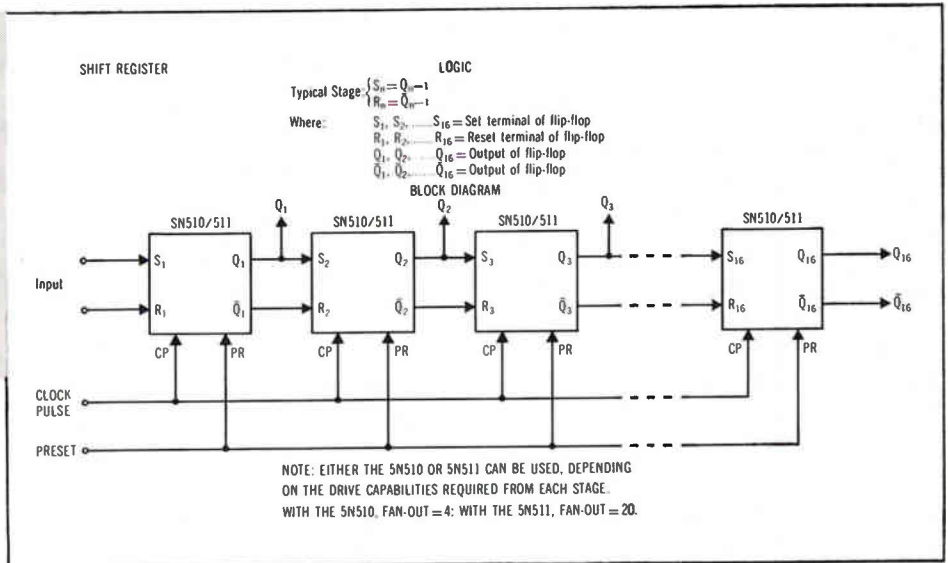




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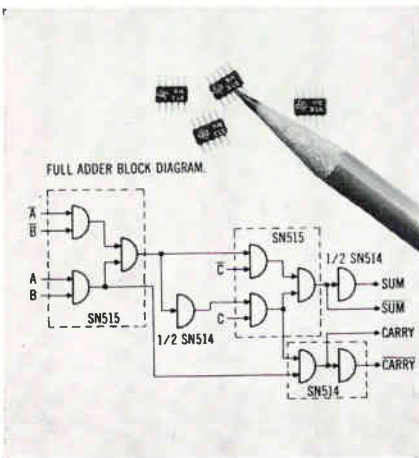
- SN510—R-S FLIP-FLOP/COUNTER
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- SN513—6-input NOR/NAND gate with emitter-follower output
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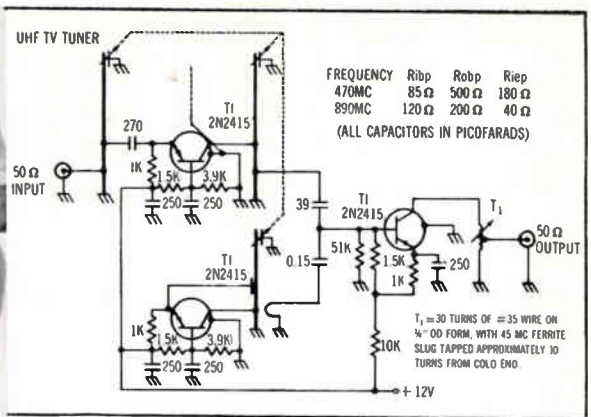
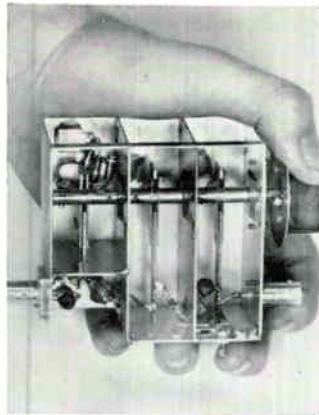
Two SN514 and two SN515 semiconductor networks form a full adder. Inset photo shows the four TI networks used to perform this frequently encountered logic function.

## Transistorized UHF Tuner Features Low Noise, High Gain

A low-noise, highly efficient UHF tuner using 2N2415 transistors has been developed by Texas Instruments. Full design data will be made available to interested manufacturers.

The circuit was designed for use as a UHF television tuner, but is adaptable to other uses. The photo shows (left to right) the tuned RF amplifier, the oscillator, and the mixer. Output is 45 mc.

On test, the tuner indicated a typical noise figure of 7 to 9 db, compared with 10 or 12 db for comparable vacuum-tube circuits. Gain was 3 to 9 db — a substantial increase over the 6 db loss usually obtained from tube circuits in the 470- to 890-mc band. Stability was excellent. At 935 mc, temperature fluctuations from 25°C to 50°C caused the local oscillator frequency to vary only 600 kc, and



Circuit diagram for transistorized UHF Tuner. Input is tunable from 470 to 890 mc. Output is 45 mc. Power requirement

is only 18 ma at 12 volts. Mixer emitter current is 0.1 ma.

supply-voltage changes of 10 percent caused frequency variances of only 400 kc.

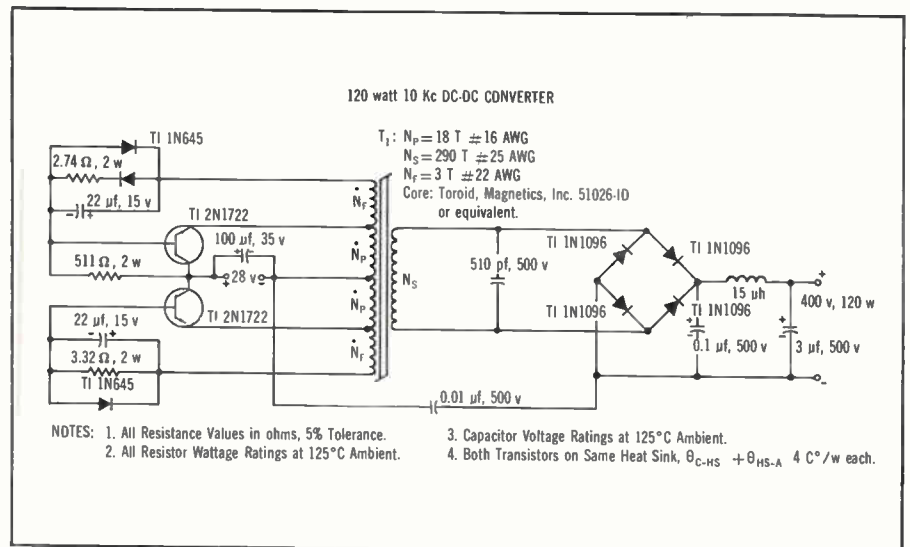
The TI 2N2415 transistors in this circuit have a  $f_{max}$  of 3 Gc, the highest in the industry. Transistor noise figures through the UHF range are the lowest available today. A typical noise

figure at 200 mc is 2.4 db. Collector-base time constant is unusually low — three picoseconds. Ruggedness of construction is confirmed by 100-percent centrifuge testing. For data sheets on Texas Instruments 2N2415 transistors, write to Department 606-2, Dallas.

## 120-Watt DC-DC Converter Operates From -55° to +125°C

This 120-watt, 10-kc, dc-to-dc converter circuit operates dependably over a wide range of ambient temperature conditions and includes built-in momentary short-circuit protection. The self-starting converter has input current of 5 amps, over-all efficiency of 85 percent, and output ripple of 0.6 volts maximum. Output shown is 400 volts, but this can easily be modified. Texas Instruments 2N1722 or 2N1724 transistors are used. These devices exhibit typical 2.5  $\mu$ sec total switching times and have a guaranteed minimum  $f_T$  of 10 mc — important characteristics for dc-dc converters, wide-band audio amplifiers, transient-sensitive d-c power regulators, and a host of other applications.

The 2N1722 and 2N1724 high-frequency silicon power transistors are produced by TI's triple-diffused mesa process. The result is an optimization



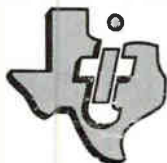
between high collector-emitter breakdown voltage ( $BV_{CEO}$ ) and low saturation resistance. Low-contact resistance offers unusually high efficiency. Oxide passivation of the emitter-base junction surface reduces and stabilizes leakage current.

These TI silicon transistors offer the best performance available today in

applications requiring 50 watts at 100°C case temperatures. For data sheets on Texas Instruments 2N1722 or 2N1724 transistors, write to Dept. 606-3, Dallas.

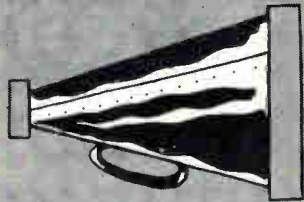
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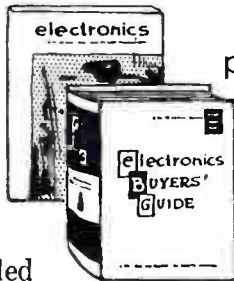
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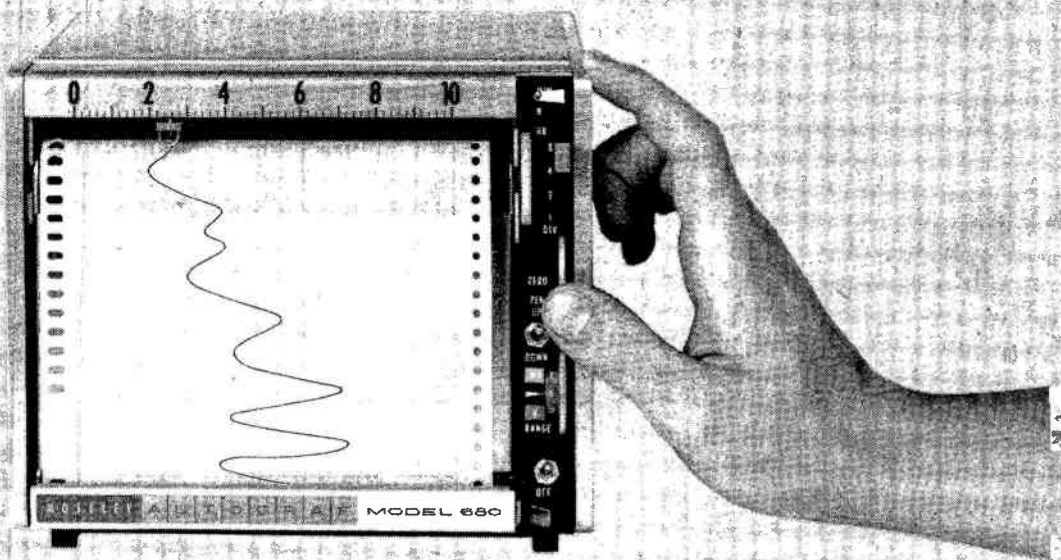
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ASTRONOMICAL photographs, made at 30-second intervals, show the spaceship and its boosters (arrows) against a star background at distances of about 120,000 miles from earth. Photos were used to plot Mars-1's initial trajectory (Sovfoto)

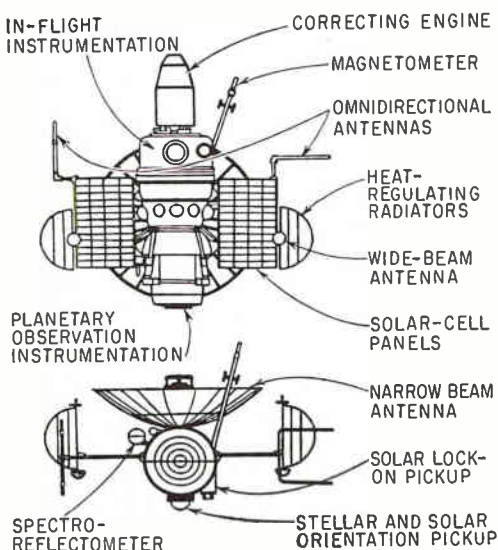
## Soviets Planning Transmissions

*Tass report indicates they plan to transmit over 150 million miles*

**WHAT TECHNIQUES** will the Soviets use to transmit data and photos from their Mars probe when it arrives at the planet late in May after a seven-month journey?

There was no specific information in the progress report and description of Mars-1 recently published in Moscow by Tass. But there were a few clues:

- Radio equipment includes L, S and X-band systems (32, 8 and 5-cm wavelengths)



- The craft carries a directional parabolic antenna with a diameter of about 7 feet. An unfolded mesh provides more than half the diameter

- Transmissions will be made at longer intervals, up to 15 days apart, as the craft gets farther from earth. This will provide more time for battery recharging, presumably overcoming radiation degradation of the solar cells. Data is stored between transmissions.

Tass' discussion of the spacecraft's orbit, and an accompanying sketch indicate that the probe will be some 150 million miles from earth when it reaches Mars. Also, the Russians say that one purpose of the flight is to reliably maintain communication over "distances of tens and hundreds of kilometers."

There is no theoretical reason why this can't be done, if transmissions are made in a tight beam at high power. From the clues listed above, this seems to be the plan.

The alternative, waiting until Mars-1 returns to earth, would multiply reliability and solar-cell degradation problems. The probe is traveling faster than earth, but because its orbit around the sun is

longer, the Tass sketch indicates, it would take four years for it to catch up with earth again.

The probe will pass some 120,000 to 140,000 miles from Mars on its present trajectory. Plans were to correct the course to bring the probe within 600 to 7,000 miles of the planet. As of last month, when the craft had gone some 5 million miles, the course had still not been corrected.

However, Tass stated that communications were good and that all systems were functioning.

**CONFIGURATION**—Mars-1 is divided into two sections. One, called the orbital compartment, houses in-flight equipment. A planetary compartment contains the scientific instrumentation. The craft is 11 feet long, 3.6 feet in diameter and weighs almost one ton. Including solar cell panels and radiators, it is 13 feet wide.

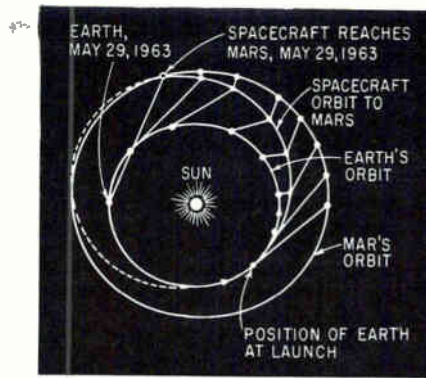
An optical orientation system keeps the solar panels pointed toward the sun and maintains the craft's attitude with respect to the sun, a given star and the planets. On-board equipment is automatically controlled. Commands are radioed from ground.

**RADIO SYSTEMS** — Radio and telemetry systems are designed to transmit to earth coded information on equipment operation, scientific measurements and trajectory

CONFIGURATION of Soviet Mars probe is detailed in these diagrams published last month in Moscow

## LIFE ON MARS?

NASA plans to send a probe to Mars in 1966 to investigate whether there is life on the planet. The spacecraft would land a package on the planet. The package would analyze soil samples to determine whether bacteria or biological substances are present. This would provide a more positive answer than the spectrophotometer experiment aboard the Soviet Mars probe



ORBITS of Mars probe and of the planet Mars projected on the plane of earth's orbit. Spacecraft will take about 16 months for a complete orbit around the sun

## from Mars

information acquired by the optical system. Distances to the spacecraft, its speed and orbital coordinates are computed at ground stations from data received.

Three radio systems are used, with wavelengths of 1.6 m, 32 cm, and 5 cm and 8 cm. Apart from telemetering, the 1.6-m system is used to maintain communication with earth if the orientation system fails (this was not further explained, but apparently the omnidirectional antennas are for the 1.6-m system).

**EXPERIMENTS**—Research equipment includes, according to Tass:

- Phototelevision for photographing Mars' surface
- Spectrophotometer for detecting organic cover on the planet
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- Magnetometers for detecting magnetic fields in space and around Mars
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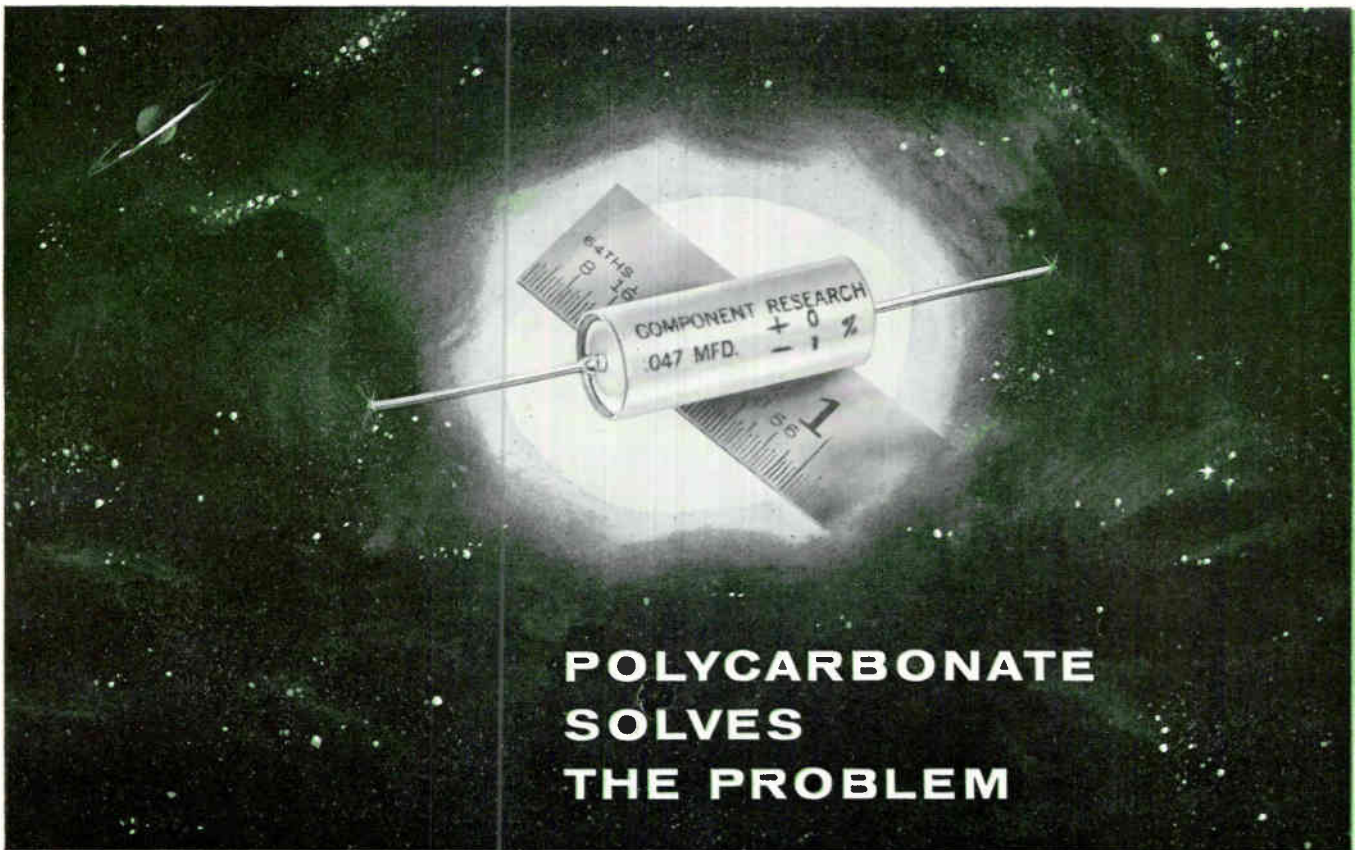
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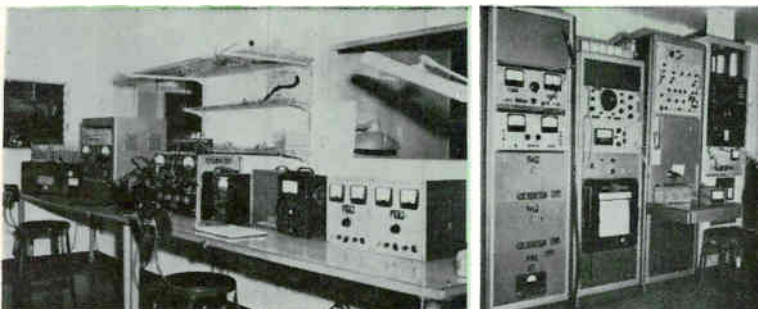
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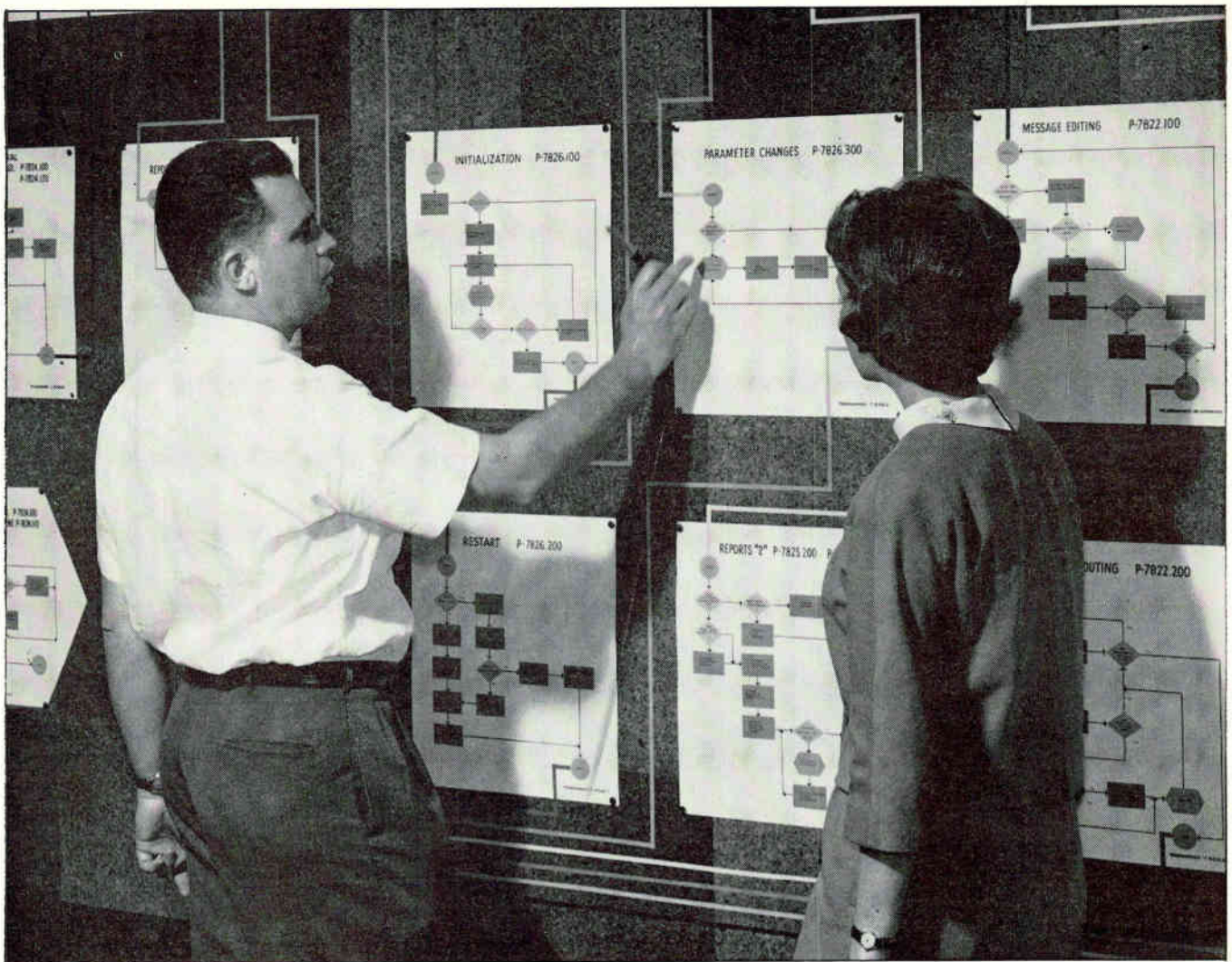
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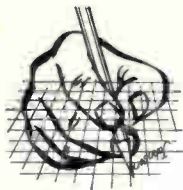


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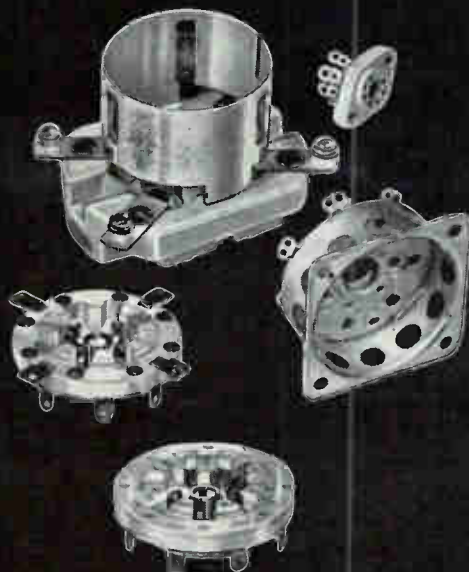
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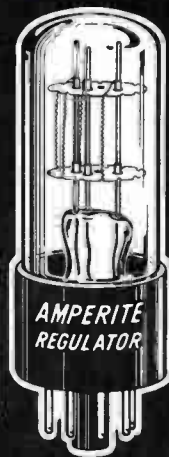
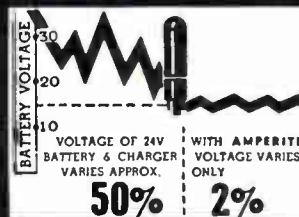
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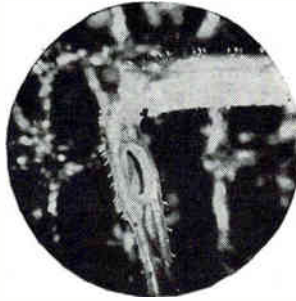
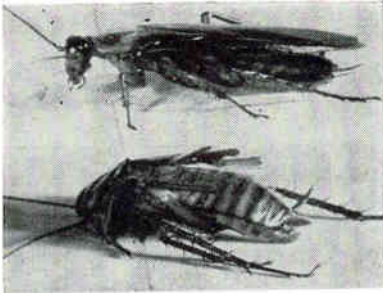
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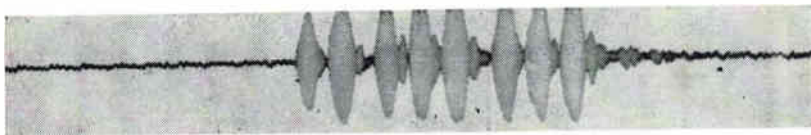


# SOUND: A Better Way to Control

By HUBERT and MABLE FRINGS  
University of Hawaii, Honolulu



COCKROACH before and after exposure to 30 seconds of sound at 6 Kc and 160 db (left). Body is bloated by heat and wings are torn. At right is ear of katydid, on its front leg



INSECT SOUND PATTERNS. Reading from top are chirp of snowy tree cricket, grasshopper song at cool and warm temperatures, grasshopper song at recording speed of 25 mm/sec and at 500 mm/sec

*Bugs, rats, birds:  
sound can kill some,  
chase others away*

WHY SHOULD WE RELY almost exclusively on chemicals to control pests? Newer electronic tools give us other agencies, among the most promising of which are sounds.

Man has always used high-intensity noises to chase animals. It is easier and safer to make loud noises electronically than with hands, voice or guns. Unfortunately, most pests are higher animals, and soon learn to ignore meaningless noises.

Very-high-intensity sounds (160 db and higher) can destroy animals, but the power costs make these impractical. Nor does ultrasonic sound mysteriously affect animals. Unless it is powerful enough to cause physical damage, and so is economically impractical, ultrasound must be heard by animals to affect them. Many insects and some mammals can hear ultrasonic sounds; birds generally cannot.

A promising method for attracting or repelling pests uses recorded communication signals. These signals, the language of the animals, are tape-recorded and played back to the animals to influence their behavior. This does not require unusual equipment, and so is economically practical.

**CONTROLLING RATS**—Mice and rats are so destructive that they warrant major concern.

They can hear ultrasonic sound, at least an octave and a half higher than man. So, sounds inaudible to man could influence their behavior. This would be a tremendous advan-

**CROWS ARE CALLED** by the authors (inset photo) by broadcasting recordings of the crows' assembly call. In the background photo, a large flock of starlings fly out of their tree roost when a recorded distress call is broadcast



# Pests

tage if acoustical controls are used near homes or stores.

Rats and mice in the laboratory can be thrown into epileptic fits by certain sounds, chiefly ultrasonic. In these fits, mice may die. Wild rodents, which need not stay in an area, would probably leave rather than suffer. At least one electronics company is working on this.

Rodent communication signals seem to be mostly ultrasonic. If we understood these, we might use them to attract or repel the pests.

Ultrasound, however, creates some interesting engineering problems. The higher the frequency, the more sound travels like light, and the greater the possibility of sound shadows. Filling a building with sound to control rodents means a major job of loudspeaker placement. Also, microphones, recorders and loudspeakers able to handle frequencies above 25 Kc are expensive.

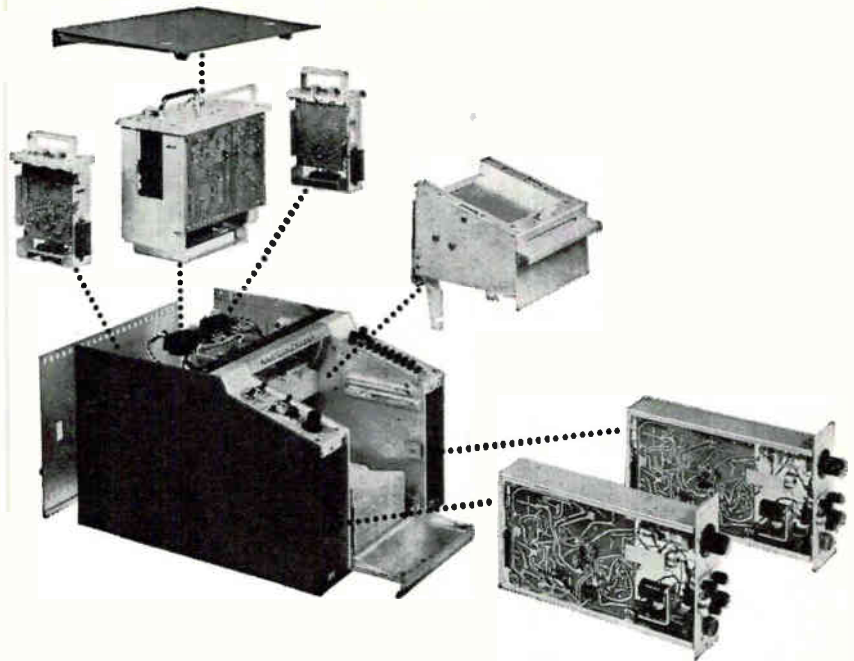
**CHASING BIRDS** — Many birds get in man's way, particularly as civilization offers them new foods and homes.

Birds are notably sound-oriented, and it is with them that practical acoustical control was first achieved. In 1954, we showed that starlings could be chased from roosts by broadcasting to them recordings of their own distress call. Later experiments with other birds that are considered pests suggest that recorded communication signals can be the basis of effective controls.

Germany and France have set up laboratories to study acoustical controls for pest birds. In the United States, the work has lagged. Recently, however, Gordon Boudreau, an Arizona engineer who took out time from engineering to study bird behavior, has developed controls for some agricultural pests using recorded communication signals.

Undoubtedly many species of birds could be controlled by recorded distress or alarm calls. Biologically, the problems center around finding proper times and methods of application. Electronically, there are also problems.

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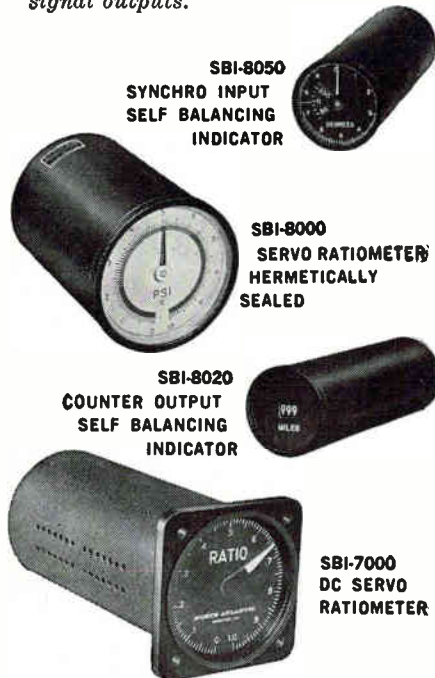
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## ENGINEERING ZOOLOGY

Professor Frings and Mable Frings, both zoologists, have for some time been attempting to interest engineers in aiding naturalists to develop sound systems for pest control.

The biggest stumbling block, they have found, is not that engineers aren't willing—it is that engineers usually know too little about pests and propose impractical equipment.

They submitted this article to *ELECTRONICS* hoping that it would help bridge the gap between what naturalists want to do and what electronic equipment can now do

notes, are of short duration and sudden onset. Most persons, in first recording them, overload badly, because they fail to realize that the slowly responding v-u meter averages a transient sound starting at high intensity and rapidly dying away. When sounds must be broadcast over large distances, one must have high power and still have fidelity—the message must get across to the birds. Generally, the sound cannot be left on continuously, but must be turned on and off at irregular intervals. A great deal of electronic spadework is needed.

**KILLING INSECTS**—By far, the greatest economic potential in pest control lies with insects, our chief competitors for everything we want. Among a few of the insects for which acoustical controls seem possible, are: grasshoppers, roaches, flies, mosquitoes, moths, beetles, bugs and plant lice, and ants.

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Few attempts have been made at insect control with sound. In 1945, it was shown that male mosquitoes were attracted by recordings of female wing sounds and could then be killed. Unfortunately males do not bite man, and even killing 99.999 per cent of the males is useless. The few that are left can fertilize enough females to more than repopulate the whole area.

**INSECT SOUNDS**—Insects produce sounds chiefly for sexual attraction and recognition, so recordings could probably be used to

attract or repel insect pests.

These sounds are often of high frequency, many times ultrasonic, and almost invariably of a transient nature, with high initial intensity dying away rapidly. They are generally produced by rubbing teeth over scrapers. The pulse rates may be 50 to 500 a second.

These sounds, particularly when ultrasonic, create special recording and broadcasting problems. Most microphones and loudspeakers tend to smooth them out. Obviously, a loudspeaker should have no inertia at all, but only a corona type meets this requirement.

The size or shape of the loudspeaker may also be important. Female mosquitoes, for instance, are almost point sources of sound, even though the sound is of very low frequency. Loudspeakers to broadcast this to other mosquitoes to study their reactions are large. Little wonder that mosquitoes fail to respond to them. On the human scale, this is like having a blindfolded man try to localize a sound played through a loudspeaker the diameter of New York City.

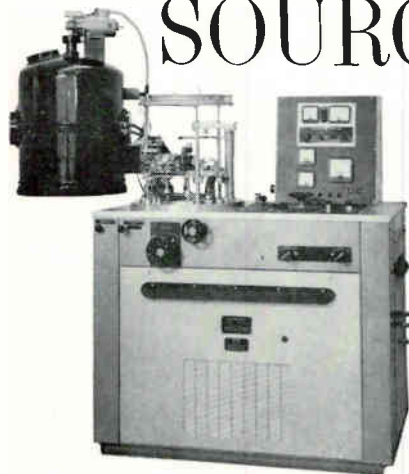
In many cases, insects respond to artificial sounds. Sometimes these resemble natural sounds; sometimes they do not. It is certain that, in the normal communication sounds of insects, much is redundant. Here the biologist and physicist should combine talents to find important parameters of sound signals, so artificial sounds might be used.

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The EM pulse from a high-altitude explosion may easily be distinguished from a sferic or a whistler by its distinctive shape. The main pulses shown in the scope photos probably result from a magnetohydrodynamic wave while the small signal that triggered the scopes was a direct voltage or current that either traveled through the earth or along the ionosphere.

A system for locating and recording EM signatures of high-altitude blasts can provide an important adjunct to the seismometer networks already discussed (ELECTRONICS, p 26, Jan. 4, 1963).

According to a report by W. E. Spencer, hydrodynamic wave theory may explain the main part of the signal. Immediately after detonation of a nuclear device, the hot weapon debris is a highly ionized vapor or plasma. This plasma expands widely and causes violent distortion of the earth's magnetic field. The distortion propagates away from the burst as a hydrodynamic wave. At lower levels, where it interacts with the denser atmosphere, it may be detected as an ordinary electrical wave or as a magnetic disturbance.

Also after a nuclear detonation the ionosphere D layer effectively lowers. The change in electron density in the ionosphere may cause a change in potential in the atmosphere separate from the hydrodynamic wave.

**INSTRUMENTATION**—The antenna used for the first shot was a

20-foot-square wire mesh suspended about 5 meters above a grounded counterpoise. The antenna output was fed to a cathode follower, filtered with a passband of 500 cps to 50 Kc.

The antenna used for the succeeding shots was a 6-foot-square mesh 6 meters above ground. Antenna output was sent to a cathode follower, filtered with a passband of 500 cps to 500 Kc. A tape recording was kept of the countdown.

**PROCEDURE**—Scope triggering was a positive trigger on a positive slope. The sensitivity was set so that spurious signals as whistlers and sferics would trigger the scope no oftener than about twenty seconds apart.

The first four shots were recorded with no trouble; however, shot number 5 was not recorded. The scopes triggered but the oscillogram showed that a sferic or whistler had been received instead of the EM pulse. During this shot the countdown station did not fade as in the preceding experiments.

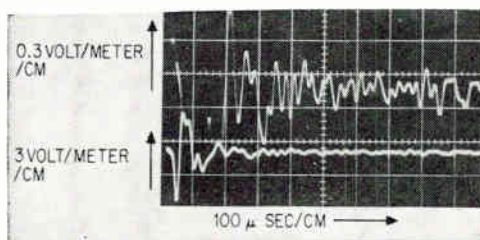
**DISCUSSION**—The signal of shot number 1 shows a negative-going pulse with an amplitude of about 5 v/meter followed by a wave damped both in amplitude and frequency. This shot is probably limited in amplitude by the frequency response of the equipment.

The passband of the later shots was broader and showed a narrower spike with a higher ampli-

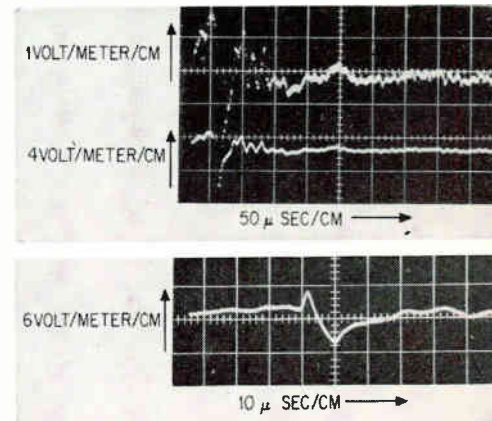
tude. The first shot, which was detonated above the ionosphere, showed a negative spike leading while those detonated below the ionosphere showed a positive-going leading spike. The last shot may have been detonated in the ionosphere.

Shots 2, 3 and 4 show a positive first pulse of about 8 microseconds, followed by a negative kickback, then three quick positive pulses of the same amplitude. About 200 microseconds after the traces begin there is another low-amplitude pulse. This occurs also in shot number 1.

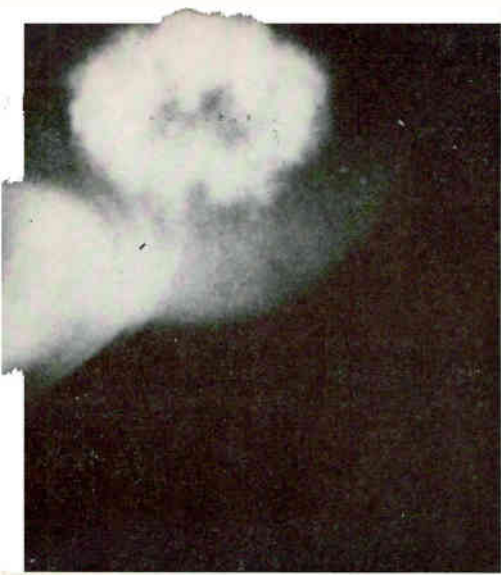
On all four received shots the scopes triggered about 30 microseconds before the arrival of the main spike of the EM pulse. Part of the EM pulse may have traveled by a



**FIRST BLAST**—megaton bomb hundreds of kilometers high, July 9, 1962, at 0200 PDST



**LATEST RECORDING**—submegaton bomb tens of kilometers high, Nov. 1 1962, at 0410 PST. Full trace and expanded portion of lower trace



shorter route making enough signal available to trigger the scopes. Since a positive slope, positive trigger was used as a trigger, it is possible that a negative slope, negative trigger might have triggered the scopes even earlier.

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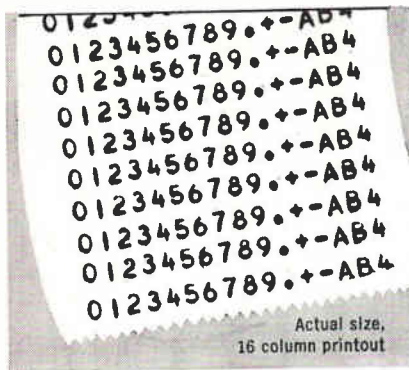
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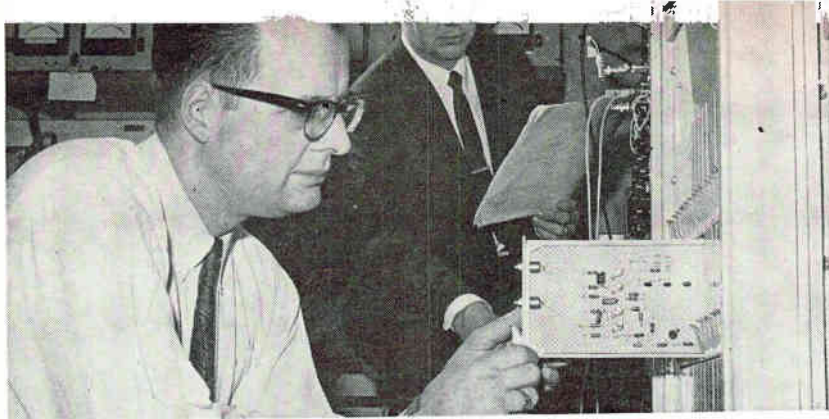
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## Trick Revives Telstar

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JUST A FEW DAYS after AT&T announced plans to launch Telstar II, engineers at Bell Telephone Laboratories got Telstar I's command circuit working again last week, making tv and communications transmission possible again. Trick codes were used to fool the decoder and reactivate Telstar I after a month of silence.

Radiation encountered by the satellite was about 100 times greater than expected and high energy electrons caused a surface ionization effect in silicon transistors in the zero-gate circuit of the decoder. The effect causes leakage current to increase when there is normal voltage across silicon transistors and the transistors are irradiated; diodes and germanium transistors are not affected. If either the radiation or the voltage is reduced, leakage current falls again but may remain higher than it was initially.

When Telstar failed, Bell Labs engineers subjected a duplicate decoder to radiation and located three or four possible failure modes. In the satellite code, a ONE is a long pulse and a ZERO a short one. The trick codes were created by sneaking a dip in a long pulse through the ONE gate and getting a decoder to accept it as a ZERO.

Initial attempts to reactivate Telstar over South Africa, where radiation was lowest, were not suc-

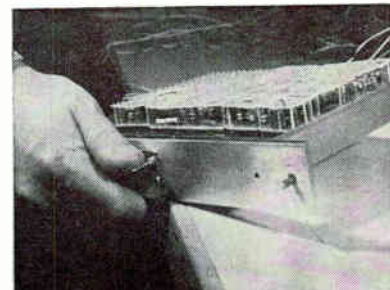
cessful, but the third trick code succeeded in commanding a switch to turn. Periods of circuit exercise and rest were then used to dissipate the surface ionization charge and the satellite eventually returned to normal operation.

**TELSTAR II**—One of the objectives of Telstar II, said AT&T, will be to learn how to extend satellite life by overcoming radiation damage.

A modified Thor Delta rocket, more powerful than the booster for Telstar I, will be used by NASA to launch Telstar II this spring. The added rocket power will give Bell Labs two options for reducing radiation damage to Telstar II:

- The satellite can be placed in a higher orbit, exposing it to less of the high-energy radiation of the inner Van Allen belt. Last fall, a 6,000-mile-high orbit was being considered (ELECTRONICS, p 7, Oct. 5, 1962)

- More shielding can be used. Special attention will be given to protecting the command circuit.



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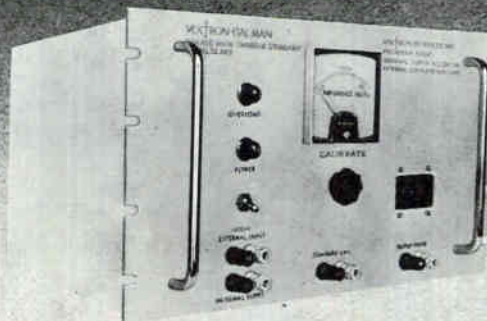
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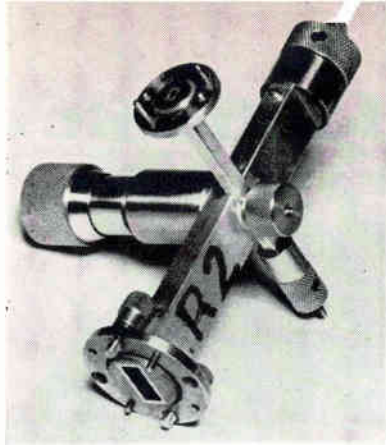
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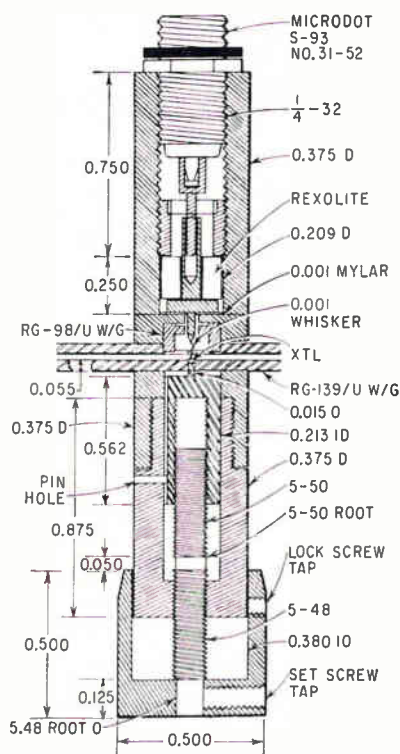
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CROSSED WAVEGUIDES and a crystal inside comprise the heart of this harmonic generator—Fig. 1

been an effective method for frequency coverage in the 100 to 500-Gc region. Typically, the harmonic generator is driven by a reflex klystron operating in the 10 to 100-Gc region. The multipliers that have been used successfully are of the crossed-waveguide run-in type shown in Fig. 1. These multipliers have fundamental input waveguides ranging from RG-52/U (8 to 12 Gc) to RG-99/U (60 to 90 Gc) and have harmonic output waveguides ranging up to RG-139/U (220-325 Gc). With driving tube outputs from 20 to 100 mw, signals up to 486 Gc



CROSS-SECTION of harmonic generator shows construction, which is similar to that of Fig. 1, but not identical—Fig. 2

have been obtained from these devices with sufficient power for molecular-spectroscopy measurements (on the order of microwatts). Harmonics as high as the twentieth have been obtained with the lower frequency input units while the fourth harmonic has been observed from the higher frequency input units. Conversion losses vary from 15 to 25 db for the second harmonic to 5 db per harmonic for harmonics > the seventh.

Mechanical construction for these units is based on a fine-thread differential screw arrangement that provides minute adjustment of the crystal-tungsten cat-whisker contact made directly inside the waveguide.<sup>1</sup> Figure 2 shows some of the mechanical specifications that are needed on one of the higher frequency units. The differential screw advances the crystal 0.0008 inch per revolution. Extremely light contact pressures are necessary in the mm region to reduce the capacitance shunting the contact junction and the contact is critical. The size of all parts is reduced, in comparison to other units, to be compatible with the smaller waveguides. A Microdot connector replaces the larger BNC type used in lower-frequency models. Since the whisker and crystal supporting post structures appear as waveguide-to-coaxial-line transitions, a combination coaxial and radial line choke is designed around these structures to prevent losses due to leakage through these terminals. An r-f choking arrangement, although frequency sensitive, should reduce losses at the design frequencies resulting in optimum performance for narrow-band applications such as molecular spectroscopy. It is necessary that the coaxial and radial line dimensions of these r-f chokes be such that higher-order modes will not be propagated since these can be excited by slight discontinuities and cause improper choking actions. This necessity imposes severe mechanical and constructional limitations as the frequency of operation increases.

**CRYSTAL MATERIALS** — The crystal materials are disk shaped and range in thickness from 0.005 to 0.025 in. and from 0.015 to 0.0625 in. in diameter. In the past these crystals have been soldered to the

post. This required a metallic backing that was made by plating and metal evaporation. Since many crystals are obtained in bulk configurations, crystal preparation is required: slicing, dicing, polishing, backing, etching, soldering and grinding. More recently, silver conductive epoxy has been used to attach the crystals to the post, eliminating the need for plating or backing and soldering. Growing a crystal layer directly on the metal post may eliminate all such crystal preparations and permit the determination of the optimum crystal thickness. This can be controlled in the growing process to a fraction of a micron.

Silicon, and irradiated or bombarded silicon<sup>2</sup>, have been employed in the multipliers and detectors. Ten other crystal materials have been mounted by the silver epoxy method and are being investigated for harmonic generation, mixing and detection applications in the mm region. Among the more promising types are gallium arsenide, indium antimonide (InSb), indium arsenide, and gallium antimonide. For point-contact diodes the upper operating frequency limit is<sup>3</sup>

$$f_{max} = \frac{1}{2\pi R_s C_b} \propto \frac{1}{a} \left( \frac{N b^2}{e} \right)^{1/2}$$

where  $a$  = radius of contact,  $b$  = mobility,  $e$  = dielectric constant,  $N$  = carrier concentration,  $R_s$  = series resistance, and  $C_b$  = barrier capacitance.

The maximum attainable frequency is directly proportional to the crystal mobility. At liquid nitrogen ( $N_2$ ) temperatures the mobility of InSb increases tremendously and has been given<sup>4</sup> as  $3 \times 10^5$  cm<sup>2</sup>v<sup>-1</sup> with  $N = 5 \times 10^{17}$ /cm<sup>3</sup>. Assuming  $e = 16e_0$ ,  $a = 4$  microns,  $R_s = 8 \times 10^{-3}$  ohm and  $C_b = 0.235$  pF,  $f_{max} = 8.5 \times 10^{13}$  cps<sup>5, 6, 7</sup>. Thus, InSb at liquid  $N_2$  temperatures may extend the operation of crystals across the gap between the infrared and microwave regions.

Several different sizes, shapes and materials have been evaluated as cat whiskers in mm harmonic generators. Among the materials investigated were tungsten, beryllium copper and phosphor bronze. A statistical evaluation of a large number of run-ins indicates that tungsten and beryllium copper of less than 1.5 to 2.0 mils diameter



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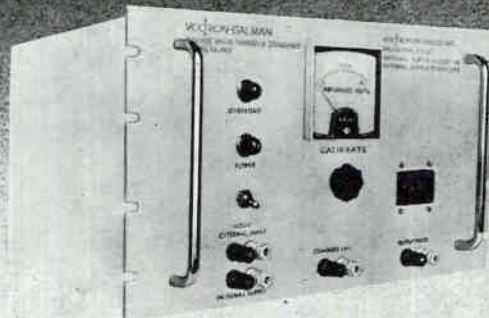
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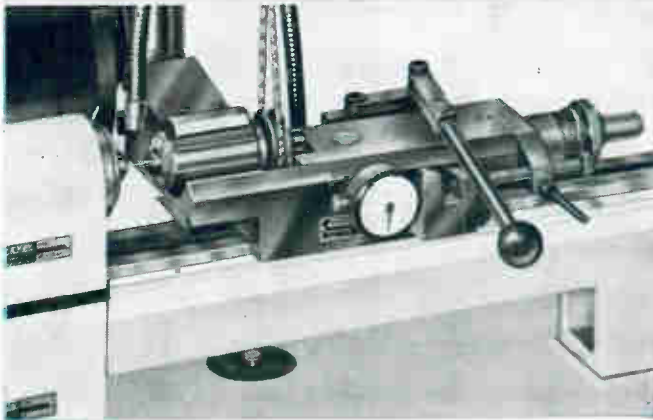
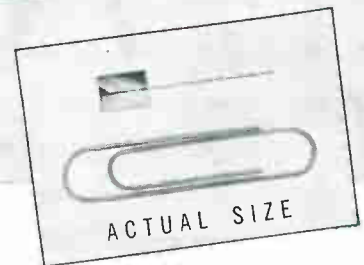
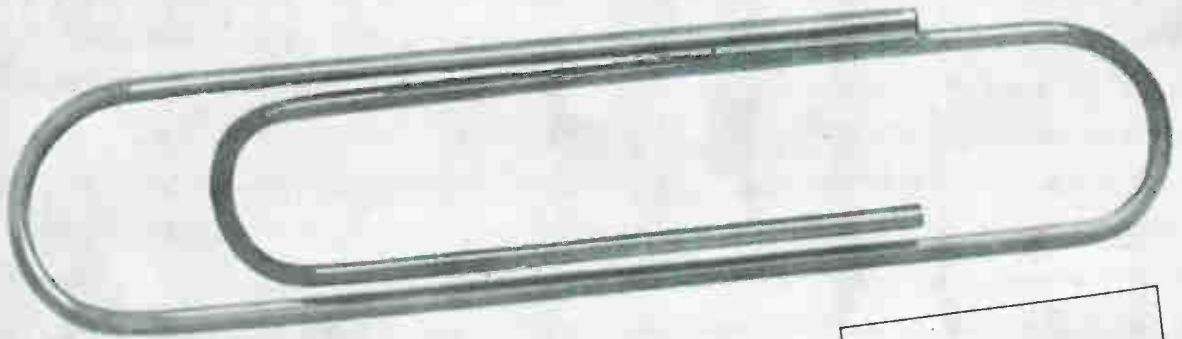
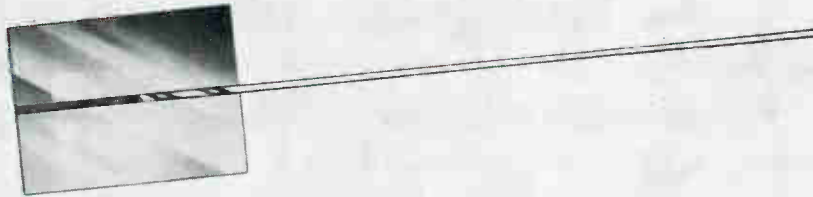
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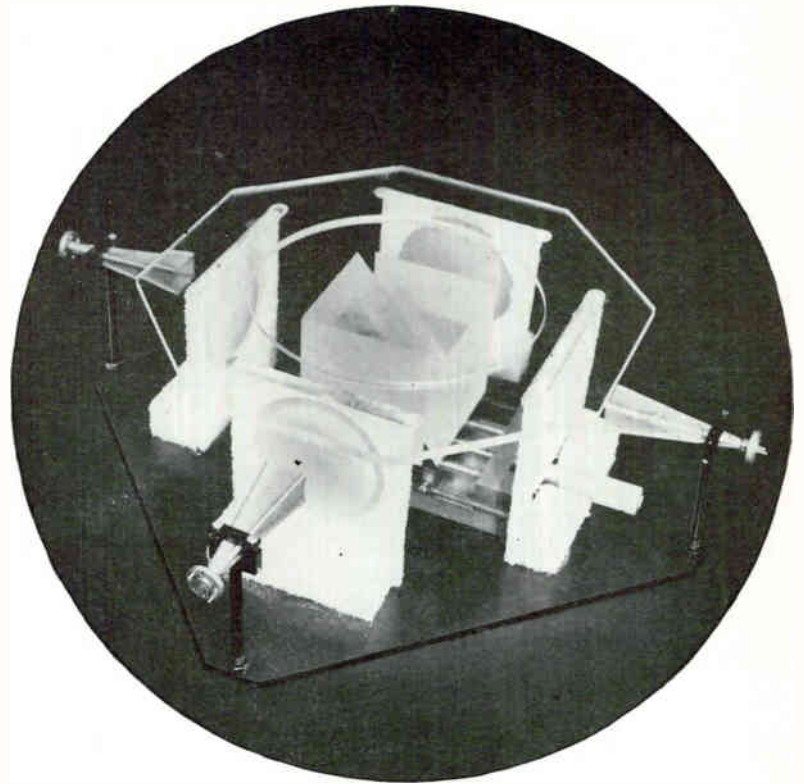
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## ATMOSPHERIC ATTENUATION OF MM ENERGY

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MM WAVE directional coupler—see Fig. 5 on p 36

# New Millimeter Components and Techniques

*Practically every electronic function that can be performed at lower frequencies can now be duplicated at frequencies above 100 Gc. Among devices described are harmonic generators, detectors, filters and wavemeters*

By J. W. DEES and A. P. SHEPPARD, Martin Company, Orlando, Florida

UNTIL RECENTLY, millimeter and submillimeter (mm and submm) wavelengths have been used only as research tools in microwave spectroscopy because mm and submm sources had too little power for systems applications. The picture has changed: reflex klystrons operating at frequencies up to 140 Gc with tens of milliwatts output

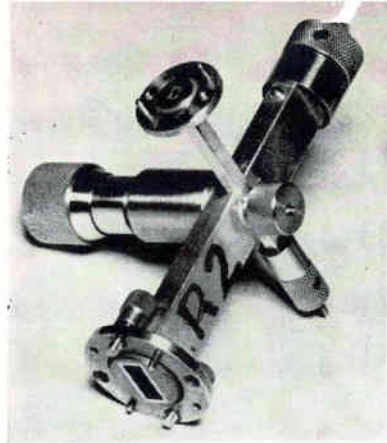
have been developed; backward-wave oscillators operating at 200 Gc have been built; carcinotron tubes can be purchased with upper frequency limits greater than 300 Gc; magnetrons are available that operate up to nearly 100 Gc with peak power outputs of 10 Kw.

The advent of such generators has stimulated work on mm sys-

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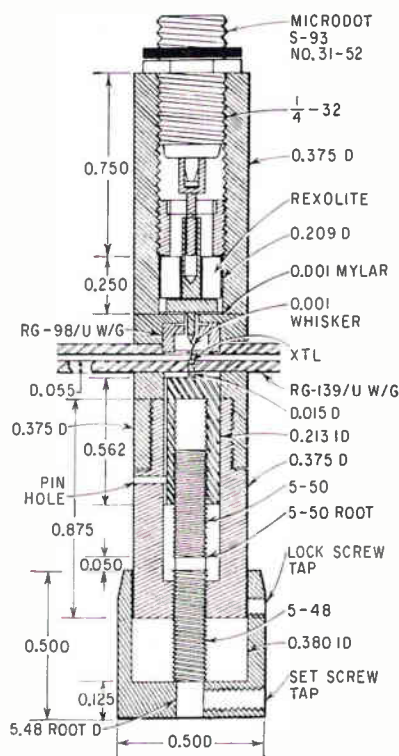
**HARMONIC GENERATION**—Although mm tubes are commercially available to above 300 Gc, it is often difficult to obtain models operating above 100 Gc because of government priorities and low research budgets. Harmonic generation has





CROSSED WAVEGUIDES and a crystal inside comprise the heart of this harmonic generator—Fig. 1

been an effective method for frequency coverage in the 100 to 500-Gc region. Typically, the harmonic generator is driven by a reflex klystron operating in the 10 to 100-Gc region. The multipliers that have been used successfully are of the crossed-waveguide run-in type shown in Fig. 1. These multipliers have fundamental input waveguides ranging from RG-52/U (8 to 12 Gc) to RG-99/U (60 to 90 Gc) and have harmonic output waveguides ranging up to RG-139/U (220-325 Gc). With driving tube outputs from 20 to 100 mw, signals up to 486 Gc



CROSS-SECTION of harmonic generator shows construction, which is similar to that of Fig. 1, but not identical—Fig. 2

have been obtained from these devices with sufficient power for molecular-spectroscopy measurements (on the order of microwatts). Harmonics as high as the twentieth have been obtained with the lower frequency input units while the fourth harmonic has been observed from the higher frequency input units. Conversion losses vary from 15 to 25 db for the second harmonic to 5 db per harmonic for harmonics > the seventh.

Mechanical construction for these units is based on a fine-thread differential screw arrangement that provides minute adjustment of the crystal-tungsten cat-whisker contact made directly inside the waveguide.<sup>1</sup> Figure 2 shows some of the mechanical specifications that are needed on one of the higher frequency units. The differential screw advances the crystal 0.0008 inch per revolution. Extremely light contact pressures are necessary in the mm region to reduce the capacitance shunting the contact junction and the contact is critical. The size of all parts is reduced, in comparison to other units, to be compatible with the smaller waveguides. A Microdot connector replaces the larger BNC type used in lower-frequency models. Since the whisker and crystal supporting post structures appear as waveguide-to-coaxial-line transitions, a combination coaxial and radial line choke is designed around these structures to prevent losses due to leakage through these terminals. An r-f choking arrangement, although frequency sensitive, should reduce losses at the design frequencies resulting in optimum performance for narrow-band applications such as molecular spectroscopy. It is necessary that the coaxial and radial line dimensions of these r-f chokes be such that higher-order modes will not be propagated since these can be excited by slight discontinuities and cause improper choking actions. This necessity imposes severe mechanical and constructional limitations as the frequency of operation increases.

**CRYSTAL MATERIALS** — The crystal materials are disk shaped and range in thickness from 0.005 to 0.025 in. and from 0.015 to 0.0625 in. in diameter. In the past these crystals have been soldered to the

post. This required a metallic backing that was made by plating and metal evaporation. Since many crystals are obtained in bulk configurations, crystal preparation is required: slicing, dicing, polishing, backing, etching, soldering and grinding. More recently, silver conductive epoxy has been used to attach the crystals to the post, eliminating the need for plating or backing and soldering. Growing a crystal layer directly on the metal post may eliminate all such crystal preparations and permit the determination of the optimum crystal thickness. This can be controlled in the growing process to a fraction of a micron.

Silicon, and irradiated or bombarded silicon<sup>2</sup>, have been employed in the multipliers and detectors. Ten other crystal materials have been mounted by the silver epoxy method and are being investigated for harmonic generation, mixing and detection applications in the mm region. Among the more promising types are gallium arsenide, indium antimonide (InSb), indium arsenide, and gallium antimonide. For point-contact diodes the upper operating frequency limit is<sup>3</sup>

$$f_{max} = \frac{1}{2\pi R_s C_b} \propto \frac{1}{a} \left( \frac{Nb^2}{e} \right)^{1/2}$$

where  $a$  = radius of contact,  $b$  = mobility,  $e$  = dielectric constant,  $N$  = carrier concentration,  $R_s$  = series resistance, and  $C_b$  = barrier capacitance.

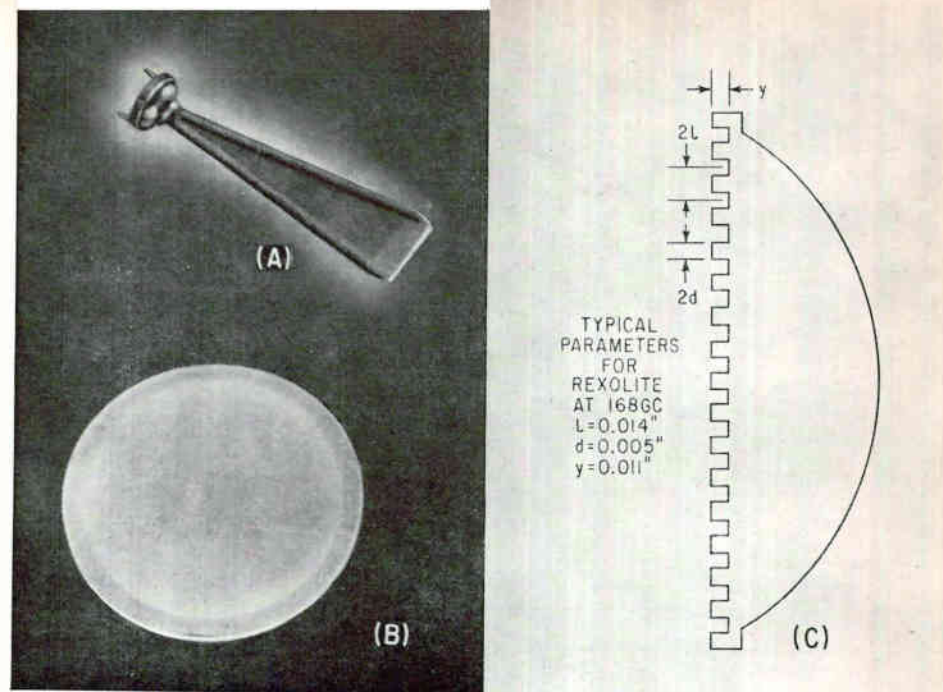
The maximum attainable frequency is directly proportional to the crystal mobility. At liquid nitrogen ( $N_2$ ) temperatures the mobility of InSb increases tremendously and has been given<sup>4</sup> as  $3 \times 10^5$  cm<sup>2</sup>v<sup>-1</sup> with  $N = 5 \times 10^{17}$ /cm<sup>3</sup>. Assuming  $e = 16e_0$ ,  $a = 4$  microns,  $R_s = 8 \times 10^{-3}$  ohm and  $C_b = 0.235$  pF,  $f_{max} = 8.5 \times 10^{13}$  cps<sup>5, 6, 7</sup>. Thus, InSb at liquid  $N_2$  temperatures may extend the operation of crystals across the gap between the infrared and microwave regions.

Several different sizes, shapes and materials have been evaluated as cat whiskers in mm harmonic generators. Among the materials investigated were tungsten, beryllium copper and phosphor bronze. A statistical evaluation of a large number of run-ins indicates that tungsten and beryllium copper of less than 1.5 to 2.0 mils diameter

and hooked, rather than straight, gives the best results. Where long cat whiskers (over  $\frac{1}{4}$  in. length) could be used no difference in performance could be attributed to the shape (hooked or straight). Phosphor bronze gave poor results.

**BIAS EFFECTS**—Biasing a crystal harmonic generator consists of passing a d-c current through the contact junction and usually causes a drastic change in the crystal's impedance and nonlinear characteristics. The bias current can be supplied from an external bias supply or a self-biasing current can result with low crystal load impedances and reasonably high fundamental driving power. Self-bias currents flow in the forward direction and are determined and limited by the input power level and crystal load impedance; higher forward current or reverse current must be applied from an external source. Biasing techniques have been tested under many conditions, including forward and reverse bias over a wide range of current (up to several ma), with varying input power levels, tuning conditions and crystal load impedances. It is usually necessary to retune after applying bias.

While significant increases in harmonic output can be obtained using bias, the effect of bias is a function of the specific run-in conditions. Sometimes where no improvement or a degradation of the harmonic signal occurred with bias, repointing the whisker, or using another whisker run-in, resulted in an increased output with bias. It is best to try a variety of biasing



HORN and LENS (A) and (B) operate at mm wavelengths. Corrugations in lens (C) improve matching of the lens dielectric to air—Fig. 4

techniques for each situation, since no one technique will enhance operation for all cases; in some instances, using no bias will give an improvement.

An increase in harmonic output as high as 18 db has been observed when using bias on a harmonic generator operating at a fundamental frequency of 33 Gc. In a few cases it has been possible to improve one harmonic relative to others using various biasing techniques, although little data have been taken on this characteristic because of the need for and lack of a sufficient variety of filters in the millimeter-wave region.

Possible ways to improve harmonic generators are:

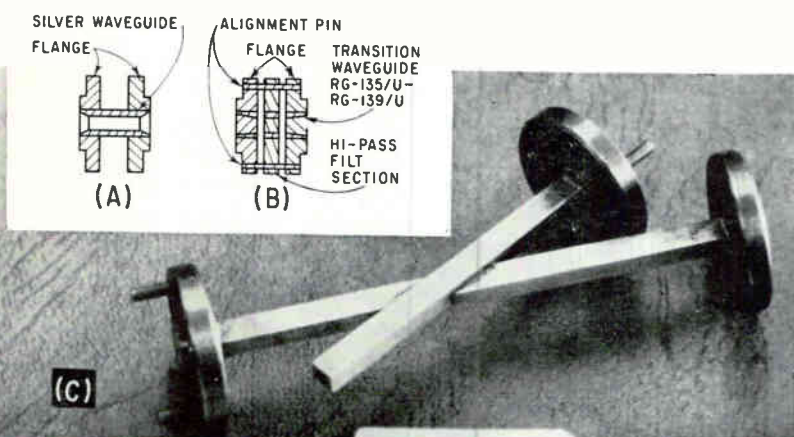
- using a semiconductor cat whisker

- growing the crystal to controlled thicknesses directly on the post
- evaluating various crystal types
- providing individual and independent tuning for the fundamental, second harmonic and the desired output harmonic
- providing an element in the fundamental guide that selectively reflects harmonic power back to the junction, and to the harmonic output waveguide.

A novel suggestion<sup>9</sup> for generating mm waves in a point-contact crystal waveguide configuration is shining a laser beam on the crystal junction, thereby mixing the beam components, or modes, of the laser beam in the crystal junction and producing difference outputs at mm wavelengths.

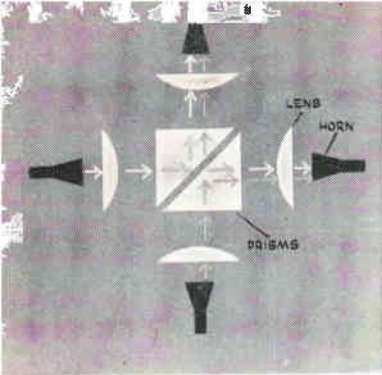
**DETECTORS** — Techniques for making detectors are the same as for multipliers in that a crystal catwhisker contact is made in a straight waveguide section, using a differential screw as in Fig. 2. These detectors have performed at frequencies to 500 Gc. The run-in units should be useful at even shorter wavelengths. Among other devices under investigation for detecting mm energy are bolometers<sup>11</sup> and a photoconductive free-carrier absorption detector<sup>12</sup>.

Bolometer mounts in RG-99 U up to RG-139/U waveguide using Wollaston wire in sizes from 5 microinches to 50 microinches in di-

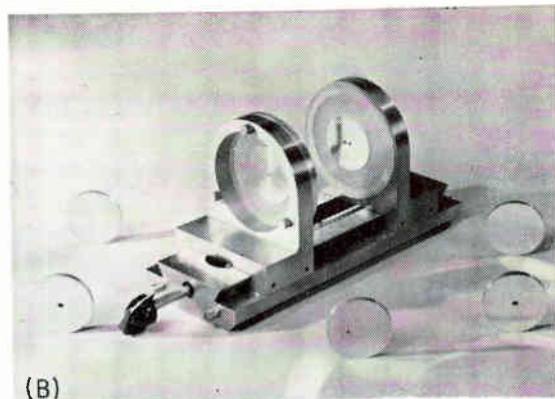
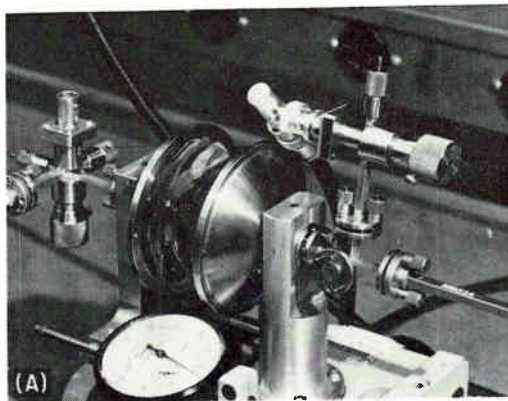


WAVEGUIDE FILTER in (A) is swaged, as are the two end pieces of the 3-piece waveguide filter (B). A Bethe-hole directional coupler is shown in (C)—Fig. 3





DIRECTIONAL coupler splits power equally between two output ports—Fig. 5



INTERFEROMETER plates of (A) are spherical. Broached plates (B) show how energy is coupled—Fig. 6

ameter offer possibilities. Superconducting bolometers, which are operated at extremely low temperatures near the threshold point of superconductivity, are also under consideration. A ferroelectric bolometer under development at Electronic Communications, Inc. shows promise as a mm power-measuring device. It uses the heating effect of mm-wave energy on a ceramic mixture of 35-percent lead titanate and 65-percent strontium titanate. This ceramic mixture<sup>13</sup> is extremely lossy at mm wavelengths and its dielectric constant changes rapidly with temperature. By using the ferroelectric material arranged in a waveguide so that it forms the dielectric of a parallel-plate capacitor, the parallel-plate capacitance will be a function of the r-f input power.

The photoconductive free-carrier absorption detectors must operate at a few degrees Kelvin. Indium antimonide of high purity appears to be suitable for this type detector<sup>12</sup>. A change in the conductivity of the material occurs when energy of the correct frequency is absorbed. Low temperatures are necessary to prevent thermal ionization of the *n*-type impurities. High magnetic fields are also required to prevent impurity level broadening. In addition, the photo-injection of carriers by excitation of carriers across the energy gap of a superconductor in a combination of thin films of metal to metal-oxide barrier to superconductor (M/B/S) can lead to an exceedingly sensitive detector of mm radiation<sup>14</sup>.

The Goly cell is a useful detector of energy at frequencies above 100 Gc although efficient coupling into the cell is difficult.

Superheterodyne detection using harmonic mixing has been successfully employed at 168 Gc.

In radiometry applications, harmonic mixing has been used at frequencies above 200 Gc<sup>15</sup>.

#### FILTERS AND COUPLERS —

High-pass or band-pass filters are required for mm power measurements harmonic peaking and bias investigation. Some band-pass filtering action can be accomplished by quasi-optical techniques such as using frequency-sensitive Fresnel-zone lenses. The simplest type is the high-pass "waveguide beyond cut-off" filter but fabrication problems are severe. A waveguide with a cutoff at 368 Gc would have inside dimensions of 0.008 × 0.016 in. and would require tapers up to some larger size, such as RG-135/U (0.0255 × 0.051 in.). Squeezing short sections of fine silver waveguide and swaging end openings of waveguides as small as 0.008 × 0.016 in. (by forcing a tapered mandrel into the waveguide opening) has been attempted with only moderate success. Aluminum mandrels that can be etched out after electroforming are being considered but grinding aluminum to such small sizes with tapers and close tolerances is difficult. High-pass filters with cut-off frequencies at 73.8, 115.7, 150 and 170 Gc have been realized using the swaging technique (Fig. 3A).

The swaging technique often results in an irregular inside surface for the straight center section, whose length determines the cut-off slope and maximum attainable attenuation at any frequency in the stop band. Such irregularities increase the insertion loss in the pass-

band to such an extent that the filter becomes useless. This problem can be overcome by using the three-piece construction shown in Fig. 3B. Here, the transition is confined to the flange thickness, and the high-pass filter section is confined to a flange whose thickness, that is, length of filter section, can be varied. Pins are used to align the three pieces. Total filter length, including transitions, is about  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch. The swaging operation is restricted to the transitions and does not affect the center section. Making the transition separately provides access to both ends of the transition waveguide for deburring and finishing. The three pieces are held together with small screws, and the alignment pins are removed to provide access for the guide pins of the mating flanges.

A Bethe-hole directional coupler (Fig. 3C), constructed in RG-135/U waveguide, gives 30-db coupling. This unit uses a 0.013 in. coupling hole with a 0.001 in. common-wall thickness and an included angle of 28 degrees. Tests at 168 Gc have shown the coupling to be as predicted. Round-hole cross-guide couplers have also been designed above 100 Gc. As with the Bethe-hole coupler, however, tight coupling is not possible with normal design parameters.

**HORNS AND LENSES**—Both pyramidal and optimum-gain-pyramidal horns have been fabricated by electroforming copper on a stainless-steel mandrel constructed to have the desired aperture and waveguide input. Horns having inputs of RG-139/U and a gain of 30 db have been built successfully. Pattern measurements have been made

by probing the far-field and performance is in agreement with low-frequency observations.

Lenses are used with the horns to obtain maximum transfer of energy. Both delay-type hyperboloid lenses<sup>16</sup> and Fresnel-zone lenses<sup>17</sup> have been used. The Fresnel-zone lens consists of circular grooves machined in a dielectric and is simpler to fabricate than the delay-type lens. Due to size limitations imposed by the zone diameter associated with a required focal length and operation frequency, it is sometimes necessary to use the hyperboloid. Figure 4 shows a horn (A) and lens (B). Matching the air to dielectric interface has been successfully solved at mm wavelengths by parallel corrugations machined directly in the dielectric as shown in Fig. 4C<sup>18</sup>.

A Rexolite prism duplexer<sup>19</sup> has been built at 245 Gc (Fig. 5 and photo on page 33). Initial tests indicate that equal power division between two output ports is obtained with suitable prism separation just as easily with this device as with the hybrid ring used at lower frequencies.

**WAVEMETERS** — Useful wavemeters in the 100- to 200-Gc region have been built by constructing right circular cylinders operating in the  $TE_{1n}$  modes<sup>20</sup>.

**INTERFEROMETERS** — Many high-Q resonant cavities become prohibitively small at frequencies higher than 100 Gc. The Fabry-Perot interferometer<sup>21, 22, 23</sup>, however, serves satisfactorily as a high-Q mm resonator since the size of the structure may be determined in part by external requirements. The geometry of the Fabry-Perot interferometer may take several forms. The most widely known form uses highly reflective plane parallel plates whose surfaces are flat to about  $1/1,000 \lambda$ . Another geometry uses spherical plates (Fig. 6A), also highly reflective, which are separated by their common radius of curvature. This is called the con-

focal condition and is less critical to align than the plane-parallel-plate interferometer. It is convenient, at mm wavelengths, to use semiconfocal interferometers where one spherical and one flat plate are separated by half the radius of curvature of the curved plate.

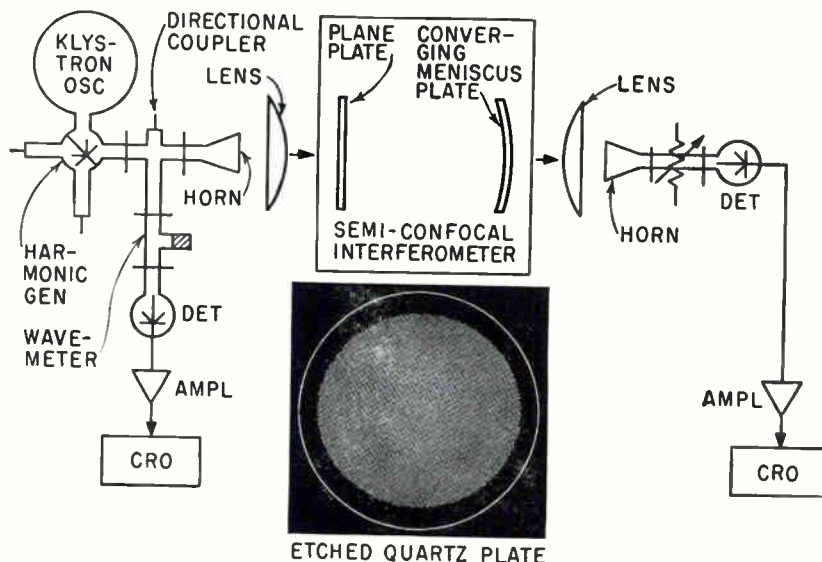
Coupling to the interferometer cavity may be accomplished by direct waveguide iris input and output as shown by the plate of Fig. 6B, which have been broached for RG-135 U. Coupling may also be accomplished by making the plates

as gratings<sup>24</sup> as illustrated by the insert in Fig. 7; many semiconfocal interferometers use this type of coupling. Resonator Q's approaching 100,000 have been obtained. To measure such high Q's it is necessary to use a stabilized source such as obtained by phase-locking<sup>25</sup> the klystron that drives the harmonic generator.

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SEMICONFOCAL INTERFEROMETER (A) uses plane and concave plates that have gratings such as the photo-etched plate shown in the inset—Fig. 7



# Unique Computer System Monitors Aircraft Engines

*New system for multiengine aircraft cuts engine instrument panel complexity by two-thirds, improves efficiency*

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**REDUCING** visual scanning time of an aircraft instrument panel is accomplished by using a computer to scan 36 engine performance parameters and to display those that represent the poorest performing engine on a simple display panel. Outputs of all of the critical engine instruments are fed into a digital computer, along with air speed, altitude and ambient temperature. Twelve indicators in the

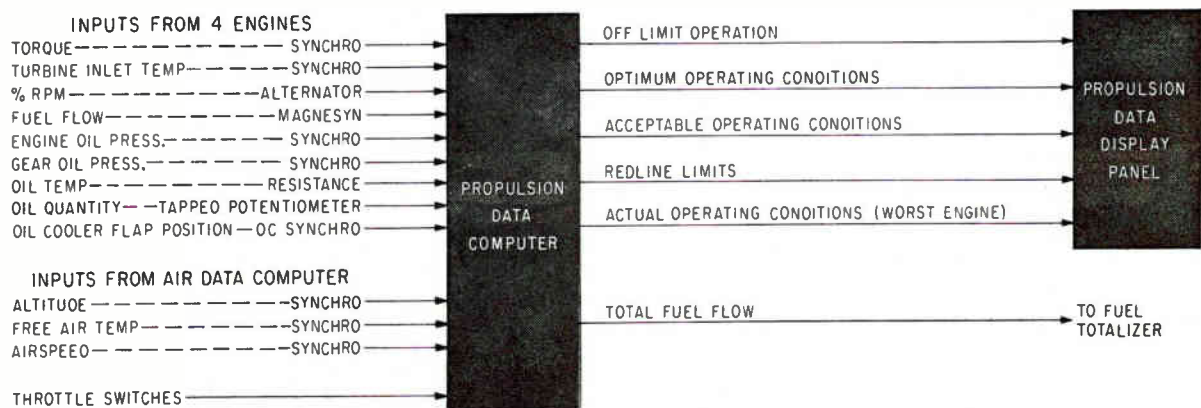
display show torque output of each engine and eight engine performance parameters. The computer selects the worst of each of these eight parameters for display.

Movable indicators, set by the computer, show optimum operating settings of torque and turbine inlet temperature for flight conditions. Variable markers, set by the computer, indicate acceptable operating conditions. Off-limit operation

is indicated by numbered lights.

Figure 1 shows the inputs of the engine parameters and inputs of ambient flight conditions from an air data computer. Outputs are display indications, Fig. 2, and an analog voltage proportional to total fuel flow. Each engine may be monitored separately if desired.

**DIGITAL COMPUTER**—This is a compact solid-state computer using



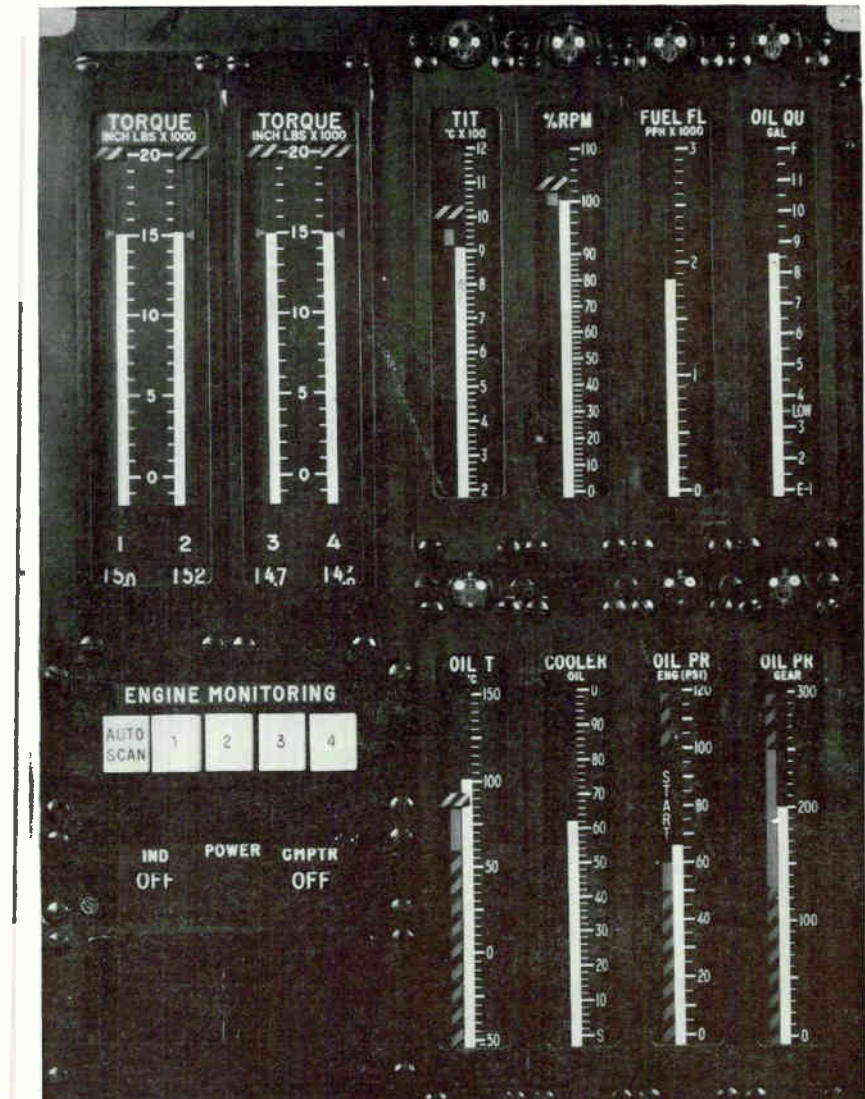
COMPUTER accepts engine and air data, left, and presents only the most critical data for display—Fig. 1

## AUTOMATION IN THE AIR

In flying modern multiengine jet aircraft, the crew is required to monitor nearly 650 instruments, controls and warning lights. Any way to make the job easier is welcomed. In this computer-controlled system described, 36 conditions of engine performance of a four-engine turbo-prop aircraft are reduced to only ten indicators. During a typical flight, this system relieves the crew of using as many as 20 different charts to calculate how engines should be operating

a clock frequency of 409.6 Kc derived from an optical memory. The clock frequency represents  $2^{10} \times 400$  cps and permits using 10-stage counters and registers and also allows synchronizing the computer with the aircraft power-supply frequency. A computer block diagram, Fig. 3, shows inputs applied to a switching matrix which, controlled by the input control section, sequentially scans each input transducer for 10 milliseconds, 4 cycles of the aircraft power. Two cycles are allotted for switching transient settling time, and on the third cycle an analog-to-digital conversion takes place. A comparison is then made to determine if this input is above or below a safety limit stored in the diode memory and whether this engine is the worst case of the four engines for the parameter. An input exceeding a safety limit will cause the numbered cold-cathode discharge lamp to flash above the indicator for the parameter.

The input representing the worst



PANEL DISPLAY shows torque for each of the four engines and only the worst parameters during each scan cycle—Fig. 2

case of the four engines will, under control of the engine-display section, cause the output switching matrix to connect the transducer on the worst engine to a follow-up servo in the indicator display panel. The positions of the red-line markers are controlled by the performance monitor section, which processes inputs from switches located on the throttle quadrant, a timer and several of the inputs. Logic functions such as "reduce the turbine inlet temperature red line from 977 C. to 932 C. when the engines have been operated at full throttle for 35 minutes" determine the red-line positions.

The inputs of the air-data computer, fuel flow and turbine inlet temperature are used with the optical memory to set optimum torque and acceptable turbine inlet temperature values on the indicators. The optical memory has a 3-inch diameter glass disk as a storage medium with eleven tracks of information recorded photographically. Data is read out using 11 phototransistors each with individual cascaded emitter followers driving monostable multivibrators. Disk illumination is provided by four bulbs whose outputs are mixed by fiber optics for maximum reliability since the memory is de-



signed to operate with only two-bulb illumination. Scanning and computing is at  $2\frac{1}{2}$  times a second.

**A-D CONVERTER**—Three-phase inputs from synchros, Magnesyns and potentiometers are converted from analog voltages into digital pulse trains by the analog to digital converter, Fig. 3. Input of the converter is a Scott tee transformer whose two outputs have magnitudes proportional to  $\sin \theta$  and  $\cos \theta$ , where  $\theta$  is the mechanical shaft position of the transducer. These signals are converted into phase-shifted signals of constant amplitude through an operational amplifier and an R-C summing network. The amplifier feedback network is an R-C combination whose impedance is equal to the input summing network impedance, and also has  $\omega RC = 1$  where  $\omega$  is the transducer excitation frequency. The output of the operational amplifier is

$$E_o = \frac{-K_e}{2} \sqrt{\theta - \frac{\pi}{4}}$$

where K is the transformation ratio of the transducer and Scott tee transformer.

The output signal is then applied to a tunnel-diode zero-crossing detector whose output is a negative-going pulse with 0.1- $\mu$ sec rise time. This detector has an accuracy of better than 0.1 percent for an input frequency of 400 cps over a tem-

perature range of -55 to 125 C.

To obtain a pulse width proportional to mechanical shaft position, the output signals from the Scott tee are applied to reference signal selector circuits that determine the signal whose magnitude is largest. The selector uses one of two zero-crossing detectors, depending on whether a positive going or negative going zero crossing is required since the two references are 180 deg out of phase. The selector produces an output pulse to set a gating flip-flop. The arrival of the phase-shifted signal from the transducer's section will reset the flip-flop. Its output gates a NAND circuit whose other input is a clock train from the optical memory. The output of the NAND is a pulse train proportional to the transducer shaft position.

In analog-to-digital conversion of a variable resistance input from the oil-temperature probe, the probe is connected as one leg of a bridge circuit excited from a 400-cps source. The output of the bridge is fed to two operational amplifiers into opposite inputs of the R-C summing network. A reference voltage is fed into the other two inputs. Outputs of the two operational amplifiers are used with zero crossing detectors to set and reset a flip-flop that controls the gating of clock pulses.

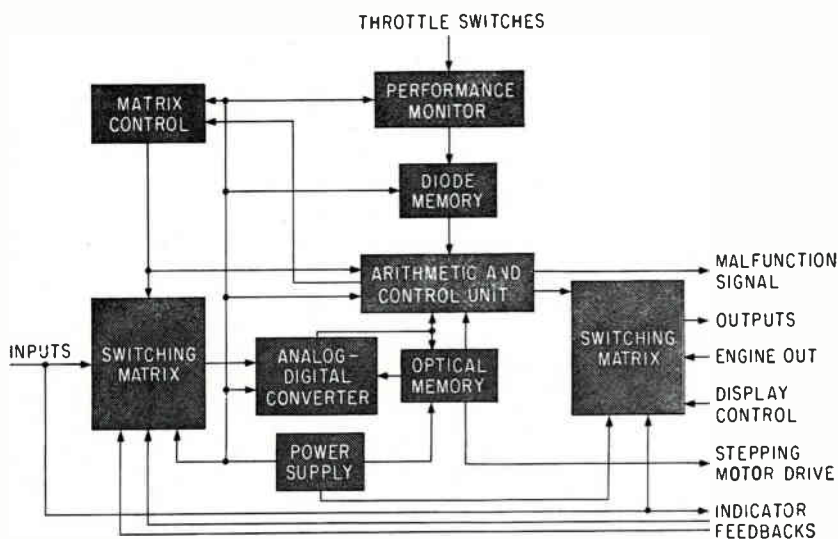
**STEPPER MOTOR** — Computer outputs of optimum torque and ac-

ceptable turbine inlet temperature are 225-pps pulse trains that drive stepper motors in the display panel. The complete stepper motor loop, Fig. 4A, consists of a stepper motor in the vertical-scale indicator that drives the marker as well as a feedback synchro. The synchro signal is converted into a digital pulse train that counts up a register. The register has previously been counted backward an amount proportional to the desired position of the indicator marker. As the synchro pulse train is counted in, an error count is accumulated in the register.

This count is shifted serially into an error register in the stepper motor drive, Fig. 4B. Also associated with the error count is polarity information that is transferred to a sign flip-flop at the same time. There is a separate stepper motor drive section for each of the five stepper motors. The shift-enable pulse that allows the error count to be shifted is applied also to an inverter, the output of which is applied to NAND gate 1. When shifting occurs the NAND gate is disqualified; when the shift enable signal goes low the NAND allows the 225-pps oscillator to count down the error register and simultaneously count into a two-stage ring counter. The direction of count of the ring counter is controlled by the sign flip-flop. When the error register reaches a zero count, the output of NAND gate 2 will go low, disqualify NAND 1 and stop the count.

The outputs of the ring counter are applied sequentially to the windings of the stepper motor through power NANDs that are qualified by the output of flip-flop 1. When zero count is reached, the output of NAND 2 also sets a monostable multivibrator that will set flip-flop 1 approximately 100 milliseconds later. This transition will disqualify the power NANDs and remove power from the stepper motor windings thus minimizing power consumption and heat dissipation within the indicators. The ring counter will remain in its last state until a new error signal is counted down, thus insuring that sequence of motor-winding excitation is maintained.

**D-A CONVERTER**—The output



PROPULSION DATA COMPUTER uses an optical memory with data recorded on a glass disk. This stored data sets optimum torque indicators for flight conditions—Fig. 3

representing total fuel flow for four engines is converted from binary coded digital information into a 400-cps analog signal and applied to a fuel-flow totalizer servo. Pulse trains from the analog-to-digital conversion of each engine transmitter are accumulated in a counter and after accumulation are transferred in parallel to the digital-to-analog converter. The converter consists of a storage register, bilateral transistor switches, resistance lattice and Darlington output stage. The state of each flip-flop stage determines whether the excitation voltage  $E_s$  is connected to the lattice or not. The resistance lattice may be represented by Fig. 5A. It may be shown that

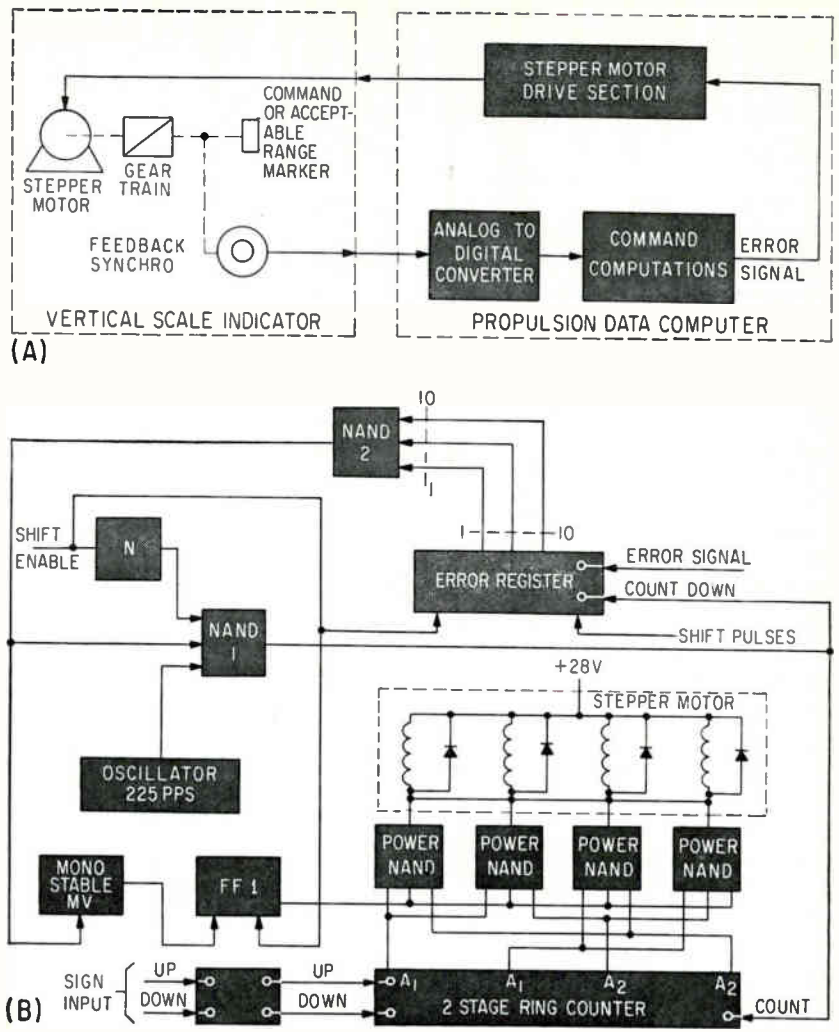
$$E_o = \frac{E_s}{1,024} \sum_{n=1}^{10} \delta_n (2^{n-1})$$

where  $\delta_n = 1$  if the flip-flop is set and  $\delta_n = 0$  if the flip-flop is not set. The number of the flip-flop stage is  $n$ . The Darlington circuit provides for a high input impedance load on the lattice network, Fig. 5B. For a 10-stage register the digital-to-analog converter has an accuracy of 0.1 percent.

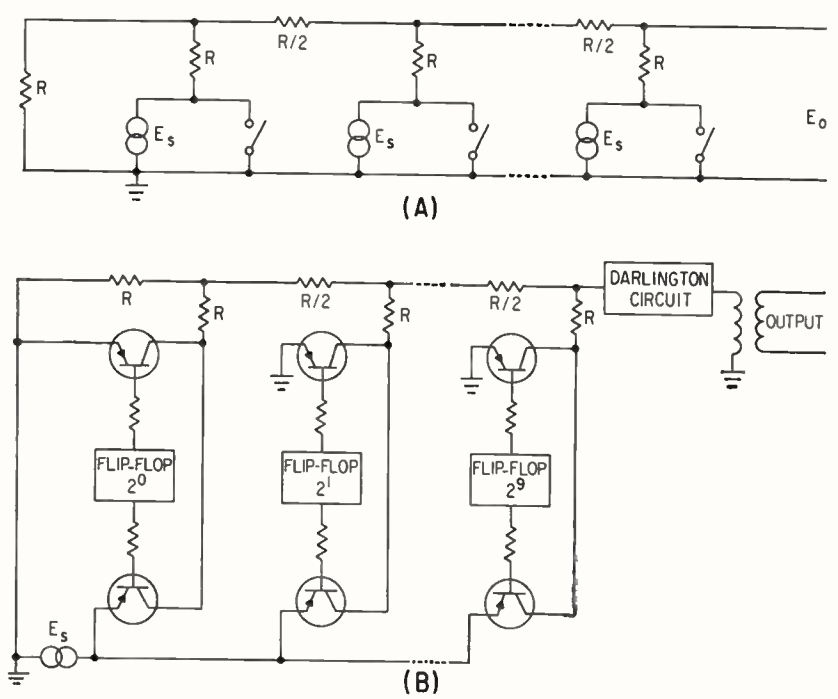
**POWER SUPPLY** — Eleven supplies are contained in approximately 180 cubic inches. A three-phase transformer powers ten banks of silicon rectifiers arranged in a six-phase star. Nine transistor voltage regulators deliver 103 watts d-c to the loads. The tenth power supply delivers 38 watts, unregulated. A subharmonic oscillator operating from a single phase delivers 15 watts at 200 cps to power the Magnesyns.

Long-term voltage stability is achieved by low-temperature-coefficient resistors in a high-loop-gain differential amplifier that drives a Darlington power amplifier.

Specifications for the propulsion data system were prepared by CWO George Fels and Mr. Paul Blore of the Flight Control Branch, Flight Vehicle Division of the Directorate of Operational Support Engineering, Aeronautical Systems Division. Development of this concept into a flyable prototype system has been sponsored under U.S. Air Force contract AF33 (600)41462.

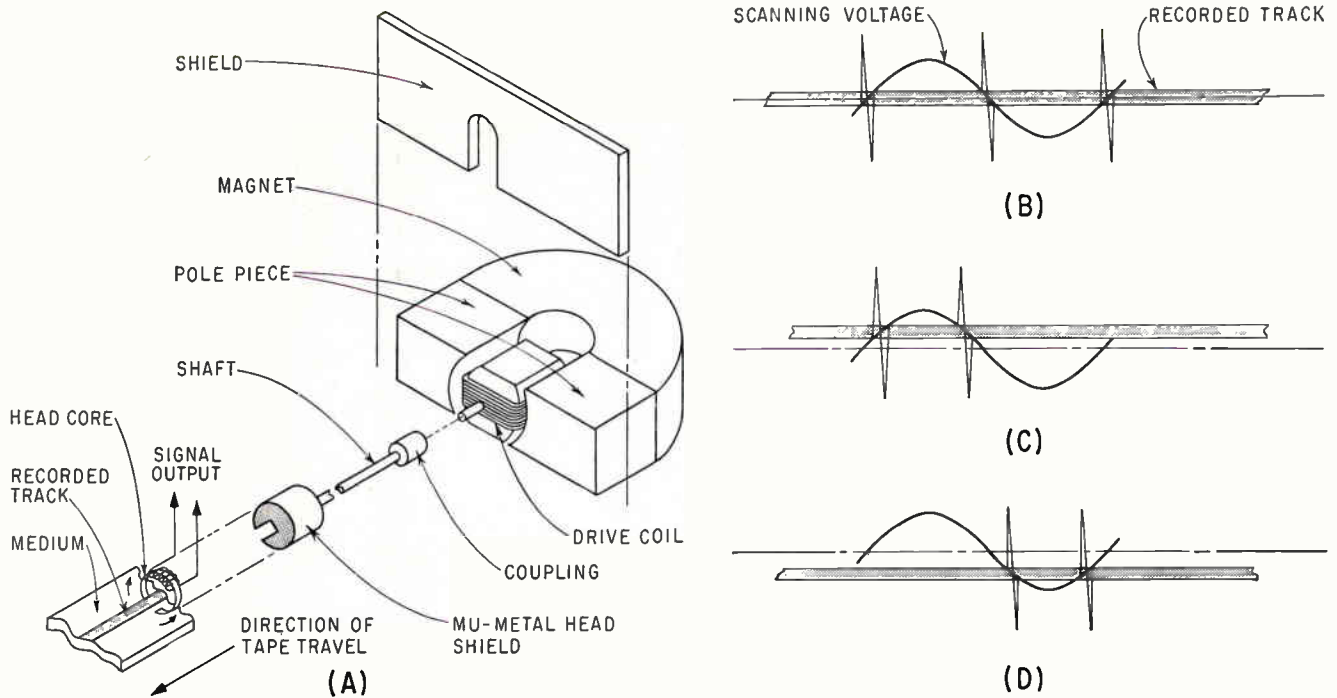


STEPPER MOTOR loop (A) and detail of stepper motor drive (B)—Fig. 4



DIGITAL-TO-ANALOG converter equivalent circuit (A) and a portion of the actual circuit (B) whose output is an analog voltage representing fuel flow—Fig. 5





SCANNING HEAD mechanical arrangement (A) produces one pulse period when recorded track is in center of scan (B), another when track is above scan center (C) and a third when below scan center (D). The track is recorded by applying a d-c voltage to a conventional recording head—Fig. 1

## MAGNETIC STRIP Keeps Tape

**MAGNETIC TAPE** tracking error and instantaneous skew can be determined by several methods. Usually, these are complex and leave no permanent record.

By applying d-c to the tape-transport record head and recording a magnetic strip down the tape, then scanning this track in the transverse direction with a conventional ring-type playback head, a voltage proportional to track displacement can be generated. This voltage can

be displayed for immediate observation or recorded for future use.

**VIBRATING HEAD** — The drive coil of the galvanometer motor shown in Fig. 1A is excited by a 60-cps sinusoidal voltage. As the head mechanically scans across the d-c recorded track, pulses are generated at the crossover points.

When the track is in the center of the head scan, the periods between output pulses are equal as

shown in Fig. 1B. When the recorded track is moved from the scan center, a difference in period results as shown in Fig. 1C and 1D.

Because the tape is scanned transversely by the head, a transverse (gap parallel to tape) orientation of the record head prevents a phase reversal of the output pulses as the recorded track is displaced from scan center as shown in Fig. 2.

Linearity is proportional to the ratio of maximum displacement of the tape and the peak-to-peak amplitude of the mechanical scan. A scan amplitude of approximately twice maximum displacement provides a usable value. For example: a total displacement of 10 mils requires a scan amplitude of 20 mils. The head may be driven by any moving-coil transducer having sufficient torque to overcome friction imposed by medium being scanned and adequate mechanical movement to accomplish desired scan amplitude.

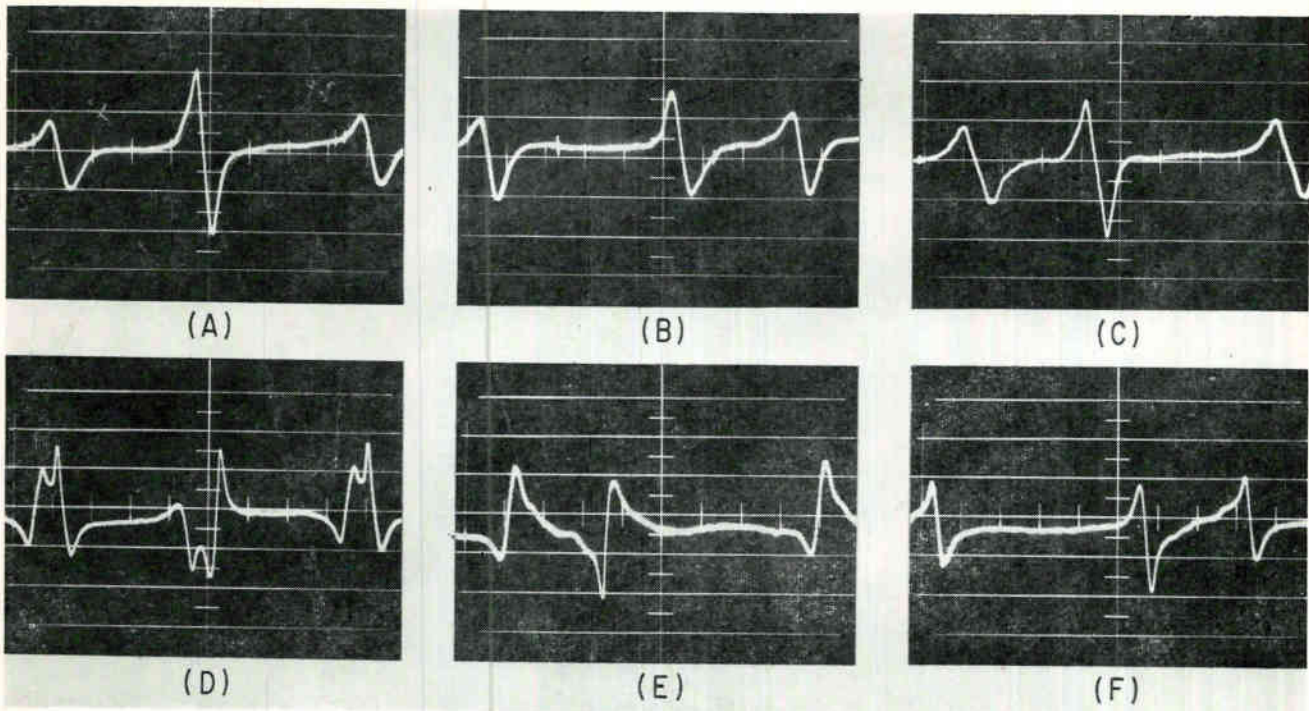
**ELECTRONICS** — As shown in Fig. 3, both the pickup-head drive coil and the signal detector are sup-

### TAPE TRACKING ERRORS

During design of magnetic tape transports, it is necessary to determine amount of tracking error and instantaneous tape skew. Mechanical methods using optical instruments are subject to reading errors and provide no permanent record. Other techniques include recording separate in-line tracks and measuring

time delay between reproduced signals. This method gives positive results but requires multiple recording heads and electronics to match.

The scanning head technique uses minimum equipment to provide both instantaneous readout and a signal that can be recorded



PLAYBACK HEAD output pulses with transverse orientation of record head showing recorded track in center of scan (A), below scan center (B) and above scan center (C). Pulses with longitudinal orientation of record head showing track in center of scan (D), above scan center (E) and below scan center (F)—Fig. 2

# Running True

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plied from a common 60-cps source, therefore they are in phase. The pickup head signal is amplified; positive peaks are removed by a clipper limiter; and the resulting signal drives a one-shot multivibrator. The multivibrator removes amplitude variations caused by tape irregularities and contact losses.

The positive-going output pulses from the multivibrator have a period proportional to the recorded track position, and drive silicon-transistor switch  $Q_1$  to place a charge on  $C_1$  at the crossover points of the recorded track and scan voltage.

Because detector and scan voltages are in phase, when the re-

corded track is moved to the positive portion of the scan voltage, a positive charge is placed on  $C_1$ . Conversely, when the recorded track is moved to the negative portion,  $C_1$  acquires a negative charge. Amplitude and polarity of the charge, or output voltage, are proportional to the relative position of the recorded track and scan voltage.

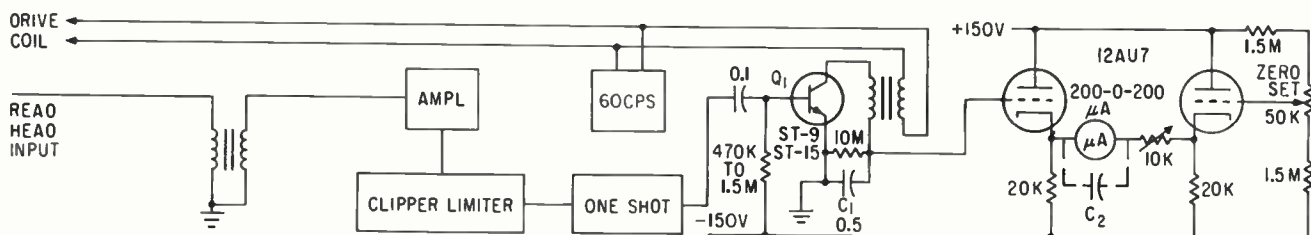
Duration of the switching pulse is adjusted so that applied voltage across  $C_1$  does not decrease appreciably during interval between pulses.

Due to low leakage resistance of the silicon transistor, discharge time of  $C_1$  is long so that if one pulse is missed or a dropout occurs, the output signal will remain ap-

proximately at the same potential until another pulse is received. If no additional pulses are received, the output drops to zero.

Detector output is fed to a difference amplifier having a d-c microammeter connected between the cathodes. When measuring tracking errors, the vibrating head is adjusted to the center of the recorded d-c track while the tape is stationary. When the tape is set in motion, tracking error can be read from the meter and recorded if desired.

Capacitor  $C_2$  can be used to provide any needed additional damping if a more average reading is required. The meter scale is calibrated to read track displacement in mils.



PICKUP HEAD signals are amplified, clipped and trigger a multivibrator. Pulses are detected and measured by a vtvm. An external recorder can be connected between vtvm cathodes—Fig. 3



# Hula-Hoop Antennas:

*When antenna height is reduced by loading, efficiency deteriorates rapidly. Here is a system of antenna height-reduction where circumferential aperture is substituted for antenna portions lost*

**TODAY**, when the military needs reliable world-wide communications, long waves have again assumed great importance. This trend has revived interest in the electrically short antenna.

While important for long-wavelength applications, the short-height antenna is also valuable in mobile and portable communications systems in the high-frequency bands where the vertical extent of a resonant quarter-wave antenna is mechanically impractical.

**SHORT ANTENNA**—A naturally resonant, vertical antenna such as the grounded quarterwave radiator is a colinear aperture. Its properties are ideal for general communications, providing an omnidirectional radiation pattern with most signals delivered at low angles. At full height, its radiation resistance is far greater than any electrical-loss resistance in the conductors. Even when operated over soil, the vertical's characteristics permit excellent radiation efficiency, even with simple wire radial ground networks.

When the height of this classical antenna is sharply reduced and electrical resonance restored by a conjugate reactor, its performance deteriorates severely. Fortunately, excellent theoretical contributions<sup>1</sup> on reduced electrical size antennas and modern supergain theory<sup>2</sup> show the reason for this effect. Reduction of physical height removes a portion of the colinear aperture of the vertical antenna. Loss of colinear aperture means loss of radiation resistance, resulting in less input power coupled to space. Loss in wire ground planes is severe in low-frequency radiator use.

When dealing purely with a co-

linear aperture, loss of electrical height means less efficiency.

**DDRR ANTENNA**—In the directional-discontinuity ring-radiator (DDRR) antenna,<sup>3</sup> circumferential aperture is substituted for the colinear portion lost in height reduction. Using normalized dimensions and, assuming that an antenna is desired whose height is 2.5 electrical degrees at the operating wavelength, it is specified that no lumped inductive elements be used to achieve electrical resonance to reduce electrical loss. Radiation efficiency must be within 2 to 3 decibels of a full quarter-wave vertical antenna erected over the same

ground plane.

A circular array with a circumference of one full electrical quarter wavelength results in an antenna diameter of 28 electrical degrees. To attain an in-phase electric distribution over this circumferential aperture means using a center-fed radial waveguide like the flat top antenna. Study of a 28-degree diameter electric array by techniques such as those developed by Chireix,<sup>4</sup> shows that even with a 90-degree shift in phase around the aperture, an omnidirectional radiation pattern in the horizon plane will result. To establish a circular array a conductor one-quarter wavelength in length is conductively joined to the

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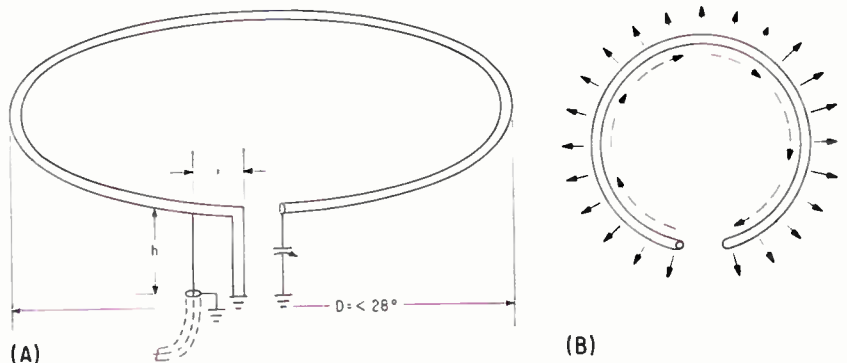
## HOOP WITH A PURPOSE

Low-frequency antennas require either long wires supported by tall masts, or vertical tower radiators 60 to 300 feet. Here is an antenna that looks like a child's hula-hoop and has performance characteristics closely approaching those of a full quarter-wave vertical.

The DDRR antenna (this week's cover) offers a height reduction of up to thirty-to-one over verticals now in use and can range in size from 6-inches to 5,000 feet in diameter and 2-inches to 300 feet in vertical height.

A model of this new antenna only 2-feet high, recently equaled the performance of a 60-foot vertical radiator

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**RING TRANSMISSION LINE** showing feed and tuning, if required (A) and current in ring element (B)—Fig. 1

# A Coming Trend?

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top of a 2.5-degree high vertical element and bent around in the horizon plane at this height to form a circle as shown in Fig. 1A. If a generator is connected across the slot formed by the circular conductor and the ground plane, an energy wave can be launched in this curved boundary region.

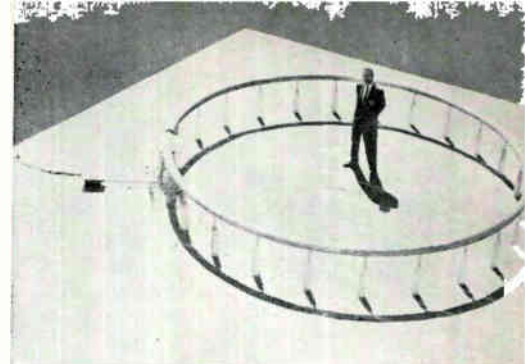
When a change of direction occurs in any electromagnetic waveguide system, higher order modes are established.<sup>6</sup> If this discontinuity takes place in a completely closed system such as rectangular waveguide, the equivalent circuit of the discontinuity will contain only reactive components because no power is lost in radiation. If, however, the fields are not confined, but extend beyond the guide boundaries, the discontinuity equivalent circuit contains resistive and reactive components. Field line fringing or extension effect is present in dielectric waveguides and open-wire transmission lines.

The constant-height ring-conductor just described forms a single-wire transmission line with the ground-plane surface. It runs a straight path rather than in a curve, this close-spaced line produces little radiation as shown by King.<sup>6</sup> This condition is true, to a

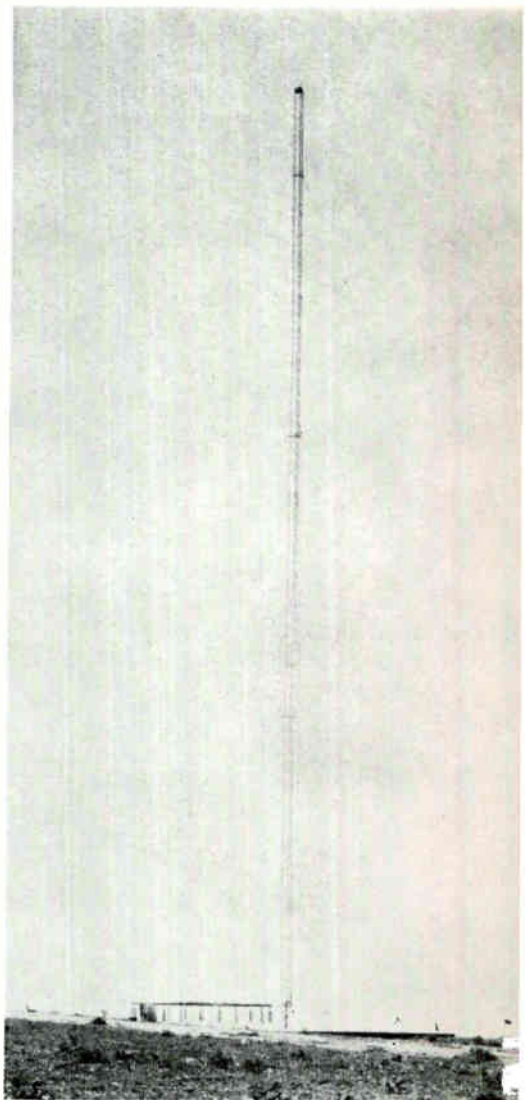
first order, because the TEM mode exists over the length of this line, with discontinuities occurring only at the ends.

If the same single wire line is bent into a curve, however, a wave launched at its input terminals encounters a different set of conditions. The bent waveguide is a constant series of directional discontinuities. Thus, the launched wave radiates continuously in a direction transverse to the line-axis throughout its entire length. Radiation occurs from two sources; a horizontally polarized wave is launched from the current-flow in the ring element itself, but is cancelled because of the antisymmetric current relation in the image plane. At the same time, vertically polarized radiation takes place from the higher-order modes established by the direction discontinuity. The launched wave radiates as it moves around the ring until it meets the far end. The energy still remaining at this point reflects, radiating on its path back to the generator. Thus, the DDRR antenna might well be called a leaky-waveguide radiator, with radiation being integrated over its entire circumferential boundary or aperture.

The DDRR antenna produces



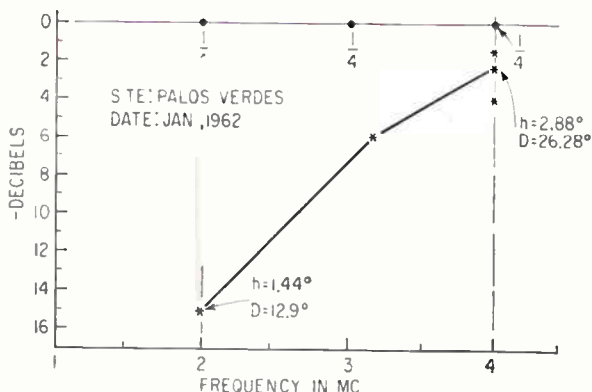
(A)



(B)

MODEL of the DDRR antenna operating between 2 and 4 Mc (A) and the same antenna compared to a quarter-wave vertical (B)—Fig. 3

AVERAGE GAIN versus frequency of a DDRR antenna compared to a full, quarter-wave vertical radiator with same counterpoise—Fig. 2



typical dipole doughnut radiation pattern when its diameter is not large in wavelength. Chireix analysis quickly explains the omnidirectional azimuth plane pattern. In the elevation plane, the zenith null must occur due to the out-of-phase relationship of parallel current components on the ring element and the typical antisymmetric distribution of electric lines of force around



the circular aperture as shown in Fig. 1B.

Although the ring-type-DDRR antenna design simplifies low-height radiator structure by eliminating the large current sheet found in the flat top model, it has other advantages. Unlike the flat top, the DDRR design is naturally resonant when the diameter of the aperture is approximately 28 electrical degrees. Resonance is relatively unaffected by the height  $h$  above the ground plane if kept well below 90 degrees. When size limitations restrict the diameter to less than 28 degrees, electrical resonance can be restored with a low-loss air or vacuum capacitor connected from the open end of the ring to the ground plane.

The DDRR design permits direct connection of transmission lines across the aperture and ground plane. Any line from 36 to 500 ohms may be used if dimension  $X$  is varied to suit its characteristic impedance. Thus, the impedance-matching network required with other short height designs is eliminated, together with attendant electrical loss and additional restriction of bandwidth. When point  $X$  has been determined to conform with

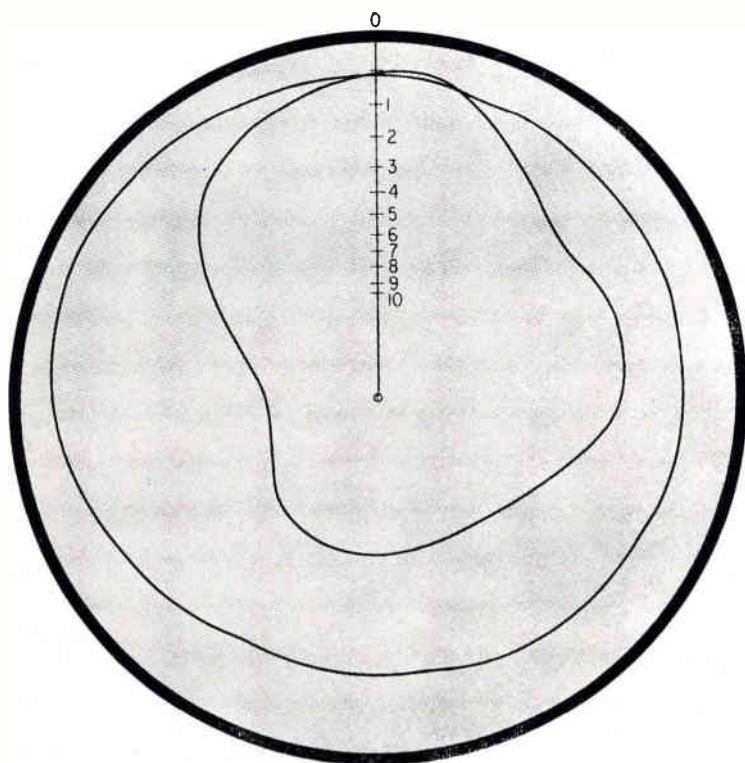
the transmission line, a DDRR antenna may be capacitively tuned over at least a 2:1 frequency range without input vswr exceeding the 2:1 limit.

**PERFORMANCE**—No single antenna design is a panacea for the problems of communications, but the performance and flexibility of the DDRR antenna, represents a significant improvement.

Figure 2 shows typical gain variation of a simple DDRR antenna over a 2:1 frequency band. The magnitudes are the average for many field-strength comparisons to full quarter-wave vertical antennas taken at steadily increasing range over a combination land and sea path, where distances ranged from 1 to 132 miles in both a North and South path. The model used was small electrically, being only 12.9 degrees in diameter and 1.44 degrees high at the 2-Mc limit and 26.28 degrees in diameter and 2.88 degrees high at 4 Mc. This antenna appears in Fig. 3A. At the same frequency limits, the comparison test antenna was a one-foot, triangular cross-section tower, 110 feet tall, at 2 Mc and 68 feet high at 4 Mc, as shown in Fig. 3B.

Operation was over rocky soil, using 90 radials each one-half wave long. Tests were made under the special call KM2XOP by authority of the FCC. Tuning of the test antenna over the entire frequency range was completely remote, using a servo actuated Jennings vacuum variable capacitor adjusted from the transmitter console 500 feet away; vswr was under 2:1 in 50-ohm coaxial cable at all frequencies.

**MOBILE USE**—At higher frequencies, the DDRR has proven a convenient and efficient device for mobile communications. A mobile model designed for use between 26.5 and 31 Mc is 27 inches in diameter and projects only 3½ inches above the vehicle roof. The horizontal radiation pattern of the DDRR and that of a full quarter-wave whip antenna on the same vehicle are shown in Fig. 4. Departure from a perfect omnidirectional pattern for both antennas is due to the nonsymmetrical ground plane geometry provided by the metal skin of the car. In addition to increased efficiency, the antenna possesses other important advantages for the mobile service. At high road speeds, there is no signal-flutter effect from the DDRR antenna. This wind effect is severe in vertical antennas cut for the same frequency range. Also, the simple DDRR design used in the mobile service acts as a sharp band-pass filter centered on the operating channel. Thus, better isolation from adjacent-channel interference is achieved during reception than with conventional designs. Being directly grounded to the car frame, an automatic static drain to ground is provided for static charge induced by fog, dust and precipitation, affording improved receiver signal-to-noise ratio.



POLAR PLOT of a vehicular quarter-wave whip (inner) and that of a DDRR antenna (outer)—Fig. 4

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# NEW TUBES AND CIRCUITS

## FOR CONSUMER ELECTRONICS

*Developments in frame-grid tubes including a video i-f amplifier, cross-modulation characteristics of transistor and tube tv tuners and a novel approach to d-c restoration were presented at the Radio Fall Meeting*

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SOME of the latest developments in circuits and electronic devices for the home-entertainment industry were given at the Radio Fall Meeting, sponsored by the EIA Engineering Department with participation by IRE professional groups, and held in Toronto, Canada between November 12 and 14, 1962.

Subject matter ranged from component and system reliability through new developments in vacuum tubes, semiconductors and associated circuits.

**NEW I-F TUBE** — Advances in video i-f amplifiers have been made through use of frame-grid tubes. However, they still operate on the same principles as their predecessors and suffer from the same basic deficiencies. It is believed that this is due to method of applying agc voltage<sup>1</sup>.

At present, semiremote-cutoff pentodes are extensively used in agc controlled amplifiers. Semiremote characteristics are obtained by having a number of widely spaced turns or windows in the middle of the control grid. Usually, 20 to 30 percent of the normal operating current flows through these windows. Because of low amplification factor in this region, window current is inefficient and contributes little to total transconductance at low signal levels. Furthermore,

a heavy concentration of current density through the control-grid windows results in overheating screen-grid laterals facing the openings. Because of this, maximum screen dissipation must be set at a lower value.

To control gain in a typical i-f amplifier, effective transconductance must be reduced by negative feedback. Tube input capacitance can be kept constant by using a cathode resistor. Unfortunately, when an unbypassed resistor is used, effective transconductance is also reduced.

If a tube gets gassy, or has grid emission, and agc voltage is applied to the control grid through a relatively high resistance, voltage generated across this resistance can

### EYEGLOSS TV?

During a discussion on microelectronics, it was mentioned that microminiaturization could lead to really small consumer products such as eyeglass-mounted tv and earpiece-type radios.

After local newspapers in Toronto reported on some of the Radio Fall Meeting sessions, a number of people called trying to find out where they could buy a hang-on-the-glasses tv.

As none of the manufacturers present could offer any, here is a market for some enterprising engineer with small fingers and lots of patience

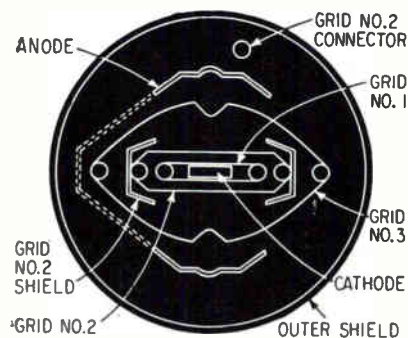
cause instability or a possible runaway condition.

Another difficulty arises from the movement of operating point towards cutoff as signal level increases. If signal amplitude is greater than amount of grid base between bias point and cutoff, the signal will be limited and any a-m stripped off. Thus extensive control of transconductance transfer characteristics is necessary in production of semiremote-cutoff pentodes.

Cross section of the new 6GK7 is shown in Fig. 1. The screen grid gives triode amplification of 80 and an L-shaped connector is used between grid 2 support and the stem to provide built-in inductance for screen grid regeneration. Since a high degree of suppression is used in this tube, a large number of electrons cannot reach the plate and are forced back to the cathode.

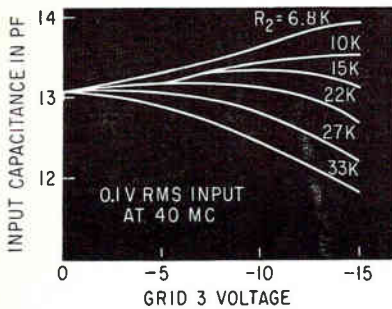
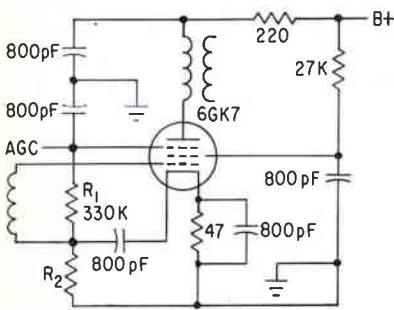
To prevent these electrons from being picked up on the screen grid laterals, an electrode combining the functions of shield and beam plate is placed between suppressor and screen grids. This electrode is at screen-grid potential.

Figure 2 shows a typical i-f stage using the 6GK7. Circuit operation is based on dual-control properties of the tube. Amplification is controlled by varying amount of negative voltage applied to suppressor. As agc bias increases, electrons find

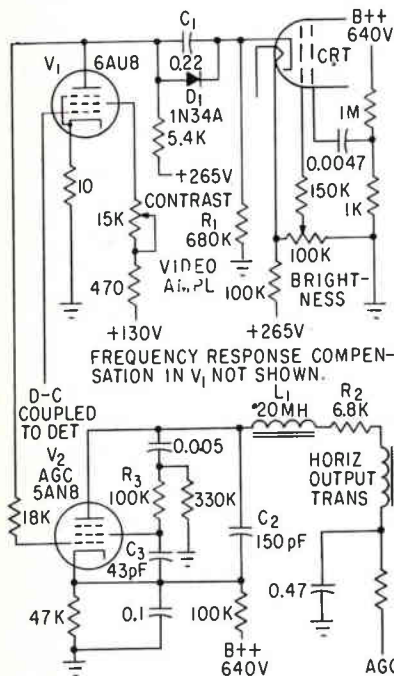


CROSS SECTION of new 6GK7 frame-grid, sharp-cutoff pentode—*Fig. 1*





VIDEO *i-f* amplifier showing how *agc* is applied. Curve shows changes in input capacitance with variation of  $R_2$ —Fig. 2



COMPOSITE *a-c/d-c* video coupling and keyed *agc* produces nearly ideal picture signal—Fig. 3

it more difficult to penetrate the suppressor and plate current, therefore transconductance decreases. Electrons that cannot reach the plate are deflected to the screen shields. Application of *agc* to the suppressor allows the control grid to be returned to ground through a low-resistance path and gas or grid-emission currents cannot cause instability.

Main function of suppressor grid is to divide cathode current between plate and screen grid according to amount of *agc* voltage. If d-c potential of control and screen grids are kept constant, and electrons returning from suppressor are prevented from entering and changing space-charge conditions in the control grid-to-cathode region, cathode current will remain independent of *agc* applied to suppressor. Cathode current and control grid bias remains reasonably constant and control grid bias is always set so that modulation clipping cannot occur.

Since the control grid does not have a window, the tube can also be used as a sharp-cutoff pentode. When used without *agc*, suppressor is returned to +15 v to reduce space charge suppression and increase transconductance.

**CROSS MODULATION**—The active element chosen for the r-f stage of a receiver front end should have good cross-modulation characteristics under various *agc* conditions as well as at maximum gain. Cross modulation tests between tubes and transistors in a typical vhf tv tuner indicate that transistors are between 1½ and 2 times worse than tubes. However, by using small-value degenerative emitter resistors, the transistor can be made as good as the best tubes. By using a 56-ohm unbypassed emitter resistor and forward *agc*, cross modulation of a T-2028 microalloy diffused transistor is equal or better than the best tube tuners over the entire *agc* range. The data also indicates no substantial difference between cross modulation of silicon or germanium transistors.

Analyses that cover h-f operation predict that transistor cross modulation should decrease at higher frequencies. However, all data taken to date at tv frequencies indicate the reverse to be true. All

the analyses ignore nonlinearities contributed by collector junction or the collector depletion layer. This may account for the observed discrepancy. Also, it has not been possible to get good agreement between predicted and observed variation of cross modulation with operating point. This may result from neglect of collector contribution.

The table compares tuners with four different tube complements. Measurements were made at both channel 6 and channel 13 with the undesired signal approximately 6 Mc higher than the desired one. The undesired signal level at which 1-percent cross modulation occurs is measured at the tuner input and referred to 75 ohms. It appears that number listed for average tube tuners is the current state of the art.

Transistor tuners using madt's showed that structure had little effect on performance. The table also shows typical transistor performance when two different silicon types were used in the r-f stage in place of germanium types. For convenience, the mixer and local oscillator were not changed as it has been established that the major portion of cross modulation occurs in the r-f stage. In all cases, interstage bandwidth between r-f and mixer was identical and operating points adjusted for best compromise of gain, noise figure and cross modulation.

The data indicates that tube tuners are 1½ to 2 times better with respect to cross modulation, that there is little difference between germanium and silicon cross modulation and that the noise figure of germanium devices is better than present-day tubes.

Cross modulation is intimately related to nonlinearity of the active element. One method of reducing this effect is to externally linearize the device by an unbypassed emitter resistor. For each change in resistance, the input circuit was rematched for best compromise between gain, noise and cross modulation. Gain was unaffected at both high and low frequencies by emitter resistors as large as 100 ohms. The resistor improved cross modulation characteristics with accompanying degradation of noise figure. Resistors between 40 and 50 ohms lead to performance charac-

teristics about equal to those of average tube tuners. Inclusion of the resistor does not alter normal forward agc characteristic.

**D-C RESTORATION**—For many years, most monochrome tv sets produced in the U.S. were of the a-c coupled crt type, making no use of the signal d-c component. Although picture quality was somewhat impaired by incorrect reproduction of the gray tones in many type of scenes, these sets found good public acceptance.

Field tests failed to show clear-cut differences in performance when a-c coupled receivers were compared to receivers in which d-c coupling was used. It is believed that a substantial improvement in picture quality may be obtained when black level is carefully stabilized both at transmitter and receiver.

Perfect d-c restoration is costly due to regulation effects on the horizontal scanning and high-voltage system. Many set manufacturers use a compromise partial d-c coupling.

An ideal compromise system curve could be obtained with d-c coupling in low-key (dark) scenes and a-c coupling at higher-key scenes<sup>3</sup>. Such a circuit, with back-porch keyed agc is shown in Fig. 3. Here, diode  $D_1$  has been added across coupling capacitor  $C_1$ . When the transmitter fades to black, and the brightness control is properly adjusted, crt beam current is zero. Consequently,  $D_1$  conducts. Since the voltage drop across the diode when conducting in the forward direction is negligible, diode current will be that value that causes the voltage drop across  $R_1$  to equal the d-c voltage at the plate of video amplifier  $V_1$ . For low-key scenes, the video amplifier remains d-c coupled to the crt through  $D_1$  although voltage drop across  $R_1$  is now total of diode current and beam current. As the scene goes to white, the beam current increases and less current from the video amplifier is required through the diode. An average value of scene key is reached at which average crt beam current is sufficient to cause drop across  $R_1$  (due to beam current alone) to equal amplifier plate voltage. When this value is reached, no current flows through the diode.

TABLE—TRANSISTOR VERSUS TUBE TV TUNERS

COMPLEMENT			PERFORMANCE					
R-F	Mixer	L-O	Power gain	Channel 13		Channel 6		NF
				(1% CM)	NF	PG	(1% CM)	
3GK5	6CG8		30	5.5 mv	6.0 db	39	8 mv	5.5 db
6DS1	6CG8		to	8.1	5.5	to	17	4.5
3CY5	6BR8		31	9.0	6.2	41	25	5.9
6GK5	6CG8		db	7.0	5.8	db	10	4.8
Average Tube Tuner			30 db	7.4	5.9	40 db	15	5.2
T2028	T2029	T2030	30 db	4.7	4.8	38	10	4.6
2N917	T2029	T2030	25	6.0	7.0	35	6.5	5.6
2N918	T2029	T2030	27	5.0	7.0	37	12	5.7

With further increase in scene key, diode remains nonconductive and the circuit is a-c coupled. The beam current produces sufficient drop across  $R_1$  to keep the diode back biased.

Use of sync tips as the reference level in recovering d-c signal component has certain problems. To maintain proper black level, amplitude of signal between sync tip and reference black level must be constant. Some changes could occur from switching between channels with resulting signal differences. In a receiver where the agc signal is taken at a point following the contrast control, the agc circuits holds the sync tips at constant potential at the video amplifier plate but changes in video amplitude result in black level shift as the contrast control is varied.

One answer is to reference agc to blanking level rather than sync tips and cause the agc tube to conduct during back porch interval and not during sync. In the circuit shown in Fig. 3, keying pulses are applied to both plate and screen of agc tube  $V_2$ . The pulse applied to the plate is delayed slightly by  $R_2$ ,  $L_2$  and  $C_2$ . The screen pulse is further delayed by  $R_3$  and  $C_3$ .

Since both plate and screen are keyed, relative timing of the two pulses determines time of plate-current flow. With proper delay, agc is referenced to back porch (blanking level) rather than to sync tips.

In Fig. 3, assume the brightness control adjusted for low-key scenes and then there is an increase in

scene brightness. The resulting increase in beam current causes a decrease in boosted voltage ( $B^{**}$ ) and a corresponding decrease in crt grid 2 potential. This drop in potential causes a decrease in crt cutoff potential. Thus for a high-key scene, black level would be below cutoff with an uncompensated circuit and dark shades of gray (near black) would also be below cutoff and show up as black.

When scene brightness is increased in the compensated circuit, a decrease in boosted voltage ( $B^{**}$ ) also causes a decrease in cathode potential of the agc tube. This drop causes more agc voltage, which in turn reduces the voltage developed by the video detector and as a result, the black level i-f signal at the video amplifier plate is at a less-positive potential than when a lower keyed signal was received. The net result is that the compensating agc circuit can be designed to cause the black level of the video signal to track with changes in crt cutoff potential resulting from boosted voltage variations.

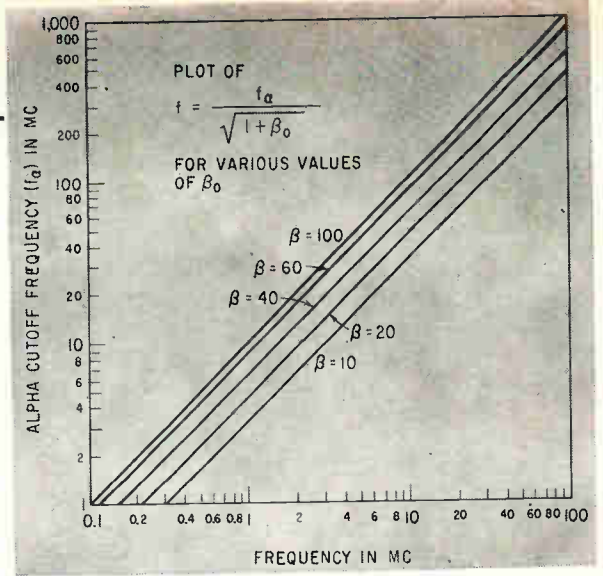
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**DEFINITION OF TERMS**

- $r_b$  = base series resistance
- $R_s$  = source resistance
- $r_e$  = emitter resistor
- $B_o$  = common-emitter current gain ( $h_{fe}$ )
- $F$  = noise figure ratio
- $I_e$  = emitter current
- $f_\alpha$  = alpha cutoff frequency
- $\alpha_o$  = common-base current gain



**HOW TO CHOOSE**

**Transistors for Low Noise**

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**THE GUESSWORK** in choosing the proper transistor for low-noise circuits is eliminated by the method outlined here.

Since noise figure is a function of emitter current—and there is an emitter current that gives minimum noise—a transistor with optimum noise figure can be chosen based on emitter-current characteristics.

The method consists of finding an expression for the noise figure, differentiating it with respect to emitter current, and setting the result to zero. The solution is the best emitter current for least noise.

**NOISE EQUATIONS**—The expression for a common-emitter or common-base T-circuit is<sup>2</sup>

$$F = 1 + (r_b + \frac{1}{2}r_e/R_s) + (R_s + r_b + r_e)^2/2r_eR_s\beta_o \quad (1)$$

The approximate relationship

$$r_e \approx 26/I_e \quad (2)$$

where  $kT/q = 26 \times 10^{-3}$  at room temperature, defines the noise figure in terms of equivalent-circuit parametering to zero leads to optimum emitter current.

$$F = 1 + (r_b/R_s I_e) + (R_s^2 + 2r_bR_s + r_b^2)I_e/52R_s\beta_o \quad (3)$$

and plotting it, a saucer-shaped curve results that is a function of emitter current; it increases at low or high emitter currents.

Differentiating Eq. 3 with respect to  $I_e$  and equating to zero leads to an optimum emitter current.

$$I_{e(opt)} = \left[ \frac{52r_b\beta_o}{R_s^2 + 2R_sr_b + r_b^2} \right]^{1/2} \quad (4)$$

For most transistors, the optimum current is between 0.1 and 1.0 ma<sup>2</sup>. The source resistance that gives the lowest noise figure—found by differentiating Eq. 3 with respect to  $R_s$ —is about 1,000 ohms<sup>2</sup>. Equation 4 establishes the optimum emitter current when  $r_e$  and  $\beta_o$  are known. Source resistance  $R_s$  may be assumed near 1,000 ohms for comparison.

If a circuit's gain and frequency are given, the

transistor's alpha cutoff ( $f_\alpha$ ) frequency and minimum current gain ( $\beta_o$ ) for optimum noise performance can be selected. The relationship between noise figure and frequency leads to<sup>3</sup>

$$F = 1 + \frac{r_b + \frac{1}{2}r_e}{R_s} + \frac{(1 - \alpha_o)(r_e + r_b + R_s)^2 \left[ 1 + \frac{f^2}{f_\alpha^2(1 - \alpha_o)} \right]^{1/2}}{2r_eR_s\alpha_o} \quad (5)$$

The plot of measured noise figure against frequency indicates that at lower frequencies (below 1 Kc) the noise figure rises with a slope of 3 db/oct and remains flat for higher frequencies. Then, as the frequency reaches  $\sqrt{1 - \alpha_o} f_\alpha$  (or  $f_\alpha/\sqrt{1 + \beta_o}$ , in terms of  $\beta_o$ ) the slope rises to 6 db/oct. This fact can be conveniently used to plot a curve of the corner frequency, 3-db breakpoint,  $f$ , as a function of the alpha cutoff frequency with  $\beta_o$  as a parameter for the family of curves. These curves are used to select  $f_\alpha$  when the maximum frequency to be amplified is known.

*Example:* Find a transistor to operate at 10 Mc with a gain of 40.

*Solution:* Enter 10 Mc in the horizontal axis, and read  $f_\alpha$  in the vertical scale for  $\beta_o = 40$ , or 62 Mc.

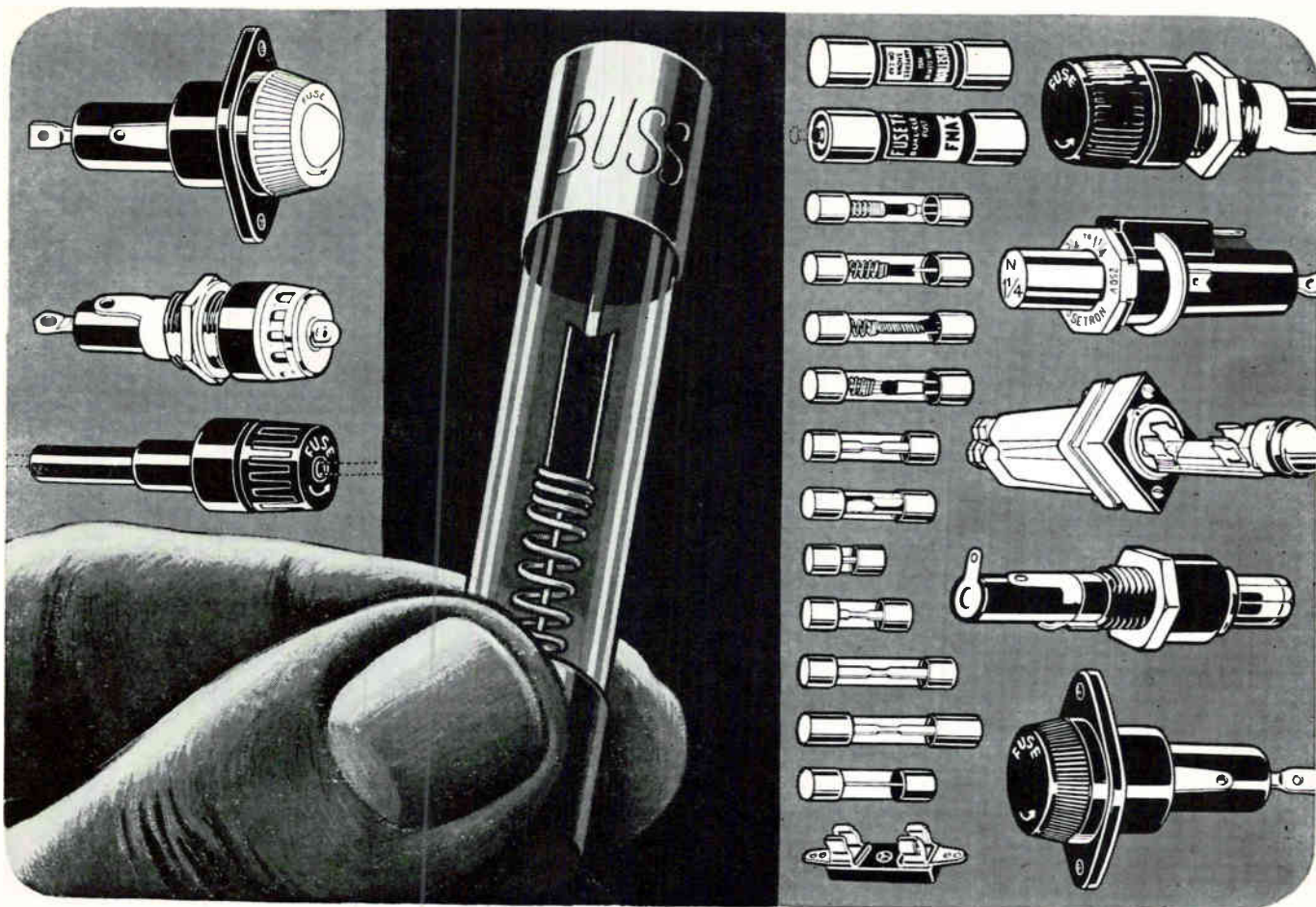
Equation 3 shows that the noise figure is directly proportional to  $r_b$  and inversely proportional to  $\beta_o$ . Usually, transistor specifications are given in terms of hybrid ( $h$ ) parameters that are easily converted to find the base resistance.

$$r_b = h_{ie} + \frac{h_{re}(1 + h_{fe})}{h_{oe}} \quad (6)$$

Using Eq. 6 and the graph, the number of possible transistors is narrowed down to a few; further calculation as to the approximate magnitude of the noise figure may be computed based on Eq. 4, with  $R_s = 1,000$  ohms; also, Eq. 3 may be used.

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# Three-Dimensional CRT Uses Atomic Resonance

*Multiple excitation of mercury vapor may lead to true solid display*

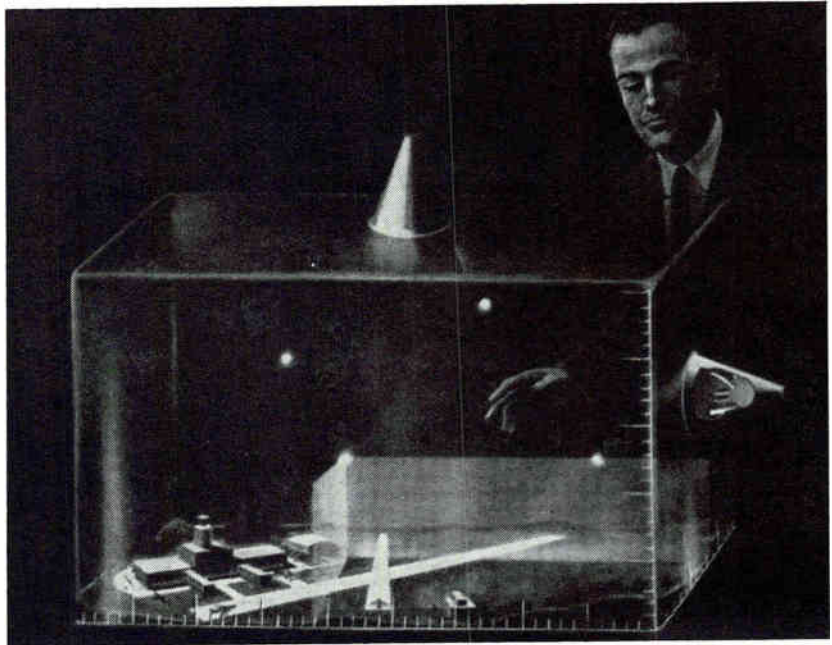
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TO PRODUCE A VISUAL image in three-dimensional space, several conditions must be met: the image space must be transparent to visible radiations and at the same time have such properties that it is possible to cause a small spot of light, a near-point, to appear in its interior. The location of this near-point source must be controllable by some external means.

It appears that a threshold or multiple-excitation phenomenon of some sort is required, in which no visible light is produced at a given limited region of the image space until a minimum excitation level is reached or until two or more stimuli are present.

Under certain conditions, atomic resonance radiation of a gas lends itself to such an application. Step-wise excitation of mercury vapor at low pressure is applicable, in principle, to obtaining an isolated, visible region of fluorescence in space. Figure 1A illustrates the basic method.

Step-wise excitation of mercury vapor was first investigated early in this century.<sup>1,2</sup> A resonance tube containing mercury vapor at room temperature was illuminated by the characteristic spectral lines of mercury from a mercury arc, and it was observed that most of the stronger mercury lines were given off by the mercury resonance tube as fluorescence. For any of the visible lines to appear, it was necessary that the mercury 2,537-Å line be present in the light from the arc. Further investigation has led to relatively good understanding of the mercury resonance radiation.



THREE-DIMENSIONAL DISPLAY using threshold excitation of mercury vapor, in artist's conception

Energy levels pertinent to the three-dimensional display problem are illustrated in a partial energy level diagram, Fig. 1B.

**DISPLAY MECHANISM**—Excitation 1 is a beam of ultraviolet light, wavelength  $\lambda_1 = 2,537$  Å. On absorption, this beam raises the normal ground-state atoms of the mercury vapor from the  $6^1S_0$  level to the excited or resonance level  $6^3P_1$ . Mercury atoms in this state reradiate energy at the same wavelength, 2,537 Å. If the vapor is at very low pressure and no foreign gases are present, most of the energy absorbed from beam 1 by the  $6^1S_0$  atoms is given off as resonance reradiation by these atoms returning from the  $6^3P_1$  to the  $6^1S_0$  level. When an atom is excited into the resonance state, it eventually loses or gives up its energy of excitation, by one of two mechanisms: (1) collision with other mercury atoms, foreign atoms or molecules, or walls of chamber, and (2) reradiation of energy to ground state.

If the pressure is low enough and

the mean free atomic path long enough, most of the energy is given off as reradiation. Reradiation will take place all along the path of the beam 1; therefore it is imperative that beam 1 be outside the visible portion of the spectrum.

As shown in Fig. 1B, absorption of 4,358-Å photons will raise the  $6^3P_1$  atoms to the  $7^3S_1$  level. From this upper level, the further excited atoms may radiate 4,358, 4,047, and 5,461 Å in returning to the  $6^3P_1$ ,  $6^3P_0$ , and  $6^3P_2$  levels respectively. The fluorescence of the 5,461-Å line is of particular interest: due to the shape of the human eye response curve, the 4,358 and 4,047-Å lines are at the low extremes of human visibility, whereas the green 5,461-Å line is almost at the peak of the curve. The display chamber can be designed to depend on the absorption of 4,047 Å instead of 4,358 Å to arrive at the  $7^3S_1$  level for the green fluorescence. Hence excitation number 2 is at wavelength  $\lambda_2 = 4,047$  Å. The addition of a foreign gas such as nitrogen into the chamber creates  $6^3P_0$  atoms by colli-

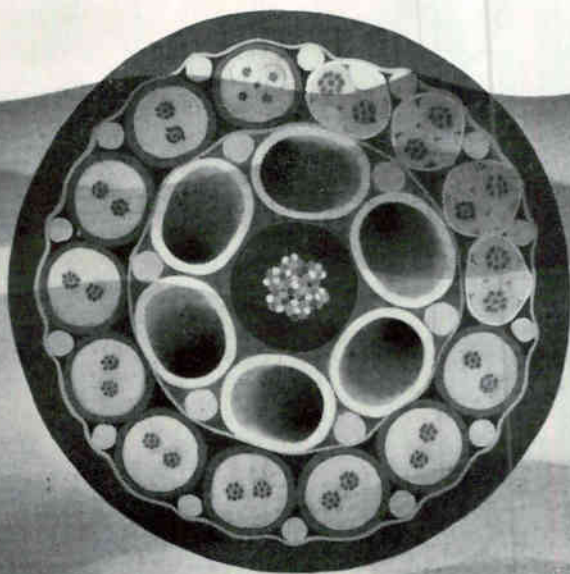
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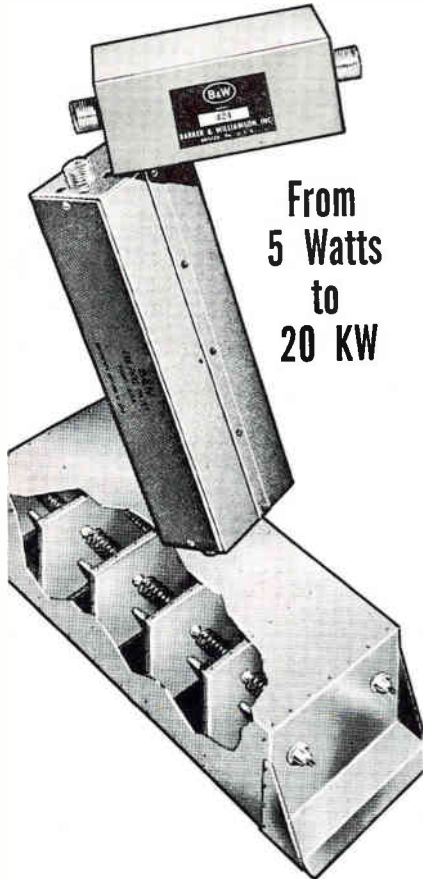
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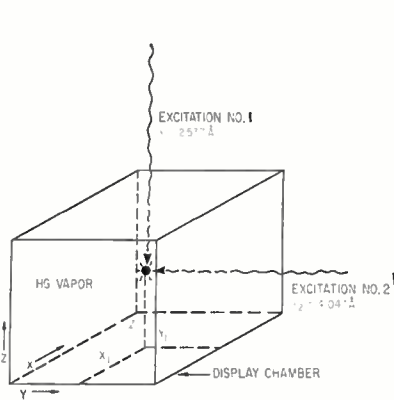
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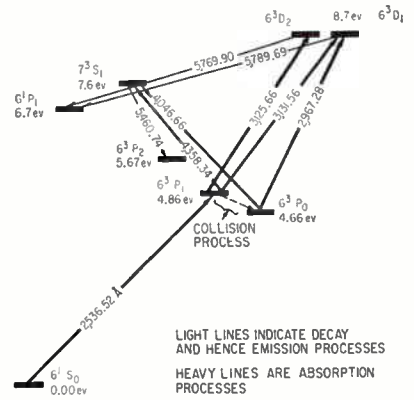
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DUAL EXCITATION in space of mercury vapor, (A); mercury energy level diagram showing pertinent states of atom excitation, (B)—Fig. 1



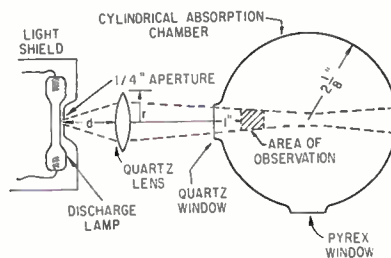
sion with the resonance  $6^3P_1$  atoms. The reason for this substitution is the longer lifetime of these "metastable"  $6^3P_0$  atoms and consequently a higher rate of adsorption of 4,047 than 4,358Å for the same intensities of beams 1 and 2.

As a summation, it may be said now that beam 1 (2,537Å) upon passing through the chamber, is absorbed by the ground-state Hg atoms and raises them to the resonance  $6^3P_1$  level. Collisions of  $6^3P_1$  level Hg with  $N_2$  molecules result in the creation of  $6^3P_0$  atoms which may then partly absorb beam 2 (4,047Å). The passage of beam 2 through the chamber causes no change in the Hg vapor energy states unless  $6^3P_0$  atoms are present in its path. Unless there are  $6^3P_0$  atoms present, Hg vapor is completely transparent to this wavelength. Thus, at the region of inter-

(1) Intensity of the source of light from within the 3-D chamber is determined by the intensities of excitations 1 and 2 and the line widths, the absorptivity  $K\lambda_1$  and  $K\lambda_2$  and the lifetimes of the  $6^3P_1$  and  $6^3P_0$  states.

(2) Uniformity of source intensity throughout the chamber volume for given values of beams 1 and 2 depends largely upon the attenuation of beam 1 as it penetrates the chamber, since absorption occurs all along its length.

(3) Resolution and size of the chamber fluorescence will depend largely upon the degree of collimation and cross section of the two excitations, the diffusion rate of  $6^3P_0$  atoms as compared with their half life and secondary effects such as 2,537Å scattering because of re-radiation of excited Hg vapor.



EXPERIMENTAL DISPLAY layout shows actuating beam focused into chamber through quartz glass window at left—Fig. 2

section of the two beams,  $7^3S_1$  Hg atoms are created by the absorption of 4,047Å and one observes the green radiation of 5,461Å by the decay process of  $7^3S_1$  atoms to the  $6^3P_2$  state.

Among the factors important for achieving a 3-D display device the following are listed in terms of the resonance mechanism:

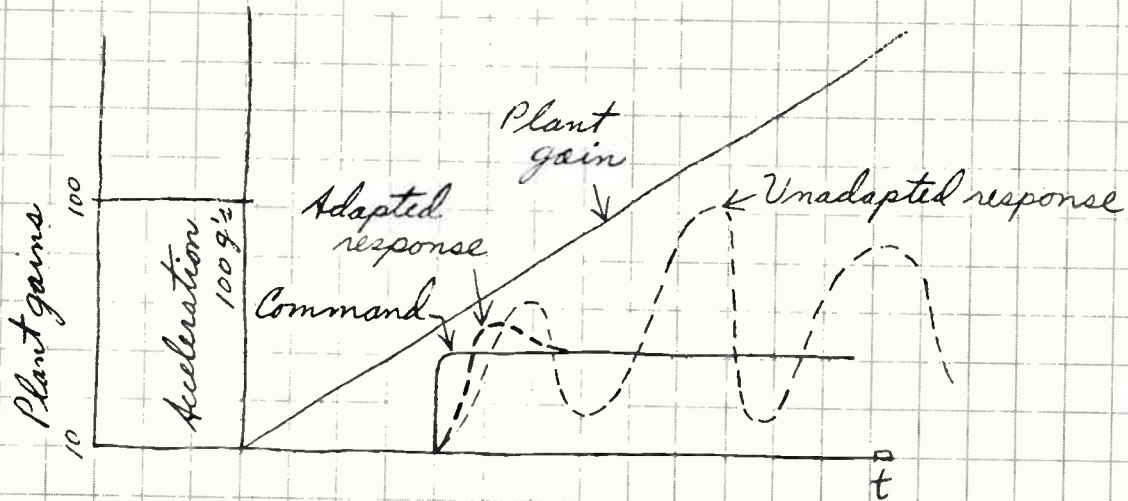
## EXPERIMENTAL DISPLAY —

With an experimental display chamber, a diffuse source of green fluorescence was produced. The absorption chamber was illuminated by a slowly convergent unfiltered beam entering the quartz window as shown in Fig. 2. The brightness figure of  $6 \times 10^{-6}$  lumens/cm<sup>2</sup> is a light output readily visible in a semi-darkened room. Comparison of this result with the figure of 2 lumens/sq. ft as an acceptable brightness for a cathode-ray-tube presentation indicates that a factor of about 300 in amplification of fluorescence is needed.

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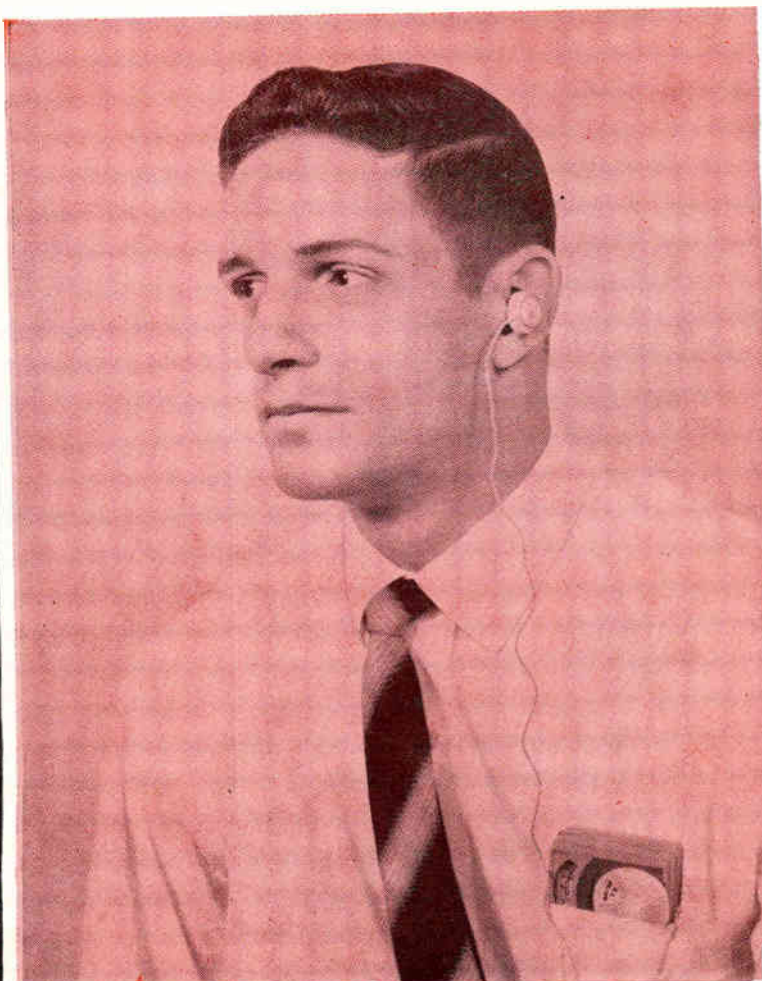
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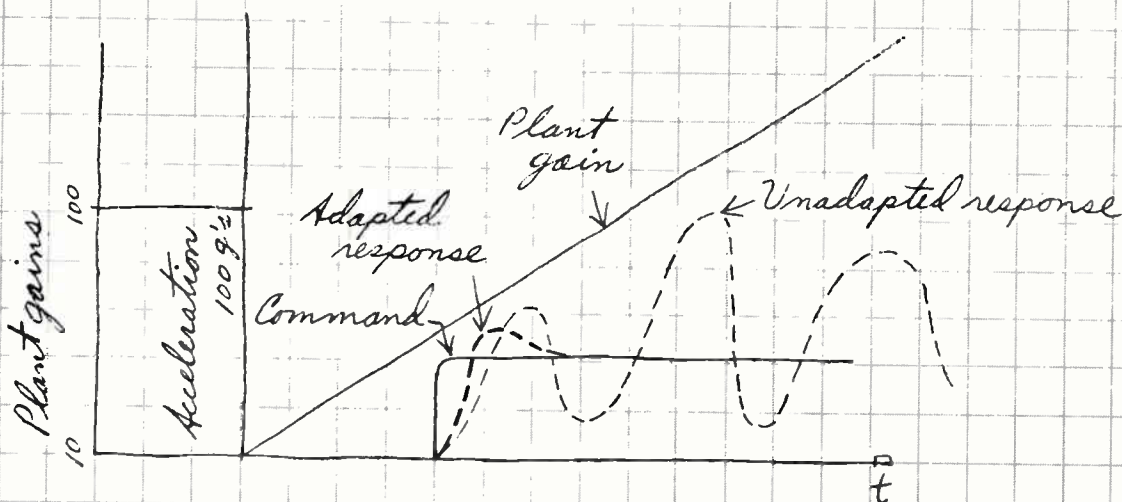
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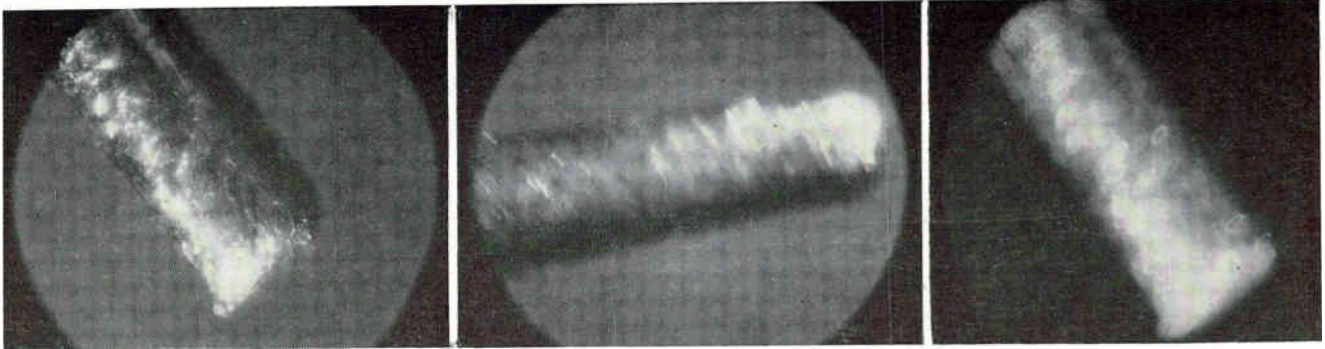
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PHOTOMICROGRAPHS of ultrasonic tool tip. Tip is shown prior to being energized (left), when set in longitudinal motion (center), and when tip is set in elliptical motion, (right). Bright points of light reflected in motionless tip show up as linear streaks and as elliptical rings. End of flat tip measures about 0.020 inch by 0.080 inch—Fig. 1

## Ultrasonic Rotary Drive May Open Up Many New Applications for Micro Devices

*Small diameter shafts can be driven at extremely high rotational speeds*

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IN MANY USES of ultrasonic vibrators, accidental phenomena arise which produce rotational motions. For example, in observing an ultrasonic impact grinder operating with its flow of abrasive slurry, a ball of the wet abrasive climbs up the side of the vibrating tool which spins there in apparent defiance of gravity.

The fact that a vibrator is cyclic in its motion and that rotational motion is also cyclic is undoubtedly the underlying cause of most of the "vibration-into-rotation" transformations commonly seen.

This article deals with background of the development of some new vibration-into-rotation transformations. Details of adaptations of this new principle are also presented.

**DEVICE**—This type of ultrasonic vibrator comprises a nickel lamination stack transducer coupled through a Monel, stainless steel, or

beryllium copper transmission line to a bent tool at the output end. Nominal operating frequency is 25 Kc. The stack is windowless, so that the coil, whose alternating magnetic field excites the stack, sur-

rounds it without coming into contact with it. This is of the utmost advantage where it is required to change the vibrators quickly or where rotation of the entire tool is desired. A handpiece is composed

### WHAT MICRO ROTOR CAN DO

THIS WEEK ELECTRONICS examined an ultrasonic rotor principle, whose applications in the microworld of electronics and electromechanical devices seems to be limited only by the creative ingenuity of designers of both solid-state components and tiny rotary gear mechanisms.

Not only is it possible to drill micron-sized holes in electronic materials and components, but rotary motion developed from vibrational energy may be applied to servodrives, tiny control circuits, and drives in sophisticated aerospace systems where temperature extremes would normally create problems for conventional drives.

Principle allows shafts or tool stems, whose diameters are in the range of three millimeters or less to rotate at speeds in the order of ten-thousand to several-hundred-thousand revolutions per minute.

Rotor drive can be made to vibrate along its axis. Further, a cluster of driving shafts can be designed to operate electro-mechanical drives. A similar cluster of driving shafts can also be used as a drill for shaping and polishing a series of tiny holes in very hard materials such as germanium, silicon, ferrite, barium titanate, tungsten carbide, diamond, or laser crystals.

Developed as a high-speed dental drill, the principle should be further explored by engineers familiar with microelectronic technology

of a housing on which is wound a coil of copper wire. Coil is shielded from the operator's hand by means of a plastic sheath of high dielectric strength. The cable which connects the handpiece to the generator source of alternating high frequency current contains not only conductors but also a water line to provide for cooling of the handpiece. Water cooling is generally recommended, from experience, when the input power to the handpiece is of the order of 30 watts.

Elliptical vibrations have been repeatedly observed microscopically for various bent tips developed for dental use. Figure 1 shows photographs of bent tips illustrating the motions.

In the dental uses of these tips, the effect of the elliptical vibrations was chiefly twofold. In the first place drilling rates were materially increased for elliptical vibrations as compared with linear vibrations of like magnitude. In the second place patient comfort was enhanced, due to the large friction reducing effect.

**CONVERSIONS**—Having established the necessary background, the vibrator-into-rotation conversion possibility of elliptical or circular vibrations will be explained.

First, it was often observed that a small ball of abrasive slurry would mount the side of the tip and spin at about a quarter inch from the vibrating output end. Secondly, cavitation spray from a bent tip showed a clear nodal region of flexural motion, Fig. 2.

The next developmental step was to use this motion to drive a shaft so as to have a high speed drill of small diameter suitable for dental and industrial use.

Continuous variation of rotational speed is obtained by controlling the length of the driving stroke of the cyclic vibrations. Other advantages are: instant starting and stopping, silent operation, good cutting torque, torque control, and the absence of fluid drive avoids unwanted spray.

In practice it has been found that such reciprocation at high frequency greatly reduces the grinding sound when drilling brittle materials. At the same time enhanced material removal rates are also



CAVITATION spray from a bent tip shows a clear nodal region of flexural motion—Fig. 2

found. For glass, preliminary studies show increased rates of material removal using carbide burrs, of from 4 to 50 times those found with the same drill without the high-frequency reciprocation.

**PRINCIPLE**—Simple explanation of rotor is this:

Driving force for rotor is applied to a circular shaft by generating rapidly-repeating ovaloid or elliptical cyclic motion strokes at the driving tip of a transducer assembly. Each stroke is a wiping action that can be compared to the foot motions of a lumberjack trying to maintain his balance on a rolling log.

Drive shaft may be rotated at theoretical rotative speeds expressed by this formula:

$$N = \frac{S}{D} f$$

where  $N$  is the number of revolutions per second of the tool stem;  $S$  is the length of the driving stroke of the high-frequency cyclic vibrations;  $D$  is the diameter of the circular shaft at the driving area; and  $f$  is the number of cyclic vibrations per second executed by the driving tip.

If diameter of shaft ( $D$ ) is one-eighth of a millimeter, and the transducer assembly generates 40,000 ovaloid or elliptical motions cycles per second ( $f$ ), at the driving surface of its driving element with a driving stroke ( $S$ ) of one-twentieth of a millimeter or two thousandths of an inch, the tool shaft would be rotated at a theoretical speed ( $N$ ) of approximately 960,000 revolutions per minute.

Methods and means for driving small diameter shafts at high rotational speeds discussed in this article were developed by author working in cooperation with Claus Kleesattel and Arthur Kuris.

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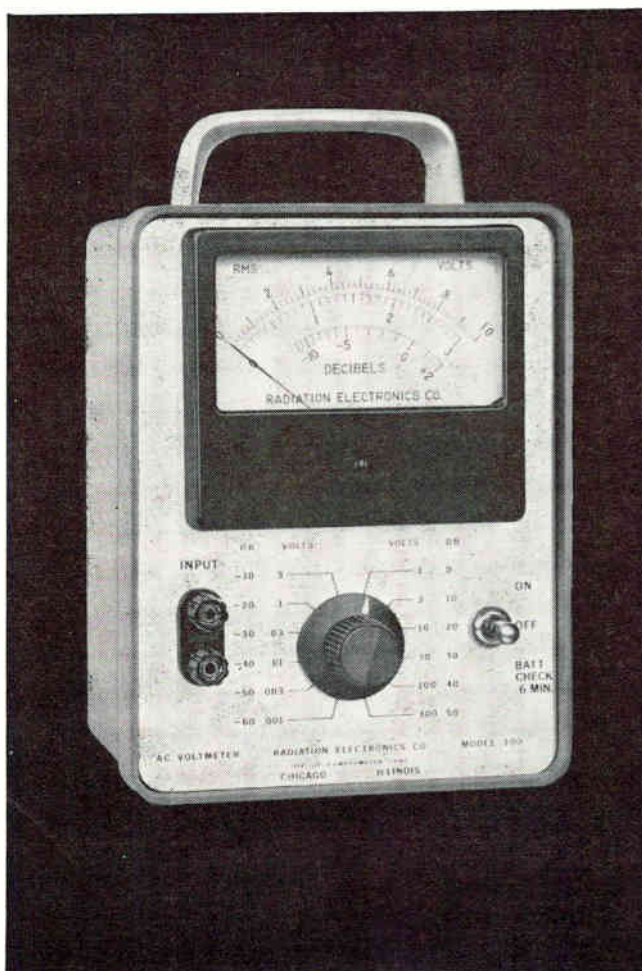




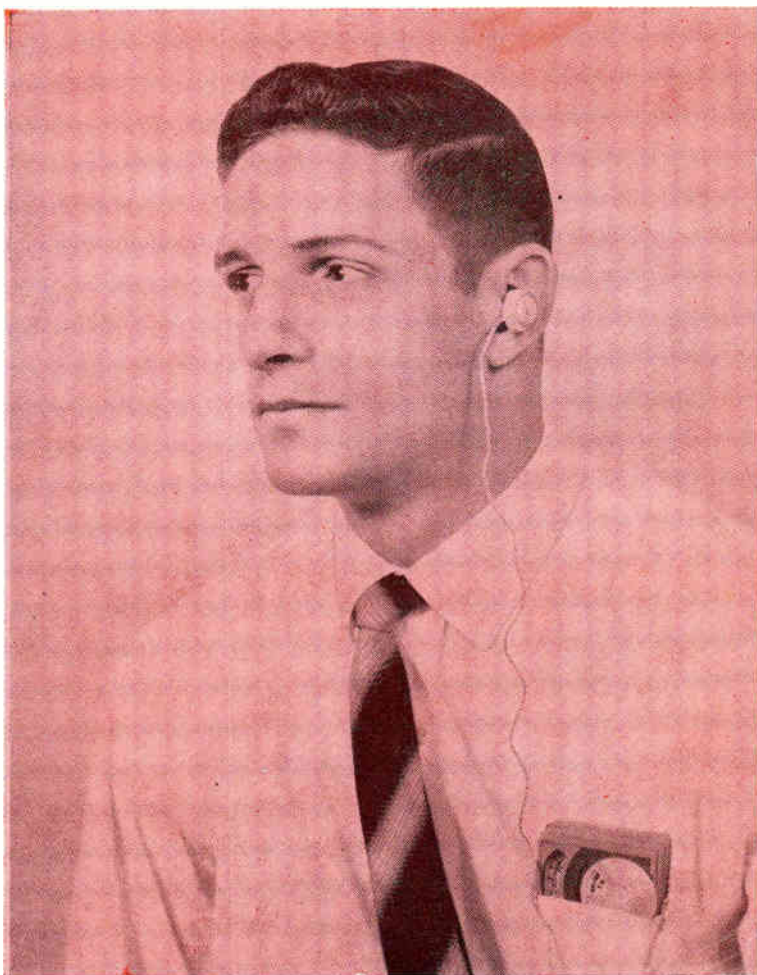
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# Sintering Toughens Printed Circuits

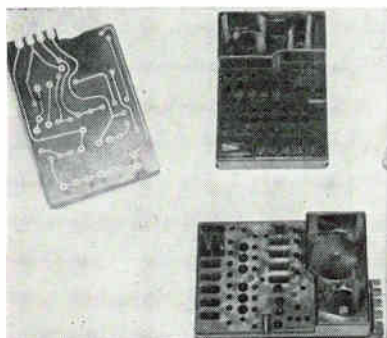
*Increased flexibility, economy and process simplification claimed*

By P. R. WHITE and R. F. JACK  
Bell Telephone Laboratories  
New York, N. Y.

**NEW TECHNIQUE**, in which sintered copper conductors are mechanically bonded to a plastic substrate, holds promise of making highly durable and reliable circuits that can be economically manufactured. Conductors are formed in flat metal circuit-configuration dies. Circuit grooves hold powdered copper for pressing and sintering operations. Then, the circuit die is placed as an insert in a plastic molding die. During molding, the sintered circuit is mechanically bonded to a plastic base and is subsequently released from the circuit die.

**PROCESS** — The sintered-circuit process consists of these basic steps:

- (1) The die's circuit grooves are filled with copper powder.
- (2) A thin rubber mat is placed over the metal die.
- (3) The copper powder is compressed through the rubber at approximately 50,000 psi.



**SINTERED-COPPER** conductors for E6 telephone repeater provide the first full-scale trial of sinter technique



**POWDERED COPPER** is compressed at 50,000 psi into circuit-groove die prior to sintering in a reducing atmosphere. Rubber mat is used directly over circuit die

- (4) The pressed powder circuit is sintered in place in the metal die in a furnace for approximately 15 minutes at 930 degrees F in a reducing atmosphere.
- (5) The molded assembly is formed by pressure-molding an insulating material, such as plastic, to the sintered-copper circuit while still in the die.

Circuit grooves should be no less than 0.025-inch deep. Cross-section of grooves should have a draft angle of about 5 degrees to help release the circuit from the die after molding. Bottom corners of grooves can be sharp or rounded, but there should not be any undercuts.

During the pressing step, the copper powder is compacted to almost one-half of its original thickness in the grooves. The copper powder, which is forced against the polished circuit grooves forms smooth conductor surfaces. The back of the copper powder in contact with the rubber mat is left rough and slightly porous to provide for the strong mechanical bond between sintered conductors and the

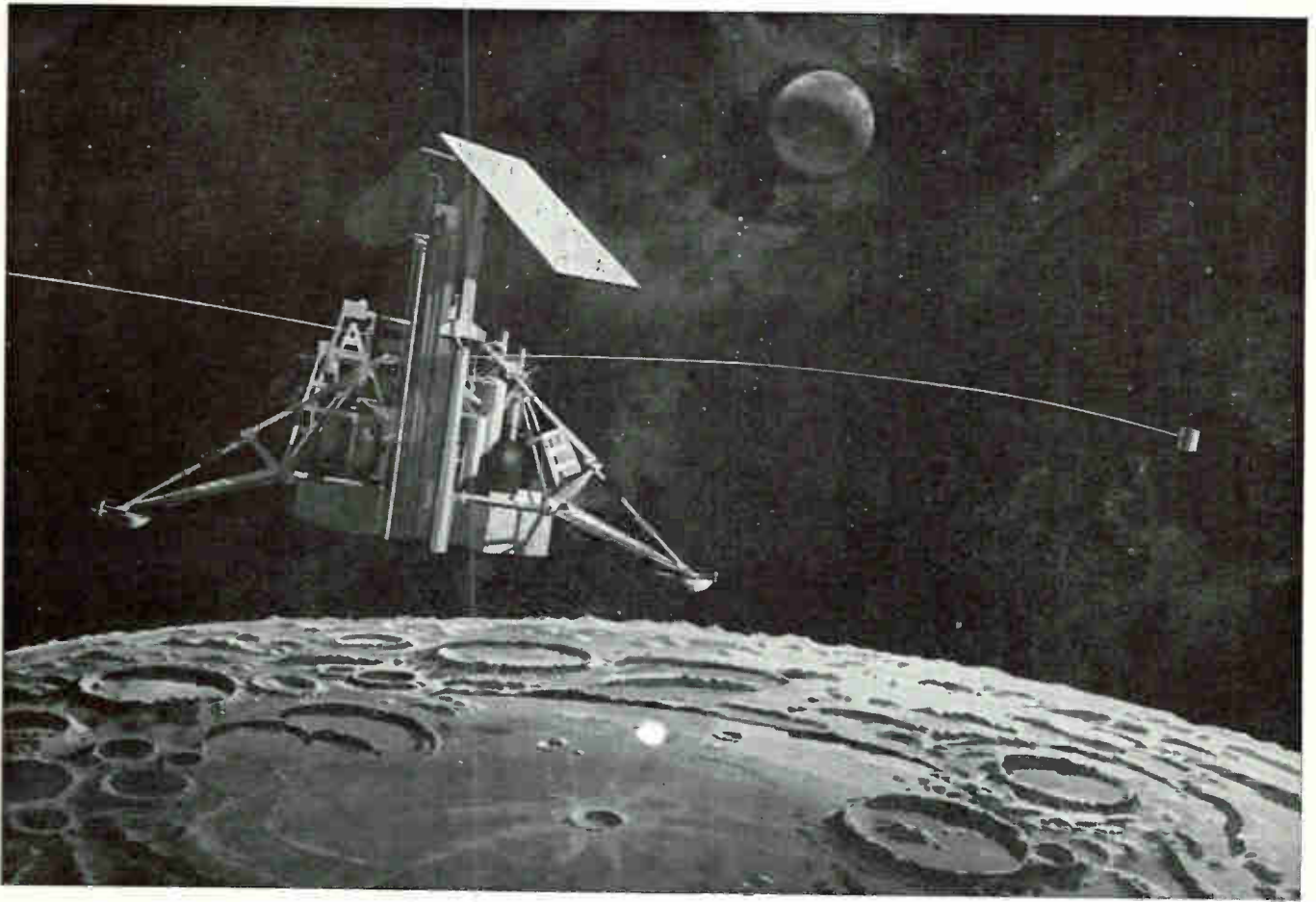
molded plastic base. During the first stage of the molding step, the plastic penetrates under 50,000 psi pressure into the interstices of the rough sintered copper. Since the bond is mechanical, the back of these conductors can be oxidized during the molding operation without having any detrimental effect on the bond. With certain plastics, an oxidized copper surface may actually increase the bond strength. Thermoplastic as well as thermosetting molding compounds can be used for the insulating substrate.

Although conductors could be made by using much lower pressures, they would not be as strong nor as conductive as desired. The conductivity of the sintered conductors is equivalent to that of 2 oz. copper foil.

The pressed copper is sintered in any atmosphere that will reduce the copper oxides at 930-degrees F. After 15 minutes in the 930-degree F heat zone, the die is pulled into a water-cooled chamber until it reaches room temperature.

**PRECAUTIONS**—Sintering action takes place when the copper circuit

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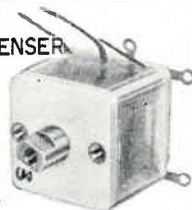
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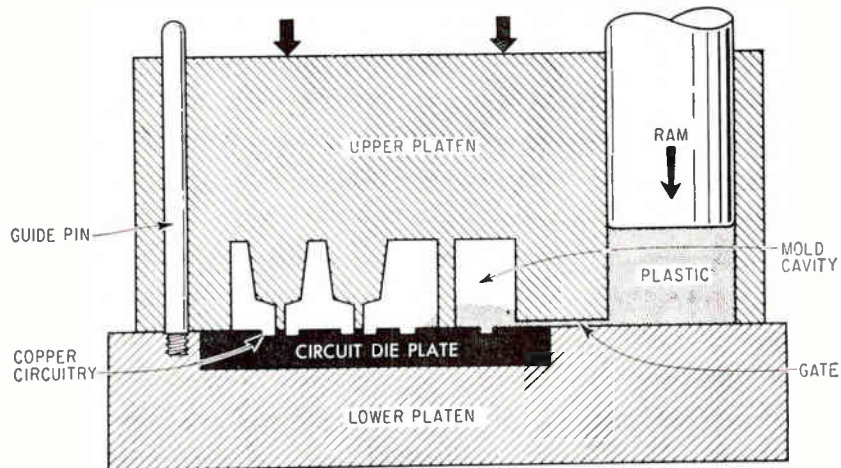
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PLASTIC INSULATING material is pressure-molded to sintered copper circuit while it is still in die

gets above 750-degrees F. However, a large part of the total furnace heating time is used in getting the mass of the die up to this temperature. Cycle time may be reduced by induction heating or by using a high-temperature preheat zone.

The longer the copper is sintered and the higher the temperature, the more dense and more ductile the conductors become. If the temperature is too high, however, the metal die may soften. Therefore since the cost of dies is not usually very high, a continuous belt furnace is recommended for taking the dies through the controlled atmosphere and then through a cooling environment set at a desired temperature.

Conductors produced by this process are raised approximately 0.025 inch from the surface of the molded plastic. They can therefore be readily cleaned by mechanical cleaning methods such as rubbing with steel wool, glass fiber brushes, wire or rubber wheels, abrasive paper. The rubber wheel appears to be the most feasible method. They should not be cleaned by chemical methods because ionic contaminants may be trapped in the conductors.

**ADVANTAGES** — After cleaning, the boards are fluxed with a non-corrosive rosin flux and solder-coated by floating them on top of a 60:40 tin-lead solder bath at 475-degrees F. The excess molten solder can then be readily shaken off. Since the bond is mechanical and the thermosetting plastic is not very susceptible to degradation during the short time at this soldering tem-

perature, the boards can be soldered and resoldered several times without affecting the circuit or the bond.

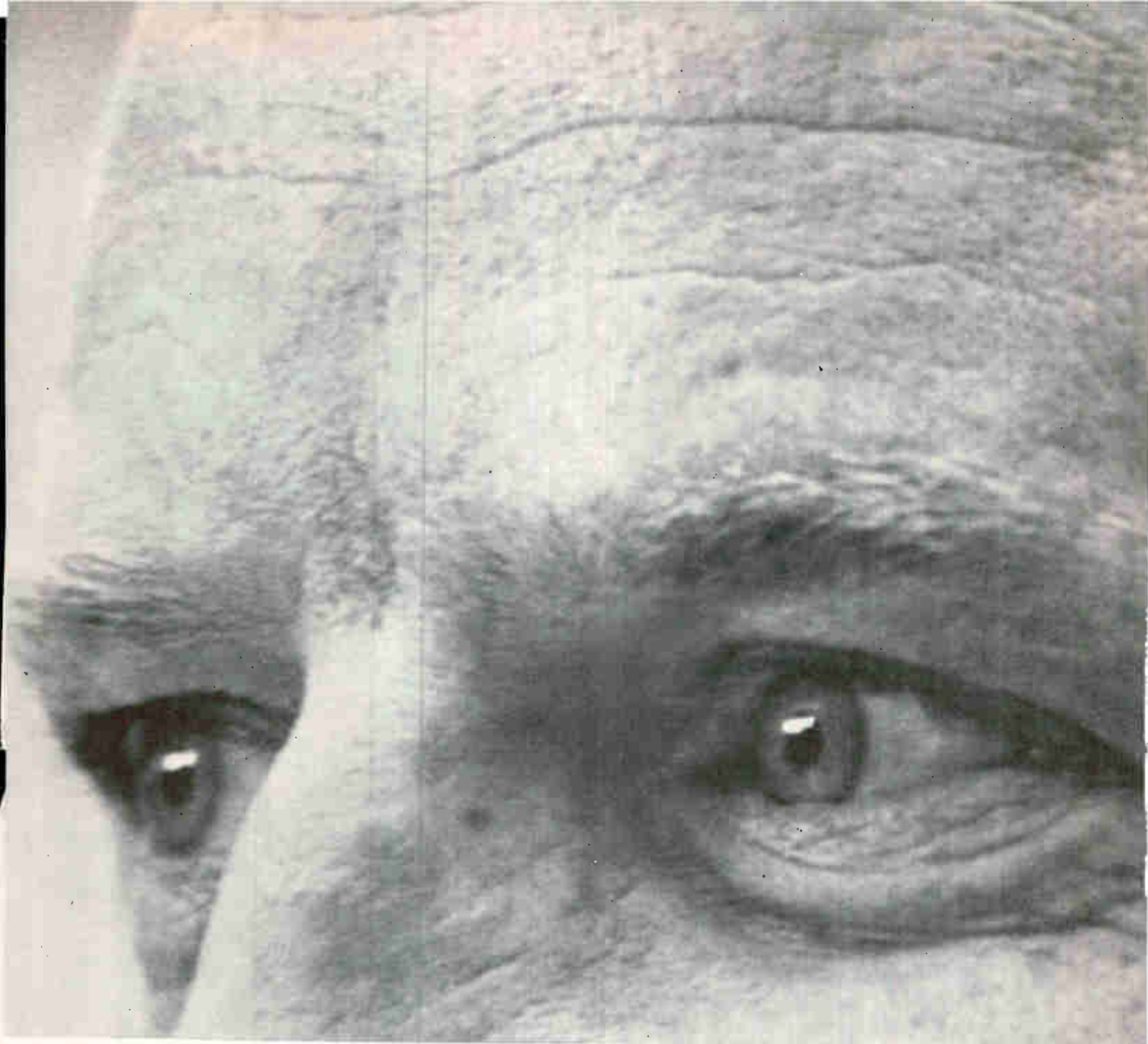
A further advantage is that circuit dies can be designed so all component lead wire holes are molded into the assembly. No drilling or punching will be required. This can be done by having a small pin in the center of the land area contact a tapered pin in the plastic-molding die.

**AUTOMATION**—The process can be readily automated. Since only the desired copper circuit is bonded to the insulating base, no unwanted material has to be removed by chemical etches or matching. This means that the high-resin content on the surface of the molded plastic base is retained and that this surface is not contaminated by any chemical etchants.

**APPLICATIONS** — Sintered circuits will be particularly effective where assemblies may have to be repeatedly resoldered and subjected to high mechanical stresses and high operating temperatures.

By placing special inserts in the grooves prior to filling with copper powder it is possible to obtain wear resistant contacts and even permit the conductors to go around corners.

Where mechanical details such as cavities to hold components, guides for attachment to other apparatus or identification markings are desired in addition to the circuit, this process will find extensive application.



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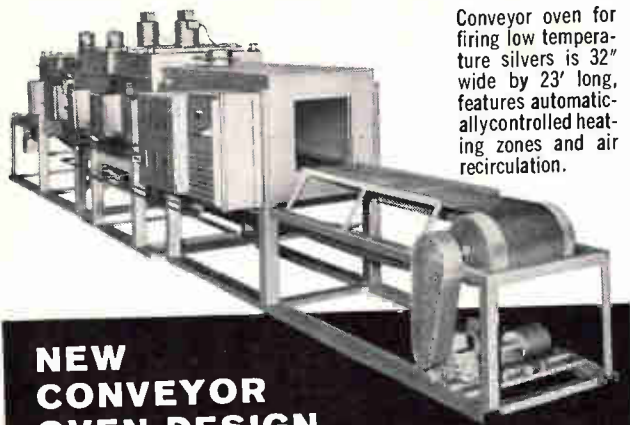
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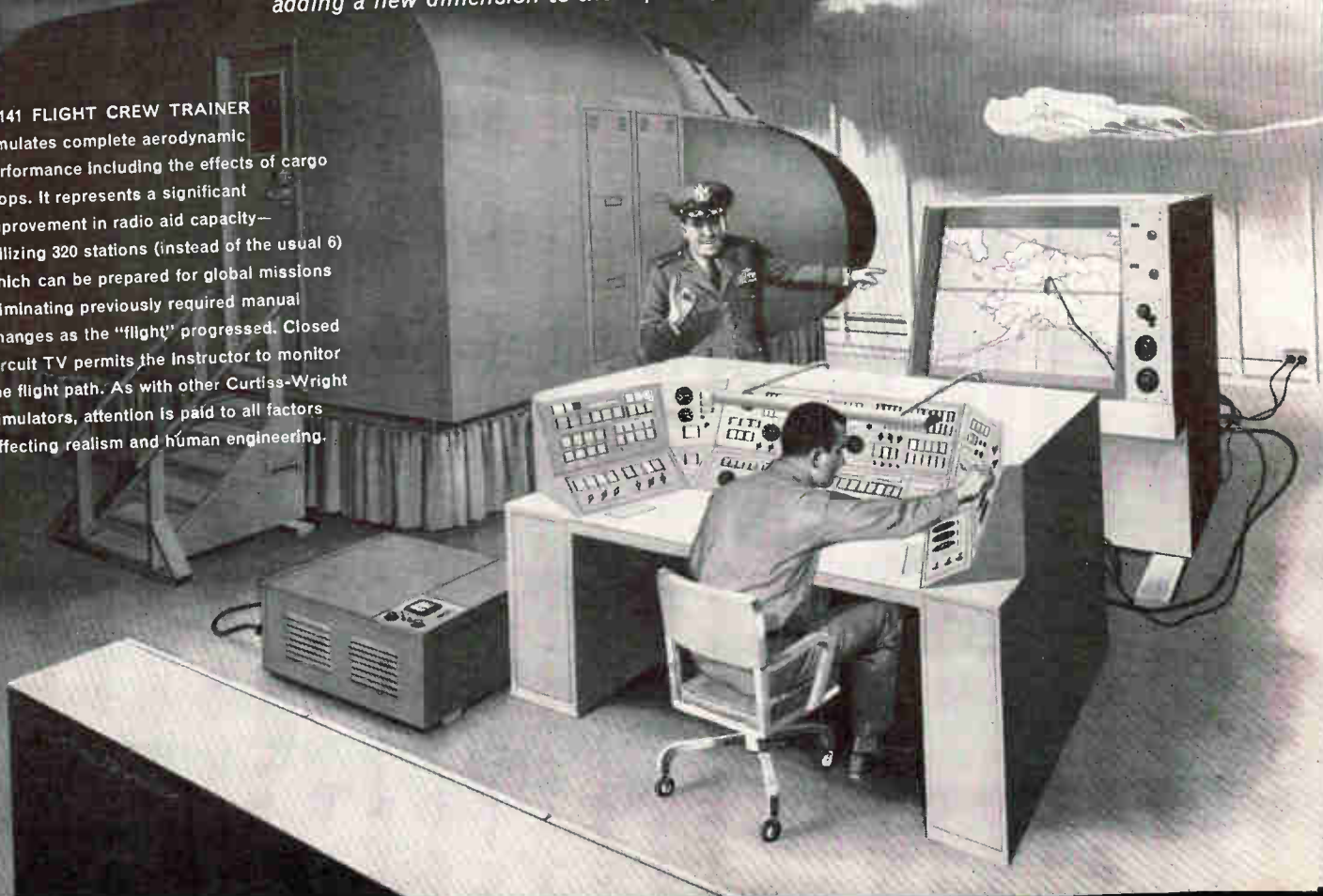
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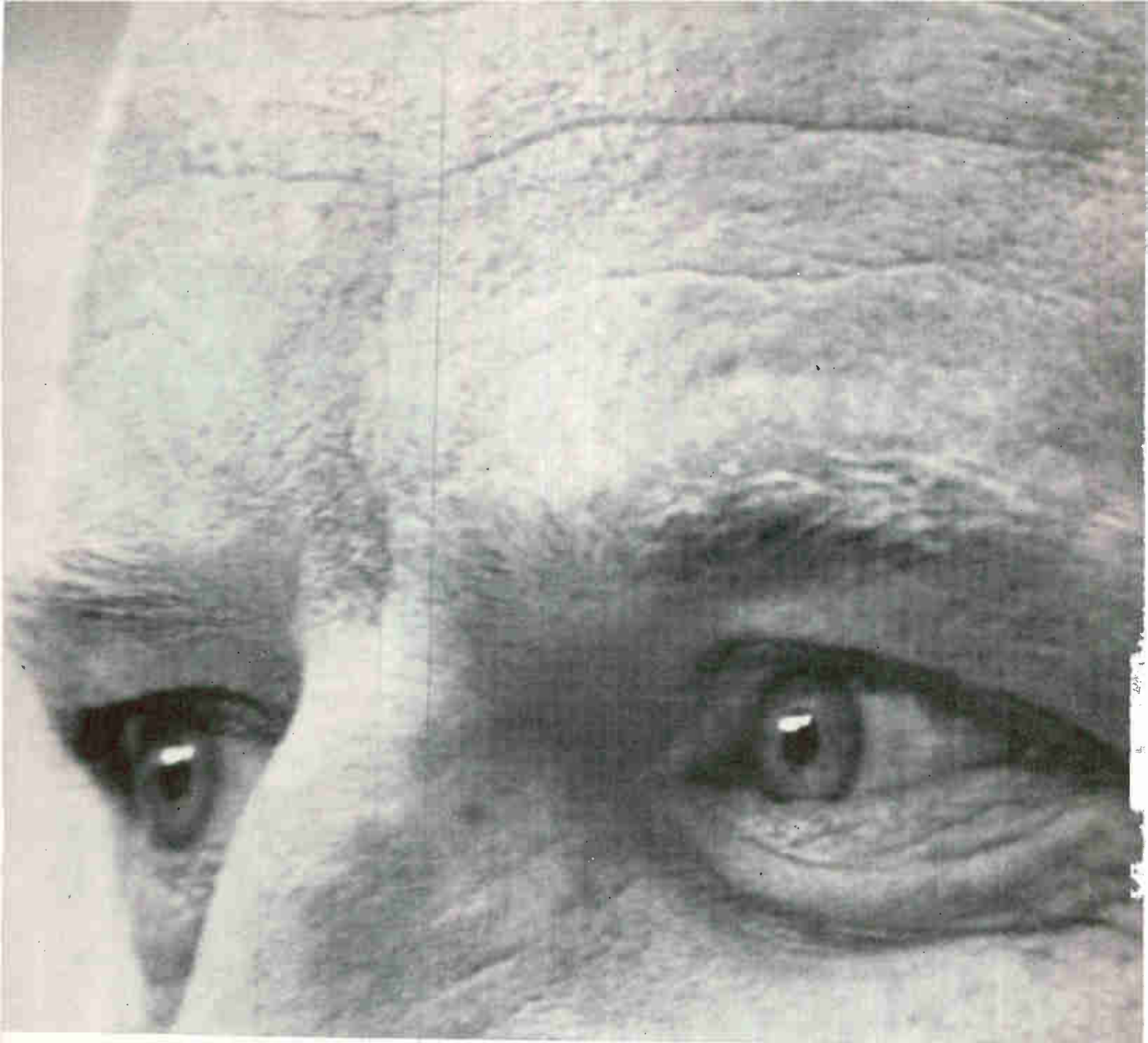
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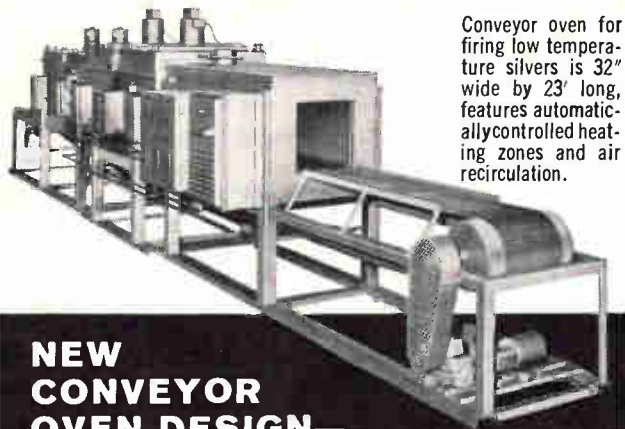
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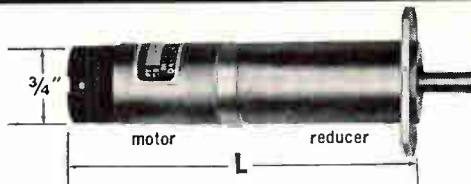
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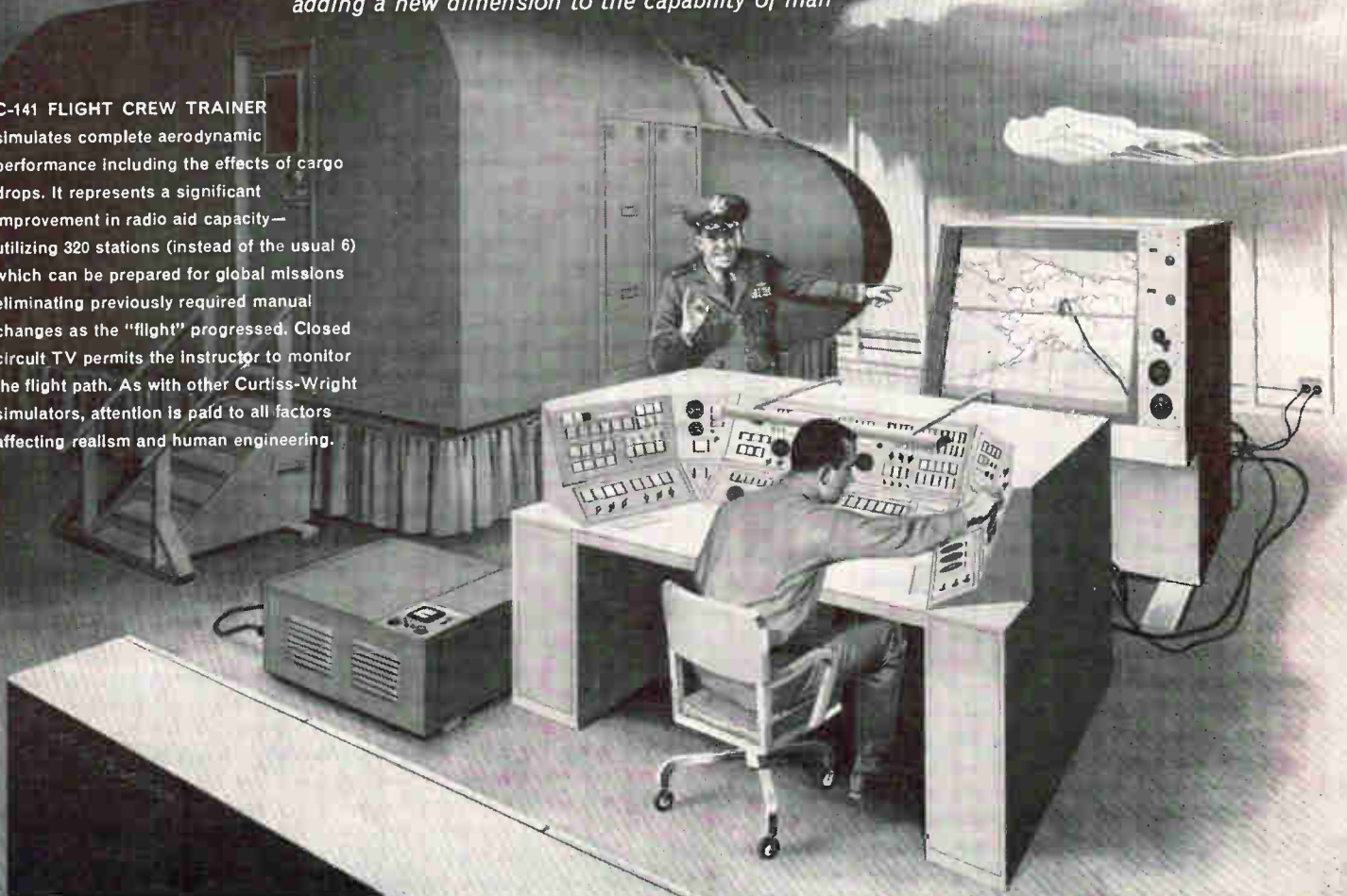
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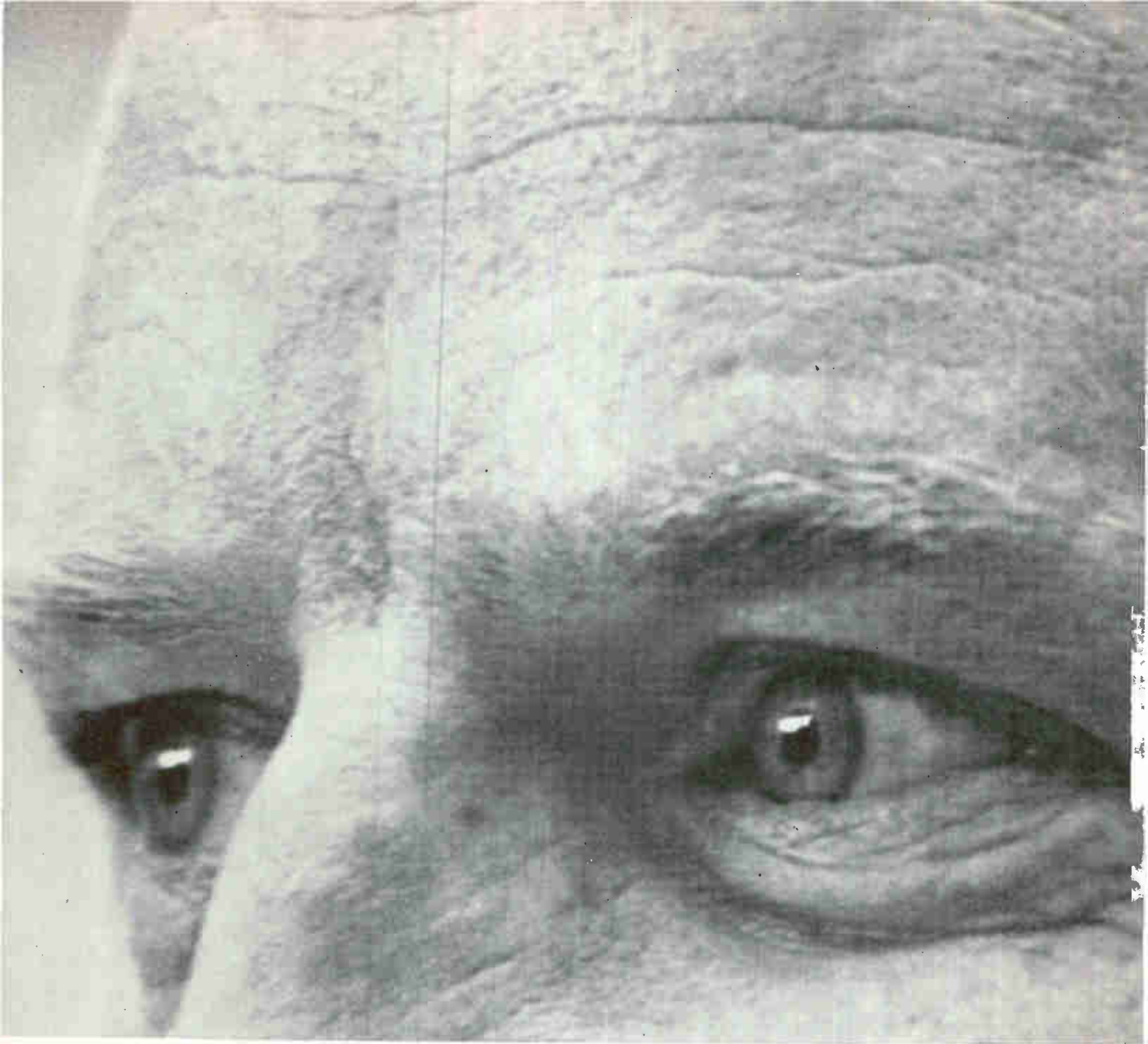
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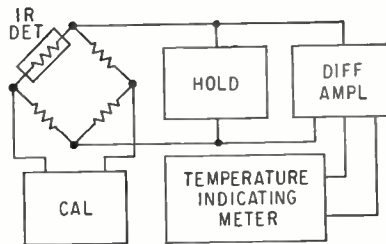
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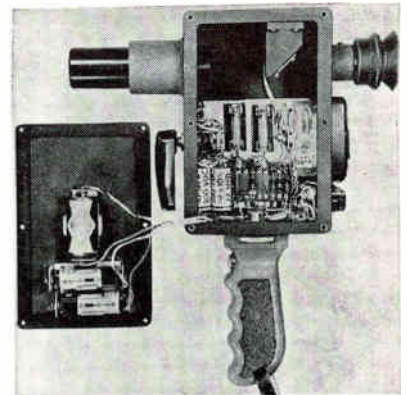
# Temperature Measurement at a Distance

*Portable unit measures 1,250 to 5,500 F between 3 inches and 50 feet*

ANNOUNCED by Pyrotel Corp., 225 Valley Place, Mamaroneck, New York, the model PY15 infrared pyrometer is a portable, self-contained battery-operated instrument used to indicate temperature of hot surfaces between 1,250 and 5,500 F at distances dependent on the physical size and temperature of the target. Available span is 100 to 2,000 F. The distance will range from 3 inches for a small object to 40 to 50 feet for a larger one. The direct view optics has a normal field of view of 1.5 degrees, and accuracy is  $\pm 2$  percent of tem-



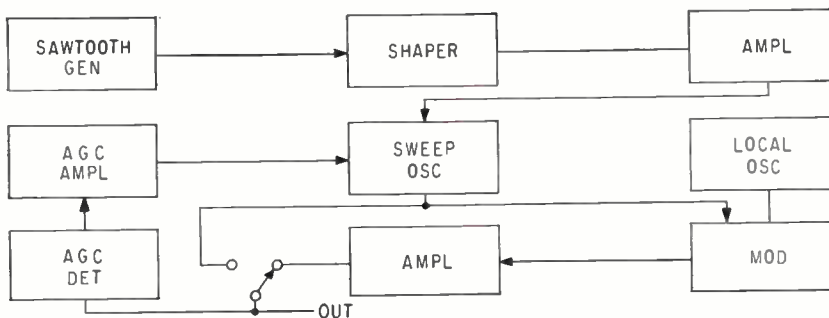
perature (black body calibration). As shown in the sketch, the circuit consists of an infrared detector in a bridge connected to a differential amplifier driving a temperature-calibrated meter. An electronic holding circuit maintains the meter reading for approximately 20 seconds after removal from the target area. A calibration circuit permits meter calibration after ex-



tended use. The unit is  $3 \times 4 \times 6$  inches and weighs  $3\frac{1}{4}$  lb. An optional pistol-grip handle may be attached to the tripod mounting socket at the base.

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# Generator Features 300-Mc-Wide Sweep



DEVELOPED by Kay Electric Co., Maple Ave., Pine Brook, New Jersey, the model 121-A multi-sweep generator covers the frequency range between 0.5 and 1,100 Mc in frequency sweeps up to 300 Mc wide. Vhf range is from 500 Kc to 300 Mc and uhf range is 180 to 1,100 Mc. Output impedance is 50 ohms with 0.5 v rms level, flat within  $\pm 0.25$  db and harmonic distortion is better than 30 db down. The device uses both fundamental and beat frequency oscillator techniques and center frequency and sweep width are continuously variable. As shown in the sketch, output is derived from an oscillator

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## Oscillator's Phase Locks To VLF Standard Signal

NEW from RMS Engineering, Inc., 486 Fourteenth St., N.W., Atlanta

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Contact Rating:	Available with low level, 2 or 5 ampere contacts for resistive loads up to 29 volts d-c
Contact Arrangement:	Up to six pole double throw
Ambient Temperature:	-55°C to +71°C Higher temperature available
Operate Time: (at +25°C)	15 milliseconds maximum at nominal coil voltage
Release Time: (at +25°C)	8 milliseconds maximum at nominal coil voltage
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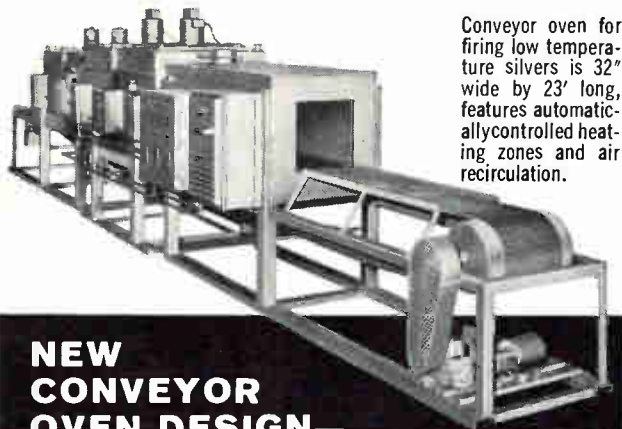
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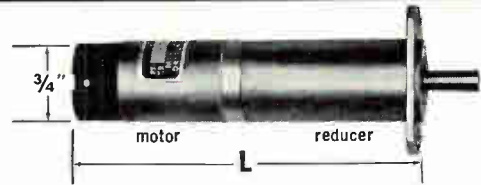
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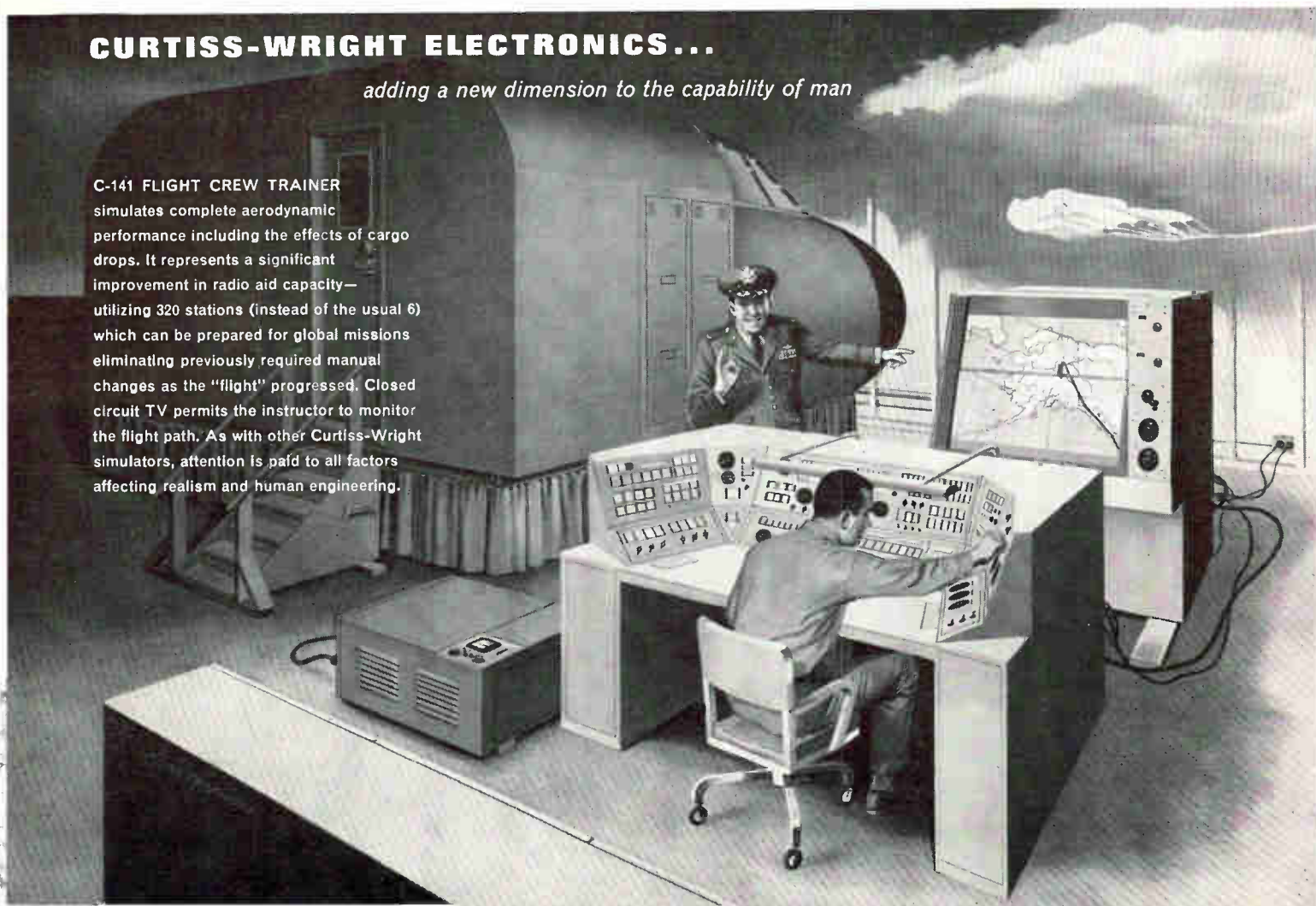
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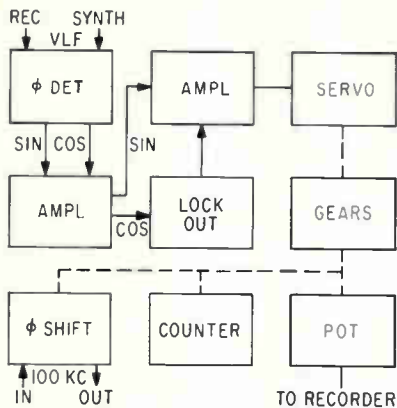
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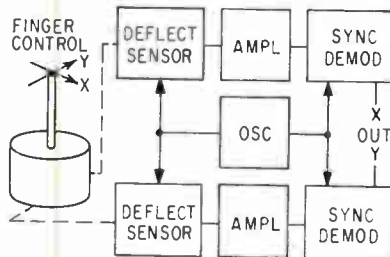
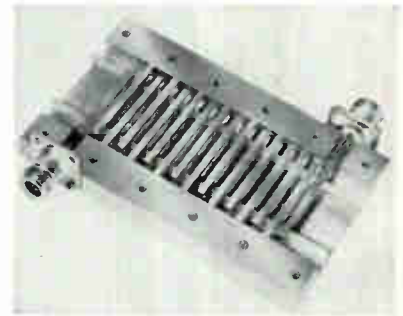
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## Converting Finger Pressure to D-C

MANUFACTURED by Measurement Systems, Inc., 140 Water St., South Norwalk, Connecticut, the model 433 hand control is a two-axis, stiff-

stick transducer that translates finger pressure into d-c output voltages in linear proportion to applied pressure up to 2 v for 10 lb pressure. A force exerted on the control produces a deflection of a few thousandths of an inch to unbalance a pair of a-c impedance bridges. Unbalance voltages are amplified and demodulated to produce output voltages of 0.2 v per pound of force at 10,000 ohms output impedance. Human engineering studies have shown that an operator has better control of finger pressure than that of displacement. Pressure on a stiff-stick control produces no noticeable deflection such as occurs on a handwheel or joystick control. Characteristics al-

so include infinite resolution, zero backlash and instantaneous response. In a typical application, the hand control permits single operator control of a tracking radar antenna mount, with device output voltages producing proportional azimuth and elevation angular rates of the antenna mount. (304)



## Bandpass Filters Feature Low Loss

RECENTLY announced by Melabs, 3300 Hillview Avenue, Stanford Industrial Park, Palo Alto, California, are a series of bandpass filters with center frequencies between 100 Mc



## PROJECT IN POINT:

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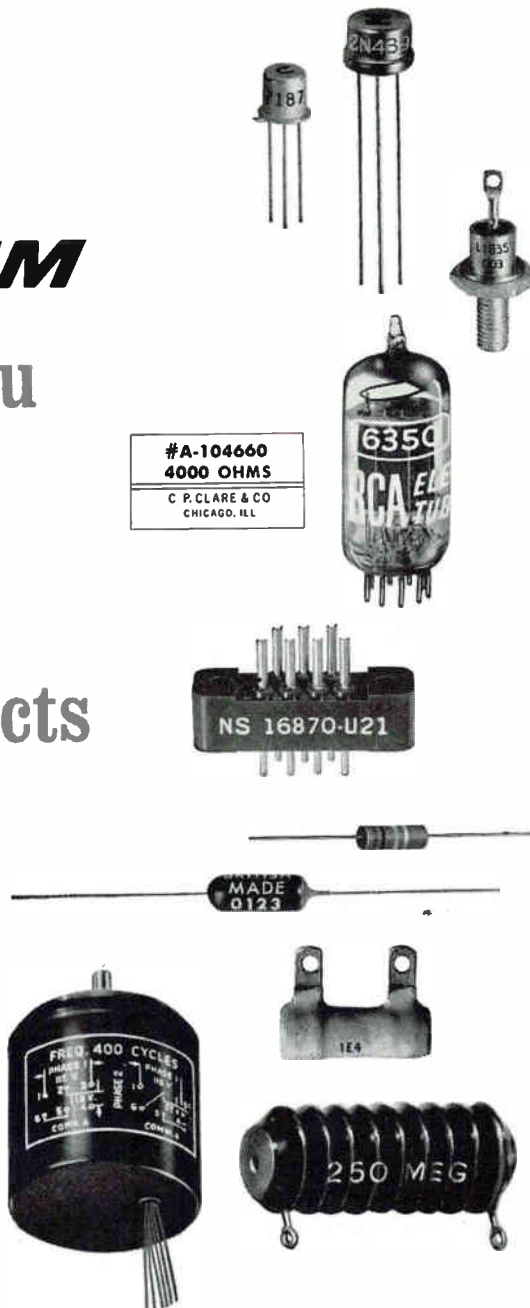


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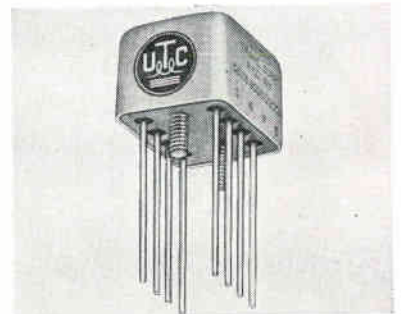


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**Audio Transformers and Split Inductors**

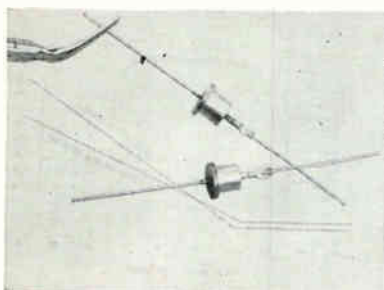
UNITED TRANSFORMER CORP., 150 Varick St., New York 13, N. Y. The FH series of subminiature audio transformers and split inductors is manufactured and guaranteed to MIL-T-27A by full environmental testing and has been proven for ruggedness and reliability. The transformers have an operating level of 100 mw with an impedance range of 50 ohms to 20,000 ohms, and a response of less than 2 db over a broad a-f range. The inductors allow either series or parallel connections with ranges from 15  $\mu$ h at 64 ma, 1.5 ohms to 2.4 henries at 2 ma, 160 ohms. (306)



**Transistor Holder Saves Space**

SEAELECTRO CORP., 139 Hoyt St., Mamaroneck, N.Y. The RTC-400T-L2 Teflon - insulated transistor holder provides gold-plated brass

lugs extending only 0.070 in. below the Teflon body for associated circuitry connections. Four connections are provided on a 0.200 in. pitch circle. Unit is a reverse design, whereby the component is mounted against the shoulder of the Teflon body. The major diameter is 0.325 in. and the minor diameter is 0.290 in. The holder is inserted into the metal chassis in the usual Press-Fit fashion. It may be used on chassis thicknesses up to 0.093 in. Overall height of socket is 0.225 in. (307)



### Silicon Rectifiers Are Low Current Type

TUNG-SOL ELECTRIC INC., One Summer Ave., Newark 4, N. J. Reverse current ratings at 125 C on types 1N1487 through 1N1492 range from 0.3 to 0.4 ma with prv ratings from 100 to 600 v. Max rectified current at 25 C is 750 ma. Full cycle average forward voltage drop at full load is 0.6 v. One cycle surge current at 60 cps for all the units is 15 amperes peak. The rectifiers have an operating temperature range from -65 C to +150 C. They are all of standard JEDEC DO-1 construction. (308)

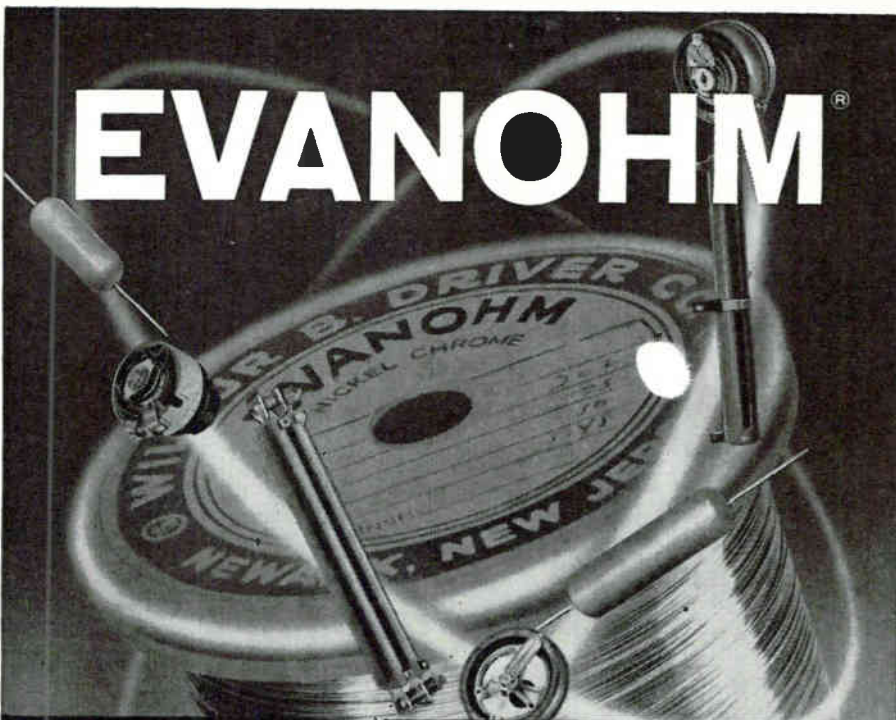


### Gold-Plated Jacks Are Nylon-Insulated

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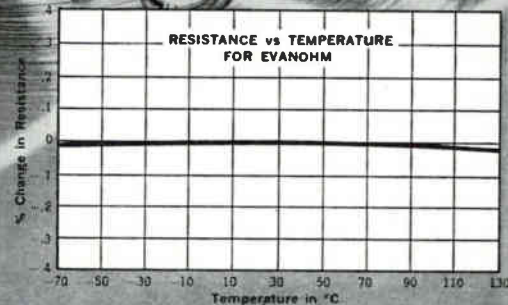
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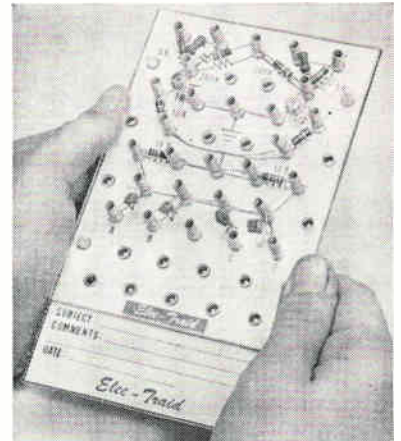
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## Circuit Cards For Experimental Use

ELECTRONIC TRAINING AIDS CO., P. O. Box 53, Cambridge 41, Mass. A versatile experimental breadboarding device, the Koil-Kard was designed for the construction of high frequency semiconductor circuits. Gold plated helical springs are threaded into the Kard as required providing reliable solderless connections. Feed-through springs are also supplied for those who wish double-sided circuits. Each spring terminal will accept up to 5 leads as well providing top or bottom receptacles for standard dual and single banana plugs. Accessory items such as plug-in transistor sockets are available. (310)

## Multiplexer Provides Variable Sample Rate

ALPHA-TRONICS CORP., 2626 South Peck Road, Monrovia, Calif. Welded and encapsulated construction of the SSM-101-30 provides 30 channels of high level multiplexer data in less than 15 cu. in. Extremely high signal to ground isolation and low noise as well as variable sampling rates is provided by

transistor switching and sequencing circuitry. Sample and non-sample multiplexer input impedance is maintained at a constant level to insure constant transducer loading. Dynamic output impedance is less than 500 ohms. (311)



### Preamplifier Module Features Low Noise

H. H. SCOTT, 111 Powder Mill Road, Maynard, Mass. Type 1420 is designed for system and special test equipment requirements. Gain is greater than 20 db. Frequency response less than 1 cps to 2.5 Mc ( $\pm 0.2$  db). Equivalent input noise is less than  $17 \mu\text{v}$  broadband; input impedance, 10 megohms +  $20 \mu\text{mf}$ ; rise time,  $0.3 \mu\text{sec}$ ; max output, 20 v rms; distortion, less than 0.2 percent at 10 v output; power required, + 180 v d-c at 5 ma, + 6 v d-c at 1 amp. (312)



### Nixie Driver Has Binary Decode

ELECTRONIC CONTROL PRODUCTS, U.S. Highway 22, P.O. box 286, Dunellen, N.J. The Bidex driver is a binary decode Nixie driver. It is a plug-in module measuring  $3\frac{3}{8}$  long,  $1\frac{1}{4}$  high,  $1\frac{1}{4}$  wide. It is designed for those applications involving the parallel transfer of information in the various binary codes into digital display. The silicon diode matrix may be supplied as 1-2-2-4 binary coded decimal, 1-2-4-8 straight binary (decodes 0 through 9 only), or a decimal repeat Gray Code. The 1-2-4-8 straight binary may be used for octal coded decimal systems. (313)



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## Literature of the Week

**NICKEL-CADMIUM CELLS** Gulton Industries, Inc., 212 Durham Ave., Metuchen, N. J. Hermetically sealed nickel-cadmium cells are described in bulletin V0114.

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**VOLTMETER** B&K Instruments, Inc., 3044 W. 106th St., Cleveland 11, O., offers a two-page specification sheet on the model 2410 RMS audio voltmeter. (315)

**FUSED RESISTANCE DECADE** Matronic Instrument Co., P. O. Box 304, Newark, Del. Two-page bulletin illustrates and describes model 1400 fused resistance decade. (316)

**H-V CAPACITORS** Chicago Condenser Corp., 3255 W. Armitage Ave., Chicago, Ill., has released a catalog sheet listing type CMP space saving high voltage capacitors. (317)

**D-C MOTOR** The A. W. Haydon Co., 232 North Elm St., Waterbury 20, Conn. Technical brochure SP9-4 covers model K5801 high-torque, high-accuracy chronometrically governed d-c motor. (318)

**DELAY LINE ESC** Electronics Corp., 534 Bergen Blvd., Palisades Park, N. J., has issued a mailing piece on the series 800 Trimline miniature trimmer delay line. (319)

**DIODE INTERCHANGEABILITY TABLES** Ohmite Mfg. Co., 3645 Howard St., Skokie, Ill. Bulletin 803 lists close to 900 germanium diodes in alphanumeric order along with the equivalent Ohmite numbers. (320)

**D-C AMPLIFIER** Dana Laboratories, Inc., 630 Young St., Santa Ana, Calif. Data sheet 8 describes model 2200 solid-state, low-level, wideband, differential d-c amplifier. (321)

**DIGITAL EQUIPMENT** Abacus, Inc., 1718 21st St., Santa Monica, Calif. Three-sheet foldout describes a line of digital modules, as well as custom digital systems. (322)

**RFI FILTERS** Hopkins Engineering Co., P.O. Box 191, San Fernando, Calif. Catalog describes 11 typical categories of rfi filter design solutions comprising more than 2,000 different designs. (323)

**ENVIRONMENTAL EQUIPMENT** Cincinnati Sub-Zero Products, Inc., 3930 Reading Road, Cincinnati 29, O. Twelve-page guide describes environmental equipment for modular testing of electronic components parts. (324)

**ENCAPSULATING SILICON RECTIFIERS** Epoxy Products Inc., 133 Coit St., Irvington, N. J. Information bulletin No. 4 describes a new technique for encapsulation of silicon rectifiers. (325)

**MODULAR DISCRIMINATOR SYSTEM** Data-Control Systems, Inc., Danbury,

Conn. A set of three specification sheets describe model GFD-5 sub-carrier discriminator and associated GFD-5/TU tuning units and GFD-5TU/L low pass filters. (326)

C-C TV CAMERAS General Electric Co., Schenectady 5, N. Y. Three brochures describe a complete line of compact vidicon cameras for closed-circuit tv applications. (327)

SPACE SIMULATION NRC Equipment Corp., 160 Charlemont St., Newton 61, Mass., has published an 8-page facilities bulletin entitled "Space Conquest Through Vacuum." (328)

AMPLIFIER AND POWER SUPPLY Massa Division of Cohu Electronics, Inc., 280 Lincoln St., Hingham, Mass. Two-page bulletin describes the 60 db amplifier and preamplifier power supply, model M-185. (329)

SUBMINIATURE TOROIDS Johnson Electronics, Inc., P. O. Box 7, Casselberry, Fla. Components catalog describes a variety of subminiature toroids available in a wide range of standard inductance values. (330)

VIDEO TAPE EDITING Minnesota Mining and Mfg Co., 2501 Hudson Rd., St. Paul 19, Minn. Articles on the use of splicing tape and marking pens in video tape editing are featured in the second issue of "Video Tape Playback". (331)

ROTARY SWITCH Disc Instruments, Inc., 3014-B So. Halliday St., Santa Ana, Calif., offers a bulletin containing design and construction information, specifications, dimensions and ordering information on model 10 Rotary switch. (332)

MERCURY - WETTED - CONTACT RELAYS Automatic Electric, Northlake, Ill., has available a 16-page catalog describing its line of mercury-wetted-contact relays. (333)

SLIP-RING CAPSULE Kollmorgen Corp., Northampton, Mass. Technical bulletin 326 describes a miniature 20-circuit slip-ring capsule. (334)

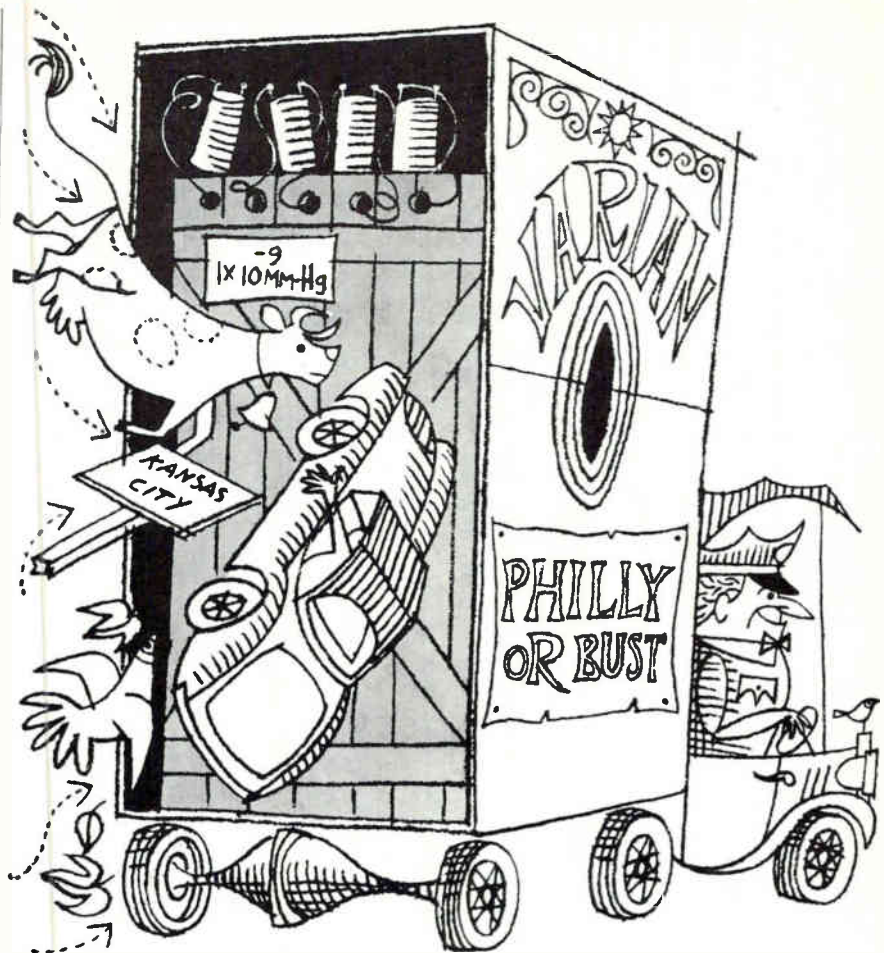
INDICATOR LAMP Transistor Electronics Corp., Box 6191, Minneapolis 24, Minn. Catalog sheet describes new solid-state indicator lamp with replaceable incandescent lamp. (335)

GLASS/EPOXY LAMINATES The Mica Corp., 4031 Elenda St., Culver City, Calif. Brochure details Micaply standard and thin grade glass/epoxy laminates available with and without copper cladding of various weights. (336)

MODULES AND CIRCUITS Burroughs Corp., Plainfield, N. J. A 40-page brochure No. 405 presents the latest modules and circuit information on the BEAM-X module line. (337)

TRANSFORMERS Marcus Transformer Co., Inc., Rahway, N. J. Catalog contains complete data on a line of dry and liquid-filled transformers through 10,000 Kva. (338)

COIL FORMS National Radio Co., 37 Washington St., Melrose, Mass., announces bulletin CO-8 which catalogs its line of coil forms. (339)



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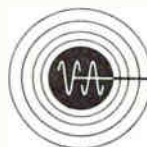
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## Tansitor Increases Plant Area

**TANSITOR ELECTRONICS, Inc.**, Bennington, Vermont, has recently completed its fourth plant expansion in seven years of operation.

The firm was established in 1955 by its current owner and president, A. F. Torrissi, for the manufacture of tantalum capacitors. It presently employs over 300 persons. Latest expansion increases Tansitor's plant area nearly 80 percent, bringing the total to 35,000 square feet.

Included is a 13,500-square foot structure (closest to swimming and skating pond in photo), connected

to the main building by a new combination corridor-cafeteria. This addition provides a 100-percent increase in manufacturing area for foil, wire-anode, and sintered-anode units. It also provides a three-fold increase in research and development area, and houses new equipment supplementing the existing facilities for environmental testing of capacitors.

Another part of the expansion is an 1,800-square foot building (at extreme left) in which chemical operations have been consolidated.



### ITT Appoints Graham Area Manager

**APPOINTMENT** of John J. Graham (picture), a vice president, as area general manager-North America for International Telephone and Telegraph Corp. has been announced by Harold S. Geneen, president.

In North America, Graham will be responsible for the U.S. Commercial Group, which he has headed since April 1962, and the U.S. De-

fense Group, which is headed by vice president Charles M. Mooney.

Geneen said the consolidation of ITT's manufacturing, marketing, research, and service operations in the U.S. and Canada under one management will accelerate the company's rate of growth in North America, facilitate the integration of newly acquired companies and product lines, and provide a focal point for serving U.S. defense requirements.

Graham joined ITT in December, 1961, as vice president and executive assistant to the president.

### Applied Technology Hires Hennies

**STUART R. HENNIES**, formerly with E-H Laboratories, Inc., has joined Applied Technology, Inc., Palo Alto, Calif., as senior engineer. He will

be involved in the development of advanced electronic reconnaissance, active countermeasures and microwave telemetry equipment.



### Elect Edward Klein Mepco President

**EDWARD L. KLEIN** has been elected president, chief executive officer and a member of the board of directors of Mepco, Inc., Morristown, N. J., an affiliate of Consolidated Electronics Industries Corp. He was formerly executive vice president of the company.

Mepco manufactures high reliability resistors and allied components for the electronics industry.



### Geoghegan Moves Up At Dearborn

**EAMONN D. A. GEOGHEGAN** has been named vice president of engineering at Dearborn Electronic Laboratories, Inc., Orlando, Fla. He will head up all engineering activity relating to the Dearborn line of missile reliability capacitors, radio frequency interference filters, and pulse forming networks.

Geoghegan started his career 35 years ago with RCA. His experience includes a variety of positions in engineering and management with various other companies. In 1951 he joined General Instrument Corp. and was named vice president of

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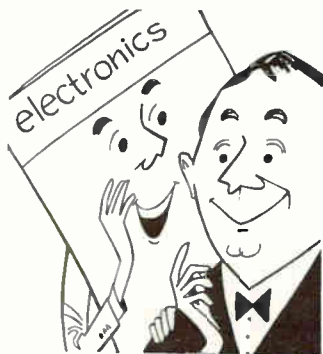
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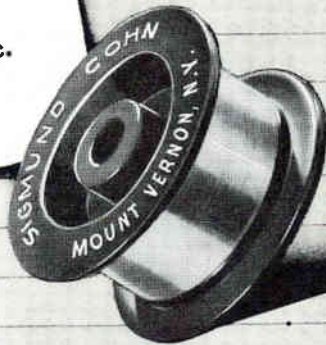
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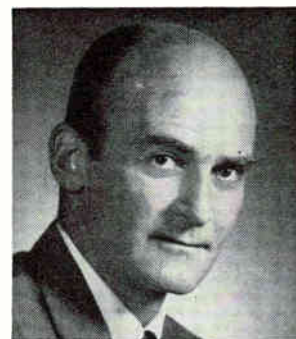


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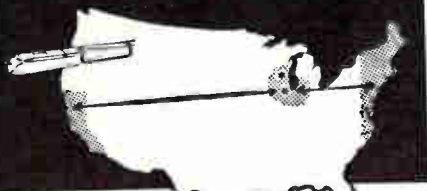
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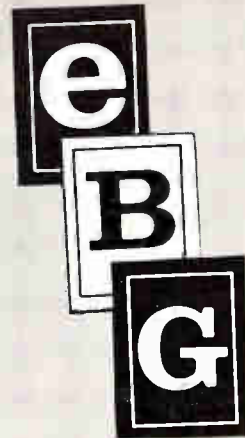
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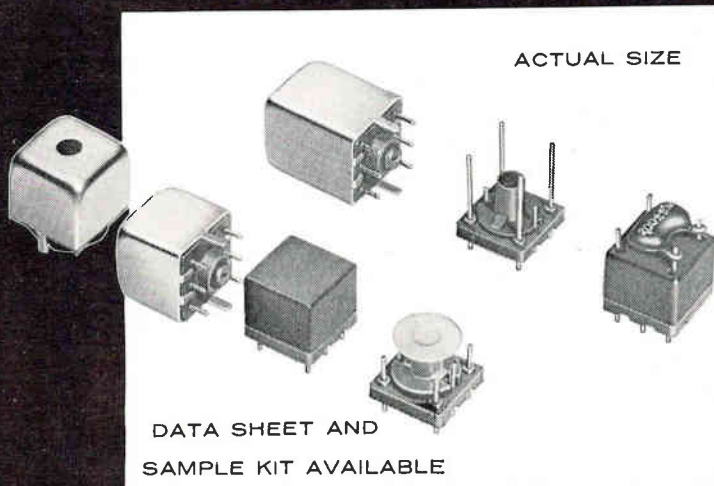
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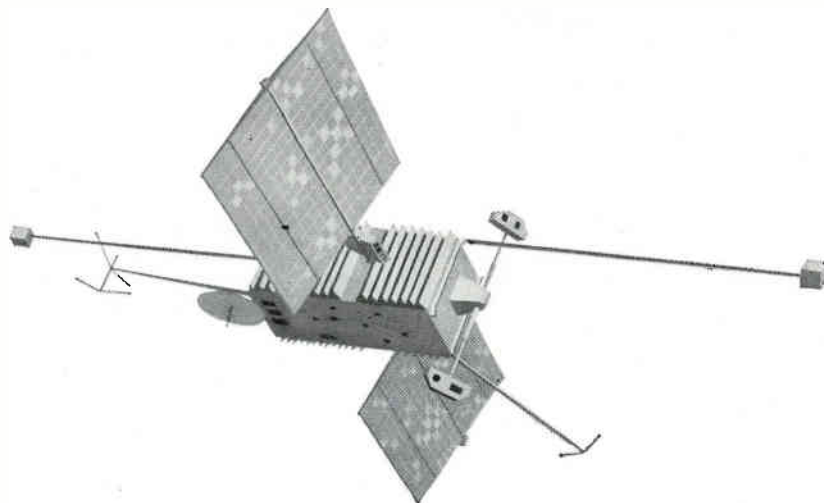
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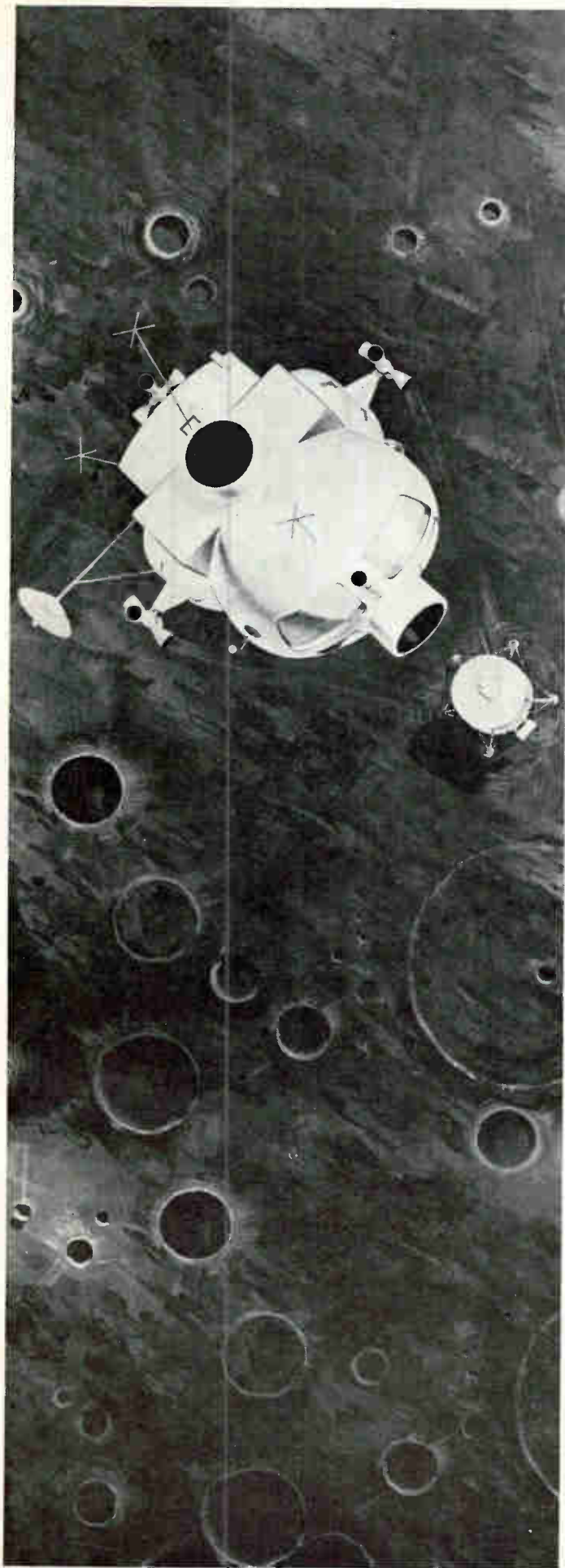
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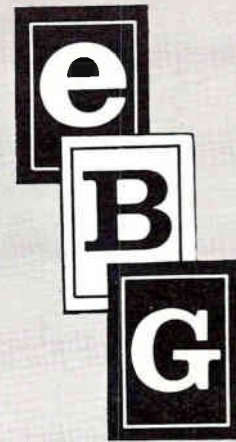
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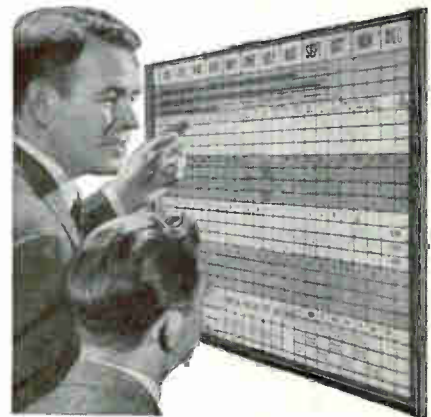
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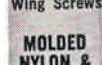
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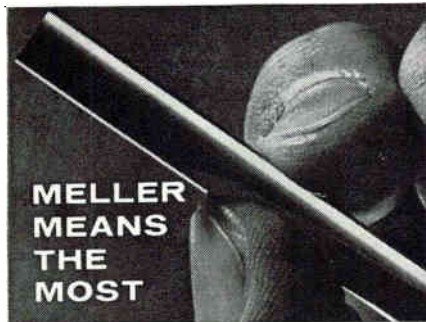
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